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The third time was a charm for the Level 4 and 5 gymnasts from the YMCA of Darke County! Both teams placed 2nd at their third competition of the season held December 1, at the Miami County YMCA in Piqua.

In addition to the team awards, many individuals also earned bragging rights. Level 5 gymnast Madison Schaar placed 1st on vault and 3rd on floor exercise and in the All Around competition. Jordan Stickley placed 3rd on balance beam and uneven bars and gymnast Morgan Bingham earned a 3rd place recognition on balance beam. Meg Rehmert earned 2^d place on balance beam with a score of 8.30.

The Level 4 gymnasts also took home many awards. On vault, Tessa Schatz placed 1st, Bryanna Diceanu and Leighana Rautsaw placed 2nd and Taylor Ward and Ashley Jolley earned 3rd place in their respective age divisions.

On uneven bars, Tessa Schatz and Leighana Rautsaw took first place honors, Ashley Jolley, Bryanna Diceanu and Kari Kueterman earned 2nd place, and, Brooke Condon and Amber Aultman placed 3rd.

Steadily facing the competition, Ashley Jolley earned 1st place on balance beam, while Tessa Schatz took 2nd and Kari Kueterman and Amber Aultman enjoyed 3rd place.

The floor exercise competition also afforded the Level 4 gymnasts many rewards. Placing 1st was Bryanna Diceanu and Tessa Schatz, 2nd was Ashley Jolley, and Taylor Ward, Kari Kueterman and Leighana Rautsaw enjoyed the 3rd place recognition.

Level 4 1st place All-Around recognition was given to Tessa Schatz with a score of 34.850. Leighana Rautsaw also received 1st, while Kari Kueterman placed 2nd All-Around and Bryanna Diceanu and Ashley Jolley placed 3rd.

The YMCA of Darke County offers a pre-team class on Monday evenings from 5:30 to 6:30 for those interested in training for the 2008-2009 competitive season. Recreational gymnastics are also offered for ages 18 months through high school.

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