HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY

Oak Leafs win third straight championship

Davenport, Ia. — The Des Moines
Oak Leafs' seniors were the differencemakers in the team's third straight
Midwest High School Hockey League
championship.

The top-seeded Oak Leafs (34-2-2-1) broke open a 3-3 game with a four-goal third period in a 7-3 victory over host Quad City, the tournament's No. 2 seed.

Seven seniors notched a goal or an assist, as another senior, Kyler Pietz defended the net for Des Moines.

"It's awfully exciting, and I'm proud of our players," said Oak Leafs coach Jeff Richer. "It's a great thing for our team, and a great thing for our seniors."

Tyler Du Bay scored the first goal of the night on a power play, off assists from fellow seniors Chris Kunnen and Charlie Clough.

Jason Hammer, also a senior, netted the second goal, and Kunnen added one of his own.

The Oak Leafs seniors took matters into their own hands to start the third period. Matthew Vogl shifted the momentum in Des Moines' favor, scoring twice off assists from Shawn Fagen and junior Cody Weaver to give the team a 5-3 lead.