

Shopping Spree begins

One lucky shopper will take home \$1,000 in scrip money next month which can be spent at any participating Oberlin business.

That's right, it's time again for the big \$1,000 Shopping Spree sponsored by Oberlin merchants and *The Oberlin Herald*.

Boxes and sign-up sheets will go out this week to the 13 businesses who sponsor the giveaway.

Everyone 18 and older can register to win by filling out a form and putting it in the box at the sponsoring businesses. There is no purchase required to win or to register.

Employees of *The Oberlin Herald* and their immediate family are not eligible to win. Employees of sponsoring firms are not eligible to register at their place of business.

The last day to register is noon on Tuesday, Aug. 15. The \$1,000 in scrip money will be given away during the Chamber of Commerce Back-to-School Picnic in City Park that afternoon.

The Herald staff will draw a name from the bucket. The winner has to be present, and if the prize is unclaimed, another name will be drawn until there is a winner.

The money has to be spent at the participating businesses between Wednesday, Aug. 16, and Wednesday, Aug. 23. The winner has to notify Kimberly Davis, managing editor of the paper, at 475-2206 when they plan to go shopping and agree to have pictures taken and a story run about how they spent the money.

Sponsoring businesses include: Culligan Water Conditioning Company, Addleman Drug Store, Rocking R, Flowers By Lee, Ward Drug Store, Dale's Fish 'N' Fun, The Dresser, the LandMark Inn, Raye's Grocery, R&M Service Center, Prairie Petals, Stanley Hardware and Countryside Veterinary Clinic.

Board transfers money

The Oberlin School Board transferred \$302,336 into four accounts to end the old year and get things started for next year.

The board held an 11-minute meeting at 7 a.m. Friday, June 30, to tie up a few loose ends on the last day of the fiscal year.

At the end of each year, the board approves transferring any money left into food service, special education, contingency reserve and capital outlay to help get started for the coming school year.

The board transferred \$26,900 into food service, \$150,000 into special education, \$70,886 into contingency reserve and \$54,550 into capital outlay.

The group also approved the transfer of \$65,000 earned through interest on the district's account into capital outlay.

The board approved the hiring of Linda Weber as the cook/bread maker and Tim Thornton as a grade school teacher. The teaching assignments at the grade school have not been determined as yet, however.

Mr. Thornton graduated in May from Kansas State University. Mrs. Weber is a cook at the hospital.

The board approved the revised Oberlin Elementary School handbook with no major changes.



Dirt moved for water

WORKERS USED heavy machinery Monday morning to help move dirt for the new waste water treatment plant south of town. Dirt movers (above) helped flatten out the middle while a grader (right) built up the edges. The workers are from Van Kirk Contracting and are doing work for Midlands Contractors.

— Herald staff photos by Kimberly Davis



Man travels with agricultural conference

By **KIMBERLY DAVIS**

An Oberlin businessman had the opportunity to travel across the nation learning about agriculture recently during a leadership conference.

Kevin Unger, manager at the Decatur County Feed Yard, was nominated for the program by the Kansas Livestock Association, with which the feed yard is affiliated.

The group of 42 met in Denver at the National Cattlemen's Beef Association headquarters at the end of May and made their way to Washington, stopping along the way.

They went to Grant County Feeders in Ulysses, Tyson Fresh Meats



Mr. Unger

in South Sioux City, Neb., the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, McDonald's world headquarters in Oak Brook, Ill., to Washington and to Whitestone Farms in Aldia Va.

Mr. Unger said he hadn't been on a trip of this magnitude before, although he did spend three days in Topeka and went to Emporia

on an agriculture trip.

He said he has been at the feed yard for five years and prior to that he worked with a progressive cow/calf operation and with seed stock.

The purpose of a trip like this, said Mr. Unger, is to see what goes on from the production level to Capital Hill. It was valuable, he said.

He said his favorite part was prob-

ably the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, where futures contracts on many farm commodities are traded. It was interesting to see all of the activity, he said.

Lobbying in Washington, said Mr. Unger, was a first for him. The group met with representatives from their state when they got there and the "death tax," or inheritance tax, was going to be voted on.

The group was prepped and then went in groups of two to five and lobbied the members and senators, he said.

The group met with Oberlin people along the way, including Corey Fortin, who is working in Washington.

The group spent time working on leadership skills and did mock interviews with the press, he said. One of

the guys on the trip was a radio personality, so he would ask questions about issues facing American agriculture.

Those are things that someone in production agriculture doesn't get exposed to, he said.

The association did a great job of planning the trip, he said. They are very professional and had everything taken care of.

Before going to Washington, said Mr. Unger, he didn't think he had a very loud voice, but now he knows that he does.

Mr. Unger said he thinks it is good to push your comfort zone in your field and learn.

The trip was sponsored by Five Rivers Cattle Feeding, John Deere, Tyson and the association, he said.

Council receives request to vacate alley

The Oberlin City Council received a request to close the west half of an east-west alley north between Martin and Commercial and set up a hearing.

Dave Schissler, who lives at 109 N. Martin, petitioned for the closing.

Water rescue to be taught

The Decatur County emergency medical technicians, lifeguards and some people taking swimming lessons will get a chance to learn water rescue techniques Thursday at a private pool just outside of Oberlin.

Interim Ambulance Director Linda Manning said Shayla Williby, who owns the pool, will go through techniques for putting people on a spine board in the water, how to take people out of the water on the boards, working in different currents and other water rescue methods.

The class will start at 6:30 p.m. at Mrs. Williby's place, which is about half a mile south of town on Sunflower Avenue. All of the emergency medical technicians and lifeguards are invited.

City Administrator Gary Shike said there is a sewer in the alley, but no other utilities.

The council set a public hearing for the meeting on Thursday, Aug. 3.

At the meeting Thursday, the council approved the first pay request to Midland Contracting of Kearney, Neb., for dirt work for the new waste water treatment plant. The bill was for \$185,850.

In other business, the council:

- Approved the dues for the Kansas Municipal Utilities for \$767.

- Heard that Patrolman Scott Zeigler has worked with the city for 20 years.

- Re-appointed Jesse Carter, who works for Farmers Bank and Trust and Judy Scott, who works for the hospital, to the planning commission and board of zoning appeals for the next three years.

Mr. Shike said if someone lets them know if they are interested in

being on a committee the council tries to keep them in mind and most likely will be re-appointed unless the person doesn't want to be.

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Alliance prepares for party

The Oberlin Business Alliance is getting ready for the big Beach Party downtown on Friday, July 28.

At the meeting last Wednesday, the group tried to iron out the details. Things will kick off at 5:30 p.m. with sand volleyball as in past years. Mick Barth, owner of the Re-Load and his crew will be selling burgers.

Alliance members are trying to organize a barbecue cook-off, with the idea that people can bring their grills downtown and cook. The group is still working on the rules.

Glenva Nichols, Chamber of Commerce manager, said one 4-H group wants to sell pie and ice cream as a fund raiser for Everett Urban.

After dinner and games, deejays Stan McEvoy and Kent Ploussard of Mobile Music Express will play tunes for a street dance.

The group sponsored the fireworks at the Decatur County Fair-ground last Tuesday. Steve Haynes, publisher of *The Oberlin Herald*, said it looked like there was a good crowd.

Rusty Addleman, owner of Addleman Drug Store, said he thought he would leave the donation jars out a few more days for anyone who wants to give money for the show. He said he hasn't received a bill for this year's fireworks or the last few years.

The alliance members heard that the Bargain Box Plus has given \$500 towards the show.

Mrs. Nichols said the community garage sales will begin at 3 p.m. on Friday, July 21, and 8 a.m. on Saturday, July 22. Anyone who wants to get on the map should call the chamber office at 475-3441 by noon on Friday. Maps will be available at the office after 3 p.m. on Thursday, July 20.

The group approved paying \$500 to the Chamber for the second-quarter bill office support and help from the manager.

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