

Obituaries

THE OBERLIN HERALD —

From the Record

Courthouse

These transactions were taken from the records in the offices of the Decatur County court clerk, sheriff and register of deeds:

DISTRICT COURT

Traffic

March 14: Kenneth B. Sorenson, Huntsville, Texas, speeding 77, \$102; Ryan Jonathan Christy, Watertown, S.D., speeding 79, \$114; Justin Meitl, speeding 79 \$114; Gideon J. Slabaugh, Sioux Falls, S.D., speeding 78, \$111.

REGISTER OF DEEDS

Rick and Carol Schwartz to Frank R. and Rebecca L. Foster, Lots 22-24, block 9, Jennings.

LaVerne and Coleen K. Rippe to Beaver Creek Farms Inc., Lots 1-6 and 10-18, Block 9, Traer.

John J. and Carol A. Cook to Dennis Lee Lane, S1/2 of Lot 3, and all of Lots 4 and 5, Block 16, Norcatar. R & V Inc. to Larry H. Lively Living Trust, Larry H. Lively, trustee, a tract in NW/4 of Sec. 25, T3S, R28.

William and Joy Haney to Robert and Barbara Coursey, Lot 1 and the north 25 feet of Lot 2, Block 2, Oberlin.

Barbara W. Dehlinger to Barbara Dehlinger Kansas Living Trust, quit claim, NW/4, Sec. 24 T2S R29W; N/2 SE/4 and SE/4 of Sec. 36 T2S R29W, and a tract in NE/4 SW/4, SW/4 NW/4, and W/2 SW/4 of

Sec. 31 T2S R28W.

Fern Weimer to Fern Weimer Kansas Living Trust, quit claim, NW/4, Sec. 24 T2S R29W; N/2 SE/4 and SE/4 of Sec. 36 T2S R29W, and a tract in NE/4 SW/4, SW/4 NW/4, and W/2 SW/4 of Sec. 31 T2S R28W.

AMBULANCE CALLS

These calls were reported last week by the Decatur County ambulance crew:

March 14: Standby at Decatur County Feed Yard fire.

Motor vehicle accident at U.S. 83 and Hall, to Decatur County Hospital.

Friday: Medical, East Ash, transported to Decatur County Hospital.

Saturday: Accident, Hall and S. Beaver, no transport.

SHERIFF'S BLOTTER

These calls were reported to the Decatur County sheriff's office last week:

• Around 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 15, a call came in that someone had broken into Evan Robertson's house a mile east of town. Undersheriff Michael French said it looked like someone had stuck a screwdriver into the northeast door and entered that way, although the door hadn't been pried open. He said there was around \$9,200 worth of firearms missing. He said there hadn't been any other

burglaries reported.

• Worked an accident around 6:20 a.m. Monday morning about a mile south of the Decatur County Feedlot. Jack Fortin, 57, was driving north in a 1999 Ford Ranger on his way to work at the feedlot when he hit a black cow in the road. There was damage to the right side of his truck, but he wasn't injured.

City Hall

POLICE BLOTTER

This call was reported to the Oberlin Police Department last week:

• Around 10:25 a.m. Saturday, Mary Lemman, 82, was driving a 1988 Buick station wagon westbound on Hall Street when, she told officers, she blacked out. The vehicle jumped the curb on Hall west of Cass Avenue, hit two city sign posts and a 1986 Toyota pickup belonging to Harold Berry that was parked in his driveway. The force pushed the pickup into a 1990 Chevy van parked next to it.

Mrs. Lemman said she didn't remember anything from the time she went through the intersection at Hall and Penn Avenue until she noticed people asking her if she was OK. There was damage to all the vehicles involved, said Police Chief Wade Lockhart. Mrs. Lemman was taken to the hospital. Chief Lockhart said the case is still under investigation.

Town Crier

Today: Oberlin schools, spring break all week.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., ambulance barn.

Thursday: Master Gardeners workshop, "Flower varieties for containers," by Byron Hale, noon, The Gateway.

Friday: Food Pantry, 9 a.m. to noon, United Church, 109 N. Griffith.

Sunday: Teens for Christ, 6-8

p.m.

Monday: Food Pantry, 9 a.m. to noon, United Church, 109 N. Griffith.

Pre-contest concert, 7 p.m., high school music wing.

Tuesday: Storytime, 4 to 4:30 p.m., Oberlin City Library.

Weight Watchers, 5-6 p.m., Medical Arts Building.

Monday-Friday: 1 p.m. at Golden Age Center. Monday, pinochle;

Tuesday, pitch; Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, pinochle. Last Thursday of month, senior bridge, open. Quilting, puzzles, games daily.

A representative of the Northwest Local Environmental Protection Group will be at the Health Department once a month for free well evaluation, including testing water for bacteria and nitrates. For details call (785) 475-8118.

New rates approved for ambulance

Emergency medical technicians will be making about 20 percent more for each run, but most of them won't be getting rich anytime soon: They still only get \$15-\$20 for an in-county call.

Decatur County commissioners approved new rates for the ambulance crew last Tuesday, noting that the volunteers' pay hadn't been raised in at least 10 years.

Ambulance Director Patrick Pomeroy said that the emergency medical technicians often are called away from work or from bed at night, sometimes for long trips with patients being transferred to a city hospital. If they don't pay them something, he said, it might be hard to find people to make these runs.

Some volunteers won't go now. A trip to Kansas City, he noted, takes 12-14 hours, with little time to rest or eat.

Commissioners approved a new pay schedule, which increases the rate for in-county calls from \$12.50 to \$15 for Oberlin runs and \$20 for Jennings runs, which usually are longer.

Rates for transfers would be \$25 for McCook, Atwood, Hoxie or Norton, \$50 for Hays, North Platte or Kearney, Neb., \$100 for Salina or Garden City, \$120 for Denver or Lincoln and \$150 for Kansas City, Wichita, Lawrence, Topeka or Omaha. The old rates were \$20 to McCook, \$40 to Hays, \$75 to Salina, \$95 to Topeka and \$100 to

Kansas City or Denver.

The rates don't directly affect what people pay for ambulance service, just what the volunteers are paid. Mr. Pomeroy estimated the change would cost the county about \$1,370 per year, based on last year's runs. The increases are about 20 percent.

Mr. Pomeroy told commissioners that Emergency Medical Services Week is coming up May 15-21.

He said the new assistant director in Jennings, Chris Green, has been organizing and cleaning the ambulance barn.

"She's got it shining," he said.

He also reported that David Depperschmidt has passed his EMT test and joined the crew.

School board to purchase phone system

The Oberlin School Board agreed last Monday to buy a "voice-over-Internet-protocol" phone system for the district for \$31,747.

Jess Randel, district technology coordinator, said he had mailed out five bid invitations and received two sealed bids back. The first one was from InPath Devices from Nebraska for \$31,747 and the second from CDW-G from Illinois for \$35,299.

Invitations were also sent to Premier Computer and Communications of Wichita, Business Telecommunication Systems of North Platte and Nex-Tech of Hays.

The board approved the lower bid.

Superintendent Kelly Glodt said the system will include a phone in every classroom. It isn't just phones, though, he said. It will also replace bell and intercom systems for the grade and high schools.

Currently, said Mr. Glodt, teachers have no way to communicate

with the office unless they send a student or go themselves. With the new system, they'll have two-way communication with the office and with each other.

Mr. Glodt said over spring break, which is this week, Mr. Randel is installing a few phones in the offices and counselor's office because the old system died recently. The rest of the system will be installed over the

summer.

One of the features will benefit the public, said Mr. Glodt. People who call in will have the option of either talking to a secretary in the office or leaving a voice mail for the teacher they want to talk to. That voice message will then be changed over to a text message on the teacher's e-mail.

Easter egg hunt on Saturday

Oberlin's annual Easter Egg hunt will be at 1 p.m. Saturday in City Park.

The hunt, sponsored by the

Oberlin Lions Club for kids 1 to 9, will start at 1 p.m. near the shelter house. Candy will be provided by the Oberlin Masonic Lodge.

Downtown lunch on Friday

The Oberlin Business Alliance will be selling fish sandwiches and burgers downtown for lunch on Friday.

The fry will be held from 11 a.m.

to 1 p.m. at the former The Bank drive-through on the east side of Main Street.

Vivian J. Shike

Vivian J. Shike, 81, of Osborne, father of Gary Shike of Oberlin, died March 15, 2005.

He was born Feb. 6, 1924, in Vassar, the son of John W. and Kathryn (Mitchell) Shike. He was a farmer and rancher. His wife, Delpha, died in 1980.

Survivors include three sons, Roger, Brooten, Minn.; Rodney, Osborne; and Gary, Oberlin; a brother, George, Wichita; two sisters, Marian Shike and Carol Solomon, Chanute; four grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at the United Methodist Church in Osborne with burial at the Osborne Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the church. Contributions may be sent to Clark-Gashaw Mortuary, 238 N.

First, Osborne, Kan., 67473.

Raymond W. Adams

Raymond W. Adams, 83, a former Oberlin resident, died March 15, 2005, at the Good Samaritan Nursing Center in Olathe.

He was born Aug. 9, 1921, in Sheridan County, the son of Roy D. and Lina (Cox) Adams. He was a 1940 graduate of Decatur Community High School. He served in the U.S. Army in the South Pacific during World War II from 1942 to 1943, when he received a medical discharge. He received the Bronze Star, American Campaign Medal, Combat Infantryman Badge and Good Conduct Medal.

He married Margery K. Adams on Oct. 8, 1944, in Norton. They made their home in Oberlin, where he owned and operated Adams Gro-

cery and later was employed as parts man for Anderson and Son. He was a 50-year member of the Lions Club, American Legion member for 6 years and coached Junior Legion baseball for 15 years in Oberlin.

Survivors include his wife, Margery K. Adams; a son, Steve and Kristi Adams; a daughter, Kay and Scott Hansen; a brother, Ivan Adams; three grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

Memorial services were held Monday morning at Penwell-Gabel Funeral Home in Olathe. Committal of ashes were held at Fort Leavenworth National Cemetery.

A memorial was established for the Kansas Lions Band Foundation and/or the activities fund at Good Samaritan Nursing Center in Olathe. Contributions may be sent to the funeral home, 143rd & Blackbob Road, Olathe, Kan., 66061.

Farm Bureau sponsors many events

Decatur County Farm Bureau has sponsored several community and youth events during the past two months.

A Food Check-Out Day promotion was held on Feb. 8 to celebrate the role Kansas agriculture plays in providing the safest, most economical food in the world. Free donuts were given out to every Oberlin Daylight Donut customer. There was also a display about Food Check-Out day and the affordability of food.

Kelly Olson and Kelsey Gallentine spent Feb. 23 in Topeka at the Kansas Farm Bureau "Capitol Experience" program on Capitol Hill. They joined other high school youth throughout the state, attended a legislative breakfast, talked with their legislators, and attended session in the House and Senate, learning how state government works.

A legislative coffee for Sen. Ralph Ostmeyer and Rep. John Faber was held on March 5 at the Decatur County courthouse, sponsored by Decatur County Farm Bureau, in cooperation with the Decatur County Republican Women.

To introduce Ag Week from March 20-26, Dianne Bremer from the county office gave a beef by-products presentation to grades K-4 at the Jennings School on March 5; the first grade students at Oberlin Elementary on March 14, and students at Sappa Valley Youth Ranch on March 18.

They also sponsored an "Ag in the Classroom" program on March 16 for the Oberlin fifth and sixth grade students. Speakers were Steve Noren on soil science; Byron Hale on corn; Dale Marie Bryan on the use of agriculture and agriculture related items in her writing and crafts; and Diana Kaiser from Grainfield on the different bird seed grains grown on farms and the nutrients they provide. Matt Bain of the Kansas Fish and Game Commission presented his "Skins and Skulls" program, talking about a variety of animals, where they live, and how they adjust to their habitats.

To develop safety-minded youth, Decatur County Farm Bureau sponsored the Safety Poster contest for grades 1-3 at Jennings and Oberlin. First, second, and third place winners, respectively, in Division I (first

and second grade) were Kariah Castle, Emily Larson, and Madison Monaco. In Division II (third grade), Brittany Urban, Mercedes Geihlsler, and Haley Schiessler were winners. They will receive gift certificates. All are on display at the Farm Bureau office and may be picked up by parents.

Applicants are being sought for the 2005 Century Farm program. Applicants must be Farm Bureau members, ownership must be in the same family for 100 years or more

by Dec. 31, 2005, with at least 80 acres of the original Kansas farmland, and the present owner must be related to the original owner. Deadline for submitting applications is May 13 and they may be picked up at the office.

Plans are also underway for a babysitting clinic this spring. Anyone with suggestions on programs which Farm Bureau could present to the community is encouraged to call or come by the office and talk with Dianne.

Post-abortion meeting set

Rachel's Vineyard Ministry will hold a spring retreat from Friday - Sunday, April 8-10 in Hays, for those suffering from the aftermath of abortion. The location is private to protect the confidentiality of those who attend.

The ministry was founded by psychotherapist Theresa Burke. The weekend meshes religion and pastoral counseling into "an intense, emotional, supportive and non-judgmental process." It is for women, men, grandparents or other relatives who suffered from the loss of abortion.

For details, call Donetta Robben at (785) 623-7531 or e-mail: heal-

ing@soulcommunications.net. Registration deadline is Friday, April 1.

Summer Job Offers:

The City of Oberlin is accepting applications for temporary summer jobs until positions are filled. These include labor jobs in the maintenance of park, streets, cemetery, swimming pool and public utilities.

Also accepting applications for swimming pool manager. Swimming pool manager must have current Water Safety Instructor Certificate and must have completed American Heart Association CPR and Basic First Aid. Experience as pool manager or assistance manager would be helpful.

Application forms can be picked up at the

City Office
#1 Morgan Drive
Oberlin, KS 67749

Corrections

A story about the senior citizen meal site in the March 16 issue of *The Oberlin Herald* said that people under 70 may attend at a cost of \$4.50 per meal. The age should have been under 60. This was a reporter's error.

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The obituary for Myrtle Schiessler in the same issue listed her as the daughter of Charles and Mary (Hokenson) Schiessler. Her parents were Charles and Mary (Hokenson) Henningson. This was a reporter's error.

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An item in the People column in the March 16 issue about the death of Dorothy Burrus, 99, said she was a former Oberlin resident. She was a native of Danbury and an aunt of Mary Lemman. The Dorothy Burrus who lived in Oberlin was younger and worked at the Decatur County Hospital. This was a reporter's error.

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The Oberlin Herald will correct or clarify any mistake or misunderstanding in a news story. Please call our office at 475-2206 to report errors. We believe that news stories should be fair and factual, and appreciate your calling to our attention any failure to live up to this standard.

Markets

March 21, 2005
closing markets

Wheat, \$3.07 bushel
Milo, \$3.92 hnd weight
Corn, \$1.88 bushel
Soybeans, \$5.51 bushel
Sunflowers, (unavailable)



WEATHER



Decatur County Weather ---- March 22nd - 28th

Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon
45/28	53/30	55/30	50/30	40/28	45/30	55/35

Normal High 57 Sunset 6:32 to 6:42am
Normal Low 29 Sunset 6:56 to 7:03pm

It's Holy week and God blessed the area with around 1" of much needed precipitation. Winter officially ends on a dry note with 60% below normal snowfall, but the wet start to spring is encouraging! Two systems later this week will provide increased chances for additional moisture. One will move through Wednesday night and Thursday and the other Thursday night and Friday. At night this would be a chance for a rain snow mix and during the day rain. In between temperatures will be seasonal while the grass and wheat continue to get greener and greener.

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(Information below is for period ending 7 a.m. Mon. Maximum temperature is for previous day.)

Date	Hi	Low	Precip.
Mar. 15	43	19	
Mar. 16	53	16	
Mar. 17	61	16	
Mar. 18	66	32	
Mar. 19	46	14	
Mar. 20	52	14	
Mar. 21	53	30	.52

Precipitation totals: for the week, 0..52; for the month, 0.54; for the current year to date, 1.75; for one year ago, 2.23.

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