

Alliance discusses new ideas

The Oberlin Business Alliance talked about new ideas at its meeting last Wednesday. It included a "Christmas in July" celebration tied in with the annual Beach Party to help raise money for new Christmas decorations.

Kurt Vollertsen, owner of Ward Drug Store, said that although they tried to claim the decorations as part of the November blizzard damage and get reimbursed from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, it didn't work. Mr. Vollertsen said the federal representative said the decorations had to be owned by the city. Although the alliance looks at the decorations as being owned by the city, he said, there won't be any money for them from the government.

The group discussed having beach volleyball, a street dance, a barbecue cook off and Christmas in July the weekend of July 28. They said they need to have a fund raiser to help pay for new decorations.

Laurie Wasson, owner of Prairie Petals, asked if the alliance was still doing something for new businesses at their ribbon cuttings. She said she used to take them a plant or something from the group. If the alliance members still want her to do that, she said, she could, or maybe the group can give a gift certificate or free membership for a year.

They have to be a member of the Chamber first, said Glenva Nichols, Chamber manager. The Chamber could talk about a discount or free membership at the meeting next week, said Bryan Loker, with KFNH, a Chamber board member.

The group agreed to give a new business a free membership for a year to the Oberlin Business Alliance. They will see what the Chamber does at its meeting.

In other business, the alliance:

- Heard they will do a basketball giveaway during the NCAA college play offs. Forms can be picked up at the chamber and businesses starting the last week in March. The winner will receive a basket of goodies.
- Heard that Mrs. Wasson will order flowers for the planters on Main Street again this year. Any businesses can contact her or Mrs. Nichols if they are interested in buying the flowers for the planter in front of their place.

Celebrating Ash Wednesday



AT ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, Pastor Rick Langness put ashes on his youngest daughter, Esther for Ash Wednesday last week. — Herald staff photo by Kimberly Davis

Group sponsors fun day

The Oberlin Teens for Christ will host a pizza feed, concert and dodge ball tournament for teens in seventh through twelfth grade on Saturday at the high school.

Pastor Doug Mason, who heads up the local group, said they try to have a major event like this at this time of year.

This year they booked Remedy Drive to perform in the high school gym. The band is made up of four brothers out of Nebraska who play Christian music. The group just recorded a CD, said Mr. Mason.

A member of Teens for Christ Connection knows one of the band members and said the band performed for the teen group a year and a half ago in Hays. He said the band was a big hit.

Pizza will be served at 6 p.m. and the band will start playing around 6:30 p.m.

After the band plays there will be a dodge ball tournament in the junior high gym. The tournament will continue to about 10 p.m. with two games running continually. Each tournament team will have six kids.

During the tournament, he said the snack bar in the cafeteria will be open.

Mr. Mason said their goal is to get around 400 kids to the event, which is the number who attended the concert in Hays. Now that some teens have heard the band, they are anxious to see them again.

"This is just a way to have some fun with the kids," he said.

Tickets at the door are \$10. Mr. Mason said he thinks he has enough volunteers and he encourages teens to come out for a night of fun.

Farmers, ranchers dinner Saturday

Around 200 seats have been reserved for the Decatur County Area Chamber of Commerce Farmers and Ranchers Appreciation Dinner on Saturday at The Gateway.

The last day to register was on Tuesday so The Gateway staff could order the food for the "cream-can" dinner of sausage, corn and potatoes cooked together.

This is the first time the Chamber has sponsored an event to recognize farmers and ranchers. The evening, which will include dinner, a speaker, dancing to live music and door prizes, is all free.

The Chamber received donations ranging from money to items to give away to making the event free to everyone.

Dinner will start at 6 p.m., followed by Milo Yield, portrayed by Thayne Cozart, who will tell humorous stories about growing up on the farm and working in agribusiness.

The Chamber board has booked the Oberlin band, Rendezvous, to play, and there will be room to dance. The event is for the whole family, said Kem Bryan, with the chamber.

Anyone who still wants to make a donation can call Chamber Manager Glenva Nichols at 475-3441.

Location: Nebraska Ave., Marion, Nebraska. Go 14 miles north of Oberlin, KS or 14 miles south of McCook, NE on Highway 83, then 5 miles east on Highway 89 to Marion, NE.

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<p>Hay Equipment</p> <p>New Holland 855 baler, always shedded</p> <p>Hesston 620, 14' swather, 6-cylinder, always shedded</p> <p>Hesston 14' swather, Wisconsin air cooled engine</p> <p>Hesston 520, 14' swather, 6-cylinder, always shedded</p> <p>New Holland 275 sq. baler, always shedded</p>	<p>Machinery</p> <p>Speeco fast hook-up Feeder wagon for grain w/ auger NVH 10', 3-pt. rear blade Servis 8' 3 pt. rear blade 6' rear 3 pt. blade Irrigation pipe trailer 12' Miller row weeder 24' Crustbuster 20' tire harrow Minneapolis 16' w/18" sweeps w/harrows 8'18" sweeps w/trip 12' duckfoot Log splitter Almond 180 amp elect. welder on wheels Honda 3-wheeler Steinlite moisture tester and scales 3-Pt. sprayer, pump, 50 gal. Old well drilling rig Massey Harris 80 special combine Metal pickup stock racks (2) 300 Gal. fuel tanks w/stands Krause 3-5 undercutter w/Flex King treaders 100 Gal. portable tank 4" Electric auger (4) Jet pumps Pittsburg 3-pt. cultivator Tail water pump P.T.O. 3-Bottom 3 pt. plow Whip auger (3) Chain saws, 12" and 14" bars</p>	<p>Pickups, Trucks, Cars</p> <p>Sunflower 35' self-leveling disc w/harrows, like new</p> <p>10' soilmoover</p> <p>(2) Older discs</p> <p>1994 Honda power washer, 8.0 H.P.</p> <p>New Holland 352 mixer, always shedded</p> <p>Antique 2-wheel 8' manure spreader, real good</p>	<p>Household & Misc.</p> <p>Desk Comforter w/matching bedskirt & curtains Sewing machine Side cabinet Nordic track Christmas tree Computer monitor Dining room table & chairs Cedar chest Handmade coffee table Washer Assorted garden tools Spray boom for ATV Nails Garden planter w/plates Cement trowels 16" Pickup chains Assorted V belts Saw horses Bressler woodburning stove Magic Chef propane heater (2) Electric weedcutters 4" Aluminum pipe Steel posts Engine, 5 H.P. Pipe fittings Pickup tool box Chest deepfreeze Assorted bolts, washers, oil filters, boomers, extension cords Hitch pins Several plastic tarps Several stainless steel thermos Lots of old iron</p>	<p>Tractors</p> <p>Allis Chalmers 7030, 5129 hrs., completely overhauled, new tires, dual hydraulics</p> <p>WC Allis Chalmers, runs good, excellent for restoring</p> <p>Ford select-o-matic, runs good, very clean for restoring</p> <p>IHC M real nice, runs good w/F11 loader, sq. bale pickup</p> <p>IHC W9 gas, real clean, runs like new. You won't find a better one!</p>
<p>Recreation Equipment</p> <p>16' Aluminum boat w/trailer, 33 H.P.</p> <p>Wide track 440 Polaris snowmobile 12 Gauge shotgun shell loader Johnson motor w/less than 10 hrs. Lg. aeration pump for fish Red Dale 10-1/2' camper slide-in pickup 150' Fish seine 75' Fish seine 30' Minnow seine (2) Sets water skis Camping equipment Fishing equipment Gas Bar-B-Q & bottles Gun cabinet John Boat, 12' Water jugs & coolers Blue rocks & thrower Duck decoys</p>	<p>Antiques</p> <p>Sod busting walking plow Firestone super cruiser bicycle w/lights Old bicycles Pair aluminum spurs Buzz saw & blades Hand saws (2) Block & tackles Old wooden cabinets</p>	<p>Livestock Equipment</p> <p>(2) 8' Creep feeders Pride of the Farm bulk bin Hastings bulk bin (2) Round bale feeders Several round bales straw Electric cattle probe</p>	<p>Trails</p> <p>Titan 8-1/2'x24' 1997 flatbed trailer, like new</p> <p>Titan 6-1/2' x18' 1989 stocktrailer, real good</p> <p>2-Wheel flatbed trailer</p>	<p>Auctioneer's Note: The Hornkohls have leased their land and are selling a well-maintained line of equipment.</p> <p>Many more items too numerous to mention!</p>

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