VERMILLION — The University of South Dakota announced Thursday that it is installing a new AstroTurf field at the DakotaDome. The Coyotes have played on an AstroTurf surface for years, in an on-campus facility which seats 10,000.

Athletic Director David Sayler knows that the addition of the new AstroTurf field will pay dividends to the athletic program and the university as a whole.

"The new AstroTurf field at the DakotaDome will give us an overall improvement in the football program and with our facilities," said Sayler. "It will also provide us with a new and improved level of safety and performance for our student-athletes, as well as demonstrate our commitment to the program.'

Senior Associate Athletic Director David Herbster was heavily involved in the decision-making process.

"We looked at numerous options," said Herbster. "We chose AstroTurf because of their breadth of experience and the facilities the product has been installed in. Our confidence in their body of work was extremely important. Also important were price and customer service. We felt like AstroTurf provided us with exactly what we needed.

Herbster visited several facilities, but was sold when he visited the indoor practice facility at the University of Kansas. The Javhawks had the same kind of system that USD was looking for. "When we saw the field at Kansas, we knew we wanted

to have that in the DakotaDome," said Herbster. The surface will be AstroTurf PureGrass, a knitted nylon product that provides exceptional, all-around performance. PureGrass was designed as a premium, multi-

purpose, extra-plush turf with a high fiber density. The ureGrass system at the DakotaDome will not contain infill and is designed to be a portable system, which will rest The system will employee the AstroHopper conversion system, which is designed to allow for removal and stor-

age of the field in a timely and cost-effective manner, to allow the DakotaDome to convert for other types of events. The AstroHopper system rolls up field panels and max-

imizes storage capacity by eliminating wrinkles, bagging, or telescoping which can lead to increased surface wear, tear, and damage. This summer, the three largest indoor sports facilities in

the Upper Midwest are getting new AstroTurf surfaces. Not only is the DakotaDome updating its AstroTurf surface, the FargoDome in North Dakota and the Alerus Center in **FLW Walleye Tour Making Stop In South Dakota**

Colgate on Sept. 8.

PIERRE (AP) — Some of the world's best walleye anglers are battling it out on Lake Oahe (oh-AW'-hee) in

Grand Forks, N.D., are also getting new AstroTurf fields.

the Covotes to take the field for their home opener against

The DakotaDome project will be complete in time for

South Dakota. The National Guard FLW Walleve Tour event is being sponsored by Pierre's Chamber of Commerce Thursday

through Saturday. Top prizes total \$63,000 in the pro division and \$10,500 in the amateur division. Pro Ted Takasaki (tah-kah-SAH'-kee) of Sioux Falls

says the lake is "full of hungry, biting fish" but they seem skinnier this year. He says anglers won't have any problem catching their limits, and the tournament will come down to who lands the bigger, fatter walleye. Final weigh-in is at 4 p.m. Saturday at the Pierre Wal-

BHCC Four-Man Tourn. Saturday

Bon Homme Golf Course will host a four-man scram-

lickson 4-5), 6:10 p.m.

3-6), 9:10 p.m.

Kansas City (B.Chen 7-8), 7:10 p.m.

Detroit at Baltimore, 3:05 p.m.

Boston at Tampa Bay, 6:10 p.m.

ble golf tournament on Saturday. Start time is scheduled For more information, contact BHCC at 589-3186.

NU's Long, Baker Steinkuhler On Outland Trophy Watch List Two Nebraska football players are on the initial

Outland Trophy watch list released Thursday morning. Offensive guard Spencer Long and defensive tackle Baker Steinkuhler are among the 71 players on the watch list for the nation's top linemen as voted on by the Football Writers of America.

Long enjoyed a breakout season in 2011, starting every game and

helping Nebraska rank 15th nationally at 217.2 yards per game. He helped the Huskers top 200 yards rushing on seven occasions, includ-ing three games of at least 300 rushing yards. He was a second-team All-Big Ten selection by the media in 2011 and an honorable-mention All-Big Ten choice by the league's coaches.

A two-year starter for the Blackshirts, Steinkuhler started all 13 games for Nebraska in 2011, totaling 40 tackles, including a pair of

sacks from his defensive tackle spot. The 6-foot-6, 290-pounder has started 26 games for the Huskers over the past two seasons, earning honorable-mention all-conference recognition in both 2010 (Big 12) part of the FWAA All-America Team. The FWAA All-America Commit-

tee, after voting input from the entire membership, selects the 25-man team and eventually the three Outland finalists to be named on Nov. Committee members, then by individual ballot, select the winner.

The Outland Trophy, presented annually since 1946, is the third

oldest award in major college football. The winner of the 67th Outland Trophy, named after the late John Outland, an All-America lineman at Penn and Kansas at the turn of the century, will be announced on The Home Depot College Football Awards on Dec. 6 on ESPN.

The Outland Trophy presentation banquet, sponsored by the Greater Omaha Sports Committee, will be held on Jan. 10, 2013, in

Huskers Add Howell For 2013

LINCOLN, Neb. — The Nebraska baseball team announced on Thursday that Colton Howell has signed a National Letter of Intent to start playing baseball for the Huskers in 2013 season. A product of Fort Zumwalt West High School in O'Fallon, Mo., Howell is a pitching prospect and can also play the infield. He played at the same high school as former Husker and 2011 fourth-round MLB Draft pick Cody This past season at Fort Zumwalt West. Howell earned multiple

honors, as he was a first-team Missouri High School Baseball Coaches Association Class 4 selection, was named the Gateway South Conference Player of the Year and was a first-team St. Louis Post-Dis-

and a slugging percentage of .640. The 6-2 right hander also worked 13 innings on the mound with 21 strikeouts and five saves. He works a fastball that touches the low 90's, as well as a cut fastball and a

Bank High School Baseball Showcase at Busch Stadium in St. Louis. Howell was selected to Missouri's team as a pitcher to play against the top talent from Illinois. Howell threw one inning of scoreless relief in the game, as Missouri won the game, 14-1.

SCOREBOARD

SOFTBALL S.D. AMATEUR SOFTBALL ASSOCIA-

TION JUNIOR OLYMPICS TOURN. Association Junior Olympics Tournament, being held July 13-15 at Harmondon Park and Sherman Field in Sioux Falls. Teams are listed by age group, and with respective city, where available

10-UNDER A mes at Harmondon Park GAME 1: Storm vs. Diamonds Steel, 4:30 p.m., Field F GAME 2: Spearfish Toxic vs. Diamonds

Fury, 6 p.m., Field F GAME 3: Game 1 winner vs. Diamonds Xplosion, 7:30 p.m., Field F

10-UNDER B

Games at Harmondon Park GAME 1: Blasters vs. S.F. Stars, 10:30 a.m., Field E GAME 2: Brookings Blast Blue vs. Brandon Dynamite, 10:30 a.m., Field G GAME 3: Yankton Shamrocks vs. Brandon

GAME 4: Brandon Valley Shock vs. Watertown Prime Time Sliders, noon, Field F
GAME 5: Hurricanes Bronz vs. Blast
Bombers, noon, Field G
GAME 6: Brandon Valley Twisters vs. Pan-

thers, 1:30 p.m., Field E GAME 7: Yankton Crush vs. Hartford

aters, 1:30 p.m., Field F

GAME 8: Vermillion Flamez vs. Bazookas, GAME 13: Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 win-

GAME 14: Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 winner, 4:30 p.m., Field E GAME 15: Game 5 winner vs. Game 6 winner. 6 p.m., Field E GAME 16: Game 7 winner vs. Game 8 win-12-UNDER A

Games at Harmondon Park GAME 1: Diamonds Ice vs. Unleashed, 1:30 p.m., Field B GAME 2: S.F. Diamonds Elite vs. Xtreme, 3 GAME 3: S.F. Fusion Millennium vs. Game winner, 7:30 p.m., Field B

12-UNDER B Games at Harmondon Park
GAME 1: Brandon Blast vs. Spearfish Toxic, 10:30 a.m., Field C GAME 2: DA Girls vs. BV Fire. 10:30 a.m..

GAME 3: Yankton Xtreme vs. Hurricanes, noon, Field C GAME 4: SF Angels vs. SF Shock, noon, GAME 5: Marauders vs. Tigers, 1:30 p.m.,

GAME 9: Game 1 winner vs. SF Extreme, GAME 6: Madison Flash vs. Outlaws. 3 GAME 10: Brookings Red Blast vs. Game 1

winner, 3 p.m., Field D GAME 7: Smash vs. SD Flash Attack, 4:30 GAME 8: Sizzle vs. Lennox Orange Krush, 4:30 p.m., Field D GAME 19: Game 6 winner vs. Game 10 win-

GAME 20: Game 7 winner vs. Game 8 win-

GAME 17: Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 win- cats, 10:30 a.m., Sherman E ner. 7:30 p.m., Field C GAME 18: Game 9 winner vs. Game 5 win-

12-UNDER C Games at Harmondon GAME 1: Venom vs. Tea Area Lightning,

10:30 a.m., Field A GAME 2: Young's Primetime vs. Vermillion Koble Electric, 10:30 a.m., Field B GAME 3: Dairy Queen vs. Platte II, noon,

GAME 4: KFF Canton vs. Risk, noon, Field GAME 5: Platte I vs. DV Panthers, 1:30

GAME 9: Power vs. Game 1 winner, 1:30 sion, 7:30 p.m., Sherman E GAME 6: Wagner TNT vs. Chaos, 3 p.m.,

GAME 7: Flandreau vs. Parkston, 4:30 p.m., Field A GAME 11: Game 3 winner vs. Pierre Power,

GAME 12: Hurley vs. Game 4 winner, 4:30 GAME 8: Vermillion Dakota Bandits Green Mitchell Mustangs, 6 p.m., Field A GAME 21: Game 5 winner vs. Game 9 win-

ner. 6 p.m., Field B GAME 23: Game 7 winner vs. Game 11 winner, 6 p.m., Field G GAME 22: Game 10 winner vs. Game 6 winner, 7:30 p.m., Field A

ner, 7:30 p.m., Field G 14-UNDER A Games at Sherman Park
GAME 1: Diamonds Thunder vs. Brandon Blaze, noon, Field E GAME 2: Kraze-98 vs. Blades, noon, Field

GAME 3: Stealth vs. Drake Orthodontics, ner, 7:30 p.m., Field I 0 p.m., Field E
GAME 4: SD Flash vs. Flames, 1:30 p.m.,
Games at Sherman Park
GAME 1: Rockers vs. Riot, 10:30 a.m., Field

GAME 5: Kraze-97 vs. Diamonds White, 3 D GAME 6: SF Diamonds Xtreme vs. Brandon Field D Rage, 3 p.m., Field G GAME 7: Vermillion Dakota Bandits vs. p.m., Field D

ner, 4:30 p.m., Field G GAME 9: Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner, 6 p.m., Field B ner, 6 p.m.. Field G GAME 10: Brookings Outlaws vs. Game 6 winner, 7:30 p.m., Field G

14-UNDER B Games at Sherman Field F GAME 1: BV Stingers vs. Maurauders, 10:30 a.m.
GAME 2: Hurricanes White vs. Wild, noon

GAME 3: Rapid City Swat vs. Fusion Or-GAME 5: RC Rebels vs. Game 1 winner, 3 GAME 6: Brookings Blast vs. Game 2 win-

GAME 4: Yankton Yellow Jackets vs. Hurri-GAME 11: Game 3 winner vs. Game 5 win-

14-UNDER C

GAME 2: Huron Premier Bankcard vs.

Fuzion Blasters, 10:30 a.m., Sherman H GAME 3: Madison Gold vs. Vortex, noon, GAME 4: Madison White vs. Tea Area Titans, 1:30 p.m., Sherman H

GAME 9: Pierre Pride vs. Game 1 winner, 3 p.m., Sherman H GAME 5: Brandon Valley Heat vs. Wagner, 4:30 p.m., Sherman H

GAME 6: Scotland Wolf Pack vs. Cyclones. GAME 10: Game 2 winner vs. Muth Tech-nology Fusion, 6 p.m., Sherman H GAME 7: Montrose vs. Sioux Falls Explo-

GAME 8: Platte vs. Irene-Wakonda Eagles

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GAME 10: Brookings Blast Blue vs. Game 2
Games at Sherman Field D
GAME 1: RC Flames vs. Brandon Crush,

4:30 p.m.

GAME 5: SD Flash vs. Game 1 winner. 6 GAME 4: Midwest Dirt Devils vs. Diamonds

GAME 2: SD Fusion vs. RC Rebels, 3 p.m. GAME 3: SD Fusion White vs. Unleashed,

16-UNDER B

Games at Sherman Park
GAME 1: DV Panthers vs. Venom, 10:30

a.m., Field I GAME 2: Sizzle vs. SF Sting, noon, Field I GAME 3: Yankton Lightning vs. Cyclones, GAME 24: Game 8 winner vs. Game 12 win- 1:30 p.m., Field I GAME 4: Lennox Sunshine vs. Emery Freeze, 3 p.m., Field I GAME 5: Cars for Les Trojans vs. Game 1

winner, 4:30 p.m., Field I GAME 6: Wild Fastpitch vs. Game 2 winner GAME 7: Hurricanes Silver vs. Game 3 win-16-UNDER C

GAME 2: Dairy Queen vs. Winner, noon,

GAME 3: Hurley vs. Harrisburg Tigers, 3 Game 1 winner, 4:30 p.m., Field E
GAME 8: Game 2 winner vs. Game 3 wingame 1 winner, 4:30 p.m., Field B
GAME 4: Tea Titans vs. Game 1 winner, 3
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1:30 p.m. GAME 2: Explosion vs. VooDoo, 4:30 p.m. GAME 3: Velocity vs. Game 1 winner, 7:30 18-UNDER C

Games at Sherman Park GAME 1: Trashers vs. Wagner, 10:30 a.m., Field C

GAME 3: Scotland vs. Action, noon. Field B

GAME 4: Tyndall Electric vs. Tripp Hale's Angels, noon, Field C
GAME 5: Diamond Divas vs. Tabor Lady Bluebirds, 1:30 p.m., Field A

GAME 7: Clearfield Sandburs vs. Dells Ice. GAME 7: Springfield Reckerz vs. Game 1 nner, 3 p.m., Field C
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(Friedrich 4-6), 7:40 p.m. San Diego (Richard 6-9) at L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 6-5), 9:10 p.m. Houston (Lyles 2-5) at San Francisco (Bum-

Saturday's Games
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TRANSACTIONS

AUTO RACING
INDYCAR—Announced the resignation of chief operating officer Marc Koretzky. BASEBALL

Major League Baseball
MLB—Approved the Texas Rangers contract with OF Jairo Beras and suspended him, without pay, until July 1, 2013 for providing a false date of birth with his registration with Maio League Baseball as a prospect. Suspended Philadelphia minor league LHP Ranger Suarez and free agent RHP Daniel Cordero 50 games each for violating the Minor League Drug Pre-

vention and Treatment Program.

American League CLEVELAND INDIANS—Agreed to terms with RHP D.J. Brown.
KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Extended its

player development contract with the Wilmingto a multi-year contract. ton (Carolina) through the 2014 season. NEW YORK YANKEES—Transferred RHP

TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Agreed to terms with 1B Edwin Encarnacion on a three-year con tract through 2015. Placed LHP Luis Perez on National League
PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Released RHP

Matt McSwain, Activated RHP Gerrit Cole off the temporary inactive list. Assigned OF Evan Chambers to Bradeton (FSL) from Altoona (EL). American Association
EL PASO DIABLOS—Released LHP Marc

A. Gomez.
GARY SOUTHSHORE RAILCATS—Resed OF Sean Henry and RHP Nick Polsinelli. LAREDO LEMURS—Released RHP Manny

WICHITA WINGNUTS-Signed INF Jairo Perez and C Mason Morioka.

WINNIPEG GOLDEYES—Released RHP
Stephen Kahn. Claimed INF Jose O. Duran off waivers from Kansas City.

Frontier League
FLORENCE FREEDOM—Signed C Victor nez, 2B Esteban Meletiche, and RHP Chad

GATEWAY GRIZZLIES—Signed RHP Jonathan Gonzalez and RHP Brett Zawacki. NORMAL CORNBELTERS—Traded RHP Marshall Schuler and LHP Estevan Uriegas to Gary (AA) for 1B Ernie Banks and INF K.C.

Friday, July 13 BASEBALL, LEGION Gopher Classic ning, Yankton Yellowjackets, Yankton

AREA CALENDAR

at Minneapolis (Yankton); Beresford at Yankton Split-Squad (5:30 p.m.)

BASEBALL, VFW TEENER Sioux Falls GOLF, SDGA Women's Match Play at Hillcrest Golf & CC; Men's Match Play at

SOFTBALL, GIRLS' State Tourn. at Sioux Falls (Yankton Spitfire, Yankton Lightning, Yankton Yellowjackets, Yankton Xtreme, Yankton Shamrocks, Yankton

SWIMMING, YOUTH Brookings Invitational (Yankton) Saturday, June 14
BASEBALL, LEGION Gopher Classic

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National Basketball Association ATLANTA HAWKS—Signed G Lou Williams

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NEW YORK KNICKS—Signed G Jason

d. Re-signed F Steve Novak.
PHILADELPHIA 76ERS—Waived F Elton

WASHINGTON WIZARDS-Re-signed G/F

National Football League
NEW YORK JETS—Signed T Paul Cornick.

BOSTON BRUINS-Re-signed D Matt

FOOTBALL

National Hockey League ANAHEIM DUCKS—Agreed to terms

DALLAS STARS—Signed G Richard Bachman and F Colton Sceviour.

MONTREAL CANADIENS—Signed F Aaron

OTTAWA SENATORS—Signed F Chris Neil

Palushaj to a one-year contract.

Johnson to a one-year contract

RW Teemu Selanne on a one-year contract.

BASEBALL, VFW TEENER Sioux Falls

SWIMMING, YOUTH Brookings Invita-Sunday, July 15
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Xtreme, Yankton Shamrocks, Yankton

Minneapolis (Yankton); Yankton Split-Squad at Watertown, Minn, (DH, 2 p.m.) **BASEBALL, VFW TEENER** Sioux Falls

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SWIMMING, YOUTH Brookings Invitational (Yankton)

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS MINERS-Acquire SAN JOSE SHARKS-Re-signed F TJ OF Alvaro Ramirez from Normal to complete a Galiardi to a one-year contract. previous trade. COLLEGE
ATLANTIC 10 CONFERENCE—Promoted BASKETBALL

advance media and communications assistant CHARLOTTE BOBCATS—Rescinded their and Tom Waterman operations assistant. qualifying offer to G D.J. Augustin, making him BIG EAST CONFERENCE—Promoted Jenan unrestricted free agent.

DALLAS MAVERICKS—Waived C Brendan aison and Kenny Schank to director of compli-DETROIT PISTONS—Signed G Kim Engance. Named Mark Hodgkin director of digital media, Catherine Carmignani Olympic/sport ad-ministration assistant, Jamie Corun digital net-work assistant and Mike O'Brien and Brooke MILWAUKEE BUCKS—Re-signed F Ersan Ilyasova to a multiyear contract. MINNESOTA TIMBERWOLVES—Waived C

Ed Pasque and Debbie Richardson to senior associate commissioners. Named Caitlin Bonner

Rayder communications assistants CONFERENCE—Named SKYLINE Stephen Haug assistant commissioner.

ARMSTRONG ATLANTIC—Named Adam
Tom assistant athletic director for game and fa-

cility operations. FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON—Announced the resignation of Ira Miller, men's and women's ten nis coach.
HOUSTON BAPTIST—Named Aaron

Flitcher secondary coach.
OHIO STATE—Named Liz Hinkleman nen's assistant swimming coach.

PFEIFFER—Named Elliot Gealy men's and nen's golf coach. RUTGERS-Promoted Doug Fillis to senior associate athletic director-administration.

TEXAS-PAN AMERICAN-Named Kiera

Baseball

From Page 8A

Tom Henken doubled twice for

Canton. Vermillion, 7-6 overall and 7-4 in league play, plays a makeup game Sunday night at 6 p.m. in Beres-

Legion

Yankton 16-4, Norfolk 2-5

ican Legion baseball action on Wednesday.

double, three RBI and three runs scored. Mitch Gullikson and Lane Sawatzke each had a hit

and Lilly Ryken all contributing to the lineup.

Ryken, like Kortan, is playing up an age divi-

come ready to play when they take on the Hur-

we're capable of finishing in the top half of the

bracket, and I'd like to see us in the top three

we'll do just as well in a big tournament.'

Xtreme

ricanes Black squad today at 6 p.m.

Andersen expects the Yellow Jackets to

"We expect good things," he said. "We know

"We've done well at tournaments. Hopefully

Yankton's 12-under team has played more

games than any other Yankton team this year,

going 31-20. Coach Kim Velk hopes that work

has helped all 13 Xtreme players prepare for

and they were all there to play," Velk said. "It

was nice to have a lot of games so we could get

38 games this season, with every player sitting

out at least two. That depth is especially preva-

lent in the pitching staff, where six different play-

and Bridget Nolz have pitched a lot of our

ers have toed the rubber.

everyone in and even out the playing time."

"We were very fortunate to have 13 girls out

Every Xtreme player took the field in at least

"Kara Ulmer, Holly Mines, Lexie McCorkell

what could be a very long state tournament.

and two runs scored in the win.

cision. NORFOLK, Neb. - Yankton First Dakota Termansen had two doubles, a run scored and a RBI, and Zach Benjamin had two hits and a run scored for Yankton. Gullikson had a hit, a

In the opener, three different players had multi-hit games as Yankton rolled to a 16-2 vic-

Zach Waiter picked up the win.

run scored and a RBL Janish added a hit. Shay Robinson took the loss in relief of Sam Wendte. Yankton, 17-13 beginning today (Friday). Yankton's split squad

Williams

From Page 8A

Love — a Chicago native agreed, saying some of the larger markets across the country could

be a focus. "Sometimes it's hard to get kids from certain areas, but we have a lot of ties in the Kansas City and Chicago areas," Love said. "If you can get a couple of kids from there, it would be a great thing for South

Dakota. Sure, the program will continue with situations arise, but Williams equated it to starting close and reaching further out from there. 'We'd like to recruit the best

kids in our area; in our state, but we will continue to branch out as we need to," she said. "It's been good these first few days. I've been able to see a lot of kids from South Dakota, Minnesota and Iowa, and familiarize myself with those kids

in the 2013 class." Familiarizing herself with her new staff doesn't figure to be an issue for Williams. Even before being announced to replace Ryun Williams at USD, she (no relation) had connections with both assis-

tants already in place. • Williams, a native of Spearfish, graduated from Spearfish High School with Larsen's sister Atkinson worked with one of

Williams' best friends at New Mexico State. "I was comfortable with both of them, and the more time we spent together, I saw that they were big assets." Williams said. "They've done such a great job on a staff

that already established great things at USD. They know the area, they know our players and that gives our players a little bit of a comfort

You can follow Jeremy Hoeck on

get that first run, that feeds into the rest of the

Yellow Jackets So far this season, the Yellow Jackets have been a solid tournament team, a trend coach

Jon Andersen hopes continues in the post-sea-

The Jackets are 19-11-3, but have been .500 or better in each of the weekend tournaments they have participated in, highlighted by a runner-up finish in the Dirt Devil Tournament in Wayne, Neb.

"We have a great group of girls." The squad has been anchored on the pitching rubber by Becky Frick and Ellen Andersen, with Morgan Rothschadl and Darian Tramp also contributina. "Becky and Ellen have done a great job of

commanding their pitches," Coach Andersen

"We've done very well as a team," he said.

noted. "The thing that makes them look even better is our catchers, Sophie Drotzmann and Bailey Kortan. Kortan, a girl from Tabor who is playing up a division, handles second base when not behind the plate. Another Tabor import, Rothschadl, is her double play partner at short, splitting time there with Frick. Andersen and Rothschadl split

time at third, with Abby Bartlett anchoring first That defense has held up well this year, An-

dersen noted. "We've had very few errors this year," he said. "In the first three games of that Wayne Tournament, you could probably count all our errors on one hand. If the other team hits the ball on the ground, our girls will make the play." Julie DeWitt has been an anchor in the outfield, with Adrienne Kusek, Tramp, Sophie Kouri

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Post 12 used a big offensive outburst to earn a doubleheader split with Norfolk, Neb., in Amer-

Alex Mueller had a triple, double, two RBI and two runs scored to lead Yankton. Mike Janish also had two hits, two RBI and two runs scored. Tanner Termansen had a team-high three hits, driving in one. Alex Wagner had a In the night cap, Norfolk rallied for a 5-4 de-

plays in the Gopher Classic is home today against Beresford, a 5:30 p.m.

games. Bailey Peterka and Madie Cordell have

taken care of some of our games around here,"

Velk noted. "It's nice because, if one person is

not having a good day, someone else can come

handled much of the catching duties. Cleanup hitter Traia Hubbard (.433, 1 HR) has anchored

first base. Bailey Peterka (.405), Nolz (.283) and

Gabby Hutchison (.171) have all taken turns at

second base, with Peterka also splitting time at

short with Mines (.368) and Cordell. Lexie (.333)

and Megan (.202) McCorkell have shared time

While all 13 players have spent time in the

Playing in one of the tournament's largest

We really have to start with a win," Velk

"It's very important to start off on a good

outfield, Hutchison, Merlye Miller (.217), Grace

Roy (.215) and Bailey Sejnoha (.197) have an-

brackets — 18 teams — the Xtreme will have

their work cut out for them this weekend. Get-

said. "If we drop down to the losers' bracket, it

could take us seven or eight games to get to the

ting off to a fast start will be kev.

championship instead of five

Alix Peterka (.307) and Cordell (.242) have

in and throw strikes.

chored the positions

at third

to recruit South Dakota players

competition in year two.

Crush After taking some lumps in their first year of existence, the Crush are hoping to "crush" the

The squad takes a 22-8-1 record into state, returning six of the 12 players who competed in year one. "This team has come a long way," said coach Mark Vellek. "We struggled hard in the

first year, but we've come together this year."
The squad has relied on Payton Vellek and

Rachel Hamburg to start games on the rubber, but have gotten solid relief from Elsie Mar-"Payton's one we've gone to a lot. She does n't throw a lot of different pitches, but she throws strikes. Rachel is a first-year player who's stepped in and been a quality pitcher," Coach

Vellek said. "Our go-to if either of them struggle

has been Elsie. She's done a good job of filling in as a backup pitcher." Tia Vlasman has handled first base duties for the squad, with Ella Muller and Taryn Wieseler playing second base. Jessica Reinhardt has provided a steady glove at short, with econd-year starter Chloe Koletzky anchoring

Brooke Madson has been a solid backstop for the Crush, helping keep opponents' running

games in check

"She is extremely agile and quick back there." Vellek noted.

Grace Tolliver, Larkyn Miller and Karlie Freng have handled outfield duties. For the squad to make a run in a tough 16team bracket, the squad will have to stay sharp, according to Vellek

"It will be a mental game. We have to stay mentally sharp, aware of where the ball needs to go," he said. "If we break down mentally, it could be tough.'

Hartford Heaters, a 1:30 p.m. start. **Shamrocks** The 'Rocks feel like they are on the road to

The Crush open this afternoon against the

Boasting a 20-11-1 record, the Shamrocks have had success this season, but had struggled recently before a good trip to Norfolk, Neb., earlier this week "We played well at the Yankton tournament. then we'd taken some slow times," said coach

bounce back from a rough start to July as they

enter the state tournament.

hopefully we're ready to play tournament ball The squad has a mix of experienced and

Brian McGinnis. "We played well at Norfolk, so

first-year players, and have seen them come together as the season progressed.

"Our senior players have been a strength

Hannah Muth. Noel Kusek. Tori Herrboldt.

Jaiden Boomsma, Brooklyn Bernatow and

Gabby Pietila," McGinnis said. "The new play-

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ers have come along and seen improvement: Lauren Eidsness, Mary Fanta, Ivy Mines, Hailey Reisner and Flise Heiman, Maddie Binder had been playing well but was lost for health rea-Herrboldt has anchored the 'Rocks' pitching staff, with Pietila, Bernatow and Muth also throwing well. Kusek has handled the staff from behind the plate, with an infield of Pietila (1B).

holding down the defense. Muth, Heiman, Fantá and Reisner patrol the outfield. While the Shamrocks have a tough draw, facing the Brandon Blaze today at noon, McGin-

nis feels the team is capable of making a tour-

ing," he said. "It's a difficult draw, but if we play

"I believe we're going to have a good show-

nament run.

Bernatow (2B), Boomsma (SS) and Mines (3B)

how we're supposed to, we'll have a deep run. You can follow James D. Cimburek on Twitter at twitter.com/ace-



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