

Colby rocks Classic foes while going 3-0

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The tough transition from high school to Colby Community College basketball has brought something that makes freshman Joey Meyer feel right at home: Win, baby, win.

"It's a different team. It's a new environment," the four-time Scott City state champion said. "But we're 5-0 and that's pretty good." Meyer's smart all-out hustle helped the Trojans beat both Colorado Northwestern College, 84-72, and Lamar Community College, 84-77, for Ambassador Classic top honors.

The Trojans trailed early in both contests, but took charge to build double-digit leads by halftime.

Sophomore Jeremiah Ingram's alley-oop slam dunk started a 53-point Colby second half on Saturday against Lamar. His game-high 29 points included an 11-for-12 effort at the foul line.

"We work on free throws more than you know. Because if we don't hit them in practice, we run," Ingram explained. "Nobody wants to run, so we knock them down."

Forward David Tait's slam dunk on a follow shot seemed to change momentum on Friday against Colorado Northwestern.

Yet the real igniter was sophomore guard Terry Starks, who tallied 25 points while hitting nine-of-13 shots.

Colby also outrebounded the Trojans, 63-40.

"I only got three (rebounds)? Dang," Starks said. "But it still feels great (to be unbeaten)."

All five Trojan wins have occurred in the Colby Community Building.

They'll face their first road test of the season Friday night at Air Force JV.

"Most teams can win at home, but it's road games that make the great teams," coach Rusty Grafel said. "Great teams find a way to win on the road."

Colby (84) — Terry Starks 25 points, Jeremiah Ingram 15,



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Forward David Tait soared in to slam-dunk this follow shot during Colby Community College's 84-72 win over Colorado Northwestern College at the Ambassador Classic Friday evening.

Ramon Johnson 11, Branden Williams 8, Gage Deis 6, Joey Meyer 4, Jamal Jones 4, Justin Talley 4, David Tait 4. Rebound leaders: Deis 7, Tait 6, Johnson 6. Assists: Starks 3, Deis 3, Anthony Barley 3. Steals: Deis 3. Blocked shots: Tait, Starks, Jones.

Colorado Northwestern (72) — Chris Spotser's 16 points paced the Spartans.

Saturday
Colby (84) — Ingram 29 points, Starks 15, Deis 8, Tait 7, Meyer 6, Jones 6, Johnson 6, Williams 5, Talley 2. Rebound leaders: Ingram 13, Deis 5. Assists: Starks 5. Steals: Six Trojans with 1. Blocked shot: Ingram.
Lamar (77) — Tiwian Kennedy's 23 points led the Lamar Lopers.

Trojan women fall short twice

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Unfortunately, four halves didn't add up to two strong games for the Colby Community College women's basketball team last weekend.

The Trojans (1-4 record) took an early 11-point lead over a select Fort Carson (Colo.) Military team Saturday, only to be outscored by 15 after halftime in their 68-53 defeat.

On Friday, Colby fell behind Phoenix College by as many as 30 before a second-half rally.

Yet the Trojans also lost that contest by a 58-40 final count.

"The one constant thing is we play only one half of basketball," new head coach Antowin Edwards confirmed. "Just because you play one good half of basketball doesn't mean you win the game. It's back to the drawing board."

Ariel Hutchinson (11 points) and Deja Cato (nine on four-for-eight shooting) tallied 20 of those 40 Trojan points Friday night.

On Saturday, guards Tori Biddle and McKenna Ortner both buried bombs from three-point land to form an early 11-4 lead. Colby's advantage grew to 21-9 before Fort Carson began its comeback.

Colby High senior Hailiegh Shull joined the Fort Carson all-star team in this Classic. She scored five points and collected a game-high 13 rebounds against Colby.

Fort Carson also defeated No. 15 nationally-ranked Western Ne-



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The Colby Community College Trojan mascot helped fans stay entertained during the Ambassador Classic.

braska Community College Friday night.

Scoring summaries and Trojan leaders from last weekend's two games:

Friday
Colby (40) — Ariel Hutchinson 11 points, Deja Cato 9, Amanda Miller 6, Semaj Blanton 6, Brianna Salas 5, Loren Evans 4. Rebound leaders: Tori Biddle 5, Cordae McKelvy 5. Assists: Miller 1, Salas 1. Steals: Miller 3, Hutchinson 2. Blocked shot: Miller.
Phoenix College (58) — Dasha Jackson's 15 points paced

team and Jayhawk League co-champion Hutchinson College (27-10).

Hutchinson has beaten Colby three times since the Trojans' terrific five-set win in early September.

In Sunday's Region VI action, the Blue Dragons beat Colby 25-

Phoenix.

Saturday
Colby (53) — Deandra Williams 11 points, McKenna Ortner 9, Hutchinson 8, Biddle 7, Miller 6, Cato 5, Sierra Green 3, Blanton 2, McKelvy 2. Rebound leaders: Cato 6, Miller 5. Assists: Blanton 2, Cato 2. Steals: Miller 1, Cato 1.
Fort Carson (68) — Kanessa Mercer's 22 points and 20 from Ashley Laundry led Fort Carson.

No. 1-ranked Lions ruin Crusader quest in semifinals

After topping 60 points five times this season, powerful Cair Pavel could only score six before halftime against Heartland Christian Saturday night in Topeka.

"We held them to their lowest scoring outing of the year," coach Steve Ziegelmeier said about the Crusaders' first Final Four state playoff game.

The top-ranked Lions had still only reached 20 points through three periods.

However, a 20-point fourth quarter finally stopped Heartland Christian one win short of the Kansas Christian Activities state championship game.

Cair Pavel prevailed 40-20 over a Crusader team that doesn't feature one senior.

"I'm proud of the guys, but they know they can do a little better," Ziegelmeier said. "We definitely didn't lose this game because of

the first two sets again today, but Colby rallied to win those next three including a thrilling 15-12 finale.

The Trojans also beat Seward County in a five-set opening regional thriller on Sunday afternoon. Watch for more results and final details Wednesday.

The Lions countered with Benjamin Higgins' three touchdowns. Besides his 55-yard reception, Higgins scored on a 10-yard run and 45-yard pass interception return.

Sophomore Tristan Marsh also ran for two TDs (20, four yards).

The Cair Pavel Lions will play for a state championship this weekend.



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Colby Community College freshman Michael Kinithia (75) kept pace with many of the top runners during Saturday's National Junior College Athletic Association championship meet at Fort Dodge, Iowa. Kinithia finished just one place from All-American honors.

Trojans miss highest goals

Finishing among the nation's seven best junior college cross country teams on Saturday did not satisfy coach James Ortiz or his Trojan runners.

"We fell one meet short," coach James Ortiz said as his Trojans were listed third by the Hill-N-Dale rankings entering the national championship race at Fort Dodge, Iowa. They had won a second consecutive Region VI championship during their previous meet.

The Trojans outran 32 of 39 teams that qualified to compete in Saturday's ultimate 8K showdown.

However, their 223 points were 25 too many for a top five finish. Central Arizona College (38 points) repeated as national champions followed by Iowa Central (53), South Plains, Texas, College (98), El Paso, Texas, Community College (151) and Paradise Valley (Ariz.) Community College (198).

Fellow Kansas qualifier Allen Community College (210) finished one place ahead of the Trojans. Colby freshman Mike Kinithia was also one spot from All-American honors, taking 16th (26:14.6) in this field of 298 collegiate runners.

Kinithia was ranked 33rd entering the race.

Other Colby finishers were Chris Speaks in 47th (26:50), Omar Trevino in 48th (26:51) Gunnar Hays in 59th (27:03), Josh



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Freshman Chris Speaks and teammate Omar Trevino (right behind Speaks) both reached the nation's top 50 Saturday.

Quiroga in 62nd (27:05), Colin Grueber in 77th (27:25) and Brandon Levi in 97th (27:44).

Trevino finished 47 places higher than his 95th national ranking entering the race.

"After the race, if you would have looked at my guys, you would have thought this team got lost," Ortiz commented. "They were devastated. I'm proud my men having such high expectations for themselves and I love that seventh in nation isn't good enough for them. This program is in a good place."

Central Arizona won the team title after spending the entire season at the top of the national polls.

Freshman Harry Mulenga also won the individual championship (24:39.5). Mulenga was ranked second entering the race.

No. 1-rated Antibahs Chumbott Kosgei of South Plains College finished sixth.

The Trojans outran other Kansas national-qualifying teams like Garden City (11th, 332 points), Butler (30th, 852 points) Scott Community (34th, 1,003 points) and Barton (36th, 1,012 points).

A glance at the top five individual placers in Saturday's national championship race: 1. Mulenga 24:39.5; 2. Frankline Tonui, Iowa Central, 24:52.7; 3. Tahir Chakisso, Iowa Central, 25:09.4; 4. Todd Jackson, Central Arizona, 25:23.7; 5. Bernad Keter, Cloud County, 25:27.

Public Notice

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THOMAS COUNTY, KANSAS

FARMERS AND MERCHANTS BANK OF COLBY, PLAINTIFF,

VS.

TITLE TO REAL ESTATE INVOLVED SHANNON V. HARRIS, SHANE M. HARRIS, AND SHARIE R. HARRIS, THE HEIRS AT LAW OF DANIEL C. HARRIS, DECEASED DEFENDANTS.

CASE NO. 2013-CV-46

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of an Order of Sale issued to the Clerk of the District Court of Thomas County, Kansas, in the above action, wherein the parties above named were, respectively, Plaintiff and Defendant, to me the undersigned Undersheriff of Thomas County, Kansas, I will offer for sale at public auction and sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand, at the front door of the Courthouse in the City of Colby, Kansas, in said County of Thomas, State of Kansas, on the 5th day of December, 2013, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. of said day, the following described real estate situated in the County of Thomas, State of Kansas, to-wit:

All of Lot Sixteen (16), Block Four (4), Pioneer Subdivision to the City of Colby, Thomas County, Kansas, as shown by the recorded plat thereof.

This sale is to satisfy the judgment in the above entitled case, said sale to be made without appraisal and subject to the three month redemption period of the Defendants, and further subject to the approval of the Court.

MARC FINLEY UNDERSHERIFF

Law Office of John D. Gatz By Lindsey D. Moore #23135 P. O. Box 346 Colby, KS 67701-0346 785-460-3383 Attorney for Plaintiff

The Law Office of John D. Gatz, as attorney for Farmers and Merchants Bank, is attempting to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Public Notice

Notice of Public Information Meeting Colby Area Transportation Plan

November 14, 2013 10:00 - 11:00 AM

The Kansas Department of Transportation in partnership with the City of Colby and Thomas County will hold a public information meeting regarding the Area Transportation Plan (ATP). The ATP study area is generally on the south side of Colby and includes the areas surrounding Range Avenue and Country Club Drive between Horton Avenue and College Drive. The ATP is an important plan which outlines transportation infrastructure improvements needed to provide a safe and efficient transportation system for Colby. Recent development and potential future growth on the south side of Colby are driving the need for the plan. Recommendations from the plan will be presented. The Public Information Meeting will be conducted at the Law Enforcement Training Center at 360 North Franklin Avenue in Colby. A presentation will begin at 10:00 a.m. on November 14, 2013 followed by time for discussion/comments.

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Trojan spikers rally into Region VI final

Moments before press time today, the Colby Community College volleyball team finished a five-set comeback win over Barton College to reach that Region VI championship match.

Colby (25-9 record) was set to play for a national tournament spot at 3 p.m. against region home

team and Jayhawk League co-champion Hutchinson College (27-10).

Hutchinson has beaten Colby three times since the Trojans' terrific five-set win in early September.

In Sunday's Region VI action, the Blue Dragons beat Colby 25-

8, 20-25, 25-17, 25-20.

The loss dropped Colby into today's 11 a.m. elimination contest against Barton. Remember, Barton had upset the Trojans in their previous meeting which cost Colby a chance to host this Region VI tournament.

Barton (15-20 final record) took