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We in the sports media world refer to mid-to-late August and into November as "overlap" periods. August is when amateur baseball concludes with the state tournament, which runs over 12 days in either Mitchell or Sioux Falls. By this point in the month, we're all hard at work traveling around to cover those games for you, while at the same time trying to get things organized for our respective fall sports previews (the Yankton Media fall preview, by the way, comes out on Aug. 29).

As you can imagine, it causes a little bit of an extra headache, but nothing we can't handle are, after all, used to the cyclical nature of our jobs.

Thursday was the perfect example for us in the Press & Dakotan sports department. On Thursday morning, I hopped in the car and drove north on Highway 37 to Parkston to take photos, shoot video and interview the high school football team for an upcoming feature. It happened to be the first

We Are Well Into Our 'Overlap' Period

day of pre-season practices, but coach Eric Norden was more than willing to make time for me —

Three hours after I got back to Yankton, sports editor James Cimburek hopped in his own car for a similar drive. He was on the way north to the State Amateur Baseball Tournament in Mitchell. I'm not sure if James took the same route I did, but I chuckle at the thought of both of us driving through Parkston at different times on the same day.

Things like that are bound to happen in this job.

Sunday will mark the championship games at the amateur tournament in Mitchell, and by the time Monday rolls around, James and I (and the rest of our staff) will be able to devote 100 percent of our attention on the Fall Sports Preview.

We think we've got a pretty neat cover for you guys to check out. I won't give any teasers, but trust us, it's a worthy subject for the cover. We hope you'll check it out.

Until that day, though, you'll continue to read amateur baseball coverage, along with the other items that come across our desk.

USD Teams With NeuLion For Ticketing System

with NeuLion to provide fans a user-friendly ticketing system hosted on USD's official athletics website, GoYotes.com. The system will serve as a one-stop shop for fans to purchase single-game tickets, season tickets and to make donations.

"NeuLion will give our fans a fresh experience when purchasing tickets," said Chris Kaufman, USD's coordinator of ticket operations and sales. "Coyote fans will be able to review their ticket account information, renew season tickets, donate to the Howling Pack, and purchase single-game tickets from the comfort of their home. This is the first step in making the ticket purchasing experience easier and more efficient for our fans."

NeuLion stands as a worldwide leader specializing in digital video broadcasting, distribution and monetization. The company enjoys high-profile partnerships with professional sports leagues such as the NFL, NHL, NBA and WNBA. For Coyote fans, NeuLion's partnership focuses on bringing a fully-functional online ticketing system to USD Setting up a personal account is quick and

easy to do. Fans can make payments or donations using either a VISA or MasterCard. Go to GoY-

LANTIC, Philadelphia; MIDWEST, Rapid City, S.D.; NEW ENGLAND, Cumber-

land, R.I.; NORTHWEST, Lynnwood, Wash.; SOUTHEAST, Nashville, Tenn.;

SOUTHWEST, Pearland, Texas; WEST, Las Vegas
INTERNATIONAL

ASIA-PACIFIC, Seoul, South Korea; AUSTRALIA, Perth; CANADA, Vancouver, B.C.; CARIBBEAN, Humacao, Puerto Rico; EUROPE & AFRICA, Brno, Czech Republic; JAPAN, Tokyo; LATIN

AMERICA, Maracaibo, Venezuela; MEX-

Chicago 12, Lynnwood 2, 5 innings Humacao 16, Perth 3, 4 innings Las Vegas 12, Rapid City 2

Game 5: Vancouver vs. Guadalupe,

Game 6: Philadelphia vs. Nashville

Game 7: Tokyo vs. Maracaibo, 4

Game 8: Pearland vs. Cumberland,

Game 10: Lynnwood vs. Rapid City,

Game 11: Loser G5 vs. Loser G7, 4

Game 12: Loser G6 vs. Loser G8, 6

Game 14: Chicago vs. Las Vegas, 1

Game 15: Winner G5 vs. Winner G7,

4 p.m. Game 16: Winner G6 vs. Winner G8,

East Division

Central Division

West Division

Thursday's Games
Detroit 5, Pittsburgh 2
Kansas City 7, Oakland 3
Boston 9, Houston 4

Seattle (Paxton 2-0) at Detroit (Porcello 13-7), 6:08 p.m.
Houston (Keuchel 10-8) at Boston (Buchholz 5-7), 6:10 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (McCarthy 4-1) at Tampa Bay (Cobb 7-6), 6:10 p.m.
Oakland (Hammel 1-4) at Atlanta (AWood 8-9), 6:35 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Richards 12-4) at Texas (N.Martinez 2-8), 7:05 p.m.

Kansas City (D.Duffy 7-10) at Min-

nesota (Nolasco 5-7), 7:10 p.m.
Toronto (Stroman 7-3) at Chicago
White Sox (Noesi 6-8), 7:10 p.m.

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

Toronto

New York

Kansas City

Los Angeles

Sunday, Aug. 17 Game 13: Seoul vs. Humacao, 11

Game 9: Brno vs. Perth, 11 a.m

Thursday, Aug. 14 Seoul 10, Brno 3

Friday, Aug. 15

otes.com and click on "Buy Tickets" in the upper right-hand corner of the screen.

SDSU Announces Wrestling Schedule

BROOKINGS — The South Dakota State wrestling team has nine home dates on its 2014-15 schedule, as announced Thursday by head

This season's schedule includes four tournaments, along with the NCAA West Regional/WWC Championships and the NCAA Championships.

The Jacks will once again make their season debut by hosting the 22nd Annual Warren 'illiamson/Daktronics Open on Nov. 2.

NDSU will host the NCAA West Regional/WWC Championships March 7, while St. Louis, Mo., will play host to the 2015 NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships March 19-21.

I-W Booster Club Golf Tourney Saturday he Irene-Wakonda Eagles Booster Club will

hold a four-person best ball golf tournament on Saturday, Aug. 16, at Fox Run Golf Course in Yankton. The event will begin with a shotgun start

There is a cost to participate, which includes golf, a cart, lunch, t-shirt and the opportunity to win pin prizes. Call Fox Run at 668-5205 to register a

King 27th At Bowling Tourn.

Patrick King of Yankton placed 27th in a field of 70 professional bowlers in the PBA50 Treasure Island Casino and Resort Open held recently in Welch, Minnesota,

King cashed for \$700 in the event.

Women's Bowling Meeting

OFTON, Neb. — A women's bowling meeting will be held Tuesday, Aug. 19 at 7 p.m. at The Centennial Lanes in Crofton, Nebraska,

Anyone interested in joining a team or already has a full 4-person team, contact Brian Wiebelhaus at 402-388-4640 or attend the meeting. The women's league will be played on Monday and Wednesday nights.

NU Budget Will Top \$100M LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — The University of Ne-

braska-Lincoln's athletic budget will top \$100 mil-

lion for the first time in 2014-15, with much of the increased spending coming in the area of football recruiting

The Athletic Department says the budget for the 24-sport program this year is \$103 million. That's up 10.7 percent from the \$93 million budget

The football program added six positions that will work specifically in recruiting. Including air travel, the Cornhuskers will spend \$1.2 million on recruiting this year. That's up 32.7 percent from the \$904,000 spent in 2013-14.

Nebraska Picked 2nd In Big Ten Volleyball Poll

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Big Ten volleyball coaches pick Nebraska to finish second in the conference behind two-time defending champion Penn State. Wisconsin is third in the poll released Thurs-

day, followed by Illinois, Purdue, Michigan State and Minnesota. Michigan is picked eighth, followed by Ohio State, Northwestern, Iowa, Indiana, Maryland and Rutgers. Nebraska senior Mary Pollmiller and sopho-

more Kadie Rolfzen are on the 15-member preseason All-Big Ten team, with Rolfzen a

This will be Nebraska's fourth season as a member of the Big Ten. The Huskers have finished no lower than second in each of their first three years, including a conference title in 2011.

Off-Duty Officers May Bring

Guns To Vikings Games

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — A court has struck down an NFL policy preventing off-duty Minnesota police officers from bringing their guns to Vikings

Two police organizations challenged the rule, arguing that NFL policy cannot trump state law. A Hennepin County court ruled Thursday in

favor of the organizations: the Minnesota Police and Peace Officers Association and the Police Officers Federation of Minneapolis. The ruling applies only in Minnesota.

The groups argued that even off-duty officers need to be armed at Vikings games. They say that allows officers to protect themselves and the public at a moment's notice.

NFL spokesman Greg Aiello says the policy is designed to keep fans safe. He says the NFL will continue to enforce it at TCF Bank Stadium, as the court order allows, until the matter is resolved.

SCOREBOARD

GOLF

HILLCREST GOLF & CC

SENIOR LEAGUE
BEST BALL: Ron Tappe-Rich Willert
61, John Ehret-Allan Karolevitz 62, Dave O'Brien-John Willcockson 62, Barry O'-Connell-Jay Hubner 64, Jim Tramp-Norm Willard 64, Cliff Groseth-Bob Kellen 64, Frank Messner-Bill Branson 65, Rudy Gersther-Cal Carlson 66, Rodger Brandt-Don Edwards 66, Don Munson-Bill Hesse 66, John Hughes-Wayne Ander-son 66, Cal Riesgaaard-Larry Rupiper 67, Mike McVay-John Sternquist 67, Bob Hard Harb Retenan 00 Haar-Hank Peterson 99

STANDINGS: Don Munson-Bill Hesse 126, Barry O'Connell-Jay Hubner 112.5, Rudy Gerstner-Cal Carlson 105.5, Jim Tramp-Norm Willard 102.5, Dave O'Brien-John Willcockson 94.5, Ron Tappe-Rich Willert 88, John Ehret-Allen Karolevitz 84, Frank Messner-Bill Branson 81.5, Cal Riesgaaard-Larry Rupiper 79, Mike McVay-John Sternquist 68.5 Bob Haar-Hank Peterson 58, Cliff Groseth-Bob Kellen 47.5, John Hughes-

BASKETBALL

SOUTH DAKOTA WOMEN 2014-15 SCHEDULE NOTE: Non-conference games only

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	at Kansa
Nov. 19	at Portland Stat
	at Washingto
Nov. 24	vs. UC Irvin
Nov. 30	at Marquett
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Dec. 6	vs. Cal State Fullerto
Dec. 9	vs. Valparais
Dec. 18	vs. University of Saint Mar
Dec. 21	vs. North Dakot
Dec. 28	at Texas San Antonio
Dec. 29	vs. Chattanooga
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BASEBALL

S.D. CLASS BAMATEUR

TOURN.		
Aug. 6-17 at Mitchell		
SECOND ROUND		
Sunday, Aug. 10		
Tabor 7, Groton 6		
Clark 4, Plankinton 2		
Monday, Aug. 11		
Wynot 7, Akron 0		
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Tuesday, Aug. 12 Parkston Mudcats 5, Harrisburg 0 Crofton 8. Lake Norden 2 Wednesday, Aug. 13
Alexandria 7, Redfield Pheasants 0
Flandreau 4, Platte 2
QUARTERFINALS

Thursday, Aug. 14 Clark 5, Tabor 2 Wynot vs. Irene, 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15 Parkston Mudcats vs. Crofton, 6

Alexandria vs. Flandreau, 8 p.m. SEMIFINALS, Aug. 16
Clark vs. Wynot-Irene winner, 1 p.m.
Parkston Mudcats-Crofton winner vs. Alexandria-Flandreau winner. 7:30

CHAMPIONSHIP, Aug. 17 Clark-Wynot-Irene winner vs. Park-ston Mudcats-Crofton-Redfield Pheasants-Alexandria-Platte-Flandreau winner.

S.D. CLASS A AMATEUR

Aug. 8-10 at Renner, Aug. 15-17 at Mitchell Friday, Aug. 15 GAME 27: Renner vs. Yankton, 1:30

GAME 28: Vermillion Red Sox vs S.F. Brewers, 1:30 p.m. GAME 29: S.F. Squirrels vs. Castlewood, 3:30 p.m., Drake Field

Game 28 loser, 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 17 CHAMPIONSHIP: Game 28 winner vs. Game 34 winner, noon

LITTLE LEAGUE WS At South Williamsport, Pa. UNITED STATES GREAT LAKES, Chicago; MID-AT-

East Division Pct GB .555 — .504 6 .496 7 Miami Pct .549 Milwaukee

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BASEBALL MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL —

DETROIT TIGERS — Optioned RHPs Buck Farmer and Kevin Whelan to Toledo (IL). Recalled RHP Melvin Mer-

SS Jed Lowrie on the 15-day DL. Re-called INF Andy Parrino from Sacra-mento (PCL). Agreed to terms with RHP Tim Sexton on a minor league contract. TAMPA BAY RAYS — Optioned INF

Round Rock. Sent LHP Derek Tampa Bay at Texas, 8:05 p.m.

Friday's Games

Baltimore (W.Chen 12-4) at Cleveland (Kluber 13-6), 6:05 p.m.

Friday, August 15 BASEBALL, AMATEUR State

AREA CALENDAR

Tourn. at Mitchell — Vermillion Red Sox vs. S.F. Brewers (1:30 p.m.); Yankton vs. Renner (1:30 p.m., KVTK-AM); Crofton vs. Parkston Mudcats (6 p.m., KVHT-FM) GOLF, DAKOTAS TOUR Minot

Saturday, August 16 BASEBALL, AMATEUR State GOLF, DAKOTAS TOUR Minot

Open at Burlington, N.D.

GOLF, SDGA Senior Championship at Moccasin Creek CC, Ab-

52 69 .430 17 46 74 .383 22 1/2 Thursday's Games

L.A. Dodgers 6, Atlanta 4 Detroit 5, Pittsburgh 2 Milwaukee 6, Chicago Cubs 2 Miami 5, Arizona 4, 10 innings Washington 4, N.Y. Mets 1 St. Louis 4, San Diego 3 Cincinnati at Colorado, 8:40 p.m. Friday's Games Pittsburgh (Morton 5-11) at Washing-

ton (Roark 11-7), 6:05 p.m. Arizona (Cahill 2-8) at Miami (Hand 4), 6:10 p.m.

Chicago Cubs (T.Wood 7-9) at N.Y. Mets (Za.Wheeler 7-8), 6:10 p.m. Oakland (Hammel 1-4) at Atlanta

(A.Wood 8-9), 6:35 p.m. San Diego (T.Ross 11-10) at St. Louis (Lynn 12-8), 7:15 p.m. Cincinnati (Cueto 14-6) at Colorado (F.Morales 5-6), 7:40 p.m.

(F.Morales 5-6), 7:40 p.m.

Milwaukee (J.Nelson 2-3) at L.A.

Dodgers (Greinke 12-8), 9:10 p.m.

Philadelphia (Hamels 6-6) at San

Francisco (Bumgarner 13-9), 9:15 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

Elected Rob Manfred commissioner. American League
BOSTON RED SOX — Optioned
RHP Anthony Ranaudo and C Ryan
Lavarrway to Pawtucket (IL). Recalled RHP Alex Wilson from Pawtucket (IL).

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 Cole Figueroa to Durham (IL). Recalled RHP Brandon Gomes from Durham.

TEXAS RANGERS — Optioned RHP Nate Adoock to Round Rock (PCL). 50 72 .410 23 1/2 47 73 .392 25 1/2 Recalled LHP Robbie Ross Jr. from

Send It SOCCER, MEN'S MMC Alumni

me (11 a.m.)
SOCCER, WOMEN'S Viterbo at USD (Exhibition, 4 p.m.)

VOLLEYBALL, WOMEN'S

MMC Blue-Gold Match (10 a.m.) Sunday, August 17 BASEBALL, AMATEUR State

rn. at Mitchell GOLF, DAKOTAS TOUR Minot en at Burlington, N.D. GOLF, SDGA Senior Champi-

Holland to Round Rock for a rehab as-National League ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Optioned LHP Andrew Chafin to Reno (PCL). Selected the Contract of RHP

Bradin Hagens from Reno.

ATLANTA BRAVES — Optioned RHP Juan Jaime to Gwinnett (IL). Recalled LHP Luis Avilan from Gwinnett.
CHICAGO CUBS — Released OF CINCINNATI REDS — Released OF

ran LaMarre.

MILWAUKEE BREWERS — Extended their player development contract with Helena (Pioneer) through the 2018

PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Optioned C Ramon Cabrera to Altoona (EL).
Assigned RHP Ernesto Frieri outright to Indianapolis (IL). Claimed RHP John Axford off waivers from Cleveland SAN DIEGO PADRES — Placed 1B. Yonder Alonso on the 15-day DL, retroactive to Wednesday. Recalled INF Jace Peterson from El Paso (PCL).

FOOTBALL National Football League
ARIZONA CARDINALS — Signed
LB Desmond Bishop to a one-year con-CLEVELAND BROWNS — Signed

Caleb McSurdy.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Released TE Ben Hartsock.

WASHINGTON REDSKINS — Released DE Doug Worthington. Signed TE COLLEGE

AUBURN — Named Alli Bracewell director of women's basketball services. BINGHAMTON — Named Brad Smith swimming and diving coach. CLEMSON — Named Caroline King and Samantha Sarff women's assistant FURMAN — Promoted men's assis-

tant soccer coach Anthony Esquivel to men's associate head soccer coach. LA SALLE — Named Mike Adleman and Vince Barnaba athletic communica-

Home



home during the Cardi-

nals' matchup with

Wynot in the quarterfinals of the S.D. State Amateur Baseball Tournament on Thursday at Mitchell's Park. The game was not completed by press time Thursday night, but a game story will be

Cadwell posted on www.yank-



Vaulters

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ton.net.

pole vaulting program and I think I can help them."

"Mount Marty is a place where I can excel in education along with athletics," Boyle said.

The athletes aren't too worried about the transition from high school athletics to college.

"I think it will be just fine,"

Haigh said. "I love pole vaulting and will handle the work load to the best of my abili-"There will be a lot more

really tough competition in college, but I am excited to begin a new season," Boyle These athletes have set

the bar high with their goals. "I want to clear 12 feet by the time I graduate, and also to maybe even qualify for nationals," said Boyle, who

holds her high school's

record of 10 feet.

ple, he said. "My goal is to be an All American pole vaulter."

Adam Haigh's goal is sim-

Said Herrboldt, "My goal is to do the best that I can, never give up and not take a college sport for granted. Athletes never know when it is going to be their last meet or game."

Discuss this story at www.yankton.net. You can follow Adrienne Kusek on twitter at www.twitter.com/AdrienneKusek.

.467 10 1/2 .438 14 Saturday, Aug. 16 GAME 32: Game 27 winner vs. Game 29 winner, 11 a.m. GAME 34: Game 32 winner vs. GB 2 2 1/2 6 14 GB

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Coyotes

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yes, there were instances in which teams were hesitant to schedule the Coyotes, she added. "It's interesting," Williams

said. "It works both ways. Sometimes it makes life easier and sometimes it's more difficult when people say, 'We're not sure that we want to go down that road." Another obstacle, at least

for one more season, is scheduling around conflicts with the DakotaDome – when football plays into late November and basketball teams have to play on the road for the first two weeks.

That will all change for the 2016-17 season when USD opens up its new 6,000-seat

"We heard that a couple

times, people saying, 'Talk to us in another year when you'll open up a new arena," Williams said. "Still, the Dome has been a really good home court advantage for us. In the meantime, the Coy-

first three Summit League games on the road, before hosting North Dakota State on Jan. 15, 2015. By that point, USD will have been tested by a nonconference schedule de-

signed to do exactly that,

ote women have to adjust.

They, for example, play their

Williams said. "That's a goal of ours, to continue to make our schedule as challenging as we can," she said. "We know to be the best, you've got to beat the

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