

# Sports

## Oberlin Lady Devils to begin season

The Decatur Community High girls basketball team will kick off its season \ at 6:30 p.m. Friday in Oakley.

The Lady Red Devils' first home game will start at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 16 against St. Francis.

"We have a lot of good athletes with great attitudes," Coach Terry Ream said.

"They all work hard and are coming



lettermen, he said.

together really well. I'm really looking forward to working with this year's team"

The team will have five returning starters and six returning

Seniors Lydia Karnopp and Kaitlyn Stapp and juniors Tricia Dorshorst, Lauren Fortin and Sarah Murray all lettered and started last year. Junior Heather Williams wasn't a starter but she also lettered.

This year's Lady Devils team will have 23 girls, three seniors including Courtney Gillespie; seven juniors including Whitney Ashley, Emmie Pauls and Kim Wessel; eight sophomores, Lacey Ream, Heather Glodt, Jessica Dellere,

Leanna Sheaffer, Nikki Wessel, Fabiola Ortiz, Kenzie Fisher and Lacie Alstrom; and five freshmen, Annamarie Larue, Heather Ploussard, Jordan McHugh, Cindy Murray and Sabrina Dellere. Trevor Williams is the assistant coach.

Last year, the girls were 11-12 ending their season with a second-place finish at the substate tournament. The Oberlin girls beat Ellis and Osborne but fell to Trego Community High in substate play.

## Seventh-graders win basketball game

The Decatur Community Junior High seventh-grade boys basketball team beat the boys from Rawlins County last week, but the eighth graders lost in the last game before the Thanksgiving break.

The Oberlin seventh graders downed the young Buffaloes, 48-28, to take their record to 5-1.

"They continue to jump on opponents early and play good team basketball," Coach Tim Breth said. "We will have some tough tests after Thanksgiving when we play

Goodland and Colby."

The Oberlin boys jumped out to a 21-6 lead in the first quarter and added to it, outscoring Atwood 10-5 in the second period for a 31-11 lead at the half.

In the third quarter, the Oberlin boys again outscored the Buffaloes, this time 12-6.

In the last quarter, the Atwood boys came back a little, outscoring Oberlin 11-6. Scoring for the Devils were Dakota Soderland, 21 points; Chad Williams, 14; Jeb

Fortin, 4; and Dalton Paul, Keithen Fortin, Josh Ritter, Dalton Dolan and Jacob Larue, 2 each.

The eighth-grade team fell to 4-1 with the 42-37 loss to Atwood.

"The team continues to play extremely hard and I am proud of them for that," Coach Breth said. "It is vital we cut down on the number of turnovers."

While the Oberlin boys kept the game close, they were never able to get ahead of the young Buffaloes. Atwood led the first quarter 12-8

and while Oberlin outscored them 8-7 in the second, the Buffaloes had a 19-16 halftime lead.

In the third quarter, they outscored the Red Devils 9-8 and in the fourth, 14-13.

Scoring for Oberlin were Chris Schissler, 13 points; Toby Peters, 12; Wiley Farr, 9; Kaden Macfee, 2; and Steven Overmiller, 1.

The boys will be in Goodland for a 4:30 p.m. start against the Grant Junior High Mustangs on Thursday.

## Wrestlers getting ready for first match

The Decatur Community High wrestling team will have five state qualifiers including a state placer returning to the mat this year.

Coach Joe Dreher will have 25 men on his team including six seniors, 10 juniors, five sophomores and four freshmen.

"We have a good bunch of hard-working guys," Coach Dreher said. "The competition in the practice

room is pretty tough, this only makes each wrestler that much better. Right now, we are focusing more on technique and gradually getting into shape.

Returning state qualifiers include seniors Scott Miller, 152 pounds, who took sixth at state, Jonathon Richards, 135, and Denton Bailey, 145; junior Terry Urban, 160; and sophomore Gage Reichert, 112.

Others on the team will be seniors Drew Martin, Gabe Moore and Bret Marietta; juniors Garrit Peters, Cameron Nedland, Corey Cook, Aaron Helm, Kane Ware, Jacob Unger, Regan Badsky, Brock Euhus and Breck Simonsson; sophomores Colt Diederich, David Urban, Royal Fisher and Jared Marcusson; and freshmen Jordan Tally, Andrew Richards, Nathan Simonsson and

Everett Urban.

The team will have its first outing at 6:30 p.m. at a dual tournament in Oakley. On Saturday the varsity squad will attend the Hoxie Invitational Tournament. The tournament will start at 9 a.m., which is one-half hour later than usual.

The junior varsity will be in Goodland for a 10 a.m. start for a junior varsity tournament.

### 2005-2006 High School Wrestling Schedule Varsity

Date	Opponent	Where	Time
Friday, Dec. 2:	Oakley	Home	6:30 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 3:	Hoxie Tourney	Hoxie	8:30 a.m.
Saturday, Dec. 3:	Goodland JV Tour	Goodland	10:00 a.m.
Friday, Dec. 9:	Colby Tourney	Colby	2:00 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 10:	Colby Tourney	Colby	8:00 a.m.
Friday, Dec. 16:	St. Francis	St. Francis	6:30 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 17:	Oberlin 9-10 Invite	Oberlin	9:00 a.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 3:	P-burg/McC	Home	5:00 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 6:	Atwood	Home	6:30 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 7:	Dundy County JV Tourney...		10:00 a.m.
Saturday, Jan. 14:	Oberlin Invitational		10:00 a.m.
Friday, Jan. 20:	Beloit Tournament		2:00 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 21:	Beloit Tournament		9:00 a.m.
Friday, Jan. 27:	Goodland	Goodland	6:30 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 28:	NWKL Tourney	Goodland	9:30 a.m.
Friday, Feb. 3:	Colby	Colby	6:30 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 4:	Goodland JV Tourney		9:00 a.m.
Saturday, Feb. 4:	Rep. Valley Tourney		9:30 a.m.
Friday, Feb. 10:	Hoxie	Home	6:30 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 11:	Colby Novice	Colby	9:00 a.m.
Fri./Sat. Feb. 17-18:	Regional Tourney		TBA
Fri./Sat Feb. 24-25:	State Tourney		TBA

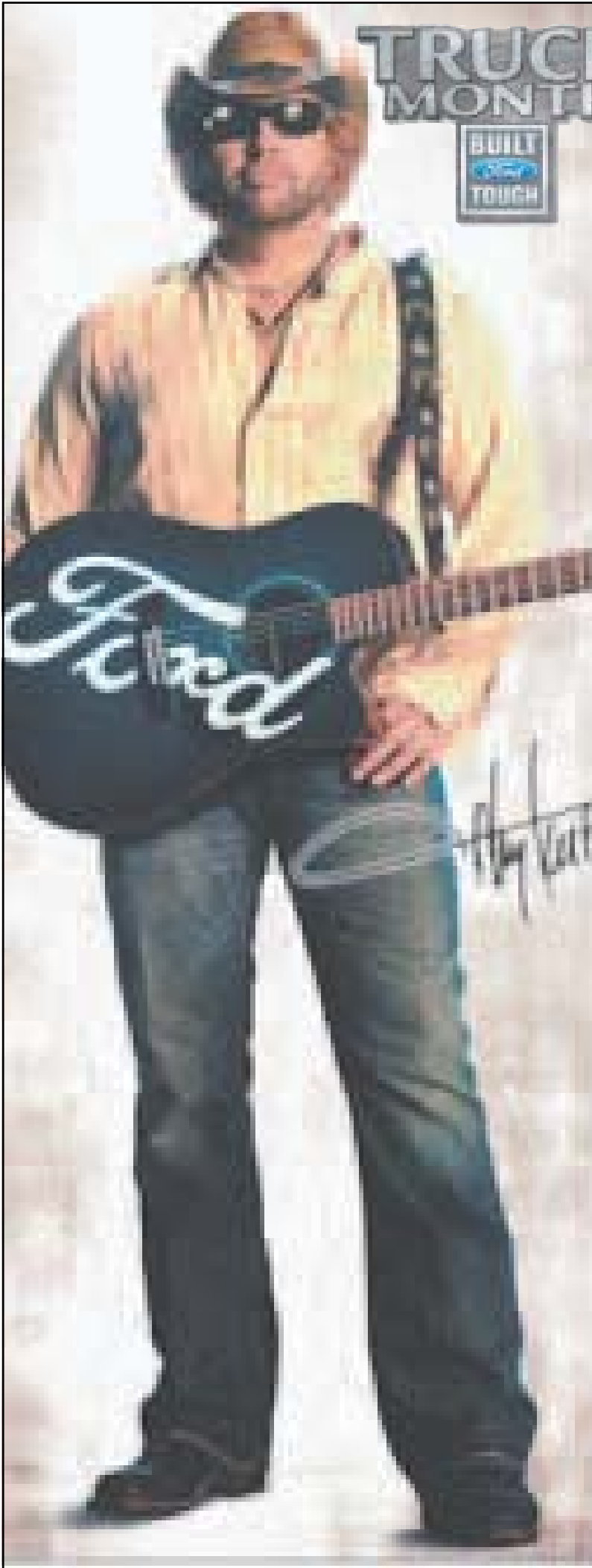
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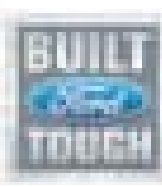
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