Pat Bowden: Reportedly

After a report to remove the streets surrounding SDSU campus was approved over the summer by the Brookings City Council, the new university-imposed street titles have fresher meaning now at ease about where they are, but left other students along double takes in the new signage.

- North-street suffixes; Jackrabbit Avenue, previously 15th Avenue, University Boulevard, previous Broadway, north of Brookings, Campion Avenue, previously 15th Avenue and Student Union Lane, previously Grove Lane; help define campus borders. These changes were originally requested by the students in order to address security reasons concerning campus entrances, as detailed in the 2013 City and Master Plan.

- On security issues, they’re trying to focus on primary campus entrances, which is what they looked at the streets as perimeters, Brookings Planning Administrator Dan Hansen said. For the school’s request, the council wanted to city council to vote on, which would not affect only the names on the streets, but it may also affect any residential or building address on that road.

- “Generally, all the streets are on a plot plan that name them all so people can build homes and houses [with street addresses].” SDSU petitioned for new street names around campus, and as a result some of the streets got changed that had been there for hundreds of years,” Hansen said. “The reason they came to the council is because of some of the streets, like Jackrabbit Lane, had public addresses on them [which would have been subject to change if it was passed] because houses return the street name that the front door faces.”

- The new street names are taken as well by freshmen, who think they can benefit from the image the university has on incoming students.

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Construction on Dana J. Dykhouse stadium continues

Parts of the stadium will be complete in time for the 2015 football season, completely finished by 2016 season

Drew Carroll: Managing Editor

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Horoscopes

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Libra
You may be able to float through the day without doing work because your instincts enable you to maximize the potential and make your dreams come true. However, your determination to lead to a tummy ache or a splitting head tomorrow. Acknowledging your limits doesn’t have to lessen your enjoyment.

Scorpio
It appears as if people want to make you happy today. Although a Sun-Jupiter conjunction shines, you still might be hesitant to trust the intentions of others. Rather than doubting anyone’s integrity, accept the advice you receive at face value now. The day is most practical rewards are emotional and spiritual, and come from your interactions with others. Be grateful for the kindness and pay it forward.

Sagittarius
Your community of like-minded folks. The sweet news is that even a small amount of positive thinking can transform into successful action now, especially your social life. Fantasies feed your desire to connect with heart-centered people on a deeper level. If you’re willing to push through emotional discomfort you can change a personal relationship. Sometimes you just have to trust the universe and make the first move.

Capricorn
It seems money is growing on trees but if you aren’t careful, you might end up being sadly disappointed rather than surprised with the good news. There’s no reason to question someone’s motives today; don’t look a gift horse in the mouth, especially when the planets are actively working on your behalf. Surrounding yourself with friends is a wise strategy; the more people involved the better. However, your community of like-minded folks. The sweet news is that even a small amount of positive thinking can transform into successful action now, especially your social life.

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Barnyard Cadets, a name collecting dust for more than a century, was exhumed this year to coin a new student-lead organization. BYC was formed through discussion and planning between eight SDSU students last February. Since its creation, the organization has planned various events to strengthen the bond between the Dakota State University community through reviving old traditions and creating new ones. John Green, a graduate student in plant science and a founding member of BYC, said he believes the traditions BYC will implement will strengthen student engagement.

“In order to be more engaged you have to have ownership,” Green said. “We’re hoping that by bring [sic] part of these events and indulging the history of SDSU into incoming classes, will make an impact and help incoming freshmen take ownership immediately.”

BYC brought one tradition back to campus by giving SDSU cowbells to incoming freshmen on move-in day. BYC ordered 2,700 cowbells to hand out to freshmen. According to Green, around 2,300 freshmen received cowbells and the remaining cowbells are being sold at the Bookstore.

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“The first-ever game-day walk will occur before the first home game of the 2015 football season, Sept. 12, against the University of Southern Utah. BYC encouraged all students to participate in the game day walk to symbolize the strength and unity of the student body. “No other university has something where students actually come together like we will,” Green said, “and that’s what we’re trying to make it be about that it’s symbolic of students banding together and focusing on their element and impact on the game.”

Each walk will begin outside of Larson’s Commons before each home game with students gathering two hours and 15 minutes before kickoff. The group will depart toward the tailgating area two hours before kickoff. The Bummobile will lead the walk toward the north of the Union where the Pride will join the group of students walking toward the tailgating area. Junior biology, pre-dental and speech communication major and member of BYC Caleb McKinley said he’s most excited for the game-day walks because it will encourage a sense of connection and community amongst the students participating.

“Having school pride and a sense of community with fellow Jackrabbits benefits students because it helps build an awesome community of passionate students and also gives students something to unite them,” McKinley said.

BYC organized a new tailgating area designated for students to socialize before the game. Qdoba will cater food and drinks to a number of students in the tailgating area as well as yard games for students to play.

The fourth event BYC plans to bring to campus is the State Shout. Inspired by Texas A&M’s® Midnight Yells, Green and BYC hopes to practice football cheers and chants from SDSU’s® Pride.

Green said there will only be two State Shout events this season before the biggest games of the season. BYC set the first State Shout for Thursday, Oct. 1 before the North Dakota State University game. The second State Shout will be Thursday, Nov. 5 for the Illinois State University game.

Students can join BYC through a $20 membership fee. Members receive a BYC T-shirt, membership card, priority entrance to student section promotions and events, and 50 “Rabbit Rewards” points redeemable for prizes, free food and other fun at the athletes’ Rabbit Rewards store.

For those familiar with the Jackrabbit Den, the benefits of joining BYC sound eerily similar to the benefits of joining the Rabbit Den. Green said this is because the Jackrabbit Den morphed into a section of the BYC supported by Jackrabbit Athletics.

BYC supports more than just athletics, as the Student Section Fan Club only represents one pillar of the organization’s mission. Green said the group wants to support elements from across campus that hold value for students.

“,” John Green, BYC Founding Member

Traditions, history come alive with new student organization

We have a really cool and strong sense of connection with the history that we have, so it’s about making sure those connections stay strong.

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Barnyard Cadets to bring back old traditions to SDSU

The Midnight Yell is an immense- 
ly popular and extremely fun tradi- 
tion that occurs on the Texas A&M 
campus. They even practice for it—at 
midnight.

And now a new student group is 
looking to do something similar. The 
Barnyard Cadets are the newest addi-
tion to campus and they are making 
quite the racket. A shout to be more 
exact.

As we open a new school year and 
football season, the Barnyard Cadets 
are looking to bring old and new tra-
ditions to campus.

The group of SDSU students plan 
to organize a game-day walk in which 
students will band together in front 
of Larson Commons two hours and 
15 minutes before each home game 
kickoff and walk toward the stadium 
together as one body. The cowbell idea 
came from the early days of SDSU, when students at the Univer-
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SDSU decided to make the best of 
their new nickname and began bring-
ing cowbells to football games. The 
NCAA has since banned the use of 
noisemakers at sanctioned sporting 
events.

We, at The Collegian, believe that 
this new group is an excellent addi-
tion to our already tradition-filled 
campus. It will bring students to 
together as one body. The cowbell 
idea is also great, but a little disappoint-
ing that the bells cannot be brought 
into the games. It revives an old tradi-
tion, but it might create a few head-
aches, literally and figuratively, in the 
dorms with many wild freshmen hav-
ing such hectic noise making devices.

A new tailgate area near the San-
ford-Jackrabbit Athletic complex has 
been established as the destination 
of these walks. Yard games, free food 
and televisions to watch other college 
football games will be available in this 
tailgate area—a great accessory, in 
our opinion.

We enjoy the fact that the Barn-
yard Cadets are bringing parts of our 
school’s history back. Many of the 
students on this campus most likely 
were present when this tradition started. We were 
here when that started. We were 
a part of history.

Right now is our time. Not only 
are the revived and new traditions 
making an appearance on campus, 
but we also have the constructing 
and opening of the new Dana J. Dillhoe 
Stadium next season. When we, as 
the current student body, look back 
on our time here, we should be proud 
to have chosen South Dakota State 
University.
SDSU improves energy consumptions on campus

Luke Ganschow
Columnist

Welcome back to a new you. With the South Dakota State University.
SDSU currently is doing better. Having recently seen the Jackrabbits community as the energy conservation engineer. This area is something the students need to know toward improving the university and its facilities.

SDSU committed itself to improving and controlling the use of energy on campus and has accomplished this goal in a variety of ways. The project range from simple lighting upgrades and window replacements to boiler replacements, energy recovery systems, other mechanical system upgrades, lighting and ventilating and air conditioning equipment, all of which are important for SDSU’s commitment to energy conservation on campus.

Provided is an overview on the university’s growth since 2005 along with recording data of the different energy sources used on campus.

Nearly 1,850,000 square feet of building space was added to SDSU within the past decade, which is a 35 percent increase. SDSU itself is 56 percent per square foot (SF) per degree day (DD), which is a great accomplishment.

SDSU also increased the air-conditioned SF by 61 percent and the heated SF by 21 percent. All while increasing energy efficiency per SF. Campus water energy consumption increased by 16 percent per SF even during those times when you are thinking of being dropped off, taking out your stuff, packing up, etc.

Lighting upgrades are one of the more relatively cheap ways to reduce energy consumption. LED lights are getting more affordable, lasting longer, and less energy is required to light a building.

The university plans to replace all light fixtures with LED fixtures in parts of Berg Agricultural and Lincoln Music Hall basement this fall. Two T12 bulb while providing around 25W of power per bulb. The bulbs we use now are only 12W (T8) or 15.5W (T5) bulb.

This bulb which consumes around 25W of power per bulb, which is a lot less energy required for a bulb.

In the future, SDSU started to use LED lights from being left on in dormitories, offices, etc. This is an effective way to cool a building. Degree days account for the cold and warm weather and prevent data from being skewed.

*A degree day is a measure used to account for temperature variations for a day. A degree day is very useful to get accurate reports and no motion is detected light fixtures will turn off. This will help student to relieve that unwanted stress.

One final piece of advice: do not go to Chick-fil-A, In-N-Out or any fast-food restaurant.

Eating healthful is possible in doing well in school, and staying mentally healthy as well. Do not be an advocate for the “Freshman 15.”

Luke Ganschow at an Energy Conservation Engineer at SDSU and will write future columns.
the home opener.

Construction workers install railing on the east side bleachers. Both the east and south side bleachers will be ready for the project as a whole is expected to be under way as the season gets underway.

You know, the fact that it’ll be a positive effect.

“New University football program feels blessed to be part of this transition period will allow for 72,000 fans to cheer on the Jacks. It’ll be nice to have a small competitive team.”

A city of these outer shells, the permanent booths are coming together, and that there’s better access to the student section.

According to Holm, the 20-year-old roof was nearing its end, said Kirk Skagstad, the assistant manager of The Union. The roof had served its purpose, and the heading toward the summer while students were gone. However, the project didn’t come on time as the contract with the roofing company allowed for the contract to be modified a bit.

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A dance fundraiser is exactly what it sounds like, an event where people pay to dance and the money raised is used for a specific cause. In this case, it is to help the SDSU Dance Team continue to compete. The SDSU Dance Team will be holding a dance fundraiser this Saturday, August 27th, at the Hilton M. Brown Library from 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm. For $5, people will have the opportunity to learn and practice dance routines with the SDSU Dance Team. All money raised will go directly to the SDSU Dance Team’s budget for the upcoming season. This is a great way for students to support their favorite dance team and have fun doing it!

Quotes by Kara Christopher-Holt

“We work with the kids and let them play on the interactives and we just keep an eye on them.”

“We want everyone to know that the dance team is here for dance in college and the SDSU Dance Team was the perfect opportunity,” said Mauns Alleva, a senior business economics major and a member of the dance team for four years. “I can’t forget the girls on my team. They’re my second family at school. I didn’t know what I’d do without them.”

“I think that when I didn’t realize when joining the team that I am so thankful for how much we do outside of the team.”

When the team is not practicing or performing, they volunteer. In the past, the dance team participated at State-A-Thon, a 12-hour dance marathon that raises money for Children’s Miracle Network; they also volunteered at the local senior homes, painting nails and serving meals to the residents.

“We work so hard to make it look easy as we can and ... just want people to know that we are passionate about it,” Christopher-Holt said. “We will put in our time and our money and our effort ... pretty much all of us would die for this team.”

Christopher-Holt sent in a video audition when she auditioned for the dance team. Other ways to audition for the dance team are through the spring and fall try-outs. The fall try-

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The team raised money through various fundraisers such as carwash in Sioux Falls, bake sales, concessions at football and basket-

### Dance it off

Jacks’ Dance Team fundraises to keep on competing

KATHERINE CLAYTON

Lifestyles Editor

The self-funded SDSU Dance Team proves there is no “I” in team as members raise the funds to keep the dance team performing at foot-

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Friends call each other, eat together and some friends even start college together. Zulema Meza and Kayla Flanagan have been friends since middle school and throughout high school. Now, they decided to stay together for another big chapter in their lives—college.

Meza, an undecided major, and Flanagan, a pre-nursing major, were just a few of the more than 2,000 incoming students who arrived on campus Friday, August 21 and participated in MeetState.

According to Tobias Uecker, the assistant director of residential life for living, learning initiatives, MeetState is a weekend of activities devoted to students’ holistic transition to SDSU.

“Friday is about that physical transition. Saturday is about the academic transition to SDSU, so that’s why you’ll see things on the schedule from Saturday like the academic convocation, sort of that first official ceremony,” Uecker said.

The physical transition to campus involved moving students’ belongings into the residential halls.

“Were in Young, so moving in was kind of a battle … and it was a big sweaty mess,” Meza said. Flanagan and Meza live on the fourth floor of Young Hall and said one of the many challenges of moving in was deciding on the best room arrangement.

Flanagan said at first they set their room up with the beds parallel to each other, but decided to switch to an L-shape because a lot of the other girls on their floor set their rooms up that way.

“Tobias,” said Meza. “Tobias was excited to see how our dorm would look because we put so much money and effort into making sure it would look cute,” Meza said.

During move-in day, hundreds of volunteers helped students move their belongings from their cars into the residential halls.

“There is involvement from every facet of the university community [for MeetState],” Uecker said. “I think that is especially true when you look at our move-in volunteers.”

“Volleyball, the social, club volleyball,” Flanagan said. “I kind of want to try that but I don’t think I can handle the pressure.”

“Convocation typically has an academic emphasis and not only officially kicks off their higher education, but also impresses upon the incoming students the value of a college degree and the importance of applying oneself academically,” Provost Laurie Nichols said. “We want students to take their learning seriously and to engage with their classes.”

“Other events throughout Saturday included Thumbprint, an introduction to the different colleges and academic communities, and the Welcome Back Bash. The bash featured inflatables, a concert and other activities.

The Campus and Community Fall Festival on Sunday afternoon promoted different student organizations and clubs in the Volstorff Ballroom. The clubs and organizations presented what their club was about by talking to students and having some sort of activity or prize that symbolized their club.

“After being on campus for less than 72 hours, Meza already developed plans for becoming connected on campus.”

“I’ve heard that there’s so many clubs that will fit any interest or slight interest you might have and so I definitely want to check those out,” Meza said. “[Kayla and I are] definitely looking for the State-A-Thon [booth] because we just went to the meeting and it sounded really cool.”

MeetState moves in more than 2,000 students
ANDREW HOLTAN
Sports Reporter

South Dakota State has a new volleyball coach and her name is Nicole Cirillo. It will be Cirillo’s first head coaching job, and she is looking to turn around the Jackrabbits program.

Cirillo grew up in Edwards-Vil-

lage, Illinois where she found out that she happened to be the sport that

I wanted to pursue more than any other. After my freshman year in high school I quit all other sports just so I could focus on volleyball.

She did that and moved. She took Edwards-Village High School to sectional and sectional titles and was first team all-conference and named first team All-Region. She then transferred to the University of Central Arkansas, where for the first time in 1998 she helped them make the Gulf South Tour-

nament in 2003. She went on to graduate with a master’s degree in information systems degree and then her Master of Science Degree in Administrative Stud-

ies from Missouri State Univer-

sity.

Cirillo was the coach on the floor when she was playing as she was team captain at both of the schools she played at in col-

lege. She got her new volunteer coaching because she didn’t know what to do after college.

“When I found out that I was going to graduate from college I looked at my coach and said ‘Oh, my god, what am I going to do with my life?’ and he said ‘You should coach, you’d be great at it.’”

And the confidence and the winning background to turn around and get them back to level will take some players stepping up their production after the loss of the winningest class in SDSU histo-
y. One man who will be looked to for some of that is sophomore receiver Jake Wizomka.

“He [Wizomka] is, I think, one of the best receivers in America, and I’ve had to grow and get better every year. This year is definitely an interesting role that every athlete has been defi-

cing.”

With the addition of new personnel. Kickoff is scheduled for 6 p.m. at Coughlin-Alumni from

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Equestrian gets a breath of life

Sport given extended time to prove its growth

AUSTIN HAMM

Austen Washington was looking for a change. His freshman season was a struggle and he felt the need to mix things up.

“Coming into this season, I was just trying to do something different,” Washington said. “I felt like my game was one-dimensional so I decided to diversify my game.”

Washington’s decision to change things up has paid off in a big way. He is now a force to be reckoned with in the SDSU Equestrian program.

In the fall, Washington was named the National Collegiate Equestrian Association (NCEA) Region 9 Rookie of the Year. He also finished fourth at the Western Regional Championship and fifth at the NCEA National Championship.

Washington’s success has not gone unnoticed by his peers. He is often looked to for advice and guidance, and his presence on the team has helped to bring a new level of energy and enthusiasm.

“Having Austen on the team has been a huge boost for us,” said Head Coach David Sullivan. “He brings a lot of experience and talent to the squad.”

Washington’s success has also been reflected in the team’s overall performance. The SDSU Equestrian team finished fourth at the NCEA National Championship, their best finish in program history.

“Getting Austen has really been a turning point for the team,” Sullivan said. “He’s brought a lot of positivity and energy to the squad.”

Washington’s success has not only benefited him, but it has also helped his teammates.

“Having Austen around has really helped me to improve,” said fellow freshman Jonathan Johnson. “He’s always willing to give advice and help me with my form.”

Washington’s success has also been recognized by the NCEA, which named him to the All-America Team.

“Being named an All-American is really special,” Washington said. “I’m just trying to keep working hard and see where it takes me.”

Washington’s success has been a breath of life for the SDSU Equestrian program. He has helped to bring new energy and enthusiasm to the team and has shown that the program has a bright future.

“I’m really proud of Austen and what he’s accomplished this season,” Sullivan said. “He’s helped us to show that we have a team that can compete at the highest level.”

Washington’s success has been a testament to the hard work and dedication that he has put into his sport. He is a shining example of what can be achieved with a strong work ethic and a positive attitude.

“Equestrian is a challenging sport, but it’s also very rewarding,” Washington said. “I’m just trying to enjoy the ride and see where it takes me.”

Washington’s success has brought a new level of excitement to the SDSU Equestrian program. He has proven that with hard work and dedication, anything is possible.
Volleyball looks for turnaround

ANDREW HOELAN
Sports Reporter

The South Dakota State volleyball team is heading into its first season under new head coach Nicole Cirillo. The Jacks finished last year with an overall record of 4-27 and went 1-11 in the Summit League, which was the worst season in program history.

Cirillo is looking to change the culture of the Jackrabbits volleyball program. A program that went to the NCAA Division I Tournament in 2007 but only qualified for its conference tournament just once since the program moved to Division I. Cirillo will be SDSU’s 12th head coach and fourth since 2007. She spent the last five years in the Summit League at IUPUI as an associate head coach. In her tenure, the Jacks went 33-41 but won three Summit League regular season titles, played in the Summit League championship game three consecutive years, won the Summit League Championship and made it to their first NCAA tournament.

“There is one only goal for us this year,” Cirillo said. “That is to get better.” Our main goal is to grow as a group, off sân and control the things we can control, instead of being doing those things then we’re not in control of, hopefully being competition. If we’re being misinterpreted rather than hopefully the outcome of the game itself,” Cirillo said.

The Jacks return all but two players from last year, with Morgan Hstraight graduating and arguably their best player last season, Tricia Gibson, transferring to Texas A&M. The Jacks have five seniors this season who look to bring the leadership that previous seniors have been lacking the past few seasons.

“It’s a huge standout for us, having five seniors, all of whom have played, they are all going to play a major role in our success this season. Having that experience is definitely going to help for the driving force for this team moving forward,” Cirillo said.

They include Alanna Frpy, who led the team in kills and Wagner Last year’s offensive output, was second in kills behind Gibson. In a leadership role Wagner Last year returned four seniors who has really brought into the team a lot of changes for second round standout and has really tried to enforce some of the things that we’re trying to do,” Cirillo said.

Cirillo is looking to change some things on the offensive side saying “We’re going to use our serving as an offensive threat, that’s something I know specifically last year that they did not do. That will be a huge turnaround for us to be able to score some points quickly.”

The Jacks lack the 2015 season on Friday, Aug. 28 when they traveled to Dukla, Illinois to play in the Northern Illinois Tournament hosted by Northern Illinois University. They return to Frost Arena for their home opener on Tuesday Sept. 1 to take on Drake University.

JALEN WILSON
Sports Reporter

Strong finishes in last season’s Summit League Championships have the South Dakota State men’s and women’s cross country teams aiming even higher this year.

The men finished second and the women finished third in last October’s to close out the, N.D. Both teams want to finish on top this season.

“Pretty high expectations, we have a lot of good runners. We are looking for a bid to the NCAA Championships,” senior Trent Lusignan said.

Head coach Rod DeHaven is looking in for another strong season. “Expectations are in our grip. Are they going to make the right choices? The right level of commitment to be the best they can possibly be? If they do, we think that we have a chance to be successful,” DeHaven said.

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home game of 2015 is scheduled for 2 p.m. The Kickers also lost the road to 1019 Main Avenue South, the final game of the season.

The 2015 MVFC game is scheduled for 2 p.m. kick off on Nov. 14. Last year’s Jackrabbits hand the 45-14. The Kickers have made it to their first ever NCAA tournament.

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The women look to lead the charge in the Summit League, which has been a team goal since they finished second in the league championship in 2012.

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Before most students were even on campus, the South Dakota State women's soccer team was busy getting their season underway with games on Friday and Sunday at Fishback Soccer Park in Brookings against Iowa State and Green Bay. The Jacks dropped their opener to ISU 1-0, but topped Green Bay 2-1 to even their record at 1-1.

“We had some of the early season miscues and some disorganization in the Iowa State game, but I thought we played fairly well; we had a lot of possession of the ball,” said SDSU head coach Lang Wedemeyer.

After the Cyclones took an early 1-0 lead off a corner kick, both teams seemed to struggle to create scoring opportunities in the first half. SDSU tallied 20 shots to ISU’s 11 in the second half, but could not net the evening score.

“We created enough chances to win the game, but not as many as I would have liked,” Wedemeyer said. “I think it may have been a little fatigued or a heavy field that contributed to a slower game, but credit Iowa State, they did everything they needed to get the win.”

The Jacks took a practice day on Saturday before coming back strong against the Green Bay Phoenix on Sunday. Madidi Yueill scored on a penalty kick in the 14th minute, and Nicole Hatcher scored in the 24th to give the Jacks a lead they would not relinquish.

Heidi Hartmann of Green Bay would score in the 27th minute on one of her game-high six shots, of the Phoenix’s 10 total, to make it 2-1. Green Bay would attack late, but SDSU goalkeeper Nicole Inskeep would be credited with three of her five saves in the final eight minutes to preserve the Rabbits’ win.

“One of the big things we talked about was creating more dangerous opportunities, getting more players around the goal, and we did. Obviously we scored twice, but I thought we were very dangerous throughout the game in creating those chances, now we just have to find a way to finish them.”

The Jacks are hoping that the match-to-match improvements will continue as they look to build off their 2014 success, when they won the Summit League tournament and advanced to the NCAA tournament for the first time.

“Not to be complacent. Still be hungry, which I think the girls are. They not only want to be able to repeat what we did last year, but go one step further,” Wedemeyer said. “Whether that is being stronger and more consistent in the non-conference portion of the schedule, or making it to the NCAA again and making it to a game or two further into tournament. We have a very mature team. We have a lot of seniors, juniors and even sophomores who played a lot of minutes last year together, so we’re confident that by the end of the season we can get them there.”

SDSU travels to Iowa this weekend, facing Iowa on Friday at 7 p.m. and Drake on Sunday at 1 p.m. The team’s next home game will be Friday, Sept. 18, against Northern Iowa at Fishback Soccer Park at 6 p.m.

“Any time you get to play against a Big Ten opponent, it’s good,” Wedemeyer said. “They’re going to be a good team. They’ll be athletic, strong, and hard and play a very direct type of game that we’ll have to adjust to. But it’s a good challenge for us that prepares us for later in the season.”