

## Beaverettes Outlast Falcons, Punch Ticket to State Tourney

The Hanson Beaverettes earned a Class A State Tournament berth when they defeated the Florence/Henry Falcons in the SoDak 16 matchup in Madison on Thursday, February 29.

The Beaverettes jumped out to a 13-5 lead in the first quarter. In the second, the Falcons gained momentum, scoring 14 points to Hanson's eight. Halftime score was Hanson 21, F/H 19. F/H came out in the third and outscored the Beaverettes, 13-9. The Beaverettes kept battling the Falcons in the final quarter. The ladies outscored the Falcons, 19-13, capturing the victory and a state berth. Final score was Hanson 49, F/H 45.

Leading the team in scoring was Taziah Hawkins with 17 points followed by Eliza Oltmanns with 11 points. Kylie Haiar cashed in nine points while Cadence Jarding added eight points.

Jarding dished out four assists in the game.

Alyssa Moschell, Oltmanns and Haiar grabbed four rebounds each.

The ladies shot 18-of-40 (45%) from the field; and sank six-of-eight (75%) from the free throw line.

The Beaverettes (17-5) enter the Class A State Girls Basketball Tournament as the number seven seed. The ladies will face off with the number two seed, Sioux Falls Christian (20-2), in the first game of the evening session on Thursday, March 7,

at 6:00 PM at the Dacotah Bank Center in Brookings.

Other pairings for the tournament are: **Thursday afternoon session:** 12:00 PM: #1 Sisseton vs. #8 Mt. Vernon/Plankinton; 1:45 PM: #4 Vermillion vs. #5 Mahpiya Luta; **Thursday evening session:** 7:45 PM: #3 Flandreau vs. #6 Tea Area.

Best of Luck to the Beaverettes at State!



Alyssa Moschell (20) sets a block as Taziah Hawkins moves toward the lane.



Hanson Girls Basketball Team, SoDak 16 winners, front row: cheerleaders: Jozlynn Tegethoffs, Stephanie Aulner, Jaycee Heezen, Jayden Hofer; Braylee Tegethoffs (manager); second row: Hannah Easton, Jacey Schoenrock, Emma Larson (statistician), Paige Kayser, Taziah Hawkins, Cadence Jarding, Isabel Kayser, Audrina Waldera, Neecee Suber (videographer); third row: Dana Degen, Grace Arend, Olivia Kayser, Avery Moschell, Alyssa Moschell, Eliza Oltmanns, Kylie Haiar, Kendra Endorf, Lacey Easton; fourth row: Cheer coaches: Paige Wieseler, Tomi Kusser; Assistant Coach Kim DeRouchey, Head Coach Jim Bridge, Assistant Coach Tyler Payer.

**GOOD LUCK TO THE  
HANSON BEAVERETTES  
AT THE CLASS A STATE GIRLS  
BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT**

## American Legion Auxiliary Announces Hanson Elementary Poem and Essay Winners

The Alexandria American Legion Auxiliary recently announced the Hanson Elementary poem and essay winners.

Hanson students who were named winners in the essay contest were: **Third Grade:** Dylan Roth, first; Gavin Popp, second; Riley Bender, third; John Jarding, honorable men-

tion; **Fourth Grade:** Trent Huber, first; Sophia Kayser, second; Julionnie Lincoln, third; Tyson Wilber, honorable mention; **Fifth Grade:** Ava Borns, first; Henry Nielson, second; Tayton Lachnit, third; Cash Tuttle, honorable mention; Jaylin Rushford, honorable mention.

Winners in the poem contest were: **Fourth Grade:** Allie Ruden, first; Anya Cromwell, second; Morgan Baker, third; **Fifth Grade:** Lindy Roster, first; Henry Nielson, second; Memphis Degen, third; Hank Vandover, honorable mention.

Congratulations to all elementary winners!



Poem and Essay winners, front row: Trent Huber, John Jarding, Gavin Popp, Dylan Roth, Riley Bender, Tyson Wilber; second row: Julionnie Lincoln, Allie Ruden, Anya Cromwell, Morgan Baker, Sophia Kayser; third row: Memphis Degen, Hank Vandover, Henry Nielson, Lindy Roster; fourth row: Ava Borns, Tayton Lachnit, Cash Tuttle, Jaylin Rushford.

**PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES**  
Wednesday, March 13 from 12:30-6:30 PM  
Early dismissal March 13 at 12:15 PM

**Early Dismissal**  
12:15 PM  
Thurs., March 7

## Hanson Beavers Advance to SoDak 16

The Hanson Beavers hosted the Mt. Vernon/Plankinton Titans in the first round of the Region 5A Tournament on Tuesday, February 27.

The Beavers easily defeated the Titans, 66-43. Top scorers for the team were Sutton Dewald with 16 points followed by AJ Wilber and Jayce Slaba with 14 points apiece. Ben Wilber put up 12 points.

Slaba led the team in assists with six assists in the game while Dewald marked five assists.

Leading the team in rebounding was Slaba with six rebounds followed by Isayah Price with five. A. Wilber and B. Wilber tallied four rebounds apiece.

B. Wilber grabbed three steals in the game while Price had two steals.

A. Wilber marked two blocks in the game while Talan Weber had one.

The Beavers shot 19-of-32 (59%) from the field; hit seven-of-19 (37%) from three point range; and sank four-of-seven (57%) from the free throw line.

With the win, the Beavers continued region play on Friday, March 1, as the

team hosted the Bon Homme Cavaliers.

The Beavers held a slight lead at the end of the first quarter, 11-9. In the second, the Beavers outscored the Cavaliers, 18-6. Halftime score was Hanson 29, BH 15. In the second half, the Beavers outscored the Cavaliers, 28-20, notching the win. Final score was Hanson 57, BH 35.

Slaba led all players with 12 points. Dewald cashed in 11 points while B. Wilber and Price added 10 points apiece.

Slaba and Dewald dished out four assists in the game while A. Wilber had three.

B. Wilber led the team in rebounding with eight boards followed by Slaba with five. A. Wilber had four rebounds.

Leading the team in steals was Slaba with four while Dewald had three.

The Beavers shot 17-of-28 (61%) from the field; and hit seven-of-16 (44%) from three point range.

With the win, the Beavers advance to the SoDak 16 in Madison where they will play the Hamlin Chargers on Tuesday, March 5.



Hanson senior, Talan Weber, drives to the hoop for a layup against MVP in the first round of the Region 5A Tournament in Alexandria.

## Preschool Screening Scheduled at Hanson Elementary School

The Hanson School District in cooperation with the Cornbelt Educational Cooperative and Head Start is pleased to announce a preschool screening scheduled for Monday, March 18, for all children ages three to five years old.

If you have a child between the ages of birth and two years, 11 months old and want a developmental screening completed, please contact

Shannon Nelson, Birth to Three Service Coordinator at Shannon.Nelson@usd.edu or call (605) 202-0100.

The screening is the responsibility of the local school district and will be provided at no cost to all participating children.

For further information, contact Josh Oltmanns, Hanson Elementary Principal, at (605) 239-4387.

## Hanson Band Students Participate in Region Contest

On Wednesday, February 28, four Hanson High School band students participated in the Region V Instrumental Solo/Small Ensemble Contest which was held at Gregory High School.

Hanson freshmen, Jozlynn Tegethoffs and Jayden Hofer, performed a clarinet duet and received an Excellent rating.

Hanson junior, Stephanie Aulner, and Tegethoffs performed a clarinet duet, "The Entertainer" by Scott Joplin. Aulner and Tegethoffs received a Superior rating and were just

three points from a perfect score.

Aulner and Jaycee Heezen performed a clarinet and snare drum duet. The duo performed a piece entitled "Royal March". Aulner and Heezen received an Excellent rating.

"I am very proud of all of my students that performed at the contest! They all fought through their nerves and had prepared themselves the best that they could for this and their scores proved just that," stated Hanson band director, Ivory den Hoed.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 8 & FRIDAY, MARCH 15