

Press & Dakotan STAR CHART

A look at some of the top individual performances from our coverage area in the past week. To nominate an athlete, email us at sports@yankton.net

Boys' Basketball

Austin Conn, Wausa: Had 27 points in a 66-53 win over Wakefield on Dec. 13. Jack Huether, Viborg-Hurley: Scored 29 points in a 72-54 victory over Freeman Academy on Dec. 13. Grant Johnson, Alcester-Hudson: Scored 21 points in a 62-46 victory over Freeman Academy on Dec. 13. James Kaiser and Grant Howell, Cedar Catholic: Scored 21 and 20 points in a 54-47 win over Bloomfield on Dec. 10. Brock Mueller, Crofton: Scored 19 points in a 57-50 overtime win over Guardian Angels on Dec. 14. Lyle LaFramboise, Alcester-Hudson: Had 27 points and 11 rebounds in a 60-54 victory over West Sioux on Dec. 14. Cole Paulson, Freeman: Scored 22 points in a 72-54 loss to Viborg-Hurley on Dec. 13. Reid Sawatzke & Brady Hale, Yankton: Scored 29 and 25 points in an 82-71 overtime victory over Waterton on Dec. 13.

Girls' Basketball

Kella Barta, Gayville-Volin: Scored 28 points in a 53-46 win over Baltic on Dec. 13. Keely Bertram, Elk Point-Jefferson: Had 18 points and 10 rebounds in a 50-40 win over Vermillion on Dec. 10. Rylie Christensen, Parker: Had 16 points and 20 rebounds in a 66-45 loss to Freeman. Genevieve Clark, Gayville-Volin: Scored 23 points in a 53-40 win over Menno on Dec. 10. Cameron Eddie, Laurel-Concord-Coleridge: Had 18 points and 13 rebounds in a 55-38 victory over Randolph on Dec. 14. Kenna Fiedler, Bloomfield: Had 20 points and 10 rebounds in a 48-25 victory over Winside on Dec. 13. Abby Hora, Viborg-Hurley: Scored 21 points in a 57-54 win over Scotland on Dec. 10. Josie Huber, Vermillion: Posted 20 points and 7 rebounds in a 41-36 win over Bon Homme on Dec. 13. Chesney Nagel, Avon: Had 18 points and 10 rebounds in a 50-23 win over Gregory on Dec. 13.

Nicole Saarie, Freeman: Had 22 points and 5 steals in a 60-46 win over Parkston on Dec. 10. Scored 21 points in a 66-45 win over Parker on Dec. 12.

Gymnastics

Emily Duffek, Yankton-Bon Homme: Posted a 9.0 on the balance beam and a 34.35 in the all-around at the Mitchell Triangular on Dec. 10. Kaitlin Guthmiller, Yankton-Bon Homme: Posted a 9.05 in the vault at the Mitchell Triangular on Dec. 10. Elsie Kotalik, Yankton-Bon Homme: Posted a score of 34.95 in the all-around to lead the Gazelles to a team score of 138.8 in the Mitchell Triangular on Dec. 10.

Swimming

Emma Schott, Yankton: Won five events in the girls' 9-10 year-old division at the Yankton Splash (In)write on Dec. 14.

COLLEGE/YHS EVENTS

Table with columns for Day, Event, and Location. Includes events for Today (Dec 17), Wednesday (Dec 18), Thursday (Dec 19), Friday (Dec 20), Saturday (Dec 21), Sunday (Dec 22), and Monday (Dec 23).

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard section containing Basketball (SDSWA Boys' Poll, AP Women's Top 25, SDSWA Girls' Poll), Football (National Football League, American Conference, National Soccer, N.Y. Jets, Buffalo, Cincinnati, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, West, East, Monday's S.D. Boys, Monday's NEB. Boys, Monday's NEB. Girls, Associated Press Top 25, USA Today Top 25 Poll), and Transactions (Baseball, American League, Detroit Tigers, Kansas City Royals, Toronto Blue Jays).

AREA CALENDAR

Area Calendar section listing events for Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, including Basketball, Wrestling, and Gymnastics events across various locations.

OTHER EVENTS

Hockey YANKTON BOYS JV: Friday, vs. Oahe, 7 p.m.; Saturday, vs. Oahe, 8:30 p.m.; Sunday vs. Oahe, 1 p.m. YANKTON GIRLS JV: Saturday, vs. Brookings, 1:30 p.m.; Sunday, at Sioux Falls, 12:45 p.m. YANKTON BANTAM: Saturday, 'B vs. Oahe, 12:30 & 6:30 p.m.; 'A vs. Oahe, 2:30 p.m.; Sunday, 'B vs. Oahe, 9 a.m.; 'A vs. Oahe, 11 a.m. YANKTON PEE WEE: Sunday, 'B at S.F. East, 10:45 a.m. & 2:45 p.m.

RADIO & TELEVISION

Table listing radio and television broadcasts for Today, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, including programs like MEN'S B-BALL, WOMEN'S B-BALL, and GIRLS' B-BALL.

SPORTS DIGEST

South Dakota's Starr Ninth In Buchanan Award Balloting

VERMILION — South Dakota senior linebacker Tyler Starr finished ninth in the Buck Buchanan Award voting announced Monday by The Sports Network. Starr (Little Rock, Iowa/George-Little Rock HS) was one of 20 finalists for the award, which honors the top defensive player in FCS. Senior Brad Daly became the second Montana State defensive end to win the award in as many seasons. Daly received 64 of 147 first-place votes from a national panel of sports information directors, broadcasters, writers and other dignitaries. Starr is the 2013 Missouri Valley Football Conference Defensive Player of the Year. He was a finalist for the Buchanan Award for the second year in a row. In this year's balloting, Starr received four first-place votes, five second-place votes, eight third-place votes, and six fourth- and fifth-place votes. Starr led the MVFC in sacks (9.0), tackles for loss (15.0) and forced fumbles (4). He finished second on the team in tackles with 71. He also had an interception and was credited with four pass breakups.



Starr

Mitchell Standout Neugebauer To Play Volleyball At MMC

Mitchell standout Sidney Neugebauer will attend Mount Marty College and play volleyball for the Lancers, MMC announced on Monday. Neugebauer, a 5-6 outside hitter and defensive specialist, earned honorable mention all-Eastern South Dakota Conference honors this past season. Over the past three seasons, she posted 228 kills, 670 digs and 70 ace serves. "Sidney will be a great addition to our Mount Marty Campus," said MMC head coach Candice Climer. "Her success in both athletics and academics will be great assets to our program." The daughter of Ed and Lisa Neugebauer of Mitchell, she plans to major in elementary education. She will receive an academic achievement scholarship in addition to her volleyball award.



Neugebauer

Paluch Earns Second Weekly Honor

BROOKINGS — Senior Steph Paluch (Pierre) earned her second weekly honor Monday when she was named the Summit League Co-Player of the Week after helping the South Dakota State women's basketball team to a 2-0 week and a pair of big wins. Paluch, who was the league's Nov. 18 Player of the Week, was named the College Sports Madness Summit League Mid-Major Player of the Week early Monday. Paluch, a 5-foot-10 guard, averaged 16 points and 3 rebounds while shooting 35 percent from the field, 50 percent from three-point range and was perfect from the free-throw line, sinking all 14 shots. In the upset win over then-No. 12/12 Penn State, Paluch scored a career-high and game-high 18 points on 5-of-12 shooting from the field, including a pair of three-pointers, and 6-for-6 shooting from the charity stripe. In the win over Central Michigan, Paluch scored 14 points, sinking 2 three-pointers and making 8 for 8 from the foul line, including going 6 for 6 in the final 1:16 to secure the Jackrabbits' win. South Dakota State returns to action Tuesday when it concludes a three-game homestand with a 7 p.m. game vs. Northern Illinois.

We Want To Hear From You

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US Fundraising Mittens Made In China

BY EDDIE PELLIS AP National Writer

The outside of the mittens say "Go USA." The insides say "Made in China." Less than two years after being criticized for having the U.S. Olympic team's uniforms made in China, the U.S. Olympic Committee has another wardrobe malfunction on its hands. The red-white-and-blue mittens it's selling to raise funds for winter athletes were produced in China. It says so right on the tag on the inside. The USOC is charging \$14 a pair for the blue hand-warmers

that have the word "Go" embroidered in red on the left mitten and "USA" on the right. Also part of that left mitten is the tag, which says the gloves are "100% acrylic," "One Size Fits Most" and "Made in China." USOC spokesman Patrick Sandusky said the "official" mittens being worn by the athletes at the opening ceremony are made in the USA. They're also available to the public for \$98 a pair on the Ralph Lauren website, which proudly proclaims its products are "Made in America" almost everywhere you look on the page for its official Team USA collection. But the federation, which re-

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Canistota, which held a 19-7 edge in scoring from the free throw line. For Irene-Wakonda, Gabe King led the way with 20 points, seven rebounds and six steals. Garrett Anderson added 12 points. Canistota, 1-1, hosts Freeman on Thursday. Irene-Wakonda, 0-1, travels to Viborg on Friday to face Viborg-Hurley. IRENE-WAKONDA (0-1).....19 27 38 59 CANISTOTA (1-1).....14 34 55 70

Platte-Geddes 68, Andes Central 34 LAKE ANDES — Platte-Geddes jumped out to a 16-2 lead after one quarter and

Chamberlain 80, Gregory 41

GREGORY — Chamberlain not only got to the free throw line 30 times, but hit 27 foul shots in an 80-41 rout at Gregory in Monday night's opener for both teams. Skylar Bertram scored 19 points for the Cubs (1-0), while Rueben Estes had 13 points and Davis Carson added 12 points. Gregory, which was 8-of-15 at the foul line, got 11 points from Gavin Thomas and 10 points from Robert Vonacka. CHAMBERLAIN (1-0).....18 37 60 80 GREGORY (0-1).....8 13 25 41

Christmas Deadlines

The Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan will be closing at noon on Tuesday, December 24. The following deadlines will apply: Thursday, December 26 newspaper - Friday, December 20, 5 p.m. Friday, December 27 newspaper - Monday, December 23, 5 p.m. Saturday, December 28 newspaper - Tuesday, December 24, noon Monday, December 30 newspaper - Tuesday, December 24, noon There will be no newspaper on Wednesday, December 25, 2013

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