

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

MMC-Winnipeg Baseball For Today, Saturday Called Off

The four-game series between the Mount Marty and Winnipeg baseball teams, scheduled for today (Saturday) and Sunday in Yankton, has been cancelled due to poor weather conditions.

No makeup dates have been announced.

USD's Mettler Named Summit League Indoor Athlete Of Year

ELMHURST, III. — South Dakota's Jeff Mettler has been named the Summit League men's indoor track Athlete of the Year, according to an announcement by the league office on Friday.

Mettler, the 2013 Indoor Track Athlete of the Year, became the first track and field athlete in South Dakota school history to earn an Indoor Athlete of the Year award and was also the first Coyote to be named one of the indoor championship MVPs.

The Eureka native led his team to its first Summit League Indoor Track and Field title, marking the first league crown for USD in any sport. He won the mile (4:11.18) and the 3,000 meters (8:18.69) at the league championships and finished third in the 5,000 meters (14:40.28). The junior's 3,000-meter time marked a league and DakotaDome record. Mettler tallied a league-high three Athlete of the Week honors and finished the season with league-best times in the 3,000 meters (8:09.82) and 5,000 meters (14:08.74) and ranked third in the league in the mile (4:08.02).

North Dakota State's Deborah John was named the women's track Athlete of the year. Andy Lillejord of NDSU and Sami Spenner of Omaha earned men's and women's field event honors.

BY JAMES D. CIMBUREK

Wagner's Kokesh Reaches

major decision over Josh Asper of Maryland.

DES MOINES, Iowa - Nebraska 174-pounder Robert

Kokesh won his first three matches to assure All-Ameri-

can status at the NCAA Wrestling Tournament, which

began on Thursday at Wells Fargo Arena. The All-Ameri-

can status is the first for Kokesh, a sophomore from Wag-

Kokesh clinched All-American status with an 11-3

On Thursday, Kokesh opened with a pin of Penn's lan

VERMILLION - With five returning starters from a

squad that narrowly missed the Summit League Tourna-

ment, South Dakota head volleyball coach Matt Houk has

pieced together a challenging spring slate that will cer-

tainly raise the bar. The Coyotes dual with Creighton Sat-

urday, Nebraska next Saturday and compete in a

tournament hosted by UNI April 6 that will include Min-

nesota. The alumni game is April 20, just prior to USD's

it comes to Division I vollevball. Both finished with a rank-

ing in the top 10. Creighton was No. 24 at the end of the

year. Northern Iowa was in-and-out of the polls throughout

an example, South Dakota and Creighton will practice to-

gether Saturday and may play 4-6 sets depending on how

the day goes. The rosters are significantly smaller as the

senior class has moved on and the new recruits are yet to

Saint Louis 64, New Mexico State 44

WEST REGIONAL

At Wells Fargo Center, Philadelphia

Duke 73, Albany (N.Y.) 61

Creighton 67, Cincinnati 63

Spring skirmishes are less formal than fall matches. As

Nebraska and Minnesota are traditional powers when

Korb (4:08), then won an 8-3 decision over Ohio's Cody

USD Volleyball Spring Slate In-

cludes Nebraska, Minnesota

All-American Status

Walters in the second round.

annual spring football game.

2012.

ner

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In my 20-plus years of covering high school and college sports, I had never spent as much time with one team for one season as I did with the Avon basketball program this year.

Going in to the season, I was looking forward to the opportunity. Brad Poppe was a coach I had always respected, and I had a connection with the family because his wife. Shelly, had taught one of my little brothers back in Veblen. He is one of the coaches who has been in the area

> All-Summit League honoree Kendall Kritenbrink will be a junior this fall. Kritenbrink led the League in kills per set (4.3) and totaled 404 in all. She averaged nearly two digs

with

per set and was second on the team with 61 blocks. The Alumni Game is a fun way to conclude the spring. Some alumnae will have played at USD 6-7 years ago. Then there's this year's graduating senior class who will be chomping at the bit to perform again.

USD Spring Schedule: March 23, at Creighton, 1:30 p.m.; March 30, at Nebraska, 1 p.m.; April 6, at Northern lowa Tournament, 9 a.m.; April 20, Alumni Game at Coyote Den. 11 a.m

USD Women's Swimming & Diving Earns National Honor

VERMILLION — South Dakota women's swimming and diving has received College Swimming Coaches Association of America (CSCAA) Scholar All-American honors for the fall of 2012. The women held a 3.13 team GPA for the semester.

"This is a great honor for our program," said head coach Jason Mahowald. "It is an award that recognizes our hard work in the classroom. I am very proud of our ladies and all that they do in and outside of the pool."

The College Swimming Coaches Association of America presents the Team Scholar All-American award to college and university swimming and diving teams who have achieved a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or hiaher.

Yankton Gym Rat Basketball Camp June 4-5

Eastern Kentucky (25-9) at Evansville (19- p.m.

p.m.

The annual Gym Rat youth basketball camp will be held June 4-5 at the Stewart Elementary gym in Yankton. The camp is instructed by Yankton girls' basketball coach Doug Pesicka and his staff.

The day camp is open to boys and girls in grades 1-6. Sessions for grades 1-3 will run from 8:30-9:45 a.m. each day, with sessions for grades 4-6 from 9:45-11 a.m. each day. Each camp participant receives a camp t-shirt.

Registration deadline is June 3. Registrations and fees are due by June 3. Forms may be sent to Doug Pesicka, 300 E. 15th, Yankton, S.D., 57078. Contact Pesicka at 665-2019 or 661-1441 for more information.

Bowl-A-Thon April 6

Following Poppe An Educational Experience

longer than I have, and one that I felt I had a good working relationship

Thury put in to get ready was impressive. Practices were planned down

to the minute, with a strong emphasis on fundamentals - even late in

Second, I marveled at the way Poppe remained positive throughout

the season. Pregames and games were planned out in detail as well.

the season. Lalways knew he was an optimistic individual, but the way

he stayed upbeat through the challenges of not one but two seasons at

That said. I still learned plenty about this quality individual. First off, the amount of work he and assistants Amy Yost and Paul

> All Yankton-area youth in grades 1-5 are invited to participate in Big Friend Little Friend's 17th annual Bowl-athon, set for April 6 at the Yankton Bowl.

> Area sponsors invite kids to play two games of bowling, plus enjoy prizes, popcorn pop and fun. Door Prizes to be given away at event.

> There will be two sessions: at 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. This event is free to all participants. Put a team together, or make new friends.

> Registration forms were sent home to all area schools and can also be found online at bigfriendlittlefriend.org or by calling 665-6365.

CASA Half Marathon/5K July 13

SPEARFISH — The CASA Half Marathon and 5K Run/Walk is scheduled for Saturday, July 13, in Spearfish Canyon. The race is an annual fundraiser benefiting abused and neglected children in north-western South Dakota through the Northern Hills Area CASA

ers, friends, and family are encouraged to create a team of four or more members. Teams can dress up to showcase their company to vie for the Team Spirit award. Awards will be given to the team with the most members and the team with the fastest collective time based on their top three runners. For participants who want to do more to support the NHCASA organization, the Superhero award will be given to the team

For individual participants, medals are awarded to the top three male and female half marathon winners in eight age categories and top two male and female winners in each age category for the 5K. All

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Pacific Division

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New Orleans 90, Memphis 83

Detroit at Charlotte, 6 p.m. Toronto at New York, 6:30 p.m. Indiana at Chicago, 7 p.m. Boston at Memphis, 7 p.m.

Sacramento at Denver, 8 p.m

Sunday's Games Atlanta at Milwaukee, 2 p.m.

Washington at Golden State, 9:30 p.m. Brooklyn at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Dallas 104, Boston 94 San Antonio 104, Utah 97, OT Minnesota at Phoenix, 9 p.m. Washington at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

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half marathon participants receive a participation medal

Finally, he kept a balance between the teams, even when many would

No decision has been made about next year's Avon squads, but I

think it would not be like that. The Avon girls finished with nine more vic-tories, but he put the same effort in with the boys as he did the girls.

would not expect Poppe to be coaching both - simply because that is

a lot to ask of one individual. I am just happy that I had the opportunity

to be there to watch this season, and learn from one of the great coaches

the same time was impressive.

in the region.

Participants are encouraged to pre-register. You can do this online at www.nhcasa.org or print off a registration form to mail with your registration fee. For more information, call the Northern Hills CASA office in Spearfish at 722-4558 or visit the website.

Trader Camp Sessions Coming Up

YORK, Neb. — Mike Trader's Annual Mid-Americ Camp will conduct five individual sessions this summer. The overnight and commuter camps for boys will be held on June 23-26 at Central Community College (Platte Campus) in Columbus and July 21-24 at Doane College. Day Camps will be held for both boys and girls at Grand Island Central Catholic on May 28-31 and July 31 and a new day camp for boys and girls on July 7-10 at Hastings High. In addition, there will be overnight and commuter camps for girls at Central Community College in Columbus on June 23-26 and at Doane on July 21-24.

The individual camp is open to those 8 years old through 11th arade.

The camps will be held at Central Community College in Colum-bus, Doane College in Crete, Grand Island Central Catholic, and Hastings High. As mentioned the camp staff will include both top college and prep coaches, all experienced in basketball summer camp work. For more information and application forms call or e-mail Mike Trader at 402-960-8011 or mtrader@hastings.edu, or check out the amp website at www.traderscamp.com

The First Tee South Dakota Receives **USGA Grant**

SIOUX FALLS - The United States Golf Association (USGA) is continuing their longtime commitment to The First Tee through chap-ter grants. The First Tee of South Dakota is a 2013 recipient of the USĞA — The First Tee Regional Chapter Award which was \$16,667

This award program is for chapters in the network that would ben-efit from additional assistance to take their programs to the next level. The First Tee of South Dakota currently impacts over 10,500 youth annually in the communities of Sioux Falls, Aberdeen, Yankton, Water-town, Huron and Sioux Center, Iowa.

The First Tee of South Dakota (www.thefirstteesouthdakota.org), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit youth development organization whose mission is to impact the lives of young people by providing educational programs, instill life-enhancing values and promote healthy choices through the game of golf.

Indoor at Vermillion (10 a m)

11:30 a.m.)

No activities scheduled

Sunday, March 24

Monday, March 25 TRACK & FIELD, PREP Dan Lennon In-

door Class A at Vermillion (YHS, Vermillion

FOOTBALL

LB D.J. Williams on a one-year contract. CLEVELAND BROWNS — Signed TE

Kellen Davis and DB Chris Owens to one-year

Jamel Richardson to a three-year contract

Riley Nash to Charlotte (AHL).

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Michel Rizk.

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the paint, some are offensive re-

bounds. Coach P's philosophy is

we get a certain amount of deflec-

tions, we feel that we're in a capa-

Siva said. "We try to get as many

deflections as we can, slow down

the movement of passing. That's

really been our key for this year.

and we just continue to keep our

passing and moving team," Siva

our game, continue on slowing

ages just under 11 turnovers a

game, coach Larry Eustachy said

we're not a great play-making

team, we're not a great passing

down the ball and focus on that."

Though Colorado State aver-

What the Rams are is a smart

team, and that just might be the

most dangerous trait of all at this

"I've said this from day one,

we're built for this type of play,

this tournament play," Eustachy

we're getting back, we're protect-

to one shot, we're not giving up

easy shots, we're not taking bad

shots, we're not turning it over,

hopefully. So I think we're hard to

ing the basket, we're limiting teams

said. "If we're playing right ...

added. "We got to continue to play

"Colorado State, they're a good

pressure up.

team.'

time of year.

play against."

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G Nick Niedert.

HOCKEY

HOUSTON TEXANS — Signed S Ed Reed.

Canadian Football League MONTREAL ALOUETTES — Re-signed SB

National Hockey League CAROLINA HURRICANES — Reassigned

DALLAS STARS - Assigned F Alex Chias

MONTREAL CANADIENS — Recalled F

assignment. PHOENIX COYOTES — Assigned D Chris

Mike Blunden from Hamilton (AHL). NASHVILLE PREDATORS — Assigned F

Craig Smith to Milwaukee (AHL) on a condition

Summers to Portland (AHL). ST. LOUIS BLUES — Traded F Matt

D'Agostini and a conditional 2015 seventh-round

draft pick to New Jersey for a conditional 2015

Mark Owuya from Toronto (AHL) to Reading

F Sean Wiles to a professional tryout contract

and F Joey Diamond to an amateur tryout con-

ECHL

Shea to an amateur tryout agreement. Release

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Kevin Hartman. SEATTLE SOUNDERS — Signed D Ashani

COLLEGE

ANGELO STATE - Named Chris Beard

ALABAMA — Named Bill Battle athletic di

COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON - An

DOMINICAN (CALIF.) - Named Brandon

GEORGE MASON - Announced the resig

nation of women's basketball coach Jeri Porter. HOFSTRA — Fired men's basketball coach Mo Cassara. Named Patrick Sellers men's in-

NEW YORK RED BULLS - Signed G

h-round draft pick. TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS — Assigned G

American Hockey League BRIDGEPORT SOUND TIGERS — Signed

NORFOLK ADMIRALS — Released F Jean

GWINNETT GLADIATORS - Signed F

READING ROYALS — Signed D Bobby

National Football League CHICAGO BEARS — Agreed to terms with

AREA CALENDAR

Saturday, March 23 SOFTBALL, COLLEGE USD at IUPUI

a.m.); USD vs. Green Bay at Chicago TRACK & FIELD, COLLEGE OUT-

TRACK & FIELD, PREP Norm Herren

Charlotte at Miami, 5 p.m.

Utah at Dallas, 6:30 p.m.

Brooklyn at Phoenix, 7 p.m

Philadelphia at Sacramento, 7 p.m

TRANSACTIONS

American League MINNESOTA TWINS — Placed LHP Scott

mond and RHP Anthony Swarzak on the 15-

day DL. SEATTLE MARINERS — Optioned OF Car-

los Peguero to Tacoma (PCL). Reassigned RHP

Carson Smith and INF Nick Franklin to their

TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Claimed RHP Todd Redmond off waivers from Baltimore and optioned him to Buffalo (IL).

National League

CHICAGO CUBS — Optioned LHP Chris Rusin to their minor league camp. Assigned RHP Drew Carpenter, Jaye Chapman, RHP Casey Coleman, RHP Jensen Lewis, RHP Blake

Parker, INF Edwin Maysonet, INF Brad Nelson,

OF Brian Bogusevic, OF Johermyn Chavez and OF Darnell McDonald to their minor league

mando Galarraga to their minor league camp. FLORIDA MARLINS — Re-assigned OF

Christian Yelich, RHP Jonathan Albaladejo and C Jake Jeffries to their minor league camp. Op-tioned RHP Tom Koehler to New Orleans (PCL).

Bryan Morris to Indianapolis (IL). Reassigned INF Ivan DeJesus Jr. and INF Jared Goedert to

their minor league camp. WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Optioned

RHP Cole Kimball to Syracuse (IL). Re-assigned

RHP Jeremy Accardo to their minor league camp. Agreed to terms with LHP J.C. Romero on

American Association

LAREDO LEMURS - Released RHP Chris

Can-Am League NEW JERSEY JACKALS — Released INF

Frontier League EVANSVILLE OTTERS — Released LHP

Todd Hughson. ROCKFORD AVIATORS — Signed LHP

Nick Cicio to a contract extension. WASHINGTON WILD THINGS — Signed

BASKETBALL Women's National Basketball Association NEW YORK LIBERTY — Named Barbara

Farris Tai McWilliams-Franklin assistant

paches and Teresa Weatherspoon and Tamika

a minor league contract

RHP Quintavious Drains

Whitmore associate coaches

Pack

Nick Salotti.

PITTSBURGH PIRATES - Ontioned RHP

CINCINNATI REDS — Reassigned RHP Ar-

San Antonio at Houston, 6 p.m. Chicago at Minnesota, 6 p.m. Portland at Oklahoma City, 6 p.m.

(11 a.m.) TENNIS, WOMEN'S USD at Valparaiso

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SCOREBOARD

BASKETBALL

ROGER HAAS TOURN.

Here are the Friday results and Saturday pairings for the annual Roger Haas youth bas-ketball tournament for grades 6-8. Games will be played at the Summit Activities Center (SAC), Yankton Middle School (YMS) and Mount Marty College (MMC) Laddie E. Cimpl Arena. SIXTH GRADE BOYS

SUBWAY BLUE DIVISION nes at YMS Court B

FIRST ROUND: Vermillion 37, Yankton Rexall 8: Yankton Western Office Plus T-Wolves 34, Avon 11; Winner 39, Montrose Fighting Irish 22; HBC Patriots 29, Yankton Riverfront Dental Dev-SEMIFINALS: Vermillion vs. Western Office

SEMIFINALS: verminion vs. vrestent once Plus, 10 a.m.; Winner vs. HBC, 11 a.m.; CON-SOLATION: Rexall vs. Avon, 8 a.m.; Montrose vs. Riverfront Dental, 9 a.m. FIRST: Semifinal winners, 3 p.m.; THIRD: Semifinal losers, 2 p.m.; FIFTH: Consolation win-ners, 1 p.m.; SEVENTH: Consolation losers,

VISION REALTY RED DIVISION All Games at YMS Court A FRIDAY: Yankton Sapa Heat 45, Knights 39;

Elk Point-Jefferson 23, Colome Young Guns 18 SATURDAY: Sapa vs. Colome, 8 a.m.; Knights vs. Elk Point-Jefferson, 9 a.m.; Sapa vs. Elk Point-Jefferson, noon; Knights vs. Colome,

1 p.m. WILLCOCKSON EYE ASSOC. WHITE DIVI-

All Games at YMS Court A FRIDAY: Santee Warriors 35, Wynot Blue Devils 19; Gayville-Volin Raiders 31, Crofton Warriors 13 SATLIRDAY: Wynot ys Crofton 10 a m.

SantorDAT: Wynol Vs. Crolion, 10 a.m., Santee vs. Gayville-Volin, 11 a.m.; Wynot vs. Gayville-Volin, 2 p.m.; Santee vs. Crofton, 3 p.m. SIXTH GRADE GIRLS WILSON TRAILER BLUE DIVISION

All Games at YMS Court E

POOL A: Viborg 43, Yankton Sunrise Coffee 8; Yankton Sears Rockets 24, Sunrise Coffee 11; Sears vs. Viborg, 10 a.m. POOL B: HBC Patriots 28, Colome 9; Yank-

HBC vs. Hatch Furniture Zelles vs. Colome, 9 a.m.; HBC vs. Hatch Furniture, 11 a.m. CHAMPIONSHIP: Pool A first vs. Pool B

first, 3 p.m.; THIRD: Pool A second vs. Pool B p.m.: FIFTH: Pool A third vs. Pool B

Oregon 68, Oklahoma State 55 Friday, March 22 All Games at SAC Court B FIRST ROUND: Yankton Leader Const. Bucks 39, Osmond Tigers 33; Crofton Warriors 34, Hanson 9; Dell Rapids 38, Colome Cowboys 31; BBA Impact vs. Sanborn Central-Woonsocket, 8:30 p.m. SEMIFINALS: Leader Const. vs. BBA Im-

KOLOR ME KIDS RED DIVISION

pact-Sanborn Central Woonsocket winner, 10 a.m.; Dell Rapids vs. Crofton, 11 a.m.; CONSO-LATION: Leader Const.-Osmond loser vs. BBA Impact-Sanborn Central Woonsocket loser, 8 a.m.; Colome loser vs. Hanson, 9 a.m.

ton Winnelson Company 41, ORR Raiders 37 Saturday, March 23 SATURDAY: Game 4 - Menno vs. Avon, 8

a.m., Court F; Game 5 — Santee vs. Yankton Winnelson Company, 9 a.m., Court D; Game 6 - ORR Raiders vs. Game 4 winner, 11 a.m., Court A; Game 7 - Game 6 winner vs. Game 5 Court A, Game / — Game 6 winner vs. Game 9 – Game 4 loser vs. Game 6 loser is third): Game 9 – Game 4 loser vs. Game 6 loser, 2 p.m., Court D; CHAMPIONSHIP – Game 5 winner vs. Game 7 winner 3, p.m. Court D EIGHTH GRADE GIRLS

LEWIS & CLARK SPECIALTY HOSPITAL RED DIVISION All Games at SAC Court C FIRST ROUND: Crofton 36, Beresford 16; Wynot 23. Yankton Paul's Qwik Stop Blizzards 20: Sanborn Central-Woonsocket 28. Gavville in 17; Pierre 48, Spalding Catholic-Remsen Mary's 17

SchildrinkLS. wynot vs. Januari John Januari Woonsocket, 10 a.m.; Crofton vs. Spalding Catholic-Remsen St. Mary's, 11 a.m.; CONSO-LATION: Pau's Qwik Stop vs. Gayville-Volin, 8 a.m.; Beresford vs. Spalding Catholic-Remsen Character Com

ners, 1 p.m.; SEVENTH: Consolation losers,

FIRST: Semifinal winners, 3 p.m.; THIRD: Semifinal losers, 2 p.m.; FIFTH: Consolation winners, 1 p.m.; SEVENTH: Consolation losers, Ohio State 95, Iona 70 Notre Dame (25-9) vs. Iowa State (22-11), At The Sprint Center, Kansas City, Mo. Mississippi 57, Wisconsin 46

At HP Pavilion, San Jose, Calif. minutes following Sunday, March 24

St. Mar SEMIFINALS: Wynot vs. Sanborn Central-

St. Mary's loser, 9 a.m. FIRST: Semifinal winners, 3 p.m.; THIRD; Semifinal losers, 2 p.m.: FIFTH: Consolation win-

noon SLUMBERLAND WHITE DIVISION All Games at SAC Court A FRIDAY: Bloomfield 23, Parkston 17; Ponca

ston, 1 p.m

Wednesday, March 20

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Thursday, March 21

At Rupp Arena, Lexington, Ky.

Louisville 79. N.C. A&T 48

James Madison 68, LIU Brooklyn 55

SECOND ROUND EAST REGIONAL

La Salle 80 Boise State 71

At Rupp Arena, Lexington, Ky. Butler 68, Bucknell 56 Marquette 59, Davidson 58 At HP Pavilion, San Jose, Calif.

California 64, UNLV 61

At UD Arena, Dayton, Ohio

Miami 78 Pacific 49

Svracuse 81. Montana 34

Temple 76, N.C. State 72

At The Erwin Center, Austin, Texas

At The Palace of Auburn Hills. Mich.

Indiana 83, James Madison 62

SOUTH REGIONAL

Michigan 71, South Dakota State 56 VCU 88, Akron 42

At Wells Fargo Center, Philadelphia Florida Gulf Coast 78, Georgetown 68

At The Sprint Center, Kansas City, Mo.

Kansas (29-5) vs. Western Kentucky (20

Florida (26-7) vs. Northwestern State (23-8).

UCLA (25-9) vs. Minnesota (20-12), 30 min-

MIDWEST REGIONAL

North Carolina 78, Villanova 71

At The Erwin Center, Austin, Texas

30 minutes following

Thursday, March 21 At EnergySolutions Arena, Salt Lk City Wichita State 73, Pittsburgh 55 Gonzaga 64, Southern 58 Arizona 81, Belmont 64 Harvard 68, New Mexico 62 Friday, March 22 At UD Arena, Davton, Ohio

MIDCONTINENT WHITE DIVISION

All Games at SAC FRIDAY: Game 1 — Yankton Winnelson Company 46, Menno 18; Game 2 — Santee Warriors 60, Avon Pirates 28; Game 3 — Yank-

At Rupp Arena, Lexington, Ky.

At UD Arena, Dayton, Ohio Indiana (28-6) vs. Temple (24-9) At The Erwin Center, Austin, Texas

UCLA-Minnesota winner

At Rupp Arena, Lexington, Ky. Louisville (30-5) vs. Colorado State (26-8), 4:15 p.m.

La Salle 63, Kansas State 61 THIRD ROUND EAST REGIONAL Wednesday, March 20 Marquette (24-8) vs. Butler (27-8), 30 min-Syracuse (27-9) vs. California (21-11). 30 71. OT Monday, March 25 Miami (28-6) vs. Illinois (23-12) TBA SOUTH REGIONAL Saturday, March 23 At The Palace of Auburn Hills, Mich. TBA Michigan (27-7) vs. VCU (27-8), 11:15 a.m. Sunday, March 24 At Wells Fargo Center, Philadelphia Florida Gulf Coast (25-10) vs. San Diego State-Oklahoma winner At The Sprint Center, Kansas City, Mo. Kansas-Western Kentucky winner vs. North Carolina-Villanova winner At The Erwin Center, Austin, Texas Florida-Northwestern State winner vs. Saturday, March 23 11), 11:10 a.m MIDWEST REGIONAL Saturday, March 23

14), 12:30 p.m. Rider (19-14) at East Carolina (19-12), 4 utes following Canisius (19-13) at Youngstown St. (18-15), WOMEN'S BASKETBALL INV. 6:05 p.m. QUARTERFINALS Tulane (20-14) at Bradley (17-16), 7 p.m. Illinois-Chicago (18-15) at Northern Iowa Saturday, March 23 McNeese State at Elon, 1 p.m. Fairfield at Penn, 6 p.m. Sunday, March 24 (19-14), 7 p.m. Air Force (18-13) at Weber State (27-6), 8 College of Charleston at Detroit, 1 p.m. Sunday, March 24 Kent State (21-13) at Loyola (Md) (22-11), 2 South Dakota at Lamar, 3 p.m. WOMEN'S NIT Monday, March 25 First Round Wednesday, March 20 UC Irvine (21-15) at Oral Roberts (19-14), 7 COLLEGE BASKETBALL INV. FIRST ROUND Tuesday, March 19 George Mason 78, College of Charleston 77 Wyoming 67, Lehigh 66 Santa Clara 77, Vermont 67 Wright State 72, Tulsa 52 Richmond 76, Bryant 71 Western Michigan 72, North Dakota State Purdue 81, Western Illinois 67 Houston 73, Texas 72 QUARTERFINALS George Mason (19-14) vs. Houston (20-12), Santa Clara (22-11) vs. Purdue (16-17). Wright State (22-12) vs. Richmond (19-14), Wyoming (20-13) vs. Western Michigan (21-12), TBA NCAA WOMEN'S TOURNAMENT First Round OKLAHOMA CITY REGIONAL Friday, March 22 At Columbus, Ohio Oklahoma (22-10) vs. Central Michigan (21-UCLA (25-7) vs. Stetson (24-8), 30 minutes (20-11), 9 p.m. following

At Knoxville, Tenn, Syracuse (24-7) vs. Creighton (24-7), 10:20 Saturday, March 23

Washington Orlando Auburn 80, UAB 57 Eastern Illinois 60, Missouri 58 Charlotte BYU 69, Idaho State 54 Utah 56, Long Beach State 49 x-Indiana San Diego State 69, UC Santa Barbara 46 X-IIIulana Chicago Milwaukee Thursday, March 21 Toledo 63. Butler 49 Drexel 59, Iona 50 Detroit Harvard 61, Hartford 57 Cleveland WESTERN CONFERENCE Duquesne 71, Akron 66 Bowling Green 76, SMU 70 Boston U. 61, Sacred Heart 49 Fordham 55, Army 46 James Madison 77, NC A&T 64 x-San Antonio Memphis Houston NC State 60, Richmond 55 Dallas Davidson 82, Old Dominion 73 New Orlea Charlotte 79, Appalachian State 61 Florida 75, Florida International 68 Winthrop 65, Florida Gulf Coast 51 x-Oklahoma City Youngstown St. 63, Indiana State 51 x-Denver Utah Portland Kansas State 72, Texas Southern 44 Illinois 73, Miami (Ohio) 60 Western Kentucky 88, East Carolina 77 Minnesota Arkansas 67, Memphis 57 Tulane 65, Sam Houston State 57 Illinois State 63, IUPUI 47 x-L.A. Clippers Northern Colorado 71, Wyoming 63 San Diego 61, Hawaii 49 Golden State L.A. Lakers St. Mary's (Cal) 68, Seattle 51 Sacramento Phoenix Ball State 54, Minnesota 51 Northern Iowa 61, Marquette 59 Eastern Washington (19-12) at Washington Thursday's Games UALR (24-8) at Pacific (25-7), 9 p.m. Portland 99. Chicago 89 Denver 101, Philadelphia 100 Sacramento 101, Minnesota 98 Second Round Friday's Games New York 99, Toronto 94 (27 6) of DVI Tennessee (24-7) vs. Oral Roberts (18-12), Saturday, March 23-Monday, March 25 Indiana 102, Milwaukee 78 Toledo (28-3) vs. Youngstown St. (23-9) Oklahoma City 97, Orlando 89 Portland 104, Atlanta 93 Miami 103, Detroit 89 Houston 116, Cleveland 78

Dayton (27-2) vs. St. John's (18-12), 30 min-

(NHCASA) child advocacy program. New to the race is the Heroes 5K walk/ run team events. Co-work-

or individual raising the most pledges.

Michael State Stat Panthers, 10 a.m.

POOL B: En Fuego 17, Ethan 11; David City Aquinas vs. Ethan, 9 a.m.; En Fuego vs. David City Aquinas, 11 a.m. CHAMPIONSHIP: Pool A first vs. Pool B first, 3 p.m.; THIRD: Pool A second vs. Pool B

second, 2 p.m.; FIFTH: Pool A third vs. Pool B third, 1 p.m.: YANKTON MEDICAL CLINIC

WHITE DIVISION

All Games at YMS Court D FIRST ROUND: Yankton Royal Sport Shop Magic 31, Wynot 7; McCook Lacey's 34, Avon Pirates 14; EV Extreme 27, Wayne Hoopstars 15; SF Attack 23, LM Chargers 9

SEMIFINALS: Royal Sport Shop vs. Mc-iok, 10 a.m.; EV Extreme vs. SF Attack; CON-DLATION: Wynot vs. Avon, 8 a.m.; Wayne vs. LM Chargers, 9 a.m. FIRST: Semifinal winners, 3 p.m.; THIRD

Semifinal losers, 2 p.m.; FIFTH: Consolation winners, 1 p.m.; SEVENTH: Consolation losers,

SEVENTH GRADE BOYS PIZZA HUT RED DIVISION All Games at MMC Court B

FRIDAY: Yankton KYNT Wolves 63, Pierce 37; Harrisburg Tigers 46, Elk Point-Jefferson 52 SATURDAY: Elk Point-Jefferson vs. Pierce, 10 a.m.: KYNT vs. Harrisburg, 11 a.m.: KYNT vs.

Elk Point-Jefferson, 2 p.m.; Pierce vs. Harris burg, 3 p.m. SERENDIPITY WHITE DIVISION

All Games at SAC FRIDAY: Game 1 — Avon Pirates 35, Yankton Foot & Ankle 17; Game 2 — Osmond 26, Yankton Somsen Agency Thunder 15; Game 3 — Dell Rapids 54, Avon 23 SATURDAY: Game 4 — Game Yankton

Foot & Ankle vs. Yankton Somsen Agency Thunder, 9 a.m., Court E; Game 5 – Osmond vs. Dell Rapids, 10 a.m., Court A; Game 6 – Game 4 winner vs. Game 3 loser, 11 a.m., Court D; Game 7 — Game 6 winner vs. Game 5 loser, 1 p.m., Court E (loser is third place); Game 9 p.m., court E (loser is find place), carlie 3 – Game 4 loser vs. Game 6 loser, 2 p.m., Court E; CHAMPIONSHIP — Game 5 winner vs. Game 7 winner, 3 p.m., Court E SEVENTH GRADE GIRLS KAISER HEATING & COOLING

RED DIVISION

All Games at MMC Court A POOLA: Yankton Wells Fargo Fury 21, Winner 9; Wells Fargo vs. Cedar Catholic, 9 a.m.; Cedar Catholic vs. Winner, 11 a.m. POOL B: Hanson 28, Vermillion 20: Dell

Rapids 37, Hanson 26; Vermillion vs. Dell Rapids, 10 a.m. CHAMPIONSHIP: Pool A first vs. Pool B first. 4 p.m.; THIRD: Pool A second vs. Pool B econd, 2 p.m.; FIFTH: Pool A third vs. Pool B

third, 1 p.m. KENTUCKY FRIED CHICKEN WHITE DIVISION All Games on MMC Court B

FRIDAY: Menno 22, Yankton Motors Heat 9; Wagner Freier 24, Osmond 12 SATURDAY: Menno vs. Osmond, 8 a.m.; Mich. Yankton Motors vs. Wagner, 9 a.m.; Yankton Mo-tors vs. Osmond, noon; Menno vs. Wagner, 1

EIGHTH GRADE BOYS

At The Palace of Auburn Hills, Mich. Cash-it Cousins 26 SATURDAY: Cash-it Cousins vs. Parkston

Michigan State (26-8) vs. Memphis (31-4), minutes following 8 a.m.; Ponca vs. Bloomfield, 9 a.m.; Cash-it At HP Pavilion, San Jose, Calif. Cousins vs. Bloomfield, noon: Ponca vs. Park-Saint Louis (28-6) vs. Oregon (27-8), 6:10 p.m.

SMITH INS. BLUE DIVISION All Games at SAC FRIDAY: Game 1 — Cedar Hoops 19, Sunday, March 24 At Wells Fargo Center, Philadelphia Duke (28-5) vs. Creighton (28-7) WEST REGIONAL HRIUAY: Game 1 — Ceuar moups 19, Desmet Buildogs 17, Game 2 — South Central Cougars 22, Sioux Valley 14 SATURDAY: Game 3 — Avon Lady Pirates vs. Cedar Hoops, 8 a.m., Court D; Game 4 — DeSmet Buildogs vs. Sioux Valley, 8 a.m., Court Saturday, March 23 At EnergySolutions Arena, Salt Lk City Harvard (20-9) vs. Arizona (26-7), 5:10 p.m. Gonzaga (32-2) vs. Wichita State (27-8), 30 E; Game 5 — South Central Cougars vs. Game 3 winner, 10 a.m., Court D; Game 6 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 3 loser, 10 a.m., Court E; Game 7 — Game 6 winner vs. Game 5 loser, minutes following Sunday, March 24 At UD Arena, Dayton, Ohio noon, Court D (loser is third); Game 9 - Game

Ohio State (27-7) vs. Notre Dame-Iowa 4 loser vs. Game 6 loser, 2 p.m., Court A; CHAM-PIONSHIP — Game 5 winner vs. Game 7 win-ner, 3 p.m., Court A At The Sprint Center, Kansas City, Mo. La Salle (23-9) vs. Mississippi (27-8) NATIONAL INVITATION TOURN.

NCAA TOURNAMENT FIRST ROUND At UD Arena, Dayton, Ohio

SECOND ROUND Thursday, March 21 Maryland 62, Denver 52 Tuesday, March 19 N.C. A&T 73, Liberty 72 Saint Mary's (Cal) 67, Middle Tennessee 54 Friday, March 22 Arizona State (22-12) at Baylor (19-14), 7

Stony Brook (25-7) at Iowa (22-12), 8:30 Saturday, March 23 Stanford (19-14) at Alabama (22-12), 11

Sunday, March 24 St. John's (17-15) at Virginia (22-11), 10

Monday, March 25 bert Morris (24-10) at Providence (18-14), 6 p.m.

Mercer (24-11) at BYU (22-11), 8 p.m. Louisiana Tech (27-6) at Southern Missisoi (26-9), 9 p.m.

Saturday, March 26 or Sunday, March 27 Robert Morris-Providence winner vs. Ari-zona State-Baylor winner, TBA Southern Mississippi-Louisiana Tech winner

vs. BYU-Mercer winner, TBA Alabama-Stanford winner vs. Maryland (24-12), TBA Virginia-St. John's winner vs. Iowa-Stony

Brook winner, TBA

COLLEGEINSIDER.COM TOURN. FIRST ROUND Tuesday, March 19 San Diego State (22-10) vs. Oklahoma (20-30 minutes following

Eastern Kentucky 69, Gardner-Webb 62 Fairfield at Kent State, ppd., snow East Carolina 66, Savannah State 65 Rider 63, Hartford 54 Youngstown State 99, Oakland 87 Loyola (Md) 70, Boston U. 63

Evansville 84. Tennessee State 72 W۵ dnesday March 20 Canisius 69, Elon 53

SECOND ROUND

Kent State 73, Fairfield 71 Bradley 75, Green Bay 69 Tulane 84, South Alabama 73 Illinois-Chicago 80, Chicago State 69 Northern Iowa 77, North Dakota 66 Oral Roberts 84, UT Arlington 76

Colorado State 84 Missouri 72 At The Palace of Auburn Hills, Auburn Hills, Weber State 85, Cal Poly 43 UC Irvine 80, High Point 71 Air Force 69, Hawaii 65

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30 minutes follow Sunday, March 24 At Waco, Texas Florida St.(22-9) vs. Princeton (22-6), 4:10 p.m. Baylor (32-1) vs. Prairie View (17-14), 30 minutes following At Louisville, Ky. Purdue (24-8) vs. Liberty (27-6), 11:10 a.m. Louisville (24-8) vs. Middle Tennessee (25-

7), 30 minutes follow SPOKANE REGIONAL

Saturday, March 23 At Spokane, Wash. lowa State (23-8) vs. Gonzaga (27-5), 3:15

p.m. Georgia (25-6) vs. Montana (23-7), 30 min-

utes following At Lubbock, Texas California (28-3) vs. Fresno State (24-8),

3:30 p.m Texas Tech (21-10) vs. South Florida (21-10), 30 minutes following Sunday, March 24

At Stanford, Calif. Stanford (31-2) vs. Tulsa (16-16), 5:20 p.m. Michigan (21-10) vs. Villanova (21-10), 30 nutes following

At Baton Rouge, La. Penn State (25-5) vs. Cal Poly (21-10), 4:10

LSU (20-11) vs. Green Bay (29-2), 30 min-NORFOLK REGIONAL

Saturday, March 23 At Boulder, Colo.

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utes follo

South Carolina (24-7) vs. South Dakota State (25-7), 3:10 p.m. Colorado (25-6) vs. Kansas (18-13), 30 minutes following

At College Station, Texas Texas A&M (24-9) vs. Wichita State (24-9), 3:05 p.m. Nebraska (23-8) vs. Chattanooga (29-3), 30

minutes following Sunday, March 24 At lowa City Notre Dame (31-1) vs. UT-Martin (19-14),

4:05 p.m. Miami (21-10) vs. Iowa (20-12), 30 minutes

following At Durham, N.C. Duke (30-2) vs. Hampton (28-5), 11:05 a.m. Oklahoma State (21-10) vs. DePaul (21-11),

30 minutes following BRIDGEPORT REGIONAL

Saturday, March 23 At Storrs, Conn. Vanderbilt (20-11) vs. Saint Joseph's (23-8),

10:05 a.m. Connecticut (29-4) vs. Idaho (17-15), 30

minutes followin At College Park, Md. Maryland (24-7) vs. Quinnipiac (30-2), 10:15

a.m. .. Michigan State (24-8) vs. Marist (26-6), 30

minutes following Sunday, March 24 At Newark, Del.

candidate. Pay DOE

Delaware (30-3) vs. West Virginia (17-13), 11:15 a.m. North Carolina (28-6) vs. Albany (NY) (27-3), 30 minutes follow

At Queens, N.Y. Kentucky (27-5) vs. Navy (21-11), 11:05

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Florida (19-14) vs. Winthrop (21-12) Western Kentucky (22-10) vs. Auburn (17-14) Ball State (16-15) vs. Northern Iowa (17-16) Kansas State (16-17) vs. Illinois State (24-

Arkansas (19-12) vs. Tulane (23-8) Eastern Washington-Washington winner vs. LIAI R-Pacific winne

Utah (19-13) vs. San Diego (22-9) Saint Mary's (Cal) (21-10) vs. Northern Col-



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style as the Cardinals, but without the same blue-chip personnel. The eighth-seeded Rams, how-

ever. are a team unlike many Louisville has seen this year.

Colorado State (26-8) is averaging a little over 40 boards per game – no, that's not a misprint — and Colton Iverson is such a beast that, 27 minutes into Thursday night's game, he singlehandedly had Missouri outrebounded (13-11).

"We have to do a better job of on the glass," Peyton Siva said. "We haven't faced a team like this that rebounds with such tenacity.

The Cardinals know that, though. It's Colorado State's offense that is something of a mysterv.

The Rams use a motion offense much like Notre Dame — the same Notre Dame that beat the Cardinals in a five-overtime classic last month. Granted, Louisville won the next two meetings - handily but they'd had some time to prepare. Pitino and his staff have one day now.

"Pure motion is very difficult,"

Pitino said. "You have to have you don't get a whole lot of teams that.

"You can't choreograph your defense to stop certain options in one day because they run more freelance motion," he said. "So it is more difficult than the team that runs patterned sets and you can prepare for. They are very difficult to prepare for."

What might impress Pitino the most, however, is the Rams' maturity. They have six players back from the team that reached the NCAA tournament last year. Four of their five starters are seniors, and the fifth, Jon Octeus, is a redshirt sophomore.

The Rams appreciate not in awe of the Cardinals.

'We respect our opponent, but we feel like we're one of the best teams in the country and we believe in ourselves," Dorian Green we can beat anybody in the country. We just have to go out there and do it."

Louisville's pressure, which starts with Siva and Smith.

smart players who are triple-threat people, pass, catch and shoot, and like that. This is a team that can do

Louisville's reputation, but they're

said. "If we play well, we know that

The key to that will be handling

"Other teams chart (points) in