

# Oberlin downs the Jackrabbits

The Decatur Community High boys basketball team evened up its record to 8-8 with a 66-32 victory over the Greeley County Jackrabbits on Friday.

The loss drops the Jackrabbits to 9-6, with losses to Oberlin last week and on Jan. 18.

Meanwhile, the Oberlin Red Devils, who took second place in the Northwest Kansas League Tournament, are moving towards a winning season.

Oberlin took a 13-5 lead in the first quarter and bumped it up with a 25-11 second quarter to lead 38-16 at the half.

In the third quarter, Oberlin hit 19 to Tribune's 10 and in a wild fourth, the Red Devils held their score to 9 while the Jackrabbits scored 6.

Every Oberlin player scored. They were led by Tyler Bruggeman with 18; followed by Kyle Breth, 11 including three three pointers; Noah Nelson, 11 with a three-point shot; Kaine Fredrickson, 5 including a three-point shot; Regent Erickson, 4; Kelden Breth, Konnor Fortin and Ryan May, 3 each; and Keagen Blau, Andrew Wade, Ganon Henningson and Kennedy Fortin, 2 each.

The Red Devils were nine for 25

## Game has strange end

The Decatur Community High-Greeley County high school boys basketball game on Friday turned confusing and slightly ugly as the home team ran out of players – and cool – in the second half.

Problems started at the beginning of the half, Oberlin Coach Daniel Conrad said, when a Tribune player was sent back into the locker room for an infraction and not allowed to play.

By the middle of the fourth quarter, the Jackrabbits were running low on players.

# Boys beat hard-fighting Dighton team

While the odds were definitely on the side of the 10-3 Hornets when Dighton came to Oberlin to play the Decatur Community High Red Devils boys (6-8) last Tuesday, the visitors got their stingers pulled as the home team held on for a 64-61 victory.

It was a close game all the way. Dighton took an 18-10 lead in the first quarter but Oberlin answered by outscoring the Hornets 17-6 in the second to lead 27-24 at the half.

The momentum stayed with the Red Devils in the third quarter, as they again outplayed and outscored

## Dighton downs women

The Decatur Community High girls basketball team lost 47-35 to Greeley County in Tribune on Friday.

Both teams scored 10 in the first quarter but Tribune pulled ahead outscoring Oberlin 14-9 in the second to take a 24-19 lead into the halftime break.

In the third quarter, the Lady Red Devils cut that lead by outscoring the Jackrabbits 10-8 but in the fourth quarter, Greeley County came back to hit 15 points to Decatur Community High's 6.

Scoring were Demi Murray 13, Mike Dorshorst 12, Ara Marine and Hannah May 4 each and Shawn Baker 2.

Marine and Morgan Jansonius each had two assists while Alexis Hissong and Murray had one each.

May was the rebound leader with 12 followed by Murray, 10; Marine and Dorshorst, eight each; Morgan Jansonius, four; Caitlin Gault and Baker, two; Hissong, 1.

Murray and Dorshorst had three steals each while Baker and May had two each and Morgan Jansonius and Caitlin Gault had one each.

from the charity line for 36 percent. They hit 26 of 54 field goals for 48 percent with 49 percent of their two-points going in and 45 percent, five of 11, of their three-point shots.

Kelden Breth led in assists with four, followed by Henningson, three; Kyle Breth and Konnor Fortin, two each; and Kennedy Fortin and Tyler Bruggeman, one each.

Bruggeman had 12 rebounds followed by Nelson, seven; Blau, four; Kelden Breth, Konnor Fortin, Erickson and Kennedy Fortin, three each; and May and Henningson, two each.

Nelson had five steals, followed by Kyle Breth, three; May and Kennedy Fortin, two each; and Bruggeman, Erickson and Henningson, one each.

Erickson, Kelden Breth and Nelson each deflected a shot.

This week, the boys were to take on Norton on Tuesday in Norton and Rawlins County at home on Friday.

Next Tuesday, the team will be at home again as Wheatland comes to call. All three games will start about 8 p.m. after the 6:30 p.m. girls games.

The rules do not allow the op-



**BUMPING BACKS** with teammate Regent Erickson, Tyler Bruggeman (No. 45) had just been introduced before the start of the Red Devils game against Tribune on Friday.

– Herald photo by Susan May

posing team to pull any players, however, he said.

"I have to leave my five in," he said. "We just passed the ball around and only shot twice. We were ahead and we let the clock run out."

While the coach said that Tribune had a small squad, both teams had the same number of players at the start – 12.

After the game, a couple of Tribune players refused to shake hands with the Oberlin squad. That resulted in a letter of apology from the school to the Decatur Community High staff, players and fans. The Greeley County officials praised the Oberlin boys and coach for their sportsmanship. The letter appears on Page 5A of this week's paper.

Erickson led in rebounds with six followed, by Kennedy Fortin and Bruggeman, five each; Nelson, Konnor Fortin and Henningsen, three each; May, two; and Kyle Breth, one.

Nelson and Erickson each had a pair of steals while Kelden Breth, Henningsen, Kennedy Fortin and Bruggeman had one each.

May, Henningson and Bruggeman each blocked a shot and Erickson had a deflection.

The victory put the Red Devils' record at 7-8.

## Tribune beats girls

The Decatur Community High girls basketball team lost 47-35 to Greeley County in Tribune on Friday.

Both teams scored 10 points in the first quarter but Tribune pulled ahead, outscoring Oberlin 14-9 in the second, for a 24-19 lead at the half.

In the third quarter, Oberlin cut that lead by outscoring the Jackrabbits 10-8. In the fourth quarter, however, Tribune came back to hit 15 points to Oberlin's 6.

Scoring were Demi Murray 13, Mike Dorshorst 12, Ara Marine and Hannah May 4 each and Shawn Baker 2. Molly and Morgan Jansonius each had two assists, while Alexis Hissong and Murray had one each.

May led in rebounds with 12, followed by Murray, 10; Marine and Dorshorst, eight each; Morgan Jansonius, four; Caitlin Gault and Baker, two; Hissong, 1.

Murray and Dorshorst had three steals each, Baker and May had two each and Morgan Jansonius and Caitlin Gault one each. Baker had a blocked shot and three

deflections while Murray led in deflections with five, May had a pair and Morgan Jansonius and Hissong one each.

The junior varsity squads played two quarters, which Oberlin won 19-4. Oberlin scored 5 points in the first quarter while the Lady Jackrabbits were scoreless. Oberlin had 14 in the second while Tribune's junior varsity was only able to hit a pair of free throws and a field goal.

Scoring were Gault, 8 including four for four at the free-throw line, Kariah Castle 4, Marine, Kassidie Jensen and Kaitlynn Fisher 2 each, and Baker, 1.

The junior varsity girls were scheduled to attend a tournament in Colby over the weekend but did not go, Coach Terry Ream said.

This week, the girls were to take on Norton at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday in Norton and will play Rawlins County at 6:30 p.m. Friday at home.

Next Tuesday, the team will be at home again as Wheatland comes to call for a 6:30 p.m. contest.

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## Wrestlers first in Nebraska

The Decatur Community High varsity wrestling team took first place and the junior varsity 11th at the Southwest High Invitational Tournament in Bartley, most of them from Nebraska.

Oberlin's varsity scored 170 points to win the tournament while Southern Valley came in second with 133, followed by Hershey 119, Medicine Valley 91.5, Franklin 88, Dundy County 85, Red Cloud/Blue Valley and Southwest 73 each, Cambridge 72, Chase County 38 and the Oberlin junior varsity 34.

Other varsity teams in the tournament were Garden County, Hitchcock County, Creek Valley and Wauneta Palisade.

Dayton Dreher, Matt Glading and Kade Brown won their weight classes while Troy Juenemann, Chris Anderson, Rex Diederich and Channing Fortin placed second.

Wrestling were:

- 108 pounds, Daniel Lerew was pinned by Calvert Jacob, Dundy County, and Keith Helm, McCook junior varsity.
- 113, Juenemann pinned Shea Shannon, Franklin; won 5-4 over Conner Bergquist, Southern Valley junior varsity A; and lost to Sam Hunt, Southern Valley, for second.
- 120, Gabe Anderson pinned Conner Matthews, North Platte junior varsity A; was pinned by Christian Lewis, Southern Valley; pinned Zack Wright, Hitchcock County; and lost 12-4 to Adam Eaton, Southwest, for fourth place.
- 126, Jude Walinder lost to Dillon Hunt, Southern Valley, and to Austin Kredjl, Southern Valley junior varsity B.
- 132, Dreher pinned David Almanza, Chase County, and Garrett Fries, Southwestern, and won 15-2 over Lane Carpenter, North Platte junior varsity A, for the championship.
- 138, Kelly Brown lost 16-4 to Drew Smith, North Platte junior varsity B, and 12-8 to Grayson Flanders, North Platte junior varsity A.
- 145, Anderson pinned Jake Lueth, Chase County, and Dillon Schnuerle, Franklin, and lost 7-0 to Isaac Bergquist, Southern Valley, for second.
- 152, Kade Brown pinned Dylan Shannon, Red Cloud/Blue Valley,

and Makay Beck, Garden County, for the championship.

- 160, Glading pinned Kasey Hahn, McCook junior varsity, Talen Benzhef, Cambridge, and Ethan Haussermann, Franklin, to take first.
- 170, Diederich pinned Brett Jones, Medicine Valley; won 10-6 over Oliver Kragelund, Southwest; and was pinned by Garrett Sharp, Red Cloud/Blue Valley.
- 220, Fortin won 13-6 over Robert Hannah, Cambridge, and lost 1-0 to Rulon Taylor, Medicine Valley, for second.
- 285, Cody Wurm pinned Nick Anderson, Red Cloud/Blue Valley; lost 3-2 to Lane Richardson, Hershey; pinned Nick Martin, Cambridge, and Mason Low, Creek Valley, for third.
- Oberlin junior varsity wrestlers:
- 113, Justice Harris was pinned by Ryan Weatherly, Hershey, and Shea Shannon, Franklin.
- 138, Adam Zillinger was pinned by Joseph Sheets-Sanford, Hershey; pinned Deon Strunk-Martin, Hitchcock County; and was pinned by Rio McGinley, Garden County.
- 145, Wesley Bryson pinned Terrel Vineyard, Garden County; was pinned by Dillon Schnuerle, Franklin; pinned Bobby Siegmann, North Platte junior varsity A; and was pinned by Jake Lueth, Chase County.
- 160, Grant Gilliam pinned Gage Crowell, Wauneta-Palisade; was pinned by Ethan Haussermann, Franklin; pinned Kasey Hahn, McCook junior varsity; and won 4-2 over Talen Benzhef, Cambridge, for third.
- 182, Konnor Witt was pinned by Quinten Chancellor, Medicine Valley, and Austin Rice, Cambridge, for fourth.
- Ben Glading was pinned by Lane Richardson, Hershey; pinned David Young, Garden County junior varsity, and Jeremy Hart, Garden County; and was pinned by Mason Low, Creek Valley.

The Oberlin varsity will be in St. Francis to face off against the Indians starting at 6:30 p.m. Friday. The younger boys will go to Colby Saturday for a 9 a.m. start at the Colby Novice Tournament.

# Junior high wrestlers get off to a good start

The Decatur Community Junior High wrestling team took on St. Francis, Leoti and Greeley County last month in a meet in St. Francis.

The teams were in Atwood on Jan. 24 against Atwood, Leoti and Greeley County.

"This year's wrestling squad has a mixture of kids, from beginners to some experienced kids who have wrestled in the kids' wrestling program," said Coach Shane Bird. "The first meet of the year, some of the kids were experiencing wrestling for the first time."

"We will continue to work to get better each day, and we will continue to do that with the leadership of our eighth-grade wrestlers."

"This season has just begun, and I look forward to watching the younger kids develop their skills. I thought the second meet of the season went a lot better than the first, and I can see improvement in each kid."

Wrestling at St. Francis and then at Atwood were:

- Kel Grafel, 3-0 and 3-0.
- Andrew Macki, 0-2 at St. Francis.

- Kole Breth, 1-2 at Atwood.
- Gavon Gomez, 0-3 and 1-2.
- A.J. Zillinger, 0-3 and 0-2.
- Jeff Juenemann, 2-0 and 2-1.
- Cade Wurm, 2-0 and 3-0.
- Tabor Erickson, 2-0 and 3-0.
- Dylon Kempt, 1-1 and 1-1.
- Adrian Chambers, 0-3 and 1-1.
- Zeke Jimenez, 0-3 and 0-3.
- Quinton Cook, 0-1 and 1-0.

On Thursday, the boys went up against St. Francis, Atwood and Phillipsburg in Oberlin.

Individual results:

- Grafel, 3-1.
- Macki, 1-3.
- Breth, 1-3.
- Gomez, 1-3.
- Zillinger, 0-4.
- Max Diederich, 2-2.
- Wurm, 4-0.
- Erickson, 3-1.
- Kempt, 4-0.
- Chamber, 2-2.
- Jimenez, 0-4.
- Cook, 2-1.

The junior-high boys will take on Trego Community and Phillipsburg at WaKeeney at 5 p.m. Thursday.

## Sports Schedule

**Thursday:** Golden Plains middle school basketball tournament, all day at Brewster.

Oberlin junior high wrestling vs. Trego County and Phillipsburg, 5 p.m. at WaKeeney.

**Friday:** Plains high school basketball, all day at Rexford.

Oberlin high school basketball, 6:30 p.m. at Rawlins County.

Oberlin high school wrestling, 6:30 p.m. at St. Francis.

**Saturday:** Golden Plains middle school basketball tournament, all day at Brewster.

Oberlin Kid Wrestling, 9 a.m. in Oakley.

Oberlin high school wrestlers to Colby Novice Wrestling Tournament, 9 a.m.

Oberlin junior high wrestlers to Phillipsburg, 9 a.m. for tournament.

**Thursday:** Golden Plains high school basketball, all day at Brewster.

Oberlin high school basketball, 6:30 p.m., at home with Wheatland.

**Thursday, Feb. 14:** Oberlin junior high wrestling, 5 p.m. at Stockton.

**Friday, Feb. 15:** Golden Plains high school basketball, all day at Brewster.

Oberlin high school basketball, 6:30 p.m. at Quinter.

To add items to the community sports schedule, call The Oberlin Herald at 475-2206 or e-mail oberlin.editor@nwkanas.com.

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Regional Wrestling Tournament, 2 p.m. at Norton.

Oberlin high school basketball, 6:30 p.m. at Quinter.

### Decatur County Farm Bureau Association

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Register at 122 E. Commercial or call (785) 475-2238 or (785) 470-7042. **Please register by March 18th.**

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