MLB bans rolling slides, shortens trips to mound

THE SPORTS XCHANGE

Rolling slides to break up double plays will not be permitted PRO

starting **ROUNDUP** with the 2016 season

according to new regulations adopted Thursday by Major League Baseball and the Major League Baseball Players' Association.

The World Umpires Association also approved the banishment of so-called block slides after New York Mets shortstop Ruben Tejada suffered a broken leg on a takeout at second base in last year's playoffs by Los Angeles Dodgers infielder Chase Utley.

MLB and the players'

additions to the pace of play initiative designed to help speed up the game.

According to the new sliding rules, a runner is required to make a bona fide attempt to slide or an umpire can call the runner and the batter out.

"A runner will be specifically prohibited from changing his pathway to the base or utilizing a "roll block" for the purpose of initiating contact with the fielder," the new rule states. "Potential violations of Rule 6.01(j) will be reviewable using instant replay. Also reviewable will be "neighborhood play" calls, which previously were exempted from replay review."

A bona-fide slide occurs

slide (or makes contact with the ground) before reaching the base, is able and attempts to reach the base with his hand or foot, is able and attempts to remain on the base (except home plate) after completion of the slide and slides within reach of the base without changing his pathway for the purpose of initiating contact with a

"A slide shall not be a "bona fide slide" if a runner engages in a "roll block," or intentionally initiates (or attempts to initiate) contact with the fielder by elevating and kicking his leg above the fielder's knee or throwing his arm or his upper body."

The pace of play program

union also signed off on two when "a runner begins his is being expanded from last winner forced her into his ing grand jury presentation." year to include timed 30-second visits to the mound by managers and coaches and a reduction by 20 seconds of broadcast breaks between innings, which will now be 2:05 for locally televised games and 2:25 for national telecasts.

Manziel case referred to grand jury

Dallas police referred to the grand jury the domestic violence case against Cleveland Browns quarterback Johnny Manziel to decide whether to charge him with misdemeanor assault.

Manziel was involved in an incident with former girlfriend Colleen Crowley on Jan. 30 in Dallas. She said the 2012 Heisman Trophy

car and hit her repeatedly, resulting in a ruptured eardrum.

The charge could carry up to one year in jail and a \$4.000 fine.

"The investigation of the domestic violence assault involving Jonathan Manziel, which occurred on January 30, 2016, has been completed," the Dallas police department said in a statement released Thursday. "Today, a Class A misdemeanor Assault/Domestic Violence case has been referred to the Dallas County District Attorney's office for presentation to the grand jury. The Dallas Police Department will not release any details of the investigation while it is pendIn an interview with

TMZ. Manziel denied hitting Crowley. But the Browns apparently are ready to release Manziel next month.

'His future on our team will be addressed here pretty soon," Browns coach Hue Jackson said at the NFL Combine on Wednesday. "But let me say this: I think it's really important that obviously there were some people involved in the situation that happened and I feel very bad about those things as they do happen."

Crowley said in an affidavit that she tried to escape but couldn't and the two struggled inside the vehicle on their way back to her Fort Worth apartment.

SCOREBOARD

Results

HIGH SCHOOL Unified Basketball

Winslow 62, Hall-Dale 38 **COLLEGE**

> Thursday's Results Men's Basketball

CCC Semifinals Roger Williams 75, U-New England 58

Women's Lacrosse Bates 18, Sewanee 9

Wednesday's Results **BASEBALL**

Pomona-Pitzer 7, Bates 5 **MEN'S BASKETBALL** Hartford 82, Maine 74

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL Maine 50, Hartford 44

MEN'S LACROSSE

Bates 14, Endicott 10 Today's games

COLLEGE

Baseball Maine at New Mexico State, 9 p.m.

Men's Basketball **NAC Semifinals**

At Husson, Bangor No. 4 Thomas vs. No. 1 Husson, 6 p.m. No. 3 Johnson State vs. No. 2 Colby-

> Women's Basketball **NAC Semifinals**

At Husson, Bangor

Sawyer, 8 p.m.

Husson, 3 p.m

No. 3 Maine Maritime vs. No. 2 Castleton, 1 p.m. No. 4 New England College vs. No. 1

Men's Hockey Maine at Northeastern, 7 p.m.

Women's Hockey **Hockey East Quarterfinals**

Maine at Boston College, 2 p.m All-stars

HIGH SCHOOL

Indoor track **PVC All-Conference teams**

Girls First Team — 55m: Krystal Grant (Hampden); 55 Hurdles: Lauren Stoops (Orono); **200m:** Lauren Stoops (ORO); **400m,** Tiara Tardy (ORO); **800:** Tiara Tardy (ORO); 1 Mile: Tiara Tardy (ORO); 2 Mile: Tiara Tardy (ORO); Shot Put: Daija Misler (HA); Long Jump, Oliviah Damboise (Old Town); Triple Jump: Oliviah Damboise (OT); High Jump, Olivia St Germain (John Bapst), Christie Woodside (HA); **Pole Vault:** Allison Pickering (ORO); **4x200 Relay:** Orono Lauren Stoops, Katherine O'Brien,

Rebecca Lopez-Anido, Tiara Tardy; 4x800

Relay: Orono Jenna Gaetjen, Olivia Fan-

del, Lydia Chase, Tiara Tardy Second Team - 55m: Lauren Stoops (ORO); Ashley Anderson (MDI); **55 Hurdles:** Christie Woodside (HA); Hannah Hopkins (Brewer); **200m:** Ashley Anderson (MDI); Krystal Grant (HA): 400m: Rebecca Lopez Anido (ORO), Ashley Anderson (MDI); 800: Rebecca Lopez-Anido (ORO), Arianna Geiser (BRW); 1 Mile: Rebecca Lopez-Anido (ORO), Kiona Osterlin (ELLS); 2 Mile: Rebecca Lopez-Anido (ORO), Olivia Fandel (ORO); Shot Put: Mavis Taungatu'a (Bucksport), Mackenzie Hanna (MDI); Long Jump: Moriah Newcomb (BRW), Katherine O'Brien (ORO); Triple Jump, Christie Woodside, Simone Withers (HA); **High Jump:** Demitria Givens (Bangor), Rachel Bunker (ELLS), Bayley Bryant (Hermon), McKenna Smith (Old Town); **Pole Vault:** Rihan Smallwood (BAN), Oliviah Damboise (OT), Alyssa Vargo (BRW); 4x200 Relay: Bangor Demitria Givens, Rihan Smallwood, Mykayla Hoggard, Felicity Palmer; MDI Lily Turner, Sydney Kachmai Novella, Ashley Anderson; 4x800 Relay: Brewer Amber Burris, Hannah Smith, Maria Maxsimic, Arianna Geiser; John Bapst Eilidh Sidaway, Emma Bragdon, Margaret Peckenham, Amanda Boyd

Boys First Team - 55m: Ryan Bender (MDI); 55 Hurdles: Alex Charette (HA);

200m: Troy Crawford (OT); 400m: Ryar Bender (MDI); **800:**Tristan Butterfield (ORO); **1 Mile:** Paul Casavant (HA); **2** Mile: Paul Casavant (HA); Shot Put: Aus tin Lufkin (BRW); Long Jump: Erick Seekins (BRW); Triple Jump: Hunter Smith (Foxcroft): High Jump: Hunter Smith (FA); Pole Vault: Johann Bradley (BUC); **4x200 Relay: Foxcroft** Nathaniel Church, Blaine Robinson, Evan Chadbourne, Tobias Hogfeldt; 4x800 Relay Foxcroft Tobias Hogfeldt, Gabe Piquette, Chandler Rockwell, Cooper Nelson

Second Team — 55m: Thomas Darby (HA), Ian Haddow (OT); 55 Hurdles: Cayo (BRW): 200m: Rvan Bender (MDI). Erick Seekins (BRW); 400m: Erick Seekins (BRW), Tristan Butterfield (ORO);800: Paul Casavani (HA), Jacob Fandel (ORO); 1 Mile: Jacob Fandel (ORO), Cooper Nelson (FA); 2 Mile: Adam Schwendt (BAN), Jacob Fandel (ORO): Shot Put: Croix Albee (MDI), Garret Graham (BRW); Long Jump: Hunter Smith (FA), Ryan Bender (MDI); **Triple Jump:** Alex Charette (HA), Derek Haas (OT); **Pole Vault:** Dominick Lizotte (BAN), Avery Hallahan, Michael Worcester, Cayd Wortman (BRW); **4x200 Relay: Old Town** Ian Haddow, Austin Robichaud, Thomas Sanborn, Troy Crawford; Hampden Thomas Darby, Jack Dunning, Jarrett Osborne, Marcus Theriault; 4x800 Relay: Orono Jacob Fandel, William O'Neil, Matt Keresey, Tristan Butterfield; Brewer Caleb Marsh, Jon Donnelly, Reed Davis, Nick Luce

All-Academic teams (Senior athletes with 7 semesters with a GPA of 90 percent or better)

Bangor: Adam Schwendt, Katrina ock; Brewer: Reed Davis, Caleb Marsh, Amber Burris, Julie DiFrederico; Bucksport: Natalie Coleman, Mavis Taungatu'a; Central: Quanah Gaitings Harrod, Chris Hersey; Ellsworth: Tim Curts, Rachel Bunker, Ashley King, Courtney Wasson: Foxcroft: Nathanie Church, Joon Yeob Kim, Cooper Nelson, Hunter Smith: Hampden: Mary Dube Krystal Grant, Brooke Hardy, Lindsay Oliver, Bryanna Parker; Hermon: Austir Bemis, Rylee Cushman, Aaron Hallett Nicholas Langille, Alex Shelley, Bayley Bryant, Deanna Phipps, Ali Reynolds Josie Swoboda, Karli Theberge; Johr Bapst: Nicholas Albert;

Mattanawcook: Elise Arnold, Vanessa Twombly; MDI: Delia Hallett; Old Town: Connor Archer. Nicholas Dieffenbacher-Krall, Derek Haas, Ian Haddow, Noah Hayes, Benjamin Quimby, Austin Robi-chaud, Peyton Boucher, Lauren Higgins, Brianna O'Leary, Josie Robichaud, Tylisha ing, Samantha Round, Lauren Stoops

College basketball

2016 North Atlantic Conference

Men's All-Conference Teams

Jr., Husson; G: Levi Barnes, Sr., Thomas Trevon Butler, Sr., Husson; C: Peter Donato, Sr., Colby-Sawyer; G: Dezron Wilson, Sr., New England College

Second Team — F: Cameron Anderson, Sr., Green Mountain; G: Thomas Brown, Jr., Green Mountain; G: Rahim Bunch, Sr., Johnson State; G: Asim Khan, Sr., Johnson State; G: Wol Majong, Sr., Colby-Sawyer Player of the Year: Trevon Butler, Sr.,

Defensive Player of the Year: Peter

Donato, Sr., Colby-Sawyer Rookie of the Year: Kevin Love,

Frosh., Lvndon Sr. Scholar Athlete of the Year: Greg Davis, Sr., Johnson State

Coach of the Year: Miles Smith, First Season, Johnson State

Sportsmanship Team — Adam Carlsen, Sr., Thomas; Greg Davis, Sr., Johnson State; Cameron Gaudette, Soph. Green Mountain; Eli Itkin, Jr., Husson; Wol Majong, Sr., Colby-Sawyer; Casey McGraw, Sr., Castleton; Logan Nichols, Sr., UMaine-Farmington; Ariya Nozary, Jr., New England College; Dylan Price, Jr., Maine Maritime; Gabriel Torres, Frosh., Lyndon

Wrestling

PVC All-conference teams First Team — 106: Codi Sirois, Penobscot Valley; 113: Foster Ashmore, Bucksport; 120: Daegan Eastman, Mattanawcook Acad., 126: Antonio Ayala, Foxcroft Acad., 132: R.J. Nelson, FA; 138: Peytor Cole, Ellsworth, 145: Zach Caron, FA; 152 Brody Boynton, Buck.; 160: Jacob Hesseltine, Dexter; 170: Austin Smith, Ellsworth; 182: Trent Goodman, Ells.; 195: Brandon Brock, FA; 220: Michael Pen-

TV-Radio Schedule

AUTO RACING

NASCAR, XFINITY, practice, 9 a.m., 12:30 p.m., FS1-TV NASCAR, Sprint Cup, practice, 11 a.m., qualifying , 5:30 p.m., FS1-TV NASCAR, Camping World Truck, practice , 1:30 p.m., 4 p.m., FS1-TV

BASEBALL, COLLEGE

MAINE at NEW MEXICO, 9 p.m., WWNZ Veazie (1400 AM) radio

BASKETBALL, BOYS

Class B State Final, LAKE REGION vs. ELLSWORTH, 8:45 p.m., MPBN-TV, Live Streaming (MPBN.net); WEZQ Bangor, (92.9 FM) radio, Internet (929theticket.com); WOXO Norway (92.7 & 100.7 FM) radio; WDEA Ellsworth (1370 AM) radio; WDEA Internet (www.wdea.am)

BASKETBALL, GIRLS

Class B State Final, GRAY-NEW GLOUCESTER vs. HOULTON, 7 p.m.

MPBN-TV, Live Streaming (MPBN.net); WHOU Houlton (100.1 FM) radio; WEZQ Bangor, (92.9 FM) radio, Internet (929theticket.com); WOXO Norway (92.7 & 100.7 FM) radio BASKETBALL, MEN

VALPARAISO at WISCONSIN (Milwaukee), 7 p.m., ESPN2-TV BOWLING GREEN at AKRON, 7 p.m., CBSSN-TV HARVARD at YALE, 7 p.m., FS1-TV RIDER at MONMOUTH, 9 p.m., ESPN2-TV

BASKETBALL, NBA

CHICAGO at ATLANTA, 8 p.m., ESPN-TV MEMPHIS at LA LAKERS, 10:30 p.m., ESPN-TV

BASKETBALL, WOMEN

XAVIER at VILLANOVA, 9 p.m., FS1-TV **GOLF**

PGA, Honda Classic, second round, 2 p.m., The Golf Channel-TV HOCKEY, MEN

MAINE at NORTHEASTERN, 7 p.m., WVOM Bangor (103.9 FM), WVOM Rockland (1450 AM), WSYY Millinocket (1240 AM), WVQM 101.3 FM Augusta, WLOB 1310 AM Portland radio; UMaine Internet (GoBlackBears.com) BOSTON UNIVERSITY at NOTRE DAME, 7:30 p.m., NBCSN-TV MINNESOTA (Duluth) at ST. CLOUD STATE, 9 p.m., CBSSN-TV

HOCKEY, NHL BOSTON at CAROLINA, 7 p.m., NESŃ-TV

Men's Hockey

MAINE vs. NORTHEASTERN Time, site: Friday, Saturday, 7 p.m., Matthews Arena, Boston Records: Maine 8-20-6 (5-13-2 Hockey East); Northeastern 14-13-5 (8-8-4)

Series, last meeting: Maine leads 52-43-19, Maine 6-3 on 2/21/15

Key players: Maine — LW Blaine Byron (8 goals, 13 assists), LW Will Merchant (12 & 8), C Steven Swavely (9 & 10), C Cam Brown (6 & 11), D Dan Renouf (6 & 8), RW Andrew Tegeler (2 & 10), G Rob McGovern (2-11-3, 2.65 goalsagainst average, 911 save percentage); Northeastern — RW Zach Aston-Reese (10 & 20), LW Nolan Stevens (15 & 13), C John Stevens (8 & 17), RW Mike McMurtry (7 & 17), C Adam Gaudette (8 & 14), D Garret Cockerill (7 & 10), G Ryan Ruck (12-10-4, 2.20, .914)

Game notes: Ruck was named the Hockey East Rookie of the Week after stopping 39 of 42 shots in 5-2 and 4-1 victories over Connecticut. Nolan Stevens' mprovement over last year ti NU's top three scorers are linemates with Aston-Reese and the Stevens brothers so if that line remains intact, the Black Bears are going to have to make sure they keep an eye on them. They will also have to adapt to an ice surface that is five feet wider than their own. Nolan Stevens leads the Huskies in power-play goals (6) and game winners (4). Northeastern has the nation's No. 15 power play (20.4 percent efficiency). Four of the last 11 games between these two teams have ended in ties. They are 2-2-2 in their last six meetings. NU has won five in a row overall, outscoring opponents 23-6, and is 13-2-3 after a 1-11-2 start. Maine snapped a five-game losing streak with its 3-2 overtime win over Merrimack last Saturday.

driss, FA; 285: Richard Woodward, PVHS Second Team - 106: Brandon Weston, FA; 113: Jacob Emery, John Bapst; **120:** Ethan Minnick, Buck.; **126** Logan Lord, Ells.; **132:** Tyler Beem, Dex.; 138: Isiah Hesseltine, Dex.; 145: Josh Wright, Ells., 152: Dustin Simmons, FA; 160, Andrew Brown, Ells., 170: Bryce Sweet, Dex.; 182: Billy Brooks, FA; 195: Jared Smith, JB; 220: Iziaih Thayer, Caribou; 285: Tanner Hall, Dex.

Honorable mention - 106: Caleb Weeks, Dex.; 113: Ethan Moulton, PCHS; **120:** Cameron Cookson, FA, **126:** Jacob Wilson, Buck., **132:** Cory Jandreau, Car.; 138: Conner Johnson, FA; 145: Zach Wilson, PCHS; **152:** Devin Roy, Car.; **160:** Ethan Cooley, PCHS; **170:** Matthew Griffith, PCHS; 182: Daniel Wallace, Dex.; 195: Dustin Demerchant, Car.; 220: Wally Moon, Ells.; 285: Vincent Tzeo, Washington Acad.

Tourney scoreboard

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS HOCKEY NORTH

Quarterfinals

Tuesday, Feb. 23 Class A A1: No. 4 Bangor 6, No. 5 Windham/

Westbrook 0 A2: No. 3 Edward Little 4, No. 6 Cony/ Hall-Dale/Monmouth 3

B1: No. 4 Winslow 5, No. 5 Brewer 3

B2: No. 3 Messalonskee 5, No. 6 John B3: No. 2 Camden Hills 4. No. 7 Old Town/Orono 0 Semifinals

Class B

Saturday, Feb. 27 At Colisee, Lewiston

Class A A3: No. 4 Bangor (10-7-2) vs. No. 1 Lewiston (14-2-2), 6:30 p.m. A4: No. 3 Edward Little (11-8-0) vs.

No. 2 St. Dominic (10-7-1), 8:30 p.m. At Sukee, Winslow Class B B4: No. 3 Messalonskee (12-5-2) vs. No. 2 Camden Hills (16-3-0), 5 p.m.

B5: No. 4 Winslow (13-4-2) vs. No. 1 Waterville (16-1-1), 8 p.m.

SOUTH Quarterfinals Monday, Feb. 22

A1: No. 4 Cheverus 6, No. 5 Biddeford Tuesday, Feb. 23

Class A

Class A A2: No. 1 Scarborough 7, No. 8 Mass-

abesic/Bonny Eagle/Old Orchard 0 A3: No. 3 Thornton Academy 6, No. 6

A4: No. 2 Falmouth 9, No. 7 South Portland/Freeport/Waynflete 2 Class B

B1: No. 5 Kennebunk 3, No. 4 York 2 B2: No. 6 Cape Elizabeth 5, No. 3

Brunswick 2 B3: No. 2 Gardiner 4, No. 7 Gorham 0

Friday, Feb. 26 Semifinals At Colisee, Lewiston

Class B B4: No. 5 Kennebunk (10-8-1) vs. No. Yarmouth (14-4-0), 8 p.m.

B5: No. 6 Cape Elizabeth (8-9-2) vs. No. 2 Gardiner (14-4-1), 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27

> At Colisee, Lewiston Class A

A5: No. 3 Thornton Academy (12-6-1) vs. No. 2 Falmouth (15-4-0), noon A6: No. 4 Cheverus (9-9-1) vs. No. 1 Scarborough (14-2-3), 2 p.m.

BOYS BASKETBALL

State finals Friday, Feb. 26 At Cross Center, Bangor

Class B B8: No. 2 Ellsworth (17-4) vs. No. 1 Lake Region (19-2), 8:45 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27

> At Cross Arena, Portland Class A

A8: No. 5 Oceanside (16-5) vs. No. 2 Falmouth (17-4), 3 p.m. Class AA

A6: No. 1 Portland (19-1) vs. No. 4 South Portland (12-9), 9 p.m.

At Augusta Civic Center Class D

D8: No. 1 Valley (19-0) vs. No. 1 Easton (19-2), 2:45 p.m.

Class C C8: No. 1 George Stevens Acad. (19-1) vs. No. 4 Waynflete (19-2), 8:45 p.m.

> GIRLS BASKETBALL State finals Friday, Feb. 26

At Cross Center, Bangor Class B B8: No. 1 Houlton (20-1) vs. No. 2

Gray-New Gloucester (17-4), 7 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 27 At Cross Arena, Portland

Class A A8: No. 1 Lawrence (21-0) vs. No. 1 York (21-0), 1 p.m.

Class AA AA6: No. 2 Edward Little (16-4) vs. No.

1 Gorham (20-0), 6 p.m. At Augusta Civic Center

Class C C8: No. 3 Narraguagus (18-2) vs. No.

2 Boothbay (20-1), 7 p.m. Class D D8: No. 3 Shead (15-6) vs. No.1

Rangeley (20-1), 1 p.m Hockey

NHL Eastern Conference Atlantic Division

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NY Islanders58 32 19 4 3 71 168 145 Pittsburgh 59 30 21 4 4 68 155 156 New Jersey 62 30 25 1 6 67 139 149 Carolina 62 28 24 7 3 66 152 164 Philadelphia60 27 22 5 6 65 148 163 Columbus 62 25 29 4 4 58 162 191 Western Conference

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Vancouver 59 23 24 9 3 58 142 168 Calgary 59 26 30 1 2 55 161 182 Edmonton 61 22 33 4 2 50 151 188

Wednesday's Games
Montreal 4, Washington 3
Boston 5, Pittsburgh 1
Colorado 4, San Jose 3, SO
Anaheim 1, Buffalo 0

Thursday's Games

Philadelphia 3, Minnesota 2 Columbus 6, New Jersey 1 Toronto 3, Carolina 1 Arizona at Florida, 7:30 p.m. NY Rangers at St. Louis, 8 p.m. Nashville at Chicago, 8 p.m. Winnipeg at Dallas, 8:30 p.m. NY Islanders at Calgary, 9 p.m. Ottawa at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Edmonton at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.
Friday's Games

Tampa Bay at New Jersey, 7 p.m Minnesota at Washington, 7 p.m. Boston at Carolina, 7 p.m. Edmonton at Anaheim, 10 p.m. Buffalo at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.

Basketball

NBA

Eastern Conference Atlantic **W L Pct GB** 38 18 .679 — 34 25 .576 5.5 Boston 24 35 15 42 .407 15.5 .263 23.5 Brooklyn 8 49 Philadelphia .140 30.5 W L Pct GB 41 15 .732 — 31 26 .54410.5 30 26 .53611.0 Cleveland

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Utah

23 35 .397 18.5 18 40 .310 23.5 Minnesota Pacific W L Pct GB 52 5 .912 — 37 20 .649 15.0 Golden State L.A. Clippers 24 32 14 43 .429 27.5 L.A. Lakers 11 48 .186 42.0

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Wednesday's Games Cleveland 114, Charlotte 103 Indiana 108, New York 105 Detroit 111, Philadelphia 91 Golden State 118, Miami 112 Toronto 114, Minnesota 105 Chicago 109, Washington 104 Memphis 128, L.A. Lakers 119 Oklahoma City 116, Dallas 103 Denver 87, L.A. Clippers 81

San Antonio 108, Sacramento 92

Thursday's Games Golden State 130, Orlando 114 Boston 112, Milwaukee 107 Oklahoma City at New Orleans, 8 p.m. Brooklyn at Phoenix, 9 p.m. Houston at Portland, 10:30 p.m. San Antonio at Utah, 10:30 p.m.

Friday's Games Charlotte at Indiana, 7 p.m. Washington at Philadelphia, 7 p.m. Orlando at New York, 7:30 p.m. Cleveland at Toronto, 7:30 p.m. Chicago at Atlanta, 8 p.m. Denver at Dallas, 8:30 p.m. L.A. Clippers at Sacramento, 10 p.m. Memphis at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m. Saturday's Games Miami at Boston, 3 p.m.

Minnesota at New Orleans, 7 p.m. Portland at Chicago, 8 p.m. San Antonio at Houston, 8 p.m. Detroit at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m Golden State at Oklahoma City, 8:30 p.m. Memphis at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m. Brooklyn at Utah, 9:30 p.m.

Husson's Butler named NAC player of year Varney, Libby lead

Trevon Butler of Husson

been se-MEN'S lected as the North Atlantic

ball Player of the Year, it was announced on Thursdav Butler won the honor for the second time in three sea-

Peter Donato of Colby-Sawyer College was chosen the NAC Defensive Player of the Year, Lyndon State freshman Kevin Love claimed the Rookie of the Year award and Johnson State senior Greg Davis received the Senior Scholar Athlete Award.

bounds, 2.8 assists and 1.7 steals while shooting 84 percent from the foul line to help the Eagles post a 19-6 record and earn the No. 1 seed for the NAC tournament that begins Friday. Joining Butler and Dona-

to on the All-NAC First Team are junior teammate Raheem Anderson, Thomas senior Levi Barnes of Skowhegan, and New England College senior Dezron Wil-

Second-team picks included Colby-Sawyer senior the classroom for Johnson Ariya Nozary.

Asim Khan.

Donato, a senior from Portland, was a force in the paint for the Chargers. He posted 25 blocked shots while averaging 20.9 points and 7.9 rebounds. Love, a freshman from

Bristol, Connecticut, made an impact for the Hornets. He averaged 10.1 points and 5.6 rebounds in league play while shooting 54 percent. Davis, a senior from Philadelphia, was honored for

excelling on the court and in

Smith had a successful Ten players were selected

to the NAC Men's Basketball Sportsmanship Team: UMaine- Farmington senior Logan Nichols of Minot, Husson junior Eli Itkin, Maine Maritime junior Dylan Price and Thomas senior Adam Carlsen of Rockport. Also, Castleton senior Casey McGraw, Colby-Sawyer's Majong, Green Mountain sophomore Cameron Gaudette, Johnson State's Davis, Lyndon freshman Gabriel Torres and NEC junior

Winslow past Hall-Dale WINSLOW — The Win- Jessica Levesque 2.

slow Black Raiders improved to 5-1 in Maine Principals' As-UNIFIED sociation Unified BASKETBALL

Basket-

ball play on Thursday with a 62-38 victory over Hall-Dale of Farmingdale.

ROUNDUP

Contributing to Winslow's balanced attack were Jacob Varney with 14 points and Taylor Libby with 12. Joey Kingsbury and Cheyenne Raymond each added 10 points.

Other Winslow scorers: Noah Gagne 6, Dakota Land 6, Roy Greenleaf 2,

For Hall-Dale, Eric Lom-

Jazmine Taylor 2.

bard led the way with 14 points, followed by Matthew Perry's eight points. Other Hall-Dale scorers: Matthew Lorbeski 6, Oscar

Hadjaissa 4, Angelica Lam-

oreau 2, Emma Chase 2,

The state's 32 Unified programs are gearing up for the postseason, which

is scheduled to begin with preliminary games on March 4, followed by quarterfinal action on March 8. The state championship contest will be played March 17 at Lisbon High School.

Miles Smith of Johnson guard Wol Majong, Green State. University in Bangor has State was selected as the Mountain senior forward NAC Coach of the Year. Cameron Anderson and jufirst season for Johnson Butler, a senior from Wa-State, leading it to its best nior guard Thomas Brown, BASKETBALL terbury, Connecticut, averand Johnson State senior overall record (10-16) since aged 21.3 points, 7.6 reguards Rahim Bunch and 2008-2009. Conference Men's Basket-