



IN CITY PARK on Sunday, Betty and Walter May (above) sat at a table as they ate lunch during the Jazz in the Park event. Sarah Marcuson (below right) got ready to play her saxophone with the Colby Community College Band.

“Don’t take my picture,” Duane Dorshorst (below left) said as he held up the spatula he was using to flip burgers.

— Photos by Cynthia Haynes

Jazz bands perform in City Park Sunday



The sun shined bright as school staff members flipped and served burgers during the annual Jazz in the Park event Sunday.

The jazz bands from Colby Community College and Decatur Community High School both got a chance to perform. The college students kicked things off and the high schoolers followed, then they joined forces to play a song together.

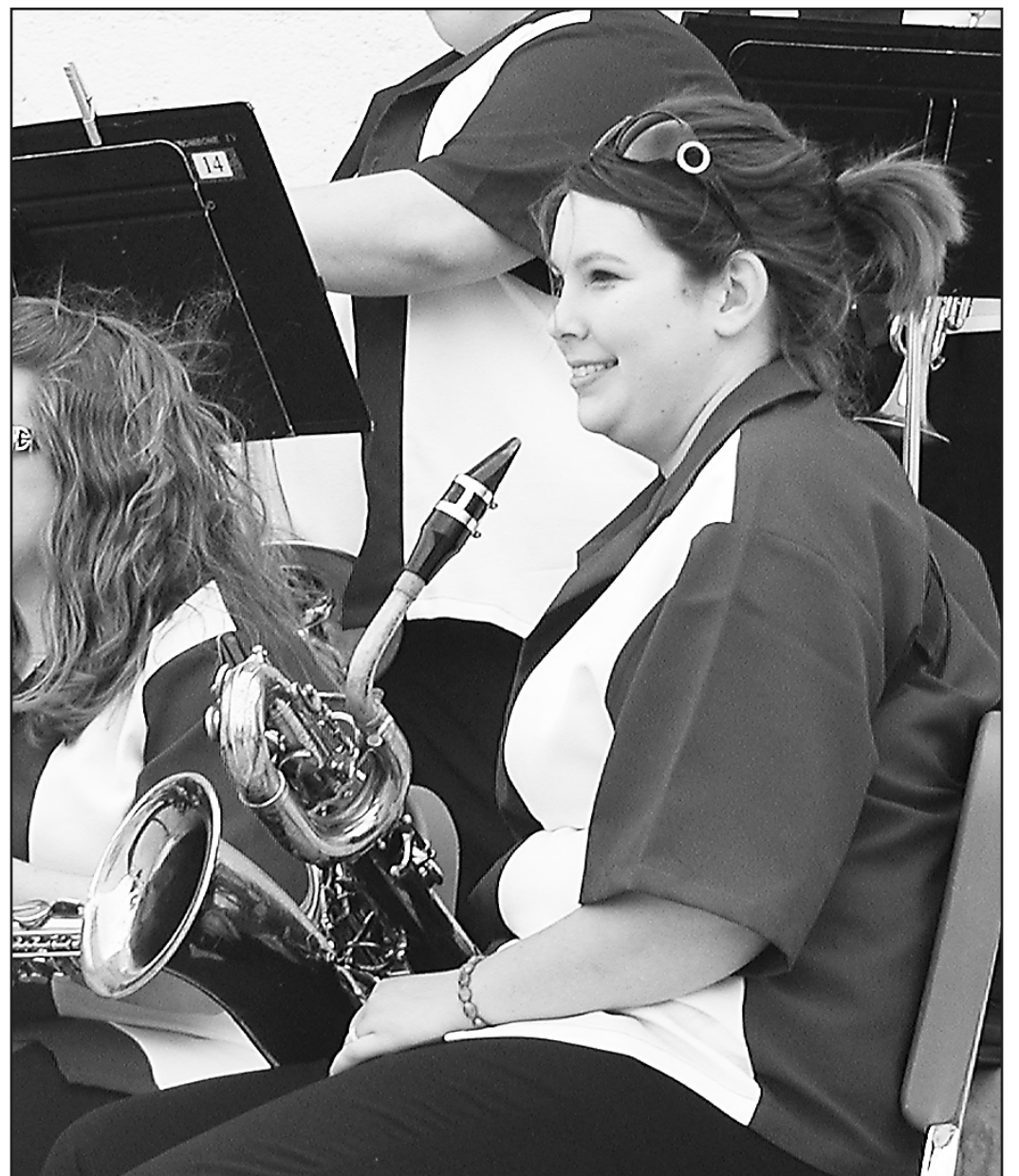
Band teacher Sarah Bricker said this is the third year for Jazz in the Park.

She said they served 125 hamburgers at the event, with the money raised going for activities for the

high school band. Those include camp during the summer, trips, clinics and “band-buddy” activities.

She said she has 13 students in the high school jazz band this year: Caleb Koerperich, Darbi Rouse, Tim Larson, Joe Hirsch, Amanda Marshall, Nakita Bose, Tiffany Anderson, Matthew Helm, Matt Glading, Ben Glading, Baron Green, Elizabeth Nedland and Katie Glading.

Other events coming up for the band students include the large group contest and state solos and ensembles on Saturday, April 30.



GABI JOHNSON (above) ate a burger on the grass in the park. Oberlin band teacher Sarah Bricker (left) watched those who attended.