

Swimming



Varsity swim team at meet photo by Sadie Burton

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Swim team has had an impressive start to its season, placing second overall in a tournament and going 3-0 in individual matches. The teams greatest

Volleyball

After coming off an amazing season making it to the Super Sectional tournament, the volleyball team picked up where it left off. The team beat Genoa with the help of senior Jasmine Kemp and senior Hannah Oehlberg.

After losing 3 straight, the Barbs have won 6 of its last 8 matches. The Barbs were invited to the Belvidere invite, and the team, led by Oehlberg, went 4-1 in the tournament.

Oehlberg said, "Our main goal is to win conference and to make it even further that we did last years season!"

Oehlberg goes on to say "The hardest part about getting back after a long summer would have to be the fact that we hadn't played with each other since the previous season. You have to learn to connect all over again so it can be difficult at times."

The team has indeed connected well by winning 3 straight in the Belvidere tournament.

Cross Country

victory this season came against Elgin High School where they finished the match with a score of 139-29.

The Barbs also had victories against Byron, Woodstock, and Ottawa. All of these were won by a combined total of 217 points.

"My goal for this season is to keep our undefeated streak going," said Junior swimmer Sadie Burton.

"My favorite part about competing is getting to spend time with my team and seeing everyone get better as the season moves on" said Burton.

Boys cross country has looked stellar in its first three meets of the season. The team placed first in its two opening matches at the Sycamore and Plainfield Central Invites.

Junior Jacob Trapp said, "The training is much harder than last year, and the dream is a lot closer. We've been training together all summer, and we know each other a lot more. My goal is to go to state. Whether it's as a team or individual."

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Soccer



Angel Martinez and Benny Redzepe with Coach Mac after winning Barb Cup. Photo by Jasmine McIntosh.

Boys soccer is off to a great start with 5 wins, 1 loss, and 2 ties. After losing the Barb Cup invite two years in a row, the Barbs turned that around by winning it all this year. Since that victory, the Barbs have won 3 straight with only one tie.

Senior Jackson Mertz said, "It's a

good feeling because losing it the past 2 years hasn't felt good, and beating a good team like Sterling in a game that ended in penalties was really cool to be apart of."

Mertz also stated "Our main goal was to win the Barb Cup, conference, and hopefully a regional."

Fun, Fridays, and Fanatic Students!

A quick look into all of DHS's fall sports

by Blake Borgardt & Zach Donahue

DeKalb High School fall sports are finally in full swing. Fall sports include: football, volleyball, boys soccer, tennis, golf, cross country, and girls swimming.

Football



Action shot by Kai Weiler.

Football began its season with an away victory against Moline High School and a final score of 49-21.

One of the biggest contributors in the game was Junior Running Back Jaylen Hobson, who the Maroons had no answers for on defense. Hobson finished his impressive night with 248 rushing yards and three touchdowns.

The next week the Barbs came back home to play the Carmel Corsairs. Players were seen sporting the color blue in honor of late teacher Mr. Shakir. The Barbs defense was the story of the night, racking up four sacks, and keeping pressure on quar-

terback Stephen Garcia all night. The defense's dominant effort held the Corsairs scoreless until late in the fourth quarter. The final score was 27-7.

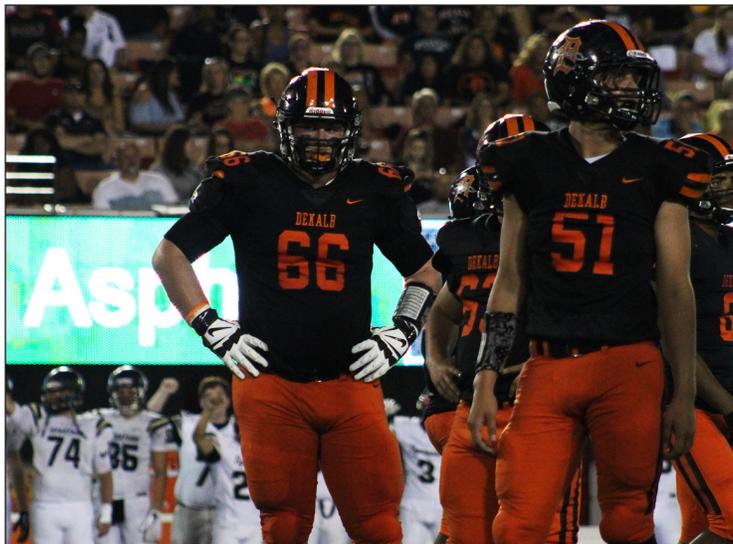
The next week the Barbs had a thriller against Lake Park, a very formidable opponent who is ranked in the top 25

in the state. The Barbs won the hard fought game 20-17 off of a Hail Mary caught by senior Brian Jay Ross with no time left in the game. The play wouldn't have been possible without a blocked field goal earlier by senior

Zach Donahue.

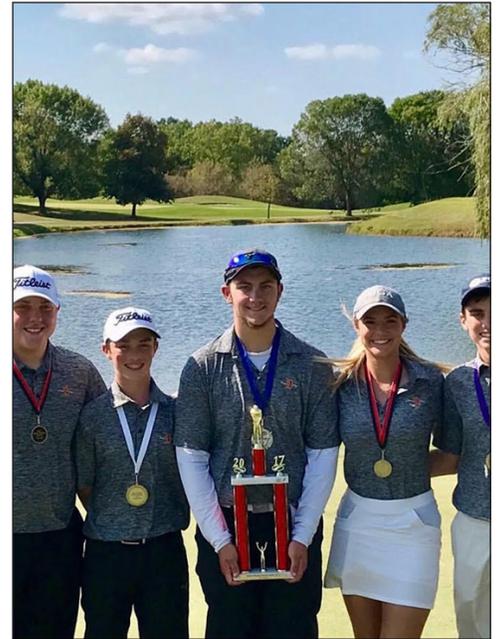
The next week the Barbs had the First National Bank Challenge against Sycamore, where they skunked the rivals 33-0.

The next week the team had a come from behind victory against Kaneland, winning 33-12. They improved to 5-0



Spencer Harris waits outside of the huddle for the play call . Photo taken by Kai Weiler.

Golf



The golf team after winning one of their tournaments. Photo by Kevin Fagan..

Around this time last year, the golf team had 5 wins and 7 losses. That's a good start, but this year the team has 9 wins and 3 losses. That is a big turn around from last year.

Tennis

The girls Tennis team has been on a hot streak lately winning its last two matches. The team is powered by senior Helene Collin.

Collin said, "It feels great! I've missed my teammates and the sport itself."

Collin has some lofty goals for the season. "The team's goal is to win 4 out of the 6 conference games we have. Individually speaking, I'd like to do better at sectionals." The team will have its conference meet on October, 2nd 2017.