

Slight increase proposed for city

The Oberlin City Council decided Thursday to print the notice of budget hearing including a slight increase in taxes for the city.

The proposed increase is to increase the property tax levy by 1.9 mills. On a house worth \$50,000, said Mrs. Larson, that would mean an increase of about \$11 from this year.

Karen Larson, interim city administrator, said the budget hearing is set for the council

meeting at 7 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 12, at The Gateway.

At the first budget session this month, the proposed budget showed a possible 15 percent increase in taxes, but with some changes, that was cut to about 2 percent.

Mrs. Larson said the council decided to take out the \$100,000 that was proposed to be transferred from the electric department to The Gateway. The idea is to take that \$100,000 out of the money left by the

Bremer family if it's needed for the civic center.

That \$100,000, she said, will then go to the city's debt service fund, which helps pay bonds sold to finance the improvements for the former youth ranch, the civic center and city streets. With that \$100,000, said Ms. Larson, the city will pay off that loan next year.

The changes leave the proposed tax levy at 87.069 mills, which is an increase over

this year's 85.152.

With fees, taxes and other money the city receives, the proposed budget is \$5,260,961. Although the council has discussed the 2011 budget a few times, said Mrs. Larson, nothing is yet final.

At the budget hearing, the council will listen to public comment and hold any needed discussion before voting.

Mrs. Larson said another item discussed at the recent budget meeting was whether

the city has enough money to build the full wall for the new section of the cemetery. The council first tabled the decision after the projected cost came in higher than expected.

The council discussed the project and decided the city has the money for the full wall at \$146,494, she said.

The council voted to do the entire project.

Carnival help still needed for next week

It might be hard to believe, but Tuesday is the opening night of Decatur County's Home Owned Carnival.

Summer has flown by, and now Amusement Authority board members and other volunteers are working to get everything ready in time for the carnival, which runs from Tuesday through next Saturday, Aug. 7.

Judy Scott, authority president, said they got all of the rides put together and up on Saturday. Most of the heavy work is done, although that doesn't mean that everything is ready.

There weren't that many people to help at the Saturday work day, she said. It was mostly board members and a few others, but the group did appreciate those who helped.

The board plans to have another work night at 6 p.m. Thursday. Whatever doesn't get finished that night will need to be done on Saturday morning.

Anyone wanting to volunteer can come help.

There is a lot of cleaning that needs to be done before the opening night of the carnival. That includes cleaning the seats on the rides, the carousel building and the others, getting the concession stands up and running and doing other prep work.

On the opening night of the carnival, the games will be put together before the Midway opens. Anyone wanting to help then can just show up.

The board is still looking for volunteers to work during the car-

4-H, fair activities starting

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It's time for the Decatur County Fair, with activities during the day and at night from Tuesday through next Saturday, Aug. 7.

With the 4-H clothing construction, buymanship and fashion revue already complete, the next event is the 4-H and open class horse show at 9 a.m. Saturday at the arena south of the fairgrounds parking area.

Throughout next week, 4-H members will have events during the day. For a complete list, check out the schedule in the Fair Days section inside today's newspaper.

During the evenings, said Travis Hisson, fair board president, there will be events in front of the grandstands. The home-owned carnival will be open at 7 p.m. each night start-

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nival. The listing of open slots is on Page 3A of today's paper. Finding (See WORKERS on Page 8A)

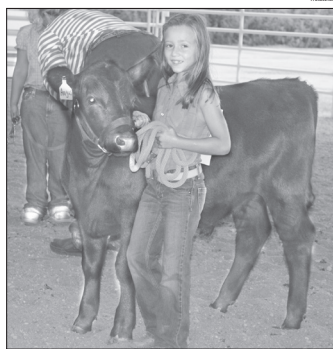
County fair section in today's paper

Inside today's Oberlin Herald is the "Fair Days 2010" special section, which includes the schedule for the upcoming Decatur County Fair.

The fair starts Tuesday and runs through Saturday, Aug. 7. The section also includes stories about 4-H and some of the activities members of the Decatur County 4-H clubs take part in.

Fair Days '10

The World's Greatest Home-Owned Carnival



Primary election to determine races

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Several races that will be determined by the Kansas primary election Tuesday, most in the Republican party, although there are a few in the Democratic party as well.

Decatur County voters will help decide a race in the 120th District for the Kansas House of Representatives between Rep. John Faber of Brewster and Ward Cassidy of St. Francis, a teacher and former school principal.

Also on the ballot are several statewide races, including a heated contest between two congressmen, Jerry Moran of Hays and Todd Tiahrt of Goddard, for the Republican nomination for the U.S. Senate.

County Clerk Colleen Geihlsler, who serves as the county election

Newspaper will be late

The Oberlin Herald will be a day late next week, allowing for news from the primary election to be included, including races for state representative and U.S. representative.

The newspaper is normally back in the office on Tuesday and mailed the same day. Next week, the paper will be on newsstands on Wednesday and mailed for delivery Thursday.

officer, said as of Monday, 66 advance ballots had been cast. Anyone (See PRIMARY on Page 8A)



Produce ready for sale

AT THE FARMERS market last Wednesday, Marlin Murdoch and his daughter Jacque (above) of Orleans, Neb., stacked sweet corn which they sold out of the back of their pickup. Dale Blake of Danbury (left) sat near a table of fresh produce while Jody Shike carried a bag of newly purchased items to her car.

— Herald staff photos by Kimberly Davis

Oberlin native and law expert dies at home

Oberlin native Philip P. Frickey, 57, a professor at the University of California, Berkeley School of Law and one of the nation's foremost experts on public law and federal Indian law and policy, died Sunday, July 11, 2010, at his home in Moraga, Calif.

A law school professor for 27 years, Dr. Frickey was the co-author of casebooks on legislation, constitutional law and Indian law. He volunteered his skills outside the scholastic arena, working with the Native American Rights Fund and the National Congress of American

Indians, and writing "friend of the court" briefs to the U.S. Supreme Court.



Phil Frickey

"I've never known anyone whose judgment was so highly respected by his colleagues," said Berkeley Law Professor Dan Farber, who co-authored two books and eight articles with Dr. Frickey, and called him "the nation's leading authority on Indian law."

Dr. Frickey, whose career path was influenced by a clerkship with U.S. Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall, started his teaching career at Uni-

versity of Kansas Law School. He went to Berkeley in 2000 after 17 years at the University of Minnesota Law School. In addition to his scholarly and teaching achievements, Dr. Frickey chaired Berkeley Law's faculty appointments committee.

A full-day symposium to celebrate Dr. Frickey's scholarship and teaching was held at Berkeley on April 24, 2009. The event drew top academics from across the country, and papers from the event will soon be published in a special issue of the California Law Review. At that time, two student funds at Berkeley were created in Dr. Frickey's honor, and a fund was established with University of Kansas Endowment

Association to support the Tribal Law and Government Program.

In 1988, Dr. Frickey and Yale Law School Professor William N. Eskridge Jr. co-authored "Cases and Materials on Legislation: Statutes and the Creation of Public Policy." Many editions later, Farber said the casebook "is commonly considered to have created the modern field of legislation scholarship."

Dr. Frickey received the Distinguished Service Award from University of Kansas in 2006, and (See LAWYER on Page 8A)



*Primary votes to determine several races

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can cast their ballot at the clerk's office at the courthouse between now and Monday, she said.

There's one local election, at the county level, although it is uncontested. Incumbent Stan McEvoy is running for re-election in Commission District 1 as a Republican. He is finishing his first four-year term.

There aren't any races for precinct committee or township clerk positions, Ms. Geihlsler said.

The clerk said she hopes there will be a good turnout. There are several national and state races on the ballot, and it's important that people get out and vote. It's up to the voters to decide the people they want to be on the ballot in the general election on Tuesday, Nov. 2, she said. Voters can't expect someone else to put the candidates they want on the ballot.

The winners for each party will meet each other in the general election later this year.

Races include:

- For the Senate, Robery Conroy of Shawnee, David Haley of Kansas City, Lisa Johnston of Overland Park, Charles Schollenberger of Prairie Village and Patrick Wiesner of Lawrence on the Democratic side. For the Republican Party, Tom Little of Mound City, Robert Londerhold of Overland Park (who says he has dropped out), Jerry Moran of Hays and Todd Tihart of Goddard.

- For the House of Representatives in District 1, the Democrat candidate is Alan Jilka of Salina. Republican candidates are state Sen. Jim Barnett of Emporia, Sue Boldra

of Hays, Marck Cobb of Galva, Sen. Tim Huelskamp of Fowler, Tracey Mann of Salina and Rob Wasinger of Cottonwood Falls.

- For governor and lieutenant governor, the Democratic candidates are Tom Holland and Kelly Kultala of Topeka. The Republican candidates are Sam Brownback and Jeff Colyer of Topeka and Joan Hefington and Mark Holick of Derby.

- For Secretary of State, Democrat candidates are Chris Biggs of Junction City and Chris Steineger of Kansas City. The Republican candidates are J.R. Claeys of Salina, Elizabeth Ensley of Topeka and Kris Kobach of Piper.

- For attorney general, the Democrat candidate is incumbent Steve Six of Topeka. The Republican candidates are Ralph De Zago of Herington and Derek Schmidt of Independence.

- For state treasurer, the Democrat candidate is incumbent Dennis McKinney of Greensburg, who was appointed to the office. The Republican candidate is Ron Estes of Wichita.

- For state commissioner of insurance, the Republican candidates are David Powell of El Dorado and incumbent Sandy Praeger of Lawrence. There is no Democrat.

- For the state House of Representatives in District 120, the Democrat candidate is Robert Strey of Norcatour.

- For the state Board of Education District 5, the Republican candidate is the incumbent, Sally Cauble of Liberal.

All polling places open for Tuesday

All Decatur County polling places will be open for the primary election on Tuesday, says County Clerk Colleen Geihlsler.

Voters in Custer, Lyon and Dresden townships and in Dresden will vote at the Dresden United Methodist Church.

Voters in Allison, Pleasant Valley and Jennings townships and those in Jennings will vote in at the Sunflower Senior Center.

Voters in Garfield, Grant and

Lincoln townships and those in Norcatour will vote at the Norcatour City Hall.

Voters in Oberlin City Precincts 1 and 2, and Altory, Bassettville, Beaver, Center, Cook, Finley, Harlan, Liberty, Logan, Oberlin, Olive, Prairie Dog, Roosevelt, Sappa, Sherman and Summit townships will vote at The Gateway.

Polling places will open at 7 a.m. and close at 7 p.m.

*Events set for front of grandstand

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ing Tuesday.

At 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 5, the Tough Truck Competition will return, he said. This is the third year for the event. The driver maneuvers his or her truck through an obstacle course, competing against the clock. Anyone can enter the competition.

Those interested can get the criteria for the trucks from the extension office or by contacting a fair board member.

At 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 6, will be

the demolition derby. The derby, said Dr. Hissong, will include drivers from Decatur County and surrounding towns.

This event has been going on for years, he said, and probably draws the biggest crowd of the week.

At 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 7, the motorcycle races will return. This is the third year for this event, too.

Last year, said Dr. Hissong, some of the top racers in the national circuit were here for the fair. They race on the dirt track. Some of the guys



AT THE GOLDEN AGE CENTER, Robba Moran, Congressman Jerry Moran's wife, stopped to visit with Republican women, including Sharon Addleman.

— Herald photos by Carolyn Kelley-Plotts

Wife campaigns for husband

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Robba Moran knew she was going to be a politician's wife when, 26 years ago, she and her new husband, Jerry, spent the last week of their honeymoon at the Republican National Convention.

Articulate, attractive and funny, Mrs. Moran has all the attributes a good politician's wife should have. Add to that her fierce pride in her husband, who is running for a seat in the U.S. Senate, and you know she is a formidable woman.

Mrs. Moran met July 14 with Decatur County Republican Women at the new Golden Age Center, accompanied by Allison Mense of Hoxie, regional field director for the campaign.

Anative of Kansas City, Mo., she went to law school at Duke University in North Carolina. "Jerry and I are both lawyers," she said, "and proud of it."

That is how she met him, she added; they were both working at the same law firm and she was impressed by the way he so easily carried on conversations with people.

"Jerry was the only one (of the staff lawyers) who would speak to everyone," she said. "He talked with the secretaries, the janitors and the people in the mail room, not just

to other staff members."

She said she could tell he was a sincere person and that he cared about people.

"Jerry has not changed since we got married," she added.

"Mrs. Moran is an impressive woman in her own right," said Rhonda May of Oberlin. "She was not here to make specific policy statements. She clearly intended the meeting to be a personal discussion, not a policy discussion. She wanted us to know what kind of a person Jerry Moran is."

Their first political campaign was in 1988 when Mr. Moran won a seat in the Kansas Senate by 140 votes. In 1992, she said, he became the Senate majority leader. In 1996, he was elected to the U.S. Congress from the 1st District of western Kansas for the first time. Now, he is in the middle of the race for the U.S. Senate against Rep. Todd Tihart from Wichita.

Mrs. Moran didn't have much to say about the negative campaign their opponent is running except to

dispute one of the allegations.

"Jerry is definitely against illegal aliens," she said, adding that she is not some abandoned political wife like the Tihart campaign has insinuated. She said her husband comes home to Hays every weekend from Washington and that has worked for them and their two daughters.

Mrs. Moran addressed some of the issues in this campaign. She said her husband wants to find ways to encourage the next generation to come back to their hometowns in rural America.

Regarding national politics, Mrs. Moran said her husband feels the biggest priority is to change the direction of the country.

Sharon Addleman of Oberlin, a retired teacher, said she had an issue with politicians who vote themselves raises every year. Mrs. Moran said that Congressional raises are automatic every four years, but that her husband has always voted against them.

For more information, go to www.moranforkansas.com

*Lawyer leaves legacy

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in 2009 won both the Lawrence R. Baca Lifetime Achievement Award from the Federal Bar Association's Indian Law section and Berkeley Law's Rutter Award for Teaching Distinction.

Born on June 29, 1953 in Oberlin, Dr. Frickey was the son of Carl L. and Doreen L. (Nitsch) Frickey. He graduated from Decatur Community High School in 1971, and from the University of Kansas in 1975, earning Phi Beta Kappa honors his junior year. He then went to the University of Michigan Law School, became editor-in-chief of the Michigan Law Review, and graduated in 1978 both magna cum laude and Order of the Coif.

After law school, Dr. Frickey clerked for Judge John Minor Wisdom of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit. Dr. Frickey said he never expected to focus on Indian law, but while he was clerking for Justice Marshall, several Indian law cases came before the high court.

Following his clerkship, Dr. Frickey returned home to Kansas when his mother became ill. He taught torts and a Constitutional Law seminar for a semester at KU.

He practiced law for three years in Washington before joining the Minnesota Law faculty. Six years into his appointment at Berkeley, Dr. Frickey was appointed to the Alexander F. and May T. Morrison Chair.

Survivors include his wife of 27 years, Mary Ann Bernard and two children, Alexander Bernard Frickey and Elizabeth Bernard Frickey of the home; a brother, Charles Frickey, Oberlin; and a sister, Michele Scherzer, Rockport, Texas.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at Faith Lutheran Church in Oberlin. The Rev. Charlotte Strecker-Baseler and the Rev. Mark Frickey will officiate.

The family suggests donations to the Philip P. Frickey Indian Law Fund at the KU Endowment Association, Box 928, Lawrence, Kan. 66044-0928, or www.kuendowment.org/givenow.

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