

SPORTS DIGEST

USD Football Gets Previous UAB Commit

The decision in December by the University of Alabama Birmingham (UAB) to eliminate its football program has now had a trickle effect on the University of South Dakota.

Michael Fredrick, a 2-star running back from Hialeah, Florida, had verbally committed to UAB last summer. But with that school without a football program, Fredrick verbally committed Friday to the University of South Dakota.

Fredrick, a 5-foot-10, 173-pound back, guided Champagnat Catholic High School (located in Miami) to a state championship in 2013 as a junior.

Commitments are not binding until an athlete signs its National Letter of Intent on National Signing Day, which is Feb. 4.

Pheasants Forever S.D. State Meeting Jan. 24

BROOKINGS — Pheasants Forever's 2015 upland conservation efforts in South Dakota kick off in a big way in Brookings on Jan. 23-24. Pheasants Forever's 2015 South Dakota State Meeting is Saturday, Jan. 24 and includes an 8:30 a.m. address by Howard Vincent, Pheasants Forever's President and CEO.

State meeting presentations include guest conservation leaders from the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Natural Resources Conservation Service, South Dakota Game, Fish & Parks, and Pheasants Forever. Afternoon breakout sessions will fol-

low the morning guest speakers, along with an awards luncheon.

Four months ago, the Governor's Pheasant Habitat Work Group released its Final Report, which highlighted eight recommendations for improving the quantity and quality of suitable pheasant habitat in South Dakota. The state meeting's lineup of upland conservation leaders highlights progress toward the recommendation to "facilitate greater collaboration among conservation partners to better utilize available resources for improving habitat management."

The grand opening for Pheasants Forever's Regional Headquarters is at 2301 Research Park Way, Brookings, S.D. 57006. Pheasants Forever's 2015 South Dakota State Meeting will be held at the Staurolite Inn in Brookings, located at 2515 E. 6th Street, Brookings, SD 57006. The event is open to the public.

Hoops For Haiti' Basketball Tourn. Feb. 28

MOUNT VERNON — The 2015 'Hoops for Haiti' youth basketball tournament will be held Saturday, Feb. 28, in Mount Vernon. The event is open to boys' and girls' teams in grades 3-8.

The event is a fundraiser to help support a mission trip to Haiti, led by Mount Vernon senior Cody Renken. In April, Renken will take a group of 10 students and four adults to Haiti for the purpose of building a school in the community of Port-au-Prince. All admission money will be given fully to that effort.

There is a cost for teams to participate. Contact Renken at CR3049@k12.sd.us or Eric Den-

ning at eric.denning@k12.sd.us for more information.

Lewis & Clark Conference Pairings Set

LAUREL, Neb. — Pairings for the Lewis & Clark Conference boys' and girls' basketball tournaments, which begin Jan. 30 and run through Feb. 9, have been announced.

Play-in games will be played Jan. 30 in Allen. The girls' game will feature Osmond and Walthill at 6 p.m., followed by the Allen and Winside boys at 7:45 p.m.

The Walthill-Osmond girls' winner will travel to top-seeded Ponca on Jan. 31 for a 7:45 p.m. start, preceded by Homer against Allen at 6 p.m. At Randolph, fifth-seeded Creighton will face Bloomfield at 6 p.m., followed by fourth-seeded Randolph against Hartington-Newcastle at 7:45 p.m.; At Emerson, sixth-seeded Winnebago will face Plainview at 6 p.m., followed by Winside against third-seeded Emerson-Hubbard at 7:45 p.m. At Wynot, seventh-seeded Wausa will face Laurel-Concord-Coleridge at 6 p.m., followed by second-seeded Wynot against Wakefield at 7:45 p.m.

Quarterfinals and consolation games will be played on Feb. 3, with quarterfinals in Ponca and Hartington, and consolation games in Laurel and Osmond. The semifinal games are set for Feb. 6 in Wakefield.

On the boys' side, the Allen-Winside winner will face top-seeded Winnebago on Feb. 2 in Winnebago, preceded by Ponca and Bloomfield at 6 p.m. At Walthill, fifth-seeded Hartington-Newcastle will face Wakefield at 6 p.m., followed by fourth-

seeded Walthill against Laurel-Concord-Coleridge at 7:45 p.m. At Randolph, sixth-seeded Creighton will face Wausa at 6 p.m., followed by third-seeded Randolph against Emerson-Hubbard at 7:45 p.m. Second-seeded Wynot will host the other two games and will face Plainview at 7:45 p.m., preceded by seventh-seeded Osmond against Homer at 6 p.m.

Boys' quarterfinal games will be held Feb. 5 at Winside and Wausa. The boys' semifinals will be held Feb. 7 in Allen. Boys' consolation games will be held Feb. 5 in Homer and Emerson.

Championship games in both tournaments will be held Feb. 9 in Laurel, with the girls' game at 6:15 p.m. and the boys' game at 8 p.m.

YHS Cheerleading Day Camp Jan. 24

The Yankton High School cheerleaders will host a Day Camp on Saturday, Jan. 24, at the YHS gym from 9 a.m.-noon.

Post-deadline and walk-up registrations will be accepted as space allows. Registration is from 8:40-9 a.m.

Participants will perform the same evening during halftime of the Bucks basketball game at 5 p.m.

For more information, contact Jacki Ellis at 660-6367.

TVC Girls' Classic Jan. 31

The Tri-Valley Conference Girls' Basketball Classic will be held on Saturday, Jan. 31, at Laddie E. Cimpl Arena on the campus of Mount Marty College.

Play begins at 11:30 a.m. with Alcester-Hudson against Dakota Christian, followed by Freeman Academy against Scotland at 1 p.m. Viborg-Hurley plays Dell Rapids St. Mary at 2:30 p.m., followed by Centerville against Bon Homme at 4 p.m. Gayville-Volin faces Canistota at 5:30 p.m., with Irene-Wakonda and Wagner completing the day with a 7 p.m. start. All start times are approximate.

NEN Football Coaches Clinic Feb. 28

NORFOLK, Neb. — The Northeast Nebraska All-Star Football Classic coaches clinic will be held on Saturday, Feb. 28, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m., at Faith Regional Health Services in Norfolk, Nebraska.

Keynote speaker will be Morningside College head coach Steve Ryan. Speakers from both 8-man and 11-man programs are also scheduled, including Crofton's Tony Hoffman.

The clinic is open to coaches from youth to high school varsity level. There is a discount for pre-registration.

Contact Mike Fuehrer at 402-371-2932 for more information.

'River City Registrations Now Open

River City Gymnastics and Cheer is now holding registrations for session 3A, which begins Jan. 26.

For more information, contact Justin Olson at yanktonrcg@gmail.com.

SCOREBOARD

BASKETBALL

FRIDAY'S S.D. BOYS

Aberdeen Central 58, Brandon Valley 51
Bison 74, Tarkini 45
Centerville 68, Freeman Academy 49
DeSmet JV 50, Inroques 26
Eureka/Bowdle 55, Herried/Selby Area 53
Flandreau 68, McCook Central/Montrose 51
Florence/Henry 52, Great Plains Lutheran 36
Grotton Area 74, Webster 42
Hitchcock-Tulare 53, Sully Buttes 46
Hot Springs 57, Belle Fourche 55
Langford 58, Castlewood 39
Little Wound 74, Douglas 69, OT
McLaughlin 74, Lemmon 69
Platte-Geddes 55, Lennox 40
Redfield/Doland 41, Britton-Hecla 34
Viborg-Hurley 70, Baltic 29
Dakota Valley Conference Tournament
Consolation Semifinal
Otham-Ramona/Rutland 57, Lake Preston 38
Semifinal
Arlington 64, Deurbork 58
Elkhorn-Lake Benton 72, Esteline 30
FRIDAY'S S.D. GIRLS
Aberdeen Central 52, Brandon Valley 41
Aberdeen Roncalli 44, Sisseton 22
Belle Fourche 58, Hot Springs 30
Centerville 53, Freeman Academy 33
Clark/Millow Lake 52, Deuel 13
Clome 50, Gregory 48
Edmunds Central 48, Wakpala 43
Ethan 56, Corsica/Stickney 26
Hanson 64, Canistota 21
Harrisburg 60, Huron 41
Ipswich 61, Faulkton 28
Lennox 38, Vermillion 30
McCook Central/Montrose 75, Flandreau 61
Newell 58, Hulett, Wyo. 42
Northwestern 62, Leola/Frederick 47
Platte-Geddes 36, Scotland 31
Rapid City Stevens 40, Sioux Falls Roosevelt 33
Redfield/Doland 55, Britton-Hecla 27
Sioux Falls Christian 47, Madison 34
Sioux Falls O'Gorman 61, Rapid City Central 43
Sioux Valley 43, Dell Rapids 33
Sully Buttes 78, Hitchcock-Tulare 37
Viborg-Hurley 60, Baltic 33
Warner 53, Milbank 44
Wessington Springs 52, Sunshine Bible Academy 36
Wilmot 83, Grant-Deuel 16
Yankton 54, Watertown 50, OT
Southern Plains Conference Tourn.
Jones County 60, Stanley County 26
White River 57, Kadoka Area 33
FRIDAY'S NEB. BOYS
Anselmo-Merna 44, North Central 24
Arlington 73, Douglas County West 41
Axtell 55, Wilcox-Hildreth 52
Bennington 60, Norris 30
Bishop Neumann 65, Lincoln Lutheran 41
Blair 54, Elkhorn 52
Boys Town 82, Nebraska City 45
Brady 57, Stapleton 39
Centura 58, Gibbon 52
Chadron 48, Gering 43
Clearwater/Orchard 43, Osmond 36
Columbus Scotus 53, Archbishop Bergan 41
Creighton 60, Elkhorn Valley 49
Deshtler 59, Harvard 29
Doniphan-Trumbull 50, Superior 44, OT
Dorchester 54, Shelby/Rising City 50
Elgin Public/Pope John 66, Ewing 25
Elkhorn South 49, Waverly 44
Elm Creek 69, Pleasanton 59
Falls City Sacred Heart 65, Pawnee 58
Fort Calhoun 61, Conestoga 43
Grand Island Northwest 19, Hastings 16

Colby Classic Tournament

Hartington Cedar Catholic 45, Wayne 39
Hastings St. Cecilia 43, Aquinas 40
Holdrege 38, Minden 37
Humphrey/Lindsay Holy Family 61, Lyons-Decatur Northeast 41
Kenesaw 50, Franklin 9
Lincoln Christian 50, Lincoln Plus X 43
Lincoln East 62, Kearney 53, OT
Lincoln High 68, North Platte 29
Lincoln North Star 74, Columbus 58
Meridian 44, Hampton 31
Millard West 75, Bellevue East 34
Mullen 63, Twin Loup 32
Nebraska City Lourdes 60, Lewiston 41
Neligh-Oakdale 39, Randolph 37
Norfolk 39, Lincoln Southeast 16
North Bend Central 58, Oakland-Craig 38
Omaha Burke 56, Omaha Northwest 41
Omaha Central 63, Papillion-LaVista South 52
Omaha North 61, Papillion-LaVista 52
Omaha South 62, Omaha Creighton Prep 52
Overton 59, Eustis-Farnam 49
Palmira 77, East Butler 39
Ravenna 54, Arcadia-Loup City 45
Sidney 65, Scottsbluff 58
Southern 41, Sterling 34
Stanton 66, Logan View 37
Twin River 47, West Point-Beemer 45
Wahoo 65, Norfolk Catholic 59
Wilber-Clatonia 47, Malcolm 28
Wood River 65, Central City 58
York 65, Fairbury 42
Colby Classic Tournament
Consolation Semifinal
Pine Creek, Colo. 58, McCook 27
Panhandle Conference Tournament Semifinal
Hemingford 65, Crawford 23
FRIDAY'S NEB. GIRLS
Arlington 69, Douglas County West 20
Arthur County 44, Hyannis 29
Axtell 44, Wilcox-Hildreth 31
Bishop Neumann 46, Lincoln Lutheran 37
Boone Central/Newman Grove 60, Ord 59, OT
Brady 50, Stapleton 30
Broken Bow 65, Gothenburg 38
Central City 60, Wood River 33
Centura 68, Gibbon 20
Chadron 35, Gering 23
Clarkson/Leigh 53, Lutheran High Northeast 44
Clearwater/Orchard 60, Osmond 36
Columbus 52, Lincoln North Star 33
Columbus Lakeview 59, Schuyler 32
Columbus Scotus 56, Archbishop Bergan 27
Creighton 68, Elkhorn Valley 38
Crofton 73, Woodbury Central, Moline, Iowa 40
Deshtler 45, Harvard 42
East Butler 49, Palmira 16
Elgin Public/Pope John 42, Ewing 27
Elkhorn 56, Blair 20
Elm Creek 46, Pleasanton 37
Falls City Sacred Heart 57, Pawnee City 28
Fort Calhoun 55, Conestoga 40
Friend 68, Johnson-Brock 37
Guardian Angels 65, O'Neill 7
Hartington-Newcastle 38, Bloomfield 35
Hastings 39, Grand Island Northwest 33
Hastings St. Cecilia 80, Aquinas 51
High Plains Community 43, Lawrence-Nelson 35
Kenesaw 65, Franklin 40
Lincoln East 55, Kearney 47
Lincoln Southeast 78, Millard North 45
Lincoln Plus X 65, Lincoln Christian 43
Lyons-Decatur Northeast 56, Humphrey/Lindsay Holy Family 44
Meridian 56, Hampton 44
Minden 59, Holdrege 38
Mullen 59, Twin Loup 37
Norfolk 53, Lincoln Southeast 49
Norfolk Catholic 50, Wahoo 33
Norris 61, Bennington 23
North Bend Central 42, Oakland-Craig 40
North Central 43, Anselmo-Merna 21
Ogallala 55, Alliance 46
Papillion-LaVista 46, Omaha North 35
Platteview 50, Omaha Concordia 47
Ponca 57, Bancroft-Rosalie 43
Ravenna 42, Arcadia-Loup City 29
Shelby/Rising City 54, Dorchester 18
St. Mary's 55, Sandhill/Theoford 42
Sterling 41, Southern 27
Superior 57, Doniphan-Trumbull 39
Ti County 37, Fillmore Central 36
Wausa 50, Winside 24
Waverly 34, Elkhorn South 31
West Point-Beemer 42, Twin River 57

AREA CALENDAR

Saturday, January 24
BASKETBALL, MEN'S USD at IUPUI (noon, KVHT-FM); MMC at Doane (4 p.m., KYNT-AM)
BASKETBALL, WOMEN'S MMC at Doane (2 p.m., KYNT-AM); USD at IUPUI (6 p.m., KVHT-FM)
BASKETBALL, BOYS' Aberdeen Central at YHS (3:30 p.m.)
BASKETBALL, MEN'S USD at IUPUI (noon, KVHT-FM); MMC at Doane (4 p.m., KYNT-AM)
BASKETBALL, WOMEN'S MMC at Doane (2 p.m., KYNT-AM); USD at IUPUI (6 p.m., KVHT-FM)
BASKETBALL, BOYS' Aberdeen Central at YHS (3:30 p.m.)
Dairy Queen Shootout at Madison (Viborg-Hurley vs. Lower Brule, 11:30 a.m.; Bon Homme vs. West Central, 1 p.m.; Menno vs. Highmore-Harold, 4 p.m.; Freeman vs. Hills-Beaver Creek, 7 p.m.); Hanson Classic (Alcester-Hudson vs. Sully Buttes, 10 a.m.; Canistota-Marion vs. Warner, 1 p.m.; Parkston vs. St. Thomas More, 4 p.m.; Hanson vs. Platte-Geddes, 7 p.m.); Dakota Valley at Lawton-Bronson; Flandreau at Parker; Gayville-Volin vs. Tripp-Delmont-Armour at Tripp; Hartington Cedar Catholic at Guardian Angels Central Catholic; Marty Indian at Flandreau Indian; Niobrara-Verdigre at Creighton; Wagner at Avon
BASKETBALL, GIRLS' JV YHS at Aberdeen Central (3:30 p.m.)
HOCKEY, PEEWEE Yankton 'B' at Brookings (10 a.m. & 3 p.m.)
SWIMMING & DIVING, COLLEGE North Dakota at USD (noon)
SWIMMING, YOUTH Sioux Falls Seals Meet (Yankton)
TRACK & FIELD, COLLEGE INDOOR Jim Emmerich Alumni Inv. at Brookings (USD); Minn. State-Mankato Open (MMC)
WRESTLING, PREP Sanford Pentagon Tourn.

Sunday, January 25
HOCKEY, BOYS' JV Yankton at Sioux Central (11:15 a.m.)
SWIMMING, YOUTH Sioux Falls Seals Meet (Yankton)
Monday, January 26
BASKETBALL, BOYS' Alcester-Hudson at Scotland; Allen at Walthill; Marty Indian at Avon; Wessington Springs at Andes Central
BASKETBALL, GIRLS' Allen at Walthill; Freeman vs. McCook Central-Montrose at Salem; Viborg-Hurley vs. Corsica-Stickney at Corsica; Wessington Springs at Andes Central
WRESTLING, PREP Sanford Pentagon Tourn.
HOUSTON TEXANS — Promoted Brian Game to director of player personnel and Jon Carr to director of college scouting.
NEW YORK JETS — Named Kacy Rodgers defensive coordinator and Bobby April Jr. special teams coordinator.
OAKLAND RAIDERS — Named Todd Downing quarterbacks coach, Marcus Robertson defensive backs coach, Sal Sunseri linebackers coach and Mike Tice offensive line coach.
PITTSBURGH STEELERS — Signed P Brad Wing to a one-year contract extension.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
DALLAS STARS — Signed C Travis Morin to a two-year contract extension.
ECHL
BAKERSFIELD CONDORS — Signed RW Akim Aliu.
READING ROYALS — Signed G Kenny Reiter.
UTAH GRIZZLIES — Signed D Ray Macias. Announced Igor Bobkov was reassigned to the team from Norfolk (AHL).
LACROSSE
National Lacrosse League
EDMONTON RUSH — Activated F Tyler Meinly.
SOCCER
Major League Soccer
COLUMBIUS CREW SC — Signed D Hernan Grana.
FC DALLAS — Named Fabian Bazen the strength and conditioning coach.
NEW YORK CITY FC — Announced the transfer of MF Kwadwo Poku from Atlanta (NASL).
PHILADELPHIA UNION — Agreed to terms with MF Brian Carroll, F Connor Casey and player-coach Fred on one-year contracts.
U.S. Soccer
USS — Named Andreas Herzog coach of the U.S. Under-23 Men's National Team.
COLLEGE
FIU — Named Matt House defensive coordinator.
IOWA STATE — Dismissed sophomore S.T.J. Mutcherson for violating team rules. Announced WR Darnell Lawry, TE Alex Leslie and OL Duaron Williams will transfer.
MINNESOTA — Announced women's senior basketball G Rachel Barkham was awarded a medical hardship waiver by the NCAA.
THE CITADEL — Named Craig Mosqueda women's volleyball coach.
WISCONSIN — Announced three-year contract extensions for women's soccer coach Paula Wilkins and men's soccer coach John Trask through 2018 and a four-year contract extension for volleyball coach Kelly Sheffield through 2019.

Let's Get Fired Up



Yankton cheerleaders fire up the crowd during Yankton's home sweep of Watertown in Eastern South Dakota Conference basketball action on Friday at the Summit Center.

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