

# 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

Jan. 20: Steve Schillereff, Norton, driving while suspended, first conviction, \$160.  
June 26: Leah MacNeill, Hoxie, speeding 76, \$96.

### Limited Action

Decatur Health Systems Inc. vs. Jerry Bishop, \$428 plus costs and interest, etc.  
Decatur Health Systems Inc. vs. Gary Byarlay, \$557 plus costs and interest, etc.  
Decatur Health Systems Inc. vs. Roxanne Castens, \$192 plus costs and interest, etc.

Decatur Health Systems Inc. vs. Carolyn Hackney, \$242 plus costs and interest, etc.

Decatur Health Systems Inc. vs. Tony Sr. and Marlene LaRue, \$1,796 plus costs and interest, etc.

Decatur Health Systems Inc. vs. Rodney Lorentz, \$100 plus costs and interest, etc.

Decatur Health Systems Inc. vs. Marvin and Millie Matchett, \$1,397 plus costs and interest, etc.

### Marriage Licenses

June 27: Daniel Dean Sauvage and Marie Nicole Wesch, both of McCook.

### REGISTER OF DEEDS

David and Jeanette Krizek to Tony and Elizabeth Miller, as joint tenants, the E 1/2 of Lots 7, 8, and 9, Block 20, Johnston's Addition, City of Oberlin.

Tony and Elizabeth Miller, quit claim to David and Jeanette Krizek, the E 1/2 of Lots 7, 8 and 9, Block 20, Johnston's Addition, City of Oberlin.

Evelyn Shimek to the Evelyn Shimek Trust, the E 1/2 of Lot 8, and all of Lot 9, Block 14, Marks-Cole Addition, City of Oberlin.

Arthur and Wilma Hamilton, trustees of the Arthur J. and Wilma A. Hamilton Revocable Trust, to Terry and Peggy Ream, as joint tenants, the N 1/2 of Lots 11 and 12, Block 10, Summit Addition, City of Oberlin (dated April 1, 1993).

Donald and Genola Claussen, trustees of the Donald L. and Genola A. Claussen Revocable Trust, to Christopher and Iris Mastin, as joint tenants, two adjoining tracts in the N 1/2 of the SE 1/4, Sec. 2, T3S, R29W.

# Relay for Life makes \$16,439

The Decatur County Relay for Life raised \$16,369, about \$3,500 more than last year's event.

The money, said Co-chair Chris Dempewolf, will be sent to the American Cancer Society after T-shirt expenses are taken out.

There were 983 luminaries sold. Mrs. Dempewolf said the volunteers are already getting ready for next year's relay by collecting clear plastic two-liter pop bottles.

Anyone who wants to donate them may drop them off at the Business Enhancement Center downtown or the Decatur County Hospital. There are trash cans set up at each location.

The bottles will be cut apart and used to hold the luminaries next year.

# Protect produce from bacteria

As with other foods, it's important to handle fruits and vegetables safely to help prevent food-borne illness.

It's especially important to follow safe food practices in summer months when temperatures are warmer and bacteria can grow faster. There is also more chance for contamination as we may eat outside more, especially in sites away from home where there is little or no access to refrigeration and washing facilities.

Following are some steps consumers can take to reduce the risk of food-borne illness from fresh produce:

- At the store, buy produce that is not bruised or damaged.
- If buying fresh-cut produce, be sure it is refrigerated or surrounded by ice.
- At home, chill and refrigerate foods. After purchase, put produce that needs refrigeration away promptly. Fresh produce should be refrigerated within two hours of peeling or cutting. Leftover cut produce should be discarded if left at room temperature for more than two hours.
- Wash hands often. Hands should be washed with hot, soapy water before and after handling fresh produce or raw meat, poultry or seafood, as well as after using the bathroom, changing diapers or handling pets.
- Wash all fresh fruits and vegetables with cool tap water immediately before eating. Don't use soap or detergents. Scrub firm produce,

such as melons and cucumbers, with a clean produce brush. Cut away any bruised or damaged areas before eating.

- Wash surfaces often. Cutting boards, dishes, utensils and counter tops should be washed with hot soapy water and sanitized after coming in contact with fresh produce or raw meat, poultry or seafood. Sanitize after use with a solution of 1 teaspoon of chlorine bleach per 1 quart of water.
- Don't cross contaminate. Use clean cutting boards and utensils when handling fresh produce. If possible, use separate cutting boards for fresh produce and raw meat, poultry and seafood. During food preparation, wash cutting boards, utensils or dishes that have come into contact with fresh produce, raw meat, poultry or seafood. Do not consume ice that has come in contact with fresh produce or other raw products.
- Use a cooler with ice or use frozen gel packs when transporting or storing perishable food outdoors, including cut fresh fruits and vegetables.
- As an extra precaution, you may

want to wash packaged salads, especially if you are uncertain about how they were cleaned. Don't assume that because a food is packaged it's safe and ready to eat.

- Even if you don't eat the peel of a fruit or vegetable, such as melons, it's still important to wash them. Bacteria from the outer surface can be transferred to the inside of the fruit or vegetable. Discard outer leaves of leafy vegetables before washing them.

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## Home Time

By Tranda Watts  
Multi-county Extension Agent

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# WEATHER

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

Decatur County Weather	July 4 <sup>th</sup> - 8 <sup>th</sup>	Date	Hi	Low	Precip.
Tue	88/59	June 26	80	54	
Wed	85/57	June 27	86	56	
Thu	88/59	June 28	97	62	
Fri	90/61	June 29	95	59	
Sat	93/63	June 30	101	74	
		July 1	99	65	(trace)
		July 2	92	66	0.02

Normal High: 88  
Normal Low: 60  
Sunrise: 6:17 to 6:19 A.M.  
Sunset: 9:12 to 9:14 P.M.

Storms for the most part have been bouncing around the area or remaining in eastern Colorado. For tonight's 4<sup>th</sup> of July parties temperatures will be comfortable and storms should hold off until after fireworks. Tomorrow will be pleasantly cool for the first part of July and by the end of the week highs should be back into the 90's. The next several days look dry too. Another round of storms reappear early next week. Happy Birthday America!

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Precipitation: for the week, 0.02; for the month, 2.82; for the year, 7.45.  
Weather History: June 29, 2000-An F1 tornado, visible from 20-30 miles away, crossed open fields 10 mi. SW of Bird City.  
For 24-hour weather radio broadcast, tune scanner to 162.475 mhz.  
By Jim Merriott - NOAA Cooperative Weather Observer

# Obituaries

## Mary Ellen Smith

Mary Ellen Smith, 65, a sister of Betty Pauls of Selden, died Friday, June 30, 2006, at the Norton County Hospital in Norton.

She was born March 15, 1941, on a farm southwest of Selden, the daughter of Herman Joseph and Ellen Kathryn (Huber) Schlageck. She was reared on the family farm, homesteaded by her great-grandparents. She attended Selden Grade School and graduated from Selden Rural High School in 1959. She attended beauty school to become a hairdresser.

She married Larry D. Smith on

Oct. 3, 1964, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Selden. They lived in Colby before moving to Norton. She worked as a beautician in Colby, then in Norton at Debbie's Beauty Boutique and also at the Andbe Home before retiring in 1990.

She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary and St. Francis Catholic Church, serving as the head of the Environmental Committee.

Survivors include her husband, Larry Smith, of the home; three children, Douglas and Shelly Smith, Robert Smith, and Kathryn and Brian Pfannenstiel, all of Norton; a

sister, Elizabeth and Richard Pauls, Selden, and Herman Jr. and Ann Schlageck, Hoxie; a sister-in-law, Marcia Schlageck, Selden; and three grandsons.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, John Schlageck.

Mass of the Resurrection will be held at 11 a.m. today at the church in Norton. The Rev. Vincent Thu Laing will officiate and burial will be in the Selden Cemetery.

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

# Town Crier

**Monday, Wednesday and Friday**, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., FROGS Camp, City Park, for children grades 2-6, through July 28, sponsored by Oberlin Covenant Church.

**Today:** Farmers Market, 8 a.m., Business Enhancement Center drive-through.

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

**Thursday:** Diabetic support meeting, 7 p.m., room 3, The Gateway, sponsored by Decatur Health Systems. Public invited.

**Thursday, July 13:** Decatur County Democrats meeting, 6:30

p.m., Cardinal Cafe, Norcatar.

**Friday, July 14:** Chamber coffee hour, 9 to 11 a.m., Decatur Co-op.

**Monday, July 17:** Jody Tubbs of Kansas Commission of Veterans Affairs, 9:30 a.m., courthouse.

**Wednesday, July 19:** Chess players organizational meeting, 6:30 p.m., Oberlin City Library basement. Call (785) 475-2835 for details.

The Decatur County Food Pantry is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday and Thursday, 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. Last Thursday of the 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.

## 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.

## Markets

**July 3, 2006 closing markets**  
Wheat, \$4.74 bushel  
Milo, \$3.58 hand weight  
Corn, \$2.16 bushel  
Soybeans, \$5.15 bushel  
Sunflowers (unavailable)



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# VOTE ELECTION

DECATUR COUNTY ELECTION  
NEWS for July the 5th!

Voter Registration Books will close for Decatur County residents on Monday the 17th of July, 2006 with the Election Office on 2nd Floor of the Courthouse staying open until 9 p.m. that evening.

Anyone who has not currently registered to vote in Decatur County may do so at that time. A person must be 18 years of age on or before the Primary Election to be held on Tuesday the 1st of August, 2006. Or if you have changed your residence since the last election, you must reregister to vote. **Reminder:** Advanced ballots will be ready to mail out on Thursday, the 20th of July or you may vote in the Office of the County Clerk on or after that day until Primary Election Day.