

PHOTO OF THE DAY

Haas Alumni Game



Red team coach Doug Nelson, in Hawaiian shirt, tries to sneak former Yankton High School and current University of Minnesota player Cotton Iverson (left) into the lineup during the Haas Scholarship alumni game Saturday, part of the celebration of the Roger Haas Tournament 20th anniversary.

AREA DIGEST

Nebraska Statewide Amateur Baseball League Deadline Looms

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Baseball's not just for kids, but if adults want to play in Nebraska, they have to sign up soon.

YSSA Coaches Meeting Tuesday

The Yankton Youth Soccer Association will hold coaches meetings on Tuesday, March 30, at the Summit Activities Center.

P&D Sports Live Chat Wednesday

Press & Dakotan sports editor James D. Cimbrek and assistant sports editor Jeremy Hoeck will host a live chat on Wednesday afternoons.

AREA CALENDAR

- Monday, March 29
BASEBALL, COLLEGE IHMC at Nebraska Wesleyan (DH, 1 p.m.)
BASEBALL, HS CLUB Platte-Geddes-Dakota Christian at Winner-Cosmo (5 p.m.)
GOLF, BOYS Crofton at Wayne
SOFTBALL, COLLEGE Dakota State at MMC (DH, 4 p.m.)
TRACK, PREP Dan Lannon Class A Meet at Vermillion (YHS, Vermillion, 12:30 p.m.)
Tuesday, March 30
GOLF, BOYS Niobrara Tri. (Niobrara, Verdigris, 4 p.m.)
SOFTBALL, COLLEGE Northwestern at MMC (DH, 4 p.m.)
TRACK, PREP Dan Lannon Class B Meet at Vermillion (Alcoster-Hudson, Andes Central, Beresford, Centerville, Dakota Valley, Elk Point-Jefferson, Egan-Parkston, Freeman Academy, Gayville-Volin, Irene-Wakonda, Marion, Scotland, noon); Hartington Cedar Catholic Inv. (Crofton, Hartington, Hartington CC, Verdigris, Wynot, 1 p.m.); Laurel-Concord Relays (Laurel-Concord, 1 p.m.)
Wednesday, March 31
BASEBALL, COLLEGE MMC at Dakota State (4 p.m.)

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BALL

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pitched an inning of shutout relief.

Club Soph

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FOUR

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into the fieldhouse and at least mouth the word, "Hickory," Stevens said, conjuring the name of the movie's fictional high school.

pitching recorded 10 strikeouts in an 8-1 victory over Vermillion in sophomore baseball action Sunday at Riverside Stadium.

the Final Four. (None made it in 2006, the year No. 11 George Mason captured America's imagination.)

SCOREBOARD
Men's Hoops
NCAA TOURN.
Regional Championship
EAST REGIONAL
Saturday, March 27
At The Carrier Dome, Syracuse, N.Y.
West Virginia 73, Kentucky 66
SOUTH REGIONAL
Sunday, March 28
At Reliant Stadium, Houston
Duke 78, Baylor 71
MIDWEST REGIONAL
Sunday, March 28
At Edward Jones Dome, St. Louis
Michigan State 70, Tennessee 69
WEST REGIONAL
Saturday, March 27
At Energy Solution Arena, Salt Lake City
Butler 63, Kansas State 56
FINAL FOUR
At Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis
National Semifinals
Saturday, April 3
Michigan State (28-8) vs. Butler (32-4), 5:07 p.m.
West Virginia (31-6) vs. Duke (33-5), 40 minutes following
NATIONAL INV. TOURN.
First Round
At Madison Square Garden, New York
Semifinals
Tuesday, March 30
Mississippi (24-10) vs. Dayton (23-12), 6 p.m.
North Carolina (19-16) vs. Rhode Island (28-9), 8:30 p.m.
COLLEGEINSIDER TOURN.
Championship
Tuesday, March 30
Pacific (23-11) at Missouri State (23-12), TBA
Women's Hoops
NCAA TOURN.
Regional Semifinals
DAYTON REGIONAL
Sunday, March 28
At University of Dayton Arena, Dayton, Ohio
Connecticut 74, Iowa State 36
Florida State 74, Mississippi State 71
MEMPHIS REGIONAL
Saturday, March 27
At FedExForum, Memphis, Tenn.
Baylor 77, Tennessee 62
Duke 66, San Diego State 58
SACRAMENTO REGIONAL
Saturday, March 27
At ARCO Arena, Sacramento, Calif.
Stanford 73, Georgia 36
Xavier 74, Gonzaga 56
KANSAS CITY REGIONAL
Sunday, March 29
At Sprint Center, Kansas City, Mo.
Oklahoma 77, Notre Dame 72, OT
Kentucky 76, Nebraska 67
Regional Championship
DAYTON REGIONAL
Tuesday, March 30
At University of Dayton Arena, Dayton, Ohio
Connecticut (36-0) vs. Florida State (29-5), 8 p.m.
MEMPHIS REGIONAL
Monday, March 29
At FedExForum, Memphis, Tenn.
Baylor (26-9) vs. Duke (30-5), 6 p.m.
SACRAMENTO REGIONAL
Monday, March 29
At ARCO Arena, Sacramento, Calif.
Stanford (34-1) vs. Xavier (30-3), 8 p.m.
KANSAS CITY REGIONAL
Tuesday, March 30
At Sprint Center, Kansas City, Mo.
Oklahoma (26-10) vs. Kentucky (28-7), 8 p.m.
The NHL
Friday's Games
Ottawa 4, Buffalo 2
Detroit 6, Minnesota 2
Anaheim 3, Edmonton 2
Saturday's Games
Detroit 1, Nashville 0, SO
Boston 5, Calgary 0
Pittsburgh 4, Philadelphia 1
Buffalo 7, Tampa Bay 1
Toronto 3, N.Y. Rangers 2
OT
New Jersey 4, Montreal 2
Ottawa 3, Florida 2
Atlanta 4, Carolina 0
N.Y. Islanders 4, Columbus 3, OT
Phoenix 6, Colorado 2
San Jose 4, Vancouver 2
Dallas 4, Los Angeles 1
Sunday's Games
Pittsburgh 5, Toronto 4, SO
Calgary 5, Washington 3
St. Louis 2, Edmonton 1
Philadelphia 3, New Jersey 1
Columbus 4, Chicago 2
San Jose 4, Colorado 3
Monday's Games
Buffalo at Boston, 6 p.m.
Carolina at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
Nashville at Florida, 6:30 p.m.
Los Angeles at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Dallas at Anaheim, 9 p.m.
ML Soccer
EASTERN CONFERENCE
W L T Pts GF GA
Kansas City 1 0 0 3 4 0
Columbus 1 0 0 3 2 0
New York 1 0 0 3 0 0
Chicago 0 1 0 0 1 1
New England 0 1 0 0 1 1
Toronto FC 0 1 0 0 2 2
Philadelphia 0 1 0 0 2 2
WESTERN CONFERENCE
W L T Pts GF GA
Seattle 1 0 0 3 2 0
Real Salt Lake 1 0 3 3 10
Colorado 1 0 0 3 1 0
Los Angeles 1 0 0 3 1 0
FC Dallas 0 1 1 1 1
Chivas USA 0 1 0 0 1 1
San Jose 0 1 0 0 0 3
NOTE: Three points for victory, one point for tie.
Friday's Game
Colorado 1, Chivas USA 0
Saturday's Games
Columbus 2, Toronto FC 0
FC Dallas 1, Houston 1, tie
New York 1, Chicago 0
Kansas City 4, D.C. United 0
Real Salt Lake 3, San Jose 0
Los Angeles 1, New England 0
Thursday, April 1
Real Salt Lake at Houston, 8 p.m.
Chivas USA at Los Angeles, 10 p.m.
Saturday, April 3
Chicago at Colorado, 3 p.m.
New England at D.C. United, 6:30 p.m.
New York at Seattle FC, 10:30 p.m.
The NBA
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division
W L Pct GB
Boston 47 26 .644 —
Toronto 35 37 .486 11 1/2
New York 26 46 .361 20 1/2
Philadelphia 26 47 .358 21
New Jersey 9 64 .123 38 9/2
Southeast Division
W L Pct GB
Orlando 52 22 .703 —
Atlanta 47 26 .644 1/2
Miami 44 34 .561 1/2
Charlotte 38 34 .528 1 1/2
Central Division
W L Pct GB
Washington 21 51 .292 30
Dallas 111 Golden State 90
Milwaukee 108
Cleveland 58 16 .784 —
Chicago 32 55 .367 17
Chicago 35 38 .479 22 1/2
Indiana 27 47 .365 31
Detroit 23 50 .315 34 1/2
WESTERN CONFERENCE
Southwest Division
W L Pct GB
San Antonio 44 28 .611 3 1/2
Memphis 38 35 .521 10
Houston 36 36 .500 11 1/2
New Orleans 34 40 .459 14 1/2
Northwest Division
W L Pct GB
San Antonio 44 28 .611 3 1/2
x-Utah 48 26 .649 —
Oklahoma City 44 28 .611 3
Portland 45 29 .608 3
Minnesota 14 60 .189 34
Pacific Division
W L Pct GB
x-Lakers 54 19 .740 —
Phoenix 47 26 .644 7
LA Clippers 27 46 .370 27
Sacramento 24 50 .324 30 1/2
Golden State 21 52 .288 33
x-clinched playoff spot; y-clinched division
Friday's Games
Charlotte 107, Washington 96
Indiana 122, Utah 106
Denver 97, Toronto 96
Philadelphia 105, Atlanta 98
Orlando 106, Minnesota 97
Boston 94, Sacramento 86
Oklahoma City 91, L.A. Lakers 75
New Jersey 118, Detroit 110
Miami 87, Milwaukee 74
San Antonio 102, Cleveland 97
Phoenix 132, New York 96
Saturday's Games
Utah 103, Washington 87
Chicago 106, New Jersey 83
Portland 112, New Orleans 81
LA Lakers 109, Houston 101
Dallas 111, Golden State 90
Sunday's Games
Milwaukee 108, Memphis 103, OT
Cleveland 97, Sacramento 90
Atlanta 94, Indiana 84
Chicago 110, Detroit 103
Miami 97, Toronto 94
Orlando 103, Denver 97
Phoenix 111, Minnesota 105
Portland 92, Oklahoma City 103
San Antonio 94, Boston 73
Golden State 121, L.A. Clippers 103
Monday's Games
Toronto at Charlotte, 6 p.m.
San Antonio at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at New Orleans, 7 p.m.
Denver at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
New York at Utah, 8 p.m.
Transactions
BASEBALL
American League
OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Agreed to terms with RHP Chad Gaudin. Reassigned C Anthony Recker to their minor league camp.
TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Released OF Joey Gathright. Reassigned OF OF Chris Lubanski and INF Brad Emaus to their minor league camp.
NATIONAL LEAGUE
ATLANTA BRAVES—Optioned OF Gregor Blanco to Gwinnett (IL).
PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Assigned OF John Mayberry Jr., INF Ozzie Chavez and C Dane Sardinha to their minor league camp.
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Agreed to terms with LHP Jeremy Affeldt on a one-year contract extension through 2011. RHP Brian Wilson on a two-year contract extension through 2012 and RHP Matt Cain on a three-year contract.
WASHINGTON NATIONALS—Optioned OF Justin Maxwell to Syracuse (IL).
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
MIAMI HEAT—Signed F Alade Amura to a 10-day contract.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS—Recalled C Trevor Frischon from Syracuse (AHL).
COLLEGE
IOWA—Named Fran McCaffrey men's basketball coach.
PITTSBURGH—Announced sophomore C Pepper Wilson, sophomore F Kate Popovic and sophomore G Sarah Ogoko have left the women's basketball camp.
SATURDAY'S TRANSACTIONS
BASEBALL
American League
DETROIT TIGERS—Placed RHP Zach Miner and LHP Bobby Stay on the 15-day DL retroactive to March 26. Optioned LHP Daniel Schlereth and OF Wilkin Ramirez to Toledo (IL). Assigned RHP Enrique Gonzalez, LHP Phil Dumatrai and C Max St. Pierre to their minor league camp.
KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Traded C Steve Lerud to Baltimore for a player to be named.
MINNESOTA TWINS—Optioned INF Matt Tolbert to Rochester (IL). Reassigned LHP Mike Maroth, C Danny Lehmann and OF Ben Revere to their minor league camp.
OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Optioned RHP Vin Mazzaro and 1B Chris Carter to Sacramento (PCL). Reassigned OF Michael Taylor to their minor league camp.
TEXAS RANGERS—Optioned LHP Derek Holland, RHP Brandon McCarthy and OF Craig Gentry to Oklahoma City (PCL) and RHP Ogando Alex to Frisco (Texas). National League
CHICAGO CUBS—Traded INF Andres Blanco to Texas for a player to be named or cash. Assigned RHP Mike Pavia outright to Iowa (PCL).
ST. LOUIS CARDINALS—Optioned RHP Adam Ottavino to Memphis (PCL).
NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION
NBA—Fired Dallas G. Caron Butler \$25,000 for directing inappropriate language toward fans on March 25.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING—Recalled D Vladimir Mihalik from Norfolk (AHL).

Pitching Carries USD Softball To GWC Sweep

FARMERS BRANCH, Tex. — Strong pitching performances from junior Mel Johnson and freshman Melissa Blackburn helped the University of South Dakota softball team sweep Houston Baptist, 2-1 and 1-0, in Great West Conference action Sunday in Farmers Branch, Texas.

USD managed just eight hits in the twinbill but made them count. In Game 1, USD's winning rally started in the sixth. Senior Callie Roan walked to lead off the inning. Sophomore Alexa Rudeen also walked. One out later, Johnson hit into a fielder's choice, with Roan being out at third.

Junior Jessica Lussman singled down the right field line, scoring redshirt freshman Kate Snow, who was pinch-running for Rudeen, and advancing Johnson to third. Lussman stole second, and senior Rachel Fricke walked to load the bases. Senior Dani Bahlmann walked to force in Johnson with the game-winning run.

USD did leave the bases loaded in the inning but had scored twice to take the lead. Johnson made the lead stand in earning her team-high fifth victory of 2010. The Huskies stranded 14 runners on base against Johnson. Bahlmann finished 1-for-2 with an RBI, while Lussman was 1-for-3 with an RBI. Roan, Rudeen and junior Alaina Novotny had hits for USD.

WOMEN

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The NHL

Tennessee (32-3) turned to its shooters for help but managed to hit only 32.9 percent. The Lady Vols allowed the Lady Bears a season-high 49.1 percent shooting.

ML Soccer

NO. 1 STANFORD 73, NO. 5 GEORGIA 36: SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Jayne Appel had 17 points and five rebounds in 24 minutes while playing on a tender right ankle and top-seeded Stanford rolled into the regional final Monday night against third-seeded Xavier.



Mount Marty shortstop Kassie Loe (left) shows the ball to the umpire after tagging out Doane runner Kayla Hochstein during the first game of their doubleheader Saturday afternoon at Riverside Park.

MMC

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Cardoza and Whitney Poole for the 2-1 lead. Mount Marty did have an error in the inning to keep Doane's rally alive.

The Lancers started off the bottom half of the inning with a walk from Bruns, but Mount Marty went out in order after that to seal Doane's 2-1 win.

"They started to put the ball in play, and we didn't make the plays defensively," said Fernandez about the seventh inning. "Any time you give a team an extra out, they are going to score. Unfortunately we hurt ourselves in the top of the seventh."

Loe took the loss after pitching three innings, giving up four hits and two runs.

Jenna Alswager picked up the win for Doane, and went six innings, giving up four hits and one earned run.

"Jenna is a freshman from Cali, and pitched well in the cold weather," Mosley said with a laugh. "Her parents even came to the game. Don't know why they picked this one."

The team will look to rebound today (Monday) against Dakota State with a doubleheader at home, starting at 4 p.m.

put the Mountaineers (31-6) in the Final Four for the first time in 51 years — back when West was their biggest star.

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