

Girls take second; boys come in third

The Decatur Community High girls track team took second and the boys third at the Hill City Invitational last Monday.

The Ellis girls took first with 93 points followed by Oberlin, 84; Plainville, 78; Smith Center, 69; Osborne, 58; Hoxie, 57; Hill City, 49; WaKeeney, 36; Norton, 18; and Quinter, 12.

Rory Wendelin and Brandi Diederich and the 4x400-meter relay team took firsts.

Girls results:

- Diederich, pole vault, first, 9 feet.
- Wendelin, shot put, first, 36-02.5.
- Nikki Wessel, triple jump, second, 29-10.5
- LeAnna Sheaffer, shot put, second, 34; discus, fourth, 88; javelin, fifth, 103-03.
- Heather Glodt, 100-meter dash, fourth, 13.23 seconds, and 200-meter dash, third, 28.02.
- Jordan Dreher, 100-meter dash, sixth, 13.71, and javelin, sixth, 102-5
- Tamara Ketterl, 800-meter run, sixth, 2:44.62
- Kayla Zodrow, 3,200-meter run, fourth, 13:37.44
- Adrienne Pauls, triple jump, sixth, 28-09.5
- The 4x440-meter relay team of Glodt, Anna Larue, Tiffany Anderson and Lacey Ream, first, 4:25.12.
- The 4x110-meter relay team of:

Dreher, Ream, Diederich, and Glodt second, 52.81.

• The 4x880-yard relay team of: Anderson, Diederich, Ketterl and Ream, third, 10:42.84.

The Smith Center boys were first with 140 points followed by Osborne, 70; Oberlin, 66; Quinter, 65; Hill City, 58; Hoxie, 58; Ellis, 32; Norton, 32; Plainville, 28; and WaKeeney, 15.

Jacob Fortin won victories in the 100-meter and 400-meter dashes.

Boys results:

- Fortin, 100-meter dash, first, 11.14; 400-meter dash, first 51.84.
- Logan Fortin, pole vault, second, 12 and javelin, third, 153-02.
- Andrew Richards, 3,200-meter run, third, 11:04.84.
- Lucas Juenemann, high jump, fourth, 5-08 and javelin, sixth, 139-09.
- Nolan Peters, 3,200-meter run, fourth, 11:17.21.
- Chad Williams, 800-meter run, fifth, 2:19.62.
- Cole May, high jump, fifth, 5-06.
- Toby Peters, 300-meter hurdles, sixth, 46.28.
- The 4x110-meter relay team of: T. Peters, L. Fortin, Daniel Jordan and J. Fortin, third, 46.06.
- The 4x440-meter relay team of: Everett Urban, T. Peters, L. Fortin and J. Fortin, fifth, 3:47.24.
- The 4x880-meter relay team of Williams, Urban, N. Peters and Richards, fourth, 9:08.46.



CHECKING HIS POSITION after a high jump Lucas Juenemann took fourth in the event at the Hill City Invitational last Monday. — Herald photo by Patti Richards

Track teams fourth, fifth at league tournament

The Decatur Community High girls track team took fourth and the boys fifth at the Northwest Kansas League meet Friday in Colby.

The Oakley girls won the meet with 137 points followed by Colby, 120; Rawlins County, 99; Oberlin, 85; Hoxie, 53; St. Francis, 39; Quinter, 14; and Goodland, 8.

Brandi Diederich led the Oberlin girls team winning the pole vault.

Girls results:

- Diederich, pole vault, first, 8 feet, 6 inches
- Heather Glodt, 100-meter dash, second, 13.15 seconds, and 200-meter dash, fourth, 27.72.
- Jordan Dreher, 100-meter dash, fifth, 13.44, and javelin, second, 107-8
- LeAnna Sheaffer, shot put, sixth, 31-1, and javelin, third, 104-3.5
- Kayla Zodrow, 3,200-meter run, third, 13.33.
- Rory Wendelin, shot put, third, 35-3
- Tiffany Anderson, 400-meter dash, fourth, 1:06.32
- The 4x100-meter relay team of Dreher, Lacey Ream, Diederich and

Oberlin athletes to compete in regionals

By JIM MERRIOTT

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The Decatur Community High track team will compete in the Region 17 track meet at Hill City on Friday.

The regional meets give athletes the opportunity to qualify for the state track meet, which will be held Friday and Saturday, May 23-24 at Wichita State University.

Barring injuries, Oberlin athletes Brandi Diederich and Jacob Fortin will have the opportunity to show their talents against the state's finest athletes.

Diederich is the only girl in Class 2A competition to have pole vaulted 9-feet this year. She is ranked fourth in the state.

Fortin, the Decatur Community High record holder in the 100-meter dash has his work cut out for himself. He should be the top qualifier in Region 17 but he will be competing against Drew Joy of Smith Center and Kelly Younkin of Oakley.

The top three 100-meter dash sprinters in the state are from in Class 2A schools.

Michael Lambert of Clifton/Clyde has the fastest time this season at 10.71 seconds. He is followed by Kyle Lonberger, Minneapolis, 10.76, and Brian Gellinger, Bennington, 10.84.

Others to watch for are the 4x100 meter relay team of: Jordan Dreher, Lacey Ream, Diederich and Heather Glodt, who have the second best time this season in Class 2A at 52.41. Their top competition will be against Osborne, which is ranked seventh at 52.01 and Oakley, 10th, 52.42.

The girls 4x800-meter relay team of: Tamara Ketterl, Ream, Diederich and Tiffany Anderson ranks seventh in the state at 10:35.6. Their main competition will be a tough Osborne team, which is in fifth place with 10:29.34.

Regional competition starts with field events in Hill City at 3 p.m. Friday.

11:01, and 400-meter dash, first, 52.32.

- Logan Fortin, pole vault, second 12-6, and javelin, second, 154-2.
- Lucas Juenemann, high jump, fourth, 5-6.
- Andrew Richards, 3,200 meter run, fifth, 11:08.
- Nolan Peters, 3,200-meter run, sixth, 11:21.
- Sam Stapp, shot put, sixth, 39-7.
- Cole May, long jump, sixth, 17-10.
- The 4x100-meter relay team of: Toby Peters, L. Fortin, Juenemann, J. Fortin, fifth, 45.77.
- The 4x400-meter relay team of: J. Fortin, T. Peters, Everett Urban, and L. Fortin, second, 3:35.54.
- The 4x800-meter relay team of: Urban, Chad Williams, N. Peters, and Richards, fifth, 9:27.

"The kids competed hard," said Coach Joe Dreher. "We just need to fine tune this week to get ready for regionals on Friday in Hill City."

To qualify for the state meet, athletes have to finish in the top four of their event at regionals, said Dreher.

Glodt, second, 53.3.

- The 4x400-meter relay team of Glodt, Anna Larue, Anderson and Ream, second, 4:21.99.
- The 4x800-meter relay team of Diederich, Anderson, Tamara Ketterl and Ream, second, 11:02.

The Colby boys came in first with 136.5 points followed by Oakley, 89; Rawlins County, 76; St. Francis, 62; Oberlin, 59; Quinter, 56; Hoxie, 42; and Goodland, 37.5.

Junior Jacob Fortin won the 100-meter dash and the 400 meter dash to lead the Oberlin boys.

Boys results:

- Fortin, 100-meter dash, first,

Seventh graders take second at league

By JIM MERRIOTT

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The Decatur Community Junior High seventh graders took second at the Northwest Kansas League meet in Oberlin on Thursday.

Seventh grader Zach May took first and set a league record with a triple jump of 34 feet, 2.5 inches, almost five feet further than his nearest opponent. He also won first in the 100-meter dash and Brady Fortin came in first in the pole vault.

The Colby boys won the meet with 154.33 points followed by Oberlin, 79.33; Grant Junior High of Goodland, 71.33; Quinter, 46; Hoxie, 36; Rawlins County, 26; St. Francis, 26; and Oakley, 20.

"Our seventh-grade boys did very, very well," said Coach Keith Grafel. "With only seven boys on the team it is amazing finishing second in the Northwest Kansas League."

"Zach set a new league record in the triple jump, and everyone just competed pretty well."

Boys results:

- May, triple jump, (league record), first, 34-2.5; 100-meter hurdles, first, 17.25 seconds; and long jump, second, 14-4;
- Fortin, pole vault, first, 7-6; 100-meter dash, fourth, 12.99; and shot put, sixth, 30-11.
- Kade Brown, pole vault, sec-



JUMPING FOR A LEAGUE RECORD, seventh grader Zach May took first with a triple jump of 34 feet, 2.5 inches on Thursday. — Herald photo by Susan May

ond, 7-0, and triple jump, fourth, 28-2.75.

- Tyler Bruggeman, discus, third, 88-4, and shot put, fourth, 31-6.
- Ryan May, high jump, fourth, 4-2, and triple jump, fifth, 28.5.
- Channing Farr, discus, fifth, 79-5.

• The 4x400-meter relay team of: R. May, Z. May, Brown, and Fortin, second, 4:35.57.

Jordin Wasson, Miki Dorshorst and Taylor Macfee led the girls with first place finishes in the long jump, triple jump and discus.

The 4x200-meter girls relay team

also finished first.

The Colby girls won the meet with 149 points followed by Oberlin with 82.5; Oakley, 75.5; Quinter, 70; Rawlins County, 35; Goodland, 18; St. Francis, 17; and Hoxie, 17.

Girls results:

- Wasson, long jump, first, 13-8.5; triple jump, fifth, 26-5; and pole vault, third, 6.
- Dorshorst, triple jump, first, 29-8; 100-meter dash, third, 14.03; and 200-meter dash, third, 30.86.
- Macfee, discus, first, 79-2.5.
- Keatra Fisher, shot put, third, 29-9.75; discus, fourth, 68-6.75.
- Cassidy Shields, 100-meter hurdles, second, 17.78.
- Samantha Wrinkles, 100-meter hurdles, sixth, 18.96.
- Darbi Rouse, 1600-meter run, fifth, 6:24.67; high jump, sixth, 4-2.
- The 4x200-meter relay team of Rouse, Wrinkles, Shields and Dorshorst, first, 2:03.5.
- The 4x100-meter relay team of Rouse, Wasson, Macfee and Wrinkles, sixth, 1:02.04.

"Our seventh-grade girls had a great day," said Grafel. "Finishing second behind Colby was a real fine accomplishment. We are short on numbers, but everyone on the seventh-grade girls team did a very fine job."

competition begins at 9 a.m.

After Holyoke, the team will compete in Burlington, Colo. on June 7, Goodland on June 14, Colby on June 21 and at home in Oberlin on June 28. The league meet will be held Friday and Saturday, July 11-12 in Wray, Colo.

For information, call Mrs. Blau at 475-3617.

years and under, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14 and 15-18.

The club's first meet will be at 9 a.m. Saturday, May 31, in Holyoke, Colo.

Swimmers will be allowed to participate in three individual events and up to two relays.

Each event entered will cost \$1. Warm-ups start at 8 a.m. and

Sports

Golfers place eighth

The Decatur Community High golf team took eighth last Monday at the Phillipsburg Invitational as four Oberlin golfers shot under 100.

"We showed some improvement today," said Coach Dick Ahlberg.

Jordan Tally shot a season low of 43-44 for 87 while Chris Larson shot 45-46 for 91. Nathan Simonsson and Jacob Larue each shot 96. Simonsson 46-40 and Larue 48-48.

"Chris had a nice day," Ahlberg said. "We were respectable today."

Phillipsburg's "A" team won the tournament with 310 points followed by Trego/WaKeeney, 315; Osborne, 338; Plainville, 340; Norton, 349; Russell, 363; Phillipsburg "B", 363; Oberlin, 370; Stockton, 371; Ellis, 385; Thomas More Prep, 394; Smith Center, 400; and Phillipsburg "C", 446.

The Red Devils were to play in the Northwest League Championship in Atwood on Friday and in the regional meet in Ellis on Monday.

Team takes sixth in league

The Decatur Community High Golf team scored 391 to finish sixth at the Northwest Kansas League Championship in Colby Friday.

Oberlin was 69 strokes off the pace of the league winning Colby Eagles, which scored 322. The Goodland Cowboys finished second with 335 followed by Hoxie, 347; Atwood, 359; Quinter, 365; Oberlin, 391; and Oakley, 398.

Jordan Tally was the top finisher for the Red Devils shooting 48-45 for 93. He was followed by Nathan Simonsson, 46-49 for 95; Jacob Larue, 52-48-100; and Chris Larson, 48-55-103.

"We have to play better on Monday at the regionals in Ellis to have a chance to qualify for the state tournament," said Coach Dick Ahlberg.

The top three teams and the top five individuals advance to state, said Ahlberg.

Kansas sportsmen form legislative group

By JIM MERRIOTT

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Kansas hunters and fishermen now have an important ally fighting for them in the Kansas legislature.

On March 25, a group of sportsmen formed the Legislative Sportsmen's Caucus making Kansas the 35th state to be affiliated with the National Assembly of Sportsmen's Caucuses.

Legislators, who understand America's hunting, fishing and trapping heritage and its importance to wildlife management and its economic importance, have banded together. They have

put partisan politics on the back burner to help on sportsmen's legislative issues.

House Majority Leader Ray Merrick, Stilwell, and Representative Gary Hayzlett, Lakin announced the formation of the group and its affiliation with the national caucus.

Caucus work with sportsmen, state conservation groups and the outdoor industry.

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