

Press & Dakotan DAILY DOSE



NAPERVILLE, Ill. — South Dakota sophomore Carol Miller has been named the Great West Conference Female Athlete of the Week in Track and Field, the league announced on Wednesday. It is the first weekly honor of Miller's career.

Coyotes' Miller Named Great West Track Athlete Of The Week

Miller (Meade, Neb.) earns the female honors after an excellent showing at the Nebraska Open on May 1. Miller ran a personal time of 11:19.22 in the 3,000-meter steeplechase to claim the victory in the event. The time is the fastest in the Great West this season.

Earlier in the week, Miller placed second in the 1,500 meters at the South Dakota State Twilight with a time of 4:41.36. South Dakota's track and field teams resume action Friday at the Howard Wood Relays in Sioux Falls.

Kachena, Augustana Vikings Advance To NCAA Division II Women's Tennis Tournament



Kachena, a sophomore from Yankton, is part of the Augustana women's tennis team that went unbeaten in the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference and has advanced to the NCAA Tournament with a 21-2 record.

Kachena and partner Emily Johnson make up the flight three doubles squad that has gone 22-3, including 20-2 in dual play. The pair has won their last 12 matches, including an 8-5 victory Sunday in the NCAA Central Region final.

Still Got It!



Arnold Palmer follows through on his drive from the 18th tee box during the 2011 Wells Fargo Championship Pro-Am at Quail Hollow Club in Charlotte, North Carolina, on Wednesday, May 4, 2011. (Jeff Siner/Charlotte Observer/MCT)

EP/PJ Wins Niobrara-Verdigre Inv.

NIORBARA, Neb. — Elgin Public-Pope John put four golfers in the top six to run away with the Niobrara-Verdigre Invitational boys' golf tournament Wednesday. EP/PJ finished at 337, 15 strokes better than Ewing, Niobrara-Verdigre finished third at 360.

Frisbee Golf Tourney May 7

The Knox County Relay for Life will hold a frisbee golf tournament Saturday, May 7, at 10 a.m. at Memorial Park in Yankton. Proceeds go to the Knox County Relay For Life. Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m.

SDSU Places 59 On Missouri Valley Honor Roll

ST. LOUIS — South Dakota State placed a league-high 59 players on the 2010-11 Missouri Valley Football Conference Honor Roll, conference officials announced Tuesday. The Jackrabbits led in all categories of the recognition, placing seven of the 23 players league-wide to earn the highest academic achievement by capturing the Missouri Valley Football Conference President's Council Academic Award. SDSU's seven honorees

were: Casey Cuppy, Tyler Duffy, Matt Hyland, Conrad Kjerstad, Jacob Ludemann, Kyle Minnett and Dean Priddy. The award is presented to student-athletes who have completed a minimum 3.5 cumulative grade-point average (through the fall 2010 semester) and participated in college athletics for at least two years.

In addition, 23 Jackrabbits student-athletes received the Commissioner's Academic Excellence Award for posting a GPA of 3.2 or higher for the previous two semesters. Earning recognition were: Casey Cuppy, Seth Daughers, Tyler Duffy, Erich Feller, Bo Helm, Brandon Hubert, Matt Hyland, Brad Iverson, Josh Kage, Conrad Kjerstad, Tyler Koll, Jacob Ludemann, Ryan McKnight, Kyle Minnett, Thomas O'Brien, Alex Olinger, Matt Peitz, Dean Priddy, Ross Shafraff, Taylor Sues, Brett Tiggles, Kyle VanVoorst and Bryan Witzmann.

MMC End Of Year Athletic Ceremony May 8

The Mount Marty College athletic department will host its End of the Year Athletic Ceremony on Sunday, May 8 in the Room 4000 at the Mount Marty College campus. The ceremony will start with a social at 3 p.m. President Dr. Carol Krause will begin the ceremony at 3:30 p.m. with opening remarks.

SCOREBOARD

BASEBALL

GREAT PLAINS ATHLETIC CONF.

GPAC TOURN.

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ON BASE PERCENTAGE: Staier, AJ, MOR 505; Meacham, BI, MOR 482; Miller, MMC 480; Burgener, C, USF 480; Schmidt, MMC 473

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Wayne State and St. Thomas (Minn.). With so many high school and college athletes from across the region converging on one location, Duling said the Dakota Re-

lays are a "great opportunity" for the local kids at USD to shine. "It's so much fun when your parents and friends can come out and watch you," she said. "And for some of us from South Dakota, we want to show our high schools that we're out here, and that we're doing well in college." Even with an individual-reliant mentality surrounding the meet, specifically for USD, Duling said

she and her teammates still rely the chance to enjoy the team aspect. "This is a meet where we all want to do well, but you still want your teammates to do well too," she said. "You have to focus on your own thing, but nothing feels better than running a strong relay." "No matter what, you need to support your teammates; it really does matter out there."

AREA CALENDAR

Thursday, May 5

BASEBALL, COLLEGE

Great Plains Athletic Conf. Tour at Sioux City (MMC, KVTK-AM) 9 a.m., Voss Field, KVTK-AM; MMC vs. TBD, 4 or 7, KVTK-AM

BASEBALL, CLUB Bon Homme at Parkston (7 p.m.) GOLF, BOYS' Avon Inv. at Tyndal Golf (Andes Central, Avon, Bon Homme, Freeman, Santee, Scotland, 9 a.m.); Stanton Inv. (Randolph, 9 a.m.); Wakefield Inv. (Laurel-Concord-Colegide, Ponca, 9 a.m.)

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SOFTBALL, COLLEGE Great Plains Athletic Conf. Tour at Sioux City

TENNIS, BOYS' S.C. East at Vermilion

TRACK & FIELD, COLLEGE OUTDOOR Howard Wood Dakota Relays (USD, 11:30 a.m.)

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TRACK & FIELD, MS 61st Stanton Junior High Relays (YMS, 9:30 a.m.)

Sunday, May 8

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TENNIS, BOYS' Vermilion at YHS (6:30 p.m.)

TRACK & FIELD, PREP Bette Creek Inv. (Harrisburg Cedar Catholic, 3 p.m.); Norfolk Catholic Inv. (Harrisburg, 1 p.m.); Winside Inv. at Laurel (Newcastle, Wausa, Wynot, 10 a.m.)

TRACK & FIELD, MS Brandon Valley/Vermilion at YMS

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TRANSACTIONS

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Annex League CHICAGO WHITE SOX—Announced the resignation of director of public relations Luis Hernandez.

MINNESOTA TWINS—Placed Of Jason Repko on the 15-day DL, retroactive to May 2. Recalled Of Ben Revere from Rochester (IL). Optioned C Steve Holm to Rochester (IL).

SAN DIEGO PADRES—Placed INF Orlando Hudson on the 15-day DL. Selected INF Logan Forsythe from Tucson (PCL). Transferred LHP Joe Thatcher from the 15- to the 60-day DL.

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MILWAUKEE BREWERS—Activated RHP Zack Greinke from the 15-day DL. Sent Of Brandon Boggs to Nashville (PCL).

NEW YORK METS—Placed RHP Pedro Beato on the 15-day DL. Retroactive to May 2. Selected the contract of LHP Mike O'Connor from Buffalo (IL).

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Activated LHP J.C. Romero from the 15-day DL. Optioned RHP David Herndon to Lehigh Valley (IL).

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the 1-2 punch of a year ago, when Krier and Damewood combined to go 20-3 with 12 complete games and three shutouts. MMC has two shutouts as a team, one by senior Nick Huston (4-4, 5.73 ERA, 28 K in 48 2/3 innings), the Lancers' opening round starter against Doane. "He's been around, pitched at the varsity level for us for four years," Bernatow said. "He's done a good job for us, and threw well against Doane last time." Freshman Dominic Wieseler (4-4, 6.69 ERA, 32 K in 36 1/3 IP) is tied for the team lead in wins. Josh Engquist (1-4, 4.59 ERA, 25 K in 35 1/3 IP), Hemejer (3-4, 6.11 ERA, 26 K in 45 2/3 IP), Brian Bartlett (1-2, 7.61 ERA, 23 2/3 IP), Dave Ogden

(0-3, 7.90 ERA, 13 2/3 IP) and Derrick Nelson (0-1, 9.82 ERA, 14 2/3 IP) all have three or more starts. A year after Schmidt set a Lancer record with 10 saves, MMC has just four as at team, two each for Schmidt and Adam McVay (1-0, 6.26 ERA, 23 IP). Jake Broscha (1-0, 5.40 ERA) and Josh Homme (0-2, 8.04 ERA, 15 2/3 IP) have also worked out of the bullpen. "We have a lot of talent on our pitching staff," Bernatow said. "But we've graduated so much pitching in recent years, and three of what we felt would be our top six or seven aren't throwing for us. There are a lot of lessons to learn, and there's the potential for some younger arms to step up." With the potential to play a lot of baseball in just three days, the Lancers are going into the weekend with all available arms on call. "We're going to roll out whoever we can to get the best opportunity to win," Bernatow said. "We

know we might have to piece together some games." Twice in the previous four years, the Lancers got hot in the GPAC Tournament and rode a short-handed pitching staff to the conference title game. Bernatow is hoping to see a similar run to what the Lancers accomplished in 2007 and 2009. "We've always felt comfortable in the conference tournament," he said. "It's still the same game, we still have to do the little things." "But we are excited about the opportunity." MMC faces Doane at 9 a.m. today at Voss Field in South Sioux City. Win or lose, the Lancers will play a second game on Thursday. The tournament runs through Saturday. The tournament champion joins regular season champion Hastings as qualifying for the NAIA Tournament Opening Round.

Track

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