## Press&Dakotan DAILY DOSE

Daily opinions from the P&D Sports Staff on local and national high school, college and professional sports.



#### BY JAMES D. CIMBUREK

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News spread around the country on Monday after NBA center Jason Collins, most recently of the Washington Wizards, announced publicly that he is a homosexual. At least publicly, many people showed their support for the 34-year-old veteran.

What the announcement and the reaction show, though, is that we, as a society, still have a ways to go in order to be completely free of prejudice.

While I am a practicing Catholic, my beliefs stray from the church in this aspect; as far as I am concerned. how you live your life — as long as it does not harm others — is none of my concern. If I am your friend, that

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**Collins Announcement Being News Means Society Still Has A Ways To Go** friendship will not end just because you tell me that you are a gay or lesbian. (I have friends who I have remained close with even after they "came out.") I also am not going to change my opinion of how you are as an employee or an athlete based on your sexual orientation — or your gender, your race or religious beliefs.

There are — and will — be people who see things different. They will not see a man trying to live his life, but someone who should be feared, or worse, despised for being something other than what they are. We saw the same thing last century as Jackie Robinson broke baseball's color barrier, then again as Hank Aaron broke Babe Ruth's career home run record.

Collins obviously felt that our world was ready enough to know his secret. Hopefully in the future, who a person is doesn't have to be kept a secret because of what he or she does for a living

But we still have a long way to go.

#### COLLEGE/YHS EVENTS

	YANKTON HIGH SCH		(E)
TODAY April 30	B-TEN: at S.F. Lincoln, 4 p.m. T&F: vs. O'Gor- man, 4 p.m.	SB: at Dakota Wesleyan, DH, 4 p.m.	
WEDNESDAY May 1			
THURSDAY May 2		BSB: GPAC Tourn. at Hast- ings, Neb.	
FRIDAY May 3	<b>T&amp;F:</b> Howard Wood Dakota Relays; O'Gor- man Inv.	BSB: GPAC at Hastings, Neb. W-TEN: GPAC at Fremont, Neb. T&F: GPAC Meet at Seward, Neb.	T&F: Howard Wood Dakota Relays SB: at N.D. State, DH, 3 p.m.
SATURDAY May 4	T&F: Howard Wood Dakota Relays; Yankton Junior High Re- lays, 9:30 a.m. G-GLF: ESD at Fox Run, 10 a.m. B-TEN: Brook- ings Quad, 10 a.m.	BSB: GPAC Tourn. at Hastings, Neb. W-TEN: GPAC Tourn. at Fremont, Neb. T&F: GPAC Meet at Seward, Neb.	T&F: Howard Wood Dakota Relays SB: at N.D. State, noon
SUNDAY May 5		ATH: Year-End Awards & Hall of Fame Induction, 2:30 p.m.	
MONDAY May 6	G-GLF: vs. Lennox, 2:30 p.m., Fox Run B-TEN: at O'- Gorman, 4 p.m.		

#### OTHER EVENTS

YANKTON CLUB VARSITY: Thursday, at Mitchell, DH, 5:30 p.m.; Saturday, at Brandon Valley, 1 p.m.; Sunday, vs. R.C. Central, DH, 1 p.m.
YANKTON CLUB JV: Friday, vs. Mitchell, DH, 6 p.m.; Saturday, at Brandon Valley,

YANKTON CLUB 9-10: Today, at S.F. Lincoln, DH, 5 p.m.; Thursday, vs. West Cen-

#### PADIO & TELEVISION

noon or 7 p.m.	COLL. BASEBALL: MMC vs. Neb. Wesleyan (GPAC) COLL. BASEBALL: GPAC Tourn. (MMC)	KYNT-AM KYNT-AM
Friday		
TBD	COLL. BASEBALL: GPAC Tourn. (MMC)	KYNT-AM
Saturda	ny	
TBD	COLL. BASEBALL: GPAC Tourn. (MMC)	KYNT-AM

#### **South Dakota's Daly Named Summit League Player Of Week**

ELMHURST, III. — South Dakota softball's Allie Daly has been named The Summit League Softball Player of the Week in a release by the league on Monday. It is the second career honor for Daly, who previously won the award on

Daly led the Covotes to a three-game sweep of Kansas City on Saturday and Sunday that bumped the "Yotes to fourth in the Summit League standings and secured their spot in the league tournament. She hit one home run in all three games and also chipped in two doubles and six RBIs while going 5 of 11 (.455) at the plate and slugging 1.455. She leads the league in home runs (13), doubles (16) and RBIs (52), and her home run total is tied for mit League history while the RBI total is tied for ninth-most.

North Dakota State's Whitney Johnson earned Pitcher of the Week honors.

She went 4-0 on the week, including a no-hitter, two shutouts and two double-

digit strikeout performances. She allowed two earned runs in 28 innings of work.

USD will finish its regular season with a trip to Fargo, N.D., to take on the North Dakota State Bison on Friday (3 p.m.) and Saturday (noon). The conference tournament begins one week later (May 9) and will also be held at NDSU.

### **MMC Hall Of Fame Inductions, End-Of-Year**

**Athletic Ceremony Sunday** The Mount Marty College athletic department will host its end of the year athletic ceremony on Sunday, May 5 in the Roncalli Dining room. The event will

start with a social at 2:30 p.m. followed by the ceremony.

Mount Marty College President Dr. Joseph Benoit will officially start the ceremony with a welcome. Scott Kooistra will emcee the event, which will include

the Lancer Hall of Fame inductions of Kate Heine Pesicka, the 1972 Lancer Volleyball Team, and the 1998 Lancer Men's basketball team. In addition, senior student-athlete awards, Lancer Club Scholarship Awards.

the Champions of Character Award, and the Yankton Quarterback Club Mount Marty College Athlete of the Year Awards will be presented. The public is invited to attend the event, free of charge

#### **Jacks To Host Winnipeg In Baseball** recently lost due to weather and un-

playable field conditions, the South Dakota State University baseball team has

added a game to its schedule.

The Jackrabbits, 21-14 overall, are scheduled to play the University of Winnipeg at 4 p.m. Wednesday at Erv Huether Field. Winnipeg, which is moving toward full membership in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA), has a 6-9 overall record heading into a Tuesday matchup at North

Following Wednesday's game, the Jackrabbits will resume Summit League

#### **Yankton-Vermillion Middle School Track Dual Rescheduled For Thursday**

The seventh and eighth grade track dual featuring Vermillion at Yankton, originally scheduled for Tuesday, April 23, will be held on Thursday, May 2.

#### Start time is set for 4 p.m. at the Yankton Middle School track.

**YSD Seeks Workers For Junior High Relays** 

### The Yankton Activities Department is looking for individuals to help with the annual Junior High Relays track and field meet, scheduled for Saturday, May 4,

The event begins at 9:30 a.m. Workers will be needed throughout the day.

#### Contact the YHS Activities Department at 665-8369 to sign up. **Pitch Hit Run Competition May 3**

The Yankton Sertoma Club will host a free area competition for the MLB Pitch, Hit & Run competition on Friday, May 3, at 6:30 p.m. at the north fields of

the Sertoma Park complex (north of 19th Street) in Yankton.

The competition is free and open to boys and girls ages 7-14, with competition divided into four age groups. All participants must bring a copy of their birth certificate and have a parent or guardian fill out a registration/waiver form prior Registration will run from 5:45-6:15 p.m. For more information, contact local

coordinator Sherri Koletzky at skoletzkylaw@iw.net

#### SCOREBOARD

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#### **GOLF**

HILLCREST GOLF & CC COUPLES ALT. SHOT SCRAMBLE FIRST: Dan & Patti Eisenbraun, Todd & Michelle Van Maanen, Gary & Cindy

TIE-SECOND: Tony & Lisa Erickson, Bob Zacher & Connie Somsen, John & Lynn Thieman 61 TIE-SECOND: Bill & Amy Pierce, Mike

& Beth Pietila, Kary & Becky Gregoire 61 TIE-FOURTH: Dan & Joan Lammers Don & Marla Neukirch 62 TIE-FOURTH: Joe & Patti Vig, Greg &

#### Cec Daschel, Kevin & Tena Becker 62 BASEBALL

COLLEGIATE BASEBALL POLL

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) - The Collegiate Baseball poll with records through April 28. points and previous rank. Voting is done by coaches, sports writers and sports informa-1. Vanderbilt

496 494 492 2. North Carolina 41-4 34-8 5. Oregon State 489 33-10 488 485 484 481 10. Oklahoma 478 33-11 11. Louisville 33-10 474 12. UCLA 471 469 466 464 15. South Carolina 33-12 16. Arkansas 462 459 455 451 448 17. Pittsburgh 28 19 25 20. South Florida 29-15 21. Indiana 34-8 445 22. Stanford 23-15 443 25. South Alabama 34-12 436 20 27 17 29 26. Mississippi 31-14 434 27. Rice 28-14 429 33-13 37-8 25-19 28. Mississippi State 29. Campbell

#### **BASEBALL AMERICA TOP 25**

8. Arizona State

10. Florida State 11. Oregon

15. South Carolina

16. Indiana 17. New Mexico

20. South Alabama 21. Florida 22. Mississippi State

AMERICAN LEAGUE

**East Division** 

West Division

N.Y. Yankees 3, Toronto 2

Seattle 2, L.A. Angels 1 Detroit 8, Atlanta 3

Cleveland 10, Kansas City 3, 2nd

ston 9 N Y Yankees 1

Detroit 4, Minnesota 3
Cleveland at Kansas City, 8:10 p.m.

L.A. Angels at Oakland, 10:05 p.m.

Houston (Humber 0-5) at N.Y. Yan-

Minnesota (Worley 0-3) at Detroit (Ver-

lander 2-2), 6:05 p.m. Boston (Lester 4-0) at Toronto (Morrow 0-2), 6:07 p.m. Philadelphia (Halladay 2-2) at Cleve-

Chicago White Sox (Quintana 2-0) at Texas (Darvish 4-1), 7:05 p.m. Tampa Bay (Cobb 3-1) at Kansas City (Shields 1-2), 7:10 p.m.

Wednesday's Games
Minnesota at Detroit, 12:05 p.m.

Boston at Toronto, 6:07 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Washington Philadelphia

New York

L.A. Angels (Richards 1-1) at Oakland (Parker 0-4), 9:05 p.m. Baltimore (Hammel 3-1) at Seattle (Maurer 2-3), 9:10 p.m.

L.A. Angels at Oakland, 2:35 p.m. Houston at N.Y. Yankees, 6:05 p.m. Philadelphia at Cleveland, 6:05 p.m.

Chicago White Sox at Texas, 7:05

Tampa Bay at Kansas City, 7:10 p.m.

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Baltimore at Seattle, 10:10 p.m.

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D. UCLA

13. Louisville

14. Arkansas

18. Clemson

23. Kentucky

Tampa Bay

Minnesota

Los Angeles

Sunday's Games

Monday's Games

Tuesday's Games

kees (Kuroda 3-1), 6:05 p.m.

land (McAllister 1-3), 6:10 p.m.

19. Rice

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — The top 25 teams in the Baseball America poll with

records through April 28 and previous ranking (voting by the staff of Baseball . Vanderbilt leads series 3-1 3. LSU Cal State Fullertor 5. N.C. State 6. Oregon State 7. Virginia

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34-12 25-20 33-13

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Miami 88, Milwaukee 77, Miami wins Golden State leads series 3-1.

Oklahoma City at Houston, 9:30 p.m.

x-Boston at New York, TBA

x-Brooklyn at Chicago, TBA x-Denver at Golden State, TBA

**TRANSACTIONS** BASEBALL

LHP Scott Barnes to Columbus (IL).
KANSAS CITY ROYALS — Optioned LHP Will Smith to Omaha (PCL).

right assignment to Buffalo (IL) and elected to become a free agent.

National League
CINCINNATI REDS — Placed OF
Chris Heisey on the 15-day DL. Recalled

Memphis (PCL). Optioned LHP Marc

vated C Wilson Ramos from the 15-day DL. Optioned C Jhonatan Solano to Syra-

American Association

AMARILLO SOX — Signed RHP John Holdzkom and LHP Greg Miller. EL PASO DIABLOS — Released C

LINCOLN SALTDOGS — Signed C

emy Mayo. WICHITA WINGNUTS — Signed LHP

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

HOUSTON ROCKETS — Recalled C Tim Ohlbrecht from Rio Grande Valley (NBADL).

FOOTBALL

National Football League

G Adam Snyder and G Jeremiah Warren. Agreed to terms with WR Jaron Brown, WR Dan Buckner, OT Joe Caprioglio, LB Kenny Demens, LB Dan Giordano, S

Javon Harris, CB Josh Hill, S Tony Jefferson, OT Jamaal Johnson-Webb, LB Korey Jones, WR Javone Lawson, WR Michael

Rios, NT Padric Scott, WR Tyler Shaw, CB

Prentiss Waggner and CB Ronnie Yell.

ATLANTA FALCONS — Signed K
Casey Barth, LB Joplo Bartu, FB Devonte
Campbell, LB Nick Clancy, QB Seth
Doege, WR Rashad Evans, FB Deon Gog-

gins, OG Theo Goins, DE Cam Henderson, DT Neal Huynh, WR Darius Johnson, OT Terren Jones, WR Martel Moore, DT Adam Replogle, RB Donald Russell, S Troy Sanders, OT Alec Savoie, OT Ryan Schraeder, P Sean Sellwood, C Matt

Smith, CB Momo Thomas, DE Brandon Thurmond, RB Ronnie Wingo and LB Paul

Worrilow.
BUFFALO BILLS — Traded LB Kelvin

Sheppard to Indianapolis for LB Jerry

Hughes. Agreed to terms with G Zack Chibane, LB Keith Pough, DE Izaan Cross, CB Nickell Robey, DB Jordan Dangerfield,

CB Kip Edwards, CB Jumal Rolle, RB Kendall Gaskins, FB Drew Smith, WR

Kendail Gaskins, Fb Drew Smittin, Wrk Brandon Kaufman, DT Aaron Tipoti, CB Vernon Kearney, QB Jeff Tuel, WR Kevin Norrell and C Ryan Turnley, Released QB Aaron Corp, OT Adam Grant, K Chris Koepplin and TE Joe Sawyer.

Waived DE Jerome Long and WR Jerrell

Jackson, Fired director of player personnel

Terry McDonough, director of pro personnel Louis Clark and regional scout Chris

Jacob Lacey and DE Lawrence Jackson.
Waived P.T.J. Conley.
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Released WR Jeremy Ebert, FB Tony Fiammetta, TE Brad Herman, DL Tracy
Robertson and DB Malcolm Williams.

**Booster Burger Month** 

Enjoy a burger and support the Bucks & Gazelles!

MINNESOTA VIKINGS — Signed CB

G Joe Gibbs.

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS

GREEN BAY PACKERS — Released

ARIZONA CARDINALS - Released

WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Aci

Rzepczynski to Memphis

Pat Trettel.

Joe Testa.

.600 .600 GB LOS ANGELES ANGELS - Placed LHP Sean Burnett on the 15-day DL, retroactive to April 27. Reinstated RHP \_ 2 2 1/2 Tommy Hanson from the bereavement list .520 .500 Traded C Chris Snyder to Baltimore for

RHP Rob Delaney.

OAKLAND ATHLETICS — Recalled RHP Dan Straily from Sacramento (PCL).

Optioned RHP Jesse Chavez to Sacra-15 Sunday's Games
Miami 6, Chicago Cubs 4 Philadelphia 5, N.Y. Mets 1 Cincinnati 5. Washington 2 SEATTLE MARINERS — Activated OF Michael Saunders 15-day DL. Optioned OF Carlos Peguero.
TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Announced LHP Aaron Laffey refused an out-

Pittsburgh 9, St. Louis 0 Arizona 4, Colorado 2 L.A. Dodgers 2, Milwaukee 0 San Diego 6, San Francisco 4 Detroit 8, Atlanta 3

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day's Games N.Y. Mets at Miami, 7:10 p.m. Atlanta 3, Washington 2 San Diego at Chicago Cubs, 8:05 p.m. Pittsburgh at Milwaukee, 8:10 p.m. OF Donald Lutz from Pensacola (SL).
ST. LOUIS CARDINALS — Selected
the contract of RHP Seth Maness from

Cincinnati at St. Louis, 8:15 p.m.
San Francisco at Arizona, 9:40 p.m.
Colorado at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10 p.m. sday's Games N.Y. Mets (Hefner 0-2) at Miami

(Slowey 0-2), 6:10 p.m.
Philadelphia (Halladay 2-2) at Cleveland (McAllister 1-3), 6:10 p.m. Washington (G.Gonzalez 2-1) at Atlanta (Hudson 2-1), 6:10 p.m. San Diego (Volquez 1-3) at Chicago Cubs (E.Jackson 0-3), 7:05 p.m. Pittsburgh (Ja.McDonald 2-2) at Milwaukee (Estrada 2-1), 7:10 p.m. Cincinnati (Arroyo 2-2) at St. Louis

(J.Garcia 2-1), 7:15 p.m. Colorado (J.De La Rosa 2-2) at L.A. Dodgers (Ryu 2-1), 9:10 p.m.

Wednesday's Games
N.Y. Mets at Miami, 11:40 a.m.
Pittsburgh at Milwaukee, 12:10 p.m.
Cincinnati at St. Louis, 12:45 p.m. Philadelphia at Cleveland, 6:05 p.m Washington at Atlanta, 6:10 p.m.
San Diego at Chicago Cubs, 7:05 p.m.
San Francisco at Arizona, 8:40 p.m. Colorado at L.A. Dodgers, 9:10 p.m.

NBA PLAYOFFS FIRST ROUND (Best-of-7) Saturday, April 27

Chicago 142, Brooklyn 134, 3OT Memphis 104, L.A. Clippers 83, series

**BASKETBALL** 

Atlanta 90, Indiana 69 Oklahoma City 104, Houston 101, Oklahoma City leads series 3-0 Sunday, April 28 Boston 97, New York 90, New York

San Antonio 103, L.A. Lakers 82, San Antonio wins series 4-0 Golden State 115, Denver 101,

Monday, April 29 Brooklyn 110, Chicago 91, Chicago Atlanta 102, Indiana 91, series tied 2-

sday, April 30 Golden State at Denver, 7 p.m Memphis at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 1

Thursday, May 2

American League BOSTON RED SOX — O

making sure the teams weren't restricted to conference champions was a big factor. It helped spark a change when Alabama

Western Division rematch. If two SEC teams are deemed among the top four in the new sys-

Slive said. "It took us about a year to put all this together, and one of the foundational pieces of it was that there wouldn't be a limit. We're looking for the best teams to play in the playoff. We didn't want to create artificial limit. That was basically an artificial limit in the old system.

Other issues Slive addressed in-

mert, dealing with fallout from a botched investigation into Miami

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#### AREA CALENDAR

Tuesday, April 30 BASEBALL, 9TH-10TH Yankton at S.F. Lincoln

GOLF, BOYS' Hartington Inv. (Bloomfield-Wausa Creighton, Crofton, Hartington, Hartington Cedar Catholic, Laurel-Concord-Coleridge, Ponca, Randolph, 9 a.m.): Irene-Wakonda Inv. at Glenridge GC (Centerville

GOLF, GIRLS' Irene-Wakonda Inv. at Glenridge (Centerville, Irene-Wakonda, 10 a.m.); Parkston Inv. at Mitchell (Parkston)
SOFTBALL, COLLEGE MMC at Dakota Wesleyan

TENNIS, BOYS' YHS at S.F. Lincoln (4 p.m.)
TRACK & FIELD, PREP Baltic Inv. (Viborg-Hurley,
3 p.m.); Beresford Lions Meet at Beresford (Alcester-Hudson, Beresford, Elk Point-Jefferson, 4 p.m.); Don Diede Relays at Freeman (Centerville, Freeman, Freeman Academy, Gayville-Volin, Irene-Wakonda, Marion, Menno, 1 p.m.); Lennox Inv. (Parker, 9:30 a.m.); Little Missouri Valley Conf. at Lake Andes (Andes Central, Avon, Bon Homme, Ethan-Parkston, Scotland, Tripp-Delmont-Armour, Wagner, 2 p.m.); South Central Re-lays at Bonesteel (Marty, Platte-Geddes, 9 a.m.); Stuart Inv. at Atkinson (Niobrara-Verdigre, 9:30 a.m.) TRACK & FIELD, 9TH-10TH S.F. O'Gorman at

Wednesday, May 1
BASEBALL, PREP Beresford-Centerville at Ver-

GOLF, BOYS' Cougar Inv. at Salem (Freeman, Marion, Parker, 8:30 a.m.); Lutheran High Northeast Inv. at Norfolk CC (Creighton, Crofton, Ponca, 9 a.m.); Nio-

brara-Verdigre Inv. (Bloomfield-Wausa, Crofton, Nio-brara-Verdigre, Santee, 9:30 a.m.)

GOLF, GIRLS' Cougar Inv. at Salem (Freeman,

Thursday, May 2

BASEBALL, COLLEGE Great Plains Athletic
Conf. Tourn. at Hastings, Neb. (MMC vs. Neb. Wesleyan, noon, KYNT-AM)

BASEBALL, PREP Yankton at Mitchell (DH, 5:30

n.); Vermillion at Dakota Valley; Wagner-Avon-Lake BASEBALL, 9TH-10TH West Central at Yankton

i, 5 p.m.)

GOLF, BOYS' Battle Creek Inv. (Hartington Cedar

NEW YORK JETS — Waived QB Tim Tebow. Signed G Stephen Peterman. Agreed to terms with WR Zach Rogers,

WR Ryan Spadola, WR K.J. Stroud, WR

Antavious Wilson, TE Chris Pantale, TE

Mike Shanahan, OL Dalton Freeman, OL

Trey Gilleo, OL Mark Popek, DL Roosevelt Holliday, DL Jake McDonough, DL Spencer Nealy, LB Troy Davis, DB Mike Edwards and DB Rontez Miles.

OAKLAND RAIDERS - Agreed to terms with LB Billy Boyko, DB Adrian Bushell, P Bobby Cowan, C Deveric Gallington, S Shelton Johnson, TE Brian

Leonhardt, G Lamar Mady, WR Sam

McGuffie, QB Kyle Padron, LS Adam Steiner, DT Kurt Taufa'asau, WR Conner

Vernon, OT John Wetzel and RB Deonte

PHILADELPHIA EAGLES — Agreed

to terms with LB Jake Knott, RB Miguel Maysonet, C Kyle Quinn, DL Isaac Rem-ington, WR Russell Shepard, DL Damion Square, G Matt Tobin, RB Matthew Tucker

and P Brad Wing. Released TE Evan

TAMPA BAY BUCCANFERS

Agreed to terms with WR Jerry Johnson, CB Deveron Carr, TE Evan Landi, CB

Rashaan Melvin, WR D.J. Monroe, LB

Willie Moseley, OT Brice Schwab, RB Akeem Shavers, G Adam Smith, CB Bran-

HOCKEY

National Hockey League
DALLAS STARS — Named Jim Nill

USA SWIMMING — Named Dana

Bonner marketing manager, John Martin sports communications manager, Wendy Peel local marketing manager and Tommy

Weaver and WR Tim Wright.

general manager.

OLYMPIC SPORTS

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Catholic, 9 a.m.); Mac Inv. at Wayne (Crofton, Laurel-Concord-Coleridge, 9 a.m.); Tri-Valley Conf. at Fox Run, Yankton (Alcester-Hudson, Centerville, Freeman Acad-emy, Gayville-Volin, Irene-Wakonda, Viborg-Hurley, 9 a.m.); Mac Inv. at Wayne (Crofton, 9 a.m.)

GOLF, GIRLS' S.F. Christian Inv. (Beresford,

Dakota Valley, Elk Point-Jefferson, Parkston, Wagner, 9 a.m.); Tri-Valley Conf. at Fox Run, Yankton (Alcester-Hudson, Centerville, Freeman Academy, Irene-

SOFTBALL, COLLEGE Great Plains Athletic Conf. urn. at Sioux City, Iowa

TENNIS, BOYS' Vermillion at YHS (4 p.m.)

TRACK & FIELD, PREP Battle Creek Inv. (Hart-

ngton Cedar Catholic, 3 p.m.); Norfolk Catholic Inv. Hartington, 3 p.m.); Northeast Neb. Activities Conf. at \_aurel, (Creighton, Laurel-Concord-Coleridge, Ran dolph, 2:30 p.m.); Winside Inv. at Wayne (Allen, San-TRACK & FIELD, MS Vermillion at YMS (4 p.m.)

Friday, May 3
BASEBALL, COLLEGE Great Plains Athletic nf. Tourn. at Hastings, Neb. **BASEBALL, PREP** Wagner-Avon-Lake Andes at

BASEBALL, JV Mitchell at Yankton (DH, 6 p.m.)
GOLF, BOYS' Avon-Bon Homme Inv. at Platte
Andes Central, Avon, Freeman, Platte-Geddes, Scotland, Tripp-Delmont, 9:30 a.m.); Stanton Inv. (Randolph. Wakefield Inv. (Laurel-Concord-Coleridge,

onca, 9 a.m.)

GOLF, GIRLS' Avon-Bon Homme Inv. at Burke (Andes Central, Avon, Freeman, Platte-Geddes, Scot-land, Tripp-Delmont, 9:30 a.m.); Big Eight Conf. at Madi-No. mpp-Dention, 4.50 a.m.); Canton at Elk Point-Jefferson (Vermillion, 10 a.m.); Canton at Elk Point-Jefferson SOFTBALL, COLLEGE Great Plains Athletic Conf. urn. at Sioux City, Iowa; USD at N.D. State (DH, 3

TENNIS, WOMEN'S Great Plains Athletic Confere Championships at Fremont, Neb. (MMC, 9 a.m.)
TENNIS, BOYS' S.C. East at Vermillion
TRACK & FIELD, COLLEGE OUTDOOR Great

Plains Athletic Conference Championships at Seward, Neb. (MMC): Howard Wood Dakota Relays (USD) TRACK & FIELD, PREP Howard Wood Dakota Relays (YHS, Alcester-Hudson, Andes Central, Avon, Beresford, Bon Homme, Dakota Valley, Elk Point-Jefferson, Ethan-Parkston, Freeman, Freeman Academy, Gavville-Volin, Irene-Wakonda, Menno, Parker, Platte Geddes, Vermillion, Viborg-Hurley, 5:30 p.m.); S.F. O'-Gorman Inv. (YHS, Avon, Irene-Wakonda, Vermillion,

Saturday, May 4
BASEBALL. COLLEGE Great Plains Athletic

Conf. Tourn. at Hastings, Neb. **BASEBALL, PREP** Yankton at Brandon Valley (1 p.m.); Beresford-Centerville at Lennox; Dakota Valley Wagner-Avon-Lake Andes BASEBALL, JV Yankton at Brandon Valley (DH, 3

Brandon Troutman men's graduate assis-

Named Anthony Fallacaro director of ath-

SOUTHERN NEW HAMPSHIRE —

TENNESSEE - Signed athletic direc-

tant basketball coach

letics and recreation.

TENNIS, WOMEN'S Great Plains Athletic Confere Championships at Fremont, Neb. (MMC, 9 a.m.) **TENNIS, BOYS'** YHS/Aberdeen Central/Huron at

SOFTBALL, COLLEGE Great Plains Athletic Conf.

Tourn, at Sioux City, Iowa; USD at N.D. State (noon) **GOLF, GIRLS'** Eastern S.D. Conf. Championships at Fox Run, Yankton (YHS, 10 a.m.); Milbank Inv. (Park-

okings (10 a.m.)

TRACK & FIELD, COLLEGE OUTDOOR Great Plains Athletic Conference Championships at Seward, Neb. (MMC); Howard Wood Dakota Relays (USD)

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ey, 9:30 a.m.) **TRACK & FIELD, MS** Yankton Junior High Relays

## Sunday, May 5 BASEBALL, PREP R.C. Central at Yankton (DH, 1 p.m.); Bon Homme at Elk Point-Jefferson (DH); Hanson at Beresford-Centerville; Vermillion at Parkston

BASEBALL, 9TH-10TH Harrisburg at Yanktor

Monday, May 6
GOLF, BOYS' Highway 20 Inv. at Bassett CC (Nio-brara-Verdigre, 10 a.m.); Pre-Region 3B at Elmwood, Sioux Falls (Freeman, Irene-Wakonda, Marion, Parker, Viborg-Hurley, 10 a.m.); Pre-Region 4B at Lakeview GC, Mitchell (Andes Central, Avon, Platte-Geddes, Tripp-Delmont); Randolph Inv. (Bloomfield-Wausa, Creighton, Crofton, Hartington, Hartington Cedar Catholic, Laurel-Concord-Coleridge, Randolph, Santee,

Jp.m.)

GOLF, GIRLS' Lennox at YHS (2:30 p.m., Fox

Run), Fer-Region 4A at Pierre (Bon Homme, Parkston,

9 a.m.); Big Sioux Conf. at North Sioux City (Beresford,

Dakota Valley, Elk Point-Jefferson, 9 a.m.); Pre-Region 3B at Elmwood, Sioux Falls (Freeman, Irene-Wakonda, Marion, Parker, Viborg-Hurley, 10 a.m.); Pre-Region 4B at Lakeview GC, Mitchell (Andes Central, Avon, Platte-Geddes, Tripp-Delmont)

TENNIS, BOYS' YHS at S.F. O'Gorman (4 p.m.)

TRACK & FIELD, PREP Lennox Booster Club Qualifier (Dakota Valley, Ethan-Parkston, Vermillion, 4 p.m.); Menno Relays (Freeman, Freeman Academy, Marion, Menno, Parker, 9:30 a.m.)

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man men's basketball G A.J. Astroth has

# **NASCAR**

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feld to director of player development for

men's basketball. Named Patrick Sellers

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OKLAHOMA CHRISTIAN — Named

everyone is waiting to see how the car performs. The two-car tandem racing of the last several years was widely panned by fans, and NASCAR eliminated it last year with changes to the rules package. But the result was a wreckfest

last May in which Stewart shredded the product in post-race and suggested a radical tongue-incheek change to the racing, making the track "a figure 8. And/or we can stop at halfway, make a

backwards the rest of the way. Then with 10 to go, we split the field in half and half go the regular direction and half of them go backwards.' The Gen-6 isn't guaranteed to

break, and turn around and go

decided to transfer.

eliminate the wrecks that have become a staple of restrictorplate racing, but it has added a spark everywhere else.

"I think there's still a few things here and there, whether it be the superspeedways that everybody wants to see how the racing is at Talladega compared to how it was at Daytona," Harvick said. "There's still some unanswered questions. But I think all in all, it's been a huge success so far.'

## **Playoff**

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the criteria for picking the four semifinal teams.

16 9 .640 — 14 12 .538 2 1/2 11 16 .407 6 9 15 .375 6 1/2 8 18 .308 8 1/2 Slive has some experience on Boston 6, Houston 1 Kansas City 9, Cleveland 0, 1st game selection committees since he is a former chair of the panel that Tampa Bay 8, Chicago White Sox 3 Minnesota 5, Texas 0 picks the NCAA men's basketball Oakland 9. Baltimore 8, 10 innings tournament field.

'You're there to represent football and what's in the best interest of football, what's in the best interest of the playoffs," Slive said. "There's a foundational culture from which we can work. Now we need to adjust it to football and the fact that we're not picking 68

teams, we're picking four.' For the conference that has claimed the last seven BCS titles,

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and LSU met in the championship game two years ago in an SEC

tem, both will get their shot. "It was an important piece,"

—NCAA President Mark Em-

and other issues.

"He's got a very difficult job to do," Slive said. "He's been contronted with some very significant issues. Many of them don't reflect well on the NCAA. Notwithstanding the fact that our athletic directors and presidents and chancellors are very well tuned in to the national issues, there are people who don't feel that way and I think it's important that he begin to address those issues.'

Outgoing North Carolina chancellor Holden Thorp had said the oversight method should be changed to give athletic directors more control and that university presidents often aren't equipped to run major college sports pro-

-The SEC Network, which Slive

called "one of the major moments for us." He didn't address specifics ahead of the pending announcement.

He was asked if the league would use the Big Ten Network as a model.

"I think we can but I also think that we have the most passionate, loyal fan base of any conference in the country. We're excited, we believe that we have a very significant opportunity to be successful beyond what's happened so far.

—The SEC sent only three teams to the NCAA tournament and Slive wants the league to address nonconference scheduling.

"No school is on an island when it comes to scheduling basketball,"

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