

Augustana To Hold Food Drive In Conjunction With Nov. 5 Exhibition Basketball Games

SIOUX FALLS — The Augustana men's and women's basketball teams will host the University of Minnesota Morris in an exhibition doubleheader on Monday, Nov. 5 at the Elmen Center. The women will tip-off at 6 p.m., followed by the men's game at 8 p.m.

In the effort to relieve hunger in South Dakota, Augustana basketball and Augustana's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) will be holding a food drive and free-will donation for admission to the exhibition contests. All non-perishable food items or free-will cash donations will be accepted for admittance.

All of the donations will benefit Feeding South Dakota, a hunger relief organization fighting to eliminate hunger in the state. By raising awareness for the mission of Feeding

South Dakota and joining in the battle against hunger, you are saving lives and positively impacting the state forever.

NWU Selected To Host NCAA III Indoor Track Championships

LINCOLN, Neb. — Nebraska Wesleyan University, in conjunction with the Lincoln Convention and Visitor's Bureau, has been selected to host the 2014 NCAA III Indoor Men's and Women's Track & Field Championships, the NCAA announced Thursday, Nov. 1, 2012. The event will take place March 14-15, 2014 at the Bob Devaney Sports Center in Lincoln, Neb.

This will be the first time that Nebraska Wesleyan has hosted an NCAA National Championship event in track & field. The Bob Devaney Sports Center has never hosted an NCAA National Championship event, but did host the NAIA Indoor Championships, most recently in 2000.

The Devaney Sports Center has played host to a num-

ber of the country's premiere track & field events hosting the Big 12 Championships nine times and the Big 10 Championship in 2012. The facility received a \$1.1 million dollar facelift in 2011 as the oval was resurfaced, the interior was repainted, new lights were installed and a 24x14-foot video board was hung.

Nebraska Wesleyan has hosted NCAA Division III Championship events three times, all in men's golf, with the most recent in 2006.

DWU Softball Holding Share What You Wear Event

MITCHELL — After a year hiatus, the Dakota Wesleyan University softball team will once again be holding a Share What You Wear community clothing event this fall.

The Tigers are asking everyone in the Mitchell community to go through closets, boxes and sheds to find items to donate to the cause, which will benefit those in need

around the community. Between Nov. 7 and Nov. 28, the Tigers are asking for donations of clean clothing; coats, hats and gloves; baby items; work clothes; shoes; toys; usable household items; sheets, towels and blankets or any other new household items.

Items can be dropped off at a semitrailer donated by Puelz Corporation in the DWU parking lot on Duff St., north of the football practice field, between Wednesday, Nov. 7, and Wednesday, Nov. 28. Collection times are Monday, Wednesday and Friday between 6 and 8 p.m.

Volunteers are needed from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 30, to sort and organize the items, and distribution will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, at the Christen Family Recreation/Wellness Center on the DWU campus. Items are available for free to those in need from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Dec. 1.

Contact DWU assistant coach Heather Ebert at 306-232-7425 or heebert@dwu.edu for more information. Larger household items and furniture will also be collected,

but please call ahead so volunteers can be ready to load and unload the items.

SDGA Announces Its 2012 Golfers Of The Year

SIOUX FALLS — Six players have been honored as Golfers of the Year for their performances during the 2012 season.

Honored are Brandon Sigmund, Mitchell, Male Golfer of the Year; Jenny Coluccio, Sioux Falls, Female Golfer of the Year; Tim Begeman, Madison, Senior Male Golfer of the Year; Patty Coddington, Senior Female Golfer of the Year; Max Donohue, Sioux Falls, Junior Male Golfer of the Year; and Hallie Getz, Pierre, Junior Female Golfer of the Year.

SCOREBOARD

VOLLEYBALL

THURSDAY'S S.D. SCORES	
District 1AA	
First Round	Sioux Falls O'Gorman def. Watertown, 25-14, 25-21, 20-25, 25-21
	Sioux Falls Roosevelt def. Brookings, 25-16, 25-17, 23-25, 25-14
District 2AA	
First Round	Sioux Falls Washington def. Sioux Falls Lincoln, 25-15, 25-15, 19-25, 25-24
	Yankton def. Brandon Valley, 25-20, 25-18, 25-17
District 3AA	
First Round	Aberdeen Central def. Pierre, 25-16, 25-23, 25-23
	Mitchell def. Huron, 26-28, 27-25, 25-22, 21-25, 15-9
District 4AA	
First Round	Rapid City Central def. Douglas, 25-11, 25-5, 25-14
	Rapid City Stevens def. Sturgis, 25-15, 27-25, 25-21
District 1A	
Championship:	Aberdeen Roncalli def. Grotton Area, 25-19, 25-14, 25-15
District 2A	
Championship:	Milbank Area def. Sisseton, 16-25, 26-24, 25-10, 25-21
District 3A	
Championship:	Clark/Willow Lake def. Redfield/Doland, 25-19, 25-17, 25-20
District 4A	
Championship:	Sioux Valley def. Deurbrook, 25-16, 25-13, 25-16
District 5A	
Championship:	Elkton-Lake Benton def. Madison, 25-16, 25-23, 25-23
District 6A	
Championship:	Sioux Falls Christian def. Baltic, 25-12, 25-13, 25-15
District 7A	
First Round	Harrisburg def. Canton, 25-17, 25-18, 25-22
	Tea Area def. Lakota, 25-23, 25-14, 25-15
District 8A	
Championship:	Dakota Valley def. Elk Point-Jefferson, 25-18, 18-25, 25-8, 25-23
District 9A	
Championship:	Tri-Valley def. McCook Central/Montrose, 25-16, 25-12, 25-14
District 10A	
Championship:	Wagner def. Platte-Geddes, 20-25, 25-9, 17-25, 26-24, 15-12
District 11A	
First Round	Cheyenne-Eagle Butte def. McLaughlin, 21-25, 23-23, 23-25, 25-15, 15-2
	Mobridge-Polkoff def. Stanley County, 25-7, 25-11, 25-10
District 12A	
Championship:	Miller def. Chamberlain, 25-19, 13-25, 25-18, 12-25, 15-12
District 13A	
Championship:	Winner def. Gregory, 25-13, 25-18, 26-24
District 15A	
Championship:	Custer def. Hot Springs, 22-25, 25-20, 25-23, 15-25, 16-14
District 16A	
Championship:	Belle Fourche def. St. Thomas More, 25-9, 22-25, 25-17, 25-12
District 1B	
Second Round	Rosholt def. Waverly-South Shore, 25-14, 14-25, 26-24, 21-25, 15-11
	Summit def. Wilnot, 25-19, 25-18, 25-12
District 2B	
Second Round	Northwestern Area def. Langford, 25-16, 25-16, 25-11
	Warner def. Hitchcock-Tulare, 25-6, 25-6, 25-12
District 3B	
Championship:	Arlington def. Estelline, 25-16, 25-15, 25-21
District 4B	
Championship:	Chester def. Oldham-Ramona/Rutland, 25-16, 26-24, 25-19

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this season. She will work primarily with perimeter players and assist in recruiting.

One aspect that should help the team adjust to the new year is a very similar scheme to years past. Along with spreading the floor and getting penetration, Schlimgen thinks the team's depth might have them trying a full-court defense.

But Mount Marty women's basketball not only has strength in numbers. The Lancers shine in the classroom as well, with a long-running tradition of academic excel-

lence in the NAIA.

"I think that speaks highly of the kind of kids we get here at Mount Marty. Our team GPA, 3.40 last season, has been in the top 25 in the nation I think 12 or 13 years in a row. So that's basically the kind of students we get and the kind of kids we recruit."

The 30-game schedule officially opens at the Dakota Wesleyan Classic in Mitchell against two non-conference opponents — exactly where another of the Lancers' goals focuses.

"Obviously I set pretty high goals and one of the things we're talking about right now is finishing undefeated in non-conference play," Schlimgen said.

The Lancers will also travel to Florida to take on a few non-confer-

ence opponents over winter break, but the real test will be their Great Plains Athletic Conference (GPAC) opponents. Pre-season conference voting placed the Lancers sixth in the GPAC, which Schlimgen thinks won't be good enough to reach the team's ultimate goal.

"Sixth place in our conference will not get us in the national tournament," he said. "So we need to exceed expectations of where the other coaches think we're at. And we think we have a good chance to do that."

The Lancers will get their first opportunity at that as they face Oglala Lakota at the DWU Classic on November 2 (today) at 2 p.m.

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this point," Thorson said. "We have a little bit of experience and we have some guys like Saladin Smith and T.J. Johnson that were here last year but didn't play. We are counting on them to fill in."

Thorson, entering his 18th year as head coach of the Lancers, is joined on the bench by second-year assistant Andrew Baker and Highmore-native Ted Quinn. A trio of Lancers that led last year's squad but are out of eligibility also return this season as student-assistants. Mitch Ackelson, Will Eddie and Spencer Yackley, who combined to contribute over 26 points and 16 rebounds per game last season, will try to use their experience playing at Mount Marty to help this new squad form an identity.

"I've been real pleased with them (Ackelson, Eddie and Yack-

ley) stepping in," Thorson added. "They know what we are looking for and they've been a big help."

Newcomers to the program that are expected to contribute right away include transfer Scott Sellers from Utah at the point guard position and New Jersey-native Jose Pena-Benjamin at small forward.

"Jose will give us good depth at the forward position," Thorson said. "He is a big strong player who can help out on defense."

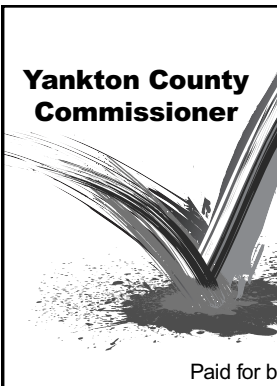
Payer is excited about the way Sellers has moved the ball around so far in the preseason.

"Scott is a good point guard," Payer said. "He knows how to dish the ball."

Thorson is also hopeful that junior Chris Richardson (4.08 PPG, 1.50 RPG in 2011-2012) and Payer will make an immediate impact early in the season.

"Chris really came on at the end of last year and Tyler has looked really good this fall," Thorson said.

The Lancers begin their season on Saturday at the DWU Classic in Mitchell against Ogalala and then face Mayville State on Sunday.




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Mount Marty setter Caitlyn Ilg goes to the floor to set a ball during the Lancers' home match against Dakota Wesleyan on Thursday.

team overall tonight."

The Dakota Wesleyan Tigers defeated the Mount Marty Lancers 25-17 in the final set of the game.

"We played exceptional tonight," Viney said. "This is what we wanted out of what we call our rivalry match. We had a lot of energy and got some revenge when they beat us at home."

Leading the Tigers in the victory was Rachel Tinklenberg who had eight kills and two blocks. Danielle Bird also recorded six kills, four digs, and a block. Maggie Stehly posted 12 digs on the night. Briana Jung tallied 29 assists and five kills.

"We knew we had to block (Danielle) Bird and (Rachel) Tinklenberg," coach Lukkes said. "We needed to attack and use line shots."

For Mount Marty, Dirksen had six kills, five digs, and one assist. Caitlyn Ilg tallied eight assists and

six digs. Rowbotham contributed seven assists, two digs, and a block. Kristi Tessmer had five digs and an assist for the Lancers.

Dakota Wesleyan will pick up its second GPAC victory and improve to 7-26 (2-13 in GPAC) on the season. The Tigers last game of the season will come on Saturday, when they travel to Hastings to take on Hastings College at 3pm. Mount Marty will drop to 7-24 (1-14 in GPAC) on the season. The Lancers complete its season with an away match with GPAC foe Doane at 1:30pm on Saturday.

"It came down to our willingness to be discipline within our defense," Viney said. "We played with the attitude of nothing was going to be easy tonight. We wanted to make Mount Marty beat us tonight, not beat ourselves."

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Wagner Survives To Win District 10A

District 8A

Dakota Valley 3, Elk Point-Jefferson 1

NORTH SIOUX CITY — Dakota Valley held off Elk Point-Jefferson 25-18, 18-25, 25-8, 25-23 for the championship in the District 8A Volleyball Tournament on Thursday.

Jayde Bergmann had 16 kills and four ace serves. Erica Johnson had eight kills, two blocks and 11 digs, and Morganne Pfaffle had eight kills to lead Dakota Valley. Lindsey Smith finished with 25 assists and four ace serves. Shylver Funck had 13 digs and Karissa Jensen added three assisted blocks in the win.

For Elk Point-Jefferson, Keely Bertram had 15 kills, 12 digs and three ace serves. Hope Erickson had 21 assists, with Audrey Truhe had 12 assists. Haylee Erickson had eight kills. Kelsey Abbey had 15 digs, with Amy Zeller recording 14 digs for the Huskies.

Dakota Valley, 29-3, advances to the Region 4A final on Tuesday, traveling to either Tea or Harrisburg. Elk Point-Jefferson finishes at 19-9.

ELK POINT-JEFFERSON (19-9).....18 25 8 23
DAKOTA VALLEY (29-3).....25 18 25 25

District 7B

Parker 3, Freeman 0

FREEMAN — The Parker Plaintiffs claimed their 30th victory of the season without a loss, beating Freeman 25-17, 25-9, 25-14 in the semifinals of the District 7B Volleyball Tournament on Thursday at Freeman Academy.

For Freeman, Dina Soulek had 11 kills and nine digs, and Shelby Jensen had five kills to lead the way. Grace Gering added 23 assists for the Flyers, who finished with

Gazelles

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The Gazelles ended up getting the ball back over the net and winning the point on that play, which highlighted a 3-0 run that enabled them to take a 10-9 lead that would never be relinquished.

"For me it was just go get the ball," Hora said. "I wasn't really thinking about anything other than getting there. I try to go after anything and everything - you never know what's going to happen and it happened to work out."

Shortly after Hora's athletic play the Gazelles used a 5-0 run to take a 17-12 advantage and never looked back on their way to finishing the sweep with a 25-17 triumph.

Yankton, who lost two previous matchups this season against the Lynx, made their rallies count the third time around, according to Woodward.

"I thought we did a good job - a

better job than the last two times we played them - of finally putting the ball away and winning some of those long rallies," Woodward said.

Hora led the way in the victory with 17 kills and seven digs. Fitzgerald added 13 kills and seven digs while senior Maria Binder recorded 16 digs and junior Brooke Wuebben added 14 digs and four aces.

"We have great leadership, specifically out of Fitz and Mikala but that is something expected of four year starters," Woodward added. "I was most impressed with the contribution we got from the outside from Brooke and also (freshman) Becky Frick."

In the loss, which drops them to 7-14 on the year, Brandon Valley was led by senior Allison Koehn's 17 digs and six kills and junior Taylor Murtha's 17 digs. Junior Lexi Hoover added 17 assists for the Lynx.

Yankton will travel to Sioux Falls on Tuesday to face top-seed

Washington in the 2AA title match. Washington defeated Lincoln in their first-round match up.

Brandon Valley hosts Lincoln on Tuesday.

The Gazelles faced Washington back on October 11 in Sioux Falls, losing 3-1.

"We took Washington four when we played them," Woodward said. "We would have to play a very good match to knock them out but I think our kids are playing with a purpose right now, a purpose they haven't played with all year long."

With a victory on Tuesday the Gazelles will punch their ticket to the state tournament in Rapid City later this month.

"We have our sights set on Rapid but we are going to go one game at a time and do what we need to go to get each win." Hora said. "If we do that and stay focused we'll be fine."

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