

SCOREBOARD

VOLLEYBALL
S.D. STATE TOURN.
Nov. 19-21 at Denny Sanford Premier Center, Sioux Falls

CLASS A
Consolation Semifinals, Friday
R.C. Stevens def. Pierre 25-22, 25-17, 25-13
S.F. Roosevelt def. Huron 25-22, 25-25, 26-28, 25-16, 15-13
Championship Semifinals, Friday
Aberdeen Central def. Sioux Falls O'Gorman, 25-20, 25-21, 25-17
Brandon Valley (19-4) vs. Harrisburg (20-4), 7:45 p.m.
Final Round, Saturday
FIRST: Aberdeen Central (22-2) vs. TBD, 8 p.m.
THIRD: S.F. O'Gorman (21-14) vs. TBD, 1 p.m.
FIFTH: R.C. Stevens (22-11) vs. S.F. Roosevelt (17-15), 11 a.m.
SEVENTH: Pierre (12-16) vs. Huron (12-16), 9 a.m.

CLASS B
Consolation Semifinals, Friday
Sioux Valley def. Red Cloud 25-12, 25-16, 25-21
Moberg-Pollock def. Milbank Area 25-21, 25-18, 25-16
Championship Semifinals, Friday
Mt. Vernon/Plankinton def. Spearfish, 25-17, 25-23, 25-20
Dakota Valley (27-4) vs. S.F. Christian (27-4), 7:45 p.m.
Final Round, Saturday
FIRST: Mount Vernon-Plankinton (31-2) vs. TBD, 6 p.m.
THIRD: Spearfish (27-8) vs. TBD, 1 p.m.
FIFTH: Moberg-Pollock (24-7) vs. Sioux Valley (25-8), 11 a.m.
SEVENTH: Red Cloud (24-13) vs. Milbank Area (17-12), 9 a.m.

CLASS B
Consolation Semifinals, Friday
Sanborn Central-Woonsocket def. Philip 25-15, 25-16, 25-14
Plate-Geddes def. Harding County 18-25, 25-22, 25-23, 25-21
Championship Semifinals, Friday
Chester def. Parker 25-18, 23-25, 25-27, 25-18, 15-6
Sully Buttes (29-1) vs. Wamer (29-9), 7:45 p.m.
Final Round, Saturday
FIRST: Chester Area (29-2) vs. TBD, 4 p.m.
THIRD: Parker (27-6) vs. TBD, 1 p.m.
FIFTH: Sanborn Central-Woonsocket (19-11) vs. Plate-Geddes (26-8), 11 a.m.
SEVENTH: Philip (25-7) vs. Harding County (23-9), 9 a.m.

FOOTBALL
NEBRASKA FINALS

AREA CALENDAR

Saturday, November 21
BASKETBALL, MEN'S MMC
at Doane (4 p.m., KYNT-AM)
BASKETBALL, WOMEN'S MMC
at Doane (2 p.m., KYNT-AM)
CROSS COUNTRY COLLEGE
NCAA Championships at Louisville, Ky.; NAAI Championships at Charlotte, N.C.
FOOTBALL, COLLEGE USD
at Illinois State (noon, KVHT-FM)
HOCKEY, BOYS' JV
Water-town Jamboree (Yankton)
HOCKEY, PEEWEE
Yankton 'C' Tour (Yankton)
VOLLEYBALL, WOMEN'S
Summit League Championships at Denver (USD)

Denver (USD)
VOLLEYBALL, PREP S.D.
State Tour at Sioux Falls (Dakota Valley, Parker)
Sunday, November 22
HOCKEY, BOYS' JV
Water-town Jamboree (Yankton)
VOLLEYBALL, WOMEN'S
Summit League Championships at Denver (USD)
Monday, November 23
BASKETBALL, WOMEN'S
Marquette at USD (7 p.m., KVHT-FM)
FOOTBALL, PREP Neb. State
Finals at Lincoln — D1 (10:30 a.m.), D2 (2:30 p.m.)

View (Iowa) (10-1), noon
Campbellsville (Ky.) (8-2) at Marian (Ind.) (8-2), noon
Saint Xavier (Ill.) (7-3) at Morning-side (Iowa) (10-1), 1 p.m.
Dickinson State (N.D.) (8-2) at Montana Tech (9-1), 1 p.m.
Doane (Neb.) (9-1) at Tabor (Kan.) (10-1), 1 p.m.
Kansas Wesleyan (10-1) at Southern Oregon (8-2), 6 p.m.

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USD Holds Off Bison 3-2 To Open Summit League Volleyball Tourney

Coyotes Face Top-Seeded Denver Today

DENVER — The University of South Dakota volleyball team moved its record to .500 on the season and extended its season for at least one more day with a 22-25, 25-17, 25-20, 16-25, 15-10 victory over North Dakota State in the quarterfinals of the Summit League Volleyball Tournament on Friday at Hamilton Gymnasium on the campus of Denver University.

USD had four players in double figure kills, including Summit League Setter of the Year Brittany Jensen, who finished with 13 kills, 10 digs, 46 assists and three assisted blocks. Audrey Reeg had a team-best 18 kills and had three blocks (one solo). Lindsey Brown had 11 kills and four assisted blocks. Hayley Dotseth added 10 kills.

Also for USD, Lauren Mattison had 19 digs and Kaitlyn Hastings had 11 digs.

NDSU, which finished with a 19-12 record, was led by 17 kills from Jenni Fassbender and 16 kills from Emily Minnick. Emily Miron posted 14 kills. Monica Claxton had 40 assists and 10 digs. Brianna Rasmusson had 15 assists and 13 digs. Mikaela Purnell had 32 digs for the Bison.

USD, now 15-15, advances to face top-seeded Denver today (Saturday) at 6 p.m. CT.

Denver swept the season series with USD. The Pioneers won 3-1 in Denver on Oct. 4 as USD dropped to 0-4 in Summit League play. USD went 7-3 to finish league play, including a 3-0 home loss to Denver on Nov. 3.

Oral Roberts played Omaha in the other quarterfinal on Friday evening, with the winner playing second-seeded IUPUI in the second quarterfinal tonight.

The winners will play on Sunday at 3 p.m., with the league champion earning a berth in the NCAA Tournament.

USD's Jensen Named Summit League Setter Of Year; Four Other Coyotes Honored

VERMILLION — South Dakota senior Kelsey Biltoft, junior Audrey Reeg, sophomore Brittany Jensen, and freshmen Hayley Dotseth and Lauren Mattison were named to 2015 All-Summit League Volleyball Teams, which the league announced Thursday night.

"I'm blown away at the awards these individuals received," said South Dakota head coach Leanne Williamson. "I knew that they deserved it, but it is great to see that the other teams in the league also saw the need to honor them.

"I'm proud of each of these players, but individual awards are only won when the team works together towards a common goal and fights for success day in and day out. I'm proud of this team for helping these players reach their goals."

Jensen and Reeg were selected to the All-League Team. Biltoft was named to the Honorable Mention Team. Dotseth and Mattison were selected to the All-Freshmen Team.

Jensen was also named the Setter of the Year, the first time a South Dakota player has ever won the award. She kept the Coyote offense going with 1,169 assists and averaged 10.82 per set, second in the Summit League. She had a career-high 61 assists in a five-set win over IPFW on Nov. 14. She had 12 double-doubles in assists and digs. Jensen also contributed 270 digs, 103 kills, 37 total blocks, and 35 service aces.

Reeg led the Coyotes with 390 kills while averaging 3.61 per set, fourth in the Summit. She had a career-high 26 kills against IPFW on Nov. 14. Reeg was second on the team in digs (331) and service aces (23). She had 17 double-doubles in kills and digs.

Biltoft led the Coyote de-



P&D FILE PHOTO
South Dakota's Brittany Jensen was named the Summit League Setter of the Year. League awards were announced on Thursday night prior to the start of the league tournament.

fense with 122 total blocks, 21 were solos. Her average of 1.13 blocks per set is tied for second in the Summit. Biltoft was second on the team with kills (227) and hit with a .349 clip, second in the Summit.

Dotseth was third on the team in kills with 225 and added 195 digs. She had 21 total blocks, 18 assists, and seven service aces. Dotseth recorded five double-doubles in kills and digs, including three straight to end the regular season.

Mattison played libero all season long and led the team with 399 digs, 3.69 per set which was sixth-best in the Summit. Mattison had 21 games with double-digit digs and six times she had 20 digs or more. She also added 78 assists, 16 service aces, and two kills.

Biltoft led the Coyote de-

NFL Teams Can Collapse After Losing Quarterback, Ask 2014 Cardinals

BY BOB BAUM
AP Sports Writer

TEMPE, Ariz. (AP) — Peyton Manning is out. So is Andrew Luck. Tony Romo is finally ready to come back, after the Cowboys went 0-7 without him.

Losing an elite quarterback can be devastating to a team. No one knows that better than the Arizona Cardinals. They are the poster child for how things can head south in a hurry when the main man goes down.

Since the midpoint of the 2013 season, the Cardinals are 20-4 when Carson Palmer starts, 5-6 without him.

Palmer missed 11 games last season, the last five after tearing an ACL. He was 6-0 as a starter. In those games, Arizona averaged 25.8 points per game. Without him, the Cardinals scored 12.9 per game. They finished 3-4, losing to the Panthers in the playoffs.

"It's demoralizing when you lose your franchise player, the leader of your team," Arizona wide receiver Larry Fitzgerald said. "There's nobody more important than your quarterback on your football team, especially when you have an elite quarterback like we do. It takes a while. It's really frustrating. It demoralizes your team."

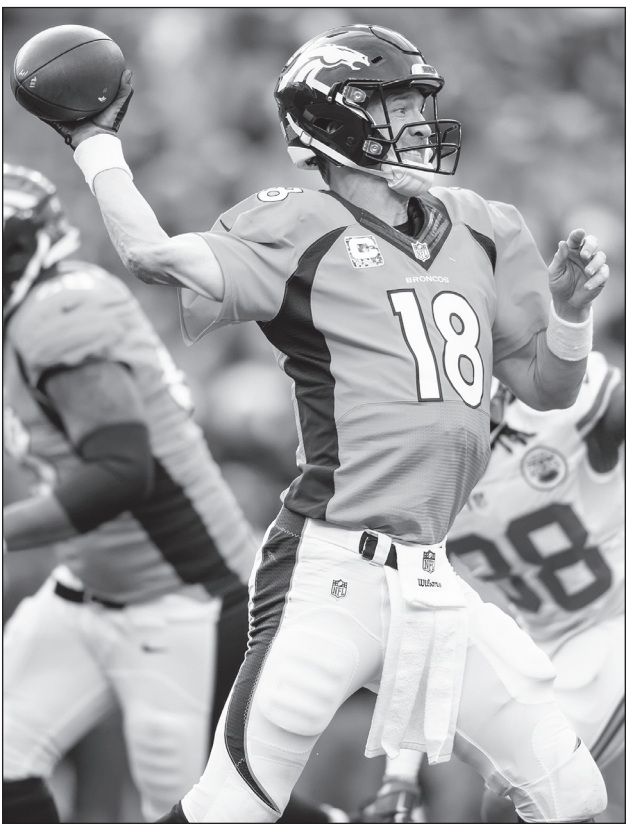
Arizona didn't just lose its starting quarterback. Backup Drew Stanton went down with a knee injury, too. Arizona signed Ryan Lindley from the San Diego practice squad to start the final three contests, all losses.

Coach Bruce Arians believes the team can keep playing at a high level with Stanton. But he said quality backup quarterbacks are "really hard to find."

Nobody has to tell Dallas Cowboys fans that. Dallas went 0-7 after Romo broke his left collarbone. They lost the first three with Brandon Weeden at quarterback, then they signed Matt Cassel and lost four more.

When Romo was ready to return, the Cowboys gave up on Weeden. He was released and signed by another team with quarterback injury issues, the Houston Texans.

When the quarterback



DAVID EULITT/KANSAS CITY STAR/THNS
Denver Broncos quarterback Peyton Manning (18) threw four interceptions against the Kansas City Chiefs on Sunday, Nov. 15, at Sports Authority Field at Mile High Stadium in Denver.

is hurt, the team's defense feels it.

"If you don't have your starting quarterback naturally a lot of pressure does fall on the defense," Arizona safety Tyrann Mathieu said, "to swing field position, force more turnovers, do everything 'extra.'"

Arizona's defense seemed to wear down under that load last year.

"Yeah, it was a lot," Mathieu said, "... Defensively you want to go out there and score touchdowns and make plays and just be an offensive guy. It definitely puts a lot of pressure on a defense, especially as the season goes on and the games get bigger and tougher."

Teams talk about having a good backup quarterback. But there's a reason they are backups.

"You always want to be able to absorb injuries throughout your football team," Cowboys executive vice president Stephen Jones said in his weekly radio show. "If something happens to this guy, put the next

guy in and let's go. The best teams are able to do that."

Luck was rarely his old self this season amid rumors he was hurt worse than he or the Colts let on. Now he is gone for perhaps five weeks with a lacerated kidney and abdominal muscle injury. So Indianapolis will turn to 40-year-old Matt Hasselbeck, who quarterbacked the Colts in two wins earlier this season.

"I guess I've been doing this long enough you expect the unexpected," new Colts offensive coordinator Rob Chudzinski said. "That's what this job is and that's what coaching is, is a challenge. It's all about challenges. You look at it like it's a jigsaw puzzle. It can come together and it's a matter of getting those pieces and putting it all together, but it can be done. We'll find a way to get it done."

And in Denver, Manning — one of the best to ever play the position — has been far from his prolific self this sea-

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North Dakota Has Sights On First Playoff Berth In D-I Era

BY DAVE KOLPACK
Associated Press

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — The University of North Dakota is hoping to put its new nickname on a new national stage.

The football team that was dubbed the Fighting Hawks earlier this week is gunning for its first postseason berth since moving up to NCAA Division I in 2008. Most observers believe a win this weekend on the road at Cal Poly should put UND among the 24 teams in the Championship Subdivision playoffs.

Two years after taking over the floundering program, Fighting Hawks coach Bubba Schweigert knows the significance of a possible postseason appearance in a state that has been owned by four-time defending FCS champion North Dakota State, which moved to Division I in 2003. Most of UND's national sports publicity has come from the years-long controversy over the Fighting Sioux nickname, which was retired three years ago.

"We know we have a rival school that has done a very good job in their move to Division I football," Schweigert said. "We also know inside the walls here there are a lot of good things taking place. But to have an outside signature, for lack of a better term, by getting into the FCS playoffs, would be huge for us at this time."

"It's our most important

game in the Division I era," he said.

Dale Lennon, a UND alumnus and the coach at Southern Illinois, where Schweigert worked with him as an assistant, said his longtime cohort has used the same formula that once made UND formidable at the Division II level: Start by building a solid defense and then create a run-oriented offense that doesn't turn over the ball.

"Coach Schweigert and the gang have been very methodical in their approach to it," Lennon said. "I'm surprised how they are doing at this point in time, in the second year. They still have one game to take care of, but I'm excited for them."

Cal Poly head coach Tim Walsh, whose team stands between UND and a possible milestone, said the Fighting Hawks have made a "big jump" between last year and this year.

"I think we're playing probably the most improved team in the league, not only from a year ago to this year, but I think also from week three and where we are right now," Walsh said. "They are playing very well on both sides of the football."

The Fighting Hawks (6-4, 4-3 Big Sky Conference) have signature wins over Wyoming and Portland State. They also have two disappointing losses, against Idaho State and Weber State, where they blew leads in the second half. And then there was a 34-9

shellacking at the hands of NDSU in the third game of the season and the first game between the two century-old rivals in a dozen years.

Walsh said UND has grown since the Bison beating. "No offense to North Dakota State, but that game was probably a good wake-up call for them," Walsh said. "I know North Dakota State is good on defense, but I really think this is a different team than they played five or six weeks ago."

The Fighting Hawks have put together back-to-back victories over Montana State, the preseason favorite of Big Sky coaches, and Northern Colorado.

"My hat goes off to Bubba. He had his guys ready and playing darn good right now," Northern Colorado coach Earnest Collins Jr. said. "He's got some guys back healthy and we knew we had our work cut out for us."

Walsh said his Cal Poly squad (3-4, 4-6) will be facing a team Saturday with something to prove, even beyond this season.

"They are really young," Walsh said. "I think that this game has significance to their future, not only 2015, but '16, '17 and '18. I think they're at a point where they're not taking baby steps, but huge steps. If they continue to do that, they will be around the top of the Big Sky for a while."

Scott, Havlicek Among College Hoops Hall Of Fame Inductees

BY DAVE SKRETTA
AP Sports Writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — It never occurred to Charlie Scott that he would make history when he accepted a scholarship offer from Dean Smith to play basketball at North Carolina in the late 1960s.

He just wanted to play the game he loved.

But his coach, who passed away in February, knew that things were changing across the socio-political landscape with Scott's arrival. The moment he stepped on campus in Chapel Hill, he had become the first black player in any sport under scholarship at North Carolina.

"Being the first black in the South was not something I under-

stood the importance of. Coach Smith understood its significance a lot better than I did," said Scott, who joined his late coach in the College Basketball Hall of Fame on Friday. "I was blessed to play for someone like him."

Scott was joined in this year's class by four other players: Kansas State's Rolando Blackman, Indiana's Quinn Buckner, Ohio State's John Havlicek and Long Beach State star Ed Ratleff.

Three coaches joined them: Lou Henson of New Mexico State and Illinois, Don Donohoe of Dayton and the late C. Felton "Zip" Gayles, who spent 35 years at Langston University.

"I like to remember coaching, making it to the Final Four in '67,"

said Donohoe, who wound up finishing second to UCLA that year. "I lived off that experience for a long time."

This is the 10th class to be inducted into the Hall of Fame, though the inaugural class with such luminaries as John Wooden and Oscar Robertson grandfathered in players, coaches and staff that had already been enshrined in the Naismith Memorial Hall of Fame in Springfield, Massachusetts.

To celebrate the anniversary, Robertson returned for a special salute along with such fellow members as Ralph Sampson, Xavier McDaniel, Phil Ford and broadcaster Billy Packer.

"The thing I remember most of all was Bill Walton speaking for 25

minutes. I'm glad he's not here," Robertson said with a grin. "This is a great, great event."

The induction ceremony took place Friday at the Arvest Theatre at the Midland in downtown Kansas City, not far from the Hall of Fame at the College Basketball Experience.

Next door at the Sprint Center, top-ranked North Carolina will join Kansas State, Missouri and Northwestern in the championship rounds of the CBE Classic beginning Monday night.

Naturally, Scott will be cheering on the Tar Heels.

With integration still occurring across the South, he helped to pave the way for thousands of black athletes at North Carolina and elsewhere. During his playing he career,