

Mount Marty's Courtney Miller serves the ball up during the Laxcers Falls on Thursday at Laddie E. Cimpl Arena.
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Yankton has now won two straight games after a home loss to soux rans Roosevel last week, the same game in key striker to injury. "This could be our turning point," Brenner said. "You

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Kerry Svatos was impressed with how much her cheer team improved from last
week.
"lt was much improved from last week," Svatos said "A lot of things went well for
us, but we have a lot to work us, but we have a lot to work
on. Overall, I was really impressed with what went on pressed
today."
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She was also impressed with how the girls were able
to change and fix their stunts last minute.
"I think the fact that some
of our stunts that haven't of our stunts that haven't
been working for us lately worked today, was a huge bonus for us," Svatos said. "There are a lot of things w can look."
Svatos feels her team needs to
appeal.
"We
"We need to work on our crowd appeal," she said. "A times, unfortunately, we're times. We need to get more flare and appeal going on." pressed with how the community supports the cheer and dance teams. It's always nice that we the community," Svatos sai

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$\qquad$ Eight matches and 16 days after their
lone home game, the Mount Marty Lancers
returned to Laddie E. Cimpl Arena Thursreturned to Laddie E. Cimpl Arena Thurs
day night for a non-conference tune-up
Cougars. The Cougars, hailing from the Northern
Sun Intercollegiate Conference, tuned up as Sun Intercollegiate Conference, tuned up as
well and defeated the Lancers 25-11, 25-16 well and
and 25-9.
"I was impressed with the way our girls
played tonight", USF head coach Joel Mc Cartney said. "They were really serious and hey had lofty goals for this game."
The Lancers will open their Great Plain Athletic Conference play by hosting North
western next Wednesday. "We like to play them," MMC head cach Candice Climer said. "We know it's a practice for us as we get ready for North-
western." With six players measuring six feet or
taller, the Cougars brought a bevy of height to Cimpl Arena, Despite the exceptional ef orts of the Mount Marty back row, the attacks through the Sioux Falls blockers. "They're long," Climer said of the
Cougars. "Our serve-receive was spot on that time and we took a couple of swings but they opened with a few blocks." Blocks by Kate Hart and Michelle Rit-
and got the Cougars off to an $8-2$ lead to land got the Cougars off to an 8-2 lead to
open the match. outside hitter, got her swings in to aid the efforts of her front-line mates for a $25-11$
game-1 win. ame-1 win.
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and Sierra Kloth found the 25-16 game-2 loss.
Johnson was fully unleashed for the 3rd game as she had five kills and an ace-serve o push the Cougars to a $16-4$ lead en route Johnson wound up for the final kill of he night, which fell despite the diving ef ort of Mount Marty's BreAnne Thege to keep the match a live. Mount Marty girls," McCartney said. "There is no quit in that team; they showed a lot of pirit and effort."
Kloth led the Lancers with seven kills
nd Groseth finished with four kills. Caitlyn and Groseth finished with four kills. Caitl
Illg, he L Lancer setter, pushed four sets through the Sioux Falls defense.
Thege led the Lancer defense with 13
digs while Kelsey Abbey had six digs. digs while Ketsey Abbey had six digs. said, "We are up there in the GPAC', and
that's what has kept us that's what has kept us going.'
Illg added seven digs and
ilig added seven digs and 13 set-assists.
Johnson, the sole South Dakotan on the Sioux Falls roster, had 11 kills. "She's a special one for us.", McCartney
said of Johnson, who led Platte-Geddes to said of Johnson, who led Platte-Geddes peers voted her our captain.
"She's a true leader who does everything by example and I'm proud to say th
she's from South Dakota," McCartney added. Hart also tallied 11 kills as Jordan Calef
had five block-assists and Ritland had four had five block-assists and Ritland had four
block-assists.
The Lancers' GPAC opening bout with orthwestern is slated for $7: 30$ Wednesday while the Cougars host the NSIC Challenge
this Friday and Saturday.

## V-Ball

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needed to do. The Bucks have a few
days off before traveling to
Brandon next Tuesday to play Brandon Valley at 7 p.m. Yankton and Harrisburg played to a $2-2$ tie in JV action. Justin Leader and Evan
Dvorak scored for the Bucks.

You can follow Jeremy Hoeck on Twitter at twitter.com//ihoeck. Discuss
this story at www yankton.net sessed the ball really well in the midfield," Lewno said
"That's exactly what we
could see we were connect-
ing well.
"This is a good feeling.
The guys should be really
happy with the way they
played."
Especially early.
Yankton scored twice in
the first half, from Lewno and
Gabe Wenzlaff, to lead 2-0 at
halltime.
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the midfe ball really well in
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The Yankton Gazelles dance team performs its Jazz routine during the Yankton Invitational
at the Summit Center.


The girls are always ready t
go when we have a home go when we have a home
competition."
Getting the Getting the technique
down will be key for the down will be key for the
Gazelles coming up for the Gazelles coming up
rest of the season. "We need to go in and get some technical aspects fixed and working on timing will
"It can only go up from here.
The Yankton cheer and dance teams will compete in Brookings next weekend in
the Brookings Invitationa the Brookings Invitational. You can follow Nick Robin
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pressure on the ball.
"We're really hoping to get
pressure on him (Comeaux),"
he said. "We need to keep him
in front of us and be able to
score. Getting to the quarter-"
back will be a real key for us."
score. Getting to the quarter-
back will be a real key for us." He also knows that the
ynx are a top AAA team, but Lynx are a top AAA team, but
wants his team to have faith.
"We know they are "We know they are AAA,
but if we want to compete for but if we want to compete for
a championship at AA, we will a championship at AA, we will
need to be able to compete
with the best teams in the with the best teams in the
state," Likness said. state," Likness said.
The Bucks had success
with yet another offensive for with yet another o
mation: the pistol "The pistol really gives us
the best option to the best option to run the ball lownhill or pass the ball," Lik
ness said. "If we can do that,
we will be in nood shap we will be in good shape.
We're going to have to go Ve're going to have to go
point-for-point with them wining the field position battle will be huge."
The defens
The defensive schemes
have been something Brando
Valley has focused on this Valley has focused on this week. "Yankton has been very hard to game plan for deten-
sively, tikness's ability to plan
is off the charts," is off the charts," Garrow said.
"We really have be pre-
pared for anything. We will be pared for anything. We will be
looking at tapes from four to five years ago. You never now wifh him. Their ability ing. We really have to take
hat part of the game away from them. Likness has seen some but feels if they give quarter back Mason Strahl time, they an compete.
"Offensively,
"Offensively we have a few weak spots we can correct,"
he said. "We need to keep it clean and give Mason some time to read the defense and

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