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Freshman Shamar Acuay tried to muscle in a shot during Wednesday's game against Butler County. The Trojans lost to the Grizzlies 60-57.

Trojans lose close contest

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The Colby Community College mens basketball team let a 15-point halftime lead slip away, losing to Butler County 60-57 on Wednesday night at the Colby Community Building.

The Trojans led the Grizzlies 43-28 at halftime and seemed to have thing well in hand in the opening minutes of the second half. Sophomore Anthony Rohr pulled down a rebound and stuck it back in to give Colby a 48-33 lead with 17:30 to go.

But Butler County fought their way back into the game. They cut the Trojans lead to 62-60

after a Grizzlies' player drilled a three with a little less than 4 minutes left. Things would only get worse for Colby.

Erick Peguero was called for a shooting foul with 2:41 left. He disagreed with the call and said something to the referee that led to him getting a technical foul. The Grizzlies' player who was fouled knocked down both free throws and Butler's technical shooter hit 1 of 2 to tie the game at 64.

Freshman Aireus Stephenson nailed a short jump shot from the baseline while being fouled to give the Trojans a 66-65 advantage. He drained the free throw to put Colby up two. bit the Grizzlies managed to score on the

other end to tie the game at 67.

The Trojans were unable to score on their next possession. Keyon Milliner of Butler was fouled on the Grizzlies' next possession. He made both of his free throws to give Butler a two-point advantage. Stephenson missed a tough shot inside that was rebounded by a Grizzlies' defender, who was fouled by freshman Marcel Lewis with practically no time remaining. He made 1 of 2 and Butler took home a three-point victory.

The loss dropped Colby to 5-23 overall and 3-11 in the Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference West. The Trojans will play again at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday at Hutchinson.

Wrestling championships will be broadcast on television

Smoky Hills Public Television plans to broadcast the Class 3-2-1A State Wrestling Championships live from Fort Hays State University on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 27-28.

Friday, live coverage of the quarter-finals and semi-finals will run from 1:30 to 7 p.m. Saturday's live coverage of the championship finals will air from 4 to 7 p.m.

The station also will run a taped, delayed encore broadcast of the finals at 1 p.m. Sunday, March 1.

Former state champion Troy Reitcheck of Topeka will handle the play-by-play with Mike Holli-

day of Eagle Radio, Hays, as color commentator.

This marks the 26th consecutive year that Smoky Hills has broadcast the state competition, and the sixth for live coverage of the quarter-final, semi-final and final rounds.

Last year, Smoky Hills Public Television was recognized as Media of the Year for its coverage of 3-2-1A state wrestling by the Kansas Wrestling Coaches Association.

"Smoky Hills Public Television recognizes that celebrating the best of Kansas community life

reinforces the values that hold our communities together," said General Manager Lawrence Holden, "Certainly high school activities are an important part of that equation."

DVDs of the station's broadcast will be available by contacting Malinda Walker at (800) 337-4788 or (785) 483-6990, or by e-mail to sports@shptv.org.

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Nuggets get a lift from veteran guard

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The Nuggets were flat and getting flattened after a six-day layoff when George Karl urged his team to show some pride and get going.

Billups scored 17 of his 22 points in the third quarter and rallied Denver back from a 16-point deficit to lead the Nuggets to their third straight win, 101-89 over the Philadelphia 76ers on Wednesday night.

"With a team like ours, we can make that up," Billups said. "We've got too many shooters."

Carmelo Anthony had 26 points and 14 rebounds, and Nene scored 17 for the Northwest Division leaders. Denver looked sluggish in the first half and its poor shooting seemed indicative of a team coming off a lengthy All-Star break.

Anthony and Billups wouldn't stay cold for long, shooting a combined 8-for-15 from the floor in the third quarter to help the Nuggets overcome a double-digit hole at halftime.

"Billups changed the attitude of this game," Karl said. "He's pretty special. He takes responsibility to win the game."

Billups got the better of Andre

Miller in the battle of the veteran point guards. Miller gave him a good push with 17 points through the first 2-plus quarters, but strained his right calf with about 7½ minutes left in the third. He'll have an MRI on Thursday. His injury, combined with Andre Iguodala's foul trouble, derailed the Sixers game in the second half.

"We've just got to regroup and forget this one," said Iguodala, who scored made only one field goal.

"We've got to focus defensively and until we understand that's how we're going to win games, it's going to hurt."

Trojans volleyball signs player

Defensive specialist Amy Melvin daughter of Billy and Donna Melvin from Sutherland, Neb. signed a letter of Intent to play at Colby Community College for 2009. Melvin, a Vet Tec major, will play a key role on defense for the Trojans next year.

"Amy is a good server and needs to polish her passing a bit, to become as strong in the back row as I would like her to be, but she is determined and a hard worker."

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Lady Wildcats offense stifled in 52-43 loss to Lady Tigers

COLUMBIA (AP) — Jessra Johnson scored 17 points as Missouri stifled 16th-ranked Kansas State 52-43 on Wednesday night, the Wildcats' worst offensive outing of the season.

Kansas State entered the game averaging 64.3 points and had only been held below 50 points once previously this season, in a 64-48 loss to Oklahoma on Jan. 14.

Ashley Sweat scored 17 points for the Wildcats, who had just two assists as they played without Big 12 assists leader Shalee Lehning. The senior point guard is out with mononucleosis.

Missouri (12-12, 3-8) trailed 16-10 midway through the first half but went on a 16-4 run to close the period, taking the lead for good

at 19-18 on a Johnson layup with 4:41 left in the half.

The Tigers led 20-26 at halftime and pushed the margin to as many as 14 points in the second half, never letting Kansas State get closer than nine points in the final 20 minutes.

Alyssa Hollins added 13 points and Shakara Jones finished with 12 for Missouri.

Kansas State shot 31 percent from the floor and finished just 1-for-18 from 3-point range. Missouri also forced Kansas State into 15 turnovers.

"I don't think you ever want to

say a team dominated someone, but it was probably the best defensive performance we have had all season," Missouri coach Cindy Stein said.

Missouri, which had lost four of its last five games, clearly grabbed the momentum in the first half, Kansas State coach Deb Patterson said.

"They just brought the intensity, the desire and the hard work at that 12-minute mark," Patterson said. "It really seemed like they got confident with each and every possession."

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