



# Group wins scrip money in Pick-em

Although everyone can enter separately, first place in this week's Oberlin Herald Pigskin Pick-em contest goes to the Farm Credit bunch out of Colby.

The crew will get to decide how they split up the \$15 in scrip money, spendable at participating merchants in Oberlin and McCook.

The Farm Credit bunch had nine of 10 answers correct, but so did second place winner Todd Ketterl of Oberlin, who gets \$10 in scrip. The Colby crew guessed closer on the score of the tie-breaker game, where K-State downed the Colorado Buffaloes 47-20.

It was a tough week in sports prognostication, as a lot of entrants thought that Nebraska would surely beat Oklahoma State and Northern Valley was bound to overcome Golden Plains. Not so.

Three people were still able to guess eight out of 10, but Kade Brown, Oberlin came closest to the tie breaker so will receive \$5 in scrip.

Others guessing eight correct were Colleen Gee, Oberlin, and Vernon Ketterl, Herndon.

Coming up with seven out of 10 right were Rodney Solko, McCook; Bill McCoy, Danbury, Neb.; and Justin Gee, Ivis Hanson, Kelly Brown and Amanda Grafel, Oberlin.

Getting six out 10 right were

Kimberly Solko, Mabel Zimmerman, Diana Solko, Ron Solko, Gary Anderson, Helen Gee, Jim Hollowell, Kenny Gee and Norm Wendelin, Oberlin, and Kari Ketterl, Herndon.

Contest rules are on Page 7A of today's paper with an entry form. Forms also are available at the sponsoring businesses, Home Planning Center, Farm Credit of Western Kansas, Fredrickson Insurance Agency, Wagner Chevrolet, Buick, Pontiac and Cadillac of McCook, Raye's Grocery, *The Oberlin Herald* and *The Country Advocate*, Prairie Petals, the LandMark Inn and Ward Drug Store.

Only official entry blanks will be accepted; no copies.

This week's games:

- Atwood over Leoti, 46-0.
- Golden Plains over Northern Valley, 48-20.
- The University of Kansas over Baylor, 58-10.
- Hoxie over Trego Community, 8-6.
- Oklahoma State over Nebraska, 45-14.
- Colby over Hugoton, 41-7.
- Norton over Beloit, 32-14.
- Phillipsburg over Oberlin, 40-7.
- McCook over Cozad, Neb., 41-7.
- Ulysses over Goodland, 42-7

# Emergency chief looks at new plans

The Decatur County commissioners talked with the emergency management director about hazardous material and weather plans the county needs.

Director Patti Skubal said the county "hazmat" plan was last updated in 1991. The plan should be updated by January, she said.

Mrs. Skubal said she would like to use a company called E-Fm out of Lawrence to help complete the plan.

The company has done the Hazmat plans for Ellis County and Lawrence, she said. The state has allocated \$45,000 per county to do the plan, although she said it shouldn't cost that much. The county can't use the money for anything else though, said Mrs. Skubal.

Mrs. Skubal said she wants to use the National Weather Service radar for the county's weather plan. This is a real time radar. It would cost \$80 to set up, she said, and then nothing after that. The radar the county uses now costs over \$1,000 annually now, she said.

The weather plan isn't actually a plan but a radar system; an outdated

radar system. It was originally purchased in 1985.

The county needs to pass a resolution that the county is in compliance with National Incident Management System training requirements, she said, and the commissioners approved the resolution.

The state is working on putting all of the county emergency management plans on the Internet so people can check out their county's plans, she said. Federal law requires the plans to be public documents.

In other business, the commissioners:

- Heard that Mrs. Skubal was planning to attend a Red Cross Simulated Terrorist Activity at the McCook Airport on Sunday.
- Heard that the county's landfill plan needs to be updated by May, which could cost over \$5,600.
- Heard that the road and bridge department is working on graveling the roads, but with only one truck operating, they are behind and all of the roads might not be done by the start of winter.
- Approved a resolution to hold a delinquent tax sale in the spring.

# Hospital to go tobacco free

The Decatur County Hospital plans to become 100 percent tobacco-free, with no smoking or chewing allowed anywhere on the property, by the beginning of 2008.

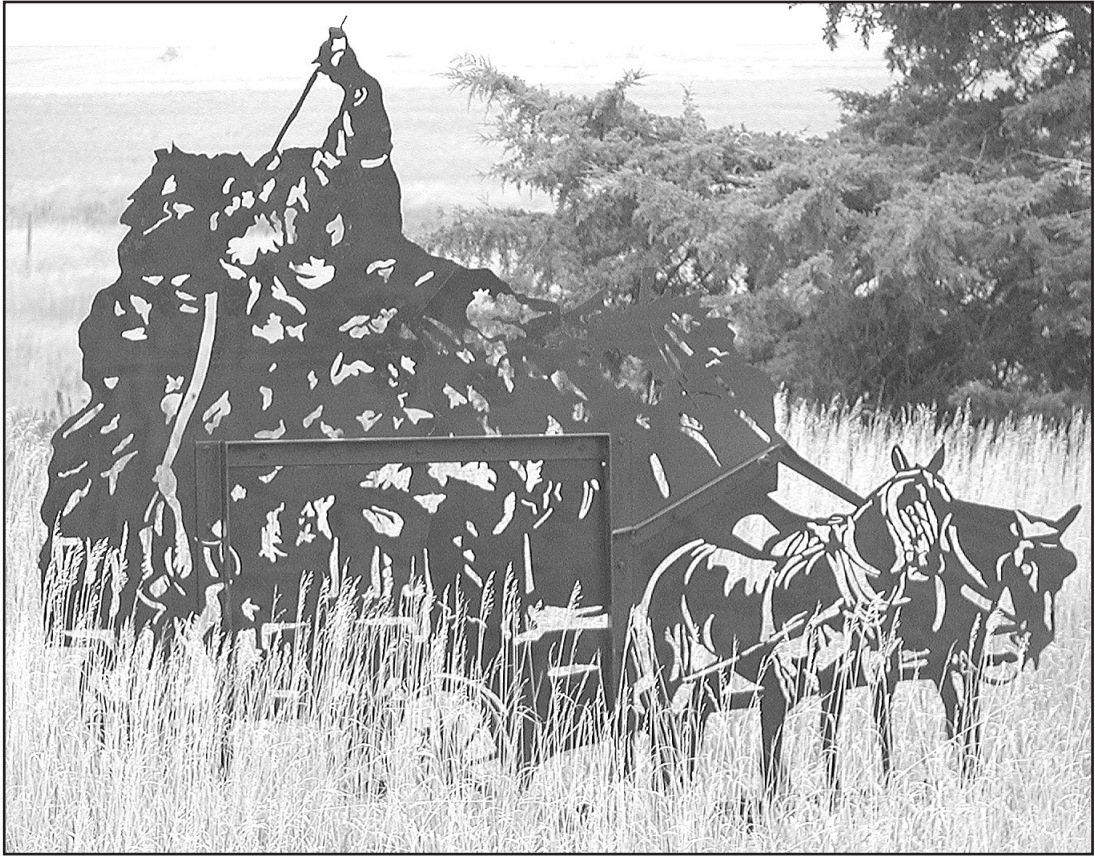
Hospital Administrator Lynn Doeden said Decatur Health Systems, the nonprofit corporation which manages the hospital and related services, has joined hospitals across Kansas in the effort to become tobacco free. That includes all forms of tobacco, she said, including chew, cigarettes and cigars.

Smoking already is banned in the buildings, but the new rule extends to the lawn, parking lots and other parts of the grounds.

"We believe that we have a responsibility to take a leadership role on this major health issue," she said, "and allowing people to use tobacco products defeats this purpose."

Employees and visitors will not be able to use tobacco on the premises, said Mrs. Doeden. Employees will have to check out if they decide to go across the street to use tobacco.

## In the country



**ON A HILL** about a mile south of Cedar Bluffs is the metal silhouette of a hayrack described in one of author Ralph Moody's books about Decatur County. The sculpture, west of U.S. 83, can be seen by drivers who take a close look. It was installed by the Oberlin Convention and Visitor's Bureau.

— Herald staff photo by Kimberly Davis

# Interim manager takes helm

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A former manager is back in the saddle at the Decatur Co-op, taking over the lead position until a new general manager is hired.

John Juenemann, who retired 13 years ago, is back at the co-op, serving as the interim manager while the board works on hiring a full-time general manager.

Mr. Juenemann said he worked at the co-op for 32 years, 28 as general manager. He took early retirement because of cancer, but has come through that. Later, he said, he thought if he could stay in good health, he might serve as an interim manager for a co-op somewhere, but never thought it would be in Oberlin.

He said he started back at the co-op on Wednesday, Oct. 3, but doesn't know how long he will hold the position.

Lots of things have changed in the last 13 years, said Mr. Juenemann. There are different faces, the co-op is a lot bigger and the practice of dumping grain on the ground is more widely used. That part is overwhelming, he said, because when he was young, people didn't want to take the risk of putting grain on the ground.

As the interim manager, he said, he basically supervises the operation, everything from the financials to the personnel. Managers at each



**INTERIM MANAGER** John Juenemann sat at his desk in the Decatur Co-op on Monday.

— Herald staff photo by Kimberly Davis

location and operation managers take some of the load.

Mr. Juenemann and his wife Henrietta have four grown children, Carolyn, who is a teacher; Dr. Ron Juenemann, an optometrist in Phil-

lipsburg; Gary Juenemann, who runs the family business, Ultimate Fertilizer, here; and Dr. Barbara Juenemann, an anesthesiologist. In all, the couple also has 17 grandchildren.

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