LP-A Has Great Nucleus Of Returning Players

Spring Sports Preview 2018

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Bryan Anderson is taking over the head coaching position for the Lake Park-Audubon baseball program. He was previously the head softball coach for five years.

Returning for the Raiders are seniors Marcus Dickelman-Stassen, pitcher/shortstop; Jacob Anderson, catcher; Josh Cigelske, pitcher/third base; Trevor Loberg, second base; Grant Pederson, pitcher/outfield; Seth Felker, outfield; Jon Donovan, outfield; and Garrett Frank, pitcher/infield. Marcus and Jacob Anderson are returning All-Conference Honorable Mentions. The Raiders are in the Pine-To-Prairie Conference.

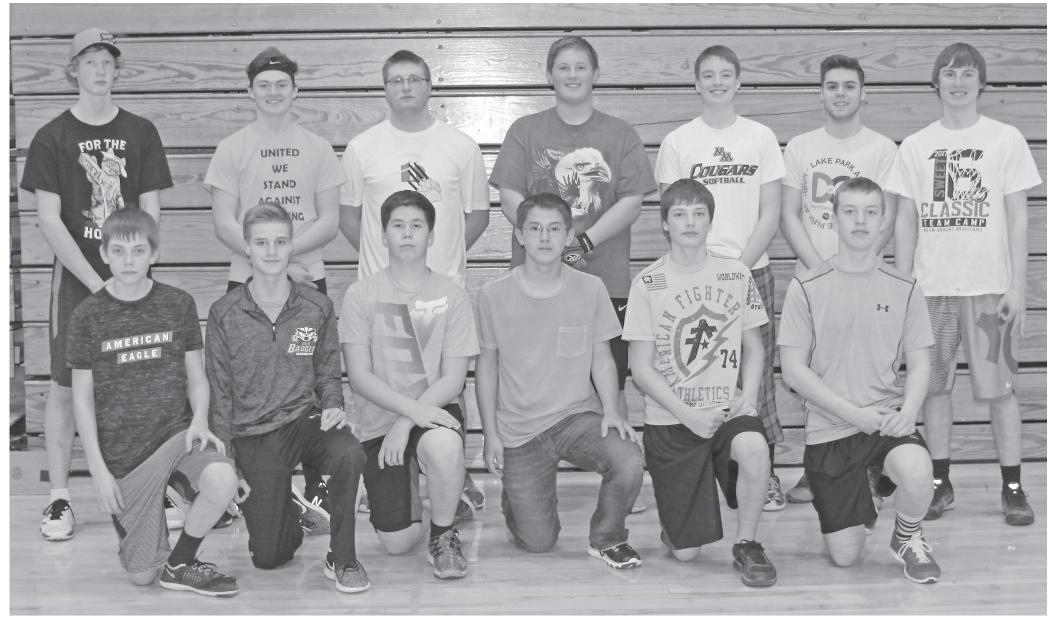
Also on the roster are juniors Justin How, first base, and Josh Rivers, infield/outfield. Sophomores on the team are Henry Jaster, infield, and Nick Rivers, centerfield.

"As a team we will have great senior leadership and I'm looking to all of them to lead this team," said Anderson.

"Our team outlook is strong for this year. With a strong senior laden team I believe we can finish above .500 and be a team that competes in the conference and section."

The team's biggest challenges will come with the weather. As the Raiders see their season getting pushed back due to snow and cold, it will be a challenge to manage pitchers, pitch counts and games.

What has the Raider baseball guys. I reat team been doing as they wait for the snow to clear and the fields to be ready? They continue to practice indoors, trying to mix things up and keep it fun. They



The Lake Park-Audubon Raiders baseball team members are, left to right, front row - Ben Burkman, Zack Cole, Tyson Haugrud, Tanner Weyer, Jacob Rosing, Dillon Groeneweg; back row - Thomas Hoffman, Marcus Stassen, Seth Felker, Justin How, Jacob Anderson, Trevor Luberg and Garrett Frank.Not pictured are Henry Jaster, Nick Rivers, Josh Rivers, Zach Francis, Josh Cigelske, Grant Pederson and Jon Donovan.

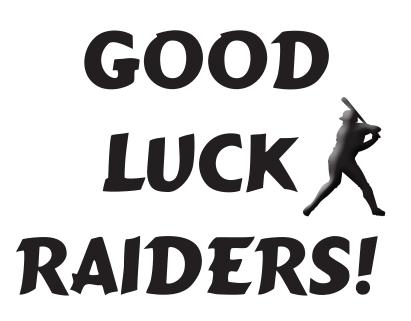
even did a whiffle ball tournament with games the last half of each practice during the preseason. Anderson just wants to be doing activities to keep things positive and fun for the team.

"As I return to coaching this year after a year off I most look forward to working with the guys. I really enjoy teaching kids the sport and watching them grow," concluded Anderson. "I think this teams strength will be in senior leadership and experience."





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