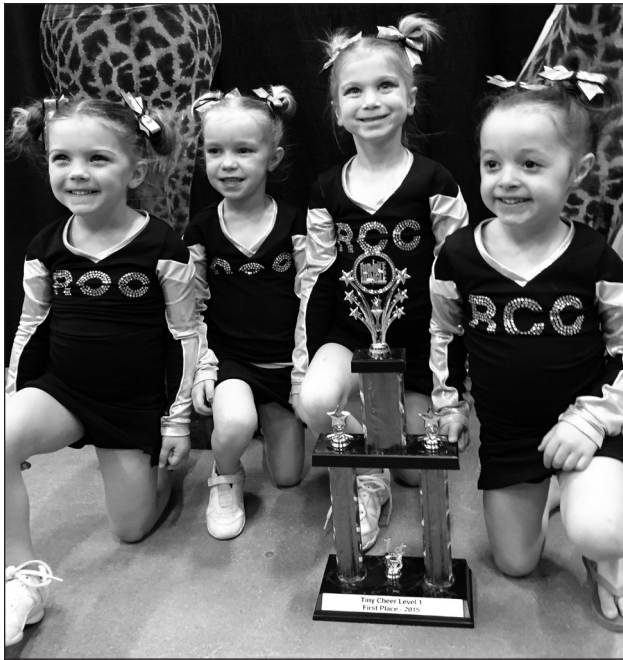


River City Cheer Flurries Win At Brookings



The River City Cheer Flurries 5-under squad won its "Tiny" level competition at the "Rumble In The Jungle" event on March 14 in Brookings. Team members include (left) Brenna Elwood, Mikayla Rutjes, Kalli Koletzky and Mathea Olson.

BROOKINGS — The River City Cheer Flurries 5-under squad won in the "Tiny" level, and two other RC cheer squads had strong showings at the "Rumble In The Jungle" competition on Saturday in Brookings. The Quakes 8-under squad finished third in Mini level one, while the Cyclones 14-under squad placed second in Junior level two. Individually, Burkley Olson placed second in the Mini level jump star competition and Kaelyn Hollien placed sixth in the mini cheer star division. The competition marked the conclusion of the 2014-15 season for River City Cheer.

Minn. Prep Golfer Signs With MMC



BRINKMAN — Joe Brinkman of Jackson, Minnesota, will attend Mount Marty College and play golf for the Lancers, according to an announcement by the institution on Thursday. Brinkman, who attends Jackson County Central, was the 2014 Minnesota Golf Association Junior champion and was a three-time MCA state qualifier. He was also a two-time Minnesota Junior PGA Tour state qualifier, qualified for the Minnesota Junior PGA Players' Tour and was a five-time sectional golf qualifier. "Joe is an excellent golfer and he's got a great work ethic," said MMC men's golf coach Todd Schliming. "He spends a lot of time practicing and constantly improving. He will be a great addition to the golf program and the Mount Marty College community. Off the course Brinkman is a member of the National Honor Society, student council, Minnesota American Legion Boys' State, Fellowship of Christian Athletes and the 'A' honor roll. The son of Michael and Mary Brinkman, Joe plans on a pre-professional major at MMC. He will receive an Academic Merit Scholarship, a Scholastic Scholarship and a Catholic Leadership award in addition to his golf scholarship.

RC Gymnasts Win Five Titles In Crofton

CROFTON, Neb. — The River City Gymnastics team had five individuals win titles at the Flippers March Madness Invite, March 14 in Crofton, Nebraska. In the open optional division, Jaiden Boomsma (age 13) won the all-around title with a 32.9. In the novice optional division, Lauren Gillis (age 11) earned the all-around title with a 35.95, with Camille Skykora (age 11, 35.4) third and Jana Greenfield (age 12, 33.7) fifth. At level three, Kyndie Kennedy (age 9) won the all-around title with a 35.55, with Tali Erwin (age 8, 36.7) second and Ella Hosmer (age 10, 34.65) third. At level two, Alexys Rueb (age 8) won the 'A' title with a 37.75 and Toni Farmer (age 8) won the 'B' title with a 36.75. Allie Byrkeland (age 8) placed fourth in the 'B' division with a 34.9. Also for River City, Trinity Goeman (age 11, 34.35) placed fourth in the intermediate optional division, Ava Kohl (age 10, 35.65) and Ava Koller (age 9, 35.7) each placed third at level 4, with Bailey Hansen (age 9, 34.65) finishing fifth. RC Gymnastics will compete in the Omega Fun Fest, March 28-29 in Omaha, Nebraska.

Lakeview Thursday Men's Golf League Meeting

MARCH 26 — Lakeview Golf Course will hold a meeting for its Thursday Night Men's Golf League on Thursday, March 26, at 7 p.m. at the Lakeview clubhouse. All team captains and any new teams are required to attend. Starting dates and election of league officers will be discussed. Contact Lakeview Golf Course for more information.

SCOREBOARD

BOWLING
CROFTON, NEB.
WOMEN'S AMERICAN
 HIGH TEAM GAME: Lewis & Clark Specialty Hospital 741
 HIGH TEAM SERIES: Arens Const. 2144
 HIGH INDIVIDUAL GAME: Patty Schieffer 187, Jane Dawson 181, Joan Tammen 177
 HIGH INDIVIDUAL SERIES: Carolyn Leader 499, Jane Dawson 491, Patty Schieffer 455
 STANDINGS: Arens Const. 121.5; Lewis & Clark Specialty Hospital 109.5-70.5; Comfyfeebz 103-77
STANDINGS: DSM Apts. 111.5; 68.5; F&M State Bank 61-51.8.5

BASKETBALL
S.D. STATE BOYS' TOURN.
CLASS AA
March 19-21 at Sioux Falls
 First Round, Thursday
 Washington 60, Huron 40
 Stevens 59, Aberdeen Central 38
 Lincoln 58, Watertown 38
 O'Gorman 56, Pierre 49
Friday's Games
 Huron (8-16) vs. Aberdeen Central (19-6), noon
 Watertown (12-12) vs. Pierre (14-9), 1:45 p.m.
 Washington (21-2) vs. Stevens (11-12), 6 p.m.
 Lincoln (19-5) vs. O'Gorman (17-6), 7:45 p.m.
CLASS A
March 19-21 at Rapid City
 First Round, Thursday
 Aberdeen Roncalli 48, Lennox 33
 Little Wound 60, Clark-Willow Lake 54
 Winner 54, St. Thomas More 42
 Dell Rapids (20-2) vs. Mount Vernon-Plankinton (16-6), 8:45 p.m. CT
Friday's Games
 Lennox (14-9) vs. Clark-Willow Lake (20-3), 1 p.m. MT
 St. Thomas More (13-10) vs. Dell Rapids/Mount Vernon-Plankinton loser, 2:45 p.m.
 Aberdeen Roncalli (21-2) vs. Little Wound (20-3), 7 p.m.
 Winner (22-1) vs. Dell Rapids/Mount Vernon-Plankinton winner, 8:45 p.m.
CLASS B
March 19-21 at Aberdeen
 First Round, Thursday
 Hitchcock-Tulare 54, Faith 40
 Hanson 56, Wolsey-Wessington 55
 White River 61, Parker 57
 Langford 49, Gregory 36
Friday's Games
 Faith (22-2) vs. Wolsey-Wessington (23-1), noon
 Parker (17-7) vs. Gregory (18-6), 1:45 p.m.
 Hitchcock-Tulare (17-7) vs. Hanson (20-4), 6 p.m.
 White River (22-2) vs. Langford Area (23-1), 7:45 p.m.

NCAA TOURNAMENT
FIRST ROUND
 At UD Arena, Dayton, Ohio
 Tuesday, March 17
 Hampton 74, Manhattan 64
 Mississippi 94, BYU 90
Wednesday, March 18
 Robert Morris 81, North Florida 77

THIRD ROUND EAST REGIONAL
 Saturday, March 21
At CONSOL Energy Center, Pittsburgh
 Villanova (33-2) vs. N.C. State-LSU winner
Sunday, March 22
At Time Warner Cable Arena, Charlotte, N.C.
 Virginia-Belmont winner vs. Michigan State-Georgia winner
At Nationwide Arena, Columbus, Ohio
 Oklahoma-Albany winner vs. Providence-Dayton winner
At KeyArena, Seattle
 Louisville-UC Irvine winner vs. Northern Iowa-Wyoming winner
SOUTH REGIONAL
Monday, March 23
At KFC Yum! Center, Louisville, Ky.
 UAB (20-15) vs. UCLA (21-13)
At Moda Center, Portland, Ore.
 Georgetown-Eastern Washington winner vs. Utah (25-8)
Sunday, March 22
At Time Warner Cable Arena, Charlotte, N.C.
 Duke-Robert Morris winner vs. San Diego State-St. John's winner
At KeyArena, Seattle
 Gonzaga-North Dakota State winner vs. Iowa-Davidson winner
At Moda Center, Portland, Ore.
 Georgetown-Eastern Washington (26-8), 8:57 p.m.
Friday, March 20
At Time Warner Cable Arena, Charlotte, N.C.
 Duke (29-4) vs. Robert Morris (20-14), 6:10 p.m.
 San Diego State (26-8) vs. St. John's (21-11), 8:40 p.m.
At KeyArena, Seattle
 Iowa (21-11) vs. Davidson (24-7), 6:20 p.m.
 Gonzaga (32-2) vs. North Dakota State (25-9), 8:30 p.m.
MIDWEST REGIONAL
Thursday, March 19
At KFC Yum! Center, Louisville, Ky.
 Cincinnati 66, Purdue 65, OT
 Kentucky (34-0) vs. Hampton (17-17), 8:40 p.m.
At CONSOL Energy Center, Pittsburgh
 Notre Dame 69, Northeastern 65
 Butler 56, Texas 48
Friday, March 20
At Nationwide Arena, Columbus, Ohio
 West Virginia (23-9) vs. Buffalo (22-9), 1:10 p.m.
 Maryland (27-6) vs. Valparaiso (28-5), 3:50 p.m.
At CenturyLink Center, Omaha, Neb.
 Kansas (26-8) vs. New Mexico State (23-10), 11:15 a.m.
At KFC Yum! Center, Louisville, Ky.
 Cincinnati 66, Purdue 65, OT
 Kentucky (34-0) vs. Hampton (17-17), 8:40 p.m.
At CONSOL Energy Center, Pittsburgh
 Notre Dame 69, Northeastern 65
 Butler 56, Texas 48
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At Nationwide Arena, Columbus, Ohio
 West Virginia (23-9) vs. Buffalo (22-9), 1:10 p.m.
 Maryland (27-6) vs. Valparaiso (28-5), 3:50 p.m.
At CenturyLink Center, Omaha, Neb.
 Kansas (26-8) vs. New Mexico State (23-10), 11:15 a.m.
At KFC Yum! Center, Louisville, Ky.
 Cincinnati 66, Purdue 65, OT
 Kentucky (34-0) vs. Hampton (17-17), 8:40 p.m.

WEST REGIONAL
Thursday, March 19
At Jacksonville Veteran's Memorial Arena, Jacksonville, Fla.
 Georgia State (25-9) vs. Xavier (22-13), 6:30 p.m.
At Lexington, Ky.
 Dayton (25-6) vs. Iowa State (18-12), 11 a.m.
 Kentucky (23-9) vs. Tennessee State (18-12), 1:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 21
At Storrs, Conn.
 Rutgers (22-9) vs. Seton Hall (28-5), 5:30 p.m.
 Connecticut (32-1) vs. Francis (N.Y.) (15-18), 8 p.m.
At Tampa, Fla.
 Louisville (25-6) vs. BYU (23-9), 3 p.m.

SPokane Regional
Friday, March 20
At Durham, N.C.
 Duke (21-10) vs. Albany (NY) (24-8), 11 a.m.
 Mississippi State (26-6) vs. Tulane (22-10), 1:30 p.m.
At Corvallis, Ore.
 Oregon State (26-4) vs. South Dakota State (24-8), 4 p.m.
 George Washington (29-3) vs. Gonzaga (24-7), 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 21
At College Park, Md.
 Princeton (30-0) vs. Green Bay (28-4), 10 a.m.
 Maryland (30-2) vs. New Mexico State (22-7), 12:30 p.m.
At Knoxville, Tenn.
 Chattanooga (29-3) vs. Pittsburgh (19-11), 10 a.m.
 Tennessee (27-5) vs. Boise State (22-10), 12:30 p.m.

OKLAHOMA CITY REGIONAL
Friday, March 20
At Notre Dame, Ind.
 Minnesota (23-9) vs. DePaul (26-7), 4 p.m.
At Waco, Texas
 Notre Dame (30-5) vs. Butler (23-10), 3 p.m.
At Waco, Texas
 Baylor (30-3) vs. Northwestern State (19-14), 1:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 21
At Stanford, Calif.
 Oklahoma (20-11) vs. Quinnipiac (31-3), 3 p.m.
 Stanford (24-9) vs. CS Northridge (23-9), 5:30 p.m.

GREENSBORO REGIONAL
Friday, March 20
At Columbia, S.C.
 South Carolina (30-2) vs. Savannah State (21-10), 4 p.m.
At Tampa, Ariz.
 Arizona (32-3) vs. Nebraska (21-10), 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 21
At Chapel Hill, N.C.
 North Carolina (24-8) vs. Liberty State (23-10), 2:30 p.m.
At Columbia, S.C.
 South Carolina (30-2) vs. Savannah State (21-10), 4 p.m.
At Tampa, Ariz.
 Arizona (32-3) vs. Nebraska (21-10), 6:30 p.m.
At Tallahassee, Fla.
 Florida Gulf Coast (30-2) vs. Oklahoma State (20-11), 10 a.m.
 Florida State (29-4) vs. Alabama State (17-14), 12:30 p.m.

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FIRST ROUND
Tuesday, March 17
 George Washington 60, Pittsburgh 54
March 20
 Miami 75, NC Central 71
 Rhode Island 89, Iowa 75
 Louisiana Tech 69, Central Michigan 79
 Tulsa 70, William & Mary 67
 Alabama 79, Illinois 58

AREA CALENDAR

Friday, March 20
BASEBALL, COLLEGE Winnipeg at MMC (DH, 5 p.m.)
BASKETBALL, BOYS' S.D. State Class AA Tour at Sioux Falls; S.D. State Class A Tour at Rapid City; S.D. State Class B Tour at Aberdeen (Parker vs. Langford Area or Gregory, 1:45 or 7:45 p.m.)
SWIMMING & DIVING, COLLEGE NCAA Women's Championships at Greensboro, N.C.

Saturday, March 21
BASEBALL, COLLEGE Winnipeg at MMC (DH, 1 p.m.)
BASKETBALL, BOYS' S.D. State Class AA Tour at Sioux Falls; S.D. State Class A Tour at Rapid City; S.D. State Class B Tour at Aberdeen (Parker)

TRACK & FIELD, COLLEGE OUTDOOR Baily Castillo Inv. at Tempe, Ariz. (USD); Tulsa Duels at Tulsa, Okla. (USD)

SOFTBALL COLLEGE USD at Iowa State (DH, 1 p.m.); MMC at Orono, Me. (1 p.m.)
SWIMMING & DIVING, COLLEGE NCAA Women's Championships at Greensboro, N.C.
TRACK & FIELD, COLLEGE OUTDOOR Baily Castillo Inv. at Tempe, Ariz. (USD); Tulsa Duels at Tulsa, Okla. (USD)
SOFTBALL COLLEGE St. Mary at MMC (DH, 1 p.m.)

Friday, March 20
 Murrey State 81, UTEP 66
 Texas A&M 81, Montana 64
 Stanford 77, UC Davis 64

Wednesday, March 18
 Arizona State 68, UConn 61
 Temple 73, Bucknell 67
 Old Dominion 65, Charleston Southern 56
 Richmond 84, St. Francis (NY) 74
 Illinois State 69, Georgia 56
 Vanderbilt 75, Saint Mary's (Cal) 64
 South Dakota State 86, Colorado State 76

Thursday, March 19
 Missouri (17-13) at Missouri State (18-14), 7 p.m.
 Eastern Michigan (22-12) at Drake (20-10), 7:05 p.m.
 Hawaii (23-8) at St. Mary's (Cal) (20-10), 8 p.m.

SECOND ROUND
Sunday, March 22
 Temple (17-16) at Penn (21-8), 1 p.m.
 Fordham (21-11) at St. John's (22-10), 1 p.m.
 TCU (18-13) at Southern Mississippi (23-10), 2 p.m.
 Missouri (18-13) at Kansas State (19-13), 2 p.m.
Monday, March 23
 Michigan State (24-10) at Kansas State (19-13), 2 p.m.
 Alabama (19-14) at Miami (22-12), 10 a.m.
 NC State (17-14) at East Carolina (22-10), 3 p.m.
 Georgia Tech (19-14) at Mississippi (18-13), 10 a.m.
 South Dakota (26-7) at Northern Colorado (21-12), TBA
Tuesday, March 24
 Hampton (19-12) at West Virginia (19-14), 6 p.m.
 Richmond-Stetson winner at Duquesne (22-10), 6 p.m.
March 21-24
 Eastern Washington (21-11) vs. Sacramento St.-Pacific winner, TBA
 San Francisco-Fresno St. winner vs. Hawaii-St. Mary's (Cal) winner, TBA
 CS Bakersfield-UCLA winner vs. San Diego (25-6), TBA
 Michigan (17-14) vs. Wright St.-Toledo winner, TBA
 Michigan-Drake winner vs. Tulsa-Missouri St. winner, TBA
 Maine-Villanova winner vs. Old Dominion (21-12), TBA

WOMEN'S NIT
FIRST ROUND
Wednesday, March 18
 Michigan 72, Cleveland State 50
 East Carolina 74, Radford 52
 Mississippi 80, Tenn.-Martin 70
 Arkansas State 61, Western Michigan 49
 Eastern Washington 67, Washington State 65
Thursday, March 19
 Old Dominion 69, Virginia 62
 St. John's 64, Army 56
 Fordham 70, Central Connecticut St. 67
 Hampton 45, Drexel 42
 West Virginia 84, Buffalo 61
 NC State 73, ETSU 58
 Penn 65, Hofstra 58
 Temple 67, Marist 54
 Duquesne 72, Youngstown State 54
 Georgia Tech 69, Elon 47
 South Dakota 69, Creighton 58
 Kansas State 86, Akron 68
 Missouri 69, Northern Iowa 61
 Southern Mississippi 75, Texas Southern 69
 TCU 65, Stephen F. Austin 80
 Middle Tennessee 69, Ball State 58
 Northern Colorado 53, Colorado State 48
 San Diego 63, Long Beach State 56
 CS Bakersfield (23-8) at UCLA (13-18), 10 p.m.
 Sacramento State (16-15) at Pacific (21-9), 10 p.m.
 San Francisco (19-13) at Fresno State (22-9), 10 p.m.
 Friday, March 20
 Wright State (25-8) at Toledo (18-13), 7 p.m.
 Wright State (25-8) at Toledo (18-13), 6 p.m.
 Maine (23-8) at Villanova (19-13), 6 p.m.
 Richmond (18-13) at Stetson (23-

BASEBALL
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE — Suspended N.Y. Yankees RHP Minors Cedeño 72 games for violating the Minor League Drug Prevention and Treatment Program.
American League — Announced the retirement of assistant trainer Rex Jones, effective at the end of the season.
National League
 CHICAGO CUBS — Options RHP C.J. Edwards to Iowa (PCL).
 LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Re-assigned RHP Ben Rowen to minor league camp.
 MILWAUKEE BREWERS — Exercised their 2016 option on manager Ron Roenicke.
NEW YORK METS — Options RHP Akeel Morris to Las Vegas (PCL).
PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Options INF Alan Hanson and RHPs Casey Sadler and Jameson Taillon to Indianapolis (IL) and OF Willy Garcia to Atlanta (EL). Reassigned RHP Collin Balester, LHP Jeremy Bleich, INF Gift Ngoepe and OF Mel Rojas Jr. to minor league camp.
 WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Options LHP Matt Grace and C Dan Butler to Syracuse (IL) and INF Wilmer Difo to Potomac (Carolina).
American Association
 FARGO-MOORHEAD REDHAWKS

HOUSTON ASTROS — Announced the retirement of assistant trainer Rex Jones, effective at the end of the season.
NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE
ATLANTA FALCONSBERS — Signed TE Jacob Taylor.
BUFFALO BILLS — Signed TE Charles Clay to a five-year contract.
CHICAGO BEARS — Signed TE Dante Rosario to a one-year contract.
CINCINNATI BENGALS — Signed CB Brandon Ghee. Re-signed DT Devon Still.
DALLAS COWBOYS — Signed FB Ray Agnew.
DETROIT LIONS — Re-signed CB Rashawn Mathis to a two-year contract.
INDIANAPOLIS COLTS — Signed OT Demarco Cox.
JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS — Claimed RB Bernard Pierce off waivers from Baltimore.
MINNESOTA VIKINGS — Signed RB Dujuan Harris.
NEW YORK GIANTS — Re-signed TE Daniel Fells.
NEW YORK JETS — Signed OL James Brewer to a one-year contract.
SAN DIEGO CHARGERS — Signed CB Patrick Robinson to a one-year contract.
TAMPA BAY BUCCANERS — Signed CB Sterling Moore.
TENNESSEE TITANS — Agreed to terms with OT Byron Singly on a multi-year contract. Named Tom Kavary assistant to the strength and conditioning coach, Brooke Eibenberger vice president of ticketing and Amber Harding social media coordinator. Promoted Brent Akers to director of team operations and Sherene Siemanine to director of fanfare.
WASHINGTON REDSKINS — Re-signed QB Colt McCoy.
Canadian Football League
 EDMONTON ESKIMOS — An-

Syracuse's Boenheim: 2018 Right To Retire, But Maybe Sooner

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (AP) — Syracuse coach Jim Boenheim has always hinted he planned to retire on his own terms. That moment is at hand and his plan remains intact despite NCAA sanctions marring the end of his career. In an hour-long press conference on Thursday ahead of top teams starting in the NCAA Tournament, Boenheim said that 2018 is the "right time" to retire, but acknowledged that next season could be his last as he and the university appeal punishments for academic and benefits violations. Boenheim said his plan discussed with the university's chancellor is to retire after three more seasons, but that he will take things year by year. "I love coaching, and you can coach as long as you can be effective. I thought I was effective this year. I don't think I was as good as I would have liked to have been, but I think I was effective," said Boenheim, head coach at his alma mater since 1976. "If I'm not effective at the end of next year, I won't coach after next year. The three-year thing is the outside." Boenheim said retiring after his team reached the Final Four in 2012 would have been ideal, but the timing wasn't right. He said he has told recruits he will be here next season but has no firm plans beyond that. Boenheim said some of the NCAA's allegations laid out in a scathing 94-page report earlier this month are inaccurate. He called the penalties "unduly harsh" and said the reason he planned to stay on as coach was to make sure the program was in good shape. "There was no way I would ever run away from an investigation in progress," Boenheim said. "I had no plans to coach this long. This investigation has made it imperative."

The NCAA punished Boenheim and Syracuse for academic, benefits and other violations that officials said showed the university had lost control of the athletic department. "Although the infractions report does not find that I had personal involvement in any violations of NCAA rules, the Committee on Infractions has asserted that for the past 10 years I did not promote an atmosphere of compliance within the men's basketball program, and I did not monitor the activities regarding compliance of those within the program. This could not be further from the truth," Boenheim said, reading from a prepared statement. "This is far from a program where student-athletes freely committed academic fraud." "I'll take the punishment," Boenheim said. Boenheim has had problems before. The NCAA banned the Orange from the 1993 NCAA Tournament for recruiting violations and at the start of the 2011-12 season former associate head coach Bernie Fine was fired after two former ballboys accused him of molestation two decades earlier. Fine was never charged. Despite the NCAA's findings, Boenheim's lengthy exit plan and support from Syracuse officials throughout the investigation demonstrate how powerful he has become as the face of the university through his Hall of Fame career. Boenheim built his reputation over more than five decades as a player and coach, revered for wins and delivering a national title to a struggling city in 2003. "Given all these developments, it's right for the program (for me to stay)," Boenheim said. "I've told every recruit I'm going to coach next year. If anybody's concerned

about recruiting, I don't think that's an issue." Boenheim is suspended for the first half of the next Atlantic Coast Conference season, a total of nine games. Syracuse will also have three scholarships taken away for four seasons and all wins vacated in which an ineligible player participated during five seasons between 2004 and 2012. The total wins removed from records could be as high as 108 of his 966 victories, depending on what happens in the appeal process. Syracuse has already vacated 24 wins. The school's athletic director is also stepping aside, immediately taking another marketing position with the school. Longtime assistant coach Mike Hopkins, a former Orange star player, is in line to succeed Boenheim, but the final decision will be made by the chancellor. "I believe Mike Hopkins will be a great coach and I fervently hope that he is the coach here," Boenheim said. In its report, the NCAA also placed Syracuse on probation for five years, saying athletic department officials interfered with academics to make sure star players stayed eligible. Support staff routinely accessed and sent emails from student-athletes' accounts and corresponded directly with professors and included attached course work to maintain required grades for the student-athletes to remain eligible, the report said. One of the focal points of the report was former center Fab Melo, a Brazilian who spoke English haltingly. In 2012, Melo was declared ineligible for the NCAA tournament days before it started. NCAA spokesman Erik Christianson said the university declared Melo ineligible.

Coyotes

FROM PAGE 6A
 You can follow Jeremy Hoeck on Twitter at twitter.com/jhoeck. Discuss this story at www.yankton.net.
CREIGHTON (17-14)
 Alexis Akin-Oitko 9-12 5-6 23; Brianna Rollerson 4-12 1-1 9; M.C. McGrody 0-0 0-0 0; Sydney Lamberty 3-15 2-8; Marissa Janning 4-16 2-2 11; Jade Owens 2-4 0-1-4; Myah Mellman 0-1 0-0 0; Bailey Norby 0-0 0-0; Lauren Works 1-4 1-2 3; Tessa Leyton 0-0 0-0 0; Kyle Brown 0-0 0-0 0. TOTALS 23-63 10-14 58.
SOUTH DAKOTA (28-7)
 Lisa Loeffler 2-6 2-2 7; Margaret McCloud 4-7 0-0 8; Tia Hemiller 0-3 2-2 2; Raeshel Contreras 5-12 0-0 14; Nicole Seekamp 7-11 7-21; Kelly Stewart 3-4 3-4 10; Bridget Arens 2-6 2-2 6; Kate Livinghouse 0-1 0-0 0; Heidi Hoff 0-1 0-4 0 0. TOTALS 23-51 16-17 68.
 Halftime: USD 36-24. Three-Pointers: USD 6-12 (Contreras 4-7, Loeffler 1-1, Stewart 1-1, Seekamp 0-1, Hoff 0-1), Creighton 2-13 (Lamberty 1-2, Janning 1-5, Mellman 0-1, Works 0-2, Akin-Oitko 0-3). Total Rebounds: USD 43 (Loeffler 6, Hemiller 6), Creighton 28 (Rollerson 10). Assists: USD 11 (Seekamp 3), Creighton 10 (4 with 2). Personal Fouls: Creighton 18, USD 13. Fouled Out: Akin-Oitko. Attendance: 1127.

South Dakota guard Raeshel Contreras fires from three-point range during the first half of the Coyotes' WNIT matchup with Creighton on Thursday at the DakotaDome in Vermillion.

Zags

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 dardog role — that remains the same. "If you win, nobody expected you to win, but if you lose, you just lose," said senior Lawrence Alexander, who made a 3-pointer that sent last year's game against the Sooners into overtime.
GONZAGA TRANSFER
 Wiltjer isn't the only transfer making an impact with the Bulldogs. Guard Byron Wesley moved to Spokane from Southern California, which hasn't made the tournament since 2011. He's starting and averaging nearly 11 points and five rebounds. "I've been watching the tournament since I was a little kid. It's a place I'd always dreamed of

making one day," Wesley said. Other Gonzaga transfers: Eric McClellan (Vanderbilt) and Angel Nunez (Louisville).
SOME NUMBERS
 Gonzaga leads the nation in shooting (52.4 percent), is 13th in shooting defense (38.4) and is fifth in assist-to-turnover ratio (1.56). And those were just the stats that

impressed Bison coach David Richman the most. "Those numbers just jump right out at you," he said. "They score inside, score outside, score mid-level, they're good in transition. If they get going from inside and outside, it's going to be a long night."

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