

# Engine show, parades, food set for weekend

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Antique vehicles, tractors, engines, baked goods, pumpkin painting, performances, parades and more will mark a big weekend in Oberlin, with the action starting Saturday morning.

Both the Mini Sappa Antique Thresher and Engine Show at the fairground and Mini Sapa Day at the Last Indian Raid Museum will start that morning, offering lots of family entertainment.

The two events are held on the same weekend in early October, with the celebration at the museum on Saturday and the antique show on both Saturday and Sunday.

At the fairground, the Mini Sappa Antique Thresher and Engine club will be threshing wheat and cutting wood using some of the old machinery equipment. There will also be quilt and apron shows.

The club will have a dynamometer that people can hook up their tractors to test horsepower. The suggested price is \$5 per test.

Entrance to the fairgrounds is \$3 for adults and 50 cents for children and under each day.

Other activities at the fairground include:

- Church services at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday with Jim Plotts of Norcatu preaching.
- Breakfast at 7 a.m. and lunch each day at the 4-H Building.
- A poker run at 11 a.m. Saturday.
- A kids' pedal tractor pull at 2 p.m. on Sunday.
- A stock garden tractor pull at 12:30 p.m. Saturday. The hook-up

fee is \$2, with the event open to any kind of lawn tractor.

- A parade at 4 p.m. Saturday and 3 p.m. Sunday.

At the museum, things kick off at 7 a.m. with a benefit pancake-and-ham breakfast at the Old Bohemian Hall. This will be the 48th year for Mini Sapa, which was started as an open house and celebration for the victims who survived the 1879 Indian raid.

Admission to the museum will be free all day.

A new attraction this year will be a laser-shot computer hunting simulator owned by the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks. People can use it from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

There will be a craft fair in the museum courtyard. Vendors will be selling items including Pampered Chef, sweatshirts, baby blankets, sewing and crocheted items, jellies, leather, kids' books, jewelry-making supplies, metal lawn ornaments and blacksmith supplies. The county health department will be doing blood-pressure checks.

Other activities at the museum include:

- Lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for a donation.
- A performance by the DCHS Singers in the hall from 8 to 9 a.m.
- A bake sale in the Land Office from 8 to 9:30 a.m.
- The craft fair from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Kids' pumpkin painting from 10:30 a.m. to noon.
- A piano recital by students of Cheryl Metcalf, Mary Henzel and Susan Nelson in the Bohemian Hall at 2 p.m.

## Five people guess right on 10 games

Overtime and tie breakers were the rule this week, as five people picked 10 out of 11 games in the fifth week of *The Oberlin Herald's* Pigskin Pick'em contest and two tied for first.

A coin toss gave first place to Brock Baxter, Smith Center, over Vernon Ketterl, Herndon. Both had 10 correct answers and both guessed that Missouri would beat Colorado, but each was off four points of the actual score. Baxter said Missouri would win 28-17 and Ketterl guessing it would be 24-13. Both were close, as the Tigers downed the hapless Colorado Buffaloes 28-13.

Baxter can pick up \$15 in scrip at the paper and Ketterl \$10 for their good guessing.

Owen Wilson, Oberlin, came in third and will collect \$5 in scrip.

Todd Ketterl and Amanda Grafel, Oberlin, also guessed 10 out of 11. All five top placers believed that K-State would beat Baylor, but it just wasn't the Wildcats' day.

Coming in with nine out of 11 were Ivis Hanson, C.J. Peters, Dan Grafel, Adam Kadavy, Travis Raile and Diana Solko, Oberlin; Denise Bailey and Mark Bailey, Norcatu; Cody Jacobs, Dresden; Christian Wilson and Jessica Vaughn, Colby; and Billy McCoy, Danbury, Neb.

Guessing right on eight games were Valisha Raile, Nikki Relaford, Connie Grafel, Kade Brown and Mabel Zimmerman, Oberlin; Jeanne Tuma, Randy Wilson, Mark Winger and Kris Lemman, Colby; Rodney Solko, McCook; and Shayla Bailey and Gail Bailey, Norcatu.

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Accurate on seven were Gary Anderson, Kimberly Solko, Don Relaford, Kenny Gee and Colleen Gee, Oberlin, and Lucas Bailey, Norcatu.

First-place winners each week will get \$15; second place, \$10; and third \$5 in scrip spendable only at the businesses which sponsor the contest — Fidele Electric and Woodcrafting, Golth Home Planning, Ward Drug Store, Raye's Grocery, Fredrickson Insurance Agency, Farm Credit of Western Kansas, the LandMark Inn, R&M Service Center, Prairie Petals, Wagner Chevrolet and *The Herald*. Winners must pick up their prizes at the newspaper office during the contest period and spend the money before Dec. 31.

This week's contest is on Page 6A.

Winners of last week's games were:

- Atwood over Oberlin, 34-28.
- Hays High over Goodland, 58-30.
- St. Francis over Hoxie, 49-0.
- Brewster/TriPlains over Golden Plains, 46-20
- Nebraska over Kansas, 39-32 in overtime.
- Oakley over Colby, 28-6.
- Baylor over K-State, 17-3.
- Norton over Ellis, 27-6.
- Cheylin over Northern Valley, 22-8.
- McCook over Sidney, Neb., 62-12.
- K.C. Chiefs over S.F. 49ers, 41-0.

## Offices to close Monday

All federal offices, banks and financial institutions will be closed on Monday for Columbus Day, and there will be no mail service.

*The Oberlin Herald* will be open, but since there is no mail, news and advertising copy may be left at the office or placed in the slot on the

front door over the weekend. Deadline is noon Monday.

Oberlin schools will be closed on Monday for teacher in-service training. State, city and county offices and most businesses will be open as usual.



## Children dig out big seeds

**PRESCCHOOLER ROWDY FARR** (above) tried to pick sunflower seeds out of a large flower head Friday at the home of his teacher, Cheryl Soderlund. Mrs. Soderlund (right) read the students a book about a sunflower house like one she had planted in her yard. After she read the book, the students had a snack in the circle surrounded by sunflowers.

— Herald staff photo by Kimberly Davis



## Teenagers, alcohol involved in accident

One 19-year-old received a ticket for minor in possession and two others may still face charges after an accident northeast of Oberlin about 12:30 a.m. Sunday.

The Decatur County Sheriff's Department said Farra McChesney, 15, was driving a 1992 Chevy Cavalier southbound when she lost control and ended up in the east ditch. She was 4.7 miles northeast of town

on the Cemetery Road.

Miss McChesney, said Deputy Jay Tate, has a restricted license, which means she can drive to school and home or to work and home on the most direct route.

In the car with Miss McChesney were Brent Stallman, 19, who received the ticket, and Jordan Macfee, 16.

Deputy Tate said none of the

youths was wearing a seatbelt and all had minor injuries. After the accident, they caught a ride to town with other teens who were in the area.

Miss McChesney and someone who was driving by reported the accident. The three teens were taken back to the accident site, he said.

Both of the teenage boys were given a preliminary breath test, he

said, and both were over the legal limit of .02, which means they had been drinking. The legal standard for someone under 21 is .02, he said. Miss McChesney was taken to the Decatur County Hospital by her family. They took her blood there, Deputy Tate said, and they won't know if there was alcohol in her system until they get the test back.

Other tickets and charges are still pending.

## County 4-H'ers celebrate 100+ years

Decatur County 4-H'ers will be celebrating 100+ years of service during their week this month.

County extension agent Byron Hale said there are more 4-H members this year, with 93 in four clubs. The numbers seems to fluctuate every year, he said, always above or below the average.

The clubs are Stick-to-It, Star Valley, Sappa Valley and Maverick. Each has a community leader: Carol Wasson for Stick-to-It, Deb Helm Star Valley, Elaine Marcuson for Sappa Valley and Dennis Macfee for Maverick.

The kids can choose which club they want to be in.

In 4-H, said Mr. Hale, members

learn five life skills, including a concern for the community, developing inquiring minds, building a positive self concept, relating to others and learning to make decisions. Projects and fairs are just a small part of 4-H, he said, a means to an end.

Although it may seem the county fair is the focus of most 4-H work, he said, the clubs do community service through out the year.

Members have helped put up garland downtown for the holidays, and worked at the Good Samaritan Center and Cedar Living Center.

The clubs do lots of service, he said; sometimes they get credit and sometimes not. The kids don't do the work for recognition, though,

said Mr. Hale. Each of those projects helps teach them those five life skills.

Anyone between the ages of 7 and 18 can become a 4-H member by calling the extension office at 475-8121 or stopping by the first-floor office at the county courthouse.

Members can pick which group they want to belong to, said Mr. Hale. There are no membership fees, although sometimes there is a small material fee for some projects.

October is the beginning of the new 4-H year, he said, so everyone will be re-enrolling. This would be the best time for someone who is new to sign up, the agent said, because they will get in on the start of

all of the projects.

Most of the clubs meet sometime between Friday and Sunday in a community building like the basement of a church or the Good Samaritan Center.

4-H is a good idea for kids because it is important for them to learn those five life skills, said Mr. Hale.

The national program is celebrating 100+ years. At the Decatur County fair last year, he said, the clubs celebrated the centennial. During this week, national 4-H Week, he said, the clubs will have individual celebrations. See the ad on Page 4B of today's *Oberlin Herald* celebrating 4-H week.

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