



Shooters have fun in woods

AT SAPPA PARK on Saturday, Dave Bose (above) kept score of the tomahawk and knife throw during the black powder shoot while Abby Smith (right) tried her hand at the competition. Around 30 men, women and kids camped at the park, where they dressed in frontier clothing and took part in events with tomahawks, knives and black-powder rifles and shotguns.

— Herald staff photos by Kimberly Davis



Foreman, clerk ask to have new jobs clarified

The city foreman asked what's expected of him and the city clerk now that they have both been named public officers by the Oberlin City Council during a meeting Thursday at The Gateway.

Both Foreman Dan Castle and Clerk Karen Larson were named "public officers" at the last council meeting, said Mayor Joe Stanley. They wanted to know how much authority they have and whether they'll get any extra pay.

The council said it'd think about the money, but told the two it has confidence in their decisions and will back them up.

"It's very vague on what's expected," said Mr. Castle, "and for how long. Both of us already have a full load with the current jobs, so do we refer the daily problems to someone or handle them?"

There are complaints already being brought up, said Mr. Castle.

"Just what are our roles, and for how long: six months, a year, 12 weeks?" he asked.

A month, maybe two, said Mayor Joe Stanley. Hopefully, it won't be any longer than that.

In the meantime, said Mr. Castle, are he and Mrs. Larson supposed to be making decisions or are those to be turned over to the council.

Mayor Stanley said he will be up at The Gateway as much as he can.

It seems like most of what Administrator Gary Shike took care of, said Councilwoman Rhonda May, the two of you could handle.

An example of a decision, said

Council Countdown

At a special meeting last Thursday, the Oberlin City Council:

- Discussed with the foreman trimming tree limbs over the primary and secondary power lines and possibly having city power customers sign some kind of waiver if they don't want the crew trimming trees in their back yards. Story on Page 2A.

- Talked about putting in equipment to remotely read electric and water meters. Story on Page 10A.

- Talked with the foreman and clerk about what's expected of them since they have both been named public officers since the resignation of a city administrator. Story at left.

Mrs. Larson, is making agreements with people to pay their utility bills. Earlier that day, she said, there was a woman in the office who owes almost \$1,200. Her power has been shut off.

Mrs. Larson said she told the woman that she would have to pay a substantial amount, maybe half, and then set up payments, in order to have the power turned back on.

"We as a council," said Councilman Ray Ward, "need to be behind you. We know you are going to make good decisions."

Earlier in the meeting Councilwoman Marcia Lohofener said she had talked with Shayla Williby, who has a bachelor's degree in public administration and is going for her master's. She needs an internship or project, said Mrs. Lohofener.

She said Mrs. Williby is interested in volunteering to help. How much the mayor wants to handle, said Mr. Ward, is up to the three of you.

"I have enough confidence in both of you that you can handle this,"

said Mr. Ward. "I'm behind you 100 percent until I tell you different, and that means you've done something drastic."

Mr. Castle asked about compensation for the two of them while they take on the extra work. There should be something, he said.

Does the council need to hire an interim city administrator? asked Ms. May.

The council could make the two of us interim managers, said Mr. Castle.

"When the council named the two of you public officers," said Mayor Stanley, "I thought that took care of it."

The council will think about extra pay, said Mrs. Lohofener.

As long as the decisions are fair, sensible, kind if possible and sane, then that's good, said Ms. May.

"Furthermore," she said, "the council promises not to second guess you unless it's something that will send us to jail."

Wife, husband win prizes

It was a family affair for the Railes of Oberlin this week in the Pigskin Pick'em contest.

Valisha Raile took first place and the \$15 scrip prize, while her husband Travis took third and added \$5 to the family pot.

Mary Kinser, Jennings, took second and won \$10 in scrip, spendable only with sponsoring merchants.

They were among five people to pick seven out of eight game winners. Valisha was closest on the score of the tie breaker and Mrs. Kinser and Travis tied. A coin toss broke that tie.

Also guessing seven out of eight right but being farther off on the tie breaker were Cody Jacobs, Dresden, and Todd Ketterl, Oberlin.

Getting six out of eight were Gary Juenemann, Ron Solko and the

Sylvesters, Oberlin, and Rodney Solko, McCook.

Figuring out five out of six winners were Gary Waldo, Mabel Zimmerman, Colleen Gee and Ivis Hanson, Oberlin, and Steve Vontz, McCook.

Coming up with four out of eight were Cheri Kastens, Herndon, and Gary Anderson, Justin Gee, Jacob Gee, Kimberly Solko, Connie Grafel, Kari Ketterl and Brent Juenemann, Oberlin.

Contest rules are on Page 5A of today's paper, along with an entry form. Forms also are available at the sponsoring businesses, Wagner Chevrolet, Buick, Pontiac, and Cadillac of McCook, Farm Credit of Western Kansas, Ward Drug Store, Raye's Grocery, the LandMark Inn, Home Planning Center, Fredrickson

Insurance Agency, Farm Bureau Financial Services, and *The Oberlin Herald* and the *Country Advocate*.

Only official entry blanks will be accepted, no copies.

This week's winners were:
• Truman State over Fort Hays State, 27-7.

- Atwood High over Oberlin, 44-12.

- Golden Plains over Triplains/Brewster, 50-26.

- Norton over Osborne, 40-0.

- Virginia Tech over Nebraska, 35-30.

- Colby over Plainville, 40-0.

- Goodland over WaKeeney, 21-6.

- McCook over Hastings, Neb., 64-0.

The tie breaker was Kansas State University over Louisiana, 45-37.

Grill fest set to go at park

The wafting smell of barbecue might attract a few gourmands to Sappa Park on Saturday as men and women try their skills at grilling a variety of meats and other items.

The "Up in Smoke on the Black Water" barbecue cook-off starts sometime Saturday afternoon, depending on how long each recipe takes.

Around 10 teams of four will meet at the park, near the shelter house, to grill up tasty treats. The options are to grill chicken, ribs, pork butt, brisket, beans or something under "other."

Some meat will be furnished, but contestants must furnish their own beans and meats in the open class.

At 6 p.m., the food will go up for sale for anyone who wants to eat barbecue in the park for \$7 for all you can eat.

All contestants must be preregistered.

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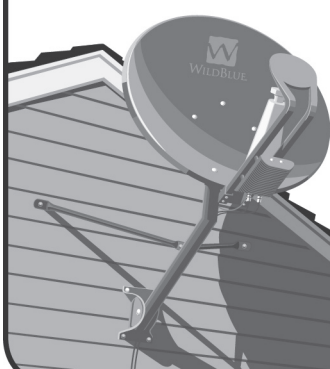
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- 1949 Ford F-4, 6 cylinder, 4-sp., w/hoist
- 1947 Reo truck 5x2, 5 yd. gravel bed, air over hydraulic brakes
- 1949 Reo gas delivery truck w/tank
- 1952 Reo Gold Comet, 2 engines, 2 hoods, 2 cabs
- 1987 Jeep Wagoneer, air, power windows, leather seats
- 1988 Jeep Wagoneer, air, power windows, leather seats
- Old Maxwell engine w/clutch, engine is free
- Flathead Ford engine
- 1949-1950 Reo trucks for parts
- Early 20's car parts for Reo
- Chrysler 6-cylinder flathead engine
- 1949 Ford Truck
- 1949 Reo Speed Wagon
- 1950 Studebaker 1 ton dually
- Lots of Reo parts

Shop Equipment & Tools

- Pickup tool boxes
- (2) Workmats
- G Portomatic air lift jack
- Industrial 1000 power washer
- Power washer, 1500 lb.
- DeWalt 12" radial arm saw, cutting stone & blades
- Dayton 1 H.P. 115 volt bench grinder
- Bushman air over hydraulic tire changer & tools
- 250 amp battery charger
- Drill press
- Black & Decker hand saw
- Retractable air hose winder
- Acetylene propane torch
- Pump pipe dog
- Air tank, 250 gal.
- Metal welding table
- Lots of assorted tools

Household

- Dishes
- Pots & pans
- Upright Whirlpool deepfreeze
- (2) Rug shampoos
- Lots of shelving, cabinets, steel kitchen cabinets
- Filing cabinet

Antiques & Collectibles

- Bushel baskets
- Victor safe
- Great Western Stover wood burning stove
- Rocking chair
- School desk chair
- 100 yr. old twin baby buggy
- Anvil w/cut off
- J.C. Higgins bicycle
- Aluminum Maytag washing machine
- Reo 1 cylinder engine
- Glass globe hand gas pump
- Columbian 150 gal. fuel tank
- Antique wooden striking clock
- Grand piano
- Old barn wood
- (2) Kerosene lamps
- Horse drawn manure spreader
- Portable cement mixer on wheels
- Oliver potato digger, 1 row
- 16" Ford steel spoke wheels
- 1921 Decatur County Atlas
- Cushman motor scooter parts
- Old one lung engine, needs parts
- Old one lung engine cart
- (4) Antique oil pumps
- Oil pump cart
- Brinly planter w/fertilizer box

Bowser gas pump

Yard Equipment

- Snowblower, 6' 3 pt., w/hydraulic turn
- Howard 4', 3-pt. Rotovator roto tiller
- Duetz Allis Model 1920 Hydro 5' hydraulic deck
- Yamaha gas golf cart & trailer
- Poulan 3000, 20" chain saw
- John Deere 148E 21" 5 H.P., self propelled mower
- Aluminum 12' ladder
- Like new Scotts reel mower
- Concrete bird bath
- John Deere sweeper, front mount
- Scotts fiber glass drop fertilizer spreader
- Brillon cultivator w/gauge wheels
- Toro 6 H.P. self-propelled mower
- Reo snowblower, self-propelled
- Lots of assorted yard tools
- Reo self-propelled reel type electric mower
- Sprayer trailer, 2-20 gal. tanks w/sprayers
- Brick & glass blocks

Tractors & Machinery

- 1987 John Deere 2755 tractor w/side and rear Tiger mowers
- 1990 Hesston 80-66 tractor w/hydraulic side mower
- 16' Car trailer w/steel floor
- Brillon 6', 3-pt. alfalfa, grass seeder
- Rear blade, 3-pt., 8'
- 1980 White 1-30 compact tractor w/White 10-10 loader
- Homemade 3-pt. ripper
- (2) Dearborn 10' tool bars
- Dearborn 3-pt. 3-section springhood
- Assorted 2-wheel trailers
- John Deere 272 grooming mower, needs gear-box
- Two-wheel bale hauler
- Tractor chains
- (2) 3-pt. post hole diggers
- Rear blade, 3-pt., 6'
- One-way, 3 pt., 5'
- Dearborn 3-pt., 8' tandem disc
- Springhood, 2-section
- Dearborn 7 sickle mower
- John Deere drag harrow, 3-section
- Tiger side mower w/pump & lots of parts
- (2) Bush Hog squelcher, Model SQ84, 7' Rotary mowers
- Snow scoop, 7'
- Oliver 3-pt., 3-bottom rollover plow

Miscellaneous

- 3-Ton roof mount air conditioner & furnace
- Neon lights w/transformers, 50' plus
- (2) Electric winches for Massey combines
- Sump pump
- Assorted used tires
- 5/8" Steel cable
- 130 Gal. fuel tank w/hand pump
- (2) 1000 Gal. fuel tanks w/110 elec. motors
- 4000 Gal. fuel tank w/110 elec. motors
- Pump & meter, 12 volt chemical pump
- (4) Rolls new woven wire
- (4) Poly cattle feed bunks

Guest Consignor

- 1997 Travel Eze 27', 5th wheel camper trailer, 14' slide
- (2) 1000 Gal. fuel tanks w/110 elec. motors
- Pump & meter, 12 volt chemical pump
- (4) Rolls new woven wire
- (4) Poly cattle feed bunks

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