

Ten lettermen return this year for track team

The Decatur Community High track team has 10 returning letter winners this year, including three seniors, four juniors and three sophomores.

Coach Jeff Jones said that the boys have three runners back from the 2011 state championship 4x800-meter relay team and a lot of other state placers and qualifiers on.

“We also have a strong ninth-grade class,” he said. “(This) should be an exciting year.”

Volleyball coach Sheri Ruf and wrestling coach and school activities director Joe Dreher are the assistant track coaches this year.

Heading the boys team will be seniors Dalton Jones and Tyler Shields, both of whom were on the championship relay team.

Jones also ran in the 400 meters and came in sixth in state in the 800. He was a member of the fourth-place state 4x400-meter relay team.

Shields, a cross-country runner, ran the 1,600 and took seventh in the 3,200-meter run at state last year.

Junior Zach May is the third returning member of the championship relay team. He also threw the javelin and took fourth as a member of the 4x400 team.

“Dalton and Tyler should dominate their events,” Coach Jones said. “We just need to fill one spot on our relay team.”

Other boys on the team this year are seniors Conner McHugh, Brent Juenemann, Shay McChesney and Nolan Henningson; juniors Ryan May, Matt Helm Matt Glading, Channing Fortin and Jared Smith; sophomores Konnor Fortin, Ken-

edy Fortin, Kyle Breth, Grant Gilliam, Junior Recendes, Caleb Koerperich and Justin Gee; and freshmen Regent Erickson, Kaine Fredrickson, Garrett Scott, Rex Diederich, Ganon Henningson, Aaron Cressler, Derrick James and Parker Smith.

On the girls side, senior Kiah Blau is returning after finishing third at state last year in the shot put and as a member of the 4x100 relay team.

Junior Miki Dorshorst was a state qualifier in both the long jump and as a member of the 4x800-meter relay team. She took fifth on the 4x400 team.

Junior Cassidy Shields received a third place as part of the 4x100 team and was a state qualifier as part of the 4x800 team.

Junior Darbi Rouse will be on the 4x800 team and run the 3,200 meters.

Sophomore Kayla Jones came in fourth at state in the high jump and was on the fifth place 4x400 team.

Sophomores Lexis Hissong, 300 meters and 100-meter hurdles, and Laura Zodrow, high jump, are also returning letter winners.

Other girls on the team include sophomores Hannah May and Britany Urban and freshmen Winter Polivka, Molly Jansonius, Morgan Jansonius, Caitlin Shields, Daisy Rhein, Rebecca Wentz, Grace Randel and Demi Murray.

The Red Devils’ first track meet will start at 3 p.m. Friday in Quinter.

The annual Oberlin Invitational will be held here Tuesday, May 1.



SHOWING OFF HIS STUFF at the Class 3-2-1A State Wrestling Tournament in Topeka last month, Channing Fortin

ended his high school season with a 30-10 record. — Herald photo by Jennifer Juenemann

Junior wrestler takes fifth in Denver

Channing Fortin, a junior at Decatur Community High School, took fifth place in his weight and age class at the Rocky Mountain Nationals wrestling tournament March 17 and

18 in Denver. There were more than 2,200 participants wrestling from 12 states. Fortin took fifth at 220 pounds in the 18-and-under division.

He is the son of Ryan and Amanda Fortin and the grandson of Rodney and Fonda Farr and Walt and Donna Fortin.

Recreation group to hold basketball tourney

The Decatur County Recreation Program will hold its first Oberlin 3-on-3 basketball tournament Saturday, April 21, in the junior high and high school gyms.

The entry fee is \$30 per team and the deadline to enter is Wednesday, April 11. Entry forms are available from Oberlin Elementary School and Decatur Community High School, First National Bank or Terry Ream.

Teams need to check in 30 minutes before their games, which will start at 8:30 a.m.

Admission will be \$2 for adults and \$1 for students. Children under 5 will be admitted free.

The program will be divided into four divisions for boys and girls: first and second, third and fourth, fifth and sixth and seventh and eighth grades. Medals and certificates will

be awarded to the winners in each division and medals to the second-place finishers.

Concessions will be available in the cafeteria. T-shirts can be pre-ordered for \$13 each and will be available at the tournament for

\$15. For information, call Mr. Ream at 475-3004 or 470-1441 or e-mail him at decatur_rec_program@yahoo.com.

Send completed forms with check to Mr. Ream at 206 N. Beaver, Oberlin, Kan. 67749.

Oberlin kid wrestlers get to go to state meet

While none of the Oberlin kid wrestlers placed at the state tournament over the weekend, six boys won berths to the meet at the Kansas Expo Centre in Topeka.

Four of the boys — Kel Grafel, 80 pounds in 12 and under; Jeff Juennemann, 120 pounds in 12 and under; Dayton Kempt, 160 pounds

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in 14 and under; and Gavin Uehlin, 88 pounds in 8 and under — did well enough on Saturday to go on to wrestle on Sunday, said a parent, Amanda Grafel.

Also winning a berth to the state meet were Reece Grafel, 61 pounds in 8 and under, and Corbin Wessel, 67 pounds in 8 and under.

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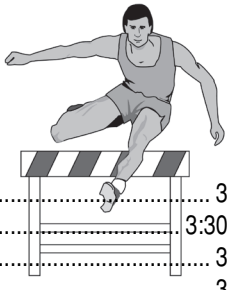
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Decatur Community High School Track



Friday, March 30: at Quinter	3 p.m.
Thursday, April 5: at Norton	3:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 10: at Rawlins Co	3 p.m.
Tuesday, April 17: at Plainville	3 p.m.
Friday, April 20: at Oakley	3 p.m.
Monday, April 23: 9-10 Track at Rawlins Co	3 p.m.
Tuesday, April 24: at St. Francis	3 p.m.
Tuesday, May 1: Oberlin Invitational	3 p.m.
Friday, May 11: NWKLeague — Home	3 p.m.
Friday, May 18: Regional Track	TBA
Friday-Saturday, May 25-26: State Track — Wichita	TBA

Junior high track team attracts 37 athletes

Coach J.D. Johnson has 23 seventh graders and 14 eighth graders out for track this year.

His assistant coaches will be Tim Breth and Kerrie Wahlmeier.

Seventh-grade girls on the team include Jakobi Blau, Jillian Peters, Tristen Davis, Jenna Long, Cerys Davies, Madison Macfee, Kelsey May, Sierra Hendrickson, Carmen Winder, TyLynn Peterson and Miranda Long.

Seventh-grade boys are Jeff Juenemann, Tabor Erickson, Mason Ahlberg, Quinton Cook, Dante Robertson, Cade Wurm, Dayton Kempt, Luke Koerperich, Gatlin

Hissong, Adrian Chambers, Max Diederich and Evan Shobe.

Eighth-grade girls include Leah Chambers, Alexandra Waterman, Kaitlynn Fisher, Ara Marine, Meghan Davies and KeAnn Jacobs.

Eighth-grade boys are Bryson Wesley, Noah Nelson, Konnor Witt, Keagan Blau, Myles Sheaffer, Daniel Lerew and Kelly Brown.

The first junior high track meet will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Norton.

The Northwest Kansas League Meet will be held in Oberlin on Friday, May 11.

Junior High Track Schedule



Tuesday, April 3: at Norton	10 a.m.
Thursday, April 12: at Oakley	10 a.m.
Tuesday, April 17: at St. Francis	2 p.m.
Thursday, April 19: St. Francis/Quinter — Home	3:30 p.m.
Thursday, April 26: at Quinter with Rawlins Co.	3:30 p.m.
Thursday, May 3: at Atwood (Rawlins Co) with Hoxie	3:30 p.m.
Friday, May 11: NWKLeague — Home	10 a.m.

Basketball sessions offered

Boys in grades three through six are invited to free basketball sessions at the Decatur Community High gym from 2 to 3 p.m. on Sundays through May 6.

Permission forms to participate in the sessions, which will teach basic basketball skills, are available at the

First National Bank. Coaches for the sessions will be Tim Breth, Scott Waterman and Tyler Bruggeman.

Permission forms must be turned in at the first session attended but participants don't have to attend all sessions, which started Sunday.

GENERAL NOTICE

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The Kansas Noxious Weed Law K.S.A. 2-1314 et seq requires all persons who own or supervise land in Kansas to control and eradicate all weeds declared noxious by legislative action. The weeds declared noxious are: Field Bindweed, Musk Thistle, Serica Lespedeza, Johnson Grass, Canada Thistle, Bur Ragweed, Leafy Spurge, Hoary Cress, Quack Grass, Russian Knapweed, Kudzu, & Pignut. Multi-flora Rose is a County Option Noxious Weed declared noxious by the Board of County Commissioners of Decatur County. Notice is hereby given pursuant to the Kansas Noxious Weed Law to every person who owns or supervises land in Decatur County that noxious weeds growing or found on such land shall be controlled and eradicated. Control is defined as preventing the production of viable seeds and the vegetative spread of the plant.

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2. Filing criminal charges for non compliance. Conviction for non compliance may result in a fine of \$100 per day of non compliance with a maximum fine of \$1500.

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