Press&Dakotan DAILY DOSE

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



BY CHRIS RILEY

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Starting in the mid 1990's I began watching every single Minnesota Vikings game in its entirety. This went on for The late 90's and early 2000's were a fun time for those adorned in purple and gold. Sure the end result was never

there, but the high-flying Vikings offense was quite the production to watch week in and week out. Then the real world hit (sort of) and I began working on most weekends. No worries though, as this coincided with the Brad Childress era in Minny. Watching these games would have taken years off of my life so I considered myself lucky to have the alternative of a busy work schedule on gameday.

Sure I see the occasional Sunday game or the now even rarer Monday Night contest that Minnesota is invited to play in, but for the most part I read the recaps of the games online and feel satisfied knowing that I did not have lose those three hours of my life every Sunday afternoon.

Then came this past Sunday. Green Bay versus Minnesota is a huge deal, like you do not already know, so I decided to tune in since I had the day off.

What I saw might keep me from watching another Vikings game the rest of the year. Adrian Peterson, the class of the NFL at running back, was in absolute beast mode as he has been all year — averaging over six vards per rush through 12 games!

Still, Christian Ponder managed to throw the game away (literally). It's like Tavaris Jackson never left. All the Vikings are asking of their quarterback is to NOT lose the game, but he

cannot even deliver on that. Giving Joe Webb a shot makes sense. Too much sense apparently, because head coach Leslie Frazier will hear

Mediocre quarterback play is unacceptable when the most talented rusher in the league is lining up in your back-

Mmm, I wonder if Brett Favre is still throwing to those high school kids in Mississippi?

Press & Dakotan sports editor James D. Cimburek and assistant sports editor Jeremy Hoeck will host a live

P&D Sports Chat Wednesday

chat on Wednesday afternoons.

The weekly event, which will run from 3:30-4:30 p.m., will cover local and regional high school and college sports, as well as some topics of national interest. Go online to http://www.yankton.net/live_chat

S.D. Basketball Hall Director At

The Yankton Quarterback Club will meet Wednesday at noon at the Elks Lodge, 504 West 27th Street, Yankton. This week's speaker is Myron Moen, the executive director of the South Dakota Basketball Hall of Fame, who will talk about the fourth class for the hall, which will be in-

ducted on March 23 in Madison. Among the honorees is Yankton native Chad Nelson, now of Edgartown, Mass., and Miami Heat forward and former Mitchell standout Also to be honored are Scott Bosanko of Farmington. N.M. (Aberdeen Central 1977); Amy Mickelson Brecht of

Sioux Falls (Brookings 1986); Chris Divich of San Antonio, Texas (Doland 1952); Carol (Freeman) Galbraith of Winner (Canova 1979); Clyde Hagen of Sioux Falls (Webster 1966); Garney Henley of Huron (Hayti 1955); Kent Hyde of Little Rock, Ark. (Onida 1954); Gerald Lund of

Buhl, Idaho (Belle Fourche 1957); Renee Ruesink of Sioux Falls (Castlewood 1984): Jim Schlekeway of Mobridge (Britton 1964); Wayne Stone of Mitchell (Mitchell Wendy Swanhorst of Denver, Colo. (Cresbard 1978); Marty Waukazoo of San Leandro, Calif. (Rapid City 1967); and Chuck Welke Jr. of Thompson, N.D. (Warner 1994).

The public is invited to attend.

SDSU's Zenner Named AFCA All-American

BROOKINGS — South Dakota State University running back Zach Zenner was named Tuesday to the 2012 AFCA Football Championship Subdivision Coaches' All-America Team.

A native of Eagan, Minn., Zenner was one of only two sophomores named to the 25-player All-America team, which is selected by the American Football Coaches Association. During the 2012 season, Zenner rushed for 2,044 yards and currently ranks second in the FCS ranks with an average of 157.2 yards per game. A candidate for the Walter Payton Award as the top offensive player in the FCS, he topped the 100-yard mark nine times and crossed the 200-yard mark three times, including racking up a school-record 295 yards in a Nov. 24 playoff game against Eastern Illinois.

In helping lead the Jackabbits to their second playoff

berth in four years. Zenner averaged 6.8 yards per carry and scored 13 touchdowns on the ground. He added 28 receptions for 197 yards.

USF's Stugart One Of Five Finalists For Liberty Mutual D-II **Coach Of The Year**

BOSTON — ON Tuesday, Liberty Mutual Insurance recognized University of Sioux Falls head football coach Jed Stugart as one of five D-II finalists for the 2012 Liberty Mutual Coach of the Year Award, the premier college football-coaching honor that promotes charity and scholarship while also honoring coaches for their sportsmanship, integrity, responsibility and excellence, on and off

Coach Stugart joins a class of five Division II finalists for the 2012 Liberty Mutual Coach of the Year Award including, in alphabetical order: Mark Macieiewski, Shippensburg (Pa.); Scott Maxfield, Henderson State (Ark.); Bob Nielson, Minnesota Duluth and Peter Rossomando, New Haven (Conn.).

USF D.C. Anderson Named Head Coach At West Virginia State

SIOUX FALLS — West Virginia State has hired USF

defensive coordinator Jon Anderson as the Yellow Jackets' next football coach. West Virginia State athletic director Sean Loyd made the announcement during a press conference on Tuesday afternoon.

The decision makes Anderson a head coach for the first time in his career. Anderson becomes the 13th head football coach in Yellow Jackets history.

USF went 9-2 this year, its first as a member of the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.

In 2012, Anderson's defensive unit was among the conference leaders in scoring defense, surrendering only 20.2 points a game. The 2012 defensive unit built on the success of the 2011 team when the Cougars' defense forced 21 turnovers and gave up just 21.6 points per game. During Anderson's three years as defensive coordinator, the Cougars have posted a 27-7 record and have limited opponents to an average of 16 points per game.

Sandau, Swenson Earn Scholar-**Athlete Honors**

MITCHELL — Two members of the Dakota Wesleyan volleyball team have been named Daktronics-NAIA Scholar-Athletes, it was announced by the NAIA this week. Juniors Sam Sandau and Kelli Swenson earned the

first academic honors of their Tiger careers when they were honored by the NAIA and Daktronics. Sandau, an outside hitter from Tripp, is an English education major

with a 3.94 GPA. She finished fourth on the team with 150 kills this season and also had 10 total blocks and 46 digs. Swenson, a setter from Chamberlain, is a public serv-

ice and leadership and business double major with a 3.93 GPA. She had 122 assists, five service aces and 55 digs

for the Tigers in 2012. In order to be eligible for Daktronics-NAIA Scholar-Athlete status, student-athletes must have a minimum GPA of 3.5 and have achieved junior academic status.

Backup QB Max Shortell To Leave Minnesota

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Minnesota backup quarterback Max Shortell has decided to transfer to another school following freshman Philip Nelson's takeover of the position. Coach Jerry Kill said Tuesday that he respects the Kansas native's choice and "will help him in any way" he

Shortell started two games last season when MarQueis Gray was injured. He threw three touchdown passes in relief of Gray against Western Michigan on Sept. 15 and started three more games while Gray was hurt, but the sophomore was picked off three times at Iowa on Sept. 29 and injured against Northwestern on Oct. 13. Nelson got the job the following week.

Shortell has thrown for eight touchdowns, seven interceptions and a 54 percent completion rate in his career.

SCOREBOARD

BOWLING

YANKTON BOWL CLASSIC LEAGUE
HIGH TEAM GAME: Coca-Cola 904
HGIH TEAM SERIES: Coca-Cola 2618 HIGH INDIVIDUAL GAME: Jim Murphy 279,

Mike Kruse 268, Sam Sully 266, Tod Bak 259, Ryan Weverstad 255
HIGH INDIVIDUAL SERIES: Mike Kruse 742, Scott Plath 718, Joe Wuestewald 690, Sam Sully 688, Todd Kautz 675 STANDINGS: Smidt Cantain & Crew 82 5

Spectacle Shop 73, Plath Chiropractic 72, Eisenbraun & Associates 62, Happy Hourz 60, Coca-Cola 48, Barta Electric 47, Yankton Motor 44, Rotten Apples 42.5, Thrivent Financial 9 MONDAY NIGHT MIXED

HIGH INDIVIDUAL GAME: Kelly Mernin 210, Todd Moody 203 (errorless), Romain "Red" Loecker 201, Lonnie Remington 180, Sharon Scissons 180, Elaine List
HIGH INDIVIDUAL SERIES: Hal Somer 590, Toddy Moody 557, Romain "Red" Loecker

546, Elaine List 492, Annabelle Moody 487, Lonnie Reminaton 468 STANDINGS: RTBN 35-14, Country Bump-kins 31-21, Alley Kats 29.5-22.5, TCB 29-23 Misfits 28-23, Bob's Hobby Supply 27.5-23.5, The Pinheads 27-24, R&D Loeckers 25-27, Ten

HIGHLIGHTS: Mary Tieszen 3-6-7-10, Elaine List 6-7, Lonnie Remington 4-6-7, Annabelle Moody 5-7, 3-10, Todd Moody 2-7-8, 3-10, Kelly Memin 3-10, Diane Loecker 5-6-10

VOLLEYBALL

YANKTON PARKS & REC COED COMPETITIVE LEAGUE

RESULTS: Back That Ace Up def. Yankton Rexall/Dakota Drywall 3-0 21-16, 21-14, 21-14; Da A Team def. The Rivals 2-1 21-14, 21-9, 14-21; Arm-N-Hammer/Larry's Heating & Cooling def. Getting Diggy With It 2-1 21-18, 12-21, 21-STANDINGS: Da A Team 3-0, Back That

Ace Up 2-1, Yankton Rexall/Dakota Drywall 2-1, Arm-N-Hammer/Larry's Heating & Cooling 2-1, The Rivals 0-3, Getting Diggy With It

COED JUST FOR FUN LEAGUE

College

33 percent of their 3-point shots

The Hawkeyes did make 17 of

through the first eight games.

Iowa owned the interior

against undersized South Dakota.

points and eight rebounds in just

"Physically, we just got beat up a little bit," South Dakota

coach Dave Boots said. "We just

have no answer for it. We got

pounded on the boards again

tonight against a stronger and

South Dakota's Casey Kasper-

bauer scored 14 points on 4 of 8

3-pointers. Kasperbauer is from

Iowa started three freshmen

Mike Gesell scored 12 points and

Adam Woodbury chipped in 10

points. Anthony Clemmons had

eight assists and no turnovers.

Wrestling

wrestling teams combined for 16

top-two finishes at the Parkston

Earning first place finishes for

Tournament on Monday.

Carroll, Iowa — about three hours west of Carver-Hawkeye

for the second straight game.

Six different Hawkeyes grabbed

at least six rebounds. Backup

center Gabe Olaseni had nine

11 minutes.

bigger team."

Arena.

19 free throws on Tuesday.

ing Company 2-1 21-15, 21-12, 20-22; Wild Sets def. Honey Badgers 2-1 22-20, 9-21, 21-12; Dakota Trailer Hot Shots def. The Netters 3-0 21-17. 21-18. 21-5: Murph's Carpets def. First STANDINGS: Murph's Carpets 3-0, First Dakota Bank 2-1, Dakota Trailer Hot Shots 2-1,

Fireballs 2-1, Spiked Punch 2-1, Honey Badgers 1-1, Rounding 3rd 1-1, Wild Sets 1-1, Ben's Brewing Company 1-2, Ice House 0-3, The Net-

WRESTLING

TUESDAY'S S.D. SCORES

Watertown 35, Brandon Valley 34 Tri-Valley Quadrangular Howard 60, Mt. Vernon/Plankinton 11 Howard 60, Mt. Vernoum Ramana.... Howard 66, Sioux Valley 12 Sioux Valley 54, Mt. Vernon/Plankinton 27 Tri-Valley 46, Howard 33 Tri-Valley 54, Sioux Valley 30 Tri-Valley 63. Mt. Vernon/Plankinton 18

BASKETBALL

TUESDAY'S S.D. GIRLS SCORES Aberdeen Roncalli 66, Northwestern Area 43

Andes Central 49, Gregory 39 Beresford 59, Parker 43 Bon Homme 62, Tripp-Delmont/Armour 53, OT

Bridgewater-Emery 52, Irene-Wakonda 35 Canton 51, Flandreau Indian 31 Castlewood 47, Lake Preston 28 Chamberlain 70, Mt. Vernon/Plankinton 43 Chester 57, Flandreau 32 Dakota Valley 69, Tea Area 22 Deuel 60, Elkton-Lake Benton 40 Dupree 69, Bison 29 Edmunds Central 47, Aberdeen Christian 23 Elk Point-Jefferson 67, Ponca, Neb. 55 ence/Henry 50, Great Plains Lutheran

Garretson 48, Dell Rapids St. Mary 32 Gayville-Volin 46, Menno 35 Herreid/Selby Area 97, Wakpala 37 James Valley Christian 37, Kimball/White

Lemmon 76, Harding County 35 McCook Central/Montrose 54, Marion 20 Miller 55, Potter County 52
Mitchell 65, Brandon Val-

SOUTH DAKOTA (4-5)

1 0-0 0. Totals 19-55 16-19 63.

day night in York. Neh.

IOWA 87, SOUTH DAKOTA 63

Kasperbauer 4-9 2-2 14, Rowson 2-3 4-5 8, Boots 3-5 0-0 9, Tecker 0-1 0-0 0, Bos 1-5 0-0 3, Bartling 0-0 0-0 0, Robertson 0-

Flack 2-8 1-2 5. Gruis 5-11 6-6 16. Myles 2-12 3-4 8.

White 7-11 6-6 21 Woodbury 5-6 0-0 10 Marble 5-14 4-4

Halftime—lowa 45-32. 3-Point Goals—S. Dakota 9-22

(Kasperbauer 4-8, Boots 3-4, Bos 1-2, Myles 1-5, Robertson 0-1, Flack 0-2), lowa 2-16 (White 1-1, McCabe 1-5, Clemmons 0-1, Gesell 0-3, Marble 0-3, Oglesby 0-3), Fouled Out—Rowson Rebounds—S. Dakota 31 (Flack 7), lowa 50 (Olaseni 9), As-

sists—S. Dakota 10 (Boots, Bos, Kasperbauer, Myles 2), Iowa

20 (Clemmons 8). Total Fouls—S. Dakota 19, Iowa 17. A—

York 59, Mount Marty 39

YORK, Neb. — York College held Mount Marty College to 24 percent shooting in a 59-39

men's basketball non-conference victory Tues-

much better from the field, shooting 36 percent,

but out-scored Mount Marty 34-20 in the second

each scored eight points for the Lancers (4-6).

while Austin Harms added seven points. Chris

Marcus Johnson led York with 16 points,

The Lancers travel to Fremont, Neb. for a

while Andre Vaughn had 11 points, and Thad-

YORK 59, MOUNT MARTY 39

MOUNT MARTY COLLEGE (4-6)
Saladin Smith 3-11 0-0 8; Scott Odekirk 0-5 1-2 1; Joe Hieb
1-6 0-2 : Austin Harms 2-8 3-5 7; Jose Pena-Benjamin 4-8 0-0
8; Scott Sellers 1-5 0-0 2; Chris Richardson 2-9 0-0 5; Tyler

Anthony Rutledge 0-1 0-0 0; Chevy Fischer 0-0 0-0 0. TOTALS 16-66 4-10 39.

YORK COLLEGE (10-3)
Desmond Strickland 1-12 0-0 3; Dylan Brewer 1-5 0-0 3;

deus Varmall hauled down 19 rebounds.

Saturday matchup with Midland.

Richardson had five points and 13 rebounds.

The hometown Panthers (10-3) weren't

Saladin Smith and Jose Pena-Benjamin

14, Clemmons 2-5 0-0 4, Gesell 5-11 2-2 12, Olaseni 3-4 2-2 8, Basabe 2-8 2-3 6, Oglesby 0-3 0-0 0, Rickert 0-0 0-0 0, Denning 0-0 0-0 0, McCabe 2-8 0-5 1, Ingram 1-1 0-0 2, May 1-4 1-2 3, Stokes 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 34-76 1

Oldham-Ramona/Rutland 58, Canistota 53 Parkston 52, Freeman 45 Rosholt 50. Tiospa Zina Tribal 37 Sioux Falls Christian 50, Dell Rapids 32 Sioux Falls Washington 63, Sioux City, East,

lowa 30

South Central 30, Lyman 26 Sully Buttes 77, Stanley County 22 Todd County 55. Bennett County 43 Tri-Valley 60, Lennox 29 Viborg-Hurley 59, Scotland 47

TUESDAY'S S.D. BOYS SCORES Garretson 42, Elk Point-Jefferson 28 Midland 96. Centerville 38

Aquinas 47, Howells/Dodge 42 Arlington 66, Yutan 49 Bertrand 56, Elwood 52

Cedar Valley 44, Elba/North Loup-Scotia 36 15 Centura 48, Central City 41 Creighton 43, Wausa 34 Crofton 59. Boone Central/Newman Grove

Diller-Odell 49, Dorchester 21 Elgin Public/Pope John 42, Neligh-Oakdale

Elkhorn South 43, Omaha Duchesne Acad-Elmwood-Murdock 57, Louisville 46 Emerson-Hubbard 66, Bancroft-Rosalie 58,

Falls City 43, Hiawatha, Kan. 35 Giltner 70. McCool Junction 35 Grand Island Central Catholic 43, St. Paul Grand Island Northwest 51, Crete 45 Gretna 44, Omaha Gross Catholic 38

Humphrey 55, Humphrey St. Francis 44 Lincoln Christian 45, Fillmore Central 39, OT Lutheran High Northeast 46, Twin River 31 Lyons-Decatur Northeast 38, Winside 21 Malcolm 45, Conestoga 32 Minatare 28, Banner County 22 Minden 53. Lexinaton 37

North Bend Central 42, Schuyler 31 Oakland-Craig 52, Clarkson/Leigh 40 Omaha Brownell-Talbot 48, Boys Town 34 Omaha Christian Academy 48, Parkview

Omaha Mercy 53, Omaha Skutt Catholic 35 Palmyra 51, Johnson-Brock 33 Pawnee City 50, Tri County 22 Sandhills/Thedford 51, Maxwell 35 Seward 62, Elkom 36 Silver Lake 55, Axtell 47 Southern 45, Johnson County Central 41 Southern Valley 74. Cambridge 20 t. Mary's 87, Niobrara/Verdigre 37 umner-Eddyville-Miller 34, South Loup 30 Sutton 62, High Plains Community 18 Tekamah-Herman 48, Douglas County West

Wahoo 62, Ashland-Greenwood 58, 2OT Wayne 69, Logan View 33 Weeping Water 43, Auburn 29 West Point-Beemer 41, Stanton 37 Wetmore, Kan. 39, Falls City Sacred Heart

Cattle Trail Tournament Arapahoe 42, Medicine Valley 22 Southwest 43, Oberlin-Decatur, Kan. 27

Arlington 73, Yutan 57 Axtell 62, Silver Lake 58 Bancroft-Rosalie 61. Emerson-Hubbard 38 Bertrand 62, Elwood 42 Bishop Neumann 46, Elkhorn Mount

Cedar Bluffs 51, College View Academy 37 Central City 52 Centura 47 OT Columbus Scotus 83, Guardian Angels 73 Deshler 39, Meridian 28
Diller-Odell 47, Dorchester 35 Elgin Public/Pope John 54, Neligh-Oakdale

Marcus Johnson 7-12 1-2 16: Thaddeus Varmall 3-11 1-2 7: Dar-

ren Wilson Jr. 0-2 0-0 0; Reggie Johnson 1-3 0-0 2; Daymian Marshall 2-2 0-0 4; Dustin Campbell 0-0 0-0 0; Andre Vaughn 4-6 2-2 11; Mike Buffalo 3-10 1-3 7; Ramses Larobina 0-1 0-0 2;

Alec Monaghan 0-0 0-0 0; Amen Osavande 2-3 0-0 4, TOTALS

Halftime: York 25, MMC 19. Three-Pointers: York 4-20 (Brewer 1-2, Vaughn 1-2, M. Johnson 1-3, Strickland 1-10, Larobina 0-1, Varmall 0-2), MMC 3-18 (Smith 2-3, Richardson 1-

4. Harms 0-1. Pena-Benjamin 0-1. Hieb 0-3. Johnson 0-3). Rebounds: York 54 (Varmall 19), MMC 45 (Richardson 13), Assists: York 12 (Brewer 3, Varmall 3), MMC 9 (Odekirk 3), Steals: York 12 (Varmall 4, Osayande 4), MMC 6 (Harms 2, Johnson 2). Personal Fouls: York 12, MMC 12. Fouled Out: None.

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE 66, EASTERN

MICHIGAN 65: BROOKINGS — A layup by Megan Waytashek with 9.7 seconds remaining

completed a South Dakota State comeback as

the Jackrabbits escaped Frost Arena with a 66-

65 victory over Eastern Michigan in non-confer-

ence women's basketball action Tuesday night.

their second consecutive victory. Eastern Michi-

gan saw its losing streak reach seven games as

Ashley Eide canned two clutch three-point-

ers down the stretch, pulling the Jackrabbits

within a point each time — the last of which

made the score 65-64 in favor of EMU with 1:13

to play. The two teams then traded turnovers be-

fore Eastern Michigan's Desyree Thomas

missed both free throw attempts with 31 sec-

ball to Hannah Strop in the high post, who

turned and hit a cutting Waytashek on the right-

side of the lane for the go-ahead layup. The Ea-

gles got off a contested shot outside the lane

from about 12 feet away a second before the

horn and came up empty with Waytashek cor-

Northern Iowa. Tipoff is slated for 2 p.m. at the

McLeod Center in Cedar Falls, Iowa

142), Robbie Darcy (4-1, 148),

Schmidt (2-1, 170), Brock Folkers

Colin Muth (3-1, 170), Kyle

The Jackrabbits resume action Saturday at

After a Jackrabbit timeout, SDSU moved the

onds to play.

ralling the rebound.

e Eagles dropped to 1-7 on the season.

The Jackrabbits improved to 5-4 overall with

College Women

AREA CALENDAR

Vikings Doing Nothing To Keep Me Glued To The TV

Wednesday, December 5
BASKETBALL, WOMEN'S MMC at Dakota State (7 p.m.,

Thursday, December 6
BASKETBALL, WOMEN'S Dakota State at USD (7 p.m.,

BASKETBALL, BOYS' Ewing at Allen; Ponca at Randolph BASKETBALL, GIRLS' Brandon Valley at YHS (7:30 p.m., KYNT-AM); Colome at Andes Central; Ewing at Allen; Marion at Canistota; Ponca at Randolph; Tripp-Delmont-Armour vs. Kim--White Lake at White Lake **BASKETBALL, GIRLS' JV** Brandon Valley at YHS (4)

BASKETBALL, GIRLS' SOPH Brandon Valley at YHS BASKETBALL, GIRLS' 9TH Brandon Valley at YHS (4

GYMNASTICS, PREP YHS/S.F. Roosevelt at S.F. O'Gor-

Toronto

Charlotte

Orlando

Ewing 47, CWC 40 Fairbury 69, Superior 26 Falls City 61, Hiawatha, Kan. 49

Howells/Dodge 61, Aquinas 27 Johnson County Central 46, Southern 34 Johnson-Brock 50, Palmyra 43

Lutheran High Northeast 52, Twin River 40

Heartland 59, Harvard 19

Malcolm 58, Conestoga 27

Osceola 79, Hampton 68

Academy 48 Pawnee City 66, Tri County 32

Wayne 61, Logan View 45

POLL

Weeping Water 36, Auburn 35

Southern Valley 56, Cambridge 31 St. Mary's 77, Niobrara/Verdigre 57

Stanton 62. West Point-Beemer 51

Station 62, West Point Deether 31 Sutton 53, High Plains Community 35 Wahoo 57, David City 47 Wausa 66, Creighton 45

Minatare 47, Banner County 20

Hudson, 6 p.m.); Sioux Valley Quad (Parker, 5 p.m.); Bon Homme at Crofton; Burke-Gregory/Wagner at Winner (5:30 p.m.); Creighton-Verdigre at Boone Central-Newman Grove Friday, December 7
BASKETBALL, BOYS' Watertown at YHS (7:30 p.m.); Al-

cester-Hudson at Freeman Academy; Allen at Homer; Beresford at Bon Homme; Canistota at Marion; Clearwater-Orchard at Niobrara-Verdigre; Dakota Valley at Tea Area; Elik Point-Jef-ferson at Canton; Gayville-Volin at Baltic; Harrisburg at Vermil-lion; Hartington at O'Neill St. Mary's; Marty at Lower Brule; O'Neill at Hartington Cedar Catholic: Osmond at Wynot: Santee at Chamberlain; Scotland vs. South Central at Bonesteel Viborg-Hurley at Freeman; Wakefield at Wausa; Winside at

BASKETBALL, BOYS' JV Watertown at YHS (4 p.m.)
BASKETBALL, BOYS' SOPH Watertown at YHS (5:45 BASKETBALL, BOYS' 9TH Watertown at YHS (4 p.m.)

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Southeast Division

Central Division

(YNT-AM): Alcester-Hudson at Freeman Academy: Allen at Homer; Avon at Gregory; Beresford at Bon Homme; Clearwater-Orchard at Niobrara-Verdigre; Creighton at Neligh-Oakdale; Elk Point-Jefferson at Canton; Gayville-Volin at Baltic; Harris-burg at Vermillion; Hartington at O'Neill St. Mary's; Marty at Lower Brule; O'Neill at Hartington Cedar Catholic; Osmond at Wynot; Tea Area at Parkston; Wakefield at Wausa; Winside at BASKETBALL, GIRLS' JV YHS at Watertown (4 p.m.)
BASKETBALL, GIRLS' SOPH YHS at Watertown (5:45

BASKETBALL, GIRLS' 9TH YHS at Watertown (4 p.m.) HOCKEY, BOYS' JV Yankton at Sioux Falls II (645 p.m.)
HOCKEY, BOYS' BANTAM Yankton at Mitchell (6:30 p.m.)
WRESTLING, PREP Western Christian Inv. at Hull, Iowa

TUESDAY'S NEB. GIRLS SCORES Boyd County 56, Clearwater/Orchard 49 ning-Davenport/Shickley 57, Kenesaw

Deshler 68, Meridian 27

Elk Point-Jefferson, S.D. 67, Ponca 55

Ewing 38, CWC 34 Fairbury 54, Superior 32

Guardian Angels 50, Columbus Scotus 42 Hampton 46, Osceola 44 Hartington Cedar Catholic 62, Bloc Heartland 62, Harvard 23 Homer 58, Laurel-Concord 46 Humboldt/Table Rock-Steinauer 33, LewisNebraska Lutheran 42, Heartland Lutheran

Christian 17 Omaha Concordia 45, Omaha Roncalli 32

Winnebago 64, Allen 46

TUESDAY'S NEB. BOYS SCORES

21 Elm Creek 58, Alma 49

Cattle Trail Tournament Hitchcock County 47, Oberlin-Decatur, Kan. USA TODAY/ESPN WOMEN'S TOP 25

The top 25 teams in the USA Today-ESPN Women's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Dec. 3, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and last week's ranking: Record Pts Pvs

1. Stanford (24)	8-0	768	1
2. UConn (7)	7-0	746	2
Baylor	6-1	717	3
4. Duke	6-0	676	4
Notre Dame	5-0	655	5
Kentucky	6-1	611	8
7. Georgia	9-0	581	9
8. Louisville	8-1	546	6
Maryland	4-2	470	10
10. Penn State	6-1	464	7
 California 	6-1	455	11
Oklahoma	7-1	414	12
Tennessee	6-1	405	14
Purdue	7-1	402	13
Oklahoma State	6-0	325	17
16. Texas	5-0	297	18
17. Kansas	7-0	248	20
Dayton	9-0	204	22
19. UCLA	4-1	175	21
20. Ohio State	5-2	169	16
South Carolina	9-0	147	24
Nebraska	6-2	110	19
23. West Virginia	4-2	90	23
24. Florida State	7-0	79	_

7-0 79 4-2 62 15 25. St. John's Others receiving votes: lowa State 56,
Texas A&M 54, Miami 53, North Carolina 39,
Syracuse 14, DePaul 12, Gonzaga 8, Chattanooga 6, Middle Tennessee 5, Georgetown 4, Green Bay 4, South Florida 3, Utah 1.

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOC. EASTERN CONFERENCE Atlantic Division

W L Pct 12 4 .750 GB 6 .647 1 1/2 Friday, Dec. 7

Minden 64, Lexington 39
Oakland-Craig 57, Clarkson/Leigh 48
Omaha Skutt Catholic 66, Boys Town 48 GB Pct Milwaukee Indiana .500 Chicago Detroit Cleveland Parkview Christian 67, Omaha Christian .500 6 13 .316 d 4 14 .222 WESTERN CONFERENCE .316 Southwest Division Pct GB 4 1/2 Houston .529 Dallas .471 5 1/2 New Orleans .313 Oklahoma City .789 .500 5 1/2 Denver Minnesota .500 5 1/2 Pacific Division Pct GB .647 .588 .444 .368 L.A. Clippers Phoenix 12 12 Sacramento .250 6 1/2 Monday's Games

Portland 118, Charlotte 112, OT Detroit 89, Cleveland 79 New Orleans 102, Milwaukee 81 Denver 113, Toronto 110

L.A. Clippers 105, Utah 104 Orlando 102, Golden State 94 Tuesday's Games Minnesota 105, Philadelphia 88 Washington 105, Miami 101 Oklahoma City 117, Brooklyn 111 Indiana 80, Chicago 76 Houston 107, L.A. Lakers 105 Memphis 108, Phoenix 98, OT

Wednesday's Games
New York at Charlotte, 6 p.m.
Portland at Indiana, 6 p.m.
Minnesota at Boston, 6:30 p.m.
Golden State at Detroit, 6:30 p.m. L.A. Lakers at New Orleans, 7 p.m Denver at Atlanta, 7 p.m.
Chicago at Cleveland, 7 p.m.
Milwaukee at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m. Orlando at Utah, 8 p.m. Toronto at Sacramento, 9 p.m. Dallas at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.

Dallas at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m. **FOOTBALL**

NCAA FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

SUBDIVISION PLAYOFFS Quarterfinals

Sam Houston State (9-3) at Montana State (11-1), 8 p.m. 9 Saturday, Dec. 8 Georgia Southern (9-3) at Old Dominion (11-

Wofford (9-3) at North Dakota State (11-1), Illinois State (9-3) at Eastern Washington (10-2), 6 p.m. Semifinals Friday, Dec. 14 or Saturday, Dec. 15 North Dakota State-Wofford winner vs. Mon-

Illinois State-Eastern Washington winner At FC Dallas Stadium, Frisco, Texas

Georgia Southern-Old Dominion winner vs.

tana State-Sam Houston State winner

NCAA DIVISION II FOOTBALL PLAY-

Semifinal winners, 1 p.m.

OFFS Semifinals Saturday, Dec. 8 Valdosta State (10-2) at Minnesota State Mankato (13-0), 3 p.m. West Texas A&M (12-2) at Winston-Salem

(13-0), 6:30 p.m. Championship Saturday, Dec. 15 At Braly Municipal Stadium, Florence, Ala.

Semifinal winners, 1 p.m. NAIA FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS

Championship day, Dec. 13 At Barron Stadium, Rome, Ga. Morningside (lowa) (13-0) vs. Marian (Ind.)

(11-1), 6:30 p.m. **TRANSACTIONS**

American League

TAMPA BAY RAYS-Named Jamie Nelson coach.
TEXAS RANGERS—Agreed to terms with RHP Joakim Soria on a two-year contract. National League
NEW YORK METS—Agreed to terms with
3B David Wright on an eight-year contract.
BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association
CLEVELAND CAVALIERS—Recalled Kevin Jones from Canton (NBADL).

FOOTBALL
National Football League
NFL—Suspended Washington CB Cedric
Griffin four games for violating the NFL's policy on performance enhancing substances.
ARIZONA CARDINALS—Released TE
Todd Heap. Signed TE Kory Sperry.
CAROLINA PANTHERS—Placed DE

Antwan Applewhite and S Sherrod Martin on in-Antwain Applewhite and S Sherlov Martin or injured reserve. Released OJ. Jeremy Bridges. Signed RB Armond Smith and OL Thomas Austin from the practice squad and C Dominic Alford and CB Kendrick Burney to the practice squad. Signed DE Mario Addison from Washing-

chicAco BEARS—Signed LB Dom DeCi-cco to a two-year contract and RB Harvey Unga to the practice squad. Waived/injured LB Patrick Trahan. Released QB Matt Blanchard from the

CINCINNATI BENGALS—Placed WR Moamed Sanu on injured reserve. Signed Daniel Herron from the practice squad and WR Vidal Hazelton to the practice squad. DETROIT LIONS—Placed WR Titus Young

from the practice squad and WR Troy Burrell to the practice squad. Signed S Tyrell Johnson. INDIANAPOLIS COLTS-Released FB Dominique Jones.

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS—Released LB

Will Ta'ofu'ou to the practice squad. NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS—Re-signed Donte' Stallworth. Placed WR Julian Edelman on injured reserve. Released OL Mitch Petrus. Signed OL Tommie Draheim and OL Colin Miller to the practice squad.

SAN DIEGO CHARGERS-Placed WE

Clint Session and TE Maurice Stovall. Signed FB

Seyi Ajirotutu and C David Molk on injured reserve. Signed C Colin Baxter and G-T Stephen Schilling. SEATTLE SEAHAWKS—Placed G James Carpenter on the reserve/non-football illness list.
Waived/injured WR Braylon Edwards. Signed G

Rishaw Johnson from the practice squad. TENNESSEE TITANS—Signed OL Kyle DeVan and T Daniel Baldridge. Signed G Chris Scott to the practice squad Placed T David Stewart and S Robert Johnson on injured re-

Canadian Football League
EDMONTON ESKIMOS—Released G

MONTREAL ALOUETTES—Signed FB Patrick Lavoie to a three-year contract.

HOCKEY American Hockey League

HAMILTON BULLDOGS—Assigned F Alain Berger and D Joe Stejskal to Wheeling (ECHL). MANCHESTER MONARCHS—Signed G Peter Mannino to a one-year contract. Released D Vincent LoVerde

SPRINGFIELD FALCONS—Assigned D

Major League Soccer FC DALLAS—Re-signed D George John to

PHILADELPHIA UNION—Exercised the 2014 contract option on M Zach Pfeffer and loaned him to Hoffenheim (Bundesliga-Ger-

many) for 2013. COLLEGE AUBURN-Named Gus Malzahn footbal

coach.

BOSTON COLLEGE—Named Steve Addazio football coach. CATAWBA—Named Curtis Walker footba

cn. LIMESTONE—Named Daryl Williams i

terim football coach.

MINNESOTA—Announced QB Max Short-PENN STATE—Announced sophomore en's basketball G John Johnson is transferring

from Pittsburgh. TULSA—Fired athletic director Ross Parm-UMASS—Suspended men's basketball C Cady Lalanne indefinitely. WISCONSIN—Announced the resignation

of football coach Bret Bielema to become foot-

Gophers

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placed Wolters in the starting lineup, had five points, seven assists and seven turnovers.

Bittle lost his dribble near midcourt when Austin Hollins and Elliott Eliason converged on him near the 5-minute mark, and Hollins took the ball the other way for an uncontested doublepump dunk to stretch Minnesota's lead to 30-18.

South Dakota State coach Scott Nagy lowered his head and buried it in his hands as soon as Bittle lost the ball. Andre Hollins followed with a 3-pointer on the

by Austin Hollins. Less than 30 seconds after the

next possession, off another steal

intermission, Williams zipped a kick-out pass to the wing for Austin Hollins, who swished another 3-pointer to put the Gophers ahead 51-24. They took their biggest advantage of the game, 59-28, a few minutes later.

The Jackrabbits have a 21game winning streak on their home court, but this four-hour drive from their campus in Brookings was a long way from that comfort. After their first NCAA tournament appearance last season.

they've lost by three points each at Alabama and at Hofstra, both in the closing seconds. Without Wolters, though, they

just the fifth player in NCAA history to average at least 20 points, five rebounds and five assists per game over a season, could only watch in his warm-ups. Another key perimeter player, sophomore Taevaunn Prince sat

sure missed a lot. The 6-foot-3

senior, who in 2011-12 became

OUT WITH AN INJURY.

No. 14 MINNESOTA 88, SOUTH DAKOTA ST. 64

SOUTH DAKOTA ST. (6-3)

C. White 37 1-2 10, Fiegen 5-10 0-0 10, Dykstra 5-14 4-4

17, Carlson 2-13 0-0 5, Bittle 1-5 2-2 5, Horstman 1-2 0-0 3, Heemstra 3-4 1-1 7, Jacobsen 2-2 1-2 7. Totals 22-57 9-11 64.

MINNESOTA (6-1) MINNESOTA (9-1)
Williams Jr. 1-6 0-0 2, Eliason 1-1 2-2 4, Au. Hollins 5-11 4-

Halftime—Minnesota 48-24, 3-Point Goals—S, Dakota St 11-27 (Dykstra 3-6, C. White 3-7, Jacobsen 2-2, Horstman 1-2, Bittle 1-3, Carlson 1-7), Minnesota 10-22 (An. Hollins 6-7, Auch Hollins 3-7, Osenieks 1-1, Aharmisi 0-1, Williams Jr. 0-2, Welch 0-4), Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—S. Dakota St. 26 (Dykstra Minnesota 38 (Mbakwe 10), Assists—S. Dakota St. 17 (Bit tle 7), Minnesota 21 (Au. Hollins 5). Total Fouls—S. Dakota St 14, Minnesota 14. A—10,213.

points and grabbed seven rebounds while

Area

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school

Newman Grove 35 ALBION, Neb. — With 18 points, Bridget Arens led Crofton in the win over Boone Cen-

tral-Newman Grove on Tuesday night in Albion,

Warriors (3-0), and Quinn Wragge had eight

points and nine rebounds. Maria Wortmann also

the Bucks were Bashir Abd-Al-Kreem (3-0 at 114 pounds), Gabe Wenzlaff (4-0, 122), Jamee Brugeman (4-0, 140), Ryan Sternhagen (5-0, 148), Sheldon Gant (4-0, 170) and Zach Hanzlik (3-0, 172). Taking second place for the

For Boone Central, Miranda Ketteler had

Crofton will host West Point Central Catholic

nine points and Jade Gottier had seven points.

Saturday, while Boone Central hits the road to

face Central City on Thursday.

(3-1, 190) and Kenneth Ohrazda (3-1, 209).Yankton also had eight wrestlers finish third or fourth in their weight class, while five fin-Bucks were Brady Skillingstad (4-1, 94), Victor Lacey (4-1, 100), Dylan Borgstrom (4-1, 123), Caige Strub (3-1, 137), J.C. Holton (2-1,

ished fifth and two others took sixth place.

Sunshine Bible Academy Wagner 60, Winner 50 WAGNER — Wagner used a strong shoot-

opening victory over Winner on Tuesday night. ball action in Miller.

Game, is at Harrisburg on Saturday afternoon. Wagner travels to Avon on Saturday to take on the Lady Pirates. WINNER (0-1)

12 points and added seven rebounds.

Winner, which won both the JV and C-

41, Iroquois 20 MILLER - Sunshine Bible Academy defeated Iroquois 41-20 in Tuesday night basket-Sarah Pedersen had 12 points and nine re-

put up nine points and one rebound. For Iroquois, Kelsey Blue had seven points and 11 rebounds, Ashlynne Gross recorded six

had four points and seven rebounds. Sunshine Bible Academy will hit the road to face Woonsocket on Saturday and Iroquois will host Mitchell Christian.

61. Bloomfield 34 BLOOMFIELD, Neb. — James Kaiser and

Troians

points and four rebounds and Haley DeJong

Callen Koester pulled down a team-high nine HARTINGTON CEDAR CATHOLIC......BLOOMFIELD.....

Wausa 66, Creighton 45

over Creighton on Tuesday night in Nebraska boys' basketball action. Senior Marcus Claussen (18 points) and jun-

Creighton won the JV game, 35-32. Wausa hosts Wakefield on Friday. CREIGHTON (1-1).....

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contributed seven points.

Tiffany Tramp put up 15 points for the Lady

Hartington Cedar Catholic Crofton 59, Boone Central-62, Bloomfield 37 BLOOMFIELD, Neb. — Lexi Steffen's 17

BOONE CENTRAL (1-2) ...

points, five rebounds and four steals led Hartington Cedar Catholic past Bloomfield 62-37 on Tuesday night in Nebraska girls' basketball ac-

Emily Schrempp added 11 points and five steals for the Trojans in the victory. Bailey Steffen had nine points and a team-high seven re-

bounds while Maggie Steffen added seven

Autumn Luger recorded a double-double with 11 points and 10 rebounds.

Both teams are next in action on Friday as Hartington Cedar Catholic hosts O'Neill and Bloomfield hosts Winside.

For the Queen Bees, who fall to 0-2, senior

The Red Raiders, 1-0, shot 50 percent from the field (although they made only 11 of 26 from the three-throw line), with Jessa Doom scoring a game-high 23 points. Ali Kuca added 13 for Wagner while Nicole Weber scored 11. Kuca also grabbed 10 rebounds while Weber added nine boards. For the Warriors (0-1), Tawny Berry scored

ing effort from the field to claim a 60-50 season-

bounds for the night, while Tricia Wilken added 13 points and four rebounds. Sierra Young also

Boys **Hartington Cedar Catholic**

Catholic Trojans to a 61-34 victory over Bloomfield on Tuesday night in Bloomfield. Kaiser scored 13 points while Feilmeier added 12. Trent Jansen added 10 points for the

Logan Feilmeier led the Hartington Cedar

For the Bees, Chet Beckmann scored 13

points led the Wausa Vikings to a 66-45 victory

eat. The Bulldogs are now 1-1.

5 17, Coleman 7-10 1-2 15, An. Hollins 8-9 0-0 22, Welch 2-7 1-2 5, Mbakwe 3-5 2-2 8, Osenieks 1-1 0-0 3, Ingram 2-4 2-5 6, Ahanmisi 0-1 0-0 0, Walker 1-1 0-2 2, Shell 2-2 0-0 4. Totals 33-

WAUSA, Neb. - Junior Austin Conn's 24

ior Hunter Vanness (12 points) were also in double figures for the Vikings (3-0). For Creighton, Bronson Pahl scored 19 points while Cole Thomas added 13 in the de-