

From the Record

THE OBERLIN HERALD —

Obituaries

Alvina M. Unger

Alvina Marie Unger, 99, a longtime Mount Pleasant correspondent for *The Oberlin Herald*, died Feb. 4, 2008, at the Decatur County Good Samaritan Center.

She was born Nov. 19, 1908, in Augusta, Mo., the daughter of Frederick George and Olinda (Knorernschild) Fuhr. She spent her youth in Augusta. She attended Christ Lutheran School and graduated as valedictorian from Augusta High School in 1926.

She moved to Hoxie when she was 17 to teach school at the Immanuel Lutheran School for three years. She then moved to Decatur County to teach at St. John's Lutheran School.

She married Anton "Tony" Unger on Oct. 25, 1931, at Christ Lutheran Church in Augusta. They made their home on a farm in Logan Township west of Oberlin.

She was a 4-H project leader, a member of St. John's Lutheran Church and Lutheran Women's Missionary League; a Sunday School and Bible School teacher; and a member of the church choir. She quilted for the Decatur County Museum and Lutheran World Relief.

After her husband's death, she moved to Oberlin in the fall of 1994, then moved to Wheat Ridge Terrace on Sept. 11, 2001. She moved to Decatur County Good Samaritan Center in December 2005.

Survivors include her three children, Shirley and Robert Gaede, San Antonio, Texas; Duane and Lois Unger, Colby, and Ralph and Norma Unger, Oberlin; a sister, Hertha Kelley, St. Francis; seven grandchildren, two step-grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren and five step-great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by her parents and a sister, Stella Hellwege.

Funeral services were held Saturday at St. John's Lutheran Church in Oberlin with the Rev. Allen Hellwege and the Rev. Rick Langness officiating. Burial was in the Oberlin Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials be given in her name to the church for the KNGN Radio Endowment, Decatur County Good Samaritan Center or charity of the donor's choice. Contributions may be left at Pauls Funeral Home or St. John's Lutheran Church, both of Oberlin.

Joshua Laya, Sacramento, Calif.; a son, Wayne and Jenny Cook, North Platte; his mother, Grace Cook, Oberlin; a brother, Harold Cook, Norton; two sisters, Jeanette Miller and friend, Samme Steinmetz, Oberlin, and Connie and Ed Quador, Pueblo West, Colo.; a brother-in-law, Rick and Paris Province, McCook, and a sister-in-law, Brenda Province, Ravenna, Neb.

He was preceded in death by his father, Wade Cook.

Memorial services were held Thursday afternoon at Carpenter Breland Chapel in McCook. Pastor Jon Albrecht officiated with inurnment at the Oberlin Cemetery.

Memorials may be given in his name. Contributions may be sent to the funeral home, 305 West C, McCook, Neb., 69001.

father-in-law, Charlie Holsman and mother-in-law, Cora Button.

Funeral services were held Friday at Pauls Funeral Home in Oberlin. Pastor Judi Stricker officiated and burial was in the Oberlin Cemetery.

A memorial was established to the American Cancer Society.

Lester D. McDowell

Lester D. McDowell, 90, of Longmont, Colo., a native of Oberlin, died Feb. 1, 2008, at Life Care Center in Longmont.

He was born Sept. 6, 1917, in Oberlin, the son of Ira and Myrtle (Guenther) McDowell. He grew up on a farm and graduated from Decatur Community High School in 1935. He moved to Longmont in 1936 and served in the Army Air Corps in air evacuation as a flight medic from 1942 to 1945.

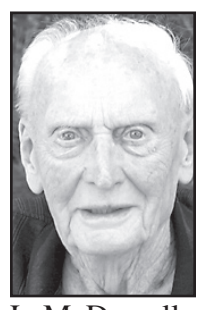
He married Wilma L. Snyder on Sept. 5, 1942, in Riverside, Calif. He was a maintenance supervisor for Beach Aircraft and retired in 1979.

Survivors include two sons; Jim and Marsha McDowell, Mesa, Ariz., and Gary and Sherrie McDowell, Cheyenne, Wyo.; three grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Wilma, in 2001; his parents; and a brother, Leonard McDowell.

Funeral services were held Thursday at the Ahlberg Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Steve Easterday-McPadden officiating. Burial was at Longmont Mountain View Cemetery with military honors by the Longmont American Legion.

Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of donor's choice.



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David W. Eagleburger

David Warren Eagleburger, 53, a longtime Army National Guard chef at Norton, died Saturday, Feb. 9, 2008, at the Norton County Hospital.

He was born Oct. 7, 1953, in Norton County, the son of John Wesley and Pearl Anna (Jurey) Eagleburger. He was reared on a farm in Norton County and attended schools in Norton.

He married Kimberly Urban in Norton on Sept. 23, 1973. They lived in Phillipsburg and Norton.

Survivors include his wife Kimberly of the home; two children, Jennifer Eagleburger of the home and Daniel and Ciri Eagleburger, Hoxie; five grandchildren: a great-granddaughter; two brothers, Larry and Rita, Ottawa, and Dennis and Jo-Anna, Norton; three sisters, Glenda and Olin Sprague and Sherland and Myron Bietz, Norton and Rhonda Daniels, Almena.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a daughter, Amy Eagleburger; three brothers, Gailen, Robert and Charles; and two sisters, Gail Davis and Robbin Eagleburger.

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. today at the Norton Cemetery with Pastor Jeff Nielsen officiating. Pauls Funeral Home of Oberlin was in charge of arrangements.

Lila Mae Holsman

Lila Mae Holsman, 69, a former laundry supervisor at Decatur County Good Samaritan Center, died Feb. 4, 2008, at the Decatur County Hospital in Oberlin.

She was born Nov. 20, 1938, in Milliken, Colo., the daughter of Chester and Grace (Larson) Withington. She was reared in Greeley, Colo., and Herndon and Atwood, where she attended school.

She married Edwin Holsman Sr. on Dec. 6, 1953, in Atwood. They lived in Horton, Atwood and Colby before moving to Oberlin. She attended the United Church of Oberlin.

Survivors include her husband; two sons, Edwin Jr. and Kathy Holsman, Gem, and Kevin and Tammy Holsman, Pinedale, Wyo.; a daughter, Brenda Anderson, Bismarck, N.D.; four brothers, Irv and Bonnie Withington, Wray, Colo.; Marvin and Beverly Withington, and Laverne Withington. Atwood, and Verlan and Rhonda Withington, Belle, Mo.; two sisters, Ivina and John Vandergriffe, Owensville, Mo., and Hazel Withington, Scott City; four grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; six step-great-grandchildren and one step-great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her parents; three brothers, Harlan, Harold and Melvin; a sister, Hilda Chessmore; two sisters-in-law, Irene and Judie Withington; a brother-in-law, Royal Chessmore; a step-grandson, Curtis Sporin; her

Merlin Alben Cook

Merlin Alben Cook, 62, of Bartley, Neb., a 1963 graduate of Decatur Community High School, died Feb. 1, 2008, at the McCook Community Hospital.

He was born Aug. 19, 1945, in Scott City, the son of Wade and Grace (Wilken) Cook. He was reared on a farm northeast of Oberlin. After graduating from high school, he attended school in Denver and in California, where he graduated from American Truck Driving School.

He enlisted in the Marines in 1964 and served during the Vietnam War, then joined the reserves. He was discharged as a sergeant in 1972.

He married Tokako Yamaki in 1971 at the American Embassy in Tokyo. They divorced in 1975. They had three daughters.

He later married Vickie Province on Jan. 5, 1979, in Tucumcari, N.M. They had a son and a daughter. They eventually made their home in Bartley.

He drove semi trucks for more than 30 years. At the time of his death, he was a driver for Crete Carriers of North Platte, and had driven two million accident-free miles.

He loved motorcycles and raced motocross when he lived in Japan.

Survivors include his wife; daughters, Tami, Susan, Nancy and Cristy Cook and special friend

Naomi Annette Meitl

Naomi Annette Meitl, 43, died Wednesday, Feb. 6, 2008, at her home in Dresden.

She was born July 25, 1964, in Kansas City, the daughter of Paul Lewis and Jeanette Mae (Shirley) Reis. She grew up in Grapevine, Texas, where she attended school and received her general education degree. She lived in Missouri and Texas before moving to northwest Kansas.

She married Ed Meitl on Feb. 22, 1999, and their blended family included his sons, Brad and Justin, and her son, Terry Glenn Hodges.

Survivors include her husband; her parents, Bowie, Texas; her son, Terry Hodges, Three Rivers, Texas; her step-sons, Brad and Heather Meitl, Marion, Ky., and Justin Meitl, Hays; a brother, Paul and Maritha Reis and a sister, Tammy and Bobby Hodges, Bowie, Texas; and three granddaughters.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Kathy Henry.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at the Dresden United Methodist Church, Pastor Carrie Buhler officiated and inurnment was in the Dresden Cemetery.

The Naomi Meitl Memorial Fund was established. The funeral notice provided by Pauls Funeral Home.

Thelma Louise Walker

Thelma Louise Walker, 74, a former resident of Oberlin, died Feb. 6, 2008, in Lindsborg.

She was born Aug. 27, 1933, in Jennings, the daughter of Marion Clark and Rozella B. (Brown) Brock in Jennings. She graduated from Jennings High School in 1952.

She married Marvin L. Walker

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

Jan. 1: Donald Daniels, Norcatour, speeding 85, failure to wear seat belt, \$186.

Jan. 30: Justin Cronk, Aurora, Colo., moving oversize load at night, \$166.

REGISTER OF DEEDS

CitiMortgage Inc. to Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, two irregular, adjacent tracts in SE 1/4 of NE 1/4, Sec. 8, T3S, R28W.

Stephanie Gaskill to William and Carolyn Polivka, irregular tract in the SE 1/4 of Sec. 31, T2S, R28W.

Housing Authority of the City of Jennings to D & R Rentals LLC, Lots 35-41, Block 1, Original Town of Jennings.

Estate of Ivan LeRoy Auker to Hansen-Mueller Co., Lot 1, Block 1, Sappa Addition, City of Oberlin, S 20' of former Elm Street, Sappa Addition, City of Oberlin, and W 1/2 of former alley E of property.

Lois and Robert McPherson to Harold and Kristelle Mizell, as joint tenants, Lots 1-6, Block 1, Kenney's Addition, City of Norcatour.

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Corrections

A story about the kids wrestling supper Friday and wrestling matches to follow in the Feb. 6 issue of *The Oberlin Herald* incorrectly reported that the junior varsity team would wrestle at 5:30 p.m., followed by the high school matches at 6:30 p.m. The matches at 5:30 were by the junior high team. This was a proofreader's error. The information was reported correctly to the newspaper.

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In the same issue, a story about the Senior Citizens Valentine dinner at the Oberlin Meal Site said it would be today. It should have read that reservations are due by 11:30 a.m. today, and the dinner would be Thursday. This was a reporter's error.

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In that issue, the school menus had the breakfasts for Feb. 17-22 instead of Feb. 11-15 and said that there would be no school on Monday. The mistake was a reporting error, caused by reading the wrong week on the calendar.

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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.

City Hall

POLICE BLOTTER

The Oberlin Police Department worked this call this week:

- Around 11:26 a.m. Monday, Lyman Crowell, 75, was driving a 1990 Dodge pickup when he stopped at a stop sign on East Street and Commercial Avenue. Mr. Crowell decided to back up and ran into the county transportation van. Eldon Huntley, 74, was driving the 2002 Chevy van.
- Police Chief Wade Lockhart said there was damage to the front bumper of the van. Mr. Crowell got a ticket for improper backing.

Town Crier

Today: Junior high music concert, all day, at Colby.

High school speech, 8 a.m., at Dighton.

Deadline at noon for reservations for Valentine's Day dinner Thursday at Oberlin Meal Site. Call Helen Gee at (785) 475-2389 or (785) 475-3222 for reservations.

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

Thursday: Valentine's Day dinner, 11:30 a.m., Oberlin Meal Site.

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

Junior high wrestling, 4:30 p.m., here, with Quinter and Hoxie.

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

SENIOR MENU

Senior lunch at the Golden Age Center, 220 N. Penn Ave., weekdays at 11:30 a.m.

Today: oven-fried chicken, potatoes and gravy, corn, bread, apricots.

Markets

February 11, 2008 closing markets

Wheat, \$10.16
Milo, \$7.97
Corn, \$4.69
Soybeans, \$11.66 bushel
Sunflowers, unavailable

Sunflower Cinema

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Sunday, Feb. 17: 2 p.m.

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WEATHER

(National Weather Service)

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

Date	Hi	Low	Precip.
Feb. 3	44	22	
Feb. 4	46	24	
Feb. 5	39	18	*(6"/s)
Feb. 6	20	-1	*(3"/s)
Feb. 7	34	18	
Feb. 8	37	19	
Feb. 9	43	24	

*Precipitation total from storm: 0.63
Precipitation: for the week, 0.63; month of February, 0.63; for the year, 0.63.

For 24-hour weather radio broadcast, tune scanner to 162.475 mhz.

By Melvin Martin - NOAA Cooperative Weather Observer

Decatur County Weather - February 12th - 16th

Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
48/20	55/25	30/10	38/14	45/19

Normal High: 46
Normal Low: 19

Sunrise: 7:34 to 7:39 AM
Sunset: 6:15 to 6:19 PM

Nice weather will finish melting last week's snow today and tomorrow. A quick system will bring a chance for snow showers and colder temperatures Thursday. Current computer data indicates 1" or 2" of snow is possible. Mild Pacific air returns over the area Friday and over the weekend.

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The Gateway, Oberlin, KS. **RSVP:** (785) 475-2238

Meeting #2: Monday, February 25th @ 6:00 p.m., dinner provided
City Limits Convention Center, Colby, KS. **RSVP:** (785) 462-3388

Meeting #3: Tuesday, February 26th @ Noon, lunch provided
Columbian Club Hall, Atwood, KS. **RSVP:** (785) 626-8011

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