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With assistant sports editor Jeremy Hoeck breaking out his list of the top stories for the University of South Dakota in 2013, I felt it only appropriate that I do the same for Mount Marty College. So, without further adieu, I give you my list of the 10 biggest MMC athletics stories for 2013.

1. Thorson Steps Down When a coach steps away from a program after over a decade, it always comes as a shock. Jim Thorson had taken the program over in the mid-1990s, and took it higher than anyone ever had, advancing to the national semifinals. He stepped away as the Lancers' all-time wins leader, and remains a teacher at MMC. His replacement, former assistant Andrew Baker, was left with no seniors and little returning talent, but has the team making steps forward.

2. Smelker Shines In The Fall

Katie Smelker started her running career at MMC as a walk-on. She finishes the cross country portion of her career as its mostdecorated athlete ever. Besides being the Lancers' first-ever All-American in cross country (22nd in NAIA meet), she was also MMC's first-ever Great Plains Athletic Conference cross country champ, and its first-ever Mount Marty Invitational champ.

3. Fernandez Fights On

MMC Had Some Big Stories In 2013

Diagnosed with cancer late in 2012. MMC softball coach Albert Fernandez went through treatments prior to and during the season rarely missing a game. The Lancers responded to his toughness, going 5-5 down the stretch. The GPAC recognized his valor, giving him GPAC co-Coach of the Year for the second time in his career, as well as awarding him its Coach of Character Award.

4. A First On The Pitch

The Mount Marty women's soccer team's victories in GPAC play in the entire program's history could be counted on one hand. But this year, one win and one tie was enough to put the Lancers into the GPAC Tournament for the first time ever. Entering as the eighth seed, the Lancers battled top-seeded Morningside before dropping a 2-0 decision in the program's first-ever post-season match.

5. Stellar Debut

In the first season of women's tennis at Mount Marty, the Lancers already claimed one of the league's top honors. Led by Yankton natives Vanessa Rockne and Lexie Klimisch, the Lancers made the GPAC Tournament, with Rockne being named the league's Player of the Year.

6. Black Eye

Four Mount Marty College athletes — two baseball and two men's basketball — were arrested on drug possession charges in April. The one basketball player with remaining eligibility transferred. Neither baseball player is currently on the MMC roster.

7. Men Beat No. 12 Dordt

cordia on Feb. 16.

The 2012-13 season was not filled with oodles of highlights for the MMC men, but a 77-60 victory over 12th-ranked Dordt on Jan. 16 was a big one.

8. Hieb Scores 43 In Final GameJoe Hieb had never scored more than 25 points in a Lancer uniform, and hadn't scored more than 34 in any uniform. But when he put on a Lancer uniform for the final time, he went off for 43 points - one shy of the MMC school record — in an 84-48 rout of Con-

9. Women Beat No. 4 MorningsideThe Mount Marty women scored their biggest road victory of the

season on Jan. 9, beating No. 4 Morningside 77-68.

10. Baseball Team Beats Division I Opponent

In what would be the final games played by the MMC baseball team in the Metrodome, the Lancers took one of four from NCAA Division I North Dakota, a 7-5 decision in the opening game of a Feb. 19 doubleheader. It marked the first time the Lancers had beaten a NCAA Division I opponent in baseball.

Putting together lists like these are never easy, and I will be the first to note that I probably missed something. But what these lists do is get people talking. Discuss freely, either on comments below or @JCimburek on Twitter, but be cordial.

SDSU Soccer Camp Jan. 20

BROOKINGS — The South Dakota State women's soccer team is hosting the 2014 Jackrabbit Soccer College ID Camp. The camp is set to take place on Jan. 20 in Sioux Falls at the Sanford Fieldhouse.

The camp is open to girls in 10th and 11th grade and enrollment is limited to 30 players. If the sessions aren't filled by Jan. 6th, 9th and 12th graders will be eligible to attend.

The camp will be broken into two sessions, the first session will take place from 10 a.m. -noon and the second session is from 1-3 p.m.

There is a cost to participate. For more questions please contact assistant soccer coach Brock Thompson at Brock.Thompson@sdstate.edu or at 605-688-5522

RC Cheer & Gymnastics Winter Chill Challenge Jan. 12

River City Cheer and Gymnastics will hold its annual Winter Chill Cheer and Dance Challenge on Sunday, Jan. 12, beginning at 9 a.m. at the

Minnesota and Nebraska, with participants ranging ages 5 to adult. Participants will be competing in cheer, stunting and dance competitions in team and individual events.

The public is invited to attend. Admission will

The district finals for the Yankton Elks Lodge

Sandy Creek Tournamen

Shootout on the Elkhorn

Wakefield 47, Oakland-Craig 39

Stanton Holiday Tournament

Wilber-Clatonia Tournament

York Tournament

FOOTBALL

Little Caesars Pizza: Pittsburgh 30,

Poinsettia: Utah State 21, Northern

Military: Marshall 31, Maryland 20 Texas: Syracuse 21, Minnesota 17

Fight Hunger: BYU (8-4) vs. Washington (8-4), 8:30 p.m. (ESPN)
Saturday, Dec. 28

gers (6-6), 11 a.m. (ESPN)

Louisville (11-1), 5:45 p.m. (ESPN)

Pinstripe: Notre Dame (8-4) vs. Rut-

Southern 52. Tri County 27

Cross County 53, Milford 33

Sandy Creek 43, Ord 37

Pierce 57, Winnebago 35

First Round Stanton 73, Madison 50

York 59, St. Paul 36

FBS BOWLS

Friday, Dec. 27

#994 Hoops Shoot free throw contest will be held today (Saturday) at the Summit Activities Center. Qualifiers were determined at the school levels earlier this year. Doors open at 9 a.m., with com-

petition to begin at 10 a.m. There is no charge for admission. District winners will advance to the state finals,

Duster Dunkfest Youth Tournev Feb. 8-9

Jan. 4 at Pierre.

HOLDREGE, Neb. — Mr. Basketball, Inc.. is pleased to announce the return of the Mr. Basketball & Miss Basketball Duster Dunkfest youth basketball tournament, slated for Feb. 8-9, 2014, in Holdrege, Neb. The event is open to 3rd-8th boys

All teams are guaranteed three games, with

medals awarded to the top places in each division. The registration deadline for the Duster Dunkfest is Jan. 17, 2014. Registration forms are available at misterbasketball.com, or by contacting Doug Koster at (308) 237-4012.

Huskers' Pelini Says DE Moss Is Out Of Gator Bowl

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) - Nebraska defensive end Avery Moss returned to his home in Arizona to attend to a personal issue and won't play in the Gator Bowl against No. 23 Georgia next week.

Cornhuskers coach Bo Pelini also announced Friday that linebacker Jared Afalava and receivers Richard Wynne and Ishmail Jackson violated team rules and won't be on hand for Wednesday's game in Jacksonville, Fla.

Moss has played in every game, starting three, and was second on the team with 4.5 sacks and six quarterback hurries

Afalaya played in four games but has not been on the game field since October. Wynne and Jackson have caught no passes.

Chisholm Basketball Coach Wins 1,000th Game

HIBBING, Minn. (AP) — Chisholm High School basketball coach Bob McDonald has reached 1.000 career victories.

McDonald reached the milestone with his team's 61-55 win over Walker-Hackensack-Akeley on Thursday night in the Hibbing Holiday Tour-

The 80-year-old McDonald is in his 53rd and final season coaching the Bluestreaks.

HOCKEY, PEE WEE Yankton A at Brookings (DH, 9 a.m. & 3:30 p.m.)
Monday, December 30
BASKETBALL, MEN'S Arizona Christian Tourn.
(MMC vs. The Masters, 7:30 p.m., KYNT-AM)
BASKETBALL, BOYS' Parkston Classic (Corsica-Stickney vs. Canistota, 10:30 a.m., Miller vs. McCook Central-Montrose, noon; Parker vs. Sully Buttes, 1:30 p.m.; Hichcock-Tulare vs. Ethan, 3 p.m.; Vermillion vs. Mount Vernon-Plankinton, 4:30 p.m., KVTK-AM; Hanson vs. James Valley, 7:30 p.m.; Shootout on the Elkhorn at Wisner (Ponca); Wayne Holiday

p.m., Parkstoin vs. Axadia Valley, 7. vs. p.m.), Shouldon on the Elkhorn at Wisner (Ponca); Wayne Holiday Tourn. (Hartington Cedar Catholic, Laurel-Concord-Coleridge); Andes Central at Menno BASKETBALL, GIRLS' Shootout on the Elkhorn at Wisner (Ponca); Swiftel Classic (Beresford vs. Hamlin, 6:30 p.m.); Wayne Holiday Tourn. (Harting-ton Cedar Catholic, Laurel-Concord-Coleridge); Scot-

and will play Cedar Catholic at 7pm. Pen-

der will play Adams Central at 12:30pm.

Grand Island Northwest 36

WAYNE, Neb. — In the second game of the Northeast Nebraska Shootout,

West Point-Beemer toppeled Grand Is-

land Northwester 50-36 on Friday after-

points. Justin Anderson added 14 points

with 10 points. Trevic Schliep and Garrett

Koepp combined for 12 points in the loss.

semi-final to take on Laurel/Concord-Co-

leridge. Northwest dropped to the elimi-

WEST POINT-BEEMER (5-1)......18 29 41 50 GRAND ISLAND NORTHWEST (3-3).....2 13 25 36

Verdigre Tournament

VERDIGRE, Neb. - Niobrara/Verdi-

Hayden Liska led Niobrara/Verdigre

gre steam-rolled past Allen 72-27 on Fri-

day night in the Niobrara/Verdigre Holiday

(5-2) with 16 points, five rebounds, three

steals and two assists. Steven LaPointe

added 14 points, six assists and four

steals in the victory. Colman Kneifl led Allen (0-5) with nine

Niobrara/Verdigre will play Bloomfield

Niobrara/Verdigre Holiday Tournament.

Mike Miller Classic

MITCHELL — West Oak Flames (Fla.)

Sidy Ndir led West Oaks Flame (12-0)

edged out Sioux Falls Lincoln 72-67 on

Friday evening in the Mike Miller Classic.

with 29 points and five rebounds.

Haroldas Saprykinas added 20 points

and four assists. Richardson Maitre

points and four rebounds. Malik Dunn

(Ind.) today in the Mike Miller Classic. Lin-

coln hosts Tartan (Minn.) at the Sanford

contributed 17 points and two assists.

Kaleb Johnson led Linoln (1-3) with 19

West Oaks Flame takes on LaLumiere

added 10 points and four rebounds.

Allen will play Osmond for thir place.
NIOBRARAVERDIGRE (5-2)......18 34 5

West Oaks Flame 72,

Sioux Falls Lincoln 67

the championship of the

points and three rebounds in the loss

Niobrara-Verdigre 72,

Central/Newman Grove.

Ty Haase led WPB (5-1) with 19

Darrek McNeus led Northwest (3-3)

West Point-Beemer advanced to the

West Point-Beemer 50,

land vs. Corsica-Stickney at Stickney

FI ORIDA PANTHERS — Recalled D San Antonio (AHL). Placed D Erik Gud-

HOCKEY, PEE WEE Yankton A at Brookings

SCOREBOARD

First Round

Northwest 36

Boone Central/Newman Grove 70,

West Point-Beemer 50, Omaha

Omaha Skutt Catholic 43, Lincoln

Gretna Christmas Tournament First Round Gretna 70. Nebraska City 46

> Harvard Tournament Kenesaw 50. Wilcox-Hildreth 39

Holdrege Tournament (Holiday)

Humphrey St. Francis Tournament Humphrey St. Francis 65, Palmer 36

Mead Holiday Tournament

Randolph Tournament (Holiday)

Sandy Creek Tournament

Milford 70, Cross County 27 Ord 57, Sandy Creek 43 Shootout on the Elkhorn

Oakland-Craig 60, Wakefield 53

Stuart Holiday Tournament

York Tournament

Stuart 54, Cody-Kilgore 36

First Round York 82, St. Paul 50

FRIDAY'S NEB. GIRLS

Red Cloud 32, Franklin 18

Arlington Tournament

Bishop Neumann Tournament

Brownell-Talbot Tournament

Yutan 51, Archbishop Bergan 17
Chadron Tournament (Invite)
Buffalo, Wyo. 39, Crawford 33

Valentine 69, Hemingford 54

Clearwater/Orchard Holiday Tourn

Clearwater/Orchard 50, Ewing 30
Columbus Tournament
Columbus Scotus 64, Schuyler 22

Grand Island Central Catholic Tourn.

Fillmore Central 48, Grand Island Central Catholic 39 Superior 57, Fullerton 43

Great Northeast Nebraska Tournament

Gretna Christmas Tournament

Gretna 63. Nebraska City 47

Lincoln Pius X 67, Omaha Skutt Catholic 42

Harvard Tournament

Wilcox-Hildreth 47. Kenesaw 21

Sterling 54, Doniphan-Trumbull 50 Holdrege Tournament (Holiday)

Heartland Tournament

Holdrege 48, Seward 21 Minden 90, Southern Valley 44

Lincoln Lutheran Tournament

First Round
Fairbury 61, Louisville 35
Lyons-Decature Holiday Tournament

Northeast 31 Mead Holiday Tournament

First Round

Humphrey St. Francis Tournament
Shelby/Rising City 63, Cedar Bluffs

Emerson-Hubbard 60, Omaha Mercy 39 Scribner-Snyder 43, Lyons-Decatur

Hartington Cedar Catholic 35.

tian 32 Wahoo 48, Elkhorn South 41

Arlington 72, Logan View 42 Elmwood-Murdock 47, Fort Calhoun

Bishop Neumann 58, Lincoln Chris-

Humphrey/Lindsay Holy Family 69,

Holdrege 63, Seward 58 Southern Valley 55, Minden 43

Hampton 64, Walthill 58

First Round

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First Round

Adams Central 34 Pender 45, Wayne 32

rel-Concord/Coleridae 45

BASKETBALL

FRIDAY'S S.D. BOYS Bon Homme 92, Irene-Wakonda 65 Clark/Willow Lake 60, Clark/Willow Florence/Henry 30

Harding County 64, Lead-Deadwood Parkston 60 Avon 20 Mike Miller Classic
DeLaSalle, Minn. 51, Sioux Falls

LaPorte LaLumiere, Ind. 84, Mitchell

Sioux Falls O'Gorman 66, Minneapolis Henry, Minn. 53

Ellendale Holiday Tournament Leola/Frederick 62, Edgeley-Kulm-Montpelier, N.D. 52

Swiftel Classic
Pipestone, Minn. 62, Summit 30 St. Francis Indian 66, Potter County Waverly-South Shore 59, Gayville-

FRIDAY'S S.D. GIRLS Clark/Willow Lake 58. Mitchell Christian 51

Highmore-Harrold 56, Wessington Springs 38 Irene-Wakonda 57, Bon Homme 49 Rapid City Stevens 66, Aberdeen

Todd County 65, Red Cloud 58
Ellendale Holiday Tournament Leola/Frederick 44, Edgeley-Kulm-Montpelier, N.D. 39, OT Marshall Tournament (SMSU)

First Round Sioux Falls Washington 75, Mankato West, Minn. 30 Swiftel Classic

Potter County 56, Waverly-South Shore 54 Summit 51, Pipestone, Minn. 30

FRIDAY'S NEB. BOYS Red Cloud 55. Franklin 17 Arapahoe Tournament

Hitchcock County 54, Pleasanton 33 Arlington Tournament Arlington 72, Logan View 42 Fort Calhoun 58, Elmwood-Murdock

Axtell Tournament
Arcadia-Loup City 60, Blue Hill 46
Axtell 43, Meridian 40 Bishop Neumann Tournament Bishop Neumann 74, Lincoln Chris-

Elkhorn South 88, Wahoo 55 **Brownell-Talbot Tournament** Archbishop Bergan 54, Yutan 48 Chadron Tournament Valentine 50. Heminaford 45

Clarkson Tournament First Round
Clarkson/Leigh 76, St. Edward 22 Clearwater/Orchard Holiday Tourn. First Round

Clearwater/Orchard 70, Ewing 46 Columbus Holiday Tournament
Columbus Lakeview 52, Twin River Columbus Scotus 54, Schuvler 48

Crofton Tournament First Round
Ainsworth 72, St. Mary's 61 Wynot 55, Crofton 52 **David City Tournament**

First Round
North Bend Central 52, Aquinas 50
Omaha Roncalli 60, David City 35 Friend Tournament Friend 54, East Butler 29 High Plains Community 60, Palmyra

Grand Island Central Catholic Tourn. Fullerton 62, Superior 43 Grand Island Central Catholic 52, Fillmore Central 31

Girls

From Page 7

Summit Center main gym.

Teams will be attending from South Dakota,

be charged. Consessions will be available on site.

Elks Hoop Shoot District Finals Today

First Round

Snowball Classic at Winner (Platte-Geddes); Stuart Holiday Tourn. (Santee); Wayne Holiday Tourn. (Hart-ington Cedar Catholic, Laurel-Concord-Coleridge) GYMNASTICS, GIRLS' Winter Wonderland Inv. /ermillion (Vermillion, Wagner, 11:30 a.m.) **HOCKEY, BOYS' JV** Yankton at Aberdeen (DH,

Buttes, 7 p.m.; Elk Point-Jefferson vs. St. Thomas More, 8:30 p.m.); Randolph Holiday Tourn. (Ran-

dolph): Shootout on the Elkhorn at Wisner (Ponca):

2 & 8 p.m.) HOCKEY, PEE WEE Yankton B at Oahe (DH, 11

Cedar Catnolic, Laurei-Concord Colletinger, 53.1. Enrocoln Inv. (Vermillion, Wagner, 10 a.m.)

Sunday, December 29

BASKETBALL, MEN'S USD at Youngstown

e (1 p.m., KVHT-FM) **HOCKEY, BOYS' JV** Yankton at Aberdeen (11:30

DALLAS STARS — Activated D D Sergei Gonchar on injured reserve. Alex Petrovic and F Drew Shore from

WAYNE (6-2)

in the victory

Allen 27

...30 49 63 74

BASEBALL American League

LOS ANGELES ANGELS — Agreed terms with OF Raul Ibanez on a oneyear contract.
TEXAS RANGERS— Signed OF

Belk: Cincinnati (9-3) vs. North Carolina (6-6), 2:20 p.m. (ESPN)
Russell Athletic: Miami (9-3) vs. National League
CHICAGO CUBS — Agreed to terms
with RHP Jose Vers on a one-contract.

Buffalo Wild Wings: Kansas State (7-5) vs. Michigan (7-5), 9:15 p.m. (ESPN) BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
NBA — Fined Memphis F Zach Randolph \$25,000 for public criticism of offici-Armed Forces: Middle Tennessee (8-4) vs. Navy (7-4), 10:45 a.m. (ESPN)

Music City: Mississippi (7-5) vs. Georgia Tech (7-5), 2:15 p.m. (ESPN) Alamo: Oregon (10-2) vs. Texas (8-4), 5:45 p.m. (ESPN) Holiday: Arizona State (10-3) vs.

Texas Tech (7-5), 9:15 p.m. (ESPN) NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

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East												
	W	L	Т	Pct	PF	PA						
y-New England	111	4	0	.733	410	318						
Miami	8	7	0	.533	310	315						
N.Y. Jets	7	8	0	.467	270	380						
Buffalo	6	9	0	.400	319	354						
South												
	W	L	Т	Pct	PF	PA						
y-Indianapolis	10	5	0	.667	361	326						
Tennessee	6	9	0	.400	346	371						
Jacksonville	4	11	0	.267	237	419						
Houston	2	13	0	.133	266	412						
North												
	W	L	Т	Pct	PF	PA						
y-Cincinnati	10	5	0	.667	396	288						
Baltimore	8	7	0	.533	303	318						

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	y-Denver	12	3	0	.800	572	385						
	x-Kansas City	11	4	0	.733	406	278						
	San Diego	8	7	0	.533	369	324						
	Oakland	4	11	0	.267	308	419						
NATIONAL CONFERENCE													
East													
		w	L	T	Pct	PF	PA						
	Philadelphia	9	6	0	.600	418	360						
	Dallas	8	7	0	.533	417	408						
	N.Y. Giants	6	9	0	.400	274	377						
	Washington	3	12	0	.200	328	458						
South													
		w		T	Pct	PF	PA						
	x-Carolina	11	4	0	.733	345	221						
	New Orleans	10	5	0	.667	372	287						
	Atlanta	4	11	0	.267	333	422						
	Tampa Bay	4	11	0	.267	271	347						
North													
		w	L	T	Pct	PF	PA						
	Chicago	8	7	0	.533	417	445						
	Green Bay	7	7	1	.500	384	400						
	Detroit	7	8	0	.467	382	362						
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Detroit at Minnesota, noon Carolina at Atlanta, noon Cleveland at Pittsburgh, noon Washington at N.Y. Giants, noon Baltimore at Cincinnati, noon Jacksonville at Indianapolis, noon N.Y. Jets at Miami, noon Denver at Oakland, 3:25 p.m.

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x-clinched playoff spot; y-clinched div.

Sunday, Dec. 29 Houston at Tennessee, noon

x-Seattle

St. Louis

x-San Fran.

Kansas City at San Diego, 3:25 p.m. St. Louis at Seattle, 3:25 p.m. San Francisco at Arizona, 3:25 p.m. Green Bay at Chicago, 3:25 p.m. Tampa Bay at New Orleans, 3:25 p.m Buffalo at New England, 3:25 p.m. Philadelphia at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

Shin-Soo Choo to a seven-year contract.
Designated 1B Chris McGuiness for as-

ating following a Dec. 26 loss to Houston.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

NFL — Fined Tampa Bay S Dashon Goldson \$60,000 for his helmet-to-helmet

hit on St. Louis Rams wide receiver Sted-man Bailey in a Dec. 22 game. Fined St. Louis LB Jo-Lonn Dunbar \$21,000 for a helmet-to-helmet hit. Fined New York Jets DL Sheldon Richardson \$15,750 for roughing Cleveland QB Jason Campbell.

BUFFALO BILLS — Signed WR

Cordell Roberson from the practice

squad, Placed S Aaron Williams on in-CHICAGO BEARS - Agreed to terms with K Robbie Gould on a four-year contract extension through the 2017 sea-DETROIT LIONS — Placed DE Is-

rael Idonije on injured reserve. Signed CB Akwasi Owusu-Ansah from the practice GREEN BAY PACKERS — Signed CB Jumal Rolle from the practice squad.

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS — Signed DT Sen'Derrick Marks to a four-

year contract.
MINNESOTA VIKINGS — Placed LB Audie Cole on injured reserve. Signed CB Robert Steeples from the practice squad.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS -Signed RB Sam McGuffie to the practice squad. Released RB Cierre Wood from

Collie.

OAKLAND RAIDERS — Signed DB Nnamdi Asomugha to a one-day contract and announced his retirement. SEATTLE SEAHAWKS - Activated Canadian Football League MONTREAL ALOUETTES

the practice squad. Released WR Austin

Agreed to terms with OL Luc Brodeur-Jourdain on a three-year contract. HOCKEY National Hockey League CAROLINA HURRICANES — Recalled F Zach Boychuk from Charlotte (AHL). Activated G Anton Khudobin from injured reserve and assigned him to

posted 19 points and 10 rebounds as

Summit stayed unbeaten with a 51-30

rout of Pipestone (Minn.) on Friday at the

Summit, which out-scored Pipestone 28-

Kalissa Pereboom added 15 points for

Swiftel Classic in Brookings.

11 in the fourth quarter.

Gayville-Volin 21

sic in Brookings.

the game at 15 percent. Brandon Van Osdel scored nine points, Luke Hummel added six points and Grant Rice hauled GAYVILLE-VOLIN (0-4)8 13 13 21 WAVERLY-SOUTH SHORE (4-1)12 28 48 59

edge Potter County 66-64 on Friday at the Swiftel Classic in Brookings.

Potter County, now 3-1, led 33-24 at halftime, only to see SFI scored 44 points son scored 18 points to lead PC (3-1).

Charles Broken Leg scored 20 points and grabbed eight rebounds for St. Francis Indian (2-4), while Jacob Black Bear had 16 points and Leon Bad Hand scored a.m. & 7 p.m.)

WRESTLING, PREP Pierce Inv. (Hartington Cedar Catholic, Laurel-Concord-Coleridge); S.F. Lin-

HOCKEY, GIRLS' JV Yankton at Watertown (2

POTTER COUNTY (3-1).....12 33 48 64 **Randolph Tourn.**

Randolph 74, Winside 10 RANDOLPH, Neb. — Andrea Ghirelli and Garrett Watters both scored 14 points to help the hometown Randolph

day at the Randolph Holiday Tournament. Logan Nordhues added 11 points, five rebounds and four steals for the Cardinals (6-0), who led 49-9 at halftime. Bryce Meis scored six points to lead

. Cardinals roll past Winside 74-10 on Fri-

Randolph hosts Humphrey-Lindsay Holy Family today (Saturday) at 7 p.m.

Great Northeast Neb. Shootout Hartington Cedar Cath. 54,

Adams Central 41

RANDOLPH (6-0)

WAYNE, Neb. — Hartington Cedar Catholic sealed a date to the semifinals of the Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout witha 54-41 victory over Adams Central on Friday evening at Wayne State College.

James Kaiser led Cedar Catholic (5-1) with 23 points. Grant Howell and CEDAR CATHOLIC (5-1)... ADAMS CENTRAL (5-3).

Boone Central-NG 70, Laurel-Concord-Coleridge 45

WAYNE, Neb. — Boone Central-New man Grove rolled past Laurel-Concord-Coleridge 70-45 on Friday evening in the opening round of the Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout at Wayne State College. Heblund led Boone

points. Derek Gentrup added 10 points in the victory.
Dillon Wolfgram led the Bears (1-5) with 22 points. Jordan Jansen added 11 points in the loss.

Central/Newman Grove (6-2) with 25

Boone Central/Newman Grove played West Point/Beemer on Friday afternoon in the semi-finals. LCC played Grand Island Northwest in the elimination bracket.

BOONE CENTRAL-NG (6-2)16 24 36 45 LAUREL-CONCORD-COL. (1-5)15 30 42 70

Wayne 67, Pender 29

WAYNE, Neb. — Wayne rolled past Pender 67-29 in the finale of the opening round of the Great Northeast Nebraska Shootout on Friday night at Wayne State

Ben Hoskis led Wayne (6-2) with 24 points. Zach Keating added nine points in Devan Kaup led Pender (1-6) with 13

points in the loss. Wayne advances to the semi-finals

Pentagon on Jan. 3. WEST OAKS FLAME (12-0). SIOUX FALLS LINCOLN (1-3)......15 29 52 69 COFFEE WEEKDAYS 7:40AM MONDAY THRU FRIDAY Yankton's Home Team!

Huskers From Page 8

to kick in the Big Ten, a chance to be on that big stage," he said. "Having that opportunity to roll the dice and take a chance at it is

beat Waverly-South Shore 56-54 on Fri-

Potter County (4-1) forced 30

day at the Swiftel Classic in Brookings.

something I wanted to do." It looked as if scholarship kicker Mauro Bondi would be next in line at Nebraska after Brett Maher graduated following the 2012 season. Smith won a competition that wasn't settled until the second week of October. That's when Smith began to handle point-after kicks and field goals exclusively. He went on to earn All-Big Ten honorable mention from the media.

Smith's biggest field goals came on a cold, windy and snowing afternoon at Penn State. His 19-yarder late in the fourth quarter pulled the Huskers into a 20-20 tie. In overtime he was set up for a 37-yard attempt. He split the uprights, but a false start

turnovers to overcome a 27-percent

Fisher scored 21 points, and Michaela

Kranz had 14 points and 11 rebounds.

Summit 51, Pipestone 30

BROOKINGŠ — Karissa Chamley

In the loss for WSS (3-2), Mikaela

shooting performance.

WAVERLY-SOUTH SHORE (3-2)

POTTER COUNTY (4-1)..

forced him to try again from 5 yards farther away. He made that one, too, earning him a ride on the shoulders of his teammates.

"That's the reason I came

here," Smith said, "for an op-

portunity like that.'

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AREA CALENDAR

Saturday, December 28 BASKETBALL, BOYS' Buseman (Wolsey-Wessington vs. Centerville, 7 p.m.; Beresford, Vilborg-Hurley); Crofton Holiday Tourn. (Consolation — 3:45 p.m.; Championship — 6:45 p.m.); East-West Classic at Chamberlain (Platte-Geddes vs. Belle Fourche, 1:30 p.m.); Niobrara-Verdigre Holiday Tourn at Verdigre (Consolation — 4:30 p.m.; Championship — 8 p.m.); Randolph Holiday Tourn. (Randolph); Shootout on the Elkhorn at Wisner (Ponca); Stuart Holiday Tourn. (Santee); Wayne Holiday Tourn. (Hartington Cedar Catholic, Laurel-Concord-Co-

leridge); Scotland at Alcester-Huusun

BASKETBALL, GIRLS' Crofton Holiday Tourn.

Championship — 5 p.m.); (Consolation — 2 p.m.; Championship — 5 p.m.); Niobrara-Verdigre Holiday Tourn. at Verdigre (Consolation — 2:45 p.m.; Championship — 6:15 p.m.); Parkston Classic (Parkston vs. Centerville, 10 a.m.; Highmore-Harrold vs. Corsica-Stickney, 11 a.m.: Ip-

swich vs. Mitchell Christian, 1 p.m.; Dell Rapids vs. Aberdeen Roncalli, 2:30 p.m.; Wagner vs. Tri-Valley, 4 p.m.; Ethan vs. Groton, 5:30 p.m.; Hanson vs. Sully

Charlotte. Placed D Jay Harrison on in-

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points, four assists and two steals. Garrett Anderson chipped in with eight points. Bon Homme visits Winner on Jan. 2 and Irene-Wakonda travels to Beresford

scored 29 points and grabbed seven re-

bounds, and Kevin Hinseth added 10

on Jan. 3 IRENE-WAKONDA (0-3).... BON HOMME (2-1).. ...34 51 72 92

Parkston 60, Avon 20 AVON — Parkston rolled past Avon 20 on Friday evening in South Dakota boys' basketball action. Wes Geanet led Parkston (3-0) with

14 points and seven rebounds. Jalen

Hurley added 11 points, five rebounds and four steals in the victory. Logan Mudder led Avon (1-2) with 16 points and eight rebounds. Devin Tolsma added seven points and four steals in the

Parkston will host the Parkston Clas-

sic next Monday. Avon will host Alcester-Hudson on Jan. 3. **Swiftel Classic** Waverly-South Shore 59,

Waverly-South Shore limited Gavyille-Volin to under 10 percent shooting after halftime on the way to a 59-21 win Friday at the Swiftel Clas-

Bailey Comes scored 15 points for the Coyotes (4-1), who led 28-13 at halftime and 48-13 after three quarters. The Raiders (0-4) were 3-of-31 from the field in the second half and finished

in 11 rebounds

St. Francis Indian 66,

Potter County 64 BROOKINGS — St. Francis Indian overcame a 9-point halftime deficit to

over the final two quarters. Kole Hawkin-

ST. FRANCIS INDIAN (2-4). .14 24 46 66

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