## Press&Dakotan DAILY DOSE

Daily opinions from the P&D Sports Staff on local and national high school, college and professional sports.



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The news Wednesday that Midco Sports Network signed separate (but very similar) television deals with the University of South Dakota and South Dakota State was no doubt a good thing for all sides involved. Combined, that means Coyote and Jackrabbit sporting events will be broadcast to a regional audience up to 20 times for the 2012-13 season, though that number obviously includes State-U games. The Midco announcement also includes 24 weekly coaches shows on each side — 48 total.

When USD, for example, signed with Learfield Sports in April 2011, a decision like this was the ultimate goal for the USD administration. They wanted a coaches show and desired to have more of their home games

broadcast on television

What Does The New TV Deal Mean For USD?

But more than that, Wednesday's news is another step in a path undertaken by USD to increase its exposure and better its multimedia content. Consider: The new Coyotes website (goyotes.com) was unveiled last week, the new radio contract with KVHT/KVTK (5 Star Communications) in Yankton begins on July 1, and the television deal was finalized with plenty of time for all parties to get things ironed out by the fall.

In each case, those changes were needed. The exposure is always part of these kinds of decisions," athletic director David Sayler said Wednesday. He specifically referenced coaches shows as the big sticking point in this deal for USD. It only makes sense, doesn't it? When you have a coaches show, you create a connection between fans and the teams — something they can't get over the radio or watching on TV. In thise case, Coyote (and Jackrabbit) fans get both.

#### Parkston's Herrold Signs With DWU Women's Basketball

MITCHELL — Dakota Wesleyan head women's basketball coach Jason Christensen garnered his first commitment for 2013-14 when Parkston High School standout Frica Herrold committed to DWU on Wednesday

The 6-foot junior forward is the first junior commitment for Dakota Wesleyan for the fall of 2013, and gives Christensen a good springboard for his recruiting for the rest of

Herrold — who has the ability to play the three, four or five spot, wrapped up a successful junior campaign in the title game at the South Dakota Class A State Basketball Tournament this past season. She helped the Trojans to a runner-up finish in their first state tournament appearance since the 2004-05 season.

Herrold averaged 14.3 points to go along with five rebounds and three assists per game as a junior to help Parkston to a 22-4 overall record. The Dimock, S.D., na tive shot 43 percent from the field and 76 percent from the line. Herrold, who plans to major in nursing at Dakota Wesleyan, earned All-Little Missouri Valley and All-Southeast South Dakota conference honors and was named to the Class A All-Tournament team.

"Erica has a huge upside and she is a very versatile player," said Christensen, who enters his third season with Dakota Wesleyan in 2012-13. "Any time you can get a 6foot kid to play multiple positions, it's an upside.

"We were thrilled to sign Erica, but what was even better to see was her excitement with us and her early signing with the program.

## **Bucks Youth Basketball Camps**

Coming Up
Coach Chris Haynes and the Yankton High School boys' basketball coaching staff will run youth basketball camps in June and July. The camps will be held at Yankton City Hall and are open to girls and boys entering

The second set of camps will run July 9-Aug. 2. Sessions for grades 3-4 will be on Wednesdays from 10-11 a.m. each day. Sessions for grades 5-6 will run Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10-11 a.m. each day. Sessions for grades 7-8 will run Mondays and Wednesdays from 9-10 a.m. each day.

There is a cost for the camp. See the Summit Activities Center Summer Brochure for more information or contact Coach Chris Haynes at chaynes@ysd.k12.sd.us.

#### **NDSU Men's Program Ties For 10th In Capital One Cup Standings**

MCCLEAN, Va. — The North Dakota State University men's athletics program tied for 10th place in the Capital

One Cup Final men's standings announced today by the Capital One Financial Corporation (NYSE: COF), an official NCAA Corporate Champion.

NDSU stayed in the top 10 by winning the 2011 NCAA Division I FCS National Championship in January.

This is the second year of the Capital One Cup. Schools earn points based on their teams' top-10 finishes in NCAA Division I championships and in final official coaches' polls across 19 men's and 20 women's sports as they compete to win the Capital One Cup trophy and a combined \$400,000 to fund scholarships for student athletes.

#### **Manning Named Olympic Freestyle Wrestling Coach**

LINCOLN, Neb. — Nebraska Wrestling Coach Mark Manning was named a volunteer Olympic coach for men's freestyle at the 2012 Olympic Games in London, England

on Wednesday. "Coaching this team is a great privilege," Manning said. "I've been involved with USA Wrestling for quite some time, and I'm really looking forward to helping each athlete reach their goals and win a lot of medals in London.'

Manning, along with Lou Rosselli of Columbus, Ohio, and John Smith of Stillwater, Okla., will serve as volunteer coaches alongside National Freestyle Coach Zeke Jones of Colorado Springs, Colo. Additional men's freestyle Olympic coaches will be named in the near future.

"We have a great staff. We are very fortunate to have John Smith, Mark Manning and Lou Rosselli. They bring a lot of experience and ability to the table." Jone's said "Mark Manning has put 30 years of time into this program. He deserves to be Olympic coach. He brings a lot of knowledge over time, and he brings Jordan Burroughs.

who is perhaps the best wrestler in the world today." The 2012 Olympics mark the third time Manning has coached an Olympic team as he served on the staff in 1996 and 2000. Manning helped coach the 2011 U.S. World Team, which took third place at the World Champi onships and produced two medalists. He was also a part of the 2009 U.S. World Team coaching staff, where he helped lead the team to a seventh place finish. Additionally. Manning was the head coach for the 2001 U.S. Freestyle World Team, head coach of the 1994 and 1996 Junior World teams and helped guide the United States to a team title at the 2000 Pan American Championships.

#### **6 Former Cornhuskers To Be Inducted In Nebraska Hall**

 $\mbox{LINCOLN},$  Neb. (AP) — Six former Cornhuskers are among those in the latest class selected for the Nebraska Football Hall of Fame.

Running back Ahman Green, defensive ends Steve Manstedt and Bill Webber, center Josh Heskew, place kicker Dale Klein and corner back and punt returner De-

Juan Groce will be inducted Sept. 21.

Joining them will be Mitch Johnson and Jim Irwin. Johnson was a defensive back and punt returner at the University of Nebraska at Kearney from in 1973 to 1976. Irwin was a receiver at the school, then called Kearney State College, from 1960 to 1963.

The hall will also recognize Frank Solich, head football coach at Nebraska from 1998 to 2003.

#### Kahn: Timberwolves Are Interested In Brandon Roy

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — David Kahn says the Minnesota Timberwolves are interested in signing Brandon Roy, who is seeking a comeback after knee injuries caused him to miss all of last season.

The three-time All-Star announced his retirement and was amnestied by Portland before last season began because of knee problems. After sitting out the lockout-shortened season, Roy wants to give it another try.

Kahn said on Wednesday that the Timberwolves were interested in signing him, but would not comment further. Timberwolves coach Rick Adelman has roots in Portland and assistant coach Bill Bayno knows Roy well after serving on the Blazers staff

If healthy, Roy would give the Timberwolves the big shooting guard they sorely lack. Adelman played undersized Luke Ridnour at the position for much of last season.

#### SCOREBOARD

#### **BASEBALL**

S.D. STATE AMATEUR POLL WATERTOWN — Brandon Valley (Class A) and the Dell Rapids Mudcats (Class B) continue to hold down top spots

this week in the South Dakota amateur

paseball poll. Here are this week's rankings:

• Class A — 1. Brandon Valley; 2 Renner Monarchs; 3. Pierre; 4. Yankton; 5.

Sioux Falls Saints.

• Class B — 1. Dell Rapids Mudcats; 2. Crofton, Neb.; 3. Canova; 4. Redfield; 5. Salem; 6. Parkston Mudcats; 7. Alexandria: 8. Clark: 9. Dimock-Emery: 10. (Tie) Harrisburg and Larchwood, lowa.

COLLEGIATE BASEBALL POLL TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — The final Collegiate Baseball poll with final record points and previous rank. Voting is done

coaches, sports writers and sports info mation directors: 2. South Carolina 494 49-20 3. Arkansas 492 4. Florida St

'. Florida B. Stony Brook 52-15 9. LSU 10. Baylor 11. Oregon 12. N.C. State 43-20 473 Oklahoma 470 14. Stanford 17. North Carolina 463 18. Rice 461 19. Texas A&M 22. Cal State Fullerton 36-21 454 23. Purdue 453 23 Mississippi St. 40-24 451 27. Virginia 39-19-1 445 28. Pepperdine 29. Appalachian St. 30. Louisville 36-23 443 28 AMERICAN LEAGUE

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Tuesday's Games N.Y. Yankees 6. Cleveland 4 L.A. Angels 7, Baltimore 3 Boston 5, Toronto 1 Texas 7, Detroit 5 Chicago White Sox 3, Minnesota 2 Kansas City 8, Tampa Bay 2 Seattle 3, Oakland 2 Wednesday's Games N.Y. Yankees 5, Cleveland 4 Chicago White Sox 12, Minnesota 5 Boston 10. Toronto 4

Kansas City 5, Tampa Bay 4 Oakland at Seattle, 3:40 p.m L.A. Angels at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m Detroit at Texas, 8:05 p.m. Thursday's Games
Chicago White Sox (Axelrod 0-1) at
N.Y. Yankees (Nova 9-2), 6:05 p.m.
Cleveland (McAllister 1-1) at Baltimore (W.Chen 7-3), 6:05 p.m. L.A. Angels (Haren 5-7) at Toronto

(Cecil 1-0), 6:07 p.m.
Detroit (Scherzer 6-5) at Tampa Bay

man 1-6), 7:05 p.m.

Boston (F.Morales 1-1) at Seattle (F.Hernandez 5-5), 9:10 p.m.

Friday's Games Chicago White Sox at N.Y. Yankees,

6:05 p.m.
Cleveland at Baltimore, 6:05 p.m. Detroit at Tampa Bay, 6:10 p.m. Oakland at Texas, 7:05 p.m. Kansas City at Minnesota, 7:10 p.m. Boston at Seattle, 9:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division				
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Washington	42	30	.583	_
Atlanta	40	34	.541	3
New York	40	36	.526	4
Philadelphia	36	41	.468	8 1/2
Miami .	35	40	.467	8 1/2
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	W	L	Pct	GB
Cincinnati	41	33	.554	_
Pittsburgh	39	35	.527	2
St. Louis	40	36	.526	2
Milwaukee	34	41	.453	7 1/2
Houston	32	43	.427	9 1/2
Chicago	26	49	.347	15 1/2
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San Francisco	43	33	.566	_
Arizona	37	37	.500	5
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San Diego 27 49 .355 Tuesday's Games Philadelphia 5, Pittsburgh 4 Atlanta 8, Arizona 1 Cincinnati 4, Milwaukee 3 St. Louis 5. Miami 2 Chicago Cubs 5, N.Y. Mets 3 Houston 5, San Diego 3 Washington 12, Colorado 5 San Francisco 2, L.A. Dodgers 0

Wednesday's Games Milwarikee 8. Cincinnati 4 N.Y. Mets 17, Chicago Cubs 1 San Francisco 3, L.A. Dodgers 0 Pittsburgh 11, Philadelphia 7 Miami 5, St. Louis 3 Houston 1, San Diego 0

Washington at Colorado, 8:40 p.m. Thursday's Games
Pittsburgh (A.J.Burnett 8-2) at Philadelphia (K.Kendrick 2-7), 12:05 p.m. Washington (E.Jackson 4-4) at Colorado (Outman 0-3), 2:10 p.m.

Arizona (Bauer 0-0) at Atlanta (Jur-Anzona (Bauer 0-0) at Atlanta (Jur-rjens 1-2), 6:10 p.m. San Diego (Cashner 3-3) at Houston (Keuchel 1-0), 7:05 p.m. N.Y. Mets (C.Young 1-1) at L.A. Dodgers (Capuano 9-2), 9:10 p.m.

Cincinnati (Cueto 9-3) at San Francisco (Bumgarner 9-4), 9:15 p.m. Friday's Games Houston at Chicago Cubs. 1:20 p.m.

Philadelphia at Miami, 6:10 p.m. Washington at Atlanta, 6:35 p.m. Arizona at Milwaukee, 7:10 p.m. San Diego at Colorado, 7:10 p.m. Pittsburgh at St. Louis, 7:15 p.m. N.Y. Mets at L.A. Dodgers, 9:10 p.m. Cincinnati at San Francisco, 9:15 p.m

**BASKETBALL** 

2012 NBA DRAFT ORDER

First Round
1. New Orleans

2. Charlotte 3. Washington 4. Cleveland

7. Golden State

11. Portland 12. Houston (from Milwaukee)

14. Milwaukee (from Houston) 15. Philadelphia

(Shields 7-4), 6:10 p.m. Oakland (T.Ross 2-7) at Texas (Feld-16. Houston (from New York) 17. Dallas Ha. Houston (from Minnesota via Beach, Fla. July 15 — Lenox Industrial Tools 301,

20. Denver 21. Boston

Oklahoma City) 23. Atlanta 24. Cleveland (from L.A. Lakers) 25. Memphis 26. Indiana

28. Oklahoma City 29. Chicago 30. Golden State (from San Antonio) Ga. Second Round
31. Charlotte

32. Washington 33. Cleveland 34 Cleveland (from New Orleans via N.H.

Sacramento 37. Toronto

38. Denver (from Golden State via cord. N.C 41. Portland (from Minnesota via

42 Milwaukee 43. Atlanta (from Phoenix) 44. Detroit (from Houston) 45. Philadelphia

46. New Orleans (from Washington via Dallas) 47. Utah 48. New York 49. Orlando

50. Denver 51 Boston 52. Golden State (from Atlanta) 53. L.A. Clippers

54. Philadelphia (from Memphis) 55. Dallas (from L.A. Lakers) 56. Toronto (from Indiana)
57. Brooklyn (from Miami)
58. Minnesota (from Oklahoma City) 59. San Antonio 60. L.A. Lakers (from Chicago via Milwaukee and Brooklyn)

**AUTO RACING** 2012 NASCAR SPRINT CUP

SCHEDULE x-non-points race Feb. 18 — x-Budweiser Shootout, Peb. 16 — x-bulweiser Sridolout, Daytona Beach, Fla. (Kyle Busch) Feb. 23 — x-Gatorade Duel 1, Day-tona Beach, Fla. (Tony Stewart) Feb. 23 — x-Gatorade Duel 2, Day-tona Beach, Fla. (Matt Kenseth)

Feb. 26 — Daytona 500, Daytona Beach, Fla. (Matt Kenseth) March 4 — Subway Fresh Fit 500, Avondale, Ariz. (Denny Hamlin) March 11 — Kohalt Tools 400

Vegas (Tony Stewart)
March 18 — Food City 500, Bristol,
Tenn. (Brad Keselowski)
March 25 — Auto Club 400, Fontana,

Calif. (Tony Stewart)

Callir. (1ony Stewart)
April 1 — Goody's Fast Relief 500,
Ridgeway, Va. (Ryan Newman)
April 14 — Samsung Mobile 500, Fort
Worth, Texas (Greg Biffle)
April 22 — STP 400, Kansas City,

April 22 — 311 463, .... Kan. (Denny Hamlin) April 28 — Richmond 400, Richmond, Va. (Kyle Busch)
May 6 — Aaron's 499, Talladega, Ala.

(Blad research)
May 12 — Southern 500, Darlington,
S.C. (Jimmie Johnson)
May 19 — x-Sprint Showdown, Concord, N.C. (Jimmie Johnson)
May 19 — x-Sprint All-Star, Concord,

N.C. (Dale Earnhardt Jr.)

May 27 — Coca-Cola 600, Concord, N.C. (Kasey Kahne)

June 3 — Dover 400, Dover, Del. (Jimmie Johnson) June 10 — Pocono 400, Long Pond,

Pa. (Joey Logano)
June 17 — Quicken Loans 400,
Brooklyn, Mich. (Dale Earnhardt Jr.)
June 24 — Toyou/Save Mart 350, Sonoma, Calif. (Clint Bowyer) June 30 — Quaker State 400, Sparta,

July 7 - Coke Zero 400, Daytona

Loudon, N.H.
July 29 — "Your Hero's Name Here" 400 at the Brickvard, Indianapolis 22. Boston (from L.A. Clippers via

Aug. 5 — Pennsylvania 400, Long Pond, Pa. Aug. 12 — NASCAR Sprint Cup Se-Aug. 19 — Pure Michigan 400, Brooklyn, Mich.

Aug. 25 — Irwin Tools Night Race, Bristol, Tenn. Sept. 2 — AdvoCare 500, Hampton

Sept. 8 — Wonderful Pistachios 400, Richmond, Va. Sept. 16 — Geico 400, Joliet, III. Sept. 23 — Sylvania 300, Loudon

Sept. 30 — AAA 400, Dover, Del. Oct. 7 — Good Sam Club 500, Talladega, Ala. Oct. 13 — Bank of America 500, Con-

Oct. 21 — Hollywood Casino 400, Kansas City, Kan.
Oct. 28 — Tums Fast Relief 500, Ridgeway, Va. Nov. 4 — AAA Texas 500. Fort Worth.

Texas

Nov. 11 — Kobalt Tools 500, Avon-

### Nov. 18 — Ford 400, Homestead, Fla.

**TRANSACTIONS** BASEBALL

American League BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Reinstated RHP Matt Lindstrom from the 15-day DL.
Optioned UT Steve Tolleson to Norfolk (IL).
Assigned RHP Luc Rennie, LHP Kevin Assigned Nith Colonial Colonia

Austin Maddox on minor league contracts. CLEVELAND INDIANS—Designated RHP Chris Schwinden for assignment. Claimed INF Vinny Rottino off waivers from

the N.Y. Mets.

DETROIT TIGERS—Assigned C Andrew Longley to the Gulf Coast Tigers Assigned OF Jake Stewart and LHP Josh
Turley to Connecticut (NYP).

KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Recalled

LHP Everett Teaford and OF Jason Bourgeois from Omaha (PCL). Optioned LHP Francisley Bueno to Omaha. Designated C Humberto Quintero for assignment. MINNESOTA TWINS—Optioned RHP Jeff Manship to Rochester (IL). NEW YORK YANKEES—Placed LHP

to June 25.

TAMPA BAY RAYS—Assigned SS Spencer Edwards to the Gulf Coast Rays

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full time.

National League
ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS—Re-

ing issues, but has since dropped

down to 233 pounds as he tries to

prepare to play the small forward

Kahn said Williams has set a

"Here we are on June 27, and

given the fact that he's only been

at it for four weeks since his nose

personal goal of 225 pounds and

is working with Love's trainer to

get lighter and quicker.

resignation of president of basketball operations Larry Bird.

CC Sabathia on the 15-day DL, retroactive Sam Ramsden to director of player health area scout for the northeast region.

HOCKEY

#### AREA CALENDAR Tourn, (Yankton Split-Squad): Valley

Springs at Yankton (noon); Lesterville-Scotland at Tabor (7 p.m.)

BASEBALL, VFW TEENER

SOFTBALL, GIRLS' USSSA

SWIMMING, YOUTH Mitchell Invi-

tational (Yankton)
Sunday, July 1
BASEBALL, AMATEUR Avon at

Crofton, Menno at Yankton, Scotland at Irene, Tabor at Freeman, Vermillion

Grey Sox at Akron Rebels

BASEBALL, LEGION Luverne

BASEBALL, VFW TEENER Brookings Tourn. (Yankton Lakers, Yankton Reds); Yankton Black Sox at

Huron (DH, 1 p.m.) SOFTBALL, GIRLS' USSSA

Tourn. at Sioux Falls

SWIMMING, YOUTH Mitchell Invitational (Yankton)

Thursday, June 28
BASEBALL, AMATEUR Irene at

Crofton, Lesterville at Avon, Menno at Freeman (KVHT-FM), Yankton at BASEBALL, LEGION Beresford

SOFTBALL, GIRLS' Wayne Dirt Devils at Yankton Spitfire (DH, 6:30 p.m., Riverside); S.F. Diamonds Fire at Yankton Lightning (Summit South)

Friday, June 29

BASEBALL, AMATEUR Scotland

BASEBALL, LEGION Luverne Tourn. (Yankton Split-Squad); Yankton at Vermillion (DH, 5 p.m.) BASEBALL, VFW TEENER
Brookings Tourn. (Yankton Lakers,
Yankton Reds); South Sioux City at

tational (Yankton)

Saturday, June 30

BASEBALL, LEGION Luverne

SWIMMING, YOUTH Mitchell Invi-

called LHP Patrick Corbin from Reno dan Henry and a 2013 fifth-round draft pick (PCL), Reinstated INF Stephen Drew from the 15-day DL. Placed RHP Daniel Hud-son on the 15-day DL. Optioned RHP Jonathan Albaladejo to Reno. CHICAGO CUBS—Recalled RHP

Rafael Dolis from Iowa (PCL). Designated RHP Randy Wells for assignment COLORADO ROCKIES—Optioned RHP Zach Putnam to Colorado Springs (PCL). Recalled LHP Edwar Cabrera from

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Reinstated 2B Chase Utley from the 15-day DL. Optioned 2B Michael Martinez to Lehigh Valley (IL).
PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Designation

nated LHP Doug Slaten for assignment. Claimed 2B Oscar Tejeda off waivers from Boston and optioned him to Altoona (EL). BASKETBALL
USA BASKETBALL—Named Portland team physician Paul Saenz, Oklahoma City trainer Joseph Sharpe and Dallas

trainer Casey Smith to the USA Basketball men's national team medical staff National Basketball Association HOUSTON ROCKETS—Traded C Samuel Dalembert, the 2012 14th overall draft pick, a future second-round draft pick and cash considerations to Milwaukee for F Jon Brockman, F Jon Leuer, G Shaun Livingston and the 2012 12th overall pick. INDIANA PACERS—Announced the

FOOTBALL National Hockey League SEATTLE SEAHAWKS—Promoter and performance Named Todd Brunner

National Hockey League CALGARY FLAMES—Traded D Jor-

# **Deaths**

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exercise-related complications from the condition. And they should be present during all conditioning sessions.

The recommendations come from several groups, including the National Athletic Trainers Association, the Collegiate Strength and Conditioning Coaches Association, the American College of Sports Medicine and the American College of Emergency Physicians. They were released Wednesday at the National Athletic Trainers Association annual meeting in St. Louis.

NCAA has policies echoing some of the recommendations and is evaluating the others, said David Klossner, the NCAA's director of health safety.

"We're supportive of the effort to address these issues that they raise," he said.

The guidelines challenge "the old athletic mentality that if a little bit is good, a lot must be better," said Jim Thornton, president of

the trainers' association and head athletic trainer at Clarion University in Clarion, Pa.

Thornton said the new advice highlights the need better oversight in high schools, too. Many high schools have no athletic trainer and practices for many sports often take place without anyone trained in first aid present, he said.

"It's like dropping a kid off at a swimming pool with no lifeguard,' he said.

Many of the athlete injuries cited involve a muscle-damaging condition called exertional rhabdomyolysis, rhabdo for short. Intense exertion can cause muscle cells to leak enzymes and protein into the blood. Symptoms include extreme muscle pain and dark urine. Severe cases can lead to kidney failure and sudden death.

Avoiding sudden, intense exertion and drinking plenty of fluids

Reported cases include 13 University of Iowa football players hospitalized last year after a toostrenuous offseason weightlifting session and 12 Oregon high school football players treated in 2010 after an intense preseason work-

## Midco

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ties general manager Brad Poe.

"Midco has really grown their reach. They're really building that network into something strong regionally," Poe said Wednesday. There are so many things they're working on as far as their reach, so to get the brand out there and to reach more fans, that makes it

even better for us. The addition of three home football games on TV brings SDSU's total number of 2012 football games to nine — out of 11

Wednesday's news was the third such announcement this week by Midcontinent Communications, the regional cable provider that is available in North Dakota, South Dakota and western parts of Minnesota. Midco Sports Network is only available in select locations.

A deal announced Monday with the University of North Dakota was for a reported \$1 million over a five-year span, according to the Grand Forks Herald. That contract, however, includes up to 45 live UND games, plus as many as 40 weekly shows.

We can't be more excited to add these games to our regional sports schedule and to further our commitment to great local

athletic programs," said Midcontinent Communications Vice President of Business Solutions Mark Powell. The complete schedule of

games will be announced on or

around Aug. 1, according to both releases. "This is just a start of a lot of improvements you'll see around Coyote sports," Lee said, referring to last week's unveiling of a new

Coyotes website (goyotes.com). The new radio contract with KVHT/KVTK of Yankton begins on July 1. with Joe Van Goor taking over as the Voice of the Coyotes. In addition to football and select basketball games, the station will also produce weekly radio coaches shows.

According to Lee, USD is also expanding its football network to seven stations, which will blanket nearly the entire state of South Dakota and branch south into the Sioux City, Iowa, market. Sayler said the new website, a

new radio contract and a televi-

sion deal were all part of the plan

in the relationship with Learfield Sports, which is the multimedia rights holder for USD. "This is the exactly kind of deal we envisioned Learfield helping us fulfill," he said. "This is what they do. They negotiated a really good radio deal for us. It's all ex-

citing stuff for our fans.' You can follow Jeremy Hoeck on Twitter at twitter.com/jhoeck

**SERTOMA** 

# Kenseth

Kenseth won't say where he's headed, just that he believes it will be a good fit and was the first offer he'd ever seriously considered.

Gibbs Racing, declined Wednesday during an appearance in Kentucky to discuss any potential deal with Kenseth. But JGR driver Denny Hamlin was on board, and said his driving style probably matched Kenseth more than anyone else in NASCAR.

"He just brings so many assets to a race team," Hamlin said.

J.D. Gibbs, president of Joe

"He's going to be a valuable asset wherever he goes and anybody would be lucky to have him.' The 40-year-old Kenseth would automatically become the senior driver at Gibbs, which currently fields cars for Hamlin, Kyle Busch and Joey Logano. Hamlin has been the de facto veteran

into the No. 20 Toyota. It's not clear if Kenseth is headed to the No. 20 car to replace Logano, or if a fourth team is being created for one of the

since Tony Stewart left after the

2008 season, and Logano stepped

Hamlin said he's done no re-

"My talks with Matt have been pretty brief," Hamlin said. "You always want someone like that on your team, but drivers aren't going to convince a guy where it's best for them, or where they feel they can win races. So my role is limited. But you know someone like that has the potential to bring a whole lot of talent

to your race team.' Kenseth, like Roush officials a day before, did not reveal many details about the decision to

leave the team. He said it wasn't about money — and joked if it had been, he



Thursday, June 28 7:40 am - Yankton Chamber (Carmen Schramm)

8:15 am - Yankton Conv/Vis

(Lisa Scheve)

Friday, June 29 7:40 am - Coyote Sports Hall of Fame

(Jim Robinson, Jeremy Kudera) 8:15 am - Riverboat Days (John Kraft, Randy Oliver)

would have negotiated publicly for the first time in his career for leverage — and said despite upand-down moments with teammate Carl Edwards, the two presently get along fine and there's no animosity over the deal Edwards got last year to stay at Roush.

'People won't totally under-

stand it, and I get that, but there

isn't one reason, or an argument

that is easy to figure out for me

or for Jack," Kenseth said. "There

were a number of things that got us here, and at the end of the day I am excited about what I've got for 2013 and I think Roush is excited about promoting Ricky.

with this and to move on with the rest of our season."

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to Washington for D Dennis Wideman and signed him to a five-year contract. Resigned F Blake Comeau to a one-year contract. EDMONTON OILERS—Named Ralph Krueger coach. NEW YORK ISLANDERS—Named

Brent Thompson assistant coach. ST. LOUIS BLUES—Agreed to terms with coach Ken Hitchcock on a one-year contract extension through the 2013-14 TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING—Re-signed D Brendan Mikkelson to a one-year, one-

way contract. SOCCER Major League Soccer
COLUMBUS CREW—Waived D
Shaun Francis, D Aubrey Perry and D Korey Veeder. COLLEGE APPALACHIAN STATE—Named

Monique Govan women's assistant bas

ketball coach.
CHESTNUT HILL—Named Chelsea Rosiek women's lacrosse coach.

ELON—Announced its women's lacrosse team will join the Atlantic Sun Conference as an affiliate member in HAWAII—Announced freshman G

orel Lev is leaving the men's basketball team to fulfill a commitment to serve in Israel's military.

LOCK HAVEN—Announced the retirement of volleyball coach Tom Justice. PURCHASE—Named Kellianne Dunlay women's basketball coach and Declan Foley men's and women's cross country

coach. TENNESSEE TECH—Named Jim Davis women's basketball cou

#### procedure, I'm very pleased with the things he's been doing," Kahn

first three months after his knee surgery recovering and rehabbing in Minnesota, Rubio is returning to his native Spain. The Wolves are sending a physical therapist with him to make sure his recovery continues on the right path.

After spending most of the

"He just needs to keep making steady progress," Kahn said. "The most important thing is that he comes back better and stronger

"I'd never been in this situation before and that has been stressful for me. I've just never been in a contract year before, especially this deep into the year. So I'm just excited to be done

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