

# 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. 6: Brian Hier, Evans, Colo., speeding 80, \$120.

Aug. 26: Leslie McAlister, Selbira, Mo., speeding 81, \$126.

#### JAIL BOOKINGS

These persons were booked into the Decatur County Jail in recent weeks:

Jason Haselhorst, 25, Hays, contempt of court, Aug. 8, Decatur County Sheriff's office.

Carl Bogart, 49, rural Oberlin, Aug. 13, driving under the influence, Oberlin Police Department.

Russell Reeder, 50, Wilsonville, Neb., Aug. 17, cruelty to animals, Red Willow County.

Robert Vaughn, 42, McCook, Aug. 17, driving under the influence, Red Willow County.

Jacob Sahn, 30, McCook, Aug. 17, probation violation, Red Willow County.

#### REGISTER OF DEEDS

Farmers and Merchants Bank of Colby to Kevin Rippe, the E 70' of Lot 6, and the E 70' of the S 1/2 of Lot 5, in Block 12, Sappa Addition, City of Oberlin.

Kevin and Megan Rippe to Kevin and Megan Rippe, as joint tenants, the E 70' of Lot 6, and the E 70' of the S 1/2 of Lot 5, Block 12, Sappa Addition, City of Oberlin.

William Hartzler, trustee William H. Hartzler Family Trust, to Dean and Rhonda Jolly, as joint tenants, the SW 1/4 of Sec. 21, T2S, R26W.

Michael and Gale Slattery to Adeco Inc., the N 1/2 of Sec. 3, T1S, R28W.

Polish Traders LLC to Bus and Coach International, a tract 50' x 495' in the NE 1/4 of Sec. 25, T4S, R27W.

James and Reva Marshall to Ronald and Linda Rhein, Tract I, Carman Addition, City of Oberlin.

Mary Lemman to Glen and Carolyn Vesterby, as joint tenants, part of Lots 1 and 2, Block 1, Marks-Cole Addition, City of Oberlin.

Dale Allacher to Dale Allacher, trustee of the Dale Allacher Living Trust, the NE 1/4 of Sec. 23 and the SE 1/4 of Sec. 14, all in T4S, R30W.

Gary and Darla King to W.E. and Deborah Jernigan, as joint tenants, Lot 11, Block 7, Rodehaver's Addition, City of Oberlin.

Joseph and Melissa Dreher to Christopher and Susan Pettit, as joint tenants, Lot 1 and the N 1/2 of Lot 4, Block 23, Rodehaver's Addition, City of Oberlin.

## AMBULANCE CALLS

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

Aug. 28: 6:49 p.m., medical, N. Elk, to Decatur County Hospital.

Thursday: 8:30 a.m., trauma, E. Ash, to Decatur County Hospital; 3:08 p.m., Decatur County Hospital to Veterans Administration Hospital, Kansas City, Mo.; 5:13 p.m., standby at junior high football game, Smick Field; 10:53 p.m., trauma, W. Columbia, to Decatur County Hospital.

Friday: 6:39 a.m., Decatur County Hospital to Great Plains Regional Medical Center, North Platte, Neb., and return; 7:45 a.m., medical, rural Lebanon, Neb., no transport; 6:43 p.m., standby at high school football game, Smick Field.

Saturday: 7:09 a.m., trauma, E. Ash, to Decatur County Hospital.

Sunday: 3:19 p.m., Decatur County Hospital to Hays Medical Center; 5:22 p.m., standby at sprint car races, Oberlin race track.

## City Hall

### POLICE BLOTTER

The Oberlin Police Department is investigating:

• A case of battery reported on Aug. 24 by four juvenile boys at the Sappa Valley Youth Ranch. Details were not available, but Police Chief Wade Lockhart said it appears that the four attacked another boy at the facility.

• Eunice Martin reported that an electric pole saw valued at \$175 was stolen from a garage on North Grand between 5 p.m. and midnight on Aug. 22-23.

• Oberlin Elementary School reported the loss of four 12-inch iBook laptop computers, an iSight video camera and an alto saxophone with

a total value of \$2,300 some time between when school let out on Friday, Aug. 25, and when it resumed on Monday, Aug. 28. There was no sign of forced entry, Chief Lockhart said.

• A checkbook and \$20 in cash were taken from an unlocked vehicle belonging to Donald Wayman, Oberlin, on Thursday. The vehicle was parked at the youth ranch, and charges are pending against a 16-year-old inmate.

• A 13-year-old at the ranch has been accused of battery against Karen Lasiter after he hit her with a garden hose. The incident was reported at 5:17 p.m. Thursday.

• Charges are pending against a 17-year-old at the Sappa Valley Youth Ranch for possession of marijuana. The incident was reported at 3:24 p.m. Monday.

• Ethan Long, 16, Oberlin, was backing from a driveway on South Griffith when the 2001 Chevy S-10 pickup he was driving ran into a parked 2002 Chevy Malibu owned by Karen Lasiter, Oberlin, at 3:35 p.m. Aug. 23. The pickup was undamaged but the Malibu had damage to a front fender.

• Gus Wolters, 76, Oberlin was backing out of the Decatur Co-op Tire Shop in a 1982 Chevrolet when he ran into a parked 1999 Ford pickup owned by Orlin Beneda, Oberlin, at 9:30 a.m. last Wednesday. The pickup was damaged on the driver's side of the bed.

• Karen Woodford, Breckenridge, Colo., was backing a motor home out of the parking lot next to Raye's Grocery when she hit a parked 1998 Oldsmobile Regency belonging to Donald Anderson, Oberlin, at noon Thursday. The Regency suffered damage to the passenger-side front door.

## Corrections

A story on Page 10A of the Wednesday, August 30, edition of *The Oberlin Herald* said incorrectly that a U.S. 83 bridge to be worked on crosses Sappa Creek. The bridge in question actually crosses a tributary north of Columbia Street. This was an editing error.

The story also said work would begin last week. As of Monday, signs were up and covered, but not all the equipment was in place and no work had begun. Both lanes were open to traffic with a 20 mph speed limit.



The Oberlin Herald will correct or clarify any mistake or misunderstanding.

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## Markets

### September 5, 2006 closing markets

Wheat, \$4.31 bushel  
Milo, \$3.38 hnd weight  
Corn, \$2.16 bushel  
Soybeans, \$4.60 bushel  
Sunflowers (unavailable)

## Christiana L. Johnson Viron Leroy Johnson

Christiana Louisa Marie "Christa" Johnson, 74, a longtime resident of Decatur County, died Thursday, Aug. 31, 2006, at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney, Neb. Her husband, Viron L. Johnson, died Friday, Sept. 1, 2006, at their home south of Lebanon, Neb.



Mrs. Johnson

She was born Aug. 22, 1932, at Vocklabruck, Austria, the daughter of Baron Erwin von Woelfel and Margarete (Schellmann) Woelfel. At the age of five, the family moved to Bad Hall, Austria and for several years they lived in various parts of Germany where she received her high school education. She was accomplished in the language arts, speaking German, English, Italian, Russian, Spanish and French. She was employed as an interpreter by an export firm at Linz, Austria.

He was born Feb. 17, 1932, at Oberlin, the son of Harlow Shaw and Evelyn (Hendricks) Johnson. When he was a child, the family lived in California, Kansas and Nebraska. He graduated from high school in Dighton.

He entered the United States Army on March 4, 1953 and served with the Occupational Forces in Austria following World War II.

They were married on Jan. 22, 1955, at Bad Hall, Austria, where he was serving with the military. After his honorable discharge on March 1, 1955, they lived in Oberlin before moving to McCook, where they operated Goat Hill Farm south of McCook.



Mr. Johnson

In 1959, they moved to the family farm south of Lebanon, Neb., in Decatur County. He farmed until retiring due to an auto accident on May 14, 1997. He was a member of the American Legion and the Family Frolics Dance Club.

She operated her own kennel business and raised Cocker Spaniels and German Shepherds as well as several other breeds. She was a member of the American Kennel Association and also the Family Frolics Dance Club.

Survivors of the couple include a daughter, Audry and David Smith, Independence; two sons, Ronald Johnson, Lebanon, and Richard and Lisa Johnson, Salina; three grand-

children; 15 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren. Christa is also survived by one sister, Margarete and Hans Schatz, Linz, Austria.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and a sister, Gudrun Schossthaler. He was preceded in death by his parents, and his wife on Aug. 31, 2006.

Joint funeral services were held Tuesday morning at Herrmann Memorial Chapel in McCook with the Rev. Dr. Jeffery Thurman officiating. Burial was at the Danbury and Marion Cemetery at Danbury.

Memorials may be given in their names. Contributions may be sent to Herrmann Funeral Home, 607 Norris, McCook, Neb., 69001.

## Glenn Alexander

Graveside services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Norcutt Cemetery for Glenn Alexander, 99, who died Monday at Goshen General Hospital in Goshen, Ind. He was a longtime resident of Norcutt.

Pauls Funeral Home of Oberlin is in charge of arrangements.

An obituary will be printed in next week's paper.

## Marilyn Grace St. Clair

Marilyn Grace St. Clair, 80, a longtime Oberlin resident, died Aug. 29, 2006, at the Decatur County Hospital.

She was born Jan. 10, 1926, at the family farm near Dresden, the

daughter of Ross William and Mabel (Beckwith) Tice. She was reared in the Dresden and Oberlin communities. She attended Dresden Grade School and graduated from Decatur Community High School in 1945.

She married Francis St. Clair on Nov. 27, 1948, at the United Methodist Church parsonage in Hoxie, where they made their home. She was a homemaker and also babysat, worked at the Bargain Box and did house cleaning. She was a member of the United Methodist Church and Rebekah Lodge, and had been a den mother for Boy Scouts.

Survivors include her children, Larry St. Clair, Oberlin; Stephen and Suzanne St. Clair, Bella Vista, Ark., and Judy and Conrad Reed, Colby; a sister-in-law, Grace Tice, Mankato; two grandchildren; two step-grandchildren, and two step-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband on Nov. 13, 1997; her parents; a brother, Merlin Tice; two sisters, Maida Anderson and Mildred Dean; and a brother-in-law, Jack Dean.

Funeral services were held Saturday morning at Pauls Funeral Home with the Rev. Doug Hasty officiating and burial was at the Oberlin Cemetery.

A memorial was established in her name. Contributions may be sent to the funeral home, 121 N. Penn, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

## School Menus

### Sept. 11-15

#### OBERLIN SCHOOLS

**Monday:** (No breakfast, late start.) Lunch: chicken strips, roll with butter. **Tuesday:** Breakfast: cereal, muffin, mixed fruit. Lunch: poorman's steak, roll with butter. **Wednesday:** Breakfast: breakfast combo, Mandarin oranges. Lunch: spaghetti, garlic roll. **Thursday:** Breakfast: pancake and sausage on a stick, applesauce. Lunch: pizza, tropical fruit. **Friday:** Breakfast: cereal, muffin, roll with butter. Lunch: chicken nuggets, roll with butter. Milk served with all meals. Choice bar served with all lunches.

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## Town Crier

**Today:** Red Cross Bloodmobile, 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., The Gateway. Walk-ins welcome.

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

**Thursday:** Junior high volleyball, 4:30 p.m. at Oakley.

Junior high football, 5:30 p.m. at Oakley.

High school cross country, 4:30 p.m., at Quinter.

**Friday:** High school football, 7 p.m., at Hoxie.

**Saturday:** Junior varsity volleyball tournament, 9 a.m., at Quinter.

**Sunday:** Community church service, 10 a.m., City Park band shell, followed by potluck. Decatur County Ministerial Association, sponsor. Bring lawn chairs, covered dish.

Teens for Christ opening night Water Wars, grades 7-12 only, 6 p.m., City Park.

**Monday:** Late school start, 10 a.m.

Junior varsity football, 5:30 p.m., here, with Hoxie.

Oberlin School Board meeting, 7:30 p.m., district office.

**Tuesday:** Coffee hour, 9 to 11 a.m., at county commissioners' office at courthouse.

Diabetes Under Control, 2 p.m., Elsie Wolters' home.

High school volleyball, 4:30 p.m., at Hill City.

**Monday-Friday:** At 1 p.m. at Golden Age Center, Monday, pinochle; Tuesday, pitch; Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, pinochle. Last Thursday of the month, senior bridge, open. Quilting, puzzles, games daily.

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.

A representative of the Northwest Local Environmental Protection

Group will be at the Health Department once a month for free well evaluations.



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## WEATHER



### Decatur County Weather -- September 6<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup>

Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
80/53	83/55	80/53	78/50	80/52

Normal High: 82  
Normal Low: 52

With low temperatures reaching into the 30's in some locations over the weekend it definitely looks like we could be seeing an early frost this year. August rains and cooler temperatures the past couple of weeks have brought new life to pastures and hope to get this year's wheat crop out of the ground. We desperately need more snow this winter to ease the effects of the prolonged drought. The best chance for rain this week will be Friday with a passing system. Temperatures will remain cooler over the next week too.

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### (National Weather Service)

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

Date	Hi	Low	Precip.
Aug. 28	78	50	0.01
Aug. 29	77	56	
Aug. 30	81	59	
Aug. 31	85	62	1.98
Sept. 1	74	46	0.29
Sept. 2	71	44	
Sept. 3	78	51	

Precipitation: for the week, 2.28; month of August, 5.63; month of September, 0.29; for the year, 13.89.

Weather History: Sept. 1, 1929 - The temperature soared to 107 degrees in McCook, a record for the month of September at that location.

By Jim Merriott - NOAA Cooperative Weather Observer

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