

Four guess right on six games in football contest

Everyone entering the fifth week of the Pigskin Pick-em contest thought that Norton High would beat Ellis.

None of them bothered to tell the Railers, however, so no one got a perfect score. Four people guessed right on the other six games, giving them a chance at the prize money.

Valisha Raile, Oberlin, was closest to right on the tie-breaker. She guessed that Smith Center would score 24 points to beat Colby but thought that the Eagles would score 14. Since they only made 12 points, she was off by two points. Still that was close enough to give her the top prize of \$15 in scrip.

Her husband, Travis Raile, kept the winning in the family, also coming up with six right. He thought that Smith Center would score fewer points and Colby more, and was 10 off the correct score. He gets \$10.

Raile just edged out Ivis Hanson, Oberlin, who was only 11 points off the correct score and will get \$5 in scrip.

Linda Hollowell also had six right but believed that the Redmen would really cream Colby, so was 31 points off the score.

Seven other entrants guessed five out of seven right. They, too, believed that Norton would beat Ellis and all but one selected Oberlin over Goodland. Unfortunately, the Cowboys were able to down the Red Devils 20-14.

Guessing five right were Owen Wilson, Kelly Brown, Ryan Leitner,

Norm Wendelin and Mabel Zimmerman, Oberlin; Cheri Kastens, Herndon; and Amanda Adams, Danbury, Neb.

Those guessing four out of seven had some hope that either Fort Hays State or K-State would win their games.

Guessing four correct were Steve Vontz, McCook, and James Hollowell, Gary Anderson and Jordon Davenport, Oberlin.

The money won in the contest can be spent only at the sponsors: Ward Drug Store, the LandMark Inn, Fredrickson Insurance Agency, Stellar Auto Sales, Farm Bureau Financial Services, D&M Sinclair and *The Oberlin Herald*.

Each week for the next seven weeks, the official Pigskin Pick-em entry blank with the football games for that week will be in the paper. Other entry blanks are available at sponsoring businesses. Only entries on forms from the paper or from the sponsoring businesses are eligible to enter the contest. No copies will be accepted.

Other scores of this week's games were:

- St. Francis over Hoxie, 51-13.
- Goodland over Oberlin, 20-14.
- KU over Iowa State, 41-36.
- Ellis over Norton, 22-14.
- Central Missouri over Fort Hays State, 48-3.
- Atwood over Plainville, 58-0.
- Texas Tech over K-State, 66-14.

Utility customers get extra five days

Oberlin utility customers might have noticed that their bill, normally due by the 10th of the month, is due on the 15th of this month (on Thursday) because the office was closed for three days, last Wednesday through Friday.

City Administrator Austin Gilley told the City Council at the meeting Thursday, Oct. 1, that a city ordinance says the bills are due on the 10th, and technically the staff doesn't have any authority to change the date, but they are trying to accommodate people.

The city has negotiated 15 new payment agreements with people who are behind on their utility bills, he told the council, and 21 accounts were disconnected in September. In all, he said, the city has 55 agreements with delinquent customers.

If the customer violates a payment agreement, he said, they can either appeal to the council or be disconnected.

Councilwoman Rhonda May asked if the 15 new agreements were from the 21 disconnects.

Not all of them, said Mr. Gilley, because some of the 21 customers facing disconnection came in and paid their bill.

Mr. Gilley said the city received a report from the U.S. Department of Agriculture about the new wastewater treatment plant. Mr. Gilley said he would have more information in November.

He said he is working on utility rate recommendations. The

administrator said he will conduct a rate analysis as outlined by either the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency or Kansas Department of Health and Environment.

Mr. Gilley said he had learned that the city has to compensate police officers for their on-call time. Those hours haven't been tracked well, he said.

He said he would like to see if it might be more economical to hire another officer.

In other business, the council:

- Approved a contract with Larry Fought for him to mow City Park for \$300 and the old state park on U.S. 36 for \$150 effective from Sept. 3 until the end of October.

• Heard a thanks from Mr. Gilley to all of those who attended the council retreat in September.

• Heard that the bid process for the mixers at the waste water plant was underway.

• Decided to change the first meeting in November from Thursday, Nov. 5, to Thursday, Nov. 12, so the council members can go to the League of Kansas Municipalities regional meeting in Hill City.

• Heard that Councilwoman Marcia Lohofener wanted to hear about the C&H Power Line motel property at the next meeting. Mayor Joe Stanley said they could do a quick closed session on that, which the council did for 10 minutes for preliminary discussion of land acquisition with the mayor, council, administrator and attorney.

Fund raiser set for Sunday

The Decatur County Kansans for Life plan to hold their annual fund raiser at the Oberlin Pizza Hut on Sunday.

The group will receive tips from the day, although they won't be waiting tables.

Pizza Hut is open from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Sunday.

Money raised will go to the Mary Elizabeth Maternity Home in Hays and for projects for the chapter, said Roselia Meitl.

Putting on a new lid



AT THE LAST INDIAN RAID MUSEUM on Friday, Jim Dowling and his son Tucker worked on the new awning that covers the sidewalk by the front doors.

— Herald staff photo by Kimberly Davis

City to review property

The Oberlin City Council will receive information about six to seven allegedly blighted properties from the city administrator when it meets Thursday at The Gateway.

Administrator Austin Gilley said he's had a few complaints about some of the properties they will discuss. Some of the properties have people living in them, he added. Mostly, the complaints are about the house itself, he noted, not the yard or how it is kept.

A revised drawing for the proposed circle drive at The Gateway is also on the agenda. A few months ago, the council looked at drawings for a drive on the south side of the building and a longer one closer to the door on the west. The council asked for a revised drawing for the circle drive on the south.

Mr. Gilley said he received some written codes of employee conduct from other cities. Councilman Bill Riedel asked for these at the last meeting, following up on a discussion at the council retreat, where it was mentioned that these might be a good idea to have.

The economic specialist position will be back on the agenda, asking whether that person will report to the city or to the Oberlin-Decatur County Economic Development Corp. The council talked about Connie Grafel, who holds that position, for an hour and a half behind closed doors at the meeting on Thursday, Oct. 1, but no decisions were made.

The meeting is open to the public. It will begin at 7 p.m. in the upstairs meeting room at The Gateway.

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TIME: 1:00 P.M. AUCTION LOCATION: Gateway Civic Center, #1 Morgan Drive, Oberlin, KS

MANNER OF SALE: Land to sell in individual tracts

TRACT 1

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: The East Half (E/2) of Section Thirty One (31) Township Two (2) South, Range Twenty Six (26) West of the 6th P.M. Decatur County Kansas.

F.S.A. INFORMATION: 157 acres cultivation, 152.95 acres grassland, 93.43 acres to be planted to wheat, Wheat base: 78.1 acres, Oat base: 8.7 acres, GS base: 20.8 acres

GENERAL INFORMATION: The grassland is watered by a windmill & wet pits.

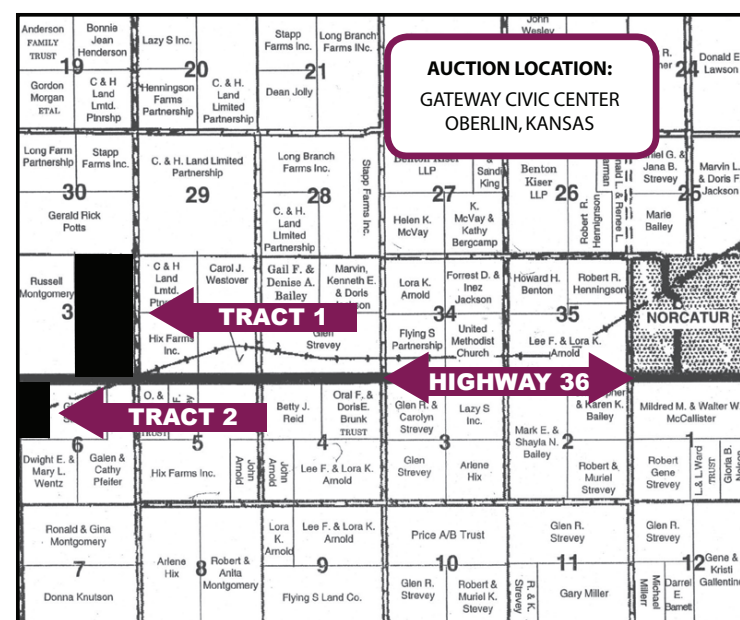
POSSESSION: After the 2009 corn harvest on planted acres. After the 2010 wheat harvest on planted acres with 1/3 of harvested wheat to be delivered to the nearest elevator in purchasers name. Purchaser to pay 1/3 of fertilizer cost. Upon closing on grassland.

TAXES: 2008 taxes were \$560.34

MINERALS: All sellers interest to be conveyed (.0833) which is 2/3 of 1/8. One producing oil well & salt water disposal

OIL WELL INFORMATION: Formation: 1 well LKC - Depth 3612'; & 1 SWD spud date: 2000, 2007 production: 931 bbls., 2008 production: 1023 bbls., Taxes: \$334.16 (2008)

PRODUCING OIL INFORMATION: All sellers interest to be conveyed with is .083340 on the tract where the oil well & disposal are located and .125 on the balance of the Half Section. The effective date is January 1, 2010 for both oil runs & SWD rents, if any. The 2008 oil taxes on the .0833 were \$334.16.



TRACT 2

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: The West Half (W/2) of the Northwest Quarter (NW/4) of Section Six (6) Township Three (3) South, Range Twenty Six (26) West of the 6th P.M. Decatur County Kansas.

F.S.A. INFORMATION: 59.7 acres Farmland, 57.8 acres cropland, Wheat base: 27.9 acres, GS: 8.2 acres, Soybeans: 13.6 acres

GENERAL INFORMATION: This tract will be planted to wheat.

POSSESSION: After the 2010 wheat harvest with 1/3 of the harvested crop to be delivered to the nearest elevator in the purchasers name. Purchaser to pay 1/3 of fertilizer cost.

MINERALS: All sellers interest (100%)

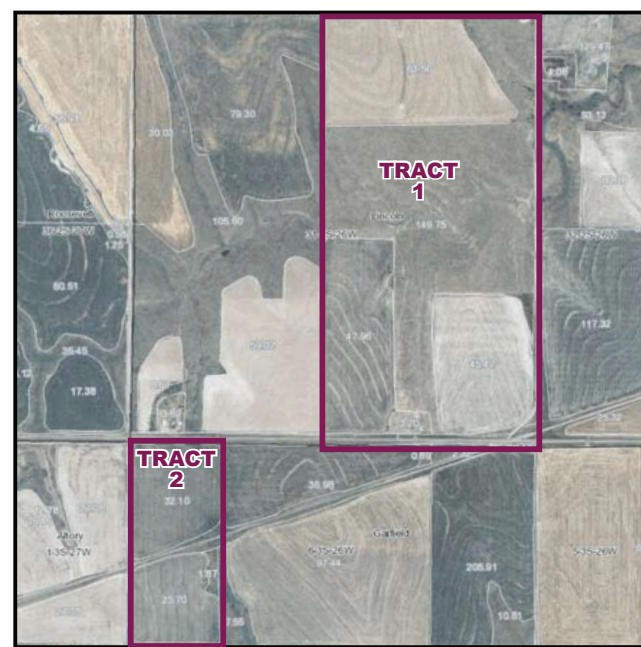
TAXES: 2008 taxes were \$171.62

TERMS & CONDITIONS: Terms: 10% down day of sale, balance upon title approval and delivery of a good and sufficient deed. Said closing to be on or before November 30th, 2009 or as soon as title requirements, if any, can be corrected.

TAXES: Seller to pay 2009 and prior taxes and purchaser to pay all 2010 and subsequent taxes.

AGENCY DISCLOSURE: Farmland Auction & Realty Co., Inc. is the agent of the seller.

NOTE: All acreages are to be considered approximate according to information provided. Announcements made day of sale shall take precedence over printed material.



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Lenora Mercantile Association (Cooperative) is preparing to make final payment to stockholders. This is the second request; we still have not received information on the following people. If you have any information on these people; please contact Larry Elniff, 9736 Westlake Road, Ozawkie, Kansas 66070 or 785-876-2216 or email lilbitcountry@embarqmail.com

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