# **Obituaries**

#### Joan E. Ahmed

Joan E. Ahmed, 49, Topeka, a 1977 graduate of Decatur Community High School, died Dec. 12, 2007, at St. Francis Hospital, Topeka, of undetermined causes.

She attended grade school in Atwood and graduated from high school in Oberlin. Ms. Ahmed had worked at the Goodland Wal-Mart until summer, when she moved to Topeka.

Survivors include a daughter, Zaiba Ahmed of Columbia, Mo.; a sister, Lavonna Flora of Lawrence; her mother, Frona Lorimer of Ellsworth; and her father, Doran Lorimer of Atwood.

There will be no services.

#### **Claudine Bennett**

Helen Claudine Bennett, 84, a longtime resident of Jennings, died Dec. 25, 2007, at the Decatur County Hospital in Oberlin.

She was born May 17, 1923, in Cheyenne, Okla., the daughter of Claud and Ruby Lee (Ivy) Wright. She was reared near Atlanta, Kan., and in Oklahoma. She graduated in 1941 from Atlanta High School, then moved to Hays.

She married F. Ray Bennett on Aug. 31, 1941. They moved to Denver, where he worked for Bell Aircraft Corporation and he was sent to Niagara Falls, N.Y., then later to California. When he began working in the oil fields, the family moved to Russell where they lived for five years before he was transferred to Jennings.

She was a member of the Jennings United Methodist Church; the Oberlin Eastern Star Chapter for over 50 years; and Decatur County Farm Bureau. She also served as a state officer in the home demonstration extension unit, and was a 4-H leader for many years.

Survivors include three sons, Frank and Karen, Oberlin; Bill and Luiza, Key Biscayne, Fla.; and Benny and Eileen, Denver; a sister, Dorothy Lee Smith, Tucson, Ariz.; an aunt, Ruby Smith, Wichita; a step-brother, Joe and Freida Wright, Cheyenne, Wyo.; seven grandchildren; and four greatgrandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband.

Funeral services were held Friday morning at the Jennings United Methodist Church. Pastor Carrie Buhler officiated, with rites by the Oberlin Eastern Star. Burial was at the Jennings Cemetery.

A memorial was established to in Atwood. the church. Contributions may be

Lawrence F. Horinek, 72, a longtime resident of Rexford, died Dec. 22, 2007, at Rexford.

He was born April 26, 1935, at Atwood, the son of Charles and Agnes (Vrbas) Horinek.

He married Zula Delma Preston and she preceded him in death in December 2005.

Survivors include a son, Larry Horinek, Colby; two step-sons, Gary Delzeit, Rexford, and Terry Delzeit, Austin, Texas; two daughters, Patty Ann Casey, Wichita, and Linda Lunsway, San Diego; two sisters, Rose Ryan and Martha Houston, Denver; 18 grandchildren;

Memorial services were held Thursday afternoon at the Rexford Community Church with Pastor Lane Purcell officiating. Inurnment will be at a later date at the Rexford Cemetery.

charge of arrangements.

#### Morris Dale Schaben

Morris Dale Schaben, 73, a resident of Lenora, died at his home on

He was born Oct. 22, 1934, in Ness County, the son of Brent and Rosa (Bittel) Schaben. He was reared on the family farm near Bazine in Ness County and graduated from Bazine High School in 1952. He joined the U.S. Army after graduating and served with the APO 696 4th Armored Division. He attained the rank of Spec. 4 before his honorable discharge. He moved to a farm south of Norton, near Edmond, and later moved to Lenora.

Survivors include a brother, Tommy and Carol Schaben, Independence, Mo.; a niece, Patti Haskel; and a great-nephew, Brent.

He was preceded in death by his

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday at Pauls Funeral Home in Oberlin. Bob Marks will officiate and burial will be at the Bazine Cemetery with military

Amemorial was established in his name. Contributions may be sent to the funeral home, 121 N. Penn,

### Alexine M. Spresser

Alexine M. Spresser, 81, a native of Selden, died Dec. 24, 2007, at the Rawlins County Health Center

She was born Oct. 22, 1926, in sent to Pauls Funeral Home, 121 N. Selden, the daughter of Anthony and

# \* Recyling could haul larger loads

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county employee, has started to pick downtown. Mr. Huntley said there is from stores and the schools, that needs to go, too.

bigger loads less often.

Would that building get the county started with a recycling place? asked Mr. McEvoy.

Now would be a good time to talk to the city, Mr. McEvoy noted, because the Christmas decorations are out. He noted that the city has bought the old car dealership buildings near the city shop on Hall Street, so maybe there would be some more storage options.

County Attorney Steve Hirsch said about 50 boxes of original records now being scanned into the county computer will need to be stored somewhere, and the courthouse basement is full.

Mrs. Horn suggested the county could use a garage near downtown, where all the county vehicles could be parked. If it had an extra room with a lock on it, that would work for storage of the records, too, she

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Penn, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

#### **Lawrence F. Horinek**

and 15 great-grandchildren.

Harrison Chapel of Colby was in

Dec. 22, 2007.

Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

Sarah Fredrickson, the newest up recyclable items at businesses a large amount of cardboard, mostly

If the county had a recycling center, said County Clerk Marilyn Horn, then they won't have to take the trailer to Colby. They could haul

What about the metal building west of the county shop? asked Commissioner Stan McEvoy at a meeting December 18. The county owns it, said Commissioner Ralph Unger, but right now it's used to store the city's Christmas decora-

It might work, said Mr. Huntley, but the baler the county ordered may or may not fit in there. It should be here soon, he added, and they can do some measuring.

The commissioners asked Mr. Huntley to talk to the city administrator about the building.

In other business, the commis-• Heard about of the 360 gallons of chemicals Mr. Huntley ordered in 2007, just 15 gallons remained at the end of the season. Lots of applicators purchased chemicals, he

said, although they won't spray until

spring. Mr. Huntley said he won't order more until 2008. • Heard the gasoline-powered Dodge truck seems to take a lot more work than the department's diesels. He said he will probably let Mrs. Fredrickson use it for recycling and may use it for spraying on the road-

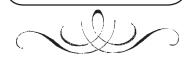
# **Corrections**

side, but not for spraying fields.

The Oberlin Herald will correct or clarify any mistake or misunderstanding in a news story. Please call our office at 475-2206 to report errors. We believe that news stories should be fair and factual, and appreciate your calling to our attention any failure to live up to this standard.

## **Markets**

December 29, 2007 closing markets Wheat, \$8.45 bushel Milo, \$7.04 hnd weight Corn, \$4.13 bushel Soybeans, \$10.67 bushel Sunflowers, unavailable



# From the Record

#### Courthouse

and register of deeds:

### DISTRICT COURT

speeding 80, \$126.

School and graduated as valedictorian from Leoville High School. She earned her teaching certificate at Marymount College in Salina, then taught first through eighth grades at Cresco and Green Valley Schools from 1944 to 1948.

Helen (Sulzman) Zodrow. She was

reared on the Zodrow family farm

southwest of Leoville. The farm

was homesteaded by her father's

parents, who were immigrants from

She attended Leoville Grade

Germany.

She married Norman Spresser on May 11, 1948, at the Immaculate Conception Church in Leoville. They made their home in Selden, where she was bookkeeper for the family business, Spresser Trucking. She was also owner of Spresser Kennels. She was a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Selden. She moved to Atwood in 2006 and lived at the Prairie Plaza.

Survivors include a daughter, Mary Milligan, Phoenix; three sons, Tony Spresser, Thedford, Neb.; Robert Spresser, Atwood; and Edward Spresser, Keil, Wis.; two sisters, Irma Warren, Sharon Springs, and Audrey Zimmerman, Newton; nine grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; and three greatgrandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband on June 30, 1989; her parents; and four brothers, Ralph, Seraphine, John and Conrad Zod-

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Friday at the Sacred Heart Church in Atwood with Father Galen Long officiating. Inurnment will be held at a later date at the Selden

Memorials may be given to the Prairie Plaza, Rawlins County Health Center, 707 Grant Street, Atwood, Kan., 67730, or to Hospice. Harrison Chapel of Colby was in charge of arrangements.

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These transactions were taken from the records in the offices of the Decatur County court clerk, sheriff

## Traffic

SHERIFF'S BLOTTER

Nov. 21: Colby Larson, Grinnell,

This is the only item noted by the Decatur County Sheriff's Department for the last couple of weeks: Undersheriff Randy McHugh reported that the office received a report of a vandalized stop sign and electric fence sometime before or on Dec. 21. Officer McHugh said that sons of Sylvester Ritter

that a stop sign in the same area had been shot up.

#### REGISTER OF DEEDS

Estate of Irene Ayers to Ayers Rental, tract 75' x 160' in N 1/2 of SE 1/4, Sec. 1, T3S, R29W.

#### City Hall MUNICIPAL COURT

Thursday: Michael Beaudette, Oberlin, dog at large, \$80; Bobbie Barrett, Norton, expired tag, \$155.

## **POLICE BLOTTER**

The Oberlin Police Department worked these calls:

• Catherine Beaudette reported video games and assorted collectable items taken from a home at 301 N. York sometime between 9:30 reported that an electric fence on a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on Dec. 16. The their father's land, a little north and items are valued at between \$750 west of Dresden, had been driven and \$1,000, Police Chief Wade through, probably by a pickup, and Lockhart said. The burglary is under

investigation.

 Mark Vittitow, 46, 803 N. York, was arrested for disorderly conduct Dec. 22. Chief Lockhart said that

Frontier Motel employees called to report that Mr. Vittitow was standing out in his front yard screaming threats at motel patrons between 10:20 and 10:45 a.m. that morning. Charges are pending.

• A little before 4 p.m. on Dec. 21, Misty Thompson, 24, was backing a 1988 Oldsmobile 98 out of a driveway at 502 E. Ash when the vehicle struck a 2004 Ford Taurus SE parked on the south side of the street facing east. The Taurus, belonging to Robert and Penny Fringer, had damage to the driver'sside rear door.

Ms. Thompson got tickets for improper backing and having ex-

# **Town Crier**

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

Thursday: Classes resume at

Oberlin Schools. Junior and senior high scholar bowl, 3 p.m., Oakley, here.

Senior high wrestling, 5 p.m., Phillipsburg/McCook, here. Friday: Senior high basketball,

6:30 p.m., at Atwood. Senior high wrestling, 6:30 p.m., Atwood, here.

Saturday: Speech workshop, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., at high school. Junior-varsity wrestling tourna-

ment, 10 a.m., at Benkelman, Neb.

Sunday: Teens for Christ, 6-8 Monday: Senior high basketball,

6:30 p.m., with Norton, here. Tuesday: Commodity distribution, 9 a.m., Golden Age Center. Jody Tubbs of state Veterans Commission, 9:30 a.m., court-

Senior high basketball, 6:30 p.m.,

**Next Wednesday:** End first se-Colby Community College

enrollment, 7-8:30 p.m., at high school, room 112. Thursday, Jan. 10: Junior high

girls basketball, 4:30 p.m., with Goodland, here. Colby Community College

enrollment, 7-8:30 p.m., at high school, room 112. A representative of the Northwest Local Environmental Protection Group will be at the county Health Department once a month for free

well evaluations, including testing

water for bacteria and nitrates. For

details call (785) 475-8118. The Decatur County Food Pantry is open from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday at the United Church, 109 N. Griffith. Gifts of cash, nonperishable food and household items are always

Monday-Friday: At 1 p.m. at Golden Age Center, Monday, pi-

nochle; Tuesday, pitch; Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, pinochle. Third Thursday of the month, senior bridge, open. Quilting, puzzles, games daily.

#### **SENIOR MENU**

Senior lunch at the Golden Age Center, 220 N. Penn Ave., weekdays

Today: Mexican casserole, tossed salad, corn, bread, pineapple. Thursday: beef and noodles, green

beans, mandarin oranges, noodles, Friday: chicken and rice casserole, Italian-blend vegetables,

blushing pears, biscuits, pudding. Monday: cook's choice entree, oven-browned potatoes, creamed

peas, bread, apricots. Tuesday: hamburger stew, Jello with carrots and crushed pineapple, biscuit or bread, cherry crisp.

Next Wednesday: ham, apple sassy sweet potatoes, wax beans, bread, cook's choice fruit.

# **Public Record**

## **Estate of** H.C. Bennett

(Published in The Oberlin Herald, Wednesday, January 2, 9, 16, 2008)3t IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF DECATUR COUNTY, KANSAS

**PUBLIC NOTICE** 

In the Matter of the Estate of HELEN CLAUDINE BENNETT, Deceased

NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a petition dated 27 December 2007, has been filed in this court by Benny Bennett, as a surviving son and heir of Helen Claudine Bennett, deceased, praying for administration of said estate and for the ap pointment of Benny Bennett as administrator You are further advised that the petitioner

in this matter has requested administration pursuant to the Kansas Simplified Estates Act and if such request is granted the court may not supervise administration of the estate and no further notice of any action of the administrator or other proceedings in the estate will be given except for notice of final settlement of the decedent's estate. Should written objections to simplified administration be filed with the court the court may order supervised administration

You are hereby required to file your writ ten defenses to the appointment of Benny Bennett as administrator of the estate on or before January 25, 2008, at 10:00 A.M. in this court in the city of Oberlin in Decatur County Kansas, at which time and place the cause wil be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the estate within four months from the date of the first publication of this notice as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited they shall be forever barred.

Benny Bennett, Petitioner

Steven W. Hirsch #12789 HIRSCH & PRATT, LLP 124 So. Penn--P. O. Box 296

# Sheriff's sale of land

**PUBLIC NOTICE** (Published in The Oberlin Herald, Wednesday, December 26, 2007, January 2, 9, 2008)3t

Michael E. Boyd, #21325 Clinton P. Woerth, # 19609 Kozeny & McCubbin, L.C 12400 Olive Blvd., Ste. 555 St. Louis, MO 63141 Phone: (314) 991-0255 Fax: (314) 991-6755 K&M File Code: GARBEASC

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF DECATUR COUNTY, KANSAS

Wells Fargo Bank, NA dba Americas Servicing Company

Beverly A. Garrett, et al. Case No. 07CV15

> Division 0 NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Under and by virtue of an Order of Sale issued by the Clerk of the District Court in and for the said County of Decatur, State of Kansas in a certain cause in said Court Numbered 07CV15, wherein the parties above named were respectively plaintiff and defendant, and to me, the undersigned Sheriff of said County directed, I will offer for sale at public auction and sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand at 10:00 AM. on 01/17/2008, at the Main Door of the Decatur County Courthouse, the followng described real estate located in the County SOUTH ONE-HALF (S/2) OF LOT FOUR- TEEN (L 14), AND ALL OF LOT FIFTEEN (15) IN BLOCK EIGHT (8) IN ORIGINAL TOWN, NOW CITY OF OBERLIN, DECATUR

SHERIFF OF DECATUR COUNTY, KAN-

Michael Boyd #21325 Attorneys for Plaintiff 12400 Olive Blvd. Suite 555 St. Louis, MO 63141 (314) 991-0255 (314) 991-6755 Fax ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF

NOTICE TO BORROWER: If you wish to dispute the validity of all or any portion of this debt, or would like the name and address of the original creditor, you must advise us in writing within thirty (30) days of the first notice you receive from us. Otherwise, we will assume the entire debt to be valid. This is an attempt to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose

# **Estate of** S. Harms

**PUBLIC NOTICE** Wednesday, December 26, 2007.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF DECATUR COUNTY, KANSAS (Magistrate - Probate) (Proceedings Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter

In the Matter of the Estate of SUZANNE D. HARMS, Deceased

Case No. 2007-PR-33 NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PER-ONS CONCERNED

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in said Court by Charles Harms praying for the appointment of Charles Harms as Administrator of the estate of Suzanne D. Harms, deceased, and you are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 17th day of January, 2008, at

10:00 o'clock a.m. of said day in said Court, in the city of Oberlin, in said county and state at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said petition requesting the appointment of Charles Harms as Administrator, All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against said estate within four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice as provided by law

Oberlin, Kansas 67749 Phone (785) 475-2312

# R. Urban

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In the Matter of the Estate of ROBERTA F. URBAN, Deceased

CONCERNED: You are hereby notified that Gregory K Lohoefener, administrator of the above entitled

estate, will offer for sale at public auction the following described real estate Lot Eight (8) and the West Eight Feet (W8') of Lot Nine (9) in Block Eight (8) of the Sum mit Addition to the City of Oberlin in Decatur

16, 2008 at 11:30 o'clock a.m. at the Metcalf Real Estate office located at 101 S. Penn Avenue, Oberlin, Kansas to the highest bidder for cash. All interested persons should take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Gregory K. Lohoefener, Administrator





**New feature** 

Call or check marquee.

Sunflower Cinema

Saturday, Jan. 5: 7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 6: 2 p.m.

this week!

This advertisement sponsored by: WARD DRUG STORE



Wednesday: Sunny, with a high near 42. Wednesday night: Mostly clear, with a lor around 16.

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 51. Friday night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 21.

Decision Weather forecast unavailable at time of print

Information from the National Weather Service, Goodland, KS

# WEATHER

proximate.

### 7-Day Forecast

K.S.A. 60

Mortgage Foreclosure

New Years Day: Mostly sunny and blustery, with a high near maximum temperature for previous day.) 29. Tuesday night: Mostly clear, with a low around 8.

Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 46. Thursday night: Mostly clear, with a low around 19.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 50.

and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall forever be barred. LUND LAW FIRM, CHARTERED Attorney for the Petitioner 118 West Hall, Post Office Box 267

# **Estate of**

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF DECATUR COUNTY, KANSAS NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE AT **PUBLIC AUCTION** 

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS

Case No. 07-P-15

County, Kansas The auction will take place on Wednesday, Jan



(National Weather Service) (Information below for period ending 8 a.m.;

Note: Due to malfunction of local weather observation equipment earlier this month, precipitation totals for month and year are ap-

Date Low Precip. Dec. 22 38 16 trace Dec. 23 38 9 39 15 Dec. 24 Dec. 25 42 16 Dec. 26 37 12 trace Dec. 27 30 Dec. 28 30 trace Precipitation: for the week, trace; for the

month, app. 1.78; for the year, app. 22.29. By Melvin Martin - NOAA Cooperative Weather Observer

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