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The volleyball program at Mount Marty College in Yankton might just be at a crossroads. Does it continue its upward trajectory, riding the momentum from the 2014 season? Or does the program slide back?

It's a question that has suddenly come up, following the news reported by the Press & Dakotan in Tuesday's paper that Mount Marty head coach Candice Climer is stepping down after five seasons — she finished her doctorate degree and will teach full-time at Mount Marty. Climer, a 2005 graduate of the NAIA college, was hired in 2010 and slowly started to build the program up to its current level of at least competing on a regular basis in the Great Plains Athletic Conference. It's not been easy, though. It took some time. She began to incrementally improve her recruiting classes, while also developing those kids she had in-house. The seniors on the 2014 roster were in Climer's first recruiting class and played key roles in help-

ing the Lancers not only win four GPAC matches last season (the most since 2006), but reach the conference tournament — the first time since 2010.

Looking forward, however, there doesn't figure to be a massive drop-off in talent. No, Mount Marty returns three all-conference players, including second team libero BreAnne Thege and honorable mention hitters Allison Cross and Sierra Kloth, as well as 11 other players with some varsity experience. With Climer gone, where does Mount Marty go next to ensure that its volleyball program doesn't regress? The unfortunate part of all of this is that the head coaching position is now a part-time gig. Make no mistake, the position will attract interest (perhaps some in-house candidates?), and as we saw with the men's basketball opening two years ago, Mount Marty isn't exactly going to rush. And really, there's no reason to hurry this along.

Either way, Mount Marty can thank Climer for building the program to where it is now, a conference tournament team with pieces in place to make return trips. She and her recruits have made volleyball relevant again at the school, and whomever is hired to take the reins certainly isn't faced with an empty cupboard.

SCOREBOARD

BOWLING

YANKTON BOWL
SATURDAY NIGHT MIXED
HIGH TEAM GAME: 3 Fingers Deep 1032
HIGH TEAM SERIES: XXX-Rated 2946
HIGH INDIVIDUAL GAME: Chuck Turner 269 (errorless), Jim Murphy 269 (errorless), Mike Palu 258 (errorless), Judy Bara 223-218, Kathy Hakl 214, Edwena Turner 212 (errorless)
HIGH INDIVIDUAL SERIES: Mike Palu 705, Chuck Turner 705, Mike Bara 596, Judy Bara 635, Jen Townsend 544, Edwena Turner 542
STANDINGS: S. O. S. 8-0, XXX-Rated 8-0, Thor's Sharp Shooters 8-0, Beer 4 Breakfast 6-2, Hammered 6-2, Hazards 6-2, Crazy Kidz 6-2, Plath Bone Crushers 4-4, Who's Carrying Who 4-4, 3 Fingers Deep 4-4, Vi Team 4-4, 4 Friends 2-5, Ups & Downs 2-6, Turkey Hunters 2-6, Titans 2-6, Bowlers Under the Influence 0-8, Splitz Happen 0-8, T. H. E. M. 0-8; INC - Fearsome 4 Some, Ben's Bowling Crew
HIGHLIGHTS: Frank Osborn, Sr. - errorless 245; Chuck Turner - errorless 225, 3-10; Steve Shutt - errorless 238-227; Scott Plath - errorless 245; Raymond S. Houfek - errorless 242; Lisa Sorenson 3-10; Barrie Larsen 2-9; Susan Murphy 5-6-10; Dalton Crisman 5-7; Matt Hoefs 4-9, 3-10; Megan Tejersma 2-7; Kyle Uessey 3-10; Sandy Pedersen 5-10; Leslie Thorstad 2-7; Jeremiah Knier 5-10; Kevin Hall 3-10

WRESTLING

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Brandon Valley Triangular
Brandon Valley 52, Harrisburg 18
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CROFTON, NEB.

MENN'S COMMERCIAL
HIGH TEAM GAME: Wibelhaus 882
HIGH TEAM SERIES: Wibelhaus
Ree 2443
HIGH INDIVIDUAL GAME: Rob Wibelhaus 265, Mike Johnson 237, Raymond Phillip 227
HIGH INDIVIDUAL SERIES: Rob Wibelhaus 721, Raymond Phillip 622, Randy Svanderson 608
A STANDINGS: Bud Light 78-5-1.5, Leader Angus 77-5-42.5, Wibelhaus 78-66-54, Coors Light 61-5-58.5, B STANDINGS: DSM Apts. 63-57, Crofton Elevator 49-71, Service Master 43.5-76.5, Merkel Insulation 41-79
HIGHLIGHTS: Raymond Phillip vs. 71 over game avg., 154 over series avg.

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Bridgewater-Emery 53, Scotland 32
Castlewood 66, Deubrook 60
Elk Point-Jefferson 58, Lawton-Bronson 126
Eksa 50
Fremont Academy 27
Harrisburg 41, Mitchell 28
Homer, Neb. 66, Dakota Valley 54
Leola/Frederick 63, Edmunds Central 21
McIntosh 71, Wakpala 64
Mt. Vernon/Plankinton 49, Wagner 36
Northwestern 39, Faulkton 36
Platte-Geddes 51, Parkston 48, 2OT
Rapid City Christian 45, Edgemont 24
Redfield/Doland 48, Ipswich 46
Sioux Falls Lincoln 72, South Sioux City 56
Sioux Falls O'Gorman 66, Sioux City, East, Iowa 49
Sioux Falls Roosevelt 50, Waterloo 38
St. Thomas More 74, Spearfish 35
Summit 65, Estelline 37
Tri-Valley 56, Canton 31
Warner 68, Hitchcock-Tulare 46
Waverly-South Shore 83, Grant-Deuel 41
Webster 65, Florence/Henry 54
Wilnot 50, Deuel 36
Yankton 48, Huron 42

TUESDAY'S NEB. BOYS

Albion 54, Conestoga 45
Burnell 51, Palmer 29
Howells/Dodge 53, Logan View 33
Hampshire 51, Francis 61, St. Edward 37
Kearney Catholic 65, Gibson 42
Loomis 63, Franklin 40
Omaha Nation 63, Whiting, Iowa 44
Pine Bluffs, Wyo. 73, Potter-Dix 51
Sutton 37, Sterling 30
Central Conference Tournament
Grand Island Central Catholic 56, Columbus Scotus 46
Central Conference Tournament
Aurora 60, Central City 47
Crete 54, Columbus Lakeview 32
Seward 61, Holdrege 44
Eastern Midlands Conference Tourn.
Grand Island Northwood 35, Central City 49
Holdrege 49, Crete 38
CRC Tournament
Hampton 43, High Plains Community 40
Eastern Midlands Conference Tourn.
North 52, Bennington 19
Waverly 49, Getona 10
West Conference Tournament
Falls City 50, Riverside, Kan. 15
Quarterfinal
Brady 41, Ansley-Litchfield 36
Mullen 42, Arthur County 38
Nebraska Capitol Conference Tourn.
Platteview 55, Douglas County West 17
Wahoo 62, Ashland-Greenwood 27
West Conference Tournament
First Round
Gothenburg 65, Valentine 43
Minden 41, Broken Bow 36
TUESDAY'S NEB. GIRLS
Adams Central 47, Hastings 36
Axtell 52, Eustis-Farm 39
Blue Hill 71, Lawrence-Nelson 38

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Irene-Wakonda Downs Centerville Boys In OT

CENTERVILLE — Irene-Wakonda defeated the Centerville Tornados 76-71 in overtime on Tuesday night. Gabe King scored 31 points and totaled 12 rebounds for the Eagles. Levi Van Beek added 12 points, and Trey King had 16 points in the Eagles victory.

Rory O'Malley had an outstanding performance for the Tornados scoring a game-high 43 points and five rebounds. Christian Grushian added a double-double with 19 points and 11 rebounds. Centerville have a road game with Viborg-Hurley on Thursday, while Irene-Wakonda will travel to Freeman Academy on Thursday. **IRENE-WAKONDA (9-4).....19 32 49 62 76** **CENTERVILLE (9-4).....14 29 48**

Gayville-Volin 50, Menno 43
MENNO — Gayville-Volin took down Menno 50-43 Tuesday night in Menno for the Raiders' second win in a row.

Luke Hummel totaled 13 points for Gayville-Volin. Brandon VanOsdal added 11 points. Grant Rice grabbed nine rebounds, and CJ Lee had seven. For Menno Andrew Schaefer put up 13 points, and Dustin Leth totaled eight. Thursday, Gayville-Volin travels to Bloomfield, and Menno hits the road for Corsica-Stickney. **GAYVILLE-VOLIN (5-8).....20 27 38 50** **MENNO (6-7).....5 20 27 43**

Beresford 48, Bon Homme 42
TYNDALL — Chris Kropuenske scored 19 points as Beresford battled

past Bon Homme 48-42 in a Class A boys' basketball showdown Tuesday night in Tyndall. Hunter Berglund added 10 points for the Watchdogs (2-10), who had a 34-15 edge in rebounds and led 29-20 at halftime.

For the hometown Cavaliers (2-10), Hunter Young scored 14 points and had four steals, while Chase Kortan had nine points. Bon Homme visits Andes Central on Thursday and Beresford hosts Vermillion on Feb. 3. **BERESFORD (2-10).....14 29 40 48** **BON HOMME (2-10).....13 20 31 42**

Viborg-Hurley 37, Alcester-Hudson 33
ALCESTER — Viborg-Hurley won its seventh straight game with a 37-33 road victory over Alcester-Hudson on Tuesday night in Alcester. Lucas Jacobson scored a team-high 10 points for Viborg-Hurley, and Koltan Lee had 11 rebounds. For the Alcester-Hudson Cubs, Gavin Doering scored 10 points. Viborg-Hurley will host Centerville on Thursday, and Alcester-Hudson will travel to Bridgewater-Emery on Thursday. **VIBORG-HURLEY (7-5).....10 19 28 37** **ALCESTER-HUDSON (6-9).....12 16 23 33**

Cedar Catholic 54, Ponca 34
HARTINGTON, Neb. — The Hartington Cedar Catholic Trojans picked up their 10th win of the season on Tuesday night, as they defeated the Ponca Indians 54-34. James Kaiser scored a game-high 15 points for the Trojans, while Stephen Hillis had 10 points and 11 rebounds. For Ponca, Logan Kigsbury had 10 points and four rebounds. Next action for the Trojans will be Thursday night at Wagner. Ponca will play in the Bloomfield at 6:00 in Winnebago next Tuesday night.

Lawton-Bronson 45, Elk Point-Jefferson 43
ELK POINT — Jake Parrish had 17 points to help guide Lawton-Bronson (Iowa) past Elk Point-Jefferson 45-43 in a border showdown Tuesday night in Elk Point. Brett Prenger added 13 points and Nathan Kneiff grabbed 11 rebounds for Lawton-Bronson, which led 26-19 at halftime. For the hometown Huskies (4-7), Brandon Koupal scored 18 points, Connor Henze had eight points, and John Schuh, Jacob Herrity and Michael Murphy all grabbed five rebounds. EPJ plays Tri-Valley on Friday. **LAWTON-BRONSON (10-7).....10 26 30 45** **ELK POINT-JEFFERSON (4-7).....6 19 31 43**

Parker 76, Howard 24
PARKER — With four players in double figures, including a reserve with a double-double, the Parker Pheasants soared past Howard 76-24 on Tuesday night at home. Zach O'Keefe scored 17 points for the Pheasants (10-4), while Zack Anderson

had 16 points and five rebounds, and London Leberman chipped in with 13 points, four assists and four rebounds. Kelsey Peters had 10 points, 10 rebounds and six blocks off the bench for Parker, which led 50-11 at halftime. For Howard, Tate Schwader scored 10 points and David Noid grabbed seven rebounds. Parker hosts Chester Area on Feb. 3. **HOWARD (10-4).....10 11 21 24** **PARKER (10-4).....23 50 62 76**

Osmond 54, Laurel-Concord-Col. 44
LAUREL, Neb. — Zach Kumm scored 18 points and grabbed nine rebounds as the Osmond Tigers beat Laurel-Concord-Coleridge 54-44 on Tuesday night in Laurel. Caleb Krohn had 13 points for Osmond, while Cole Moes added 10 points. For the hometown Bears, Dillon Wolfgang scored 19 points and grabbed nine rebounds, while Jayden Reifernath had eight points and six rebounds.

McCook Central-Montrose 56, Freeman 41
MONTROSE — McCook Central-Montrose defeated Freeman by a score of 56-41 on Tuesday night. Will Gottlob had 23 points, seven rebounds, and four assists for MCM. Levi Sabers added 12 points, while Cole Cheeseman recorded nine rebounds. For the Flyers, Cole Paulson had a double-double with 22 points and 10 rebounds. Brennan Schmidt scored 11 points and grabbed five rebounds for the Flyers. MCM will take on Parkston in Salem next Monday, while Freeman will play host to Dakota Christian on Thursday. **FREEMAN (4-5).....6 22 30 41** **MCCOOK CENTRAL-MONTROSE (7-9) 21 40 56**

SC-W 71, Hanson 55
FORESTBURG — Josh Feiner scored 21 points and two teammates added 15 as Sanborn Central-Woonsocket handed Hanson its first loss of the season, 71-55 on Tuesday night. Tucker Kingsbury and Jarid Bechen each scored 15 points for SCW (9-3), which led 38-28 at halftime. For Hanson (10-1), Sam Vander Stouwe scored 17 points and Jordan Marquardt added 16 points. Taylor Nichols had nine points and five rebounds. **HANSON (10-1).....17 28 43 55** **SANBORN CENTRAL-WOON (9-3).....18 38 50 71**

S.F. Washington 51, Brandon Valley 35
SIOUX FALLS — Sioux Falls Washington improved their record to 12-1 in a 51-35 home victory over Brandon Valley. Geu Deng recorded a double-double for Washington with 14 points and 12 rebounds. Cole Benson had a game-high 18 points in the victory. For Brandon Valley, Spencer Graffe had a team-high eight points off the bench, and Austin Trevino added seven points. Washington will play at Sioux Falls Lincoln on Thursday night, Brandon Valley will host Pierre on Friday night. **BRANDON VALLEY (6-6).....10 20 24 35** **SIOUX FALLS WASHINGTON (12-1).....13 28 44 51**

Sioux Falls Lincoln 87, South Sioux 67
SIOUX FALLS — Sioux Falls Lincoln took down South Sioux Tuesday night 87-67 at Sioux Falls Lincoln. Addison Park led Lincoln with 26 points and eight rebounds. Malik Dymers added 10 points, and both Nickel Meyers and Cayden Ransom totaled nine points for the win. **SIoux Falls Lincoln (12-1).....13 28 44 51** **South Sioux (6-7).....10 20 24 35**

Kimball 65, Sunshine Bible 61
MILLER — Kimball edged out Sunshine Bible Academy 65-61 Tuesday night at Sunshine Bible Academy. Eathen Gaulke totaled 22 points and 12 rebounds for Kimball. Seth Kirsch had 18 points, and Josh Taylor added 10 points to the win. For Sunshine Bible Academy, Jaden Brockel scored 31 points and grabbed nine rebounds. Connor Beeman totaled 12 points. Joey Lane added 10 points, and Malachi Clark snatched 14 rebounds. Friday, Kimball hosts Wolsley-Wessington, and Sunshine Bible Academy hosts Aberdeen Christian. **KIMBALL (3-9).....19 31 45 65** **SUNSHINE BIBLE ACADEMY (6-9).....8 22 42 61**

Sioux Valley 53, DeSmet 42
VOLGA — Collin Kramer recorded 22 points and 10 rebounds for Sioux Valley in a 53-42 victory over DeSmet on Tuesday night in Volga. Teagen Holter added 10 points and five rebounds for Sioux Valley in the victory. For DeSmet, Broderick Poppinga had 13 points, and Matt Larson also scored 13 points. DeSmet will travel to Florence/Henry next Tuesday, and Sioux Valley will travel to Deubrook next Tuesday. **DESMET (7-5).....21 27 38 42** **SIOUX VALLEY (9-8).....10 30 36 53**

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