

# Oberlin lady guesses score to tie breaker

Three people picked nine of the possible 10 winners in this week's Pigskin Pick-Em contest, but only one said the University of Colorado would win in the tie-breaker game.

Helen Gee picked nine winners and said that the University of Colorado would beat Oklahoma 27-24, which was actually the score of the game.

Mrs. Gee won \$15 in scrip money to be spent at one of the contest sponsors.

Betty Grout also picked nine of the 10 winners and was 32 points off of the actual score of the tie breaker game. She won \$10 in scrip.

Kade Brown also chose nine winners and was 45 points off of the tie breaker game. He won \$5.

Fifteen people picked eight of the 10 winners, including Owen Wilson, Gary Anderson, Valisha Raile, Norman Wendelin, Todd Ketterl, Brock Baxter, Cody Jacobs, Vernon Ketterl, Kari Ketterl, Kelly Brown, Ivis Hanson, Jeff Reinert, Amanda Grafel, Kenny Gee and Rodney Solko.

Seven people picked seven of the winners: Kimberly Solko, Diana Solko, Travis Raile, Mabel Zymmerman, Cheri Kastens, Ryan McEvoy and Colleen Gee.

Both Ron Solko and Billy McCoy chose six of the winners. Jim

Hollowell, Jacob Gee and Justin Gee got five right.

This week's games and the scores:

- St. Francis over Hoxie 30-14.
- Hays over Goodland 24-7.
- Ellis over Norton 13-12.
- Oberlin over Atwood 33-22.
- University of Nebraska over Iowa State University 35-17.
- Oakley over Colby 30-0.
- Kansas State University over Texas 41-21.
- Brewster/Triplains over Golden Plains 52-6.
- McCook over Sidney 28-0.
- Smith Center over Stockton 72-0.

• University of Colorado over Oklahoma 27-24 in the tie breaker.

Pigskin Pick-em entry forms and games for this week can be found on Page 5A in today's paper, or you can pick up a form at any sponsor. Only official forms will be accepted; no copies.

Winners can pick up their scrip money at *The Oberlin Herald* office. The scrip money can be spent at the sponsoring businesses including Home Planning Center, The LandMark Inn, Farm Credit of Western Kansas, Fredrickson Insurance Agency, Wagner, Raye's Grocery Inc., Prairie Petals, Ward Drug Store and *The Oberlin Herald*.

## Principals talk about evaluations

The grade school and high school principals talked with the Oberlin School Board about teacher evaluations last month.

At the meeting Monday, Sept. 10, the principals said before a teacher receives tenure, after three years with the district, they are evaluated more frequently. After they received tenure, which makes it difficult to fire them, then the number of evaluations go down.

Principal Duane Dorshorst said teachers can be put "on assistance," which means there are more formal evaluations. That happens if the principal consistently notices something that isn't quite right. This way the teacher is monitored more, he said.

The teachers, he said, are evaluated on many areas, including how they interact with the students, structure in managing a classroom, instruction and others.

At the beginning of the year, he

said, the teachers fill out a self-assessment form. That gives them an idea of what the teachers' goals for the year are, said High School Principal Charlie Haag.

How do you handle evaluations so they are nonthreatening? asked Superintendent Pat Cullen. So often teachers view evaluation time as a threatening time, he said, because the principal is in the classroom.

Mr. Haag said they let the teachers that they will be coming in so it isn't a surprise. A lot of the evaluation process is self-reflective, he said.

The evaluations don't have anything to do with the teacher's pay? asked board member Dan Nedland. No, said Mr. Haag.

That idea has been kicked around before, said board President Dwayne Jackson. Mr. Dorshorst said that is something that would need to be discussed under the negotiated teacher contract.

## Road department hires two workers

The Decatur County commissioners heard that the road and bridge supervisor had hired two employees for the department, one seasonal and one full-time.

Tim Stallman said at a meeting Tuesday, Sept. 18, that he had hired Andrew Herrington for seasonal work and Don Leach for a full-time position. He said he has been using Curtis Richards, from the noxious weed department, to do some work.

Although a couple of the gravel trucks have needed some repairs, said Mr. Stallman, the crew is working on the roads. The windrows have been spread out on the roads where the crew has pulled in the edges.

Commissioner Doyle Brown asked if the crew is doing any of the work needed because of the storms over the winter with the money from the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

The townships have received their money, he said, and the crew is doing the graveling there as well as on the county roads. Mr. Stallman said the crew plans to head out to the Traer area to work on some roads damaged from the rains this spring.

He said he is having some problems with one of the Mack trucks, which quits when they are just driving down the road. Sometimes the driver can get the truck running and sometimes it takes a long time, he said, and they plan to take the truck to Hays to have it checked out.

The minimum maintenance signs are up along the Kansas/Nebraska border under the contract between Red Willow and Decatur counties, he said. Mr. Stallman said he isn't sure if Red Willow County has its signs up yet.

Commissioner Stan McEvoy wanted to know whether, with the

Fair Board buying bleachers from the Jennings football field, the county could help move them. Mr. Stallman said he would prefer the county crew only load and unload the bleachers because he hates to have the trucks take a couple days off from hauling gravel.

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**ON HER FIRST DAY**, Jo Henderson, new Chamber of Commerce manager, spent most of the day in the office getting

acquainted with people who came in, as well as her surroundings. — Herald staff photo by Kimberly Davis

## New chamber manager starts work

The Decatur County Area Chamber of Commerce's new manager started work in her office Monday.

Jo Henderson, who recently moved from Ellis, was hired a few months ago after the resignation of Glenva Nichols. Since then, Chamber board members have taken turns filling in the office, as well as hiring people to do the job temporarily.

Ms. Henderson said she moved around a lot growing up with a father in the Air Force, but lived in Tulsa for 11 years before moving to Ellis. She said she moved to Kansas because of family, which is actually

### Coffee scheduled on Tuesday

The Decatur County Chamber of Commerce will host a welcome coffee for the new Chamber manager from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday at the Business Enhancement Entrepreneurial Center, which

houses the Chamber office.

Everyone is welcome to come by and meet Jo Henderson, who has just moved here from Ellis to take the job.

what brought her to Oberlin. A daughter, Iris Mastin, lives in Tulsa for 11 years before moving to Ellis. She said she moved to Kansas because of family, which is actually

Ms. Henderson said her grand-

son, who is 3, was growing up too fast and she didn't want to miss it.

She heard about the Chamber job through her daughter and applied for the spot, was interviewed and was

hired. Before this, said Ms. Henderson, she worked in inventory management at Home Depot.

She said her main goal for now is meeting everyone, learning names and recognizing faces. People will see her out and about, she said, as she doesn't want to stay in the office all the time.

In her free time, Ms. Henderson said, she likes to read a lot, walk, garden, and while in Ellis, she volunteered at the Children's Center. She said she has a good sense of humor and plans on spending lots of time with her grandson.

## New equipment arrives for dispatch

The Decatur County commissioners learned that the dispatch office has already received some of the equipment for the new Enhanced 911 system, which will help locate the location of the call.

Chief Dispatcher Jeanne Pachner said at a meeting Tuesday, Sept. 18, that she needs to hire an electrician to put in the equipment. Custodian Bob Berls called in and said he had talked with Ms. Pachner about the electrical work.

He said the new system probably

needs to be hooked up to the emergency generator. Mr. Berls said he would like to hire Griff Lincoln to do the work, if he is available, because he knows the generator.

The commissioners said that was OK and asked Mr. Berls to handle it.

Ms. Pachner said she had a conference call with AT&T about the system and brought a copy of a computer disk to the commissioners so they would be up to date on everything going on.

She asked if she should request money from the grant to pay the \$12,000 bill to Sanborn for the fly-over and maps.

The commissioners invited Appraiser Alan Hale into the meeting to see if the work done by the firm was OK. There were a few areas, said Mr. Hale, that need to be fixed, but the photography for the maps was good.

The bill was addressed to Decatur County, said County Clerk Marilyn Horn. She suggested that Ms.

Pachner request another bill not addressed to the county.

Commissioner Ralph Unger said he and Road and Bridge Supervisor Tim Stallman have looked at the maps and driven around to look at the farmsteads. Several of the farmsteads, said Mr. Unger, have their home on one side of the road and machinery and other buildings on the other side. He said people would like to have one address for the whole property, not one for each side of the road.

## Commissioners ask about new home addresses

The Decatur County commissioners talked with the chief dispatcher about the addressing system for the roads for the new emergency 911 program.

Commissioner Ralph Unger said he tried to listen to a CD recording of a conference call Jeanne Pachner had with AT&T experts about the process. He said he thinks they need to come look at the geography to understand why there are gaps in the roads.

Ms. Pachner brought in another CD of a second conference call with AT&T. Mr. Unger asked if the new

E911 addresses are coordinated with the post office system. Ms. Pachner said there is another conference call set up next week for Friday, Oct. 12.

Mr. Unger said he heard that counties that have changed the road names and addresses had problems with the post office, especially for the ones off the highways. He said he doesn't want to see Decatur County have a problem with the new addresses.

Mr. Unger said he thinks the contract has to do with working with the post office.

Ms. Pachner said she thinks the new 911 phone system will be in sometime next week. She said they won't really have phones; everything will go through the computer. The dispatchers will have an actual phone for a backup.

Why then was AT&T planning to put four to five phones on the fourth

floor? asked Commissioner Stan McEvoy. Ms. Pachner said those might be for the sheriff's office.

What about the addresses out of the Danbury, Neb., post office that are in Decatur County? asked Mr. Unger. Will those be a problem? Ms. Pachner said she did ask about those, but will do so again.

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