

Obituaries

Ralph L. Baalman

Ralph L. Baalman, 76, a brother of Helena Bruggeman of Oberlin, died Jan. 15, 2007, at Smoky Hill Rehabilitation Center in Salina.

He was born Sept. 22, 1930, in Sheridan County, the son of William and Regina Anna (Robben) Baalman.

He married Lois V. Bell on April 18, 1964, at WaKeeney. He was a farmer, school custodian and bus driver at the Grinnell Public Schools for 24 years. He was a member of St. Paul's Church, Angelus; Immaculate Conception Church, Grinnell; 4th Degree Knights of Columbus, Angelus; John F. Kennedy Assembly, grand knight, district deputy and health services chairman; Angelus 4-H Club community leader; and Grinnell Senior Center secretary.

Survivors include his wife, Lois, Salina; three daughters, Linda and Dan Jones, Salina; Carol Baalman, Overland Park; and Beverly and James Rodriguez, Fayetteville, N.C.; a sister, Helena Bruggeman, Oberlin; and five grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers, Edward Baalman, Brother Albert Baalman and Urban Baalman; and three sisters, Sister Clementia Baalman, Sister Mary Theresa Baalman and Martha Horinek.

Funeral services were held Saturday morning at St. Pauls Catholic Church in Angelus. Father Michael Elan officiated and burial was at the church cemetery.

Memorials were established to the churches in Angelus and Grinnell; Grinnell Senior Center; Parkinson's Disease Association; and Masses. Contributions may be sent to Kennedy-Koster Funeral Home, 217 Freeman, Box 221, Oakley, Kan., 67748.

Cynthia Ann Bergling

Cynthia Ann Bergling, 49, formerly of Herndon, died Thursday, Jan. 18, 2007, in Overland Park after over a two-year battle from major brain trauma following an automobile accident.

She was born Aug. 16, 1957, in McCook, Neb., the daughter of Phillip and Laverne Niemeth of Herndon. She grew up in Herndon and attended Herndon schools.

She married David Bergling and they had three children. She traveled many places in the United States and to South Korea while her husband was serving in the military. She worked for a day care center at the Yongson military base in Seoul, South Korea, before returning to the U.S., where she worked 11 years for Wal-Mart.

Survivors include three children, Jeremy, Jason and Alicia, and a granddaughter, Kelly Anna, all of Overland Park; her mother, Laverne Niemeth, and a brother, Gerald and Kim Niemeth, Herndon; and a sister, Janice Alexander, Arvada, Colo.

She was preceded in death by her father, and a brother, Tom.

Memorial services will be at 4 p.m. on Friday at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Herndon with a dinner to follow. There was cremation.

Memorials and cards may be sent to the church, Box 247, Herndon, Kan., 67749.

A memorial was established in her name. Contributions may be sent to Route 2, Box 182, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

Clara M. (Gay) Casford

Clara M. (Gay) Casford, 96, mother of Glema Macy of Lebanon, Neb., died Jan. 14, 2007, at the Cambridge Manor Home in Cambridge, Neb.

She was born Dec. 15, 1910, at Lebanon, the daughter of Charles Edward and Hallie Elizabeth (Horton) Weatherwax. She grew up at Lebanon and attended Lebanon High School.

She married Truman Gay on June 25, 1930, at Oberlin. They made their home northwest of Lebanon until 1941, when they moved to the Lyle community. They moved back to Lebanon in 1948 and her husband preceded her in death on March 18, 1965.

She moved to McCook in 1966. She married Glen Casford on June 18, 1970 and they lived in McCook where her husband owned Casford Oil Co. He preceded her in death on May 31, 1974.

She moved to Highland Park in McCook in 1996, then moved to Tri Valley Assisted Living at Cambridge. She moved to Cambridge Manor in January 2005.

Survivors include two daughters, Glema and Jack Macy, Lebanon, and Darlene and Ray Lobato, Larkspur, Colo.; five grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by a brother, Elvis Weatherwax and his wife, Mae.

Funeral services were held last Wednesday at Herrmann Memorial Chapel in McCook. The Rev. Steve Bales officiated and burial was in the Lebanon Cemetery.

Memorials may be given in her name. Contributions may be sent to the funeral home, 607 Norris, McCook, Neb., 69001.

Robert Dale Keen Jr.

Robert Dale Keen Jr., 50, brother of Harold Berry of Oberlin, died Jan. 12, 2007, at his home in McCook.

He was born Aug. 16, 1956, in McCook, the son of Robert Dale Sr. and Clara Elizabeth (Ruby) Keen. He married Gail Van Vleet in 1974.

Survivors include a son, Christopher Michael and Emily Keen, Wisconsin; two brothers, Harold and Pat Berry, Oberlin; and Carroll and Janice Berry, Arvada, Colo.; four sisters, Diane and William Slagle, St. Libory, Neb.; Deanna Sekyra, Columbus, Neb.; Terrie Bredvick, and Debbie and Earl McNutt, McCook; three grandchildren; and special friend, Penny Hatla, Dysart, Iowa.

Memorial services were held last Wednesday afternoon at Herrmann Memorial Chapel in McCook. The Rev. Steve Bales officiated and inurnment will be at a later date.

A memorial was established in his name. Contributions may be sent to the funeral home, 607 Norris, McCook, Neb., 69001.

Francis E. Krizek

Francis E. Krizek, 81, a longtime Oberlin resident, died Saturday, Jan. 20, 2007, at the Decatur County Hospital in Oberlin.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. today (Wednesday) at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Oberlin with the Rev. Henry Saw Lone officiating. There was cremation.

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

A complete obituary will be carried in next week's newspaper.

Hilda Tyrrell McGee

Hilda Tyrrell McGee, 85, former co-owner of McGee Furniture and Floor Covering in Oberlin, died Jan. 15, 2007, at the Decatur County Good Samaritan Center in Oberlin.

She was born June 12, 1921, on a farm near Clayton in Norton County, the daughter of Frank and Gernia (Mitche) Madden. She was reared on the family farm and attended Mount Sunshine Country School and graduated from Lenora High

School.

She married Bunnie Tyrrell and they had two sons, Jim and John. Her husband preceded her in death in 1965.

She married David McGee on June 3, 1967, and became a step-mother to his three children, Mike, Kathleen and Patricia. They made their home in Norton until moving to Oberlin in 1972. They purchased the furniture store in Oberlin from Mary Francis and renamed it McGee Furniture and Floor Covering. The couple retired in 1989.

Both were baptized and members of the Norton Christian Church. When they moved to Oberlin, they became members of the United Church of Oberlin. They spent the past few years as residents of the Decatur County Good Samaritan Center in Oberlin.

Survivors include her husband, David McGee; two sons, James and Mary Tyrrell, and John Tyrrell, Cameron, Mo.; three stepchildren, Mike and Sharon McGee, Houston; Kathleen Thonhoff, Salida, Colo.; and Patricia Horning, Wichita; a sister, Della Connell, Norton; a sister-in-law, Enid Foland, Almena; a grandson; a great-grandson; seven step-grandchildren; and eight step-great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by her parents; two sisters, Letha and Al Rupp, and Vera and Mark Turner; a brother-in-law, Ben Connell; and nephew, Don Connell.

Funeral services were held Friday morning at the United Church of Oberlin. The Rev. Judi Stricker officiated and burial was at the Lenora Cemetery.

Memorials were established to the Decatur County Good Samaritan Van Fund and Decatur County Hospital Building Fund. Contributions may be sent to Pauls Funeral Home, 121 N. Penn, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

Correction

The Winter Sports section in the Jan. 17 issue of *The Oberlin Herald* incorrectly identified Shane McEvoy as Ryan McEvoy in the caption of the seventh-grade basketball group photo. This was due to incorrect information given to the newspaper.

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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

Nov. 22, 2006: Lolita Metcalf, Danbury, Neb., speeding 83, failure to wear seat belt, \$154; Martin Mitchell, Aurora, Colo., speeding 80, \$126.

Nov. 26, 2006: Kevin Meitl, Oberlin, defective tail lamp, towing vehicle connection, \$126; Troy Munsch, Shiatook, Okla., speeding 78, \$114.

Dec. 22, 2006: Eric Green, Jennings, failure to give notice of accident, \$166.

Dec. 27, 2006: Mark Rockwell, APO, AE, speeding 81, \$132; John Thomas Jr., Albuquerque, N.M., speeding 82, \$138.

Limited Action

Chris Kuhlman vs. 1974 Volkswagen, quiet title.

Small Claims

Cope Family Dentistry vs. James Hardy, \$1,515 plus costs and interest, etc.

Marriage Licenses

Dec. 29, 2006: Chase David

Juenemann and Dana Nichole Sattler, both of Hays.

REGISTER OF DEEDS

Larry and Della Simoneau Family Trust, 1/2 interest, the S 1/2 of NE 1/4 and N 1/2 of SE 1/4 of Sec. 27, T5S, R26W; the SW 1/4 of Sec. 26 and NW 1/4, Sec. 35, T5S, R26W; and part of the NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4, Sec. 35, T5S, R26W.

James Schroer, grantor's interest by quit claim to James W. Schroer Trust, the NE 1/4 of Sec. 27, T5S, R28W (dated Aug. 14, 1996).

Elizabeth Schroer grantor's interest by quit claim to Elizabeth G. Schroer Trust, the NE 1/4 of Sec. 27, T5S, R28W (dated Aug. 14, 1996).

Robert Leonard by quitclaim to Doyle Leonard and Marcia Allen, partial interest in NW 1/4 and W 1/2 of SW 1/4 of Sec. 16, T5S, R27, and W 1/2 of SE 1/4 of Sec. 21, T4S, R27W.

Phillip K. Erickson, transfers on death to Mary Long, Kristine Reneberg, and Kenneth Erickson, the E 18" of Lot 6, the W 6' of Lot 4, and all of Lot 5 in Block 8, Summit Addition, City of Oberlin.

Kirk Brown to Ralph Sr. and Evelyn Clapper, as joint tenants, part of Lots 12 and 15, all of Lots 13 and 14, Block 4, Johnston Addition,

City of Oberlin.

Gary Bryant to Gary Skappel, Lots 6 and 7, Block 10, Original Town, City of Oberlin.

JAIL BOOKINGS

The following were booked into the Decatur County Jail:

Joshua Fritz, 28, Bartley, Neb., Jan. 16, refusing to pay a fine, Red Willow County.

Kyle Lambert, 19, Oxford, Neb., Jan. 16, refusing to pay a fine, Red Willow County.

SHERIFF'S BLOTTER

The Decatur County Sheriff's Office worked these calls:

• Around 10:30 a.m. last Wednesday Rebecca Fortin, 19, of McCook was driving her 2003 Chevrolet on County Road 471 three miles west of U.S. 83 when she got pulled into the ruts. The vehicle rolled several times. There were no injuries. The vehicle was totaled and towed by Eskew Engines.

• Around 11:45 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 10, Roger Enfield, 51, of Goodland was driving his 2001 Chevy pickup on U.S. 83 about 9 1/4 miles south of the U.S. 36 and U.S. 83 intersection when he hit a deer in the road. There was moderate damage to the vehicle.

Town Crier

Today: Cover Your Acres Winter Conference, 7:45 a.m., registration, The Gateway.

Senior menu: tuna and noodle casserole, pea salad, jello w/mandarin oranges and pineapple, rolls, crispy rice bar.

College Financial Aid Night, 7-8:30 p.m., high school.

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

Thursday: Senior menu: chili with beans, apricots, crackers, cinnamon roll.

Junior high girls basketball, 4:30 p.m., here, Hoxie.

Junior high wrestling, 6 p.m., here, Oakley/St. Francis.

High school basketball, 6:30 p.m., at Norton.

Friday: Senior menu: barbecued chicken, potato salad, winter mix vegetables, bread, mixed fruit w/cherries.

Little Kids wrestling benefit soup supper, 5 p.m., cafeteria.

High school basketball, 6:30

p.m., at Goodland.

High school wrestling, 6:30 p.m., here, Goodland.

Saturday: High school speech, 8 a.m., here.

Northwest Kansas League wrestling tournament, 9:30 a.m., at Hoxie.

Sunday: Teens for Christ, 6-8 p.m.

Monday: Oberlin Elementary School Wichita Children's Theater, 9:30 a.m.

Senior menu: Macaroni and cheese/smokies, green beans, four-fruit compote, rolls, choice complement.

Junior high scholar bowl, 3 p.m., at Goodland.

High school scholar bowl, 4 p.m., at Norton.

High school junior varsity basketball tournament, 5 p.m., at Colby.

Tuesday: Senior menu: smothered steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, steamed cabbage, carrots and onions, bread, peaches.

Junior high girls basketball, 4:30 p.m., at Colby.

High school basketball, 6:30 p.m., here, Grinnell.

Next Wednesday: Senior menu: chicken and vegetable casserole, spinach salad, rolls, pineapple ambrosia.

Monday-Friday: At 1 p.m. at Golden Age Center, Monday, pinocle; Tuesday, pitch; Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, pinocle.

Markets

January 22, 2007 closing markets

Wheat, \$4.27 bushel
Milo, \$6.43 hnd weight
Corn, \$3.86 bushel
Soybeans, \$6.20 bushel
Sunflowers, \$13.75 hnd weight

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WEATHER

(National Weather Service)

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

Date	Hi	Low	Precip.
Jan. 8 43	19		
Jan. 9 31	9		
Jan. 10	32	13	
Jan. 11	29	20	
Jan. 12	12	-2	
Jan. 13	10	2	0.25 (1"/s)
Jan. 14	15	-3	0.04 (4"/s)

Precipitation: for the week, 0.29; for the month, 0.29; for the year, 0.29.

Weather History: Jan. 13, 2001-Northwest Kansas experienced various severe winter weather conditions, including 6-9" of snow along and north of I-70.

By Jim Merriott - NOAA Cooperative Weather Observer

Decatur County Weather - January 16th - 20th

Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
25/8	35/13	38/15	35/13	38/15

Normal High: 38
Normal Low: 15

Sunrise: 7:59 to 8:01am
Sunset: 5:43 to 5:48pm

It may be a while before we get all of the snow and ice melted with afternoon highs only reaching a few degrees above freezing this week. Another 3" to 5" of fluffy white snow fell over the weekend, but the extended period looks snow free. The next chance for some light snow will be early next week. This winter's snowfall will go a long way in helping drought conditions this spring!

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