



AT SAPPAPARK Saturday, Lonnie McEvoy (above, from left), Sid Metcalf and Mike Elwood performed while people

at the cookoff ate. Michaela Wasson (below) held up a rib she was eating. — Herald staff photos by Kimberly Davis

Barbecues turn out tables of yummys

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Tables sat piled high with barbecued beans, ribs, pork butt, beef brisket and other goodies for the third annual Up in Smoke barbecue cookoff at Sappa Park on Saturday evening.

Thirteen teams spent that day and possibly some of the evening on Friday grilling and smoking goodies for the contest.

Patti Uehlin, with the Up in Smoke committee, said there were three more teams than last year and around 150 people who came to eat that night.

The teams included:

- Stateline Smokers of Danbury, with Brent Townsend, Brad Uehlin and Krent Townsend.
- Smokin' Rebels of Oberlin, Roger and Judy Cochran.
- Hot Grill-on-Grill Action of Arapahoe, Rocky and Jodi Sander.
- Old Sarge's Bar of Danbury, Gary Townsend.
- Racks Down Butts Up BBQ of Oberlin, with Jim Weigel as chief cook.
- Grillin' and Chillin', Tracy Lincon and Sherry Brown.
- Whiskey River of Hill City,

Evan Goltl.

- Nuttin Butt Good BBQ of Oberlin, Dave Bergling and Robert Groneweg.
- Big Zeke Smokers of Oberlin, Zach Ruzicka.
- Brewhaha of McCook, Dustin Dold.
- Pork Chops of Atwood, Gary Worthy.
- Blackwater BBQ of Oberlin, Cindy Lincoln and Mrs. Uehlin.
- Buffalofers of Morland, Alex Leslie.

Each of the teams could pick which category they wanted to enter for the contest. Then judges tasted each of the entries and picked a first and second in each class:

- Pork butt — Stateline Smokers, first; the Pork Choppers, second.
- Beef brisket — Racks Down, first; Pork Choppers, second.
- Ribs — Old Sarge's Bar, first; Racks Down, second.
- Beans — Grill-on-Grill, first; Smokin' Rebels, second.
- Open class — Smokin' Rebels, first; Grill-on-Grill, second.

The overall winners were Roger and Judy Cochran of the Smokin' Rebels.

The group sold raffle tickets



for a new Traeger, grill won by Mr. Goltl.

Mrs. Uehlin said things ran smoothly and the day had gone well. Although they weren't yet

sure how much money the event raised, the proceeds will go to the Sappa Park committee, which is working to put bathrooms in the shelter house.

Kansas again befuddles those playing Pick'em

After last week's KU loss to North Dakota State, almost no one was willing to believe that the Jayhawks could beat No. 15 ranked Georgia Tech. But they did, 28-25.

And that brought on another week when no one guessed all eight games correctly, in the second week of the Pigskin Pick'em contest.

However, Rusty Addleman of Oberlin got seven out of eight correct to win the first place prize of \$15 in scrip money.

Several people were able to get six out of eight correct, and we had to go to the tie breaker game of Hoxie versus Sharon Springs to come up with the second- and third-place winners this week.

Kelly Brown, Oberlin, came the closest to the correct score as the Hoxie Indians skinned the Wallace County (Sharon Springs) Wildcats 44-0. He wins the \$10 second place prize. Last week he came in first.

Third place was won by Ivis Hanson of Oberlin. He can collect \$5 in scrip for his efforts.

Again this week, several entries arrived on copies of the official entry blank. According to the contest rules, official entry blanks can be obtained from any advertiser or cut out of *The Oberlin Herald*. Copies are not acceptable and all were disqualified, which is too bad, since two of them guessed seven out of

eight games correctly and would have been in the money.

Others correctly naming six out of eight winners were Cheri Kastens, Herndon; Amanda Adams, Danbury, Neb.; and John Sater, Valisha Raile, Grant Gilliam, Connie Grafel and Gary Anderson, Oberlin.

Coming up with five out of eight were Kel Grafel, Owen Wilson, Tom Martin and Charles Keller, all of Oberlin.

All eligible scores are entered on a spread sheet. At the end of the 12-week contest, the contestant picking the most correct games will receive \$50 in scrip and a trophy.

The money won in the contest can be spent only at the sponsors: Ward Drug Store, the LandMark Inn, Fredrickson Insurance Agency, Decatur Co-op and Ampride, Creative Collision, Farm Bureau Financial Services and *The Oberlin Herald*.

Other scores of this week's games were:

- K-State over Missouri State, 48-24.
- Colby over Hugoton, 42-2.
- Nebraska over Idaho, 38-17.
- Norton over St. Francis, 48-16.
- Dundy County, Neb., over Rawlins County (Atwood), 28-16.
- Oberlin over Syracuse, 61-0.
- California at Berkley over Colorado, 52-7.

City to interview for administrator

The Oberlin City Council could have the applicants for the job of city administrator who will come here for an interview narrowed down by their regular meeting on Thursday.

The council was to meet Monday night to do phone interviews in closed session. From there, said Interim City Administrator Karen Larson, they will invite candidates here to do interviews.

Mrs. Larson said the council also may talk about trenching bids for the automated weather observation

system at the city airport.

No city utility users have scheduled an appointment to talk with the council about why they have not paid their bills, she said.

Mrs. Larson said she's meeting with the representative from the Wichita bond firm Ranson Financial and with Miller and Associates, the city's engineers, to talk about water rates. She said there might be something at the meeting about it.

The meeting starts at 7 p.m. Thursday at The Gateway.

Airport weather station near

An automated weather observation system for the Oberlin Municipal Airport should be shipped soon and is scheduled for installation at the end of October.

The system will help pilots and others to be able to know the weather conditions in Oberlin by making a simple phone call, council members heard Thursday, Sept. 2.

One of the cool things about the system, said Councilman Bill Riedel, is that anyone can call and get the weather from the automated system. If someone is traveling out of the state, they can call the phone line to the system and hear the weather back home.

Phil Fraker, who helps manage the airport, said he has a bid for above-ground power to the system, but hasn't been able to get any figures for trenching the line.

Mr. Fraker asked if the city needs comparative bids.

Yes, said Mayor Joe Stanley.

If the bid from Prairie Land Electric came in for above ground at \$13,000, said Mr. Riedel, the numbers being thrown around for an underground line of around \$60,000 could be fairly accurate. The line will have to be bored under the runway in any event.

It sounds like to go with Prairie Land, he added, some forms have to be filled out so the cooperative can work in the city's territory.

Mr. Fraker said he's having a problem finding people who can trench and put conduit in. He said he has a few calls out.

Since it's in the city's territory, said Foreman Dan Castle, he thinks it will be best to let Prairie Land put the line above ground. If the line

is trenched, said Mr. Fraker, it's the city's responsibility, but if it's Prairie Land's primary line, it will be theirs.

At some point close to the unit, Mr. Fraker said, some of it will have to be trenched.

"Do you think that above ground lines are the best option?" asked Ms. May.

This area does get ice storms, said Mr. Fraker, and the system needs uninterrupted power, but other lines in the area are above ground.

The system is supposed to be delivered by the middle of the month.

The council asked for a bid for trenching and putting line underground for the next meeting on Thursday, so it can decide what to do.

Bankers give candidate support

The Kansas Bankers Association Political Action Committee has made a contribution to the Republican candidate for the 120th District seat in the state House of Representatives.

Gary Walter, president of The Bank, and a member of the committee, gave the \$250 check to Ward Cassidy last month.

The committee, said Mr. Walter, is an arm of the Kansas Bankers Association. The group receives

Phone service off in some towns

Oberlin, Colby and some other far northwest Kansas towns were at least partly cut off from the outside world Monday after long-distance lines went out about mid-afternoon.

Cellular phones continued to work for both local and long-distance service, so many people could make out-of-town calls. No one at AT&T could be reached to explain the problem, which continued into the night.

Phones were working in Norton but not in Oberlin or Colby. Internet service continued throughout the day.

money from donations and passes it on to the campaigns of candidates favored by the group, which represents mostly community banks.

The Bank is a member of the association, he said, adding that individual members can choose to

donate to the committee.

Mr. Walter was chosen to present the check to Mr. Cassidy, who lives in Cheyenne County, since he lives in the district. Mr. Cassidy is running against Democrat Bob Streyev of Norcatour.

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