It's time to think football

Even though the temperatures are in the high 80s and 90s, it's time to start thinking about high school football, and Decatur Community High coach J.D. Johnson is looking forward to the coming season.

Johnson said the schools' annual football camp in mid-July drew 23 players, who practiced the basics of the game. He said he had seven freshmen, two sophomores, seven juniors and six seniors at the camp but expect more players to sign up next week.

"We hope to have anywhere between 25 and 30," he said on Monday. "We've got some move-ins and kids who didn't come to camp."

Camp was special this year, the coach said, because Anthony Davis, a former Kansas City Chief who played on the Baltimore Ravens' Super Bowl team, helped out. Davis also spoke at last year's sports banquet, Coach Johnson said.

Besides Johnson, this year's coaching staff will include Caleb Howland and Shane Bird. Joe Dreher, high school activities director and wrestling coach, will take over Howland's job coaching the junior high football team, Johnson good thing. said.



LAST YEAR, the Oberlin Red Devils' helmets looked like this one. This year, the team's Herald photo by Sarah Fredrickson headgear will have a new look.

Football practice will start on at 7 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 21, at the added. Monday with two-a-day's, Johnson high school cafeteria. said. The first practice will be from 6:30 to 7:45 a.m. before school and look this year, the coach said, with the second from 4 to 6 p.m. after new helmets in new colors and an classes. Boys should bring T-shirts, updated logo. Money for the helshorts and cleats to practice, he mets came from private donations, said, and a water jug would be a he said.

The Red Devils will have a new

The team should have about There will be a parents' meeting 12 returning lettermen, the coach

The public will get its first glimpse of the 2009 Red Devils at the annual preseason scrimmage at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug 27. While this game has traditionally been called the Soap Scrimmage, it too has been updated. Now a bottle of some sports drink pays the price of admission.

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Sports

Golf, meal to help **Oberlin hospital**

nual golf tournament and benefit Administrator Lynn Doeden. Those dinner will be Saturday at the Ober- include a Traeger grill with tickets lin Country Club and Golf Course and the American Legion.

of teams for the ninth annual golf tournament, people can still buy tickets for the dinner that night.

be purchased by today for a head and the Chamber office, or at the count. The menu includes prime rib, baked potato, salad and dessert.

During the benefit, the hospital to win.

Decatur County Hospital's an- will raffle off three prizes, said costing \$5 for one or \$25 for six tickets. Other items are a Wii con-While the hospital has a full slate sole with a fitness game and a putter, with tickets for either costing \$1 for one or \$5 for six.

Tickets can be purchased at the Tickets, which cost \$30, need to Dresser, the Bank, Ward Drug Store dinner.

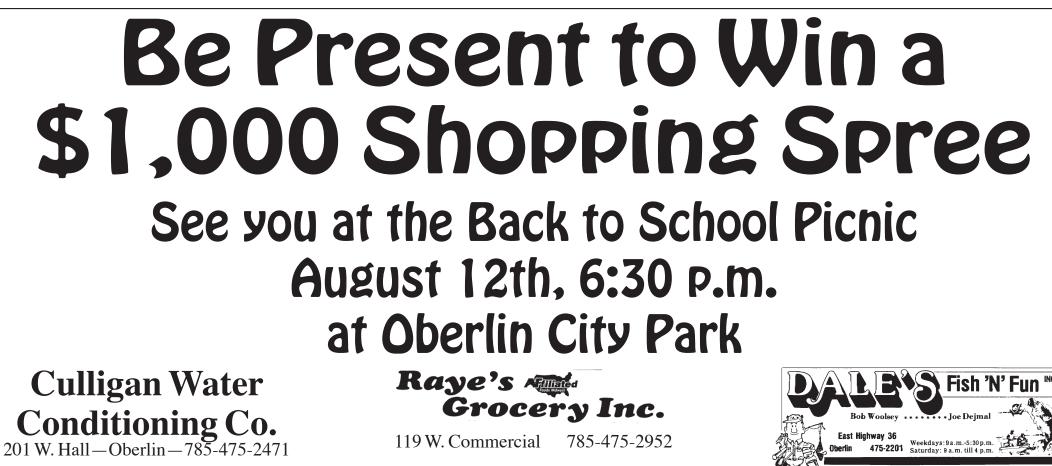
People don't have to be present

Youth shoot planned

Pheasants Forever and the Ober- targets and ammunition will be lin Gun Club will hold a free youth provided. shoot from 5 to 8 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 30, at the club on U.S. 36 east with either Dale's Fish 'N' Fun at of town.

fifth through 12th grades. Firearms, Aug. 25.

Students should pre-register 475-2201 or Custom Trophy and The event is for young people in Engraving 475-2877 by Tuesday,



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3. The prize awarded during \$1,000 Shopping Spree promotion will be in the form of scrip money. Scrip money will be good for merchandise only, no cash, at participating sponsors.

4. The deadline for entries is 4 p.m. Tuesday, August 11, 2009. Boxes will be withdrawn at that time.

5. The **\$1,000 Shopping Spree** prize drawing will be held on Wednesday, August 12, 2009, at the Back to School Social in the Oberlin City Park.

Must be present to win. Date of drawing is subject to change without notice. In case of bad weather, the drawing will be held at high school cafeteria. One Grand Prize \$1,000 Shopping Spree Winner will be awarded.

6. Winner will have from Thursday, August13, through Friday, August 21, 2009, to spend the \$1,000 scrip money at participating businesses. The winner will notify The Oberlin Herald when spending the Grand Prize money and allow a photographer to accompany them when making their purchases. Winner agrees that photos of winner and winner's family and a description of the shopping spree may be used for promotional purposes without limit. Winner agrees to release The Oberlin Herald, sponsoring merchants and others associated with this promotion from any and all liability.

