



WWE superstar Seth Rollins slams Shaemus in a prior match.

WWE comes to Grand Forks

Seth Rollins discusses his career, why he loves tag team matches and the likelihood of "The Shield" getting back together

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On the night of Friday, Sept. 29, the world of professional wrestling will make a brief stop in Grand Forks. Wrestlers such as Braun Strowman, The Miz and Roman Reigns will be performing in WWE Live at the Alerus Center.

Of particular interest to wrestling fans may be the inclusion of Raw Tag Team Champions Seth Rollins and Dean Ambrose, two-thirds of iconic wrestling stable "The Shield."

Rollins and Ambrose's recent joining of forces has been a surprising twist since it was Rollins who famously betrayed his teammates to Triple H and his stable "Evolution" in 2014.

"I started my career here in WWE as part of a three-man team 'The Shield' and we kind of (...) revolutionized the way people thought of what a team

could be to the point where, obviously when we broke up, it was a huge deal," Rollins said.

Rollins explained that he enjoys tag team matches, not only because that is where he made his name, but also because there's a depth to it that doesn't exist in one-on-one wrestling.

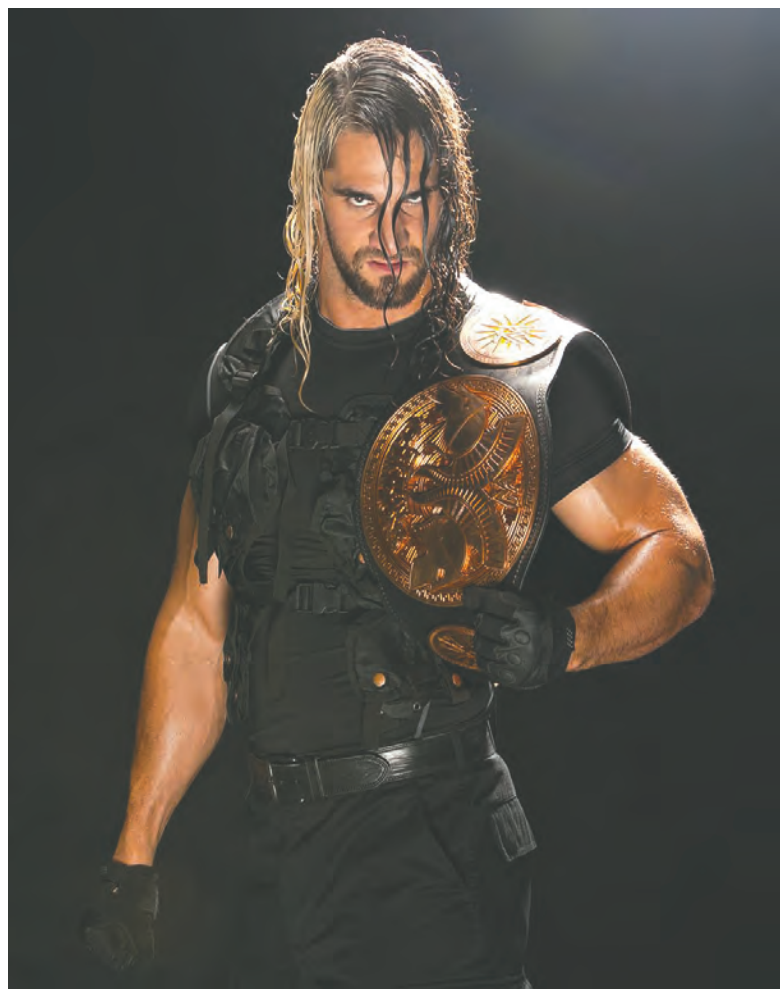


os and it's a much more frenzied atmosphere and lot more could happen," he said. "You kind of got to have eyes in the back of your head a little bit. But, if you've got a teammate - someone you can count on and can trust like Ambrose is to me, it makes that a lot easier (...) and if you guys you know

are on the same page like we are and have been for the last few weeks, good things come."

Rollins and Ambrose's reconciliation and domination of the tag team arena have fans daring to ask if a return of "The Shield" is possible.

To that, Rollins said, "We got a lot coming up. For me, who



knows. Obviously right now I'm focusing on being the Raw Tag Team Champion. You know, a Shield reunion - who knows? I never thought Ambrose and I would be back together doing this, so if we got Roman on board, that'd be great, but we got a lot of stuff to deal with on our own. We got Cesaro and Sheamus.

mus breathing down our necks."

Rollins, Dean Ambrose, Roman Reigns, Cesaro and Sheamus will all be present at WWE Live Winnipeg, Manitoba at Bell MTS Palace on Saturday, Sept. 30.

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The evolution of the Women’s Center

How the center is changing to meet the needs of students affected by sexual violence on campus

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Like many institutions on campus, the Women’s Center’s is going through some changes following the upheaval of the last academic year. Associate Vice President and Dean of Students Cara Halgren attributes the Women Center’s particular evolution to the retirement of two key staff members at the end of spring semester, including director Kay Mendick. These former staff members left a strong legacy. When rearranging positions and responsibilities, the administration had to think about “how we build on that work in a way that

makes sense for students right now,” Halgren said. The key additions to the new Women’s Center are Amber Flynn, Coordinator for Sexual Respect and Violence Prevention, and a Community Violence Intervention Center advocate known only as “Jordan” for anonymity purposes. Though both have worked in these roles on campus before this semester and are simply being moved to offices in the Women’s Center, this consolidation is important to the center’s overall strategy for the next several years. “My role on campus is to educate students on primary prevention of (sexual) violence, so trying to stop violence before

it happens,” Flynn said. Historically, the Women’s Center’s role in addressing sexual violence on campus has been to “provide advocacy for students who either had reported to the institution and just needed support or someone to just give them resources,” Flynn said. Therefore, it made sense for someone working as an educational resource on this subject to be working in the same office space. Just as important to the mission of creating one space for student resources is the addition of Jordan, who students whom have experienced sexual violence can speak to confidentially. Jordan is not obligated to report incidents to authorities, unlike staff



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Amber Flynn is the Coordinator of Sexual Respect and Violence Protection at UND.

members of the university. “Previously, Jordan was - well, the person before Jordan was in O’Kelly Hall in the basement and then they were in Columbia Hall, so that position, while private, was really kind of off the beaten path and maybe wasn’t as accessible for students,” Flynn said. Accessibility has been a major concern in reorganizing the center. Besides offering streamlined services, they

want to offer a welcoming, private space that students are aware that they can take advantage of. Previously, the center was located in its own building on Hamline St., but it was taken offline in a round of demolitions by the university last year.

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The End of DACA

800,000 youths could potentially be removed from the country - is there anything to be done?

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The Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) was an Obama era program implemented in 2012 that made it possible for children of illegal immigrants to live in the United States without the fear of deportation. This act made it possible for illegal immigrants who came as children with their parents to apply for a renewable two year visa, guaranteeing them a stay in the U.S. for that amount of time.

This allows them to work in the U.S. free of deportation. Those who came before the year 2007 under the age of 16 and who are under 31 before June 15 are safe un-

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mean that immigrants can get personal and legal documents for working in the U.S. The applicants must attend school, have a clean criminal record, have a

was an executive order created by President Obama and did not get congressional approval. This is why it might be difficult to fight in court for DACA

It’s just that simple,” Sessions said in the press conference. Sessions wanted it clearly stated that it went against the rule of law and took advantage of the legal working people of the United States. “They came without choice,” University of North Dakota anthropology professor Melinda Leach said. “Their parents came for the economic opportunity (...) They’re American in every way. (...) It’s heartbreaking to see that opportunity lost.” With over 321 million people currently residing in the United States, it is unlikely that many students here at UND have been affected in the recidivating of DACA. Though there is a low possibility any students are being directly affected, there is a chance many students are being indirectly affected possibly with family under DACA being in a hard place right now and possibly facing deportation in the next few years. Congress will still have to approve of the recidivating of DACA but in light of the loss of Deferred Action for Parents of Americans, there is a high possibility that DACA will suffer the same fate.

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high school diploma or be a military veteran. There is an argument that the program itself is unconstitutional because it

to be kept in place under the Trump administration. Because of the ending of DACA, 800,000 youth that are under the umbrella of DACA and a part of the U.S. workforce will possibly be removed from the country. The Left Leaning Center for American Progress estimated that if that occurs, over the next decade the economy could risk losing over half a trillion dollars. Now with some view of what DACA is, we can look closer into why the Trump administration announced that it would be ending the DACA program. On Sept. 5, 2017 Attorney General Jeff Sessions announced the ending of DACA in a press conference explaining that it is effectively giving those 800,000 mostly adult immigrants amenity to live in the US. “We cannot admit everyone who wants to come here.




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Hurricane Irma at Table 321Technology in moderation

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Today, I had the extreme pleasure of meeting a man by the name of Rusty, as well as his wife. With coasters in hand, I walked up to table 321, unaware of what the rest of the night had in store for me. Juggling two jobs (30 hours per week), 15 credits and an internship is exactly what it sounds like: a circus act. I barely have time to breathe or sleep in between all of that. Consequently, I assumed tonight was just another night serving at the Olive Garden: “Would you like another round of breadsticks?”

I arrived at 321 with my usual disposition at the ready: big smile with a side of bubbly personality. “Good evening, folks! My name’s Michaela, and I’ll be taking care of the two of you this evening.” My buoyant nature was returned immediately, without hesitation. On my left, a burly man with peppery hair responds sweetly. Opposite him a petite woman, with silver hair hanging down her back smiles up at me. The man asks for two limoncellos, a lemon liquor concoceived in southern Italy. Upon my return, he informs me that they are celebrating. As a server, I have gotten accustomed to birthdays and anniversaries. I figured this wouldn’t be an exception. Much to my surprise, they had a better reason to toast. Up until now, the couple had been under the impression that everything they owned was about to be destroyed. Punta Gorda, Florida was directly in the path of Hurricane Irma. After wreaking havoc on the Caribbean, Irma was headed straight for their home, their boat and their business. This morning, on their route north, they attended a church service, during which the entire church body prayed for them. Not even 24 hours later, the two received a phone call telling them the hurricane turned and that they would be alright. They spoke with such simplicity. I cried listening to this man, so genuine and soft despite such a challenge. They were with me for two hours, but it was enough to affect a lifetime. This man told me I had made an impact on the two of them, by showing him kind service and a genuine personality. He said he’d never forget this night or me. “You don’t know it, but this is Hurricane Irma. You were involved



Michaela Schull / Dakota Student
Michaela Schull with the table she served at Olive Garden.

in it. You were a part of it. This is the real deal.” He gave me his business card and said to come to South Florida with no money; they’ll bring me fishing and show me the coast. These kind, wonderful souls told me I had made a positive impact on them. It was truly a humbling experience, and in turn, they made the same impact on me. I wrote this note and stuck it in with their bill. The man took the card and told me he was going to frame it in his home. “To Rusty and his wife: I’m going to frame you in my heart. To all of you reading, remember that you don’t have to be a celebrity or a politician to make a difference. Additionally, remember that everyone is going through something. Whether that be large or small, be kind to all.

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Communication technologies have transformed our way of life indefinitely. We can connect with people who we might otherwise never meet, around the world, instantly. Social media is at the forefront of activism and organization of loosely connected people. New communities are created daily to serve our endless interests. But is all this connectivity driving out the meaningful, in-person connections that we form? I think, as a society, we have become addicted to the instant gratification that smartphones bring. “My position is not anti-technology, it’s pro-conversation,” Sherry Turkle, the director of the MIT Initiative on Technology and Self, said at the 2017 Aspen Ideas Festival. Turkle and I share the belief that phones and other communication enhancing technologies are important in today’s world but that balance is key, and some people could benefit from putting their phones down. One thing that frustrates me is when I’m trying to speak with someone who won’t get off their phone. It makes me feel like what I’m saying doesn’t matter. To be a good conversationalist, you need to pay attention, show interest, make eye contact and respond in such a way that demonstrates understanding. Being on your phone at any point during a one-on-one conversation makes for a poor



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Author Nick Sallen believes technology, like all things, must be used in moderation.

discussion because it violates the basic criteria. Even if you don’t mean to offend, answering texts and social media alerts while communicating can be taken as disrespectful. Your roommate probably won’t care that you do, but your boss likely will. I will be the first to admit that I’m on my phone more than I should be. For me, it’s a problem when I should be winding down after a long day. I enjoy watching YouTube, listening to podcasts and scrolling through social media to relax. But oftentimes my phone is hindering my sleep. I tend to stay up later than I should with my face glued to the screen. To help myself unplug, I’ve started reading “Game of Thrones” before bed. After a couple of weeks, I’ve already noticed improvements in my sleep schedule and morning-time mood. Since getting a bicycle, I have been biking to school and work. It’s awesome! I love Grand Forks

in the fall and spring. However, I’ve had close calls on my bike and longboard with students who won’t lift their head to see me coming. When walking on campus someone will occasionally bump into me because they weren’t looking where they were going. I tend to give people the benefit of the doubt. Maybe they had a bad day, maybe their loved one is dying, maybe they are late to class. Answer that call or text. All I’m asking is to remain alert to your surroundings for everyone’s safety. Phones are excellent tools for bringing people together. But I think some of us are overusing the privilege. It’s hard to know when to put your phone down. At the very least, I think we can all agree phones have no place at the dinner table.

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Why Minnesota beats North Dakota

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UND is a pretty great school. There’s just one big problem with it: It’s not in Minnesota. I see how that would be a problem because of the name ‘North Dakota’ but still, it would be better if we were all in Minnesota. Minnesota is definitely the best state in America, but North Dakota comes in as a close second. North Dakota has some perks. The gorgeous sunsets here can’t possibly be beat. The lack of traffic is a huge plus, with trains probably being the biggest cause of gridlock. But it’s not quite good enough to outdo the great state to the east. The largest difference between the two states is the landscape. Minnesota is known for its 10,000 lakes. It seems as though almost everyone has a lake cabin in Minnesota, and we all go “up north” for the weekends in the summertime. What do people do in this state? Nothing. They just sit around wishing they were in Minnesota. Another unique aspect of Minnesota is the Boundary Waters Camping Area. Besides the large distribution we have throughout the state, there’s a large chain of lakes in Minnesota’s northeastern cor-

ner called the Boundary Waters. These lakes are pretty unique as well. They usually have very clear water because many of them don’t allow motorized boats on them, so they stay very clean. Along with the Boundary Waters, we have

basically don’t see the road at all. There’s just white snow and ice covering the streets for five months straight. What’s that about? I know in Minnesota, that’s hardly ever an issue unless there’s a huge blizzard. Otherwise, the plows

Minnesota’s most populated city is Minneapolis with over 400,000 people. That’s even without its twin city. St Paul has a population of 300,000. In total, that would be 700,000 compared to the measly population of Fargo. The fact that

pared to North Dakota. Last but not least, Minnesota has their own professional sports teams. These include the Lynx, Vikings, Wild, Timberwolves and Twins. Although some of these teams may not be the best in their respective leagues, at least we have the opportunities whereas North Dakota only has the option to watch college teams. All in all, Minnesota is a great state and I plan on living there the rest of my life once I graduate. But if I had to choose a second home, it would for sure be North Dakota.

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A shot from a canoe in the scenic BWCA

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one of the Great Lakes, Lake Superior. Lake Superior is the biggest of the Great Lakes. It borders Canada and three states, and yet, North Dakota isn’t one of them. There are also many great attractions in the great state of Minnesota. The Minnesota State Fair is the largest 12 day event in the country with almost two million people visiting each year. Another tourist attraction is the Mall of America, the biggest mall in the country. It even has an amusement park inside. Another fun attraction is Valleyfair, a park full of rollercoasters and water rides. One of the biggest shocks to me when I came here was the lack of plowing. I’m not quite sure what the deal is, but for whatever reason, between the months of November and March, you

get rid of the snow on the roads real quick. Another great thing about Minnesota is that there are actual cities there. North Dakota’s biggest city is Fargo with a population of 120,000.

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A perfect fit, at the perfect time

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When one thinks about the places they might end up in life, North Dakota may not seem like one of those places. As great as this state may be to so many people, it's not one that many put on their vacation list. But for many people at the University of North Dakota, it can be a surprising place. For Jeffrey Carmichael, it was exactly what he needed.

All students eventually have to graduate and begin their job hunt. As a young man in graduate school, Carmichael had finally reached that point. The process of looking at jobs, applying and then looking again was brutal. Eventually, the right opportunity came along. "It was a case of looking at the right time, in the right place," Carmichael



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Jeffrey Carmichael is an associate professor of biology at UND with research interests in plant anatomy, reproductive and cell biology.

said. Amidst all the available jobs, Carmichael found the job that called him. The University of North Dakota was looking for a professor who could oversee the Introductory Biology program to expand the area and teach many of the classes in the department. They also wanted someone with

a specialty in plant biology: Carmichael's exact field of study.

He attended Slippery Rock University near Pittsburgh where grew up. In his time there, he made a lot of memories.

"I went to school there because I often went camping in that region as a child," Carmichael said. "I knew the area well and had very fond memories of Slippery Rock. It might not have been the best reason to choose a college, but it worked out well."

It was there he met his wife, who went to a nearby college. He lived with the male cheerleading team, which he claimed was a lot of fun. Every weekend friends from all over the area would come over to hang out. He described it as a carefree time, some of the best years of his life. He graduated with a Bachelor's in Biology.

From there, he attended the University of Georgia along with his wife. There, he earned a PhD in plant biology.

"It was the perfect fit," Carmichael said. "I had known since my first introductory biology course that I wanted to teach at the college level."

When Carmichael entered college, just like many students, he had little to no idea of what he wanted to do after. He said that he was guided by a fear of recognizing that without a solid education, he would probably end up with a very unfulfilling career. However, he had seen that his professors seemed to have really good lives and truly enjoyed interacting with students. He clicked well with his general biology professor. From then on, he took every opportunity to teach as much as possible. He knew

he wanted to teach biology, and that was the path he took.

"I took the path less traveled," Carmichael said. "While all of my classmates were competing for relatively few spots in medical school, I took an interest in understanding how plants work. No one else in my cohort was at all interested in plants."

Ever since he completed his graduate degree from the University of Georgia, he has been at UND. He has enjoyed virtually every bit of it. He loves meeting new students and to have old ones come back and share stories of success.

In his first semester, he got a call from a graduate teacher's assistant at 9:30 p.m. Never a good sign. The TA was in the Emergency Room, with two students who had hurt themselves during an evening lab. Ever since then, Carmi-

chael has had a good understanding of the responsibility he has and makes the lab a safe environment.

He stressed that he cares so much about students. He loves to interact and influence their lives. He agonizes over the final grades in his classes.

"One grade can impact the trajectory of a student's entire academic career," Carmichael said. "I do everything I can to help students perform at the highest level possible in my classes. I teach hundreds of students every year and, with so many students, there are always a few who are just below the cutoff for a particular grade. I feel for them - I know it can be very difficult to accept, but it is often simply unavoidable."

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More than ten percent

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The Ten Percent Society is a group on campus that provides a space where students and members of the community can come and be themselves, be around people who share similar views and be in a safe place. This organization was formed in 1982 and has served the community of Grand Forks for over 35 years.

Some people may wonder where the name Ten Percent Society came from. Alfred Kinsey, a

well-known Biologist who researched sexual behavior, approximated that about ten percent of the society exhibits homosexual behavior. Even though this claim has since been challenged, they have made the decision to keep the name because this organization has been known as the Ten Percent Society for over 35 years and changing the name would cause confusion. This organization has been at the center of a few civil rights movements here in Grand Forks, including the

push for inclusion and housing nondiscrimination.

The push for housing nondiscrimination has been well supported by faculty, students and staff at the university, as well as people in the Grand Forks community. It led to the opening of the Social Justice Living Learning Community found in Selke Hall. This community focuses on creating an environment where all people, regardless of one's age, size, gender, sexual orientation, identity, disability, race, ethnicity,

socioeconomic status, or religious affiliation or conviction.

Tieg Paulson, a member of the Ten Percent Society, shared with me the importance of the Ten Percent Society and the Pride Center here on campus.

"The Pride Center has been a goal of the entire LGBTQ+ population in Grand Forks and at UND for a very long time," Paulson said. "It is an extremely important role, as having an administration role is incredibly important in recruiting and retaining current and future LGBTQ+ students."

The Pride Center will continue to be a space where students can come and hang out or study. There are also resources for students in this space. Due to an unforeseeable event, there is no longer a full-time

staff member operating out of the Pride Center. However, the university is actively looking for a qualified replacement.

North Dakota is known for being unaccepting towards the LGBTQ+ community. When asked if there was anything that the community should know and try to understand, Paulson left me with these beautiful words of wisdom:

"We appreciate the support that has been given in the past for this struggle and we look forward to working with the larger community regardless of race, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, political orientation, or anything else, to ensure that Grand Forks is a community that accepts everybody."

The Ten Percent Society also holds weekly meetings and events through-

out the year. They meet on Monday nights in the Christus Rex lounge. Business starts at 6 p.m. and social activities start at 7 p.m. For anyone who has considered joining TPS, they encourage new members to attend a social activity to get acquainted with other club members before attending a business meeting. The Ten Percent Society also holds a drag show that all people of all sexuality and genders are invited to come attend. The next drag show will be Saturday, Oct. 28 at the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) in East Grand Forks. TPS also holds events during Coming Out Week and they hope to bring in a speaker during the spring semester.

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Career Fair on campus

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With the fall 2017 Career Fair taking place next week, Sept. 18-20, Ilene Odegard, the Director of Career Services, has been busy working various departments on campus to get applicants prepared for the possible opportunities that await them as University of North Dakota students. “The beauty of the career fair is that many of the employers and recruiters are alum, so they’re eager to come back to UND,” Odegard said. “They love to hire UND students. Hands down, the students that show up at the career fair are by far more professional looking than other schools.”

Career Services is only one of the many other departments on campus that strive to prepare students for what to expect at the fair. They are offering hour-long workshops throughout this week that students can attend on a walk-in basis or register for by calling the office.

The Pancratz Center in Gamble Hall also offers workshops and looks over resumes, which is important. If students are unable to make an appointment to have their resume reviewed in time for the fair, however, Odegard advises to at least have a second pair of eyes check your resume for any grammatical errors, inconsistencies and clarity.

Odegard has three recommendations to students who want to make the most out of the career fair. The first is to find five companies that you want to visit and do your research. Download the UND Career Fair app, available on Google Play and the Apple Store, to get a full



Nick Nelson / Dakota Student

Three career fairs for students will take place next week -- Computer/Science/Technology (Sept. 18), Aviation/Business/Liberal Arts (Sept. 19) and Accounting (Sept. 20).

list of the employers attending and a map of the layout to strategize your game plan. In your research, look for buzzwords that will stand out to recruiters and help you make a lasting impression on them.

Familiarizing yourself with the companies that you want to speak to also includes customizing each with a short, 30-second elevator speech that communicates who you are, what type of opportunities you’re looking for and what you can bring to a company.

Secondly, Odegard said that students must dress to impress. Whether you’re a freshman looking for your first internship or a graduate-to-be, Odegard stresses the importance of dressing appropriately that will result in a positive and professional first impression. This doesn’t require students to go out of their way to purchase overly

extravagant business-wear. For ladies, clothing should fit well, with nothing being too tight or short. For men, slacks and a white or blue long sleeved button up. If you choose to wear a tie, ensure that it is unmemorable.

Odegard’s final piece of advice, to follow up with every employer that you are interested in. This gives students the chance to create a lasting impression that may just lead to their sought-after career opportunity.

“Follow up with every employer you want

to make a connection with,” Odegard said. “Whether it’s just emailing them the next day and thanking them for taking the time to come to UND’s career fair, if you pinpoint something that you talked about, they’ll remember you that way.”

Along with sending the company representative thank you emails, also consider sending them a message on LinkedIn and asking them to join your network. Doing so creates a lasting connection that may just lead to future opportunities. Odegard

says that UND students have had success through these methods.

“When we put on a presentation at the College of Engineering last week, I had a couple of students come up to me afterwards and say that they got their internships because of who they met at the career fair,” Odegard said.

Last year, the fall Career Fair attracted over 3,000 students and hosted over 300 employers. These numbers may seem daunting but preparation aside, Odegard advises students to simply be confident when

talking to the employers. Every student at the fair is working towards a degree, but these employers are looking for someone who fits within their team.

“Be authentic,” Odegard said. “They are looking for someone with a nice personality, a nice smile, a good handshake and somebody who can articulate what they can bring to the table.”

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Football Rivalry

UND v. USD

Nick Erickson
Dakota Student

It's a short drive down I-29 this Saturday for UND's football team as they head to Vermillion, South Dakota to take on the University of South Dakota Coyotes. With this border battle coming up, it's worth taking a look into the history of the past 20 years for these former Great West Conference foes.

Before most of

us were even thinking of taking classes at UND, our football team once existed in not the Big Sky conference, but the Great West Conference. Cal Poly, UC Davis, Southern Utah, Chicago State, Houston Baptist, Utah Valley, Texas-Pan American, NUIT, USD and UND all existed in this once highly competitive football conference. There was no bigger rivalry than UND and USD due to their substantial line of di-

vide that exists just 282 miles from each other.

UND, has the upperhand when it comes to records, having bested South Dakota 13 times of their last 15 meetings and going 8-0 at home while standing at 5-2 on the other side of the border. To compare the dominance UND has had, for relevant referral, the last time UND lost to USD, UND was still referred to as the Fighting Sioux.

USD has put up

a strong fight however, having gone into overtime with UND twice in that span of 20 years: once being last season, and the other in 2008 only to have come out on the losing end both times. Most games have been incredibly close since 2005. The highest margin of victory for either team has been 15 points in UND's favor in 2009. The next was in 2010 with 10 points in favor of USD. The remaining games were a one possession game.

Between 1998 and 2004, USD was only able to come within 20 points of UND once in 1999 in Vermillion. UND's highest margin of victory over South Dakota happened two years later in Vermillion again, a 48-7 (41 points) victory. In regards to points, UND since the 1998 season has averaged 33 points against USD. Meanwhile, the coyotes have only managed to fall in with an average of 21. Most of the previously

mentioned differences mentioned previously were due to the 1998-2004 seasons.

Even with the two teams having a five-year gap between 2011 and 2016 of no meeting, they're within a two-point span on their average points per contest. UND manages to average 32 points in the last five meetings, with USD right on their heels with 30.

UND won four of the last five meetings, but had the advantage of having three of them be on home turf. The two games that had gone into overtime, occurred during the last five contests as well, even though they didn't amount to the smallest margin of victory.

In 2011, the last of their Great West Conference contests between each other, UND managed to rally from being down 37-17 with 10:35 left in the fourth quarter. UND senior Quarterback Brent Goska threw for three touchdowns to cap his final game as a then Fighting Sioux football player and clinch a share of the Great West Conference regular season championship.

So whether you're looking between the last 20 or the last five, you have to applaud USD regardless of how their record looks against us since then. Their football program has only become stronger and stronger since the early-to-mid 2000's where they failed to even come within spitting distance of a win when I-29 would be traveled on Saturdays in the fall.

This matchup looks to be yet another great game between these two high powered teams in their respective conferences, USD having joined the Missouri Valley Conference and UND being in the Big Sky conference since both teams disbanding from the Great West Conference in 2012. Be sure to check out the game on Saturday. Kickoff is set for 2 p.m. in Vermillion, South Dakota.

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	2006	@Grand Forks 33-26
	2005	@Vermillion 42-30
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Sweet Demons players perform running drills near the end of Monday’s practice at Jaycee’s Park.

Madison Overby
Dakota Student

The University of North Dakota Women’s rugby team is celebrating 15 years as a club, marked with record-breaking numbers as an organization here. The rugby team competes in both the fall and the spring, with a competitive season in the fall followed by a more laid-back tournament season in the spring. The first practice of this season was Aug. 21, but the team encourages people to come out to practice and accepts new members throughout the season at any time.

Previously mentioned, the team has one of the biggest turnouts that it has seen in its existence here at UND. Six years

ago, there were 10 women, total, on the team. Because rugby requires 15 people on the field during play, the club was having trouble even signing up for tournaments. This year, there are 25 women on the roster.

Most people hear about the rugby team through the Student Involvement Fair on campus or through mutual friends. The team has been trying to reach out through Facebook for recruiting which could be a reason for the bigger numbers.

Amy Schroeder, going on her fourth year at UND, has been on the rugby team since she was a freshman. She also played rugby for Armstrong (Plymouth, Minnesota) in high school. She

picked up the sport as a junior and grew to love it. Although she has been playing for six years now, she encourages beginners who know nothing about rugby to come out. Only two women currently on the team played rugby in high school.

“Rugby is a very under-appreciated sport just because people don’t know enough about it,” Schroeder said. “A lot of people think they wouldn’t fit in, or they don’t have the right body type to play. Rugby is for girls of every size. There’s a spot for every single person on the team.”

Player dues are about \$100/year in addition to paying for travel. The team drives to their away games and tournaments.

However, they also do a lot of fundraising during the year to decrease the amount that players have to pay. These fundraisers include things such as working at Pizza Ranch and cleaning the Ralph Engelstad Arena or the Betty Engelstad Sioux Center.

Schroeder also discourages resistance to join based on worries about the time commitment.

“We’re very laid-back. It’s highly encouraged to make it to two practices per week. It’s not a big deal if you can’t make it to the third,” Schroeder said.

In addition to practices Monday and Thursday from 5-7 p.m., the team has a morning practice on Tuesday from 7-8:30 a.m. so that people who might

have to work one of the afternoon’s have another option. The tournaments take place over the weekend and single games are Saturdays at 11 a.m.

Schroeder really emphasizes how friendly and inclusive the rugby community is, which is a huge reason she believes people would love to be on the team.

“All of my closest friends I met through rugby,” Schroeder said. “It’s not even just the team here that gets along so well. We have socials with the opposing team after every game. It’s just a really cool experience.”

Rugby is a sport that is growing in popularity not only at UND and in the Midwest, but around the country. If anyone is in-

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terested, they can contact the president of the club Jenna Richardson, the vice president Katie Krepp or the volunteer coach and former player for UND, Morgan Otey. Another easy way to get in contact is to message their Facebook page, University of North Dakota Women’s Rugby.

The UND Women’s Rugby team’s next home game is against Minnesota State University-Moorhead at Saturday Sept. 16 at 11 a.m. Home games take place at the UND Rugby Pitch, Jaycee’s Park, right off of I-29.

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Community over coast

Kyle Kinnamon
Dakota Student

Ashley Brueggeman had once not even considering UND as a school to further her volleyball career. Today, she is now an integral part of the volleyball team and was recently named MVP of the UND classic. In addition, Brueggeman has helped UND start the season 12-1 and boast a current win streak of nine games.

Brueggeman can attribute much of her success to her mother, Tiffany. Tiffany played Division III volleyball, and started Brueggeman young in the game. Brueggeman’s excellent performance is nothing new for her, she has been a dominate player since her days at Eden Prairie High School in Eden Prairie, Minnesota. Brueggeman’s recent performance can be attributed to her chemistry with Tamika Brekke and her sister Paige Brueggeman. The three have played together since their days at Eden Prairie.

When it came to picking a school to play for, Brueggeman had one thing in her mind. Warm weather. “I wanted to go to the coast,



UND hitter Ashley Brueggeman was recently named MVP of the UND Classic.

and I wanted warm weather” Brueggeman said.

She was convinced by head coach, Mark Pryor, to at least come visit. And that visit is all it took.

“Once I visited UND, I fell in love with the school,” Brueggeman said. This love for UND is still going strong according to Brueggeman. After her freshman year, she still loves UND, and cannot wait

for the next three years. “UND is not a huge school, so it has a great community feel to it,” Brueggeman said.

That community feeling Brueggeman fell in love was at full prominence in their game against bitter rival NDSU. The Betty Engelstad Sioux Center sold out for the first time in its history during that game.

“It was insane! It felt good to know we

had all the support,” Brueggeman said.

“It was a good tournament, it was a tough one for us because of how tired we’ve been playing so many games. But, it was good to build mental toughness,” Brueggeman said.

UND played incredibly well in the UND classic, sweeping the entire tournament. Brueggeman was named MVP of the tournament for her stellar play. In-

cluding hitting at a .269 clip and 12 team blocks.

Brueggeman found out she was named MVP through her mom.

“I was very surprised to be named MVP,” Brueggeman said. “I found out from a text from my mom actually. I had not been on Twitter or anything.”

Brueggeman gives all credit to her MVP performance to her teammates.

“Without the rest of

my teammates I would not have been able to perform in that way” Brueggeman said. Brueggeman shows her humble side giving credit to teammates, and hopes to continue their excellent team play for the rest of the season.

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