

Yankton Soccer Teams Open Season Tonight

Bucks Set To Defend Title

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The Yankton High School boys' soccer team comes into the 2013 season, which begins today (Friday) against Watertown, ranked first in Class AA after winning the state championship last year. This year the group of talented boys looks to defend their Division AA state title while continuing to improve

their game. "We are looking to repeat last year's win at state and try for a perfect season," coach Warren Brenner said. "We are definitely capable. The only enemy will be complacency; we can't expect the results." This year's team is capable of achieving that goal,

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Sept. 14	R.C. Central	1 p.m.	
Sept. 21	@ Brookings	1 p.m.	
Sept. 28	S.F. Washington	3 p.m.	
Oct. 1	@ S.F. Lincoln	8 p.m.	
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Gazelles Aim To Climb In AA

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The Yankton High School Gazelles look to improve upon their eighth place finish in last year's state high school tournament with a strong group of young, talented girls. The girls' soccer team is coached by Head Coach Dave LaCombe, and Assistant coaches; Tyler Schuring,

Courtney True and Kennedy Winterringer. "We have the talent and the capability to be competitive and to be the top seed in the state," LaCombe said. "We want to follow up the success of the boys' team." Last year the boys' soccer team won the High School Division AA State Tournament a title that Coach LaCombe be-

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USD Looks To Put Past Behind Them

Coyotes Hope To Make Big Improvement

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VERMILLION — Inside the NCAA Football Championship Subdivision record book, there is a section entitled "Annual Most-Improved Teams." The greatest 1-year jumps are listed in order of most games improved, as are the teams from 2011 that righted the ship in quick fashion. With the FCS playoffs set to expand this year from 20 to 24 teams (and teams needing only six Division I wins instead of seven), the USD football team — 1-10 a year ago — isn't ready to declare itself ready to make one of those historic jumps. At least not yet. "We got close in a lot of games last year, and my whole thing is, we've got to get better," head coach Joe Glenn said during Thursday's media day gathering in Vermillion.

After pointing out that his 1982 Montana team was picked to finish last in the Big Sky Conference but won the league, Glenn added, "It's been done; it can be done." As the NCAA record book shows, teams have made quick turnarounds from one or two wins into a playoff berth the next season. Eastern Illinois and Villanova both made the FCS playoff field last fall after 2-9 records in 2011. Towson had a more dramatic increase, from 1-10 in 2010 to a 9-3 playoff season the next year. Additionally, Weber State (2005), Bucknell (2006) and Liberty (2006) all jumped up to six wins after going 1-10 the previous season. For reference sake, the 1984 Montana State Bobcats boast the biggest increase in FCS history, a 9.5-game leap from a 1-10 record in 1983 to a 12-2 finish in 1984. That might be asking too much of the Coyotes, who were winless in eight Missouri Valley Football Conference games last fall, but players Thursday referenced the challenge of building toward playoff consideration. "This our team, this is our legacy, we want to be that team that broke the mold," said junior quarterback Josh

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ABOVE: USD head football coach Joe Glenn, left, describes a formation to freshman running back Khorey Kilgore during Thursday morning's practice inside the DakotaDome in Vermillion. Kilgore is one of three running backs expected to see significant time this season, along with redshirt freshmen Trevor Bouma and Jordan Roberts.

LEFT: Wide receiver Terrance Terry turns upfield after making a catch in Thursday morning's practice. Terry, a junior, is the top returning receiver for the Coyotes this season. He caught 53 passes for 567 yards and three touchdowns a year ago for the Coyotes.

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FCS Turnarounds

A sampling of FCS teams that made dramatic 1-year turnarounds in recent years.

Year	Team	From	To
2005	Weber State	1-10	6-5
2006	Bucknell	1-10	6-5
2006	Liberty	1-10	6-5
2009	Chattanooga	1-11	6-5
2010	SE Missouri St.	2-9	9-3*
2011	Towson	1-10	9-3*
2012	Eastern Illinois	2-9	7-4*
2012	Villanova	2-9	8-3*

* denotes playoff berth

They Said ...

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**JOSH VANDER MATEN
JUNIOR QUARTERBACK**

"We just need to come together, have enthusiasm, play hard each play, and I think we can definitely reach the playoffs within the next couple years. Or even this year."

**MARC MURTHA
SENIOR OFF. LINEMAN**

Law Could Be Trouble For Brokers In Manziel Case

BY RALPH D. RUSSO
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If Johnny Manziel did violate NCAA rules by receiving money for signing autographs, a Texas law could put the people who allegedly paid him at risk of being sued by Texas A&M. Christian Dennie, an attorney with Barlow Garsek & Simon, LLP in Fort Worth, Texas, writes on the firm's website (<http://bit.ly/16eiX4l>) that the state of Texas passed legislation in 1987 to make "a person who violates a rule of a national collegiate athletic association ... liable for damages in an action brought by an institution." To be liable, the person must have known or reasonably should have known a rule was violated and the violation must lead to disciplinary action against the student or institution. Manziel, who became the first freshman to win the Heisman last year, is being investigated by the NCAA. ESPN has reported it is for possibly receiving payment from memorabilia brokers for signing autographs in Florida, Connecticut and Texas this year. If he is found to have been paid for signing, it could compromise his amateur status and put his eligibility at risk. Manziel's attorney, Jim Darnell of El Paso, Texas, has said the quarterback is cooperating with the investigation. Darnell has said he believes Manziel will be playing Aug. 31 when the Aggies open against Rice. Texas A&M plays Sam Houston State a week later and

hosts Alabama on Sept. 14. Dennie, who attended law school at Oklahoma, worked in its athletic department and is the author of College Sports Law Blog, told the AP on Thursday that if the NCAA finds reason to penalize Manziel and/or Texas A&M, the school could file a lawsuit in Texas even if Manziel is punished for transgressions committed in Florida or Connecticut. "With personal jurisdiction, it's more complicated than just where something happened," Dennie said. Other factors that could determine jurisdiction include, where negotiations took place, where products were sold (in-person or online) and where advertising for the products was done. Texas A&M would have to claim damages in a lawsuit, which Dennie writes could include lost television revenues and lost ticket sales of regular season and post-season athletic events" and "reasonable attorney's fees and costs." But those are just suggestions. "The statute itself doesn't outline specifics for damages," Dennie said. Texas A&M could get creative, and even claim damage to its reputation that could be tied to revenues. "He is a good kid. He is an honest kid," Texas A&M University System Chancellor John Sharp told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. "He has his heart in the right place. My mother wishes I was as nice a kid as Johnny when I was a sophomore in college."

Baseball Welcomes Expanded Replay

BY JAY COHEN
AP Sports Writer

Tampa Bay manager Joe Maddon has a message for the opponents of expanded replay in baseball, the critics who talk about the human element and the pace of the game. Go all the way, he said. "I really challenge them to go back and throw away all this new stuff. Microwaves, throw it away," Maddon said. "Take away all these comforts of this technology that's sprung up over the last how many years to make our lives better. To just bury your head in the sand and just reference old school all the time to me is a really poor argument." While Maddon was ready to dive straight into expanded replay, much of baseball offered a tentative endorsement of Thursday's proposal for increased video review options for next season. Atlanta Braves President John Schuerholz, a member of baseball's replay committee along with former managers Joe Torre and Tony La Russa, said 89 percent of incorrect calls made in the past will be reviewable, but he did not provide a list. "I'm all for getting calls right. That's a good thing," Twins catcher Joe Mauer said. "I really

haven't seen the changes that are going to be made, so I really don't have an opinion on that. But to make the game better, that's what we're all striving for." A 75 percent vote by the owners is needed for approval, and the players' association and umpires would have to agree to any changes to the current system. But most players and managers seemed pleased while waiting to learn more about the new system. "I'm all for it, reviewing the plays," Giants manager Bruce Bochy said. "I am, and how we do it, I'm not set in a certain way, but I think it's a good thing. I think most managers are all for it, too, and I think most umpires. It's all about getting it right so I'm excited to hear this has a strong possibility to be part of the game." Umpires have come under increased scrutiny following several missed calls this season. Managers will be allowed one challenge over the first six innings of a game and two from the seventh inning until the completion of the game. Balls and strikes are not reviewable, and challenged calls are settled by a crew at MLB headquarters in New York City, which will make a final ruling.

The amount of challenges and the emphasis on the last part of the game drew the attention of several managers. "I just don't like the idea that the earlier part of the game is considered less important than the latter part of the game," Maddon said. "That's all. I know we've lost games in the first inning. You could lose games in the second inning." Royals manager Ned Yost thinks three challenges is too many. "It's more than we need," he said. "I'm sitting back and thinking, probably in the last two weeks or three weeks, I can't think of three balls I would have challenged, but it's still nice to have the ability to be able to do it." A manager who sees a call he feels is incorrect can file a challenge with the crew chief or home plate umpire. Only reviewable plays can be challenged. Non-reviewable plays can still be argued by managers, who can request that the umpires discuss it to see if another member of the crew saw the play differently. Reviewable plays cannot be argued by the manager. Challenges not used in the

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