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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As I prepared for another night of tracking down results from a number of area "holiday" basketball tournaments and classics, I thought about my early days in the Press & Dakotan. Back then, Mount Marty College hosted its own holiday classic at Laddie E. Cimpl Arena, probably still called the "Activities Center" back then.

Then I wondered why Yankton no longer has something like that. Part of the reason, I'm sure, is because Yankton High School itself would not participate. The Yankton School District has a strict no-competition policy over the holiday break, a policy that used the be held by the entire Eastern South Dakota Conference. This year, Brandon Valley, Brookings and Huron are the only other

Crofton 77, Bloomfield 14

Aquinas 63, David City 27

Deshler 51, Dorchester 14

David City Tournament

Doane Tournament

Exeter/Milligan 56 Cross County 39

Giltner 83. Heartland Lutheran 40

Elm Creek Tournament

Fort Calhoun/Logan View Holiday Tournament

Arlington 44, Elmwood-Murdock 41
Fort Calhoun 77, Logan View 42
Freeman Sportsman Holiday Tournament

Freeman 49. Palmyra 24

Sutton 43, Thayer Central 32
Friend Tournament

Friend 62, Falls City Sacred Heart 54

GACC Tournament

Guardian Angels 75, Bancroft-Rosalie 32 Homer 56, Howells/Dodge 54 Grand Island Central Catholic Tournament

Superior 41, Grand Island Central Catholic

Grand Island Northwest 63, Bennington 48
Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout

Boone Central/Newman Grove 50, Laurel-

Hartington Cedar Catholic 46, Adams Cen-

Greater Nebraska Tournament

HAC Tournament

Lincoln Northeast 51, Grand Island 35

Lincoln Southwest 67, Lincoln High 32

Holiday Basketball Tournament

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Holiday Tournament

Cons.: Columbus Lakeview 35. Twin River

Champ.: Columbus Scotus 38, Schuyler 28
Humboldt/Table Rock-Steinauer Tournament

Humphrey Holiday Tournament

Emerson-Hubbard 61, Humphrey 51

Kenesaw 40. Lawrence-Nelson 26

Fairbury 48, Raymond Central 33

Lincoln Lutheran 39. Louisville 25

Sterling 55, Centennial 27

nnton 72 Walthill 45

Malcolm Tournament

Mead Tournament

Wilcox-Hildreth 46. Harvard 26

Lawrence-Nelson Tournament

Cons.: Omaha Skutt Catholic 46, Nebraska

Champ.: Milford 42. Heartland 31

Sandy Creek 65, Broken Bow 19

City 32 Champ.: Gretna 53, Lincoln Pius X 49

Pawnee City 47, Lewiston 20

First Round Ord 42, Wood River 36

Lincoln Southeast 60. Lincoln North Star 20

Heartland Tournament
Cons.: Central City 50, Doniphan-Trumbull

Grand Island Northwest Tournament

Fillmore Central 49, Fullerton 33

Beatrice 41. Seward 32

Consolation Semifinal

Concord/Coleridge 45

Pender 52. Wayne 49

Consolation Semifinal
Columbus 51, Scottsbluff 27

Kearney 47, McCook 27

Lexington 42, Hastings 40, OT

Cons.: Sutherland 62, Elm Creek 22 Champ.: Loomis 43, Gibbon 29

Elba/North Loup - Scotia Tournament

North Bend Central 33, Omaha Roncalli 29

Omaha Duchesne Academy 48, Elkhorn 35 Dorchester Tournament

Wynot 51, St. Marv's 47

First Round

First Round

27

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Semifinal

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First Round

First Round

Yankton is in an ideal position to draw some quality programs from both South Dakota and Nebraska. They don't need to bring in any "basketball factories" like Mitchell's Mike Miller Classic, just some good quality smallschool programs from both states. Personally, I'd love to see the Crofton girls match up with Parkston, or the Viborg-Hurley boys face off with Hartington Cedar Catholic. There are plenty of quality programs in the region, some of which are going a long ways to face opponents that are a little different for them.

Something like this would be a great opportunity for Yankton to promote itself as a regional hub, something that Yankton has gone backwards on in recent years — at least from a basketball standpoint. It's been years since Yankton has hosted a district or region tournament.

AA boys' programs without a game this week. Those schools and Mitchell are also without a girls' game

Maybe the "Yankton Classic" is the way to get the city back on the basketball map.

SCOREBOARD

BASKETBALL FRIDAY'S S.D. BOYS

Avon 38, Alcester-Hudson 29 Oelrichs 78, Grant-Deuel 50 Rapid City Stevens 58, Aberdeen Central 56 Sioux Falls Washington 45, Sturgis 29 St. Thomas More 46, Milbank 42 Tea Area 49. Vermillion 41

Sioux Falls Lincoln 75, Coronado, Nev. 64 Ellendale Holiday Tournament

Lyman Tournament South Central 66, Kadoka Area 20 Edmunds Central 63, Tiospaye Topa 36

Mobridge-Pollock 73, Little Wound 67 St. Francis Indian 52, Timber Lake 40 New Underwood 61, Lower Brule 34

Chester 39, Dell Rapids St. Mary 36 Douglas 63, Custer 19 Flandreau 49, Howard 39
Rapid City Central 48, Pierre 44 Sioux Falls O'Gorman 58, Harrisburg 48 Sioux Falls Washington 62, Sturgis 50 West Central 57 Dakota Valley 46

Ipswich 44. South Border, N.D. 38 McIntosh 47, Edmunds Central 26 Wilmot 48, Eureka/Bowdle 29 Parkston Classic Beresford 47 Madison 26

Parkston 47, Dell Rapids 25 St. Thomas More 57, Clark/Willow Lake 34 Tri-Valley 72, Wagner 39 Warner 56, Sully Buttes 43 St. Cloud Tech Tournament Braham, Minn. 79. Sioux Falls Roosevelt 76

Swiftel Classic Deuel 45, Bridgewater-Emery 24 Estelline 38, Sioux Valley 37 Gayville-Volin 50, Arlington 48 Hamlin 69, Wolsey-Wessington 9 FRIDAY'S NEB. BOYS

Alliance Tournament Cons.: Mitchell 72, Gordon/Rushville 38 Champ.: Bridgeport 37, Alliance 35 Kearney Catholic 52, North Platte St.

Ashland-Greenwood Tournament First Round Ashland-Greenwood 45, Douglas County

w 64, Blair 56 Auburn Tournament Johnson County Central 64, Auburn 32 Syracuse 52, Nebraska City Lourdes 38

Restrand Tournament Champ.: Southern Valley 68, Bertrand 58

Bishop LeBlond Tournament

Falls City 48, Chillicothe, Mo. 32

First Round

Anselmo-Merna 41, Crawford 26 Wauneta-Palisade 59, Brady 43 Burwell Tournamen

Cabela's Holiday Shootout

Chase County 65, Hershey 59 Douglas, Wyo. 50, Gering 46 Cedar Bluffs Tournament Cons.: Palmer 60, Cedar Bluffs 46 Champ.: Humphrey St. Francis 60, Shelby

Chadron Holiday Classic Tournament First Round Valentine 49. Bayard 33 Clearwater/Orchard Holiday Tournament Cons.: Ewing 47, Elkhorn Valley 43 Champ.: Clearwater/Orchard 75, CWC 51

Crofton Tournament First Round Crofton 59, Bloomfield 41 Wynot 51, St. Mary's 47 **David City Tournament**

First Round David City 75. Aguinas 61 Roncalli 62, North Bend Central 32

Doane Tournament First Round

Elkhorn 53. Elkhorn Mount Michael 43 Dorchester Tournament Exeter/Milligan 69, Cross County 23
Elba/North Loup - Scotia Tournament First Round Ansley-I itchfield 52 Heartland Lutheran 39 Giltner 63. Elba/North Loup-Scotia 20.

Fort Calhoun/Logan View Holiday Tournament First Round Elmwood-Murdock 32, Arlington 29 Fort Calhoun 62, Logan View 53
Freeman Sportsman Holiday Tournament

Freeman 62, Palmyra 30 Friend Tournament

Falls City Sacred Heart 71, Friend 44 **GACC Tournament** First Round Guardian Angels 76, Bancroft-Rosalie 32

Howells/Dodge 65, Homer 45
Grand Island Central Catholic Tournament Fillmore Central 57. Fullerton 55 Grand Island Central Catholic 65. Superior

Grand Island Northwest 52, Bennington 45 Fifth: Seward 66, Minden 61

Great Northeast Nebraska Tournament
Consolation Semifinal
West Point-Beemer 55, Battle Creek 44 Greater Nebraska Tournament Norfolk 50, Columbus 36

Kearney 52, Scottsbluff 42 Gretna Christmas Tournament Cons.: Gretna 58. Nebraska City 36 Сhamp.: Omaha Skutt Catholic 62, Lincoln Pius X 57 **HAC Tournament**

First Round nont 57. Lincoln East 52

Lincoln Southwest 55, Lincoln Northeast 52 **Heartland Tournament** Cons.: Doniphan-Trumbull 71, Central City

Champ.: Milford 53, Heartland 37 Holiday Basketball Tournament Sandy Creek 50, Broken Bow 45 Holiday Tournament
Cons.: Twin River 40, Schuyler 35
Champ.: Columbus Lakeview 82, Columbus Scotus 55 Humboldt/Table Rock-Steinauer Tournament

Pawnee City 59, Lewiston 34 Humphrey Holiday Tournament First Round Humphrey 62. Emerson-Hubbard 51

Scribner-Snyder 49, Lyons-Decatur North-Wilcox-Hildreth 55, Harvard 35 Lincoln Lutheran Holiday Tournament

Lincoln Lutheran 62, Fairbury 56 Raymond Central 76, Louisville 66 Malcolm Tournament First Round Sterling 44. Centennial 36

McCool Champ .: Junction Clarkson/Leigh 43 Mead Tournament

Hampton 69, Walthill 65 Metro Conference Tournament Omaha Burke 49 Millard North 44 Papillion-LaVista 72, Millard South 50 Papillion-LaVista South 72,

Perkins County Tournament Randolph Holiday Tournament Champ.: Randolph 57, Lindsay Holy Family First Round Elba/North Loup-Scotia 40, Ansley-Litchfield

Cons.: Centura 50. Overton 45

Wisner-Pilger 57, Ponca 46 Silver Lake Holiday Tournament
Cons.: Shelton 62, Silver Lake 51
Champ.: Bruning-Davenport/Shickley

Wahoo Tournament Wahoo 46, Lincoln Christian 41 Waverly Tournament Norris 70, South Sioux City 66 Waverly 46, Omaha Gross Catholic 34 Weeping Water Holiday Tournament

York Central Conference Tournament Plattsmouth 74. St. Paul 39 York 53, Cozad 38

Diller-Odell 49, Johnson-Brock 23 Elwood 53, Southwest 27

Amherst Tournament Amherst 53, Ogallala 51 Kearney Catholic 74, North Platte St. Patrick's 38

Champ.: Arapahoe 60, Hitchcock County 44 Archbishop Bergan Tournament Conestoga 48, Archbishop Bergan 47, OT Yutan 67, Omaha Brownell-Talbot 40 Ashland-Greenwood Tournament

First Round Platteview 44. Blair 38 Syracuse 62, Auburn 29 Aurora Tournament

Hastings St. Cecilia 35, Norfolk Catholic 34
Axtell Tournament
Cons.: Spalding/Spalding Academy 46, Eustis-Farnam 42 Champ.: Blue Hill 35, Axtell 28, OT Bertrand Tournament
Cons.: Franklin 41, Red Cloud 29
Champ.: Southern Valley 43, Bertrand 36

Burwell Tournament Cons.: Elgin Public/Pope John 53, Burwell Champ.: Neligh-Oakdale 51, Cedar Valley

Douglas, Wvo. 46, Hershev 42 Sidney 37, Cheyenne South, Wyo. 15
Cedar Bluffs Tournament
Cons.: Humphrey St. Francis 48, Cedar

Bluffs 40 Champ.: Shelby/Rising City 51, Palmer 23 Chadron Holiday Classic Tournament Chadron 70, Hemingford 24

Valentine 69, Bayard 30 Clearwater/Orchard Tournament Champ.: Clearwater/Orchard 26, Ewing 22
Creighton Tournament Creighton 70, Wausa 40

Mead 57, Omaha Christian Academy 26

Mercy Tournament

St. Mary Academy - Bay View, R.I. 35, Metro Conference Tournamen

Omaha Benson 68, Omaha North 42 Perkins County Tournament Sandhills/Thedford 47, Cambridge 37, OT

AREA CALENDAR

Yankton Needs Its Own 'Holiday Classic' Again

Saturday, December 29
BASKETBALL, MEN'S USD at Omaha (1 p.m., KVHT-BASKETBALL, WOMEN'S MMC at Emmanuel College (2

BASKETBALL, BOYS' Creighton Holiday Tourn. (Creighton, Hartington, Wausa); Crofton Holiday Tourn. (Consolation — 3:45 p.m.; Championship — 6:45 p.m.); East-Wast Classic at Chambertain (Platte-Geddes vs. Douglas, 8 p.m.); Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout at Wayne (Hartington Cedar Catholic, Laurel-Concord-Coleridge); Parkston Classic (Corsica-Stickney vs. Wolsey-Wessington, 10 a.m., Sully Buttes vs. Wessington Springs, 11:30 a.m.; McCook Central Montrose vs. Miller, 1 p.m.; Wborg-Hurley vs. Ethan, 2:30 p.m.; Wagner vs. Garretson, 4 p.m.; Warner vs. James Valley Christian, 5:30 p.m.; Parkston vs. Sisseton, 7 p.m.; Aberdeen Ron-

calli vs. Mount Vernon-Plankinton, 8:30 p.m.); Wisner-Pilger Holiday Tourn. (Ponca); Alcester-Hudson at Marion; Gayville-

BASKETBALL, GIRLS' Creighton Holiday Tournament (Creighton, Hartington, Wausa); Crofton Holiday Tourn. (Consolation — 2 p.m.; Championship — 5 p.m.); Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout at Wayne (Hartington Cedar Catholic, Lau-rel-Concord-Coleridge); Wisner-Pilger Holiday Tourn. (Ponca); Alcester-Huson at Marion; Gayville-Volin at Scotland GYMNASTICS, PREP Winter Wonderland Inv. at Vermil-

lion (Vermillion, Wagner, 11:30 a.m.)

HOCKEY, BOYS' JV Yankton at Aberdeen (6 p.m.)

HOCKEY, GIRLS' JV Yankton at Sioux Center (1:15 p.m.)

HOCKEY, BOYS' BANTAM Yankton at Aberdeen (4 p.m.)

HOCKEY, PEEWEE Yankton A at Sioux Center (11:30 a.m.); Yankton B at Sioux Center (3 p.m.)

WRESTLING, PREP McCook Central-Montrose Inv. at (Alcester-Hudson Beresford Bon Homme Dakota Valev. Elk Point-Jefferson, Kimball-White Lake-Platte-Geddes

HOCKEY, BOYS' JV Yankton at Aberdeen (11:30 a.m.)

HOCKEY, PEEWEE S.F. East at Yankton A (11 a.m.); S.F.

Monday, December 31

Plainview 44, Winside 30 9 19 .321 13 1/2 SUN: Georgia Tech (6-7) vs. Southern Cal (7-Champ.: Lindsay Holy Family 48, Randolph Thursday's Games Oklahoma City 111, Dallas 105, OT Ravenna Holiday Tournamen

FOOTBALL

Cons.: Loup City 43, Overton 39 Champ.: Centura 47, Ravenna 36 Washington 105, Orlando 97 Shootout on the Elkhorn Atlanta 102, Cleveland 94 Ponca 44. Wisner-Pilger 22 Brooklyn 97. Charlotte 81 Detroit 109, Miami 99
Toronto 104, New Orleans 97, OT

Silver Lake Tournament San Antonio 122, Houston 116 Cons.: Silver Lake 57, Shelton 7 Champ.: Bruning-Davenport/Shickley 49, Stanton Holiday Tournament Cons.: Stanton 47, Madison 27

Champ.: West Holt 59, O'Neill 49 Indiana at Atlanta, 6 p.m. New Orleans at Charlotte, 6 p.m. Toronto at Orlando, 6 p.m. Cleveland at Brooklyn, 6:30 p.m. Stuart Tournament Cons.: North Central 39, Cody-Kilgore 26 Champ.: Ainsworth 54, Stuart 40 Verdigre Tournament Champ.: Osmond 56, Niobrara/Verdigre 28 Wahoo Tournament Elkhorn South 42, Bishop Neumann 36 Wahoo 49, Lincoln Christian 45 Waverly Tournament

Waverly 45. Omaha Gross Catholic 23. Sunday's Games San Antonio at Dallas, 6:30 p.m. Southern 43, Tri County 16 Milwaukee at Detroit, 6:30 p.m. Weeping Water 56, Wilber-Clatonia 25 Boston at Sacramento, 8 p.m. York Tournament Utah at L.A. Clippers, 8:30 p.m

York 63, Cozad 24

FBS BOWL GAMES NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOC Saturday, Dec. 15 **EASTERN CONFERENCE** NEW MEXICO: Arizona 49 Nevada 48 FAMOUS IDAHO POTATO: Utah State 41,

Saturday, Dec. 22 NEW ORLEANS: Louisiana-Lafayette 43, Toronto Southeast Division **L** 7 9 Pct GB Miami Orlando Monday, Dec. 24 HAWAII: SMU 43, Fresno State 10 Charlotte 22 23 .241 .148 Washington Central Division GB Pct Indiana Milwaukee 12 12 .556 .556 10 22 .313 d 7 24 .226 WESTERN CONFERENCE 8 1/2 Southwest Division **L** 8 GB San Antonio 8 13 18 23 Memphis 2 1/2 Houston .400 10 1/2 .207 16 Saturday, Dec. 29 New Orleans Northwest Division Oklahoma City

6 14 13 6 1/2 Denver .548 .519 7 1/2 13 15 .500 .500 **Pacific Division** Pct GB **W** 23 **L** 655

Portland L.A. Clippers 10 15 19

Swiftel Classic

BROOKINGS — Gayville-Volin held onto a slim victory over Arlington in the Swiftel Classic

Rachel Haas led Gayville-Volin (2-3) with 14

Booklyn Judstra led Arlington (0-6) with 18

points and six turnovers. Kelia Bartà and Genny

points, eight rebounds and four steals. Josie

Parry added 13 points and four assists in the

Gayville-Volin will travel to Scotland for a

......7 22 38 48

double-header today (Saturday). Arlington will

Estelline 38, Sioux Valley 37

BROOKINGS — Estelline defeated Sioux Valley 38-37 at the Swiftel Classic in Brookings

Katie Hendrickson led Estelline (5-0) with 10

Kaylee Granum led Sioux Valley (4-3) with

Estelline will travel to Elkton to face Elkton-

Lake Benton on Jan. 3. Sioux Valley will host

Hamlin in Volga on Jan. 8. for a double-header.

BROOKINGS — Oldham-Ramona-Rutland defeated Florence-Henry 49-45 in the Swiftel Classic on Friday night in Brookings.

BeeAna Olson led the way for ORR (6-1)

with 19 points, nine rebounds, six assists and

five steals. Taylor Stratton netted 17 points and

five rebounds in the victory.

Morgan Schaack led Florence-Henry (3-4)

with 19 points, for rebounds and three steals.

Whitney Schaack recorded a double-double

the Marshall Classic today (Saturday). Florence-

ORR will travel to Marshall, Minn. to play in

with 10 points and 12 rebounds in the loss.

Oldham-Ramona-Rutland 49,

Florence-Henry 45

16 points and three assists. Anna Keefe netted

points and three rebounds. Erin Begalka added

nine ponts and seven rebounds in the victory

12 points and four steals in the loss.

Clark each posted 10 points in the victory.

Gayville-Volin 50, Arlington 48

in Brookings on Friday afternoon.

host Lake Preston on Jan. 3.

GAYVILLE-VOLIN (2-3)ARLINGTON (0-6)

on Friday.

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ARMED FORCES: Rice (6-6) vs. Air Force Navy (7-4), 2:15 p.m. (ESPN2)

PINSTRIPE: Syracuse (7-5) vs. West Vira (7-5), 2:15 p.m. (ESPN) **ALAMO:** Texas (8-4) vs. Orgeon State (9-3), BUFFALO WILD WINGS: Michigan State (6-

ings on Friday.

Christian on Jan. 3.

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on Jan. 3

Jan. 3.

bounds in the victory.

DEUEL (5-1) BRIDGEWATER-EMERY (4-3)

Lake Preston 38,

in Brookings on Friday.

HAMLIN (2-4)...... WOLSEY-WESSINGTON (1-4).....

Hamlin 69, Wosley-Wess. 9

Wessington 69-9 at the Swiftel Classic in Brook-

points, seven rebounds and three steals. Mi-

randa Arbach recorded a double-double with 10

points and 10 steals in the victory for Hamlin.

ington (1-4) with three points and two steals.

Kennedy Noem led Hamlin (2-4) with 12

Sidney Carey led the way for Wosley-Wess-

Hamlin will play Duebrook on Jan. 4.

Wolsey-Wessington will play James Valley

Deuel 45, Bridge.-Emery 24BROOKINGS — Deuel defeated Bridgewa-

ter-Emery 45-24 in the Swiftel Classic in Brook-

double. Gibson had 18 points and 14 rebounds.

Erin Engelkes recorded 13 points and seven re-

with 11 points and five rebounds. Justine Dyé

and Brooklyn Smart each recorded four points

Deuel will travel to Sisseton on Jan. 3.

Bridgewater-Emery will host Freeman in Emery

Waverly-South Shore 35 BROOKINGS — Lake Preston defeated Wa-

verly/South Shore 38-35 in the Swiftel Classic

Lake Preston (1-4) was led by Breanna Paul

with 20 points. Kristen Longville added seven

points in the victory.

Waverly/South Shore (2-4) was led by

Mikaela Fischer with a double-doubhle. Fischer

had 14 points and 12 rebounds. Courtney Arthur

netted nine points and 11 rebounds in the loss.

Waverly/South Shore will host Tiospa Zina on

Regular Season

Avon 40, Alcester-Hudson 36

Lake Preston will travel to Arlington on Jan.

Tiara Gibson led Deuel (5-1) with a double-

Tiana Kayser led Bridgewater-Emery (4-3)

MUSIC CITY: Vanderbilt (8-4) vs. N.C. State

BELK: Cincinnati 48 Duke 34 HOLIDAY: Baylor 49, UCLA 26 Pct PF Friday, Dec. 28 INDEPENDENCE: Ohio 45, Louisiana-Mon-San Diego RUSSELL ATHLETIC: Virginia Tech 13, .133 208 Rutgers 10, OT

MEINEKE CAR CARE: Minnesota (6-6) vs. Pct PF Washington South L T 2 0 -Atlanta Tampa Bay Carolina

Sunday, December 30

BASKETBALL, WOMEN'S Omaha at USD (2 p.m.,

HOCKEY, BOYS' BANTAM Yankton at Aberdeen (9:30

BASKETBALL, MEN'S USD at Kansas State (1 p.m.,

.600 349 253 .267 348 411 5), 1 p.m. (CBS) LIBERTY: lowa State (6-6) vs. Tulsa (10-3), West L.A. Clippers 106, Boston 77 Pct 370 260 392 232 CHICK-FIL-A: LSU (10-2) vs. Clemson (10-St. Louis .500 286 328 HEART OF DALLAS; Purdue (6-6) vs. Okla-Arizona .333 237 330 GATOR: Mississippi State (8-4) vs. North-stem (9-3), 11 a.m. (ESPN2) x-clinched playoff spot; y-clinched division

CAPITAL ONE: Georgia (11-2) vs. Nebraska OUTBACK: South Carolina (10-2) vs. Michi-(8-4), noon (ESPN) **ROSE:** Stanford (11-2) vs. Wisconsin (8-5),

Florida State (11-2), 7:30 p.m. (ESPN)
Wednesday, Jan. 2
SUGAR: Florida (11-1) vs. Louisville (10-2), Thursday, Jan. 3

ORANGE: Northern Illinois (12-1) vs.

FIESTA: Kansas State (11-1) vs. Oregon Friday, Jan. 4 COTTON: Texas A&M (10-2) vs. Oklahoma

BBVA COMPASS: Pittsburgh (6-6) vs. Missippi (6-6), noon (ESPN) Sunday GODADDY.COM; Kent State (11-2) vs.

Monday, Jan. 7

BCS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP AT 7:30 p.m. (ESPN)

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

AMERICAN CONFERENCE Pct PF PA .733 529 331 POINSETTIA: BYU 23, San Diego State 6 .467 288 289 .400 272 347 .333 316 426 BEEF 'O' BRADY'S: UCF 38, Ball State 17 South Pct Tennessee Jacksonville 2 .133 235 406 Pct PF PA .667 381 321 .600 368 303 y-Baltimore c-Cincinnati Pittsburgh .333 292 344 .400 326 329 .267 269 419 387 600 408 370 .533 358 372 .533 387 337 .267 273 402 Pcf PF PA

TRANSACTIONS BASKETBALL National Basketball Associatio NBA—Announced the retirement of executive counsel for business and finance Harvey

niamin, who will remain as a consultant,

CLEVELAND CAVALIERS—Assigned

Alabi, Placed G Jai Lucas on the inactive list. FOOTBALL

England DT Vince Wilfork \$30,000, Carolina DE Greg Hardy \$25,000, Carolina S Charles God-frey \$21,000, Houston CB Kareem Jackson \$21,000, Baltimore OT Michael Oher \$10,000, Houston CB Kareem Jackson \$21,000 and Tennessee DT Sen'Derrick Marks \$7.875 for their

from the practice squad.
DALLAS COWBOYS—Signed DE Monte Taylor to the practice squad. GREEN BAY PACKERS—Released RB

nnny White.

NEW YORK JETS—Signed RB John Griffin

OAKLAND RAIDERS—Placed DT Richard eymour and DB Phillip Adams on injured reve. Signed DL Brandon Bair and DB Cory Nelms from the practice squad. SEATTLE SEAHAWKS—Released CB Ron

Parker and DT Hebron Fangupo, Signed WR Deon Butler and LB Allen Bradford from the HOCKEY American Hockey League

ndeVelde three games.

COLLEGE

MICHIGAN STATE—Announced men's basketball G Brandan Kearney will transfer out. NEVADA-Announced the retirement of

SAN DIEGO-Named Dale Lindsey footbal football coach Gary Fasching to head coach.

For the Cubs, Shenia Doering had a total of 26 points and five rebounds. Alcester-Hudson hits the road to face Mar-

ion today (Saturday), and the Pirates travel

Scotland on Thursday.

R.C. Central 48, Pierre 44 PIERRE — Rapid City Central handed the Pierre Lady Governors their first loss of the sea-

rebounds for the Cobblers (3-3), who won despite shooting 4-of-21 on three-pointers and committed 15 turnovers.

points. RAPID CITY CENTRAL (3-3) PIERRE (4-1).....

For Milbank, Kendra Snaza had a total of

Breanna DeKam and Haley Strait each con-

Milbank faces Summit at home today (Saturday), and Castlewood will compete against Chester Area in the Brookings-Entringer Clas-

sic today (Saturday).

Late Thursday

Wayne 45,

WAYNE, Neb. — The Wayne Blue Devils outscored Laurel-Concord-Coleridge 11-3 in the

third quarter to pull away to a 45-34 victory over the Bears in the opening round of the Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout on Thursday at

Eddie added 11 points and six rebounds. LAUREL-CONCORD-COLERIDGE......

Aberdeen Roncalli 48, Elk Point-Jefferson

29 Holiday Classic

Cons.: Jones County 74, Iroquois 37

Champ.: Kimball/White Lake 62, Colome 42

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Arapahoe Tournament

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Johnson County Central 40, Nebraska City
36

Bishop LeBlond, Mo. Tournament Maryville, Mo. 33, Falls City 32 Brady Tournament First Round Brady 60, Wauneta-Palisade 44

49 Cabela's Holiday Shootout Gering 48, Chase County 29 Gothenburg 79, Love Christian, Colo. 14

the Parkston Classic today, the third game in three days for the Cavaliers. EPJ plays in the Big Sioux Conference Tournament, beginning Jan. 3 in Sioux Falls.

Avon 38, Alcester-Hudson 29 ALCESTER — The Avon Pirates defeated the Alcester-Hudson Cubs 38-29 Friday night in Alcester. Logan Mudder had 10 rebounds for the Pi-

and four assists. For the Cubs, Mitchell Johnson had eight points, and Gavin Doering and Grant Johnson each had five points.

rates, while Brandon Kocmich had six rebounds

Avon hosts Dakota Christian on Friday, and the Cubs hit the road to compete against Menno.

Sturgis 45, S.F. Washington 29SIOUX FALLS — Jacob Simmons scored 14 points to lead Sturgis past Sioux Falls Washington 45-29 on Friday night in Sioux Falls. Tanner Weaver added 11 points and 10 rebounds for the Scoopers (4-2), while Kody

Kracht had seven points. Grant Lewis had 11 points and eight rebounds for the Warriors (2-2). STURGIS (4-2) WASHINGTON (2-2)...

St. Thomas More 46,

Milbank 42

MILBANK — Jacob Henderson put up a total of 16 points Friday night to lead the St. Thomas More Cavaliers in a 46-42 victory against the Milbank Bulldogs in Milbank. Jake Sullivan and Jeron Laurenti each

added 10 points, and Aidan Goetzinger had

eight points in the win. For the Bulldogs, Andy Buchele had a total of 12 points on the night, while Ben Forrette and Isaac Lindquist each had 10 points. The Bulldogs face Cheyenne-Eagle Butte today (Saturday) at home, and St. Thomas

More will Clark-Willow Lake in Milbank today

(Saturday). ST. THOMAS MORE (6-0).....

Denver 106, Dallas 85 L.A. Clippers at Utah, 9 p.m. New York at Sacramento, 10 p.m. Philadelphia at Golden State, 10:30 p.m. Portland at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m. Saturday's Games

Washington at Chicago, 7 p.m. Oklahoma City at Houston, 7 p.m. Denver at Memphis, 7 p.m. Phoenix at Minnesota, 7 p.m. Miami at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m. Norris 65, South Sioux City 26 Philadelphia at Portland, 9 p.m Boston at Golden State, 9:30 p.m

First Round St. Paul 48, Plattsmouth 46, OT

First Round

New York .724 .517 Brooklyn .500 6 1/2 .483 7 .333 11 1/2 14 15 20

FIGHT HUNGER: Arizona State (7-5) vs.

.867 402 277 .467 423 410 .400 367 377 .400 313 325 North
 Pct
 PF
 PA

 .733
 399
 299

 .600
 342
 314
 y-Green Bay

LAS VEGAS: Boise State 28, Washington LITTLÉ CAESARS PIZZA: Central Michi-

gan 24, Western Kentucky 21 Thursday, Dec. 27 MILITARY: San Jose State 29, Bowling

Sunday, Dec. 30 Jacksonville at Tennessee, noon Carolina at New Orleans, noon

N.Y. Jets at Buffalo, noon Baltimore at Cincinnati, noon Philadelphia at N.Y. Giants, noon Chicago at Detroit, noon Tampa Bay at Atlanta, noon Oakland at San Diego, 3:25 p.m. Arizona at San Francisco, 3:25 p.m. St. Louis at Seattle, 3:25 p.m. Kansas City at Denver, 3:25 p.m. Green Bay at Minnesota, 3:25 p.m

mardo Samuels to Canton (NBADL).

NBA Development League

IDAHO STAMPEDE—Signed C Solomon National Football League
NFL—Fined Baltimore S Ed Reed \$55,000,
Carolina QB Cam Newton \$31,000 and New

actions during last week's games.
BUFFALO BILLS—Signed WR Kevin Elliott

from the practice squad.

practice squad. AHL—Suspended Oklahoma City C Chris

football coach Chris Ault.

OKLAHOMA—Suspended DT Stacy
McGee from the Jan. 4 Cotton Bowl after he was arrested on a charge of driving under the influence of alcohol on Christmas Eve

and 13 rebounds for the Pirates.

AVON (3-2) ALCESTER HUDSON (2-2).....

son, 48-44 on Friday night in Pierre.
Tori Holt scored 20 points and grabbed nine

Kaitlyn Severyn had 15 points and 12 re-bounds for Pierre (4-1), while Sydney Palmer added 11 points and Kristi Livermont had seven

Castlewood 37, Milbank 31 MILBANK — Sierra Johnson put up 11 points and five rebounds Friday night to lead Castlewood in a 37-31 victory against Milbank in Milbank.

tributed eight points and three rebounds in the seven points and six rebounds, while Abbie Snaza put up six points and two rebounds. Amanda Stone added five points and one re-

Laurel-Concord-Coleridge 34

Jalyn Zeiss led Wayne with 11 points. Angie Nelson added eight points. Audra Corbit scored a game-high 12 points and had three blocked shots for LCC. Cameron

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ALCESTER — Ariana Oorlog scored 13 points and had eight rebounds Friday night to lead the Avon Pirates in a 40-36 win against the Alcester-Hudson Cubs in Alcester.
Chesney Nagel had a total of 11 points and 15 rebounds, and Heidi Cap added eight points DON'T HANG UP On Potential Customers

Boys

From Page 8 Beemer in a 55-44 win against Battle Creek Friday night in the consolation semifinals of the Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout in Wayne. Schuetze had a total of 15 points in the win, while Jake Hansen added a total of 10 points Thomas Wapfulhorst also contributed nine

For Battle Creek, Trevor Belina recorded 15

points on the night, Jared Bellar had nine points

WEST POINT BEEMER (3-6)..... BATTLE CREEK (1-6) Pender 56.

Laurel-Concord-Coleridge 45

WAYNE, Neb. — With 34 points, Mitchell Mailloux led Pender in the 56-45 win against

Laurel-Concord-Coleridge Friday night in the

and Christian Krugar added six points.

consolation semifinals of the Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout in Wayne. Austin Webord added nine points in the win and Brody Vanderborg put up six points. For Laurel Concord-Coleridge, Dillon Wolfgram had a total of 15 points. Kyle Kardell

recorded 13 points on the night and Zach Shear

Boone Cent.-Newman Grove 66,

added seven points.

Pender 53 WAYNE, Neb. — Tyler Hedlund put up a total of 19 points Thursday night to lead Boone Central-Newman Grove in the 66-53 win against Pender in the first round of the Great Northeast

Nebraska Shootout in Wayne.

PENDER (4-4).

Wayne 61,

Derek Gentrup added 11 points in the win, and Beau Bremer had 10 points. Carter Johnson also contributed eight points. For Pender, Mitchell Mailloux recorded 31 points on the night, and Derek Morgan and Brody Vanderbrug each had six points.
BOONE CENTRAL-NEWMAN GROVE (7-2)......20 34 53 66

Laurel-Concord-Coleridge 34 WAYNE, Neb. — Grant Anderson led Wayne in a 61-34 victory against Laurel Concord-Coleridge Thursday night in the first round of the Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout in Wayne. Anderson had a total of 15 points in the win,

six points. For Laurel-Concord Coleridge, Zach Shear had seven points. Kyle Kardell, Brant Eddie and Mitch Klooz each added six points **Verdigre Holiday Tourn.**

with Jalen Barry adding a total of 14 points.

Luke Rethvisch and Brady Soden each added

Niobrara-Verdigre 55, **Osmond 49** VERDIGRE, Neb. — Niobrara-Verdigre

Aberdeen Central 57, Rapid City Stevens 37 Avon 40, Alcester-Hudson 36 Castlewood 37, Milbank 31

Ellendale Holiday Tournament
Oakes, N.D. 49, Leola/Frederick 23 Holiday Classic Cons.: South Central 40, Colome 33 Champ.: Kimball/White Lake 44, Jones County 33 NSU Tournament Herreid/Selby Area 49, Aberdeen Roncalli

Ethan 79, Viborg-Hurley 59 Hanson 73, Centerville 58 Highmore-Harrold 44, Corsica/Stickney 42,

Florence/Henry 45

Champ.: Spalding/Spalding Academy 85,

Crofton Tournamen First Round claimed the championship in the boys bracket of the Verdigre Holiday Tournament.

Vakoc added 10 points and nine rebounds, while Wyatt Reynolds added a spark with eight points and seven rebounds. Daniel Wiese led Osmond (2-5) with 14 points. Cody Koehler added eight points in the

Both teams will participate in the Wausa Post

Holiday Tournament on Jan. 3.

NIOBRARA/VERDIGRE (3-5)

Niobrara/Verdigre defeated Osmond 55-49.

Steven LaPonte led the Cougars (3-5) with

31 points, eight steals and seven blocks. Lance

St. Edward 37, Allen 29 VERDIGRE, Neb. — St. Edward picked up its first victory of the season in the boy's consolation game in the Verdigre Holiday Tournament on Friday night.

Charlie Prorok led St. Edward (1-8) with 17

points and three rebounds. Austin Bilstein recorded eight points in the victory. Zach Crom led Allen (1-7) with 0 points and four steals. Brian Boese added nine points and eight rebounds in the loss. St. Edward will travel to Santee on Jan. 3.

Allen will travel to Ponca on Jan. 3.

Niobrara-Verdigre 60,

ST. EDWARD (1-8)

Roncalli Gym.

St. Edward 40 VERDIRGE, Neb. — Niobrara-Verdigre defeated St. Edward 60-40 in the boy's first round of the Verdigre Holiday Tournament on Thurs-Steven LaPointe led the Cougars (3-5) with 28 points, while Mark Vondracek and Lance

Vakoc each added eight points in the victory.

Charlie Prorok led St. Edward (0-8) with 14

points. Austin Bilstein netted 12 points in the

Regular Season

Aberdeen Roncalli 48, **Elk Point-Jefferson 47** ABERDEEN — One night after losing on a last-second shot, Aberdeen Roncalli won with one, as Zach Andera hit a three-pointer as the horn sounded to lift the Cavaliers to a 48-47 victory over Elk Point-Jefferson during the Cavalier Winter Basketball Classic on Friday at

Elk Point-Jefferson led much of the game,

left. Roncalli took the ball in with 2.3 seconds to play, and Andera stayed in the perimeter after setting a screen, then buried the game-winner. Andera finished with nine points and eight rebounds, and Kory Schwan scored a gamehigh 16 points for Roncalli (5-1). Brayden McNeary added 10 points in the win.

and 11 rebounds. Blake Donnelly finished with

Roncalli plays Mount Vernon-Plankinton in

four assists and three steals for the Huskies.

but needed five straight points from Andrew Flynn to take a 47-45 lead with eight seconds Brock Zeller scored a game-high 26 points to lead EPJ (1-4). Bryce Kelly added 10 points