

SAM DIETER/Colby Free Press

Todd Kane dove for first after leading off the base late in the varsity baseball team's first Thursday seventh inning with a 10-9 victory. They will be playing here again Monday in regionals against night game against the Thomas Moore Prep-Marian Monarchs. The Eagles came back in the the Goodland Cowboys.

Colby teams to compete here in the regionals

and softball teams will both be going to nals, starting 5 p.m. at the ballfields. If p.m. the next day. the class 4A regionals here on Monday. they advance, their semifinal game will

The baseball team will face off against be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, in Hugoton and play their quarterfinal game at 5:30 p.m. same day at 6:30 p.m.

Colby High School's varsity baseball the Goodland Cowboys in the quarterfi- the final game for class 4A will be at 7 against the Ulysses Tigers. The semi finals in Ulysses will be Tuesday at 3 p.m. Thursday, May 23, in Salina. The Lady Eagles softball team will and the final class 4A game will be the

Kansas high school 4A class will vote on splitting five sports into divisions

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Colby schools will be voting by next month on whether to stay in smaller group.

The vote concerns whether the state class 4A grouping for football, baseball, volleyball, softball and girls' and boys' basketball

should be split into two divisions bottom of 4A." Colby Free Press according to size. Gary Musselman, executive director of the Kansas State High School Athlet-

for Colby to do that," said Larry

The association has been considering the decision all winter long, he said, because some of ics Association said the groups' the largest schools in the class board of directors voted April 26 are over two times the size of the Colby was not part of the decision

We would not say for certain

we wouldn't."

The class includes high schools statewide with between 258 and 729 students. Colby High School had 215 students enrolled by the ing. start of this school year.

and they're all in 4A," Musselman said. "So if you're in one of the smaller 4A's, it's like we don't times it's the nature of the sport," have the numbers."

If the districts vote to split, foot-

sions starting in 2014, and the rest many opinions as there are people will divide immediately. All other in this. sports will stay in one 4A group-

The five sports, he said were "You can go from Hugoton and the ones where it was decided the size advantage was a big enough problem.

"I think they felt like some

ball will be divided into two divi- Musselman said, "there's about as

Gabel felt that track is the next sport the class should consider splitting up.



Softball must register soon

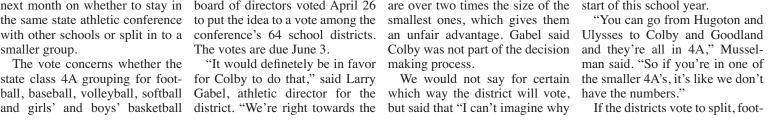
The Colby Recreation Department's coed and men's softball deadlines are coming up on Wednesday May 22. League play will begin for men on Thursday, May 30 and for coed on Sunday, June 2. Team entry for men is \$225 and coed \$250.

Register at the Community Building or Sports Shoppe, at 2080 South Franklin. All players must sign the roster as a release form. Be sure to review the rules because there are a few changes, specifically with the use of illegal

McCarty Dairy and Crop Production Services/Coors won the coed and men's Championships last season and have free entry for this year's league.

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