

SENIOR CALEB PETERS received his first Hepatitis B immunization from Marilyn Gamblin, Decatur County health nurse, last Wednesday. —Photo by Jonathan Smith

Seniors receive free Hepatitis vaccines

By **JONATHAN SMITH**
Seniors lined up in the junior high gym to get swabbed, poked and banded on Wednesday, Oct. 12. Many seniors received the first injection of the three-stage Hepatitis B vaccine from the Decatur County health nurse, Marilyn Gamblin.

High School. "Relax, breath out, and it won't hurt," said Ms. Gamblin many times throughout the morning. Seniors thinking of going to college are encouraged to get their shots now. The second stage for the vaccination will be next month, and the third about six months from now. The seniors just can't wait to roll up their sleeves again.

Cleanup general chosen

By **TERYN GRAFEL**
Jesse Juenemann has been chosen by the student body as the 2005 Halloween Cleanup general. The captains are Drew Martin, Danica May, Lydia Karnopp and Jeremy Tally. The faculty chose five seniors to head the cleanup, then the student body voted for the general from the list of five. Halloween Cleanup this year will be on Monday, Oct. 24. If anyone

would like their yard raked at that time, they should contact the high school at 475-2231.



Special days show homecoming pride

By **SHAREE DEMPEWOLF**
During Homecoming week many students participated in the daily activities. Monday was Pajama Day, and the sophomore class won with 38 people participating. On Tuesday the junior class won, dressing up for Hippie/Bohemian Day. Twenty-four juniors dressed in costume. Wednesday was Super Hero Day. The senior class won with 14 joining in, although it was a very close

call because each class participated well. Thursday was Hat/Opposite Day. Because so many people from each class took part, it was too close to call. Everyone who dressed up on Thursday won a prize. Friday was School Colors Day. Everyone who dressed up won three pieces of candy from the cheerleaders. The cheerleaders chose the theme for each day.

Seniors win with float

By **COURTNEY GILLESPIE**
The homecoming floats turned out great this year. The winners were chosen by a group of businessmen selected by the student council float committee. The theme, which was chosen by the student council, was super heroes. The seniors won with their "Spiderman" float, and the freshmen

came in second with their "Hulk" float. The junior class placed third with "Batman," and the sophomores came in last with their float using "The Incredibles" as their theme. The classes starting working on their floats after last Thursday's bonfire and continued Friday morning until 11:30.


Juniors win homecoming window competition

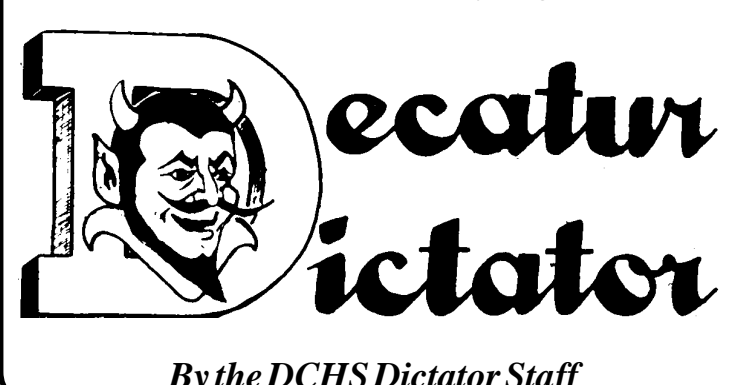
By **SCOTT MILLER**
For the first time, community members chose the winners of the Homecoming window-decorating contest. The juniors won with their theme of "Cruella De Vil." The traditional Homecoming windows were made last Wednesday during homeroom. On Thursday, officers from each class moved the decorations to the old concession stand under the stadium, so community members could see

them and vote. The cheerleaders chose villains for the theme. The freshmen came in last using the Joker in their "What a Joke" poster. The sophomores and seniors tied for second place. The seniors chose "Doc Oc" from the Batman movie. Community members voted on the posters before and during the first quarter of the Homecoming football game.

2005 Yearbooks are in

By **WHITNEY BEINKE**
The 2004-2005 yearbooks are finally in! If you ordered one, you can pick them up from Brenda Breth at the high school. If you didn't order one but would still like to buy one, the cost is \$30. "This is the first all-color yearbook for DCHS," said Mrs. Breth. "and they are bright and fun."

The theme of the book is "Out of the Ordinary." 



By the DCHS Dictator Staff

Former student teaching at DCHS

By **KIM WESSEL**
Jason Ketterl, a 1997 Oberlin graduate, is the new vocational-agriculture teacher and FFA adviser. He is teaching small engines, ag business, introduction to ag, and ag mechanics. One classroom goal Mr. Ketterl has for this year is just to survive it. Mr. Ketterl also has many goals for the FFA; some include building up the chapter numbers, increasing member activity, and making the group known to the community.

Mr. Ketterl is something of a historian and enjoys reading and learning about the Civil War as well as other wars. He also enjoys hunting and fishing, and spending time with his family. He and his wife, Megan, have identical twin sons, Braeden and Landen.

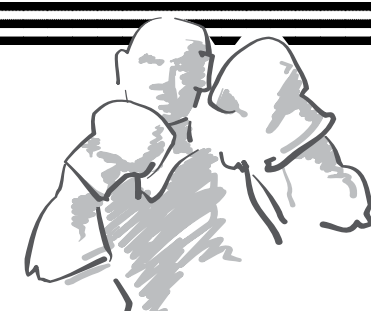
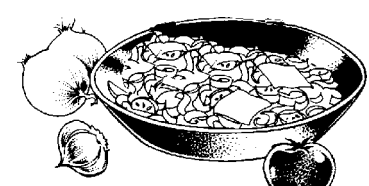
Mr. Ketterl attended Garden City Community College for two years, then transferred to Kansas State University. Before he got the job at Decatur Community High School he taught at Jewell County Junior/Senior High School, which is 15 minutes north of Beloit. He lived in Beloit and taught at Jewell for two years. Mr. Ketterl says he doesn't think the high school has changed much since he was a student because most of the teachers are the same. He did say there is a new principal, superintendent, ground crew, and bus di-

rector. "At first I didn't know what it would be like to teach with some of my former teachers, but since I have started working with them, it is a great experience," said Mr. Ketterl. Mr. Ketterl's parents are Vernon and Kari Ketterl, and he has two brothers, Todd and Spencer. He said the advantage to coming back to Oberlin is that his immediate family is close by, as well as other family and friends, and he knows most of his students' parents. So far, he says, there are no disadvantages to moving back near where he grew up. What does Mr. Ketterl see himself doing in 10 to 15 years? "Raising two teenage boys and being a good community member," he replied.

School Menus

October 24-28 OBERLIN SCHOOLS
Monday: Breakfast: cereal, muffin, mixed fruit. Lunch: potato bar, chicken nuggets. **Tuesday:** Breakfast: waffles, ham patty, pears. Lunch: hamburger with cheese. **Wednesday:** Breakfast: sausage, egg and cheese biscuit, peaches. Lunch: pizza. **Thursday:** Breakfast: cereal, muffin, apricots. Lunch:

beef and noodles. **Friday:** No school (parent/teacher conferences). Milk served with all meals. Choice bar served with all lunches.



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