

SPORTS DIGEST

Herbster A.D. Finalist At Winona State

WINONA, Minn. — University of South Dakota senior athletic director David Herbster is one of three finalists for the athletic director position at Winona State University. The three finalists will participate in on-campus interviews in the coming weeks. Candidate Brian DeAngelis will be on campus April 9, Wayne State (Neb.) athletic director Eric Schoh on April 13 and Herbster on April 16. Herbster has been at South Dakota since 2007 and oversees and manages all external revenue generating efforts for the department. He is also the supervisor of seven athletic teams, including football and women's basketball. As the school transitioned to NCAA Division I competition, Herbster developed and implemented a \$10 million scholarship campaign that has currently generated more than \$4 million. He also reorganized annual fundraising campaigns that have increased donors by 75 percent and dollars by 63 percent. Herbster holds a bachelor's degree in marketing from Virginia Tech and a master's degree in education with an emphasis in sports management from Virginia Tech. Schoh has been at Wayne State since 2004 and has overseen a number of facility upgrades. He has led the renovation of the school's football stadium while also leading improvement projects for a new weight room, sports medicine facility, and new and renovated coaches and administrative offices. He also oversaw the completion of a new baseball and softball complex. DeAngelis is currently the director of athletics at East Central University in Ada, Okla.

Norfolk Catholic Girls, BC Boys Win At BC Inv.

BATTLE CREEK, Neb. — The Norfolk Catholic girls and Battle Creek boys earned top team honors at the Battle Creek Invite on Tuesday in Battle Creek, Neb. Norfolk Catholic won seven events to roll to the girls' team title with 183 total points. Stanton, with three titles, was second with 90 points. The only multi-event winner for Norfolk Catholic was Rachel Wieser in the 100-meter dash (13.2) and 200-meter dash (27.8). Stanton's Audrey Novotny was first in both long distance runs, the 1600 (5:50.4) and 3200 (12:37.9). Battle Creek was first in seven events to finish with 135 total points in the boys' race. Norfolk Catholic was second at 100. Randolph's Nick Schmit won the 1600 (5:04.1) and ran a leg in the Cardinals' first-place 1600 and 3200 relays. SOUTH CENTRAL CONFERENCE: BONESTEEL — The South Central girls and Platte-Geddes boys walked away with team track titles at the South Central Conference Meet, held Tuesday in Bonesteel. South Central won nine events to finish first in the girls' race with 128 total points. Andes Central, with three individual crowns, earned second place with 113 points. For South Central, Ashley Green was first in the discus (88-10) and shot put (31-7.5), while Taylor Pistulka won the 100 hurdles (17.5) and 300 hurdles (53.5). Kellie Winckler won two events for Andes Central, taking first in the long jump (15-1) and triple jump (34-7). Teammate Payton Johanson won the high jump (5-0). The only event win for Platte-Geddes came from Rochelle Wynia in the 3200-meter run (12:48.9).

USD's Sheldahl Earns Summit League Golf Honors

ELMHURST, Ill. — University of South Dakota sophomore Hailey Sheldahl was named Summit League Women's Golfer of the Week after her efforts this week at the HBU Husky Classic hosted by Houston Baptist University, the conference office announced Wednesday. This is the first weekly honor for the women's golf team since joining the Summit League and the first weekly honor for Sheldahl. Sheldahl, a native of Ottumwa, Iowa, finished a career-best 19th at the HBU Husky Invitational Tuesday in Sugar Land, Texas. She carried career-best rounds of 75, 79 and 82 for a 236 score on the par 72, 6,026-yard Riverbend Country Club last season. Sheldahl's previous best was an 84 set last season. The HBU Husky Classic marked her first tournament of the spring season. The Coyotes return to the links Apr. 16-17 at the Creighton Invitational in Omaha, Neb., then will travel to Prim, Nev., for the Summit League Championships, Apr. 23-24. South Dakota then is scheduled to close out the 2011-2012 season Apr. 28-29 with the Dakota Cup versus South Dakota State and North Dakota State in Morton, Minn.

3-Class Shoot-Out April 7

SALEM — The 25th annual 3-Class High School All-Star Basketball Shoot-Out will be held Saturday, April 7, at McCook Central Auditorium in Salem. The first game of the day at 2 p.m. will pit the Class AA girls against the 'A' girls, while the winner of that game will play the Class B girls at 3:30 p.m. In boys' action at 5:15 p.m., Class A will face Class AA, with the winner set to play Class B at 7 p.m. A dunk contest will be held between boys' games. A number of local and area players will compete. Class AA girls: Emily Fadders (Yankton), Klostergaard (Beresford), Alison Klostergaard (Beresford), Raquel Sutura (Mont Homme), Kelly Amundson (Vermillion), Mount Marty College women's assistant Todd James Schlimgen will coach the Class A girls' squad. Class B girls: Paige Herrbold, Jaime Trechetter (Freeman Academy). Class A boys: Brock Bergmann (Dakota Valley). Class B boys: Adam Fink (Tripp-Delmont-Armour), Cedric Hoy (Parkin).

Area Bowlers Among State Placemen

CHAMBERLAIN — The SOS II team from Vermillion placed seventh in team division of the S.D. USBC State Mixed Bowling Tournament, which concluded March 25 in Chamberlain. SOS II shot a 2,622. Rapid City Off Constantly won with a score of 2,745. Vermillion's Michelle and Mike Townsend placed eighth in the doubles handicap division, shooting a 1,382. Yankton's Kelly Mernon and Sharon Scissons shot a 1,377 to place ninth. Rapid City's Karen and Brett Foreman won with a 1,513. After the first week of the S.D. State Open and 700 Tournament, David Jorgensen and Terry Koupal of Mount Rushmore ranked in the handicap doubles, 361-over division, with a 1,306.

Howard U. Investigates Possible Rules Violations

WASHINGTON (AP) — Howards University says it has prevented some of its athletes from competing while the school investigates possible violations of NCAA rules. A statement released Wednesday by university spokesman Kerry-Anne Hamilton says most of Howard's teams "will compete as scheduled." But the school says "a number of student-athletes" were "temporarily withheld" as a "self-imposed action" during the investigation. The statement didn't say which sports were affected. NCAA spokesman Erik Christianson declined a request for comment, referring questions to Howard. Founded in 1867, Howard is a private university with about 10,500 students. Its football team has two winning seasons in the past 13 years; its men's basketball team hasn't had a winning season since 2001-02; its women's basketball team lost in the first round of the WNIT this season. Vikings Play Bills, Chargers At Home In Preseason EDEN PRAIRIE, Minn. (AP) — The Minnesota Vikings will host Buffalo and San Diego in exhibition games this year. The NFL released the preseason schedule on Wednesday, with specific dates and times yet to be finalized. The Bills will visit Minnesota for a game the weekend of Aug. 16-19 and the Chargers will come for a game the weekend of Aug. 23-26. The Vikings have road exhibition contests scheduled at San Francisco the weekend of Aug. 9-12 and at Houston on either Aug. 29 or 30. The NFL regular season schedule will be released later this month. The Vikings will have road games at St. Louis, Seattle, Washington, Houston and Indianapolis and home games against Arizona, San Francisco, Tampa Bay, Jacksonville and Tennessee, plus the usual home-and-home series against their NFC North opponents.

SCOREBOARD

TRACK BATTLE CREEK INV. GIRLS' DIVISION TEAM SCORES: Norfolk Catholic 183, Stanton 90, Wisner-Piaget 77, Plainview 69, Madison 49, Osmond 28, Randolph 21, Battle Creek 7.

S.D. CLASS A BOYS' STATE Skye Warwick, sr., St. Thomas More, 17.1 ppg; 4.2 app; Cole Langer, jr., Dell Rapids, 15.3 ppg; 8.6 ppg; 5.7 app; Dan Petterka, sr., Miller, 26.4 ppg; 10.3 rpg; 5.3 spg; Skyler Flatten, jr., Clark/Willow Lake, 23.5 ppg; 5.8 rpg; 3.0 spg; Shayne Gottob, sr., McCook Central/Montrose, 18.0 ppg; 2.2 app.

BASEBALL MLB SPRING TRAINING Wednesday's Games N.Y. Yankees 8, N.Y. Mets 3; Houston 5, Chicago White Sox 5, tie; L.A. Angels 8, L.A. Dodgers 3; Arizona 14, Milwaukee 3; Oakland 8, San Francisco 1; Seattle 7, Colorado 2; Kansas City 7, San Diego 6.

AMERICAN LEAGUE Thursday, April 5 BASEBALL, COLLEGE Northwest at MMC (DH, 5 p.m., KVTX-AM) BASEBALL, CLUB HIGH SCHOOL Corsica-Stickney-Armour at Mitchell BASEBALL, CLUB 9TH-10TH Yankton at West Central (DH) at Mitchell

HOKEY NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE Wednesday's Game St. Louis 4, Miami 1 Thursday's Games Atlanta (Hanson 0-0) at N.Y. Mets (Santana 0-0), 12:10 p.m. Philadelphia (Halladay 0-0) at Pittsburgh (Bedard 0-0), 12:35 p.m. Washington (Strasburg 0-0) at Chicago Cubs (Dempster 0-0), 1:20 p.m. Miami (Buehler 0-0) at Cincinnati (Cueto 0-0), 3:10 p.m. L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 0-0) at San Diego (Volquez 0-0), 6:05 p.m. Friday's Games St. Louis at Milwaukee, 3:10 p.m. Colorado at Houston, 6:05 p.m. San Francisco at Arizona, 6:10 p.m. L.A. Dodgers at San Diego, 9:05 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS BASEBALL Major League Baseball MLB — Suspended Baltimore minor league C. Ryan Ward (Aberdeen-NYP) 50 games after a second violation for drug of abuse. American League BALTIMORE Orioles — Placed LHP Tsuchiyoshi Wada on the 15-day DL, retroactive to April 4.

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without the Howard Wood this year, this is our only chance. When it comes to the Summit League outdoor team race, the Coyotes and Jackrabbits (men and women alike) are both chasing North Dakota State. The Bison won't be in Yankton, but the competition level is still certainly high, according to USD men's coach Dave Gottsleben. "SDSU is a very good Division I track and field team. They do not have any weaknesses on their team," Gottsleben said. "Our goal is to stay with them." Among the top events to watch: Men's 200-meter dash: SDSU's Chris Curry leads the conference (22.09), while USD's Jared Clement ranks second at 22.14. Women's 200-meter dash: Analisa Huschle of USD ranks

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Duals

From Page 8 "We're just excited to have a meet in South Dakota," the Gregory native said. "We don't get many of these anymore." Over the past three years, the Coyotes have competed in nine outdoor events across South Dakota. In 2010, USD hosted the Great West Outdoor Championships in Yankton, one of four in-state outdoor meets that year. "It's a really fast track; that's partially why we love it so much," Ladwig said. "When we had the Great West (meet) over there, there were a lot of records set." Last spring, there were three such meets for the Coyotes — the double dual in Yankton, the SDSU Twilight and the Howard Wood Dakota Relays in Sioux Falls. This year, however, with the Howard Wood Relays skipping a year because of construction at the complex, USD is left with only two outdoor events in South Dakota — both of which will be held in Yankton. The other meet in Yankton this spring is the Mount Marty College Twilight on April 24. "We travel so much anymore that our families can't just hop on a plane and come watch us," Dulinger said. "That's why we love that meet in Yankton. Especially now

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Tennis

From Page 8 Luverne 9, Vermillion 0 LUVERNE, Minn. — The hometown Cardinals lost only 11 matches on the way to a 9-0 sweep of Vermillion in a boys' tennis dual Tuesday in Luverne, Minn. Vermillion's closet match came at flight one doubles, when Nathan Svendsen and Will Card lost 6-4, 6-0. SINGLES: Joey Voygrt L def. David Day 6-1, 6-0; Dustin Doust L def. James May 6-1, 6-2; Jim Voygrt L def. Nathan Samudzi 6-0, 6-0; Andrew Jeklen L def. Mark Helemum 6-0, 6-0. DOUBLES: Johnson-Ziegler L def. Nathan Svendsen-Will Card 6-4, 6-0; Nelson-Stendler L def. Jacob Ford-Mark Helemum 6-1, 6-0; Stroeh-Arendo L def. Andrew Callahan-Joe Swanson 6-1, 6-1. JV: Robinson-Glette L def. Ryan Styles-Isaac Sordal 6-0; J.V. Stroeh L def. Sam Craig-Rody Kronazi 6-0, 3-6

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