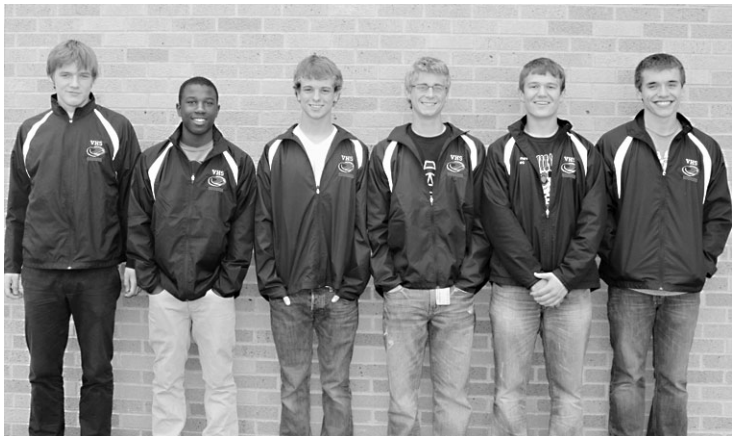


NAMED TO ALL-STATE TEAM



Vermillion Tanagers girls' soccer team members that have been named to the "A" Girls All State Second Team are Natasha Samudzi, Cheyenne Mallory, and Autumn Barnett.
(Photo provided by Kari Jo James)

NAMED TO FIRST, SECOND ALL-STATE TEAM



Vermillion Tanager boys' soccer team members named to the "A" Boys' All State First Team are Matt Porogi, Nate Samudzi, Alex Robertson and Tanner Settles. Named to the "A" All State Second Team are Ethan James and Chris Lubbers.
(Photo courtesy of Kari Jo James)

South Dakota basketball media day set for Oct. 30

The University of South Dakota's men's and women's basketball programs will host their 2012 media day at 11 a.m. Oct. 30 inside the Muenster University Center on the USD campus. The event is free and open to the public.

Head men's basketball coach Dave Boots and first-year women's coach Amy Williams will offer their views of the upcoming season. Coaches and student-athletes from both squads will be available for one-on-one interviews with members of the media.

The 2012-13 season is the Coyotes' second as a member of the Summit League. The Coyote women (23-8, 12-6 Summit) placed third last season while the men (10-18, 5-13 Summit) finished in a tie for eighth place. Both programs are NCAA-tournament eligible for the first time. Both Coyote teams will

compete in the Summit League Tournament March 9-12 in Sioux Falls with an automatic bid on the line.

USD's women's team begins its season Nov. 9 against Cleveland State in Cleveland, OH.

USD's men's team opens its season with three games in three days at the Global Sports Showcase hosted by Wyoming Nov. 14-16.

South Dakota wins home match, conference match against Omaha

South Dakota volleyball earned its first home win of the season on Monday night with a 3-1 victory (25-10, 23-25, 25-18, 25-18) over the Omaha Mavericks in Summit League action.

It was the first win for the Coyotes in the Coyote Den. The win moved the Coyotes to 10-14 this season, and 4-8 in the Summit League.

Kendall Kritenbrink (Gretna, Neb.), who was named the Summit League's Offensive Player of the Week on Monday, picked up 20 kills in the match. She also notched a block and a block assist. Sydney Dimke (Ham Lake, Minn.) and Kim Bulaga (Crystal Lake, Ill.) both added eight kills, and Tori Kroll (Germantown, Wis.) had 39 assists.

Riley Haug (Gretna, Neb.) led the defensive effort with 17 digs. Bulaga recorded 12 digs and Katie Bunkers (Columbus, Neb.) had 10 digs.

The Coyotes limited the attack errors, having only 16 over the four sets. They forced Omaha (6-16, 1-9) to commit 28 attack errors in the match.

South Dakota got off to a fast start in the first set with a 5-1 run and finished the set with a 13-3 run. Bulaga, Kritenbrink and Kelsey Biltoft (Nelson, Neb.) all had three kills to set the pace for an offense that had only one error in the set. Omaha had nine attack errors to seven kills.

Omaha was able to tie the match behind four kills by Natalie Ebke. Ebke led the Mavericks with 14 kills in the match.

Kritenbrink picked up the attack with 13 kills on 25 attacks over the last two sets. Dimke, Kroll and Melissa Firtko (Racine, Wis.) all added four kills over the final two sets to keep Omaha off balance. South Dakota continued to keep the ball in play, having five errors in set three and three in set four.

Omaha struggled against South Dakota's defense in the final sets. They only had nine kills in set three, and had 11 offensive errors in the final set.

South Dakota will be at Kansas City on Friday for a match at 7 p.m. They have two more home games this season, where they will host South Dakota State on Nov. 2 and North Dakota State on Nov. 4.

Late goal lifts Jacks over Coyotes

After 89 minutes of scoreless soccer SDSU's Diana Potterveld found the back of the net with 28 seconds remaining in regulation to give South Dakota State the lead in a tight match against in-state rival, the University of South Dakota, at Fishback Soccer Park in Brookings.

Potterveld's goal came off a corner kick that the Coyotes were unable to clear. The Jacks' forward was able to get a handle on the loose ball and score the game winner, her fifth goal of the season.

USD's (2-12-3, 1-5-1 Summit League) Teagan Eberle (Schaumburg, IL), Jenny Teslow (Sioux Falls), Erin Bello (Fort Collins, CO) and Danielle Anderson (Elkhorn, NE) all threatened goal with on-target shots but SDSU (5-9-2, 3-3-1 Summit League) goalkeeper Tina Ehrett was in position to stop all four attempts and maintain a clean sheet.

The Coyotes will return to the USD Soccer Complex for their final game of the season against Kansas City. Game time is 1 p.m. Saturday.

Postseason about to begin for Tanager volleyball

By Parker Knox
Sportswriter

The Tanager volleyball girls have their work cut out for them as postseason play begins next week.

Vermillion will be the No. 4 seed in District 8A and as such has to first take on the top-seeded Dakota Valley team, which will host the semifinal round of the district in North Sioux City.

The Nos. 2 and 3 seeds, Elk Point-Jefferson and Beresford, will square off in the 6 p.m. semifinal encounter with VHS and Dakota Valley slated to play at 8 p.m.

Tuesday's winners will play next Thursday at 7 p.m. for the district championship on the home court of the higher remaining seed. That champion advances to play on the home court of the District 7A champion for the Region 4A title on Nov. 6 to determine an

entrant into the state tourney in Watertown on Nov. 15-17.

As they prepared for their last regular-season match at home against EP-J last night (Thursday), the Tanagers dropped three duals last week, falling at the hands of Beresford, Dakota Valley and Harrisburg.

The Tanagers gave Beresford three good games but lost by set scores of 19-25, 20-25 and 21-25. Katie Herrera led the kills department with eight, Sarah Hughes-Berheim had 15 digs, and Mariah Larson contributed 11 digs and 17 set assists.

After losing an opening set to Harrisburg by 25-13, the Tanagers made things interesting in the final two sets but lost them by 25-23 and 25-21 scores in a 3-0 loss. Megan Olson had nine digs and a pair of solo blocks, Hughes-Berheim had three service aces, and Herrera had five assists and two solo blocks.

Coyotes drop duals against North Dakota

Both Coyote swimming and diving teams lost their opening dual meets of the year against North Dakota as the men lost 155-133 and the women lost 153-132.

Shannon Mocerri won two events for the women, placing first in the 100 breaststroke in 1:06.31 and winning the 200 breaststroke in 2:12.28. She and Colin Krysl were the only two Coyotes to win two events.

Several other Coyotes won at least one event and placed second in another. On the men's side,

Krysl won the 100 butterfly and the 200 individual medley. He also placed second in the 200 butterfly. Ian Ford won the 100 backstroke in 53.65, and later was second in the 200 breaststroke in 2:16.16.

Women divers Megan Chmielewski and Megan Schutt also had a win and a second place. Chmielewski won the three-meter dive with a score of 230.26, with Schutt placing second in that event with 171.65. The two switched places in the one-meter dive with Schutt winning with 216.15 and Chmielewski in second with 215.15.

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