



JAMES D. CIMBUREK/P&D Mount Marty's Courtney Miller serves the ball up during the Lancers' home volleyball match with the University of Sioux Falls on Thursday at Laddie E. Cimpl Arena.

25-16, 23-25, 27-25

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Lyman def. New Underwood, 25-12, 25-17, 25-18

25-10 Milbank def. Clark/Willow Lake, 25-

Madison def. Lennox, 25-18, 25-14,

Miller def. Ipswich. 26-24. 25-15. 25-

Potter County def. Faulkton, 25-19,

Sanborn Central/Woonsocket def.

Scotland def. Canistota, 25-16, 25-

Sisseton def. Deuel, 25-23, 25-9, 25-

Spearfish def. Belle Fourche, 25-13,

St. Francis Indian def. Marty Indian.

Tea Area def. Dell Rapids, 25-19, 25-

Tri-Valley def. Vermillion, 20-25, 25-

Wagner def. Gregory, 25-15, 25-23,

Wall def. Kadoka Area, 25-13, 25-13,

Waubay def. Waverly-South Shore,

Warner def. Northwestern, 25-20, 25-13, 25-21

White River def. Bennett County, 27-25, 21-25, 25-17, 25-15 Wynot, Neb. def. Viborg-Hurley, 25-13, 25-17, 25-14

Big East Conference Tournament First Round

dreau, 25-15, 26-24, 25-20

Consolation Semifinal

Chester def. Garretson, 25-14, 25-17, 25-9

McCook Central/Montrose def. Flan-

25-20, 14-25, 18-25, 25-12, 17-15

St. Mary's, Neb. def. South Central, 25-8, 25-8, 25-16

Mitchell Christian, 25-18, 25-17, 25-19

Sioux Falls Christian def. West Cen-tral, 22-25, 25-18, 25-22, 25-18 Sioux Falls Lincoln def. Harrisburg,

#### SCOREBOARD

#### FOOTBALL

THURSDAY'S NEB. SCORES Burwell 27, Neligh-Oakdale 13 Omaha Creighton Prep 34, Omaha Central 14

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#### VOLLEYBALL

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- Bison def. Tiospaye Topa, 25-10, 25-15, 25-13
- Bridgewater-Emery def. Irene-Wakonda, 25-16, 27-25, 25-15
- Centerville def. Avon, 26-24, 14-25,
- 19-25, 25-12, 15-13 Colman-Egan def. Castlewood, 14-
- 25, 25-21, 25-21, 16-25, 15-13 Custer def. St. Thomas More, 25-15,
- 25-12, 25-21
- Dakota Christian def. Sunshine Bible Academy, 25-17, 25-21, 21-25, 25-14 Dakota Valley def. Beresford, 25-21,
- 25-19, 25-20
- DeSmet def. Estelline, 22-25, 25-12,
- 25-15, 25-20 Deubrook
- Deubrook def. Oldham-Ramona/Rutland, 25-16, 25-18, 25-15
- Elk Point-Jefferson def. Canton, 25-14, 25-18, 25-18
- Elkton-Lake Benton def. Arlington, 25-18, 25-20, 25-23
- Ethan def. Menno, 25-9, 25-18, 25-
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- Eureka/Bowdle def. McLaughlin, 17-
- 25, 26-24, 25-21, 25-18 Florence/Henry def. Langford, 25-13, 23-25, 25-15, 25-14
- Freeman Academy def. Hendricks,
- Minn., 25-12, 25-15, 25-8
- Groton Area def. Aberdeen Roncalli, 25-19, 25-19, 25-19
- Highmore-Harrold def. Iroquois, 25-19. 25-14. 25-15
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- 25-20. 25-19

# **Sioux Falls Sweeps Lancers**

**BY KEITH A. BROCKBERG** P&D Correspondent

Eight matches and 16 days after their lone home game, the Mount Marty Lancers returned to Laddie E. Cimpl Arena Thursday night for a non-conference tune-up against the University of Sioux Falls Cougars.

The Cougars, hailing from the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference, tuned up as well and defeated the Lancers 25-11, 25-16 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 they had lofty goals for this game."

The Lancers will open their Great Plains Athletic Conference play by hosting Northwestern next Wednesday.

"We like to play them," MMC head coach Candice Climer said. "We know it's a different level and a challenge but it's good practice for us as we get ready for Northwestern.'

With six players measuring six feet or taller, the Cougars brought a bevy of height to Cimpl Arena, Despite the exceptional efforts of the Mount Marty back row, the Lancer hitters had a difficult time getting attacks through the Sioux Falls blockers.

"They're long," Climer said of the Cougars. "Our serve-receive was spot on at that time and we took a couple of swings but they opened with a few blocks.'

Blocks by Kate Hart and Michelle Ritland got the Cougars off to an 8-2 lead to open the match.

Emily Johnson, USF's outstanding 5-11 outside hitter, got her swings in to aid the efforts of her front-line mates for a 25-11 game-1 win.

Chester def. McCook Central/Mon-

Parker def. Sioux Valley, 25-13, 25-

Bertrand def. Elwood, 25-16, 25-16,

Columbus Lakeview def. Central

Crofton def. O'Neill, 25-7, 25-10, 25-

Diller-Odell def. Lewiston, 25-11, 25-

Elgin Public/Pope John def. Boyd

Fillmore Central def. Tri County. 25-

Friend def. Cross County, 25-17, 25-

Garden County def. Minatare, 25-10,

Gretna def. Waverly, 25-13, 22-25,

Guardian Angels def. Boone Cen-

Heartland def. Thayer Central, 25-

Holdrege def. McCook, 25-14, 25-

Johnson-Brock def. Auburn, 25-20,

Kearney def. Hastings, 25-19, 26-24,

Maxwell def. Maywood, 25-17, 25-

25-21, 25-8 Nebraska Christian def. High Plains

Community, 25-15, 25-18, 25-18

Mead def. Osceola, 25-21, 20-25, 9

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elson def. Deshler, 25-

tral/Newman Grove, 25-15, 25-10, 25-15 Hastings St. Cecilia def. Gibbon, 25-7, 25-10, 25-19

County, 25-12, 25-15, 25-16 Eikhorn def. Blair, 25-18, 25-7, 25-20 Eikhorn South def. Nebraska City,

Fremont def. Lincoln Northeast, 22-25, 25-23, 25-21, 25-13

THURSDAY'S NEB. SCORES

trose, 25-14, 25-14, 25-14

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The Lancers were able to adjust their at-

County West, 25-14, 25-16, 25-4

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tral. 25-15, 25-13, 25-16

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Community, 25-15, 25-18, 25-18 Niobrara/Verdigre def. Elkhorn Val-ley, 29-27, 25-17, 25-15 Norris def. Plattsmouth, 25-17, 25-9 Cozad Triangular

def.

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Omaha Duchesne Academy def. Omaha Roncalli, 25-13, 25-22, 25-17

ton, 25-12, 25-13, 25-12 Omaha Mercy def. Lincoln Pius X, 22-25, 27-25, 25-17

Omaha Gross Catholic def. Benning

Omaha Skutt Catholic def. Beatrice.

Omaha Westside def. Millard North, -22, 20-25, 25-19, 25-19

Palmyra def. Johnson County Cen-

Papillion-LaVista def. Papillion-LaV-

Sidney def. Sutherland, 25-14, 25-

Southern Valley def. Southwest, 25-

Sutton def. Ravenna, 25-20, 25-15,

West Point-Beemer def. Twin River,

Wynot def. Viborg-Hurley, S.D., 25-

CWC def. Ainsworth, 25-21, 20-25

Cedar Bluffs Triangular Cedar Bluffs def. Schuyler, 25-18,

College View Triangular

Schuyler def. St. Edward, 25-12, 25-

Bruning-Davenport/Shickley def

Broken Bow def Cozad 25-13 21-

13, 25-17, 25-14 Ainsworth Triangular CWC def. North Central, 25-19, 25-

ista South, 25-16, 25-20, 25-23 Ponca def. Bancroft-Rosalie, 25-16,

South Sioux City def. Sioux City, West, Iowa, 25-7, 25-19, 25-10

St. Mary's def. South Central, S.D., 25-8, 25-8, 25-16 Stuart def. Creighton, 25-16, 25-19,

Wahoo def. Norfolk Catholic, 25-21, 25-17, 25-27, 25-10

tacks in the 2nd game, and Laura Groseth and Sierra Kloth found success with kills in the 25-16 game-2 loss.

Johnson was fully unleashed for the 3rd game as she had five kills and an ace-serve to push the Cougars to a 16-4 lead en route to the decisive 25-9 game-3 win.

Johnson wound up for the final kill of the night, which fell despite the diving effort of Mount Marty's BreAnne Thege to keep the match alive.

This match really said a lot about the Mount Marty girls," McCartney said. "There is no quit in that team; they showed a lot of spirit and effort."

Kloth led the Lancers with seven kills and Groseth finished with four kills. Caitlyn Illg, the Lancer setter, pushed four sets through the Sioux Falls defense.

Thege led the Lancer defense with 13 digs while Kelsey Abbey had six digs.

Our defense has been amazing," Climer said. "We are up there in the GPAC, and that's what has kept us going.

Illg 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 a pair of state titles. "There's a reason her peers voted her our captain.

'She's a true leader who does everything by example and I'm proud to say that she's from South Dakota," McCartney added.

Hart also tallied 11 kills as Jordan Calef had five block-assists and Ritland had four block-assists.

The Lancers' GPAC opening bout with Northwestern is slated for 7:30 Wednesday while the Cougars host the NSIC Challenge this Friday and Saturday.

## N-V 3. Elkhorn Val. 0

VERDIGRE, Neb. — Reagan Larsen had 12 kills and six digs to lead Niobrara-Verdigre past Elkhorn Valley 29-27, 25-17, 25-15 on Thursday night. Hannah Stark added three kills and 11 set assists for the Cougars, while Alisa Hrbek had three kills and five ace

Also for N-V, Brittany Eisenhauer Krista Dvorak posted 17 set assists and four ace serves. In the loss for the Gorillas (3-4), posted two kills. 11 set assists, three blocks and six ace serves. No stats were reported for Elkhorr

Ivy Ekroth had seven kills, Megan Preslicka had 14 set assists and Maddie Eklund added 14 digs. Valley.

#### Both teams are in action next Tuesday, with Wagner at home against Avon and Gregory at Dakota

B-E 3, I-W 0 BRIDGEWATER — Bridgewater-Emery swept Irene-Wakonda on Thursday evening. Justine Dye led Bridgewater-Emery

(3-1) with nine kills, four aces, and two blocks. Mallory Haiar added 12 kills and two blocks. Aly Hanssen added 14 as-DV 3, Beresford 0 BERESFORD — The Lammers sisters combined for 17 kills and 18

sists in the victory. Caitlin Hinseth led Irene-Wakonda digs, and Lindsey Smith had another big night for Dakota Valley in a 25-21, 25-19, 25-20 sweep of Beresford (1-4) with seven kills, three blocks, and three aces. Maria Van Driel added eight digs in the loss. Meredith Lammers had nine kills

Williams, Vermillion 77; Lee Wynja, SF Christian 78; Devo Weber, Dell Rapids 70; Gooper Williams, Vermillion 77; Lee Wynja, SF Christian 78; Devon Weber, Dell Rapids 78; Garret Hohn, Parkston 79; Carter Andre, Vermillion 80; Ty Kinneberg, Parkston 81; Paul Schwasinger, Vermillion 82; Ty Hoglund, Dell Rapids 82; Devlin Rue, West Cantral 83; Kevin Frick, Canton 83; Jacob Lee, Parkston 83; Brandon Koupal, Elk Point-Bridgewater-Emery will travel to and seven digs, while Elizabeth Lammers added eight kills, 11 digs and three ace serves. Also for the Freeman on Tuesday, while Irene Wakonda will host Freeman Academy.

For the Queen Bees, Amanda Goe

Allen 2, Wausa 0

### Allen Tri.

In the loss for the hometown Allen 2, Bloomfield 0

Kerbel had 13 digs.

Watchdogs (3-1), Morgan Kloster-gaard had seven kills and two ALLEN, Neb. — Gabby Sullivan had 12 kills and Lindsey Sullivan posted 43 set assists for the Allen Eagles in a 25-9, blocks, Hannah Hepner had five kills and Becca Nelson recorded 14 set

25-10 victory over Bloomfield in a trianassists. gular Thursday Dakota Valley will travel to a Le Mars, Iowa tournament on Saturday den had three set assists and two digs, Karly Jensen had 11 digs and Brittany and Beresford visits Colton to play

Panthers (5-1), Smith recorded eight

kills, 30 set assists and 11 digs.

Boys Town Triangular Omaha Brownell-Talbot def. Boys Tri-Valley next Tuesday. Yutan def. Omaha Brownell-Talbot,

**V-Ball** 

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Christian.

on Thursday night.

25-13, 25-16 Yutan def. Boys Town, 25-4, 25-6

EPJ 3, Canton 0 ELK POINT — Miranda Stabe had 10 kills and five ace serves to lead Elk Point-Jefferson past Canton 25-14, 25-18, 25-18 on Thursday in Elk Point.

ALLEN, Neb. — The Allen Eagles defeated the Wausa Vikings 25-9, 25-14 at a triangular Thursday in Allen. For the hometown Eagles, Gabby Sullivan had six kills, Lindsey Sullivan hed 44 ed togethe and Cortex Partie Drew Keuck had nine kills and had 34 set assists and Cortney Reuter five ace serves, while Amber Hanson had 19 set assists and seven digs. added five kills. No stats were reported for Wausa

### Allison Targonski chipped in with 13

Bloom. 3, Wausa 0 ALLEN, Neb. — Brittany Kerbel had For the C-Hawks, Anna Schulte had three three kills, and Justine Zyl-16 digs and Karly Jensen had three kills

CROSS COUNTRY, PREP Norfolk Catholic Inv. (Crofton, 3 p.m.) FOOTBALL, PREP YHS at Brandon Valley (7 p.m., KYNT-AM, KVHT-FM); Alces-ter-Hudson at Hanson; Allien al Wausa; Andes Central vs. Burke-South Central at Bon-esteel; Avon at Scotland; Bloomfield at Howells-Dodge; Canton at Beresford; Centerville at Parker; Creighton at Pender; Crofton at Laurel-Concord-Coleridge; Dakota Valley at Madison; Freeman at Canistota; Hartington Cedar Catholic at Ponca; Humphrey St. Francis at Wynot; Marty Indian at Platte-Geddes-Dakota Christian; Mc-cook Central-Montrose at Bonome (7 p.m., KKYA-FM); Niobrara-Verdigre at Hart-ington-Newcastle; Parkston at Elk Point-Jefferson; Randolph at Bancroft-Rosale;

AREA CALENDAR Friday, September 12

Santee at Maywood; Tripp-Delmont-Armour at Gayville-Volin; Vermillion at West Cen-tral (7 p.m., KVTK-AM); Viborg-Hurley at Chester Area GOLF, MCN'S Dakto Wesleyan Inv. at Lakeview and Wild Oak, Mitchell (MMC) GOLF, WOMEN'S Dakto Wesleyan Inv. at Lakeview and Wild Oak, Mitchell

GOLF, BOYS' Yankton Inv. (Fox Run, 10 a.m.)SOCCER, MEN'S MMC vs. Central Christian at McPherson, Kan. (5:30 p.m.)

SOCCER, WOMEN'S Wyoming at USD (4 p.m.); MMC vs. Central Christian at Pherson, Kan. (3 p.m.) TENNIS, WOMEN'S Drake Inv. (USD)

TENNIS, GIRLS' Brandon Valley Inv. (VHS, Vermillion, 4 p.m.) VOLLEYBALL, WOMEN'S Arkansas Tourn. — USD vs. Arkansas (7 p.m.)

VOLLEYBALL, VEP YKS at Mitchell (4:30 p.m.) VOLLEYBALL, JY YHS at Mitchell (4:30 p.m.) VOLLEYBALL, SOPH YHS at Mitchell (5:45 p.m.) VOLLEYBALL, 9TH YHS at Mitchell (4:30 p.m.)

Saturday, September 13 CHEER & DANCE Winner Inv. (Bon Homme, Dakota Valley, Platte-Geddes

Dakota Christian) CROSS COUNTRY, COLLEGE Dakota State Inv. (MMC, 10:30 a.m.) CROSS COUNTRY, PREP Augustana Meet of Champions (YHS, Beresford, Free-man Academy, Gayville-Volin, Viborg-Hurley, 9:30 a.m.); Nike Heartland Preview at Sioux Falls (Ethan-Parkston, Irene-Wakonda, Parker, 10 a.m.) FOOTBALL, COLLEGE USD at Montana (8 p.m., KVHT-FM, MidcoSN) GOLF, SDGA Senior/Mid-Amateur Two-Man Championship at The Bluffs GC, Ver-milion

GOLF, MEN'S Dakota Wesleyan Inv. at Lakeview and Wild Oak, Mitchell (MMC) GOLF, WOMEN'S Dakota Wesleyan Inv. at Lakeview and Wild Oak, Mitchell

GOLF, BOYS' Brookings Inv. (YHS, 8 a.m.)

GOLF, GRLS Pierce Inv. (Corton, Laurel-Concord-Coleridge, 9 a.m.) SOCCER, MEN'S MMC at McPherson, Kan. (3 p.m.) SOCCER, WOMEN'S MMC vs. Sterling at McPherson, Kan. (12:30 p.m.) SOCCER, GRLS' Vermilion at Tea Area TENNIS, WOMEN'S Drake Inv. (USD)

Sunday, September 14 GOLF, SDGA Senior/Mid-Amateur Two-Man Champ

SOCCER, WOMEN'S Creighton at USD (1 p.m.)

**Taylor Wins World Title** 

Sunday in Mont-Tremblant, Quebec.

Parkston finished third at 336.

49 states and 87 countries.

ns, Dell Rapids 86

tational volleyball tournament.

TENNIS, WOMEN'S Drake Inv. (USD)

Delmont-Armour at Dakota Christian

TENNIS, GIRLS' YHS/Aberdeen Roncalli at S.F. Roosevelt (9 a.m.) VOLLEYBALL, WOMEN'S Arkansas Tourn. — USD vs. SMU (1 p.m.), USD vs. VOLLEYBALL, PREP Big East Conf. at Montrose (Seventh – 2 p.m.; Fifth –

3:30 p.m.; Third — 5 p.m.; Championship — 6:30 p.m.); Boone Central-Newman Grove Tourn. (Crofton); Sunshine Bible Tourn. (Marty Indian); Wakefield Tourn. (Laurel-Con-

cord-Coleridge); Freeman Academy vs. Oldham-Ramona/Rutland at Rutland; Tripp-

SPORTS DIGEST

MONT-TREMBLANT, Quebec, Canada — Gregory Taylor of Yankton won the men's 60-64 year-old age division title at the

2014 Subaru Ironman 70.3 World Championship triathlon, held

mile bicycle ride through the Laurentian Mountains and a 13.1-

mile run in 4:42:14. He beat out a field that included athletes from

VERMILLION — The Vermillion Tanagers shot a team score of 315 to claim a six-stroke victory over Dell Rapids in the 11-

team Vermillion Invitational boys' golf tournament on Thursday.

shot 76 to lead the way. Vermillion's Cooper Williams shot 77.

Dell Rapids' Devon Weber and Sioux Falls Christian's Lee Wynja

each shot 78 on the day. TEAM SCORES: Vermillion 315, Dell Rapids 321, Parkston 336, Sloux Falls Chris-tian 347, Canton 350, West Central 361, Dakota Valley 364, Tea Area 366, Elk Point-Jefferson 378, Lennox 390, Beresford 506

TOP 20: Andrew Heine, Vermillion 76: Adam Karst, Dell Rapids 76: Cooper

Jefferson 84: Jake Odens, Vermillion 85: Jacob Wente, Dakota Vallev 85: Brian Finn

Tea Area 85; Adam Roskam, Canton 85; Mason Schmidt, Dell Rapids 85; Jordan

ARDEN HILLS, Minn. - Concordia-Moorhead senior Kelly

Reed, a 5-9 outside hitter from Elk Point, hit .299 with 27 kills,

In six matches this season, Reed has 50 kills with a .308 at-

The Yankton Bucks freshman football team was able to defeat

The Bucks were led by running back Ray Wermers, who had

Sioux City East 22-8 on Thursday evening at Crane-Youngworth

142 yards and a touchdown on eight carries. Carter Peterson

added 108 yards and a score on 10 carries for the Bucks. Gar-

rett Tennant had three completions for 47 vards and a touchdown

Reed was named to the all-tournament team at the Bethel Invi-

four ace serves and a team-best 11 blocks in the four matches.

tack percentage. She also has 16 blocks (3 solo) and seven ace

**Reed Earns All-Tourney Honors** 

She was the lone Cobber to earn all-tourney honors.

**YHS Frosh Down Sioux City East** 

Vermillion's Andrew Heine and Dell Rapids' Adam Karst each

**Golf: Tanagers Win Home Invite** 

Taylor finished the event, which included a 1.2-mile swim, 56-

Championship at The Bluffs GC, Ver

Kimball/White Lake def. Tripp-Delmont/Armour, 25-8, 25-14, 21-25, 25-17 Lake Preston def. Dell Rapids St. Mary, 25-22, 25-22, 25-9 Lead-Deadwood def. Hill City, 25-13,

Flandreau def. Garretson, 25-14, 25-22, 25-15 Howard def. Baltic, 25-20, 19-25, 25-18, 26-28, 21-19 Semifinals

25, 25-23 Humphrey/Lindsay Holy Family, 25-20, 27-29, 25-17, 25-23 Omaha Christian Academy def. Parkview Christian, 25-20, 25-21, 25-21 Omaha Concordia def. Douglas

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blocks and two ace serves. Broken Bow def. North Platte St. Patrick's, 25-18, 25-19 Both teams are in action next Tuesday, with EPJ at Lennox and Canton hosting Dell Rapids.

had two kills

digs.

22-25, 25-15 on Thursday at an Allen triangular.

Leah Peppe added three kills and 13 digs for the Queen Bees (2-3), who will host Wausa next Monday. No stats were reported for Wausa.

Defensively, Yankton was led by Reese Anderson with four tackles. Cameron and Casey Krejci added four tackles and a sack, as well. Josh Galven-Hofer and Chase Brummer recorded interceptions in the contest.

#### The Bucks will travel to Norfolk next Thursday. Kick-off is set for 5 p.m.

# Soccer

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Yankton has now won two straight games after a home loss to Sioux Falls Roosevelt last week, the same game in which the Bucks lost another key striker to injury.

'This could be our turning point," Brenner said. "You

ing well. This is a good feeling. The guys should be really happy with the way they

could see we were connect-

played. Especially early.

Yankton scored twice in the first half, from Lewno and Gabe Wenzlaff. to lead 2-0 at halftime.

The first half we possessed the ball really well in the midfield," Lewno said. "That's exactly what we

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/jhoeck. Discuss this story at www.yankton.net. **Bucks** 

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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 quarterback will be a real key for us." He also knows that the

Lynx are a top AAA team, but wants his team to have faith. "We know they are AAA,

but if we want to compete for a championship at AA, we will need to be able to compete with the best teams in the state," Likness said. The Bucks had success

with yet another offensive formation: the pistol.

The pistol really gives us the best option to run the ball downhill or pass the ball," Likness said. "If we can do that, we will be in good shape. We're going to have to go point-for-point with them, so wining the field position battle will be huge."

The defensive schemes have been something Brandon Valley has focused on this week.

"Yankton has been very hard to game plan for defensively, Likness's ability to plan is off the charts," Garrow said. "We really have to be prepared for anything. We will be ooking at tapes from four to five years ago. You never know with him. Their ability to run different sets is amazing. We really have to take that part of the game away from them.'

Likness has seen some spots his team can correct, but feels if they give quarterback Mason Strahl time, they can compete.

'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 get to his check downs.'

Garrow respects Yankton's run game, but will look for Yankton to air it out tonight. "They really had success throwing the ball last season," he said. "Their big guys, Greeneway and Hale have been our

Field.

pass to Tate O'Hara.

targets so far in prep week. They have shown that they are pretty dangerous.

Garrow loves the rivalry that has formed between Yankton and Brandon Valley over the years, and knows his team needs a victory to continue their streak of holding four straight Eastern South Dakota titles.

"Every week we want to continue success in the proud ESD conference," he said. We've either won or tied the last for titles and Yankton is one of our biggest ESD rivals; it hasn't been too difficult to get our kids jacked for this game.

The Bucks want to go toeto-toe with the Lynx, but know if they're close in the fourth quarter, they'll have a shot at the victory.

We want to be able to be in striking distance late in the game," Likness said. "We know it can be a close contest if we play our best, so whether that's a field goal or a touchdown, whatever it will take

late in the game." Garrow wants his team to be efficient and make Yankton use the whole field.

'We need to keep being efficient and we have to make them have long drives and go the distance," he said. "Their special teams has always played a huge roll in their game and attack."

Likness is expecting his team to put up big numbers offensively and look for help from the special teams unit or defense to score points.

Our goals this week are to pass for 250 vards and rush for 150," he said. "We are going to need either a special teams or defensive touchdown to help our offense out. We really want to limit the big play, as well."

Kick-off is set for 7p.m. in Brandon Valley.

This is definitely a statement game," Likness said. "It tells us where we sit in the ESD and the state. It's either what we will know or what we need to improve on.

You can follow Nick Robinson on Twitter at twitter.com/RobinsoNick2013. For more Yankton Bucks coverage, go to yankton.net/sports.





JAMES D. CIMBUREK/P&D

The Yankton Gazelles dance team performs its Jazz routine during the Yankton Invitational cheer and dance competition on Thursday at the Summit Center.

"The girls are always ready to go when we have a home competition.

Getting the technique down will be key for the Gazelles coming up for the rest of the season.

We need to go in and get some technical aspects fixed and working on timing will help us out a lot," Svatos said.

"It can only go up from here." The Yankton cheer and dance teams will compete in Brookings next weekend in

the Brookings Invitational. You can follow Nick Robinson on Twitter at twitter.com/RobinsoNick2013. Discuss this story at

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Invite

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Kerry Svatos was impressed with how much her cheer team improved from last week.

"It was much improved from last week," Svatos said. "A lot of things went well for us, but we have a lot to work on. Overall, I was really impressed with what went on today."

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 been working for us lately worked today, was a huge bonus for us," Svatos said. "There are a lot of things we can look to improve on, though.'

Svatos feels her team needs to work on their crowd appeal.

"We need to work on our crowd appeal," she said. "At times, unfortunately, we're a little boring to watch at times. We need to get more flare and appeal going on."

Both coaches were impressed with how the community supports the cheer and dance teams.

'It's always nice that we have such a nice following in the community," Svatos said.