

# Six contestants pick all winners; tie-breaker used

This week's Pigskin Pickem games apparently were too easy, as six contestants got perfect scores.

Most of those guessing all seven games correctly thought that the tie-breaking game between Oberlin and Ellis would be much higher scoring than it was. However, the Railroader's 8-6 victory was much lower for both teams than most people expected.

Owen Wilson, Oberlin, was the closest, coming in just seven points off the actual score. He gets first place and the \$15 in scrip which can be spent at participating businesses.

Mabel Zimmerman, Oberlin, was the next closest to the tie breaker. Her guess was 14 off. She takes second place and will get \$10 in scrip money. Travis Raile guessed high at 42 off the score on the tie breaker but still came in closer than the next three people, so he gets third place and \$5 in scrip money.

Also guessing all seven correctly were Amanda Adams, Danbury, Neb., 45 off the tie breaker; Kelly Brown, Oberlin, 47 off; and Valisha Raile, 55 off.

Guessing six out of seven right were Ivis Hanson and Gary Anderson of Oberlin.

Coming up with five out of seven right were Norm Wendlin, Linda Hollowell and Carol Ogburn, Oberlin; Cheri Kastens, Herndon; and Steve Vontz, McCook.

Jim Hollowell guessed four out of seven correctly.

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, the official Pigskin Pickem entry blank with the football games for that week will be in the paper. Other entry blanks are available at sponsoring businesses. Only entries 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:

- Texas Tech over KU, 42-21.
- Norton over Goodland, 42-7.
- St. Francis over Atwood, 18-6.
- Colby over Larned, 36-13.
- Nebraska over Baylor, 20-10.
- Northwest Missouri over Fort Hays State, 66-40.
- Oklahoma over Kansas State, 42-30.

# County buys Jeep for sheriff's office

The Decatur County commissioners decided to buy a used 2001 Jeep for the sheriff's office, replacing a 2001 Ford pick-up truck.

Commissioner Ralph Unger said he found the Jeep at federal surplus in Topeka for \$8,000 and wondered if it might work for the sheriff's office.

The vehicle, he said, has 12,000 miles on it and other than a few minor scratches on the rear bumper from getting items in and out, it looks brand new.

The Jeep Cherokee Sport is burgundy, said Mr. Unger. If it's not something that will work, he said, that's OK, but he put a hold on it just in case.

Sheriff Ken Badsy said he was looking at replacing a vehicle last year, but put it on hold. This Jeep, he said, would be a heck of a lot cheaper than buying a new one.

The office has four vehicles, he said, a 2007 Dodge Charger that Sheriff Badsy drives with 30,000, the 2001 Ford truck with 80,000 miles and a 2004 Dodge Durango with 108,000 miles on it.

What about the "dually" pick-up in the shop? asked Commissioner Gene Gallentine.

Sheriff Badsy said he parks the car in the winter and uses that truck. It's also needed to pull the emergency trailer, which is equipped with items that may be needed on site.

The county wouldn't need to have the Jeep painted, he said, just add the decals and lights.

## County roundup

At their meeting last Tuesday, the Decatur County commissioners:

- Decided to buy a low-mileage 2001 Jeep from federal surplus for the sheriff's office, replacing a 2001 Ford pickup. Story at left.
- Decided to keep reimbursements for employees who get quarterly pay checks the same as they are now. Story to come.

Sheriff Badsy said he thought the Jeep would work, adding that the lights off the Durango, which Deputy Jay Tate drives, might fit it.

The commissioners also suggested trading the sheriff's Durango for a 2005 Durango bought for the emergency management officer. The 2005 Durango has 40,000 miles on it. No decision was made on that.

There was some discussion about moving the 2001 Ford truck to the road and bridge department or selling it. Road and Bridge Supervisor Tim Stallman said he didn't think the road department needed the truck, which has a crew cab and a shorter bed.

Mr. Gallentine said he thought the truck would sell.

# Meeting set to discuss underage drinking

The Decatur County Farm Bureau Association plans an informational meeting on underage drinking from 9 a.m. to noon on Friday, Nov. 20, at The Gateway.

Karen Wittman, the Kansas resource prosecutor who works for the Kansas Department of Transportation's Traffic Safety Resource Office, will talk about changes in

Kansas law on underage drinking, the role of law enforcement officers and the county attorney, and how to involve the community and parents in this problem.

The training is free and open to everyone. Anyone who wants to attend should call Tammy Sporn at the Farm Bureau office, (785) 470-7042.

# Business tour will be Nov. 15

The Oberlin Business Alliance will sponsor the annual Business-to-Business tour in a week and a half, allowing people to see what the stores in Oberlin have to offer.

The tour will start at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 15, from the Business Entrepreneurial Enhancement Center on Main Street.

Any business that wants to be on the tour can call the Chamber office at 475-3441. Anyone wanting to attend the tour should also call the office.

There will be soup and snacks after the tour back at the center for \$5.

## Working on the wetlands



ON MONDAY, contractor Dave Bose was digging out dirt, trees and other plants near the spillway for the wetlands which Pheasants Forever hired him to build in the former

lake bottom at Sappa Park.

— Herald staff photo by Kimberly Davis

# Veterans invited to parade next week

Plans for the Veteran's Day parade have changed a little, but the parade, sponsored by the Oberlin American Legion post, will still be held on the holiday next Wednesday.

Anyone who wants to participate is asked to gather at the Good Samaritan Center at 10:30 a.m.

Veterans can walk if they want, but the post will provide a trailer for those who want to ride. Veterans are encouraged to wear their uniforms, said Col. Gary Allen.

The tentative route is to walk down Main Street from the center, turn at The Bank and end up at the

Legion Hall on Rodehaver Ave.

There will be a brief ceremony at the Centennial Park gazebo at 11 a.m.

Veterans, family members, auxiliary members, Sons of the American Legion and supporters are invited to march.

The Oberlin Elementary School plans a Veteran's Day program at 10 a.m. at the school.

Veterans from the county are invited to the program, said Principal Duane Dorshorst.

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