

Senior Profiles

Leah Marietta

By JAMIE ELWOOD

Leah Marietta is the daughter of Alan and Judy Marietta. For the past four years she has been involved in powerlifting, DCHS Singers, National Honor Society, weight club, D-Club, Kayette board, Spanish club, science club, the musicals, jazz band, student council, and TACT.

Leah has also participated in volleyball, basketball, and track. She has received All-Academic awards in volleyball, basketball and track. She was a state track qualifier in the 100m, a Women's Nationals teenage powerlifting champion, a state powerlifting champion, an AAU Invitational Powerlifting Champion, and a Kansas State Open Powerlifting Champion. She was also the Hawkeye Open, Midwest Senior States Star City Classic, and Lynch Open powerlifting champions.

Among her other accomplishments are being on the honor roll, four years in honor band, being chosen as a graduation marching usher, homecoming queen, and earning the 4-H outstanding senior achievement award.

Her hobbies include powerlifting, athletics, cooking and spending time with friends and family. She plans to attend Kansas State University or the University of Nebraska at Lincoln and major in pre-physical therapy.

Brett Keck

By KENDRA ANDERSON

Brett Keck is the son of Brad and Angie Erickson. He is involved in weight club, D-Club, science club, DCHS Singers, and National Honor Society. He has been involved in three sports all four years—football, wrestling, and track. Brett is the also the student council president.

Brett has been honored with many awards. In football, he was named All-League Honorable Mention Linebacker last year, and this year he was named All-league First Team Linebacker and All-state Honorable Mention Linebacker. In wrestling, he placed second at state this year, and took sixth place last year. Brett has also qualified for state track and is a member of the

state champion 4x800 relay team. He also placed sixth at state as part of the 4x400 relay team.

Brett's interests include hunting and playing pool. His future plans are to wrestle in college, but he hasn't decided which college yet.

Scooter Matchett

By KENDRA ANDERSON

Scooter Matchett is the son of Marvin and Millie Matchett. He has been involved in speech, vocal, Spanish club, and D-Club. He participated in football and wrestling his junior and senior years.

Scooter was given the opportunity to go to Mexico for selling the most candy for Spanish club his sophomore year. He enjoys art and speech, as well as hunting, fishing, and camping outside of school.

He plans to go to Colby Community College and major in Wildlife Management, then move back to Oberlin and become a game warden.

Chase Juenemann

By RENA UNGER

Chase Juenemann is the son of Dave and Joyce Juenemann. Chase is involved in weight club, D-Club, and is the student council vice president. He competed in football all four years of high school, lettering in two.

He has also been in basketball for the past three years, and he competed in wrestling as a freshman.

Chase plans to further his education at Fort Hays State, where he will major in education. He plans to be a history teacher and basketball coach.

Chase enjoys being outdoors, hunting and fishing with his buddies.

Marietta powers way to record

By KERRIE OLSON

Senior Leah Marietta has brought new meaning to girls' powerlifting at Decatur Community High School. She is proof of what can be accomplished with hard work and dedication in the weight room.

Leah has won three state powerlifting titles and captured an American record in deadlift. Leah is able to bench 170 pounds, squat 335, and deadlift 325 pounds. Joe Dreher, the high school physical education teacher, sent her information to *Bigger Faster Stronger* magazine. The magazine printed her picture along with her accomplish-

ments in sports and lifting. Currently, a copy of the magazine article is displayed on the bulletin board inside the high school's main office.

Leah and her sister Lora, a sophomore, have been invited to the North American Powerlifting Invitational in Florida, which will be held in April. Two teams from the United States will enter. Teams from South America, Canada and other places around the world will be competing.

When asked why she likes powerlifting, Leah replied, "It's a lot of fun and the atmosphere is very positive and encouraging, which makes it enjoyable."

Speech brings home second from Quinter

By REBEKAH HASTY

The high school speech team came home with another second-place finish. Quinter won the W-Keeney Speech Tournament on March 6 with 315 points. Oberlin took second with 198 points, and Hays took third with 178 points.

Two more events have qualified for state championship competition. Brent Smith in Humorous Solo, and Rebekah Hasty in Serious Solo, both took second. Two events also qualified for state festival. Kelly Olson took fifth and Sarah Marcuson took sixth, both in Prose.

Other events that placed were Dane Anderson, fourth in Serious Solo, and Anthony Marshall, fourth in Poetry.

Other speech team members that

participated were Bailey Bryan in Poetry, Gabe Moore in Poetry, Hana Withington in Prose, Allie Moore in Prose, Destry Jackson in Humorous Solo, Kyle Glodt in Extemp, Aaron Helm in Extemp, Scooter Matchett and Tawni Davis in Duet, Karyn Jordan and Amber Barrett in Duet, Nolan and Danica May in Duet, Scooter Matchett and Adam Overmiller in Improvised Duet Acting, David and Jeremy Tally in Improvised Duet Acting, and Nolan May and Kurt Olson in Improvised Duet Acting.

The speech team's next meet will be in Colby on Tuesday, March 23.



Classes view self respect video

By REBEKAH HASTY

"R-E-S-P-E-C-T—find out what it means to me."

"Quest for Respect" was the theme of this year's Camfel Production sponsored by TACT. On Friday, Feb. 20, the high school and

junior high, as well as the sixth-grade class, watched a video production produced by Camfel.

TACT members helped set up and take down the three large screens and other video equipment that was used.

The video, "Quest for Respect," involved pictures, video clips, and music. The video talked about what respect is, the importance of having self-respect, and how respect is earned. The video also talked about bullies and peer pressure.



By the DCHS Dictator Staff

A teenager's review of 'The Passion of the Christ' movie

By SARAH RUF
Yearbook editor

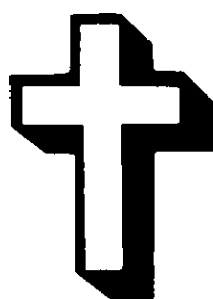
Everyone by now has heard the hype about Mel Gibson's movie "The Passion of the Christ." A few friends and I attended the movie together recently.

Sitting there with wide eyes and tears, I was stunned to see the graphic realism of the crucifixion of Jesus Christ. Young and old people alike filled the movie theater with silence and tears. Mel Gibson couldn't have done a better job in portraying the savage beating of Jesus.

I knew that I would walk out a

changed person. "The Passion of the Christ" is so controversial because it's not sugar coated. It's graphic, and everyone can see what Jesus went through for us.

Although "The Passion of the Christ" isn't a movie I could say I want to see again, or that I liked, it is a film that I highly respect.



FFA places fifth at contest in Goodland

Three members of the Oberlin FFA competed in the Northwest District FFA Agriculture Mechanics Contest on Wednesday, Feb. 25, in Goodland. This was the first time Cole Stragey, Caleb Peters, and Rhys Davis competed in this event. Fifteen teams were entered, with 151 total students.

Each member worked on five events throughout the day: power machinery, soil and water management, agriculture construction and maintenance, structures and envi-

ronment, and electric power.

Senior Cole Stragey finished in fourth place in soil and water management, fifth place in electric power, and seventh place for individual overall.

Sophomore Caleb Peters received fifth in structures and environment, and ninth place for individual overall.

As a team Oberlin finished in fifth place, with a lead of eighty points over sixth place. They trailed first place by only 17 points.

School Menus

March 22-26
OBERLIN

Monday — Breakfast: French toast, sausage, fruit. Lunch: pork fritter with bun, Tater Tots, fruit.

Tuesday — Breakfast: cereal, toast, juice. Lunch: chili, cinnamon roll, fruit. **Wednesday** — Breakfast: pancake, ham patty, juice. Lunch: chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, rolls, vegetable, fruit. **Thurs-**

day — Breakfast: cereal, bagel, juice. Lunch: hamburger, vegetable, fruit. **Friday** — Breakfast: biscuit, egg patty, fruit, juice. Lunch: fish, roll, vegetable, fruit. Milk served with all meals. Choice bar served with all lunches.

PRAIRIE HEIGHTS

Breakfast is served daily: toast, cereal, juice. Lunches: **Monday** — super nachos, refried beans or corn, applesauce, cookies. **Tuesday** — chicken supreme, peas, rolls, pineapple. **Wednesday** — McRibbs, Tater Tots, green beans, Mandarin oranges, cookies. **Thursday** — lasagna, corn, garlic bread, fruit cocktail. **Friday** — tomato or potato

soup, grilled cheese sandwich, peaches, cinnamon rolls. Milk served with all meals. Salad bar served with all lunches.



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