

THE OBERLIN HERALD —

# Obituaries

## Robert E. Berls

Robert E. Berls, 71, longtime janitor at the Decatur County courthouse, died Thursday, Feb. 23, 2012, at his home in Oberlin.

He was born Sept. 8, 1940, at the Selden Hotel in Selden, the son of Albert "Bert" and Rosemary (Bruggeman) Berls. He was reared at his family's home in Oberlin and attended Oberlin Elementary, junior high and high school, graduating in 1958. He received additional education at the Denver Electronics School.

He married Marie Bates on June 13 1970 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Oberlin. They made their home in Oberlin their entire married life. He helped his father at Berls Grocery Store while growing up. After his schooling, he began working at Nichols Building Supply and later became a custodian at the Decatur County Courthouse. He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church and Knights of Columbus in Oberlin.

Survivors include his wife, Marie; two sons, Randy (Peggy) Berls, Goodland, and Rob (Emilie) Berls, Asheville, N.C.; four grandsons; and three sisters, Elaine Lohf, Salina; Mary (Jim) Bradford, Olathe, and Alice (Bob) Stanley, Oberlin.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his in-laws, Harold Lohf, Marvin Bates, Richard Bennett, Mary Bates, and Laura Lee Bates.

Vigil service will be held at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the church. Mass of Christian burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, also at the church. The Rev. Mark Berland will officiate and inurnment will follow at the Oberlin Cemetery.

A memorial was established in his name, in care of Pauls Funeral Home, 121 N. Penn, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

## Wilma Bobinmyer

Wilma Bobinmyer, 89, a native of Herndon, died Saturday, Feb. 25, 2012, at the Cedar Living Center in Oberlin.

She was born March 23, 1922, on a farm in Rawlins County, the daughter of Mike and Carrie (Sattler) Kleidosty. She was reared on the farm and attended St. Mary's School in Herndon.

She married Douglas Bobinmyer on Jan. 23, 1945, in Herndon. They lived on a farm near Herndon for 23 years, then moved to Denver, where they lived for 18 years before returning to Herndon in 1987. She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church and the Christian Mothers Altar Society.

Survivors include a son, Douglas Bobinmyer Jr., Herndon; three daughters, Carol Kompus, Oberlin; Patsy Marintzer, Idalia, Colo.; and Joyce (Jim) Rich, Arden, N.C.; a brother, Eugene Kleidosty, and a sister, Eileen (Virgil) Portschy, Herndon; nine grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a sister, Helen Hallam; a step-grandson, Brian Bobinmyer; and a great-grandson, Nicholas Hosaka.

Funeral services were Thursday, March 1, 2012, at Pauls Funeral Home in Oberlin, with the Rev. Mark Berland officiating and burial in St. Mary's Cemetery, Herndon.

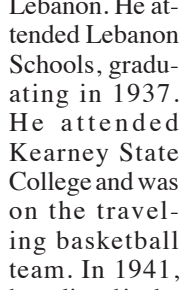
A memorial was established in her name in care of Pauls Funeral Home, 121 N. Penn, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

## Charles Anthony Haag

Charles Anthony Haag, 92, father of Charles D. Haag of Oberlin, died Wednesday, Feb. 22, 2012, at the Cedar Living Center in Oberlin.

He was born Feb. 6, 1920, at Lebanon, Neb., the son of Charles

J. and Anna (Warner) Haag, and was reared on the family farm north of Lebanon. He attended Lebanon Schools, graduating in 1937. He attended Kearney State College and was on the traveling basketball team. In 1941, he enlisted in the Army and served as a Mobile Unit Repair Chief and airplane mechanic until 1945.



C. Haag

He married Nadeane Pattison on Sept. 15, 1946, at the home of her parents near Wilsonville. They lived on a farm in the Wilsonville area, where he farmed until his retirement. They moved into Wilsonville in 1964.

He was a member of the Wilsonville American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars post and the Wilsonville United Methodist Church.

Survivors also include a sister, Betty Alexander Ehlers, Kearney; another son, Gordon (Denise) Haag, Hickman, Neb.; two daughters, Georgia (Dan) Stahr, Malcolms, Neb., and Carole Gaunt, McCook; a daughter-in-law, Betsy Haag, Oberlin; nine grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, a sister Carolyn and a brother Donnie.

Funeral services were Monday morning at the Oberlin United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Linda Willey officiating and burial in the Wilsonville Cemetery.

A memorial was established in his name, in care of Pauls Funeral Home, 121 N. Penn, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

## Edith L. Persinger

Edith Lorraine Persinger, 75, a resident of the Decatur County Good Samaritan Center, died Friday, Feb. 24, 2012, at the Decatur County Hospital in Oberlin.

She was born in Culbertson, Neb., on June 28, 1936, the daughter of Homer Ira and Myrtle E. (Barnes) Troxell. She graduated from McCook High School in 1954.

She married Donald Fuller on Feb. 14, 1956, and they had two children. She married Royse Persinger on March 13, 1966, and they also had two children.

She lived in Parks, Neb.; Atwood; Trenton, Neb.; and Morse, Texas, before moving to Oberlin. She had worked for the Ideal Laundry, was a house parent for Beamgard School; was a dispatcher in Trenton; and also cooked at the Frontier Cafe.

Survivors include two daughters, Debra (Scott) Davis, Morse, Texas, and Deanna (Doug) Harrison, Lebanon, Neb.; a son, Dwight Persinger, Oberlin; four grandsons; and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; both husbands; an infant son, Daniel Fuller; a granddaughter, Chelsie Davis; a grandson, Chad Davis; four brothers, Jack, Maurice, Gale and Homer Troxell Jr., and four sisters, Virginia Lorimer, Peggy Ramsor, Rita Jilg and Barbra Unger.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. today, Wednesday, Feb. 29, 2012, at the Carpenter-Breland Funeral Home in McCook with Pastor Bill Duncan officiating. Private inurnment will take place later in the Riverside Cemetery in Wauneta, Neb.

Memorials are suggested to the

donor's choice.

## William H. Stowell

William H. Stowell, 92, a longtime Phillipsburg lawyer and a 1936 graduate of Decatur Community High School, died Feb. 19, 2012, at the Prairie Haven Nursing Home in Kensington.

He was born Aug. 26, 1919, in Oberlin, the son of Samuel O. and Fern L. (Marvin) Stowell, and attended Oberlin schools. During his teen years, his family operated a Grade A dairy near Oberlin.

He attended Fort Hays State University for two years, then transferred to the University of Kansas in Lawrence. He entered law school at Lawrence until he was drafted, then spent 3 1/2 years overseas in the Army during World War II.

He resumed his education at the KU Law School. It was there he met Doris Dixon, also a law student. They were married May 25, 1946, in the Danforth Chapel on campus. After finishing their education and passing the bar exam, they moved to Phillipsburg, where they opened a private law practice.

On May 25, 2011, they celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary. Their marriage was built on sharing and working together in all aspects of day-to-day living.

Survivors include his wife, of the home; two daughters, Susan Bittner, Long Beach, Calif., and Sarah Ruhlen, Phoenix; and four grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and two sisters, Merriam and Millie Esther.

A memorial service was held Saturday, Feb. 25, 2012, at the Phillipsburg United Presbyterian Church, with Pastor Chris Davis officiating. Inurnment will take place.

Memorials may be given to the donor's choice, in care of the Olliff-Boeve Memorial Chapel, Box 563, Phillipsburg, Kan., 67661.

## Verna Mary Wearing

Verna Mary Wearing, 82, a sister of Bill Goscha and Henrietta Juenemann of Oberlin, died Feb. 19, 2012, in Salina.

She was born July 29, 1929, in Dresden, the oldest of 13 children of John and Helen (Meitl) Goscha. She was reared at Selden and graduated from Selden High School and from nursing school at the former St. John's Hospital School of Nursing in Salina.

She married Paul A. Wearing on Sept. 10, 1949, and later operated Wearing Heating and Air Conditioning in Salina. She had worked at Windsor Estates Nursing Home and Kenwood Nursing Home. She was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Cathedral in Salina.

Survivors also include a daughter, Debbie (Ken) Bengston, North Newton; five sons, Gary (Lorrie) Wearing, Ben (Betsy) Wearing, Steve (Vickie) Wearing and Mike (Jan) Wearing, all of Salina, and Pat (Ellen) Wearing, St. Joseph, Mo.; three other sisters, Mary Echner, Ogallala, Neb.; Carmella Werner, Jefferson City, Mo.; and Kathleen Spellman, Wichita; three other brothers, Mike Goscha, Fort Lupton, Colo.; Herbert Goscha, Overland Park; and Dennis Goscha, Topeka; a brother-in-law, John Juenemann, Oberlin, and grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1993, a son Joe in 1984, a sister Patricia, three brothers, Dan, Chuck and Albert Goscha, and a great-granddaughter.

Mass of Christian Burial was Friday morning at the Cathedral in Salina with Father Allen Scheer officiating and burial in the church cemetery.

Memorials were established to the Sacred Heart Parish or the Salina Community Theater.

## Courthouse

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

### DISTRICT COURT Traffic

Jan. 23, Brad David Holdhusen, Overland Park, speeding 78 mph, \$161.

### Limited Actions

Board of County Commissioners vs Kathy Delepine, Garden City, \$300 plus costs and interest.

### JAIL BOOKINGS

The following were booked into the Decatur County Jail:

Brandie Sanchez, 28, Holdrege, Neb., Thursday, false reporting, Red Willow County Sheriff's Office.

### SHERIFF'S BLOTTER

The Decatur County sheriff's office reported the following call last week:

• Justin Gee, 17, of Oberlin was driving a 1992 Toyota eastbound on R Lane when he lost control.

Deputy Jay Tate said the vehicle skidded into the south ditch and struck a power pole. Both Mr. Gee and Anthony Zillinger were taken by private vehicle to the Decatur County Hospital to be evaluated. The car was not drivable.

### REGISTER OF DEEDS

Teka Jo Carper, Jeff Alan and Lisa Carper, and Judd Steven Carper with Katharine Gurba, to Lorenz Friend, S 50' of Lots 9, 10, 11, and 12, Blk 5, Original Town of Jennings.

Marilou T. Long, Greg Lynn Long, Brad D. Long and Linda Marie Wade, trustees of the Long Family Trust, to Greg Lynn Long, Brad D. Long and Linda Marie Wade, trustees of the Long Family Trust B, N/2 Secs. 23 and 34, 1/2 undivided interest NE/4, Sec. 26, E/2 Secs. 27 and 22, S/2, Sec. 23, W/2 Sec. 18, E/2, Sec. 13, SW/4, Sec. 13, NW/4, Sec. 35, W/2, Sec. 31, N/2 Sec. 24, all in T2S R27W.

Carla Merklein to Janice Guthrie, Lots 9 and 10, Blk 20, Summit Ad-

dition, City of Oberlin.

Marilou T. Long, Greg Lynn Long, Brad D. Long, and Linda Marie Wade, trustees of the Long Family Trust, to Marilou T. Long, trustee of the Long Family Trust A, Sec. 14, SE/4, Sec. 24, T2S R27W; NW/4 Sec. 30, T2S R26W; NW/4, NE/4 SE/4, SE/4 NE/4, W/2 NE/4 and NE/4 NE/4, Sec. 2; NE/4, Sec. 3, T3S R27W.

## City Hall

### MUNICIPAL COURT

Thursday: Patrick Shirley, Norcatur, speeding 50 mph in 40, \$123. Bradley Harms, Oberlin, theft, \$143.

Courtney Gillespie, Oberlin, dog at large, no tags, \$143.

Donna Frandsen, Oberlin, improper backing, \$153.

Adrian Overmiller, Oberlin, theft, dismissed and refiled in district court by city attorney.

## Town Crier

**Today:** Happy Leap Day!

**Thursday:** Substate girls basketball semifinals at Ellis. Time to be announced.

Oberlin City Council, airport meeting at 6 p.m., regular council 7 p.m., Gateway.

**Friday:** World Day of Prayer, 10 a.m., Oberlin Covenant Church.

Substate boys basketball semifinals at Ellis. Time to be announced.

**Saturday:** Special Olympics basketball game, 1 p.m. at grade school. Oberlin firemen vs Northwest Wind.

High school speech at Ellis. Time to be announced.

Substate basketball finals at Ellis. Times to be announced.

**Sunday:** Pancake supper, 5-7 p.m. at Norcatur United Methodist Church.

**Monday:** Junior High Scholar Bowl, 4 p.m. at Quinter.

Oberlin FFA Chapter work auction, 6 p.m., high school auditorium. Ice cream.

Community conversation, 7 p.m. at Golden Age Center, sponsored by Decatur Tomorrow.

Community health needs assessment, 7-8:30 a.m., Golden Age Center, addressing community needs.

**Tuesday:** Jody Tubbs of Kansas Veterans Commission, 9 a.m. to 10 a.m., courthouse.

High school speech, 3 p.m. at Oakley.

Junior high band and vocal concert, 7:30 p.m., high school auditorium.

**Thursday, March 8:** State bas-

ketball tournament. Times and place to be announced.

13th annual chicken-and-noodle benefit for Forget-Me-Nots, 5 to 7 p.m., Masonic Temple dining room.

**Friday, March 9:** No school. End of third nine weeks.

**Saturday, March 10:** State basketball tournament. Times and place to be announced.

### SENIOR MENU

Senior lunch at the Golden Age Center, weekdays at noon:

**Today:** chicken and pasta bake, seasoned carrots, pears, bread, cook's choice compliment.

## Corrections

The Oberlin Herald will correct or clarify any mistake or misunderstanding in a news story. Please call our office at 475-2206 to report errors. We believe that news stories should be fair and factual, and appreciate your calling to our attention any failure to live up to this standard.

## Markets

**Monday closing markets**  
Wheat, \$6.29 bushel  
Corn, \$6.25 bushel  
Milo, \$5.93 bushel  
Soybeans, \$11.84 bushel  
Decatur Cooperative Association

**Thursday:** sloppy joes, gold rush casserole, pea salad, bun and fruit crisp.

**Friday:** baked fish, green-bean casserole, cucumbers and tomatoes, bread, peaches.

**Monday:** beef and noodles, winter mix vegetables, cook's choice fruit, bread and pudding.

**Tuesday:** chicken dressing casserole, mashed potatoes and gravy, mixed vegetables, bread and pineapple.

**Next Wednesday:** roast pork, potatoes, peas, bread and fruit.

## Sunflower Cinema

220 N. Penn Oberlin 785-470-2200

## Woman in Black PG-13

Friday March 2- 7 p.m.  
Saturday, March 3 - 7 p.m.  
Sunday, March 4 - 2 p.m.

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## Weather

**Forecast**

**Today:** Sunny, with a high near 55. Breezy, with a north-west wind 15 to 20 mph decreasing to between 5 and 10 mph. Winds could gust as high as 30 mph.

**Tonight:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 55.

**Thursday Night:** A slight chance of rain and snow. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 29. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

**Friday:** Mostly sunny and breezy, with a high near 44.

**Friday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 25.

**Saturday:** Mostly sunny and breezy, with a high near 49.

**Saturday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 29.

**Sunday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 58.

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

Date	Hi	Lo	Precip	Snow
Feb. 20	43	33	0	
Feb. 21	41	23	0.02	
Feb. 22	55	28	0	
Feb. 23	62	34	0	
Feb. 24	47	22	0	
Feb. 25	47	14	0	
Feb. 26	64	17	0	

Precipitation for week: 0.02  
Precipitation for month 0.95  
Precipitation for year: 1.09  
Precipitation one year ago: 1.28

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By Melvin Martin - NOAA Cooperative Weather Observer.

*From the National Weather Service*