

*Fair starts slow with fashion and horse show

(Continued from Page 1A) will start in front of the grandstands, with gates open at 6 p.m.

Here is the schedule of events planned for the fair and carnival. Books with the rules about entries are available in the Decatur County Extension Office on the first floor of the courthouse.

Tuesday

9 a.m. to noon — Enter all 4-H and Open Class exhibits (except floriculture).

Noon — All booths in place.
6 to 10 p.m. — Exhibits open.
6:30 p.m. — 4-H Food Auction, east of the 4-H Building.

7 p.m. — Carnival open.

Next Wednesday

8 a.m. — Bucket Calf Show.
8 to 10 a.m. — Open Class and 4-H Floriculture entered, judging to follow.

9 a.m. — Dairy/Beef Show at the livestock barn.

5 p.m. — Sheep Show at the livestock barn.

5 p.m. — Kids Tractor Pull sponsored by Farm Bureau, south of the livestock barn.

6 to 10 p.m. — Exhibits open.

7 p.m. — Carnival open.

7:30 p.m. — The Gospel Hour, grandstand.

Thursday, Aug. 9

9 a.m. — Swine Show at the livestock barn.

11 a.m. — Media interviews with owners of Grand and Reserve Champion Livestock at the livestock barn.

4:30 p.m. — Senior and Intermediate Round-Robin Showmanship contest at the livestock barn.

6 to 10 p.m. — Exhibits open.

6:30 p.m. — Livestock Auction (location to be announced).

7 p.m. — Carnival open.

8 p.m. — Roller Demo Derby/Farm Truck Races, grandstand.

Friday, Aug. 10

8 a.m. — Clean up livestock exhibits.

1:30 p.m. — Pet Parade at Good Samaritan Center.

5:30 p.m. — Public Fashion Revue at The Gateway.

6 to 10 p.m. — Exhibits open.

7 p.m. — Carnival open.

8 p.m. — Demo Derby, grandstand.

9:30 to 10 p.m. — Release of all exhibits.

10 p.m. — Bale decorating contest winner announced on the midway.

Saturday, Aug. 11

7 p.m. — Carnival open.

7 p.m. — Tractor Pull, grandstand.

* Plans for future include runway

(Continued from Page 1A) Getting the Oberlin airport a longer runway is at the top of the corporation's list of projects, he told the commissioners.

"EDC thinks that's worth a lot of our time," he said, adding that both the Federal Aviation Administration and the Kansas Department of Transportation seem to be favorable to the idea.

He said the development group has been working with the U.S. Department of Agriculture to provide microloans to help small businesses get going. The corporation put up \$15,000 and the agriculture department \$85,000 for the loans, he said. "The USDA encouraged us to make those within a year," Mr. Lohofener said, adding that as the loans are repaid, the money goes back into a fund to provide more loans.

Most of the money has already been loaned out or paperwork is pending on loans, he added.

Other things the development groups are working on include a plan for technology classes and a countywide web site that would be updated regularly.

The group has purchased several computers and is planning to hold classes at the Business Enhancement Entrepreneurial Center (the old Farmers National Bank build-

ing).

The group bought land along U.S. 83 north of Oberlin and is looking to buy more land to resell or lease to new or expanding businesses.

There is a possibility for a new restaurant and a motel, but nothing is firm on either of those, he told both the commissioners and council.

The development group faces a lot of ifs and maybes, he said, but things seem to be moving ahead.

Mr. Lohofener said that he is also working with Decatur Tomorrow, which is in its second year and looking at recreation.

He said the group would like to take the city-owned Sunflower Cinema and the county-owned Golden Age Center and replace both with a new building which would house a theater, senior center and a six-lane bowling alley.

The new complex could also be used for after-school activities, he said, and several people have said they might be interested in running such a program.

Mr. Lohofener said that the project is in the preliminary planning stages. Both the theater and Golden Age buildings are in bad shape, he said, and something will need to be done eventually.

He asked both boards for \$500 for Decatur Tomorrow's second year and received OKs from both.

* Road work started

(Continued from Page 1A) project on K-383 and U.S. 83 from the Sheridan/Thomas County line near Rexford east to the west city limits of Jennings.

Mrs. Brands said the 14-mile project, with an estimated price tag

of \$2.4 million, is broken up into three little projects varying in overlay thickness from one to three inches. Pilot cars will escort people through the work zones, with delays expected to be no more than 15 minutes.

Spree drawing planned

Time is running out to register to win the big prize in the Oberlin merchants' annual \$1,000 Shopping Spree.

Shoppers have until 5 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 14, to fill out a registration slip and put it in one of the boxes at a sponsoring business.

Those businesses include Prairie Petals, the LandMark Inn, Flowers by Lee, Stanley Hardware, Raye's Grocery, Ward Drug Store, Culligan Water Conditioning Co., Adleman Drug Store, Dale's Fish 'N' Fun, Countryside Veterinary Clinic, R&M Service Center, and The Herald.

Anyone 18 years old or older can register to win the contest, organized by The Oberlin Herald. The

winner will agree to be photographed and interviewed for the paper.

No purchase is required to register or to win.

The winner has to be present to claim the \$1,000 in scrip during the Chamber of Commerce Back-to-School Picnic Wednesday, Aug. 15, in City Park. In case of bad weather, the picnic will move into the high school cafeteria.

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Santa visits residents

AT CEDAR LIVING CENTER, Santa handed out a present to Don Shaw (above) last Wednesday during the center's "Christmas in July" celebration, and Wynemah Cox started to open the present Santa brought her. The residents got presents and enjoyed a variety of Christmas treats afterwards.

— Herald staff photo by Kimberly Davis



Commissioners OK computer purchase

The Decatur County commissioners gave the register of deeds permission to buy a new computer for her office at their meeting last Tuesday.

Register Judy Gaumer said she received one bid, for a Dell PC from Infinitect for \$1,566 with a 19-inch monitor for \$282. The monitor, she said, is for a computer already in the office.

The commissioners agreed to buy the computer. Mrs. Gaumer said it will be purchased out of the technology fund, which has over \$11,000 in

County Countdown

At their meeting last Tuesday, the Decatur County commissioners:
• Talked a little about the appearance of the fairgrounds, with the fair only a few weeks away. Story on

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• Approved purchase of a new computer and monitor for the register of deeds. Story at left.

it.

Mrs. Gaumer and Appraiser Alan Hale also talked to the commissioners about prices for making copies for the public.

She said she has been charging 25 cents for copies while the appraisers office is charging 50 cents for the same service.

Mr. Hale said his office called

other counties to see what they are charging and it was anywhere from 25 cents up to \$5. The copies are of information the appraisers office has to gather, he said, and that takes some time.

He said they don't charge a taxpayer for a copy of their own property information. The commissioners said the county offices should be certain to recoup their costs, so if they want to charge 50 cents a copy or more, that is OK. They also said if an office only wants to charge 25 cents, that is OK, too.

Council to hear presentation on wind power

The Oberlin City Council will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at The Gateway to hear a presentation about wind power.

Danny Rasure of Goodland, with Sunflower Wind, will give the presentation, said City Administrator Gary Shike. He said Mr. Rasure called him to see if he could address the council at the meeting.

Mr. Shike said there will be time for public comment on the city's five-year "integrated resource plan," needed so the city can continue buying federal hydropower from the Western Area Power Administration.

One of the stipulations to the city purchasing power from the organization, he said, is that the city has to

submit a plan every five years. This is the first time the city has ever had to ask for public comment.

Mr. Shike said a cemetery plan drafted by Councilman Jay Anderson is back on the agenda, now that

council members have had a chance to look at it.

The meeting is open to the public.



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