## Mailed to freedom



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# **Music students headed for state**

Thirty-five entries qualified for State Music by earning a I rating at the Regional festival held in Oberlin on April 2.

Receiving a I on their vocal solos were Caleb Koerperich, Amanda Marshall, Rhiannon Davies, Baron Green, Cassandra Canto, Cassidy Shields, Joe Hirsch, Jacob Larue, Samantha Anderson, Zach May, Matt Glading, Miki Dorshorst, Nolan Henningson, Channing Fortin, Hirsch, saxophone. Matt Glading, and Katie Glading.

Receiving I's on their instrumental solos were Sierra Lohoefener, flute; Matthew Helm, trombone; Elizabeth Nedland, French horn; Samantha Anderson, French horn; Hannah May, flute; Darbi Rouse, Saturday. Receiving I's were Men oboe; Miki Dorshorst, trumpet; Katie Glading, trombone; Nolan Henningson, trumpet; Baron Green, tha Anderson, and Cassidy Shields), trumpet; Jacob Helm, clarinet; Caleb Koerperich, saxophone; and Joe Ensemble B received a II. trombone, received a II.

Ben Glading, Hannah May, Elizabeth Nedland, Brittany Urban, and Tiffany Anderson.

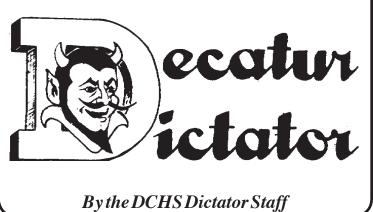
Ensembles also did very well on in Black, DCHS Singers, Chante, Girls'Trio (Miki Dorshorst, Samanand Mixed Ensemble A. Mixed

The saxophone quartet (Joe Hirsch, Caleb Koerperich, Nakita

Vocal soloists receiving II's were Bose, Tiffany Anderson) and the brass ensemble received a I (Nolan Henningson, Baron Green, Miki Dorshorst, Samantha Anderson, Katie Glading, Matt Glading, Ben Glading).

Receiving a II were the flute trio (Hannah May, Sierra Lohoefener, and Kayla Jones), the low brass quartet (Bret Ashley, Brittany Urban, Justin Gee, and Matthew Helm) and the woodwind quintet (Darbi Rouse, Jacob Helm, Nick Ashley, Amanda Marshall, Elizabeth Nedland).

Music instructors are Susan Nelson and Sarah Bricker. State Music is April 30 in Salina.



Voice of Decatur Community High School

# **Seniors**

#### **Killian Dellere**

**By KEITHEN FORTIN** Killian Dellere is the son of Wayne and Dena Dellere. He has two older sisters, Jessica and Sabrina. Killian plans to attend college but is currently unsure where. He is also unsure of his major. In ten years Killian wants to be successful.

Killian's hobbies are sports, mainly golf, and working. Killian is involved in golf and Kays at Decatur Community High School. His favorite movie is "300." Killian's favorite song is "Someday' by Flipsyde, and his favorite book is "Airman."

One of Killian's short-term goals is to fly a plane. His long-term goal is to buy a house. What Killian will miss most about Oberlin are his friends. His advice for underclassmen is, "Don't slack off, it takes more work to make up for lost time rather than doing your work on time.'

#### Zach Farr **By JORI DIEDERICH**

Zach Farr is a returning student who will finish his high school career in Oberlin. He lives with his grandma, Jeanne Pachner. Zach has one sister who also attends Decatur Community High School, Ashley Farr.

Zach plans to attend Johnson Community College in Kansas City to become a railroad engineer. In 10 years, Zach wants to be working for the railroad and have a family. One of Zach's hobbies is collecting model trains.

Zach is currently in vocal and sings in an ensemble "Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burnin.' which got a I at regionals and will be heading to State Music in Salina.

His favorite movie is "Grown Ups," and his favorite song is "Thunderstruck" by AC/DC. "Of Mice and Men" is his favorite book

Zach's short-term goal is simply to graduate high school, and his long-term goal is to graduate college. He will miss his friends the most when he graduates.

His advice for underclassmen is to stay in school and graduate.

#### **Keithen Fortin By JORDAN DREHER**

Keithen Fortin is the son of Gwen and Jason Fortin. He has two younger twin brothers, Kennedy and Konner.

Keithen plans on going to Colby Community College next year to study computer science and then plans on transferring to Fort Hays State University.

His hobbies are hanging out with friends, video games, and sports. Keithen has been involved in Student Council, football, basketball, track, D-club, journalism, and scholar bowl.

His favorite movie is "Remember the Titans," and his favorite song is "Things that Rhyme with Orange." His favorite book is "Heaven is for Real."

Keithen's short-term goal is to win the lottery and his long-term goal is to stay in shape and be healthy.

One thing he says he'll miss about high school is his teammates and friends he has played sports with. His advice to underclassman is "Have no regrets."

## Students do well in competition

The Nebraska schools may be ing placed second. Caleb was tested ningson in literature, Jori Diederich wishing Kansas schools hadn't been invited to McCook Community College's Inter-High Scholastic competition. Decatur Community High School placed first and Quinter High School second in their

on typing speed and accuracy.

Placing third were Miki Dorin biology, and Elizabeth Nedland Dreher, and Rachelle Scott. in English.

division. Oberlin and Quinter also three were given medals and certifi- a marketing plan and then present cates worth up to three credit hours their plan to a panel of judges. This was the first year Oberlin of tuition for Summer 2011, which may be used for online, distance learning, or on-campus courses Carissa Wentz placed fourth in Schools from western Nebraska Accounting II. Also placing fourth were Nolan Henningson and Amanda Marshall in theater acting and the improvisational team of Joe Hirsch, Matt Glading, Cassidy Shields and Miki Dorshorst. topic and one minute to prepare a Helm in history, Dalton Jones in three-minute skit.

in graphic design, Amanda Marshall in sociology, and the marketing shorst in Algebra I, Matthew Helm team of Keithen Fortin, Jordan

The marketing team was given the All students who placed in the top topic "daycare" and had to develop



placed first and second overall.

has competed in the competition. Previous years, it was held during our spring break.

also competed. Most contestants took tests, but some did activities.

Placing first and winning \$500 scholarships were Carissa Wentz in accounting, Jacob Helm in physics, Katie Glading in music theory, and Kade Brown in math.

Seniors who place first and are not planning on attending a Mid-Plains Community college have the opportunity to sign their scholarships over to their counselor who will then choose a senior who is attending the competition.

Freshmen through junior winners will be marked in the college's system, and they will hold their scholarship for them until after high school graduation. If they attend Inter-High next year, they will add to their total.

Elizabeth Nedland in literature and Caleb Koerperich in keyboardPlacing fifth were Nolan Hen-

Brianna Klima and Megan Wentz placed sixth in Family and Consumer science. They participate in a series of written and hands-on challenges linked to applying

Family and Consumer Science curriculum to daily work and family life situations.

Also competing for Oberlin were Zach May in geometry and chem-The improv team was given a istry, Joe Hirsch in English, Jacob Algebra II, and Laysha Medina in sociology.



#### April 18 - 22 **OBERLIN SCHOOLS**

Monday: Breakfast: Cibatta Breakfast: Biscuits and gravy. breakfast pizza. Lunch: Chicken Lunch: Meatballs, rice. Friday: wrap, tri-taters. Tuesday: Break- No school. fast: Breakfast bites. Lunch: Sliced ham, scalloped potatoes. Wednes- choice bar served with all lunches. day: Breakfast: Fruit turnover. Milk served with all meals.

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