

Obituaries

Terry Leroy Black

Terry Leroy Black, 58, maintenance supervisor at the Decatur County Good Samaritan Center, died March 6, 2011, at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney, Neb. He was born Nov. 3, 1952, in Oberlin, the son of Carl and Darlene (Larson) Black. He grew up in Oberlin and attended Oberlin Elementary School and Decatur Community High School, graduating in 1970. He joined the U.S. Navy on Sept. 15, 1972, and served on the USS Chicago.

He married Leaudrey Sue Westkamp on Nov. 8, 1973, in McCook, Nebraska. They lived in San Diego, while he was in the Navy and later resided in McCook, Imperial, and Enders, Neb., and Salina, before returning to Oberlin. His wife preceded him in death on June 4, 2009.

He married Kellie L. Kimble on Aug. 7, 2010, in Oberlin, where they made their home.

Survivors include his wife, Kellie Black, Oberlin; three children, Aaron and Shelley Black, Lawrence; Teresa and Jared Macke, LaGrange, Wyo., and Kyle and Leslie Black, Pratt; four step-children, Bob and Vanessa Tillman, Las Vegas, Nev.; Joey and Cory Gish, Tim Gish, and Miriah and Matt Bordoni, all of Oberlin; two sisters, Dixie and Richard Fields, Menlo, and Marcia and George Ryan, Solomon; six grandchildren, and seven step-grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Ronald Black; and an infant sister, Carla Black. Memorial services were held Friday afternoon at the Oberlin Covenant Church. Pastors Chris and Sharon Nelson officiated and burial was in the Oberlin Cemetery.

A memorial was established in his name. Contributions may be sent to Pauls Funeral Home, 121 N. Penn, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

Phyllis Lechlitter

Phyllis "Jackie" Lechlitter, 79, a native of Norcat, died March 1, 2011, at Porter Hospital in Denver. She was born Sept. 10, 1931, the daughter of Fay E. Eckhart and G. Maxine (Brooks) Eckhart, at the home of her grandparents northwest of Norcat. Most of her schooling was in Clayton, except for a year in California. She graduated from Norcat Rural High School in 1948.

She married Vene Lee Lechlitter on Aug. 21, 1949, in Clayton. They lived on the Lechlitter homestead and farmed until moving to Denver in the summer of 1969.

She was active in the Clayton Evangelical United Brethren Church in Clayton and Calvary Presbyterian Church in Denver. She was also a member of the Rebekah Lodge and the LD Club.

Survivors include her husband, Vene, Pueblo, Colo.; two daughters, Debra and Steve Obrecht, Pueblo; and Darcy and Terry Robbins, Parkersburg, Colo.; a son, Dennis Lechlitter, Clayton; eight grandchildren, and 14 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; an infant son; an infant brother, Donald, a brother, Phillip Eckhart and his wife Marjorie; a son-in-law, Lop Tamez; a daughter-in-law, Ruth Gill Lechlitter; a nephew Chris Eckhart, and a great-niece Dana Monson.

A celebration of her life was held at the Calvary Presbyterian Church in Denver on Friday, March 5. A graveside service will be held at the Clayton Cemetery on Saturday, March 26.

Memorial gifts may be given to the Norcat Citizens Alliance, Norcat, Kan., 67653.

Joshua M. Lammie

Joshua Michael Lammie, 35, a brother-in-law of Brad Harms of Oberlin, died Tuesday, March 8, 2011, at Community Hospital in McCook.

He was born Dec. 16, 1975, in Vancouver, Wash. While growing up, he lived in Washington, Oklahoma, and Colorado. He attended Franklin Pierce High School in Tacoma, Wash. He moved to Nebraska in 2006.

He married Tamara Lavon on Sept. 21, 2009, in Beaver City, Neb. He worked as a workover rig operator in the oil field industry. He was a member of the North American Hunting and Fishing Club.

Survivors include his wife, Tami Lammie, Danbury; three children, Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Mariah Lammie, of the home; a brother, Johnnie; two sisters, Mary Lou and Jennifer; his wife's parents, Larry and Deb Kavli, Brighton, Colo.; a brother-in-law, Brad Harms and daughter Autumn, Oberlin; his grandmother-in-law, Belva Tikal, Aurora, Colo.; an aunt-in-law, Sharon Larson, Aurora, Colo.; and an uncle-in-law, Steve and Noreen Tinkal, Aurora, Colo.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at Pauls Funeral Home in Oberlin. Pastors Chris and Sharon Nelson officiated and burial was in the Danbury-Marion Cemetery.

A memorial was established in his name. Contributions may be sent to Pauls Funeral Home, 121 N. Penn, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

Alicia Marie Rippe

Alicia Marie Burkhalter Rippe, 29, died Saturday, March 12, 2001, at her home at rural Ludell from adrenal cancer.

She was born April 11, 1981, at the Dundy County Hospital in Benkeman, Neb., the daughter of Kevin and Jeanette (Downing) Burkhalter. She was baptized and confirmed at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Bird City. She graduated from Cheylin High School in 1999, then earned her bachelor's degrees in psychology and sociology from Fort Hays State University in 2003. During this time, she spent a year studying abroad in the Netherlands. She graduated with a master's of science degree in community counseling in 2007.

She married Timothy John Rippe on August 2, 2003, at St. John's Catholic Church at Beardsley. Their son, Wyatt Tyler, was born on Sept. 3, 2008. They made their home on a farm in rural Ludell. The family attended St. Mary's Catholic Church in Herndon and she belonged to the Christian Mother's Altar Society.

She worked as a Certified Nurse Aide through college and later as a Rawlins County Dispatcher. In 2007, she began her career as a licensed mental health practitioner. She and Lindsay McConville formed a partnership to open a private practice called Ambience Counseling Center in McCook. She was a member of the National Board of Certified Counselors.

Survivors include her husband, Tim Rippe, and son, Wyatt, rural Ludell; her parents, Kevin and Jeanette Burkhalter, Bird City; a brother, Beau Burkhalter, Manhattan; a sister, Jenna and Jonathan Dare, Henderson, Colo.; her grandmother, Mary Schwerdt, Benkeman, Neb.; her husband's parents, Richard and Theresa Rippe, rural Ludell; two brothers-in-law, Kevin and Megan Rippe, and Rodney Rippe and fiancée, Katelyn Clark, Hays; two nephews and five nieces; and a sister-in-law, Brenda and Aaron Schilde, Minneola.

She was preceded in death by four grandparents, Arthur "Dude" Burkhalter, Irene Burkhalter, Kermit Downing, and Don Schwerdt; an aunt, Cheryl Wilkens; an uncle,

Greg Downing; and cousin, Ryan Sloan.

Mass of the Resurrection will be held at 10:30 a.m. today at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Herndon with the Rev. Nick Parker officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Memorials were established for the Alicia Rippe Memorial Fund or the Wyatt Rippe Education Fund. Contributions may be sent to Pauls Funeral Home, 121 N. Penn, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

Leonard L. Rosin

Leonard Laverne Rosin, 75, Norcross, Minn., a former Oberlin resident, died Monday, March 7, 2011, the Traverse Care Center in Wheaton, Minn.



L. Rosin

He was born Dec. 11, 1935, in Lien Township, Grant County, Minn., the son of Clarence and Elsie (Muetz) Rosin. He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith, attended country school, and graduated from Barrett High School in 1953.

He helped on the family farm until his marriage to Carol Rarer on Dec. 21, 1956. He drove a truck for the Mendelson Egg Company, then sold farm tools for many years, traveling from farm to farm in several states. Eventually, he established his own tool company, Len Rosin Distributing, out of Oberlin, where the family lived for 25 years before returning to Minnesota.

He loved to build, remodel, fix and repair things and realized his dream when he made the closed Lutheran church in Norcross, into a beautiful home for his family.

Survivors include his wife, Carol; two sons, Dr. Robert and Kami Rosin, Scott City; and Keith and Terry Rosin, Sharon Springs; two daughters, Susan Wells, McCook; and Miriam and Danny Shaw, Selden; his mother-in-law, Linda Rarer, Norcross; 15 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; brothers Virgil and Kitty Rosin, Elbow Lake, Minn.; Kenneth and Barb Rosin, Gaylord, Minn.; Ellerd and Jan Rosin, Blaine, Minn.; Gerhard and Jan Rosin, Grand Rapids, Mich.; and Donald and Sharon Rosin, West Fargo, N.D.; sisters, Lois Fagerberg, Elbow Lake; Delores and Dave Johnson, Golden Valley, Minn.; Marlys and Ed Swetman, Edina, Minn.; Marilyn and Paul Gatz, Winsted, Minn.; Eunice Wiebolt, Brainerd, Minn.; and Kathryn and Bill Schmieg, Rapid City, S.D.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Orvin Rosin; a sister-in-law, Darlene Rosin; brothers-in-law, the Rev. Merle Fagerberg, Henry Petrie, Kenneth Wiebolt and Robert Rarer; and his father-in-law, George Rarer.

A Celebration of Life service was held Friday afternoon at the United Methodist Church in Herman, Minn., with the Rev. Mickey Olson officiating. Erickson-Smith Funeral Home of Elbow Lake was in charge of arrangements. Condolences may be expressed to the family at www.dailymemorial.com.

James Robert Shick

James Robert Shick Sr., 81, a former Norcat resident, died Feb. 28, 2011, at the Andbe Home in Norton.

He was born June 17, 1929, in Norcat, the son of Preston and Cora (New) Shick. He grew up in the Norcat area and attended the local schools, later moving to Bakersfield, Calif. where he worked as an agriculture inspector. He re-

turned to Kansas and worked on the construction of the dam at Sebelius Reservoir.

He married Bernadine Walz on Nov. 26, 1964. They made their home in Norcat where he was involved in numerous business ventures and worked at the Norton State Hospital. In 1972, the family moved to Norton, where he worked as a salesman for Cooper Feeds and they ran the half-way house for the mentally retarded. In 1990, the couple retired and moved to Ocala, Fla. They returned to Norton in February 2008 and his wife died on May 7, 2008.

He attended the St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Norton, and was a member and past president of the Norton Eagles Lodge.

Survivors include: six children, Carla and Steve Hawks, Alma; Eric Fouts, Florida; Teresa and Glenn Typer, James Robert "Jim" Shick, and Vicki and Michael Lusch, Huntington, Ind.; 18 grandchildren, 51 great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by his parents; a son, John; a brother, Carl and two sisters, Pearl and Elta.

Services were held at Enfield Funeral Home in Norton on March 5. Inurnment and graveside service followed at the Norcat Cemetery.

Ruby M. Strayer

Ruby M. Strayer, 92, a 1935 graduate of Decatur Community High School, died March 9, 2011, at the Andbe Home in Norton.

She was born Aug. 29, 1918, at Lyle, the daughter of Arthur Leslie and Mary Adeline (Warner) Chambers. She attended country school

at Lyle and her freshman year at Norcat High School, then completed high school in Oberlin. After completing Normal Training, she taught in several rural schools, including Hill Top, Highland, Spring Branch and Star.

She married Guy William Strayer on June 1, 1941, at the home of her parents. They lived with his mother on the farm north of Reager until moving to Colville, Wash. They returned to Kansas and lived on the Strayer family farm. Her husband preceded her death on Nov. 14, 1958. She moved to Norton in 1965 and was employed at the Andbe Home for 29 years. She was a member of the Maple Grove Church of the Brethren and the Cozy Club.

Survivors include her children, Norman and Paula Strayer, Virginia and Durant Harvey, Mary Ann and Pat Taylor, Doug and Sherry Strayer, all of Norton; 11 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; one sister, Inez Diedrich, Carlsbad, Calif.; and three sisters-in-law, Verla Chambers, Norton; Evelyn Strayer, Atwood; and Gladys Taylor, Salina.

She was also preceded in death by her parents; a daughter, Linda, and her fiancé, Dick Sterrett, seven brothers, Silver, Lester, Keith, Dwight, Clyde, Ferris and Carroll, and a sister, Isabelle Vanover.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at the Norton Christian Church and burial was in the Norton Cemetery.

A memorial was established to the Andbe Home of Norton. Contributions may be sent to Enfield Funeral Home, 215 W Main, Norton, Kan., 67654.

Delores Wheeler

Delores Marie Wheeler, 78, a 1950 graduate of Decatur Com-

munity High School, died Feb. 19, 2011, at her home in Oberlin.

She was born Sept. 12, 1932, on a farm northwest of Oberlin, the daughter of Ewald Henry and Bertha Suzan (Hoffbauer) Jording. She was reared on the family farm. She attended Mount Pleasant School, St. John's Grade School, and Decatur Community High School.

She married Wayne LeRoy Wheeler on Sept. 4, 1953, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Oberlin. They lived in Norton until 1966 then moved to Oberlin. She worked as a waitress and at Don's Grocery Store in Oberlin. She was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church.

Survivors include her daughter, Paula and Adrian Tadlock, Oberlin; "adopted daughter," Patricia Hunter, Amarillo, Texas; three sisters, Linda and Wayne Bosler, Herndon; Betty Rall, Colorado Springs, Colo.; and Darlene Fisher, Oberlin; two granddaughters and their fiancés, and a great-granddaughter.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Wayne Wheeler, on Oct. 13, 2002; an infant daughter, Charla Rae Wheeler; brothers, Elwood and Gerald Jording; and five sisters, Corene Vernon, Alene Bailey, Joyce Jording, Peggy Jording, and Irene Jording.

Graveside memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Oberlin Cemetery with the Rev. Kevin Schnakenberg officiating.



D. Wheeler

THE OBERLIN HERALD —

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

Feb. 3: Joshua L. Day, Grant, Neb., violated oversize permit (move at night) \$144.

Feb. 20: Teagan W. Spatz, McCook, speeding 92 mph, \$262.

Divorces Filed

Feb. 2: Shannon Schurr, Sharon Springs and Carrie Schurr, Oberlin.

March 7: Carl L. Larson and Janene R. Larson, Oberlin.

March 9: Robert Eugene Ashley and Jodi Renee Ashley, Oberlin.

Limited Actions

Decatur Health Systems Inc. vs. Stacey L. Hileman, \$3,249 plus costs and interest.

Decatur Health Systems Inc. vs. James A. May, \$596 plus costs and interest.

Decatur Health Systems Inc. vs. Matthew J. and Malinda Van Pelt, \$8,101 plus costs and interest.

Decatur Health Systems Inc. vs. Karl B. Wendelin, \$1,085 plus costs and interest.

Decatur Cooperative Association vs. Ralph Hildebrand, \$1,909 plus costs and interest.

Decatur Cooperative Association vs. Jake Schellhamer, 364 plus costs and interest.

REGISTER OF DEEDS

Helen M. Helm, James J. Helm as executor of Mary Margaret Helm Estate, Frederick L. Helm, John F. Helm II and Pam Helm, James J. and Yanis M. Helm, Michael and Debra Helm, Kathryn S. and Robert Bartsch, Cecelia and Martin Rinehart and Laura Helm to Gayle D. and

Elaine S. Haag as joint tenants, Sec. 2, T1S, R26W.

Gary D. and Kristy R. Pauley to Dennis W. and Lyn Manton Krueger, SE/4, SE/4 Sec. 18; SW/4, SW/4, Sec. 17, T2S, R27W.

City Hall

MUNICIPAL COURT

March 10: Janet Rorick, Oberlin, illegal tag, \$193. Kolton Paul, Oberlin, stop sign, \$153. Tina Watson, Oberlin, no liability insurance, illegal tag, \$530. Nolan Johnson, Oberlin, suspend driver's license for failing to comply, warrant issued. Bruce King, Oberlin, warrant issued for failure to comply, driver's license suspended. Bengy Dickinson, Oberlin, driver's license suspended for failure to comply. Rivet Jai Jr., Oberlin, driver's license suspended, failure to comply.

Town Crier

Today: Spring break, no school this week.

Decatur Area Theater Association, noon, Pizza Hut.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., ambulance barn.

Sunday: Senior potluck, 12:15 p.m., Golden Age Center.

Teens for Christ, 6 to 8 p.m.

Monday: Decatur Professional Women's City Council forum, 7 p.m., The Gateway.

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

Tuesday: High school speech at Oakley.

Freshman orientation, 7 p.m., high school.

Monday, March 28: No school. Oberlin Elementary School Carnival, 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Rescheduled Pre-Contest Concert, 7 p.m., high school.

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.

A representative of the **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: ham and beans, strawberries, cornbread, brownies.

Thursday: roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, lime gelatin with pears, bread, cake.

Friday: salmon patty, macaroni and cheese, California blend vegetables, bread, plums.

Monday: ground-beef stroganoff, mixed vegetables, beets, rice noodles, mandarin oranges.

Tuesday: meat loaf, au gratin potatoes, peas, bread, peaches.

Next Wednesday: chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, bread, cinnamon apple slices.

Markets

March 14, 2011 closing markets

Wheat, \$6.81 bushel
Corn, \$5.91 bushel
Milo, \$5.71 hundredweight
Soybeans, \$12.33 bushel
Sunflowers, \$25.00 hundredweight

School Menu

March 21 - 25 OBERLIN SCHOOLS

Monday: Breakfast: Pancakes, ham patty. Lunch: Cheeseburger, ranch wedges **Tuesday:** Breakfast: Breakfast burrito. Lunch: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, corn. **Wednesday:** Breakfast: Biscuits and gravy. Lunch: Chicken patty sandwich, rice pilaf. **Thursday:** Breakfast: Omelet, muffin. Lunch: Tacos, refried beans. **Friday:** Breakfast: French toast sticks. Lunch: Tomato soup, grilled cheese sandwich.

Fruit served with all breakfasts; choice bar served with all lunches. Milk served with all meals.

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Sat., March 19, 7 p.m.
Sun., March 20, 2 p.m.

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Weather



Forecast

Wednesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 75. South wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Wednesday night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 40. Southwest wind around 15 mph.

Thursday: Partly sunny, with a high near 69.

Thursday night: Mostly cloudy, with a low about 31.

Friday: Partly sunny, with a high near 58.

Friday night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 36.

Saturday: A slight chance of thunderstorms with a high near 59. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Saturday night: A slight chance of thunderstorms with a low around 44.

Sunday: A slight chance of thunderstorms. Partly sunny and breezy, with a high near 68.

Sunday night: A slight chance of thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 42.

National Weather Service

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

	Hi	Low	Precip.	Snow
March 7	54	18	.01	.30
March 8	22	17	Trace	.50
March 9	30	09	.35	3 in.
March 10	47	13	0	
March 11	67	20	0	
March 12	70	25	0	
March 13	59	25	0	

Precipitation totals for the week, 0.36; for the month, 0.45; for the year 01.82; one year ago, March, 2010, 03.35.

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

By Melvin Martin - NOAA Cooperative Weather Observer.

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