

# 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

Nov. 1, 2005: Lisa Hardy, Oberlin, speeding 79, \$114.  
Jan. 13: Detrick Davis, Liberal, racing on highway, \$160.  
Jan. 27: William Clune, Edmund, Okla., speeding 78, \$108; Lauren Willis, Denver, speeding 79, \$114.  
Jan. 31: Carol Carter, Dresden, child passenger safety, \$80.

#### Limited Action

Norton Dairy Queen vs. Sherry Wright, \$8 plus costs and interest, etc.

#### Marriage Licenses

Feb. 14: John Erickson and Lisa Leon, both of North Platte, Neb.

#### REGISTER OF DEEDS

Tad Pelkey, Michael Pelkey, Preston and Kimberly Pelkey and Chad Pelkey, quitclaim to Alice Pelkey, Lots 5 and 6, Block 13, Original Town, now City of Decatur.

Robert Groneweg, transfer on death to Jeff Groneweg and Nikki

Groneweg, S 60' of Lots 7 and 8, and S 65' of Lots 9, 10 and 11, Block 22, Rodehaver Addition, City of Oberlin.

Marlene and Curtis Stamm, quit claim to Gerry and Theresa Tally, the E 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of Sec. 3, T4S, R29W.

Eliden Haas, transfer on death to Troy Haas, Lot 4, Block 8, Original Town, City of Oberlin.

#### AMBULANCE CALLS

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

Last Wednesday: 7:50 a.m., trauma, rural Decatur County to Decatur County Hospital; 11:50 a.m., Decatur County Hospital to Good Samaritan Hospital, Kearney, Neb.; 3:38 p.m., trauma, S. Penn to Decatur County Hospital; 4:31 p.m., Decatur County Hospital to Good Samaritan Hospital, Kearney, Neb.

Thursday: 3:51 a.m., medical emergency, S. Beaver to Decatur County Hospital; 4:25 a.m., medical emergency, Ampride parking lot to Decatur County Hospital; 6:06 a.m., pick up flight crew, Oberlin Airport to Decatur County Hospital; 7:20 a.m., Decatur County Hospital to Oberlin Airport.

Friday: 12:14 p.m., Decatur County Hospital to Good Samaritan Hospital, Kearney, Neb.; 2 p.m., standby at wrestling tournament, high school.

Saturday: 10 a.m., standby at wrestling tournament, high school.

Sunday: 11:30 a.m., Decatur County Hospital to Great Plains Regional Medical Center, North Platte, Neb.; 3:50 p.m., Great Plains Regional Medical Center, North Platte, Neb., to Decatur County Hospital.

### City Hall

#### POLICE BLOTTER

The Oberlin Police Department worked these calls last week:

• Around 8:15 a.m. Friday, Amber Barratt, 17, was trying to park her 1992 Chevy Cavalier in front of the high school when the car slid on ice into a 1993 Ford truck driven by Tom Weishapl. There wasn't any damage to the truck, but there was to the car. There was no ticket.

• Friday night, someone damaged Leland Smith's mailbox on the Sappa Creek Road southwest of town. He reported the damage Saturday.

## Board approves discount plan

The Oberlin School Board approved a revised technology plan at its meeting last Monday night, which will help the district continue to get discounts on communication services.

Every three years, said Superintendent Kelly Glodt, the district has to turn in an updated tech plan to the state. That way the district can get the "e-rate" through the government for Internet and telecommunications services. E-rate is based on kids who are on free and reduced lunches, he said.

The discount, said Mr. Glodt, is around 70 percent, which helps with Internet connection, cell phones and long distance services.

The plan was approved and has been sent on to the state, he said.

The board agreed to purchase two Suburbans from the Jennings School District. The Oberlin dis-

trict, said Mr. Glodt, won't get the vehicles until this summer. The district is buying a 1999 Suburban with over 60,000 miles on it and a 2000 with under 50,000 miles. The price was \$20,000 for both.

Steve Zodrow of Maps and Miller presented the audit for 2005. The district didn't have any violations, he said. The audit was approved and has been sent to the state.

Mr. Glodt said he gives all of the credit for the clean audit to Vickie Lippelmann, board clerk; Pam Simonsson, superintendent secretary; and Gina Montgomery and Carla Depperschmidt, school secretaries, who kept all of the budgets in line and made sure everything balanced to a penny.

In other business, the board:

• Agreed to sell off the old tables and chairs from the high school cafeteria. Mr. Glodt said the teachers

were able to get the tables and chairs moved into their classrooms first and then the rest were being sold. As of Friday, he said, he thought all the items were already gone, but anyone interested should contact Kenny Black, plant facilities director.

• Increased the hours of Maureen Anderson in the kitchen and heard that Ted Moon has been substituting there.

• Agreed to have the next calendar committee meeting at 4 p.m. today.

• Heard that Mr. Glodt went to Topeka recently and met with senators and representatives. He said he offered to testify for small schools any time he is needed.

• Received the resignation of Debra Marshall, a regular route bus driver, and hired Alan Marietta as a substitute bus driver.

## Ambulance grant money uncertain

Although Decatur County was notified that it had received a Community Block Development Grant for a new ambulance, the county may or may not get the money.

At their meeting last Tuesday, commissioners heard that income surveys have to be reviewed by Northwest Kansas Planning and Development Commission staff,

who will decide if the county qualifies for the money.

Even if the county is awarded the matching grant after the surveys are checked, no one knows if the state even has the money for the \$64,500 grant, said Commissioner Ralph Unger.

The commissioners also heard that there are three openings for

three-year terms on the Health Foundation board. The three spots are held by Vickie Bailey, Glenva Nichols and Gene Gallentine.

Anyone who wants to serve on the board should contact County Clerk Marilyn Horn at the courthouse to fill out an application. That includes those who hold the seats now, if they are interested in continuing.

### Meredith Joy Huff

Meredith Joy Huff, 85, a 1938 graduate of Jennings High School, died Friday, Feb. 17, 2006, at Porter Hospice in Centennial, Colo.

He was born April 8, 1920, at the family farm home in Decatur County, the eldest of four children of Jesse and Eunice (Barnett) Huff. After graduating from high school, he enlisted in the armed services in 1940 and was commissioned as a second lieutenant and pilot in 1943.

He married Hilaria Hickert at St. Joseph Catholic Church in New Almelo, on July 7, 1943, then served overseas for 11 months.

As lead pilot for the 416th Bomb Group in the 9th Air Force Division, he flew 65 missions over Europe. He

was discharged from the service in 1945 and retired from the Air Force Reserves as a lieutenant colonel in 1968.

The couple had one child, Arlene Marie, who was born July 25, 1947. They made their home on a farm in Decatur County until 1954 when they sold it and moved to Denver. The couple had also lived in Goodland and Casper, Wyo.

He worked for International Harvester, Massey Ferguson, Clark Equipment, and the United States Postal Service, retiring in 1982. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus and American Legion.

Survivors include his wife, Hilaria, Denver; daughter, Arlene and Roy Holm, Centennial, Colo.; three

grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and a sister, Carol Jean and Sandy Spires, Norton.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Barnett Jack Huff; and a sister, Maxine Cargill.

Mass of the Resurrection will be held at 10:30 a.m. today (Wednesday) at St. Joseph Catholic Church in New Almelo.

The Rev. Vincent Thu Laing and Deacon Stan Chapin will officiate. Burial will be at the church cemetery.

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

### Town Crier

**Today:** Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., ambulance barn.

**Thursday:** State Kansas Music Educator's Association convention, Wichita.

Seventh-grade girls basketball, league tournament, 2 p.m. at Quinter.

Eighth-grade girls basketball, league tournament, 2 p.m. at Oakley.

**Friday:** State wrestling, 10 a.m., at Hays.

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**Monday:** Substate basketball.

**Tuesday:** Substate basketball. Rotary Club, noon, The Gateway.

**Friday, March 3:** Ribbon cutting and coffee hour, 9 to 11 a.m., Nex-Tech/Ultimate Fertilizer.

World Day of Prayer, 2 p.m., Oberlin United Methodist Church.

**Saturday, March 4:** Rep. John Faber and Sen. Ralph Ostmeyer will speak, 11 a.m., at the jury room of the courthouse.

**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 nonperishable food and household items are always needed.

**Monday-Friday:** At 1 p.m. at Golden Age Center, Monday, pinocle; Tuesday, pitch; Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, pinocle.

### Corrections

An article about the Seeds of Hope Telethon in the Feb. 15 edition of *The Oberlin Herald* said Doris Fringer won the cinnamon roll contest on Saturday, Feb. 11, but it was actually Dorothy Woods who won. 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.

### Markets

#### February 20, 2006 closing markets

Wheat, \$4.04 bushel  
Milo, \$3.12 hnd weight  
Corn, \$1.98 bushel  
Soybeans, \$5.16 bushel  
Sunflowers, \$7.30



## WEATHER



### Decatur County Weather --- February 21<sup>st</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup>

Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
45/15	55/20	50/18	43/15	45/17
<b>Normal High: 46</b>		<b>Sunrise: 7:21 to 7:26am</b>		
<b>Normal Low: 19</b>		<b>Sunset: 6:25 to 6:30pm</b>		

Sub-zero temperatures last Friday and Saturday were a reminder that it can still get awfully cold on the High Plains this time of year. However, 40's and 50's this week, followed by 60's next week will make last week's cold a distant memory. The 1" of snow that came with the cold temperatures also appears to be it for precipitation this month. With March coming in like a lamb we'll need the lion to roar later for us to catch up on precipitation heading into spring.

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(Information below is for period ending 8 a.m. Mon. Maximum temperature is for previous day.)

Date	Hi	Low	Precip.
Feb. 13	61	26	
Feb. 14	64	24	
Feb. 15	42	16	0.03(.3"/S)
Feb. 16	21	3	0.02(.2"/S)
Feb. 17	3	-2	trace/S
Feb. 18	10	2	
Feb. 19	28	2	

Precipitation for the week: 0.05; for the month, 0.15; for the year, 0.58.

*Weather History:* On Feb. 19, 1954, "high winds across the southern half of the great plains...gusting to 85 mph...caused the worst dust storms since the 1930s."

By Jim Merriott - NOAA Cooperative Weather Observer

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8 Dr. Frankum General Surgeon Colonoscopies/ EGDs	9 Dr. Reeves Podiatry	10 Dr. Reeves Podiatry	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21 Dr. Miller Cardiology Clinic	22	23	24	25
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