

District tournament begins February 28th

For the first time in many years, the 47th District Basketball Tournament will be held at Oneida High School in Clay County.

Usually Oneida allows Jackson County to host the tournament when it comes their turn, but this year they decided to hold the tournament themselves.

And because of the size of Oneida's gymnasium and the lack of facilities, only one game per night will be played beginning on Monday February 28.

It will take six nights to play the tournament with the boys' finals on Friday and the girls on Saturday.

The boys will begin the tournament when Clay County plays at Oneida on the 28th.

On Tuesday the 29th, the Jackson County girls will play Oneida and on Wednesday March 1, the RCHS boys will play Jackson County.

The RCHS Lady Rockets finally step into action on Thursday March 2 when they play Clay County.

All game times are scheduled for 7 p.m.

Rockets has been allotted 250 advanced tickets for each night they play, but according to RCHS athletic director Tom Larkley, tickets will not go on sale at RCHS until the week of the tournament.

council to not collect the tax on gross wages. She said she thought that the tax should be collected on the amount of wages after social security, federal, state, medicare and five percent of 401K plans are deducted.

The council took the same action as it did in defeating the previous four amendments.

If the council passes the final reading on Monday, the new tax is expected to generate about \$600,000 annually.

The council will also submit names on Monday, for a replacement for Daryl Smith, who resigned from the council last month.

Editors Note: This story is re-printed from last week's Signal because last week the story was out of sequence, due to a production error.

"Fatal"

(Cont. from front)

According to police, the wreck occurred after Zielke lost control of his 1999 Oldsmobile at the 66 mile marker on I-75.

Witnesses said the car went off the right side of the road, traveled up an embankment and overturned several times before coming to rest in the slow lane and emergency lane of the interstate.

O'Daniel and Zielke were returning from Charleston, South Carolina, where they had been attending week-end baseball games involving their two sons, who are members of the University of Kentucky baseball team.

"Indicted"

(Cont. from front)

having a stolen .44 Caliber Revolver in her possession on July 3 of last year.

Declares Esterline, 39, of Lebanon, Indiana was indicted on the count of welfare fraud. She is accused of failing to report changes to the state's Cabinet of Families and Children in December of 1997.

"Montgomery"

(Cont. from front)

Johnson, 39, of Rt. 2, Livingston, of Trafficking in a Controlled Substance, First Degree while in Possession of a Handgun and Possession of a Controlled Substance, First Degree while in Possession of a Handgun. A Rockcastle County jury recommended a sentence of 15 years for Johnson.

Montgomery is facing former assistant Commonwealth Attorney David Tapp in the Republican Primary. They have no opposition in the fall.

Both Montgomery and Tapp reside in Somerset.

"Track"

(Cont. from A10)

This placed her in a tie with a senior girl from Louisville Ballard, but she was actually clocked nearly a tenth of a second ahead of the girl. The official scorers explained that this method of timing is used to provide for the possibility of human error in the timing of the race. In the 400-meter dash, Christine Carmack was not far behind and posted a sixth place finish with a fast time of 7.4. She was also on the short end of a time adjustment. Junior Tara Ashby finished 24th in 7.8. Junior Mindy Blum finished 26th in 7.9. Junior Theresa Chistum placed 31st in 8.0. Seventh grader Casey Taylor tied with Theresa Chistum's 31st place finish in 8.0. Sophomore thrower Clarissa Hubbard placed 68th in 8.5 and sixth grader Jessica Asher placed 87th in 9.1.

In the 400-meter dash, Cheyenne showed exactly why she was selected for the all-state team. She absolutely dominated the competition and ran the best time by a competitor at the Panther Indoor Games in the last four years. She finished nearly two seconds ahead of her closest competitor, a former indoor state champion in the 400-meter dash from Fleming County. Cheyenne captured first with a very impressive time of 1:05.9, even though the 400-meter course is a constant curve with no straight-aways.

Shoenis also ran an impressive race and finished sixth with a time of 1:10.5. Sophomore Amber Thacker ran a great race and placed 19th with a time of 1:14.4. Jessica Asher ran very well and placed 51st in 1:28.1.

In the 800-meter run, Tara, Theresa and Mindy competed since the race was part of the five-event pentathlon. Tara also included the 50-meter dash, 50-meter hurdles, shot put and high jump. All three girls ran very well and finished 27th, 28th and 47th respectively.

The same three girls dominated the 50-meter hurdle race. Tara ran a very fast, clean race and finished third overall with a time of 0:32. Only a tenth of a second away from first, Tara had her best start ever, but slowed considerably when she hit the last two hurdles. Amazingly enough, she still managed a fourth place finish with a time of 0:4. Theresa ran a great race and finished third in seventh with a time of 0:8.

In the shot put competition, Clarissa

Hubbard threw exceptionally well. She placed second overall with an impressive throw of 31'2" and set a new indoor record for a RCHS competitor in the event. Seventh grader Kelli Doss also made an impressive throw and finished in ninth place with a great throw of 23'7". Mindy placed 12th with an effort of 32' and Tara placed 14th with a throw of 21'6". Theresa's finish was unavailable.

In the high jump competition, Mindy added to her pentathlon total with an impressive leap of 4'10" and a third place finish. She was only two inches away from first place. Seventh grader newcomer Heather Hammond was equally impressive in her first competition event. She jumped 4'8" and finished in sixth place overall.

Mindy's hard work in the pentathlon earned her a first place finish with an impressive 20 points and gave her the distinction of being the meet's best overall athlete. Tara's great effort enabled her to finish fourth in the pentathlon with 164th points, while Theresa finished strong in sixth place with 147th points.

The girls' relay teams ran very well in both the 200-meter (4:50) and the 425-meter relays (4:42.5). In the 200-meter relay, Cheyenne, Tara, Mindy and Shena ran a great race and placed fourth in 30.9. The 425-meter relay team of Cheyenne, Amber, Heather and Shena ran an exceptional race and finished a close second in 5:17.1.

The overall team victory was the girls' first ever in indoor competition. The team will, quite possibly, have several members qualify for the Kentucky High School Invitational held at the Nutter Field House in February. This meet serves as further preparation for the Mason-Dixon Games in Louisville, which are also the Kentucky indoor State Championships.

Several members of the team will have a legitimate opportunity to win individual state championships in their events. The entire team will also be a strong contender for their first ever indoor state title.

The boys' team competed very well despite their youth. Senior Stewart Abney was the only high school boy able to attend. The rest of the team was comprised of middle school runners. Despite their inexperience and lack of participants due to other sports, the boys managed a 19th place finish.

In the 50-meter dash, Stewart led the boys with a 55th place finish in 7.3. Stewart competed in the short sprint as part of the pentathlon. Eighth grader Steven Shackelford ran well and placed 59th in 7.5. Sixth grader Justin Albright also ran a good race and finished 63rd in 7.6.

In the 400-meter dash, Justin ran very well and placed 34th overall with a time

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of 1:07. Steven was not far behind with an impressive 38th place finish in 1:16.7.

Stewart ran extremely well in the 800 meter run, finishing 27th overall with a time of 2:41.7. Seventh grader Tim Rowland ran well in his first race ever and finished 44th in 4:36.3.

Seventh grader Bill Burdett was Rockcastle's only competitor in the 1500 meter run. He ran an exceptional race and finished 25th with a time of 5:20.9.

In the 3000-meter run, eighth grader Andrew Nelson led the way with an impressive race. Andrew finished 16th overall, in 12:11, despite running an extra lap due to an official's error. Seventh grader Matt Whitaker finished close behind in 17th place with a time of 12:11.4. Bill placed 25th in a great race with an effort of 12:45.8.

In the 50-meter high hurdles, Stewart ran a very impressive race and finished 11th overall in 9.4. Stewart also threw well in the shot put competition and placed 15th overall with an exceptional effort of 33'8". His athleticism earned him an

eight place finish in the pentathlon with a total of 1664 points.

The boys' team faced very well despite being short-handed. They will undoubtedly continue to improve as they prepare for the Mason-Dixon Games in Louisville.

The middle school boys' and girls' teams will have an opportunity to compete in their own state championships as well. The Mason-Dixon Games has a middle school division; however, the teams are not separated into three classes the way the high school championships are. The girls' team hopes to improve on their sixth place finish from last season. Several members of the team should have an excellent opportunity to win individual state titles. The boys' team will seek to improve upon last year's performance and should easily do so with a much more competitive group of athletes.

Results of the Kentucky High School Invitational will appear in next week's Signal.

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