

# Atwood downs Oberlin

The Decatur Community High girls basketball team fell 50-46 to the Rawlins County High girls in a game played in Oberlin on Friday.

The Atwood girls took a 13-9 lead in the first quarter and outscored Oberlin 13-4 in the second for a 26-13 lead at the half. Oberlin made a run in the third quarter, hitting 12 points and holding the Lady Buffaloes to only a single three-point basket. In the fourth, however, both teams hit 21 points with 12 of Atwood's coming on successful free throws.

Oberlin sank four of eight free throw attempts for 50 percent but Rawlins County downed 13 of 20 for 65 percent.

Oberlin hit 41 percent of its field goals while Atwood sank 39 percent.

Scoring for Oberlin were Demi Murray, 17 including a three pointer; Miki Dorshorst, 14 including a three-point shot; Shawn Baker, 6; Hannah May, 3; and Molly Jansonius, Morgan Jansonius and Nikki Bates, 2 each.

Murray also led the team in assists with five, while Molly and Morgan Jansonius, Dorshorst and Baker had one each.

Murray and Dorshorst each had three steals, Baker had a pair and May, one. Dorshorst had six deflections, followed by Murray and Baker, three each; Bates and May,



**EVERYONE WAS IN A HURRY** to get down the court Friday. As Demi Murray dribbled the ball, as a Rawlins County defender stayed with her and the referee tried to keep up during the Oberlin-Atwood basketball game.

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two each; and Morgan Jansonius, one.

May had a pair of blocked shots and Baker had one.

The Oberlin junior varsity downed the young Lady Buffaloes 27-17.

Oberlin started off slow as the Rawlins County girls outscored the Lady Red Devils 7-4 in the first

quarter. In the second, the score was turned around, with Oberlin scoring 7 and Atwood, 4 for a tie at the half at 11. In the third and fourth quarters, Oberlin outscored Atwood 6-4 and 10-2.

Scoring for Oberlin were Kariah Castle, 6; Caitlin Gault, Bates, Ara Marine and Grace Randel, 4 each;

Kassidie Jensen, 3; and Molly Jansonius, 2.

The girls were to play Wheatland/Grinnell on Tuesday in Oberlin and then will be on the road again to meet the Bulldogs in Quinter at 6:30 p.m. Friday. Their last regular-season game will be at home at 6:30 p.m. Monday against Phillipsburg.

# Boys lose close game to Rawlins County

The Rawlins County Buffaloes tripped up the Decatur Community High boys basketball team on Friday, snatching a 56-54 victory in front of a home crowd in Oberlin.

The game stayed close in the first half, as Oberlin led 15-11 at the end of one quarter, then Atwood outshot the Red Devils 17-10 in the second for a 28-25 lead at the half.

The second half was all Atwood in the third quarter and all Oberlin in the fourth.

Atwood outscored Oberlin 18-9 in the third and the Red Devils came back to hit 20 points to the Buffaloes' 10 in the fourth. But, at the

buzzer, the Rawlins County boys were on top.

Scoring for Oberlin were Kyle Breth, 18 points including four three-point shots; Tyler Bruggeman, 10 including two of two free throws; Kennedy Fortin, 9 including a three-point shot; Kelden Breth, 6 on a pair of three pointers; Regent Erickson, 6; Ryan May, 4; and Konnor Fortin, 1.

The Red Devils hit only three of eight free throws for 38 percent while the Buffaloes hit seven out of 16 for 44 percent.

Oberlin sank 36 percent of its field goals, 22 of 51, while the Buffaloes

hit 43 percent, 23 of 54.

May led the Red Devils in assists with four, followed by Kyle Breth, three; Kelden Breth, Noah Nelson and Kennedy Fortin, two each; and Konnor Fortin and Erickson, one each.

Bruggeman led the team with 10 rebounds, followed by Kennedy Fortin, five; Kyle Breth and Konnor Fortin, three each; May and Nelson, two each; and Kelden Breth, Ganon Henningsen and Erickson, one each.

May stole eight balls while Kennedy Fortin took five, followed by Kyle Breth with four, and Kelden

Breth, Nelson, Bruggeman and Erickson, one each. Kyle Breth, May, Bruggeman and Kennedy Fortin each deflected two balls while Nelson, Henningsen and Erickson each had one. Bruggeman had the only blocked shot for the team.

The Red Devils were to play Wheatland/Grinnell on Tuesday in Oberlin and then will be on the road again to meet the Bulldogs in Quinter on Friday. The boys last regular-season game will be at home on Monday against Phillipsburg. All games will start about 8 p.m., right after the end of the girls' games.

# Norton Bluejays down the Red Devils

The Decatur Community High boys basketball team lost a 44-41 contest to the Norton Bluejays last Tuesday in Norton.

Oberlin started out with a narrow two-point lead, 9-7, in the first quarter and added to that in the second by outscoring the Bluejays 8-6 for a 17-13 lead at the half.

The second half belonged to the Birds, however, as the Jays outscored the Red Devils 11-8 in the third and 20-16 in the fourth.

Scoring for Oberlin were Kyle Breth, 12 including three three-point shots; Tyler Brugge-

man, 10; Noah Nelson, 8 including a three pointer; Ryan May, 7; and Regent Erickson, 4.

The Red Devils only made five of their 12 free-throw attempts for 42 percent. The Bluejays made nine of 16 free throws for 56 percent and the difference in the game.

The Oberlin boys made 36 percent of their field goals, hitting 12 of 32 two-point shots and four of 13 three-point attempts. Kelden Breth, Nelson and May each had two assists while Kyle Breth, Erickson and Kennedy Fortin had one each.

May, Erickson and Bruggeman all had five

rebounds while Nelson had four, Kyle Breth, two and Kelden Breth and Kennedy Fortin one each.

May also led the team in steals and deflections, hitting the Birds with four of each. Nelson and Konnor Fortin each had three steals, Kelden Breth, two; Erickson and Kennedy Fortin, a steal and a deflection each; and Kyle Breth, one steal. Bruggeman had the Red Devils only blocked shot.

# Girls lose to Dighton

The Decatur Community High girls basketball team fell 53-40 to the Dighton Lady Hornets in Oberlin.

The girls played well for three quarters, but fouls in the fourth allowed the Hornets to pull ahead and win the game Jan. 29.

The Lady Red Devils outscored the Hornets 11-8 in the first quarter. In the second, Dighton came back to even the score at 15 by the half.

In the third, Oberlin outscored the visitors 14-12. Then the Hornets hit 15 of 18 charity shots and outscored Oberlin 26-11.

Scoring for Oberlin were Miki Dorshorst, 18 including a three pointer; Demi Murray, 6; Alexis Hissong, 5 including a three-point shot; Shawn Baker and Hannah

May, 4 each; Molly Jansonius, 2; and Morgan Jansonius, 1.

Dorshorst had three assists, Hissong, two, and Murray, one.

Hissong led the team in rebounds with six, followed by May, five; Baker and Dorshorst, four each; Molly Jansonius, two; and Morgan Jansonius and Murray, one each.

Dorshorst had nine steals; May, two; and Morgan Jansonius, Hissong and Murray, one each.

Oberlin's junior varsity had a better night, as the younger girls downed Dighton 38-27.

Scoring for Oberlin were Caitlin Gault, 25 including three three-point shots; Kassidie Jensen, 4; Kaitlynn Fisher, Kariah Castle and Morgan Jansonius, 2 each; and Grace Randel, 1.

# Lady Jays down girls

The Decatur Community High girls basketball team fell 51-26 to the Norton Lady Bluejays last Tuesday in Norton.

The Jays took a 16-4 lead in the first quarter and outscored Oberlin in each of the next three quarters 10-8, 8-6 and 17-8.

Miki Dorshorst was Oberlin's top scorer with 10 points, followed by Shawn Baker 6 and Morgan Jansonius, Ara Marine, Demi Murray, Kariah Castle and Hanna May, 2 each.

Oberlin only had six free-throw opportunities and hit two of them for 33 percent. The Bluejays went to the charity line 18 times and hit 12 of them for 67 percent.

# Kid wrestlers attend meets

The Oberlin kid wrestlers attended tournaments in Plainville and Atwood.

Competing in Plainville on Jan. 26 were:

**Age 6 and under**  
• 43 pounds, Layne Juenemann, second.  
• 49, Emily Willis.

**8 and under**  
• 52, Hunter Kelley, fourth.  
• 52, Mason Urban.  
• 67, Reece Grafel, first.  
• 80, Jacob Schellhammer.

**10 and under**  
• 67, Alex Eskew, first.  
• 70, Bryce Peter and Jack Farr.  
• 76, Dawson Kempt, second.  
• 76, Landon Macfee, fourth.  
• 85, Gabe Peter, third.  
• 95, Gavon Uehlin, third.

**12 and under**  
• 76, Colton Ketterl.  
Placing in Atwood Feb. 2 were:

**6 and under**

• 1st place—Lucas Zodrow, Layne Juenemann and Mason Urban.  
• 2nd—Trenton Raile and Emily Willis.

• 3rd—Talon Sauvage, Conner Holladay and Kaden Wessel.  
• 4th—Hunter Kelley.

**8 and under**

• 1st—Josh Juenemann.  
• 2nd—Jacob Shellhammer, Gabbie Vontz and Bryce Peters.  
• 3rd—Corbin Wessel.  
• 4th—Breckin Sauvage and Dawson Farr.

**10 and under**

• 2nd—Gabe Peters, Gavon Uehlin and Rowdy Farr.  
• 3rd—Alex Eskew and John Burmaster.  
• 4th—Jack Farr.

**12 and under**

• 2nd—Colton Ketterl.  
• 3rd—Drew Juenemann.

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# Wrestlers win final dual meet

The Decatur Community High wrestlers finished their regular season with a 39-28 victory over the St. Francis Indians on Friday in St. Francis.

The win gives the Red Devils an 11-3 record in dual meets and makes them the dual champions of the Northwest Kansas League, Coach Joe Dreher said.

Wrestling were:  
• 106 pounds, Daniel Lerew, won by forfeit.

• 113, Justice Harris, won by forfeit.

• 120, Troy Juenemann lost 7-0 to Casey Keller.

• 126, Jude Walinder was pinned by Clay Cassaw.

• 132, St. Francis won by forfeit.

• 138, Kelly Brown lost 10-5 to Logan Lampe.

• 145, Chris Anderson pinned Justin Pacheco.

• 152, Kade Brown won 6-2 over Mikey Leibbrandt.

• 160, Grant Gilliam lost 12-1 to Dylan Wolaver.

• 170, Rex Diederich pinned Lane Hobrock.

• 182, Konnor Witt was pinned by Zach Geinger.

• 220, Channing Fortin won by

forfeit.  
• 285 Ben Glading won by forfeit.

Several Oberlin wrestlers attended a novice tournament in Colby on Saturday.

Wrestling were:

• 113, Harris, 1-2.  
• 138, Adam Zillinger, 2-2, fourth

• 145, Bryson Wesley, 2-1, second.

• 182, Witt, 0-2.  
• 285, Glading, 0-2.

The boys will take part in the Regional Wrestling Tournament in Norton starting at 2 p.m. Friday and 11 a.m. Saturday.

The top four wrestlers in each weight class will qualify for the state meet in Hays on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 22 and 23.

Regionals are going to be tough. Six of the 10 top Class 3-2-1A teams in the state will be competing this weekend at our regional meet, Coach Dreher said.

Plainville is ranked No. 1, Norton No. 3, Scott City No. 4, Hoxie No. 5, Oberlin No. 6 and Phillipsburg No. 10 in the state among Class 3-2-1A schools.

# Senior to play football at college

Decatur Community High Senior Channing Fortin signed a letter of intent last Wednesday to play football for Garden City Community College next fall.

Fortin, who has lettered in football four years and is just a few wins short of 100 in wrestling, is the son of Ryan and Amanda Fortin and the grandson of Rodney and Fonda Farr and Walter and Donna Fortin.

The 220-pound Fortin will play center and long snapper for the Broncbusters this fall.

He said that he was recruited by several schools, including Friends University, Hutchinson Community College, Dodge City Community College and Southwestern College in Winfield.

He said he had an official visit to Garden City on Jan. 23 and 24. The letter of commitment arrived the Monday before the signing

ceremony.

As Fortin, his family and friends met in the high school library for the signing, Principal Ben Jimenez, who played football for Kansas State University, warned him that things will get tougher soon.

"It's all fun and games until that first week of practice," he said with a smile.

Fortin agreed that while he was excited, he wasn't sure what's coming.

"I don't know what I've gotten myself into," he said, adding that football will be the only sport he plays in college.

He will be required to report for school and practice the week after July 4, he said.

His mother said his scholarship will pay for books and tuition.

# Bowling

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

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

Class 1-2-3A Regional Wrestling Tournament, 2 p.m. at Norton.

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

**Saturday:** Oberlin Kid Wrestling, 9 a.m. at Leoti.

Class 1-2-3A Regional Wrestling Tournament, 11 a.m. at Norton.

Decatur County firemen versus Northwinds Special Olympics basketball team, 1 p.m., Oberlin Elementary School.

**Monday:** Junior high wrestling tournament, 3 p.m. at St. Francis.

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

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