



**FORMER GRINNELL STAR** Don Bechard, now in his 28th year of coaching, explained fundamentals of the game at the 20th annual Triple Threat Basketball camp in Oberlin last week. Bechard coaches and lives in Gardner.

— Herald staff photo by Jim Merriott

## Young Oberlin players learn fundamentals of basketball

By JIMMERRIOTT

Gardner-Edgerton High School Coach Don Bechard brought his 20th annual "Triple Threat" basketball camp to town last week.

Each year Bechard, a Grinnell native, travels across the state to teach basketball fundamentals to future prospects.

"It doesn't seem like it was that long ago when we were first invited

to Oberlin to put on the camp," he said. "It is always a pleasure to come back to the area I know so well and teach kids what I love: basketball."

Bechard's record speaks for itself: 28 years as head coach, 394 wins, 11 league championships, four state tournaments, and one state championship.

The camp teaches its name, a triple threat: holding the ball in po-

sition to either shoot, pass or dribble. Bechard teaches the fundamentals along with his camp staff of former high school and college players.

The camp was open to area youths from kindergarten through high school, with younger campers participating in the morning session and older campers, junior high and high school age, brushing up on fundamentals in the afternoon.

## Swimmers take fourth place at Wray Invitational meet

The Oberlin Swim Team finished fourth at the Wray, Colo., Invitational meet Saturday.

Eight swimmers brought home first-place medals: Heather Glodt, LeAnna Sheaffer, Ashley Horton, Kiah Blau, Tyler Shields, Jamie Soderlund, Kelsey May and Jakobi Blau. No new pool records were established by Oberlin.

Oberlin's freestyle 100-yard relay team for kids 8 and under (Kyleana Blau, Albany McDonald, Ke. May, and Ja. Blau), and the 9-10 mixed 100-yard medley team (Caitie Shields, Keagen Blau, Soderlund, and Cassidy Shields) both brought home the gold.

Results:

- Ja. Blau, 8 and under, 25-yard freestyle, third, 20.07; 25-yard backstroke, ninth, 31.84; 100-yard individual medley, first, 2:06.57.
- Nicky McDonald, 8 and under, 50 free, sixth, 1:08.56; 25 free, fourth, 25.59; 25 back, no score, 45.72.
- Albany McDonald, 8 and under, 50 free, eighth, 1:12.81; 25 free, 14th, 32.16; 25 back, 12th, 39.59.
- Ky. Blau, 8 and under, 50 free, 10th, 1:32.62; 25 free, 20th, 40.69; 25 back, 15th, 29.81.
- Ke. May, 8 and under, 25 free, fourth, 20.57; 25 butterfly, first, 24.42; 25 breast, third, 29.81.
- Madison Monaco, 9-10, 25 free, 21st, 21.65; 25 back, 15th, 26.88; 25 breast, 16th, 26.63.
- Kariah Castle, 9-10, 25 back, 11th, 24.78; 25 fly, sixth, 22.63; 25 breast, 11th, 24.78.
- Kea. Blau, 9-10, 100 free, fifth, 1:54.03; 25 free, no score, 28.16; 25

back, third, 24.34.

- Cai. Shields, 9-10, 25 free, 25th, 23.59; 25 breast, 15th, 26.61; 100 individual medley, 11th, 2:16.19.
- Soderlund, 9-10, 100 free, first, 1:15.94; 25 free, first, 14.91; 100 individual medley, first, 1:25.76.
- Cass. Shields, 9-10, 25 fly, fourth, 20.19; 25 breast, first, 21.28; 100 individual medley, fourth, 1:44.58.
- Ki. Blau, 11-12, 50 freestyle, first, 29.88; 50 back, first, 37.72; 50 fly, first, 36.13.
- Darbi Rouse, 11-12, 100 free, seventh, 1:26.10; 50 fly, eighth, 43.33; 100 individual medley, eighth, 1:31.28.
- T. Shields, 11-12, 50 fly, second, 47.12; 50 breast, first, 47.19; 100 individual medley, second, 1:32.10.
- Mika Hackney, 11-12, 50 free, 13th, 38.30; 50 back, eighth, 45.07.
- Brittany Urban, 11-12, 50 free, 34th, 1:11.50; 50 back, 19th, 1:16.76; 50 breast, 29th, 1:15.27.
- Kaylee May, 11-12, 50 free, 18th, 40.75; 50 fly, 13th, 55.19; 50 breast, 16th, 49.57.
- Horton, 13-14, 100 free, third, 1:09.84; 100 back, third, 1:23.12; 100 breast, first, 1:28.25.

• Glodt, 15-18, 100 free, first, 1:02.49; 50 free, first, 27.21; 100 back, third, 1:18.22.

- Sheaffer, 100 freestyle, third, 1:05.72; 50 free, fifth, 29.52; 100 fly, first, 1:14.97.
  - Gabe Moore, 100 free, fourth, 1:08.13; 50 free, fourth, 28.84; 200 individual medley, fourth, 3:17.75.
- Freestyle relay results:
- Eight and under girls 100 (Ky. Blau, A. McDonald, Ke. May, Ja. Blau), first, 1:53.34.
  - 9-10 girls 100 (Monaco, Ka. Castle, Cas. Shields, Cai. Shields), sixth, 1:28.89.
  - 11-12 girls 200 (Rouse, Ka. May, Urban, Hackney), eighth, 3:05.88.
- Medley relay results:
- Eight and under mixed 100 (J. Blau, N. McDonald, A. McDonald, Ke. May), second, 2:08.21.
  - 9-10 mixed 100 (Cai. Shields, K. Blau, Soderlund, Cas. Shields), first, 1:32.86.
  - 11-12 mixed 200 (Kia. Blau, T. Shields, Urban, Rouse), third, 3:31.53.
- The Oberlin Swim Club travels Saturday to Burlington, Colo., for the next meet.

## Catfish grown in Pratt

The most popular fish in Kansas is the channel catfish, and thanks to the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks' Pratt Fish Hatchery, somewhere between 75,000 and 100,000 channel cat fry per acre are placed in rearing ponds each season.

The hatching methods used today were developed by Seth Way, a long-time hatchery superintendent.

As the water temperature approaches 70 degrees, culture biologists place spawning cans in the brood ponds. The male catfish cleans and readies the nest with its tail and fins; then the female lays her eggs, and the male fertilizes and

guards them. During the spawning season, biologists check the nest twice a week. When eggs are found, they are removed and taken to the fish house and placed in hatching troughs for the next six to seven days.

After the eggs have hatched, the fry are removed from the troughs and placed in a rearing trough for 10 to 12 days.

In the fall, ponds are drained, and most fingerlings are used to fill stocking requests throughout Kansas. Some are fed through winter and stocked the next summer as intermediate-sized fish.

## Loan deadline to be July 3

The deadline for farmers filing for emergency disaster loans in Decatur, Rawlins, Norton and Phillips counties is Monday, July 3, said John C. Vogt, farm loan manager for the U.S. Farm Service Agency in Norton.

He said that operators needing credit as a result of freeze, hail, disease and drought since Jan. 1, 2005, should make their applications at the Norton County Farm Service Agency Office, 11640 Pineview

Drive, Box 365, Norton, Kan., 67654, before then.

To be eligible for an emergency disaster loan, he said, an application must be operating a family-size farm or ranch, unable to get credit elsewhere, and a physical or production loss from the disaster.

Farmers who suffered at least a 30 percent reduction to at least one crop or enterprise may qualify. Emergency disaster loans can cover qualifying losses up to \$500,000.

# People in Our Community

Mary Lou Olson, society editor mlolson@nwkansan.com

Dr. Terry and Dr. Christina Coalter of Maryville, Mo., visited her parents, the Rev. James and Delores Jennings of Oberlin, last weekend. They enjoyed a barbecue on Saturday evening. The couple has been taking mini-sightseeing trips since she graduated with a doctorate in pharmacy. He is a professor at Northwest State University in Maryville, Mo., and while here, he was teaching an on-line class. As his wife is reviewing for the state boards, Terry continues to teach summer classes.

Among area students who were named to the President's Honor Roll (4.0) this spring at Colby Community College were Amber (Reynolds) Lorentz, Oberlin, and Joshua Davis, Jennings. Those included on the Dean's Honor Roll (3.75-3.99) were Derick Lorentz, McCook, and Autumn Arasmith and Jessica Rall, Rexford.

John and Jane Fortin of Overton, Neb., visited on Wednesday with his mother, June Fortin.

Crystal Johnson Moore has moved from Boulder, Colo., to Wheat Ridge Terrace in Oberlin to make her home. She is a former Norcat and Oberlin resident.

Everett and Nell Gerdes received word of the death of his brother, Fred Gerdes, 94, of Wichita on June 6. Funeral services and burial were held on June 10.

Doris Sloan and Judy Shirley have returned home from Bangor, Pa., where they visited their granddaughter and daughter, Vicki Waldron, Lauren and Kasey. They all attended the high school graduation

of Kasey Waldron on June 7.

Andrea and Mike Montlvo, Brandon and Sarah left for their house in Houston on Monday after visiting her father and his wife, Dr. Doug and Sandy Fair. Brandon has spent the past month at the Fair home. He and Dr. Fair sang a vocal duet at the Oberlin United Methodist Church during worship services on Sunday morning. Another grandson, Justin Williams, of Tulsa, Okla., is spending time with the Fairs and also at the Jeff Williams home.

Dr. Bob and Nadine Simpson of Pleasant Hills, Tenn., were weekend guests of Herschel and Jody Betts. They came to attend the John Juene-mann concert at The Gateway on Sunday.

Guests of Jerald and Elaine Leitner for lunch on Saturday were Karla, John, and Jerad Sullivan of Colby. They all went to Plainville and joined Dustin and Katrina Sullivan and Talyn of Colby, Terry and Darla Jones, Casey and Allyson Jones and Aiden, and Ken and Lindsay Jones and Cooper, all of Plainville, for supper at a cafe.

Winning highs in pinocle at Golden Age Center the past week were Henry Edgett, Wilma May, Helena Bruggeman, Max Carman, Veanna Carman and Dewaine Stapp. Lows went to Aleen Van Vleet, Floyd Edgett, Dorothy Moore, Dewaine Stapp, Henry Edgett, Doris Miller and Doris Gilbert. Pitch highs were won by Henry Edgett and Barb Solko with lows going to Juanita Eckhart and Floyd Edgett. Bridge winners were Leone Purton and Esther Miller. There will be a potluck at 12:15 p.m. Sunday

at Golden Age Center.

Esther Carlson is recuperating from a break in her left arm below the shoulder which she suffered in a fall while walking on the track last week.

Nadean Stoney is undergoing therapy following recent heart surgery in Kearney, Neb. Mail will reach her at Good Samaritan Hospital, 10 East 31st St., Box 1990, Kearney, Neb., 68848.

Tim J. Waterman was deployed on June 9 to Iraq. He is the son of Elmer and Margaret Waterman of Bonaire, Ga., and is a nephew of Melvin Waterman and Karen Eskew of Oberlin. He is a member of the Georgia Air Force Reserves. Mail may be sent to: SRA Timothy J. Waterman, 379 EMXS/MXMG, APO AE 09309.

Raquelle Bainter of Hoxie graduated on June 16 from Palmer School of Chiropractic, Davenport, Iowa. Those attending from this area were Wes and Casey Bainter and Weston, and Gayle and Ruth Bainter, rural Dresden, and Judy Gaumer, Oberlin. She began working Monday at a chiropractic clinic in Denver.

George and Sadie Jordan of Dallas were Wednesday overnight guests of his sister, Lois Lamb. They were en route to Ogallala, Neb., where they were weekend guests of his sister, Lorraine and Norman Clouse. They also attended his 50th class reunion at Grant, Neb.

Dr. Ren and Bev Whitaker of Marion, Iowa, and two of their grandchildren were in Oberlin visiting friends over the weekend, and attended the John Juene-mann family concert on Sunday.

## Singing out



## SOLOISTS CHOSEN

to perform at the National Teachers Hall of Fame induction ceremony on Saturday in Emporia were (from left) Jacob Larue and Joe Hirsch. Others participating in the 90-member choir from Oberlin were Sara Kyte, Sydney Grafel and Tim Larson. They were accompanied by their vocal director, Susan Nelson.

—Photo by Susan Nelson

## New Arrivals

### Kendall Sophia Long

Bryan and Angie Long of Wichita are the parents of a daughter, Kendall Sophia Long, born June 14, 2006, at Wesley Medical Hospital. She weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces and was 20 inches long. Grandparents are Larry and Diana Alstrom, Hoxie, and Dave and Maribeth Long, Cimarron. Great-grandparents are Willis and Peggy Carman, Oberlin, and the late Max and Jackie Alstrom, and Geneva Long, formerly of New Almelo, and the late Howard Long. Her maternal great-grandmother is Myrtle Waldo, Oberlin.



K. Long

### Max Daniel Alstrom

Evann Alstrom has a new baby brother, Max Daniel Alstrom, born June 12, 2006, at Poudre Valley Hospital in Fort Collins, Colo. His parents are Clay and Ragen Alstrom of Loveland, Colo. He weighed 7 pounds and was 19.5 inches long. Grandparents are Larry and Diana Alstrom, Hoxie; and Drew and Ann Coombs, Loveland. Great-grandparents are Willis and Peggy Carman, Oberlin, and Vern and Loretta Rath, Aurelia, Iowa, and the late Max and Jackie Alstrom, and the late Daniel and Ruth Coombs, Aurelia, Iowa.



Max Alstrom

Myrtle Waldo of Oberlin is his paternal great-great-grandmother.

### Ethan Scott Bryant

Jeremy and Karen Bryant of Manhattan are the parents of a son, Ethan Scott Bryant, born March 15, 2006. He weighed 7 pounds, 7 ounces and was 21 1/2 inches long. He has a brother, Jason Lane, 7, to welcome him. Grandparents are Claudia Bryant, Cape Coral, Fla.; Gary Bryant, Manhattan; and Richard and Linda Roesch, Atwood. Great-grandparents are Jerald and Elaine Leitner, Oberlin, and Keith and Sylvia Bryant, Seneca, S.D.



Ethan Bryant

## Alumni give to telefund

Kansas State University alumni and friends from Decatur County helped the world's largest all-volunteer telephone campaign for higher education raise \$1.41 million this year, breaking the pledge record set in 2003.

The all-volunteer format at K-

State's Telefund is unique among major university telephone campaigns, K-State officials say. A combination of students, alumni and business support allows Telefund to thrive.

The amount received from Decatur County was \$800.

### Talyn Nichole Sullivan

Dustin and Katrina Sullivan of Colby are the parents of a daughter, Talyn Nichole Sullivan, born May 24, 2006, at Colby Medical Center. She weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces and was 20 inches long. Grandparents are John and Karla Sullivan, Colby, and Terry and Darla Jones, Plainville. Great-grandparents are Jerald and Elaine Leitner, Oberlin; LeRoy Sullivan, Holdrege, Neb., and the late Catharine Sullivan; Harold Eilers, Plainville; and Betty Cowley, California.



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