

SPORTS

RAIDERS ROLL TO BIG DIVISION WIN



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Central Lakes College's Al-Jureau Ray jumps for a basket Saturday, Jan. 12, against Mesabi at the CLC Brainerd campus. Kelly Humphrey / Brainerd Dispatch

Chris Buckley scored 30 points and the Central Lakes College Raiders went on a 22-2 run in the last 10 minutes of the first half to score a 110-67 North Division victory over Mesabi Saturday, Jan. 12 in Brainerd.

The Raiders also received 42 points from their bench as they finished a 2-0 week. CLC is tied for second place with Itasca at 3-0 in the Northern Division. Rainy River leads the division with a 4-0 record.

The Norsemen came to Brainerd with a 2-0 record, looking to make a statement, but it was the Raiders who made the statement with their most complete game of the season CLC used stifling defense and shot 51-percent from the field, including 50 percent from 3-point.

"I was pretty nervous about today to be truthful," CLC head coach Jim Russell said. "I really felt we were coming together as a team, but as you feel that way and then get to see it is a whole different thing. I didn't know who was going to show up, to be honest, but it happened the way I was hoping that it would."

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WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Raiders rebound for 20-point win

By Joe Lindholm
Sports Writer

The Central Lakes College Raiders needed a bounce-back game.

Strong inside play from Naomi Lane and Paige Wallevand and a trapping defense created that as the Raiders got back on track with an 83-63 win over Mesabi Saturday, Jan. 12 in Brainerd.

Wallevand's 16 points led the Raiders. Lane collected 12 points and Lillee Hardee added 13 off the bench as CLC shot 44 percent from the field, an improvement over the 31-percent shooting Wednesday, Jan. 9 at Northland.

CLC improved to 2-1 in Northern Division play and are tied with Itasca for the third spot behind Northland and Hibbing, who are both undefeated.

The Lady Norse did lead 6-0 early, but that changed after Wallevand and Lane got rolling and the Raiders' defensive helped flip the score to 28-19 in CLC's favor at the end of the first quarter.

"We usually have that slower start so it is good that we had it go the other way today," said Raiders' Kelsie Weite, who scored nine points and grabbed five rebounds. "We came out right away playing good defense and I think that was really important."

The second quarter was a carbon copy of the first and the Raiders took a 51-31 lead to the locker room. Wallevand tallied 11 points and Lane added 10.



Central Lakes College's Lindsay Hendrickson (25) goes up for a basket Saturday, Jan. 12, against Mesabi at CLC in Brainerd. Kelly Humphrey / Brainerd Dispatch

Hardee provided the outside scoring with 10 points.

"We came off the trip to Northland where we didn't shoot the 3 and that has been a re-emphasis for us to make sure that we can get the ball inside and we came out with a lot of energy," CLC head coach Brian Voigt said. "We had good trips that were getting interceptions and that was leading

to fast breaks and if the break wasn't there we were getting it into Naomi and she was looking to score, which is what we need from her. If it wasn't there both she and Paige made nice passes out which led to 3s."

Mesabi's halftime adjustments led to a more difficult time in the paint for CLC, but the Raiders responded by

ramping up their defensive pressure which led to transition buckets, and a 66-44 lead at the end of the third quarter.

"They did adjust to us and keep us out of the middle, but we responded with patience and we didn't get up and down and stayed persistent on getting the ball back inside,"

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DANCE TEAM

BHS wins kick, grabs 2nd in jazz at Anoka

ANOKA — Coming off a second-place showing in the Central Lakes Conference finale, the Brainerd Warriors won kick and grabbed another second in jazz at the Anoka Invite Saturday, Jan. 12.

Brainerd won kick with 3 rank points followed by Anoka in second with 6 rank points and Spring Lake Park with 12 rank points.

"Anoka was definitely our targeted team to come out ahead of Saturday," Warrior head coach Cindy Clough said. "They won our section last year so we have been chasing them. We came out ahead of them two weeks in a row, but it has been close so we will continue to hone in on all we are doing so we can reach our goal of winning the section in kick."

"Others to worry about in the section are Blaine, who we have not seen yet, Sauk Rapids and St. Cloud Tech. We have come out ahead of those teams two or three times, but you never know."

Brainerd posted 419 points (85, 84, 84, 83, 83 out of 100). Anoka scored 412 points.

Anoka did top Brainerd in jazz with four rank points. Brainerd was close with five rank points and Spring Lake Park was third with 10.

"In jazz, we had hoped to come out ahead of Anoka as we did last week," Clough said. "We had two

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BOYS BASKETBALL

Powers continues high-octane shooting for BHS, scores 23

Connor Power's hot hand continued Saturday, Jan. 12 as he scored 23 points to lead the Brainerd Warriors to a 71-59 Central Lakes Conference victory over the Willmar Cardinals at Brainerd High School.

Powers was 7-of-11 shooting from the field and 7-of-8 from the line. The junior guard added seven rebounds and four assists.



Powers

Ben Staehling scored 13 points and Owen Davis added 11 points, 10 rebounds and two blocked shots as the

Warriors have won four of their last five.

Joey Sauer added nine points and six rebounds for Brainerd, which trailed

by four at halftime before outscoring the Cardinals 44-28 in the second half.

Willmar 31 28 — 59
Brainerd 27 44 — 71
WILLMAR
Ty Roelofs 10, Jake Evans 13, Adnan Muhamed 3, Drey Dirksen 3, Ryan Slette 26, Connor Stevens 4, FG 19-55 (34.5 percent), FT 15-20 (75 percent), 3-point 6-20 (30 percent).

BRAINERD
Ben Staehling, Mason Malone, Eric Martin, Tanner Mackereth, Presley Severson, Owen Davis, Gabe Smith, Joey Sauer, Connor Powers, Taylor Heuring, John Berry, Jonah Macejkovic, Jayce Schroeder, Nathaniel Staehling, Griffin Rushin, Manni Ukutegbe, Max Lelwica, FG (percent), FT (percent), 3-point (percent), Conference: 4-2. Overall: 6-5. Next: at St. Cloud Apollo 7:15 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15.

WRESTLING

Brainerd's Patnode perfect

Pierz finishes 3-3 at duals

BEMIDJI — Kyle Patnode finished 6-0 with four pins for the Brainerd Warriors, who finished 2-4 at the Rick Lee Duals Saturday, Jan. 12.

Trevor Radunz, Jake Andres, Reese Kapsner and Carson Huls all finished 5-1 for the Pierz Pioneers, which finished 3-3.

Brainerd's Cade Barrett and Denny Busbey were



Patnode



Andres

each 5-1 and Morgan Gibson, Brad Patnode and Atlie Danielson were 4-2. Gibson also collected three pins while Brad Patnode and Danielson tallied two each.

The Pioneers defeat-

ed Brainerd, Tracy-Milroy-Balaton-Westbrook-Walnut Grove and United North Central. Huls posted four pins and Andres accumulated three.

Andres picked his 150th career win.
Brainerd 42, Cambridge-Isanti 24
Perham 52, Brainerd 16
Brainerd 61, Bloomington Kennedy 18
Bemidji 40, Brainerd 21
Pierz 34, Brainerd 31
Kenyon Wanamingo 33, Brainerd 30
Brainerd results
106: Isaiah Jillson 3-3
113: Tommy Daniels 0-6
120: Atlie Danielson 4-2
128: Kyle Eschenbacher 3-3
132: Denny Busbey 5-1

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Chiefs dominate Colts in snowy playoff victory

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Kansas City quarterback Patrick Mahomes passed for 278 yards and ran for a score Saturday, Jan. 12, as the Chiefs ended a six-game home losing streak in the postseason by stomping the Indianapolis Colts 31-13.

The AFC playoff victory was the first in a quarter-century for the Chiefs at Arrowhead Stadium after they advanced as the No. 1 seed for the first time since 1997.

More than a half-foot of snow socked Kansas City before kickoff. Light snow also fell during the game.

Kansas City will play for the AFC championship next Sunday against the winner of Sunday's playoff game between the New England Patriots and Los Angeles Chargers.

Running back Damien Williams had career bests with 25 carries for 129 rushing yards. He scored one touchdown.

Tight end Travis Kelce led the Chiefs with 108 receiving yards on seven catches, while wideout Tyreek Hill added eight catches for 72 yards and a rushing TD. Mahomes went 27-for-41 passing and didn't throw an interception.

Kansas City linebacker Justin Houston had two sacks and recovered a fumble off a strip by Dee Ford.

The turnover thwarted a huge opportunity for the Colts after they took over at the Chiefs 20-yard line late in the third quarter on a fumble that was forced and recovered by linebacker Darius Leonard.

Colts quarterback Andrew Luck could never get into a rhythm, passing for 203 yards while going 19-for-36. The Colts, who had won 10 of their previous 11 games, including five straight, were dogged by 10 penalties for 70 yards.

Kansas City dominated the



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Kansas City Chiefs quarterback Patrick Mahomes (15) throws a pass against Indianapolis Colts defensive end Margus Hunt (92) during the second quarter Saturday, Jan. 12, in an AFC Divisional playoff football game at Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City, Mo.

first half, generating 18 first downs before Indianapolis moved the chains for the first time during a two-minute drill to end the half.

The Colts stormed downfield on that march but kicker Adam Vinatieri, playing in his 32nd postseason game, missed a 23-yard field goal attempt off the left upright as time expired. Vinatieri also missed a PAT attempt.

The 24-7 lead the Chiefs took into the break was achieved

with 195 yards passing from Mahomes, who also rushed for a 4-yard TD with 1:40 left. Williams scored on a 10-yard rush and wide receiver Tyreek Hill on a 36-yard reverse to cap the first two Kansas City drives.

Indianapolis went three-and-out on each of its first four possessions.

Najee Goode broke through to block a punt that teammate Zach Pascal recovered in the end zone with 5:56 left for the Colts' only first-half score.

Anderson, Gurley run Rams past Cowboys, into NFC title game

LOS ANGELES — C.J. Anderson rushed for 123 yards and two touchdowns, and Todd Gurley added 115 yards and a score as the Los Angeles Rams ran their way into the NFC Championship game with a 30-22 victory Saturday, Jan. 12, over the visiting Dallas Cowboys.

Quarterback Jared Goff was 15-of-28 passing for 186 yards as the Rams moved one victory from the franchise's first Super Bowl appearance since 2001, when they lost to the New England Patriots.

The Rams will face the winner of Sunday's Philadelphia Eagles-New Orleans Saints matchup in next weekend's NFC title game.

"It was incredible what they did today," Goff said of the Rams' running backs. "We know this (Cowboys) defense, and we prepared for it well all week. What Todd and C.J. did ... Todd started it and C.J. finished it off."

Dak Prescott was 20 of 32 for 266 yards and one touchdown passing while also rushing for a score as the Cowboys lost their eighth consecutive road playoff game.

The Rams totaled 273 yards on the ground, a franchise record for a playoff game. It was the most rushing yards the Cowboys' defense has given up in a game this season. Dallas entered with



Robert Hanashiro / USA TODAY Sports

Los Angeles Rams running back C.J. Anderson (35) celebrates with wide receiver Josh Reynolds (83) and quarterback Jared Goff (16) after scoring a touchdown against the Dallas Cowboys in second quarter in an NFC divisional playoff football game Saturday, Jan. 12, at Los Angeles Memorial Stadium.

the fifth-best rushing defense in the NFL, allowing 94.6 yards per game.

"We just didn't do a good enough job of controlling the line of scrimmage, winning our gaps and tackling," Cowboys head coach Jason Garrett said. "They were able to run consistently throughout the game. They controlled the pace and tempo of the game really because of that."

Anderson, who was signed late in the season and played in just two regular-season games, scored on a 1-yard TD run to give the Rams a 13-7 lead with seven minutes remaining in the first half.

Gurley, who was playing in his first game since Dec. 16 against Philadelphia because of knee soreness, added a 35-yard TD run with 3:27 remaining in the

opening half to give the Rams a 20-7 lead.

After a third-quarter field goal from the Rams' Greg Zuerlein, the Cowboys cut the deficit to 23-15 on a 1-yard TD run from Ezekiel Elliott and a 2-point conversion catch from Amari Cooper.

The Cowboys started a potential game-tying drive late in the third quarter, but Elliott was stopped on fourth down from the Rams' 35-yard line on the first play of the fourth quarter.

The Rams promptly went on a 12-play, 65-yard drive, capped by a 1-yard TD run from Anderson to take a 30-15 lead with 7:16 remaining. Prescott added the Cowboys' final TD on a 1-yard run with 2:11 remaining.

Elliott was held to 47 yards on 20 rushes for the Cowboys.

"Even when we were in three-receiver sets they were in base, so they were committed to stopping our running game," Garrett said. "If they're committed to taking one thing away you have to be able to beat them in the other area, and at times we did a good job of that tonight."

At 32, the Rams' Sean McVay became the youngest head coach to win a playoff game, ahead of John Madden, who was 33 when he won his first playoff game with the Oakland Raiders.

Saints hunt another Super Bowl after ending Eagles' long run

NEW ORLEANS — Overcoming a horrid start and a 14-point first-quarter deficit, Drew Brees threw for 301 yards and two touchdowns and lifted the host New Orleans Saints to a 20-14 NFC divisional playoff victory over the Philadelphia Eagles on Sunday, Jan. 13, at the Mercedes-Benz Superdome.

Saints cornerback Marshon Lattimore intercepted a Nick Foles pass — which went through the hands of Alshon Jeffery — at the New Orleans 19-yard line and returned it to the Saints' 33 with 1:52 remaining, and running back Alvin Kamara ran for 12 yards on third-and-10 in the final minute to kill the clock.

The No. 1-seeded Saints (14-3) trailed 14-0 just 10:23 into the game but scored 20 unanswered points to advance to the NFC Championship Game next Sunday afternoon against the Los Angeles Rams at the Superdome.

After starting 0 for 3, including an interception on the first play of the game, Brees finished 28 of 38 with scoring passes of 2 yards each to Keith Kirkwood and Michael Thomas. Thomas set Saints' playoff records with 12 catches and 171 yards receiving.

"Defensively in the second half, we were outstanding," Saints coach Sean Payton told reporters following the game. "It wasn't a perfect game.

There's a lot of things we have to clean up. But we got the win against the defending champions, and that means a lot. ... We've played from behind quite a bit in the regular season, and we've been able to come back. ... We did a great job of getting off the field on third down."

The sixth-seeded Eagles (10-8) played valiantly despite a flurry of injuries. Foles completed 18 of 31 passes for 201 yards, but Philadelphia's offense failed over the final three quarters, amassing just 97 yards after 153 in the first.

New Orleans took its first lead of the game, 17-14, by capitalizing on a withering, 18-play, 92-yard drive that consumed 11:29 of the third quarter and netted the Saints nine first downs. Brees completed 8 of 10 passes for 80 yards on the march, on which the Saints overcame two holding penalties and a false start. One of the holding penalties, on left guard Andrus Peat, nullified a 46-yard scoring pass from Taysom Hill to Kamara.

Brees eventually got the touchdown, finding Thomas in man coverage against Cre'Von LeBlanc for a 2-yard score.

"It impacts you relative to the number of snaps played, most importantly with your defense and their rest and your opponent getting that many snaps (on defense)," Payton said

of the drive's importance. "A lot had to happen for that to take place. Regrettably, those penalties hurt us, but we were able to overcome them."

Wil Lutz extended the Saints' lead to 20-14 with a 39-yard field goal with 10:28 left, but it remained a one-possession game.

When Lutz missed a 52-yard field-goal attempt wide right with 2:58 remaining, the Eagles had new life at their own 42. But Jeffery's drop of Foles' pass and Lattimore's interception — his second of the game — sealed Philadelphia's fate.

"He told me he loved playing with me and we wouldn't have won a Super Bowl without me," Jeffery told the media after the game of what Foles said to him. "Still, I let the city of Philadelphia down."

Eagles coach Doug Pederson told reporters that prior to the interception he believed his team would capitalize on Lutz's miss.

"I thought we were on our way, that we got that. It just felt like the momentum at that point was in our favor, in our hands. It's been that way all season. I felt like the magic was going to continue."

The Eagles dominated the first quarter, jumping out to a 14-0 lead and at one point holding a total yardage advantage of 151-0.

However, the Saints got back in the game with 10 consecutive points in the second quarter to trail only 14-10 at halftime.

Foles completed eight of his first nine passes for 113 yards and led Philadelphia to touchdowns on its first two possessions. The first score was set up on the Saints' first play, when Brees badly underthrew Ted Ginn Jr. on a deep route and LeBlanc intercepted the ball at the Philadelphia 24.

Foles completed all five passes for 65 yards on the ensuing 76-yard scoring drive, including a 37-yard strike to wide receiver Jor-

dan Matthews, who easily beat double coverage for the touchdown.

After New Orleans went three-and-out, Foles directed a 10-play, 75-yard touchdown march, setting up the score with a 30-yard back-shoulder throw to Jeffrey on third-and-7 to the Saints' 4. Foles got the 14-0 lead by stretching the ball over the goal line from 1 yard out two plays later.

But the Saints finally got rolling in the second quarter, when Brees completed 13 of 16 passes for 171 yards a touchdown. Sean Payton successfully gam- bled twice on fourth down on the touchdown drive — converting a fourth-and-1 on a fake-punt run by Hill at the Saints' 30 and then converting the touchdown on fourth-and-goal from the 2 with Brees' soft pass in the left corner of the end zone to Kirkwood.

Lutz brought the Saints

within 14-10 with a 45-yard field just before intermission. The drive started at the New Orleans 6 with 78 seconds remaining in the half.

The loss will also bring Foles' future with the Eagles into question in the coming days and into the offseason. The Super Bowl MVP from last season may become a free agent in the spring and starting quarterback Carson Wentz's health issues will leave the Eagles with a huge decision regarding Foles.

"I just told him I appreciated everything he's done," Pederson said of what he told Foles. "For him to come in and step in the way he has, I told him I loved him, and we'll probably visit in the next few days."

The NFC Championship Game is scheduled to kick off at 2:05 p.m. CT next Sunday.

Patriots hammer Chargers, make 8th straight AFC title game

FOXBORO, Mass. — Scoring touchdowns on their first four possessions Sunday, Jan. 13, the New England Patriots established a 35-7 halftime lead and cruised to a 41-28 win over the Los Angeles Chargers in an AFC divisional-round game at Gillette Stadium in Foxborough, Mass.

The result sends New England (12-5) to Kansas City next Sunday to play for the AFC title and a trip to the Super Bowl on Feb. 3. The conference championship at Arrowhead, a rematch of a 43-40 Patriots win in Week 6 in Foxborough, is scheduled to kick off at 5:40 p.m. CT.

Sunday's win also gave the Patriots a perfect 9-0 home record this season and put them in the conference championship game for eighth consecutive season, extending an NFL record.

Los Angeles finished its season with a 13-5 record, after recording its first playoff win since January 2014 last week.

But on this day, the Chargers couldn't come close to replicating last week's wild-card round victory in Baltimore. The Patriots carved up Los Angeles' defense for drives of 83, 67, 58 and 87 yards to start their day. When the Chargers finally stopped them, they fumbled the ensuing punt and the Patriots recovered, before going 35 yards for a fifth touchdown just before halftime.

Every aspect of New England's offense did its job. Tom Brady completed 34 of 44 passes for 343 yards and a 15-yard scoring strike to Phillip Dorsett with 12:17 left in the second quarter. Rookie running back Sony Michel pounded out 129 yards on 24 carries, reaching the end zone on runs of 1, 14 and 5 yards.

Brady made liberal use of running back James White and wide receiver Julian Edelman — White caught 15 passes for 97 yards, and Edelman added nine catches for 151 yards, a franchise-record fifth 100-yard game in the playoffs.

"The line played great, and I thought we did a good job keeping them off-balance," Brady said to CBS. "It's that time of year where you have to play your best. We've got a big one next week."

Defensively, the Patriots made the Chargers one-dimensional with their first-half explosion. Running back Melvin Gordon managed only nine carries for 15 yards and a third-quarter touchdown, forcing Philip Rivers to carry the load.

Operating under duress all day, Rivers completed only 25 of 51 passes for 331 yards and three scores with an interception. New England recorded only two sacks, but hurried and harassed the quarterback throughout the afternoon.

"This wasn't the ending we wanted, but one game doesn't define the type of season this team had," Chargers head coach Anthony Lynn said.

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AREA GIRLS BASKETBALL

Staples-Motley 52, Frazee 32

FRAZEE — Tabatha Allen registered her fourth-straight double-double as she recorded an 11 point, 12 rebound performance to lead the Staples-Motley Cardinals to a 52-32 Section 8-2A victory over Frazee, Saturday, Jan. 12.

Jenna Dvorak grabbed 11 boards to go with six points and Haley Cichos scored 12 points for the Cardinals.

Frazee 22 10 — 32
Staples-Motley 23 29 — 52
FRAZEE
Madison Starry 7, Paige Oswald 7, Paige Ziegler, Talia Gabrielson 4, Ellie Reiersen 2, Abby Hoehne 2, Annika Reiersen 1, Dani Fliche 5, Harley Kropenske 4, FT 6-12 (50 percent).
STAPLES-MOTLEY
Kaia Erbe 3, Haley Cichos 12, Kaitlyn

Smith 9, Alix Peterson 7, Jenna Dvorak 6, Tabatha Allen 11, Bella Martin 4, FT 26-39 (67 percent). Overall: 4-8. Next: hosts Long Prairie-Grey Eagle 7:15 p.m. Friday, Jan. 18.

Pierz 45, Melrose 42 (OT)

COLLEGEVILLE — Emily Dehler scored 11 points as the Pierz Pioneers came away with a 45-42 overtime victory over Melrose Saturday, Jan. 12 at St. John's University.

Melrose 20 19 3 — 42
Pierz 19 20 6 — 45
PIERZ
Amaya Rocheleau 2, Rabeka Langer 7, Emily Dehler 11, Courtney Strohmeier 8, Alissa Girtz 2, Emily Sadlovsky 3, Kylie Waytashek 4, Laura Skiba 8, FG 17-42 (40 percent), FT 9-14 (64 percent), 3-point 2-8 (25 percent). Overall: 7-6. Next: at Pine City 7:15 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15.

Pillager 60, Barnum 43

BARNUM — Bailey Knoblauch hit for 14

points and Maggie Schmit totaled 13 as Pillager defeated Barnum 60-43 in a Section 7-2A matchup Saturday, Jan. 12.

Sam Macheel also hit double figures with 10 points.

Barnum 26 17 — 43
Pillager 30 30 — 60
BARNUM
Brittney Mike 3, Lacie O'Leary 1, Reese Mitchell 10, Jordyn Marine 12, Gracie Nelson 1, Mallory Agurkis 7, Allison Marine 9, FT 20-33 (61 percent).

PILLAGER
Ziya Pulak 7, Jordyn VanVickle 1, Maggie Schmit 13, Bailey Knoblauch 14, Sadie Hopman 2, Jenna Woidyla 8, Olivia Peterson 8, Sam Macheel 10, Emma Schmit 6, Charlea Johnson 1, FT 14-23 (61 percent). Overall: 3-8. Next: hosts Menahga 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15.

Lake Region finishes 1-1

ST. FRANCIS — Tori Plemel and Hannah McGaffrey each scored 12 points as Lake Region Christian defeated Rose-

mount 39-38 for third-place in the St. Francis Tournament Saturday, Jan. 12.

McGaffrey's shot with five seconds remaining put the Hornets in front for good.

Earlier Saturday, Lake Region lost to Liberty

Game One
Liberty 18 25 — 43
Lake Region 16 13 — 29
LAKE REGION

Ellie Shaler 1, Tori Plemel 2, Nikole Thorson 4, Valerie Imdieke 3, Taylor Borowicz 4, Amber Neubert 6, Hannah McGaffrey 9, FG 12-49 (25 percent), FT 4-5 (80 percent), 3-point 1-7 (14 percent).

Game Two
Rosemount 16 22 — 38
Lake Region 20 19 — 39
LAKE REGION

Lydia Neubert 5, Tori Plemel 12, Nikole Thorson 4, Valerie Imdieke 2, Taylor Borowicz 2, Amber Neubert 2, Hannah McGaffrey 12, FG 18-62 (29 percent), FT 3-9 (33 percent), 3-point 0-3. Conference: 4-4. Overall: 6-5. Next: at Woodcrest, 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15.

AREA WRESTLING

Raiders wrestle to 2nd in tourney

PARKERS PRAIRIE — Class 1A's 12th-ranked Bertha-Hewitt/Parkers Prairie Raiders came away with a second-place team finish in the 11-team Parkers Prairie Tournament Saturday, Jan. 12.

Quinn Kern, Zavier Grefe and Craig Orlando each notched first-place finishes, while Hunter Dean finished in second place.

Adam Christopher and Taylor Eigenheer each won their weight class for fourth-place Crosby-Ironton.

Owen Bjerga won the 160-pound weight class for the fifth-place Staples-Motley Cardinals.

Team Scores: 1-LPGE-Browerville 276, 2-Bertha Hewitt/Verdale/Parkers Prairie 217, 3-Benson 137, 4-Crosby-Ironton 116.5, 5-Staples-Motley 95.5, 6-Park Rapids Area 95, 7-Deer River 83, 8-Breckenridge 82, 9-Pelican Rapids 73.5, 10 Wahpeton 48, 11-Ortonville 36.
Next: Crosby-Ironton at Walker-Hackensack-Akeley Triangular Tuesday, Jan. 22; Staples-Motley hosts Atkin Saturday, Jan. 19; Bertha-Hewitt/Verdale/Parkers Prairie in Red Lake County Central Invite at Oklee Friday, Jan. 18.

Little Falls fifth at Stillwater Duals

STILLWATER — Austin Litke, Gabe Nagel, Grant Litke, Sam Nagel and Luke Venske all finished with 3-0 records as Little Falls finished fifth at the Stillwater Duals Saturday, Jan. 12.

The Flyers lost to Coon Rapid 51-23 and defeated Chatfield 48-33 and Eagan 45-34 to improve to 11-9. They will host Brainerd and Becker Thursday, Jan. 17.

Road Crew 3rd, W-DC 9th

GLENWOOD — Connor Tulenchik and Jake Poehler took the top spot in their respective classes as the Pequot Lakes/Pine River-Backus Road Crew finished second in the 11-team Minnewaska Invite Saturday, Jan. 12.

Myca Reynolds, Keenan Dahl, and

Evon Koering all placed second and Riley Wilson and Josh Pettit each notched their 50th career wins. Poehler's win was his 75th.

Cody Wheeler of Wadena-Deer Creek also scored a second-place finish and the Wolverines finished ninth.

Team Scores: 1-Minnewaska Area 228.5, 2-Pequot Lakes-Pine River-Backus 185, 3-Eden Prairie 147.5, 4-Alexandria 135, 5-New London-Spicer 115, 6-Border West 112, 7-Quad County 91.5, 8-Edina 53, 9-Wadena-Deer Creek 36.5, 10-Minneapolis Patrick Henry 31, 11-Minneapolis Roosevelt

Individual results
106: 1-Jacory Bates (EP), 5-Simon Snyder (WDC), 6-Riley Wilson (PLPRB)
113: 1-Easton McCrory (MA), 6-Owen Carlson (PLPRB)
120: 1-Ryan Borris (A), 3-Caleb Ruhl (PLPRB)
126: 1-Blake Vagle (NLS), 5-Austin Staricha (PLPRB), 6-Mason Snyder (WDC)
132: 1-Bryce Dagle (EP), 2-Evan Koering (PLPRB)
138: 1-Connor Tulenchik (PLPRB)
145: 1-Jahsa Rankins (EP), 3-Harley Large (PLPRB)
152: 1-Jake Poehler (PLPRB)
160: 1-Ayden Friese (QC), 6-Matthew Foster (PLPRB)
170: 1-Tyson Meyer (MA), 2-Cody Wheeler (WDC), 4-Tim Ryan (PLPRB)
182: 1-Isaiah Thompson (EP), 2-Keenan Dahl (PLPRB)
195: 1-Tyler VanLuik (MA)
220: 1-Dylan Jergenson (MA), 4-Josh Pettit (PLPRB)
285: 1-Jakob Swalla (MA), 2-Myca Reynolds (PLPRB)
Overall: PLPRB 9-3, WDC 1-7. Next: PLPRB hosts Brainerd, Hibbing, Bemidji in Road Crew Quad at Pine River Tuesday, Jan. 15; Wadena-Deer Creek at West Central Triangular in Barrett Thursday, Jan. 17.

COLLEGE HOCKEY

SCSU Huskies rally to beat Bulldogs, maintain control of NCHC top spot

DULUTH — Minnesota Duluth took a sizable bite out of St. Cloud State's lead atop the NCHC on Friday night.

The No. 1-ranked Huskies made the fifth-ranked Bulldogs spit that chunk back out Saturday, Jan. 12, however, scoring four unanswered goals for a 4-2 victory before a crowd of 6,647 at Amsoil Arena.

St. Cloud State, coached by former Bulldogs player and assistant coach Brett Larson, came into the weekend eight points ahead of UMD (12-6-2 overall, 5-4-1 NCHC) and seven up on second-place Western Michigan. The Huskies (15-3-2, 7-1-2) leave with an eight-point advantage on UMD while Western Michigan was able to pull to four via a sweep of Miami in Kalamazoo, Mich.

Bemidji State falls in OT to Alaska

BEMIDJI. — Justin Baudry brought the Sanford Center crowd to its feet with his game-tying goal in the waning moments of the third period, sending Saturday night's game into overtime.

Alaska's 19th skater Justin Young had other plans, stunning the Bemidji State men's hockey team and the home fans

with his goal 52 seconds into overtime, handing the Nanooks a 2-1 win.

Baudry's goal came on the power play with only 2 minutes, 9 seconds left in regulation.

The Western Collegiate Hockey Association series ended in a split, the sixth in eight league series for the Beavers (10-11-3, 8-7-1-1 WCHA) this season.

Fighting Irish undone by an Irish freshman

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — If you want to silence the Fighting Irish, you call on an Irish kid from northern Minnesota, apparently.

That was the secret for the Minnesota Gophers Saturday, Jan. 12, at Notre Dame, as they earned their first sweep of the season when Blake McLaughlin, a freshman from Grand Rapids, Minn., scored a dramatic goal with 7.8 seconds left for a 2-1 win.

After a defensive turnover by Irish winger Michael Graham, McLaughlin took a pass from Tyler Sheehy near center ice, won a footrace with the Notre Dame defender and shoveled a low shot past Irish goaltender Dylan St. Cyr to quiet much of the arena.

The Gophers improved 9-8-4 overall and 6-3-3-

o in the Big Ten with the win, which has them in second place, two points back of Ohio State. They got 34 saves from goalie Mat Robson, who improved to 7-4-4 with the win.

It was the second goal of the weekend, and the second of his collegiate career, for McLaughlin, who was a key player for Grand Rapids High School two season ago when the Thunderhawks won the Minnesota state title.

UND sweeps Colorado College with dramatic overtime goal

GRAND FORKS — Adam Scheel was vomiting all night and Saturday morning.

When he arrived at Ralph Engelstad Arena at 9 a.m. Saturday for the team's morning skate, the coaching staff sent him home to get rest and fluids.

Scheel's teammates dug in and found a way to get it done, too.

For the second-straight night, UND beat Colorado College with a dramatic overtime goal — this one by Jordan Kawaguchi to secure a 3-2 win and UND's first National Collegiate Hockey Conference sweep of the season.

On the winning goal, Nick Jones picked up a rebound and a Kawaguchi shot and

attempted a wraparound. Colorado College forward Grant Cruikshank crashed the crease and got tangled with goalie Alex Leclerc, igniting chaos around the net.

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Gophers seal road sweep with 6-3 win

MANKATO — Alex Woken led the way with three points and Grace Zumwinkle scored two goals as the No. 2 Golden Gophers earned a 6-3 win and series sweep over Minnesota State at the Verizon Center in Mankato Saturday, Jan. 12.

Minnesota (21-2-1, 11-2-1-0 WCHA) extended its winning streak to 14 consecutive games with the win over the Mavericks. Five different players scored for the Maroon & Gold and 11 different Gophers recorded at least one point led by multiple points from Woken (1g-2a), Zumwinkle (2g), and Taylor Heise (2a). Sydney Scobee improved to 6-2-1 with 23 saves on 26 shots faced.

Minnesota State (8-10-4, 3-9-2-1 WCHA) received goals from Jordan McLaughlin, Brooke Bryant, and Brittany Fleming along with a 28-save effort from goaltender Abigail Levy.

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GIRLS BASKETBALL

Cardinals D clamps down on Warriors

WILLMAR — Willmar's defense held the Brainerd Warriors to 7-of-37 shooting (18.9 percent) from the field to lead the Cardinals to a 62-29 Central Lakes Conference victory Saturday, Jan. 12.

Lilly Horn's eight points led the Warriors, who were forced into 21 turnovers and outrebounded

41-22.

The loss snaps Brainerd's three-game winning streak.

Willmar 27 35 — 62
Brainerd 18 11 — 29
WILLMAR
Abby Berskow 5, Amanda Mathiasen 4, Katelyn Murphy 11, Sadie Raitz 5, Callie Stigter 2, Madi Linbo 13, Carly Wedel 9, Ashley Pratl 5, Kayla Carlson 2, Brooke Wittwer 2, FG 22-49 (44.9 percent), FT 15-18 (83.3 percent), 3-point 3-11 (27.3 percent).

BRAINERD
Courtney Russell 6, Lilly Horn 8, Autumn Miles 4, Myah Nelson 5, Olivia Taugtes 4, Grace Zimmerman 2, FG 7-37 (18.9 percent), FT 12-19 (63.2 percent), 3-point 3-21 (14.3 percent). Conference: 2-5. Overall: 6-9. Next: hosts Alexandria 7:15 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 17.

AREA BOYS BASKETBALL

Turk, Rangers shoot down Blue Devils

VIRGINIA — Cayden Turk tossed in a team-high 20 points, including four 3-pointers to lead the Crosby-Ironton Rangers past the Virginia Blue Devils 64-58 in a Section 7-2A matchup Saturday, Jan. 12.

Johnathan Jacobson and Kyle Skeim each added 10 points for the Rangers, who improved to 10-1.

Virginia entered the game as the top seed in the North Subsection standings with an 8-2 record, while C-I came in as the No. 3 seed in the

South Subsection 7-2A standing.

Virginia 18 40 — 58
Crosby-Ironton 27 37 — 64
VIRGINIA
Nick Peters 3, Jayden Bernard 23, Mason Carlson 16, Tyler Herberg 5, Jack Perala 11, FG 21-58 (36 percent), FT 8-12 (67 percent), 3-point 8-29 (28 percent).
CROSBY-IRONTON
Sam Jordan 4, Joseph Stokman 9, Cayden Turk 20, Dakota Mitchell 9, Johnathan Jacobson 10, Trey Stangel 2, Kyle Skeim 10, FG 26-62 (42 percent), FT 5-9 (55 percent), 3-point 7-24 (29 percent). Overall: 10-1. Next: at Hinckley-Finlayson 7:15 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15.

Pillager 55, Barnum 48

BARNUM — The Pillager Huskies shot 54 percent on their way to a 55-48 win over Barnum in a Section 7-2A matchup Saturday, Jan. 12.

Barnum 48
Pillager 55

AREA BOYS HOCKEY

Stars outshine Lightning in 7-3 win

RICHMOND — The Northern Lakes Lightning saw too much of Cam Lemke and Logan Stellmach as the two River Lakes players combined for four goals and four assists for a 7-3 victory Saturday, Jan. 12.

The Lightning accumulated 29 shots on goal for the game with Dylan Mesenbrink, Hunter Nybakken, and Josef Slepica scoring the three Northern Lakes Goals.

Goaltender Sam LeMieur recorded 24 saves.

River Lakes 3 22 — 7
Northern Lakes 1 11 — 3
First period: RL-Cam Lemke (Griffin Duinick) ppg 7:16; RL-Quintin Ruhlend (Logan Stellmach) 9:03; RL-Sam Howard (Stellmach) 11:17; NL-Dylan Mesenbrink 14:59
Second period: NL-Hunter Nybakken (Owen Miller, Shane Donovan) 4:04; RL-Stellmach 13:15; RL-Lemke (Stellmach, Blake Blattner) ppg 15:26
Third period: RL-Stellmach shg 1:08; NL-Josef Slepica 2:24; RL-Cam Lemke (Stellmach) 14:44

Shots on goal: NL 29, RL 31
Goalies: NL-Sam LeMieur (24 saves); RL-Drew Tangen (26 saves)
Overall: NL 1-11-1. Next: Northern Lakes at Proctor 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 14.

Kittson Central 4, Wadena-DC 1

HALLOCK — Kade Woods second-period goal on an assist from Logan Robinson was the lone goal for Wadena-Deer Creek in a 4-1 non-conference loss to Kittson Central Saturday, Jan. 12.

Josh Dykhoff stopped 25 of the 29 shots that he faced.

Kittson Central 1 2 1 — 4
Wadena-DC 0 10 — 1
First period: KC-Hayden Hennen
Second period: KC-Adam Gustafson (Calvin Hanson); WDC-Keade Woods (Logan Robinson); KC-Adam Gustafson shg
Third period: Calvin Hanson (Adam Gustafson, Hayden Hennen) ppg
Shots on goal: WDC 19, KC 29
Goalies: WDC-Josh Dykhoff (25 saves); KC-Wyatt Olsonawski (18 saves)
Overall: WDC 5-8-1. Next: WDC hosts Breckenridge/Wahpeton 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15.

AREA GIRLS HOCKEY

Prairie Centre bucks the Broncos 4-1

WADENA — Kylee Hopp was one of four players to find the net for Prairie Centre in a 4-1 win over International Falls Saturday, Jan. 12.

Hopp's goal at 15:45 of the first period got the Blue Devils on the board. Shelby Otte and Reece Ritter each scored second-period goals and Ally Ecker closed out the scoring in the third period.

Prairie Centre tallied 12 total shots for the game.

Mackenzie Och kicked away 14 of the 15 shots she faced.

International Falls 0 10 — 1
Prairie Centre 1 2 1 — 4
First period: PC-Kylee Hopp 15:45
Second period: PC-Shelby Otte (Ally Ecker) 8:15; IF-Grace Bragg (Taylor Sears) 12:01; PC-Reece Ritter 13:10
Third period: PC-Ecker 13:54
Shots on goal: PC 12, IF 15
Goalies: PC-Mackenzie Och (14 saves); IF-

Grace Wegner (8 saves)
Overall: PC 10-8. Next: Prairie Centre hosts Northern Lakes at Long Prairie 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15.

Moorhead 3, Northern Lakes 1

ST. PAUL — Emily Brunkhorts's goal at 1:43 Saturday tied the game at 1-1, but Moorhead scored goals in both the second and third periods to defeat Northern Lakes 3-1 Jan. 12 at the North Dale Recreation Center.

The Lightning outshot the Spuds 30-13.

Moorhead 1 1 1 — 3
Northern Lakes 1 0 0 — 1
First period: M-Emily Meyer (Bria Holm, Grace Greene) ppg 1:43; NL-Emily Brunkhorst (Elli Saxerud) 2:12
Second period: M-Holm 4:00
Third period: M-Holm 15:21
Shots on goal: NL 30, M 13
Goalies: NL-Kate Stephens (9 saves); M-Paige Schmidt (29 saves)
Overall: NL 7-9-1. Next: Northern Lakes vs. Prairie Centre at Long Prairie 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15.

AREA GYMNASTICS

Flyers 3rd at Maple Lake

MAPLE LAKE — Maddie Dehn was a second-place finisher on the uneven bars as Little Falls placed third at the Maple Lake Invite Saturday, Jan. 12.

Dylann Boser finished fifth on the bars and eighth in the all-around. Ashley Hage also tied her season-high score on the beam to gain a top 10 in

the six-team invitational.

Team scores: 1-Maple Lake 132.35, 2-Litchfield 126.2, 3-Little Falls 122.4, 4-St. Louis Park 120.75, 5-HLWW—MNT 118.65, 6-Kasson Mantorville Triton 116.7

Next: Little Falls hosts Rush City/Pine City/Hinckley-Finlayson, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15.

RAIDERS

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“The tempo is all set on the defensive end and in the last ten minutes of the first half, they made one bucket. My challenge at half-time was another 20 minutes and they did that.”

Malik Kelly finished the game with 12 points and six rebounds, but helped CLC force Mesabi into 23 turnovers.

“I wasn't very surprised,” Kelly said of the Raiders' Saturday performance. “Coach told us to come in and work hard. He let us know that Mesabi was 2-0 in conference play and would be coming in with a chip on their shoulder and trying to improve from last year. So we couldn't come out there just thinking it was going to be easy.”

The Norse were effective early as

they built a six-point lead. But the Raiders' defense picked up and a layup from Buckley put the Raiders up 37-32 at the 7:24 mark of the first half. That is where the fun ended for Mesabi as the Raiders outscored them 22-2 for the rest of the half to lead 59-34 at the half.

“It was our pressure defense,” Kelly said. “Coach called a quick time out and told us to get focused and not play slow because it was going to be a close game, so we couldn't make it an easy game for them if we wanted to show that we are one of the best teams in the conference.”

At the end of the first half, Buckley's line showed 23 points, five steals and two assists. “Chris got his hands on everything,” Russell said. “We put a lot of emphasis on focusing on the lane and he was there. I like to call it “little man syndrome”, and you have to play that way and he was in the right place at the right

time. And the best part was that he got Gavin (Smith, who scored 14 points off the bench) going and we need that. And that showed me how much Chris has grown.”

Seven different players from CLC's bench got into the scoring column.

“I told them that if you guys play like that at playoff time, there is no one on our team that I need to worry about,” Russell said. “You guys all got the opportunity and showed that you can play.”

For more photos go to https://bit.ly/2AUh2cn.

Mesabi Range 34 33 — 67
Central Lakes 59 51 — 110
MESABI RANGE
Daniel Modi 1, Alban Cooke 7, Markis Watkins 4, Bryce Hessel 12, Calvin Lee 20, William Howard 19, Mamoudou Cisse 2, Duerlo Champagne 2, FG 26-66 (39 percent), FT 10-12 (83 percent), 3-point 5-15 (33 percent).
CENTRAL LAKES
Chris Buckley 30, Josh Arnold 7, Malik Kelly 12, Jai'Onn Harlin 3, Gavin Smith 14, Kelvin Harris 7, Al-Jureau Ray 10, Tyree on Johnson 8, Shamarr Hill 4, Avis Gilbert 2, Brandon BURGGRAB 8, Dylan McLain 5, FG 43-84 (51 percent), FT 10-14 (71 percent), 3-point 14-28 (50 percent). Division: 3-0 Overall: 10-4. Next: at Vermillion Community College 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 16.



Jesse Johnson / USA Today Sports

Minnesota Timberwolves forward Karl-Anthony Towns (32) backs toward the basket as New Orleans Pelicans forward Anthony Davis (23) plays defense in the first half at Target Center on Saturday.

Towns leads Wolves to close win against Davis, Pelicans

Field Level Media
MINNEAPOLIS — Karl-Anthony Towns had 27 points and 27 rebounds as the host Minnesota Timberwolves held off the New Orleans Pelicans 110-106 on Saturday night.

The Timberwolves bounced back from their first loss under interim head coach Ryan Saunders a night earlier to improve to 2-1 since he replaced the fired Tom Thibodeau on Jan. 6.

Andrewiggins added 18 points, Josh Okogie scored 17, Dario Saric and Tyus Jones had 14 each and Taj Gibson 10.

Anthony Davis had 30 points and 14 rebounds, Jrue Holiday scored 25 points, Julius Randle added 22 points and 11 rebounds and Elfrid Payton had 10 points to lead

the Pelicans, who saw a three-game winning streak end in the opener of a five-game road trip.

The Pelicans led by two points after the first quarter, the Wolves led by two at halftime and the tightness continued in the third quarter.

The score was tied 10 times and changed hands nine times before Randle's layup in the final seconds gave New Orleans an 89-87 lead after three quarters.

The Pelicans maintained the lead until Saric's 3-pointer produced the first tie of the period at 95 with 8:11 remaining.

The score was tied once more before Towns' tip-in produced the first lead change of the quarter, giving Minnesota a 99-97 edge over New Orleans.

Towns made another basket before consecutive dunks by Randle and Holiday pulled the Pelicans even.

Towns made a 3-pointer and blocked a shot by Davis, leading to Jones' layup and a 108-103 Minnesota lead.

Holiday answered with a three-point play, but those would be New Orleans' only points in the final 3:58. Jones made two free throws to give the Wolves a 110-106 lead with 54 seconds left.

Payton barely beat the quarter buzzer with a tip-in that gave New Orleans a 29-27 lead at the end of the first period.

Towns had 14 points and 15 rebounds as Minnesota held a 54-52 half-time lead.

Bertuzzi's 1st career hat trick carries Wings over Wild

Field Level Media
ST. PAUL — A career night from Tyler Bertuzzi helped the Detroit Red Wings earn something positive in an otherwise negative stretch.

Bertuzzi scored his first career hat trick to help Detroit earn a 5-2 win over the Minnesota Wild on Saturday, Jan. 12.

The Red Wings won for just the second time in 11 games and also cooled off a Wild team that had won four of its previous five games.

Detroit dominated, outshooting the Wild by 37-19 margin.

After allowing a goal 13 seconds into the game against Winnipeg on Friday, the Red Wings pulled that trick on the Wild,

scoring 24 seconds into the game to take a 1-0 lead.

Bertuzzi camped himself near the front of the Minnesota goal and tipped home a shot from the point by Gustav Nyquist.

The Wild answered later in the first period, tying the score at 1-1 with 3:00 left in the first on a goal by Luke Kunin, who skated in on a partial break-away and beat Red Wings goalie Jimmy Howard on the stick side.

It was Kunin's first goal of the season.

The teams started off the second period with a bang, with each scoring in the first minute.

Just 17 seconds into the second, Minnesota took a 2-1 lead on a power-play

goal by Nino Niederreiter but Detroit answered 28 seconds later on a goal by Thomas Vanek that tied the score at 2-2.

Detroit then took a 3-2 lead with 4:50 left in the second period on another goal by Vanek, who fired home a shot from the top of the faceoff circles.

Only 47 seconds into the third period, Bertuzzi netted his second goal of the game, tipping home a shot from the point to give Detroit a 4-2 lead.

Bertuzzi then scored his third goal later in the third, walking out in front of the Minnesota goal and lifting a backhand underneath the crossbar to make it 5-2 Red Wings with 11:22 left in the game.

SCOREBOARD

AREA EVENTS

Monday, Jan. 14
BOYS BASKETBALL
 Staples-Motley at Upsala 7 p.m.

BOYS HOCKEY
 Northern Lakes at Proctor 7 p.m.

ALPINE SKIING
 Brainerd at Detroit Invite at Detroit Mountain 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 15
BOYS BASKETBALL
 Brainerd at St. Cloud Apollo 7:15 p.m.
 Aitkin at Brahm 7:15 p.m.
 Crosby-Ironton at Hinckley-Finlayson 7:15 p.m.
 Little Falls at St. Cloud Cathedral 7:15 p.m.
 Barnum at Pequot Lakes 5:45 p.m.
 Howard Lake-Waverly-Winsted at Pierz 7:15 p.m.
 Pillager at Staples-Motley 7:30 p.m.
 Pine River-Backus at Cass Lake-Bena 6 p.m.
 Nevis at Verndale 7:30 p.m.
 Wadena-Deer Creek at Frazee 7:30 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL
 Brahm at Aitkin 7:15 p.m.
 Detroit Lakes at Crosby-Ironton 7:15 p.m.
 Little Falls at Bemidji 7:15 p.m.
 Park Rapids at Pequot Lakes 7:15 p.m.
 Pierz at Pine City 7:15 p.m.
 Menahga at Pillager 7:30 p.m.
 Pine River-Backus at Cass Lake-Bena 7:30 p.m.
 Verndale at New York Mills 7:30 p.m.
 Wadena-Deer Creek at Sebeka 7:30 p.m.

WRESTLING
 Brainerd, Bemidji, Hibbing at Pequot Lakes/
 Pine River-Backus Quadrangular, at Pine River 5 p.m.
 Aitkin, Foley at Bertha-Hewitt/Verndale/PP
 Triangular, Bertha 5 p.m.
 Pierz, BBE at Howard Lake-Waverly-Winsted
 Triangular 5 p.m.
 Wadena-Deer Creek vs. United North Central
 at Menahga 7 p.m.

BOYS HOCKEY
 Becker at Little Falls 7:15 p.m.
 Breckenridge/Wahpeton at Wadena-Deer
 Creek 7 p.m.

GIRLS HOCKEY
 Northern Lakes vs. Prairie Centre at Long
 Prairie 7 p.m.

GYMNASTICS
 Rush City at Little Falls 6 p.m.

BOYS SWIMMING AND DIVING
 Brainerd at Willmar 6 p.m.

NORDIC SKIING
 Brainerd, Little Falls at Alexandria Invite,
 Andes Tower Hills 2 p.m.

DANCE TEAM
 Aitkin, Crosby-Ironton, Pequot Lakes, Pierz,
 Pine River-Backus in Mid-State Conference
 Jazz Meet at Detroit Lakes 7 p.m.

TV AND RADIO

Monday, Jan. 14
COLLEGE BASKETBALL:
 Nebraska at Indiana, 5:30 p.m., FS1
 Syracuse at Duke, 6 p.m., ESPN
 Women's: Iowa at Minnesota, 6 p.m., ESPN2
 Women's: Michigan State at Ohio State, 6
 p.m., BTN
 Texas at Kansas, 8 p.m., ESPN

GOLF:
 Web.com Tour: The Bahamas Great Exuma
 Classic, 1 p.m., GOLF

NHL:
 Minnesota at Philadelphia, 6 p.m., FSN,
 KKIN-AM (930), KUAL-FM (103.5), KSKK-
 AM (1070), KAKK-AM (1570)
 Montreal at Boston, 6:30 p.m., NBCSN

SOCCER:
 Premier League: Wolves at Manchester City,
 1:55 p.m., NBCSN

TENNIS:
 Australian Open: Day 1 - First Round, 2 a.m.,
 ESPN2
 Australian Open: Day 2 - First Round, 8 p.m.,
 ESPN2

Tuesday, Jan. 15
COLLEGE BASKETBALL:
 Seton Hall at Providence, 5:30 p.m., FSN
 Teams TBA, 6 p.m., ESPN
 Rutgers at Purdue, 6 p.m., BTN
 Marquette at Georgetown, 7:30 p.m., FS1
 Notre Dame at North Carolina, 8 p.m., ESPN

GOLF:
 Web.com Tour: The Bahamas Great Exuma
 Classic, 1 p.m., GOLF
 European Tour: Abu Dhabi HSBC Champion-
 ship, 9:30 p.m., GOLF

NBA:
 Minnesota at Philadelphia, 6 p.m., FSN,
 KKIN-FM (94.3), KFGI-FM (101.5), WC-
 CO-AM (830)

NHL:
 Los Angeles at Minnesota, 7 p.m., NBCSN,
 KKIN-AM (930), KUAL-FM (103.5), KSKK-
 AM (1070), KAKK-AM (1570)

TENNIS:
 Australian Open: Day 2 - First Round, 2 a.m.,
 ESPN2
 Australian Open: Day 3 - Second Round, 8
 p.m., ESPN2

FOOTBALL

Professional
National Football League playoffs
Divisional Round
Saturday, Jan. 12
 No. 1 Kansas City 31, No. 6 Indianapolis 13
 No. 2 Los Angeles Rams 30, No. 4 Dallas 22
Sunday, Jan. 13
 No. 2 New England 41, No. 5 Los Angeles
 Chargers 28
 No. 1 New Orleans 20, No. 6 Philadelphia 14

Conference championships
Sunday, Jan. 20
 AFC title game: No. 2 New Orleans Rams at
 No. 1 New Orleans, 2:05 p.m. (Fox)
 AFC title game: No. 2 New England at No. 1
 Kansas City, 5:40 p.m. (CBS)

Super Bowl
Sunday, Feb. 3 at Atlanta
 AFC champion vs. NFC champion, 5:30 p.m.
 (CBS)

HOCKEY

| Professional | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| NHL Eastern Conference Atlantic Division | | | | | | | | | | | |
| GP | W | LOT | SOP | PTS | GF | GA | | | | | |
| Tampa Bay | 46 | 35 | 9 | 2 | 0 | 72 | 189 | 133 | | | |
| Toronto | 44 | 28 | 14 | 2 | 0 | 58 | 158 | 122 | | | |
| Boston | 45 | 26 | 15 | 4 | 0 | 56 | 131 | 116 | | | |
| Montreal | 46 | 24 | 17 | 5 | 0 | 53 | 138 | 139 | | | |
| Buffalo | 45 | 23 | 16 | 5 | 1 | 52 | 131 | 130 | | | |
| Florida | 44 | 17 | 19 | 4 | 4 | 42 | 138 | 160 | | | |
| Detroit | 47 | 17 | 23 | 2 | 5 | 41 | 133 | 160 | | | |
| Ottawa | 46 | 17 | 24 | 5 | 0 | 39 | 143 | 178 | | | |

| Metropolitan Division | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| GP | W | LOT | SOP | PTS | GF | GA | | | | | |
| Washington | 44 | 27 | 12 | 4 | 1 | 59 | 154 | 128 | | | |
| Columbus | 45 | 27 | 15 | 2 | 1 | 57 | 148 | 139 | | | |
| Pittsburgh | 45 | 25 | 14 | 4 | 2 | 56 | 161 | 132 | | | |
| NY Islanders | 44 | 25 | 15 | 1 | 3 | 54 | 134 | 117 | | | |
| Carolina | 45 | 22 | 18 | 3 | 2 | 49 | 123 | 130 | | | |
| NY Rangers | 45 | 18 | 20 | 5 | 2 | 43 | 126 | 157 | | | |
| New Jersey | 44 | 17 | 20 | 5 | 2 | 41 | 128 | 148 | | | |
| Philadelphia | 45 | 16 | 23 | 6 | 0 | 38 | 123 | 160 | | | |

| Western Conference Central Division | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| GP | W | LOT | SOP | PTS | GF | GA | | | | | |
| Winnipeg | 45 | 29 | 14 | 1 | 1 | 60 | 156 | 128 | | | |
| Nashville | 47 | 27 | 16 | 3 | 1 | 58 | 145 | 122 | | | |
| Dallas | 46 | 23 | 19 | 4 | 0 | 50 | 121 | 122 | | | |
| Colorado | 45 | 20 | 17 | 7 | 1 | 48 | 151 | 144 | | | |
| Minnesota | 44 | 22 | 19 | 2 | 1 | 42 | 124 | 123 | | | |
| St. Louis | 43 | 19 | 20 | 3 | 1 | 42 | 121 | 134 | | | |
| Chicago | 47 | 16 | 22 | 8 | 1 | 41 | 137 | 171 | | | |

| Pacific Division | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| GP | W | LOT | SOP | PTS | GF | GA | | | | | |
| Calgary | 47 | 30 | 13 | 2 | 2 | 61 | 173 | 133 | | | |
| San Jose | 47 | 27 | 13 | 4 | 3 | 61 | 167 | 141 | | | |
| Vegas | 48 | 28 | 16 | 3 | 1 | 60 | 142 | 127 | | | |
| Anaheim | 46 | 19 | 18 | 7 | 2 | 47 | 112 | 140 | | | |
| Vancouver | 47 | 21 | 21 | 3 | 2 | 47 | 136 | 148 | | | |
| Edmonton | 45 | 21 | 21 | 3 | 2 | 45 | 161 | 164 | | | |
| Arizona | 45 | 20 | 22 | 2 | 1 | 43 | 163 | 130 | | | |
| Los Angeles | 46 | 18 | 25 | 3 | 0 | 39 | 105 | 136 | | | |

Friday's Games
 Carolina 4, Buffalo 3
 Winnipeg 4, Detroit 2

| Professional | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| NBA Eastern Conference Atlantic | | | | | | | | | | | |
| W | L | Pct | GB | | | | | | | | |
| Toronto | 33 | 12 | 73.3 | — | | | | | | | |
| Philadelphia | 28 | 16 | 63.6 | 4.5 | | | | | | | |
| Boston | 25 | 17 | 59.5 | 6.5 | | | | | | | |
| Brooklyn | 21 | 23 | 47.7 | 11.5 | | | | | | | |
| New York | 10 | 33 | 23.3 | 22.0 | | | | | | | |

| Professional | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| NBA Western Conference Northwest | | | | | | | | | | | |
| W | L | Pct | GB | | | | | | | | |
| Milwaukee | 30 | 12 | 71.4 | — | | | | | | | |
| Indiana | 28 | 14 | 66.7 | 2.0 | | | | | | | |
| Detroit | 18 | 23 | 43.9 | 11.5 | | | | | | | |
| Chicago | 10 | 33 | 23.3 | 20.0 | | | | | | | |
| Cleveland | 9 | 35 | 20.5 | 22.0 | | | | | | | |

| Professional | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| NBA Eastern Conference Atlantic | | | | | | | | | | | |
| W | L | Pct | GB | | | | | | | | |
| Miami | 21 | 20 | 51.2 | — | | | | | | | |
| Charlotte | 19 | 23 | 45.2 | 2.5 | | | | | | | |
| Orlando | 19 | 24 | 44.2 | 3.0 | | | | | | | |
| Washington | 18 | 26 | 40.9 | 4.5 | | | | | | | |
| Atlanta | 13 | 30 | 30.2 | 9.0 | | | | | | | |

| Professional | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| NBA Western Conference Southwest | | | | | | | | | | | |
| W | L | Pct | GB | | | | | | | | |
| Denver | 29 | 13 | 69.1 | — | | | | | | | |
| Oklahoma City | 28 | 16 | 61.9 | 3.0 | | | | | | | |
| Portland | 26 | 18 | 59.1 | 4.0 | | | | | | | |
| Utah | 23 | 21 | 52.3 | 7.0 | | | | | | | |
| Minnesota | 21 | 22 | 48.8 | 8.5 | | | | | | | |

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| Golden State | 29 | 14 | 67.4 | — | | | | | | | |
| L.A. Clippers | 24 | 18 | 57.1 | 4.5 | | | | | | | |
| L.A. Lakers | 23 | 21 | 52.3 | 6.5 | | | | | | | |
| Sacramento | 22 | 21 | 51.2 | 7.0 | | | | | | | |
| Phoenix | 11 | 33 | 25.0 | 18.5 | | | | | | | |

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| Houston | 24 | 18 | 57.1 | — | | | | | | | |
| New Antonio | 25 | 19 | 56.8 | — | | | | | | | |
| New Orleans | 20 | 23 | 46.5 | 4.5 | | | | | | | |
| Dallas | 20 | 23 | 46.5 | 4.5 | | | | | | | |
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