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STE. GENEVEIVE - The DHS track team traveled north for the Old Settlement Meet, hosted by Ste. Genevieve High School, on Wednesday afternoon.

The Lady Bearcats finished in fourth place in the 14 team field, while the Boys finished tied for 14th with Grandview (Hillsboro) High School.

Zach Comstock scored the only points of the day for the Boys; the senior finished sixth in triple jump with a 36-7.5 jump for three points.

On the Girls side, senior Taylor Martin had an outstanding day, earning gold in two events - the 100m and 200m dash, with 13.39 and 26.76 times, respectively. Martin was also a member of two gold medal relay teams; along with Samatha Midgett, Lindsey Hindman, and Brooke Baker, the 4x100 relay team ran a 53.18 race, while the 4x200 meter relay team, consisting of Martin, Midgett, Baker, and freshman Courtney Potts, won by a full second, with a 1:53.10 time.

Hindman finished first in the high jump with a 14-11.5, while Mollie Whitehead came in fourth place in the discus after a 98'2" throw.

The Track team will be back in action on Friday afternoon, when they hit the road for the

Sikeston Relays. On Tuesday (April 17) afternoon, the team will host it's only home meet of the season.

Both meets are scheduled for a 4:00 p.m. start.

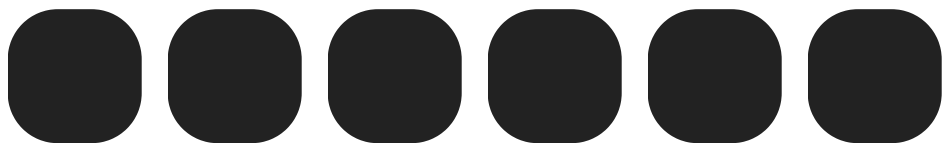
Photo Above: Taylor Martin finished first in four events - 100m and 200m Dash, 4x100m Relay and 4x200m Relay - during the Old Settlement Meet hosted by Ste. Genevieve High School on Wednesday afternoon. SMT File Photo by Andrew Cato.

Click here for the full results for the Boys; click here for the full results for the Girls.

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Area sports fans will be treated to a day full of excitement at the Bearcat Event Center this Saturday (April 14), when the BA All Star Extravaganza takes center stage.

The fun-filled day will highlight high school seniors nominated and voted on by coaches and athletic directors from 65 area schools.

The all star Volleyball teams will compete starting at 9:00 a.m. The Class 1 & 2 Boys Basketball game will tip off at 11:00 a.m., followed by the Girls Basketball game at 12:35 p.m. The Class 3, 4, & 5 Boys Basketball game will tip off at 2:00 p.m. Also, spread periodically throughout the day are skills competitions, and the crowd favorites - the Three Point Shootout and Slam Dunk Competitions, sponsored by the Bank of Advance. The dunk contest is slated to begin at 3:00 p.m.

After the games and contests, the All-Star Extravaganza will close out the day with an Awards Presentation in the BEC at 4:00 p.m. Players, coaches, and area schools' accomplishments will be recognized, and the event will feature special guest speaker Dickie Nutt, head coach of the Southeast Missouri State University Men's basketball team.

All events in the BA All-Star Extravaganza are open to the public; join in the fun and help salute the talents of our area high school seniors!

Tyler Miller and Jake Lee will be representing the Bearcats in Boys basketball; LBB coach Chad Allen will head a team in Girls basketball (no members of the 2011-2012 LBB team were eligible, as they had no seniors); McKenzie Mitchell and Erika Mouser will be on the court for the 'Cats in the Volleyball competition.

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Baseball season is in full swing, and the DMS Bearcats picked up their first win of the 2012 season on Tuesday afternoon, completing a trifecta of victories over the Charleston Blue Jays.

Austin Chesser took to the mound for the 'Cats, and had an impressive outing. Chesser gave up two hits in the first inning, but was in complete control of the game from that point on, giving up just one more hit and striking out eight batters in the win.

The Blue Jays held a 2-0 lead heading into the home half of the second inning; a leadoff single from Chandler Young sparked a six hit, five run rally in the inning. Chesser retired all three batters he faced in the third.

The bottom of the third inning saw the Bearcats string together another big rally; Randal Allen kicked things off with a leadoff single.

The Blue Jays were three up, three down in the fourth inning; the Bearcats exploded for seven more runs to take an 18-2 lead. Charleston was unable to put anything together in the top of the fifth, ending the game due to the 10 run rule.

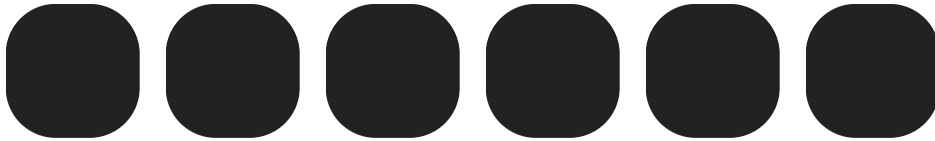
The Bearcats are scheduled to be back in action on Thursday (April 21) afternoon when they host the Campbell Camels. First pitch is scheduled for 4:00 p.m.

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CAPE GIRARDEAU - The Bearcat Tennis team struggled across the board in Tuesday afternoon's match against the Cape Central Tigers.

Central picked up 8-1 victories on both the JV and Varsity levels in the match.

The lone highlight of the JV contest was the singles match between Dexter's Keaton Altom and Caleb Strickland. Altom, a sophomore, was able to pick up a narrow 6-4 victory.

Sam Ward, Dexter's #2, picked up the lone Bearcat victory on the Varsity level, again in singles. Ward defeated senior Sam Stahly in an 8-6 decision.

Head coach Leanne Dooley noted that Ward/Stahly, as well as the #1 singles match between Tyler Miller and Juan Pablo Jaramillo, were great matches on both sides of the court.

The Bearcats will be back in action again on Thursday (April 12) afternoon, when they return to Cape to take on the Notre Dame Bulldogs in a 4:00 p.m. match.

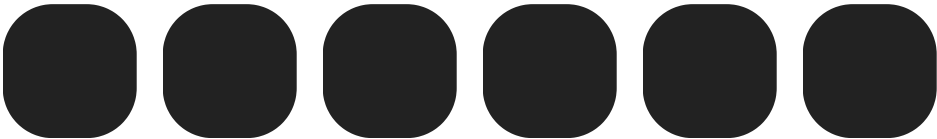
Photo Above: Sam Ward hustles to return a shot out of his reach. SMT File Photo by Andrew Cato.

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Alex Cliff's solo home run in the bottom of the second inning would be all the offensive production the Bearcats would need against the Charleston Blue Jays on Tuesday afternoon.

Starting pitcher Josh Overall didn't need much run support; the senior threw a complete game shutout, giving up just one hit, three walks, and two hit batsmen while striking out 11 batters (five looking) in the 8-0 victory.

The 'Cats started things off slow at the plate, but picked up as the game went on.

"We struggled a little bit at the plate at the beginning of the game. [Charleston's] pitcher didn't have a whole lot of velocity, and it took our guys a bit to adjust," head coach Brian Becker said. "Cliff made a good adjustment there and hit it out with a wood bat; that shows you how strong he is. He's a good hitter, a strong kid, and he drove the ball well."

The senior first baseman has broken out a wood bat a few other times in the season, opting to use it over the standard BBCOR metal bats to work on his technique at the plate due to the increased weight and difficulty of hitting with one.

"[Cliff] uses it to work on his swing," Becker added. "He's got the quickest bat on the team, but I think he wants to use that wood a little bit to get him focused more on getting the ball on the 'sweet' part of the bat. He definitely did that today."

The 'Cats tacked on five more runs in the third inning; after a leadoff walk to Brad Potts, Chase Young hit a deep single to left-center for an RBI. Cliff popped up to left field, but an error on Charleston's D.J. Adams allowed Young to cross the plate. D.J. Dowdy drove cliff in with a single to left, and Owen Flowers smacked a two RBI single to center to cap

off the rally.

Potts hit a leadoff single in the fourth, and was driven in by Logan Northern. Potts came up with an RBI single in the fifth inning to score Cody Neldon and set the score at 8-0. The 'Cats couldn't manufacture a run in the sixth inning, but Overall's impressive performance at the mound made it an easy win for the Bearcats, who improve to 8-3 on the season.

The senior picked up his first win in his second start, and improved his ERA to 1.62 with the shutout.

"Josh did a great job; he had pretty good pop at times, and he did a great job of getting his breaking ball over," Becker said of his starter. "He went out there and did exactly what we needed him to do. Josh threw strikes and did a good job."

The Bearcats will be back in action on Thursday afternoon, when they travel to New Madrid for a showdown with the 4-1 Eagles.

"Coach [Joe] McClarty has them working hard down there. They are a much improved ball club over what they have been, and we'll have to go down there and play good baseball in order to beat them," Becker said. "I don't know that they've been beaten yet, but I know we'll have to show up ready to play."

Senior right-hander Owen Flowers (1-1, 2.90 ERA) will get the start in the 4:00 p.m. contest.

Photo Above: Josh Overall fires a pitch during his complete game shutout of the Charleston Blue Jays on Tuesday afternoon. The senior struck out 11 total batters (five looking) in the win.

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