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'Some Day' Is About To Take On A Whole New Meaning At USD

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If you were to broach the subject of a 'basketball arena' at the University of South Dakota about, oh, 10 years ago, this is the official response you got (and I got it plenty):

"It's in our long-term plans."

In other words, it wasn't going to happen any time soon.

Everyone, from coaches on down to players and fans, realized USD needed an arena, or a fieldhouse, or whatever you wanted to call it. Not "wanted" an arena. "Needed" an arena.

As time passed and a new athletic director (David Sayler) came aboard, that little-discussed topic in public became something he openly discussed. He was honest about it; that it was going to happen, and let's make it happen — that was the line I always remember with him.

Sayler played a key role in literally kick-starting the process of raising money for not only an arena, but an outdoor track and soccer complex. Eventually that project came to include an academic "connector" building between the DakotaDome and the new arena.

And now, all these years later, USD will break ground today (Tuesday) at 1:45 p.m. in Vermillion on those three projects — highlighted, of course, by the 6,000 seat basketball/volleyball arena.

The 'real' construction work will not begin until next month, but today's ceremony isn't about laying concrete. It's about seeing actual progress on a vision that began all those years ago.

Because that's all it takes at this point: Progress. Actual, tangible progress that fans, donors, coaches and players can see. Proof that within two years, nearly every athletic program in Coyote nation will be in a new home — football, for one, will stay in the DakotaDome.

Delays or not, the actual opening for the arena, outdoor track, soccer complex and academic connector wasn't going to change. The year 2016 was always the goal.

Looking back on those casual conversations from 10 years ago, 2016 would have seemed like such a distant, unrealistic venture.

In reality, though, everyone can wait two more years, right?

BASEBALL/SOFTBALL

	YANKTON BASEBALL	YANKTON SOFTBALL
TODAY June 17	**POST 12 JUNIORS:** at Brandon Valley, DH, 5 p.m. **LAKERS:** at S.F. East, DH, 5 p.m. **REDS:** vs. S.F. West, DH, 5 p.m.	**SHAMROCKS:** vs. Alcester U14, DH, 6:30 p.m., Riverside **FURY RED:** vs. Norfolk Golden Girls, DH, 6:30 p.m., Summit South **FURY WILDCATS:** vs. Elk Point U-12, DH, 6 p.m., Summit South
WEDNESDAY June 18	**POST 12 JUNIORS:** at S.F. West, DH, 5 p.m. **LAKERS:** vs. S.F. West, DH, 5 p.m.	
THURSDAY June 19	**POST 12 LEGION:** at South Sioux City, DH, 6 p.m. **REDS:** vs. Brandon Valley, DH, 5 p.m.	**CRUSH:** vs. Norfolk Kelley's, DH, 6:30 p.m., Riverside **SHAMROCKS:** vs. Hurley U14, DH, 6 p.m., Summit South **FURY WHITE vs. FURY WILDCATS:** DH, 6 p.m., Summit North
FRIDAY June 20	**TAPPERS:** at Freeman, 7:30 p.m. **POST 12 LEGION:** First Dakota Classic at Yankton **LAKERS:** Renner Tourn.	
SATURDAY June 21	**POST 12 LEGION:** First Dakota Classic at Yankton **LAKERS:** Renner Tourn.	**LOWELL RANG TOURN. at Mitchell:** Xtreme, Crush, Fury Red, Fury White
SUNDAY June 22	**TAPPERS:** vs. Crofton, 7:30 p.m. **LAKERS:** Renner Tourn. **REDS:** vs. Mitchell, DH, 1 p.m.	**LOWELL RANG TOURN. at Mitchell:** Xtreme, Crush, Fury Red, Fury White
MONDAY June 23	**POST 12 JUNIORS:** at Norfolk, DH, 5 p.m. **REDS:** at Renner, DH, 5 p.m.	

OTHER EVENTS

Soccer
YOUTH: Friday-Sunday, Yankton Inv.; **Saturday-Monday**, US Youth Soccer Region II Championships at Beavercreek, Ohio (Yankton Rebels)

Swimming
YOUTH: Saturday-Sunday, Yankton Charity Inv.

RADIO & TELEVISION

Thursday
7:30 p.m. BASEBALL: Avon at Tabor Amateurs KVHT-FM

SPORTS DIGEST

Janssen Signs With Morningside

SIOUX CITY, Iowa — Crofton High School distance runner Alex Janssen will enroll at Morningside College and compete in track and field for the Mustangs, the school announced Monday.

Janssen was a 5-time state meet place winner for the Warriors. As a senior this spring, he finished third in the Class C 3200-meter run in 10:00.68 and fourth in the 1600 in 4:33.43.

He also competed in cross country at Crofton, and led the Warriors to the Class D state championship last fall. He was sixth overall in 17:16.9.

Renner, Alexandria Lead Amateur Poll

The Renner Monarchs (Class A) and Alexandria (Class B) continue to lead their respective divisions in this week's South Dakota amateur baseball poll.

Here is the complete poll:

• Class A — 1. Renner Monarchs; 2. Sioux Falls Brewers; 3. Pierre; 4. Sioux Falls Saints; 5. Yankton. Also receiving votes: Vermillion Red Sox and Mitchell Mad Dogs.

• Class B — 1. Alexandria; 2. Parkston Mudcats; 3. Canova; 4. Madison; 5. Crofton, Neb.; 6. Dimock-Emery; 7. Winner-Colome; 8. Wynot, Neb.; 9. Salem; 10. Dell Rapids PBR. Also receiving votes: Colman, Redfield, Larchwood (Iowa), Humboldt-Hartford and Clark.

GPAC, KCAC Announce Football Challenge For 2015 And 2016

SIOUX CITY, Iowa — The Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference (KCAC) and the Great Plains Athletic Conference (GPAC) football coaches and commissioners have come to an agreement on a series of football games played between teams from each league starting with the 2015 season.

The two-year agreement between the conferences would pair teams based on their conference finishes in 2013 & 2014 for 2015 & 2016 challenges. KCAC teams will host the first set of non-conference games on September 5, 2015 with the GPAC representatives playing host the following season.

One of the primary intents of the scheduling arrangement is to ease overall scheduling for teams from both conferences. Based on the agreement, teams will have one additional non-conference game to schedule outside of the KCAC/GPAC Challenge. Following the series game each year, both leagues will move into their respective conference schedules and play nine consecutive weeks of league games.

USF Promotes Kaeding To Associate Head Coach

SIOUX FALLS — University of Sioux Falls men's basketball coach Chris Johnson Monday announced the promotion of Nate Kaeding to associate head coach.

Kaeding, who spent the last three seasons as a Cougar assistant coach, enters his fourth season with the men's basketball program.

A proven recruiter with excellent game management capabilities, Kaeding spent four seasons as the assistant men's basketball coach at Southwest Minnesota State University before joining Coach Johnson's staff in 2011.

Prior to USF, Kaeding served four seasons as the assistant men's basketball coach at Southwest Minnesota State University in Marshall, Minn. While with the Mustangs, he helped guide the program to 62 wins, an NSIC regular-season championship, NCAA central region crown and a berth in the 2009 NCAA DII Elite Eight.

NDSU A.D. Taylor Leaving For Iowa

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — North Dakota State athletic director Gene Taylor is leaving for Iowa after guiding the Bison through a successful transition to NCAA Division I athletics, school officials announced Monday.

Taylor, 56, will be the deputy director of athletics for the Hawkeyes and oversee the department's day-to-day operations.

Taylor was been with NDSU for 13 years. Under his tenure, the Bison won three Football Championship Subdivision titles and twice advanced to the NCAA men's basketball tournament. NDSU's volleyball and softball teams have been regular participants in the Division I playoffs.

"I have been very fortunate to work with an extremely talented and dedicated coaching staff," Taylor said.

Taylor has managed tremendous growth in the athletics department since the school announced its plan to move to Division I athletics a dozen years ago. The athletic department had a budget of $5.6 million at the start of the transition. Now it's more than $17 million.

SCOREBOARD

SOFTBALL

YANKTON PARKS & REC

COED POWER LEAGUE

RESULTS: Westy's Electric/Pollard & Larson, L.L.C./Dakota Beverage def. Happy Hourz 9-6, Marquardt Transportation def. Dakota Trailer 12-10, Dakota Trailer def. Special Day Limousine 7-5

STANDINGS: Special Day Limousine 2-1, Westy's/Pollard & Larson/Dakota Beverage 2-1, Marquardt Transportation 1-0, Dakota Trailer 1-2, Happy Hourz 0-2

COED COMPETITIVE LEAGUE

RESULTS: Bank of Hartington Ligers def. Houska Dental 13-5, American Family Ins. Avon/Wagner def. Vishay 18-10, Dakota Windmill & Supply Inc. def. Hay Bye 9-6

STANDINGS: Dakota Windmill & Supply Inc. 2-0, Houska Dental 1-1, American Family Insurance Avon/Wagner 1-0, Bank of Hartington Ligers 1-0, Hay Bye 0-2, Vishay 0-2

COED RECREATIONAL LEAGUE

RESULTS: Bentley Moving def. List Electric/JB Auto 5-2, Hunhoff Hillbillies def. Ferdig Transmissions 8-6, Schmidt Trucking def. Ferdig Transmissions 10-9

STANDINGS: Schmidt Trucking 3-0, Hunhoff Hillbillies 1-0, Bentley Moving 1-1, Ferdig Transmissions 1-2, List Electric/JB Auto 0-3

COED JUST FOR FUN LEAGUE

RESULTS: The Circus def. St. John's Blaze 7-6, Kolberg Pioneer Roadrunners def. Sacred Heart 15-4, Ear, Nose & Throat Associates def. Choppers 12-2

STANDINGS: Main Street Pub 2-0, Ear Nose & Throat Associates 2-0, The Circus 2-0, Kolberg Pioneer Roadrunners 2-1, Help Wanted 0-1, Larry's Heating & Cooling 0-1, Sacred Heart 0-1, St. John's Blaze 0-2, Choppers 0-2, Affordable Self Storage 0-0

BASEBALL

COLLEGE WORLD SERIES

At TD Ameritrade Park Omaha, Omaha, Neb.

Saturday, June 14
UC Irvine 3, Texas 1
Vanderbilt 5, Louisville 3
Sunday, June 15
TCU 3, Texas Tech 2
Virginia 2, Mississippi 1
Monday, June 16
Texas 4, Louisville 1, Louisville eliminated
Game 6 — UC Irvine (41-23) vs. Vanderbilt (47-19), 7 p.m.
Tuesday, June 17
Game 7 — Texas Tech (45-20) vs. Mississippi (46-20), 2 p.m.
Game 8 — TCU (48-16) vs. Virginia (50-14), 7 p.m.
Wednesday, June 18
Game 9 — Texas (44-20) vs. Game 6 loser, 7 p.m.
Thursday, June 19
Game 10 — Game 7 winner vs. Game 8 loser, 7 p.m.
Friday, June 20
Game 11 — Game 6 winner vs. Game 9 winner, 2 p.m.
Game 12 — Game 8 winner vs. Game 10 winner, 7 p.m.
Saturday, June 21
x-Game 13 — Game 6 winner vs. Game 9 winner, 2 p.m.
x-Game 14 — Game 8 winner vs. Game 10 winner, 7 p.m.
If only one game is necessary, it will start at 7:30 p.m.
Championship Series (Best-of-3)
Monday, June 23
Pairings TBA, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, June 24
Pairings TBA, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, June 25
x-Pairings TBA, 7 p.m.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	41	30	.577	—
New York	35	33	.515	4 1/2
Baltimore	35	34	.507	5
Boston	32	38	.457	8 1/2
Tampa Bay	28	43	.394	13
Central Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Detroit	36	29	.554	—
Kansas City	36	32	.529	1 1/2
Cleveland	36	35	.507	3
Chicago	33	37	.471	5 1/2
Minnesota	32	36	.471	5 1/2
West Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Oakland	42	27	.609	—
Los Angeles	37	32	.536	5
Seattle	35	34	.507	7
Texas	34	35	.493	8
Houston	32	39	.451	11

Sunday's Games
Detroit 4, Minnesota 3
Cleveland 3, Boston 2, 11 innings
Toronto 5, Baltimore 2
Kansas City 6, Chicago White Sox 3
Tampa Bay 4, Houston 3
Oakland 10, N.Y. Yankees 5
Seattle 5, Texas 1
L.A. Angels at Atlanta, 7:05 p.m.
Monday's Games
Cleveland 4, L.A. Angels 3
Kansas City at Detroit, 7:08 p.m.
Tampa Bay 5, Baltimore 4
Boston 1, Minnesota 0
Texas at Oakland, 10:05 p.m.
San Diego at Seattle, 10:10 p.m.
Tuesday's Games
San Diego at Seattle, 2:40 p.m.
Houston at Washington, 6:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels at Cleveland, 6:05 p.m.
Toronto at N.Y. Yankees, 6:05 p.m.
Kansas City at Detroit, 6:08 p.m.
Baltimore at Tampa Bay, 6:10 p.m.
Minnesota at Boston, 6:10 p.m.
San Francisco at Chicago White Sox, 7:10 p.m.
Texas at Oakland, 9:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	35	32	.522	—
Miami	35	33	.515	1/2
Washington	35	33	.515	1/2
New York	31	38	.449	5
Philadelphia	29	38	.433	6
Central Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Milwaukee	41	29	.586	—
St. Louis	37	32	.536	3 1/2
Pittsburgh	34	35	.493	6 1/2
Cincinnati	33	35	.485	7
Chicago	28	39	.418	11 1/2
West Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
San Francisco	43	27	.614	—
Los Angeles	37	34	.521	6 1/2
Colorado	34	35	.493	8 1/2
San Diego	29	40	.420	13 1/2
Arizona	30	42	.417	14

Sunday's Games
Miami 3, Pittsburgh 2, 10 innings
N.Y. Mets 3, San Diego 1
Chicago Cubs 3, Philadelphia 0
Cincinnati 13, Milwaukee 4
St. Louis 5, Washington 2
Colorado 8, San Francisco 7
Arizona 6, L.A. Dodgers 3
L.A. Angels at Atlanta, 7:05 p.m.
Monday's Games
Chicago Cubs (Hammel 6-4) at Miami (Koehler 5-5), 6:10 p.m.
Philadelphia (Hamels 2-3) at Atlanta (Teheran 6-4), 6:10 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (deGrom 0-3) at St. Louis (C.Martinez 0-3), 7:10 p.m.
Milwaukee (W.Peralta 6-5) at Arizona (McCarthy 1-9), 8:40 p.m.
Colorado (Matzek 1-0) at L.A. Dodgers (Ryu 7-3), 9:10 p.m.
San Diego (T.Ross 6-5) at Seattle (C.Young 5-4), 9:10 p.m.
Tuesday's Games
San Diego at Seattle, 2:40 p.m.
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, 6:05 p.m.
Houston at Washington, 6:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs at Miami, 6:10 p.m.
Philadelphia at Atlanta, 6:10 p.m.
San Francisco at Chicago White Sox, 7:10 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at St. Louis, 7:15 p.m.
Milwaukee at Arizona, 8:40 p.m.
Colorado at L.A. Dodgers, 9:10 p.m.

SOCCER

WORLD CUP GLANCE

FIRST ROUND
GROUP G

	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
Germany	1	0	0	4	0	3
United States	1	0	0	2	1	3
Ghana	0	1	0	1	2	0
Portugal	0	1	0	0	4	0

Monday, June 16
At Salvador, Brazil
Germany 4, Portugal 0
At Natal, Brazil
United States 2, Ghana 1
Saturday, June 21
At Fortaleza, Brazil
Germany vs. Ghana, 2 p.m.
Sunday, June 22
At Manaus, Brazil
Portugal vs. United States, 5 p.m.
Thursday, June 26
At Recife, Brazil
Germany vs. United States, 11 a.m.
At Brasilia, Brazil
Portugal vs. Ghana, 11 a.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE — Suspended Boston LHP Miguel Pena (Portland-EL) 100 games a third positive test for a drug of abuse in violation of the Minor League Drug Prevention and Treatment Program.

American League

CLEVELAND INDIANS — Optioned LHP T.J. House to Columbus (IL). Recalled RHP Mark Lowe from Columbus. Agreed to terms with LHP Justus Sheffield.

MINNESOTA TWINS — Released OF Jason Kubel.

OAKLAND ATHLETICS — Optioned INF Andy Parrino to Sacramento (PCL). Reinstated INF Alberto Callaspo from paternity leave. Assigned RHP Marcus Walden outright to Midland (TL). Agreed to terms with 3B Matt Chapman on a minor league contract.

TEXAS RANGERS — Promoted Jim Cochrane to senior vice president, partnerships and client services.

National League

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Placed RHP Bronson Arroyo on the 15-day SL. Recalled OF Roger Kieschnick from Reno (PCL).

MIAMI MARLINS — Designated LHP Randy Wolf and RHP Kevin Slowey for assignment. Placed OF Christian Yelich on the 15-day DL, retroactive to Saturday. Optioned INF Donovan Solano to New Orleans (PCL). Transferred C Jarrod Saltalamacchia to the 15-day DL and sent him to Jupiter (FSL) for a rehab assignment. Selected the contract of LHP Andrew Heaney from New Orleans. Recalled RHP Anthony DeSclafani, OF Jake Marisnick and 1B Justin Bour from New Orleans. Agreed to terms with RHPs Tyler Kolek, Nick White, Connor Overton, Steven Farnworth, Justin Hepner, Nick Williams, Kyle Fischer and Gregory Greve; LHPs Christian MacDonald, Kyle Porter, Michael Mader, Alan Scott and James Buckelew; Cs Blake Anderson and Brad Haynal; SS Justin Twine; 2B Ryan Cranmer; and 1B Austen Smith on minor league contracts.

NEW YORK METS — Optioned OF Andrew Brown to Las Vegas (PCL). Reinstated OF Eric Young Jr. from the 15-day DL.

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES — Placed OF Tony Gwynn Jr. on the bereavement list. Recalled OF Aaron Altherr from Reading (EL).

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS — Optioned RHP George Kontos to Fresno (PCL). Reinstated RHP Santiago Casilla from the 15-day DL. Agreed to terms with OF Daniel Carbonell on a four-year contract.

Frontier League

EVANSVILLE OTTERS — Released INF Stephen Rodgers.

NORMAL CORNBELTERS — Signed INF Michael Small.

RIVER CITY RASCALS — Sold the contract of INF Matt Reida to the Tampa Bay Rays.

WASHINGTON WILD THINGS — Released 2B Nick Ratajczak.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

DALLAS COWBOYS — Signed OL Zack Martin to a four-year contract.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Released TE Kyle Auffray.

NEW YORK GIANTS — Signed OT Jay Bromley and LB Terrell Manning.

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS — Released DE Kenneth Boatright and QB Keith Price. Signed RB Demitrius Bronson and DT Kevin Williams.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS — Signed associate coach Craig Hartsburg, goaltending coach Ian Clark and development coach Chris Clark to multi-year contract extensions. Signed assistant coach Brad Larsen to a multiyear contract. Named Jared Bednar coach of Springfield (AHL).

EDMONTON OILERS — Agreed to terms with F Iiro Pakarinen on a two-year, entry-level contract.

NASHVILLE PREDATORS — Renewed its affiliation with Cincinnati (ECHL).

NEW YORK ISLANDERS — Promoted Doug Weight to assistant general manager as well as remaining as an assistant coach. Named Greg Cronin assistant coach.

COLLEGE

CASTLETON — Named Nicole Kondziela women's volleyball coach.

NOTRE DAME — Suspended RB/WR Will Mahone indefinitely from the football team.

OKLAHOMA STATE — Announced men's basketball G G Anthony Hickey is transferring from LSU and has been granted eligibility by the NCAA for the upcoming season.

SAN JOSE STATE — Named Dan Muscatell women's assistant basketball coach.

AREA CALENDAR

Tuesday, June 17
BASEBALL, LEGION Yankton Juniors at Brandon Valley (DH, 5 p.m.)
BASEBALL, TEENER Yankton Lakers at S.F. East (DH, 5 p.m.); S.F. West at Yankton Reds (DH, 5 p.m.)
SOFTBALL, GIRLS Norfolk Golden Girls at Yankton Fury Red (DH, 6:30 p.m., Summit North); Elk Point U-12 vs. Yankton Fury Wildcats (DH, 6 p.m., Summit South); Alcester U-14 vs. Yankton Shamrocks (DH, 6:30 p.m., Riverside)
Wednesday, June 18
BASEBALL, AMATEUR Vermillion Grey Sox at Beresford Blues (7:30 p.m.)
BASEBALL, LEGION Yankton Juniors at S.F. West (DH, 5 p.m.); Scotland at Tabor (7 p.m.)
BASEBALL, TEENER S.F. West at Yankton Lakers (DH, 5 p.m.)
Thursday, June 19
BASEBALL, AMATEUR Avon at Tabor (7:30 p.m., KVHT-FM); Irene at Menno (7:30 p.m.); Lesterville at Crofton (7:30 p.m.)
BASEBALL, LEGION Yankton at South Sioux City (DH, 6 p.m.)
BASEBALL, TEENER Brandon Valley at Yankton Reds (DH, 5 p.m.)
GOLF, SDGA Junior Tour at Prairie Winds GC, Watertown; Junior Tour at Arrowhead GC, Rapid City
SOFTBALL, GIRLS Fury White vs. Fury Wildcats (DH, 6 p.m., Summit North); Hurley U-14 vs. Yankton Shamrocks (DH, 6 p.m., Summit South); Norfolk Kelley's vs. Yankton Crush (DH, 6:30 p.m., Riverside)
Friday, June 20
BASEBALL, AMATEUR Scotland at Wynot (7:30 p.m.); Yankton at Freeman (7:30 p.m.)
BASEBALL, LEGION First Dakota Classic at Yankton (Dakota Valley vs. Yankton, 10:30 a.m.; Dakota Valley vs. Crofton, 12:45 p.m.; Crofton vs. Burke, 3 p.m.; Burke vs. Chamberlain, 5:15 p.m.; Chamberlain vs. Yankton, 7:30 p.m.)
BASEBALL, TEENER Renner Tourn. (Yankton Lakers)
SOCCER, YOUTH Yankton Inv.
Saturday, June 21
BASEBALL, LEGION First Dakota Classic at Yankton (Burke vs. Yankton, 10:30 a.m.; Dakota Valley vs. Burke, 12:45 p.m.; Dakota Valley vs. Chamberlain, 3 p.m.; Crofton vs. Chamberlain, 5:15 p.m.; Crofton vs. Yankton, 7:30 p.m.)
BASEBALL, TEENER Renner Tourn. (Yankton Lakers)
GOLF, SDGA Husband-Wife & Senior Husband-Wife Championship at Rocky Run GC, Dell Rapids
SOFTBALL, GIRLS Lowell Rang Tourn. at Mitchell (Yankton Spitfire, Yankton Xtreme, Yankton Crush, Yankton Fury Red, Yankton Fury White)
SOCCER, YOUTH US Youth Soccer Region II Championships at Beavercreek, Ohio (Yankton Rebels)
SWIMMING, YOUTH Yankton Charity Inv.
Sunday, June 22
BASEBALL, AMATEUR Canton Aces at Vermillion Grey Sox (2 p.m.); Avon at Scotland (7:30 p.m.); Crofton at Yankton (7:30 p.m.); Irene at Freeman (7:30 p.m.); Menno at Tabor (7:30 p.m.); Wynot at Lesterville (7:30 p.m.)
BASEBALL, TEENER Renner Tourn. (Yankton Lakers); Mitchell at Yankton Reds (DH, 1 p.m.)
GOLF, SDGA Husband-Wife & Senior Husband-Wife Championship at Rocky Run GC, Dell Rapids
SOFTBALL, GIRLS Lowell Rang Tourn. at Mitchell (Yankton Spitfire, Yankton Xtreme, Yankton Crush, Yankton Fury Red, Yankton Fury White)
SOCCER, GIRLS US Youth Soccer Region II Championships at Beavercreek, Ohio (Yankton Rebels); Yankton Inv.
SWIMMING, YOUTH Yankton Charity Inv.
Monday, June 23
BASEBALL, LEGION Yankton Juniors at Norfolk (DH, 5 p.m.); Wagner at Tabor (7 p.m.)
BASEBALL, TEENER Yankton Reds at Renner (DH, 5 p.m.)
GOLF, SDGA Junior Tour at Lee Park GC, Aberdeen
SOCCER, GIRLS US Youth Soccer Region II Championships at Beavercreek, Ohio (Yankton Rebels)

Baseball: Tabor Wins 9-8

TABOR — Scott Van Winkle singled twice and Hunter Young piched six innings to lead Tabor past McCook-Miner 9-8 in American Legion baseball action Monday night in Tabor.

Young struck out seven batters and allowed 10 hits, while Zach Sutera and Austin Kaul came on in relief.

Joe Jaeger doubled for Tabor, which had nine hits in the win.

McCook-Miner got two hits apiece from Levi Doyle and Luke Loudenberg. Anthony Tuschen pitched seven innings.

Tabor hosts Scotland on Wednesday night at 7 p.m.

Amateurs: Crofton 3, Wynot 2

WYNOT, Neb. — The Crofton Bluejays overcame a 2-0 deficit and a Wynot triple play to beat the Expos 3-2 in South Central League amateur baseball action on Sunday.

The Expos turned a triple play in the third, when a Crofton batter lined to second baseman Scott Morrison, who flipped the ball to shortstop Matt Hames for the second out. Hames tossed the ball to first baseman Danny Melena to end the inning.

Aaron Losing, Carl Schieffer and Mason Mueller each had two hits for Crofton.

Chase Rolfes had three of Wynot's seven hits. He also drove in a run.

Rand Thygeson, who struck out four batters in three innings of shutout relief, picked up the win. Seth Erdmann started, striking out seven Expos in the first six innings.

Eric Hames went the distance in the loss, striking out five.

Crofton, which remained unbeaten in SCL play, hosts Lesterville on Thursday. Wynot hosts Scotland on Friday.

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Seth Erdmann, Rand Thygeson (7) and Carl Schieffer; Eric Hames and Kyle Wiepen

World Cup

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was also a sub, coming on for the hobbling Alejandro Bedoya in the second half.

By the time of the final whistle, the U.S. lineup had Brooks in central defense and a virtually invisible 23-year-old Aron Johannsson at forward.

The Americans "showed a lot of heart, a lot of character," Dempsey said.

Now the odds favor advancement. But that might depend on which players are able to make it on the field for Sunday's game against Portugal in the hot and humid Amazon rain forest capital of Manaus.

"This win means nothing unless we're able to build upon it the next two games," Dempsey said.

Gwynn

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hits, a career .338 average and won eight NL batting titles. He excelled at hitting singles the other way, through the "5.5 hole" between third base and shortstop.

Gwynn's wife, Alicia, and other family members were at his side when he died, Boggs said.

Gwynn's son, Tony Jr., was in Philadelphia, where he plays for the Phillies.

"Today I lost my Dad, my best friend and my mentor," Gwynn Jr. tweeted. "I'm gonna miss u so much pops. I'm gonna do everything in my power to continue to ... Make u proud!"

Gwynn had two operations for cancer in his right cheek between August 2010 and February 2012. The second surgery was complicated, with surgeons removing a facial nerve because it was intertwined with a tumor inside his right cheek. They grafted a nerve from Gwynn's neck to help him eventually regain facial movement.

Gwynn had said he believed the cancer was from chewing tobacco.

Gwynn had been in and out of the hospital and had spent time in a rehab facility, Boggs said.

"For more than 30 years, Tony Gwynn was a source of universal goodwill in the national pastime, and he will be deeply missed by the many people he touched," Commissioner Bud Selig said.

SCL

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sustained success, especially at the South Dakota state tournament, he added — Crofton won a state title in 2011 and lost in the title game in 2012.

"That's one thing we're trying to find as a team, that attitude," Rolfes said. "We want to get that swagger back. That feeling like nobody's going to beat us tonight."

Crofton, he said, has that.

"And rightfully so," Rolfes said. "They know what it takes to win. We just need to get over that hump."

The two teams played Sunday night in Wynot, with the Bluejays rallying from a 2-0 deficit to win 3-2.

"Unfortunately they've had our number the last couple years, but I feel like we're right there," Rolfes said. "It's just a play or two here or there."

And with Rolfes in the lineup, the Expos know they can get those plays made, Lee Heimes said.

"He does a great job getting on base, and when he does, we know he can get to second," Heimes said. "He made a commitment to the team, and we think he's one of the best outfielders in the league."

Three Straight For Freeman

Following three consecutive SCL losses to open the season (including being outscored 30-7), the Freeman Black Sox have won three straight behind solid pitching.

The roller-coaster season to this point has vaulted Freeman to 3-3 in the league.

• In an 8-5 win over Avon on May 30, Brett Scherschligt went the distance on the mound, allowing five runs (3 earned) with three strikeouts.

• A week later, on June 6, Lee Scherschligt pitched a complete game 1-hit shutout over Scotland. He struck out 13 batters.

• Then on Sunday night in Menno, Austin Smidt and Lee Scherschligt combined on a 6-hitter. Smidt took a shutout into the seventh and Scherschligt finished for the save.

Freeman hosts Yankton on Friday night at 7:30 p.m.

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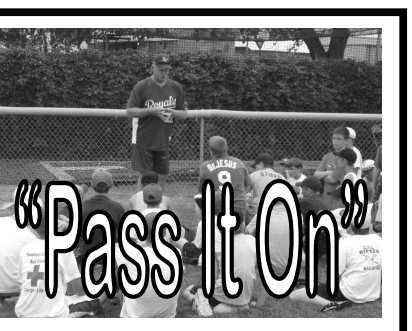

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