

# Sports

## Wrestlers ready for first match

The Decatur Community High wrestlers are ready to hit the mats, with their first match scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Thursday in Oberlin.

The Red Devils will take on the Goodland Cowboys in a dual match Thursday and then head out of town on Saturday. The varsity will attend the Hoxie Tournament and the less experienced boys will be at the Thomas More Prep Junior Varsity Tournament in Hays. Both tournaments start at 9 a.m.

Coach Joe Dreher, the head wrestling coach in Oberlin for 16 years, says he will have 10 returning lettermen this year, including four former Class 1-2-3A state qualifiers.

Last year, the Red Devils placed ninth at the state tournament.

This year the team will have:

- Junior letterman Matthew Helm, 113 pounds (wrestled at 103 pounds last year).

- Sophomore letterman Dayton Dreher, 126, wrestled at 132 last year and took third place at state.

- Sophomore letterman Chris Anderson, 132 to 138, wrestled at 130

- Senior letterman Brent Juenemann, 132 (wrestled at 125 and took fourth at state).

- Junior letterman Kade Brown, 145 (wrestled at 135 and took fourth at state).

- Sophomore letterman Grant Gilliam stays at 152 this year.

- Junior letterman Matt Glading stays at 160.

- Senior letterman Jeff Shaw, 195, wrestled at 189.

- Junior letterman Channing Farr, 220, went to state at 215.

- Junior letterman Cody Wurm stays at 285.

- Freshman Troy Juenemann will wrestle at 106.

- Junior Tristan Sepeda, 120.

- Gabe Anderson, 120.

- Sophomore Adam Zillinger, 130.

- Junior Zach Bishop, 140.

- Rex Diederich, 170.

- Sophomore Ben Glading, 285.

"We have a good group of kids back and we will look to improve from last year," Coach Dreher said.

"We will only have three freshmen this year, but all three have experience and could fit in the line up at 106, 120 and 170.

Coach Dreher is being assisted by coaches Caleb Howland and Shane Bird.



**WHITE TEAM MEMBER** Megan Huntley was keeping the ball away from red team members Brianna Klima (No. 24), Whitney Witt (No. 25), Miki Dorshorst (No. 22) and Molly

Jansonius (No. 15) during Decatur Community High's annual Food Scrimmage last Tuesday.

— Herald photo by Susan May

## Young girls basketball team set to play

The Decatur Community girls basketball team starts its season on the road this year.

The Lady Red Devils will take on the Oakley Lady Plainsmen at 6:30 p.m. Friday in Oakley and the boys will play right after.

Then next Tuesday, the girls will be in McCook for the high school's tournament. The Oberlin girls will start out playing Hayes Center at 6:30 p.m. in the junior high gym, Coach Terry Ream said. After that,

Oberlin's next game in the tournament will be at 3:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 9, but the place and team depends on whether Oberlin wins or loses the first match. The tournament will wind up on Saturday, Dec. 10.

Coach Ream said he'll have four returning lettermen and two seniors this year.

"Basically, we're going to be really, really young," he said, "but we have some really good kids. We're

going to look for improvement as the year goes by."

The team lost two key members when Jordan Dreher and Tiffany Anderson graduated last year, he said.

Returning lettermen this year will be senior Brianna Klima, juniors Miki Dorshorst and Darbi Rouse and sophomore Alexis Hissong.

Other players include senior Megan Huntley; junior Mika Hackney; sophomores Hannah May, Ashley

Witt, Jamie Soderlund and Haley Schiessler; and freshmen Grace Randel, Kariah Castle, Molly and Morgan Jansonius, Demi Murray, Whitney Witt and Shawn Baker.

Coach Ream will be assisted by Pat Dorshorst. This will be Mrs. Dorshorst's first year to coach basketball, although she was the head coach for Oberlin's volleyball team for many years before retiring from that job several years ago.

## Red Devil boys start season in Oakley

The Decatur Community High Red Devil boys basketball team will hit the court about 8 p.m. Friday in Oakley, right after the girls' game.

The team will follow up with a trip to Nebraska to play in the McCook Tournament on Tuesday and Friday and Saturday, Dec. 9 and 10. Oberlin is slated to play Hays Center, Neb., Tuesday in the first round.

Coach Jeff Jones says he has six returning lettermen this year and five seniors on the team.

"We've got two starters returning and three players with lots of experience coming back," Coach Jones said Monday. "We'll need three or four role players. If we get them,

we'll do pretty good this year."

The team will be led by 5-foot, 9-inch senior Dalton Jones, who has lettered the last three years and was named to the all-league team by the Northwest Kansas League coaches last year.

Senior Garrett Berry, a 6-1, two-year letterman; junior Zach May, a 6-foot, two year letterman; junior Tyler Bruggeman, a 6-3, two-year letterman; senior Tyler Shields, a 5-9 letterman; and junior Ryan May, a 5-10 letterman, should help lead the team.

Also playing for the Red Devils will be:

- Senior Shane McEvoy, 6-1.

- Senior Conner McHugh, 6-2.

- Junior Jarod Smith, 5-8.

- Sophomore Kyle Breth, 5-6.

- Sophomore Konnor Fortin, 5-9.

- Sophomore Kennedy Fortin, 5-9.

- Sophomore Justin Gee, 6.

- Freshman Regent Erickson, 6.

- Freshman Kelden Breth, 5-3.

- Freshman Kaine Fredrickson, 5-4.

- Freshman Logan Berry, 6-3.

- Freshman Ganon Henningson, 6-1.

Team managers are Kayla Jones and Brittany Urban. Coach Jones will be assisted by Josh Williby.

## Coney Island Buffet

Friday Dec. 2

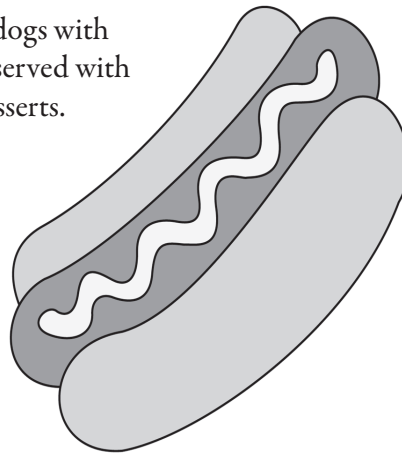
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Dinner will be provided by Oakley United Methodist Church for the medical expenses of Troy and Laura Bosserman.

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## Both junior high teams beat the Hoxie Indians

The Decatur Community Junior High boys downed Hoxie in Oberlin last Monday in both the seventh and eighth-grade basketball games.

The seventh graders won 31-26.

"We really moved the ball well and used our high post to score," said Coach Tim Breth. "The first half we had a hard time slowing Hoxie's offense. At half, we made some defensive adjustments and were able to slow Hoxie's offense."

In the first quarter, Hoxie outscored Oberlin 11-7. In the second, however, Oberlin outscored the Indians 11-5 for an 18-16 lead at the half. The Red Devils also outscored Hoxie in the third and fourth quarters, 8-6 and 5-4.

Scoring for Oberlin were Mason Ahlberg, 11 points; five rebounds and three steals; Tabor Erickson, 6 points, seven rebounds and three steals; Dayton Kempt, 5 points and nine rebounds; Gatlin Hissong, 5 points and four steals; Jeff Juenemann, 2 points and three rebounds; and Max Diederich, 2 points.

The eighth graders on 34-26.

"Just like the seventh-grade game, we hurt Hoxie's defense by getting the ball to our high post," Coach Breth said. "Also, the team shot a high percentage. In the second half,

we were able to get the ball inside because we were looking for each other and running the court well. Six of our eight players scored, which means we did a good job of spreading the ball around."

Oberlin started out strong, outscoring Hoxie 10-2 in the first quarter. Oberlin also outscored the Indians in the second quarter, 5-3, for an impressive 15-5 lead at the half. In the third quarter, each team scored 10 points and in the fourth, Hoxie outscored Oberlin 11-9.

Scoring for Oberlin were Andrew Wade, 10 points; Keagen Blau, 9 points and six rebounds; Bryson Wesley, 6 points and two rebounds; Kade Grafel, 4 points; Kelly Brown, three points, three rebounds and three steals; and Noah Nelson, 2 points, three rebounds, seven steals and five assists.

The wins give both teams a 4-2 record.

The boys will be at home again this week for a 4:30 p.m. Thursday tipoff against Rawlins County.

Next week, the Oberlin boys will play St. Francis on Thursday, Dec. 8, on the road. The Northwest Kansas League Tournament will start on Monday, Dec. 15, with the times and places to be announced.

## Two volleyball girls honored

Oberlin senior Kiah Blau and junior Miki Dorshorst both received honorable mention for the Class 2A all-state team from the Kansas State Volleyball Association.

The association, made up of the state's volleyball coaches, named

its all-state teams last week. While Decatur Community High's team did not make it to the state tournament this year, the Lady Red Devils did well in regular play, ending the season with a 24-8 record.

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