

# Royals end streak with 11-2 win

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Dee Brown's three-run homer keyed a six-run first inning, and Carlos Beltran added a three-run shot in the third as the Kansas City Royals snapped a five-game losing streak with an 11-2 win over the Texas Rangers on Wednesday night.

Kansas City pounded Texas starter **P a t Mahomes** (3-4) for seven runs and eight hits in one inning plus two batters. It was **M a h o m e s'** shortest outing of his 59 career starts.

Royals starter **D a n Reichert** (5-4) took advantage of the early run support, allowing two runs and nine hits in 7 1-3 innings. Reichert struck out three and walked six.

**J e r m a i n e D y e** and rookie **E n d y Chavez** and **B e l t r a n** all had three hits for the Royals, who had 19 in all, one short of matching their season-high.

Every starter had at least one hit and scored at least one run for Kansas City, which had lost eight of 10.

The Royals did all the damage in the first with two outs, started by **M i k e Sweeney's** single and **D y e's** hit-and-run single that sent **Sweeney** to third.

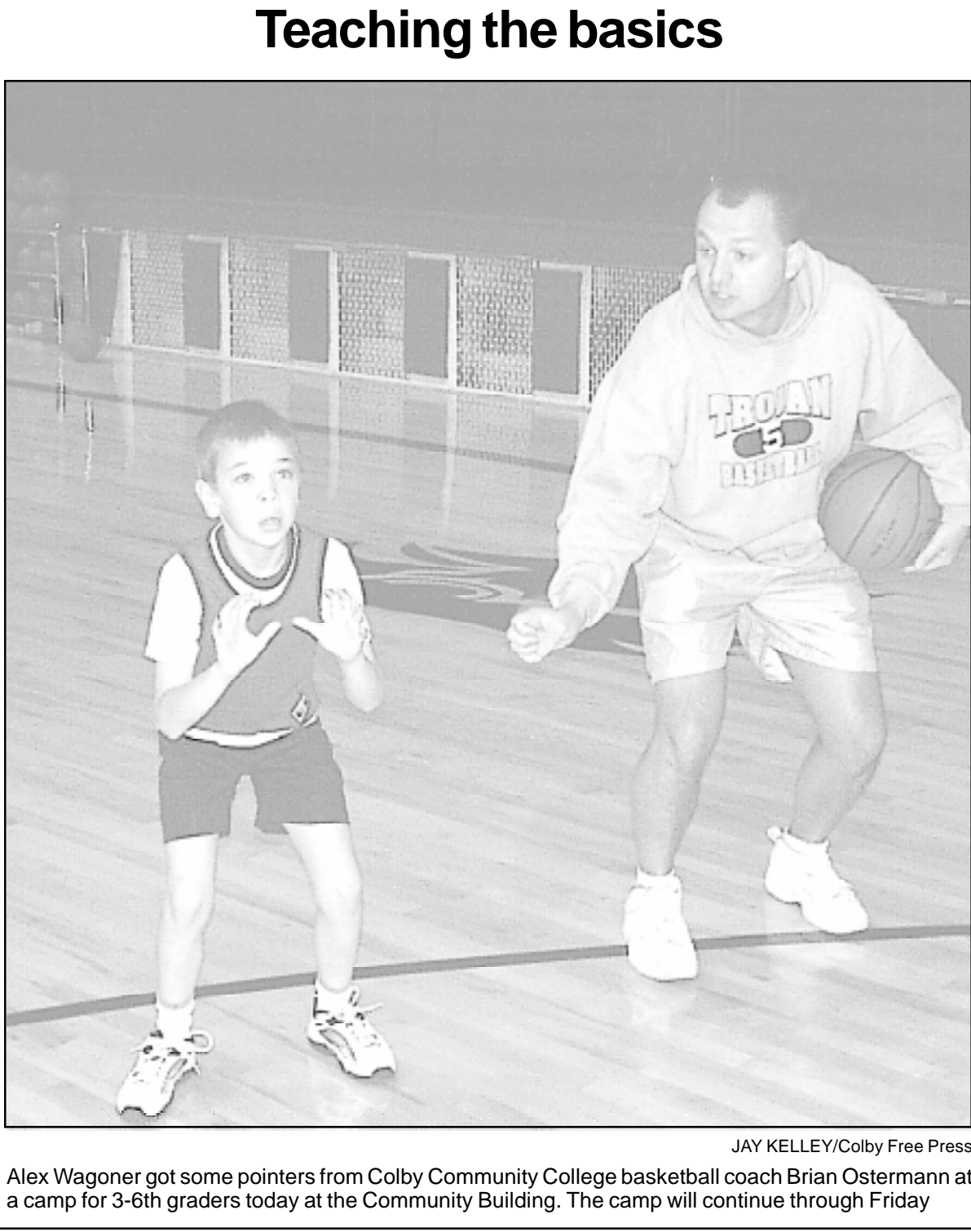
**J o e Randa** hit an RBI double, then **Brown** followed with his three-run blast off the facing of the upper deck in right field for a 4-0 lead.

**L u i s A l i c e a** tripled and scored on **H e c t o r O r t i z's** single. **Chavez** added an RBI double.

The Royals knocked out **M a h o m e s** in the second with a single and an error, then **D y e** had an RBI single off reliever **M i k e J u d d** for a 7-0 lead.

Texas got a run in the third on **K e n C a m i n i t i's** single, but Kansas City made it 11-1 with a four-run third on **Chavez's** RBI single and **B e l t r a n's** three-run homer.

**C a m i n i t i's** solo homer in the fifth narrowed Kansas City's lead to 11



Alex Wagoner got some pointers from Colby Community College basketball coach Brian Ostermann at a camp for 3-6th graders today at the Community Building. The camp will continue through Friday

## Teaching the basics

# Trojans recruit four from the East Coast

Colby Community College men's basketball coach **B r i a n O s t e r m a n n** announced Tuesday the signing of four more out of state players for next season's Trojan squad.

Two Maryland and two Carolina prep standouts have signed with Colby, according to sports information director **C h a d O s t e r m a n n**.

**P i e r r e T u c k e r**, a 6'6" forward, played last season at St. Thomas More Prep school in Connecticut.

He graduated from **D u n b a r H i g h S c h o o l** in Baltimore in 2000 where he averaged 15 points and 12 rebounds a game.

During his junior year, **T u c k e r** averaged 15 points and 15 rebounds. Coming out of high school, he was rated a top 500 national recruit by **H o o p S c o o p M a g a z i n e**. **T u c k e r** was coached by **S m i l e y L e e** at Dunbar.

**O s t e r m a n n** commented on the signing of **T u c k e r**, "Pierre is the inside-outside guy we like in our system. We recruited Pierre out of high school and he contacted us after leaving prep school. He is a very intense player and will be very good in the Jayhawk Conference."

**M a r c u s H a r r i s o n**, a 6'7" forward from Mergenthaler High School, averaged 25.8 points per game this past year, helping Mergenthaler to a 17-6 record. The long and lanky **H a r r i s o n** earned third Team All-State honors in Maryland his senior year.

**H a r r i s o n** was coached by **D a r r y l W a d e** and is the son of **M i c h a e l H a r r i s o n** and **R e n a e H a r r i s o n**.

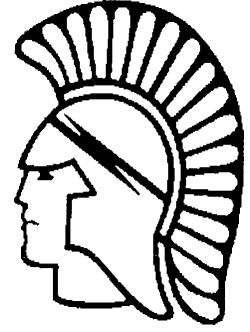
**R i c k y M y e r s**, a 5'9" guard, will come to Colby from Charlotte, North Carolina. **M y e r s** led West Charlotte High School to a 23-5 record.

He averaged 10 points and 8 assists per game for Coach **G o s n e l l W h i t e**. **M y e r s** will bring his 37-inch vertical jump to the Trojan line-up.

**D a v i d W r i g h t**, a 6'8" center, will come to Trojan Country from Mount Pleasant, South Carolina. **W r i g h t** led Timberline High School with 16.9 points per game while also collecting 8.0 rebounds per contest.

He was selected to play in the annual North/South game. **W r i g h t** was a Third Team All-State selection as well as garnering All-Region honors. He was coached by **J e r o m e S t e w a r t**.

**O s t e r m a n n** said he was pleased with the potential of all the players picked up so far. "We are very fortunate."



## Baker University has Colby connection

By JAY KELLEY

Colby Free Press

All of the orange on softball fans in Colby this spring may not have been for the Colby High School Lady Eagles.

The Baker Lady Orange softball team had a Colby connection in finishing second in the Heart of America Athletic Conference this season.

Senior **C a s e y M c G i n l e y** is the daughter of **J e r r y** and **C i n d y M c G i n l e y**, both graduates of Colby High School. She is the granddaughter of **E u g e n e** and the late **B o n n i e T r o m p e t e r** of Brewster and Walt and **J e a n D e i n e s** of Bogue, but formerly of Colby.

Other relatives still in Colby are **C r a i g** and **A n i t a H i l l s**, **D a r y l** and **G a y l a B r o w n**, **G o r d o n** and **J u d y G i l b e r t**, **B o b**

and **L i s a** and **B i l l** and **M a u r e e n B r o w n**.

**C a s e y** was a team captain with a .397 batting average and a .920 fielding average. She led the conference in runs scored and was second in stolen base percentage.

She was first team all conference, team most

valuable player and offensive player of the year.

"Casey was one of the most technically perfect players I've ever coached," said Orange coach **A m y C a r l s o n**. "(She has a) strong arm, explosive quickness and exceptional attitude."

**M c G i n l e y** plans to graduate in December and go to graduate school, majoring in psychology. She and fiancé **J a k e W r i g h t**, a pitcher for the University of Kansas, plan to marry in the fall of next year.



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## Area Briefs

Colby recreation and Colby Community College basketball coach **B r i a n O s t e r m a n** and **T o m S t e p h e n s** are teaming up for basketball league this summer. Girls games will be played on Mondays and Wednesdays and boys on Tuesdays and Thursdays for five weeks, starting this week. For more information for the girls league, call **C. W. C h e n e y** at 462-4440 or **T o m S t e p h e n s** at 362-3984, ext. 269. For information on the boys' league, call **C h e n e y** or **O s t e r m a n** at 462-3984, ext. 262

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