

**DAVID McCORKLE HIT A PITCH** into left field (above) for a single and drove in a run for Team Fortin during a Sunday evening co-ed softball game.Cory Wurm (below) took a mighty swing during the first T-ball game of the season earlier this month.

### - Herald staff photos by Jim Merriott

# Rain causes delays Better weather fills diamonds

It was hit or miss for the Oberlin city baseball and softball teams last week as rain postponed the Tuesday Little League games until Thursday. In an effort to make up games

from both this week and last, diamonds were filled to capacity. Monday in Pony League action, The Bank and R & M Service Center played to an 11-11 tie and Black Gold outlasted R & M, 3-2. Wednesday in the Bantam League, Pauls defeated Prairie Petals, 27-4.

# **Oberlin swimmers** take second place

The Oberlin Swim Club finished second at the Colby Swim Club Invitational on Saturday.

Colby won the meet, scoring 296 points, followed by Oberlin, 234; Goodland, 202; Burlington, Colo., 193; Wray, Colo., 147; Holyoke, Colo., 92; Flagler, Colo., 59; St. Francis, 47; Oakley, 46; and Limon, Colo., 7

Nicky McDonald, Heather Glodt and Jamie Soderlund brought home first-place medals in all their events. Girls 8 and under:

• Albany McDonald, 50-yard freestyle, second, 44.49 seconds, and 25-yard breaststroke, first, 24.5.

• Dani Rouse, 25-yard freestyle, 36th, 58.75.

• Jean Soderlund, 25-yard freestyle, 34th, 48.19.

• Jakobi Blau, 25-yard freestyle, second, 18.78; 25-yard breaststroke, second, 24.53; and 100-yard individual medley, second, 1:55.9

• Jenna Risewick, 25-yard freestyle, 32.38; 25-yard breaststroke, eighth, 35.43; and 100-yard individual medley, 3:10.84.

•Kyleana Blau, 25-yard freestyle, 14th, 26.88; 25-yard butterfly stroke, second, 30.65; and 25-yard breaststroke, 10th, 44.09.

• Jenna Long, 25-yard freestyle, ninth, 25.28; 25-yard backstroke, first, 24.85; and 25-yard breast-

### stroke, fifth, 29.38. Boys 8 and under:

• McDonald, 25-yard butterfly stroke, first, 21.91; 25-yard breaststroke, first, 24.31; and 100-yard individual medley, first, 1:53.23. Girls 9-10:

• Caitie Shields, 100-yard freestyle, 12th, 1:43.9; 25-yard breaststroke, ninth, 23.72; and 100-yard individual medley, fourth, 1:50.15.

•KariahCastle, 25-yard freestyle, first, 15.25; 25-yard backstroke, third, 22.42; and 25-yard butterfly stroke, first, 19.28.

• Kelsey May, 25-yard freestyle, sixth, 17.59; 25-yard butterfly stroke, third, 21.09; and 100-yard individual medley, second, 1:46.03.

Boys 9-10: • Keagen Blau, 100-yard freestyle, third, 1:37.30; 25-yard backstroke, second, 21.86; and 25-yard

July 17, at the annual Colby Com-

munity College wrestling squad

Tasker, a former National Foot-

#### butterfly stroke, first, 21.03. Girls 11-12:

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medley, first, 1:19.46.

• Mika Hackney, 100-yard freestyle, fourth, 1:17.53; 50-yard backstroke, second, 36.53; and 100-yard individual medley, third, 1:24.75.

•Kaylee May, 100-yard freestyle. sixth, 1:21.04; 50-yard butterfly stroke, eight, 46.63; and 100-yard individual medley, 11th, 1:38.25.

 Cassidy Shields, 50-yard backstroke, seventh, 44.03; 50-yard breaststroke, seventh, 43.29; and 100-yard individual medley, sixth, 1:31.78.

• Darbi Rouse, 50-vard breaststroke, fourth, 42; 100-yard individual medley, second, 1:21.39; and 200-yard freestyle, first, 2:41.72.

• Elizabeth Nedland, 50-yard freestyle, 27th, 48.31; 50-yard backstroke, 21st, 1:03.03; and 50-yard breaststroke, 20th, 56.67.

### Boys 11-12:

backstroke, fourth, 45.16, and 100yard individual medley, second, 1:36.87.

### Girls 13-14:

• Kiah Blau, 100-yard freestyle, second, 1:08.53, and 50-yard freestyle, second, 29.25.

### **Boys 13-14:**

• Tyler Shields, 100-yard butterfly stroke, second, 1:49.37; 200yard individual medley, third, 3:37.80; and 200-yard freestroke, first, 3:08.91

#### Girls 15-18:

26.94; 100-yard butterfly stroke, first, 1:09.31; and 100-yard breaststroke, first, 1:18.97.

• Ashley Horton, 100-yard back-• Soderlund, 100-yard freestyle, stroke, fourth, 1:20.26; 100-yard first, 1:09.25; 50-yard freestyle, breaststroke, third, 1:27.70; and Goodland.

first, 29.88; and 100-yard individual 200-yard freestyle, second, 2:35.57. Boys 15-18:

• Daniel Jordan, 100-yard freestyle, fourth, 1:07.89; 50-yard freestyle, fourth, 28.50; and 100yard breaststroke, fifth, 1:29.03. **Relay results:** 

• The girls 8 and under 100-yard freestyle relay team of J. Blau, K. Blau, Rouse and Long, second, 2:03.23.

 The mixed 8 and under 100-yard freestyle relay team of N. Mc-Donald, Risewick, A. McDonald and Soderlund, first, 1:54.93.

• The mixed 9-10 100-vard freestyle relay of Blau, Castle, May and Shields, first, 1:13.84.

• The girls 11-12 200-yard freestyle relay team of Nedland, Shields, May and Rouse, third, 2:31.99.

 The girls 8 and under 100-yard medley relay team of Soderlund, • Nolan Henningson, 50-yard Long, J. Blau and Risewick, second, 2:08.39

• The mixed 8 and under 100-yard medley relay team of N. McDonald, A. McDonald, K. Blau and Rouse, second, 2:33.28.

• The mixed 9-10 100-yard medley relay team of Blau, Shields, Castle and May, first, 1:30.87.

 The mixed 11-12 200-yard medley relay team of Hackney, Henningson, Soderlund and May, first, 2:44.36.

'Oberlin had 25 swimmers attend this meet and they all did excellent," • Glodt, 50-yard freestyle, first, said Coach Stephanie Blau. "They are improving each meet."

The club travels to Wray on Saturday. It will be the final qualifying meet before the league meet Saturday and Sunday, July 7-8, in

## Former pro football player to speak

Former Leoti High School and ball League seven-time Pro Bowl "Despite being 5'-8", 183 pounds,

Dodge City Community College selection player for the Buffalo Steve had a reputation as one of the league's most feared hitters covering punts and kickoffs." Admission is \$10 with limited seating. For reservations, call Kathy Britton at (785) 460-5495 or Lampe at (785) 443-2220 at the college.

Prairie Petals bounced back edging Pioneer Seeds, 6-5.

Then Pauls thumped Pioneer Seeds, 15-4, and Pioneer Seeds downed Pauls, 12-7.

In the Co-Ed Adult Softball League on Wednesday, Fredrickson Dental beat Diederichs, 17-2, and Fortins downed Decatur County Health Systems, 18-1.



Decatur County Health, 19-4, and in alty, 13-11. the finale, Fortins shutout Diederichs, 25-0.

On Sunday Pauls defeated Countryside Vet, 12-10, and Johnson surance clobbering Ward Drug, 20-Realty (formerly Sophomores) 8. downed Countryside, 12-2. Purple Pack downed Creative, 14-9, and Pauls, 19-1.

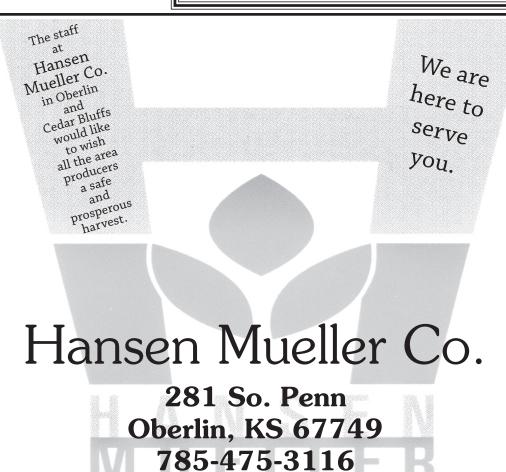
In final action, Creative Dimen-In game three Fredrickson's beat sions triumphed over Johnson Re-

Thursday in the rain makeup games, the Little League put on quite a show, with Fredrickson In-

Metcalf Real Estate prevailed over Fredrickson Insurance, 12-6, and Nelson Concrete overpowered Metcalf Real Estate, 12-8.

In K-18 hardball action the Red Devils, coached by Denton Bailey, Shane Bird and Adam Kadavy, destroyed the Colby No. 2 team, 16-6 and 5-4, in a doubleheader in Oberlin.

Strong pitching performances from Chad Williams and Nolan Peters elevated the Red Devils' season record to 3-1.



football, track and field standout Bills, is a football analyst for the Steve Tasker will speak Tuesday, Columbia Broadcasting System.

"Many sports authorities consider Tasker to be the greatest special teams player of all time," said Colby head wrestling coach Steve Lampe.

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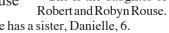


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### Gymnast wins medals Oberlin's Darbi Rouse placed tion. first in the floor exercise competition, second in bal-

ance beam, and fourth in the uneven bars and in the horse vault during the American Amateur Union Amerikids National Gymnastics meet June 16 in Overland Park.

Competing in the novice Darbi Rouse age 12 division, Rouse



### Driver wins in North Platte

Oberlin's David Murrav increased his International Motor Contest Association (IMCA) season points to 443 with a convincing win a week ago Saturday in North Platte, Neb. Murray's closest competitor is Jeremy Frenier with 362.

Murray, who is the Central Region points leader, also leads in the Blood, Sweat, and Tears racing circuit and has moved into the top five ranking of national points leaders. Murray was scheduled to race again in North Platte last Tuesday.

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brought home three medals, finish- She has a sister, Danielle, 6. ing third in the all-around competi-

Rouse competed for a Nebraska team practicing out of Arapahoe, Neb.

Rouse, who began gymnastics at 21 months in Wichita, travels twice a week to practice at Connie's Gymnastics and Dance in Arapahoe.

She is the daughter of