

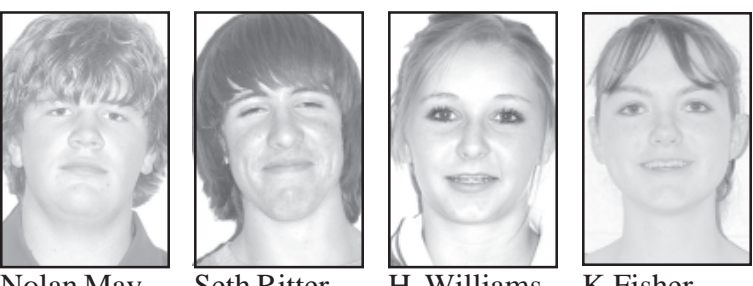
Speech team takes second at league

By **KELLEN DOEDEN**
The Decatur Community High School speech team traveled to Quinter on Thursday, March 30, for the Northwest Kansas League speech tournament. The team took second place and had some outstanding individual performances. League runners-up were Rory Wendelin, second in humorous solo

acting; Karyn Jordan, second in serious solo acting; and Alyssa Rippe, second in original oration. Placing third were Gabe Moore, prose interpretation; Aaron Helm, extemporaneous speaking; and Kellen Doeden and Tricia Dorshorst in duet acting. Placing fourth were Jeremy Tally in prose interpretation and Kellen

Doeden in poetry interpretation. Sixth-place finishers were Sarah Marcuson in prose interpretation, Destry Jackson in poetry interpretation, Aaron Helm in original oration, Destry Jackson and Jacinta Carter in duet acting, and Andrew

Dempewolf in extemporaneous speaking. Other performances included Kim Wessel in humorous solo acting, Jenny Hirsch in poetry interpretation, and Karyn Jordan and Sarah Marcuson in duet acting.



Student Council officers selected

By **LAKIN LAHE**
Nolan May will be the 2006-'07 student council president. Student council elections were held on Friday, March 31, for the upcoming school year. Party elections were held Wednesday, March 29. All students were divided into two parties, the Nationalists and the Federalists. Each party then nominated students to represent them. Nationalist presidential nominees included Breck Simonsson, Kurt Olson, and Katrina Wentz. Breck won the nomination. Kyle Glodt, Seth Ritter, Gatlin Reichert, Amber Mason, Lauren Fortin, and Jaxen Alstrom were nominated for vice president. Winning the nomination for the party was Seth Ritter. Nominated for secretary were Aaron Helm, Tyler Sauvage, Joe Carter, and Heather Williams. Heather Williams won. Josiah Russ, Kenzie Fisher, and Sarah Murray were nominated for treasurer, with Kenzie Fisher win-

ning the Nationalist slot. For the Federalist Party, presidential nominees included Nolan May, Regan Badsky, Kane Ware, and Tricia Dorshorst. Nolan May won. Garrit Peters won in the run for vice president against Alex Ortiz, Clay Andersen, and Kim Wessel. Nominees for secretary included Karli Fredrickson, Cameron Nedland, and Colt Diederich. Cameron came out on top. Running for treasurer were Andy Gilliam, Riley Cochran, Emma Merrill, and Lacie Alstrom. Riley won this one. The speeches on Election Day were great. Everyone added a little humor but made sure voters knew they would get the job done. Breck Simonsson and Nolan May ran for president, with Nolan coming out on top. Vice president went to Seth Ritter, up against Garrit Peters. Secretary next year will be Heather Williams who ran against Cameron Nedland. And next year's treasurer will be Kenzie Fisher, who ran against Riley Cochran.

Art show top prize goes to watercolorist

By **SHARIE DEMPEWOLF**
Jennifer Shaw's watercolor won Best of Show for Oberlin at the Northwest Kansas League Art Show. The show was held at the Gateway April 4-6. The judge was Allen Craven. Bret Ashley's acrylic and Caitlyn Shields' crayon works were named Best of Show for the junior high and elementary divisions. Winning blue ribbons for the high school were Duygu Kavran - mixed media, Lacey Ream - computer, Karyn Jordan - beadwork and mixed media, M.J. Dempewolf - paper and clay, Andy Inman - pencil, Ashley Huntley - pencil, Jennifer Shaw - clay, ink and beadwork, Thomas Vilar - computer, John Meitl - clay, and Jin Baek - computer. Winning blue ribbons for the junior high were Tiffany Anderson -

fabric and watercolor, Nakita Bose - mixed media, Rhiannon Davies - mixed media and marker, Sara Kyte - pencil, Bret Ashley - watercolor and pencil, Rachelle Scott - marker, and Brianna Reiter - clay. Oberlin Elementary School blue ribbon winners were Kelsey May - mixed media, Andrew Wade - paper, Brittany Urban - crayon, Jamie Soderlund - mixed media, Andrew Heller - paper, Dante Robertson - tempera, McKenna O'Hare - paper, Jordan Baker - crayon, Rebecca Wentz - paper, Kade Brown - mixed media, Luke Koerperich - crayon, Alexandria Auxier - mixed media, Rhiannon Meitl - mixed media, Kirsten Lamb - mixed media, and Jillian Peters - tempera. Terri Woolsey, art teacher for this district, organized this year's art show.

Fourteen students to get free yearbooks

By **COURTNEY GILLESPIE**
The yearbook staff collected \$422 in its change drive to provide yearbooks for all students that want one. Over \$40 in pennies alone came in. Three people gave sizable donations, and we appreciate their generosity. We would like also to thank

Culligan Water Conditioning for providing us with the water jug used to collect the change, and Shelli's Hair Design, Fredrickson Insurance and Prairie Petals for displaying the money jar at their businesses. Because of the community's generosity, 14 Oberlin students will receive a free yearbook.

KU honors scholars

By **TERYN GRAFEL**
On April 5, 2006, four students attended the KU Honors Banquet held in Colby. These four students were Destry Jackson, Danica May, Drew Martin, and Lora Marietta. The University of Kansas holds the banquet every year and honors those students who are in the top 10 percent of their class at schools around the state. The students se-

lected are allowed to invite their parents. Also the school's counselor, principal, and superintendent are invited. Kelly Glodt, superintendent of schools, and Charles Haag, high school principal, were able to attend. At the banquet the students received collegiate dictionaries and a KU certificate.

One point hurts speakers at tourney

By **KIM WESSEL**
Oberlin missed winning the Phillipsburg speech tournament by just one point. The Decatur Community High School speech team traveled to Phillipsburg on Tuesday, April 4. Seven teams participated in the competition. Oberlin placed second, with 190 points, behind Norton while Northern Valley came in third with 105. Gabe Moore and Aaron Helm qualified for state championship

competition at this tournament. Gabe qualified with his informative speech, and Aaron in oration and extemporaneous speaking. Others who went to Phillipsburg and reached the final rounds were Jeremy Tally, Sarah Marcuson, Tricia Dorshorst, Kellen Doeden, Destry Jackson, Jenny Hirsch, Jessica Bremer, Karyn Jordan, and Rory Wendelin. Other competitors who went to Phillipsburg were Kim Wessel and Katrina Wentz.

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Classes elect officers for next school year

By **SUNNIE JO FREDRICKSON**
The Decatur Community High School students are already preparing for next year. Next year's senior officers are Bronson Scott, president; Breck Simonsson, vice president; Lakin Lahe, secretary; and Riley Cochran, treasurer. This is the fourth time Bronson has been chosen by his classmates as president.

The class officers will be Becky Helm, president; Gage Reichert, vice president; Jessica Bremer, secretary; and Nikki Wessel, treasurer. The sophomore class officers will be Annamarie Larue, president; Jordan Tally, vice president; Heather Ploussard, secretary; and Alyssa Rippe, treasurer. The freshmen class has not yet elected officers.

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Tuesday: Breakfast: French toast sticks, apricots. Lunch: poorman's steak.
Wednesday: Breakfast: breakfast combo, applesauce.

Lunch: biscuits and gravy. **Thursday:** Breakfast: pancake, ham patty, tropical fruit. Lunch: barbecued rib sandwich. **Friday:** Breakfast: cereal, muffin, mixed fruit. Lunch: ham, scalloped potatoes. Milk served with all meals. Choice bar served with all lunches.