

Clothing, shoes take their place at recycling site

The Decatur County commissioners and a volunteer with the regional recycling program talked about a new effort which would include collecting used shoes and clothing.

Marilyn Horn, former county clerk, said a clothing company out of Detroit goes down I-70 to pick up the items.

Once a month, she said, they pick up used clothes and shoes that no one else wants, and they are looking for pick-ups. Mrs. Horn said she's talked with one of the women at Bargain Box Plus and someone with the Decatur County Ministerial Alliance, and both approved, so they aren't stepping on anyone's toes.

She said the county could put a box at the recycling center for clothes and used shoes. The Bargain Box staff, said Mrs. Horn, makes a trip once a month to McCook to drop off items at the Goodwill pick-up, so they could use this service.

All wearable clothing and paired shoes could go in the box.

Mrs. Horn said it's likely that people will have to start paying for

County roundup

At their meeting last Tuesday, the Decatur County commissioners:

- Approved the three high bids for a 2001 Ford Taurus, 2004 Dodge Durango and a 1994 Ford van. Story to come.

- Heard that Decatur Tomorrow will be getting signs for the county line saying this is a "Four Square Community." Story to come.

- Heard about an addition to the recycling program to include used pairs of shoes and clothing. Story at left.

electronic waste drop-off. People now have to fill out a form when they drop off the electronic waste, but it's free to individuals.

Also, she said, Northwest Kansas Recycling would appreciate it if the county would pay its dues for this year.

Home show Saturday

The annual Farm and Home Show is set for Saturday at The Gateway in Oberlin.

The show, sponsored by KFNF Radio, will start at 10 a.m. and be open until 8 p.m.

You can learn about and see everything from cell phones to siding to appliances at the show.

In the past, the show has been

sponsored by the Decatur County Area Chamber of Commerce and the radio station, but a few years ago the Chamber decided to drop out and KFNF took on the responsibility.

This year's show will offer everything from appliances to hardware, siding, roofing and items for the farm.

Auditors give schools thumbs up

The Oberlin School District received a clean audit report for 2009 in February.

At the meeting Monday, Feb. 8, said Superintendent Duane Dorsch, the board members heard the audit report from Mapes and Miller for 2009. It was a clean report except for the state paying the district late in July, which has happened in past years and is always noted.

In other business, the board:

- Set a special meeting for 6 p.m. last Wednesday at the district office to discuss financial and budget

matters.

- Approved a request from Carol Brown, Spanish club sponsor, for the club to take a trip to Mexico. The district will cover the sponsor's expenses and pay for a bus for the group to travel to Denver and back.

- Approved a high school band trip to Kansas City in April to see the musical "Stomp" and go to the jazz museum.

- Held a 10-minute closed session for negotiations. There was no action taken afterward.

Bowling alley work day set

It's time to get out the paint clothes for a work day at the new bowling alley downtown.

Greg Lohofener, with the Oberlin-Decatur County Economic Development Corp., said they hope to have the front part of

the future bowling alley open by the beginning of April.

Anyone who wants to help paint the front area and kitchen of the bowling alley can come out and help about 9 a.m. Saturday.

Getting into the radio biz



CHECKING FOR THE NEXT SET of ads and promos, Jim Hollowell prepared for the 3-4 p.m. shift as a DJ during Rotary Radio Day at KFNF Radio on Sunday. Mr. Hollowell is the coordinator of the project, which is the largest fund raiser for the service club.

— Herald staff photo by Cynthia Haynes

Public hearing set on airport assessment

A public hearing on the environmental assessment the engineers did for the city's airport improvement project is scheduled from 5 to 7 p.m. next Wednesday in the Morgan Theater at The Gateway.

Anyone who wants to look at the environmental assessment before

the meeting can stop by City Administrator Austin Gilley's office.


Mr. Gilley said they are required to hold the hearing meeting to get comment. Environmental impact includes how the project will affect the land, economy and lifestyles, he noted, not just nature.

Free week planned at landfill

The Decatur County commissioners set the annual free week at the landfill for the last part of April, hoping to encourage people to clean up their property.

Each year, the commissioners ap-

prove one free dump at the landfill for each family in the county. The days this year are Monday, April 26 through Friday, April 30, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturday, May 1, from 8 a.m. to noon.



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