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Yankton's Whitlee Larson, left, puts up a shot in the lane over Izzy VanVeldhuizen of Sioux Falls Lincoln during their girls' game Tuesday night at the Summit Center.

Lincoln Girls Escape Yankton

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The Sioux Falls Lincoln Patriots put up a 10-point lead on the Yankton Gazelles girls' basketball, winning 58-52 in Yankton Tuesday.

The Gazelles allowed for, too many, missed basket opportunities giving the Patriots a hold on the lead.

"I think we left a lot of points out there," Yankton coach Doug Pesicka said.

The Gazelles were 18-45 from the floor for the night and 16-30 from the line.

Ellie Brecht led the Patriots with 25 points, three steals and five rebounds. She went 3-3 from the three-point line and 10-15 on the floor for the night.

Also for the Patriots, Anna Brecht scored 12 points going 4-5 from the free throw line.

For the Gazelles, Andi Sprakel led the team with 15 points, three steals and seven rebounds. Megan Tessier was also a large influence on the team with 11 points and went 5-8 in free throws.

"I thought Andi did a good job, I thought her and Morgan both did good," Pesicka said. "I think Morgan had a very good all around game; I think she rebounded well and she handled the ball well."

The first period was back-and-forth as both teams were unable to put many points on the board. For the Patriots, Ellie scored a three-pointer to put the team ahead 5-2, but scores by Gazelles, Sprakel and Whitlee Larson, gave the Gazelles a one point lead 6-5 after eight minutes of play.

"I think the first quarter we had some pretty makeable shots from the field and we had some free throws that we didn't make, and if you get off to a little quicker start offensively the game just feels different and it seemed like we just struggled to put the ball in the basket," Pesicka said.

In the second period, the Gazelles continued to struggle to find the net as the Patriots took the lead with back to back three-pointers by Ellie and Izzy VanVeldhuizen at 19-15 starting a Patriot 6-3 scoring run over the Gazelles to finish the second period.

At the start of the second half, the Patriots led the Gazelles 13-10 in scoring making the 38-32.

Although the Gazelles had more shots on the basket than the Patriots, the Patriots made an average of 51 percent of their shots per half to Yankton's 40 percent.

Ellie scored six points in the third period leading the Patriots in an 8-point run to increase their lead to 50-39.

The Gazelles fought hard to come back from the 10-point deficit to close the Patriots' lead to six points. But it would not be enough as the game ended with the patriots ahead 58-52.

"We had some kids do some pretty good things throughout the game, we've got some things that we can be positive about and we have a number of things that we've got to continue to work on," Pesicka said.

Next, Sioux Falls Lincoln will play at Sioux Falls O'Gorman Thursday and Yankton will play at Pierre Friday.

On the girls' junior varsity side, Sioux Falls Lincoln beat Yankton 44-42. Lead scorers were: Allie Schreiber with 10 points for the Patriots, and Sarah Rockne with 17 points for the Gazelles.

In the girls' sophomore game, Yankton beat Sioux Falls Lincoln 53-37. Lead scorers were: Ashley Vanmeeteren with 20 points for the Gazelles, and Megan Landon with 16 points for the Patriots.

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SIoux FALLS LINCOLN (5-3)
Ellie Brecht 10-15 2-25, Anna Brecht 4-5 4-12, Izzy VanVeldhuizen 3-1 2-8, Jill Ricke 2-3 1-4 6, Sydney Miller 1-5 1-23, Emily Pierson 1-2 0-0 2, Sydney Rosinsky 1-2 0-0 2, Toney Einberg 0-1 0-0, TOTALS: 22-39 10-18

YANKTON (2-4)
Andi Sprakel 6-12 3-6 15, Whitlee Larson 3-8 3-7, Becky Frick 3-6 0-2 6, Morgan Tessier 3-7 5-8 11, Lindsay Hale 2-8 4-6 4, Danielle Schmidt 1-1 1-1 3, TOTALS: 16-45 16-30 52

LINCOLN 5 25 44 58
YANKTON 6 22 39 52
Three-Pointers: SFL 4-4 (Brecht 3-3, VanVeldhuizen 1-1) Y 0-3 (Hale 0-1, Tessier 0-1, Larson 0-1). Rebounds: SFL 26 (Brecht 5, Ricke 5) Y 23 (Sprakel 7). Personal Fouls: SFL 24, Y 12. Fouled Out: none. Assists: SFL 8 (Brecht 3), Y 6 (Larson 2, Frick 2, Tessier 2). Turnovers: SFL 27, Y 12. Blocked Shots: SFL 0, Y 0. Steals: Y 12 (Sprakel 3), SFL 5 (Brecht).

Top-Ranked Trojans 3-0 In Inwood

INWOOD, Iowa — The Parkston Trojans made quick work of three opponents, recording a combined 24 pins in a quadrangular sweep on Tuesday in Inwood, Iowa.

Parkston downed Flandreau 48-27, beat Parker 60-18 and downed host West Lyon 69-12.

For Parkston, Blake Bietz (138), Mitch Heisinger (182), Andrew Semmler (195) and Brady Reiff (220) each went 3-0 with three pins. Tyler Holzbauer (126) went 3-0 with two pins and a technical fall. Chase Stoebner (152/160) went 3-0 with a pin and a major decision.

Dawson Semmler (132) had two pins and a victory by forfeit. Jake Weber also went 2-0.

PARKSTON 69, WEST LYON 12: 106 — Brett Van Beek WL by forfeit. 113 — Logan Mahoney P pin. Cody Severson WL 2:33. 120 — Nick Bruggeman WL pin. Jonah Zwinger P 3:42. 126 — Tyler Holzbauer P tech. Fall Austin De Smet WL 3:07 16-0. 132 — Dawson Semmler P pin. James Dubbledee WL 3:05. 138 — Blake Bietz P pin. Jayd Payne WL 0:45. 145 — Ethan Murtha P pin. Taeric Ezzell WL 3:20. 152 — Austin Ripp P by forfeit. 160 — Chase Stoebner P maj. dec. Dylan Huysler WL 15-3. 170 — Dillon Stadlman P by forfeit. 182 — Mitch Heisinger P pin. Jed Van 1 Hol WL 1:14. 195 — Andrew Semmler P pin. Dustin Brown WL 1:24. 220 — Brady Reiff P pin. Cody Doherty WL 0:19. 285 — Austin Bertram P pin. Joe Dutcher WL 0:18.

PARKSTON 48, FLANDREAU 27: 106 — Michel Witte F by forfeit. 113 — Dylan Rice F pin. Logan Mahoney P 5:57. 120 — Dylan Erickson F pin. Jonah Zwinger P 0:56. 126 — Tyler Holzbauer P pin. Taylor Ryan F 0:38. 132 — Dawson Semmler P by forfeit. 138 — Blake Bietz P pin. Casey Johnson F 5:13. 145 — Jake Weber P dec. Brock Belkham F 4-1. 152 — Chase Stoebner P dec. Si Platten F 10-5. 160 — Jace Christiansen F pin. Austin Ripp P 1:20. 170 — Jake Scofield F dec. Miles Semmler P 7-2. 182 — Mitch Heisinger P pin. Anthony Bakendahl F 0:52. 195 — Andrew Semmler

P pin. Ira Zepher F 0:25. 220 — Brady Reiff P pin. Austin Johnson F 0:32. 285 — Austin Bertram P pin. Logan Barboza F 0:46.

PARKSTON 60, PARKER 18: 106 — Chase Anderson PKR by forfeit. 113 — Logan Mahoney P pin. Travis Leber PKR 2:58. 120 — Brandin Jensen PKR pin. Jonah Zwinger P 0:54. 126 — Tyler Holzbauer P pin. Jayden Even PKR 0:56. 132 — Dawson Semmler P pin. Zamiuel Centeno PKR 0:27. 138 — Blake Bietz P pin. Heston Steinfurth PKR 1:30. 145 — Jake Weber P dec. Dylan Naglestad PKR 7-0. 152 — Chase Stoebner P pin. Pierce Plucker PKR 1:07. 160 — Cameron Fanning P pin. Andy Leber PKR 2:34. 170 — Dillon Stadlman P dec. Kortell Buick PKR 5-0. 192 — Miles Semmler P pin. Adam Harms PKR 3:37. 195 — Andrew Semmler P pin. Alec Dagle PKR 1:54. 220 — Brady Reiff P pin. Justice Verhey PKR 0:35. 285 — Payton Jensen PKR pin. Austin Bertram P 4:31.

Madison Tri.

MADISON — The Vermillion Tangers swept Dell Rapids and Madison in a Dakota XII Conference wrestling triangular on Tuesday in Madison.

Vermillion beat Dell Rapids 54-27 and Madison 41-29. For the Tangers, Trey Hage

(106), Carler Kratz (132), Regan Bye (145) and Brett Bye (160) each scored two victories on the mat.

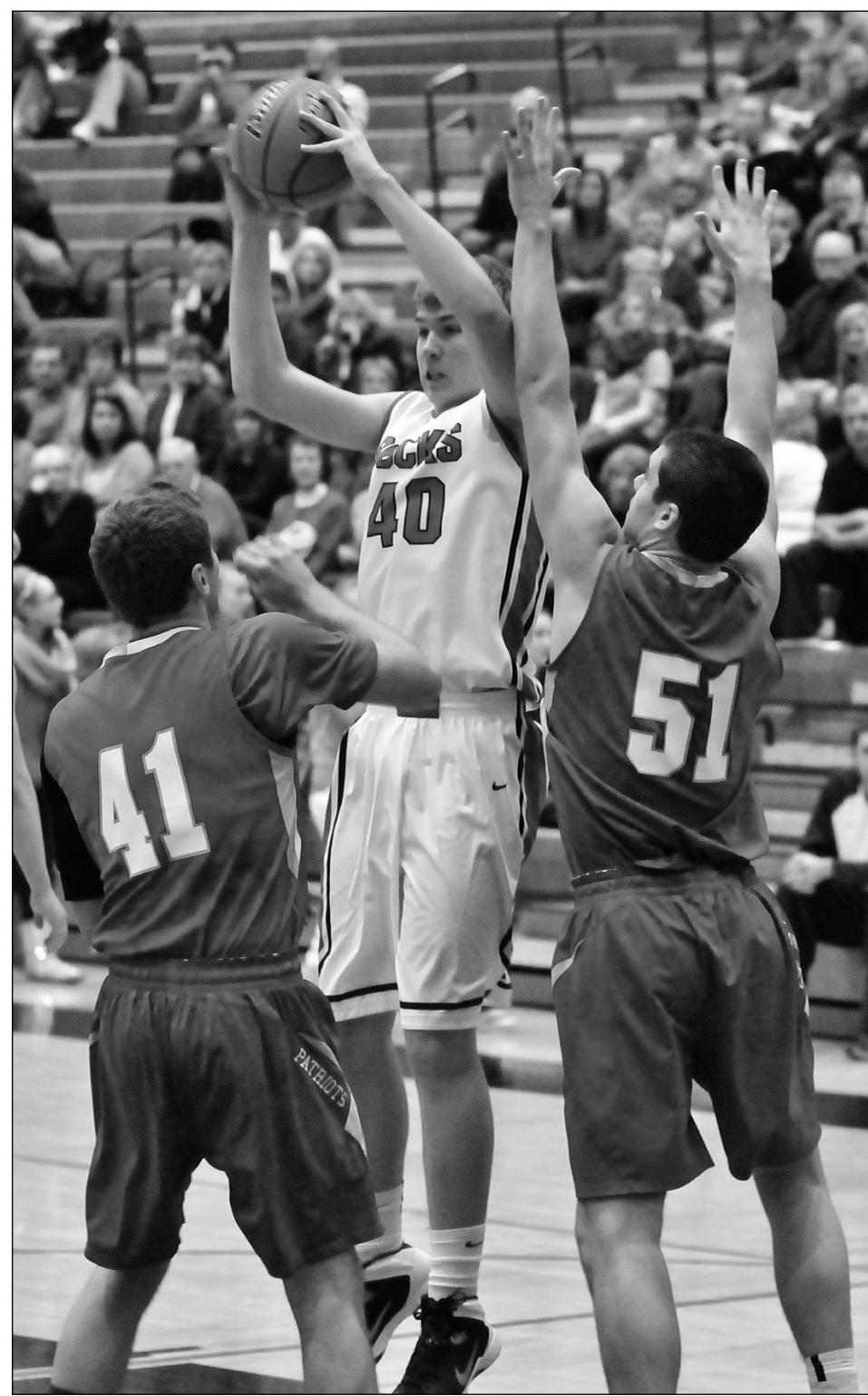
Madison beat Dell Rapids 51-21. A highlight of the win was at 220 pounds, where Tyler Currey, ranked second at 195 pounds, beat Dell Rapids' Leon Maxwell, the top-ranked wrestler at 220, by a 6-5 decision.

Currey finished 2-0 on the night, as did Noah Guse (126), Corey Welbon (182) and Blake Gusso (285) for Madison.

VERMILLION 54, DELL RAPIDS 27: 106 — Trey Hage V Pin. Scott Warwick DR 4:40. 113 — Kyle Seibel V by forfeit. 120 — Jacob Husby V Pin. Isaac Land DR 4:55. 126 — Jacob Ottoson DR dec. Mason Pickett V 9-7. 132 — Carler Kratz V Pin. James Leuders DR 2:38. 138 — Noah Walker V Pin. Sutton Adams DR 5:04. 145 — Regan Bye V Pin. Lathan Gorsop DR 5:42. 152 — Brett Bye V Pin. Jacob Huewe DR 1:39. 160 — Austin Eulberg DR Pin. Brandon Herz V 3:33. 170 — Brock Reinhardt DR Pin. Alex Osborne V 3:54. 182 — Seth Heine V by forfeit. 195 — Zach West-

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Pats Pounce On YHS



JEREMY HOECK/P&D
Yankton's Evan Greenaway, 40, looks to pass out of a double team by Sioux Falls Lincoln defenders Kaleb Johnson, 41, and Addison Park during their game Tuesday night at the Summit Center.

Lincoln Jumps Out To 20-7 Lead On Way To 72-45 Victory

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The Yankton Bucks waited nearly forty-five minutes to take the court. And it took even longer for them to find a rhythm.

Sioux Falls Lincoln started strong — to the tune of 20-7 — and cruised past the Bucks 72-45 on Tuesday night in the nightcap of a girls and boys double-header at the Summit Center.

Yankton (4-4) shot 33 percent on the night, but that figure was much lower in the early stages.

"We definitely came out slow," senior Mitch Gullikson said. "Our game plan was to attack them and not let them beat us up inside."

"But they did everything we didn't want them to do."

There wasn't a stat kept for points in the point, but the Patriots would have boasted a significant edge. Lincoln out-rebounded the home team 32-19.

Addison Parks, a 6-foot-7 forward, scored 25 points and grabbed seven rebounds, while 6-5 forward Malik Dunn added 17 points and 14 rebounds.

"Lincoln was really good, you have to give them credit, but we weren't very good," Yankton head coach Chris Haynes said. "They out played us in every phase of the game, you name it, they did it."

Offensively, the shots that were falling just a week ago for Yankton's top trio of Brady Hale, Reid Sawatzke and J.J. Hejna rimmed out Tuesday night.

They went a combined 6-of-24 for 19 points — after coming in averaging 40 points between them.

Gullikson led the Bucks with nine points off the bench, while senior Ryan Olson and Sawatzke both added eight. Hejna chipped in with six points and seven rebounds.

Lincoln (4-5) led 17-7 after one quarter, by 34-16 at halftime and was never really threatened from there.

Yankton was uncharacteristically cold from the start, shooting 21 percent in the first half. Twelve turnovers didn't

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Tangers Rally To Remain Unbeaten

VERMILLION — Despite a late fourth quarter push by Bon Homme, Vermillion was able to defeat the Cavaliers 72-67 to stay undefeated on the season so far.

Tyrell Harper led the Tangers (9-0) with 16 points and nine rebounds. Nick Jensen added 19 points and eight rebounds.

Scott Van Winkle led the Cavs (3-3) with 17 points and 10 assists. Jon Bartlett added 16 points in the loss.

Vermillion will travel to Lennox on Friday, while Bon Homme travels to Bloomfield on Thursday.

VERMILLION (9-0) 14 24 51 72
BON HOMME (3-3) 15 30 37 67

Crofton 65, Lutheran High Northeast 45

CROFTON, Neb. — Crofton darted ahead early and took the win from Lutheran High Northeast 65-45 Tuesday night in Crofton.

Eric Kleinschmit and Brock Mueller each cashed in 21 points. Mueller also snatched 10 rebounds and Evan Wookman had eight assists.

For Lutheran High Northeast, Cody Boche put up 11 points and Shaka Taylor tallied nine.

Crofton hosts Norfolk Catholic Saturday, and Lutheran High Northeast hosts Battle Creek Thursday.

LUTHERAN HIGH NORTHEAST (7-6) 8 17 34 45
CROFTON (7-5) 14 33 48 65

Parker 74, Dell Rapids St. Mary 57

PARKER — Parker and Dell Rapids St. Mary kept a close game up until the final quarter where Parker took off and took the game 74-57.

Jake Anderson cashed a game high of 32 points for Parker. Reid Joffer and Michael Olson each put up 12 points. Joffer also snatched 12 rebounds. Zach O'Keefe added 11 points to the win.

Ben Bunkers scored 14 points and grabbed eight rebounds for Dell Rapids St. Mary's. Mitch Brown tallied 13 and Jared Scholten added 11.

Parker hosts Gayville-Volin Tuesday, and Dell Rapids St. Mary hit the road for Arlington Friday.

DELL RAPIDS ST. MARY (1-8) 18 27 44 57
PARKER (6-4) 17 31 49 74

Avon 49, Scotland 24

SCOTLAND — Avon rolled past Scotland 49-24 on Tuesday evening.

Brandon Kocmich led Avon (2-5) with 18

points and five rebounds. Logan Mudder added 11 points in the victory.

Tanner Skorepa led Scotland (3-5) with 15 points in the loss.

Avon will host Andes Central on Friday. Scotland will host Mitchell Christian on next Tuesday.

AVON (2-5) 10 23 41 49
SCOTLAND (3-5) 4 11 13 24

Freeman Academy 51, Marion 38

FREEMAN — Freeman Academy defeated Marion 51-38 on Tuesday evening.

Keagan Schroeder led FA (3-4) with 26 points and 11 rebounds.

Jacob Wuertz led Marion (2-5) with 18 points and 12 rebounds.

Freeman Academy will host Canistota on Tuesday, while Marion travels to Wagner on Saturday.

FREEMAN ACADEMY (3-4) 13 28 37 51
MARION (2-5) 8 22 28 38

Alcester-Hudson 65, Irene-Wakonda 61

WAKONDA — Alcester-Hudson was able to hold off a surging Irene-Wakonda 65-61 on Tuesday evening.

Grant Johnson led Alcester-Hudson (7-3) with 39 points and eight rebounds.

Gabe King led Irene-Wakonda (1-7) with 31 points and five assists in the victory.

Alcester-Hudson will host Scotland on Saturday. Irene-Wakonda will host Centerville on Thursday.

ALCESTER-HUDSON (7-3) 16 33 41 67
IRENE-WAKONDA (1-7) 20 27 40 65

Dakota Christian 48, Tripp-Delmont-Armour 43

TRIPP — The Tripp-Delmont-Armour Nighthawks made a comeback in the second half of their game against the Dakota Christian Cadets, but fell short giving the win to Dakota Christian 48-43.

For the Cadets, Owen Medicine cashed 15 points. Drew Veurink netted 11 points and grabbed seven rebounds. Zach De Lange tallied 10 points. Michael Maas snatched eight rebounds and Michah DeWaard had seven.

Cody Hrdlicka led the game with 26 points for the Nighthawks. Shane Koster added 13 points and Adam Lau picked up seven rebounds.

Dakota Christian hits the road for Mitchell Christian Thursday, and Tripp-Delmont-Armour hosts Platte-Geddes Friday.

Girls' Basketball: Canistota Rallies Past Raiders

GAYVILLE — Despite being down six points headed into the fourth quarter, Canistota defeated Gayville-Volin 59-58 on Tuesday evening.

Chloe Nielson led Canistota (6-3) with 17 points. Kallie Ortman added 13 points in the victory.

Laura Nelson and Genny Clark led GV (4-4) with 12 points each.

Canistota will host Howard on Thursday, while Gayville-Volin travels to Vi-

borg-Hurley on Thursday.

CANISTOTA (6-3) 6 20 40 59
GAYVILLE-VOLIN (4-4) 11 34 48 58

Madison 51, Vermillion 47

VERMILLION — Madison and Vermillion played a tight game Tuesday night in Vermillion with Madison the victor 51-47.

For Madison, Rozalind Vander Bosch cashed 23 points.

Josie Huber led Vermillion with 24 points and 10 rebounds.

Madison hosts Flandreau Friday, and Vermillion heads to Lennox Thursday.

MADISON (2-6) 11 22 35 51
VERMILLION (6-3) 7 24 39 47

Crofton 81, Lutheran High Northeast 7

CROFTON, Neb. — Crofton blew out Lutheran High Northeast 81-7 Tuesday night in Crofton.

Allison Arens and Lauren Steffen led Crofton with 14 points apiece. Kelsey Sanger added 10 points and six rebounds, and Maria Wortmann also snatched six rebounds.

For Lutheran High Northeast, Megan Gebhardt netted three points and Bridgett Knobbe assisted in all three baskets.

Crofton plays St. Thomas More in the Hanson Classic in Mitchell Saturday, and Lutheran High Northeast travels to Hart-

ington Cedar Catholic the same day.

LUTHERAN HIGH NORTHEAST (1-11) 0 5 5 7
CROFTON (12-1) 36 61 72 81

Wagner 62, Gregory 32

GREGORY — Wagner got an early jump on Gregory and held on to it to win 62-32.

Ali Kuca and Gina Soukup each cashed in 15 points for Wagner.

For Gregory, Briana Leber put up 13 points and Courtney Opbroek tallied eight.

Wagner hits the road for Parkston Thursday, and Gregory travels to Marty Indian Saturday.

WAGNER (2-8) 19 27 44 62
GREGORY (1-7) 7 18 27 32

Creighton 59, Clearwater-Orchard 53

CLEARWATER, Neb. — Paige Mitteis and Rebecca Eggering both scored 14 points to lead the Creighton Lady Bulldogs past Clearwater-Orchard 59-53 on Tuesday night.

Eggering added six rebounds, while Mitteis had five rebounds. Jessica Gragert added eight points.

No stats were reported for Clearwater-Orchard.

CREIGHTON 14 27 50 59
CLEARWATER-ORCHARD 15 24 32 53

Hanson 56, McCook Central-Montrose 44

ALEXANDRIA — Hanson defeated McCook Central-Montrose 56-44 on Tuesday evening.

Kynedi Cheeseman led Hanson (8-1) with 24 points and 10 rebounds.

Brianna Painter led MCM (4-2) with 12 points.

Hanson will play at Parker on Saturday, while MCM travels to Sioux Valley on Saturday.

HANSON (8-1) 8 23 34 56
MCCOOK CENTRAL-MONTROSE (4-2) 15 24 44

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