

# Obituaries

# 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

#### Limited Actions

Decatur Health Systems vs. Billy and Tasha Belair, \$1,295, plus costs and interest.

Decatur Health Systems vs. Cynthia E. Dixon, \$1,917, plus costs and interest.

Decatur Health Systems vs. Mark C. Whitney, \$3,125, plus costs and interest.

### JAIL BOOKINGS

The following were booked into the Decatur County Jail:

July 13: Josh Sutherland, 26, Oberlin, driving while suspended, second offense, Oberlin Police Department.

July 14: David Vick, 37, Oberlin,

parole violation, Decatur County Sheriff's Office.

July 15: Michael Shane New, 40, Oberlin, driving under influence, Decatur County Sheriff's Office.

### REGISTER OF DEEDS

Sherri L. Kyte, quit claim to Millard E. Kyte, W/2 SE/4 and E/2 SW/4 of Sec. 2, T2S, R30W; W/2 and a tract in SE/4 of Sec. 11, W/2 SE/4 of Sec. 13, E/2 NW/4 of Sec. 14, all in T2S, R30W; S/2 of Sec. 25, T3S, R29W.

Doyle David Jr. and Karen Andrews, Dorothy Helen and Clifford Devine, and Carol Frances Andrews, f/k/a Carol Frances Richardson, to Greg J. and Marie E. Miller as joint tenants, W/2 of SE/4 of Sec. 29, T5S, R27W.

King's Property Management Co. LLC to Sherri L. Kyte, E. 15' of Lot 2, all of Lot 3 and W. 20' of Lot 4, all in Block 3, Carman Addition to

the City of Oberlin.

Monica L. Lincoln, quit claim to Tracy J. Lincoln, a tract 50' x 120' in E/2NW/4 of Sec. 1, T3S, R29W; and a tract 271.9' x 440' in SW/4SE/4 in Sec. 36, T2S, R29W.

Vena F. Walters, f/k/a Vena F. Kathka, to Spring Diederich and Kerry Louderback as joint tenants, Lots 10-12, all in Block 4, Sunnyside Addition to the town, now city of Oberlin.

Leone Mapes Purton Revocable Trust to Frank Douglas Gillett, Lots 1 and 2, except S. 15' of Lot 2, Block 5, Sappa Addition to the City of Oberlin.

## City Hall

### POLICE BLOTTER

The Oberlin Police Department worked these calls:

- On Wednesday, July 8, Cheryl

Metcalfe, 63, received a ticket for improper backing after she hit a 2004 Chevy Silverado belonging to Loyd Waldo. Mrs. Metcalfe was backing her 2008 Toyota Camry from a parking spot at City Park.

• At 6:07 p.m. Saturday, Donel Nelson, 64, of Peosta, Iowa, was driving a 2003 Mazda van north on U.S. 83 when he ran into a 2003 vehicle driven by Jelio Vassilve, 58, of St. Joseph, Missouri. Chief Wade Lockhart said he didn't have the make or model of Mr. Vassilve's vehicle.

Mr. Nelson said he stopped at the stop sign at the intersection, didn't see anything and went through. Mr. Vassilve was traveling west on U.S. 36.

Mr. Nelson received a ticket for failure to yield the right of way. There were no injuries, but both vehicles were disabled.

## Maureen K. Hartman

Maureen Kay Hartman, 71, a 1955 graduate of Decatur Community High School, died Friday, July 17, 2009, in Rancho Mirage, Calif.

She was a daughter of the late Walter and Lela (Lemman) Reznor and was reared in Decatur County.

Survivors include two sisters, Alice May and Lois Carlson, Oberlin; three sons, Brian and Hannah, Greeley, Colo.; Brenton, Indio, Calif.; and Bill and Janice, Soddy Daisy, Tenn., and families.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Phillip; two sisters, Lee Ora Carlson and Doris Staack; and a brother, Wayne Reznor.

## Elizabeth P. Partch

Elizabeth Petersen Partch, 87, wife of former Decatur County Extension Agent Rodney Partch, died Friday, July 17, 2009, in Benkelman, Neb.

She was born March 16, 1922, in Bloomington, Neb., the daughter of R.C. and Bessye Kelly Petersen. She grew up in the Danish community of Upland, Neb., and graduated from high school and the University of Nebraska. She taught school in Iowa and then moved to Los Angeles to work in the war effort.

She married Rodney Partch in 1944. They lived in Hoxie, Manhattan, Beloit and Oberlin, when he was working for the Cooperative Extension Service. Their two children, Sue and Ted, were born in Oberlin. They moved to Bird City and later to a farm south of town. In 2000, they moved back to Bird City.

She was editor of the *Bird City Times* newspaper for 10 years and taught kindergarten, art and English at Bird City. She also taught at Glendale country school south of Bird City. She was a 4-H leader for the Happy Larks 4-H Club which she and her husband organized.

Survivors include her husband, of the home; a daughter, Sue and Glenn Laubhan, Salina; a son, Ted and Carol Partch, Bird City; four grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

Services were Monday at Immanuel United Methodist Church in Bird City. Pastor Becky Davison

officiated and burial was in the Bird City Cemetery.

Memorials are designated for the Bird City Public Library. Contributions may be sent to Knodel Funeral Home, 202 S. Benton Street, St. Francis, Kan., 67756.

## Florence Zodrow

Florence Zodrow, 86, a native of Leoville, died June 22, 2009, at the Hays Medical Center.

She was born July 1, 1922, on the family farm six miles south of Leoville, the daughter of Bernard "Ben" and Barbara (Geisinger) Kruse. She attended a country grade school, Leoville High School and Marymount College, Salina.

On Sept. 17, 1946, she and Seraphine F. Zodrow were married at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Leoville. They lived all their married life in Leoville.

Mrs. Zodrow taught at Green Valley School for a year before her marriage. After her marriage, she was the bookkeeper for the family business, Zodrow Gas and Construction. She was a member of the church's altar society.

Survivors include nine children, Raymond Zodrow and Jim Zodrow, Leoville; Betty and Gary Newman, Hoxie; Mary and Larry Schlick, Colby; David Zodrow, Leoville; Elaine and Gayle Haag, Bartley, Neb.; Leo and Carrie Zodrow, Oberlin; Virginia and Birney Feldt, Hoxie; and Lucille and Ed Heim, Hoxie; one sister, Germaine and Ray Weis, Dresden; 30 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and husband; a son, Michael Zodrow; a daughter, Jeanette Voss; a brother, Joe Kruse; and three sisters, Mary Ann Zodrow, Loretta Woodall and Rita Kruse.

Funeral services were Friday, June 26, at the church with the Rev. Henry Saw Lone, the Rev. Dana Clark and the Rev. Thomas Mangat officiating. Burial was in Mount Calvary Cemetery at Leoville.

A memorial was established in her name. Contributions may be sent to Pauls Funeral Home, Selden, or Pauls Funeral Home, 121 N. Penn, Oberlin, Kan. 67749.

## Town Crier

**Today:** Farmers Market, 8 a.m., in front of Chamber office.

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

**Friday:** Celebrate Recovery, supper, meeting, fellowship, 6:30 p.m., Oberlin Community Fellowship Church.

**Monday:** Siren test, 10 to 10:30 a.m.

Representative of the Northwest Local Environmental Protection Group will be at the county Health Department once a month for free well evaluations, including testing water for bacteria and nitrates. For

details, call 475-8118.

The Decatur County Food Pantry is open from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday at the United Church, 109 N. Griffith. Donations of cash, nonperishable food and household items are always needed.

**Monday-Friday:** At 1 p.m. at the Golden Age Center, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, pinochle; Tuesday, pitch; third Thursday of the month, senior bridge, open. Quilting, puzzles, games daily.

### SENIOR MENU

Senior lunch at the Golden Age Center, 217 N. Penn, weekdays at 11:30 a.m.

**Today:** hot turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes and gravy, pea salad, bread, gelatin with fruit.

**Thursday:** hamburger steak, gold rush casserole, mixed vegetables, roll, ambrosia fruit salad.

**Friday:** chicken pasta salad, peaches, cornbread, blueberry cobbler.

**Monday:** sausage gravy, tater tots, green beans, biscuit, apricots.

**Tuesday:** taco salad, rosy pears, chips, cook's choice complement.

**Wednesday:** oven-fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn bread, orange-pineapple salad.

## Markets

### July 20 closing markets

Wheat, \$4.79 bushel  
Corn, \$2.73 bushel  
Milo, \$4.11 hundredweight  
Soybeans, \$9.36 bushel  
Sunflowers, \$13.15 hundredweight

## Corrections

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.

# School board elects officers

The Oberlin School Board started another year at its meeting last Monday by electing officers and making assignments for the year.

Board member Monte Moore was elected to serve as president and Dan Grafel as vice president.

Each year in July, the board reads through resolutions making appointments and adopts them.

The board approved office employees for jobs: Vickie Lippelmann as clerk of the board, Carla Depperschmidt as the deputy board clerk, Pam Simonsson as treasurer and using the Kansas Association of School Boards counsel as the board attorney. The group also approved the agenda form currently in use.

The board approved other districts sending a bus in to pick up a handful of students. Permission was given to the Norton School District to pick up Cindy Shirley and Deanna Sumner, and to the Golden Plains School District to pick up Sheila Ritter, Tami Williams, Tammy Shaw, Brent Phillips and Stephanie Ritter.

The board accepted the resignation of Jeri Buchholz, who has taught at the grade school for the past 38 years. They also approved hiring Kelly Shields as a part-time teacher aide for kindergarten, Mardi Lohofener as the grade school administrative assistant and Frank Bennett as a substitute/activity bus

driver.

Other beginning-of-the-year items included:

- Using First National Bank as the district's depository bank and for activity accounts for the buildings.

- Allowing the clerk and superintendent to invest idle money according to the board's policy.

- Appointing Mrs. Lippelmann as the representative for the Kansas Public Employees Retirement System.

- Appointed Superintendent Duane Dorshorst as the representative for the food service program and for federal programs, as the freedom of information officer, to make decisions on the free and reduced-price lunch program and as the homeless children coordinator.

- Authorizing participation in federal programs.

- Selecting *The Oberlin Herald* as the official newspaper.

- Using the current textbooks for the new year.

- Mr. Dorshorst as the coordinator for programs under various titles of the federal Education Act, with counselors Sheila Jansonius and Brenda Breth for Section 504 with Mr. Dorshorst overseeing all proposals.

- Adopting a 1,116-hour calendar.

- Designating Principals Charles Haag and Mr. Dorshorst as the tru-

ancy officers.

- Establishing the vehicle reimbursement rate at 55 cents a mile.
- Participating in the food service program for the new year.

- Gave the secretaries permission to destroy financial records from the 2003-2004 school year.

- Set petty cash limits at \$1,000 for the district office and high school and \$500 for the grade school.

- Set the regular meetings at 7:30 p.m. the second Monday of each month, the conflict day as the Tuesday after the regularly scheduled day, approved a special-meeting waiver and the second meeting (if needed) at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Monday of the month.

- Appointed Mr. Moore as the representative to the Northwest Kansas Educational Service Center board and board member Dan Nedland as the alternate.

- Appointed the president and vice president as the bid committee.

- Named Mr. Grafel and member Barb Olson to the policy review committee.

- Rescinded old policies and approved policies for the coming year.

- Approved Mr. Haag taking gate receipts and building personnel taking care of each activity fund.

- Authorized using handwritten checks for bills due outside the normal cycle.

## 2010 budget on city agenda

The Oberlin City Council will discuss the 2010 budget again during a special meeting Thursday.

This will be the fourth meeting this month for the council as the members try to iron out the budget. The meeting will start at 7 p.m. at The Gateway and is open to the

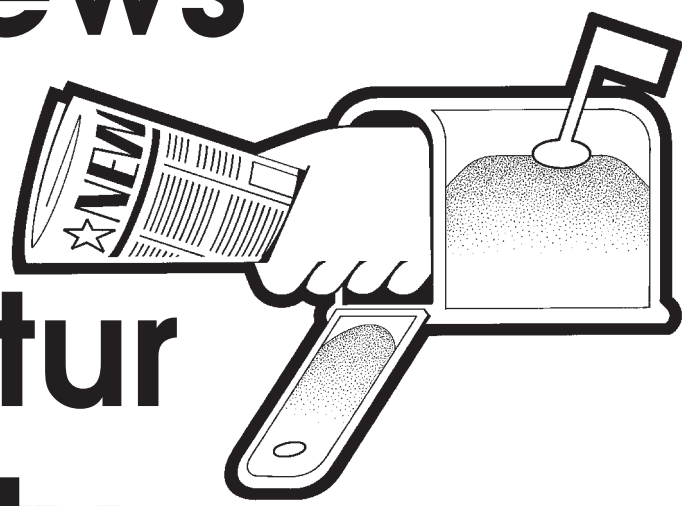
public.

The only other item on the agenda is a personnel policy change, covering police overtime and on-call time, and vacation issues, which City Administrator Austin Gilley said he was working on.

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## WEATHER



### Forecast

**Wednesday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 90. South wind between 10 and 15 mph. Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 62. South wind between 10 and 15 mph.

**Thursday:** Partly cloudy, with a high near 91. Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 65.

**Friday:** Partly cloudy, with a high near 92. Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 64.

**Saturday:** Partly cloudy, with a high near 89. Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 62.

**Sunday:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 89. Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 59.

**Monday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 89.

### National Weather Service

(Information below for period ending 8 a.m.; maximum temperature for previous day.)

	Hi	Low	Precip.
July 13	94	68	T
July 14	90	64	.90
July 15	94	64	0
July 16	85	64	0
July 17	85	62	.68
July 18	77	56	0
July 19	81	56	0

Precipitation totals for the week, 1.58; for the month, 2.30; for the year 15.35; one year ago, July 2008, 14.78, which makes Oberlin above by .57 from last year.

For 24-hour weather radio broadcast, tune scanner to 162.4 mhz.

By Melvin Martin - NOAA Cooperative Weather Observer.