

# Four win in first week of Christmas contest

Four shoppers brought in their little red ticket this week, claiming \$50 in scrip money each from the Oberlin merchants' big "Christmas On Us" giveaway.

Jerry Wolfram got ticket number 725403 at Ward Drug, and said that his wife informed him that he would be using it at the Dresser. He found his ticket number in the ad for *The Oberlin Herald*.

Mark Meitl, Dresden, got ticket No. 791334 at Raye's Grocery, and found the number in the ad for Ward Drug. He said he hadn't decided where he would spend it.

Krickit Ketterl, the third winner,

found her ticket at the Dresser, and the ticket number, 896611, in the ad for Stanley Hardware. She also said she didn't know where she would spend the scrip money.

Samantha Strohm got ticket No. 322705 while buying a stove at R&M Service Center, and found the number hidden in an ad for The Bank. She said she would probably spend it at Stanley or the Carpet Center since her family is working on home improvements.

The giveaway works like this: For every \$10 you spend at one of the sponsoring businesses, you get a red ticket with a number on it. You



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can also get one ticket a week from the newspaper office or the Oberlin-Decatur County Area Chamber of Commerce.

Every week, ticket numbers are hidden in the sponsors' ads in the pullout Christmas On Us section of the newspaper (also called sec-

tion "C"). If a hidden number in the paper matches the number on one of your tickets, bring the ticket to *The Oberlin Herald's* office by 5 p.m. on Friday and claim your \$50 prize. Prizes are paid in scrip which can only be spent at one of the contest sponsors.

This year's sponsors include Stanley, Raye's, Ward, the Carpet Center, the Dresser, the Bank, R&M Service Center and Dale's Fish 'N' Fun.

No purchase is required to win any prize. Tickets are limited to 250 for any single purchase.

The Grand Prize drawing is

scheduled for 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, at the gazebo in Centennial Park, unless the weather is bad. Then it will be moved indoors. Any unclaimed \$50 prizes will be drawn for then as well.

Employees of sponsoring businesses are not eligible to get tickets at the place of their employment. Employees of the newspaper and their immediate family aren't eligible to win any prize.

Winners must be present and have the ticket with them at the time of the drawing. All winners agree to be photographed.

## \*Study approved

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form of a plan on a timeline for the amount of \$20,000 plus travel expenses, not to exceed \$5,000. A third of the cost will need to be paid up front, it said, a third at the midpoint and a third upon completion, no later than March 1.

Mr. Grace said that his team will have at least two community meet-

ings, though the dates haven't been set. The first one, he said, will likely be in mid to late January.

"It will be an opportunity for people to provide input," he said. "If anyone has ideas for the elderly, I welcome that. Everyone should feel free to e-mail or call me."

Reach Mr. Grace at jr1grace@gmail.com or at (785) 506-6003.

## Homes tour coming

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The annual home tour put on by the Decatur Professional Women will feature three homes and end with a soup-and-dessert supper, and all for \$10.

The money raised goes to the scholarship program run by the group, said President Diane Barrett. It gives two scholarships a year to young women enrolled in college.

The homes tour is the group's only fund raiser.

This year's tour will begin at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, at the Golden Age Center. From there, she said, the people will split into three groups to tour the homes, which belong to Sid and Cheryl Metcalf, Wayne Hackney and Chris Dempe-

wolf and Jim and Mrs. Barrett.

The tour will be limited to 75 people, so if you would like to go, contact one of the members for a ticket. Tickets are also available at the Dresser and *The Oberlin Herald* office on Main Street.

The soup dinner after the tour, said Mrs. Barrett, will feature chili, chicken-noodle and tortilla soups. Members will be cooking the soups and cookies, which are included in the price of the ticket.

"The homes we have this year are pretty fun," she said at the group's monthly meeting Nov. 14 at The Gateway. "We have one that's really old, one that's brand new and one that's kind of in the middle. I think it's going to be great."

## County could adopt two new programs

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The U.S. Department of Homeland Security has two programs that Decatur County qualifies for, county commissioners heard at their meeting last Tuesday, both at no cost to the county.

The first is an identification program for county workers, and the second is for portable computers, said Emergency Preparedness Director Jacque Boultinghouse.

"(The first) project is to give each county a mobile express unit that will tie into our (identification) tag system," Ms. Boultinghouse said. "It will help us if we should have any incident, and we can use it on a day-to-day basis."

"If there is a fire or something, like over the summer, you can scan the tag if a lot of people are coming in. Then if it's declared a disaster, we can log the people, workers and equipment that comes in, because (the Federal Emergency Management Agency) has resource equipment that they pay for during a disaster, and it would all be logged."

The tags would have individual bar codes for each employee that would sync up with the county's computer system, she said. They could also be used to verify that people had been to required meetings, and could benefit dispatch by allowing them to organize people in places on the computer, and not just

the phones, in an emergency.

"It could save a lot of time," she said. "What we need to do is, once we get the tags going, we need people to use them on a daily basis. You'd scan them when you log into your meeting here, for example ..."

"In some respect, it will help all the players in the county follow an incident command system, as well as know how to use it if we go help another county out."

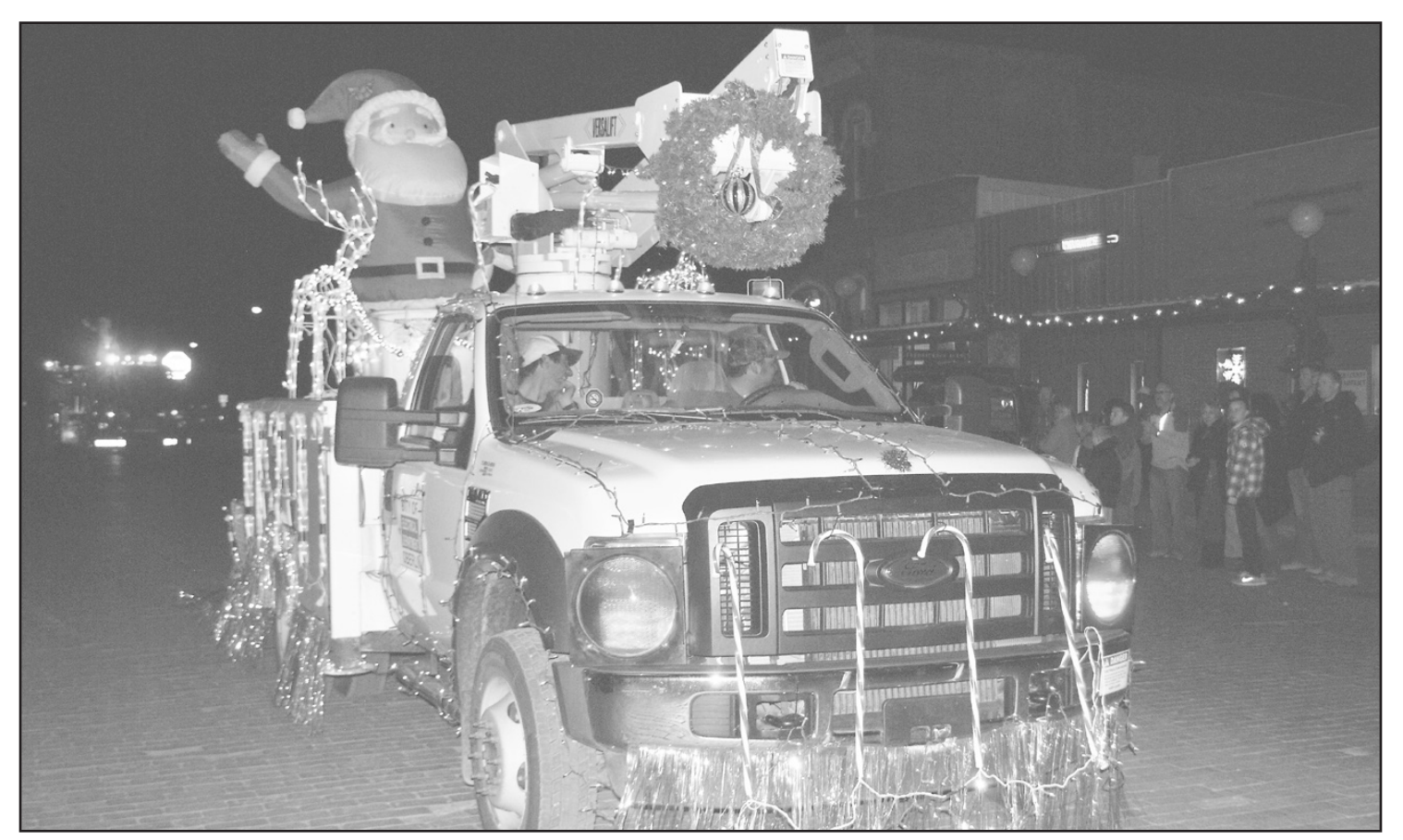
The commissioners seemed a little wary, however. Commissioner Stan McEvoy pointed out that not everyone would be thinking of a tag when they went out to a fire or other emergency, and Commissioner Ralph Unger said he thought that workers have to carry enough in their billfolds already, and it would be just another thing for the government to come in and regulate.

"Do we really need it?" he wondered aloud.

The second project met a similar reaction. Ms. Boultinghouse explained that the state would give the county four computers, either laptops or tablets, that work with an interactive map on a government website.

"This is part of the state's mapping project," she said. The courthouse would need to install wireless Internet for it to work, which it would have to pay for, she said.

"You don't have to sign on right now for either of them," she said, "but think about it. I'll see what I



THE FIRST-PLACE WINNER at this year's Parade of Lights was the city's bucket truck, which featured a large, inflatable Santa atop a galaxy of Christmas lights. - Herald staff photo by Stephanie

## \*Parade of Lights shines brightly

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it. And the weather has been so nice the last few years, it puts everyone in a good mood."

Organizer Gary Walter said that the first-place winner was the city's bucket truck, which featured Santa Claus. City Administrator Karen Larson said Monday that the city will donate the prize to the Decatur County Food Bank. Second went to the Decatur Co-op's monster truck. Third place went to Sappa Antiques, whose float featured veterans giving a salute for the National Anthem at the beginning of the parade.

Overall, everyone involved seemed to think the night was a wonderful success.

"It was great, I loved it," said Ms. Grafel. "So many people came downtown ... I heard a lot of good comments, too. They loved the parade. People love to be downtown in the evening and get together with their families."

Kurt Vollertsen, who chairs the Oberlin Business Alliance, which organized the event, agreed.

"Foot traffic was a huge success," he said Monday.

One of the alliance's big goals was to keep

people around to do some shopping after the parade, he said, and by his assessment, they did.

"We had people in the stores until closing time or a little after," he said. "The turkey hunt seemed to create a lot of excitement, and all the specials and sales did, too."

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### Saturday, December 1, 2012

10:00 a.m. CST

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<p><b>Toys</b></p> <p>2-J.D. D Tractors, (nib) J.D. 1915 Model R, (nib) J.D. Overtime Tractor, (nib) J.D. Waterloo Boy, (nib) Farnall F20, (nib) Farnall Super M-TA, (nib) Farnall Super C, (nib) Mamod Steam Tractor, (nib) McCormick Deering Model M, (nib) 1932 Cadillac Teams of Horses &amp; Wagon Horses</p>	<p>8N Ford 2pt., New Back Tires, (runs good) S/EAE 6015-H 8N Ford 2pt. w/Skyline Ldr., (runs good) S/88N43406 Case 930 w/Cab, Diesel, PTO, New Tires, (runs good) 1965 Chevy 50 Truck w/steel B&amp;H Krause 18" Disc, Hyd. J.D. Forge Wagon w/B &amp; H 2-1977 Lincoln Continentals, 4 dr., (runs good) 3-5' Noble Sweeps, (new blades) Tandem Trailer, (hauls 8N Ford) Farnall MD, (parts) S/177345, (wide front end) Farnall M, (parts) S/FBK-180196X1 Farnall 300 2pt. L.P. Case 1030 Diesel, (parts) Cab for 1030 Case Front End Loader, fits 8N Ford 1973 Ford F250 PU 4x4-4sp Woods M160 6' Mower, 3pt. Wegiel w/single seat Buggy w/double seat Buggy Running Gear Buggy w/Wooden Wheels Morris Bros 2-Horse Trailer Hawthorne Wagon Single Trees Buggy Tongues Military Saddle, #180 2-Heiser Riding Saddles 2-Askev Saddles Side Saddle English Saddle Kids Saddle J.D. Double Horse Drills J.D. 1-Row Planter J.D. Sickle Mower J.D. Manure Spreader 2-J.D. Sickle Mowers, (pull type) 3pt. Bale Mower Horse Drawn J.D. 1-Bottom Plow Horse Drawn J.D. 2-Bottom Plow J.D. Horse Drill 2-Horse Drawn Cultivators NH 269 Square Baler w/bale accumulator, (parts) Baldwin Binder Case Thrashing Machine 3-Baldwin Combines Post Hole Digger, 3pt. Emerson 2-Bottom Plow 3-Dump Rakes 2-5 Bottom Plows Road Grader IHC Sickle Mower Hay Buck, fits Skyline Ldr. Wegiel Sickle Mower w/gas engine 3pt. Bale Mower Walking Cultivator McCormick Deering Sickle Sharpener McCormick Deering Cream Separator Martin Brick Machine Cement Mixer, (elect.)</p>	<p>10-12' Powder River Cattle Panels 1-10' Panel w/walk in gate 10-12' Feeder Panels 2-12' Steel Gates 3-300gal. Fuel Tanks 2-1000bu. Grain Bins 2-Steel Feed Bunks Trunk for 29' Chevy PU Stock Racks Several Full Sets of Harness, (big &amp; small) Double Harness Set Harness Stitching Machine Leather Calf Weaner Horse Shoeing Box Steel Wheel Running Gear Sheep Wool Bag Rack 2-Ceramic Kilns w/forms 2-Cast Iron Forges Saw Mill w/blade Chicago Heights Drill Press Port. Overhead Hoist Caprice 7hp Riding Mower, 32"cut 3-Push Mowers Metal Shop Bench Bench Grinder, 3/4hp Tire Vulcanizer Incubator Elect. Drills 1/2" &amp; 3/4" Socket Sets Blow Torch Post Vise 2-Boxes Baling Wire Several Telephone Poles 25-Rolls Sheep Wire 2-Oil Barrels w/pumps Lots of Scrap Iron Concrete Yard Ornaments Platte Valley Crock Jugs Wine Crock, 10gal. Kerosene Lanters 2-Honda Motorcycles 2-Go-Carts, (homemade) Evinrude 440 Snowmobile, (parts) Antique Training Wheels Maytag Washer Wood Burning Stove Table w/6 Chairs Oak Corner Table Wooden High Chair 2-Recliners Chest of Drawers 2-Single Bed Frames Ceiling Fans Vacuum Lots of Dishes Vases Pick Dulcimer 50+ pc. Bell Collection Glass Horses Glass Angels 2-Barbie Rapunzel Clocks, (nib)</p>	<p>2-14' Steel Gates 2-Steel Feed Bunks Iron Wheels Welding Table Hyd. Cylinders Olsen Band Saw Table Saw Pipe Wrenches Weed Sprayer Lots of Shop Tools Cast Iron Bull Wash Buds Coke Stove Adam Schaff Piano 2-Solid Oak Tables Pie Cupboard Rocking Chair Dressers Gun Rack File Cabinet Coke Plate Coffee Pots Peacock Feathers Silverstone Elect. Guitar Glass Elephants Glass Deer</p>
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Many more items too numerous to mention

Auctioneer's Note: Mr. Gilbert is 94 and has decided to sell a lifetime collection of equipment, antiques and collectibles at public auction. There are several rare and unique items in excellent condition so plan to attend.

**Seller: Jay Gilbert**

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