

THE OBERLIN HERALD —

Obituaries

**Robert M. Fleenor**

The Rev. Robert M. Fleenor, 82, a brother-in-law of Detta Anderson and Donna Kelley of Oberlin, died Thursday, Feb. 3, 2011, at Memorial Hospital in McPherson.

He was born Dec. 5, 1928, near Manning, the son of John William and Lillian (Gertz) Fleenor. He was a graduate of Scott City High School, Fort Hays State University, and Iliff School of Theology in Denver.

He married Beverly Bryan on Dec. 22, 1951, at the Herndon Covenant Church and she preceded him in death on Oct. 25, 2001. He married Esther Elaine (Flory) Stephany on March 8, 2003, in McPherson and she survives.

He was a retired United Methodist Church pastor and served at Bogue, Ogallah, Deerfield, Anthony, Concordia, Larned, Clay Center, McPherson, Roxbury, Ebenezer and Genesco. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in McPherson.

Other survivors include three daughters, Debra and Paul Babcock, Fort Scott; Pam and Wyatt Wright, Overland Park, and Gwen and Roger Pepper, Topeka; two sisters, Emily Galyon, Phoenix; and Alice and Dave Rinke, Haysville; and seven grandchildren.

He also was preceded in death by his parents; and two brothers, Orville and Don.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. today at the church in McPherson. The Rev. Paul Babcock will officiate. Private inurnment will be at a later date.

Memorials were established to the church, the Students of the 1950's Scholarship Fund at Iliff School of Theology or a charity of donor's choice. Contributions may be sent to Stockham Family Funeral Home, 205 N. Chestnut, McPherson, Kan., 67460.

**Ruth Havel**

Ruth Havel, 93, a resident of Cedar Living Center in Oberlin, died Sunday at Citizens Medical Center in Colby.

A vigil will be held tonight at 7 p.m. at Williams Funeral Home in Atwood. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. at the Sacred Heart Church in Atwood.

A complete obituary will be carried in next week's paper.

**Louise Leitner**

Louise Leitner, 92, a 1937 graduate of Herndon High School, died Jan. 3, 2011, in Overland Park.

She was born Sept. 24, 1918, on a farm near Herndon, the daughter of John and Anna (Kundinger) Leitner.



L. Leitner

She taught school for two years and went to college in Washington State before joining the Marine Corps in 1943 during World War II. She was stationed at Quantico Air Base and worked in drafting, accounting and the meteorology division, sparking her lifelong interest in aviation.

In 1945 she became a stewardess, rising to Chief Stewardess with Pacific Northern Airlines in Alaska. She lived there for three years and enjoyed a stint as the Fur Rendezvous Queen, now known as Miss Alaska. She joined Pan American in 1948 and was stationed in New York City. She traveled the world for over 10 years, visiting many countries. She worked for 13 years as a skipper in the Clipper Club at the East Side Terminal at the New York Airport. She then worked at the Pan Am Building as a receptionist at the Sky Club.

She was active in World Wings International, a philanthropy organization of former flight attendants of Pan American Airlines, the Women's National Farm and Garden Association and the American Legion. She returned to Kansas in 2003.

Survivors include a sister, Emma Oakden, Puyallup, Wash., and many nieces and nephews, include Betty Jones of Oberlin.

A celebration of life service will be held at a later date at Pauls Funeral Home in Oberlin. Inurnment will be at the Immanuel United Church of Christ Cemetery at Herndon.

The family suggests memorial contributions to World Wings International Treasurer, 157 Cranes Crook Lane, Annapolis, Md., 21401, or the Women's National Farm and Garden Association, Attn: Treasurer, Box 1175, Midland, Mich., 48641-1175.

**Paul W. Miesner**

Paul W. Miesner, 40, a resident of Oberlin since 2008, died Wednesday, Feb. 2, 2011, at the Decatur County Hospital in Oberlin.

He was born Sept. 11, 1970, in Fort Worth, Texas, the son of James and Ruth (Spencer) Miesner. Growing up, he and his family lived in Fort Worth and Amarillo, Texas. He attended elementary school in Amarillo. When the family moved to Aurora, Colo., he attended Smoky Hill High School, graduating in 1991. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Oberlin.

Survivors include his parents, James and Ruth Miesner, Oberlin; his maternal grandmother, Edith Spencer, Lakin; two brothers, John and Brenda Miesner, Manhattan, and David Miesner, Highlands Ranch, Colo.; and a nephew, William Miesner.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Frederick and Gladys Miesner, and maternal grandfather, Harry Spencer.

Memorial services were held Monday morning at the church. The Rev. Kevin Schnakenberg officiated and burial was in the Oberlin Cemetery.

Memorials were established to the church or Good Samaritan Society-Decatur County. Contributions may be sent to Pauls Funeral Home, 121 N. Penn, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

**Lorri L. Wilson**

Lorri L. Wilson, 55, a 1973 graduate of Decatur Community High School, died Thursday, Feb. 3, 2011, at her home in Oberlin.

She was born Feb. 10, 1955, in Fairbury, Neb., the daughter of Everett and Nellie (Ross) Gerdes. She was reared in Oberlin and attended Oberlin schools. After graduating from high school, she attended a year of school to become a medical assistant in Denver.

She worked as a manager of a body shop in Greeley, Colo. She was a member of the Ladies Harley Owners of Greeley and was involved with the American Cancer Society.

In August 2010, she moved to Oberlin to be closer to her parents.

Survivors include her daughter, Lacey and Matt Cantu, and Keenan Cantu, Evans, Colo.; her parents, Everett and Nellie Gerdes, Oberlin; and a brother, Douglas and Fay Gerdes, Macon, Ga.

A memorial service is planned at a later date. Pauls Funeral Home of Oberlin is in charge of arrangements.

**Today:** Widows and Friends Valentine luncheon, 11:30 a.m., Coffee, Tea and Me.

**Monday:** DCHS Singers "Singing Valentines," 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call (785) 475-2231 to reserve a time.

**Junior High Scholars Bowl,** 4 p.m., here

**Supporting Our Schools,** 5:30 p.m., Oberlin Elementary cafeteria.

**Oberlin School Board,** 6:30 p.m., district office.

**National Honor Society banquet,** 7 p.m., cafeteria.

**Tuesday:** Jody Tubbs, state veterans representative, 9 to 10 a.m., courthouse.

**High school basketball,** 6:30 p.m., at Logan.

**Next Wednesday:** Junior High Music Festival, all day, Colby Community College.

**Monday-Friday:** The Sunflower Recreation Center downtown is open for games and snacks from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday to Thursday, 4 to 6 p.m. Friday.

At 1 p.m. at the Golden Age Center, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, pinochle; Tuesday, pitch; third Thursday of the month, open senior bridge. Quilting, puzzles, games daily. Chicken-foot dominoes, 1 p.m., first and third Tuesday.

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well evaluations, including testing water for bacteria and nitrates. For details, call 475-8118.

**Tuesday, Thursday:** The Decatur County Food Pantry is open from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the United Church, 109 N. Griffith. Donations of cash, nonperishable food and household items are always needed.

**SENIOR MENU**  
Senior lunch at the Golden Age Center, weekdays at noon:

**Today:** goulash, California blend vegetables, peaches, bread, apple-sauce bars.

**Thursday:** open-face turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes and gravy, cook's choice vegetable, bread, pineapple.

**Friday:** liver and onions, green-bean casserole, mandarin oranges, bread pudding.

**Monday:** hot dog, bun, macaroni and cheese, mixed vegetables, strawberries.

**Tuesday:** baked fish, parslid potatoes, cauliflower with cheese, bread, cook's choice fruit.

**Wednesday:** ground-beef stew, orange pineapple salad, crackers, brownies.

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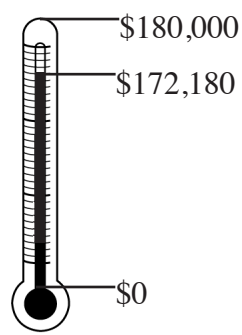
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**Weather**

**Forecast**

**Wednesday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 19. North-west wind around 10 mph.

**Wednesday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 1.

**Thursday:** Sunny, with a high near 31.

**Thursday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 16.

**Friday:** Sunny, with a high near 39.

**Friday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 20.

**Saturday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 45.

**Saturday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 22.

**Sunday:** Sunny, with a high near 49.

From the National Weather Service

**National Weather Service**

(Information below for period ending 8 a.m.; maximum temperature for previous day.)

	Hi	Low	Precip.
Jan. 31	32	16	0
Feb. 1	32	-8	0.03
Feb. 2	15	-9	0
Feb. 3	14	-9	0
Feb. 4	36	-8	0
Feb. 5	50	13	T
Feb. 6	52	27	0

Precipitation totals for the week, 0.03; for the month, 0.03; for the year, 0.58; one year ago, February 2010, 0.73

For 24-hour weather radio broadcast, tune scanner to 162.4 mhz.

By Melvin Martin - NOAA Cooperative Weather Observer.

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From the Record

**Courthouse**

These transactions were taken from the records in the offices of the Decatur County court clerk, sheriff and register of deeds:

**DISTRICT COURT**

**Traffic**

Nov. 24 2010: Sarah Cristine Lister, Kansas City, Mo. Speeding, \$180.50.

**JAIL BOOKINGS**

The following were booked into the Decatur County Jail:

Thursday: Richard Brown, 51, McCook, driving under the influence, Red Willow County.

Friday: Melanie Boone, 29, Oberlin, domestic assault, Oberlin Police.

Eugene Grenier, 29, Oberlin, domestic assault, Oberlin Police.

Saturday: Phillip Novack, 25, Wisconsin, theft of motor vehicle, Oberlin Police.

**City of Oberlin.**

Gary and Marsha Richards to Jerry W. and Jolene K. Fortin, Lot 1 and N24'8" of Lot 4, in Blk 10 of Rodehaver Addition to City of Oberlin.

**City Hall**

**POLICE BEAT**

The Oberlin Police Department worked these calls:

- Arrested a 25-year-old man from Rice Lake, Wis., for allegedly stealing a 2006 Chevrolet car on Saturday. Phillip Novak was in the Decatur County jail waiting extradition to Wisconsin. Chief Wade Lockhart said the vehicle was parked in the 700 block of West Columbia St. He ran the tag and it came back as stolen.

- Arrested William Vasbinder around 6:56 p.m. on Saturday on a Norton County warrant. He was taken to Norton. Chief Lockhart said he didn't know the man's age or what the reason for the warrant.

- Arrested Melanie Boone and Eugene Grenier, both 29, of Oberlin, for domestic assault in the early morning hours Friday in the 100 block of South York. Mr. Grenier was still in jail Monday but Ms. Boone had posted bond.

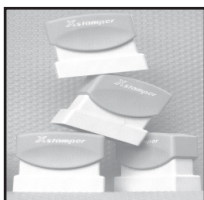
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Jeanette M. Krizek quit claims to David L. Krizek, tract in E/2, SE/4, Sec. 35, T4S, R27W; N/2 Sec. 22, T3S, R27W; SE/4, Sec. 28, and NNW/4 SE/4 Sec. 22, T3S, R27W.

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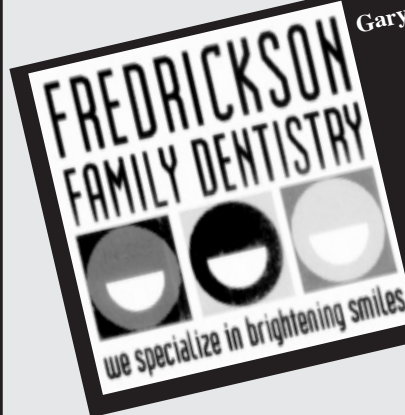
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