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Nationals' Pudge Still Bothered By Oblique Strain
LOS ANGELES (AP) — Washington Nationals catcher Ivan Rodriguez has experienced a setback that is expected to delay his return to the roster at least another week.

Dodger Stadium on Friday, but still isn't right. He was expected to come off the 15-day disabled list Friday. Manager Davey Johnson said Rodriguez will travel to Miami and continue to rehab under the guidance of a physical therapist who works with the NBA's Heat, someone he has known for years and has a lot of confidence in.

MMC Among AVCA Academic Team Honorees

LEXINGTON, Ky. — The American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) announced today that 481 teams have earned the AVCA Team Academic Award for the 2010-2011 season.

The award, which was initiated in the 1992-93 academic year, honors collegiate and high school volleyball teams that displayed excellence in the classroom during the school year by maintaining at least a 3.30 cumulative team grade-point average on a 4.0 scale or a 4.10 cumulative team GPA on a 5.0 scale.

Mount Marty College was one of 30 NAIA schools to be so honored. Among the other regional schools to be recognized were South Dakota State, Wayne State (Neb.), Briar Cliff, Concordia (Neb.), Dakota Wesleyan, Doane, Hastings (Neb.), Midland (Neb.), South Dakota Mines and the University of Sioux Falls.

Gazelles Softball Meeting July 26

The Yankton Gazelles fastpitch softball team will be holding an informational meetings and registration on Tuesday July 26, at the Summit Activities Center meeting rooms. Meetings for girls in grades 6-8 will be at 6:45 p.m. and for girls in grades 9-12 will be at 8 p.m.

All girls in grades 6-12 interested in participating on any of the Gazelles softball teams this fall and their parents need to attend one meetings. These will be the only meetings and registration times. Attendance is required at one of these meetings if you want to play this fall.

Hillcrest Pro-Ladies Event Aug. 2

Entry applications are currently being accepted for the 11th Annual Hillcrest Invitational Ladies Pro-Am to be held on Aug. 2 at Hillcrest Golf & Country Club in Yankton. The event is 2:00 shotgun following the Pro-Qualifier event.

Check the Pro-Am News page at www.hillcrest4t.com or call 605-665-4621 for further information.

Call In Saturday Games

COACHES: Remember to report the results of your Saturday games to the Press & Dakotan at 665-7811 or 1-800-743-2968 (Ext. 106). The phones will be manned Sunday afternoons to allow you to report these contests.

Results may also be e-mailed to sports@yankton.net or faxed to 1-605-665-1721.

Yankton Hawks Fourth At Target Center



The Yankton Hawks seventh grade boys' basketball earned fourth place at the second annual Great 4 State Tournament at the Target Center in Minneapolis, Minn., on July 16. Team members include (front, L-R) Nathan List, Reid Sawatzke, Tanner Frick, Levi Schmidt, Blake Savey, (back) Coach Chris Frick, Alex Withrow, Brady Sorenson, Tyler Schmidt, Landon Binder and Coach Jason Savey.

First-Year Success For Dakota Niners



The Dakota Niners, a 17-Under all-star boys' basketball team from Eastern South Dakota, completed its summer season by taking fifth place at the Mid America Tournament, held July 10 in Sioux Falls. Team members include (L-R) Taylor Lupton, Sioux Falls Washington; Koby Jackson, Rosholt; Collin Fitz, Sisseton; Trever Petersen, Deubrock; Cedric Hay, Parker; Coach Mike Busch and ball boy Christian Busch. Not pictured are Tanner Stapleton, Sisseton; Brady Boike, MACCRAY, Minn.; Dennis DeNeui, Viborg-Hurley and Landon Busch, Brookings.

SCOREBOARD

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JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

BOYS' 5-6 (1 hole, 50 yards): Zander Young 5, Mason Rosler 6, Lance Dannenbring 7, Braden Johnke 9. GIRLS' 5-6 (1 hole, 50 yards): Madison Ryken 13, Cameron Koletzky 13, Taryn Fitzgerald 14, Presley Sedawack 18.

MEN'S IND. NET SKINS

FLIGHT 2: No. 2, Harvey Youngberg 2; No. 11, Jack Gregg 1; No. 12, Robert Haar 2; No. 14, Bill Klimisch 1; No. 17, John Sternquist 3; No. 18, Travis Schumacher 2.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

GAME 12: Game 9 winner vs. Game 11 loser, 4 p.m. GAME 13: Game 10 winner vs. Game 11 winner, 7 p.m. NOTE: Pairings for games 12 and 13 will not match previous opponents unless absolutely necessary.

THURSDAY, JULY 28

GAME 14: Game 12 winner vs. Game 13 winner, 8 p.m. GAME 15: If necessary, immediately after. NOTE: If three teams remain after Game 13, the winner of Game 11 advances to Game 15.

FRIDAY, JULY 29

GAME 16: Game 14 winner vs. Game 15 winner, 9 p.m. GAME 17: Game 13 winner vs. Game 14 winner, 12 p.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 30

GAME 18: Game 15 winner vs. Game 16 winner, 10 a.m. GAME 19: Game 14 winner vs. Game 15 winner, 1 p.m. GAME 20: Game 16 winner vs. Game 17 winner, 4 p.m. GAME 21: Game 17 winner vs. Game 18 winner, 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 31

GAME 22: Game 18 winner vs. Game 19 winner, 10 a.m. GAME 23: Game 19 winner vs. Game 20 winner, 1 p.m. GAME 24: Game 20 winner vs. Game 21 winner, 4 p.m. GAME 25: Game 21 winner vs. Game 22 winner, 7 p.m.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct, GB. Includes teams like Boston, New York, Toronto, Baltimore, Detroit, Cleveland, Chicago, Minnesota, Kansas City, Texas, Los Angeles, Oakland, Seattle.

BASEBALL

S.D. AMERICAN LEGION STATE CLASS B TOURN.

July 20-24 at Winner Wednesday, July 20 Tab 11, Beresford 6. Thursday, July 21 Beresford 14, Lead-Deadwood 4, Lead-Deadwood eliminated.

NEB. CLASS C JUNIORS

July 23-27 at Hershey, Neb. Saturday, July 23 GAME 1: West Point vs. Sutton, 10 a.m. GAME 2: Crofton vs. Overton, 1 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct, GB. Includes Philadelphia, Atlanta.

AMERICAN LEAGUE LEADERS

BATTING—AdGonzalez, Boston, .343; Koltchman, Tampa Bay, .333; Bautista, Toronto, .322; MYoung, Texas, .322; Wilentz, Detroit, .318; JPeralta, Detroit, .317; Elsbury, Boston, .317.

NATIONAL LEAGUE LEADERS

BATTING—JoesReyes, New York, .349; Helton, Colorado, .342; Braun, Milwaukee, .319; Volto, Cincinnati, .315; Pence, Houston, .312; Holliday, St. Louis, .312; Morse, Washington, .312.

TRANSACTIONS

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NFL: Players Study Deal OK'd By Owners

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sorry, football fans. The NFL is stuck in a holding pattern, with work still to be done to end the lockout. Heck, the players haven't even scheduled a vote.

New England Patriots owner Bob Kraft. Even when players decide they're OK with a final agreement, their approval process is more complicated than the owners' was. The 32 team reps will have to recommend accepting the settlement.

CBA resulted in nearly a 50-50 split; a per-club cap of about \$120 million for salary and bonuses in 2011 — and at least that in 2012 and 2013 — plus about \$22 million benefits; a salary system to rein in spending on first-round draft picks; and unrestricted free agency for most players after four seasons.

People from both sides of the labor dispute planned to talk through the weekend — although not face-to-face — to try to resolve the differences that are preventing players from accepting the owner-approved proposal that would put the league back in business.

Eventually, all 1,900 players would take a majority vote to approve returning the NFLPA to union status. When talks broke down in March, allowing the old collective bargaining agreement to expire, the players dissolved the union, turning the NFLPA into a trade association.

Goodell and the owners expressed hope Thursday night that their vote would lead to a speedy resolution to the NFL's first work stoppage since 1987. They called it an equitable deal that improves player safety and allows the sport to prosper even without.

After the NFL Players Association decided not to vote Wednesday, Thursday or Friday, it's now possible the group won't make any decision until next week. It all comes down to how long it takes to resolve the remaining issues.

As it is, clubs won't open their facilities to players Saturday, when owners wanted to unlock the gates. "Now it's just waiting," Carolina Panthers general manager Marty Hurney said at an Atlanta hotel where team executives were briefed Friday on new rules for next season.

"It is time to get back to football," a weary Goodell said. Already, one game is sure to be lost: The league called off the Hall of Fame exhibition opener, scheduled for Aug. 7 between the Chicago Bears and St. Louis Rams.

But players decided later Thursday not to hold a vote, saying they hadn't had a chance to see a finished product. By Friday, it was in hand. "Player leadership is discussing the most recent written proposal with the NFL, which includes a settlement agreement, deal terms and the right process for addressing recertification," NFLPA president Kevin Mawae said in a statement released by the group.

Commissioner Roger Goodell and NFLPA head DeMaurice Smith attended Friday's funeral in Newton, Mass., for the wife of

Every fan Welcome! Wednesday, July 27 - Sunday, July 31

Crofton

From Page 9 and season end after just two games. Many of those players are

MLB

From Page 9 Texas ahead to stay and he added a three-run homer, his 22nd, in the fourth off Jo-Jo Reyes (5-8). The slugger had only one RBI in his previous 11 games.

back on the Junior squad this year, and Coach Hegge is hoping last year's experience gives them something to build on. "We've got almost the whole team back from last year," he said. "We're hoping that is a big factor but, at state, it's usually about who gets hot at the right time."

inning and the Yankees routed the Athletics. Swisher and Teixeira homered with two bases-loaded walks in between as the Yankees had their highest-scoring inning of the season — it was also the most runs allowed by the A's in an inning in 2011. The big inning followed a five-run burst against Trevor Cahill (8-9) in the second and sent Oakland to its 11th straight loss against New York.

Other first-round games include West Point and Sutton at 10 a.m., Elmwood-Murdock and Palmer-Wolboch-Greeley-Spalding at 4 p.m., and Mount Michael against host Hershland (Hershey-Sutherland) at 7 p.m.

WHITE SOX 3, INDIANS 0: CLEVELAND (AP) — Gavin Floyd allowed four hits over 7 2-3 innings and Carlos Quentin hit a three-run homer in the fifth to give the White Sox a victory over the Indians.

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