

Obituaries

Henry W. Peterson

Henry William Peterson, 95, a 1932 graduate of Decatur Community High School, died June 28, 2009, in Albany, Ore.

He was born in the Oberlin area on Feb. 8, 1914, the son of Arthur and Jenny (Counter) Peterson, and was reared in the Lund community.

He married Myrtle Lee in LaSerra, Calif., in 1935. They moved back to Kansas in 1945, then later moved to Oregon. They settled in Roseburg in 1959, where he was a logger, and in 2003 they moved to Canyonville. He had lived in Albany since October 2008. He was a member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

Survivors include three daughters, LeBerta Haynes, Clackamas, Ore.; Muriel and Gary Miner, Medford, Ore.; and Marty and Rick Bigger, Corvallis, Ore.; six grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and a sister, Ada Clements, Clark, Mo.

Graveside services were at the Cedar Hill Cemetery in Oakland, Ore.

A memorial was established to Gospel Outreach, P.O. Box 8, College Place, Wash., 99324, or to the Mennonite Village, John Kollar, Foundation Director, 5353 Columbus St., SE, Albany, Ore.

He was a cousin to Gail Marcuson, Marjorie Olson and Eunice Richards of Oberlin.

James E. Staley

James E. Staley, 89, a 1939 graduate of Decatur Community High School, died May 20, 2009, in Springfield Rehabilitation Health Center in Springfield, Mo.



James Staley

He was born Oct. 25, 1919, in Billings, Mont., the son of John and Selma (Hanson) Staley. He was reared at Kanona. After graduating from high school, he served in the U.S. Army during World II, attached to the Air Force. He worked for Wells Fargo Bank for 23 years and also managed National Car Rental at Springfield-Branson Airport for eight years.

He and his wife, Mary Ellen, had been married for 65 years.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Ellen, 1824 S. Fort, Springfield, Mo., 65807; a son, Richard and Marsha Staley, O'Fallon, Mo.; five grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services were held May 23, 2009, at the Klingner-Cope Family Funeral Home in Spring-

field, with burial following at Rivermonte Memorial Gardens.

Elaine Cody Thomas

Elaine LaVaughn Cody Thomas, 91, a lifelong resident of Decatur County, died Friday, July 31, 2009, at the Decatur County Hospital in Oberlin.

She was born Feb. 8, 1918, at the family homestead to Weaver F. and Alice L. (Ambler) Van Vleet. She and her two younger sisters grew up on the family farm. She attended Locust Grove School eight years then Decatur Community High School, graduating with the Class of 1937.

She married Elden Ray Cody on Aug. 7, 1937, in Norton. They made their home in Oberlin. Her husband preceded her in death on April 12, 1988, and she continued to live in their home in Oberlin. She married Geoffrey L. Thomas on July 4, 1992, and he died on Sept. 17, 1997. She was a member of the United Church of Oberlin, serving as a Sunday School teacher, organist, and choir member for many years. She also belonged to the Oberlin Order of Eastern Star and Alpha Kappa Club.

Survivors include her children, Roger and Marcalene Cody, Columbia, Mo.; Leland and Peggy Cody, Midwest City, Okla.; and Connie Hogg, Midwest City, Okla.; a step-daughter-in-law, Kay Thomas, Loveland, Colo.; two sisters, Barbara Castor, Oberlin; and Beverly Eiler, McCook; eight grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by her parents and a step-son, Elwin Thomas.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at Pauls Funeral Home in Oberlin. The Rev. Judi Stricker and the Rev. Chris Cody officiated. Burial was at the Oberlin Cemetery.

A memorial was established to the United Church of Oberlin. Contributions may be sent to the funeral home, 121 N. Penn, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

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 Small Claims

Ag Valley Co-op vs. Michael Mapes, \$4,000, plus costs and interest.

Limited Actions

Decatur Co-op vs. Crystal Ludowese, \$222, plus costs and interest.

Preston A. Pratt vs. Wade Jones, \$425, plus costs and interest.

JAIL BOOKINGS

The following were booked into the Decatur County Jail:

Aug. 2: Joseph Derauf, 35, Oberlin; Michelle Hall, 40, McCook, domestic battery, Oberlin Police Department.

REGISTER OF DEEDS

Samuel Thomas Steinmetz Revocable Living Trust to Sam W. Steinmetz and Diana L. Pollnow-Steinmetz, as joint tenants, W/2 SW/4 in Sec. 6, T3S, R28W, less 1.45 acre tract.

City Hall

POLICE BLOTTER

The Oberlin Police Department worked these calls:

• At 9:10 p.m. Sunday, officers received an emergency call from a home in the 400 block of North Wilson. Both Joseph Derauf, 35, Oberlin, and Michelle Hall, 40, of McCook, were arrested for domestic battery. Based on Kansas law, when there is a domestic situation where someone has marks of combativeness, that person has to be

arrested. Officer Brad Burmaster said both had signs and both were arrested.

• At 8:15 p.m. Saturday, July 18, James Ferguson reported that a log chain and miscellaneous tools were missing from the back of his pickup parked at 106 S. Cass. The items are valued at \$750. The topper was unlocked.

• At 8:15 p.m. Saturday, July 25, a hit-and-run accident was reported at 606 N. East Avenue. The 1993 Ford pickup was parked legally on the street when someone hit the back bumper. Chief Wade Lockhart said after an investigation, Laki Brown, 17, was ticketed for hitting the parked truck and not reporting it. He said evidence on her 1996 Dodge Intrepid matched the damaged truck.

NOTICE OF CEMETERY BUDGET HEARINGS

The governing body of Decatur County Cemetery Boards will meet on the 20th of August, 2009, at 8 p.m. at the following listed homes for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of tax to be levied. Detailed Budget Information is available at the Office of the Decatur County Clerk and will be available at these hearings.

BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2010 Expenditures and Amount of 2009 Ad Valorem Tax to establish the maximum limits of the 2010 Budget. Estimated Tax Rate* is subject to slight change depending on the final assessed valuations.

FUND	2008		2009		Proposed Budget 2010		Est. Tax Rate*
	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Estimate of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Expenditures	Amount of 2009 Ad Valorem Tax	
#1 Norcatur Cemetery Meeting at the Home of Bee Nelson							
General	14,431	0.740	13,500	0.930	13,500	2,753	1.086
Valuation	DC & NT 3,640,009		DC & NT 2,918,589		DC & NT 2,535,199		
#3 Big Timber Cemetery Meeting at the Home of Kenneth Krizek							
General	2,311	2.474	18,800	2.519	18,800	4,075	2.870
Valuation	1,601,968		1,596,010		1,419,870		
#4 Jennings Cemetery Meeting at the Home of Harold Tacha							
General	53,089	1.780	58,000	1.922	58,000	3,983	2.062
Valuation	2,707,105		2,064,093		1,931,704		
#5 Dresden Cemetery Meeting at the Home of Sheila Rhodes							
General	4,649	1.524	6250	1.795	6,750	3,844	1.933
Valuation	DC & SD 2,158,629		DC & SD 2,130,519		DC & SD 1,988,263		
#6 Hawkeye Cemetery Meeting at the Home of Dave Juenemann							
General	1,864	2.919	19,000	3.206	19,000	3,662	2.881
Valuation	DC, RA & SD 1,224,287		DC, RA & SD 1,118,884		DC, RA & SD 1,270,954		
#7 Traer Cemetery Meeting at the Home of Donna Hoehner							
General	405	1.492	6,550	1.686	6,550	1,525	1.761
Valuation	958,318		898,954		865,896		
#8 Cedar Bluffs Cemetery Meeting at the Home of Kathi Moore							
General	2223	2.090	10,500	2.396	10,500	1,742	2.496
Valuation	753,758		711,324		697,872		
#10 Sherman Cemetery Meeting at the Home of Sharleen Wurm							
General	1,925	1.080	4,000	1.112	4,000	1,362	1.305
Valuation	1,214,475		1,195,769		1,043,458		
#11 Kanona Cemetery Meeting at the Home of Gary Orr							
General	1,306	1.996	10,000	2.062	10,000	1,553	2.592
Valuation	751,859		727,534		599,091		
#12 Lund Cemetery Meeting at the Home of Brad Marcuson							
General	1,915	6.542	5,000	6.983	5,555	3,670	7.779
Valuation	543,265		517,972		471,804		
#13 Vallonia Cemetery Meeting at the Home of Jim Reeves							
General	475	0.684	3,150	0.703	3,150	528	0.765
Valuation	762,620		744,967		690,589		

NOTE: Tax Rates are expressed in mills
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Town Crier

Today: Farmers Market, 8 a.m., in front of Chamber office.

Bucket calf show, 8 a.m.

Open class and 4-H floriculture entered, 8 to 10 a.m., judging to follow.

Dairy/beef show, 9 a.m., livestock barn.

Sheep show, 5 p.m., livestock barn.

Register for Kids Tractor Pull, 5 p.m., south of livestock barn.

Kids Tractor Pull, 5:30 p.m., livestock barn.

Exhibits open, 6 to 10 p.m.

Carnival opens, 7 p.m.

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

Thursday: Swine show, 9 a.m.

Press photos with owners of Grand and Reserve Champion livestock, 11 a.m., livestock barn.

Round-Robin Showmanship contest, 3:30 p.m., livestock barn.

Exhibits open, 6 to 10 p.m.

Livestock auction, 6:30 p.m., livestock barn.

Carnival opens, 7 p.m.

Tough Truck competition, 8 p.m., grandstand.

Friday: Clean up livestock exhibits, 8 a.m.

Pet parade, 1:30 p.m., at Good Samaritan Center.

Public Fashion Revue, 5:30 p.m., The Gateway.

Exhibits open, 6 to 10 p.m.

Kids Ranch Rodeo, 6 p.m., grandstand.

Celebrate Recovery, supper, 6:30 p.m., followed by meeting and fellowship, Oberlin Community Fellowship Church.

Carnival opens, 7 p.m.

Demo Derby, 8 p.m., grandstand.

Relase all exhibits, 9:30 to 10 p.m.

Saturday: Carnival open, 7 p.m.

Motorcycle racing, 7 p.m., grandstand.

Carnival opens, 7 p.m.

Monday: Siren test, 10 to 10:30 a.m.

Jennings City Council meeting and 2010 budget hearing, 7:30 p.m., Sunflower Senior Center.

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 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. Donations of cash, nonperishable food and household items are always needed.

Monday-Friday: At 1 p.m. at the Golden Age Center, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, pinochle; Tuesday, pitch; third Thursday of the month, senior bridge, open. Quilting, puzzles, games daily.

SENIOR MENU

Senior lunch at the Golden Age Center, 217 N. Penn, weekdays at 11:30 a.m.

Today: hot dog with kraut, mashed potatoes, cook's choice vegetable, bread, watermelon.

Thursday: liver and onions in gravy, parslid potatoes, mixed vegetables, bread, applesauce gelatin.

Friday: sloppy joes, tossed salad, pork and beans, bun, strawberries and bananas.

Monday: salisbury steak, scalloped potatoes, green beans, bread, pears.

Tuesday: chef salad, citrus slices, crackers, brownies.

Wednesday: barbecued pork sandwich, pea salad, cantaloupe, bun, cook's choice complement.

Corrections

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

August 3 closing markets

Wheat, \$4.83 bushel
Corn, \$3.09 bushel
Milo, \$4.80 hundredweight
Soybeans, \$10.45 bushel
Sunflowers, \$13.85 hundred-weight

DECATUR COUNTY TRANSPORTATION BUS

General Public Transportation 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Call Dispatch at 475-8100

to schedule a ride
Available for Residents who need a ride to the Doctor or other types of in-county trips.

This project funded in part by KDOT Public Transit Program and County Tax Dollars.



WEATHER

Forecast

Wednesday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1pm. Partly cloudy, with a high near 95. East wind between 5 and 15 mph. **Night:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before 1am. Partly cloudy, with a low around 67.

Thursday: Mostly sunny and hot, with a high near 101. **Night:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 69.

Friday: Sunny and hot, with a high near 103. **Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 69.

Saturday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Sunny and hot, with a high near 103. **Night:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 68.

Sunday: Sunny and hot, with a high near 102. **Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 68.

Monday: Sunny and hot, with a high near 101.

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

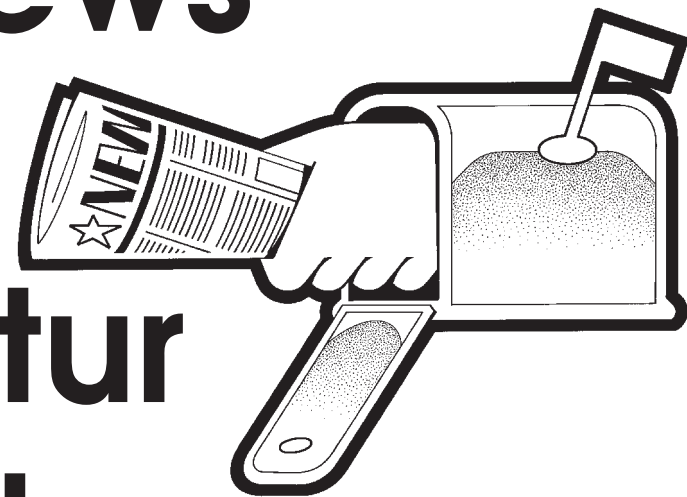
	Hi	Low	Precip.
July 27	92	60	0
July 28	89	62	.37
July 29	69	53	.11
July 30	79	51	0
July 31	78	50	.05
Aug. 1	90	52	0
Aug. 2	83	57	0

Precipitation totals for the week, 0.53; for the month of July, 3.08; for the year 16.13; one year ago, July 2008, 14.78, Aug. 2008, 16.44.

For 24-hour weather radio broadcast, tune scanner to 162.4 mhz.

By Melvin Martin - NOAA Cooperative Weather Observer.

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