

Tourney gets lots of help

Volunteers make it go

It takes over 30 community and alumni volunteers to make the Oberlin speech tournament possible, including many college students who come back to help.

These volunteers are needed to judge the different events such as prose, poetry, and duet acting.

In addition to the judges, another 30 people are needed to make the tournament run smoothly, such as time keepers, tab room helpers, and information people. Oberlin speech team members helped out in these capacities.

Speech coach Leigh Davis and the Decatur Community High School speech team would like to thank those who helped on Saturday, Jan. 27, at the annual event.

Judges were Tina Williams, Sarah Hasty, Susan Nelson, Joanne Wendelin, Melissa Lippelmann, Marlene Moxter, Aurelia Jackson, Larry Smith, Merlou Robinson, Jeri Buchholz, Barbara Dehlinger, Connie Simonson, Mary Henzel, Rene Ochsner, Karen Smith, Marissa Haas,

Brenda Breth, John Bremer, Heidi Weibe, Ed Russ, Joshua Jackson, Kellen Doeden, Gabe Moore, Rebekah Hasty, Kristin McHugh, Anthony Marshall, Debbie



READY WITH THE ANSWERS, sophomore Emma Merrill sat at the information desk during the annual Oberlin speech tournament. It took more than 60 volunteers to run the tournament including speech team members, alumni, and community helpers.

Marshall, Theresa Shaughnessy, Spanier, Andrea Spanier, Wendy Destry Jackson, Kelly Olson, Adam Scott and Amber Barrett.

Junior High scholars compete in Goodland

By ANDY LEITNER

The Decatur Community Junior High scholar bowl team competed in Goodland on Monday, Jan. 29.

Students who represented the seventh grade included Samantha Anderson, Nolan Henningson, Amanda Marshall, and Tyler Shields, while the eighth-grade team consisted of Laysha Medina,

Keithen Fortin, Joe Hirsch, and Chad Williams.

The seventh grade came home with a record of 3-6, and the eighth graders came home with a record of 5-4.

Teams that participated were Cheylin; Goodland; Burlington, Colo.; Brewster; Hoxie; Rawlins County; Oakley; and Colby.

Scholars went 4-3 in Norton

By KAITLYN GILLESPIE

The Oberlin scholar bowl team traveled to Norton on Monday, Jan. 29, and returned with a record of 4-3.

The team was sponsored by Leigh Davis since scholar bowl coach Marlene Moxter was with the junior high team in Goodland.

"I thought they did really well," said Miss Davis. "They had some strong areas, but music seemed to be their weakness."

The team — Melissa Hasty, Chris Larson, Gage Reichert, Andrew Dempewolf, Karli Fredrickson, Chenaniah Langness and Cameron Nedland — started its first round against Thomas More Prep of Hays and won, 90-65.

The next round was Oberlin versus Rawlins County/Atwood, and the Red Devils had another exciting win, 90-5.

In the following round Oberlin beat Norton, 60-50.

As the day went on, Decatur Community High lost to Smith Center, 40-60.

Finally, Oberlin went up against Colby and lost, 40-90.

Oberlin made it into the finals and went up against Norton, who came back on Oberlin and won 100-50.

Oberlin then went up against Phillipsburg and won 100-40.

School Menus

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Monday: Breakfast: Breakfast Bites. Lunch: corn dog, Tater Tots.
Tuesday: Breakfast: breakfast burrito. Lunch: chicken legs, mashed potatoes, roll. **Wednesday:** Breakfast: waffle, sausage patty. Lunch: Huggable hamburger, kissing corn, jealous Jell-O. **Thursday:** Breakfast: bagel pizza. Lunch: spaghetti/meat sauce, green beans, breadsticks. **Friday:** No school

(parent-teacher conferences). Juice and fruit served with breakfast. Milk served with all meals. Choice bar served with all lunches.

Voice of Decatur Community High School

Decatur Dictator

By the DCBS Dictator Staff

Senior class offers chance at long shot

By KIM WESSEL

The senior class is selling chances for ten people to attempt either a 3-point or half-court shot and win a cash prize of \$100.

Whoever makes the shot will win the \$100, but if more than one person makes it, then the money will be divided among the winners.

The drawing will be on Friday, Feb. 9, when the Red Devils play the Hoxie Indians. You must be present during the drawing.

The seniors will draw the names

out during halftime of the boys basketball game.

The contest is sponsored by Waddell & Reed Financial Services, who is donating the \$100 to the senior class.

All proceeds from the raffle will go toward a projector screen for the senior high gym to be used during graduation.

The tickets are \$1 each, or 6 for \$5. You may buy your tickets in advance.

Six band students attend college clinic

By ANDY LEITNER

On the weekend of Jan. 19 and 20, six high school band students participated in the Kansas State Band Clinic in Manhattan. Over 600 students from 50 schools were chosen to participate.

At the clinic, students were divided through auditions to play in one of the different bands.

There is an honor band and five other bands.

According to band instructor Christie Morris, outstanding conductors from Virginia, Ohio and Oklahoma were invited to work

with the students.

Students representing Oberlin were Makenzie Nelson, Jenny Hirsch, Amber Mason, Chenaniah Langness, Alyssa Rippe, and Chris Larson. Alyssa Rippe and Chris Larson were chosen for the honor band.

"These students worked extremely hard all weekend and represented the school in an outstanding fashion," said Mrs. Morris.

"Our director was boring, but the experience was definitely worth going for," said senior participant Jenny Hirsch.

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