

Students selected for honor band

By JESSICA FREDRICKSON
 Kansas Music Educator's Association auditions were held Saturday, Nov. 7, at Hays in the high school. The high school band members accepted into the KMEA Honor band include freshmen Elizabeth Nedland, Matthew Helm, Darbi Rouse and Matt Glading; sophomore Samantha Anderson; Juniors Jacob Helm, Katie Glading and Tim Larson; and Senior Jaxen Alstrom.

In order for these students to make it into Honor Band, they had to send in audition tapes of themselves playing their instrument to a group of judges who decided who made the cut. Every DCHS band member who sent in an audition tape made it into the KMEA Honor Band making it a clean sweep.

These students will now travel to Hays on Saturday, Dec. 5, to gather with the rest of the students across the state who made it into Honor Band and perform in a concert.

The KMEA Honor Choir auditions were held on Nov. 7, as well. The group of students who made it include freshmen Ryan May, Zach May, Cassidy Shields and Miki Dorshorst; sophomores Nolan Henningson, Serena Stacy, Megan Wentz and Amanda Marshall; juniors Joe Hirsch, Rhiannon Davies and Jacob Larue; and seniors Hunter Nedland, Daniel Jordan, Ashley

Horton and Kortnie Fisher. These students were chosen by going to Hays on Nov. 7 and performing in front of judges three different pieces of music. The auditions began at nine in the morning and ran till about two in the afternoon. Every DCHS student who tried out for the KMEA Honor Choir made it in.

The fifteen students will now go back to Hays Saturday, Nov. 5, to perform with the rest of the students across the state who made it in a vocal concert.

Vocal direct Susan Nelson was very pleased with the way the students performed and said, "The music was challenging this year too, and I think the kids should be recognized for their extraordinary talent."

The Jazz members of the DCHS band also traveled to Hays on Nov. 7 to perform with other jazz members across the state in a jazz clinic. In order to make it into this the students had to send in audition tapes, which were judged against the northwest portion of the state.

When asked about how she thought the jazz clinic did, band director Sarah Bricker said, "They got to work with an outstanding clinician and learned some challenging jazz music. They also had a very fun time as well."

Wheeling around



RIDING HIS SKATEBOARD, Evan Walker attempts a few tricks by flipping his skateboard.

— Photo by Dictator Staff

Skating through life

By JORDAN DREHER

Evan Walker is a 16-year-old sophomore who is into skateboarding. He said his cousin taught him when he was about six or seven.

"I got started because I thought it was fun," said Evan.

He skateboards at the elementary school, the park, the drainage ditch, and the Gateway whenever it isn't cold outside. He has two skateboards which cost about \$100 each. He said he also spends about \$100 every couple of months on skateboarding supplies.

"What inspires me is the feeling I get when I land a trick that I never have before," said Evan.

He can do all kinds of tricks



Evan Walker

including flips, grabs, and spins. He says that he will continue skateboarding until his legs can't do it anymore.

Other hobbies that Evan is into are playing the guitar and art.

School places second in scholar bowl

By KYLE HUNTLEY
 The Decatur Community High School Scholar Bowl team began its season by hosting its annual invitational meet here on Nov. 10.

The teams that participated were Colby, Golden Plains, Goodland, Hoxie, Northern Valley, Norton, Oakley, Oberlin, and Rawlins County.

DCHS finished in second place. Oberlin students who competed were Jacob Helm, Joe Hirsch, Hunter Nedland, Adrienne Pauls, Jessica Fredrickson, Rhiannon Davis and Tiffany Anderson.

Hunter Nedland said, "It's not how much you know; it's about how fast you can push the button."

School Menus

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Monday: Breakfast: Western omelet, toast. Lunch: Chili dog, corn chips. **Tuesday:** Breakfast: Pancakes, ham pattie. Lunch: Hamburger, french fries. **Wednesday:** Breakfast: Breakfast pizza. Lunch: Beef and noodles, mashed potatoes. **Thursday:** Breakfast: Biscuits and gravy. Lunch: Pizza, peas. **Friday:** Breakfast: French toast sticks. Lunch: chicken wrap, rice.

Fruit served with all breakfasts; choice bar served with all lunches. Milk served with all meals.



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By the DCHS Dictator Staff

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Jean Ann Hale, County Treasurer of Decatur County, Kansas, Showing Balance on hand for the Quarter ending October 31, 2009

FUND			
County General	332,103.32	Special Park & Rec	3,202.86
SW Bell Rural 911	25,990.74	Summer Rec	69.99
Wireless E-911	11,657.64	Public Trans	2,550.67
E-911 Grant	11	Special Jail Equip	3,055.88
Recycling	3,027.51	PATF	329.00
Landfill	11,963.44	Sp Fire Equip	119,001.77
Road & Bridge	529,077.20	Bond & Interest	45,183.48
Special Bridge	139,867.88	RFD Memorial	2,798.14
Home for Aged	69,553.81	Economic Devel	2,118.31
Conservation District	2,531.69	CORE	1,873.28
County Health Nurse	35,042.25	RFD	78,633.41
Golden Age Bond	1,739.21	Bad Check Trust Fund	2,158.08
Mental Health	631.55	Stray Animals	392.95
Mental Retardation	671.55	Hospital Rev. Bond	56,285.69
Ambulance Memorial	1,797.72	History Books	1,429.00
Ambulance	149,131.59	Corp. Plan Emp. Trust	27,320.49
Noxious Weed	46,617.68	Motor Vehicle Tax	27,329.63
Special Road Mach	200,319.75	Delq. Personal Tax	1,095.84
Election	48,688.48	Good Sam Mem. Prin.	549,337.35
Ambulance Sp Equip	98,820.94	Treasurer Special Auto	7,913.39
Deeds Tech. Fund	5,855.42	Motor Vehicle License	4,894.75
Employee Benefit	269,989.59	Sales Tax	16,998.34
Equip. Reserve Fund	143,367.75	Rv Tax	475.58
Conceal & Carry	1,700.00	Cash Over & Under	43.68
Juvenile Detention	2,710.00	Partial Pay	13,376.10
Summer Rec. Mem	3,087.50	Redemp. & Assign	3,546.78
Senior Citizens	13,502.40	Suspense Acct	9,852.05
Employee WH	27,848.83		
Cafeteria 125	21,525.17	Total	3,186,680.82
Sp Alcohol Program	6,680.97		

TOWNSHIP OR CITY	GEN'L REVENUE	ROAD	SP ROAD	S.WASTE
Allison		285.30		
Altory		246.86		
Bassettville		20,112.04	45,918.74	
Beaver		246.18		
Center		261.69		
Cook		272.49		
Custer		237.41		
Dresden		274.51		840.00
Finley		16,713.78		
Garfield		298.79		
Grant		266.42		
Harlan		313.63		
Jennings		314.98		
Liberty		294.07		
Lincoln		294.74		
Logan		3,329.87		
Lyon		335.21		
Oberlin		18,318.39	889.02	
Olive		2,199.80		
Pl Valley		335.89		
Prairie Dog		276.53		
Roosevelt		242.13		
Sappa		213.81		
Sherman		5,517.04		
Summit		9,489.59		
TOTAL	0.00	80,691.15	46,807.76	840.00

CEMETERY			
Dresden	17.39		
Hawkeye	54.42		
TOTAL	71.81		

FUND	
County Funds	3,186,680.82
Township Funds	128,338.91
Cemetery Funds	71.81
TOTAL	3,315,091.54



CASH:	
Investments	1,945,072.08
The Bank Oberlin	159,254.28
Cash	625.00
The Bank MM	261,852.38
The Bank Oberlin MM	300,122.68
TBO Corp Plan	27,320.49
FNB-Wireless E911	11,657.64
Farmers Bank & Trust	402,725.27
TB MM-Good Sam Mem	104,265.27
FNB-MM	100,457.24
TB-Golden Age Bond	1,739.21
TOTAL	3,315,091.54

State of Kansas, Decatur County, ss

I, Jean Ann Hale, Treasurer of DECATUR County, Kansas, do solemnly swear that the above statement is complete, true and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief. SO HELP ME GOD.

Jean Ann Hale, County Treasurer
 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That the foregoing statement was subscribed and sworn to before me, and in my presence, by the above named, this 31st day of October, 2009. Nora Urban, Deputy

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