

# 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**  
Aug. 25: Joel Blocher, Winfield, speeding 83, \$138.  
Aug. 31: Randall McGinnis, Platte City, Mo., speeding 77, \$102.  
Sept. 2: Kerry Louderback, Oberlin, speeding 76, \$100.  
Sept. 16: Rex Agler, Castle Rock, Colo., speeding 76, \$96.

#### Limited Action

Gina Anderson vs. Terry Shearer, \$108 plus costs and interest, etc.  
Hansen Plumbing Inc. vs. Dave and Kimberly Haresnape, \$416 plus

costs and interest, etc.  
**REGISTER OF DEEDS**  
S.M.B. Inc. to Merle Shirley, the NW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Sec. 1, T3S, R27W.  
Marcia and Richard Emig to Bill and Donna Goss, as joint tenants, an irregular tract in the SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4, Sec. 22, T1S, R30W.  
Patricia and Frank Rutherford to Gary Jr. and Tracy Orr, as joint tenants, SE 1/4 of Sec. 7, and W 1/2 of SW 1/4 of Sec. 6, T3S, R27W.  
Susan Orr to Gary Jr. and Tracy Orr, as joint tenants, the SE 1/4 of Sec. 7, and W 1/2 of SW 1/4 of Sec. 6, all in T3S, R27W.

#### AMBULANCE CALLS

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

Thursday: 12:58 p.m., transport from Decatur County Hospital to St. Catherine's Hospital, Garden City.  
Friday: 3:16 p.m., transport from Decatur County Hospital to Hays Medical Center; 6:58 p.m., standby, football game; 8:30 p.m., trauma, football field; 9:26 p.m., trauma, football field, to Decatur County Hospital.  
Saturday: 10:20 a.m., medical, N. Ingalls, to Decatur County Hospital.  
Sunday: 8:28 a.m., medical, Clayton, to Decatur County Hospital.

### City Hall

**MUNICIPAL COURT**  
Thursday: Frank Reyes, North Platte, Neb., disobeyed stop sign, \$95.

## Town Crier

**Today:** Farmers Market, 8 a.m. on Penn Ave., in front of Chamber office.  
Oberlin junior and senior high picture day.  
Alcoholics Anonymous meeting, 8 p.m., ambulance barn.  
**Thursday:** Open bridge, 1 p.m., Golden Age Center.  
Junior high volleyball, 4:30 p.m., here, with Atwood.  
Junior high football, 5:30 p.m., here, with Atwood.  
American Legion, Sons of Legion, Auxiliary and social members porkburger membership feed, 6 p.m., Legion hall.  
Girl Scout organizational meeting, 5 to 7 p.m., Oberlin Scout House, 306 W. Ash or call Penny Fringer, 475-3641.  
**Friday:** Oberlin Business Alliance burger and Polish sausage fry, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., old Farmers National Bank drive-through.  
High school football, 7 p.m., at Atwood.  
Mini Sappa Cruise-in, Friday and Saturday.  
**Saturday:** Mini Sappa Antique, Engine and Thresher Show, Decatur County Fairground, 9 a.m.:  
Cruise-in, Friday and Saturday.  
Parade, Saturday and Sunday, 4 p.m.  
Quilt show, Saturday and Sunday.  
Poker run, 5 p.m., for tractors and cars.  
Stock garden tractor pull, 12:30 p.m.  
Mini Sapa Celebration, museum grounds:

Pancake feed 7-9 a.m., Bohemian Hall.  
DCHS Singers, 8 a.m.  
Bake sale, 8 to 9:30 a.m., Land Office.  
Craft Fair, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., museum grounds.  
Museum open house, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., free admission.  
Kids activities and money tank, all day.  
Pumpkin painting, 10 a.m. to noon.  
Face painting.  
Lunch, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., porkburgers/brats/Polish sausages; pies by PEO Sisterhood.  
First public viewing of St. Mark's Church, 2 p.m., followed by homemade ice cream social and Ron Temple's gospel singing group.  
Oberlin high school volleyball invitational, 9 a.m.  
**Sunday:** Mini Sappa Antique, Engine and Thresher Show, Decatur County Fairground.  
Dedication of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 5 p.m. at museum, followed by potluck supper and drawing for "Bohunk's Fancy" quilt.  
**Monday:** Homecoming week: Pajama Day at high school.  
Junior varsity football, 5:30 p.m., here, with Atwood.  
Weight Watchers, 5-6 p.m., Medical Arts meeting room.  
Lions Club, 7:30 p.m., Medical Arts building.  
**Tuesday:** Hippie Day/Bohemian Day at high school.  
Rotary Club, noon, The Gateway.  
High school volleyball, 4:30 p.m., at Goodland.

Masons, 6:30 p.m., Temple building.  
**Wednesday, Oct. 5:** Super Hero Day at high school.  
Blood pressure clinic, 11-11:30 a.m., Golden Age Center.  
Oberlin Business Alliance, Land-Mark, noon.  
College planning night, 7 p.m., high school cafeteria.  
Organizational meeting for a grief support group, 7 p.m., Decatur County Health Department.  
Eastern Star, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple.  
Alcoholics Anonymous meeting, 8 p.m., ambulance barn.  
Jaycees, Legion hall, 8:30 p.m.  
**Thursday, Oct. 6:** Decatur Food Pantry plant and perennial benefit sale, 5 p.m., by Master Gardeners, Gaylord Shields yard, 407 E. Commercial.  
**Decatur County Food Pantry** is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays, at the United Church, 109 N. Griffith. Gifts of non-perishable food and household items are always needed.  
**Monday-Friday:** At 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 evaluations, including testing water for bacteria and nitrates. For details call (785) 475-8118.

### Lloyd LaVerle Moody

Lloyd LaVerle Moody, 89, a former vocational-agriculture teacher at Decatur Community High School, died Sept. 20, 2005, at the Saxton Woods Nursing Home in St. Joseph, Mo.



Mr. Moody

He was born June 2, 1916, in Bolckow, Mo., the son of Lloyd Waldo and Ruth Annie (Tregemba) Moody. He attended Ottawa University with the 1940 class, then farmed several years before completing his degree at Kansas State University in 1947. He served in the Civilian Kansas National Guard from 1936 to 1938 in the 161st Field Artillery, 35th Division.

He married Ruth Johnson on Feb. 26, 1938. He became the vocational agriculture teacher in Oberlin in 1947 and taught there for 12 years. During that time, he taught young farmer classes and attended several universities, completing his Masters of Education at Colorado State University in 1958.

He received an assistant professorship of industrial arts at Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Colo., in 1959 and taught there until his retirement in 1978, after which they moved to Nevada, Mo. He was a member of Phi Kappa Phi, Masonic Lodge, Abou Ben Adham Shrine in Springfield, Mo., and Lions Club. He was named "Outstanding Vocational Teacher in Kansas in 1956" and received the 25-year Industrial Education Award.

Survivors include four daughters, Grace and Edward Andres, St. Joseph; the Rev. Wanda and David Scoble, Elmhurst, Ill.; Dr. Serena and Fred Bradshaw, Columbus, Ohio; and Verla and Eugene Mueller, Cedarburg, Wis.; eight grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and three sisters, Frances Pippenger, Clay Center; Alice Cox, Buhl, Idaho; and Ethel McGinty, Leonardville.

A joint memorial service was held Thursday morning at the Westminster Presbyterian Church in St. Joseph.

Memorials were established to the Hands of Hospice or the American Heart Association. Meierhoffer Funeral Home and Crematory was in charge of arrangements.

### Ruth Evelyn Moody

Ruth Evelyn Moody, 87, a former Oberlin Elementary School teacher, died Sept. 19, 2005, at the Saxton Woods Nursing Home in St. Joseph, Mo.

She was born Jan. 1, 1918, in St. Francis, the daughter of Pearle L. and Grace M. (Harrison) Johnson. After graduating from Ottawa High School in 1936, she received her teaching certification at Ottawa University.

She married Lloyd LaVerle Moody on Feb. 26, 1938. She taught first grade from 1950 to 1959 in Oberlin. After attending Ottawa University, she finished her four-year degree at Colorado State University, graduating along with her eldest daughter, Grace, in 1961.

In 1959 her husband received an assistant professor of industrial arts position at Colorado State University in Fort Collins and while there she taught first and second grades until 1979. She was named "Teacher of the Year" in 1975. They lived in Fort Collins for 20 years before moving to Nevada, Mo., where they made their home until 1999 when they moved to The Fountains in St. Joseph, Mo.

She was a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church of St. Joseph, Lions Club and Retired Teachers Association.

Survivors include her husband, Lloyd; four children, Grace and Edward Andres, St. Joseph; the Rev. Wanda and David Scoble, Elmhurst, Ill.; Dr. Serena and Fred Bradshaw, Columbus, Ohio; and Verla and Eugene Mueller, Cedarburg, Wis.; eight grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and two brothers, the Rev. Richard Johnson, Salinas, Calif.; and Horace Johnson, Nevada, Mo.



Mrs. Moody

Her husband died Sept. 20 and joint memorial services were held Thursday morning at the church in St. Joseph.

Memorials are suggested to the Hands of Hope Hospice or the American Heart Association. Meierhoffer Funeral Home and Crematory of St. Joseph was in charge of arrangements.

### Gerald D. Larreau

Gerald "Gary" D. Larreau, 69, of Wauneta, Neb., a native of Oberlin, died Sept. 21, 2005, at Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney, Neb.

He was born March 14, 1936, in Oberlin, the son of Charles and Ruby Larreau. He attended school in Oberlin and McCook.

He married LaDonna Kincaid on July 30, 1953. He became an apprentice bricklayer in the mid-1950s and continued in that profession.

Survivors include his wife, LaDonna; three sons, Mark and Chris Larreau, Hastings, Neb.; Joe Larreau, Texas; and Brian Larreau, California; a son-in-law, Bob Brown; a sister, Gloria and Roger Messinger, McCook; and four grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a daughter, Carol Larreau Brown; a granddaughter, Shannon Marie; three brothers, Kenneth, Donald and Richard Larreau; and a sister, Virginia Speaker.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at Lockenour-Jones Mortuary in Cambridge, Neb. The Rev. Richard Karr officiated and burial was at the Fairview Cemetery in Cambridge.

A memorial was established in his name. Contributions may be sent to the funeral home, 604 Penn, Cambridge, Neb., 69022.

### Dr. Dennis Z. Nelson

Dr. Dennis Z. Nelson, 84, brother of Marilyn Gilmer and Carolyn Wurm of Oberlin, died Sept. 18, 2005, in Denver.

He was born Aug. 12, 1921, at Dresden, the son of Virgil and Merle (Cody) Nelson. He attended grade school in Dresden and graduated from Decatur Community High School in 1939. He attended dental school in Kansas City and retired after working 39 years with the Cofy Dental Group in Denver. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II in the European Theater and with the Colorado Air National Guard.

Survivors include his wife, Ada, of 59 years; sons, James and Ann Nelson, and William and Laura Nelson; sisters, Carolyn Wurm and Marilyn Gilmer; and four granddaughters.

Memorial services will be held at

### Markets

**September 26, 2005 closing markets**  
Wheat, \$3.34 bushel  
Milo, \$2.74 hnd weight  
Corn, \$1.74 bushel  
Soybeans, \$4.82 bushel  
Sunflowers, \$10.40

10:30 a.m. Friday at Bullock Colonial Chapel with burial to follow at Fort Logan National Cemetery.

A memorial was established in his name to the Salvation Army, Box 2369, Denver, Colo., 80201.

### Delpha A. Steinmetz

Delpha A. Steinmetz, 70, mother of Diana Solko and Sam Steinmetz of rural Oberlin, died Sept. 19, 2005, at the Norton County Hospital.

She was born May 11, 1935, in Alma, the daughter of Irvin and Viola (Peterson) Roeder. She grew to womanhood in rural Norton county and graduated from the Norton High School. On May 24, 1953, she married Samme Steinmetz in marriage in Norton, and they became the parents of five children. They made their home in Oberlin, and in 1985, she moved to Salina and in 1995, she returned to Norton. She worked for the State of Kansas Department of Motor Vehicles as a Motor Carrier Inspector for many years.

Survivors include four sons, Bill Steinmetz, Norton; Rod and Patty Steinmetz, Two Buttes, Colo.; Sam and Diana Steinmetz, Oberlin; and Terry Steinmetz, Norton; one daughter, Diane Solko, Oberlin; two brothers, Floyd and Alice Roeder, Hutchinson; and Jerry and Pam Roeder, Norton; three sisters, Etta and Bob Bergeron, Cartersville, Ga.; Margaret Donnelly, Sterling, Colo.; and Judy and Tom Kimball, Manhattan; nine grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one grandson, Cory Fisher.

Funeral services were held Saturday morning at Enfield Funeral Home in Norton with Jeff Nielsen officiating. A memorial was established in her name. Contributions may be sent to the funeral home, 215 W. Main, Norton, Kan., 67654.

## School Menus

**October 3-7 OBERLIN SCHOOLS**  
**Monday:** Breakfast: cereal, muffin, pineapple. Lunch: beef nuggets, roll with butter. **Tuesday:** Breakfast: breakfast pizza, Mandarin oranges. Lunch: corn dogs, macaroni and cheese. **Wednesday:** Breakfast: waffles, ham, tropical fruit. Lunch: chicken-fried steak, roll with butter. **Thursday:** Breakfast: breakfast burrito, peaches. Lunch: pizza. **Friday:** Breakfast: cereal, bagel, pineapple. Lunch: chicken pot pie. Milk served with all meals. Choice bar served with all lunches.

**Sunflower Cinema**  
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Sat., Oct. 1  
7 p.m.

**March of the Penguins**  
Rated PG13

Sun., Oct. 2  
2 p.m.

Ticket Price: \$3<sup>00</sup>  
**Volunteers needed!**  
Call Jennifer: 475-2824

This advertisement sponsored by:  
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## Council seeks response before condemning building

The Oberlin City Council decided to send the owners of the old donut shop on Main Street a letter to see what their intentions are for the building before taking any further action.

The council talked about what it takes to condemn a building at the meeting last Thursday at The Gateway.

Councilmen Joe Stanley and Jay Anderson, City Administrator Gary Shike and Contractor Wayne Goltl looked inside the shop before the meeting Thursday.

Mr. Shike said Mr. Goltl told them it was in worse shape than he thought. Mr. Goltl said he thought it would cost at least \$10,000 to get the roof fixed.

The whole roof looks like it is shot, said Mr. Shike, and water has poured in everywhere. He said the men were careful walking around, especially where there was a basement underneath.

By ordinance, said Mr. Shike, the city can condemn an unsafe or dangerous building or require something to be done about it. The problem is, he said, the terms unsafe and

dangerous mean something different to different people.

The city had an engineer look at the building, said Mr. Shike, but he only got to look at the outside.

The building, which used to house a donut shop, is owned by Don and Jean Ann Kump.

The council sort of condemned the old south market on the high-

way, said Mr. Shike, and then the owner submitted a plan for renovation. Some work has been done to comply with what the council wanted at the time, said Mr. Shike, but nothing else.

The council talked about other buildings on their way to being in the same position. The city might need a new policy, said Mr. Shike.

## Corrections

A sports story about kid football in the Sept. 23 edition of *The Oberlin Herald* had the places for two upcoming games wrong. The story said that a fifth- and sixth-grade game on Saturday was to be in Hays but it was played in Oberlin. This was a reporting error.

The article also said that the fourth graders would be playing in Colby this week. Both the fourth-grade team and the fifth- and sixth-grade team will play in Oberlin against Colby this weekend. The fourth-grade game starts at 10:30 a.m. and the fifth- and sixth-grade game starts

at 11:30. This mistake game was caused by incorrect information given to the newspaper.

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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.

## American Profile

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## WEATHER

Decatur County Weather----- Sept 27 <sup>th</sup> - Oct 1 <sup>st</sup>					(National Weather Service)			
Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	(Information below is for period ending 7 a.m. Mon. Maximum temperature is for previous day.)			
Date	Hi	Low	Precip.					
83/53	63/38	70/43	75/48	80/50	Sept. 20	83	52	
					Sept. 21	91	51	
					Sept. 22	97	58	
					Sept. 23	70	52	0.06
					Sept. 24	78	51	
					Sept. 25	92	57	
					Sept. 26	67	46	

Yesterday and today were absolutely gorgeous, but we really need the rain to give the newly planted wheat crop a boost. A cool front tonight will provide a scattered chance to pick up a .25" or so of rain, but after that we look dry for a while. Tomorrow night temperatures will drop into the upper 30's in some low area's reminding us that the average first freeze date is October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Temperatures will remain fall like through the week and then warm-up over the weekend. Enjoy the warmer weather while it lasts!

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Precipitation totals: for the week, 0.06; for the month, 1.82; current year to date, 22.34; previous year to date, 20.40.

National Weather Service—Weather History: Sept. 25, 1998, "...the temperature soared to 103 degrees in McCook, Nebraska...the latest in the year it has ever reached triple digits at that location."  
By Charlotte Meints, local observer