

## Press & Dakotan DAILY DOSE

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



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Thursday was scheduled to be a relatively light day in the *Press & Dakotan* sports department. Then came a heads up that University of South Dakota athletic director David Saylor was leaving for the same position at Miami University of Ohio, in the Mid-American Conference (MAC). As you can imagine, and as you can see by two related stories in today's paper, it suddenly became a busy afternoon. To answer a common question, yes, I was surprised at Thursday's news. But only in the sense that while I never assumed Saylor would be in Vermillion long, I certainly didn't think his tenure would last two years. It was also no surprise that David Herbstler, the senior associate athletic director, was named interim A.D.

### 2013 S.D. Hunting, Fishing Licenses On Sale Dec. 15

PIERRE — The sale of 2013 South Dakota general hunting and fishing licenses gets off to an early start on Saturday, Dec. 15 through storefront license agents around the state and through online license sales. General hunting and fishing licenses extend beyond the calendar year.

The 2013 licenses are valid from Dec. 15, 2012, through Jan. 31, 2014, while the 2012 licenses remain valid through Jan. 31, 2013.

Visit online at <http://www.gfp.sd.gov/licenses/general-hunt-fish/default.aspx> for information about license options and their cost, list and locations of storefront license agents, and the online system for purchasing licenses.

### Crofton Booster Club Tourney

#### Jan. 19-20

CROFTON, Neb. — The Crofton Booster Club youth basketball tournament will be held Jan. 19-20 in Crofton. The tournament is open to boys' and girls' teams in grades 5-8.

There is a discount for registering teams by Jan. 5. For more information, contact Theresa Guenter at 402-357-3748 or 605-660-7944.

### MMC To Host Youth Basketball Tourney Jan. 26

Mount Marty College will host a youth basketball tournament on Saturday, Jan. 26. Games will be played at Laddie E. Cimpr Arena.

The event open to boys' and girls' teams in grades 5 and 6. Tournament format will be based on the number of registered teams in each bracket. Teams will be guaranteed three games.

Contact Andy Bernatow at [abernatow@mtmc.edu](mailto:abernatow@mtmc.edu) or at 605-660-3589 for more information or if to register a team.

### MMC Baseball Camps Set

The Mount Marty College baseball team has announced youth camps for this fall and spring.

To register for one of these camps, contact MMC head baseball coach Andy Bernatow at 605-668-1601 or [abernatow@mtmc.edu](mailto:abernatow@mtmc.edu).

A one-day winter pitching camp will be held the second weekend of February. The middle school (grades 6-8) camp will be held Saturday, Feb. 9, from 1-4 p.m. The high school (grades 9-12) camp will be held Sunday, Feb. 10, from 1-4 p.m.

A six-week preseason hitting league will run on Tuesday evenings from Jan. 22-March 5, excluding Feb. 19. Sessions for grades 3-5 will run from 7-7:45 p.m., with middle school (grades 6-8) from 7:45-8:30 p.m. and high

school (grades 9-12) from 8:30-9:15 p.m.

### Creighton's Josh Jones To Undergo Heart Procedure

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Creighton guard Josh Jones will undergo a procedure to address a heart problem that caused him to pass out before a game against Nebraska last week.

Coach Greg McDermott says Jones had an atrial flutter on Dec. 6. Doctors plan to perform an ablation on his heart next Tuesday to restore a normal heart rhythm. Doctors will examine his heart in another test a month later to determine if the first procedure worked.

It won't be clear until after the tests whether Jones can return to playing basketball for the 16th-ranked Bluejays (9-1). When Jones was a senior at Omaha Central High, he underwent open-heart surgery to replace his aortic valve after a bacterial infection in his heart.

### Minnesota Airport Eyed For Electronic Pulltabs

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Electronic pulltab games are being considered for the Minneapolis-St. Paul airport as state officials seek to boost revenue for its share of a new Minnesota Vikings stadium.

The airport authority meets Monday to consider in-

stalling six of the games in airport terminals. The airport already sells paper versions and is the state's largest vendor of lottery tickets, the Star Tribune reports.

Minnesota is obligated to pay \$348 million toward the nearly billion-dollar stadium that could open for the 2016 season. But early revenue projections have been lowered as expanded charitable gambling has started slowly.

Gov. Mark Dayton met Wednesday with state gambling and revenue officials, and said afterward the state expects sales to pick up as more vendors are approved and more locations have the games.

### Texas GM: Josh Hamilton Agrees To Deal With Angels

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Texas Rangers general manager Jon Daniels says Josh Hamilton has agreed to a contract with the Los Angeles Angels.

Texas had hoped to re-sign the 2010 AL Most Valuable Player.

Speaking Thursday after a Rangers' holiday luncheon, Daniels was asked whether Hamilton had agreed with the Angels.

Daniels said "that's accurate" and that he had just been informed by Hamilton's agent.

### UND Tops Presentation 74-32

GRAND FORKS, N.D. (AP) — Alonzo Traylor scored

17 points, shot a perfect 8 for 8 from the field and pulled six rebounds to lead North Dakota past Presentation 74-32 on Thursday night.

North Dakota (2-6) started the game with a 19-7 run capped by Lenny Antwi's 3-pointer with 7:58 remaining in the half. North Dakota led 28-10 at halftime and outscored the Saints 46-22 in the second half.

Chaz Haymond and Darrell Farr each had 10 points for Presentation (4-6), an NCAA Division III program.

### RHP Correia, Twins Finalize \$10M, 2-Year Deal

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — The Minnesota Twins have filled another hole in a staff that was full of them last season, when their starters posted the second-worst ERA in the majors and 12 pitchers took at least five turns in the rotation.

After finalizing a \$10 million, two-year contract with Kevin Correia on Thursday, general manager Terry Ryan acknowledged there's no guarantee the right-hander will strengthen the group. Ryan said he's still looking for candidates after casting a wide net at last week's winter meetings.

The 32-year-old Correia was an All-Star in 2011 with Pittsburgh. He went 12-11 with a 4.21 ERA, 46 walks and only 89 strikeouts in 171 innings this year, losing his spot in the rotation when the Pirates traded for Wandy Rodriguez.

## West Central Tops Vermillion In Wrestling Action

VERMILLION — West Central defeated Vermillion on Thursday night, 51-30, as part of the Vermillion Triangular.

The Tanagers got wins via pin from Brett Culver (113 pounds), Regan Bye (145) and Brett Bye (152) while Alex Osborne (170) and Seth Heine (182) won by forfeit.

Tea Area also competed at the Triangular. No other results were available at press time.

Vermillion travels to Sioux Falls to compete in the Lincoln High School Invitational from Dec. 21-22.

**West Central 51, Vermillion 30**  
106 — Austin Kiefer WC by forfeit; 106 — Jacob Husby V 4:48; 113 — Brett Culver V pin; Devon Gerry WC 4:42; 120 — Tristan Boeckholt WC by forfeit; 132 — Josh Mettler WC dec; Carter Kratz V 7-3; 138 — Cole Tired WC by forfeit; 145 — Regan Bye V pin; Jake Anderson WC 3:44; 152 — Brett Bye V pin; Christian Witt WC 3:44; 160 — Louis VandenHolen WC by forfeit; 170 — Alex Osborne V by forfeit; 182 — Seth Heine V by forfeit; 195 — Sam Lynde WC pin; Noah Westergaard 3:27; 220 — John Blue WC by forfeit; 285 — Layne Kiser WC by forfeit

### Deuel Triangular

CLEAR LAKE — Clark-Willow Lake went 2-0 in the Deuel Triangular on Thursday in Clear Lake.

Clark-Willow Lake defeated Deuel 37-24 and also defeated Kingsbury Co. 36-22.

Deuel was 1-1 on the day, defeating Kingsbury Co. 39-27. Kingsbury Co. finished 0-2.

### Mitchell/Aberdeen Central Dual

MITCHELL — The Aberdeen Central Golden Eagles dominated their dual with Mitchell on Thursday, winning by a score of 51-9.

Mitchell's lone points came from decision victories by Alex Herrick (132 pounds), Ethan Parr (138) and Robert McCardle (285).

The Kernels return to action on Saturday with a dual against Washington in Sioux Falls.

**Aberdeen Central 51, Mitchell 9**  
106 — Josh Moore AC dec; Briggs Husby M 2-0; 113 — Seth Moore AC by forfeit; 120 — Trevor Hieb AC dec; Trey Hohn M 6-3; 126 — Trevor Larson AC pin; Tanner Bluhauer M 1:20; 132 — Alex Herrick M dec; Shea Krause AC 6-0; 138 — Ethan Parr dec; Dexter Hanson AC 5-0; 145 — Mitchell Johnson AC dec; Matt Larson M 3-1; 152 — Zach Russman AC pin; Austin Mohr M 3:36; 160 — Zach Mulcher AC dec; Ben Kummer M 4-0; 170 — Grayson Newhart AC pin; Robert Topple M 1:22; 182 — Cole Carlson AC by forfeit; 195 — Aaron Henley AC dec; Preston Skinner M 6-3; 220 — Sam Schuamann AC pin; Riley Heck 4-1; 285 — Robert McCardle M dec; Hayden Grote AC 3-0

Gottseben said.

"Obviously this is something that our president has to sleep on," he said. "We've got some great people in our building already. I think everyone's concern is the building project and moving our department forward, so hopefully they can get someone who is knowledgeable about what's going on."

Who that will be is up to Abbott and a search committee, but Bandy made sure to point out that life must continue in the interim phase.

"I certainly hope our staff has confidence in us, that we can move forward without missing a beat," he said.

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## SCOREBOARD

### BASKETBALL

#### THURSDAY'S S.D. BOYS

Aberdeen Christian 59, Leola/Frederick 49  
Clark/Willow Lake 63, Webster 57  
Deuel 57, Milbank 49  
Ethan 57, Dakota Christian 42  
Eureka/Bowdle 60, South Border, N.D. 45  
Gronola Area 59, Redfield/Doland 52  
Hanson 51, Menno 36  
Herred/Selby Area 65, Faulkton 43  
Sisseton 47, Britton-Hecala 35

#### THURSDAY'S S.D. GIRLS

Brandon Valley 52, Brookings 49  
Bridgewater-Emery 41, Mt. Vernon/Plankinton 36  
DeSmet 58, Colman-Egan 18  
Deurook 48, Del Rapids 51, Mary 35  
Florence/Henly 48, Tiopisa Zina Triebel 39  
Hartington Cedar Catholic, Neb. 53, Avon 48

Leola/Frederick 70, Aberdeen Christian 12  
Lynan 32, White River 27  
Oldham-Ramona/Rutland 50, Elkton-Lake Benton 44  
Scottland 50, Bon Homme 38  
Sioux Falls Roosevelt 39, Sioux Falls O'Gorman 37

Summit 62, Waverly-South Shore 31  
Wall 59, Harding County 24  
Warner 48, Northwestern 27  
Wilmot 67, Waubay 39  
Winner 44, South Central 25  
Wolsley-Wessington 39, Iroquois 29

#### THURSDAY'S NEB. BOYS

BelleVue West 66, Millard South 64  
Clarkson/Leigh 56, Pender 39  
CIVC 36, Cedar Valley 29  
Gibson 67, Ravenna 59  
Grand Island Central Catholic 55, Minden 51, OT

Lincoln Plus X 41, Seward 39  
Lincoln Southeast 48, Lincoln Southwest 45  
Millard West 58, Bellevue East 44  
Omaha North 62, Millard North 48  
Omaha South 78, Fremont 52  
Osceola 49, Dorchester 42  
Parkview Christian 75, Cedar Bluffs 35  
Spalding/Spalding Academy 78, Neligh-Oakdale 27

Wallace 65, Sutherland 40  
Wayne 65, West Point-Beemer 41  
Wood River 55, Blue Hill 48

#### THURSDAY'S NEB. GIRLS

Archbishop Bergan 40, Boys Town 19  
BelleVue East 68, Millard West 56  
Bellevue West 41, Millard South 35  
Blue Hill 42, Wood River 32, OT  
Cedar Bluffs 57, Parkview Christian 29  
Cedar Valley 49, CWC 40

Fremont 43, Omaha South 38  
Hartington Cedar Catholic 53, Avon, S.D. 48  
Humphrey 54, Plainview 23  
Lincoln East 37, Lincoln High 27  
Minden 62, Grand Island Central Catholic 35  
Neligh-Oakdale 35, Spalding/Spalding Academy 32

Norfolk Catholic 35, Lutheran High Northeast 23  
North Platte St. Patrick's 58, Gothenburg 37  
Oakland-Craig 46, Wisner-Pilger 31  
Omaha North 49, Millard North 48  
Omaha Northwest 66, Omaha Marian 61  
Omaha Roncalli 45, Omaha Brownell-Talbot 31

Osceola 42, Dorchester 27  
Pender 52, Clarkson/Leigh 26  
Randolph 63, Bloomfield 51  
Ravenna 51, Gibson 39  
Sidney 32, Alliance 31  
Sutherland 70, Wallace 23

### NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOC.

#### Wednesday's Games

Brooklyn 84, Toronto 88  
Indiana 86, Cleveland 81  
Atlanta 86, Orlando 80  
L.A. Clippers 100, Charlotte 94  
Chicago 96, Philadelphia 89  
Golden State 97, Miami 95  
Houston 99, Washington 93  
Minnesota 108, Denver 105  
Hartington Cedar Catholic 53, Avon, S.D. 48  
Humphrey 54, Plainview 23  
Lincoln East 37, Lincoln High 27  
Minden 62, Grand Island Central Catholic 35  
Neligh-Oakdale 35, Spalding/Spalding Academy 32

Norfolk Catholic 35, Lutheran High Northeast 23  
North Platte St. Patrick's 58, Gothenburg 37  
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#### Thursday's Games

Atlanta 113, Charlotte 90  
New York 116, L.A. Lakers 107  
San Antonio at Portland, 10:30 p.m.

#### Friday's Games

Dallas at Toronto, 6 p.m.  
Philadelphia at Indiana, 6 p.m.  
Golden State at Orlando, 6 p.m.  
L.A. Lakers at Washington, 6 p.m.  
Milwaukee at Cleveland, 6:30 p.m.  
Detroit at Brooklyn, 6:30 p.m.  
Boston at Houston, 7 p.m.  
Minnesota at New Orleans, 7 p.m.  
Sacramento at Oklahoma City, 7 p.m.  
Utah at Phoenix, 8 p.m.  
Memphis at Denver, 9:30 p.m.

#### Saturday's Games

Golden State at Atlanta, 6 p.m.  
Cleveland at New York, 6:30 p.m.  
Orlando at Charlotte, 6:30 p.m.

## AREA CALENDAR

### Friday, December 14

**BASKETBALL, BOYS** Baltic at Centerville; Bon Homme at Scotland; Chamberlain at Parkston; Crofton at Creighton; Dakota Valley at Canton; Emerson-Hubbard at Ponca; Garretson at Parker; Gayville-Volin at Alcester-Hudson; Harrisburg at Beresford; Laurel-Concord-Coleridge at Plainview; Madison at Hartington Cedar Catholic; Mitchell Christian at Andes Central; Randolph at Elk Horn Valley; Sioux Falls Christian at Elk Point-Jefferson; Viborg-Hurley vs. Irene-Wakonda at Wakonda; Wynot at Wausa

**BASKETBALL, GIRLS** Baltic at Centerville; Chamberlain at Parkston; Crofton at Creighton; Dakota Valley at Canton; Freeman at Canistota; Gayville-Volin at Alcester-Hudson; Gregory at Platte-Geddes; Hanson at Menno; Harrisburg at Beresford; Laurel-Concord-Coleridge at Plainview; Madison at Hartington Cedar Catholic; Mitchell Christian at Andes Central; Randolph at Elk Horn Valley; Sioux Falls Christian at Elk Point-Jefferson; Viborg-Hurley vs. Irene-Wakonda at Wakonda; Wagner at West Central; Wynot at Wausa

**GYMNASTICS, PREP** Vermillion/West Central at S.F. Roosevelt

**Saturday, December 15**  
**BASKETBALL, BOYS** Nebraska Wesleyan at MMC (4 p.m., KYNT-AM); Ball State at USD (7 p.m., KVHT-FM)

**BASKETBALL, WOMEN'S** Nebraska Wesleyan at MMC (2 p.m., KYNT-AM); Peru State at USD (5 p.m., KVTK-AM)

**BASKETBALL, BOYS** Bridgewater-Emery vs. Tripp-Delmont-Armour at Armour; Dakota Christian at Wagner; Hanson at Avon; Hartington at Wakefield; Walthill at Freeman Academy

**BASKETBALL, GIRLS** Bon Homme at Centerville; Bridgewater-Emery vs. Tripp-Delmont-Armour at Armour; Dakota Christian at Wagner; Ethan at Scotland; Hartington at Wakefield; Platte-Geddes at Freeman; Walthill at Freeman Academy

**GYMNASTICS, PREP** Mitchell Inv. (YHS, 11 a.m.); Milbank Inv. (Wagner, 11 a.m.)

**HOCKEY, BOYS' JV** Yankton at Sioux Center (4:45 p.m.)

**HOCKEY, GIRLS' JV** Yankton at Waterloo (9 p.m.)

**HOCKEY, PEWEE** Yankton A at Watertown (4 p.m.); Yankton at S.F. West (DH, 11:30 a.m. & 5:45 p.m.)

**WRESTLING, PREP** S.F. Washington Team (YHS, 9 a.m.); Elgin Public-Pope John Inv. (Hartington Cedar Catholic, Randolph); Elk Point-Jefferson Inv. (Alcester-Hudson, Beresford, Bon Homme, Dakota Valley, Elk Point-Jefferson, Parkston, 10 a.m.); MVPC Inv. at Plankinton (Kimball-White Lake-Platte-Geddes, Marion-Freeman, Parker, Scotland, Wagner, 9 a.m.); Osmond Team (Creighton-Verdigris, Crofton, Ponca, Wakefield-AI)

**WRESTLING, JV** Sioux Valley Team (YHS, 10 a.m.)

**Sunday, December 16**  
**HOCKEY, GIRLS' JV** Yankton at Watertown (noon)

**HOCKEY, PEWEE** Yankton A at Watertown (10 a.m.)

Quarterback — Kevin Burke, sophomore, Mount Union

Running backs — Terrance Cobbs, junior, Cumberland, Ky.; Harvey Tuck, senior, Indiana, Pa.; Brandon Baker, junior, Carson-Newman, Tenn.

Linemen — Macon Allan, senior, Missouri Western; Tom Knowlton, senior, Concordia-Moorhead, Dan Mehta, senior, Indiana, Pa.; Ken Van Stalle, senior, Midwest State; Edmund Kugbila, senior, Valdosta State.

Receivers — Jasper Collins, senior, Mount Union; Ma'Quone Edmonds, senior, Indianapolis, All-purpose player — Tyrone Laughinghouse, senior, Saint Augustine.

Kicker — Sam Bockshus, junior, Minnesota-Mankato

**DEFENSE**  
Linemen — Dexter Davis, senior, Friends; Ridge Wilson, senior, West Alabama; Brad Davis, senior, Elizabeth City State; Tim Taylor, senior, Thiel.

Linebackers — Nate Dreiling, junior, Pittsburg State; Mike Hendrick, senior, Knox; Darius Wilson, senior, Central State.

Defensive backs — Phil Terio, sophomore, Salve Regina; C.J. Roberts, sophomore, Colorado State-Pueblo; Brandon Dixon, junior North-West Missouri; Johnny Franco, senior, Indiana, Pa.

Punter — Christian Hallingstad, senior, Wisconsin-La Crosse.

**NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE**  
**AMERICAN CONFERENCE**

**East**

y-New England 10 3 0 769 472 274  
N.Y. Jets 6 7 0 462 245 306  
Buffalo 5 8 0 385 289 352  
Miami 5 8 0 385 240 276

**West**

x-Houston 11 2 0 846 365 263  
Indianapolis 9 4 0 692 292 329  
Tennessee 4 9 0 308 211 356  
Jacksonville 2 11 0 154 216 389

**North**

Baltimore 9 4 0 692 331 273  
Pittsburgh 7 6 0 538 278 264  
Cincinnati 7 6 0 538 321 280  
Cleveland 5 8 0 385 259 272

**South**

y-Denver 10 3 0 769 375 257  
San Diego 5 8 0 385 292 281  
Oakland 3 10 0 231 248 402  
Kansas City 2 11 0 154 195 352

**NATIONAL CONFERENCE**

**East**

N.Y. Giants 8 5 0 615 373 270  
Washington 7 6 0 538 343 291  
Dallas 7 6 0 538 300 314  
Philadelphia 4 9 0 308 240 341

**South**

y-Atlanta 11 2 0 846 337 259  
San Diego 5 8 0 462 354 308  
Tampa Bay 6 7 0 462 348 307  
New Orleans 5 8 0 385 348 319  
Carolina 4 9 0 308 265 312

**North**

Green Bay 9 4 0 692 323 279  
Chicago 7 6 0 615 308 219  
Minnesota 7 6 0 538 283 286  
Detroit 4 9 0 308 320 342

**West**

San Francisco 9 3 1 731 316 184  
Seattle 8 5 0 615 300 202

## Saylor

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tor in Cleveland and later served as Associate Athletic Director for Business Operations at Bowling Green State University from 2001-05.

"I've always had my eye on it," Saylor said at his introductory Miami press conference in Oxford, Ohio. "It's a special day for me and my family. I always felt like this was a great fit for me when the job came open."

Though he was only at USD for two years, Saylor did not seek to immediately leave, according to head men's track coach Dave Gottseben — the longest-tenured Coyote coach in his 29th year. "Those (family matters) all

have to be factors, but I would assume it was a really tough decision," Gottseben said. "He wasn't the guy to suddenly start looking for a job once his contract here was signed."

"With us, he did a pretty good job here, he set some things in motion that whoever gets the opportunity will have some good things set up."

Chief among Saylor's accomplishments at USD was his involvement in securing Board of Regents approval for the 2015 Facilities Master Plan, which includes a new volleyball/basketball arena, a new outdoor track and a soccer complex. The \$48 million project — \$58 million in total with a research lab "connector" — is set to go to the S.D. State Legislature next month.

Fundraising for the project is within \$10 million of the final pricetag, Saylor said during a

speech at Yankton Quarterback Club two weeks ago.

Among the other items on Saylor's USD resume: He helped secure a multimedia rights deal with Learfield Sports earlier this year, and also helped implement a new athletic logo that was unveiled in August.

Saylor also hired two coaches in his tenure, Glenn and Amy Williams to lead the women's basketball program in early June. He was also instrumental in securing an apparel and shoe contract with Adidas in February 2012.

Saylor did not return messages left Thursday.