Trojans crush Wesleyan team

Colby loses game two by just four

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The Colby College men's basketball team came a few buckets short of two victories in the Western Sprinklers Classic at the Community Building this weekend.

The Trojans blew out Kansas Wesleyan University's junior varsity team from Salina 87-53 on Friday, but lost to Northeastern Junior College from Sterling, Colo., 76-72 on Saturday.

Sophomore Michael Morris had 21 points, 15 rebounds and five blocks against Kansas Wesleyan. Freshman Hurley Johnson scored 14 points, freshman A.J. Barber chipped in 12 and sophomore Terrell Bruce and freshman Corey Billingslea had 11 each. Colby only had eight turnovers, while forcing the Coyotes to commit

Coach Dustin Pfeifer said he had challenged Morris, Bruce and Barber to step up their game and they had all responded.

Barber banked a shot in off the glass and drilled a three-pointer to put Colby up 5-0 early in the first game. Later in the half, freshman Carson Konrade nailed a threepointer to make it 23-10.

Morris made his presence felt in the paint, grabbing rebounds and consistently scoring inside. Johnson hit a three that pushed the Trojans' lead to 36-19 with less than six minutes left in the half. Morris made a fade-away jumper over two defenders inside the lane to make it 45-23 near the break.

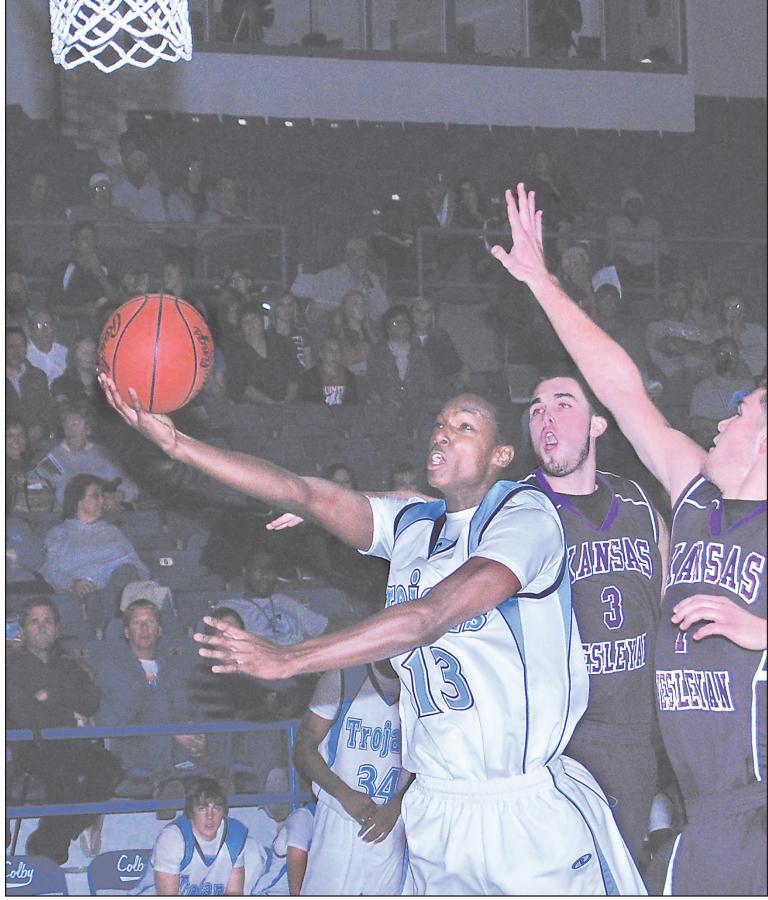
Morris showed off all facets of his game in the second half: blocking a shot, picking off a pass and drilling a three. The Trojans dominated the offensive glass, holding Kansas Wesleyan to one-shot possessions for most of the half. Billingslea put the exclamation point on the game with an explosive one-hand slam that increased the Trojans' lead to 85-49.

In the next game, the men blew a 44-29 halftime lead on the way to a 76-72 loss to Northeastern.

Barber had a team-high 17 points and freshman Vincent Dilliard added 13. Johnson and Bruce each put in 11 and Morris led the team in rebounds with nine

The Eagles' stingy defense kept the Plainsmen off balance for much of the first half, but the momentum shifted decisively in the second half.

Barber provided the spark for Colby's offense in the first. He



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Colby College freshman Vincent Dilliard went up for a layup in ketball team from Salina on Friday at the Community Building. the Trojans' game against Kansas Wesleyan's junior varsity bas- The Trojans crushed the Coyotes 87-53.

early 6-0 lead. Later, Barber bur-Trojans' lead to 20-14 with less than 10 minutes left in the half. Then Barber penetrated up the to Konrade, who knocked down a

Northeastern outscored the Trojans 23 to seven, narrowing the gap to 52-51 in the first part of the second half. Then the Plains- game at 72 with less than a min-

drilled a three-pointer with a hand a rebound and scored inside to in his face to give his team an give Sterling a 53-52 lead. Northeastern's swarming defense gave ied another three that extended the Colby trouble in the second half, forcing the Trojans to commit 12 of their 19 turnovers.

"We have to be stronger with middle before kicking the ball out the ball down the stretch," Pfeifer

The Plainsmen built up a 69-64 lead before Bruce knocked down a three-pointer from the left baseline. Colby managed to tie the men's Kameron Pearce grabbed ute left. Pearce pulled down an

in off the glass, giving the Plainsmen a 74-72 lead with 20 seconds remaining. Then Johnson had the ball stolen from him near the top of the key, which led to a layup by Northeastern's James Stukes.

Colby shot a little over 37 percent in the game, connecting on 19 of 51 shots. The coach said missed free throws really hurt his team's chances of winning. The Trojans made just 29 of 47. Pfeifer said his team is winning half the battle by getting to the line so many times,

offensive rebound and banked it but the players need to make their free throws

> The Trojans' record is now 1-2. The team will hold the annual Ambassador Classic on Thursday, Friday and Saturday at the Community Building. Colby plays its first game at 7 p.m. against the Kansas State University in Salina men's club team. The men will face Raleigh Preparatory School from Oklahoma City at 7 p.m. on Friday and Southeast Community College from Nebraska at 7 p.m.

halftime with the Buffaloes up 35-

Coaches will teach baseball

Colby Community College coaches will be teaching a Fundamentals of Baseball clinic for players in second through eighth grades starting at 10 a.m. Saturday at the baseball field or the gymnasium on campus.

The program, put on by the Colby Recreation Department, will last two hours; cost is \$35 per student. Sign up at the Community Building by Thursday.

The coaches will teach base running, pitching, fielding, catching and hitting. The coaches will repeat the same clinic the following Saturday.

For information, call the department at (785) 460-4440 or e-mail recreation@ cityofcolby.com.

The department recently received a \$400 donation from Midwest Energy. Director Stacy Lee said the money will be used to buy summer baseball and softball equipment, including balls, bats and other gear.

Kansas City loses to rival in overtime

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) - Tom Cable walked into the interview room with a big smile and proudly declared: "How was that for excit-

It sure was, coach.

Jason Campbell and Jacoby Ford connected on two big pass plays to set up a tying field goal in the final seconds of regulation and then Sebastian Janikowski's 33yard game-winner in overtime to give the Oakland Raiders a 23-20 win over the AFC West rival Kansas City Chiefs on Sunday.

The Raiders (5-4) overcame 15 penalties, three turnovers, a 10-point halftime deficit and a questionable call that cost them the lead to put together their biggest win in eight years.

Oakland has won three straight games for the first time since 2002. That was also the last time the Raiders had a winning record this late in the season.

Ford ran back the opening kick of the second half 94 yards for a touchdown to get the Raiders back into the game after a lackluster first half and then made big catches the rest of the way as the deep threat that has been lacking in Oakland in recent years.

The biggest play came late in regulation when Ford leaped to steal the ball away from cornerback Brandon Flowers and came down for a 29-yard gain at the 22.

The Raiders spiked the ball with 7 seconds left and Janikowski drilled a 41-yard field goal to send the game to overtime.

Then after the Raiders stopped the Chiefs on three plays of the opening drive in overtime, Ford made a diving 47-yard catch on a deep ball from Campbell to set up the winning kick.

Kansas Jayhawks make greatest comeback in school history

used to great comebacks.

Take the 2008 NCAA basketball title game in which the Jayhawks rallied from nine points down in the final two minutes to beat Memphis in overtime.

But in football? Simple victories have been scarce, much less miracle comebacks.

That changed Saturday when

to beat Colorado 52-45. It was the greatest comeback in Kansas his-

"I'm still in shock," said Johnathan Wilson, who caught a 38yard touchdown pass with 9:26 left to cut the Buffaloes' lead to 14 points after Kansas recovered an onside kick. "The Colorado guys

LAWRENCE (AP) - Kansas is swered points in the final 11:05 ally had no response. All of a sudand overcame a 28-point deficit den we started making plays and playing our game and they shut up real quick.'

The 35 points in the fourth quarter were the most in Jayhawks his-

James Sims scored four touchdowns, all in the final 19 minutes, including the game-winner of 28 yards with 52 seconds left. He finished with 123 yards on 20 car-

"I don't want to have to be in that situation again, having to come back like that," Sims said.

side kick and brought it down and scored and the defense got that pick, we felt like we were in the game."

Linebacker Steven Johnson said first-year Kansas coach Turner Gill had a prophetic message at

"He said, 'You all need to come out here and get ready for the best

comeback ever," Johnson said.





