



AT THE TRACK MEET last week, Christa Hardy raced toward the finish line after she jumped her last hurdle. The girls finished third in the meet. They had taken first in the last four meets. — Herald staff photo by Cynthia Haynes

Decatur track girls finish third, boys fifth

The Decatur Community High girls finished third and the boys fifth at the annual Oberlin Invitational track meet last Tuesday. The Oberlin girls, who had finished first in the previous four meets, came in just four points behind the leader, St. Francis. The Lady Indians took first with 85 followed by Rawlins County, 84; Oberlin, 81; Hoxie, 66; WaKeeney, 59; and Smith Center, 57. Oakley, Norton, Grinnell, Goodland and Phillipsburg were also at the meet. The girls team was lead by first-place performances in the high jump by Kaitlyn Stapp and the 100-meter dash by Lauren Fortin.

Scoring were:
 • Fortin, first, 100-meter dash, 12.82 seconds.
 • Stapp, first, high jump, 5-foot 2-inches.
 • Lydia Karnopp, second, triple jump, 32-6, and fourth, long jump, 15-4.
 • Whitney Beinke, third, 400-meter run, 1:03.92.
 • Lacey Ream, third, 800-meter run, 2:34.28.
 • Tricia Dorshorst, fourth, high jump, 4-8.
 • Heather Glodt, fourth, 100-meter dash, 12.96.
 • Rebecca Helm, fourth, 3,200-meter run, 13:31.89.
 • Sarah Murray, fifth, discus, 105-10.
 • Lora Marietta, sixth, 3,200-meter run, 13:38.08.

The 4x100-meter relay team of Fortin, Stapp, Glodt and Karnopp, first, 51.33.
 • The 4x800-meter relay team of Beinke, Marietta, Ream and Sarah Murray, second, 10:57.77.
 • The 4x400-meter relay team of Beinke, Fortin, Ream and Karnopp, third, 4:17.62.
 The boys came in fifth, with Teryn Grafel's first place in the 110-meter hurdles the only gold medal for Oberlin's men.
 Phillipsburg took first place with 96 points, followed by Smith Center, 93; Goodland, 82; St. Francis, 59; Oberlin 54; and Norton, 40.
 Scoring were:
 • Grafel, first, 110-meter hurdles, 15.17; second, 300-meter interme-

diate hurdles, 41.09, and triple jump, 40-4.5.
 • Denton Bailey, second, javelin, 160-3.
 • Lance Fortin, third, javelin, 150-5, and fifth, high jump, 5-10.
 • Gannon Reichert, fourth, discus, 135.
 • Joe Mondero, fifth, 100-meter dash, 11.51.
 • The 4x100-meter relay team of Mondero, Fortin, Bret Marietta and Grafel, third, 45.45.
 The Oberlin track teams were to be in Hill City on Monday for the last meet before the Northwest Kansas League meet, which starts at 3 p.m. Friday in Hoxie.

Golfers travel to Colby, Atwood invites

The Decatur Community High golfers spent the end of last week traveling to invitationals in Colby and Atwood.
 On Thursday, the boys played in the Colby Invitational, taking fifth place out of 10 teams.
 Colby took first with 313 strokes, Norton was second with 339, Goodland third with 346, Hoxie fourth with 349, Oberlin fifth with 350, Scott City sixth with 354, Atwood seventh with 360, Oakley eighth with 367, Ness City ninth with 382

and the Garden City junior varsity took tenth with 408.
 Playing for the Red Devils were:
 • Jobey Black, 41-43=84.
 • Breck Simonsson, 42-43=85.
 • Jonathon Richards, 44-43=87.
 • Nolan May, 43-51=94.
 • Jace Robinson, 54-41=95.
 • Corey Cook, 52-46=97.
 "Jobey Black had a good day," Coach Dick Ahlberg said. "Our team was more competitive today. That is a good sign as the season draws to a close."

On Saturday, the Red Devils traveled to Atwood, where Oberlin took third out of six teams.
 Colby took first with 311 strokes, Atwood second with 344, Oberlin third with 347, Hoxie fourth with 369, Quinter fifth with 388 and Oakley didn't receive a score.
 Playing for the Red Devils were:
 • Richards, 41-42=83 for sixth place.
 • Simonsson, 41-43=84 for eighth place.
 • Black, 44-46=90.

• Cook, 44-46=90.
 • Robinson, 44-49=93.
 • Andy Gilliam, 48-46=94.
 • Nolan May, 44-52=96.
 On Monday, the team was scheduled to go to Phillipsburg. On Friday, the team will be in Goodland for the Northwest Kansas League meet; in Atwood Monday, May 16, for regionals; and on Monday, May 23, if all or part of the team qualifies, in Emporia for state.

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Senior Profile

Bethany Weishapl
 Name: Bethany Weishapl
 Parents: Tom and Kim Weishapl
 Age: 18
 Activities: Catholic Youth Organization, Kayettes, Science club, Spanish club, vocal, Chante, golf and basketball.
Plans after high school: To go to Colby Community College for a year.
Do you plan on returning to this area, to do what? Yes and start my own daycare place.
10 years from now I see myself: Married, have two kids and live in a nice house.
Favorite book, music, movie and game: Jessica Simpson music and "Save the Last Dance," "Pearl Harbor," "The Notebook," movies.
How do you want the community/school to remember you? That I was a very respecting student who loved her school.
Best advice ever received or what advice would you give someone younger than you: Respect all of the under classmates even if they are a little bit loud.
Favorite Quote: "Live like you were dying," Tim McGraw.

Senior Profile

Rodney Marshall
 Name: Rodney Marshall
 Parents: Lawrence Marshall
 Age: 18
 Activities: Work study.
Plans after high school: Go to college to go into diesel technology mechanic.
Do you plan on returning to this area, to do what? Probably not, but you never know.
10 years from now I see myself: making lots of money.
Favorite book, music, movie and game: Not into books; classic rock, music; "8 Seconds," movie; play station games.
How do you want the community/school to remember you? As a cool person.
Best advice ever received or what advice would you give someone younger than you: Stay in school and have fun in life.
Favorite Quote: "Sit down, shut up and hang on."

Senior Profile

Diana Hashenberger
 Name: Diana Hashenberger
 Parents: John and Caroline Kingery (foster parents)
 Age: 18
 Activities: Kayettes, job olympics and track in the eighth grade.
Plans after high school: Probably go to college. I have no idea where yet, but I might go to Colby Community College or Fort Hays State University.
Do you plan on returning to this area, to do what? Maybe and I don't know.
10 years from now I see myself: Maybe married with several kids. With a good job and good house to live in.
Favorite movie, book, music, game: "Daddy's Girl," book; "Follow Me," by Uncle Kracker, song; "Save the Last Dance," movie and twister, game.
How do you want the community/school to remember you? Well, I'm deaf and I have no clue but maybe putting me and Karla together to put up on the board. "Karla and Diana's best memories."
Best advice ever received or what advice would you give someone younger than you: The advice for all students is just be friendly and just to have fun their whole school year. Don't be mean and just be nice and always stand up for yourself. Don't listen to people because they don't know you. Always believe in God because God and Jesus love all of us! We can forgive each other and we are all brothers and sisters.
Favorite Quote: "Seniors Rule."

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Senior Profile

Megan Barrett
 Name: Megan Barrett
 Parents: Jim and Diane Barrett
 Age: 17
 Activities: Basketball, FFA, flag line, band, vocal (one year), National Honor Society, science club, Kayettes, student council and Lutheran youth group.
Plans after high school: I plan to go to college and major in science or a type of social work field.
Do you plan on returning to this area, to do what? What I do in college will help me decide, but I hope to return.
10 years from now I see myself: Out of school. I hope to at least be married and on my way with a good career and a great family in the near future.
Favorite movie, book, music, game: "Lone Star State of Mind" and "Dirty Dancing," movies; "To Kill a Mockingbird," book and any kind of music from rock to country to punk.
How do you want the community/school to remember you? I hope people remember how I worked hard and gave of myself to help everyone. I hope they know that I'm a nice person.
Best advice ever received or what advice would you give someone younger than you: The best advice I was ever given was to let nothing surprise me. Nothing is as it seems, you just have to take it all in stride.
Favorite Quote: "We love because God first loves us,"

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