

PHOTO OF THE DAY

Sliding In Safely



Brian Scherschligt of the Brookings Cubby's slides into third base after hitting a triple in Friday's opening round game against the Brandon Valley Merchants at the S.D. State Class A Amateur Tournament at Riverside Field. Brookings won 5-1. (Jeremy Hoecck/P&D)

AREA DIGEST

Vermillion's Kusek Qualifies For Central Zones Championship

Adrienne Kusek of the Vermillion Area Swim Team qualified for the Central Zones Championship this weekend. The meet is the biggest age group swim meet in the nation. Kusek qualified in the 100-meter breaststroke, 200-meter breaststroke, 200-meter butterfly and 1,500-meter open water.



Kusek

Warriors Host Wolfpack Saturday

The Dakota Warrior amateur football team will play the Nebraska Wolfpack at Westside Field in Yankton today (Saturday) at 5:30 p.m. Dakota (5-2) lost to the Wolfpack on June 12, the Warriors' first loss of the season. Fans are suggested to bring a lawn chair, as there is no bleacher seating at the field.

Gazelles Tennis Practice Begins Aug. 9

The Yankton Gazelles girls' tennis team will begin practice for the 2010 season Monday, Aug. 9, at the YHS/SAC tennis courts. Practice will begin at 4 p.m. sharp. Players interested in joining the team are expected to bring a racquet and their activity fee. Players must also have a physical or recertification form on file with YHS before they will be allowed to practice. Contact coach Ginger Larsen at 665-9068 for more information.

YHS Girls' Soccer Tryouts Aug. 9-11

Tryouts for the Yankton High School girls' club soccer team will be held Aug. 9-11 at the HSC soccer fields. Students in grades 8-12 are invited. Soccer attire is recommended. All players must be registered with Yankton Youth Soccer Association (YUSA) before tryouts. For more information, contact Kevin Buckman at 660-4254.

SDSU Equestrian Teams Up With STARS

BROOKINGS — The South Dakota State University equestrian team will host an open house for the Special Training and Riding Skills (STARS) program next week at the Nathalie and Lawrence DeHaan Equestrian Center. "I am very excited to welcome STARS to campus," SDSU equestrian head coach Megan McGuire said. "This is a wonderful program and we feel very fortunate to provide this opportunity for our student-athletes and community members to become involved in such a worthwhile activity. STARS has helped so many participants achieve amazing results with the help of some truly fantastic horses." STARS is a therapeutic riding program that provides clients the opportunity to grow mentally and physically by improving range of motion, flexibility, posture and muscle strength, as well as gaining confidence and increasing self-esteem. The open house is scheduled for 5 to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 10 at the DeHaan Equestrian Center, which is located on the U.S. Highway 14 Bypass, north and east of the main SDSU campus. Training sessions began Aug. 3 and will continue on Tuesdays and Thursdays through Aug. 12. The program also is made possible through assistance from the Brookings Area United Way and Brookings Area Interagency Council. For more information on sponsorship or volunteer opportunities, contact STARS at (605) 696-5221.

Dakota State Leaving The DAC

MADISON (AP) — One of the five remaining members of the Dakota Athletic Conference is leaving next July. Dakota State University in Madison, S.D., will remain in the NAIA, but as an independent. The DAC announced this week that it is becoming a five-school league starting next July, after the departure or pending departure of four schools to the NCAA Division II ranks. An NAIA league must have at least six teams for it to be eligible for automatic postseason berths, and the DAC had asked for a waiver. DAC Commissioner LaVern Jensen says the request is now moot. He says he's surprised at Dakota State's decision. He says league officials are talking Friday about how to proceed. DSU Athletic Director Gene Wockenfuss says moving to independent status will give the school options in scheduling and more control of its athletic budget.

AREA CALENDAR

- Saturday, August 7
BASEBALL, AMATEUR State Tournament at Sioux Falls; S.D. State Class A Tour. at Yankton (Brookings-Brandon Valley loser vs. Vermillion Red Sox-Rapid City A's loser, 11 a.m.); Brookings-Brandon Valley winner vs. Vermillion Red Sox-Rapid City A's winner, 1:30 p.m.; Renner Monarchs vs. Pierre, 5 p.m.; R.C. Black Sox vs. Yankton, 7:30 p.m.
BASEBALL, VFW TEENER S.D. State 13-14 Year-Old Majors Tour. at Huron (Yankton Lakers); S.D. State 13-14 Year-Old Minors Tour. at Sioux Falls (Yankton Reds)
GOLF, DAKOTAS TOUR 37th annual Hillcrest Pro-Am
GOLF, SDGA Men's Amateur at Minnehaha, Sioux Falls; Women's Amateur at Prairie Green, Sioux Falls
Sunday, August 8
BASEBALL, AMATEUR State Tournament at Sioux Falls (Irene vs. Platte, 11 a.m., KVTK-AM; Renner-Newcastle vs. Miller-Wessington, 1 p.m.); Wynot vs. Dimock-Emery, 5:30 p.m., KVTK-AM); S.D. State Class A Tour. at Yankton (Renner Monarchs-Pierre loser vs. R.C. Black Sox-Yankton loser, 11 a.m.; Renner Monarchs-Pierre winner vs. R.C. Black Sox-Yankton winner, 1:30 p.m.)
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BASEBALL, VFW TEENER S.F. East at Yankton Black Sox (DH, 5 p.m.)
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Am. Baseball

S.D. STATE CLASS B TOUR.
Aug. 4-15 at Sioux Falls
FIRST ROUND
Wednesday, Aug. 4
Dimock-Emery 13, Montrose-Humboldt-Hartford 3, 7 innings
Wynot 7, Geddes 0

Thursday, Aug. 5
Dell Rapids Mudcats 4, Garretson 3
Canova 8, Chamberlain 6
Tabor 7, Mount Vernon 6
Parkston Mudcats 8, Wessington Springs 4

Friday, Aug. 6
Dell Rapids PBR 12, Volga 1
Redfield Dairy Queen 11, Salem 10
Eik Point 7, Britton 0
Crofton 4, Clark 2

Saturday, Aug. 7
Milbank vs. Martin, 1 p.m.
Gregory vs. Madison, 5:30 p.m.
Aurora vs. Larchwood, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, Aug. 8
Platte vs. Irene, 11 a.m.
Renner-Newcastle vs. Miller-Wessington, 1 p.m.

SECOND ROUND
Sunday, Aug. 8
Dimock-Emery vs. Wynot, 5:30 p.m.
Dell Rapids Mudcats vs. Canova, 7:30 p.m.
Monday, Aug. 9
Tabor vs. Parkston Mudcats, 6 p.m.
Dell Rapids PBR vs. Redfield Dairy Queen, 8 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 10
Eik Point vs. Crofton, 6 p.m.
Bryant-Winner Colome winner vs. Milbank-Martin winner, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 11
Gregory-Madison winner vs. Aurora-Larchwood winner, 6 p.m.
Platte-Irene winner vs. Wynot-Newcastle-Miller Wessington winner, 8 p.m.

S.D. STATE CLASS A TOUR.
Aug. 6-8 at Yankton
Friday, Aug. 6
GAME 1A: Brookings vs. Brandon Valley, 5:30 p.m.
GAME 2A: Vermillion Red Sox vs. Rapid City A's, 8 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 7
GAME 3A: Game 1A loser vs. Game 2A loser, 11 a.m.
GAME 4A: Game 1A winner vs. Game 2A winner, 1:30 p.m.
GAME 5A: Renner Monarchs vs. Pierre, 5 p.m.
GAME 6A: Rapid City Black Sox vs. Yankton, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, Aug. 8
GAME 7A: Game 5A loser vs. Game 6A loser, 11 a.m.
GAME 8A: Game 5A winner vs. Game 6A winner, 1:30 p.m.

Dakotas Tour

HILLCREST PRO-AM
Friday's Results
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION
66 — Jon Sauer, Josh Parsons
67 — Andre Metzger, Neil Johnson, Ryan Devlin
AMATEUR DIVISION
67 — J.R. Hendricks
68 — Mike Dooley
69 — James Kelly, Thomas Murphy
70 — Sean Zimmerman

American League

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Chivas USA at Toronto FC, 3 p.m.
D.C. United at New England, 6:30 p.m.
Real Salt Lake at Kansas City, 7:30 p.m.
San Jose at Colorado, 8 p.m.

Sunday's Games
Philadelphia at FC Dallas, 5 p.m.
New York at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Houston at Seattle FC, 10 p.m.

Transactions
BASEBALL
American League
BOSTON RED SOX — Placed LHP Haseki Kojima on the 15-day DL. Recalled LHP Felix Doubront from Pawtucket (IL).

CLEVELAND INDIANS — Claimed INF-OF Drew Sutton off waivers from Cincinnati and optioned him to Columbus (IL). DETROIT TIGERS —

Promoted David Chadd to vice president, amateur scouting/general assistant to the general manager. Scott Pleis to director, amateur scouting and Mike Rojas to director, player development.

MINNESOTA TWINS — Signed RHP Alex Wimmers and assigned him to Fort Myers (FS). TAMPA BAY RAYS — Placed 1B Carlos Pena on the 15-day DL, retroactive to Aug. 1. Recalled RHP Dale Thayer from Durham (IL).

TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Placed RHP Jesse Litsch on the 15-day DL. Recalled LHP Brad Mills from Las Vegas (PCL). NATIONAL LEAGUE

MILWAUKEE BREWERS — Extended the contract of WR Donald Driver through the 2012 season. Signed D Andre Cain from Nashville (PCL).

PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Optioned LHP Justin Thomas to Indianapolis (IL).

WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Placed OF Nyjer Morgan on the 15-day DL, retroactive to Aug. 4. Transferred RHP J.D. Martin from the 15- to the 60-day DL. Purchased the contract of LOS ANGELES ANGELS — Kevin Mench from Syracuse (IL).

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION
CHARLOTTE BOBCATS — Agreed to terms with G Sheron Collins on a two-year contract. Named Isiah Thomas as a consultant.

OKLAHOMA CITY THUNDER — Signed C John Madden on a one-year contract.

ARIZONA CARDINALS — Signed CB Trevor Ford. Released CB Rashad Barkdale.

GREEN BAY PACKERS — Extended the contract of WR Donald Driver through the 2012 season. Signed C Steven Zaleski to a one-year contract.

MIAMI DOLPHINS — Signed TE David Martin.

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS — Agreed to terms with WR Mark Bradley. Waived WR Matt Simon.

NEW YORK GIANTS — Waived WR Adam Jennings. Signed WR Nyan Boateng. SEATTLE SEAHAWKS — Signed OT Russell Okung to a six-year contract.

HOCKEY
NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE
DETROIT RED WINGS — Signed C Mike Modano to a one-year contract.

EDMONTON OILERS — Signed G Martin Gerber to a one-year contract.

MINNESOTA WILD — Agreed to terms with C John Madden on a one-year contract.

OTTAWA SENATORS — Named Kurt Kleinendorst coach of Binghamton (AHL) and signed him to a two-year contract through the 2011-12 season. Signed D Andre Benoit to a one-year contract.

SAN JOSE SHARKS — Re-signed C Steven Zaleski to a one-year contract.

RED SOX

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play, but the righthander plunked Jake Zoonsma in the third inning. Benz started Rapid City's 9th-place hitter with a ball but came back to strike out the third baseman for the fourth time in the game to seal the 1-0 win. "We took a chance walking Krogstad and then we hit the next guy," said Sorensen of the sticky ninth. "We've been in situations where that guy (with several strikeouts) has beaten us." When the A's were making contact against Vermillion starter Chuck Benz, his defensive mates were making the plays. Center-fielder Cody Aughton made a diving play to snare a looper off the bat of Zoonsma in the third inning and Aaron Fischer ran from his second-base position into foul territory to make an over-the-shoulder catch of a Daryle Denekhe pop. Meanwhile, both pitchers were working through batters and combined for 12 strikeouts through the first five innings. Benz had seven strikeouts while Krogstad had five for the A's, including a mow-em down in the third. Krogstad had three walks through those five innings, but Huntington gunned down three would-be base-stealers to aid Krogstad. Rapid City had a chance to score in the sixth, but Parks Brigman, who had reached with his second hit of the game and was sacrificed to second, was thrown out by Vermillion shortstop Robin Chute at the plate, trying to score as Chute bobbled a ball off the bat of Dave Powers. The A's had another opportunity to score as Huntington led off the 7th with a walk and moved to second on a wild pitch, but the Rapid City catcher was stranded there as Benz came back to strike out the side, totaling 11 Ks through seven innings. Then Krogman's fourth walk of the game came home to roost and Vermillion scored the game's lone run in the 7th. The Red Sox looked to give Benz some insurance in the 8th as Dan Hansen singled and Candor reached on an error, but Krogstad got Lessman to ground into a double-play to end the threat. Benz finished with 13 strikeouts and five walks to earn the win. Krogstad didn't strike anyone out after the fifth and finished five Ks and seven walks. Both pitchers allowed just three hits each. "It was quiet a job by both pitchers; we invited that guy to move to Vermillion," joked Sorensen after the win. "They both pitched outstanding games." Brigman was 2-4 for the A's with a double while Krogstad had a double. Rapid City (3-14) will play Brandon Valley at 11 a.m. today (Saturday) at Riverside Field. Justin Beebe, Chute and Hansen each had a single for Vermillion. Vermillion will play Brookings Cubby's at 1:30 p.m. today in a winners' bracket game. "We played them earlier and they showed us their four and five guys and still beat us pretty good," said Sorensen. "They're a great veteran team. "We wanted to get a win and get to Sioux Falls and we did that," added Sorensen. "If we win tomorrow, that will be frosting."

CUBBY'S

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Brandon Valley (17-5). Ahrendt had three strikeouts and a walk while giving up three earned runs in the loss. The Merchants will play either the Rapid City A's or Vermillion Red Sox today at 11 a.m. "We've just got to come out tomorrow with our heads up and a lot more intensity," said Ahrendt. McClemons (.458), Huston (.429) and Jake Broscha (.308). They added a pair of solid hitters as pick-up players. Sioux Falls' Kenny Tomek (.421) and Dustin Steffen (.290), and several Yankton First Dakota Post 12 American Legion players: Darik Nelson, Zach Johnson, Mike Janshi, Cody Ulmer and Josh Teichrow. The biggest advantage for Yankton at Riverside Field will be comfort level, according to the Tappers. "The pitchers are very comfortable here," Todd Smith noted. "They have worked off that mound all summer, most of them since spring." While the Black Sox know little about Yankton, they do know it won't be easy. "Won't be any slouches out there," Sayles said. "Class A is always tough."

CLASS A

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top of the order from infielder Kyle Smith (.410), then bring up heavy hitters Zach Lambrechts (.395) and Thygeson (.449). "Kyle gets on and they knock him in," Todd Smith noted. "Zach and Rand probably have 70 percent of our RBI's. Andy Turbak (.263) had been hitting lately, too. Ross Heine (.306) was hitting pretty well before he got hurt." The Tappers have also gotten strong offensive performances from Robb

SCOREBOARD

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MLB: Red Sox Beat Yankees 6-3

NEW YORK (AP) — Francisco Cervelli botched grab of Mike Lowell's routine pop led to three unearned runs that put the Red Sox ahead for good in the second inning, and Boston beat the New York Yankees 6-3 Friday night. BALTIMORE (AP) — Adam Jones singled in the winning run with two outs in the 10th inning, and the Orioles extended their unbeaten run under new manager Buck Showalter to four straight. INDIANS 7, TWINS 6: CLEVELAND (AP) — Matt LaPorta homered leading off the bottom of the ninth inning to give the Indians a victory. ANGELS 4, TIGERS 2: DETROIT (AP) — Jered Weaver allowed three hits over seven innings to best Justin Verlander, Torii Hunter hit a two-run homer and tossed a bag of baseballs onto the field after being ejected, and the Angels beat Detroit.

Reds Win Majors Tourney Opener

SIoux FALLS — Propelled by four RBI from Brady Hale, the Yankton Reds beat Watertown 9-3 in the opening game of the South Dakota State Class AA 13-14 Year-Old VFW Teeners Majors Tournament, which began Friday in Sioux Falls. Blake Smith allowed five hits in seven innings to pick up the win. Adam Walter was 2-3 with an RBI, while Matt Fitzgerald, Brad Ulmer and Colton Diefenderfer all added two hits. Isaac Althoff had one hit. The Reds play two games today (Saturday), against Pierre at 1 p.m. and the other Watertown squad at 6 p.m. The top four teams advance to Sunday.

JAYS

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way outside, and I figured he was going to try to throw a fastball over the plate," Schieffer said. "I guessed correctly." Donner pitched a perfect ninth for the save. Donner and Losing each had two of Crofton's eight hits off Wintner, who struck out nine. Clark finished with five hits, with no more than one by any Traders batter. "We just couldn't get a hit," said Clark manager Fred Obermeier. "(Sturm) wasn't doing anything special, but he had us off balance. He did a nice job." The victory improved the South Central League's record to 3-0 in the state tournament. The fourth SCL team to qualify, Irene, opens play Sunday at 11 a.m. against Platte.

Home Federal Bank advertisement for Low Fixed Rate Loans. Features 5.78% and 6.03% rates with 10-year terms. Includes contact information for Yankton, SD.

Diabetes & Thyroid Care advertisement for Oppenheimer Endocrinology. Features a photo of a doctor and contact information for Sioux Falls, SD.