

# FFA students try Ag-Olympics

The first Ag-Olympics, organized by the FFA was held at Decatur Community High School on April 18. Six teams competed in six activities for the chance at trophies and bragging rights. Winning the competition was the team of Kade Brown, Jamie Soderlund, Darbi Rouse and Jared Smith. The games consisted of flipping tires, jumping round bales, running through tires, stacking square bales, roping a calf and catching a greased pig. Coming in second were John Carlisle, Channing Fortin, J.D. Johnson

and Cassandra Canto. The team of Grant Gilliam, Chris Anderson, Baron Green and Rex Diederich came in third. Finishing in fourth place were Jeff Shaw, Cody Wurm, Dayton Dreher and Alexis Hissong. Also competing were two junior high teams: the team of Madison Macfee, Kelsey May, Jenna Long and Jillian Peter, and the team of Tabor Erickson, Mason Ahlberg, Quinton Cook and Dayton Kempt. The games were held south of the football visitor stands. The FFA hopes the Ag-Olympics will become an annual event.



**CHANNING FORTIN** tried to catch a greased pig at the Ag-Olympics last week.

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## Decatur Dictator

By the DCCHS Dictator Staff

# Students paint ugly bathrooms

**By SERENA STACY**  
"Doing your business should be an aesthetically pleasing experience," said next year's Student Council vice president Cassidy Shields. Cassidy was one of the 16 Student Council members who decided that the bathrooms, which were brownish orange and pea green, didn't really go with the rest of the school. So they decided to make a change. Stuco painted nine school bathrooms, pink and orange in the girls' restrooms and blue and green in the boys'.

Each year the Student Council has painted a project. "We covered a lot of blank walls," said Mrs. Breth, Stuco advisor. They started with the red and gray stripes and devils in the cafeteria and gym entrance. The following year they added the red stripes and teachers' names in the hallways downstairs, including the giant "DCCHS" across from the seniors' lockers. Next, they added the "UNITY" mural outside the gym doors, across from Mr. Williby's shop, and the different colored stripes and teachers' names upstairs. Stuco is also responsible for the school song, notes, and silhouettes in the music wing, and the bright paint outside the elementary school office and the large "OES" in the upstairs hallway. "Many students in the last five years have contributed a lot of hard work and time to make DCCHS a place we can all be proud of," said Mrs. Breth. "This year's group, led by Serena, did a great job in nine bathrooms that were once pretty ugly. I'm so proud of them for giving up an entire day of their Easter break to do something positive for our school."

Cassandra Canto and Nolan Henningson helped paint the designs on the stalls. "Painting the bathrooms was so much fun," said Nolan. "I'm so happy to be able to bring some color into the building!" Painting on a day off from school, April 6, were Stuco president Serena Stacy, vice president Nolan Henningson, Kyle Breth, Brenda Breth, Kennedy Fortin, Cassidy Shields, Caitie Shields, Darian Bose, Cassandra Canto, Zach May, Kiah Blau, Garrett Berry, Jalyn Shaw, Matthew Helm, Gabe Anderson and Megan Wentz.

# State officers participate in lock-in

**By TAYLOR MACFEE**  
The Oberlin FFA chapter held a lock-in for all students at Decatur Community High School on April 13 and 14 from 8 p.m. to 7 a.m. At the lock-in were three state FFA officers: Alexis Wingerson, president; Kurt Lockwood, secretary; and Justine Diabal, treasurer. Starting off the lock-in, students were asked to meet in the cafeteria of the high school, where every student participating in the lock-in was

given a T-shirt. After everybody had arrived, the students then rode the bus to the bowling alley. There they bowled two games and ate pizza. After the bowling alley, back at the high school the students played basketball and video games. The state FFA officers then had nine different activities for the students to participate in. Then the students played dodgeball and basketball. Coming back together after a couple hours of games, the state FFA of-

ficers had three more activities for students to participate in. The state officers stayed for an hour after that to talk to students individually about joining FFA. The students who participated were seniors Conner McHugh, Greg Shaw, Shane McEvoy, Shay McChesney, Jeff Shaw and Megan Wentz; juniors Tyler Bruggeman, A.J. Stoll, Sammy Meitl, Keatra Fisher, Peter Hawkins, Cody Wurm, Jon Rorick, John Carlisle and Taylor

Macfee; sophomores Justin Gee, Brittany Urban, Chris Anderson, Baron Green, Kyle Breth, Rhianon Meitl, Alexis Hissong, Haley Schiessler and Jude Walinder; freshman Winter Polivka; eighth graders Keagen Blau, Meghan Davies, Shylo Shields, Justice Harris, Kassidie Jensen and Kelly Brown; and seventh graders Madison Macfee and Kelsey May. The lock-in was sponsored by Jason Ketterl, FFA sponsor.

# Seniors

**Brooklyn O'Hare**  
**By BRIANNA KLIMA**  
Brooklyn O'Hare is the daughter of Kristin and Glen Stragey, and Scott and Michele O'Hare. She has attended Decatur County schools for nine years. Brooklyn plans on attending Fort Hays State University, majoring in social work after high school.



B. O'Hare

Brooklyn has seven siblings, Cole, Ashley, Matthew, McKenna, Kaden, Parker and Kyson. Her favorite activity in high school has been cheerleading. Brooklyn's advice for the underclassmen is "Always do your best. You might not think school matters now, but you will!" She hopes to be remembered from high school as a good friend and someone fun to hang out with. Her favorite hobby is shopping. Brooklyn has participated in cheerleading, Drama Club, TACT, Kays, Spanish Club and National Honor Society. She said her parents have inspired her to be where she is today.

seniors, and I like the fun discussions we've had." After Miranda graduates she will attend Fort Hays State University for a bachelors in nursing, and then eventually she wants to be a certified registered nurse anesthetist. Miranda has been active in KAYS, Speech, Spanish Club and Drama Club. She also enjoys working out, being out doors, making people laugh, hanging out with her friends and spending time with her son. After high school, she wants to be remembered as: "I want to be remembered as the girl who proved everyone wrong by sticking to my dreams and taking responsibility." We also asked her if she has any advice for the underclassmen. She said, "When the odds are against you to succeed, you are the only one who can change those odds. Never let anyone tell you you can't accomplish anything. Also, don't get behind in senior English." Our final question for Miranda was "Who has helped you or inspired you to get where you are today?" Her response was "My mom, dad, brothers, sisters and my friends, but especially my son. Without Callen, I wouldn't be the woman I am today."

**Megan Wentz**  
**By CASSIDY SHIELDS**  
Megan Wentz is the daughter of Darren and Lois Wentz, Norcaur. She has two sisters, Rebecca and Amy. She has gone to Oberlin schools since kindergarten. She plans to attend Colby Community College and major in nursing. Her favorite class has been Spanish, because she says it's been fun, and it has given her the to learn another language. Megan's favorite activities are professional learning experience (where she works two hours at the hospital), cheerleading and FFA. She has been involved in KAYS, TACT, FFA, cheerleading, Drama Club, Spanish Club, Student Council, track and basketball. Her hobbies include spending time with friends and family, quilting and working. "Have fun because it goes by so fast." is her advice to the underclassmen. Megan hopes to be remembered



M. Wentz

as a student who cared about others. When asked who inspired her, she said, "My parents. I don't know what I would do without them!"

**Shane McEvoy**  
**By MEGAN HUNTLEY**  
Shane McEvoy is the son of Lonnie and Mary McEvoy. He has one brother, Ryan. Shane has attended Oberlin schools for eight years, transferring from Jennings. Shane is undecided on what he wants to do after high school, but his advice to the underclassmen is to "Live it up." He has been involved in football, FFA and basketball, which he said is his favorite activity. He also enjoys shop because "it's fun and easy." Shane enjoys hunting, fishing and anything that has wheels and a motor. Shane hopes to be remembered from high school as a funny, good friend. He said that has been inspired by his parents, brother and his friends.



S. McEvoy

# Artists win top prizes at art show in Hoxie

**By BROOKLYN O'HARE**  
Kaitlyn Howland, Cerys Davies and Emma Borton all won best of show at the Northwest Kansas League art show at Hoxie High School on April 11 to 13. Kaitlyn's award winning art was a crayon resist, Cerys was a watercolor and Emma's was a collage. Several elementary, junior high and senior high students did well at the show. The following students all received blue ribbons: Grades Kindergarten through fourth: Mackenzie Urban, Connor Milton, Cheyanna Hale, Kaitlyn Howland, Sam Jimenez, Riley Ketterl, Wayatt Pearson, Gage Scott, Logan Hayward, Gracie Tate, Bryant Gillund, Amy Wentz, Colton Ketter and Alana Bishop received two blue ribbons.

Grades fifth through seventh: Faith Meitl, Cade Wurm, Lily Singleton-Marine, Kaylen Ashley, Genna Randel, Luke Koerperich, Shiloh Singleton-Marine, Mollie Tate, Sierra Hendrickson and Jack Mumm. Max Diederich received two blue ribbons and Tabor Erickson, three. Grades ninth through 12th: Emily Bader, Miguel Leckner, Ashley Witt, Dayton Dreher, Daisy Rhein, Kade Brown and Troy Juenemann. Emma Borton and Channing Fortin each received two blue ribbons. Amanda Marshall had a total of four blue ribbons. The students' art teacher is Terri Woolsey.



**Miranda Shelton**  
**By SERENA STACY**  
Miranda Marie Shelton is the daughter of Allen and Marla Shelton. Other members in her family include Jason Shelton, Jordan Shelton, Monica Larson, Carl Larson, Marissa Robinson and Colby Larson. Miranda is also the mother of a baby boy named Callen.



M. Shelton

Miranda has attended school in Oberlin for 11 years. She said, "My favorite class throughout high school has been Senior English because it's the only class with all

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