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If there is one sure-fire way to get on a highlight show, it is to win — or lose — a game that was supposed to be a no-doubter. Just ask Northern State. The NCAA Division II program from Aberdeen found itself with a little bit of attention Wednesday night when the Wolves went into Indianapolis and beat Butler in a men's basketball exhibition. Yes, that Butler, the same Bulldogs team that has been among the darlings of the NCAA Division I Tournament in recent years. That win comes on the heels of Division I Seattle Pacific beating No. 16 Arizona and Minnesota State-

Overlooking Opponents Can Lead To Embarrassment ... Even In An Exhibition

Moorhead bouncing cross-river foe North Dakota State. If Butler beats Northern by 50, you might see a highlight-reel play from that game, but it is business as usual. But a turn like the Wolves pulled off Wednesday gets you a very high spot on SportsCenter, even if it is an exhibition. Outcomes like that are part of the reason teams will play those games. For the "big dog" it's a chance to shake off the rust and, if a stumble like this happens, it doesn't count toward your record. For the little guy, it's also a chance to shake off the rust, but it gives your kids a chance to show what they can do against a school that probably didn't recruit them. Either way, it's a game that you want your team ready for — even if it doesn't count — because you don't want to be on the wrong side of national attention.



Mingo Named Junior Golfer Of The Year

Megan Mingo of Yankton has been named the South Dakota Golf Association's Junior Golfer of the Year. The SDGA announced earlier this fall. Mingo finished second in the junior championships and joined with Yankton High School teammate Hannah Withrow to place fourth in the SDGA Two-Woman Championship. She also teamed with her father, Dave, to place eighth in the Adult-Junior Championship. Mingo, a junior at YHS, also placed 20th in the SDGA Women's Amateur, fourth in the US Girls Junior Amateur and third in the 2011 S.D. State Class AA Girls' Golf Tournament.

Official: Nickname Lawsuit Won't Change Plans

GRAND FORKS, N.D. (AP) — Board of Higher Education President Grant Shaft says a lawsuit filed by Spirit Lake tribal members who support the University of North Dakota's Fighting Sioux nickname is not likely to change plans to retire it. Shaft says he doesn't expect the board to alter the course it set in August when it directed UND to begin preparing to retire the nickname. State lawmakers during a special legislative session next week are expected to repeal a bill passed earlier this year requiring UND to keep the nickname. The NCAA has refused to back away from promised sanctions on UND if it keeps the nickname. The Spirit Lake supporters say the threatened sanctions violate religious and constitutional rights of Sioux tribes. Their attorney says the case won't be heard until 2013.

Cook Suspended From Huskers' Weekend Matches

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Nebraska volleyball star Lauren Cook will be held out of Friday and Saturday's matches against Michigan and Michigan State after being arrested on suspicion of leaving the scene of an accident last weekend. Coach John Cook, Lauren's father, said Wednesday that her return depends on how the legal case turns out. She will continue to practice with the team, currently ranked No. 2.

Lincoln police say a motorcyclist's leg was broken and his passenger was injured when the SUV Lauren Cook was driving clipped the motorcycle stopped on the side of a street. Police say she called 911 eight minutes after Sunday's accident. She told police she fled because she was "scared." Her license had been suspended Oct. 3. She is due in court Tuesday.

California Judge Orders A Husker Website To Close

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — A California court order has forced closure of a popular Nebraska sports website snared in an ownership squabble. The Lincoln Journal Star reports (<http://bit.ly/t0j1RS>) that the order was issued Monday by a judge in Orange County, Calif. It had been requested by lawyers for David Max, a Californian who grew up in Page, Neb. Max had sued former partner Eric Park and others, saying they owed Max more than \$392,000. Max says he'd been fired from his position as chief financial officer and that the others ran the HuskerPedia site "as if they were the true owners of it." The defendants filed an unsuccessful cross complaint, saying they'd owned the site since 2003. On Friday, a jury ruled in favor of Max and awarded him damages of nearly \$1.4 million.

SCOREBOARD

FOOTBALL

NEBRASKA PLAYOFFS
Class C-1
Second Round, Nov. 2
Arlington 20, David City 13
Columbus Lakeview 40, Omaha Roncalli 20
Gothenburg 36, Ogallala 35, 40T
Minden 21, Boone Central 12
Norfolk Catholic 35, Chadron 13
Pierce 30, Valentine 13
Platteview 55, Columbus Scotus 28
Wahoo 32, Bishop Neumann 16
Quarterfinals, Nov. 8
Pierce (9-1) at Norfolk Catholic (10-0)
Gothenburg (6-4) at Minden (10-0)
Arlington (7-3) at Wahoo (8-2)
Columbus Lakeview (8-2) at Platteview (9-1)
Class C-2
Second Round, Nov. 2
Aquinas 14, Lutheran High Northeast 7
Crofton 37, Perkins County 9
Hastings St. Cecilia 35, West Holt 21
Kearney Catholic 47, Blue Hill 17
Lincoln Christian 27, Wilber-Clatonia 16
North Platte St. Patrick's 31, Cambridge 20
Oakland-Craig 20, Hartington Cedar Catholic 19
Tri County 44, Elmwood-Murdock 12
Quarterfinals, Nov. 8
Tri County (9-1) at Aquinas Catholic (10-0)
Oakland-Craig (10-0) at Lincoln Christian (9-1)
North Platte St. Patrick (9-1) at Hastings St. Cecilia (10-0)
Crofton (10-0) at Kearney Catholic (9-1)
Class D-1
Second Round, Nov. 2
Bruning-Davenport/Shickley 22, Freeman 20
Creighton 36, Nebraska Christian 6
Elgin Public-Pope John 40, Overton 12
Garden County 58, Shelton 52, 30T
Guardian Angels 52, Friend 12
High Plains Community 39, Pender 30
Kenesaw 56, Alma 20
South Loup 55, Burwell 34
Quarterfinals, Nov. 8
Garden County (10-0) at Kenesaw (10-0)

South Loup (9-1) at Elgin Public-Pope John (10-0)
High Plains Community (8-2) at Guardian Angels Central Catholic (9-1)
Bruning-Davenport/Shickley (9-1) at Creighton (8-2)
Class D-2
Second Round, Nov. 2
Bertrand 43, Sumner-Eddyville-Miller 7
Clarkson 28, Falls City Sacred Heart 20
Exeter/Miligan 36, Pawnee City 0
Gilmer 36, Humphrey St. Francis 26
Howells 44, Dodge 16
Loomis 42, St. Mary's 22
Medicine Valley 69, Plessanton 30
Sargent 74, Arsenault-Merna 20
Quarterfinals, Nov. 8
Gilmer (10-0) at Howells (10-0)
Clarkson (6-4) at Exeter-Miligan (9-1)
Medicine Valley (8-2) at Sargent (10-0)
Bertrand (9-1) at Loomis (8-2)

Corsica-Stickney (8-2) at Wall, 2:30 p.m. CT
CLASS 9B
Semifinals, Nov. 5
Viborg-Hurley (8-2) at Waverly-South Shore (10-0), 7 p.m.
Avon (9-1) at Harding County (9-1), 4 p.m. CT

Championship: Bellevue East def. Papillon-LaVista, 24-26, 25-22, 25-21, 15-25, 15-13

BASEBALL
2011 SILVER SLUGGER TEAM
Presented by Hillerich & Bradstock Co. Selected by major league coaches and managers

AMERICAN LEAGUE
1B - Adrian Gonzalez, Boston Red Sox
2B - Robinson Cano, New York Yankees
3B - Adrian Beltre, Texas Rangers
SS - Asdrubal Cabrera, Cleveland Indians
OF - Curtis Granderson, New York Yankees
OF - Jacoby Ellsbury, Boston Red Sox
C - Alex Avila, Detroit Tigers
DH - David Ortiz, Boston Red Sox

NATIONAL LEAGUE
1B - Prince Fielder, Milwaukee Brewers
2B Brandon Phillips, Cincinnati Reds
3B Aramis Ramirez, Chicago Cubs
SS Troy Tulowitzki, Colorado Rockies
OF Ryan Braun, Milwaukee Brewers
OF Matt Kemp, Los Angeles Dodgers
OF Justin Upton, Arizona Diamondbacks
C Brian McCann, Atlanta Braves
P Daniel Hudson, Arizona Diamondbacks

TRANSACTIONS
BASEBALL
AMERICAN LEAGUE
BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Claimed RHP Darren O'Day off waivers from Texas.
CLEVELAND INDIANS—Assigned OF Trevor Crowe outright to Columbus (IL). Reinstated LHP Brett Anderson, LHP Dallas Braden, RHP Joey Devine, RHP Evan Scribner and INF Daric Barton from the 60-day DL.
TEXAS RANGERS—Assigned RHP Omar

Belte, INF Andres Blanco, INF Esteban German, RHP Eric Hurley and RHP Merkin Valdez to Round Rock (PCL).
NATIONAL LEAGUE
ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS—Announced C Henry Blanco declined the side of a 2012 mutual contract option. Agreed to terms with INF John McDonald on a two-year contract.
CHICAGO CUBS—Fired manager Mike Quade.
LOS ANGELES DODGERS—Added OF Alfredo Siverio and 1B-OF Scott Van Slyke to the 40-man roster.
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION
AMARILLO SOX—Acquired LHP Trent Lare from Gary South Shore to complete an earlier trade.
FOOTBALL
National Football League

FLORIDA PANTHERS—Reassigned LW Tim Kennedy to San Antonio (AHL).
AMERICAN HOCKEY LEAGUE
SPRINGFIELD FALCONS—Signed F Chaz Johnson to a professional tryout agreement.
ECHL
UTAH GRIZZLIES—Re-signed F Paul McIvreen.
CENTRAL HOCKEY LEAGUE
DAYTON GEMS—Signed F Ben Winnett.
LAREDO BUCKS—Signed D Matt Rigtrup.
LACROSSE
NATIONAL LACROSSE LEAGUE
EDMONTON RUSH—Signed F Corey Small, F Jimmy Quinn, F Alex Turner, G Brodie MacDonald, D Tyler Codron, F Dana Stevens, D John Lintz, D Eric Leithwaite and F Jesse Fehr to one-year contracts and D Brett Myskys to a three-year contract.
MINNESOTA SWARM—Re-signed D Matt Kelly to a one-year contract.
COLLEGE
CONNECTICUT—Announced freshman G Ryan Boatright will be held out of basketball games while the school and the NCAA investigate his eligibility.
NORTHERN ILLINOIS—Suspended freshman LB Jamaal Bass for one game for bowing over a member of Toledo's marching band on Nov. 1.
TEXAS—Announced freshman WR Chris Jones will transfer.
TEXAS-SAN ANTONIO—Named Adam Hudson assistant back & field coach.

AREA CALENDAR

Thursday, November 3
VOLLEYBALL, WOMEN'S MMC at Dakota Wesleyan (7:30 p.m.)
VOLLEYBALL, WOMEN'S JV MMC at Dakota Wesleyan (6 p.m.)
VOLLEYBALL, GIRLS' S.D. Districts — 2AA (S.F. Washington at YHS, 7 p.m., KYNT-AM), 8A at Elk Point (Championship — Beresford vs. Elk Point-Jefferson, 7 p.m.); 10A at Platte (Championship — Platte-Geodes vs. Winner, 7 p.m.); 7B at Freeman (Parker vs. Canistota, 5:30 p.m.; Marion vs. Freeman, 7 p.m.); 8B at Gayville (Gayville-Volin vs. Irene-Wakonda, 4:30 p.m.); Viborg-Hurley vs. Centerville, 6 p.m.; Alcester-Hudson vs. Gayville-Volin/Irene-Wakonda winner, 7:30 p.m.); 11B at Menno (Championship — Avon vs. Hanson, 7 p.m.); 12B (Andes Central vs. South Central, 7 p.m.); Neb. District Finals — D2-4 at Norfolk (Wymot vs. Ewing, 7 p.m.)
Friday, November 4
BASKETBALL, MEN'S MMC vs. S.D. Mines at Chamberlain (exhibition, 7 p.m.)
BASKETBALL, WOMEN'S Midland Classic (MMC vs. William Penn, 5:30 p.m., KVTK-AM)
CHEER & DANCE, PREP Eastern South Dakota Conf. at Mitchell (YHS, 6 p.m.); Gregory Inv. (Dakota Valley)
VOLLEYBALL, WOMEN'S Oakland at USD (7 p.m.)
VOLLEYBALL, GIRLS' S.D. Districts — 7B at Freeman (Championship — Semifinal winners, 7 p.m.); 8B at Gayville (Championship — Semifinal winners, 7 p.m.)
Saturday, November 5
BASKETBALL, WOMEN'S Midland Classic (MMC vs. Bethel, 1 p.m., KVTK-AM)
CROSS COUNTRY, COLLEGE Great Plains Athletic Conference at Lincoln (MMC)
FOOTBALL, PREP S.D. Playoffs Semifinals — Class 9B: Avon at Harding County (4 p.m. CT); Viborg-Hurley at Waverly-South Shore (7 p.m., KYKA-FM, KVHT-FM)
SWIMMING-DIVING, WOMEN Northern Iowa at USD (1 p.m.)
VOLLEYBALL, WOMEN'S Doane at MMC (3 p.m.)
VOLLEYBALL, WOMEN'S JV Doane at MMC (1:30 p.m.)
Sunday, November 6
VOLLEYBALL, WOMEN'S IPFW at USD (2 p.m.)

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS—Placed WR Mike Sims-Walker on injured reserve. Claimed WR Brian Robiskie off waivers from Cleveland.
NEW ORLEANS SAINTS—Placed OT Charles Brown on injured reserve. Signed DT Ray Willis.
NEW YORK GIANTS—Signed DB Brandon Brinkley to the practice squad. Terminated the practice squad contract of QB Ryan Pennington.
Arens Football League
ORLANDO PREDATORS—Signed DB Ahmad Carol.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
CAROLINA HURRICANES—Recalled F Dreyson Bowman from Charlotte (AHL). Activated F Zac Dalziel from injured reserve and assigned him to Charlotte.
DETROIT RED WINGS—Signed F

Gazelles

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and 19 blocks (6 solo) to her credit. "Emily has done a fantastic job of opening up the offense," Woodward said. "She has always had the physical ability, but a lot of setting is about making decisions, and that has something she's grown in to." Mindy Doering (43 kills, 37 blocks-13 solo), Tory Gross (31 kills, 24 assists, 18 ace serves, 166 digs, 15 blocks-1 solo), Brooke Wuebben (6 kills, 3 blocks-2 solo, 7 ace serves) and Kelsey Butler (11 kills, 38 digs, 12 blocks-1 solo) have all contributed to the front row attack this season. "We've gotten quiet contributions from Tory, Mindy, Kelsey and Brooke," Woodward said. "We're hoping that they won't be so quiet in the post-season." Senior Chloe Cornemann has

quarterbacked the back row defense from her libero position. The 5-7 senior has taken charge, recording a team-best 390 digs and 25 ace serves. Jena Nelson, the team's other regular back-row specialist has 148 digs and 11 ace serves to her credit. Hora, Gross and Fedders play all the way around for the Gazelles. "We've seen a lot of improvement in our defense during the last half of the season," Woodward noted. Yankton opens the post-season at home against Sioux Falls Washington, a team the Gazelles beat 3-0 on Oct. 13. But the 25-23, 26-24, 26-24 victory shows that the rematch will not be easy. "That was the tightest three-set match I've ever coached," Woodward noted. "We're going to have to go out and earn it against a tough opponent in the first round." Should the Gazelles advance to the district final on Nov. 8 (they will play either for first or third that day), a potential rematch with Sioux Falls Lincoln

awaits. The Patriots and Yankton have a recent history of a number of tightly-contested matches, but Lincoln won the Sept. 15 meeting 25-17, 25-20, 25-20. "We did not play well against them the first time," Woodward noted. "We feel we will be able to compete at a much higher level than we did (against them) in September." The district champion will advance to the state tournament, Nov. 17-19 at Sioux Falls Arena. Teams finishing second and third will cross-bracket with teams from District 1AA for region games on Nov. 11, with the winners of those games also qualifying for state. For Yankton to earn a trip to state for the first time since 2007, touches at the net and toughness on the serve will be key. "Our blocking has been sporadic all year. It has to show up for us," Woodward said. "We have to be aggressive when we get to the back line to serve." "Those two will be keys to our success in the post-season."

Lancers

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with 1:18 to play for Mount Marty's 99th point and push the Lancers into double digits with a pair of free throws with 48 seconds left in the game. Forsch finished with a game-high 19 points. De Kam and Kaylea Karst reached double figures with 10 points. In all, 14 different Lancers scored in the game. "Our objective was to play everybody, and by our count, no one played more than seventeen minutes," Schlimgen said.

Tasso finished with 15 points and 11 rebounds, and Lacey Weston scored 10 points for OLC (0-3). The Lancers (1-0) play William Penn University of Iowa Friday at 5:30 in Fremont followed by a tilt with Bethel University of Indiana Saturday at 1 p.m. OGLALA LAKOTA (0-3) Victoria Piper 2-3 5-6 9, Kelsey Brave Eagle 1-5 6-8 9, Cenedra Morrison 0-1 0-0 0, Lacey Weston 5-10 0-0 10, Saadia Tasso 7-16 1-4 15, Stephanie Cury 0-0 0-0 0. TOTALS: 15-35 12-19 42.
MOUNT MARTY (1-0) Alexa Berg 3-8 0-0 8, April Winne 1-5 0-0 2, Taylor Forsch 7-14 1-2 10, Allison De Kam 4-8 2-2 10, Kylie Gross 4-12 0-0 8, Johanna Scheich 0-1 0-0 0, Tara DesLauriers 2-9 2-2 7, Alyssa Whelan 4-7 0-0 9, Paige Nelson 0-0 0-0 0, Kelli Norrd 2-4 0-0 5, Sarah Crogrove 0-3 0-0 0, Hannah Youngberg 2-4 0-0 6, Kaylea Karst 5-7 0-0 10, Kelsey Schmidt 1-2 0-0 2, Britany Little 2-5 2-3 6, Holly Hegge 1-5 1-6 3, Cheyenne Lambley 0-2 0-0 0, Cassie Schuurmans 3-5 0-0 6. TOTALS: 41-101 8-15 101. 3-Point Goals: MMC 11-40 (Berg 2-5, Winne 0-4, Forsch 4-9, Scheich 0-1, DesLauriers 1-6, Whelan 1-3, Norrd 1-3, Crogrove 0-2, Youngberg 2-4, Schmidt 0-1, Little 0-1, Hegge 0-1), OLC 0-5 (Brave Eagle 0-1, Weston 0-2, Tasso 0-2); Rebounds: MMC 54 (Hegge 9), OLC 34 (Tasso 11); Personal Fouls: MMC

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MORNING COFFEE
WEEKDAYS
MONDAY-FRIDAY
Thursday, November 3
7:40 a.m. Yankton Chamber (Carmen Schramm)
8:15 a.m. Yankton Conv/Vis Bureau (Lisa Scheve)
Friday, Nov. 4
7:40 a.m. YAPG (Mike Dellinger)
8:15 a.m. YAA (Amy Miner)

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