



RAIDERS WIN REGION 5B

Gayville-Volin Girls Look To Build On School's First-Ever State Basketball Tourney Trip

3 Starters, 11 Letterwinners Return From 15-10 Squad

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GAYVILLE — After a state tournament appearance last year, the Gayville-Volin Raiders are hungry for more. The Raiders finished last season with a 15-10 record and placed eighth in the state in Class B.

"We have a hungry group of girls," said second year head coach Matt Malloy. "We got a taste of success last year, and we want to build off it."

Although last year's state tournament did not go quite as planned for the Raiders, valuable experience was gained.

"Getting the experience of playing in the state tournament was huge for our team last year," said Malloy. "Getting that experience is something you cannot teach."

The Raiders return a vet-

eran squad, as they return three starters and 11 letter winners. The Raiders will be led by senior Kelia Barta, who averaged 13 points per game and was awarded all-conference a season ago, will lead the Raiders.

"We had a really young team last year, and we had a lot of girls gain some great experience," said Malloy.

The Raiders will look to use their deep bench to their advantage in their up-tempo style of play.

"We are really deep at the guard position," said Malloy. "We try and press some teams and play at a fast pace."

Aside from Barta, the Raiders return junior Genny Clark (12 PPG, 3 APG), sophomore Laura Nelson (7 PPG, 3.5 PPG), and sophomore Morgan Hirsch (3 PPG, 6.2 RPG).

Gayville-Volin hopes to re-



GENNY CLARK (10)

turn to the Class B State Tournament, but the task will not be easy.

"We have a really tough district with some great

teams and some great players," said Malloy. "Anybody could win on any given night."

The Raiders opened up

their season on Tuesday night at Menno.

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10-11, lost to Vermillion in the post-season.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Hannah Hepner (Sr., 5-7, F), Molly McInnis (Sr., 5-11, C), Becca Nelson (Jr., 5-3, G), Maddie Anronson (Sr., 5-8, F), Lexy Johnsen (Sr., 5-4, G), Ashley Knudson (Sr., 5-8, F), Holly VanGelder (Jr., 5-8, F), Morgan Klostergaard (Sr., 5-10, F), Katy Diefendorf (So., 5-7, G), Bailer Twite (So., 5-7, F).

Bon Homme

COACH: Tara Gubbrud
ASSISTANT: Kelli Hoff
VITALS: Class A, Region 5, Little Missouri Valley Conference, Southeast South Dakota Conference

LAST YEAR: Bon Homme, 6-14, lost five letterwinners from last season.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Sierra Mesman (So., 5-7, G, 4.3 ppg) Morgan Rotschadi (Jr., 5-7, G, 5.3 ppg, 3 rpg), Megan Schmidt (Sr., 5-9, F, 3.2 ppg, 2.5 rpg), Bailey Kortan (Fr., 5-5, G), Jeni Schmidt (So., 5-10, F), Deann Jelsma (So., 5-7, F) Sam Burgi (Jr., 5-8, F)

TOP PROSPECTS: Rachel Sestak (Fr., 5-6, G), Brecken Bullard (Fr., 5-7, F)

Centerville

COACH: Logan Diede
VITALS: Class B, District 10, Tri-Valley Conference
LAST YEAR: The Tornados went 7-14.

TOP PROSPECTS: Shannon O'Malley (Fr., 5-5, G, All-Conference, 16.5 ppg, 2.6 rpg), Rebecca Hybertson (Jr., 5-5, G, 4.2 ppg, 1.8 rpg), Emily Snyder (Jr., 5-6, G, 6.6 ppg, 1.8 rpg), Val Sunderland (Sr., 5-7, F/C, transfer from Viborg-Hur-



ALEX CONRAD (3)

ley, 12 ppg, 8 rpg), Kristina Laska (Sr., 5-9, F/C, 5.8 ppg, 7.8 rpg), Logan O'Toole (Jr., 5-7, G/F, 3.1 ppg, 2 rpg), Adrienn Peterson (Sr., 5-8, G/F), McKenzie Goeden (Sr., 5-7, C, 1.4 ppg), Ally Johnson (Fr., 5-9, G/F), Kadison Satter (8th, 5-6, G), Amanda Knutson (8th, 5-5, G), Malloy O'Malley (7th, 5-4, G)

Dakota Valley
COACH: Tammy Lilly
ASSISTANTS: Will Bisenius, Kristin Hanson, Abbie Huber
VITALS: Class A, Region 4, Dakota XII Conference

LAST YEAR: The Panthers went 13-8, reaching the second round of regions

TOP PROSPECTS: Abby Faldmo (Sr., 5-10, G, All-Conference HM, 7.5 ppg), Jessica Feilmeier (Sr., 5-10, G/F, 5 ppg,

3 rpg), Emma Tuttle (Sr., 5-9, G/F, 2 ppg), Claire Johnson (Jr., 5-5, G, 2 ppg, 2 rpg), Anne McCabe (Jr., 5-10, G/F, 2 ppg), Haley Hoffman (Jr., 5-8, F, 4 ppg, 2 rpg), Sara Bohan (Jr., 5-8, G), Alex Leach (Sr., 5-4, G/F), Kayla Kieler (Sr., 5-8, F), Kennedy Carlson (Jr., 5-6, G/F)

NEWCOMERS: Anna Rasmussen (So., 5-9, G), Katie Soukup (So., 5-6, G), Peyton Wingert (Fr., 5-8, G), Meredith Lammers (Fr., 5-11, F), Elizabeth Lammers (Fr., 5-11, F), Alyssa Johnson (Fr., 5-6, G), Madysyn Heeren (Fr., 5-8, F), Hope Carlson (Fr., 5-8, G/F), Natalie Full (Fr., 5-8, G/F)

Elk Point-Jefferson
COACH: Gary Nebelsick
ASSISTANTS: Adam Timmins, Travis Aslesen
VITALS: Class A, Region 4,

Dakota XII Conference
LAST YEAR: The Huskies, 21-4, finished third at the state tournament.

TOP PROSPECTS: McKenzie Mennenga (Jr., 5-8, G, All-State, 15.7 ppg, 2 apg, 2.4 spg), Payton Donnelly (Jr., 5-7, G, 5 ppg, 2 spg, 2 apg), Miranda Stabe (Sr., 5-8, F, 1 ppg, 1 rpg), Jenny Dailey (Sr., 5-11, C, 1.2 ppg, 1 rpg), Josie Heeren (Jr., 5-7, G), Alexis Flynn (Jr., 5-9, F), Morgan Flynn (Jr., 5-9, F), Karlee Shatswell (So., 5-9, F), Caitlin Fornia (Jr., 5-8, F), Rebecca Brewer (Jr., 5-5, G), Emily Mickelson (So., 5-5, G), Maria Corio (Sr., 5-5, G)

Freeman
COACH: Curtis Sage
VITALS: Class B, Cornbelt Conference
LAST YEAR: The Flyers



EMILY BRUNING (23)

lost in the region final to Gayville-Volin.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Haley Glanzer (Sr., 5-5, G, 2 ppg), Shelby Jensen (Sr., 5-5, G, 6 ppg, 3 spg, 2 apg), Mady Pravceh (Sr., 5-6, G, 6 ppg, 5 rpg), Cailey Roth (Sr.,

5-10, F, 6 ppg, 7 rpg, HM All-Conference), Taylor Hermesen (Jr., 5-6, F, 9 ppg, 3 rpg), Erika Sage (So., 5-5, G, 15 ppg, 3 rpg, 3 apg, 3 spg, All-Conference)

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Boys' Basketball	
Dec. 13at Tripp-Delmont-Armour (T)	Jan. 22at Freeman
Dec. 18at Hanson	Jan. 24DSU Classic (Madison)
Dec. 22vs. Iroquois (Mitchell)	Jan. 29at Corsica-Stickney (S)
Dec. 30at Andes Central	Feb. 2vs. Avon
Jan. 2at Freeman Academy	Feb. 5vs. Mitchell Christian
Jan. 6vs. Irene-Wakonda	Feb. 7vs. Howard
Jan. 9vs. Alcester-Hudson	Feb. 12at Canistota-Marion
Jan. 12vs. Centerville	Feb. 17at Viborg-Hurley (V)
Jan. 16at Bridgewater-Emery (B)	Feb. 20vs. Scotland
Jan. 19at Ethan	
Girls' Basketball	
Dec. 9vs. Gayville-Volin	Jan. 15vs. Bridgewater-Emery
Dec. 13at Tripp-Delmont-Armour (T)	Jan. 19at Ethan
Dec. 16at Scotland	Jan. 23at Freeman
Dec. 18at Hanson	Jan. 30vs. Marion
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