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Don't go crazy in celebrating Yankton's first state boys' basketball tournament berth in six vears. Don't throw a parade or call off school for a week. Don't buy up every balloon in town and throw a

Why? Because just going to state is not the ultimate goal of this Bucks' team. Even though it had been three years since the team's last 10-win season and six since its last winning season, the Bucks entered the 2013-14 campaign with the expectation that this season would be better. Even more, they did the work to make sure that would happen

Yes, there have been stumbles along the way. Coach Chris Haynes would tell you that he had hoped they would win more than 12 games during the regular season, and that some of those losses were

But while some outside the program complained about the new power points system, which put an

Don't Celebrate The Bucks Going To State ... Yet 11-win Sioux Falls Washington ahead of 12-win teams from both Brandon Valley and Yankton, the Bucks — for the most part — remained quiet and focused.

When it came time to prove themselves, the Bucks came out focused and determined, avenging two

losses the Brandon Valley with a convincing walloping of the Lynx.

The Bucks did lose in the District 2AA final, but they did prove that they could play with a Sioux Falls Lincoln team that handed Yankton its lone out-of-hand loss.

On Tuesday night, the Bucks survived a little adversity and beat a Watertown team — completing the difficult task of beating a team three times in one season.

The Bucks will be headed west, playing at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center March 20-22. And Coach Haynes and the squad has made it clear that the trip isn't a vacation, but a quest to do things that a Yankton boys' basketball team haven't done in a long time.

So don't celebrate the fact that Yankton is going to the state boys' basketball tournament. Go out to Rapid City, cheer on the Bucks and save the celebration for now.

Hopefully, until after a state championship.

SCOREBOARD

BASKETBALL

TUESDAY'S S.D. BOYS Falls O'Gorman 49

Yankton 55. Watertown 51 Region 2AA
Pierre 52, Rapid City Central 49
Sturgis 68, Aberdeen Central 56 Region 1A CHAMPIONSHIP: Sisseton 32, Ab-

Region 2A
CHAMPIONSHIP: Sioux Valley 56,

Clark/Willow Lake 50 Region 3A
CHAMPIONSHIP: Madison 55, Dell

Region 4A CHAMPIONSHIP: Tea Area 60, Ver

Region 5A CHAMPIONSHIP: Tri-Valley 59, Region 7A
CHAMPIONSHIP: Pine Ridge 69,

Region 1B Langford 74, Rosholt 30 Region 2B
Potter County 40, Hitchcock-Tulare

Region 3B

James Valley Christian 54, DeSmet Region 4B

Region 5B Centerville 54, Parker 50 Region 7B White River 63, Oelrichs 52 Region 8B Faith 58, McLaughlin 43

S.D. STATE AA GIRLS' TOURN. March 13-15 at Brookings First Round, March 13 S.F. Washington (20-2) vs. Harris-

burg (15-8), noon Sturgis (17-5) vs. Spearfish (16-5). Mitchell (21-1) vs. S.F. Roosevelt

O'Gorman (16-6) vs. R.C. Stevens (14-9), 7:45 p.m.

S.D. STATE A GIRLS' TOURN. March 13-15 at Spearfish First Round, March 13 St. Thomas More (20-1) vs. Garret-

son (11-11), 1 p.m. CT Pine Ridge (20-2) vs. Sioux Valley (19-3), 2:45 p.m. Elk Point-Jefferson (20-2) vs. Webster Area (14-7), 7 p.m. Winner (21-1) vs. Mount Vernon-Plankinton (18-5), 8:45 p.m.

S.D. STATE B GIRLS' TOURN. March 13-15 at Huron

First Round, March 13

(15-7), noon Warner (21-2) vs. Lemmon (22-1), Hanson (21-2) vs. Lyman (15-8), 6 Sanborn Central-Woonsocket (22-1) vs. Kimball-White Lake (15-7), 7:45 p.m.

NEB. STATE BOYS' TOURN. March 13-15 at Lincoln, Neb.

CLASS A First Round At Pinnacle Bank Arena No. 1 Omaha Benson (23-3) vs. No.

8 Lincoln Northeast (12-13) 2 n m No. 5 Westside (19-5) vs. No. 4 Lin-coln Southeast (20-5), 3:45 p.m. No. 2 Omaha South (20-5) vs. No. 7 Norfolk (20-5), 7 p.m. No. 3 Omaha Central (22-4) vs. No.

6 Bellevue West (18-6), 8:45 p.m. First Round At Pinnacle Bank Arena

(15-7), 9 a.m. No. 7 Roncalli (14-11) vs. No. 2 Beat-Region 1AA Sioux Falls Washington 66, Sioux At Devaney Sports Center No. 1 Elkhorn South (24-0) vs. No. 8

Grand Island Northwest (11-16), 7 p.m. No. 4 Skutt Catholic (19-6) vs. No. 5 Scottsbluff (16-8), 8:45 p.m. CLASS C1

No. 3 York (22-2) vs. No. 6 Pius X

First Round At Devaney Sports Center No. 7 Cozad (17-8) vs. No. 2 Wayne

No. 6 Wahoo (20-5) vs. No. 3 Falls City (24-2), 10:45 a.m. No. 1 Scotus (21-4) vs. No. 8 Kearney Catholic (15-11), 2 p.m. No. 4 Neumann (19-6) vs. No. 5

Boone Central-Newman Grove (19-6), 3:45 p.m. CLASS C2

First Round
At Lincoln Southeast No. 1 Ainsworth (23-2) vs. No. 8 Battle Creek (12-12), 2 p.m. No. 5 Kibmall (22-3) vs. No. 4 Free-n. 3:45 p.m.

No. 2 Doniphan-Trumbull (22-4) vs. No. 7 Sutton (17-9), 7 p.m. No. 3 Bergan (21-3) vs. No. 6 Southern Valley (21-3), 8:45 p.m. CLASS D1 First Round

At Lincoln East No. 2 North Platte St. Patrick's (24-1) vs. No. 7 Clearwater-Orchard (21-4), 9 No. 6 Randolph (20-4) vs. No. 3 Elm Creek (20-3), 10:45 a.m. No. 1 Howells-Dodge (25-2) vs. No.

8 Fullerton (11-7), 2 p.m. No. 4 Overton (22-4) vs. No. 5 Lourdes CC (20-6), 3:45 p.m. CLASS D2 First Round At Lincoln Southeast

No. 3 Bancroft-Rosalie (23-4) vs. No.

6 Hitchcock-County (21-3), 9 a.m. No. 7 Leyton (18-5) vs. No. 2 Falls City Sacred Heart (23-4), 10:45 a.m. At Lincoln East No. 4 High Plains (25-1) vs. No. 5 Exeter-Milligan (22-3), 7 p.m. No. 1 Spalding-Spalding Academy (22-3) vs. No. 8 Elwood (14-10), 8:45

S.D. STATE AA BOYS' TOURN. March 20-22 at Rushmore Plaza Civic Center, Rapid City First Round, March 20

No. 1 Huron vs. No. 8 S.F. Lincoln, 1 No. 4 Pierre vs. No. 5 S.F. Washington, 2:45 p.m. No. 2 R.C. Stevens vs. No. 7 Sturgis,

No. 3 S.F. Roosevelt vs. No. 6 Yank-S.D. STATE B BOYS' TOURN.

March 20-22 at Aberdeen First Round, March 20 No. 1 James Valley Christian vs. No. 8 Centerville, noon No. 4 Faith vs. No. 5 Potter County,

1:45 p.m. No. 2 Langford vs. No. 7 Platte-Geddes, 6 p.m. No. 3 White River vs. No. 6 Ethan, 7:45 p.m.

SUMMIT LEAGUE TOURN. March 8-11 at Sioux Falls MEN'S TOURN. First Round Saturday March 8

Fort Wayne 85, IUPUI 47 nday, March 9 Denver 71, South Dakota 55 South Dakota State 71, Western Illinois 50 Semifinals March 10

North Dakota State 83, Denver 48 Fort Wayne 64, South Dakota State 60 Championship, March 11

North Dakota State (25-6) 60. Fort WOMEN'S TOURN.

First Round Saturday, March 8 IUPUI 72, North Dakota State 64 ınday, March 9 South Dakota 96. Western Illinois 94 Denver 79, Fort Wayne 73 Semifinals, March 10

South Dakota 72, South Dakota Denver 76, IUPUI 69 Championship, March 11 South Dakota (19-13) 82, Denver 71

NAIA DIVISION II MEN'S TOURN. March 12-18 at Point Lookout. Mo.

Wednesday, March 12 Embry-Riddle, Fla. (24-7) vs. Midland, Neb. (26-5), 8:30 a.m. St Xavier. III. (29-4) vs. Cincinnati Christian, Ohio (19-13), 10:15 a.m.
Cardinal Stritch, Wis. (29-4) vs.
Northern New Mexico (16-15), noon

Davenport, Mich. (27-6) vs. Ashford, lowa (23-9), 1:45 p.m Huntington (24-7) vs. Southeastern, Cal Maritime (27-5) vs. Bethel, Ind. (26-7), 5:45 p.m.

College of the Ozarks, Mo. (21-10) vs. College of Idaho (28-5), 8 p.m.
Concordia, Ore. (22-9) vs. Bellevue, Neb. (28-5), 9:45 p.m. Thursday, March 13

Oklahoma Wesleyan (24-9) vs. Morningside, lowa (25-8), 8:30 a.m. Indiana Wesleyan (26-6) vs. Reinhardt, Ga. (17-13), 10:15 a.m. Northwest Christian, Ore (18-12) vs. Cornerstone Mich (29-4) noor Northwood, Fla. (26-6) vs. Friends,

Kan. (25-6), 1:45 p.m. ranking (Robert Morris, III. (23-9) vs. St. Fran-America): cis, Ind. (21-10), 4 p.m. IU Southeast, Ind. (25-4) vs. Tabor, Kan. (20-12), 5:45 p.m. St. Thomas, Fla. (25-6) vs. Union Ky. (28-4), 7:30 p.m. William Penn, Iowa (22-9) vs. Dordt.

NAIA DIV. II WOMEN'S TOURN. March 12-18 at Sioux City, Iowa First Round

lowa (28-5), 9:15 p.m.

Wednesday, March 12
Olivet Nazarene, III. (22-10) vs. Concordia, Neb. (25-7), 8:30 a.m.
Southwestern, Kan. (28-4) vs. Eastern Oregon (23-9), 10:15 a.m. St. Francis, Ind. (33-0) vs. Ashford,

lowa (12-20), noon Tennessee Wesleyan (24-4) vs. Siena Heights, Mich. (25-8), 1:45 p.m. Ave Maria, Fla. (23-10) vs. Daven port, Mich. (31-1), 3:30 p.m.
Hastings, Neb. (26-5) vs. Union, Ky.
(24-8), 5:15 p.m.
Oklahoma Wesleyan (22-11) vs. In-

diana Wesleyan (26-7), 7:30 p.m. Purdue Calumet, Ind. (24-6) vs. Ore n Tech (28-5), 9;15 p.m.

College of the Ozarks, Mo. (23-9) vs. St. Xavier, III. (27-5), 8:30 a.m. Mayville State, N.D. (24-3) vs. Cor-Huntington, Ind. (23-8) vs. Menlo, Calif. (25-5), noon Northwestern, Iowa (27-4) vs. Tabor,

Not invested in lowa (27-4) vs. labor, Kan. (21-10), 1:45 p.m. Roosevelt, Ill. (21-10) vs. Jamestown, N.D. (26-3), 3:30 p.m. St. Ambrose, lowa (26-5) vs. Cardinal Stritch, Wis. (24-6), 5:15 p.m. Morningside, Iowa (27-6) vs. Point Park, Pa. (29-4), 7 p.m. Friends, Kan. (25-7) vs. College of St. Mary, Neb. (26-5), 8:45 p.m.

USA TODAY WOMEN'S TOP 25 The top 25 teams in the USA Today

through March 10, points based on 25

Bison Claim Summit League Men's Title

postseason eligibility, but lost

in the opening round to Kansas

TrayVonn Wright led the

Bison with 19 points on a mix-

jumpers, and Braun added 15

and Michael Kibiloski each

scored nine points for IPFW

(24-10) in its first Summit

League title game. N. DAKOTA ST. 60, IPFW 57

Pierre Bland, Luis Jacobo

ture of dunks, layups and

points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and previous ranking:

1. UConn (31) 799 769 2. Notre Dame (1) 32-0 702 680 677 648 595 6. Baylor . West Virginia 569 537 519 459 448 South Carolina . Maryland Kentucky 2. Nebraska 439 368 349 263 . North Carolina Penn State 16. Gonzaga 17. N.C. State 262 255 242 130 18. Oklahoma State

21. California

23. Iowa State

22. DePaul

24. Michigan State Others receiving votes: Oregon State 46. Southern Cal 34, Dayton 31, Bowling Green 30, BYU 27, Texas 17, Chattanoga 14, James Madison 12, Arizona State 10, St. John's 9, Georgia 8, LSU 6, Fordham 5, South Florida 5, Washington State 5, Princeton 2, Creighton 1, Marist

BASEBALL

BASEBALL AMERICA TOP 25 DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — The top 25 teams in the Baseball America poll with records through March 9 and previous ranking (voting by the staff of Baseball Record Pvs

i. South Galoilla	10-0	,
Florida State	12-2	
Virginia	11-3	•
 Oregon State 	14-3	
North Carolina State	13-2	6
Louisiana-Lafayette	13-2	7
Vanderbilt	15-2	8
Louisiana State	14-2	9
Cal State Fullerton	8-5	4
10. Texas	13-4	10
11. Cal Poly	11-3	11
12. Oregon	12-4	14
13. Miami	10-5	
14. Clemson	9-5	15
15. Rice	10-6	18
16. Indiana	7-6	17
17. Louisville	10-4	19
Sam Houston State	13-3	20
North Carolina	10-4	2
Kentucky	13-3	2
Mississippi	14-2	25
Tennessee	14-1	NF
UC Santa Barbara	10-2	NF
Mississippi State	12-7	12
25. UCLA	8-7	13

COLLEGIATE BASEBALL POLL TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — The Collegiate Baseball poll with records through

March 9. Voting is done by coaches sports writers and sports info

	R	ecord	Pts	Pr
	 South Carolina 	15-0	496	1
	Florida St.	12-2	491	2
	Louisiana St.	14-2	488	4
	 Vanderbilt 	15-2	487	6
	Virginia	11-3	484	5
	N.C. State	13-2	481	7
	Oregon St.	14-3	479	8
t	8. Cal. St. Fullerton	8-5	477	3
	Oregon	12-4	475	9
f	10. Louisiana-Lafaye	tte13-2	471	11
	11. Louisville	10-4	468	10
	Cal. Poly	11-3	466	13
	13. North Carolina	10-4	465	15
	14. Texas	13-4	463	17
	Oklahoma St.	11-4	459	12
	Mississippi	14-2	456	18
	17. Tennessee	14-1	454	19
'	18. Miami, Fla.	10-5	452	20

Bland 4-6 0-0 9, McCray 2-2 3-4 8, Jacobo 3-14 2-

2 9. Kibiloski 3-7 0-0 9. Forbes 3-9 2-3 8. Evans 0-4 0

0 0, Reed 2-2 3-4 7, Edwards 3-5 1-1 7. Totals 20-49

11-14 57.

N. DAKOTA ST. (25-6)
Alexander 1-9 0-0 2, Brown 2-4 3-4 7, Braun 5-14
3-3 15, Wright 8-13 1-1 19, Bjorklund 4-7 4-6 12, Felt
0-2 0-0 0, Dupree 0-1 0-0 0, Kading 2-2 0-0 5, Aaberg
0-2 0-0 0. Totals 22-54 11-14 60.
Halftime—IPFW 35-30. 3-Point Goals—IPFW 6-17
(Kibloski 3-6, McCray 1-1, Bland 1-2, Jacobo 1-6, Evans 0-2), N. Dakota St. 5-16 (Braun 2-3, Wright 2-6,

Kading 1-1, Felt 0-2, Alexander 0-4), Fouled Out-Bjorklund, Forbes. Rebounds—IPFW 37 (Bland 9), N. Dakota St. 29 (Braun, Brown 6). Assists—IPFW 10 (Bland 5), N. Dakota St. 7 (Brown 4). Total Fouls—IPFW

18. N. Dakota St. 13. A-4.263.

AREA CALENDAR

Wednesday, March 12 BASKETBALL, MEN'S NAIA Tourn. at Branson,

BASKETBALL, WOMEN'S NAIA Tourn. at SOFTBALL, WOMEN'S Arizona Trip (MMC vs. Purdue, 3:30 p.m.; MMC vs. Peru State, 6 p.m.)

Thursday, March 13

BASEBALL, COLLEGE Tucson Trip (MMC vs.

nestown, DH, 9 a.m.)

BASKETBALL, MEN'S NAIA Tourn. at Branson,

BASKETBALL, WOMEN'S NAIA Tourn. at

24. UCLA

29. Rice

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26-6

25, U.C. Irvine

26. Texas Tech. 27. Texas A&M 28. Clemson

30. Texas Christian

TRANSACTIONS
BASEBALL

American League

LHPs Mike Belfiore, Tim Berry, Zach Brit-

ton and TJ McFarland; Cs Steve Clevenger, Johnny Monell and Michael Ohlman; INFs Michael Alamanzar, Ryan

and Matt Palmer, LHP Nick Hill, C Mike

National League

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS —

BASKETBALL, GIRLS' S.D. State Class AA

435 NR

432 NR 430 NR 427 30

9-6 423 28

Tourn. at Brookings; S.D. State Class A Tourn. at Spearfish (Elk Point-Jefferson vs. Webster, 7 p.m., KVHT-FM); S.D. State Class B Tourn. at Huron

ryille-Volin vs. Sully Buttes, noon, KVHT-FM)

BASKETBALL, BOYS' Neb. State Tourn. at Lin-BASKEIBALL, BOYS' Neb. State lourn at Lin-coln (D1 – Randolph vs. Eim Creek, 10:45 a.m.)

SOFTBALL, WOMEN'S Rebel Spring Games at Winter Haven, Fla. (USD vs. Indiana State, noon; USD vs. Bucknell, 4:30 p.m.); Arizona Trip (MMC vs. Missouri Valley, 3:30 p.m.; MMC vs. Affed, 6 p.m.)

Friday, March 14

BASEBALL, COLLEGE Tucson Trip (MMC vs. Mavville State DH 10 a m)

BASKETBALL, MEN'S NAIA Tourn. at Branson,

BASKETBALL, WOMEN'S NAIA Tourn. at

BASKETBALL. GIRLS' S.D. State Class AA Tourn. at Brookings; S.D. State Class A Tourn. at Spearfish (Elk Point-Jefferson, KVHT-FM); S.D. State urn, at Huron (Gavville-Volin, KVHT-FM) BASKETBALL, BOYS' Neb. State Tourn. at Lin-

SOFTBALL, WOMEN'S Rebel Spring Games at Winter Haven, Fla. (USD vs. Siena, 2:30 p.m.; USD

TRACK & FIELD. COLLEGE INDOOR NCAA

19. Fla. International 15-1 Jimmy Nelson and Ariel Pena to 20. U.C. Santa Barbara10-2 447 NR Nashville (PCL) and RHPs Brooks Hall 21. Kentucky 22. Seton Hall 23. Mississippi St. 444 and Kevin Shackelford to Huntsville (SL). Released RHP Michael Olmstead.

SAN DIEGO PADRES — Optioned
LHP Juan Pablo Oramas to El Paso 442 440 437

(PCL). American Association

FARGO-MOORHEAD REDHAWKS
Signed RHP Stephen Richter.
GARY SOUTHSHORE RAILCATS Signed LHPs Chuck Fontana and Edwin Walker Traded RHP Ian Durham York for future considerations.

LAREDO LEMURS — Signed LHP

Estevan Uriegas.
SIOUX FALLS CANARIES — Released LHP Mark Hardy and RHP Patrick Keating.

Can-Am League TROIS-RIVIERES AIGLES - Re ed 1B Brett Flowers.

RHP Chad Robinson to a contract exten-. FRONTIER GREYS — Signed INF

Ryan Hutchinson.
TRAVERSE CITY BEACH BUMS — Named Greg Cadaret pitching coach. WINDY CITY THUNDERBOLTS

BASKETBALL National Basketball Association NBA — Suspended Phoenix Suns F P.J. Tucker for one-game without pay for

Women's National Basketball Assoc. INDIANA FEVER — Traded G Erin Phillips to the Phoenix Mercury for F Lynetta Kizer and a first-round draft pick

National Football League
ARIZONA CARDINALS — Agreed to terms with TE Jake Ballard and PK Jay Feely on one-year contracts and DE Frostee Rucker on a two-year contract. Released G Daryn Colledge.
ATLANTA FALCONS — Agreed to terms with DT Jonathan Babineaux on a

three-year contract. Agreed to terms with OL Joe Hawley on a two-year contract extension and G Jon Asamoah, DE Tyson Jackson and DT Paul Soliai. Resed S Thomas DeCoud. BUFFALO BILLS — Re-signed TE Mike Caussin and PK Dan Carpenter.

Released QB Kevin Kolb. CINCINNATI BENGALS signed WR Brandon Tate. Terminated the CHICAGO BEARS — Agreed to

terms with DE Lamarr Houston on a fiveyear contract; S Ryan Mundy on a two-year contract; and LB D.J. Williams and LB Jordan Senn on one-year contracts. Terminated the contract of DE Julius Pep-

DALLAS COWBOYS — Released DE DeMarcus Ware.
DENVER BRONCOS — Agreed to terms with WR Andre Caldwell on a two-year contract and S T.J. Ward.

HOUSTON TEXANS - Released TE Owen Daniels and CB Brice McCain.
INDIANAPOLIS COLTS — Resigned PK Adam Vinatieri. Agreed to terms with DE Arthur Jones. Re-signed CR Vontae Davis and RR Ahmad Brad-

.. JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS — Released RB Justin Forsett. Agreed to terms with G Zane Beadles.

MINNESOTA VIKINGS — Re-signed

LB Larry Dean. Agreed to terms with QB Matt Cassel on a two-year contract and DE Everson Griffen. NEW ORLEANS SAINTS — Agreed

to term S Jairus Byrd on a six-year con-NEW YORK JETS — Re-signed K Nick Folk to a multiyear contract.

OAKLAND RAIDERS — Agreed to

terms with OL Rodger Saffold on a five-year contract, Re-signed RB Darren Mc-Fadden to a one-year contract. PHILADELPHIA EAGLES — Agreed to terms with P Donnie Jones and S Malcolm Jenkins on three-year contracts.

Released S Patrick Chung.
PITTSBURGH STEELERS — Released LB LaMarr Woodley.
SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS — Released CB Carlos Rogers, Acquired QB Blaine Gabbert from Jacksonville Jaguars for a 2014 sixth-round draft pick this year and a conditional 2015 pick. Agreed to terms with K Phil Dawson on a

-vear contract. year contract. SEATTLE SEAHAWKS — Signed TE Anthony McCray to a one-year con-WASHINGTON REDSKINS — Resigned WR Santana Moss to a one-year

contract and LB Perry Riley. Agreed to terms with G Shawn Lauvao.

HOCKEY National Hockey League
DALLAS STARS — Recalled Fs Chris Mueller and Colton Sceviour from

Texas (AHL).

FLORIDA PANTHERS — Recalled F
Joey Crabb and D Mike Mottau from San Antonio (AHL). NEW YORK ISLANDERS — Agreed two-year, entry-level contract. WASHINGTON CAPITALS called F Casey Wellman and D Patrick

Wey from Hershey (AHL).

American Hockey League

BRIDGEPORT SOUND TIGERS — Signed F Dimitry Antipin to an amateur

tryout contract.

HAMILTON BULLDOGS — An nounced G Mike Condon was reassigned to Wheeling (ECHL). MANCHESTER MONARCHS — Re-

leased D Chris Huxley from his professional tryout contract.

SAN ANTONIO RAMPAGE — Loaned F Tim Miller to Cincinnati (ECHL). Traded F Tim Miller to Abbotsford for fu-

ture considerations.

SPRINGFIELD FALCONS — Released D Mike Banwell from a professional tryout agreement.

ECHL COLORADO EAGLES — Loaned F Trent Daavettila to Lake Erie (AHL). ELMIRA JACKALS — Signed F Evan Haney to an amateur tryout agree-

EVANSVILLE ICEMEN — Released D Dustin Hopfner.
FORT WAYNE KOMETS — Released D Jeremy Gates. Loaned D Jordon Southorn to Portland (AHL).

IDAHO STFELHEADS — Signed F emergency backup. SOUTH CAROLINA STINGRAYS — Traded D Zach Currie to Evansville for F

Louke Oakley. STOCKTON THUNDER — Traded F J.P. Burkemper to Toledo for cash consid-TOLEDO WALLEYE - Loaned F

Travis Novak to Grand Rapids (AHL).
UTAH GRIZZLIES — Added G Pete
Gibb as emergency backup.
Central Hockey League
ST. CHARLES CHILL — Suspended D David Strathman, SOCCER COLLEGE

BOWLING GREEN — Named Mike

Mickens cornerbacks coach and Andrew Sowder director of player personnel, Announced it will not renew the contract of men's basketball coach Louis Orr. CALIFORNIA — Named Fred Tate defensive line coach. Announced Garret Chachere will be the linebackers coach.

Reassigned Andy Buh to the athletic de-CHATTANOOGA — Named Chris Malone offensive line coach.

GEORGETOWN — Named Luke ompson defensive coordinator.

NYU — Named Joe Roman men's

and women's assistant track and field TENNESSEE STATE—Fired Travis Williams, men's basketball coach.

UNC WILMINGTON — Fired men's basketball coach Buzz Peterson. Named

Eddie Biedenbach men's basketball

VANDERBILT - Named Frank Maile

league camp. Optioned 1B Hunter Mor-ris, 1B/OF Jason Rogers and RHPs

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ents by having made a deep run to the semifinals of last

vitational, Williams said. "I know the NCAA Tournadancing. You can follow Jeremy oeck on Twitter at twitter.com/jhoeck. Discuss

Theresa Wirth 4-7 5-5 13; Alison Janecek 4-13 2-4 10; Morgan Van Riper-Rose 2-3 0-0 5; Kailey Edwards 3-10 4-6 10; Paige Bradley 4-8 4-4 14; Jordan Johnston

this story at www.vankton.net.

"What we told the guys

getting there last year was

get to the night session,"

coach Fechner said. "We

wanted to get to the night

game. We caught a break with

Clark-Willow Lake, going up

were fortunate enough to get

there. A little bit harder road,

you know this year because

against Platte-Geddes, we

1-2 2-2 5; Jacqlyn Poss 0-0 0-0 0; Alecia Espinoza 0-0 0-0 0; Desiree Hunter 5-9 4-5 14. TOTALS 23-52 21-26 SOUTH DAKOTA (19-13)

Polly Harrington 6-8 3-3 16; Lisa Loeffler 2-4 2-2 6; Tia Hemiller 2-4 6-8 10; Raeshel Contreras 5-14 1-3 13; Nicole Seekamp 3-12 5-6 11; Madeleine White 0-1 0-0 0; Kelly Stewart 0-2 0-0 0; Taylor Moore 2-2 0-0 5; Bridget Arens 5-7 0-0 10; Jaylah Jackson 0-0 0-0 0: Marget Arens 5-7 0-0 10; Jaylah Jackson 0-0 0-0 0; Mar-garet McCloud 4-6 3-5 11. TOTALS 29-60 20-27 82. Halftime: USD 33-32. Three-Pointers: DU 4-8 (Bradley 2-4, Van Riper-Rose 1-2, Johnston 1-2), USD 4-12 (Contreas 2-7, Harrington 1-1, Moore 1-1, Stew-art 0-1, Seekamp 0-2). Total Rebounds: USD 35

(Hemiller 8, Seekamp 8), DU 33 (Hunter 10). Assists: USD 17 (Hemiller 8), DU 7 (Bradley 5), Turnovers: DU 13, USD 7. Personal Fouls: USD 21, DU 18. Fouled Out: Wirth. Attendance: 4125.

the seeds are going to be

do what you do."

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pretty good. But everyone's

got to play so you just go and

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day and the Bison's second trip to the NCAA tournament. North Dakota State (25-6) last earned a berth to the

NCAA tournament in 2009 dur-

ing its first year of Division I

Taylor Braun made a key layup

while being fouled with 12 sec-

onds left and added the free

throw to lead North Dakota

State to a 60-57 win over Indi-

Summit League title on Tues-

ana-Purdue-Fort Wayne for the

Region 5A

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life-lesson for the Trojans that could help them going

into next year. "(I told them) sometimes it's just not fair and there's going to be times in life where it's not very fair for you and you've got to learn lessons now so you're a better man for the next time that

happens," he said. "I had the (underclassmen) stay out there and put in the huddle and listen to that for a bit and I huddled them up and told them 'feel this now so you don't have to feel this type of pain again and know how much hard work it's going to

take to not feel that again'.' Grady said he's looking forward to getting back to "We're going to have a

good time," he said. "Two

years ago we were down

there playing as a #8 seed and nobody gave us a chance and we almost knocked off St. Thomas Moore in a 3-OT game so we'll go down there and we'll play anybody."

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Senior Spencer Lucas lead the Trojans in scoring with 13 points while junior Brendan Boomsma ended the night with 27 for the Mustangs.

story at www.yankton.net/ Bellevue, Neb., James played

sophomores. The 37-year-old native of for USD from 1997-99 and had been an assistant coach for the past 10 years. He was then promoted to interim coach for the 2013-14 season.

Gruis — who made clear more than one time that James wasn't 'fired' pointed out that James could still apply for the position. As for who takes over the

program now, Gruis wasn't

sure, but did say it might not

from somewhere different," he said. "Someone else to recruit from and bring kids in

Of course, recruiting the Midwest should be a priority, Gruis added. "Just get a different mind-

set in here, try that out," he

said. "Maybe someone else

will try some new things.' You can follow Jeremy Hoeck on Twitter at twitter.com/jhoeck. Discuss

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added another to round out the scoring.

'We almost lost it there at

the end; it was getting close,' sophomore Reid Sawatzke said. "We made some shots at the end, thankfully." Not to mention in the beginning.

A barrage of three-point-

14-7 lead. Watertown, though,

ers gave the Bucks an early

responded with an 18-6 run to build a 5-point lead — it was 25-23 at halftime. An 11-0 run between the third and fourth quarters gave Yankton the lead it would never give back. The

Nine points coming from sen-"Our five seniors have a

main catalyst for that spurt?

lot of experience, and they all compete hard," Haynes said. 'They're doing a great job. I just appreciate everything they do.

Hale finished with 15 points, four rebounds and three assists for the Bucks, who overcame 15 turnovers. Reid Sawatzke added 14 points, while Olson had 12 points. Senior J.J. Hejna contributed eight points, 12 rebounds and five assists. "Just to be here, as a sen-

and we came way short. This year was totally different for us, we had amazing team chemistry. You saw it out there.

ior, it's amazing," Olson said.

"This was our goal last year,

Watertown, which finishes the season 10-13, got 13 points from Jesse Poppen and 12 points from Nate Davis. But it's the Bucks who

move to the state tourna-

ment. Who they play doesn't

really matter right now, as Haynes told a parent who jokingly asked, "Who's next?" For now, Yankton just wants to enjoy the victory. "It was our goal to get

here; the whole last year we

thought about it," Hale said.

"I'm just glad we finished this

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WATERTOWN (10-13)
Nate Davis 5-15 0-0 12; Trevor Jutting 2-6 0-0 5;
Jesse Poppen 5-13 0-0 13; Mark Gravaat 2-4 1-2 5;

Jesse Poppen 5-13 U-0 13; Mark Gravaat 2-4 1-2 5; Harrison Jones 1-6 4-7 6; Logan Gabriel 0-10-0 0; Alex Gauer 2-7 0-0 4; Mark DeSpiegler 0-1 0-0 0; Jordan Ter-ronez 2-4 0-0 6. TOTALS 19-57 5-9 51. YANKTON (14-9) Ryan Olson 4-10 1-3 12; Reid Sawatzke 5-11 2-3

BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Agreed to terms with RHPs Brad Brach, Kevin Gausman, Miguel Gonzalez, Steve Johnson, Josh Stinson and Chris Tillman; Frontier League EVANSVILLE OTTERS — Signed

Flaherty, Jonathan Schoop and Jemile Weeks; and OFs David Lough and Henry Weeks, and OP'S David Lough and Henry Urrutia on one-year contracts. Renewed the contract of 3B Manny Machado. CHICAGO WHITE SOX — Traded RHP Zach Stewart to Atlanta for cash. SEATTLE MARINERS — Optioned Zach Tanner.

LAKE ERIE CRUSHERS — Traded

Wallander to Joliet for OF LHP Bobby LaFramboise, RHP Logan Bawcom, C Jesus Sucre and INFs Ji-man Choi and Carlos Triunfel to Tacoma (PCL). Reassigned RHPs Logan Kensing

Signed LHP Jake Fisher, RHP Charlie Dowd and INFs Ty Kelly and Nate Ten brink to minor league camp. Halsup and OF Max White signed LHP Santos Rodriguez outright to Reno (PCL). Agreed to terms with LHP elbowing Los Angeles CLippers F Blake

Oliver Perez on a two-year contract.

CINCINNATI REDS — Optioned
RHP Carlos Contreras, RHP Daniel Corcino, LHP David Holmberg, OF Ryan LaMarre, OF Donald Lutz and RHP Chad Rogers to Louisville of the International League. Optioned OF Juan Duran, LHP Ismael Guillon and OF Yorman Ro-FOOTBALL driguez to Pensacola of the Southern League. Reassigned to minor league camp RHP Tim Crabbe, RHP Michae Lorenzen, IF Reynaldo Navarro, C Ross-mel Perez, C Max Ramirez and RHP Robert Stephenson. Released INF Henry

tioned RHP Matt Magill to Albuquerque (PCL). Reassigned C JC Boscan, RHPs Carlos Frias and Red Patterson and INFs Brendan Harris and Clint Robinson to minor league camp.

MILWAUKEE BREWERS signed OFs Kentrail Davis and Mitch Haniger, INFs Hector Gomez and Taylor Green and RHP David Goforth to minor

LOS ANGFLES DODGERS — Op-

it's very competitive," she said. "But we're excited to have the opportunity to go

year's Women's Basketball In-

ment is the best of the best,

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Next, the Titans will start the Class A state tournament action as they look to improve upon their 2013 state

James

runner-up finish.

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every one — USD should be a dangerous team in 2014-15. Gruis and Karim Rowson are the only departing seniors,

and USD has a solid core of They'll have a very good chance next year," Gruis said.

be a bad thing to think outside the box a bit. "I'd try to find somebody Norfolk Area Home Builders

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