

OHS field hockey sweeps week's opponents

By Dave Oda

The Oakwood Field Hockey team had a good week as they swept their two opponents. On Tuesday they beat Talawanda 4-0 and on Saturday they demolished Lancaster 6-1. This runs their record to 11-2 which is well ahead of the pace they set last season. They are tied for second in the SWBL with St. Ursula but at this point would lose the tie breaker having lost at home to them earlier in the season.

The game versus Fairmont at Roush Stadium this Thursday is a big game and the Jills still need

to make up their rain out versus undefeated league leader Mount Notre Dame in two weeks. These two games will decide Oakwood's post season tournament seeding. Please come out to support the Jills at Fairmont this Thursday evening. The JV starts at 5 p.m. and the Varsity plays at 7:45. Go Jills!!

In other team news, Peanut Johnson remains the leagues' top scoring threat with Brittany Hemmelgarn also within the leagues top 10 scorers. Amy Beck (and her defensive line) are second in the number of shut out games

recorded. Something that has to be unique to Oakwood is that frequently this year the squad has had three sets of sisters on the field at the same time. The French sisters (Sara and Hannah) run the front line as Forwards, the Oda sisters (Sarah and Mary) mostly range the field with mid-field duties, and, as previously reported, the Maher sisters (Erin and Nicole) protect the goalie as defenders. Senior Tri-Captain Lucy Shafer usually shows her versatility as a starting Mid-fielder but has now become royalty as Homecoming Queen. Congratulations Lucy.

Jacks X-country 1st; Jills 2nd at Firebird Inv't'

By H.W. Sizek

The weather was nearly perfect on Homecoming Saturday at the Firebird Cross Country Invitational at Indian Riffle Park in Kettering. The Oakwood High School Cross County team was nearly perfect too, as the Jacks finished first in both the Varsity and Junior Varsity Division II/III Team Competitions.

Leading the Jacks was Peter Hix who returned to competition with a third place finish overall. Andy Lamb finished one spot back in fourth. Keith Mueller and Ethan Kissock were sixth and eighth respectively. Liam Jackson rounded out the scoring with an eleventh place finish. Alec Snead (17th), Troy Gould (21st) and Andrew Redden (24th) also completed the five kilometer course.

The junior varsity team was led by Casey Linsmeier who finished

seventh. Philip Sizek and Will Reese were tenth and fourteenth. Herbert Sizek and Steven Hix crossed in twentieth and thirty-first places respectively to complete the scoring for the Jacks. Joey Neff (36th), Caden Ohwiler (42nd), Ben Gallatin (46th) were the other top 50 finishers. Hank Beyer, Jack Randall, Matt Buford, Eli Collinson, Robert Mitchell, George Hochwalt and Caleb Kell also ran the course.

The second-place finishing Jills were led by Erin Taylor (6th). Elizabeth Connelly and Katherine Anderson were ninth and tenth respectively. Ericha Griep (17th) and Kelsey McDonald (33rd) tallied the final scores for the girls. Autumn Bruno, M.E. Labrie, Molly Jackson, Hannah McCarthy, and Gretchen Hochwalt were the other runners for the girls.

The Oakwood Junior High

Boys Team was led by Eric Krebs who was eighth. Tommy Lane and Grant Pepper were forty-second and forty-ninth respectively. The final scorers for the boys were Brad Malone (51st) and Frank Clemens (74th). Other competitors in the 3200m event for Oakwood were Zack Joseph, Ryan Hollingsworth, Joel Thompson, Ian Hayes, and Wilson Otherson. The Junior High Jacks were seventh of eighteen teams.

The Junior High girls were led by Erin Kennedy who finished 17th. Noelle Kipp and Kristen Ramey were twentieth and twenty-sixth. Alex Fester (43rd) and Brianna Cummings (44th) were the final scores for the girls. Other finishers in the girls race were Molly Farash, Caroline Filbrun, Nicole Edwards and Madeline Sandford. The Junior High Jills were fifth of seventeen teams.

NAMI 5K Walk Oct. 10 in Hamilton

The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Montgomery County will be participating in its first NAMI "Walks for the Mind of America" with NAMI Butler County. The Walks increase mental health awareness and raise funds for NAMI organizations' unique services. The 5K Walk will be held on Oct. 10 at The Fitton Center for Creative Arts, 101 S. Monument Ave, in Hamilton, OH, with registration at 8:30 a.m. and the Walk starting at 10:00 a.m. You can support NAMI Montgomery County by forming a walk team, walking as an individual, providing a donation, or becoming a Walk sponsor. NAMI (National Alliance on Mental

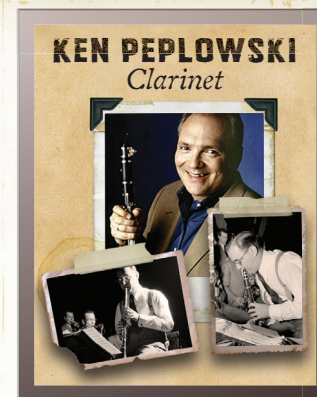
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