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It's A Sad Day With David Letterman Gone From TV

Pardon me for wandering away from the sports world for a second. I'm too distracted. And saddened. By the time you read this, David Letterman will be retired. His 33-year run as host of 'Late Night' on NBC and 'Late Show' on CBS will have ended.

to a Velcro wall. When Johnny Carson retired in 1992, I was seven years old. I was too young to realize what the culture would be missing.

SCOREBOARD

BASKETBALL

NBA PLAYOFFS CONFERENCE FINALS Tuesday, May 19 Golden State 110, Houston 106. Golden State leads series 1-0.

HOCKEY

NHL CONF. FINALS Monday, May 18 Tampa Bay 6, N.Y. Rangers 2, series tied 1-1.

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE East Division W L Pct GB New York 22 19 537 -- Tampa Bay 22 19 537 -- Boston 19 21 475 2 1/2

AREA CALENDAR

Thursday, May 21 BASEBALL, AMATEUR Freeman at Crofton (7:30 p.m.); Lesterville at Irene (7:30 p.m.); Scotland at Yankton (7:30 p.m.).

AUTO RACING

NASCAR SPRINT CUP 2015 SCHEDULE May 15 x-Sprint: Showdown, Concord, N.C. (Greg Biffle and Clint Bowyer) May 16 x-81-Star Race, Concord, N.C. (Denny Hamlin)

Area: Fury Crush Split At DV

NORTH SIOUX CITY - The Yankton Fury Crush split a doubleheader at Dakota Valley in girls' softball action on Tuesday.

Sejnoha striking out one in relief. The Fury Crush play in the Vermillion Summer Slam Tournament May 23-24.

Fury White 6-8, Sioux City Heelan 2-9

Yankton Fury White suffered their first setback of the season, but earned a split with Sioux City (Iowa) Heelan in girls' softball action on Tuesday.

Homme-Scotland, Tate Wynia had a hit and a RBI to lead W-A-L-A.

Cole Uecker went the distance, striking out seven, to pick up the win. Logan Muddler took the loss in relief.

Bon Homme-Scotland, 9-0, hosts Beresford-Centerville today (Wednesday) to conclude the regular season. Start time is set for 5:30 p.m.

Bon Homme-Scotland also won the JV game, as Christian Uecker and Josh Schmidt combined on a one-hitter in a 7-0 victory.

Youth: Mitchell Early Bird

MITCHELL - The Yankton Twins U-12 team win their division in the Mitchell Early Bird youth baseball tournament, held Saturday in Mitchell. The Twins are now 9-1 on the season.

TWINS 6, MITCHELL SLUGGERS 4: Aidan Feser went 3-3 with two runs scored, and Trevor Fitzgerald had two hits and two RBIs to lead the way.

Feser picked up the win in relief, with Trent Herboldt earning the save.

TWINS 7, LUVÉRNE 3: Peterson and Herboldt each had two hits, and Feser had a two-run triple to lead the way.

Baseball

High School: Bon Homme-Scotland 4, Wagner

Avon-Lake Andes 3 WAGNER - Bon Homme-Scotland needed a sixth inning rally to edge Wagner-Avon-Lake Andes 4-3 in club high school baseball action on Monday.

Neb. Track

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Class D

Allen The Eagles bring a large contingent to Omaha, with six girls and five boys entered in 11 girls' events and five boys' events.

Wausa A senior-dominated squad will look for big points in Omaha this weekend, led by an individual who scored 38 points by himself a year ago.

Bloomfield The Bees are qualified in the 1600 relay, with senior Conner Wilson, juniors Nathan Hingst and Kyle Young, and freshman Quinten Moles completing the foursome.

Randolph A pair of senior throwers will make their final appearances at state for the Cardinals. Seth Lackas, seventh in the discus a season ago, will compete in both events.

Tennis returns with the same playing partner. The Vermillion Tanagers take a veteran lineup into the state tournament this weekend.

Wynot A sophomore-dominated Wynot girls' squad is hoping to compete above their age in Omaha.

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Mount Marty Men Add Ainsworth Guard

The Mount Marty College men's basketball program announced Wednesday the addition of Hunter Martin, a guard from Ainsworth (Nebraska) High School, for the 2015-16 season.

his senior year and was named Honorable Mention All-State in class C2, as well as 1st team All-Conference and 2nd team All-Area.



Martin

Martin, a 5-foot-10 guard, was a big part of his team's success this past year. During his four years at Ainsworth, Martin surpassed the 1,000 point mark, helped his team achieve a state runner-up finish in 2014, and a conference championship. Martin averaged 19 points, 4 rebounds, and 5 assists

Martin was also a member of his cross country team and was named the team MVP. "Hunter is a great young man and comes from a tradition of winning," Mount

Marty head coach Andrew Baker said. "He is athletic and has good length for his size. He can shoot the ball well and create off the dribble for others. We look forward to him joining our program and getting him into our system."

The son of Kevin and Jennifer Martin of Ainsworth, Hunter is currently undecided on a major. He is the recipient of an Academic Honors Scholarship as well as a basketball scholarship.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

The Yankton boys' tennis team includes four sets of brothers in their top 12 players: (front) Gerrit and Tanner Dykstra, (middle) Ethan and Issac Klimisch, Ben and Sam Moon-ey, and (back) Hunter and Luke Rockne.

Brothers

"We both have more of a connection," Hunter said. "We know what each other is going to do." One advantage to playing doubles with your brother is that you don't have to pull punches, according to Luke.

competitive than they would be in a normal match," he said. "You get the best out of each of them, because they would rather lose to anyone else.

"It's been good in practice." The most intense brother-versus-brother matchups are in the Dykstra clan, according to Luke.

"You know when the Dykstra boys go at it, it gets intense," he said. "(The matchups between brothers) keep everyone on their game, especially for us older ones. We don't want to lose to our brother."

Both Tanner, a junior, and Gerrit, a freshman, said their rivalry is just them being typical brothers. "We're just brothers. We're competitive. We try to one-up each other," Tanner said. "We always fight over

who is better. It doesn't matter whether it's a video game or a tennis court."

Gerrit admits that the competition between siblings has made the team better.

"Every brother on the team is trying to outdo the other brother," he said. "It increases our team's determination to get better."

The Dykstras played one doubles match together during the season, and the intensity level did not decrease.

"We yell at each other more than when I play with someone else," Tanner said. "While both Luke Rockne and Ethan Klimisch graduate, the influence of having all the family connections on the team will continue."

"It's going to be good in the future, too," Hunter said.

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Tennis

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1:30 p.m. today. Action is set to begin at 9 a.m. on both Friday and Saturday.

Defending team champion Sioux Falls Lincoln returns four singles champions from a year ago, each moving up a flight from a season ago: Sam Dobbbs (to flight two), Austin Noldner (to flight three), Arjun Choudhry (to flight four) and Erik Rossing (to flight five).

While five of the six individuals who won doubles titles a year ago return, none

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KYNT AM 1450 MORNING COFFEE WEEKDAYS MONDAY-FRIDAY Thursday, May 21 7:40 am Yankton Chamber (Carmen Schramm) 8:20 am Yankton Conv/Vis (Stephanie Moser) Friday, May 22 7:40 am Rockin Ribfest (Committee members) 8:20 am Yankton City Commission (Pauline Akland)