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



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Two years ago, Oral Roberts left the Summit League for the Southland Conference, seemingly because it figured out that it was no longer the big dog in some of the sports it had dominated over the years. South Dakota State had won three straight women's basketball titles, North Dakota State won a men's title, and the SDSU men were poised to win the next two. The University of South Dakota and NDSU had taken control of the track and field reins.

On Thursday, the Summit League announced that Oral Roberts was coming back, a move that - at least from a northern perspective — was more surprising than their departure.

"When the Southland Conference expanded to 14 teams, some

Quintanilla joins recent Gatorade South Dakota

Football Players of the Year Cole Langer (2012-

2013, Dell Řapids), Alex Schultz (2011-12, Lincoln), Matt Hermanson (2010-11, Washington),

Austin Sumner (2009-10, Brandon Valley), Dustin

Lotzer (2008-09, Sisseton) and Riley Reiff (2007-

08, Parkston) among the state's list of former

of our primary objectives in joining the Southland, such as improving travel costs and developing rivalries with selected schools, are no longer possible to achieve," said ORU AD Mike Carter. "With these changes in circumstances, we believe that returning to The Summit League is in the best interest of our programs and studentathletes. We look forward to returning to The Summit League and renewing the rivalries we developed there during our 15 year mem-

Oral Roberts: Why Did They Leave The Summit In The First Place?

The Tulsa, Okla., school no longer has a natural travel partner, as Kansas City bolted for the WAC in what was an even more confusing move than ORU's departure. (Oakland has left as well.) Omaha may provide a travel partner but, with the league back to an

odd number of teams ORU might be left without one. But what it does is gives the league a firmer grip on the Highway 81 corridor, and another quality program. The Summit League men's title was already looking to be one of the tougher "mid-major" titles, and the Golden Eagles' return just made it that much tougher. The same could be said for a number of other sports, including women's basketball, volleyball, golf and baseball.

Despite ORU's travel concerns, the Golden Eagles are better when they are in the Summit, and the Summit is better with them in it. The Summit League, knowing this as well, welcomed them

"We are excited to have Oral Roberts University join The Summit League for the 2014-15 season," said Summit League Commissioner Tom Douple.

It's too bad it took them a couple of years away for ORU to fig-

Lincoln's Quintanilla Earns Gatorade Honor

CHICAGO — Caden Quintanilla of Lincoln High School has been selected as the 2013-14 Gatorade South Dakota Football Player of the

Quintanilla is the second Gatorade South

Dakota Football Player of the Year to be chosen from Lincoln High School. The 5-foot-8, 180-pound senior running back led the Patriots to a perfect 11-0 record and the Class 11AAA state championship this past season. Quintanilla rushed for 1,893 yards and 29 touchdowns on 257 carries. A First Team All-State selection, he was named captain of the Argus Leader

Elite 45 team. He rushed for a record 244 yards and four touchdowns in the state title game, earning the Joe Robbie Award. Quintanilla has maintained a 3.94 GPA in the classroom. He has volunteered locally on behalf of youth football camps and the Character Counts

dents the importance of responsibility, respect and "Quintanilla isn't the biggest guy, but he's tough," said Chad Stadem, head coach at Wash-

ington High. "He's very disciplined, follows his blocks and what separates him from everyone else

Basketball: Lancers Swept At Northwestern ORANGE CITY, Iowa — The Mount Marty College men's and women's basketball teams each dropped decisions to Northwestern in Great Plains

> mation on the games was not available in time for Wednesday's editions. In the men's game, Northwestern (7-6) used five players in double figures to beat MMC 82-68.

> Athletic Conference action on Wednesday. Infor-

Jordan Baker scored 15 points and Justin Van Kalsbeek had 14 points to lead Northwestern. For MMC (0-7), Alex Irvine led the way with 16

points and seven rebounds. Bud Smith posted 14

points. Nermin Krdzalic added 12 points and four

Samantha Kleinsasser posted 20 points and 12 rebounds to lead five players in double figures as the second-ranked Northwestern women beat the Lancers 87-71. Also for Northwestern (11-0), Karen Hutson scored 18 points, Alli Engebretson had 17 points and Mackenzie Small added 15

points and 10 rebounds.

For MMC (3-4), which was playing without top scorers Holly Hegge and Kieran O'Malley, four players set or tied their career highs in scoring: Raquel Sutera with 21 points (tied a career high) Cassidy Gebhart with 18 points and Kelsey Schmidt with 16 points. Freshman Logan Wagner, starting for the injured Hegge, scored a eight points. Sutera also had a career-best 10 rebounds. while Gebhart had eight rebounds and five assists. Both MMC teams travel to Doane on Saturday.

USD Golf Adds Four

VERMILLION — South Dakota head men's and women's golf coach Nick Hovden is pleased to announce the names of four student-athletes who are expected to join the program next season. The list includes Timbrelee McNair (Girard, Kan.), Abby Dufrane (Marinette, Wis.), Matt Swanson (Cambridge, Minn.) and Cole Peterson (Sioux Falls, S.D.). McNair and Dufrane both signed National Letters of Intent

McNair holds every school record in girls golf at Girard High School. She was the 2012 Kansas 4A state champion and had three top-four finishes at the high school state tournament. She maintained a stroke average of 77 during her last two years of high school and has won 26 high school tourna-

Dufrane was a four-time state qualifier for Marinette High School. She placed second at the

OG - Justin Haffield, sr., Roosevelt

DF - Kory Lindquist sr Roosevelt

DE – Reid West, sr., Lincoln DT – Aaron Beaird, sr., Rapid City

DT - Skylar Newberg, sr., Roosevelt

LB - Alex Lewis, sr., Rapid City

LB – Dan Marlette, sr., Washington

DB - Justin Hoff, jr., Rapid City

LB – Matt Wagner, sr., Lincoln LB – Kirby Hora, sr., Roosevelt

DB – Levi Foss, sr., Lincoln

DB - Trevor Naasz, sr., Lincoln

Special Teams
K – Chase Vinatieri, jr., Roosevelt
P – Devan West, sr., Brandon Valley

DB - Austin Atwood, sr., Roosevelt

Player - Cam Holmes, sr., Brandon

Long snapper - Caleb Rector, sr.,

Luke Fritsch, O'Gorman; Mitch John-

son, Aberdeen Central; Tevan Schuster,

Lincoln: Dominick Pitzl. O'Gorman: Seth

Biordal, Roosevelt; Austin Paluch, O'Gor

man; Sam Denevan, Roosevelt; Austin

Heins, Washington; Spencer Hopkins,

O'Gorman; Donovin Neugebauer, Rapid

City Central; Jake Niedringhaus, O'Gor-man; David Mulbah, Roosevelt.

Fordham (12-1) at Towson (10-2),

Coastal Carolina (11-2) at Montana

New Hampshire (8-4) at Maine (10-

Tennessee State (10-3) at Eastern

South Dakota State (9-4) at Eastern

Illinois (11-1), 1 p.m.

Furman (8-5) at North Dakota State

Washington (10-2), 3 p.m.
Jacksonville State (10-3) at McNeese State (10-2), 6 p.m.
Sam Houston State (9-4) at South-

NCAA DIVISION II PLAYOFFS

Quarterfinals, Saturday, Dec. 7 West Chester (12-1) at Shepherd

North Alabama (10-2) at Lenoir-

St. Cloud State (12-1) at Northwest

Rhyne (11-1) vs. 11 a.m.

West Texas A&M (11-2) at Grand
Valley State (11-2), noon

Semifinals, Saturday, Dec. 8
Carroll (Mont.) (12-1) at Cumber-

side (11-1) at Grand View

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Missouri State (12-0), noon

lands (Kv.) (12-0), 11 a.m.

NAIA PLAYOFFS

eastern Louisiana (10-2), 7 p.m.

NCAA FCS PLAYOFFS

2), 1 p.m.

(11-0), 2:30 p.m.

(11-0), 11 a.m.

Second Round, Saturday, Dec. 7

C - Levi Rozeboom, sr., Lincoln

regional, sectional and state tournaments this past and maintained a stroke average of 78 throughout her senior season. Dufrane twice won the state regional tournament and took the sectional title as a junior. She had a double eagle in winning the 2012 WIAA State Sectional.

Swanson will be a six-year varsity golf member this spring for the Cambridge-Isanti Bluejackets. He will be looking to make his third consecutive trip to the Class AAA State Golf Tournament. Swanson has reduced his stroke average in each of the last four seasons, improving to 73 in 2013. His low round of 68 is a CIHS record.

Peterson is a five-year letterman for Sioux Falls Lincoln. He has earned all-state, all-city and allconference honors in each of the last two seasons while maintaining a stroke average of 74. Peterson placed 15th at the Class AA Golf Tournament in October. In 2010, he was named Lincoln's Applied Arts Student of the Year.

SDSU's Lusignan Named SL XC Athlete Of Year

ELMHURST, III. — South Dakota State's Trent Lusignan has been named The Summit League Men's Cross Country Athlete of the Year, as announced by the league on Thursday. Lusignan had a junior season for the record books Lusignan finished 12th in the NCAA meet on

Nov. 23. Farlier in the season, he won the Summit League individual title and finished second at the NCAA Midwest Region meet.

Lusignan was honored numerous times throughout the 2013 season. He was named The Summit League's Athlete of the Week three times (Oct. 1, 8 & 23), All-Summit First Team, Summit League Cross Country Championship MVP, All-Region and All-American.

Lusignan was third Jackrabbit to be named a Division I Cross Country All-American (Jack Pearson 1952 & Garry Bentley 1973). He also joins Michael Krsnak as the second Jackrabbit to be honored as The Summit League Men's Cross Country Athlete of the Year.

Nebraska Bowl Tickets On Sale Monday Morning

LINCOLN, Neb. — Fans wishing to purchase tickets for Nebraska's bowl game may do so beginning Monday morning at 8 a.m. Nebraska will learn its bowl destination and opponent on Sunday evening.

Bowl tickets can be purchased on-line at Huskers.com, or through the Nebraska Athletic Ticket Office by calling 1-800-8-BIG RED. Tickets can be purchased using VISA, MasterCard or Dis-

Nebraska will be making its 50th all-time bowl appearance this season, joining Alabama and Texas the only schools with 50 or more bowl appearances. The 2013 season marks Nebraska's sixth straight season with a bowl trip.

program, which stresses to elementary school stucommitment

is how quickly he accelerates." Quintanilla remains undecided upon a collegiate destination

SCOREBOARD

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MEN'S LEAGUE RESULTS: KPI Crushers def. Chico's Bail Bonds 21-14, 21-17, 19-21; Murdo's def. Gang Green 21-15, 18-21, ket 3-0 21-10, 21-12, 21-15 STANDINGS: Mead Lumber 4-0, Murdo's 4-0, Gang Green 2-2, Chico's Bail Bonds 2-2, KPI Crushers 1-3, Block

VOLLEYBALL

21-16: Mead Lumber def. The Block Mar

GYMNASTICS

LINCOLN-VERMILLION DUAL Dec. 3 at Sioux Falls

TEAM SCORE: Sioux Falls Lincoln 123.2, Vermillion 109.0 ALL-AROUND: Julie Teslow L 31.2, Alayna Dutcher L 29.75, Baylee Tordsen L 29.7, Anneliese Taggart V 29.25, Ember

VAULT: Teslow L 8.75, Newman L 8.5, Dutcher L 8.45, Tordsen L 8.45, Michaela Mohr L 8.4

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BARS: Newman L 7.55. Tordsen L 7.4, Teslow L 7.35, Anna Hammond V 7.0, Taggart V 6.95

BEAM: Dutcher L 7.85, Mohr L 7.4,

Taggart V 6.9, Stacey Hansen L 6.8, Tordsen L 6.75 FLOOR: Teslow L 8.5, Dutcher L 5, Newman L 7.9, Taggart V 7.2, Tord-

BASKETBALL

THURSDAY'S NEB. BOYS Axtell 60, Pleasanton 36 Bertrand 56, Alma 53

Bishop Neumann 63, St. Albert, Council Bluffs Iowa 47 Broken Bow 49, Sutherland 33 Burwell 52, Fullerton 38 Centennial 43, David City 40 Columbus Lakeview 57, Crete 56 Columbus Scotus 50, Hastings St

Diller-Odell 39, Pawnee City 26 Exeter/Milligan 42, Deshler 41 Gibbon 80, St. Paul 37

City 54 Heartland Christian, Iowa 77, Omaha Nation 70, OT

Hitchcock County 49, Cambridge 38 31 Humphrey St. Francis 48, Osceola

Kenesaw 54, Blue Hill 48 McCool Junction 59, Cross County

Niobrara/Verdigre 53, Stuart 50 Omaha Brownell-Talbot 47, Ne braska Lutheran 45 Overton 51, Arapahoe 35 Ravenna 71, Sandhills/Thedford 28

Republic County, Kan. 56, Thayer Scribner-Snyder 57, Lyons-Decatur

Spalding/Spalding Academy 85, Heartland Lutheran 55 York 63, Ralston 60

Bellevue East Tournament Bellevue East 56, Norfolk 53 Lincoln High 45, Papillion-LaVista

Seward 60, Hastings 44

Early Bird Classic Tournament Grand Island Central Catholic Tourn.

Centura 52 Wood River 51 Omaha Public School Tournament

Millard South 51, Omaha Bryan 43 Omaha Benson 61, Omaha South

Platte River Classic

Omaha Central 66, Omaha North 35

Cloud 25

Catholic 23

David City 34, Centennial 32 Deshler 60, Exeter/Milligan 26 Elm Creek 40, Shelton 31 Ewing 44, Neligh-Oakdale 19 Fullerton 53 Burwell 33

City 16

Homer 76, Winnebago 51 Lincoln Northeast 64, Millard North Lincoln Pius X 41, Waverly 32 Louisville 49, Conestoga 37 Malcolm 55. Heartland 25

braska Lutheran 30

Early Bird Classic Tournament

Fremont 64, Columbus 28 First Round

Omaha Public School Tournament

Platte River Classic Lincoln Southwest 63, Omaha Mar-

Omaha Northwest 57, Omaha Burke ian 46

Gering 49, Scottsbluff 39 Omaha Skutt Catholic 51, Sidney 41 Torrington, Wyo. 73, Mitchell 51 MEN: NORTHWESTERN 82,

MMC 68 Wednesday at Orange City, Iowa
MOUNT MARTY (0-7)

Lorenzo Davis 1-5 2-2 4, Bud Smith
3-11 8-9 14, Tyler Payer 3-10 1-2 8, Alex
Irvine 8-11 0-0 16, Ben Hegge 1-3 2-3 4,

THURSDAY'S NEB. GIRLS Arapahoe 46, Overton 43 Arcadia-Loup City 41, Anselmo-

Omaha Creighton Prep 64, Lincoln

Chadron 60 Alliance 51

Southwest 26

First Round

Axtell 56, Pleasanton 42 Bertrand 49, Alma 38 Blue Hill 67, Kenesaw 15 Boyd County 57, North Central 24 Bruning-Davenport/Shickley 52, Red

Seward 44, Hastings 37

St Paul 50 Gibbon 18 Stuart 61, Niobrara/Verdigre 38 Sutherland 36, Broken Bow 33 Sutton 52, Superior 39 Tekamah-Herman 36, Stanton 35

York 57 Ralston 18

Centura 30, Wood River 19 Kearney Catholic 72, Sandy Creek

First Round Millard South 50, Omaha South 40

Omaha Burke 67, Omaha Bryan 12 Omaha Central 59 Omaha North 40

North Platte 66, Grand Island 61

Western Conference Tournament

assists off the bench.

Gering 67, Scottsbluff 44
Mitchell 58, Torrington, Wyo. 44
Omaha Skutt Catholic 67, Sidney 38

Grant Flicek 1-1 1-1 3. Nermin Krdzalic 5-11 2-3 12, Patrick Ciganovic 1-3 0-0 3, Sam Forrer 1-1 0-0 2, Anthony Stransky 0-1 0-0 0, Mitchell Newhouse 0-0 2-2. 2. NORTHWESTERN (7-6)

Cambridge 61 Hitchcock County 45 Crete 43, Columbus Lakeview 38
Crofton 73, Hartington Cedar Cross County 58. McCool Junction

29-58 22-31 82. At the half: NW 43, MM 36, Three-Gothenburg 39, Lexington 27 Grand Island Northwest 67, Central

Gretna 50, Omaha Duchesne Acad-Hastings St. Cecilia 54, Columbus

Medicine Valley 34, Southwest 29 Milford 37, Fillmore Central 34 Minden 66, Southern Valley 20 Omaha Brownell-Talbot 33, Ne-

Omaha Concordia 58, Boys Town 11
Pender 54, Wakefield 42
Plainview 57, Winside 18 Ravenna 38, Sandhills/Thedford 33 Scribner-Snyder 56, Lyons-Decatur

South Sioux City 56, Wayne 41 St. Mary's 52, Clearwater/Orchard

Valentine 62, O'Neill 33 Wahoo 62, Bennington 24 Wilcox-Hildreth 60, Elwood 26 Wynot 60. Bloomfield 25

Bellevue East Tournament
Papillion-LaVista South 62, Lincoln

Papillion-LaVista 51, Lincoln East 44 on-Hubbard Tip-Off Tournament Emerson-Hubbard 42, Lutheran High

Northeast 25 Grand Island Central Catholic Tourn.

Joey Habtemariam 5-9 3-3 13, Jordan Baker 6-13 3-3 15, Levi Ettleman 3-6 5-8 12, Zach Leeper 2-8 0-0 5, Colin Henrich 0-2 1-2 1, T.J. Buyert 0-3 0-0 0, Taylor Francis 0-0 0-0 0, Keegan Mulder 0-1 0-0 0, Tyler Goldston 3-4 5-6 11, Jor-dan Hamamoto 0-0 0-0 0, Bryce Moss 3-3 3-4 9, Gerasim Mantalvanos 0-1 2-2 2, Justin Van Kalsbeek 7-8 0-3 14. TOTALS:

Pointers: NW 2-14 (Ettleman 1-2, Leeper 1-5, Habtemariam 0-1, Baker 0-1, Henrich 0-1, Mulder 0-1, Buyert 0-3), MM 2-16 (Telles 1-3, Payer 1-7, Irvine 0-1, Ciganovic 0-1, Smith 0-2, Krdzalic 0-2). Rebounds: NW 44 (Ettleman 7), MM 32 (Irvine 7). Personal Fouls: MM 34, NW 26. Fouled Out: Irvine, Krdzalic, Ciganovic, Baker). Assists: MM 11 (Krdzalic 4), NW 11 (Habtemariam 3, Ettleman 3). Turnovers: MM 15, NW 12. Blocked Shots: NW 3, MM 1 (Payer). Steals: MM 6 (Payer 2, Newhouse 2),

WOMEN: NORTHWESTERN 87,

NW 6 (Ettleman 2).

Wednesday at Orange City, Iowa MOUNT MARTY (3-4) Cassidy Gebhart 6-13 5-7 18, Logan Wagner 3-10 2-2 8, Raquel Sutera 6-16 5-6 21, Kelsey Schmidt 5-13 2-2 16, Allison De Kam 1-5 1-2 3, Kelli Curtis 0-2 0-0 0, Cheyenne Lambley 1-4 0-0 2, Haley Froelich 0-0 0-0 0, Kelly Amundson 1-4 1-3 3. TOTALS: 23-67 16-22 71.

NORTHWESTERN (11-0)
Paige O'Neal 1-3 1-1 3, Karen Hut-son 7-16 4-9 18, Alli Engebretson 7-19 0-3 17, Mackenzie Small 5-14 0-0 15, Samantha Kleinsasser 9-15 2-2 20, Whitney Vander Maten 1-3 0-0 2, Cassidy Breon 3-5 2-2 10. Arianne Gesell 1-1 0-0 2. TOTALS: 34-76 9-17 87

2. TOTALS: 34-76 9-17 87.

At the half: NW 44, MM 39. ThreePointers: NW 10-23 (Small 5-10, Engebretson 3-9, Breon 2-3, Kleinsasser 0-1) MM 9-25 (Sutera 4-9, Schmidt 4-8, Geb MM 9-25 (Sutters a -v.) Scrimiot 4-b, Geb-hart 1-5, Wagner 0-3). Rebounds: NW 55 (Kleinsasser 12), MM 40 (Sutera 10), Personal Fouls: NW 17, MM 17. Assists: NW 20 (four with 4), MM 12 (Gebhart 5). Turnovers: NW 13, MM 13. Blocked Shots: MM 4, NW 3 (Kleinsasser 2) Steals: NW 9 (Engebretson 3), MM 3.

OG - Drew Peters, jr., Lincoln

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE AMERICAN CONFERENCE **FOOTBALL**

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S.D. CLASS 11AAA ALL-STATE		W	L	Т	Pct	PF	
As chosen by the S.D. Football	New England	9	3	0	.750	322	
Coaches Association	Miami	6	6	0	.500	252	
Offense	N.Y. Jets	5	7	0	.417	189	
QB – Taryn Christion, jr., Roosevelt	Buffalo	4	8	0	.333	267	
FB - Matt White, sr., O'Gorman		South					
RB – Caden Quintanilla, sr., Lincoln		W	L	Т	Pct	PF	
RB - Blake Stone, sr., Rapid City	Indianapolis	8	4	0	.667	285	
Central	Tennessee	5	7	0	.417	264	
WR – A.J. Garrow, sr., Brandon Val-	Jacksonville	3	9	0	.250	174	
ley	Houston	2	10	0	.167	230	
WR - Asher Pikula, sr., Rapid City		North					
Central		W	L	Т	Pct	PF	
TE - Tanner Hennings, sr., Roo-	Cincinnati	8	4	0	.667	292	
sevelt	Baltimore	6	6	0	.500	249	
OT - Mike VanVeldhuizen, sr., Lin-	Pittsburgh	5	7	0	.417	263	
coln	Cleveland	4	8	Λ	333	231	

Friday, December 6 BASKETBALL, BOYS' Allen at Wakefield;

AREA CALENDAR

Crofton at Laurel-Concord-Coleridge; Elgin Public-Pope John at Niobrara-Verdigre; Hartington Cedar Catholic at Boone Central-Newman Grove; Osmond at Randolph; Plainview at Wausa; Santee at Omaha Nation; West Holt at Creighton; Winside at Wynot BASKETBALL, GIRLS' Allen at Wakefield;

Crofton at Laurel-Concord-Coleridge; Elgin Public-Pope John at Niobrara-Verdigre; Hartington Cedar Catholic at Boone Central-Newman Grove; Osmond at Randolph; Plainview at Wausa; Santee at Omaha Nation; West Holt at Creighton; Winside at Wynot **BOWLING, HS CLUB** Brandon at Yankton; O'-

HOCKEY, BANTAM Mitchell at Yankton A (7 Saturday, December 7
BASKETBALL, MEN'S USD vs. Wyoming at
Rapid City (8:15 p.m., KVHT-FM); MMC at Doane (4
p.m., KYNT-AM)

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Houston at Jacksonville, 7:25 p.m.

Atlanta at Green Bay, noon

Minnesota at Baltimore, nooi

Miami at Pittsburgh, noon Detroit at Philadelphia, noon

Kansas City at Washington, noon Buffalo at Tampa Bay, noon

Indianapolis at Cincinnati, noon Cleveland at New England, noon Oakland at N.Y. Jets, noon

Tennessee at Denver, 3:05 p.m.

Dallas at Chicago, 7:40 p.m. San Diego at Denver, 7:25 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 15
Philadeler

Washington at Atlanta, noor

Chicago at Cleveland, noon

Buffalo at Jacksonville, noon

Houston at Indianapolis, noon

New England at Miami, noon Kansas City at Oakland, 3:05 p.m N.Y. Jets at Carolina, 3:05 p.m.

Arizona at Tennessee, 3:25 p.m. New Orleans at St. Louis, 3:25 p.m

Mary Pfeiffer

San Francisco at Tampa Bay, no Seattle at N.Y. Giants, noon

Seattle at San Francisco, 3:25 p.m N.Y. Giants at San Diego, 3:25 p.m. St. Louis at Arizona, 3:25 p.m. Carolina at New Orleans, 7:30 p.m.

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Monday, Dec. 9

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NATIONAL CONFERENCE

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Kansas City

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Carolina Tampa Bay

Monday, Dec. 16

the executive director

Baltimore at Detroit, 7:40 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
BASEBALL HALL OF FAME — Announced the retirement of senior vice president Bill Haase, effective at the end

of the year.

MLB PLAYERS ASSOCIATION —

Named Dave Winfield special assistant to

American League
DETROIT TIGERS — Designated
SS Dixon Machado for assignment
MINNESOTA TWINS — Agreed to
terms with RHP Phil Hughes on a threeyear contract. Designated RHP Liam
Handriks for assignment

Hendriks for assignment.

OAKLAND ATHLETICS — Desig-

SEATTLE MARINERS — Agreed to

nated LHP Andrew Werner for assign

terms with UT Willie Bloomquist on a two-

at Rapid City (6 p.m., KVHT-FM); MMC at Doane (2 p.m., KYNT-AM)

RASKETRALL ROYS' Cedar Bluffs at Allen: Hartington Cedar Catholic at Homer; O'Neill St. Mary's at Hartington; OA-BCIG at Ponca; Wausa at

BASKETBALL, GIRLS' Cedar Bluffs at Allen; O'Neill St. Mary's at Hartington; OA-BCIG at Ponca; Wausa at Boyd County GYMNASTICS, GIRLS' Sioux Falls Inv. (YHS, 11

HOCKEY, GIRLS' JV Sioux Center at Yankton (3 HOCKEY, PEE WEE S.F. West at Yankton A SWIMMING & DIVING, COLLEGE Rochester

TRACK & FIELD, COLLEGE OUTDOOR Fre-

HOCKEY, BOYS' JV Sioux Center at Yankton (5

(YHS, 10 a.m.); Canton Dual Tourn. (Bon Homme-Scotland, 10 a.m.); Creighton Inv. (Creighton-Verdi-gre, Crofton, Hartington Cedar Catholic, Laurel-Concord-Coleridge, Parkston, Randolph); Dell Rapids Tourn. (Alcester-Hudson, Beresford, Dakota Valley, Parker, 10 a.m.); Flandreau Inv. (Elk Point-Jefferson, 10 a.m.); Howells-Dodge Inv. (Ponca); Kim-hall-White Lake Tourn. at Kimball (Andes Central, Kimball-White Lake-Platte-Geddes, Marion-Freeman, Wagner, 9 a.m.); S.F. Roosevelt Tourn. (9 a.m.)

nt Half-Marathon (MMC, 11 a.m.)

WRESTLING, PREP Watertown Dual Tourn.

Sunday, December 8
HOCKEY, BOYS' JV Sioux Center at Yankton (1

HOCKEY, BANTAM Brookings at Yankton A (11 a.m.); Brookings at Yankton B (9 a.m.)

SWIMMING & DIVING, COLLEGE Rochester (Minn.) Inv. (USD, 10 a.m.

TEXAS RANGERS — Agreed to George Winn and TE Jameson Konz to terms with RHPs Jose Contreras and the practice squad. Nate Adcock and OF Bryan Petersen on minor league contracts.

National League

MILWAUKEE BREWERS — Agreed NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS - Resigned WR Austin Collie.

TENNESSEE TITANS — Signed TE

Visanthe Shiancoe HOCKEY National Hockey League
ANAHEIM DUCKS — Recalled LW
Emerson Etem and C Dave Steckel from

to terms with 2B Irving Falu on a minor league contract. Traded OF Norichika Aoki to Kansas City for LHP Will Smith. PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES — Agreed to terms with C Wil Nieves on a Norfolk (AHL). COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS - Activated F Derek MacKenzie from injured reserve.
NASHVILLE PREDATORS — Reas-

signed D Joe Piskula to Milwaukee (AHL). WASHINGTON CAPITALS — Re called D Patrick Wey from Hershey (AHL) and D Michal Cajkovsky and Brett Flemming from Reading (ECHL), Reassigned Cajkovsky, Flemming and D Tyson Stra-

Falcons Rally Past USD

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association
CLEVELAND CAVALIERS —

signed F Henry Sims and F Carrick Felix to Canton of NBA Development League.

Women's National Basketball Asso

LOS ANGELES SPARKS — Signed

coach Carol Ross to a multi-year contract

FOOTBALL

extension.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo -Air Force used a strong second half to battle past the University of South Dakota, 94-86 in men's basketball action on Thursday.

South Dakota led 40-32 at the Max Yong scored 24 points and Marek Ölesinski posted 19 points and eight rebounds to lead Air Force (4-4). Justin Hammonds finished with 13 points off the

bench, Tre' Coggins had 12 points

and Hayden Graham added 10 points in the victory. Casey Kasperbauer hit six three-pointers to finish with 20 points for USD (3-4). Trey Norris netted 15 points, Trevor Gruis had 14 points and Brandon Bos added 13 points and six assists for the Coyotes, who saw their

three-game win streak snapped. Air Force shot 39 free throws,

USD will play on the road again on Saturday, facing Wyoming in a neutral site game in Rapid City. Wyoming beat USD 70-53 on Nov. 22 in Laramie, Wyo. 5.3 ON INOV. ZZ III Lat atme, vv y o. south DAKOTA [3-4]

Tyler Flack 0-0 0-0 0, Trevor Gruis 5-6 4-6 14, Trey Norris

4-8 5-6 15, Brandon Bos 4-6 3-4 13, Adam Thoseby 3-11 0-0 7,

Casey Kasperbauer 7-10 0-0 20, Karim Rowsom 1-1 4-5 6, Tavian Pomlee 0-0 0-0 0, Eric Robertson 2-6 0-0 4, Tyler Larson

making 31. USD was just 21-26.

1-2 5-5 7. TOTALS: 27-50 21-26 86. AIR FORCE (4-4) Marek Olesinski 5-7 7-8 19, Justin Hammonds 3-4 6-6 13, Marker Gleistria 5-7 7-5 13, Jusuin Harillinois 3-4 6-1 13, Ethan Michael 1-4 1-2 3, Zach Kocur 0-1 2-2 2, Max Yon 8-18 6-9 24, Tre' Coggins 2-3 7-8 12, Nick Jorgensen 2-5 1-2 6, Hay-den Graham 3-4 1-2 10, Chase Kammerer 1-1 0-0 2, Darrius Parker 1-1 0-0 3. TOTALS: 56-48 31-39 94. At the half: SD 40, AF 32, Three-Pointers: AF 11-23 (Gra-

ham 3-3, Olesinski 2-4, Yon 2-6, Parker 1-1, Hammonds 1-2, Michael 0-2, Kocur 0-1), SD 11-26 (Kasperbauer 6-9, Norris 2-4, Bos 2-4, Thoseby 1-7, Robertson 0-2), Rebounds: Ag (Olesinski 8), SD 24 (Larson 6). Personal Fouls: SD 28, AF 21. Fouled Out: Flack, Hammonds. Assists: AF 20 (Yon 5), SD 19 (Bos 6). Turnovers: SD 11, AF 7. BlockeD Shots: SD 4, AF 2. Steals: SD 5 (Norris 3), AF 4. Attendance: 1,599.

Rapid

helped recruit.

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game (before it was moved to Rapid City), and now he'll be coaching in it — against most of the Coyote players he

'It's a tremendous oppor-

tunity for my kids and our program," Larsen said this week. "I've tried to think of other times that I know of that a Division I team goes to a Division II's home town. It doesn't happen often.' Larsen's Lady Hardrock-

ers (2-6), with wins over

gled on both ends so far this season. Mines averages 57 points,

Wrestling

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Chadron State and Southwest

Minnesota State, have strug-

led by Alexis Long (10.0), but has also allowed 71 points and committed nearly 16

Following the USD game,

turnovers a game.

the Lady Hardrockers will play an exhibition game against Colorado State on Dec. 14. Colorado State is coached by another former USD head coach, Ryan Williams — another of Larsen's former employers. "I'm not even sure how to

use 'bittersweet,' but that's not it. It'll be an odd feeling.' The same goes for USD head coach Amy Williams having to face a coach that

knows the system so well.

"He's a great basketball

Williams said Thursday. "He'll

coach, he'll have us scouted,'

have his team well preapred

to compete against us, so I

explain it, it's a strange situa-

tion," Larsen said. "I want to

think it'll be good for our

team in the long run.' Williams, a Spearfish native (as is Larsen), said her team will do some sight-seeing today (Friday) while in Rapid City — she joked that the team will likely view Mount Rushmore from the bus because of the cold tem-

the Coyotes will face in Larsen, Williams said. "His fingerprints are all over this program, and they will be for a while," she said. "He was a huge help for me in year one as I was transition-

Still, the business of play-

ing a basketball game will be

bittersweet because of who

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Chase 10-7; 138 — Chet Glanzer HUR pin. Cade Bruggeman :54; 145 — Jesse Mirkut HUR pin. Logan Warzecha 2:17; 152 — Nick Christensen HUR pin. William Kilgore 2:51; 160 — Connor Gose HUR pin. william Nigore 2:31, 160 — Collinor Gose Arub pin. Ethan Langston 2:1, 170 — Bailey Schoenfelder HUR dec. Lane Warzecha HAR 9-4; 182 — Tyler Kleinsasser HUR by forfeit; 195 — Matt Schirado HAR pin. Jereniah Johnson HUR 1:58; 220 — Kyle Hansen HAR dec. Mark Christenson HUR 10-4; 285 — Josh Waagen



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Wyatt Shillingstad (120), Pywe Der (126), Chet Glanzer (138), Jesse Mirkut

nor Gose (160) won by pin for Huron. The hosts also benefitted from two forfeits. Jacob Hanssen (106) and Matt Schi-

(145), Nick Christensen (152) and Con-

rado (195) won by pin for Harrisburg. 106 — Jacob Hanssen HAR pin. Nathan Sowle 2:22; 113 — Trent Francom HUR major dec. Nick Schirado 15-2; 120 - Wyatt Shillingstad HUR pin. Taylor Dalen :33; 126 — Pywe Der HUR pin. Ryan Vander-Waal 3:35; 132 — Colin Kehrwald HAR dec. Ryan

ing back here.