

THE OBERLIN HERALD —

# Obituaries

## Sarah Jane Beneda

Sarah Jane Beneda, 96, sister-in-law of Lloyd Beneda of Oberlin, died Dec. 24, 2004, at Hillcrest Nursing Home in McCook.

She was born Sept. 25, 1908, in Decatur County, the daughter of Robert and Bessie (Goodenberger) Kennedy. She grew up at Cedar Bluffs and graduated from Decatur Community High School at Oberlin in 1930, then began teaching in the rural schools in Decatur County.

She married John Beneda on May 1, 1934, at Traer. They farmed south of McCook and from 1958 to 1970, they farmed the Senator George Norris Estate. They retired in 1970 and moved to McCook. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in McCook.

Survivors include a son, Owen and Lois Jane Beneda; and a daughter, Mary Ann and Larry Wood, all of McCook; three brothers-in-law, Delbert Siegfried, Arapahoe, Neb.; Lloyd Beneda, Oberlin; and Everett Beneda, LaPine, Ore.; two sisters-in-law, Ellen Kennedy, McCook; and Mabel Kennedy, Goodland.

She was preceded in death by her husband on Oct. 14, 2003; a granddaughter, Penney Wood on Feb. 12, 1992; three brothers, Edgar, Walter and Fred Kennedy, and five sisters, Mary Siegfried, Printha Weber, Dollie Brown, Vada Leitner and Anna Leitner.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the First Baptist Church in McCook with the Rev. James Denny officiating. Burial was in the Oberlin Cemetery.

Memorials were established in her name. Contributions may be sent to Herrmann Funeral Home, 6607 Norris Ave., McCook, Neb., 69001.

## Anna Mae Ketterl

Anna Mae Ketterl, 81, a lifelong resident of the Herndon area, died Wednesday, Dec. 22, 2004, at her home east of Herndon.

She was born May 24, 1923, at the family farm north of Herndon, the daughter of George and Edith (Kleit) Wolfram. She attended Pleasant View Country School and graduated from Herndon High School. She furthered her education at Fort Hays State University, where she received a Bachelor of Science in Home Economics with a minor in English. She taught for one year in Gove and one year in Herndon.

She married Clarence Ketterl on June 20, 1946, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Herndon. They made their home on a farm east of Herndon. She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Christian Mothers Altar Society, and Traer Belles, and also served on the election board.

Survivors include her children, David and Judy Ketterl, Marita and Leon Portschy, and Vernon and Kari Ketterl, all of Herndon; Roma and Keith Grafel, Oberlin; Mark and Becky Ketterl, Lewis; and Karen and Daniel Sattler, Scott City; two sisters, Georgia and Edmund Moore, Hays; and Lois and Aubrey

Horner, Alvin, Texas; 17 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; a brother-in-law, Lester Ketterl, McCook; and a sister-in-law, Helen Kleidosty, Atwood.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband on Jan. 12, 1997; a grandson, Michael Ketterl; five brothers-in-law, Dennis (Lefty) Leitner, LaVern Ketterl, Harry Riener, Matt Kogl and Matt Kleidosty; and three sisters-in-law, Margaret Riener, Edith Ketterl and Ruth Ketterl.

Mass of the Resurrection was held Monday morning at the church in Herndon. The Rev. Damian Richards officiated and burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Memorials were established to the church; Cottonwood Home Health; or the Decatur County Emergency Medical Service. Contributions may be sent to Pauls Funeral Home, 121 N. Penn, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

## Katheryn Peter

Funeral services are pending for Katheryn Peter, 91, of Selden, who died Monday at Hays Medical Center.

Pauls Funeral Home of Selden is in charge of arrangements.

## Veda May Pingetzer

Veda May Pingetzer, 91, a longtime resident of Oberlin, died Dec. 23, 2004, at Decatur County Good Samaritan Center in Oberlin.

She was born Nov. 18, 1913, in Red Willow County, Neb., the daughter of Matt and Eva (McCreary) England. She attended rural school in Red Willow County.

She married Karl Pingetzer on Oct. 14, 1939, in McCook. They made their home in Alma, Neb., and Herndon before moving to Oberlin in 1966. She was a member of the Oberlin United Methodist Church.

Survivors include nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband in 1982; brothers, Charlie, John, Bill, Carl, Elmer and Lenord; and sister, Blanche Walton. Graveside services were held Tuesday morning at the Oberlin Cemetery with the Rev. Mike McVay officiating.

A memorial was established to the church. Contributions may be sent to Pauls Funeral Home, 121 N. Penn, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

## Franklin Urban

Franklin Urban, 69, a retired farmer and rancher in Decatur County, died Dec. 21, 2004, at the Decatur County Hospital in Oberlin.

He was born Dec. 26, 1934, on a farm southeast of Atwood, the son of Ralph and Eleanor (Kundysek) Urban. He attended a rural school near his home. In 1954, he purchased a farm northwest of Oberlin. He served in the U.S. Army at Fort Chaffee, Ark., and in France, Germany and Spain.

He married Willa Cary on July 17, 1960, in Hayes Center, Neb. They farmed until retiring and moving to Oberlin in 2003. He was a member of the Western Fraternal Life for

over 50 years and ZCBJ Lodge.

Survivors include his wife, Willa, of the home; three sons, Terry Urban, Oberlin; Trevor and Stephanie Urban, Bonner Springs; and Bill and Nora Urban, Tonganoxie; two daughters, Becky Urban, McPherson, and Brenda Diederich, Oberlin; a brother, John and Agnes Urban, Colby; four sisters, Donna Frandsen, and Roberta Urban, Oberlin; Sylvia Wachendorfer, Selden; and Mary and Harry Depe, Trenton, Neb.; a sister-in-law, Jacqueline Urban, Atwood; 10 grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

He was preceded in death by his parents; an infant daughter, Cynthia Urban; and two brothers, Bennie and Delvin Urban.

Funeral services were held Friday morning at Pauls Funeral Home in Oberlin. The Rev. Doug Hasty officiated and burial was in the Oberlin Cemetery with military committal rites by the Oberlin American Legion Post.

A memorial was established in his name. Contributions may be sent to the funeral home, 121 N. Penn, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

## Walter R. Warburton

Walter R. "Pinky" Warburton, 71, a native of Oberlin, died Dec. 19, 2004, at Hillcrest Nursing Home in McCook.

He was born Aug. 22, 1933, in Oberlin, the son of Fred Alton and Goldie Mae (Larreau) Warburton. He attended McCook Public Schools and had served in the National Guard.

He married Thelma Meissner on March 14, 1953, in Oberlin and they lived in McCook. He had worked for J.D. Messer Roofing, 7-Up Bottling Company, and for Dayco as an air-water charger. He retired in 1999.

Survivors include a son, Galen and Dorothea Warburton, McCook; three daughters, Glenda Critchfield, and Jeanne Rodarmel, McCook; and Laura and Doug Callihan, Abilene; a brother, Robert Warburton, Gering, Neb.; a sister, Pauline Childs, Crete, Neb.; 11 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife on Nov. 6, 2000; an infant daughter, Elaine Marie; and a brother, Claude Warburton.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at Carpenter Breland Funeral Home in McCook with Jerry Beckenhauer officiating. Burial was in Memorial Park Cemetery.

Memorials may be given in his name. Contributions may be sent to the funeral home, 305 West C, McCook, Neb., 69001.

## Corrections

In the Dec. 22 edition of *The Oberlin Herald*, an entry in the Small Claims section of the district court report, Farmers Co-op vs. Dana Winstead, was inadvertently entered a second time. The bill had been paid by Mr. Winstead, and was dismissed on Dec. 1. This was a clerical error.

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The time when Farmers Bank and Trust will close on New Year's Eve was incorrect in the closing story last week. They will close at 3 p.m., not 4 p.m. 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.

# 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

Oct. 23: Kari Fortin, Oberlin, speeding 80 mph in 65 mph zone, \$120.

Dec. 5: Jackie Ivey, child passenger safety, \$80.

Dec. 7: Martina Spurlock, Oberlin, speeding 77 in 65 mph zone, \$102; Craig Hoyt, Brewster, disobeyed stop sign, \$120.

#### Limited Action

Ray Jewelry vs. Linda Roy, \$197 plus costs and interest, etc.  
Decatur Health Systems vs. Frankie Sierye, \$2,752 plus costs and interest, etc.

Decatur Health Systems vs. Charlene and Robert Mowrey, \$5,821, plus costs and interest, etc.

Countryside Veterinary Clinic vs. Michele Franco, \$102 plus costs and interest, etc.

Decatur Health Systems vs. Megan Louder, \$576 plus costs and interest, etc.

Decatur Health Systems vs. Lisa

and Arthur Miller, \$221 plus costs and interest, etc.

Decatur Health Systems vs. Gregory and Keri Vanover, \$117 plus costs and interest, etc.

Countryside Veterinary Clinic vs. Lee and Kathy Phillips, \$142 plus costs and interest, etc.

#### Marriage License

Sept. 24: Jeremy Alan Jensen and Loni Marie Marietta, both of Oberlin.

#### JAIL BOOKINGS

These persons were booked into the Decatur County Jail last week: Bill Humphrey, 31, Lakewood, Colo., Dec. 25, disorderly conduct, Oberlin Police Department.

Randy Wilson, 19, McCook, Dec. 27, violation of probation, Red Willow County.

#### SHERIFF'S BLOTTER

The Decatur County Sheriff's officers worked these calls:

• Helped with a runaway from Sappa Valley Youth Ranch on Friday, Dec. 17. Sheriff Ken Badsky said Michael Warren, 16, ran from the ranch Friday evening and took a van from Edgerton's on U.S. 36.

Sheriff Badsky said the young man was taken to WaKeeney and then they picked him up and brought him

back last week for court. Another service picked him up from here and took the young man to Hutchinson Juvenile Correction Facility. Sheriff Badsky said he heard Mr. Warren has since escaped from that facility also.

• Worked an accident around 7:30 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 20, when David Ketterl, 55, hit a deer with his 1988 GMC pick-up. Mr. Ketterl was eastbound on Road 7 North, 10.5 miles west and seven miles north of Oberlin.

#### REGISTER OF DEEDS

Bryan Smith Inc. to Charles and Phyllis Godwin, as joint tenants, all of Block 4, including Lots 1-18, Marks-Cole Addition, City of Oberlin.

#### AMBULANCE CALLS

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

Last Wednesday: 3:58 p.m., medical, rural Herndon, no transport; 6:13 p.m., trauma, Norcat, no transport.

Thursday: 1:48 a.m., medical, rural Clayton, transport to Decatur County Hospital; 9:09 a.m., trauma, N. East, transport to Decatur County Hospital.

## Town Crier

**Today:** Freshman boys basketball tournament, 1 p.m., at Hill City. Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., ambulance barn.

**Thursday:** No school, Christmas vacation until Monday.

Freshman boys basketball tournament, 1 p.m., at Hill City.

**Friday:** Freshman boys basketball tournament, 1 p.m., Hill City.

**Saturday:** New Year's Day.

**Monday:** School resumes.

Colby College outreach enrollment, 7-8:30 p.m., high school.

**Tuesday:** Weight Watchers, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., Medical Arts Building.

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

High school basketball, 5 p.m., at Norton.

High school wrestling, 5 p.m., here, Phillipsburg/McCook.

**Wednesday, Jan. 5:** Colby College outreach enrollment, 7-8:30 p.m., high school.

**Thursday, Jan. 6:** Project Avary benefit soup and pie supper, Good Samaritan Center, 5-7 p.m., by Forget-Me-Nots.

**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.

## Markets

### December 27, 2004 closing markets

Wheat, \$3.10 bushel  
Milo, \$2.92 hnd weight  
Corn, \$1.85 bushel  
Soybeans, \$4.88 bushel  
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## School Menus

### January 3-7

#### OBERLIN

**Monday** — Breakfast: cereal, muffin, peaches. Lunch: biscuits and gravy. **Tuesday** — Breakfast: Breakfast Bites, pears. Lunch: chicken-fried steak, roll with butter. **Wednesday** — Breakfast: breakfast burrito, tropical fruit. Lunch: hamburger with bun. **Thursday** — Breakfast: donut, yogurt, pineapple. Lunch: chili dog with bun, nachos. **Friday** — Breakfast: cereal, breakfast bar, mixed fruit. Lunch: chicken Monterey, rice. Milk served with all meals. Choice bar served with all

lunches.

#### PRAIRIE HEIGHTS

Breakfast is served daily: toast, cereal, juice. Lunches: **Monday** — No school (Christmas vacation). **Tuesday** — chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, rolls, pineapple. **Wednesday** — burritos, refried beans, Mandarin oranges, cupcakes. **Thursday** — cavatini, green beans, garlic bread, peaches. **Friday** — chili and tomato soup, grilled cheese sandwiches, tropical fruit, brownies. Milk served with all meals. Salad bar served with all lunches.

# WEATHER

## Decatur County Weather for Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> - Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>

Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon
55/28	58/30	48/24	50/26	48/28	38/25	35/20

Normal High 40  
Normal Low 16  
Sunrise 8:02 to 8:03am  
Sunset 5:26 to 5:31pm

A shot of Arctic air last week brought a white Christmas to Corpus Christi Texas, which hasn't occurred since 1895! In Northwest Kansas we saw sub zero temperatures and a little snow before Christmas Eve, but Christmas weekend was nice! The mild late December weather will continue into the New Year. There are two systems to keep an eye on in the extended forecast, one Wednesday night into Thursday and a second Sunday night into Monday. The first moves quickly from SW U.S. into the Northern Plains, which indicates a dry slot for us. The second may be a bit slower and further south with colder temperatures and better precipitation chances early next week.

www.decisionweather.com

## (National Weather Service)

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

Date	Hi	Low	Precip.
Dec. 21	61	26	
Dec. 22	38	16	
Dec. 23	22	12	0.03(0.4"/S)
Dec. 24	12	-8	0.02(trace/S)
Dec. 25	42	1	
Dec. 26	54	17	
Dec. 27	52	17	

(S = snow)  
Precipitation totals: for the week, 0.05; for the month of December, 0.07; current year to date, 24.65.

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