



# NORTH DAKOTA

## MEN'S BASKETBALL GAME NOTES

(8-17, 3-10 Big Sky)



2011 2013 2016 2017  
2012 2014



GAME 26 | 7:00 p.m. CT | Feb. 15

vs. Southern Utah

(10-13, 4-8 Big Sky)

Sioux Center | Grand Forks, N.D.



### 2017-18 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

#### NOVEMBER

Outigger Resorts Rainbow Classic | Nov. 10-13

10	vs. Troy	Honolulu, Hawaii	W, 83-80
12	at Hawai'i	Honolulu, Hawaii	L, 81-78
13	vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff	Honolulu, Hawaii	W, 80-71
19	at Nebraska	Lincoln, Neb.	L, 92-70
21	Northland College	Grand Forks, N.D.	W, 79-48
25	Utah Valley	Grand Forks, N.D.	L, 83-75 (ot)
28	Presentation College	Grand Forks, N.D.	W, 82-75

#### DECEMBER

5	at Creighton	Omaha, Neb.	L, 111-68
9	North Dakota State	Grand Forks, N.D.	L, 88-79
12	at South Dakota State	Brookings, S.D.	L, 99-63
16	at (12/13) Gonzaga	Spokane, Wash.	L, 89-83 (ot)
29	Idaho*	Grand Forks, N.D.	L, 74-57
31	Eastern Washington*	Grand Forks, N.D.	L, 77-64

#### JANUARY

4	at Montana*	Missoula, Mont.	L, 109-79
6	at Montana State*	Bozeman, Mont.	L, 79-68
11	Idaho State*	Grand Forks, N.D.	W, 81-58
13	Weber State*	Grand Forks, N.D.	W, 89-79
16	at North Dakota State	Fargo, N.D.	W, 86-77
20	at Northern Colorado*	Greeley, Colo.	L, 94-91 (ot)
25	at Eastern Washington*	Cheney, Wash.	L, 95-71
27	at Idaho*	Moscow, Idaho	L, 96-71

#### FEBRUARY

1	Montana State*	Grand Forks, N.D.	W, 75-74
3	Montana*	Grand Forks, N.D.	L, 72-67
8	at Weber State*	Ogden, Utah	L, 84-76
10	at Idaho State*	Pocatello, Idaho	L, 82-67
15	Northern Arizona*	Grand Forks, N.D.	7 p.m.
17	Southern Utah*	Grand Forks, N.D.	4 p.m.
24	Northern Colorado*	Grand Forks, N.D.	3 p.m.

#### MARCH

1	at Portland State*	Portland, Ore.	9 p.m.
3	at Sacramento State*	Sacramento, Calif.	1 p.m.
6-10	Big Sky Tournament	Reno, Nev.	TBA

### UND VS. SOUTHERN UTAH SERIES

All-time	UND leads 8-3
In Grand Forks	UND leads 3-1
Last Meeting	UND 91, SUU 89 (Jan. 26, 2018; Cedar City)
UND Head Coach Brian Jones vs. Southern Utah	8-3
UND Head Coach Brian Jones vs. Simon	2-0
Southern Utah Head Coach Todd Simon vs. UND	0-2
Southern Utah Head Coach Todd Simon vs. Jones	0-2

### WHERE TO WATCH/LISTEN/TRACK

**TV:** MidcoSN | Alex Heinter (pbp) and Val Sussex (analyst)  
**Radio:** 740 AM (GF) | 790 AM (Fargo) | Paul Ralston (pbp)  
**Audio:** www.UNDSports.com  
**Live Stats:** www.UNDSports.com  
**Live Stream:** WatchBigSky.com | Pluto TV Ch. 240

### IN THE PAINT...

- North Dakota returns home for the final time this season and will begin its three-game homestand with Southern Utah on Thursday night. Tip-off against the Thunderbirds is set for 7:05 p.m. and will be televised on Midco Sports Network.
- The three-game homestand matches the longest of the season for the Fighting Hawks, who are 5-5 at The Betty this year.
- UND will look to snap a three-game overall skid on Thursday versus a T-Birds' team that it has won four straight against in the all-time series.
- In last year's sweep of SUU, the Fighting Hawks won convincingly at home 95-65, then used a buzzer-beater from **Quinton Hooker** to win 91-89 in Cedar City.
- The Fighting Hawks came away empty again on the road in Big Sky play (0-7) last week, falling 84-76 at Weber State on Thursday before seeing an 11-game winning streak against Idaho State snapped on Saturday with an 82-67 loss.
- UND and Weber State were tied 69-69 with less than three minutes to play before the Wildcats reeled off an 8-2 run to put the game away.
- Against the Bengals, UND erased a 13-point, first-half deficit to square things 37-37 by, but ISU scored the first eight points of the second half and never trailed again. The Fighting Hawks were 6-3 in league road games during their title run a season ago.
- Junior **Geno Crandall** averaged 22.0 ppg and shot 14-for-22 (63.6 percent) from the field in last week's action, including a 28-point outing vs. Idaho State.

### \*2017-18 Big Sky Statistics

### UND'S PROBABLE STARTERS

**0** **Geno Crandall**  
Jr. | G | 6-4 | 180  
(Minneapolis, Minn.)

- Averaged 22.0 ppg and 5.5 apg in two wins over SUU last year
- Ranks 18th on UND's all-time scoring charts with 1,215 pts

PPG	RPG	APG	MPG
16.0	4.4	3.3	33.0
*15.0	4.1	3.0	31.8

**1** **Marlon Stewart**  
So. | G | 6-3 | 200  
(Rock Island, Ill.)

- 15 double-figure scoring games on the season
- Creighton transfer has started 24 of 25 games this season

PPG	RPG	APG	MPG
11.8	2.6	2.6	28.4
9.5	2.2	2.5	25.8

**13** **Dale Jones**  
Sr. | F | 6-8 | 225  
(Waterloo, Iowa)

- 28-for-57 (49.1%) from beyond the arc in last 10 games
- Only Fighting Hawk better than 80% on FTs (37-44; 84.1)

PPG	RPG	BPG	MPG
11.5	6.6	0.4	25.6
12.5	6.4	0.4	24.5

**15** **Cortez Seales**  
Jr. | G | 6-4 | 190  
(Eldridge, Iowa)

- Shooting 56.9 percent on FGs at home this season
- Leads team with 17 blocks
- 2017 Big Sky Reserve of the Year

PPG	RPG	BPG	MPG
10.6	3.5	0.7	32.5
*10.1	3.8	0.8	33.7

**32** **Conner Avants**  
Jr. | F | 6-7 | 235  
(Edmond, Okla.)

- Tops team and is 6th in Big Sky with a 57.0 FG% clip
- 42 career double-figure scoring games

PPG	RPG	SPG	MPG
10.9	5.4	0.7	28.1
*10.1	5.3	0.5	27.4



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**2017-18 ROSTER**

No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown (Previous School)
0	Geno Crandall**	G	6-4	180	Jr.	Minneapolis, Minn. (DeLaSalle HS)
1	Marlon Stewart	G	6-3	200	So.	Rock Island, Illinois (Creighton)
3	Billy Brown*	G	6-3	190	So.	Spirit Lake, Iowa (Spirit Lake HS)
5	Aanen Moody	G	6-3	175	Fr.	Dickinson, N.D. (Dickinson HS)
10	Jaquan McCauley	F	6-6	215	Jr.	High Point, N.C. (Tyler JC)
11	Jafar Kinsey	G	6-3	200	Jr.	Syracuse, N.Y. (Des Moines Area CC)
13	Dale Jones	F	6-8	225	Sr.	Waterloo, Iowa (Iowa)
15	Cortez Seales**	G	6-4	190	Jr.	Eldridge, Iowa (North Scott HS)
21	Ethan Igbanugo	G	6-2	195	Fr.	Lakeville, Minn. (Lakeville North HS)
22	Carter Brooks	F	6-7	210	So.	Lakeville, Minn. (Concordia-St. Paul)
23	Kienan Walter*	F	6-9	195	So.	Vancouver, Wash. (King's Way Christian HS)
24	Garrett Franken	F	6-8	195	Fr.	Atlantic, Iowa (Atlantic HS)
30	Tray Buchanan	G	6-1	180	Fr.	East Moline, Ill. (United Township HS)
32	Conner Avants**	F	6-7	235	Jr.	Edmond, Okla. (Deer Creek HS)

\* – Indicates letters earned

# – sitting out due to NCAA transfer rules

Head Coach: Brian Jones (12th year)

Assistant Coach: Steve Grabowski (6th year)

Assistant Coach: Jeff Horner (4th year)

Assistant Coach: Brad Davidson (2nd year)

Director of Operations: Craig Heatherly (3rd year)

Strength & Conditioning Coach: Sean Fantuzzi

Certified Athletic Trainer: Travis Shock

Equipment Manager: Kevin Vaughan

Media Relations Director: Ryan Powell

**ROSTER BY YEAR**

**Seniors (1)**

Dale Jones

**Juniors (5)**

Conner Avants  
Geno Crandall  
Jafar Kinsey  
Jaquan McCauley  
Cortez Seales

**Sophomores (4)**

Carter Brooks  
Billy Brown  
Marlon Stewart  
Kienan Walter

**True Freshmen (4)**

Tray Buchanan  
Garrett Franken  
Ethan Igbanugo  
Aanen Moody

**ROSTER BY POSITION**

**Guards (8)**

Billy Brown  
Tray Buchanan  
Geno Crandall  
Ethan Igbanugo  
Jafar Kinsey  
Aanen Moody  
Cortez Seales  
Marlon Stewart

**Forwards (6)**

Conner Avants  
Carter Brooks  
Garrett Franken  
Dale Jones  
Jaquan McCauley  
Kienan Walter

**ROSTER BY STATE/COUNTRY**

**Illinois (2)**

Tray Buchanan  
Marlon Stewart

**Iowa (4)**

Billy Brown  
Garrett Franken  
Dale Jones  
Cortez Seales

**Minnesota (3)**

Carter Brooks  
Geno Crandall  
Ethan Igbanugo

**New York (1)**

Jafar Kinsey

**North Carolina (1)**

Jaquan McCauley

**North Dakota (1)**

Aanen Moody

**Oklahoma (1)**

Conner Avants

**Washington (1)**

Kienan Walter

**PRONUNCIATION GUIDE**

Avants, Conner	A-Vance
Igbanugo, Ethan	Ig-bon-noo-go
McCauley, Jaquan	Juh-kwon
Moody, Aanen	Ah-nen
Seales, Cortez	Seals
Walter, Kienan	Kee-nan





**GENERAL**

School..... University of North Dakota  
 Location..... Grand Forks, N.D. 58201  
 Founded..... 1883  
 Enrollment..... 13,927  
 School Colors..... Kelly Green & White  
 Home Arena..... Betty Engelstad Sioux Center  
 Capacity..... 3,064  
 National Affiliation..... NCAA Division I  
 Conference..... Big Sky  
 President..... Mark Kennedy  
 Director of Athletics..... Brian Faison  
 Senior Woman Administrator..... Daniella Irlé  
 Faculty Athletics Representative..... Sue Jenó  
 Athletic Dept. Phone..... 701.777.2234  
 Ticket Office Phone..... 701.777.0855

**HISTORY**

First Year of Men's Basketball..... 1904-05  
 All-time Record..... 1,570-1,052 (.602)  
 All-time Home Record..... 948-284  
 All-time Away Record..... 494-685  
 All-time Neutral Record..... 127-80  
 No. of years in NCAA Division II National Tournament..... 19  
 Last appearance..... 2003  
 No. of years in NCAA Division I National Tournament..... 1  
 Last appearance..... 2017  
 No. of years in NCAA DI CollegelInsider.com Tournament..... 5  
 Last appearance..... 2016

**COACHING STAFF**

Head Coach..... Brian Jones (12th season)  
 Alma Mater, Year..... Northern Iowa (1994)  
 Record at UND..... 174-196  
 Career Record as Head Coach..... 174-196  
 Men's Basketball Office Phone..... 701.777.3478  
 Best Time to Reach Jones..... Mornings  
 Assistant Coach..... Brad Davidson (2nd season)  
 Assistant Coach..... Steve Grabowski (6th season)  
 Alma Mater..... Minot State (2004)  
 Assistant Coach..... Jeff Horner (4th season)  
 Alma Mater..... Iowa (2006)  
 Director of Basketball Operations Craig Heatherly (3rd season)  
 Alma Mater..... UMass-Lowell (2010)  
 Athletic Trainer..... Travis Shock (1st season)  
 Strength & Conditioning..... Sean Fantuzzi (2nd season)

**TEAM INFORMATION**

2016-17 Overall Record..... 22-10  
 2016-17 Home Record..... 11-2  
 2016-17 Away Record..... 7-6  
 2016-17 Neutral Record..... 4-2  
 2016-17 Conference Record..... 14-4/1st  
 Postseason..... NCAA First Round  
 Starters Returning/Lost..... 2/3  
 Letterwinners Returning/Lost..... 6/6

**STARTERS RETURNING**

**Conner Avants** (F, 9.5 ppg, 4.8 rpg 0.5 bpg)  
**Geno Crandall** (G, 15.5 ppg, 4.0 rpg, 4.4 apg)

**OPPONENT PREVIEW: SOUTHERN UTAH**

- Head coach **Todd Simon** has led Southern Utah to a 10-13 start during his second season leading the T-Birds. His squad is 4-8 in Big Sky play and coming off back-to-back league wins for the first time this season.
- The latest was a 63-54 victory at Northern Arizona, which was the first league road win of the season for SUU.
- JUCO transfer **Brandon Better** came off the bench to lead the T-Birds in scoring during both of those victories. He's averaging 12.5 ppg in his first season at SUU.
- Seattle transfer **Jadon Cohee** and UNLV transfer **Dwayne Morgan** lead SUU in scoring as both are contributing 12.8 ppg.
- Cohee is the only T-Bird to start all 23 games this season and has four 20-plus point games on the campaign.
- Morgan became eligible at the semester break and the 6-foot-8 forward has started all 12 Big Sky games for the T-Birds. He has eight double-figure scoring games during that stretch, including a season-best 26 at Idaho State (Jan. 4).
- **Jamal Aytes** is the fourth T-Bird averaging in double figures as he and Better are both scoring 12.5 ppg. Aytes is a grad transfer from BYU, who also played his first collegiate season at UNLV. He has a stretch of 10-straight, double-figure scoring games to his credit.
- Two things the T-Birds do well are shoot free throws (74.7 percent; 3rd in Big Sky) and protect the basketball (12.1 turnovers pg; 3rd fewest in Big Sky).

**SUU VS. UND COMPARISON (BIG SKY RANK)**

	SUU	UND
Overall Record	10-17	8-17
League Record	4-8 (BSC)	3-10 (BSC)
Home Record	8-4	5-5
Away Record	2-9	1-12
Neutral Record	0-0	2-0
Points Per Game	75.9 (5th)	75.3 (7th)
Opp. Points Per Game	81.5 (11th)	82.7 (12th)
Scoring Margin	-5.6 (9th)	-7.4 (11th)
FT%	74.7 (3rd)	70.7 (7th)
FG%	42.8 (10th)	45.5 (t5th)
Opponent FG%	48.0 (11th)	49.6 (12th)
3-point FG%	35.4 (6th)	31.9 (11th)
Opponent 3-point FG%	38.3 (11th)	36.5 (9th)
Rebounds	33.7 (9th)	30.5 (12th)
Opponent Rebounds	36.7 (10th)	38.0 (11th)
Assists Per Game	11.2 (11th)	12.4 (7th)
Turnover Per Game	12.1 (3rd)	13.0 (9th)
Blocks Per Game	2.9 (8th)	1.8 (12th)
Steals Per Game	5.5 (t6th)	7.6 (3rd)

**SOUTHERN UTAH PROBABLE STARTERS**



- # Pos Name (Overall Stats/Big Sky Stats)
- 4 G Dre Marin (7.2/6.1 ppg, 4.4/4.2 rpg)
  - 12 G Jadon Cohee (12.8/9.5 ppg, 2.3/1.7 rpg, 3.4/2.6 apg)
  - 14 G James McGee (9.3/9.1 ppg, 1.6/2.0 rpg)
  - 15 F Jamal Aytes (12.5/13.3 ppg, 5.3/4.9 rpg)
  - 25 F Dwayne Morgan (12.8/12.8 ppg, 6.8/6.8 rpg)

**Top Reserves**

- 2 G Brandon Better (12.5/11.3 ppg, 2.4/2.5 rpg)
- 22 F Ivan Madunic (4.2/3.4 ppg, 4.3/2.9 rpg)
- 34 F Christian Musoko (6.6/6.6 ppg, 4.3/4.2 rpg)



### KEEPING TABS ON UND

All North Dakota home men's basketball games can be heard via free audio webcast at [www.UNDSports.com](http://www.UNDSports.com). Pre-game shows will start 30 minutes prior to tip this season. UND athletics will provide free live stats for all home men's basketball games this season. Fans can also listen to games on Cat Country 100.3 FM or 1440 AM this season in Grand Forks and on 104.7 FM or 790 AM in Fargo-Moorhead. Check UNDSports.com to see which station will air a particular game. The games are also available through the UND Sports App on smart phones. Paul Ralston will handle the play-by-play duties during the year.

### WATCH BIG SKY | PLUTO TV

Each home men's basketball game as well as all Big Sky road games will be streamed live on the internet for free at [www.WatchBigSky.com](http://www.WatchBigSky.com) and also available on Pluto.TV (Ch. 240) - the league's new "Over The Top Channel". Each Big Sky road game will also air on the individual institution's Pluto TV Channel.

### UND ON THE INTERNET

UNDSports.com is the official online home of University of North Dakota athletics. The website is a veritable one-stop shop for the most hardcore UND fans, featuring breaking news, player profiles, game notes, live and archived video webcasts, game audio, live stats, podcasts, blogs, player profiles, merchandise, photo galleries, news feeds and camp registrations.

### UND GONE MOBILE

The University of North Dakota athletics department and leading technology service provider NeuLion, Inc. (TSX: NLN) help run UND's official athletics mobile website, [www.UNDSports.com](http://www.UNDSports.com). The UND athletics destination offers a mobile device-enabled version of the site, amplifying the user experience on the go. The mobile website will deliver a condensed version of the official athletics site to provide the latest news and quick updates to handheld devices. North Dakota's official athletics website is available on all web-enabled devices by opening a browser and entering the [www.UNDSports.com](http://www.UNDSports.com) URL. Users can get the latest news, scores, upcoming schedule, photo galleries and more.

### TELEVISION COVERAGE SET FOR 2017-18

Fans needing to watch from their televisions or computers will be able to do so once again in a variety of ways during the 2017-18 season.

Not only will all of UND's home games be streamed live for free on Big Sky TV ([www.WatchBigSky.com](http://www.WatchBigSky.com)) and Pluto.TV (Ch. 240), but a select number of home and away games will also be televised both regionally and nationally on a variety of networks.

UND's Big Sky road games will also all appear on [www.WatchBigSky.com](http://www.WatchBigSky.com) along with coverage on the home team's Pluto.TV (listed below)

#### Television Schedule

Date	Game	Time/Result
Nov. 19	at Nebraska (Big Ten Network)	L, 92-70
Nov. 25	Utah Valley (Fox Sports North)	L, 83-75 (ot)
Dec. 5	at Creighton (Fox Sports 2)	L, 111-68
Dec. 9	North Dakota State (MidcoSN)	L, 88-79
Dec. 12	at South Dakota State (MidcoSN)	L, 99-62
Dec. 16	at Gonzaga (ROOT Sports NW)	L, 89-83 (ot)
Dec. 29	Idaho (MidcoSN)	L, 74-57
Dec. 31	Eastern Washington (MidcoSN)	L, 77-64
Jan. 16	at North Dakota State (MidcoSN)	W, 86-77
Jan. 20	at Northern Colorado (Eleven Sports)	L, 94-91 (ot)
Feb. 3	Montana (Eleven Sports)	3 p.m.
Feb. 15	Southern Utah (MidcoSN)	7 p.m.

Eleven Sports and Pluto.TV will also televise the four Big Sky Tournament quarterfinals on March 8 and the two semifinals on March 9.

### ON THE HORIZON

The Fighting Hawks' middle game of their three-game homestand is Saturday as Northern Arizona visits Grand Forks one last time as a Big Sky member. The contest vs. the Lumberjacks is also this year's "Military Appreciation" Game and all active and veteran military personnel can receive free admission (plus up to four dependents) by showing their valid military ID at the box office.

### DID YOU KNOW?

Southern Utah was UND's first Big Sky regular-season opponent and first Big Sky Tournament opponent. The Fighting Hawks split those decisions, falling in their league debut in Cedar City on Dec. 17, 2012 before knocking off the T-Birds in the 2013 Big Sky Tournament quarterfinals in Missoula.

### BETTY BEWARE

The Fighting Hawks went 11-2 at The Betty last season and own a 123-58 record in the building that opened prior to the 2004-05 season. UND won its eighth-consecutive home opener earlier this season and sits at 5-5 at home this season after splitting with Montana State and Montana. The Fighting Hawks were 8-1 in Big Sky play on their home court a year ago.

### MEDIA PICKS UND FIFTH, COACHES TAB TEAM SIXTH

The North Dakota men's basketball team was selected to finish sixth in the Big Sky Coaches' preseason poll and fifth in the Big Sky Media preseason poll that were released by league officials on Oct. 13. The coaches and media both selected Idaho to win the regular season title.

The Fighting Hawks were one of four league teams to receive at least one first-place vote in the media poll and finished with 146 points, while the coaches supplied the defending Big Sky champs with 71 points.

UND was picked to finish third in both polls last season and won the regular season and tournament titles for the first time in program history.

Big Sky Coaches' Preseason Poll		Big Sky Media's Preseason Poll	
1. Idaho (10)	117	1. Idaho (12)	211
2. Weber State (1)	103	2. Weber State (3)	195
3. Montana	101	3. Montana (3)	188
4. Northern Colorado (1)	83	4. Montana State	180
5. Montana State	83	5. <b>North Dakota (1)</b>	<b>146</b>
6. <b>North Dakota</b>	<b>71</b>	6. Eastern Washington	144
7. Eastern Washington	63	7. Northern Colorado	106
8. Portland State	55	8. Sacramento State	87
9. Sacramento State	48	9. Portland State	76
10. Idaho State	25	10. Northern Arizona	59
11. Northern Arizona	23	11. Idaho State	52
12. Southern Utah	19	12. Southern Utah	38

### CRANDALL NAMED TO PRESEASON ALL-BIG SKY TEAM

North Dakota junior Geno Crandall was among six guards selected to the Preseason All-Big Sky Team by the league's 12 head coaches. Crandall was an All-Big Sky second team selection as a sophomore.

Crandall averaged a career-high 15.5 ppg last season and upped that to 16.7 ppg in league play. His 136 assists were fourth most in the Big Sky and his 64 steals were second among league players. He averaged 16.0 ppg, 6.3 apg and 5.0 rpg in three wins in Reno last season that secured UND's first appearance in the NCAA Division I Tournament.

### 2017-18 Big Sky Men's Preseason All-Conference Team

Player	Year	Pos.	School	Hometown
Tyler Hall (MVP)	Jr.	G	Montana State	Rock Island, Ill.
Victor Sanders	Sr.	G	Idaho	Portland, Ore.
Bogdan Bliznyuk	Sr.	G/F	Eastern Washington	Lutsk, Ukraine
Ahmaad Rorie	Jr.	G	Montana	Tacoma, Wash.
<b>Geno Crandall</b>	<b>Jr.</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>North Dakota</b>	<b>Minneapolis, Minn.</b>
Jordan Davis	Jr.	G	Northern Colorado	Las Vegas, Nev.





## Game Notes: North Dakota vs. Southern Utah (Feb. 15)

### RECORD REWIND

The North Dakota men's basketball program holds a 1570-1052 (.602) all-time record since Dr. George Sweetland led the first team onto the court in 1904-05. UND is 948-284 (.769) all-time when it comes to defending its home court.

The 2017-18 season is the 10th at the Division I level for the program (2008-09) and the Fighting Hawks are 148-164 in those contests. As a Big Sky member, the Fighting Hawks own a 55-48 record in its first five-plus seasons of league play, including its best showing of 14-4 during its title run last season. This is the sixth and final season for the Fighting Hawks, who will join the Summit League in 2018-19.

### LAST TIME OUT

The Fighting Hawks saw their 11-game winning streak over Idaho State, which was their longest over an opponent during the program's Division I history, come to an end with an 82-67 loss on Saturday. UND trailed by 13 midway through the first half, but stormed back to knot things at 37-37 by halftime, but the Bengals used an 8-0 run to open the second half to cease control of the contest. Junior **Geno Crandall** led all scorers with 28 points on 10-of-13 shooting from the floor.

### CLIMBING THE CHARTS

Junior Geno Crandall has moved into some exclusive lists in the UND record books this season. He's averaging a team-best 16.0 ppg this season and his 28-point outing at Idaho State this past Saturday moved him into the top 20 on UND's all-time scoring chart. The Minneapolis native eclipsed the 1,000-point plateau in the overtime loss at Gonzaga and currently ranks 18th with 1,215 points.

Crandall also ranks fifth on UND's all-time steals chart with 171 and is eighth on the all-time assists chart with 348.

### Crandall's Career Single-Game Highs

Points: 41 (vs. Troy; 11/10/17)

Assists: 9 (vs. Southern Utah; 1/26/17)

Steals: 5 (6 times, last vs. NDSU; 12/9/17)

### AVANTSGING HIS GAME

Junior Conner Avants was a rebound shy of registering his first career double-double on four different occasions throughout his career before finally notching one in the 94-91 overtime loss to Northern Colorado (Jan. 20). Those around the Big Sky are probably surprised it took Avants 83 career games to record one, but he got that monkey off his back with a 20-point, 11-rebound effort against the Bears. The 11 boards were a new career-high for the Edmond, Okla., native, who also had a career-high four steals against UNC.

He picked up his second double-double of the season in the home loss to Montana (Feb. 3) and in the past eight games, Avants is 43-for-66 from the floor (65.2 percent) and is averaging 13.3 ppg and 5.6 rpg. The Edmond, Okla., native has reached double figures in seven of those contests and shares the team lead in that category with Geno Crandall at 17.

### JONESING FOR SUCCESS

Iowa grad transfer **Dale Jones** missed the Idaho contest (Dec. 29) after starting all 11 non-conference games, but returned to the starting lineup in an emphatic way in his Big Sky debut vs. Eastern Washington (Dec. 31). Jones scored 20 points and pulled down 11 rebounds to register the first double-double of his career. He's been hot of late, notching a career-high 24 points at Idaho (Jan. 27), which included a 4-for-9 effort from beyond the arc. The 6-foot-8 forward has proven his worth this season by averaging 11.5 ppg and 6.7 rpg (seventh in the Big Sky). In Big Sky play, Jones has his average up to 12.6 ppg and is shooting 41.8 percent from 3-point range, which tops the team.

After three seasons at the junior-college level, injuries limited him to just 11 games for the Hawkeyes from 2015-17. By missing a majority of those two seasons, he was granted a sixth year of eligibility by the NCAA.

### #BAREFOOT COACH

In each of the past six seasons, head coach Brian Jones and his staff has coached a game in their barefeet to help raise awareness for the Samaritan's Feet cause. This year's game took place on Feb. 3 when Montana visited for a Big Sky showdown.

For the first time since helping out the organization, the Fighting Hawks wore custom-made jerseys trimmed in orange, which is the primary color utilized by Samaritan's Feet. Those jerseys are going to be available for purchase by fans at a later date with proceeds going to assist Samaritan's Feet.

The nonprofit group serves and inspires hope in children by providing shoes to impoverished children throughout the world. In 2016, Jones was named the organization's Barefoot Coach of the Year and was recognized at a special breakfast during Final Four Weekend in Houston.

The Fighting Hawks have also participated in local shoe drives each of the past six years where thousands of shoes have been distributed to members of the Grand Forks community.

This year's event was hosted at the Betty Engstad Sioux Center for the first time. The men's basketball program was joined by several fellow UND student-athletes along with several local high school students. The volunteers passed out shoes to those in need and also washed the feet of the children receiving the shoes. For more information and to find out ways to donate to Samaritan's Feet, visit [www.samaritansfeet.org](http://www.samaritansfeet.org).

### GET MOVING

Slow starts have been one of the bigger issues for the Fighting Hawks in their 10 Big Sky losses so far this season. In those 10 league setbacks, opponents are outscoring UND 421-317 in the first half (42.1 to 31.7) and have held the halftime lead on nine occasions and were tied once. The Fighting Hawks have produced much better in the second halves of those contests, averaging 38.6 ppg after the break.

During UND's three Big Sky victories, the Fighting Hawks are outscoring opponents 115-89 (38.3 to 29.7) and have held a halftime lead in each of those contests.

### THE POWER OF EIGHTY

For just the third time in the past two seasons, UND dropped a contest when it scored at least 80 points after falling 94-91 in overtime Saturday at Northern Colorado. The Fighting Hawks own a 22-3 record in those contests and their first losses were against ranked opponents (100-82 vs. Arizona; NCAA Tournament and 89-83 OT loss at Gonzaga). So far this season, the Fighting Hawks are 6-2 when scoring 80-plus points with both of those losses coming in OT.

### UND SNEAKS BY BOBCATS

The Fighting Hawks have won just one of their last seven games and that lone victory was a 75-74 triumph over a Montana State team that had defeated UND by 11 points early in the season. Senior **Dale Jones** scored a team-high 18 points and junior **Geno Crandall** added 17 points and six assists to pace the Fighting Hawks. After trailing by five at halftime, MSU raced out to a 47-38 lead thanks to a 14-0 run to start the second half. UND regrouped to rally for the victory.

### ONE OR THE OTHER

UND's last seven contests in the series with Northern Colorado have either gone into overtime or been decided by one point in regulation. That streak appeared to be in jeopardy this past Saturday with the Bears holding a double-digit lead midway through the second half, but the Fighting Hawks rallied to force the third-straight overtime game in the series. After winning both extra-session games last season with the Bears, UNC spoiled UND's attempt at a third-straight series win when Andre Spight drained a half-court shot at the buzzer to lift the home team to a 94-91 victory. Spight finished with a career-high 34 points and had nine of those in overtime. The Bears hold a 4-3 edge in those tight-knit games.

### BALANCED ATTACK KEEPS BENGALS DOWN

Junior **Cortez Seales** paced UND with 14 points in the 81-58 victory over Idaho State (Jan. 13). He was one of seven Fighting Hawks with at least nine points in what was the 11th-straight win over the Bengals for UND. The 23-point victory was also the team's largest of the season over a Division I opponent.

### BILLY, BILLY

For the first time in his collegiate career, reserve guard **Billy Brown** buried a trio of 3-pointers in the same game, providing a season-high nine points off the bench in UND's 81-58 win over Idaho State (Jan. 11). In 13 Big Sky games, Brown is now 12-for-31 (38.7 percent) from distance after going 4-for-19 (21.1) from beyond the arc in non-conference play. Brown also added career-highs in assists (4) and steals (3) in 28 minutes of action vs. the Bengals. Brown's 23.6 mpg in league action are the most of any reserve on the roster and he's averaging 4.5 ppg in league play after averaging 1.9 ppg in 10 non-conference games.



### KIEN-BEAN GETS HOT

After scoring a career-high 11 points in the first meeting with North Dakota State (Dec. 9), sophomore **Kienan Walter** had managed just 11 total points in seven games since that effort. He broke out of a slump in a big way, erupting for a career-high 16 points off the bench in the win over Weber State (Jan. 13). Walter knocked down 6-of-10 field goals and went 3-for-4 from 3-point range to help UND register back-to-back wins for the first time this season.

### RARE BREAK

UND's victory at NDSU (Jan. 16) marked just the second non-conference game the Fighting Hawks have played after Big Sky play started since joining the league prior to the 2012-13 season. Back in 2013, UND fell at Omaha 83-75 (Feb. 23).

### TRAY BALL, CORNER POCKET

True freshman **Tray Buchanan** has emerged as a deep-ball threat off the bench since Big Sky commenced. Buchanan is 17-for-50 in league action (35.0 percent) and his 17 makes are second most on the team. His success from beyond the arc has also made him one of the top scoring reserves in Big Sky play, averaging 6.8 ppg. In 12 non-conference games, Buchanan went just 8-for-28 from deep (28.6 percent) and averaged 4.8 ppg.

Buchanan led UND in scoring in both contests during the Treasure State-swing, scoring a career-high 16 against Montana (Jan. 4), then surpassing that mark with 19 against Montana State (Jan. 6) in his first career start.

### STEWART GETTING COMFORTABLE

Sophomore **Marlon Stewart** is second on the team in scoring at 11.8 ppg and has four 20-point plus scoring games on the campaign. He dropped in a career-high 24 points against Utah Valley (Nov. 25) and has reached double figures 15 times this season. He twice went for 20 or more against in-state rival NDSU during the home-and-home series with the Bison, scoring a team-high 23 in the home loss and 20 in the road win.

### WHAT A WAY TO REACH 1K

**Geno Crandall** became the 36th player in UND men's basketball history to reach the 1,000-point plateau and the junior arrived at the figure in one of the most dramatic ways possible. The milestone came on his 3-pointer that sent the UND-Gonzaga game into overtime, tying the game at 69-69 with 1.8 seconds to play. Crandall's milestone came in his 73rd career game, which made him the quickest among the six Fighting Hawks to reach that plateau during the program's Division I era. Troy Huff (2010-14) had been the quickest among the first quintet after taking 74 career games. Huff ended his career as the program's third all-time leading scorer with 2,005 points.

### SIGNED, SEALES, ALMOST DELIVERED

Junior **Cortez Seales** did his part in trying to deliver UND's first win over a ranked opponent,

scoring a season-high 23 points in the OT loss at No. 12/13 Gonzaga (Dec. 16). Seales went 11-for-15 from the field, including a stretch in the first half where he made seven-consecutive shots in helping give UND a 34-30 lead on the Bulldogs at halftime. It marked the first time UND had led a ranked opponent at the break in program history. His 11 field goals made against the Zags equaled his career-best from his collegiate debut (UM-Morris; Nov. 13, 2015).

After averaging just 3.0 ppg in UND's first three Big Sky contests, Seales has reached double figures in seven of the last 10 league contests. In his last five league contests, Seales is averaging 11.0 ppg.

### CRANDALLIZED

Junior **Geno Crandall** has equaled his career-high of five steals three different times already this season and now has 168 for his career. With his latest five-steal performance against NDSU (Dec. 9), Crandall moved into fifth place on UND's all-time charts knocking his mentor Aaron Anderson from that perch. He needs seven more to reach fourth place.

1. Jamal Webb (240; 2010-14)
2. Troy Huff (228; 2010-14)
3. Quinton Hooker (195; 2013-17)
4. Scott Guldseth (178; 1990-93)
5. Geno Crandall (171; 2015-present)

### HIGH THEFT VOLUME

UND enters the Southern Utah contest averaging 7.6 steals per game (3rd in Big Sky). Led by junior **Geno Crandall** (49; 1.9./g, 2nd in Big Sky) and sophomore **Marlon Stewart** (33; 1.3/g, 19th in Big Sky), the Fighting Hawks are forcing opponents into 14.8 turnovers per game, which is third most among Big Sky teams.

### ANOTHER FIRST

Junior **Geno Crandall** has achieved a growing list of "firsts" this season and he added another one in the overtime loss to Utah Valley (Nov. 25). For the first time in his career, Crandall notched a double-double with 15 points and a career-high 10 rebounds against the Wolverines.

### FRANKEN FINDS FIRST POINTS

True freshman **Garrett Franken** buried a pair of 3-pointers against Montana (Jan. 4) to account for his first collegiate points. It was just the seventh appearance for the 6-foot-8 forward, who logged 10 minutes off the bench against the Griz.

### BIG SKY-SUMMIT LEAGUE CHALLENGE SERIES

The Fighting Hawks will not lose all of their Big Sky hardwood rivalries after joining the Summit League following this season. UND will be one of eight combined Big Sky and Summit League teams that will take part in a yearly series between the two conferences. The four-year men's basketball series will begin in 2018-19 when UND will be a first-year member of the Summit League. The Fighting Hawks are playing their final season of Big Sky basketball after a run of six years as a league member.

Each school will play one home game and road contest against separate schools from the other league during each of the four seasons. The Summit League is represented by UND, North Dakota State, Omaha and South Dakota State. Big Sky schools participating are Montana State, Montana, Idaho and Eastern Washington.

### UND's Big Sky-Summit Challenge Schedule

#### **2018-19**

North Dakota at Montana State  
Idaho at North Dakota

#### **2019-20**

North Dakota at Montana  
Eastern Washington at North Dakota

#### **2020-21**

Montana State at North Dakota  
North Dakota at Idaho

#### **2021-22**

North Dakota at Eastern Washington  
Montana at North Dakota

### SALT LAKE CITY REUNION

North Dakota was one of eight teams that played at the Vivint Smart Home Arena in Salt Lake City last March for the opening round of the 2017 NCAA Tournament. The Fighting Hawks played two of the other seven teams that were in SLC earlier this season in back-to-back games when they traveled to both South Dakota State (Dec. 12) and Gonzaga (Dec. 16). The Jackrabbits, who were the West Region's 16th-seed, played the top-seeded Bulldogs in the first round, falling 66-46 to the tournament's eventual runner-up.

### TOUGH SLEDDING IN DECEMBER

The Fighting Hawks lost all six of their games in the December with each of those contests comes against a team that won at least 18 games in 2016-17. Five of those opponents played in a postseason tournament and the Fighting Hawks' three non-conference road games pit them against teams that also appeared in the 2017 NCAA Tournament.

Those half-dozen teams combined to go 140-66 (.680 winning percentag) a season ago with Gonzaga leading the way with a 37-2 overall mark. The lone home game of the month for UND before Christmas was the 88-79 loss to in-state rival North Dakota State on Dec. 9.

### ONCE A BLUEJAY

Sophomore guard **Marlon Stewart** began his collegiate career at Creighton and he scored 18 points in his return to face his old team on on Dec. 5. Stewart appeared in 13 games as a true freshman back in 2015-16 before transferring to UND following that campaign.

He only scored seven points in his brief Creighton career, but had tallied eight points against his former team by halftime. The Bluejays went 20-15 during his lone season in Omaha and advanced to the quarterfinals of the National Invitational Tournament.





Game Notes: North Dakota vs. Southern Utah (Feb. 15)

**NO SURPRISE**

No one at the Betty Engelstad Sioux Center should have been surprised when the UND-Utah Valley (Nov. 25) turned out to be a tight contest. After posting a convincing 74-58 victory over the Wolverines in the first meeting between the schools in Grand Forks back in 2010, the last three meetings have all gone down to the wire, including UVU's 83-75 overtime win.

Back in the 2011 matchup when both programs were still Great West Conference members, Utah Valley pulled away for a 107-96 victory, but it took four overtimes to achieve that triumph in what remains the longest game ever played at the Betty Engelstad Sioux Center. In the last meeting as Great West foes in 2012, Patrick Mitchell provided some Senior Day heroics when his buzzer-beater gave UND a 57-56 victory over the Wolverines. Utah Valley moved ahead in the all-time series 4-3 and the two teams will play each other against next season in Orem when the Fighting Hawks finish up the home-and-home series.

**HUSKER ROUND-UP**

UND saw its overall record drop to 2-2 following a 92-70 loss at Nebraska (Nov. 19). The Huskers are now 3-1 all-time against the Fighting Hawks and dropped their record to 0-7 against Big Ten opponents since moving to the DI level. It was the fifth-straight season UND has met a Big Ten opponent. Sophomore **Marlon Stewart** became the third different Fighting Hawk to score 20 or more points in a game this season against the Huskers. He finished right on that number thanks to an 8-for-12 effort from the floor.

**POT OF GOLD**

The Fighting Hawks opened their season with a 2-1 showing at the Outrigger Resorts Rainbow Classic, which marked the first time in program history the squad won multiple games in a pre-conference multi-team event. UND had

won at least one game in each of the last four similar events, but the second win had eluded the squad until posting an 80-71 victory over Arkansas-Pine Bluff (Nov. 13).

**GENO-LULU**

Junior **Geno Crandall** became just the 10th player in UND history and first at the Division I level to score 40 or more points in a game, dropping a career-high 41 points in the season-opening win vs. Troy at the Rainbow Classic (Nov. 10).

**40-plus point games in UND history**

**Name (total)**

- Phil Jackson (5)
- Travis Tuttle (3)
- Jerome Beasley (2)
- Jon Haaven (2)
- Henry "Doc" O'Keefe (2)
- Don Augustin (1)
- Geno Crandall (1)**
- Al Jenkins (1)
- Arthur Netcher (1)
- Dave Vonesh (1)

Crandall's 41 points were also the most on the opening night of the college basketball season that saw a total of 326 Division I teams open their campaigns. He scored 37 of those points in a mind-boggling second half that saw him make his first 13 field goal attempts and score 22-consecutive points for the Fighting Hawks during the opening seven minutes of the stanza.

Beasley was the last UND player to reach the 40-point plateau after registering a pair of 41-point contests in his two-year career. His first came in an 83-79 win vs. NDSU as a junior during the 2001-02 season and he matched that total in an 87-79 win at Augustana as a senior in 2002-03.

**Crandall's Final Stat Line from Honolulu:**

PPG: 27.3	FG%: 64.1 (25-for-39)
RPG: 5.3	3FG%: 64.7 (11-for-17)
APG: 3.3	FT%: 77.8 (21-for-27)
SPG: 2.3	MPG: 37.3

Crandall's 41-point outing is one of 31 40-plus scoring games in the NCAA this season. Marquette's Markus Howard holds this season's single-game high after scoring 52 points during an overtime win at Providence.

**STEWART AND SEALES TOGETHER AGAIN**

For the first time since leading North Scott to the 2015 Iowa Class 4A State Championship, junior **Cortez Seales** and redshirt sophomore **Marlon Stewart** are on the floor again as teammates. Stewart played his first collegiate season at Creighton (2015-16), then sat out at UND (2016-17) due to NCAA transfer rules. The duo earned Class 4A First-Team All-State honors after averaging 17.4 and 17.0 ppg, respectively.

**BIJIEK INKS WITH FIGHTING HAWKS**

Head coach Brian Jones announced the addition of Jal Bijiek to the North Dakota men's basketball program on Nov. 8. Bijiek signed his National Letter of Intent at North Des Moines High School where the 6-foot-9 forward starred the past two seasons for the Polar Bears. He graduated from the school in 2017 and will enroll at UND in the fall of 2018.

Bijiek averaged 15.2 ppg as a senior at Des Moines North en route to collection Iowa Class 4A All-State third-team honors. He led Iowa's highest classification in blocks with 82 and helped the Polar Bears to their first state tournament appearance in 26 years. Equipped with a 7-foot-1 wingspan, Bijiek also garnered All-Central Iowa Metro League second-team accolades. Bijiek played AAU basketball for Kingdom Hoops with current Fighting Hawk **Tray Buchanan** (East Moline, Ill.).

GAME-BY-GAME COMPARISON																	
Opponent	1st	2nd	Score	Mar	Total FG	FG Pct	3-Pointers	3FG Pct	Free Throws	FT Pct	Rebounds	Mar	Assist	TOver	Block	Steal	Fouls
Troy	30/33	53/47	83-80	+3	32-65/28-65	.492/.431	12-26/6-22	.462/.273	7-14/18-30	.500/.600	34/42	(8)	16/13	12/13	2/2	9/5	22/16
Hawai'i	31/46	47/35	78-81	(3)	28-57/29-57	.491/.509	4-13/4-14	.308/.286	18-29/19-29	.621/.655	27/36	(9)	6/14	13/15	3/0	6/6	27/26
UAPB	37/33	43/38	80-71	+9	22-61/26-50	.361/.520	5-21/7-14	.238/.500	31-38/12-16	.816/.750	35/31	+4	16/13	12/24	2/6	16/9	17/24
Nebraska	32/49	38/43	70-92	(22)	26-59/36-68	.441/.529	5-18/8-20	.278/.400	13-19/12-18	.684/.667	30/41	(11)	9/20	18/13	1/5	2/8	20/22
Northland	36/25	43/23	79-48	+31	30-59/16-55	.508/.291	3-19/5-17	.158/.294	16-28/11-17	.571/.647	43/35	+8	11/9	12/19	5/0	14/1	16/20
Utah Valley	34/38	33/29	75-83	(8)	30-87/30-64	.345/.469	6-32/6-18	.188/.333	9-14/17-24	.643/.708	49/49	-	9/10	10/18	0/8	13/5	21/17
Presentation	45/31	37/44	82-75	+7	35-64/30-64	.547/.469	6-27/5-20	.222/.250	6-12/10-21	.500/.476	36/38	(2)	24/10	15/14	3/0	6/7	16/16
Creighton	37/51	31/60	68-111	(43)	27-67/41-72	.403/.569	7-24/13-33	.292/.394	7-12/16-20	.583/.800	29/48	(19)	15/22	11/8	1/3	4/7	16/15
NDSU	37/44	42/44	79-88	(9)	23-52/34-57	.442/.596	4-14/13-22	.286/.591	29-34/7-12	.853/.583	25/33	(8)	8/18	10/16	2/2	11/7	18/24
SDSU	30/55	33/44	63-99	(36)	24-61/33-56	.393/.589	5-25/5-15	.200/.333	10-18/28-35	.556/.800	29/40	(11)	9/9	16/13	0/2	7/9	25/17
Gonzaga	34/30	35/39	83-89	(6)	30-58/32-72	.517/.444	9-23/7-23	.391/.304	14-19/18-23	.737/.783	27/44	(17)	12/14	19/17	2/1	10/15	21/15
IDAHO*	18/35	39/39	57-74	(17)	15-42/28-50	.357/.560	4-20/10-21	.200/.476	23-29/8-12	.793/.667	21/35	(14)	4/19	19/22	3/1	6/5	15/26
EWU*	28/42	36/35	64-77	(13)	22-51/27-50	.431/.540	10-27/7-18	.370/.389	10-12/16-18	.833/.889	26/29	(3)	14/9	21/16	2/2	8/15	15/16
Montana	29/50	50/59	79-109	(30)	24-63/40-65	.381/.615	8-31/8-14	.258/.571	23-26/21-30	.885/.700	33/39	(6)	8/21	13/8	3/3	4/10	26/25
Montana St.	31/45	37/34	68-79	(11)	24-53/29-64	.453/.453	6-24/6-25	.364/.360	12-19/12-15	.632/.800	29/42	(13)	12/13	12/11	2/1	6/6	14/20
IDAHO ST.	41/29	40/29	81-58	+23	32-61/20-49	.525/.408	10-21/7-23	.476/.304	7-11/11-19	.636/.579	35/31	+4	18/9	9/17	3/0	9/5	16/15
WEBER ST.	36/27	53/52	89-79	+10	31-57/25-57	.544/.439	11-21/8-21	.524/.381	16-30/21-24	.533/.875	29/38	(9)	19/11	9/16	2/4	7/6	23/26
at NDSU	46/37	40/40	86-77	+9	31-64/25-53	.484/.472	12-23/6-25	.522/.240	12-14/21-25	.857/.840	21/39	(18)	14/8	5/17	2/1	9/3	18/20
at UNC	37/46	46/37	91-94	(3)	38-71/32-70	.535/.457	3-11/10-31	.273/.323	12-19/20-26	.632/.769	39/41	(2)	8/12	15/18	1/2	9/4	25/17
at EWU	36/50	35/45	71-95	(24)	23-51/38-72	.451/.528	8-17/15-36	.471/.417	17-23/4-5	.739/.800	26/37	(11)	15/23	9/6	1/3	4/4	10/19
at Idaho	41/46	30/50	71-96	(25)	23-49/36-63	.469/.571	6-24/6-15	.250/.400	19-24/18-23	.792/.783	20/38	(18)	8/14	13/12	0/0	3/5	23/20
MONTANA ST.	38/33	37/41	75-74	+1	26-58/22-57	.448/.386	7-19/4-23	.368/.174	16-20/26-30	.800/.867	30/43	(13)	16/10	8/13	3/0	5/7	22/21
MONTANA	31/39	36/33	67-72	(5)	24-53/27-56	.453/.482	3-17/5-18	.176/.278	16-23/13-19	.696/.684	35/31	+4	10/17	14/13	2/1	7/8	17/21
Weber St.	29/31	47/53	76-84	(8)	27-60/28-54	.450/.519	9-24/9-20	.375/.450	13-18/19-25	.622/.760	29/36	(7)	17/16	11/12	0/5	6/6	23/14
Idaho St.	37/37	30/45	67-82	(15)	25-53/32-60	.472/.533	7-20/11-23	.350/.478	10-13/7-9	.769/.778	26/34	(8)	10/12	20/19	1/0	8/9	19/16

Note: Game totals are displayed in the format TEAM/OPPONENT for each category



### 2017-18 ROSTER ROUND-UP

- Head coach **Brian Jones'** 2017-18 lineup will feature three new starters after the departures of **Corey Baldwin**, **Drick Bernstine** and **Quinton Hooker**. Hooker's hole will be the biggest to fill after he garnered Lou Henson All-America honors for the second-consecutive season after averaging 19.1 ppg and earning Big Sky Tournament MVP honors.
- Baldwin graduated after putting together his best season at UND when he averaged 10.4 ppg and shot 42.3 percent from 3-point range. Bernstine left the program with a year of eligibility remaining and is using the NCAA's graduate transfer rule to play at Washington State this season. He averaged 8.3 ppg and a team-best 7.5 rpg in 2016-17.
- Classmate **Carson Shanks** also opted to exercise the same clause and will play his final collegiate season at Loyola-Chicago. He averaged 5.3 ppg and 2.2 rpg in 31 games last season.
- Juniors **Conner Avants** (9.5 ppg and 4.8 rpg) and **Geno Crandall** (15.5 ppg, 4.0 rpg and 4.4 apg) are the two returning starters for the Fighting Hawks. Both had solid sophomore seasons, shooting better than 50 percent on field goals and starting 30 or more games.
- Crandall was also one of the premier defenders in the Big Sky, racking up 64 steals and 10 blocks from his point guard position. The 64 steals moved him inside UND's career Top 10 list with 123 total (eighth all-time) and were second most in the Big Sky a season ago. He was named to the All-Big Sky Second Team for his efforts and elected to the Preseason All-Big Sky Team in October.
- Classmate **Cortez Seales** was named the Big Sky Reserve of the Year and shift into a starting position as an upperclassmen. Seales averaged 8.5 ppg and 3.4 rpg off the bench a season ago.
- Also returning for Jones are sophomores **Billy Brown** and **Kienan Walter**, who saw limited action off the bench during their respective true freshman seasons. Brown played in 23 contests and averaged 2.0 ppg, while Walter added 2.5 ppg in 18 contests.

- Two players expected to make an impact this season that sat out the 2016-17 season are guards **Jafar Kinsey** and **Marlon Stewart**. Kinsey redshirted after transferring from Des Moines Area Community College prior to last season. He is a 6-foot-2 guard that started his career at Robert Morris before averaging 17.2 ppg and 5.5 rpg at the JUCO level.
- Stewart sat out due to NCAA transfer rules after spending his first collegiate season at Creighton. Stewart and Seales were high school teammates at North Scott, leading the Lancers to their first state title in 2015.
- Jones also welcomes seven newcomers to the roster and replaced Bernstine and Shanks with his own graduate transfer in **Dale Jones** from Iowa. A Waterloo, Iowa native, Jones spent the past two seasons with the Hawkeyes where he was limited to just 11 games due to a various injuries. He also lost a season of play at Tyler Junior College and has been granted a sixth-year of eligibility by the NCAA. His best game as a Hawkeye was a 16-point, 7-rebound outing against Coppin State in the 2015-16 season.
- Jones is one of three new transfers on the roster. **Jaqwan McCauley** also spent time at Tyler where he averaged 8.4 ppg as a freshman and upped that to 12.1 ppg and 5.1 rpg as a sophomore. He prepped in North Carolina and averaged double figures in all three of his varsity seasons.
- **Carter Brooks** also joined the program after spending his first collegiate season at Concordia-St. Paul. He averaged 3.1 ppg in 10 starts and 29 appearances as a freshman for the Bears. Brooks, who has to redshirt this season due to NCAA transfer rules, will be joined by former Lakeville North teammate **Ethan Igbanugo**. He's the latest add to the roster after agreeing to walk-on this past summer.
- Igbanugo joined a trio of true freshmen **Tray Buchanan**, **Garrett Franken** and **Aanen Moody**, who all signed NLI's to play for the Fighting Hawks in November of 2016. Buchanan, a 6-foot-1 guard, was a two-time, all-state performer in Illinois after being named to the As-

- socialized Press First Team as a junior and AP Second Team as a senior for United Township in East Moline, Ill.
- Franken, a 6-foot-7 forward, was named to the *Des Moines Register* Class 3A All-Iowa First Team last season after averaging 23.8 ppg, which was second among Class 3A players. He added 8.9 rpg, 3.6 apg and 2.2 spg to go with 1.9 bpg and finished his prep career as Atlantic's all-time leading scorer with 1,543 points.
- Moody, a 6-foot-3 guard, wrapped up his prep career as North Dakota's Class A all-time leading scorer with 2,192 points and was named North Dakota's Mr. Basketball in 2017. The Dickinson native averaged more than 30.0 ppg as both a junior and senior en route to earning Class A All-State honors and North Dakota Gatorade Player of the Year accolades after each season. can stretch the floor with his shooting ability. He earned Washington Class 1A all-state honors as a junior and senior. Walter led all Class 1A in scoring as a junior (23.6 ppg) and added 22.0 ppg as a senior en route to Trico League MVP honors. Class 1A in scoring as a junior (23.6 ppg) and added 22.0 ppg as a senior en route to Trico League MVP honors.
- Junior **Josh Collins** announced his decision to leave the program during the week leading up to the start of the regular season. He appeared in 30 games, averaging 11.1 mpg, 2.3 ppg and 1.5 rpg as a sophomore during the 2016-17 season.

### NICKNAME HISTORY

The University of North Dakota boasts a proud history of varsity athletics nicknames. UND's first official athletics nickname was the "Flickertails," although its origin remains somewhat a mystery. The nickname made its first public appearance in a Grand Forks Herald account of UND's football loss to Minnesota on Oct. 8, 1904, 15 years after UND's first athletics contest was played. According to Lee Bohnet's A Century of UND Sports, "The author was not identified, but there is strong evidence the nickname was coined by a Minneapolis sportswriter who may have covered the game for the Herald. The writer lauded the fighting spirit of the North Dakota players."

In 1911, UND's student body officially adopted "Flickertails" as its athletics nickname. UND would remain known as the "Flickertails" (as well, unofficially, as the "Nodaks") for a third of a century, establishing an early athletics history.

In the fall of 1930, the university adopted the nickname "Sioux" for its varsity teams following a successful renaming campaign by the Dakota Student, UND's student newspaper. The word "Fighting" was later added, and UND would be known as the "Fighting Sioux" until the summer of 2012.

The university utilized several "Fighting Sioux" logos throughout the decades, perhaps most notably the green geometric logo introduced in 1976 and the most recent full-color logo was unveiled in 1999. The former was designed by an artist at the UND News Bureau, while the latter was created by noted Native American artist and UND alum Bennett Brien.

The University of North Dakota officially retired its longtime "Fighting Sioux" nickname and logo prior to the 2012-13 athletics season.

UND's varsity athletics teams operated without an official nickname, while the university continued the process of adopting the third official nickname in school history last fall. During that time, the university's varsity athletics teams will continue to be referred to as "the University of North Dakota," "North Dakota," or "UND."

Former President Dr. Robert Kelley announced in mid-November that "Fighting Hawks" would be the University's new moniker and the UND football team played under that nickname in its 2015 season finale at Cal Poly -- a 45-21 victory over the Mustangs.







### ALL-TIME TRIPLE-DOUBLES

2015-16 (1)	Quinton Hooker vs. Idaho State	2/4/16	13 pts, 12 rebs, 10 asts
2016-17 (1)	Drick Bernstine vs. Presentation	11/20/16	10 pts, 10 rebs, 10 asts

### DIVISION I DOUBLE-DOUBLES

2008-09 (4)	Travis Mertens vs. Dickinson State	12/17/08	11 pts, 10 rebs
	O.J. Harrison vs. SIU-Edwardsville	2/19/09	22 pts, 14 rebs
	O.J. Harrison vs. Seattle	2/27/09	22 pts, 11 rebs
	O.J. Harrison at SIU-Edwardsville	3/1/09	19 pts, 18 rebs

2009-10 (7)	Travis Mertens vs. Northern Colorado	11/27/09	14 pts, 10 rebs
	Travis Mertens at Drake	12/05/09	13 pts, 10 rebs
	Patrick Mitchell at Drake	12/05/09	10 pts, 10 rebs
	Travis Mertens at IPFW	12/12/09	19 pts, 10 rebs
	Travis Mertens at UT-Pan American	1/28/10	17 pts, 11 rebs
	Patrick Mitchell at Houston Baptist	1/30/10	13 pts, 10 rebs
	Travis Mertens vs. UT-Pan American	3/6/10	10 pts, 12 rebs

2010-11 (10)	Troy Huff vs. Longwood	1/9/11	15 pts, 13 rebs
	Patrick Mitchell vs. South Dakota	1/15/11	13 pts, 11 rebs
	Brandon Brekke vs. Utah Valley	1/20/11	12 pts, 15 rebs
	Patrick Mitchell vs. Utah Valley	1/20/11	13 pts, 11 rebs
	Brandon Brekke vs. UT-Pan American	1/27/11	17 pts, 11 rebs
	Brandon Brekke at South Dakota	2/5/11	17 pts, 10 rebs
	Troy Huff at Chicago State	2/21/11	21 pts, 10 rebs
	Troy Huff at Houston Baptist	3/3/11	31 pts, 11 rebs
	Patrick Mitchell at UT-Pan American	3/5/11	12 pts, 10 rebs
	^Jamal Webb vs. South Dakota	3/12/11	12 pts, 10 rebs

2011-12 (9)	Troy Huff at Bradley	11/19/11	22 pts, 12 rebs
	Brandon Brekke vs. Montana	11/23/11	15 pts, 11 rebs
	Brandon Brekke at UMKC	12/7/11	20 pts, 10 rebs
	Brandon Brekke at Utah Valley	1/21/12	10 pts, 11 rebs
	Patrick Mitchell vs. NJIT	1/26/12	13 pts, 10 rebs
	Troy Huff vs. Chicago State	1/28/12	22 pts, 12 rebs
	Jordan Allard at Houston Baptist	2/2/12	12 pts, 10 rebs
	Brandon Brekke at NJIT	2/11/12	11 pts, 11 rebs
	§Brandon Brekke at Drake	3/14/12	18 pts, 15 rebs

2012-13 (8)	Alonzo Traylor at Southern Utah	12/17/12	13 pts, 11 rebs
	Mitch Wilmer at Southern Utah	12/17/12	15 pts, 11 rebs
	Troy Huff vs. Bowling Green	12/28/12	14 pts, 12 rebs
	Troy Huff vs. Eastern Washington	1/17/13	18 pts, 11 rebs
	Troy Huff vs. Idaho State	2/2/13	21 pts, 11 rebs
	Troy Huff vs. Sacramento State	2/14/13	13 pts, 10 rebs
	Troy Huff vs. Northern Arizona	2/16/13	19 pts, 11 rebs
	#Mitch Wilmer vs. Southern Utah	3/14/13	11 pts, 14 rebs

2013-14 (6)	Chad Calcaterra vs. Presentation	12/15/13	11 pts, 12 rebs
	Troy Huff vs. North Dakota State	11/24/13	32 pts, 10 rebs
	Troy Huff vs. Southern Utah	1/2/14	25 pts, 11 rebs
	Troy Huff vs. Sacramento State	1/23/14	20 pts, 14 rebs
	Troy Huff at Weber State	2/6/14	19 pts, 10 rebs
	Troy Huff vs. Motnana State	2/13/14	17 pts, 10 rebs

2014-15 (7)	Jaron Nash vs. Mayville State	11/18/14	16 pts, 12 rebs
	Jaron Nash vs. Alabama State	11/26/14	22 pts, 10 rebs
	Jaron Nash vs. UT-Pan American	11/29/14	15 pts, 13 rebs
	Quinton Hooker vs. Northern Colorado	1/17/15	14 pts, 10 asts
	Quinton Hooker vs. Idaho State	1/31/15	15 pts, 10 asts
	Jaron Nash at Southern Utah	2/5/15	21 pts, 11 rebs
	Carson Shanks at Southern Utah	2/5/14	14 pts, 12 rebs

2015-16 (9)	Quinton Hooker vs. Youngstown State	11/23/15	24 pts, 10 rebs
	Drick Bernstine vs. Valley City State	12/17/15	20 pts, 10 rebs
	Drick Bernstine at Kansas State	12/22/15	13 rebs, 13 rebs
	Drick Bernstine vs. Eastern Washington	1/2/16	15 pts, 11 rebs
	Drick Bernstine at Northern Arizona	1/21/16	11 pts, 11 rebs
	Drick Bernstine at Southern Utah	1/23/16	12 pts, 14 rebs
	Drick Bernstine vs. Idaho State	2/4/16	12 pts, 14 rebs
	Drick Bernstine at Eastern Washington	2/11/16	14 pts, 10 rebs
	Drick Bernstine at Idaho	2/13/16	15 pts, 11 rebs
	#Drick Bernstine vs. Idaho State	3/10/16	14 pts, 21 rebs

2016-17 (4)	Drick Bernstine vs. Crown	11/11/16	12 pts, 10 rebs
	Drick Bernstine at Iowa	12/20/16	10 pts, 14 rebs
	Carson Shanks vs. Idaho	2/11/17	11 pts, 10 rebs
	@Drick Bernstine vs. Arizona	3/16/17	20 pts, 15 rebs

2017-18 (1)	Geno Crandall vs. Utah Valley	11/25/17	15 pts, 10 rebs
	Dale Jones vs. Eastern Washington	12/31/17	20 pts, 11 rebs
	Conner Avants at Northern Colorado	1/20/18	20 pts, 11 rebs
	Conner Avants vs. Montana	2/3/18	15 pts, 11 rebs

\*Great West Tourney | #Big Sky Tourney | \$CIT Tourney | @NCAA Tourney

### CAREER GAMES AT UND

Player	Played	Started
Conner Avants	89	60
Geno Crandall	87	80
Cortez Seales	84	31
Billy Brown	46	0
Kienan Walter	43	0
Marlon Stewart	25	24
Tray Buchanan	25	1
Dale Jones	24	23
Jafar Kinsey	20	1
Garrett Franken	10	0
Jaqwan McCauley	2	0

Expected to redshirt: Ethan Igbunugo and Aanan Moody  
Sitting out due to NCAA transfer rules: Carter Brooks

### DOUBLE-FIGURE SCORING GAMES (^career-high)

Player	Career	2017-18	Season High
Geno Crandall	61	18	41^
Conner Avants	42	17	24
Cortez Seales	34	12	23
Dale Jones	16	16	24^
Marlon Stewart	15	15	24
Tray Buchanan	6	6	19^
Kienan Walter	3	2	16^
Billy Brown	1	0	0

### 40-POINT GAMES

Player	Career	2017-18	Career High
Geno Crandall	1	1	41

### 30-POINT GAMES

Player	Career	2017-18	Career High
Geno Crandall	4	2	41

### 20-POINT GAMES

Player	Career	2017-18	Career High
Geno Crandall	19	9	41
Cortez Seales	6	3	27
Conner Avants	4	2	24
Marlon Stewart	4	4	24
Dale Jones	3	3	24

### DOUBLE-FIGURE REBOUNDING GAMES

Player	Career	2017-18	Career High
Dale Jones	3	3	15
Conner Avants	2	2	11
Geno Crandall	1	1	10

### DOUBLE-FIGURE ASSISTS GAMES

Player	Career	2017-18	Career High
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### TRIPLE-DOUBLES

Player	Career	2017-18
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### DOUBLE-DOUBLES

Player	Career	2017-18
Conner Avants	2	2
Geno Crandall	1	1
Dale Jones	1	1

### YEAR-BY-YEAR AT THE BETTY

2004-05	8-1	2012-13	9-5
2005-06	11-6	2013-14	11-3
2006-07	7-5	2014-15	3-9
2007-08	10-4	2015-16	10-5
2008-09	12-3	2016-17	11-2
2009-10	5-8	2017-18	5-5
2010-11	11-3	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>126-60 (.677)</b>
2011-12	13-1		



**2017-18 GAME-BY-GAME LEADERS**

Opponent	Date	Score	High Points	High Rebounds	High Assists
vs. Troy	11/10	83-80 (W)	Crandall (41)	Avants (7)	Crandall (5)
at Hawai'i	11/12	81-78 (L)	Crandall (21)	Avants, Jones (7)	Crandall (2)
vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff	11/13	80-71 (W)	Seales (22)	Avants (8)	Stewart (6)
at Nebraska	11/19	92-70 (L)	Stewart (20)	Avants (8)	Crandall, Stewart (3)
Northland College	11/21	79-48 (W)	Seales (20)	Avants (15)	Crandall, Seales (3)
Utah Valley	11/25	83-75 (ot) (L)	Stewart (24)	Crandall (10)	Stewart (3)
Presentation College	11/28	82-75 (W)	Avants (24)	Joens (10)	Stewart (9)
at Creighton	12/5	111-68 (L)	Stewart (18)	Crandall, Stewart (5)	Crandall (6)
North Dakota State	12/9	88-79 (L)	Stewart (23)	Jones (7)	Crandall (3)
at South Dakota State	12/12	99-63 (L)	Jones (18)	Crandall (6)	Crandall (3)
at Gonzaga	12/16	89-83 (ot) (L)	Crandall (28)	Three with (5)	Crandall (5)
Idaho*	12/29	74-57 (L)	Stewart (17)	Avants (5)	Stewart (2)
Eastern Washington*	1/31	77-64 (L)	Jones (20)	Jones (11)	Stewart (5)
at Montana*	1/4	109-79 (L)	Buchanan (16)	Jones (7)	Crandall (2)
at Montana State*	1/6	79-68 (L)	Buchanan (19)	Jones (7)	Buchanan (3)
Idaho State*	1/11	81-58 (W)	Seales (14)	Jones (8)	Crandall (5)
Weber State*	1/13	89-79 (W)	Crandall (25)	Crandall (9)	Crandall (8)
at North Dakota State	1/16	86-77 (W)	Stewart (20)	Jones (6)	Three with (3)
at Northern Colorado*	1/20	94-91 (ot) (L)	Crandall (30)	Avants (11)	Crandall (3)
at Eastern Washington*	1/25	95-71 (L)	Jones (14)	Avants, Stewart (4)	Seales (5)
at Idaho*	1/27	96-71 (L)	Jones (24)	Jones (8)	Three with (2)
Montana State*	2/1	75-74 (W)	Jones (18)	Jones (8)	Crandall (6)
Montana*	2/3	72-67 (L)	Seales (19)	Avants (11)	Seales (3)
at Weber State*	2/8	84-76 (L)	Jones (20)	Jones (8)	Stewart (6)
at Idaho State*	2/10	82-67 (L)	Crandall (28)	Avants (7)	Crandall (5)
Southern Utah*	2/15				
Northern Arizona*	2/17				
Northern Colorado*	2/24				
at Sacramento State*	3/1				
at Portland State*	3/3				

**STARTING LINE-UP SHUFFLE**

HERE IS A LOOK AT UND'S STARTING LINEUPS IN 2015-16:

Opp.	PG	SG	SF	PF	C
vs. Troy	Crandall	Stewart	Seales	Jones	Avants
at Hawai'i	Crandall	Stewart	Seales	Jones	Avants
vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff	Crandall	Stewart	Seales	Jones	Avants
at Nebraska	Crandall	Stewart	Seales	Jones	Avants
Northland College	Crandall	Stewart	Seales	Jones	Avants
Utah Valley	Crandall	Stewart	Seales	Jones	Avants
Presentation College	Crandall	Stewart	Seales	Jones	Avants
at Creighton	Crandall	Stewart	Seales	Jones	Avants
North Dakota State	Crandall	Stewart	Kinsey	Jones	Avants
at South Dakota State	Crandall	Stewart	Seales	Jones	Avants
at Gonzaga	Crandall	Stewart	Seales	Jones	Avants
Idaho*	Crandall	Stewart	Kinsey	Seales	Avants
Eastern Washington*	Crandall	Stewart	Seales	Jones	Avants
at Montana*	Crandall	Stewart	Seales	Jones	Avants
at Montana State*	Crandall	Buchanan	Kinsey	Seales	Avants
Idaho State*	Crandall	Stewart	Seales	Jones	Avants
Weber State*	Crandall	Stewart	Seales	Jones	Avants
at North Dakota State	Crandall	Stewart	Seales	Jones	Avants
at Northern Colorado*	Crandall	Stewart	Seales	Jones	Avants
at Eastern Washington*	Crandall	Stewart	Seales	Jones	Avants
at Idaho*	Crandall	Stewart	Seales	Jones	Avants
Montana State*	Crandall	Stewart	Seales	Jones	Avants
Montana*	Crandall	Stewart	Seales	Jones	Avants
at Weber State*	Crandall	Stewart	Seales	Jones	Avants
at Idaho State*	Crandall	Stewart	Seales	Jones	Avants
Southern Utah*					
Northern Arizona*					
Northern Colorado*					
at Sacramento State*					
at Portland State*					

**HOW MANY TIMES...2017-18**

<b>Led/Shared Team in Scoring</b>	<b>Total</b>
Marlon Stewart	6
Dale Jones	6
Geno Crandall	6
Cortez Seales	4
Tray Buchanan	2
Conner Avants	1
<b>Led/Shared Team in Rebounding</b>	<b>Total</b>
Dale Jones	12
Conner Avants	10
Geno Crandall	5
Marlon Stewart	3
<b>Led/Shared Team in Assists</b>	<b>Total</b>
Geno Crandall	15
Marlon Stewart	8
Cortez Seales	4
Dale Jones	3
Tray Buchanan	2
Billy Brown	1
<b>Led/Shared Team in Steals</b>	<b>Total</b>
Geno Crandall	12
Marlon Stewart	6
Cortez Seales	6
Tray Buchanan	5
Conner Avants	3
Billy Brown	2
Dale Jones	1
Jafar Kinsey	1
Kienan Walter	1
<b>Led/Shared Team in Blocks</b>	<b>Total</b>
Cortez Seales	9
Dale Jones	7
Conner Avants	6
Kienan Walter	4
Garrett Franken	3
Billy Brown	2
Geno Crandall	1
Marlon Stewart	1





### HEAD COACH BRIAN JONES



Jones is entering his 12th season at the helm of the North Dakota men's basketball program and he will look to keep UND at the top of the Big Sky in its sixth and final season in the league. The reigning Big Sky Coach of the Year led the Fighting Hawks to their first league regular season and tournament titles in 2016-17, which resulted in the program's first NCAA Tournament appearance. UND has reached DI postseason play in six of its nine seasons at that level and Jones has amassed 16 wins in conference and postseason tournaments during his tenure. UND's 22 wins in 2016-17 were also a DI-program record and were the most wins by a UND team since 1999-2000.

#### JONES' RECORD AT UND

Year	Overall	Conf	Finish	Postseason
2006-07	11-17	3-10 (NC)	t-5th	--
2007-08	15-15	2-10 (NC)	t-6th	NCC runner-up
2008-09	16-12	-	-	--
2009-10	8-23	5-7 (GW)	t-3rd	GWC quarters
2010-11	19-15	8-4 (GW)	3rd	GWC champions
2011-12	17-15	6-4 (GW)	2nd	GWC champions
2012-13	16-17	12-8 (BS)	3rd	BST semifinals
2013-14	17-17	12-8 (BS)	t-2nd	BST runner-up
2014-15	8-22	4-14 (BS)	t-10th	--
2015-16	17-16	10-8 (BS)	t-5th	BST semifinals
2016-17	22-10	14-4 (BS)	1st	BST champions
2017-18	8-17	3-10 (BS)	--	--
<b>Totals</b>	<b>174-196</b>	<b>79-87</b>		

#### JONES IN THE POSTSEASON

<b>2006-07 (DII, North Central)</b>				
NCC	QF	at Minnesota-Duluth	L, 85-62	
<b>2007-08 (DII, North Central)</b>				
NCC	QF	at South Dakota	W, 78-76	
NCC	SF	vs. Augustana	W, 82-68	
NCC	CH	vs. Nebraska-Omaha	L, 75-68	
<b>*2008-09 (DI, Independent)</b>				
ST	SF	South Dakota	W, 68-66	
ST	CH	Seattle	L, 76-59	
<b>2009-10 (DI, Great West)</b>				
GWC	QF	vs. NJIT	L, 70-57	
<b>2010-11 (DI, Great West)</b>				
GWC	QF	vs. UTPA	W, 71-70	
GWC	SF	vs. Houston Baptist	W, 65-63	
GWC	CH	vs. South Dakota	W, 77-76 (2ot)	
CIT	1st	at Air Force	L, 77-67	
<b>2011-12 (D1, Great West)</b>				
GWC	SF	vs. UTPA	W, 63-59	
GWC	CH	vs. NJIT	W, 75-60	
CIT	1st	at Drake	L, 70-64	
<b>2012-13 (D1, Big Sky)</b>				
BSC	QF	vs. SUU	W, 69-52	
BSC	SF	vs. Weber State	L, 76-74	
CIT	1st	at Northern Iowa	L, 77-67	
<b>2013-14 (D1, Big Sky)</b>				
BSC	QF	vs. Sacramento State	W, 79-76	
BSC	SF	vs. Portland State	W, 79-63	
BSC	CH	at Weber State	L, 88-67	
CIT	1st	at Omaha	L, 91-75	
<b>2015-16 (D1, Big Sky)</b>				
BSC	FR	vs. Southern Utah	W, 85-80	
BSC	QF	vs. Idaho State	W, 83-49	
BSC	SF	vs. Weber State	L, 83-78 (ot)	
CIT	1st	UC Irvine	L, 89-86 (ot)	
<b>2016-17 (D1, Big Sky)</b>				
BSC	QF	vs. Portland State	W, 95-72	
BSC	SF	vs. Idaho	W, 69-64	
BSC	CH	vs. Weber State	W, 93-89 (ot)	
NCAA	1st	vs. Arizona	L, 100-82	

\* Spring Thaw Independent Tournament

#### Assistants Coaches/DOBO



**Brad Davidson**  
(2nd Season)



**Steve Grabowski**  
(6th Season)



**Jeff Horner**  
(4th Season)



**Craig Heatherly**  
(3rd Season)

#### DIVISION I OVERTIME RECORD: 12-8

##### Quadruple Overtime (0-1)

1/20/2011 Utah Valley L 107-96

##### Double Overtime (3-0)

1/28/2010 at UTPA W 78-74  
3/12/2011 vs. South Dakota W 77-76  
12/5/2015 at Bradley W 65-59

##### Single Overtime (9-6)

1/2/2009 Minot State W 97-93  
1/13/2009 Mary W 84-78  
11/23/2011 Montana W 88-81  
3/3/2011 at Houston Baptist W 74-70  
2/16/2013 Northern Arizona L 74-72  
1/17/2015 Northern Colorado L 88-78  
2/5/2015 at Southern Utah W 89-85  
3/11/2016 vs. Weber State L 83-78  
3/16/2016 UC Irvine L 89-86  
12/31/2016 at Sacramento State W 90-82  
2/4/2017 Northern Colorado W 87-77  
2/25/2017 at Northern Colorado W 84-81  
3/11/2017 vs. Weber State W 93-89  
11/25/2017 Utah Valley L 83-75  
12/16/2017 at (12/13) Gonzaga L 89-83  
1/20/2018 at Northern Colorado L 94-91

#### 2017-18 A CLOSER LOOK

##### UND's record when

Home.....5-5  
Road.....1-12  
Neutral.....2-0

Big Sky.....3-10  
Big Sky Home.....3-3  
Big Sky Road.....0-7

Scoring 59 or less.....0-1  
Scoring 60-69.....0-6  
Scoring 70-79.....2-8  
Scoring 80-89.....6-1  
Scoring 90-99.....0-1  
Scoring 100-plus.....0-0

Leading at the half.....7-1  
Trailing at the half.....1-15  
Tied at the half.....0-1  
In overtime.....0-0

Leading with five minutes left.....6-2  
Trailing with five minutes left.....2-16  
Tied with five minutes left.....0-0

Higher FG percentage than opponent.....7-2  
Lower FG percentage than opponent.....1-14  
Same FG percentage as opponent.....0-1

Rebounding advantage.....3-1  
Rebounding deficit.....5-15  
Rebounding even.....0-1



Game Notes: North Dakota vs. Southern Utah (Feb. 15)

Big Sky Conference Men's Basketball (2017-18)								
School	Conf	Pct	Overall	Pct	Home	Away	L10	Strk
Montana	13-0	1.000	20-5	.800	11-0	8-4	10-0	W13
Weber State	10-2	.833	17-7	.708	12-1	4-3	9-1	W7
Idaho	9-3	.750	17-7	.708	7-2	8-3	8-2	W4
Eastern Washington	7-5	.583	12-13	.480	7-1	4-11	6-4	L2
Northern Colorado	7-6	.538	16-10	.615	9-3	4-7	5-5	L1
Idaho State	6-6	.500	11-12	.478	8-4	3-8	4-6	W1
Montana State	6-7	.462	13-13	.500	8-4	3-9	3-7	L1
Portland State	5-7	.417	15-10	.600	6-3	8-5	5-5	W1
Southern Utah	4-8	.333	10-13	.435	8-4	2-9	4-6	W2
Sacramento State	3-9	.250	6-19	.240	5-4	1-11	2-8	L4
North Dakota *#	3-10	.231	8-17	.320	5-5	1-12	4-6	L3
Northern Arizona	1-11	.083	4-21	.160	1-9	3-10	1-9	L4

\* 2017 Big Sky Tournament Champs | #Regular Season Champions | Games thru Feb. 10

**BIG SKY ROUND UP**

**Thursday, Feb. 8**  
 Montana 80, Portland State 60  
 Montana State 92, Sacramento State 76  
 Weber State 84, North Dakota 76  
 Northern Colorado 85, Idaho State 82

**Friday, Feb. 9**  
 Idaho 66, Eastern Washington 64

**Saturday, Feb. 10**  
 Southern Utah 63, Northern Arizona 54  
 Portland State 80, Montana State 77  
 Montana 71, Sacramento State 69 (ot)  
 Idaho State 82, North Dakota 67  
 Weber State 74, Northern Colorado 66 (ot)

**Thursday, Feb. 15**  
 Southern Utah at North Dakota  
 Montana State at Idaho  
 Montana at Eastern Washington  
 Northern Arizona at Northern Colorado  
 Idaho State at Sacramento State  
 Weber State at Portland State

**Saturday, Feb. 17**  
 Southern Utah at Northern Colorado  
 Montana State at Eastern Washington  
 Montana at Idaho  
 Northern Arizona at North Dakota  
 Idaho State at Portland State  
 Weber State at Sacramento State

**#BIGSKYMBB READY NUTRION**

**PLAYERS OF THE WEEK**

**WEEK 1:** Geno Crandall, Jr., G (North Dakota)  
**WEEK 2:** Bryce Canda, Sr., G (Portland State)  
**WEEK 3:** Deontae North, Sr., G (Portland State)  
**WEEK 4:** Tyler Hall, Jr., G (Montana State)  
**WEEK 5:** Holland Woods, Fr., G (Portland State)  
**WEEK 6:** Bogdan Bliznyuk, Sr., G/F (EWU)  
**WEEK 7:** Andre Spight, Jr., G (Northern Colorado)  
**WEEK 8:** Justin Strings, Sr., F (Sacramento State)  
**WEEK 9:** Jamar Akoh, Jr., F (Montana)  
**WEEK 10:** Michael Oguine, Jr., G (Montana)  
**WEEK 11:** Brayon Blake, Sr., F (Idaho)  
**WEEK 12:** Bogdan Bliznyuk, Sr., G/F (EWU)  
**WEEK 13:** Andre Spight, Jr., G (Northern Colorado)  
**WEEK 14:** Zach Braxton, Jr., F (Weber State)

**PRESEASON POLLS**

**Coaches' Poll**

1. Idaho (10)	117
2. Weber State (1)	103
3. Montana	101
t4. Northern Colorado (1)	83
t4. Montana State	83
6. North Dakota	71
7. Eastern Washington	63
8. Portland State	55
9. Sacramento State	48
10. Idaho State	25
11. Northern Arizona	23
12. Southern Utah	19

**Media Poll**

1. Idaho (12)	211
2. Weber State (3)	195
3. Montana (3)	188
4. Montana State	180
5. North Dakota (1)	146
6. Eastern Washington	144
7. Northern Colorado	106
8. Sacramento State	87
9. Portland State	76
10. Northern Arizona	59
11. Idaho State	52
12. Southern Utah	38

**BIG SKY GAMES ONLY LEADERS (thru Feb. 10)**

**SCORING**

1. Andre Spight, Northern Colorado	23.4
2. Jerrick Harding, Weber State	23.1
3. Bogdan Bliznyuk, Eastern Washington	22.1
4. Tyler Hall, Montana State	19.2
5. Justin Strings, Sacramento State	19.1

**REBOUNDING**

1. Brayon Blake, Idaho	8.9
2. Brooks DeBischof, Northern Arizona	8.8
3. Zach Braxton, Weber State	8.6
4. Jamar Akoh, Montana	7.8
5. Bogdan Bliznyuk, Eastern Washington	7.5

**ASSISTS**

1. Holland Woods, Portland State	5.4
2. Bogdan Bliznyuk, Eastern Washington	4.3
Victor Sanders, Idaho	4.3
4. Andre Spight, Northern Colorado	4.2
5. Izayah M.Le'Afa, Sacramento State	4.1

**STEALS**

1. Geno Luczando, Idaho State	1.9
2. Michael Oguine, Montana	1.7
<b>3. Geno Crandall, North Dakota</b>	<b>1.6</b>
4. Sayeed Pridgett, Montana	1.4
5. Izayah M.Le'Afa, Sacramento State	1.3
Bobby Moorehead, Montana	1.3

**BLOCKS**

1. Brekkott Chapman, Weber State	2.0
2. Mason Peatling, Eastern Washington	1.8
3. Ryan Edwards, Portland State	1.7
4. Joshua Patton, Sacramento State	1.6
Justin Strings, Sacramento State	1.6

**UND vs. Big Sky Opponents**

The 2017-18 season will be the sixth and final season for the University of North Dakota in the Big Sky Conference. Here's a look at the head-to-head records the Fighting Hawks have amassed since joining the league prior to the 2012-13 campaign:

UND vs.	Big Sky	Home	Away	Neutral	All-Time	Jones vs.	Big Sky Tourn
Eastern Washington	6-4	5-1	2-4	0-0	7-5	6-4	0-0
Idaho	2-4	1-2	1-3	1-0	3-5	3-5	1-0
Idaho State	10-1	7-0	4-2	1-0	12-2	12-2	1-0
Montana	1-10	5-5	1-12	0-0	6-17	2-12	0-0
Montana State	7-4	5-3	8-6	1-3	14-12	7-4	0-0
Northern Arizona	5-4	2-2	3-2	0-0	5-4	5-4	0-0
Northern Colorado	5-6	27-7	14-17	4-1	45-25	5-9	0-0
Portland State	5-4	5-1	2-3	2-0	9-4	7-4	2-0
Sacramento State	4-5	4-2	1-4	1-0	6-6	6-6	1-0
Southern Utah	6-3	3-1	3-2	2-0	8-3	8-3	2-0
Weber State	4-7	3-3	1-5	1-2	5-10	5-10	1-3







**THE BEST AT THE BETTY ...**

**UND INDIVIDUAL BESTS AT THE BETTY**

**Points:** 38, Quinton Hooker vs. Portland State (02/25/16)  
**Field Goals Made:** 15, Quinton Hooker vs. Portland State (02/25/16)  
**Field Goal Attempts:** 23, Evan Lindahl vs. Minnesota State (01/20/05)  
**Field Goal Pct.:** 1.000 (10-10), Josh Doyle vs. Upper Iowa (02/04/06)  
**3 PT FG Made:** 10, Patrick Mitchell vs. NJIT (02/23/10)  
**3 PT FG Attempts:** 14, Adam McDermott vs. Idaho State (02/04/16)  
**3 PT FG Pct.:** 1.000 (9-9), Josh Doyle vs. Upper Iowa (02/04/06)  
**Free Throws Made:** 15, Troy Huff vs. Northern Colorado (03/04/14)  
**Free Throw Attempts:** 17, Troy Huff vs. Northern Colorado (03/03/14); Troy Huff vs. North Dakota State (11/24/13)  
**FT Pct.:** 1.000 (14-14), Quinton Hooker vs. Weber State (03/11/16)  
**Rebounds:** 21, Drick Bernstine vs. Idaho State (03/10/16)  
**Assists:** 10, Quinton Hooker vs. Idaho State (01/31/15); Quinton Hooker vs. Northern Colorado (01/17/15); Quinton Hooker vs. Idaho State (02/04/16); Drick Bernstine vs. Presentation College (11/20/16)  
**Steals:** 6, Quinton Hooker vs. Portland State (03/04/17); Quinton Hooker vs. Northern Colorado (02/04/17)  
**Blocked Shots:** 7, Todd Rypkema vs. Augustana (SD) (01/29/05); Ben Lehnertz vs. Augustana (02/02/08)  
**Turnovers:** 9, Mike Johnson vs. Bemidji State (12/10/04)

**UND TEAM BESTS AT THE BETTY**

**Points:** 110 vs. Minnesota Morris (11/13/13)  
**Field Goals Made:** 43 vs. Minnesota Morris (11/13/13)  
**Field Goal Attempts:** 87 vs. Utah Valley (11/25/17)  
**Field Goal Percentage:** 68.5 (37-54) vs. Dickinson State (12/08/06)  
**3 Pt. FG Made:** 16 vs. NJIT (02/23/10)  
**3 Pt. FG Attempts:** 41 vs. Mayville State (12/18/07)  
**3 Pt. Percentage:** 63.2 vs. Texas-Pan American (01/27/11)  
**Free Throws Made:** 37 vs. Montana (11/23/11)  
**Free Throw Attempts:** 56 vs. Montana (11/23/11)  
**Free Throw Percentage:** 1.000 (21-21) vs. Portland State (01/19/13); 1.000 (10-10) vs. Idaho State (01/21/17)  
**Rebounds:** 53 vs. Utah Valley (01/20/11; 40T)  
**Assists:** 26 vs. Sacramento State (02/27/16)  
**Steals:** 16 vs. Upper Iowa (01/27/09); Presentation College (12/13/12)  
**Blocked Shots:** 11 vs. Utah Valley (01/20/11; 40T); Presentation College (12/13/12)  
**Turnovers:** 22 vs. Valley City State (12/10/08); Montana (11/23/11); Portland State (03/04/17)  
**Fouls:** 32 vs. Utah Valley (01/20/11; 40T)

**OPPONENT INDIVIDUAL BESTS AT THE BETTY**

**Points:** 34, Mark Velocovich, SIUE (02/18/10); Taylor Braun, North Dakota State (11/24/13)  
**Field Goals Made:** 12, Andrew Gonzalez, Houston Baptist (03/04/10); Martin Breunig, Montana (01/16/16), Paul Miller, NDSU (12/09/17)  
**Field Goal Attempts:** 22, Brian Stamer, Colorado Christian (12/03/05)  
**Field Goal Pct. (min 8 made):** 1.000 (8-8), Tyler Cain, South Dakota (01/19/08)  
**3 PT FG Made:** 7, Jon DeRock, Southwest Minnesota (11/18/08); Marc Sonnen, Northern Iowa (12/19/09); Kenyon McNeill, Louisiana Tech (02/16/11); Justin Strings, Sacramento State (02/27/16); Jeremy Senglin, Weber State (02/06/16)  
**3 PT FG Attempts:** 13, Jeremy Senglin, Weber State (01/19/17)  
**3 PT FG Pct. (min 4 made):** 1.000 (4-4), Michael Harthun, Portland State (01/19/13)  
**Free Throws Made:** 18, Taylor Braun, North Dakota State (11/24/13)  
**Free Throw Attempts:** 22, Taylor Braun, North Dakota State (11/24/13)  
**FT Pct. (min 10 made):** 1.000 (16-16), Kris Yanku, Northern Arizona (02/26/15)  
**Rebounds:** 17, Geddes Robinson, Utah Valley (01/20/11; 40T)  
**Assists:** 12, Kris Yanku, Northern Arizona (02/26/15)  
**Steals:** 7, Shaun Burl, Seattle University (02/27/09)  
**Blocked Shots:** 6, Richaun Holmes, Bowling Green (12/28/12)  
**Turnovers:** 8, DeWayne Russell, Northern Arizona (02/16/13); Tevin Russell, Dickinson State (12/19/14); Jamal Branco, Mayville State (11/18/14); June Prowell, Waldorf (12/01/15)

**OPPONENT TEAM BESTS AT THE BETTY**

**Points:** 107, Utah Valley (01/20/11; 40T)  
**Field Goals Made:** 39, South Dakota (01/24/09)  
**Field Goal Attempts:** 76, Minnesota State (01/20/05)  
**Field Goal Percentage:** 62.9 (39-62), South Dakota (01/24/09)  
**3 Pt. FG Made:** 15, St. Cloud State (01/04/07)  
**3 Pt. FG Attempts:** 39, South Dakota (01/24/09)  
**3 Pt. Percentage:** 66.7 (8-12), Valley City State (11/15/05); 66.7 (6-9) Montana State (02/13/14)  
**Free Throws Made:** 35, Utah Valley (01/20/11; 40T)  
**Free Throw Attempts:** 44, Minnesota State (01/06/07); Utah Valley (01/20/11; 40T)  
**Free Throw Percentage:** 1.000 (9-9), Minnesota State (01/20/05); 1.000 (8-8), Weber State (01/19/17)  
**Rebounds:** 54, Utah Valley (01/20/11; 40T)  
**Assists:** 24, South Dakota (01/24/09)  
**Steals:** 14, Northern State (12/02/04); Mayville State (12/02/06)  
**Blocked Shots:** 9, South Dakota (02/15/07)  
**Turnovers:** 27, Jamestown (11/30/11); Mayville State (11/18/14); Crown College (11/11/16)  
**Fouls:** 33, Minot State (01/02/09); Utah Valley (01/20/11; 40T); Montana (11/23/11)

**DIVISION I ERA**

**UND'S LARGEST MARGIN OF VICTORY (ALL GAMES)**

- 58 vs. Illinois Tech (91-33; Nov. 28, 2008)
- 46 Presentation College (78-32; Dec. 15, 2013)
- 42 at Northern Arizona (101-59; Jan. 21, 2016)
- 42 Presentation College (74-32; Dec. 13, 2012)
- 41 Minnesota-Morris (110-69; Nov. 13, 2013)
- 37 Mayville State (76-39; Nov. 18, 2014)
- 36 Crown College (87-51; Nov. 14, 2012)
- 34 vs. Idaho State (83-49; Mar. 10, 2016)#
- 31 Waldorf (77-46; Nov. 12, 2010)
- 31 Waldorf (93-62; Nov. 12, 2011)
- 30 Southern Utah (95-65; Jan. 7, 2017)
- 30 Minnesota Morris (99-69; Nov. 13, 2015)
- 30 Dickinson State (78-48; Dec. 19, 2014)

#Big Sky Tournament

**UND'S LARGEST MARGIN OF VICTORY BIG SKY GAMES**

- 42 at Northern Arizona (101-59; Jan. 21, 2016)
- 30 Southern Utah (95-65; Jan. 7, 2017)
- 26 Sacramento State (97-71; Feb. 27, 2016)
- 25 Idaho State (89-64; Jan. 21, 2017)
- 23 Idaho (88-65; Feb. 11, 2017)
- 23 Idaho State (81-58; Jan. 11, 2018)

Regular Season Games

**UND'S LARGEST MARGIN OF DEFEAT BIG SKY GAMES**

- 37 at Portland State (99-62; Dec. 29, 2016)
- 32 at Weber State (95-63; Jan. 5, 2012)
- 30 at Montana (109-79; Jan. 4, 2018)
- 25 at Montana (71-46; Mar. 3, 2016)
- 25 at Northern Arizona (88-63; Feb. 7, 2014)
- 22 at Eastern Washington (102-80; Jan. 24, 2014)
- 20 at Montana (78-58; Feb. 9, 2012)

Regular Season Games



### **2016-17 SEASON REWIND**

The 2016-17 men's basketball season was certainly a year of firsts for the Fighting Hawks, who ended the campaign with a 22-10 record to go along with Big Sky regular season and tournament titles. The 20-win season was the first for UND at the Division I level (since 2008-09) and first since the 2004-05 team went 20-10 at the DII level.

Those efforts helped UND wind up in the final CollegeInsider.com Mid-Major Top 25 poll for the first time in program history, finishing in the 23rd spot (complete poll).

UND capped its historic run with the program's first NCAA DI Tournament berth after reaching the DII NCAA Tournament 19 times. The Fighting Hawks fell 100-82 to No. 2 seed Arizona in the opening round of the West Region.

The regular season title was the first for head coach Brian Jones in his 11 seasons and first for the program since the 1994-95 team shared the North Central Conference crown. The conference tournament title was the third for Jones, who has led UND to postseason tournament play in six of the last seven seasons.

Senior Quinton Hooker received many of the same accolades from his junior campaign, repeating as an All-Big Sky First Team selection and Lou Henson Mid-Major All-American after averaging 19.3 ppg. Hooker also defended his College Court Report Mid-Major Player Fan Vote title and captured Big Sky Tournament MVP after scoring 28 points in the title game vs. Weber State.

### **HOOKER REPEATS AS LOU HENSON ALL-AMERICAN**

For the second-consecutive season, North Dakota senior guard Quinton Hooker was named to the Lou Henson All-America Team. Hooker was one of 30 Mid-Major players selected to the team and Monmouth's Justin Robinson was recognized as the Lou Henson Mid-Major Player of the Year. Hooker was one of 14 players on the team that played in the 2017 NCAA Tournament as he led the Fighting Hawks to their first Big Dance. He scored 25 points in UND's first-round loss to second-seeded Arizona.

### **HOOKER AND JONES EARN ALL-DISTRICT 6 RECOGNITION**

North Dakota head men's basketball coach Brian Jones was named the NABC UPS All-District 6 Coach of the Year and senior Quinton Hooker was named to the All-District 6 Second Team on Wednesday. Jones and Hooker guided the Fighting Hawks to their first NCAA Tournament appearance at the Division I level.

Jones, who was named the Big Sky Coach of the Year, led his squad to the league's regular season and tournament titles, while amassing a DI-program record 22 wins.

Hooker, who earned a spot on the team for the second-consecutive year, was one of six Big Sky players to land on the team that also featured four players from the Western Athletic Conference. The Brooklyn Park, Minn., native averaged 19.3 ppg during his final collegiate season and he moved into sixth place on UND's all-time scoring charts, finishing his career with 1,787 points. He is third on the all-time charts with 195 steals and fourth with 417 assists.

### **Q AND COREY LAND ON ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM**

Senior classmates Quinton Hooker and Corey Baldwin were both named to the All-Big Sky Tournament Team and Hooker collected Tournament MVP honors for their efforts in leading UND to a title. Hooker nearly exceeded his scoring output from the first two games (30) in the title game with a 28-point performance against the Weber State. Baldwin posted the first double-double of his career in the quarterfinal victory (18 pts/10 rebs) over Portland State. Baldwin also went 11-for-16 from 3-point land in Reno and led the team in scoring in both the quarters and semis. He averaged 14.6 ppg and reached double figures in all three games.

### **GENO TAKES DOWN RENO, WILDCATS**

Sophomore guard Geno Crandall averaged 16.0 ppg, 6.7 rpg and 6.3 apg during UND's three victories in Reno. He made timely shots throughout

the tournament, but none were bigger than his layup with seven seconds to go in regulation against Weber State in the title game. The acrobatic effort through traffic squared things up at 81-81. He was at his best in crunch time, helping UND erase a 10-point deficit in the final 7:26. Crandall scored eight of UND's 20 points in that closing stretch and added four more points in overtime to seal the third victory of the season over Weber State.

UND entered the season with a 1-9 all-time record against the Wildcats and had been knocked out of all three of its previous Big Sky Tournaments by them as well. Crandall helped change the momentum in the series by averaging 22.3 ppg against the Wildcats in those three victories, while senior Quinton Hooker added 24.0 ppg against his career-long nemesis.

### **JONES COLLECTS BIG SKY COACH OF THE YEAR ACCOLADE**

After leading the Fighting Hawks to their first regular season conference title at the Division I level, North Dakota men's basketball head coach Brian Jones was named the Big Sky Coach of the Year on Wednesday.

Jones, whose program moved the highest level of college basketball prior to the 2008-09 season, set the DI program record by leading his team to 19 regular-season wins and a 14-4 record in Big Sky play.

After winning just eight games two seasons ago, Jones has led UND to 17 and 19 wins, respectively, over the past two seasons and has the Fighting Hawks on the brink of their first 20-win season since the 2004-05 season.

UND won 11 of its last 14 games in 2016-17 and clinched the first regular-season conference title for the program since sharing the North Central Conference crown in 1994-95.

### **FIGHTING HAWK TRIO GARNERS BIG SKY RECOGNITION**

Senior Quinton Hooker along with sophomores Geno Crandall and Cortez Seales all earned recognition by the Big Sky Conference for their contributions to the Fighting Hawks' regular season title. UND set a Division I program record with 19 regular season victories with 14 of those coming in league action.

Hooker was one of three unanimous selections to the All-Big Sky first team as he landed a spot on that squad for the second-consecutive season. Crandall was selected by the league's head coaches to the second team, while Seales was named the league's Reserve of the Year.



**Cortez Seales** swats away a potential game-winning 3-point attempt by Jerrick Harding in the closing seconds of regulation during the 2017 Big Sky Tournament title game.







**Top Reserve of the Year:** Cortez Seales, So., North Dakota

**Coach of the Year:** Brian Jones, North Dakota

#### SEALES COLLECTS HARDWARE

Sophomore Cortez Seales, who was named the Big Sky Reserve of the Year, found his scoring groove late in the season. In the three games in Reno, Seales averaged 10.3 ppg. In his last 10 regular-season game, he averaged 12.7 ppg and reached double figures six times. Seales scored a season-high 23 points off the bench in the overtime win at Northern Colorado (Feb. 25). It was the third 20-point plus game of his career and first time he led UND in scoring since dropping 27 in his collegiate debut vs. Minnesota-Morris last season. In UND's final three road wins of the season, he averaged 16.7 ppg, 6.3 rpg and shot 50 percent from the field (20-for-40).

#### HOME COOKIN'

UND finished the 2016-17 regular season with an 11-2 record at The Betty this season and has won 13 of its last 14 at home against Big Sky foes dating back to the 2015-16 season. The Fighting Hawks averaged 84.8 ppg and shot 50.3 percent from the field in home games this season, while opponents only averaged 68.5 ppg and shot just 41.4 percent from the field. Senior Quinton Hooker averaged 21.2 ppg in 13 home games this season.

#### COMMON DENOMINATOR

UND's last three regular season conference championship teams all had one thing in common, each of them went undefeated in February (1990-91, 8-0 NCC; 1994-95, 7-0 NCC; and 2016-17, 6-0 BSC).

#### BALDWIN'S BOMBS

Senior Corey Baldwin entered the Big Sky Tournament having made only three of 18 attempts from beyond the arc in the four games leading up to Reno. However, in the three tournament victories, Baldwin made 11-of-16 (68.8%). As a team, UND shot 47 percent from distance (25-for-53).

#### JONES IN CONFERENCE TOURNAMENTS

With the 2017 Big Sky Tournament title, head coach Brian Jones improved to 15-4 in DI conference tournaments since UND moved up divisions prior to the 2008-09 season. He has led six of those seven teams to the semifinals or further, including the 2011 and 2012 Great West Tournament titles. His teams are 8-3 in four Big Sky Tournament appearances.

#### A-VANTSING HIS ROLE

Sophomore Conner Avants led the team and ranked seventh in the Big Sky in field goal percentage (55.3). He posted 15 double-digit scoring games on the season (31 starts), which was five more than he had in a reserve role as a freshman in 32 total appearances.

#### THE ONE AND ONLY

Senior Quinton Hooker is the only player in program history to score 1,700 points (1,787), grab 400 rebounds (494), dish out 400 assists (417) and net 150 steals (194) in a career.

#### HOOKER PASSES PHIL JACKSON, MOVES UP ASSIST CHARTS

With his 17-point and seven-assist performance in UND's quarterfinal victory over Portland State (Mar. 9) at the Big Sky Tournament, senior Quinton Hooker moved into sixth place on the program's all-time scoring chart and fourth on the all-time assist chart. Hooker passed former UND legend and current New York Knicks' President Phil Jackson (1,704) on the scoring charts and became just the fifth player in UND history with 400-plus career assists.

#### HOOKER REPEATS AS CCR MID-MAJOR PLAYER OF THE YEAR

It was a bigger field, but the same result for Quinton Hooker as North Dakota's senior captain claimed his second-consecutive College Court Report Mid-Major Player of the Year Award. The first of Hooker's back-to-back fan vote titles was in a 64-man field, but this season CCR officials expanded the field to 96 to include as many of the top Mid-Major players

### 2016-17 Results

Date	Opponent	W/L	Score	Attendance
11/11	Crown	W	98-48	2207
11/15	Mayville State	W	94-66	1681
11/20	Presentation College	W	101-63	1573
11/25	vs. North Florida	L	76-75	--
11/26	at Wright State	L	83-79	3024
11/27	vs. CSU Bakersfield	W	57-55	--
12/07	at North Dakota State	W	74-56	5022
12/10	at Northern Iowa	L	78-70	4521
12/16	North Dakota State	L	87-70	2428
12/20	at Iowa	L	84-73	11099
12/29	at Portland State	L	99-62	612
12/31	at Sacramento State*	W	90-82 (OT)	505
1/5	Northern Arizona*	W	68-63	1518
1/7	Southern Utah*	W	95-65	1749
1/12	at Montana State*	W	90-85	2629
1/14	at Montana*	L	76-70	3719
1/19	Weber State*	W	83-77	2362
1/21	Idaho State*	W	89-64	2570
1/26	at Southern Utah*	W	91-89	2069
1/28	at Northern Arizona*	L	68-67	1658
2/4	Northern Colorado*	W	87-77 (OT)	2352
2/9	Eastern Washington*	W	95-86	1891
2/11	Idaho*	W	88-65	2345
2/16	at Idaho State	W	77-61	1415
2/18	at Weber State*	W	77-68	7658
2/25	at Northern Colorado*	W	84-81 (OT)	2132
3/2	Sacramento State*	L	57-53	2266
3/4	Portland State*	W	82-73	2870
3/9	vs. Portland State#	W	95-72	1513
3/10	vs. Idaho#	W	69-64	2003
3/11	vs. Weber State#	W	93-89 (OT)	2025
3/16	Arizona\$	L	100-82	16341

\* Big Sky Conference game | # Big Sky Tournament game | \$ NCAA Tournament

in the country as possible. Hooker had a first-round bye during the seven-week voting process that saw more than 190,000 total votes be tallied. After that, he was never seriously challenged until his Final Four matchup against Texas A&M-Corpus Christi's Rashawn Thomas. He picked up nearly 62 percent of the votes against Thomas.

In the finals, Hooker ended up outdistancing Wright State's Mark Alstork by claiming almost 70 percent of the total votes casted on three platforms with a majority of those coming from the online portion.

#### 2016-17 ALL-BIG SKY CONFERENCE AWARDS

##### First Team

Jacob Wiley, Sr., Eastern Washington (unanimous)

Tyler Hall, So., Montana State (unanimous)

**Quinton Hooker, Sr., North Dakota\*# (unanimous)**

Jeremy Senglin, Sr., Weber State#

Victor Sanders, Jr., Idaho

#Two-Time First Team selection

##### Second Team

Bogdan Bliznyuk, Jr., Eastern Washington

**Geno Crandall, So., North Dakota**

Ahmaad Rorie, So., Montana

Randy Onwuasor, Jr., Southern Utah

Justin Strings, Jr., Sacramento State

##### Third Team

Jordan Davis, So., Northern Colorado

Harald Frey, Fr., Montana State

Jordyn Martin, Sr., Northern Arizona

De'Sean Parsons, Sr., Portland State

Michael Oguine, So., Montana



# DALE JONES

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Hometown: Waterloo, Iowa

Previous School: Iowa • Major: Higher Education (Masters)

**Game-by-Game 2017-18**

OPPONENT	MP	FG	3FG	FT	REB.	AST.	BL.	ST.	PTS.
vs. Troy	30	4-12	2-7	1-2	5	0	0	1	11
at Hawai'i	22	2-6	0-2	0-0	7	1	0	1	4
vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff	25	5-11	4-8	2-2	5	1	2	1	16
at Nebraska	26	3-9	3-7	2-2	6	1	0	0	11
Northland College	22	3-9	0-4	2-3	15	1	1	1	8
Utah Valley	35	4-12	1-9	2-3	8	0	0	0	11
Presentation College	29	3-8	1-6	0-0	10	3	0	2	7
at Creighton	21	1-6	1-5	0-0	4	1	0	0	3
North Dakota State	25	2-4	0-1	2-2	7	0	0	1	6
at South Dakota State	25	7-12	2-5	2-2	4	0	0	0	18
at Gonzaga	39	5-14	4-11	0-0	4	1	1	1	14
Idaho*					DNP				
Eastern Washington*	34	7-14	4-10	2-2	11	3	2	1	20
at Montana*	27	4-11	1-8	2-2	7	1	0	0	11
at Montana State*	25	2-5	0-2	0-1	7	2	0	0	4
Idaho State*	23	4-7	3-5	0-0	8	1	1	1	11
Weber State*	9	3-5	3-5	0-0	1	0	0	0	9
at North Dakota State	22	6-13	5-10	0-0	6	3	1	1	17
at Northern Colorado*	21	1-4	0-1	0-0	4	1	1	0	2
at Eastern Washington*	19	3-6	3-5	5-6	3	0	1	0	14
at Idaho*	28	8-15	4-9	4-4	8	0	0	0	24
Montana State*	26	6-11	3-6	3-4	8	1	0	1	18
Montana*	28	1-9	0-5	4-4	8	1	0	1	6
at Weber State*	25	7-8	5-6	1-1	8	4	0	0	20
at Idaho State*	29	3-8	2-5	3-4	5	2	0	0	11
Southern Utah*									
Northern Arizona									
Northern Colorado*									
at Sacramento State*									
at Portland State*									

**MORE ON JONES...**

- Registered first career double-double in Big Sky debut vs. Eastern Washington (20 pts/11 rebs; Dec. 31).
- More than doubled his previous career-high by corraling 15 rebounds in the win over Northland (Nov. 21).
- Reached double figures in two of three games at the Outrigger Resorts Rainbow Classic, including equaling his career-high with 16 points in the victory over UAPB (Nov. 13).
- Spent three seasons at Tyler Junior College (2012-15) and two at Iowa (2015-17) before being granted a sixth-year of eligibility by the NCAA after losing two full seasons due to injury
- Played in only 11 games during his two-year Hawk-eyes' career because of various injuries
- Averaged 16.9 ppg and 8.3 rpg as a sophomore at Tyler and was named a NJCAA honorable mention All-American
- Was an all-state performer at Waterloo West High School as a junior and senior

**Season Highs**

- Points: 24, at Idaho (Jan. 27)
- Rebounds: 15, vs. Northland (Nov. 21)
- Assists: 4, at Weber State (Feb. 8)
- Blocks: 2, 2x last vs. EWU (Dec. 31)
- Steals: 2, vs. PC (Nov. 28)

**Jones' Career Highs and Statistics**

<b>POINTS</b> 24.....at Idaho, 1/27/18	<b>3-POINT FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED</b> 11.....at Gonzaga, 12/16/17	<b>ASSISTS</b> 4..... at Weber State, 2/8/18
<b>FIELD GOALS MADE</b> 8.....at Idaho, 1/27/18	<b>FREE THROWS</b> 5..... at Eastern Washington, 1/25/18	<b>BLOCKS</b> 2..... vs. UAPB, 11/13/17
<b>FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS</b> 15.....at Idaho, 1/27/18	<b>FREE THROWS ATTEMPTED</b> 6.....at Eastern Washington, 1/25/18	<b>STEALS</b> 2.....vs. Presentation, 11/28/17
<b>3-POINT FIELD GOALS MADE</b> 5.....2x, last at Weber State, 2/8/18	<b>REBOUNDS</b> 15.....vs. Northland, 11/21/17	<b>MINUTES</b> 39.....at Gonzaga, 12/16/17

Season	GP-GS	MP	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Reb.	Avg.	PF	Ast.	TO	Bl.	St.	TP	Avg.
2015-16*	6-0	78	12-30	.400	9-20	.450	0-0	.000	18	3.0	11	3	4	2	1	33	5.5
2016-17*	5-1	15	1-8	.125	1-7	.143	0-0	.000	4	0.8	5	1	2	0	0	3	0.6
2017-18	24-23	615	94-219	.429	51-142	.359	37-44	.841	158	6.6	84	28	36	10	13	276	11.5
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>35-24</b>	<b>708</b>	<b>107-257</b>	<b>.416</b>	<b>61-169</b>	<b>.361</b>	<b>37-44</b>	<b>.841</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>8.9</b>

\* Stats are from playing time at Iowa during the 2015-17 season





# CONNER AVANTS

JR | F | 6-7 | 235

Hometown: Edmond, Okla.

High School: Deer Creek • Major: General Studies

**Game-by-Game 2017-18**

OPPONENT	MP	FG	3FG	FT	REB.	AST.	BL.	ST.	PTS.
vs. Troy	31	2-4	0-0	0-0	7	4	2	1	4
at Hawai'i	30	6-10	0-0	2-3	7	1	1	0	14
vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff	33	4-6	0-0	1-3	8	1	0	2	9
at Nebraska	23	8-11	0-0	0-0	8	0	1	0	16
Northland College	21	4-8	0-0	3-8	5	1	0	3	11
Utah Valley	29	5-12	0-0	2-4	9	1	0	2	12
Presentation College	32	10-15	0-1	4-5	5	1	0	0	24
at Creighton	25	5-9	0-0	1-2	2	1	0	0	11
North Dakota State	31	5-12	0-0	1-1	2	0	0	0	11
at South Dakota State	23	4-5	0-0	2-4	4	2	0	0	10
at Gonzaga	38	1-4	0-0	1-2	5	0	0	3	3
Idaho*	29	3-6	0-0	0-2	5	0	0	0	6
Eastern Washington*	31	4-8	0-0	3-4	6	2	0	1	11
at Montana*	17	0-4	0-0	0-0	4	0	0	1	0
at Montana State*	27	3-5	0-1	0-1	3	1	1	0	6
Idaho State*	28	6-11	0-0	1-2	5	0	0	0	13
Weber State*	23	1-4	0-0	4-7	4	2	1	1	6
at North Dakota State	31	7-10	0-0	3-3	4	0	1	0	17
at Northern Colorado*	41	10-14	0-0	0-1	11	0	0	4	20
at Eastern Washington*	27	5-8	0-0	1-2	4	1	0	0	11
at Idaho*	23	2-3	0-0	3-4	4	1	0	0	7
Montana State*	24	3-8	0-0	4-4	4	0	1	0	10
Montana*	32	4-7	0-0	7-12	11	2	0	0	15
at Weber State*	26	6-9	0-0	2-3	1	1	0	0	14
at Idaho State*	28	6-7	0-0	0-0	7	3	0	0	12
Southern Utah*									
Northern Arizona									
Northern Colorado*									
at Sacramento State*									
at Portland State*									

\*Big Sky game

**MORE ON AVANTS...**

- Recorded the first double-double of his career in overtime loss at Northern Colorado after pulling down a career-high 11 rebounds to go with 20 points
- Added his second double-double just four games later
- Had a career-best streak of seven-straight double-figure scoring games snapped at Gonzaga
- Two-time Big Sky Winter All-Academic Team honoree
- Reached double figures 13 times during his first season as a starter a year ago
- Scored the first basket in all three of UND's Big Sky Tournament victories, finishing in double figures in each of those contests
- One of three Fighting Hawks to appear in all 33 games as a true freshman in 2015-16
- Earned Oklahoma Class 5A all-state accolades after averaging 19.9 ppg and 10.4 rpg

**Season Highs**

Points: 24, vs. PC (Nov. 28)  
 Rebounds: 9, vs. Utah Valley (Nov. 25)  
 Assists: 4, vs. Troy (Nov. 11)  
 Blocks: 2, vs. Troy (Nov. 11)  
 Steals: 4, vs. UNC (Jan. 20)

**Avants' Career Highs and Statistics**

<b>POINTS</b> 24.....vs. Presentation, 11/28/17	<b>3-POINT FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED</b> 3.....at Northern Arizona, 1/21/16	<b>ASSISTS</b> 4.....vs. Troy, 11/10/17
<b>FIELD GOALS MADE</b> 11.....at North Dakota State, 12/12/16	<b>FREE THROWS</b> 7.....vs. Montana, 2/3/18	<b>BLOCKS</b> 3.....vs. Idaho State, 1/21/17
<b>FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS</b> 15.....vs. Presentation, 11/28/17	<b>FREE THROWS ATTEMPTED</b> 12.....vs. Montana, 2/3/18	<b>STEALS</b> 4.....at Northern Colorado, 1/20/18
<b>3-POINT FIELD GOALS MADE</b> 2.....at Northern Arizona, 1/21/16	<b>REBOUNDS</b> 11.....2x, last vs. Montana, 2/3/18	<b>MINUTES</b> 43.....at Bradley, 12/5/15

Season	GP-GS	MP	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Reb.	Avg.	PF	Ast.	TO	Bl.	St.	TP	Avg.
2015-16	33-8	644	81-165	.491	8-19	.421	56-82	.683	106	3.2	98	11	39	8	18	226	6.8
2016-17	31-30	701	126-228	.553	1-7	.143	42-57	.737	148	4.8	94	18	43	16	20	295	9.5
2017-18	25-25	703	114-200	.570	0-1	.000	45-77	.584	135	5.4	72	25	41	8	18	273	10.9
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>89-63</b>	<b>2048</b>	<b>321-593</b>	<b>.541</b>	<b>9-27</b>	<b>.333</b>	<b>143-216</b>	<b>.662</b>	<b>389</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>794</b>	<b>8.9</b>





# GENO CRANDALL

JR | G | 6-4 | 180

Hometown: Minneapolis, Minn.

High School: DeLaSalle • Major: General Studies

### Game-by-Game 2017-18

OPPONENT	MP	FG	3FG	FT	REB.	AST.	BL.	ST.	PTS.
vs. Troy	36	15-19	7-9	4-8	6	5	0	1	41
at Hawai'i	39	5-10	4-5	7-9	3	2	0	1	21
vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff	37	5-10	0-3	10-10	7	3	0	5	20
at Nebraska	34	3-10	0-2	7-9	2	3	0	1	13
Northland College	23	1-2	1-2	0-0	0	3	0	0	3
Utah Valley	41	6-22	1-7	2-3	10	2	0	5	15
Presentation College	35	9-12	1-2	1-3	5	5	0	2	20
at Creighton	27	1-5	1-4	0-0	5	6	0	0	3
North Dakota State	36	6-16	1-4	7-8	5	3	0	5	20
at South Dakota State	31	4-10	1-3	0-0	6	3	0	2	9
at Gonzaga	45	9-16	4-7	6-9	5	5	0	3	28
Idaho*	31	1-6	0-2	8-11	4	1	0	0	10
Eastern Washington*	13	5-9	2-5	1-2	4	1	0	2	13
at Montana*	28	3-8	0-4	3-4	1	2	0	0	9
at Montana State*	32	4-10	1-2	0-0	4	2	0	3	9
Idaho State*	32	3-8	2-4	1-3	7	4	0	2	9
Weber State*	39	10-16	1-3	4-7	9	8	0	1	25
at North Dakota State	27	5-14	0-1	2-3	3	3	0	2	12
at Northern Colorado*	40	13-25	1-5	3-4	7	3	0	3	30
at Eastern Washington*	24	4-7	2-3	2-3	1	3	0	0	12
at Idaho*	27	1-4	0-3	4-4	1	1	0	1	6
Montana State*	40	4-11	0-1	9-12	6	6	0	3	17
Montana*	31	5-8	1-2	2-3	4	2	1	1	13
at Weber State*	25	4-9	2-4	4-5	2	2	0	2	14
at Idaho State*	35	10-13	2-3	6-7	3	5	0	3	28
Southern Utah*									
Northern Arizona									
Northern Colorado*									
at Sacramento State*									
at Portland State*									

\*Big Sky game

### MORE ON CRANDALL...

- Scored 1,000th-career point on 3-pointer that sent game into overtime at Gonzaga (Dec. 16)
- Named the #BigSkyMBB Nutrition Ready Player of the Week after erupting for 27.3 ppg at the Rainbow Classic. It was the second weekly honor of his career.
- Earned All-Big Sky second team accolades as a sophomore
- Last year, ranked 12th in the league in scoring thanks to a 15.5 ppg clip and fourth in assists (4.4 apg)
- Ranked second among Big Sky guards with a 50.3 field goal percentage in 2016-17
- Averaged 22.3 ppg in three wins over Weber State last season, including a 31-point outing in a home victory over the Wildcats
- Averaged 16.0 ppg, 6.3 rpg and 5.0 apg in three wins in Reno during 2017 Big Sky Tournament
- His driving lay-up in the closing seconds of the Big Sky Tournament title game vs. Weber State forced overtime last season
- Part of three Minnesota Class 3A state championship teams at DeLaSalle

### Season Highs

- Points: 41, vs. Troy (Nov. 10)
- Rebounds: 9, vs. Weber State (Jan. 13)
- Assists: 8, vs. Weber State (Jan. 13)
- Blocks: 1, vs. Montana (Feb. 3)
- Steals: 5, 3x last vs. NDSU (Dec. 9)

## Crandall's Career Highs and Statistics

<b>POINTS</b> 41..... vs. Troy, 11/10/17	<b>3-POINT FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED</b> 10.....vs. UC Irvine, 3/16/16	<b>ASSISTS</b> 9..... vs. Southern Utah, 1/07/17
<b>FIELD GOALS MADE</b> 15..... vs. Troy, 11/10/17	<b>FREE THROWS</b> 10.....2x, last vs. UAPB, 11/13/17	<b>BLOCKS</b> 2.....3x, last at Northern Colorado, 2/25/17
<b>FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS</b> 22..... vs. Utah Valley, 11/25/17	<b>FREE THROWS ATTEMPTED</b> 12..... 3x, last vs. Montana State, 2/1/18	<b>STEALS</b> 5.....6x, last vs. NDSU, 12/09/17
<b>3-POINT FIELD GOALS MADE</b> 7..... vs. Troy, 11/10/17	<b>REBOUNDS</b> 10..... vs. Utah Valley, 11/25/17	<b>MINUTES</b> 45.....at Gonzaga, 12/16/17

Season	GP-GS	MP	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Reb.	Avg.	PF	Ast.	TO	Bl.	St.	TP	Avg.
2015-16	31-27	936	113-272	.415	27-86	.314	81-112	.723	130	4.2	107	129	92	8	59	334	10.8
2016-17	31-31	1008	163-324	.503	38-107	.355	117-156	.750	123	4.0	99	136	102	10	64	481	15.5
2017-18	25-25	824	136-280	.486	35-90	.380	93-127	.732	110	4.4	76	83	81	1	48	400	16.0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>87-83</b>	<b>2768</b>	<b>412-876</b>	<b>.470</b>	<b>100-283</b>	<b>.353</b>	<b>291-395</b>	<b>.737</b>	<b>363</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>1215</b>	<b>14.0</b>





# JAQWAN MCCAULEY

## JR | F | 6-6 | 215

Hometown: High Point, N.C.

Previous School: Tyler J.C. • Major: General Studies

### Game-by-Game 2017-18

OPPONENT	MP	FG	3FG	FT	REB.	AST.	BL.	ST.	PTS.
vs. Troy	7	0-2	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0
at Hawai'i	7	2-2	0-0	1-2	1	0	0	0	5
vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff					DNP				
at Nebraska					DNP				
Northland College					DNP				
Utah Valley					DNP				
Presentation College					DNP				
at Creighton					DNP				
North Dakota State					DNP				
at South Dakota State					DNP				
at Gonzaga					DNP				
Idaho*					DNP				
Eastern Washington*					DNP				
at Montana*					DNP				
at Montana State*					DNP				
Idaho State*					DNP				
Weber State*					DNP				
at North Dakota State					DNP				
at Northern Colorado*					DNP				
at Eastern Washington*					DNP				
at Idaho*					DNP				
Montana State*					DNP				
Montana*					DNP				
at Weber State*					DNP				
at Idaho State*					DNP				
Southern Utah*									
Northern Arizona									
Northern Colorado*									
at Sacramento State*									
at Portland State*									

\*Big Sky game

### MORE ON MCCAULEY...

- Has not played in last 23 games, while nursing a leg injury
- Was a Region XIV All-Academic Team honoree as a sophomore at Tyler Junior College where he also averaged 12.1 ppg and 5.1 rpg for the Apaches
- Chipped in 8.4 ppg off the bench in his first season at Tyler
- Averaged double figures in all three varsity seasons of high school basketball in North Carolina

### McCauley's Season and Career Highs and Statistics

<b>POINTS</b>	5 ..... at Hawai'i, 11/12/17	<b>3-POINT FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED</b>	N/A .....	<b>ASSISTS</b>	N/A .....
<b>FIELD GOALS MADE</b>	2 ..... at Hawai'i, 11/12/17	<b>FREE THROWS</b>	1 ..... at Hawai'i, 11/12/17	<b>BLOCKS</b>	N/A .....
<b>FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS</b>	2 ..... 2x, last at Hawai'i, 11/12/17	<b>FREE THROWS ATTEMPTED</b>	2 ..... at Hawai'i, 11/12/17	<b>STEALS</b>	N/A .....
<b>3-POINT FIELD GOALS MADE</b>	N/A .....	<b>REBOUNDS</b>	1 ..... 2x, last at Hawai'i, 11/12/17	<b>MINUTES</b>	7 ..... 2x, last at Hawai'i, 11/12/17

Season	GP-GS	MP	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Reb.	Avg.	PF	Asst.	TO	Bl.	St.	TP	Avg.
2017-18	2-0	14	2-4	.500	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	2	1.0	5	0	2	0	0	5	2.5
TOTALS	2-0	14	2-4	.500	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	2	1.0	5	0	2	0	0	5	2.5





# JAFAR KINSEY

JR | G | 6-3 | 200

Hometown: Syracuse, N.Y.

Previous School: Des Moines Area C.C. • Major: Communication

### Game-by-Game 2017-18

OPPONENT	MP	FG	3FG	FT	REB.	AST.	BL.	ST.	PTS.
vs. Troy	12	2-4	1-2	1-2	4	0	0	1	6
at Hawai'i	20	1-4	0-3	1-4	0	1	0	0	3
vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff	9	0-2	0-2	0-0	2	0	0	0	0
at Nebraska	11	0-3	0-2	0-0	1	0	0	0	0
Northland College	23	3-5	0-1	2-4	5	1	1	1	8
Utah Valley	18	0-1	0-1	0-0	1	0	0	0	0
Presentation College	13	2-5	1-4	0-0	2	1	0	0	5
at Creighton	20	2-4	1-2	0-0	3	2	0	0	5
North Dakota State	17	1-4	1-3	0-0	0	2	0	0	3
at South Dakota State	11	0-2	0-1	1-2	2	0	0	0	1
at Gonzaga					DNP				
Idaho*	23	1-5	0-3	4-4	3	1	0	2	6
Eastern Washington*	4	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Montana*	9	3-5	0-1	0-0	0	1	0	0	6
at Montana State	6	0-2	0-2	0-0	0	1	0	0	0
Idaho State*	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Weber State*					DNP				
at North Dakota State					DNP				
at Northern Colorado*	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Eastern Washington*	8	1-2	0-1	0-1	1	0	0	0	2
at Idaho*	13	0-1	0-1	1-2	0	0	0	0	1
Montana State*	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Montana*					DNP				
at Weber State*					DNP				
at Idaho State*	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern Utah*									
Northern Arizona									
Northern Colorado*									
at Sacramento State*									
at Portland State*									

### MORE ON KINSEY...

- Made first Division I collegiate start in a home loss to NDSU (Dec. 9).
- Began his collegiate career at Robert Morris where he averaged 1.2 ppg in 11 games off the bench for the Colonials
- Spent sophomore season at Des Moines Area Community College where he averaged 17.2 ppg, 5.5 rpg and 3.2 apg en route to being named to the NJCAA All-Region XI Basketball Team
- Redshirted for the Fighting Hawks during the 2016-17 season and will have two seasons to play

### Season Highs

- Points: 8, vs. Northland (Nov. 21)
- Rebounds: 5, vs. Northland (Nov. 21)
- Assists: 2, 2x last vs. NDSU (Dec. 9)
- Blocks: 1, vs. Northland (Nov. 21)
- Steals: 2, vs. Idaho (Dec. 29)

### Kinsey's Career Highs and Statistics

<b>POINTS</b> 8 ..... vs. Northland, 11/21/17	<b>3-POINT FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED</b> 4 ..... vs. Presentation, 11/28/17	<b>ASSISTS</b> 4* ..... vs. Louisiana-Monroe, 11/27/14
<b>FIELD GOALS MADE</b> 3 ..... 2x, last at Montana, 1/4/18	<b>FREE THROWS</b> 4 ..... vs. Idaho, 12/29/17	<b>BLOCKS</b> 1 ..... vs. Northland, 11/21/17
<b>FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS</b> 5 ..... 4x, last at Montana, 1/4/18	<b>FREE THROWS ATTEMPTED</b> 4 ..... 3x, last vs. Idaho, 12/29/17	<b>STEALS</b> 2 ..... 2x, last vs. Idaho, 12/29/17
<b>3-POINT FIELD GOALS MADE</b> 1 ..... 6x, last vs. NDSU, 12/9/17	<b>REBOUNDS</b> 5 ..... vs. Northland, 11/21/17	<b>MINUTES</b> 23 ..... 2x, last vs. Idaho, 12/29/17

Season	GP-GS	MP	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Reb.	Avg.	PF	Asst.	TO	Bl.	St.	TP	Avg.
2014-15*	11-0	157	5-23	.217	3-13	.231	0-4	.000	12	1.1	18	10	13	0	3	13	1.2
2017-18	20-3	223	16-50	.320	4-30	.133	10-19	.526	24	1.2	19	10	9	1	4	46	2.3
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>31-3</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>21-73</b>	<b>.288</b>	<b>7-43</b>	<b>.163</b>	<b>10-22</b>	<b>.455</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>1.9</b>

\* Stats are from playing time at Robert Morris during the 2014-15 season





# CORTEZ SEALES

## SO | G | 6-4 | 200

Hometown: Eldridge, Iowa  
 High School: North Scott • Major: Communication

**Game-by-Game 2017-18**

OPPONENT	MP	FG	3FG	FT	REB.	AST.	BL.	ST.	PTS.
vs. Troy	33	4-9	0-1	0-0	3	1	0	2	8
at Hawai'i	33	5-10	0-0	0-1	2	0	2	1	10
vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff	35	5-16	0-1	12-15	6	4	0	1	22
at Nebraska	33	4-9	0-1	0-2	3	2	0	0	8
Northland College	30	9-12	0-0	2-6	5	3	3	1	20
Utah Valley	38	4-11	0-3	0-0	4	1	0	0	8
Presentation College	3	0-0	0-0	1-2	1	0	1	0	1
at Creighton	30	7-12	0-1	2-2	2	4	0	2	16
North Dakota State					DNP				
at South Dakota State	29	3-8	0-0	0-0	2	1	0	1	6
at Gonzaga	44	11-15	0-1	1-2	4	3	1	1	23
Idaho*	29	1-5	0-1	0-0	3	0	3	0	2
Eastern Washington*	23	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Montana*	28	3-8	0-0	1-1	5	1	3	1	7
at Montana State*	35	7-11	0-0	1-5	5	1	1	0	15
Idaho State*	36	6-9	0-0	2-2	7	5	1	1	14
Weber State*	38	6-9	2-2	1-2	7	3	0	0	15
at North Dakota State	34	1-8	0-0	0-0	2	1	0	4	2
at Northern Colorado*	43	7-11	0-0	5-8	4	2	0	0	19
at Eastern Washington*	33	2-7	0-0	1-2	2	5	0	0	5
at Idaho*	33	5-9	0-0	0-0	2	2	0	1	10
Montana State*	26	6-11	0-0	0-0	3	3	1	1	12
Montana*	39	9-13	0-0	1-2	3	3	0	3	19
at Weber State*	33	4-12	0-1	0-0	6	0	0	2	8
at Idaho State*	30	2-7	0-0	1-2	3	0	1	1	5
Southern Utah*									
Northern Arizona									
Northern Colorado*									
at Sacramento State*									
at Portland State*									

**MORE ON SEALES...**

- Named the 2017 Big Sky Reserve of the Year after averaging a career-high 8.5 ppg in 30 contests a year ago
- Reached double figures 12 games overall and upped his average to 9.6 ppg in Big Sky play
- Scored 12 points and added a last-second block on a potential game-winning field goal in Big Sky Tournament title game vs. Weber State
- Scored a season-high 23 points in overtime win at Northern Colorado
- Tallied a career-high 27 points in his collegiate debut against Minnesota-Morris
- Four-year starter and four-year all-state honoree at North Scott High School (Iowa) and finished prep career as the program's all-time leading scorer (1,392)
- As a senior, led the Lancers along with current teammate Marlon Stewart to the program's first state title (Iowa Class 4A)

**Season Highs**

Points: 23, at Gonzaga (Dec. 16)  
 Rebounds: 7, 2x vs. Weber State (Jan. 13)  
 Assists: 5, 2x last at EWU (Jan. 25)  
 Blocks: 3, 3x last at Montana (Jan. 4)  
 Steals: 4, at NDSU (Jan. 16)

**Seales' Career Highs and Statistics**

<b>POINTS</b> 27..... vs. UM-Morris, 11/13/15	<b>3-POINT FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED</b> 3.....at Montana State, 1/12/17	<b>ASSISTS</b> 6..... at Idaho State, 2/16/17
<b>FIELD GOALS MADE</b> 11.....2x, last at Gonzaga, 12/16/17	<b>FREE THROWS</b> 12..... vs. UAPB, 11/13/17	<b>BLOCKS</b> 4.....vs. EWU, 1/2/16
<b>FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS</b> 17..... at Northern Colorado, 2/25/17	<b>FREE THROWS ATTEMPTED</b> 15..... vs. UAPB, 11/13/17	<b>STEALS</b> 4.....2x, last at NDSU, 1/16/18
<b>3-POINT FIELD GOALS MADE</b> 2..... 2x, last vs. Sacramento State, 12/31/16	<b>REBOUNDS</b> 9..... at Idaho State, 2/16/17	<b>MINUTES</b> 44.....at Gonzaga, 12/16/17

Season	GP-GS	MP	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Reb.	Avg.	PF	Ast.	TO	Bl.	St.	TP	Avg.
2015-16	30-9	616	90-192	.469	6-26	.231	38-62	.613	62	2.1	29	36	27	10	17	224	7.5
2016-17	30-1	756	94-213	.441	10-24	.417	56-87	.644	101	3.4	48	50	26	13	28	254	8.5
2017-18	24-24	780	111-224	.496	2-12	.167	31-54	.574	84	3.5	28	45	29	17	24	255	10.6
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>84-34</b>	<b>2152</b>	<b>295-629</b>	<b>.469</b>	<b>18-62</b>	<b>.290</b>	<b>125-203</b>	<b>.616</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>733</b>	<b>8.7</b>





# BILLY BROWN

## SO | G | 6-3 | 190

Hometown: Spirit Lake, Iowa  
High School: Spirit Lake • Major: Economics

### Game-by-Game 2017-18

OPPONENT	MP	FG	3FG	FT	REB.	AST.	BL.	ST.	PTS.
vs. Troy at Hawai'i					DNP	DNP			
vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff at Nebraska	8	0-2	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Northland College	21	1-7	1-5	0-0	2	0	0	0	3
Utah Valley	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Presentation College at Creighton	23	1-4	1-4	0-0	1	2	0	1	3
North Dakota State	8	0-4	0-3	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at South Dakota State	31	2-3	1-2	0-0	2	1	0	2	5
at Gonzaga	24	0-2	0-2	2-6	2	0	0	0	2
Idaho*	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0
Eastern Washington*	17	1-3	0-2	0-0	0	0	0	0	2
at Montana*	21	2-2	2-2	0-0	0	0	0	0	6
at Montana State*	15	0-2	0-2	2-2	2	0	0	0	2
Idaho State*	22	1-2	1-2	0-0	3	1	0	0	3
Weber State*	28	3-5	3-5	0-0	3	4	0	3	9
at North Dakota State	30	0-3	0-1	4-5	2	2	1	0	4
at Northern Colorado*	25	1-2	1-2	3-4	2	2	0	1	6
at Eastern Washington*	23	1-1	1-1	0-0	2	0	0	0	3
at Idaho*	24	1-2	1-1	4-4	3	1	0	0	7
Montana State*	24	1-5	0-4	4-4	3	2	0	0	6
Montana*	28	1-3	1-3	0-0	0	1	1	0	3
at Weber State*	17	2-4	1-3	0-0	3	0	0	0	5
at Idaho State*	25	1-2	1-2	2-2	1	2	0	0	5
Southern Utah*	33	1-3	1-3	0-0	2	0	0	2	3
Northern Arizona									
Northern Colorado*									
at Sacramento State*									
at Portland State*									

\*Big Sky game

### MORE ON BROWN...

- Logged a career-high 33 minutes in loss at Idaho State (Feb. 10)
- Made a career-high three 3-pointers in win vs. Idaho State this season, while also adding career-highs in assists (4) and steals (3).
- Scored a career-high 13 points in home win over Presentation College as a true freshman in 2016-17
- Saw action in 12 Big Sky games a year ago (1.2 ppg)
- Named to the Iowa Newspaper Association all-state second team as a senior after ranking fourth among all Class 3A players in scoring at 21.7 ppg and first in assists 5.6 apg
- Starting wide receiver for undefeated Class 3A state champion football team. He finished the state title game with six catches for 94 yards and a touchdown, five carries for 59 yards and a touchdown, an interception and added an 82-yard kickoff return for a touchdown on the game's first play
- Three sisters all played collegiate athletics: Kaisha (basketball at Northern Colorado; 2008-12), Mary (basketball Wartburg College; 2011-15) and Katie (softball at Iowa; 2007-11).

### Season Highs

- Points: 9, vs. Idaho State (Jan. 11)
- Rebounds: 3, 4x last at Idaho (Jan. 27)
- Assists: 4, vs. Idaho State (Jan. 11)
- Blocks: 1, 2x last vs. MSU (Feb. 1)
- Steals: 3, vs. Idaho State (Jan. 11)

### Brown's Career Highs and Statistics

<b>POINTS</b> 13 ..... vs. Presentation College, 11/20/16	<b>3-POINT FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED</b> 6 ..... vs. Presentation College, 11/20/16	<b>ASSISTS</b> 4 ..... vs. Idaho State, 1/11/18
<b>FIELD GOALS MADE</b> 5 ..... vs. Presentation College, 11/20/16	<b>FREE THROWS</b> 6 ..... vs. Crown College, 11/11/16	<b>BLOCKS</b> 1 ..... 2x, last vs. Montana State, 2/1/18
<b>FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS</b> 10 ..... vs. Presentation College, 11/20/16	<b>FREE THROWS ATTEMPTED</b> 6 ..... 2x, last vs. SDSU, 12/12/17	<b>STEALS</b> 3 ..... vs. Idaho State, 1/11/18
<b>3-POINT FIELD GOALS MADE</b> 3 ..... vs. Idaho State, 1/11/18	<b>REBOUNDS</b> 4 ..... vs. Southern Utah, 1/7/17	<b>MINUTES</b> 31 ..... vs. NDSU, 12/9/17

Season	GP-GS	MP	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Reb.	Avg.	PF	Ast.	TO	Bl.	St.	TP	Avg.
2016-17	23-0	219	14-48	.292	8-33	.242	9-9	1.000	23	1.0	18	10	10	0	7	45	2.0
2017-18	23-0	468	20-61	.328	16-50	.320	21-27	.778	36	1.6	32	18	14	2	10	77	3.3
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>46-0</b>	<b>687</b>	<b>34-109</b>	<b>.312</b>	<b>24-83</b>	<b>.289</b>	<b>30-36</b>	<b>.833</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>2.7</b>







# MARLON STEWART

## SO | G | 6-3 | 200

Hometown: Rock Island, Ill.

Previous School: Creighton • Major: General Studies

### Game-by-Game 2017-18

OPPONENT	MP	FG	3FG	FT	REB.	AST.	BL.	ST.	PTS.
vs. Troy	30	2-7	0-3	1-2	2	4	0	0	5
at Hawai'i	33	6-11	0-1	6-9	3	1	0	3	18
vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff	26	1-5	0-3	1-2	2	6	0	4	3
at Nebraska	33	8-12	2-2	2-4	2	3	0	0	20
Northland College	21	2-3	0-1	7-7	2	1	0	2	11
Utah Valley	39	9-24	4-10	2-3	7	3	0	3	24
Presentation College	29	3-5	0-2	0-1	3	9	0	1	6
at Creighton	29	7-14	1-2	3-5	5	1	0	0	18
North Dakota State	33	5-11	0-3	13-15	4	1	1	1	23
at South Dakota State	17	3-8	2-7	1-2	3	1	0	2	9
at Gonzaga	39	4-8	1-3	6-6	5	2	0	1	15
Idaho*	26	5-7	1-3	6-7	1	2	0	1	17
Eastern Washington*	24	2-8	0-4	4-4	2	5	0	3	8
at Montana*	26	3-7	1-2	8-9	1	1	0	1	15
at Montana State*	17	2-6	2-3	4-4	0	1	0	2	10
Idaho State*	26	6-13	0-3	1-1	1	1	0	0	13
Weber State*	32	5-9	2-6	2-5	2	2	0	2	14
at North Dakota State	39	7-11	4-7	2-2	0	1	0	1	20
at Northern Colorado*	30	5-10	1-2	4-6	7	2	0	0	15
at Eastern Washington*	24	2-8	0-3	4-4	4	4	0	2	8
at Idaho*	18	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	2	0	0	0
Montana State*	25	3-8	2-6	0-0	7	4	0	0	8
Montana*	33	0-5	0-3	2-2	0	2	0	2	2
at Weber State*	33	3-10	1-4	3-5	2	6	0	1	10
at Idaho State*	22	1-7	1-5	0-0	1	0	0	1	3
Southern Utah*									
Northern Arizona									
Northern Colorado*									
at Sacramento State*									
at Portland State*									

### MORE ON STEWART...

- Has four 20-plus point scoring games and is second on the team in scoring (12.2 ppg)
- Two of those 20-point outings came against rival North Dakota State in the home-and-home series with the Bison
- Spent first collegiate season at Creighton playing for former men's basketball assistant coach Greg McDermott
- Saw action in 13 games for the Bluejays, averaging 0.5 ppg and 0.2 rpg
- Sat out last season due to NCAA transfer rules
- Prepped with current teammate Cortez Seales at North Scott (Iowa) where the duo helped lead the Lancers to their first state title (Class 4A)
- Earned all-state honors as a senior after averaging 17.0 ppg and was also named to the Class 4A All-State Tournament Team

### Season Highs

Points: 24, vs. Utah Valley (Nov. 25)  
 Rebounds: 7, 3x last vs. MSU (Feb. 1)  
 Assists: 9, vs. PC (Nov. 28)  
 Blocks: 1, vs. NDSU (Dec. 9)  
 Steals: 4, vs. UAPB (Nov. 13)

### Stewart's Career Highs and Statistics

<b>POINTS</b> 24 ..... vs. Utah Valley, 11/25/17	<b>3-POINT FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED</b> 10 ..... vs. Utah Valley, 11/25/17	<b>ASSISTS</b> 9 ..... vs. Presentation, 11/28/17
<b>FIELD GOALS MADE</b> 9 ..... vs. Utah Valley, 11/25/17	<b>FREE THROWS</b> 13 ..... vs. NDSU, 12/9/17	<b>BLOCKS</b> 1 ..... vs. NDSU, 12/9/17
<b>FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS</b> 24 ..... vs. Utah Valley, 11/25/17	<b>FREE THROWS ATTEMPTED</b> 15 ..... vs. NDSU, 12/9/17	<b>STEALS</b> 4 ..... vs. UAPB, 11/13/17
<b>3-POINT FIELD GOALS MADE</b> 4 ..... vs. Utah Valley, 11/25/17	<b>REBOUNDS</b> 7 ..... 3x, last vs. Montana State, 2/1/18	<b>MINUTES</b> 39 ..... 3x, last at NDSU, 1/16/18

Season	GP-GS	MP	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Reb.	Avg.	PF	Asst.	TO	Bl.	St.	TP	Avg.
2015-16*	13-0	40	3-13	.231	1-6	.167	0-0	.000	3	0.2	1	0	0	0	0	7	0.5
2017-18	25-24	704	94-218	.431	25-88	.284	82-106	.774	66	2.6	60	65	58	1	33	295	12.2
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>38-24</b>	<b>744</b>	<b>97-231</b>	<b>.420</b>	<b>26-94</b>	<b>.277</b>	<b>82-106</b>	<b>.774</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>8.1</b>

\* Stats are from playing time at Creighton during the 2015-16 season





# KIENAN WALTER

SO | F | 6-9 | 195

Hometown: Vancouver, Wash.

High School: King's Way Christian • Major: Undeclared

### Game-by-Game 2017-18

OPPONENT	MP	FG	3FG	FT	REB.	AST.	BL.	ST.	PTS.
vs. Troy	6	0-1	0-1	0-0	1	2	0	0	0
at Hawai'i	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0
vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff	11	2-3	1-1	3-4	2	1	0	1	8
at Nebraska	17	0-2	0-2	0-0	1	0	0	0	0
Northland College	21	4-6	0-2	0-0	4	1	0	2	8
Utah Valley	12	1-2	0-1	0-0	1	1	0	2	0
Presentation College	11	3-5	0-2	0-1	3	2	1	0	6
at Creighton	16	3-8	2-3	0-0	3	0	1	1	8
North Dakota State	24	2-2	1-1	6-8	4	0	1	2	11
at South Dakota State	13	0-4	0-3	0-0	1	2	0	0	0
at Gonzaga	10	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Idaho*	20	0-1	0-1	2-2	4	0	0	2	2
Eastern Washington*	7	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Montana*	19	3-7	1-3	0-0	4	1	0	0	7
at Montana State*	7	0-1	0-1	2-2	1	0	0	0	2
Idaho State*	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Weber State*	19	6-10	3-4	1-2	2	1	0	1	16
at North Dakota State	8	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	2
at Northern Colorado*	14	1-3	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	1	2
at Eastern Washington*	20	2-4	1-2	0-0	3	0	0	0	5
at Idaho*	13	3-5	0-2	1-3	1	0	0	0	7
Montana State*	2	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2
Montana*	14	3-7	1-4	0-0	1	0	1	0	7
at Weber State*	18	1-4	0-3	1-2	5	2	0	0	3
at Idaho State*	11	1-4	1-3	0-0	2	0	0	0	3
Southern Utah*									
Northern Arizona									
Northern Colorado*									
at Sacramento State*									
at Portland State*									

\*Big Sky game

### MORE ON WALTER...

- Scored a career-high 16 points off the bench in win over Weber State (Jan. 13)
- Logged a career-high 24 minutes and scored a 11 points in home loss to NDSU (Dec. 9)
- Scored a season-high 10 points on 4-of-4 shooting from the floor in home win over Southern Utah (Jan. 7) last season as a true freshman
- Earned Associated Press All-State honors and was named Trico League MVP for the second-consecutive season as a senior after averaging 22.3 ppg
- Led King's Way Academy back to the Class 1A State Tournament for the second-straight season and was named All-Trico League for the third-straight season
- Collected first Associated Press All-State honors of his career after a junior season that also saw him earn first team all-conference, first team all-county, first team all-region and Trico League MVP honors
- Also as a junior, averaged a Trico League-best 23.6 ppg, which was tops among Class 1A scorers in the state of Washington and led King's Way Christian to its first state tournament berth at that level

### Season Highs

- Points: 16, vs. Weber State (Jan. 13)
- Rebounds: 5, at Weber State (Feb. 8)
- Assists: 2, 4x last at Weber State (Feb. 8)
- Blocks: 1, 4x last vs. Montana (Feb. 3)
- Steals: 2, 4x last vs. Idaho (Dec. 29)

### Walter's Career Highs and Statistics

<b>POINTS</b> 16 .....vs. Weber State, 1/13/18	<b>3-POINT FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED</b> 4 .....vs. Weber State, 1/13/18	<b>ASSISTS</b> 2 .....3x, last at SDSU, 12/12/17
<b>FIELD GOALS MADE</b> 6 .....vs. Weber State, 1/13/18	<b>FREE THROWS</b> 6 .....vs. NDSU, 12/9/17	<b>BLOCKS</b> 1 .....vs. Presentation, 11/28/17
<b>FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS</b> 10 .....vs. Weber State, 1/13/18	<b>FREE THROWS ATTEMPTED</b> 8 .....vs. NDSU, 12/9/17	<b>STEALS</b> 2 .....4x, last vs. Idaho, 12/29/17
<b>3-POINT FIELD GOALS MADE</b> 3 .....vs. Weber State, 1/13/18	<b>REBOUNDS</b> 9 .....vs. Crown College, 11/11/16	<b>MINUTES</b> 24 .....vs. NDSU, 12/9/17

Season	GP-GS	MP	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Reb.	Avg.	PF	Ast.	TO	Bl.	St.	TP	Avg.
2016-17	18-0	91	17-32	.531	2-8	.250	9-15	.600	27	1.5	24	2	9	0	0	45	2.5
2017-18	25-0	324	37-82	.451	11-39	.282	16-24	.667	47	1.9	60	14	25	4	12	101	4.0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>43-0</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>54-114</b>	<b>.474</b>	<b>13-47</b>	<b>.277</b>	<b>25-39</b>	<b>.641</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>3.4</b>





# TRAY BUCHANAN

FR | G | 6-1 | 180

Hometown: East Moline, Ill.

High School: United Township • Major: Undeclared

**Game-by-Game 2017-18**

OPPONENT	MP	FG	3FG	FT	REB.	AST.	BL.	ST.	PTS.
vs. Troy	11	3-6	2-3	0-0	1	0	0	3	8
at Hawai'i	8	1-4	0-2	1-1	0	0	0	0	3
vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff	16	0-6	0-2	2-2	1	0	0	2	2
at Nebraska	12	0-3	0-2	2-2	3	0	0	0	2
Northland College	18	3-7	1-4	0-0	2	0	0	4	7
Utah Valley	7	0-1	1-1	0-0	1	1	0	1	3
Presentation College	17	4-8	2-5	0-0	2	1	0	0	10
at Creighton	13	1-4	1-3	1-3	0	0	0	1	4
North Dakota State	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	0
at South Dakota State	15	3-8	0-2	2-2	2	0	0	2	8
at Gonzaga	3	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	1	0	0	0
Idaho*	22	3-9	3-8	3-3	2	0	0	1	12
Eastern Washington*	27	2-6	2-5	0-0	0	3	0	1	6
at Montana*	21	3-8	3-8	7-8	3	1	0	1	16
at Montana State*	29	5-11	4-10	5-6	3	3	0	1	19
Idaho State*	20	3-7	1-3	2-3	2	3	0	2	9
Weber State*	10	0-1	0-0	0-2	2	1	0	2	0
at North Dakota State	14	3-5	2-3	2-2	2	3	0	0	10
at Northern Colorado*	14	0-3	0-2	0-0	1	0	0	1	0
at Eastern Washington*	16	3-7	1-2	0-1	2	1	0	0	7
at Idaho*	17	3-5	2-4	2-2	0	0	0	1	10
Montana State*	14	2-5	1-3	0-0	1	1	0	0	5
Montana*	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Weber State*	15	1-6	0-4	0-0	2	0	0	1	2
at Idaho State*	10	1-4	0-1	0-0	1	0	0	1	2
Southern Utah*									
Northern Arizona									
Northern Colorado*									
at Sacramento State*									
at Portland State*									

\*Big Sky game

**MORE ON BUCHANAN...**

- Notched a career-high 19 points in only start of season at Montana State (Jan. 6).
- Reached double figures for first time in career with 10 points in home win over Presentation (Nov. 28)
- Two-time Illinois Class 4A all-state honoree (first team as a junior, second team as a senior)
- Finished two varsity seasons at United Township with 1,208 career points
- Led the Quad Cities-Metro area in scoring as a senior, averaging 20.6 ppg

**Buchanan's Season and Career Highs and Statistics**

<b>POINTS</b> 19 ..... at Montana State, 1/6/18	<b>3-POINT FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED</b> 10 ..... at Montana State, 1/6/18	<b>ASSISTS</b> 3 ..... 2x, last at Montana State, 1/6/18
<b>FIELD GOALS MADE</b> 5 ..... at Montana State, 1/6/18	<b>FREE THROWS</b> 7 ..... at Montana, 1/4/18	<b>BLOCKS</b> N/A .....
<b>FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS</b> 11 ..... at Montana State, 1/6/18	<b>FREE THROWS ATTEMPTED</b> 8 ..... at Montana, 1/4/18	<b>STEALS</b> 4 ..... vs. Northland, 11/21/17
<b>3-POINT FIELD GOALS MADE</b> 4 ..... at Montana State, 1/6/18	<b>REBOUNDS</b> 3 ..... 3x, last at Montana State, 1/6/18	<b>MINUTES</b> 29 ..... at Montana State, 1/6/18

Season	GP-GS	MP	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Reb.	Avg.	PF	Asst.	TO	Bl.	St.	TP	Avg.
2017-18	25-1	358	45-127	.354	25-78	.321	30-38	.789	32	1.3	42	20	24	0	25	145	5.8
TOTALS	25-1	358	45-127	.354	25-78	.321	30-38	.789	32	1.3	42	20	24	0	25	145	5.8





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Hometown: Atlantic, Iowa

High School: Atlantic • Major: Pre-Business Economics

### Game-by-Game 2017-18

OPPONENT	MP	FG	3FG	FT	REB.	AST.	BL.	ST.	PTS.
vs. Troy	4	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0
at Hawai'i					DNP				
vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff					DNP				
at Nebraska					DNP				
Northland College					DNP				
Utah Valley					DNP				
Presentation College	8	0-2	0-1	0-0	3	0	1	0	0
at Creighton	11	0-1	0-1	0-0	1	0	0	0	0
North Dakota State					DNP				
at South Dakota State	12	0-2	0-2	0-0	1	0	0	0	0
at Gonzaga	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0
Idaho*	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Eastern Washington*					DNP				
at Montana*	10	2-3	2-3	0-0	2	0	0	0	6
at Montana State*					DNP				
Idaho State*	2	1-1	1-1	0-0	1	0	1	0	3
Weber State*					DNP				
at North Dakota State					DNP				
at Northern Colorado*					DNP				
at Eastern Washington*	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0
at Idaho*	4	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Montana State*					DNP				
Montana*					DNP				
at Weber State*					DNP				
at Idaho State*	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern Utah*									
Northern Arizona									
Northern Colorado*									
at Sacramento State*									
at Portland State*									

### MORE ON FRANKEN...

- Scored first collegiate points on a pair of 3-pointers at Montana (Jan. 4)
- Averaged double figures during all four varsity seasons for Atlantic High School
- Ranked second in scoring at 23.8 ppg in Iowa Class 3A as a senior
- Finished prep career as Atlantic's all-time leading scorer with 1,543 points
- Led Atlantic to its first state tournament berth in 15 seasons as a senior

### Franken's Season and Career Highs and Statistics

<b>POINTS</b>	<b>3-POINT FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED</b>	<b>ASSISTS</b>
6 .....at Montana, 1/4/18	3 .....at Montana, 1/4/18	N/A .....
<b>FIELD GOALS MADE</b>	<b>FREE THROWS</b>	<b>BLOCKS</b>
2 .....at Montana, 1/4/18	N/A .....	1 .....vs. Presentation, 11/28/17
<b>FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS</b>	<b>FREE THROWS ATTEMPTED</b>	<b>STEALS</b>
3 .....at Montana, 1/4/18	N/A .....	1 ..... 2x, last at Eastern Washington, 1/25/18
<b>3-POINT FIELD GOALS MADE</b>	<b>REBOUNDS</b>	<b>MINUTES</b>
2 .....at Montana, 1/4/18	3 .....vs. Presentation, 11/28/17	12 .....at SDSU, 12/12/17

Season	GP-GS	MP	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Reb.	Avg.	PF	Asst.	TO	Bl.	St.	TP	Avg.
2017-18	11-0	64	3-11	.273	3-9	.333	0-0	.000	9	0.8	7	0	1	2	2	9	0.8
<b>TOTALS</b>	11-0	64	3-11	.273	3-9	.333	0-0	.000	9	0.8	7	0	1	2	2	9	0.8





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Game Notes: North Dakota vs. Southern Utah (Feb. 15)

GAME 4: at Nebraska (Nov. 19)

Official Basketball Box Score -- Game Totals -- Final Statistics North Dakota vs Nebraska 11/19/17 7:01 p.m. at Pinnacle Bank Arena (Lincoln, Neb.) North Dakota 70 • 2-2 ... CRANDALL, Geno 13-10 0-2 7-9 ... SEALES, Cortez 15-12 0-1 0-2 ... AVANTS, Conner 11-11 0-0 0-0 ... BROWN, Billy 0-1 0-0 0-0 ... KINSEY, Jafar 0-3 0-2 0-0 ... WALTER, Kienan 0-2 0-2 0-0 ... BUCHANAN, Tray 0-3 0-2 2-2 ... Nebraska 92 • 3-1 ... WATSON JR., GLENN 6-12 1-3 0-0 ... TAYLOR, Ewan 3-6 0-0 2-2 ... COPOLAND, Isaac 12-14 3-4 3-4 ... PALMER JR., James 3-8 0-2 2-2 ... TSHMANAGA, Jordy 2-5 0-0 0-0 ... TRUESDLE, DUBY 1-1 0-0 1-2 ... LAWS, Malcolm 0-0 0-0 0-0 ... OKEBLOOD, Johnny 0-1 0-0 0-0 ... McVEIGH, JACK 0-2 0-2 0-0 ... GILL, ANTON 6-9 4-5 0-1 ... Roby, Isiah 4-7 0-1 3-5 ... BORCHARDT, Tanner 0-0 0-0 1-2 ... Akenten, Nana 0-2 0-2 0-0 ... Thorbjarnarson, Thor 0-1 0-1 0-0 ...

GAME 5: vs. Northland College (Nov. 21)

Official Basketball Box Score -- Game Totals -- Final Statistics Northland College vs North Dakota 11/21/17 7:00 p.m. at Grand Forks, N.D. (Sioux Center) Northland College 48 • 0-2 ... GALLAND, Brandon 3-10 2-4 4-5 ... LARRY, Benny 1-7 1-4 4-6 ... ZORN, Matt 3-6 0-1 1-1 ... LUCAS, Harrison 1-7 1-2 0-0 ... WHITING, Thomas 3-8 0-0 1-2 ... ARGUEKOS, Ben 1-2 0-0 0-0 ... HAGEN, Kyle 0-2 0-0 1-1 ... RICHOLLS, Nathan 1-6 0-1 1-2 ... DUNBAR, Jake 1-3 0-0 0-0 ... FARRELL, Gus 2-3 0-0 0-0 ... VAN VLACK, Tyler 0-1 0-0 0-0 ...

GAME 6: vs. Utah Valley (Nov. 25)

Official Basketball Box Score -- Game Totals -- Final Statistics Utah Valley vs North Dakota 11/25/17 7:20 p.m. at Grand Forks, N.D. (Sioux Center) Utah Valley 83 • 4-2 ... Manyang, Akolda 10-18 0-0 4-9 ... Toolson, Jake 2-12 0-3 4-1 ... Cortez, Brandon 7-12 3-6 2-2 ... Toolson, Conner 4-6 2-2 1-3 ... Ogbe, Kenneth 3-8 1-3 5-6 ... Calvert, Cory 0-1 0-0 0-0 ... Nakwanash, Ben 1-3 0-1 0-0 ... Tahvanainen, Jonnas 0-1 0-1 0-0 ... Neilson, Isaac 3-3 0-0 1-1 ...

STRONG FIRST HALF LEADS HUSKERS PAST UND

LINCOLN, Neb. -- Junior Isaac Copeland scored a season-high 30 points to lead Nebraska to a 92-70 victory over North Dakota Sunday at Pinnacle Bank Arena. Copeland scored 19 of those in the opening 20 minutes to help the Huskers (3-1) build a 17-point halftime lead and the home team never looked back.

Marlon Stewart scored a career-high 20 points on 8-of-12 shooting from the floor for UND (2-2), but the Fighting Hawks could never recover from a slow start. Junior Conner Avants added a season-high 16 points on 8-of-11 shooting.

After Avants got the opening basket of the game, Nebraska reeled off the next 11 points to build an early advantage that the Huskers would never relinquish.

The Huskers started 8-for-12 from the field to push their advantage to 21-7, while UND started just 3-for-10.

Nebraska turned 12 first-half turnovers by UND into 16 points to help stake itself to a 49-32 lead at the break. The Huskers also shot 60 percent from the floor (20-for-33) with Copeland leading that charge. The Georgetown transfer made 8-of-9 field goals and had a season-high point total by halftime.

UND used a 14-6 run to open the second half and trim the deficit down to single digits after Seales made a driving layup, but that would be as close as the visitors would get.

Junior Geno Crandall scored 10 of his 13 points in the second half and Dale Jones rounded out a quartet of double-figure scores for the Fighting Hawks with 11 points.

Anton Gill added 16 points off the bench and paced the Huskers' reserves, who outscored UND's 31-2. Gill went 4-for-5 from beyond the arc, knocking down half of his team's eight makes from distance.

UND finished with a season-high 20 turnovers, while forcing the Huskers into 13. Copeland and Avants shared game-high honors with eight boards, but Nebraska won that category 41-30.

FIGHTING HAWKS ROUT NORTHLAND IN HOME OPENER

GRAND FORKS, N.D. -- Junior Cortez Seales scored a game-high 20 points to help North Dakota roll to a 79-48 victory over Northland College on Tuesday after getting off to a slow start. It was the eight-straight home-opening win for the Fighting Hawks (3-2), while the Lumber Jacks (0-2), a Division III program from Ashland, Wis., played the game as an exhibition.

Seales went 9-for-12 from the floor to help the Fighting Hawks shoot 51 percent as a team. Brandon Galland had a double-double for the Lumber Jacks with 12 points and 11 rebounds, but the visitors shot only 29 percent from the floor.

Juniors Marlon Stewart and Conner Avants each added 11 points for the home team and Stewart had nine of those during a decisive first-half run midway through the opening 20 minutes.

Senior Dale Jones chipped in with eight points and a career-high 15 rebounds. Jones' career-night on the glass helped UND hold a 43-35 edge in that category.

Northland controlled the opening 10 minutes and led by as many as five points before UND found its rhythm on the offensive end and pulled away for the decisive victory. Seales gave UND just its second lead of the game at 19-18 on a field goal with just under eight minutes to play.

After a jumper by Ben Arquerros allowed Northland to regain the advantage at 20-19, Stewart sparked an 11-0 run that put UND in the lead for good.

Stewart scored nine of those points, which included seven from the foul line, and also assisted on a dunk by Jones to account for all scoring in that decisive spurt.

Seales scored the final six points of the half to stretch the home team's lead to 36-25 at halftime. He finished the first half with 12 points on 6-of-8 shooting from the floor, while Jones grabbed 10 first-half rebounds.

UTAH VALLEY OUTLASTS UND IN OVERTIME

GRAND FORKS, N.D. -- Utah Valley center Akolda Manyang scored nine of his-game high 24 points in overtime to help the Wolverines outlast North Dakota 83-75 Saturday at the Betty Engelstad Sioux Center.

UND sophomore Marlon Stewart matched Manyang's point total, but the Fighting Hawks (3-3) had trouble solving his length inside as he swatted away six shots and added nine rebounds.

His biggest block came at the end of regulation when he got just enough of a floater from Cortez Seales that could have won the game for the home team.

Akolda dominated the final five minutes, going 3-for-3 from the floor, adding three free throws to seal the win for Utah Valley. It was the first meeting between the teams since they were league foes in the Great West Conference from 2010-12.

Junior Geno Crandall added 15 points and pulled down a career-high 10 rebounds to register the first double-double of his career.

The Fighting Hawks struggled from floor throughout the game, shooting just 34.5 percent after making just 30-of-87 attempts. UVU also made 30 field goals in the game, but did so on 23 fewer attempts to shoot 46.9 percent.

Stewart, whose 24 points were a career high, did get hot from beyond the arc for a stretch of the second half that saw him knock down a trio of 3-pointers to give UND its largest lead of the game 60-56, midway through the second half. The Wolverines rallied though and neither team led by more than that until overtime.

Crandall gave UND a 67-65 advantage with 1:44 to play and that would be the last field goal of regulation by either team. UND had a chance to go up by two baskets, but a jumper by Conner Avants rolled off the rim and Conner Toolson was fouled on the rebound with 19 seconds to play.

He would knock down both attempts from the charity stripe to tie the game at 67-67, setting up Seales' attempt at a game-winner.

After Kenneth Ogbe made a pair of free throws to open overtime for UVU, Manyang would get the next eight points for the Wolverines to put the game out of reach.

















**GAME 25: at Idaho State (Feb. 10)**

**Official Basketball Box Score -- Game Totals -- Final Statistics**  
 North Dakota vs. Idaho St  
 02/10/18 7:00 PM at Pocatello, Idaho: Holt Arena

**North Dakota 67 • 8-17, 3-10 BSC**

#	Player	Total	3-Ptr			Rebounds		PF	TP	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Min
			FG	FGA	FT	FTA	Off							
13	JONES, Dale	3-8	2-5	3-4	1	4	5	3	11	2	0	0	29	
32	AVANTS, Conner	6-7	0-0	0-0	0	7	7	4	12	3	3	0	28	
00	CRANDALL, Geno	10-13	2-3	6-7	2	1	3	5	28	5	7	0	35	
01	STEWART, Marlon	1-7	1-5	0-0	0	1	1	2	3	0	5	0	22	
15	SEALES, Cortez	2-7	0-0	1-2	0	3	3	0	5	0	1	1	30	
03	BROWN, Billy	1-3	1-3	0-0	0	2	2	3	3	0	1	0	33	
11	KINSEY, Jafar	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
23	WALTER, Kienan	1-4	1-3	0-0	0	2	2	1	3	0	2	0	11	
24	FRANKEN, Garrett	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
30	BUCHANAN, Tray	1-4	0-1	0-0	0	1	1	1	2	0	1	0	10	
Team					1	1	2							
Totals		25-53	7-20	10-13	4	22	26	19	67	10	20	1	8	200

FG % 1st Half: 11-22 50.0% 2nd half: 14-31 45.2% Game: 25-53 47.2% Deadball Rebounds: 1  
 3FG % 1st Half: 5-10 50.0% 2nd half: 2-10 20.0% Game: 7-20 35.0%  
 FT % 1st Half: 10-12 83.3% 2nd half: 0-1 0.0% Game: 10-13 76.9%

**Idaho St. 82 • 11-12, 6-6 BSC**

#	Player	Total	3-Ptr			Rebounds		PF	TP	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Min
			FG	FGA	FT	FTA	Off							
13	TOPALOVIC, Novak	7-13	0-0	0-0	2	11	13	4	14	2	7	0	35	
10	LUZZANNO, Gene	3-6	1-2	3-4	2	4	8	3	14	0	5	0	35	
15	BOYD, Brandon	11-17	3-5	2-3	2	3	5	3	27	5	4	0	33	
21	STUTZMAN, Jared	3-5	2-4	2-2	0	3	3	2	10	1	1	0	29	
25	CHIVICHYAN, Gary	3-7	2-4	0-0	1	2	3	0	8	0	0	0	24	
00	GARRITY, Hayes	1-2	1-2	0-0	0	0	0	1	3	1	1	0	5	
04	DOWD, Sam	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	
10	SUTTON, Lyle	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	
11	NAKKEN, Erik	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	
20	MOCSAN, Balint	2-8	2-5	0-0	0	1	1	2	3	1	1	1	25	
24	TRUMAN, Blake	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	
44	KIMBERLEY, Callum	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Team					1	0	3							
Totals		32-60	11-23	7-9	8	26	34	16	82	12	19	0	9	200

FG % 1st Half: 15-34 44.1% 2nd half: 17-26 65.4% Game: 32-60 53.3% Deadball Rebounds: 0  
 3FG % 1st Half: 7-17 41.2% 2nd half: 4-6 66.7% Game: 11-23 47.8%  
 FT % 1st Half: 0-0 0.0% 2nd half: 7-9 77.8% Game: 7-9 77.8%

Officials: Ruben Ramos, Gregg Morstein, Matt Mason  
 Technical Fouls: North Dakota-None; Idaho St.-None.  
 Attendance: 1708

Score by periods	1st	2nd	Total
North Dakota	37	30	67
Idaho St.	37	45	82

Points in Off 2nd Fast  
 UND 30 17 3 11 8  
 ISU 34 21 10 9 9

Last FG - UND 2nd 01:13, ISU 2nd 00:36.  
 Largest lead - UND by 3 1st-00:33, ISU by 17 2nd-01:22  
 UNB led for 00:30, ISU led for 36:07, Game was tied for 03:33.  
 Score tied - 3 times.  
 Lead changed - 2 times.

**GAME 26: vs. Southern Utah (Feb. 15)**

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**GAME 27: vs. Northern Arizona (Feb. 17)**

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**BENGALS FINALLY GET BY UND IN BIG SKY PLAY**

**POCATELLO, Idaho** -- Idaho State snapped an 11-game losing streak to North Dakota by defeating the Fighting Hawks 82-67 Saturday in Big Sky play. UND junior Geno Crandall led all scorers with 28 points on 10-of-13 shooting from the floor, but the Bengals outscored the visitors 45-30 in the second half to pick up their first win in the series since 2011.

Sophomore Brandon Boyd finished a point shy of his career-best with 27 in the victory for the Bengals (11-12, 6-6 BSC). He shot 11-for-17 from the floor and ISU shot 65 percent from the floor in its big second-half surge.

Junior Conner Avants added 12 points and Dale Jones chipped in with 11 to round out a trio of double-figure scorers for the Fighting Hawks (8-17, 3-10 BSC), who remained winless on the road in Big Sky play (0-7).

UND got down early, digging a 20-7 deficit thanks to eight early turnovers and an 8-for-12 start from the field by the home team.

"Tonight was all about turnovers," UND head coach Brian Jones said. "We haven't been doing that lately and those early ones in the second half proved costly."

The Fighting Hawks would settle down after that and outscore the Bengals 30-17 the rest of the half. That stretch included a 16-5 run late in the stanza that Crandall sparked as he contributed 11 of those points and finished with 18 first-half points.

Marlon Stewart gave the visitors their first lead of the half on a 3-pointer in the closing minute, but Balint Mocsan would square things at 37-37 at halftime by burying his own trey just before the buzzer.

Idaho State opened the second half on an 8-0 run to take the momentum back and never relented. The Bengals would push their lead to 12 midway through the half thanks to a 12-of-16 start from the floor.

ISU's lead would grow to as many as 16 on a driving layup by Brandon Boyd. Crandall scored his last bucket to trim the deficit to 75-65 before he fouled out with three minutes to play.

That would be as close as the visitors would get down the stretch as the Bengals picked up their first Big Sky win over UND in 11 tries.





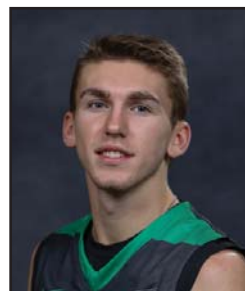
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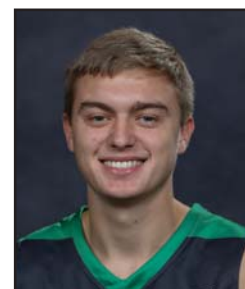
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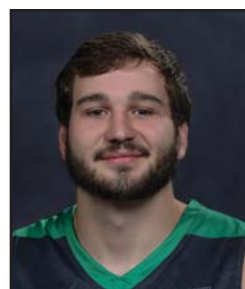
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