



A RED COMBINE (ABOVE) driven by Dan Wasson (below) was finishing up this year's wheat harvest near the Lund Covenant Church, southwest of Oberlin. One of the harvest crew members was Teague Morford (bottom) driving the grain cart last Tuesday.
— Herald staff photos by Dayna Mannebach

Farm family harvests wheat

By DAYNA MANNEBACH
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Dan Wasson was close to finishing up his 2021 wheat harvest near the Lund Covenant Church, southwest of Oberlin.

Mr. Wasson and his wife Carol, a "title" teacher at Oberlin Elementary School, have three children, Tom, Anne and Nolan. Mr. Wasson is the fourth generation of his family to farm in Decatur County, followed now by the fifth and someday, maybe, a sixth.

He and his son Nolan work together. Nolan, Tom and their cousin Michael are all fifth-generation farmers, with Tom and Michael having their own operations.

"Things have changed a lot over the years," Dan said. "My grandfather, Ira Wasson, had a threshing machine and crew. I started driving a combine when I was 13. It was top of the line for the time, but had no cab, so I remember long days in the heat, wind and dirt."

It had a 14-foot header and a 60-bushel grain bin, Mr. Wasson said. Today, family's combines have 35-foot headers and 300-bushel grain bins.

They all appreciate the climate-controlled cab and the computerized helps, he added.

One of things Mr. Wasson said he enjoys about the harvest is seeing the wildlife.

He has seen quite a few broods of pheasants, deer, coyotes and



hawks this year, he said, and felt the jarring impact of running over badger mounds.

The harvest crew this year included Nolan, Teague Morford, Mick Barth, and Bob Castle, he said. Mrs. Wasson brought evening meals for the crew.

The crew got started as soon as the humidity was low enough, he said. Otherwise, the straw is tough and the moisture of the grain can be affected.

At night, Mr. Wasson said, they work until the elevators close, then fill the trucks to haul the next day.

"I'm proud to be a farmer and feeding the world," he said. "I'm also grateful for a good year of yields and prices, as it is needed for the farm's cash flow."

The Wassons grow wheat, corn, sorghum and red angus cattle, he said.



Akrs offers to hold talk with people

By CYNTHIA HAYNES
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Akrs Equipment, which is interested in buying The Gateway, Oberlin's civic center, as a new home for its operation, would like to hold a community meeting, City Administrator Halley Roberson told the City Council at its meeting on Thursday.

She said the company, which is a John Deere dealer, hopes to set up a full-service facility including sales, parts and service and bring in seven to 10 jobs if possible.

When asked if the company would consider other options, she

said it is governed by a board, the same as the city, and any major change in the plan would need to go back to that board and basically back to square one.

About 30 people attended the council meeting at The Gateway and most seemed to be against selling the facility to be used as anything other than a community building.

Pharmacist Derek Chambers suggested setting up an endowment fund to help sustain the building or a nonprofit corporation that could purchase or lease the building from (See CITY on Page 12)

Free food part of handbook

By DAYNA MANNEBACH
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The Oberlin School Board last Monday approved the Oberlin Elementary and Decatur Community Junior/Senior High student and faculty handbooks for the 2021-2022 year with changes, including free lunches and breakfast for all students.

"The Oberlin Elementary School is in the process of becoming a school wide title program," said Superintendent Joel Applegate, "that will receive federal funds to assist students in the area of reading and math."

The handbook says the school lunch plan will allow all children

to eat breakfast and lunch free for the upcoming school year.

"We will highly recommend all families to fill out the Household Economic Survey," he said, "which generates additional funding for our local educational programs during enrollment."

Some other provisions:

- At Oberlin Elementary School, grades kindergarten to six, school hours will be from 8:10 a.m. to 3:40 p.m. Breakfast will be served between 7:50 a.m. and 8:10 a.m. Kids in kindergarten to grade one eat lunch at 11:25 a.m. and return to class at 11:45 a.m. Grades two to four eat lunch at 11:50 a.m. (See STUDENT on Page 12)

Fair board OKs races for August

By DAYNA MANNEBACH
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The Decatur County fair board granted permission last Wednesday to race promoter Rick Salem and his business partner, Diane Williams, who came to ask to use the track for the Annual Bob Salem Memorial race weekend next month.

The races will be on Friday and Saturday, Aug. 13 and 14. Mr. Salem said they have no monster trucks

coming in this year.

Board President Chris Wilson said the contract is for \$400 per race and a \$400 deposit, so the total up-front cost would be \$1,200. The deposit would be refundable if everything they use is cleaned up and put back in its proper place, he said. Covered by the \$400 are the race track, parking lot, grandstands and pit shack. (See FAIR on Page 12)

Vaccinations increase as few side effects show

A lot more people are stepping up to get vaccinated, said Ward Drug Pharmacist Derek Chambers.

"We're not seeing any more side effects, such as upper body aches and fatigue show up," Dr. Chambers said, "so people are willing to get vaccinated."

The rush was not reported yet in state figures, however. As of Monday, almost 37.69 percent of those currently eligible in Decatur County had been vaccinated, according to the map at www.kansasvaccine.gov, said Dr. Chambers. At least 920 county residents have received at least one

dose. Last week, the figure was 918.

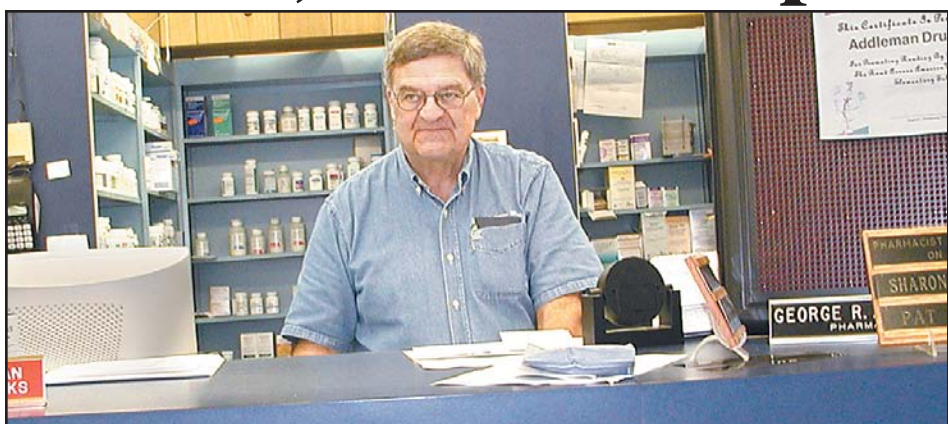
This week, the Decatur County Health Department reported two active Covid-19 cases, with both patients in the hospital.

The state reported 280 total positive cases for the county and 266 recovered cases, said nurse Stacey Hileman.

Last week, the county had two active and two hospitalized cases. Ms. Hileman reported a total of 279 total positive cases, with 265 recovered.

No probable cases were pending either week, with 12 total deaths since spring 2020.

Athlete, veteran and pharmacist supported his community



RUSTY ADDLEMAN IN 2005 behind the pharmacy counter of the Addleman Drug Store.
— Photo from The Herald archives

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George R. "Rusty" Addleman, 82, who died last Monday at the Decatur Health Hospital, had many accomplishments over his lifetime — as a standout athlete in high school and college sports, a hospital manager in the Air Force, a pharmacist in his hometown and a long-time supporter of the community.

"He was my rock and kept me going," said his wife of 58 years, Sharon Addleman.

Private family services will be at 10 a.m. Friday at the Oberlin United Methodist Church, she said.

A 1956 graduate of Decatur Community

High, Rusty excelled in sports, including football, basketball and track.

One of the final four football games in 1955, a 32-13 win over the Norton Bluejays, cinched the Northwest Kansas League title for the Red Devils that year.

Mr. Addleman was one of many players who received post-season honors.

He might have been best known as an athlete, but he did other things in high school: Glee Club, the junior play, Student Council and a member of the cabinet of the Hi-Y club, a social club affiliated with the Young Men's Christian Association, or YMCA.

He attended the same college, College of Emporia, as his father Ted had. He

earned 17 varsity letters in five sports: four years in football, track and baseball, three in basketball and two in golf.

While he was playing football, he recalled, he suffered a broken ankle his sophomore year, but he still managed to earn his letter that season. He also participated in other activities, such as school plays, sang in the C. of E. chorus, was on the Student Commission, worked with a Presbyterian Youth Group and was a qualified life-saving instructor. (See RUSTY on Page 12)



THE OBERLIN HERALD — From the Record

Courthouse

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

DISTRICT COURT Traffic

July 2: Karen K. Walter, Canon City, Colo., speeding 80 mph in 65 zone, \$183.

JAIL BOOKINGS

The following were booked into the Decatur County Jail:

Stephanie Hermosillo, 56, Ulysses, was arrested last Tuesday by the Decatur County sheriff's officers and Oberlin Police for driving under the influence and was put on a 48-hour hold.

James McChesney, 51, Oberlin, was arrested last Wednesday by the Oberlin Police Department for violation of a protective order. His bond was set at \$2,500.

REGISTER OF DEEDS

William W. Sauvage, aka William Walter Sauvage, transfer on death to Danielle Robyn Schiltz, tract in the NW corner NE/4 SW/4 Sec. 11, T3S R29W, 150 ft. by 170 ft.

William W. Sauvage, aka William Walter Sauvage, transfer on death to Robyn Schiltz, an undivided one-half interest, and to William Bodie Sauvage, Colton Gary Sauvage and Isabella Alice Marie Sauvage, an undivided 1/2 interest as tenants in common, all interest in: W/2 Sec. 35; NE/4 and S/2 Sec. 32; N/2 and E/2 SE/4 Sec. 33; W/2 and SE/4 Sec. 34; W/2 Sec. 26; S/2 NW/4 and SW/4 Sec. 14; W/2 Sec. 23; all mineral and royalty interest in and

to E/2 SE/4 Sec. 10; S/2 SE/4 west of road and SW/4 Sec. 11; N/2 NW/4 and tract in NE/4 west of road in Sec. 14; NE/4 NE/4 Sec. 15; SE/4 Sec. 23; E/2 Sec. 26; E/2 Sec. 35; W/2 SE/4 Sec. 34; S/2 SE/4 Sec. 13, all in T4S, R30W; SW/4 Sec. 11, less a tract in NW corner of NE/4 SW/4 150 by 170 ft.; E 100 acres SW/4 and the SE/4, Sec. 9; N/2 Sec. 16 all in T3S R29W; NW/4 Sec. 13; SE/4 Sec. 14; W/2 NW/4 Sec. 11; E/2 NE/4 Sec. 10; S/2 Sec. 2; W/2 Sec. 3, all in T5S R30W; Sec. 36, Sec. 34, T4S R30W; and Sec. 12, T1S R27W.

James C. and Delores Jennings to Jennings Family Farms LLC, SE/4 and W/2 Sec. 21, N/2 Sec. 28, T4S R28W, and SW/4 Sec. 36, T3S R28W.

LGR Wendelin LLC to Gregory James and Susan Anita Unger, as joint tenants, tract in NW/4 Sec. 34 T2S R30W, in NW corner of section.

Timothy J. Gish to Miranda M. Gish, quit claim to Lots 9 and 20 and S 10' of Lot 11, Blk. 12, Summit Addition to town, now City of Oberlin.

City Hall

POLICE BLOTTER

The Oberlin Police Department worked this call last week:

•Police Chief Brad Burmestersaid around 7:56 p.m. last Wednesday in the 100 block of South East Avenue, the Oberlin Police Department arrested James McChesney, 51, Oberlin for violation of protection order. He did not post bond.

Town Crier

Today: Simply Produce orders taken through Friday, \$15 (plus tax) for \$30 worth of fruits and vegetables at Raye's Grocery. Pick up Tuesday, July 27.

Herndon Senior Citizens, noon, Senior Center.

Thursday: Exercise class, 9 a.m., Golden Age Center. Stitch therapy, 11 a.m., Oberlin Library.

Norcatat Senior Citizens play pinocle, 1 p.m., U.S. 36 Museum.

Story Hour and pizza party, Aufer Park, Norcatat, 7 p.m. Special guest, Decatur County sheriff's Deputy Sandra Harman to read about police officers. Free books. Grand prize drawing for Norton Theater ticket package. Sponsored by Norcatat Library Board.

Oberlin American Legion, 7 p.m., Legion Hall.

Friday: Story hour, 10 a.m., Oberlin Library.

Saturday: Indian Raid Poker run to benefit firehouse project at Last Indian Raid Museum, 3-6 p.m. Registration at 1 p.m.; refreshments, music at museum afterward. Call (785) 475-2712.

Sunday: Sidewalk Prophets, Christian music concert, 7-10 p.m. Gateway.

Monday: Norcatat commodities distribution, 8 a.m. to noon, former high school home ec room.

Exercise class, 9 a.m., Golden Age Center.

Tuesday: County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.

Pick up Simply Produce orders, noon to 12:30 p.m., Raye's Grocery warehouse.

Thursday, July 29: Last day for Summer Lunch Bunch, ages 2-18. Pick up lunch and breakfast at the high-school kitchen. Friday meals also on Thursday. Programs in City Park. Call Pastor Shelly Holle, (785) 470-1922, for questions.

Oberlin commodities distribution, 9 a.m. Gateway. Income based.

Exercise class, 9 a.m., Golden Age Center.

New date for Oberlin City Council, 5:30 p.m., Gateway. (No meeting Aug. 5 because of fair.)

Friday, July 30: Red Cross Blood Drive, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Jennings United Methodist Church. Donors needed. Call Marge Hartzog (785) 678-3010 for appointment.

Story hour, 10 a.m., Oberlin Library.

Norcatat Senior Citizens play pitch, 1 p.m., Community Church.

Fourth Annual Hole Masters Cornhole Tournament, 7 p.m. Sappa

Park. Call Kariah Castle (785) 470-1400.

Saturday, July 31: Fourth Annual Hole Masters Cornhole Tournament, 9 a.m. Sappa Park.

Open Class and 4-H Horse Show, 9:30 a.m., Tripple Creek Arena, south of fairground.

Monday, Aug. 2: Exercise class, 9 a.m., Golden Age Center.

Tuesday, Aug. 3: Opening day of Decatur County Fair and Carnival County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.

Rick Austin of Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs at courthouse, 9:30 to 11 a.m. to help veterans with claims. Call (785) 443-0120.

Last Indian Raid Museum: Summer hours 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m., Monday, Thursday, Friday; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. (785) 475-2712.

Herndon Museum: By appointment, call Julie Hafner (785) 322-5219 or Judy Ketterl (785) 626-4483.

Sunflower Recreation Bowling, 5 to 10 p.m. Friday to Tuesday.

Oberlin Library: 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday to Thursday; 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday; 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday.

Jennings Library: 9 to 11 a.m., Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday.

Norcatat Library: 8 a.m. to noon, Tuesday.

Decatur County Food Pantry: Tuesday, Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at United Church, 109 N. Griffith. Donations of cash, frozen or nonperishable food and household items always needed. Park, knock or call (785) 475-2280; volunteers will bring food out, pick up donations.

Golden Age Center
Today: soft taco with lettuce, tomato, cheese, refried beans, cantaloupe.

Thursday: chicken-salad sandwich, coleslaw, rosy applesauce, cookie.

Friday: tuna-noodle casserole, Catalina-blend vegetables, bread, fruit cobbler.

Monday: salisbury steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, peas and carrots, bread, pears.

Tuesday: oven-baked chicken, potato salad, tropical fruit, bread, pudding.

Next Wednesday: pasta salad with ham, mandarin oranges, crackers, bar cookie

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, \$6.12 bushel.
Corn, \$6.16 bushel.
Milo, \$5.86 bushel.
Soybeans, \$13.88 bushel.
Decatur Cooperative Association

Obituaries

Jon N. Glanzer, 83

Army veteran, area crop adjuster

Jon N. Glanzer, 83, Holbrook, Neb., a crop adjuster in the Hoxie, Selden and Oberlin areas, died Wednesday, July 7, 2021, at the Good Samaritan Center, Arapahoe, Neb.

He was born Feb. 12, 1938, at a farm south of Arapahoe, to Walter and Edna (Riepe) Glanzer.

He graduated from Holbrook High School in 1955 and enlisted in the Army. On Sept. 21, 1957, he and Dolores Remington married at Trinity Lutheran Church in Arapahoe.

Mr. Glanzer was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by his wife; daughters, Lori (Larry Rains) Eiring,



Jon Glanzer

Fairfield, Neb., and Sandy (Craig) Sowards, Norton; sons, Terry Glanzer of Arcadia, Mo., and Justin (Carmie) Glanzer of Minden, Neb.; brothers, Gene (Joetta) Glanzer of Holbrook, and Jerry (Joan) Glanzer of North Platte; a sister-in-law; a brother-in-law; nine grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were last Tuesday at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Cambridge, Neb., with burial at the Arapahoe Cemetery.

Leave condolences at www.wen-burgfuneralhome.com.

Jeffrey A. Robb, 62

Former river raft guide

Jeffrey Allen Robb, 62, Oberlin, a carpenter and former Colorado River raft guide, died Friday, July 9, 2021, in Oberlin.

Mr. Robb was born Feb. 13, 1959, in Denver. He grew up in Denver and graduated from Adams City High School in 1977.

He is survived by a daughter, Shanan (Braxton) Miller, Wilsonville, Neb.; a brother Mike (Terri McDonald) Ferguson, Bend, Ore.; and a future grandchild.



J. Robb

Rusty Addleman

George (Rusty) R. Addleman and graduated in 1969.

man, 82, of Oberlin, was born on November 12, 1938, to Ted and Neva (Russell) Addleman at Benton Memorial Hospital, Oberlin KS. He passed July 12, 2021 at Decatur Health Systems, Oberlin KS. Rusty attended Oberlin Grade School and graduated from Decatur Community High School in 1956.

He was a member of the Oberlin undefeated football team winning the Northwest Kansas League Title in 1955 against Norton KS. He, as well as other team winners, received post-season honors. He was named to The Wichita Eagle's All State Team and The Eagle All Western Division Team, and nominated by area coaches to the Northwest Kansas All League Team.

He attended College of Emporia, Emporia, KS, a small Presbyterian school, where his father and siblings had attended. He received a bachelor's degree in business administration and sciences. While at C. of E., he played on the football team, and helped lead the "Presbies" to the 1959 Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference football championship. He was named to the First Team of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics All-American Football team and Williamson National Football Rating System. In the Mineral Water Bowl which followed, he scored two of the three touchdowns, and kicked all three extra points to lead C. of E. to a 21-20 victory over Austin College of Texas. He completed his football season with 3,729 rushing yards and a new school record of 138 points in a single season. He was invited to play in the Little All-American vs. Big All-American bowl game in Tucson, AZ. He also played on the District 10 championship baseball team winning the regional tournament in 1960 for C. of E. While at C. of E., he earned 17 varsity letters in five sports: football, track, baseball, basketball and golf.

He signed a professional contract with the Green Bay Packers after the 1960 draft. During the summer he survived a two-week training camp and made the final cut before being released from the team. At that time, well-known players on the team were Paul Horning, Jim Taylor, and Bart Starr. His coach was the infamous Vince Lombardi who was just beginning his coaching career with the Green Bay Packers. Rusty felt honored to be coached by him.

He received a bachelor's degree in pharmacy in 1963 from the University of Kansas. That fall he was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Air Force Medical Service Corps. He attended Officer's Training School in Montgomery AL.

In the fall of 1967, Rusty attended the University of Minnesota (Minneapolis) and received a Master of Hospital Administration degree through the Air Force. He did his internship at Travis AFB, CA.

The following four years he was in hospital administration at ENT AFB, Colorado Springs, Lowry AFB, CO; and Osan AFB, Korea. In 1972, he resigned from the Air Force with the rank of captain. He accepted an administrative position in the HURA program in Nashville, TN until 1976.

At that time, he returned to Oberlin to administer a Health Underserved Rural Areas Grant to help small towns survive, recruit doctors, and improve the health care in rural communities. During this time, he purchased the drug store from his dad, hired a pharmacist, and later became a full-time pharmacist in 1990 retiring in 2009. The Addleman Drug Store was a family business for 103 years.

Four generations of Addleman men have served Decatur County for the last 142 years. (Nathan, Dott, Ted, and George (Rusty)—from county clerk to merchant to two generations of pharmacists. Rusty continued the tradition of "service first" to the community. The Oberlin community has always had a special place in his heart and he wanted it to be progressive. He contributed where needed on numerous boards, committees, such as: hospital board, city council, Rotary, Chamber of Commerce, golf course, Church Council, American Legion, and fund raising for various organizations, etc. He made sure that Oberlin had fireworks for 4th of July. He especially had a big heart for children and babies.

Rusty's greatest joy was his family although golf, K-U Jayhawks and watching sports were competitive. He was proud of his children and grandchildren. PaPa was always their number one supporter and enjoyed watching all of their activities. His absence will leave a vast void.

Rusty and Sharon Pollnow were married on August 11, 1963, in Oberlin, KS. To this union three children were born: Michelle Renee' Rush; Shannon Ree' Addleman and Chad Theodore Addleman.

Rusty is survived by his wife, Sharon Addleman, three children, Michelle (Kevin) Rush, Shannon Addleman, and Chad (Noel) Addleman and six grandchildren, Gavin and Gannon Rush, Brynna and Bryant Addleman-Gillund, Kate and Jack Addleman, sister, Ruth Ingold, Lenexa KS as well as extended family and friends. He is predeceased by his parents, brother, Alan, and brother-in-law, Robert Ingold.

Memorial Services will be 10:00 am Friday, July 30, 2021, at the Oberlin United Methodist Church. A private family burial will be at Oberlin Cemetery. Visitation 12-7:00 pm Thursday July 29, 2021, at Pauls Funeral Home, Oberlin, family will receive guests from 6:30 - 8:00 PM. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the Rusty Addleman Memorial Fund or Charity of Your Choice. Condolences may be left at www.paulsfh.com

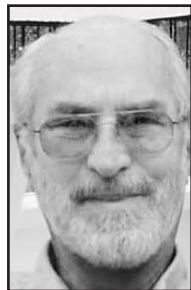
Walter J. Gaumer

Walter James (Jim) Gaumer, 75, died July 13, 2021 at Jennings, Kansas until 1973 when they purchased the farm belonging to Wesley & Fern Gaumer located southeast of Oberlin in Custer Township. In 2011 they sold the farm and Judy moved to Oberlin and Jim moved to Tecumseh, Kansas. Jim and Judy later divorced.

In retirement, Jim enjoyed woodworking and camping with Amy and Nathan and their families. Jim was preceded in death by his parents, his son Adam Gregory; and sister and brother-in-law Betty (Gaumer) and Carl Fitzgerald.

Jim is survived by daughter Amy (Clayton) Erickson, Tecumseh, Kansas, son Nathan (Rebecca) Gaumer, grandchildren, Alix, Chase and Isabelle Erickson, Emma, Athena and Natalia Gaumer, Great grandchildren Rosie, Reid and Malea, siblings Dale (Karen) Gaumer, Noblesville, Indiana, sister Mary Arnold, Aurora Colorado, and friend, Sue, Topeka, Kansas.

Graveside Services will be held Monday, July 19, 2021 at 10:00 AM at the Jennings Cemetery in Jennings, Kansas.



Jim Gaumer

Eleanor K. Basgall

Eleanor (Ellie) K. Basgall, 90, died on December 5th, 2020 at Addington Place of Prairie Village KS. She was born April 29, 1930 at St. Anthony's Hospital in Hays, KS the daughter of Michael and Teresa (Zodrow) Karls (Dresden KS). She married Richard J. Basgall on August 17, 1959 at Leoville, KS. He preceded her in death on September 7th 1990.

Ellie was a graduate of Marymount College in Salina KS and received her Masters of Music Education degree from Wichita State University in 1961. She taught music in Leoville and Spearville KS, Marymount College in Salina, Blessed Sacrament School in Wichita, George Inness Jr. High, Montclair N.J., Our Lady of the Angels in Rego Park, Queens New York and retired from Sacred Heart Parochial School in Dodge City KS in 1995. She also taught piano at the Dodge City Community College, gave private piano lessons and directed the Sacred Heart Cathedral Church Choir.

In 1956, Ellie toured Europe as a member of the All American Chorus which was sponsored by the State Department. She accompanied musicals while in New Jersey and was a member of the Piano Teacher's League, Music Club and Dodge City Community Concert Association in Kansas. She was also a Judge for the National Piano Guild.

Ellie was also a member of St. John the Evangelist Church in Lawrence Kansas. She enjoyed traveling after retirement going on a 15 day cruise in 2000 to Cabo, Acapulco, Costa Rica, and the Panama Canal with her girlfriend Joyce and visited her son and his family twice in Japan and once in Germany.

Survivors include: daughter Richelle of Roeland Park KS, son Gregory, daughter-in-law Stacey, granddaughter Gracey of Stuttgart, Germany, grandson Alec of Lawrence KS, sister Mary (Meme) Carper (Karls) of Goodland KS. She was preceded in death by her brother Cecil Karls and her sister Mildred (Billie) Welter of Dresden KS.

A Vigil with Rosary will be held at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 905 Central Ave, Dodge City KS on Thursday, July 22nd at 7pm. A Memorial Mass will be held at Sacred Heart on Friday, July 23rd at 10am followed by a luncheon at Guadalupe. Burial will be at 3pm on Friday at St. John the Baptist Cemetery in Spearville.

Ellie requested that memorials be sent to the Dodge City Community Concert Association in care of Julie Ellis or the funeral home.

Thoughts and memories may be shared in the online guest book at: www.swaim-funeralhome.com



Mrs. Basgall



City works to get grant to repair sewer manholes

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While the City of Oberlin is still trying to get a Community Development Block Grant to repair and update its sewer manholes, there has been some advice from the state that City Administrator Halley Roberson says makes no sense.

She told the City Council at its meeting on Thursday that the state told her the city should raise its sewer rates if it wants to be in the running for a grant.

However, she pointed out that to be eligible for the grants, the city has to prove it has a large percentage of low to moderate income households.

"It's counterproductive," she said, "which is probably spot on for government."

She said she is still going to try for the grant but wanted the council to know what is going on with the state.

The library also has a problem, Ms. Roberson said. Its air conditioning system is slated for replacement next year but has given out. The units are on the roof, she said, which makes them hard to work on, and there is no space to put them on the ground. She said she and City Treasurer Steve Zodrow are working on the problem.

In other business, the council:

- Agreed to set the next council meeting for Thursday, July 29, instead of Thursday, Aug. 5, which would be during the middle of the Decatur County Fair.

- Held a public hearing on whether to vacate the south 215 feet of the alley between Penn and York south of Hall Street for the Decatur County Last Indian Raid Museum.

Since there was no opposition, the council agreed to the request. The alley divides museum property on both sides.

- Learned that work on sealing the road to Sappa Park should start in early August.

- Heard that the city's water-main replacement project should also get started around the first of August. Ms. Roberson said that she didn't know the reason for the delay but suspects that it is a problem with getting materials.

- Was told the city's pavement replacement project on North East Avenue is going well.

- Learned that Luke Kliever of Miriam's Hope, which has taken over the children's ranch in Sappa Park and is renovating the buildings, has invited the council to come out and tour the project.

- Heard that Oberlin is the cover story for the Kansas Rural Water Association's magazine, "The Kansas Lifeline."

- Was told the city and county will join together to set up a task force to look into President Joe Biden's 30x30 plan to see what it might mean for this area.

- Accepted a check for \$5,000 from Amy Carman for a pavilion for the Farmers Market. The money, she said, was from donations.

- Held two closed-door sessions. The first was with the mayor and city administrator for five minutes for non-elected personnel. The second was with the mayor, city administrator and city attorney for 10 minutes to discuss a matter of attorney-client privilege. No action was taken after either session.

Kids and kittens enjoy company at library



STORY HOUR HAD a kitten theme on Friday in the basement of the Oberlin Library. Nine people enjoyed a playful grey kitten provided by Lily Bricker and several songs and books about kittens. Librarian Jody Shike (above) read a book to the circle.

— Photos by Jennie Anderson



Jennings Sons of the American Legion plan run

The Jennings Sons of the American Legion plans its fourth annual dice run early next month to raise money for the 2022 Run for the Wall to Washington, D.C., and its participants.

The run will be dedicated to prisoners of war and those missing in action, said Jennings member Jarrod Gerbitz.

The route is a 205-mile round trip, he said. Ride on your own or ride in a group that leaves at specified times. Roll dice as soon as possible at each stop.

You don't need to be present to

play, Mr. Gerbitz said. No score cards will be accepted after 6:15 p.m. Lunch will be provided at the first stop in Oakley. A support vehicle pulling a trailer will be available if anyone has issues along the way, he said. Food and beverages (donations accepted) will be available at Jennings after the run.

Everyone is welcome, no matter how many wheels you have under you, Mr. Gerbitz said.

Registration will be from 9 to 10:30 a.m. at the Jennings American Legion Hall, with departure at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 7.

- First stop from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Bertrand Park in Oakley, 58 miles, with food available.

- Second stop will be from 1:30 to 2:15 p.m. at the Colby American Legion Hall, by way of Winona, 55 miles.

- Third stop will be from 2:45 to 3:30 p.m. at Atwood Lake, 29 miles.

- Fourth stop from 4 to 4:45 p.m. at the Oberlin American Legion Hall, 29 miles.

- Fifth and final stop at 5:30 p.m. back at Jennings American Legion, 34 miles, with food.

Advance registration would be appreciated but isn't required. For

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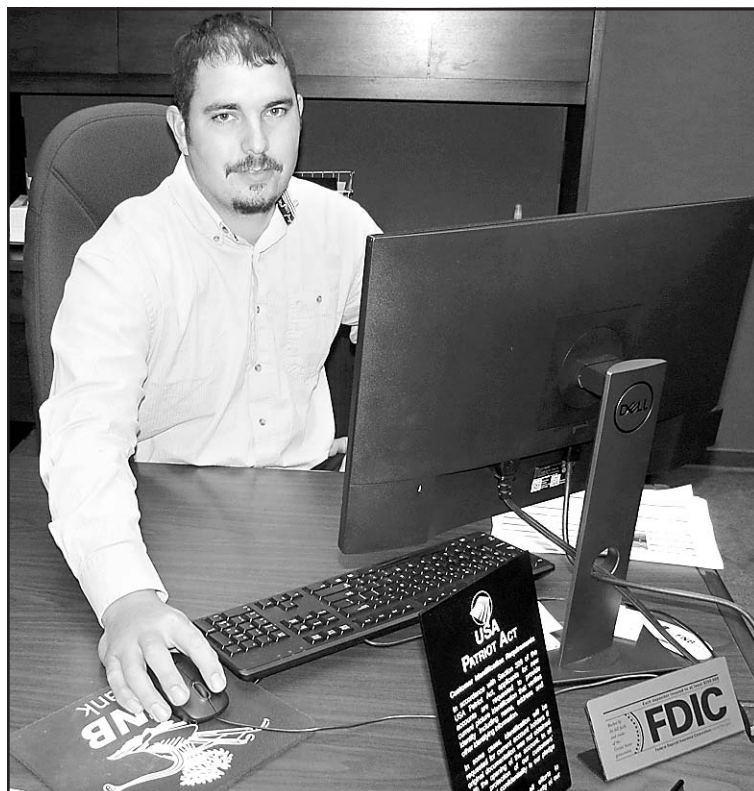
Entrance fee is \$10 per card or three for \$25 and no limit.

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FNB BANK has named Will Speth as loan officer in Oberlin. Mr. Speth comes from Beaver City, Neb., and started in February.

— Herald staff photo by Dayna Mannebach

FNB Bank hires loan officer

By DAYNA MANNEBACH
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The FNB Bank in Oberlin has welcomed Will Speth as a loan officer in training, replacing Mark Starr. Mr. Speth started in February.

He said he moved to Oberlin from Beaver City, Neb., to work for FNB Bank in credit review.

"I went to WyoTech in Laramie, Wyo.," he said. "I graduated with an associate's degree in diesel technology and business."

While Mr. Speth is in Oberlin

with his family, wife and three children, two boys and one girl, he said he wants to get involved in the community and to be the best person he can be for the job he was hired to do.

"I think it's a great community," Mr. Speth said. "I love the pride everyone I have met takes in this town."

The FNB Bank staff is sorry to see Mr. Starr leave, but notes that the bank is still available to fulfill their needs.

Bird blows out a transformer

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Around 8:30 a.m. on Monday, a bird that landed on a transformer in the alley north of the Decatur County courthouse caused a power outage that lasted about 1 1/2 hours on the east side of the 100 block of South Penn Avenue.

City Lineman Steven Wright said when the bird landed, it blew a line fuse, shutting down power to that circuit. The outage affected a few businesses on the block, he said, including *The Oberlin Herald* and Ray Jewelry.

It took two people to fix the transformer and the fuse, Mr. Wright said.

"Everything looked good," he added.

This wasn't the first the bird to cause an outage.

"Last time, we put some bird guards on the transformer," Mr. Wright said. "It's a little higher, so we'll see what we can do to prevent that from happening."

The bird didn't make it, he added. Several years ago, a squirrel crawled into the city's main transformer at the substation by the Department of Transportation office on Frontier Parkway, knocking the whole town out. The damage took months to repair, as the transformer had to be rebuilt.

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National Weather Service
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July 12	90	55	0
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July 15	84	60	0
July 16	92	60	0
July 17	92	70	0
July 18	88	66	.25

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Precipitation total for month: 1.45
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By Charles Keller, NOAA cooperative weather observer

From the National Weather Service

Vaccinations are the key to getting back to normal

There's no doubt now that getting a higher proportion of the American people vaccinated against the corona virus is the key to finishing our return to a normal life.

Those who are fully vaccinated may go pretty much anywhere now and do pretty much everything without masks or other protection.

In Kansas, Oberlin and Decatur County lag somewhat in vaccinations, with only 39 percent of the population (over 18, those who have been eligible) fully vaccinated and only 60 percent of senior citizens, compared to 63 percent and 92 percent for the state.

This probably says the virus has become such a minor problem here that people don't see any urgency. However, this could leave rural areas like ours vulnerable to new, more aggressive variants now appearing. As a group, we are not well protected.

Nationally, officials admit the government won't meet its goals for the number of 70 percent fully vaccinated Americans this summer. A year from now, however, the total is expected to reach something like 85 percent, putting the country into the region of "herd immunity."

By June, however, just a little less than half the population had been fully vaccinated. That means that nationally and here in Decatur County, a lot of work remains to be done to vanquish this deadly disease.

Vaccination rates have slowed sharply, however, and many say they are avoiding the shots, either because they fear the side effects or don't believe they are necessary. A few even claim the pandemic is a hoax, though 600,000 dead Americans might disagree — if they could.

The country likely will remain on the honor system when it comes to showing we are fully vaccinated. That means those who are will have to worry if the unmasked people standing next to them have been vaccinated or not.

Remember, many refused to wear a mask even when it was supposed to be the law.

Now we have to own up to something.

A few weeks ago, we said there was no evidence anyone had died from taking a Covid shot. We find that is not, strictly speaking, true. In fact, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, which keeps and publishes meticulous figures on these things, now says three people have died from a reaction to the vaccinations out of something like 336 million doses given by July.

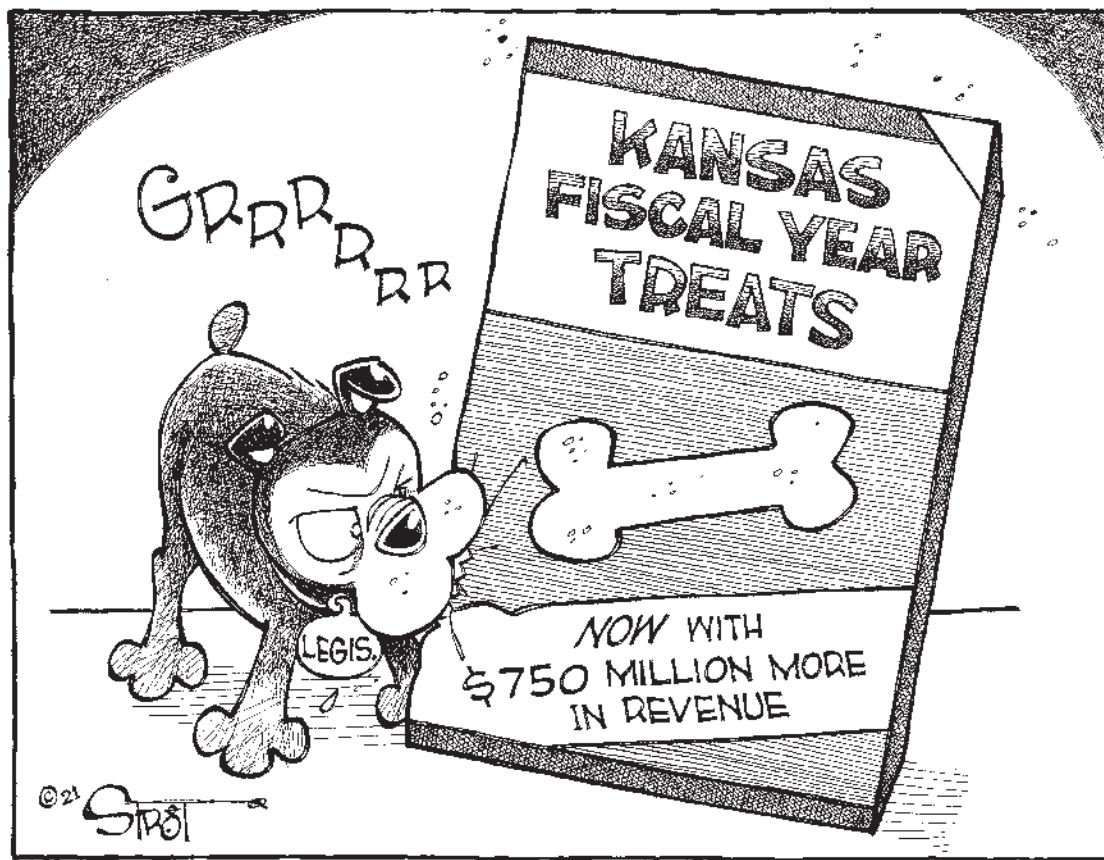
The three were women who suffered blood clots after taking the Johnson and Johnson vaccine, which was barred from use for a few days. The experts say that doctors now know what to watch for and how to treat these clots, and the J&J vaccine is back in use.

The three were among 5,208 deaths reported from across the country among people who had been vaccinated — something like .0017 percent. They were the only ones so far that can be linked to the shots, reports Dr. Emily Schmidt, who holds a doctorate in public health from Harvard University.

"After careful review of the additional data, doctors have decided that there is no evidence at all that the vaccines contributed to the other patient deaths," Dr. Schmidt writes. "Nonetheless, the CDC and FDA will continue to investigate every single report of death (and other adverse events) to [the national system]."

So which risk do you want to avoid? The one that has killed, so far, at least three people, or the one that has killed more than half a million Americans?

The choice is yours. Odds are you won't die either way, but the chance of getting seriously ill or dying is vastly greater without the vaccine, which remember, was developed by the Trump administration. — *Steve Haynes*



Pandemic generates jargon

New terms pop up at a record rate among the ed-tech industrial complex and education folks during this pandemic. In alphabetical order:

"Academic recovery" is needed to make up for loss due to the switch to distance learning, usually by using more digital media in the classroom. Really?

"Acceleration" means making up learning loss by speeding the pace of teaching.

"Assurance testing" refers to nasal testing of K-12 students for evidence of Covid-19.

"Box curriculum" describes a prepackaged set of materials designed to match state or professional standards, often delivered as hand-out workbook lessons.

"Breakout rooms" can be actual separate rooms or partitioned spaces within a large classroom to create space for smaller groups of students for part of school time. Previously used to differentiate instruction for different ability levels, this now provides spacing during the pandemic. It is also used in online learning to cluster students a teacher must "interact" with, since larger classes online cause many students to feel they are ignored.

"Breakthrough infections" are cases of COVID-19 that occur despite full vaccination.

"Bullying of teachers" involves threats directed at teachers, particularly from science-ignorant parents or school boards requiring fully open schools during an upsurge in the pandemic.

"Compassion fatigue" is the general exhaustion of teachers resulting from their struggling students during the pandemic.

"Coronavirus slide" is the loss of learning due to missed class time, similar to "summer slide."

"Discovery duffels" are provided to some elementary students. They are filled with enrichment supplies that include STEM and other materials. Teachers refill the bags to provide students hands-on activities.

"Crisis learning" is education during an external crisis such as this pandemic, not a student's personal family crisis. This term lowers expectations that online or remote learning would be equivalent to face-to-face learning; also called emergency remote learning.

"Covid shuffle" is the continual rearrangement of students in a classroom to comply with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's guidance on social distancing.

"Compensatory services" are services provided to students to make up for lost progress or lost skills when special education services are not provided. This has been a widespread failure.

"Continuity of education" varies by discipline. Disciplines such as math are lock-step and depend on continual learning; students have suffered major setbacks here. Other disciplines allow easier make-up of missed lessons.

"Digidemic" describes the increased use of online or digital learning caused by the pandemic.



Education Frontlines

By John Richard Schrock

This trend has been legitimized by computer companies despite widespread inferior results.

"Doomscrolling" is a perhaps addictive compulsion to scroll through endless bad news that is depressing.

"Emergency remote teaching/learning" is a phrase to excuse the poor learning that occurred in the remaining spring semester of 2020 when many schools had to move online posthaste. Using "emergency" inferred that if only there had been more time, more training and more technology, learning would be just as good or better than face-to-face. "E-proctoring" is the attempt to monitor online testing from afar. (Cheating in distance-learning situations has exploded.)

"Gating criteria" are the series of conditions that needed to be met for students to return to face-to-face teaching in schools.

"High-dosage tutoring" is one-on-one tutoring beyond what is normally provided in classes. This has become more heavily discussed as a method to partially make up for the loss of learning during the pandemic. It is a form of "personalized learning" since a tutor can address just those shortfalls in learning needed by that student. Unless more staff are hired, it overworks faculty.

"Instructional efficiency" is administration-speak for overloading teachers and professors. During the pandemic, many part-time faculty have been laid off and teaching loads expanded.

"Learning hubs" are sites designated for students who are homeless or lack wireless access at their home and must go somewhere to gain access.

"Meal logistics" was simple in normal times, although more and more American school children rely on school breakfasts and lunches. With many students working online from home, schools may provide food as take out and sometimes provide meal delivery via a bus route.

"Micro-schools" or "pandemic pods" can include the use of libraries, community centers or homes to provide face-to-face education with small groups of students spaced apart and instructed by qualified teachers.

"Pandemic denial" is the refusal of parents or school board members to take a disease seriously and make reasonable and scientific precautions to minimize spread.

"Paper work packets" are printed learning materials and assignments delivered to a student at home.

"Personal risk budget" consists of weighing the benefits of venturing outside into contact with potential spreaders. For teachers, this

involves the extent of exposure to youngsters, their likelihood of being infected and the teacher's risk of carrying the coronavirus home to family.

"Quaranteaching" encompasses all of the modified teaching methods implemented to address the pandemic.

"Phantom students" are those in a school district who are completely missing but who should be in class or connected online. Money of schools is based on a per-capita headcount, and this became a major problem in the 2020-21 pandemic where 53,200 students did not show up in distance learning in Michigan, 31,000 were missing in New York City public schools, Miami-Dade saw 16,000 disappear, and Anchorage, Alaska, started the 2020 fall semester with 4,000 fewer students than expected.

"Redshirting" formerly applied to a student who holds back in order to play sports another year. Now, many parents are holding back (redshirting) their kindergarten student for an extra year due to the lack of learning in 2020.

"Roomers and zoomers" separates in-person from online students.

"Scariant variant" refers to the ongoing discovery of genetic variants in the SARS-CoV-2 virus that causes Covid, reflecting the public fear that its gradual evolution to more virulent forms could move it out of the "window" where current vaccines provide protection.

"Security theater" targets the over-promotion of walk-through temperature checkers or other devices by schools, asserting they are effective in managing the pandemic when they are not.

"Skip-year growth" notes that because of 2020 school closures, it's necessary to compare student achievement scores across two years in order to provide an accurate assessment of academic progress.

"Social disconnect" is the reduced teacher-student interaction that defines distance learning.

"Virus snitching" is when a college student reports classmates breaking rules designed to limit the spread of the corona virus. While some universities actively encourage this, it is usually driven by a genuine health concern and desire to keep the campus safe.

"Zoom fatigue" is the stress and exhaustion often felt after even short online meetings. The exhaustion is due to the need to focus more intently as well as the problem of both online and surrounding distractions.

Weddings bring memories

Dum, dum, de dum. Dum, dum, de dum. Dum, dum, de dum, dum, de dum, dum, de dum.

Can you guess what is going on in our lives? Yes... we are going to have weddings. That's right. Not one, but two weddings.

Two of our granddaughters are planning November weddings. I think we should just move to Texas for the month.

Chantelle and Zack and Taylor and Levi. Hard to believe those little girls are grown up enough to be getting married. However, they are both older than I was when I married the father of my children.

In getting ready for marriage, I distinctly remember thinking, "How am I ever going to come up with different things to cook for meals." Honestly. That was my main concern. I thought, "There are 365 days in a year. Does that mean 365 different meals?"

I doubt if my granddaughters have even given meal planning a second thought. Doubtful, too, if their intendeds have considered it either. Cooking doesn't seem like a big deal for young couples anymore. They grew up on fast food and see no reason to stop just because there's a



Out Back

By Carolyn Sue Kelley-Plotts
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ring on their finger.

I know the girls both know how to cook. The question is: will they?

Taylor has dietary concerns and allergies, so she has become an inventive cook and is trying new recipes all the time. Chantelle also cooks, and I imagine she is a good one. It won't take long before they realize they could eat real food for a week on what they spend on one meal out.

But, wait. I'm getting ahead of myself. There's a lot of work goes into a wedding. A lot of little details. Young couples nowadays don't really try to adhere to the old traditions. And I think it's refreshing. I don't mind if they shake things up a little.

Taylor and Levi are considering

having wedding cookies instead of cake. Neither one is that crazy about cake, but they both like cookies. So cookies it may be.

They are also considering switching the "family seating." You know...bride's side or groom's side. Their reason — if you are seated on "your" side, you spend the entire ceremony looking at your child's back. If you were on the opposite side, you would see your child's face and his parents would see his. I think it makes sense.

I am flying to Dallas in a week and a half to go wedding-dress shopping with Taylor. Oh, my gosh! A wedding dress! Quick! Somebody get me a hanky!

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It would be a shame to lose Gateway

To the Editor:

I've been gone from Oberlin for a long time, since I graduated with the Decatur Community High Class of 1964, and have traveled and seen a

In the U.S.A.

"Experts often possess more data than judgment."
— Gen. (ret.) Colin Powell
Born April 5, 1937
Former Secretary of State

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lot of places in the world, but every time I'm back in Oberlin, I'm happy to see The Gateway and what it represents.

It would be a shame to turn it into a farm implement business. There are very few towns the size of Oberlin that have a facility like The Gateway. The suggestion to hire a marketing firm to publicize and promote it sounds like a good deal to me.

You will never be able to compete with the new facility in Colby for

several reasons, but a competent marketing firm that is familiar with Oberlin and what it offers could be what is needed. Keep the good customers you have for The Gateway and find more. Oberlin is reasonably accessible for your part of the country, so take advantage of it.

If it's sold, I guess we could hold the Alumni Banquet and Homecoming at the Re-Load.

Barry Avery
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North Granby, Conn.

Conservative voices under attack from left

During the 1984 Super Bowl, a young company that had been founded less than a decade earlier in a garage in Los Altos, Calif., spent \$1.5 million on its first significant commercial for a new, groundbreaking product – the Macintosh personal computer.

The company was Apple, and the advertisement was a defining moment that distinguished it as a company willing to go against the grain and rescue humanity from conformity.

The ad, inspired by George Orwell's novel "1984," featured a woman escaping police pursuit, running through a movie theater. She runs to the front of the theater and throws a hammer through a screen portraying a man's face meant to represent Orwell's shadowy Big Brother.

As the camera pans to the audience, fully in shock from the screen's explosion, the commercial concludes with black text that reads: "On January 24, Apple Computer will introduce Macintosh. And you'll see why 1984 won't be like 1984."

Nearly 40 years later, it is hard to recognize the company that paid to air this ad and established itself as a corporation that thinks differently. Unfortunately, that company no longer subscribes to a belief in free individual thought. It has demonstrated as much in recent weeks, taking a 180-degree turn.

Apple now finds itself, along with other major Big Tech companies such as Google and Twitter, serving as Big Brother through the censorship and surveillance of conservative voices they and their political allies in Congress don't agree with.

Following the tragic and despicable events that occurred at the U.S. Capitol on Jan. 6, Facebook and Twitter announced that former President Donald Trump would be permanently banned from their platforms. Shortly after this, Google and Apple announced that they would no longer allow Parler, an "alternative" social media platform, to use their app stores.

From the Capitol
By Sen. Roger Marshall
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Given their combined control of 99.8 percent of the U.S. mobile-operating-system market, they are all but certain to put Parler out of business and remove from the public square a site where conservatives have recently gone to express themselves freely.

Unfortunately, but unsurprisingly, it is not just the Big Tech oligarchs in Silicon Valley who have begun this full assault on conservative thought in the days following the Capitol riot. Like the Ministry of Truth in Orwell's novel, colleges and news outlets have pitched in to stamp out segments of society that dare to disagree with them.

Harvard University recently removed my former House colleague, Rep. Elise Stefanik, a New York Republican, from its Senior Advisory Committee.

Throwing a young, female congressional leader off of its board may seem like an odd move for Harvard, given its commitment to diversity. But Stefanik is a dissident, and her effort to raise the issue of election integrity now makes her vulnerable. It's an opportunity to kick her out and shut her up.

Harvard students have also called for revoking the degrees of individuals who served in the Trump administration and from Republican members of Congress. That includes Rep. Dan Crenshaw of Texas, who did not even vote to object to either Arizona's or Pennsylvania's Electoral College results.

Democratic officials in the House and the Senate are also wasting no time to capitalize on the Capitol riots as a way to narrow the range of thought. Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez recently made shocking

comments about her intention to form an investigatory committee to "rein in our media" and deal with "media literacy."

Sounds like the implementation of Newspeak to me.

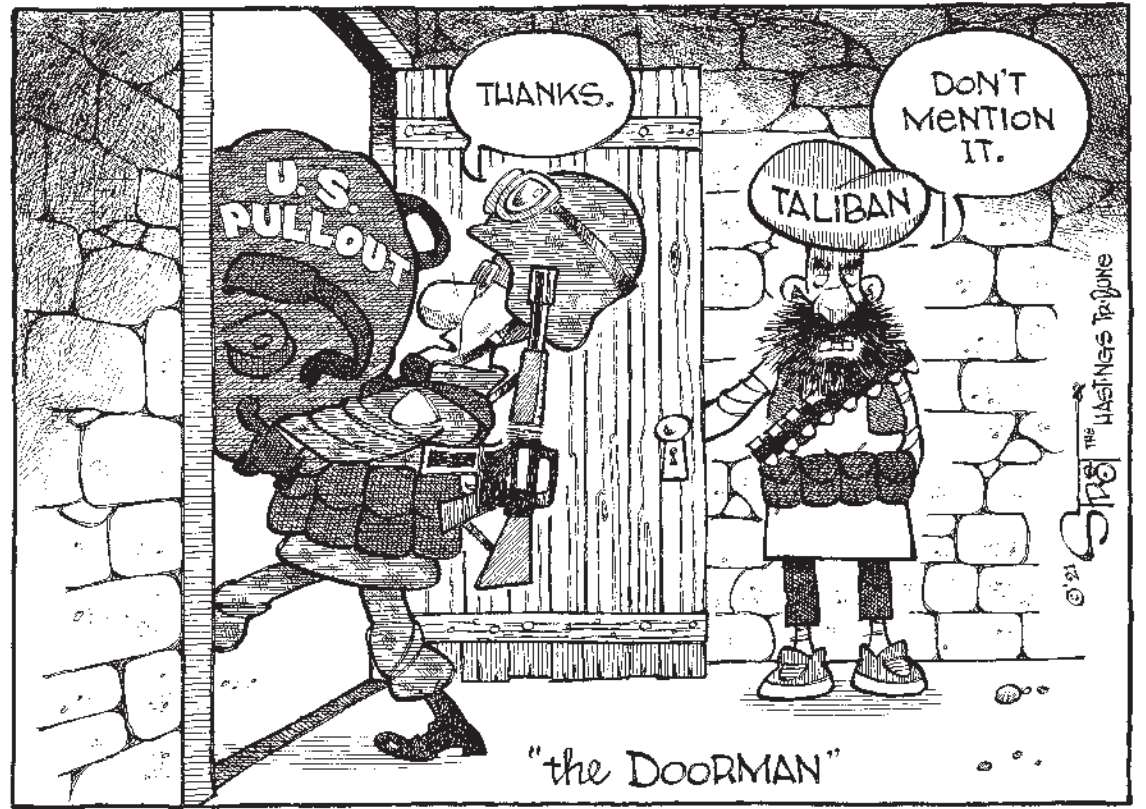
These types of comments and actions should frighten all freedom-loving Americans and serve as a motivation to fight now more than ever against impediments against our First Amendment rights. We must not allow Big Tech and its friends in and out of government to launch an assault on our rights in the name of protecting our country against something similar to the Capitol invasion last month.

We must prosecute those who carried out the Capitol breach and root out extremism in all corners of our nation, but we must make sure we still have the "freedom to say that two plus two make four."

In order to do so, this new Congress must take a long, hard look at amending or removing the legal immunity afforded to Big Tech companies under Section 230 of the Communications Decency Act. Discrimination against conservative thought should be unacceptable and not rewarded through continued preferential treatment from a government whose first priority should be to protect its citizens' freedom of speech.

If we do not act, I fear that we are destined to live in a world similar to the one depicted in Orwell's novel. We're a few months out from April, but let's make sure when we get there, we don't allow our clocks to strike 13.

Roger Marshall is the junior U.S. senator from Kansas.



Cats keep guest cornered

"Come quick, we have a visitor," Steve called.

I went outside fully expecting to see some wild animal crossing our lawn, but there wasn't anything. Then I went over to where he was standing by the raspberry bushes, which grow on the south side of the garage."

There tucked under the bushes was a beautiful multi-colored, medium sized cat. I'm going to guess it was female although I never really was able to check.

I wasn't sure what she was doing in the raspberry bushes until I saw Miss Goldie Cat sitting a short way from the bushes with her tail puffed up and hissing like crazy.

Steve said that she and her much-despised "brother" Dusty had for once teamed up. They were going to drive this intruder out of THEIR yard.

Unfortunately, the result of two mean puffed-up cats threatening her just drove the visitor into the bushes and blocked her escape, so she hunkered down into a stay-put position.

By the time I got there, Dusty had tired of the game and was wandering off to bug the neighbor's dogs. Goldie, however, was not going to give up.

I swooped Goldie up and took her, twisting and complaining the whole way, into the house and closed the back door.

We left our visitor alone for a



Open Season

By Cynthia Haynes
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carefully into the bushes and stroked her. She accepted the pets but wasn't about to go out anywhere those mean cats might be.

Steve went into the garage, which had the doors open, and put a little dog food on the floor in case she was hungry and I carefully removed her from the bushes, took her the short distance into the garage and put her down in front of it.

She turned around and headed out of there as fast as her little paws could carry her, and only then did we notice her little stump of a tail. She was a Manx cat.

Hopefully she got home safely. At least we haven't seen her since, although the few pieces of dog food on the floor of the garage have disappeared. That was probably one of ours. They think dog food is a treat.

Which is OK, I guess, since the dog regularly cleans out their bowls when he gets where he's not supposed to be in the house.

Speaking of cats and dogs, Dusty

now refuses to come into the house in the morning until I go get the dog. The dog lives outside, and Dusty prefers to be outside, but the dog is in his kennel so the only way that they can sniff each others noses and butts is when I get Remy for a walk or to bring him in.

Once the sniffing ceremony is over, everyone goes in. Dusty heads for the basement cat bowl, Remy gets his chew bone, I get my coffee and all is peaceful for a short time. Usually a very short time.

From the Bible

And he stretched forth his hand toward his disciples, and said, "Behold my mother and my brethren! For whosoever shall do the will of my Father which is in heaven, the same is my brother, and sister and mother."

— Matthew 12:49-50

Build up the Gateway as an asset

To the Editor:
Should the City of Oberlin sell The Gateway?
No. Period.

The recent series of editorials in *The Herald*, Dr. Fredrickson's letter last week, comments by Jody Betts at a City Council meeting, all of these set out very well and very clearly why the civic center is an important asset of the community.

The building was constructed to provide residents a facility for family and community gatherings and events, a venue for commercial events and any other uses which contribute to the quality of life here.

The theater is ideal for Arts and Humanities programs, public meetings and similar uses, having acoustics which are the best in the area. As has been pointed out many times, facilities such as The Gateway normally are not money-making

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ventures but rather amenities which make a community a good place in which to live.

The Covid pandemic has interrupted and scrambled our lives in many ways, including community events. In pre-Covid times, the Oberlin Arts and Humanities Commission and its volunteer members did an excellent job of bringing interesting and entertaining events to town, most often held at The Gateway.

The "Cover Your Acres" program has been informative for the area. Wedding and family events have utilized the facility and brought people to town also. The focus needs to be on building up and supporting the building being used for the

purposes for which it was intended. As an aside, since it appears that Akers is considering a new and relocated facility here, one hopes that our Economic Development Corp. is actively working with them to do what we can so that happens.

We as residents of Oberlin strongly support the promotion and use of The Gateway as one of the outstanding amenities which make Oberlin a good place to live.

Chuck and Diane Frickey, Oberlin

Editor's Note: Mr. Frickey, a retired Oberlin lawyer, is a former mayor of Oberlin.

Violence is criminal, not protesting

To the Editor:
Riots and burning everything possible is not protesting. It's not peaceful. It is severely criminal. Trying to injure cops is a felony. These criminals need to be shot. Oh, yeah. Why not? I won't miss any of them. This activity is Marxist. We are capitalists. That's what made this God-given nation great.

One thing about the "I can't breathe" thing, it wasn't from a knee

on a neck, but (after) two or three months we find out that George was on a lethal dose of statin which causes your lungs to swell up. He was yelling, "I can't breathe" sitting in the police car. But these Marxists can't wait for the truth.

Here's the next Black (a nice guy) who gets shot enough times to stop going for a knife in his car. Cops didn't know if it was a knife or a gun. These illiterate criminals

don't think they have to obey law and order ... so they learn the hard way. Too damn bad.

And as I have said before, Black athletes sit out a game. What a disgrace. This is a disgusting show. Me liking sports is shot to hell.

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Oberlin man wins feature race over weekend

Speedway comes to life with racers from all over

By BRAD WEESE
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It's fun to win at home, as Oberlin's David Murray Jr. found Saturday when he crossed the finish line in first place among stock cars on July 16 at the Oberlin Speedway.

Murray received top honors after the 15-lap featured race for the IMCA Stock Car group.

Race cars from all over the Tri-State Region gathered in Oberlin that day to race. Event promoter Joe Herskowitz of Hoxie said the heat races started off rough. There was a red flag for the Sports Mods, with a two-car accident on turn 4. Afterwards, a couple of the drivers said it was a "dirty track" and they should call the races.

After officials checked and with the assistance of several drivers, it was determined there was some dirt blowing but it was still raceable.

"After all heat races were run, we did some track prep and put some water down," Herskowitz said, "and in the end, it turned out to make a good track ... for the feature races and most drivers complimented us for the track being great to race on."

Placing second in the IMCA Stock Car feature was Colin Heim from Hoxie, with Doug Holzmeister of Colby third, followed by Kyle Clough, Wallace, Neb.; Bob Chalupa, McCook; and Billy Aeby, Imperial, Neb.

Ted Trumbo of St. Francis won the IMCA Sport Compact race, followed by Madison Reed, Stockton; Chris Destefono, Gothenburg, Neb.; Kiowa Higdon, Hays; Kaishen Brack, Ellis; and Robert Clanton, Oxford, Neb. Gratton Dalton, Bison, and Gage Porter did not finish.

Winning the IMCA Modified class was Jeremy Freiner from Fort Morgan, Colo. Following Freiner were Tim Watts, Beloit; Trevor Geist and Don Geist, Burlington, Colo.; Brandon Clough, Wallace, Neb.; Bryan Herrick, Wallace, Neb.; Tony Schultz, North Platte, Neb.; Jacob Wolseben; Ayden Steffens, North Platte; and Milo Lippelmann, Oberlin.

Tyler Watts of Beloit was the top racer in the IMCA Northern Sportmods, followed by Jacob Olmstead, Overton, Neb.; Brady Henderson, Curtis, Neb.; and Paul Donovan, McCook.

Crossing the finish line in first place for the IMCA Hobby Stocks was Riley Kort, Gothenburg, Neb.; Tanner Clough, Wallace, Neb.; C.J. Bolig, Gaylord; Jace Smith, Phillipsburg; Mack James, Franklin, Neb.; and Derick Coomes, Kensington. Not finishing were Mitchell Fischer, Gothenburg; Derick Coomes, Kensington; and Zach Olmstead of Overton, Neb.

The next race at Oberlin Speedway will be Friday, Aug. 27.



THE CROWD (ABOVE) observed the racers on Saturday at the Oberlin Speedway. Madison Reed of Stockton (below)

in the 6M IMCA Sport Compact car was running ahead of the other drivers. —Herald staff photos by Dayna Mannebach



Boys turn out for basketball

By BRAD WEESE
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The Decatur Community High boys basketball team has had a busy summer playing in open gym sessions and tournaments throughout the past several weeks and just completed a basketball camp a couple of weeks ago.

On July 7, 8 and 9, Head Coach Kellen Fernetti greeted 19 campers from grades 4 to 8.

"I was really impressed with the energy we had in the gym for those three days," he said. "We put a big emphasis on camp games that incorporated several fundamentals."

"We did team shooting and individual skills," he said, "along with the camp games."

The high school players helped. "This is important for a program to grow," he said. "Right now, we are in the building stage of a program. It's going to take some time and hard work, but most importantly we are starting to believe in ourselves as a team and as individuals."

The coach said he felt that the number of participants was awesome.

"It was right at the goal I wanted for my first camp here," he said.

Red Devils summer, the coach

said, was heavy on offensive work, adding that the team had a chance to work on their rebounding and playing zone defense.

Participants at the camp included Job Kliever, Callen Gish, C.J. Harris, Brody Fortin, Greyson Heskett, Axel Metcalf, Gage Williby, Brady Gehring, Josiah Pattingall, Mason Tally, Bryson Ketterl, Kent Plousard, Kale Sattler, Caden Shaw, Jackie Sattler, Logan Koger, Davin Jensen, Tod Mastin, Gavin Seller, Byrant Addleman, Gavin Wasson, Braedon Ostmeier, R.J. Matthews, Tyler Ostmeier and Teague Morford.

Sports Schedule

Friday, July 30: Fourth Annual Hole Masters Cornhole Tournament, 9 p.m. Sappa Park. Call Kariah Castle (785) 470-1400.

Saturday, July 31: Fourth Annual Hole Masters Cornhole Tournament, 9 a.m. Sappa Park. Call Kariah Castle (785) 470-1400.

Saturday, Aug. 7: Mud Volleyball Tournament, 9:30 a.m., at Decatur County Fair. Call Heather McDougal (785) 470-1064.

Friday and Saturday, Aug. 13-14: Bob Salem Memorial Races, Oberlin Speedway.

Saturday, Aug. 14: Co-ed adult softball tournament sponsored by Decatur County Recreation Department. Deadline to register, 5 p.m., Aug. 6. Call Brad Weese (785) 740-2814. Proceeds go to make field improvements.

Friday, Aug. 27: Car races at Oberlin Speedway. Gates open at

5 p.m., hot laps at 7:30, races at 8. **Friday, Sept. 3:** Car races at Oberlin Speedway. Gates open at 5 p.m., hot laps at 7:30, races at 8.

To add items to the sports schedule, call The Oberlin Herald at 475-2206 or email oberlin.editor@nwkansas.com.

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COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS
MONTH OF June 2021

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS
SALARIES IN GROSS AMOUNTS PAID 6
-30-21 : General \$79,294.76; R&B \$43,193.51;
Health 9,211.09; Ambulance 27,818.61;
Noxious Weed 4,339.94; Election 609.00; Cf
255.00; RFD 1,112.63; Treas Auto 2,800.00
TOTAL PAYROLL: \$168,634.54

ACCTS PAYABLE WARRANTS July PAID
7-13-21:

AARMS 110.00; Advance Ins 194.92;
CK Technologies 3,434.00; Compliance
One 141.00; CPM, Inc 84,769.24; Creative
Collision 422.08; Dec Co Treas/EBC 46,336.85;
Glaxosmithkline 593.22; Stacey Hileman
54.31; Kari Ketterl 61.72; Kiesler Police
Dept 554.96; Bobbi Koerperich 78.02; Kone
Chicago 231.11; Robert Marcum 133.74;
McKesson Medical 216.08; Merck Sharp
808.94; Midwest Energy 450.59; Multi-
Purpose Sr Ctnz 662.50; New Frontier
Ag 4,700.00; Nex-Tech Wireless 499.58;
Prairie Land Electric 102.87; Prosperity Bank
2,146.45; Stanley Shimek 60.00; State Line
Awards 168.91; Nora Urban 111.45; Wex
Bank 161.40

Akrs Equipment 1,362.14; Ames Law
997.52; Anytime Tristate Towing 210.79;
AT&T 451.51; Leslie Beams 2,836.80; Tim
Breth 420.00; CWDK 125.00; Carman
Computer Service 86.99; Circutech Electric
290.00; City of Jennings 300.00; City of
Norcatr 349.13; City of Oberlin 4,477.04;
CK Technologies 3,505.00; Compliance One
141.00; Cook Diesel Services 1,102.25;
CPR Savers 6,300.00; Creative Collision
258.91; D & L Trucking 9,395.20; Decatur Co
Employ Cafeteria 1,005.00; Decatur Co Hwy
Dept 23,393.78; Decatur Co Nox Wd Dept
12,269.86; Decatur Health 100.00; Eagle
Comm 76.41; Eakes Office 567.41; EMP Inc
892.05; FA Consulting 4,746.73; Fastenal
Co 164.54; Foley Ind 2,365.67; Garrett Tires
587.08; Glaxosmithkline 741.94; Sandra
Harman 55.48; Hirsch Law Office 3,724.39;
Huber Sand 2,313.07; Ideal Linen 189.82;
KDHE 644.84; Kingdom Cartridge 255.00;
Kone Chicago 231.11; KS Proc Train & Asst
Inst 62.03; Lampton Welding Supply 74.95;
Laser Line Construction 3,527.00; Lewis,
Beims & Holste 866.40; Lincoln Repair
282.51; Bryce Marble 120.96; Joni Marshall
220.00; Merck Sharp 2,345.19; Midwest
Energy 481.62; Multi-Purpose Sr Ctnz 715.00;

Nex-Tech Rural 1,119.90; Norcatr Sr Ctnz
1,000.00; Norton Co Clerk's Office 346.65;
Oberlin Auto 1,161.54; Oberlin Farm Supply
326.94; Oberlin Herald 3,206.60; Ostmeier
155.50; Toby Peters 120.00; Prairie Land
Electric 102.65; Prairie Petals 90.00; Quaident
Leasing 810.00; R&M Service Center 140.00;
Rayes 457.32; Red Willow Co Sheriff 92.95;
Patricia Runkle 633.00; Kayla Ruzicka 100.00;
Scott Precision Aerial 1,508.32; Sebelius &
Griffiths 1,633.92; Selden Lumber 375.00;
Share Corp 168.03; Stanley Hardware 213.69;
Star Programming 250.00; Stat Medical Billing
440.00; State Line Awards 203.90; State
of Kansas 1,000.00; Sunflower Sr Center
185.00; Barbara Tally 360.00; Thomson
Reuters 140.00; TKL Trucking 403.13; Unitech
169.00; United States Treasury 210.14; Van
Diest Supply 1,590.00; Wagner Ford-Mercury
Corp 849.02; Walter & Walter 480.00; Harley
Weese 225.00; Weis Fire & Safety 4,500.00;
Zoll Medical 2,683.75

TOTAL ACCTS PAYABLE \$270,717.34
INCLUDING WARRANTS \$50.00 & UNDER
AT \$433.53

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Estate of R. Edgett

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF DECATUR COUNTY, KANSAS
PROBATE DIVISION

In the Matter of the Estate of
ROBINA A. EDGETT, Deceased.
Case No.: 2017-PR-00023

NOTICE OF HEARING ON
PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL
PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a petition has
been filed in said court by Michael Edgett and
Nancy Vath, Co-administrators of the estate of
Robina A. Edgett, deceased, praying for a final
settlement of said estate, approval of the acts,
proceedings and accounts of the administrator,
allowance for the services of the administrator
and attorney's fees and expenses; and also
praying that the court determine the heirs

entitled to the estate and the proportion or
part thereof to which each is entitled, and
distribute and assign the same to them; that
the administration of the estate be closed; that
the administrator be discharged and released
from further liability.

You are hereby required to file your written
defenses thereto on or before the 13rd day of
August 2021 at 10:00 a.m. of said day, in said
court, in the city of Oberlin, Decatur County,
Kansas, at which time and place said cause
will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment
and decree will be entered in due course upon
said petition.

/s/ Michael Edgett & Nancy Vath, Co-
administrators

/s/ Steven W. Hirsch
Steven W. Hirsch #12789
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Attorney for Estate

Alley vacation

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING
BODY OF THE CITY OF OBERLIN, KANSAS,
that:

Section 1. The following portions of the
following alley is of no public benefit, and
therefore should be and is hereby vacated:

The south 215 feet of the alley in Block 13
Original town, now City of Oberlin

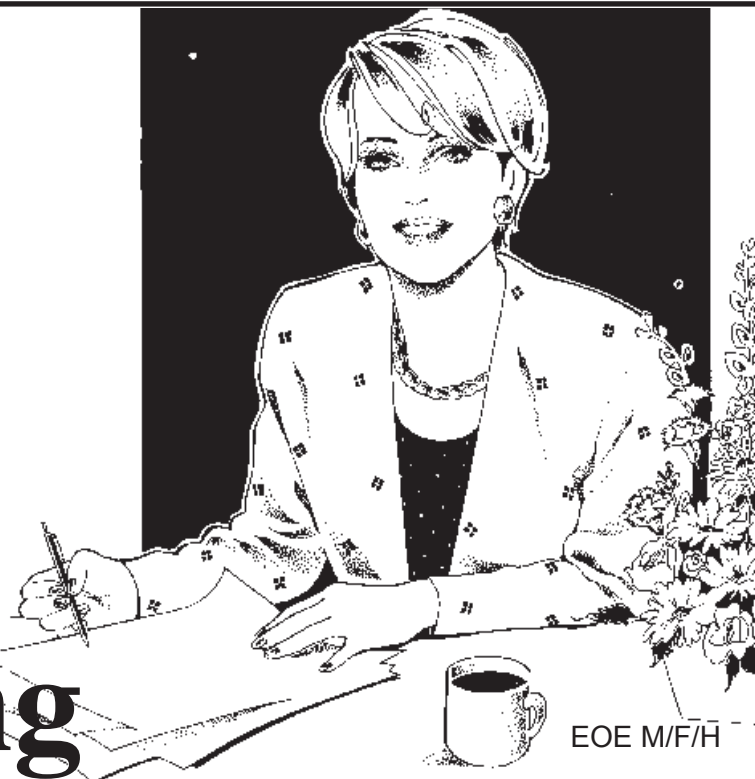
Section 2. The city shall retain an easement
for public utilities.

Section 3. This ordinance shall be effective
immediately and shall be published one time in
the official city newspaper; and, a copy shall be
transmitted to the Register of Deeds of Decatur
County, Kansas, for purposes of correcting the
plat map filed in that office.

Adopted by the City Council and approved
by the Mayor on this 15th day of July 2021.

ATTEST:
/s/ Mayor Garret McDougal
/s/ City Clerk, Sandy Rush

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Planter gets a face lift



ARTIST JOSH RUSS has been working on the planter in front of the Re-Load restaurant for awhile. He painted a glass of beer on a summer day. — Herald staff photo by Dayna Mannebach

Foods, photos and livestock up for sale

The Decatur County Board has a list of youths enrolled in livestock, foods and photography projects who may be selling in auctions during the county fair next month.

The 4-H food and photography auction will start at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 3 at the fairground.

To buy something, simply bid during the sale, said Alyssa Rippe-May, Twin Creeks Extension District agent in Oberlin. After the auction, superintendents will have your food items available on a table east of the arena. If you buy a photograph, she said, it will return to the Exhibit Building for display the remainder of the fair. The youths will bring the photo to you the week after fair, she said. Pay for your items after the auction at the clerk's table near the arena or at the Extension office later in the week.

Make checks out to the Decatur County 4-H Council.

The 4-H and FFA livestock auction will start at 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 7, at the fairground.

During the auction, Mrs. Rippe-May said, you may elect to either purchase an animal for the resale price or have your animal processed. If you elect to buy for the resale price, you will pay the difference between your premium bid and the floor price directly to the youth, she said. If you elect to have the animal processed, you will pay the entire bid price to the youth and the animal will then be yours.

Following the auction, stop by the tables near the arena to verify your name and address. The week after the fair, she said, you will receive an invoice in the mail for the amount you will owe the 4-H'er. The youth will then come to your business with a matching invoice to receive their

check. Do not pay until you receive the invoice from the fair board, the agent added.

If interested in bidding, but unable to attend the auctions, call board member Jesse Carter at (785) 475-7360 to make arrangements.

4-H/FFA market animal participants:

- Stick-to-It 4-H members: Cowen and Grant Anderson, market beef, parents Clay and Jennie Anderson; William Carter, market goat and swine, Jesse and Megan Carter; Judy Hawkins (also FFA member), market beef, Del and Kristi Hawkins; Brycen and Makadyn Ketterl, market beef and swine, Todd and Sandy Ketterl; Conner and Creo Reichert (also FFA members), market beef, Gannon and Mary Reichert; Kaci, Kylie and Kodi Dirks, market sheep; Kristi Dirks; Caden and Landon Shaw, market beef and swine; Brian and Sarah Shaw; Michaela, Mitchell and Macy Wasson, market beef and swine, Michael and Kelly Wasson; Jacie, Jenna and Jori Fortin (also FFA members), market beef and swine, Daren and Erica Fortin; Katrina and Jimmy Neal, market beef and swine, Kendal and Tammy Neal; Mason and Hudson Tally, market swine, Paul and Lacey Tally; Tessa and Trevor Witt, market swine, Tyler and Tiffany Witt; Gage and Reagan Williby, market beef and swine, Josh and Kari Williby.

- Maverick 4-H members: Gavon Uehlin, market beef, Brad and Shelby Uehlin, Melissa Uehlin and Casey Alstrom; KeLynn Jacobs (also FFA member), market swine, Ron and Sheri Jacobs; Theodore Butterfield, market swine; Colton and Jillian Springer; Danielle and Elizabeth Weyeneth (also FFA members), market beef, goat and swine; Jake and Sara Weyeneth; Aidyn Witt, market swine, Gordon

and Gina Witt.

- Star Valley members: Ryllie Lippelmann (also FFA member), market goat, sheep and swine, Milo and Melissa Lippelmann; Derek, Harmony, Luke and Noah Wilson, market beef and swine, Chris and Keely Wilson.

- FFA member John Burmaster, market beef, Jeff and Andrea Burmaster.

The 4-H food and photography auction participants:

- Stick-to-It 4-H members: Cowen and Grant Anderson; Faith, Hope and Moriah Carman, Kendal and Amy Carman; Judy Hawkins; William Carter; Ryllie Lippelmann; Tessa and Trevor Witt; Gage and Reagan Williby; Brycen and Makadyn Ketterl; Conner and Creo Reichert; Kaci, Kylie and Kodi Dirks; Kiomi Jackson and Dash Warren, Megan Davenport and Brent Stallman; Quinn Ketterl, Jason and Megan Ketterl; Harley and Weston Barnes, Matt and Amber Barnes; Jacie, Jenna and Jori Fortin; Katrina and Jimmy Neal; Caden and Landon Shaw; Michaela, Mitchell and Macy Wasson.

- Maverick 4-H Club members: Jayce and Kenneth Dempewolf, Dan and Jolene Dempewolf; Misty Kliewer, Luke and Corina Kliewer; Mackenzie, Madison and Mason Urban, Bill and Nora Urban; Aidyn Witt; KeLynn Jacobs.

- Star Valley 4-H Club members: Braedyn and Karter Lantz, Kevin Lantz and Amie Lantz; Cameo and Brennan Counter, Jonathan and Elisabeth Counter and Gwen Loyd; Derek, Harmony, Luke and Noah Wilson; Jordon, Kaitlyn and Aiden Ruzicka, Zeke and Kayla Ruzicka.

THE OBERLIN HERALD — People in Our Community

Tanner Woolsey, a 1995 graduate of Decatur Community High School, was promoted July 1 to the rank of colonel in the U.S. Air Force. He has been stationed in Hawaii, but his next assignment will be to attend the National War College at Fort Lesley J. McNair in Washington. He and his wife, Kaori, and daughters, Joana and Nami, are moving there after visiting his parents, Bob and Terri Woolsey, in Oberlin.

Golden Age Center last week were Ivis Hanson, Dorothy Moore, Ardis Roe, Sue Madigan, Dorothy Cochran, Kelva Dryden and Marie McKisson. Lows went to Mrs. Roe, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Dryden, Ardythe Cedarberg, Charlotte Meints, Mrs. McKisson and Willa Urban. Mrs. Urban won Mexican Train dominoes. Taking highs in bridge were Bob Jones, Pam Wilson, Mrs. McKisson and Carla Latimer.

Taking highs in pinochle at the

Power plant problems come before Rotary

With no scheduled program for the club last Tuesday, Rotary President Halley Roberson and members discussed Oberlin's power plant problems.

The club also discussed the new trash bags member Ralph Unger has been able to procure and ferris wheel assignments for the Decatur County Fair.

Since the club has shrunk a lot since the advent of Covid last year and many of its members are older, members were urged to request help from friends and family as well as take more than one shift on the wheel running the popular ride. Song leader Janice Shobe and

pianist Kay Brown led all in "In the Good Old Summertime" and "Clementine."

Ms. Roberson won RotoLotto and paid a fine. Other fines were paid for a great harvest and Steve Haynes paid for his birthday.

The club held a moment of silence for the passing of the Oberlin club's longest-serving member, Rusty Adleman.

Rotarians John Sater received a Plus 1 Paul Harris pin and Ken Shobe received a Plus 7 Paul Harris pin for their donations to helping the international organization with its projects, including the eradication of polio.

Two-day races set for August

It's a month until the biggest two-day sporting event in Oberlin, the Annual Bob Salem Memorial Races Friday and Saturday, Aug. 13 and 14.

"This year is going to be extra special," said promoter Rick Salem, "as we honor and pay tribute on both nights to Tosha Garrison. This is what she liked the best ... sprint cars,

late models and vintage all converge for two big days right here at her hometown at Oberlin Speedway."

Garrison was a big race fan, he added.

Tosha Garrison, 48, died May 13. She was the daughter of Terry O. Garrison and Linda Manning.

Full details will be coming.

Poker run fundraiser planned

The Last Indian Raid Museum plans a poker run as a fundraiser for the museum's new firehouse exhibit, with food and music available, starting Saturday in the courtyard on the museum grounds.

The run will stop at eight Last Indian Raid sites, with drivers getting one card at each one. The museum is encouraging drivers to bring open-top off-road vehicles, ATVs and UTVs.

"From 3 to 6 p.m., we're taking side-by-side vehicles on the Indian Raid tour at the eight stops that we have," said museum board member Bert "Robert" May. "We'll explain where the people were killed on the raid."

He added that anything with wheels is welcome to make the run.

Registration starts at 1 p.m. and the poker run starts at 3 p.m. Staging will be in the parking lot north of the museum buildings on Penn Avenue.

Registration, due the day of the run, is \$25.

Board members will be grilling brats and Chris Johnson of Full Throttle DJ Service will donate his time to provide the music outside on the museum grounds.

Donations will be accepted for food and refreshments, including beer, brats and fresh-made ice cream, following the run from 6 to 8 p.m.

The pot will be split 50/50. All drivers must have insurance.

All donations will go to the new firehouse exhibit. The museum board is looking at remodeling the third annex, now used as a storage building, as a firehouse exhibit.



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Iconic statue turns 50

Pioneer family stands tall

By DAYNA MANNEBACH
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This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Pioneer Family statue in Oberlin, sculpted by Pete Felten Jr. of Hays, which over the years has become a symbol of the town.

The four-figure statue was commissioned by the Sappa Valley Art Club and the Kansas Cultural Arts Commission, which provided \$2,000. The other \$2,000 was raised by the club.

The statue was positioned at the north end of the median strip in the 400 block of North Penn Avenue. Nichols Construction Co. poured the foundation and base.

According to an article in the June 24, 1971 issue of *The Oberlin Herald*, the idea came from two Kansas State University graduate students in planning, Dennis McKee and Carmen Louis Bieker, both Hays natives, who were working on a pilot redevelopment project in Oberlin.

The students advised that Mr. Felten create a statue for Oberlin and left the subject up to him.

The sculptor studied photographs at the museum, read about the pioneers here and decided on Pioneer Family for a theme.

"The site suggested a free-standing subject. So I wanted to do something that would take you around it," Mr. Felten said.

His first model was presented in December 1967 at a meeting of representatives of the Oberlin Chamber of Commerce board, city, city Federated women's clubs and the Oberlin Highway Association.

"Initial reactions within the community were mixed," the article said. "Some questioned the value in spending \$5,000 for a statue. Some liked the work immediately, others didn't."

Eventually, many folks changed their minds. Grade school Principal Ira Laidig's observation at the presentation may have summed up the reaction: "When I first saw it, I didn't like it, but the longer I sit here, the better it looks."

Mrs. Duane Aase, president of the art club, was in charge of gathering most of the donations and starting the drive. For about a year, she corresponded with the state commission, seeking matching money.

In early 1969, the commission agreed to pay half the costs of a \$4,000 artist-in-



MORE THAN 70 VEHICLES went "draggin' Main" in March 2020, during the Decatur County Area Chamber of Commerce's "Quarantine Qruisin."

The Pioneer Family kept watch as cars cruised up and down Penn Avenue.

—Photos from The Herald archives

residence project. The sculptor decided to use Kansas limestone, thereby lowering the cost \$1,000.

"The stone," according to the article, "a 4x4x9-foot, 11-ton chunk of limestone from Silverdale, in southeast Kansas, was purchased by Mr. Felten at a stone plant in Wichita and was shipped to Hays via truck."

The sculptor said the statue should withstand noticeable wear from the elements for more than 100 years. Top surfaces, grooves and rough areas, where dirt collects, will darken most, he added.

Around early May 1971, members of the art club and the commission watched him at work on the statue in his studio. The group had a picnic and attended art exhibits at the library and Fort Hays State College.

"Outdoors, it's difficult to control the light," he noted.

Mr. Felten controlled light on the Pioneer

Family by having the stone on a turntable. Starting in July 1970, he added, he did not turn the stone for the first four months.

"I enjoy carving in limestone," the artist said.

The near-completed piece was trucked from Hays to Oberlin on June 14, 1971.

Mr. Felten put the finishing touches on the statue during two months in residence in Oberlin. The sculptor said he put in from four to six hours a day.

In mid June, Loyl Wilson used the county's 15-ton crane to hoist the 9-foot, 8-ton statue from a flatbed trailer to its five-foot-tall, octagonal concrete base at the north end of the median strip with the assistance of truck driver Harry Leiker.

Mr. Felten's father helped Mr. Leiker check the measurements.

To keep chains and cable from biting into its surface, the statue was wrapped in

a protective covering.

Mr. Felten and teenage sculptor Will Wisner of Hays finished smoothing out the concrete.

A state highway maintenance truck was stopped at the south end of the median, its occupants engrossed in the operation, a June article said. There were witnesses under the shadow of the elm trees.

Mrs. Aase, president of the art club, was out of town when the statue was put down. She said she was afraid to watch the unloading.

The trip from Hays was interrupted by an accident in south Norton.

Mr. Leiker, accompanied by his wife, said his truck was hit by a car driven by Dale Leech, Stockton. According to the truck driver, Mr. Leech's car hit the left front fender of the truck and the left rear of the trailer.

No one was injured, the statue was undisturbed and the truck had a few dents, Mr. Leiker said. The other driver's vehicle was heavily damaged.

Terry Schenk of Hays, a spring graduate of Fort Hays State, filmed the unloading operation and had plans to return to Oberlin to shoot additional footage of Mr. Felten at work. Mr. Schenk has made color films of the carving since the sculptor began last summer. Mr. Schenk said his film would be available for showing in Oberlin.

On July 17, Felten completed his largest and most complex work up to that time. It was the first statue ever erected in Oberlin.

Its four pioneer figures stand back to back, man, wife, son and daughter, their arms linked to show the interdependence of the folk who settled this country.

"This statue is my way of trying to express my feelings about our pioneers and of the importance of the family unit," said Mr. Felten. "I had no desire to picture them as heroic or as ideal types. Their need was less for heroic stance than for the ability to meet each day as it came and survive it."

"I have tried to depict the importance of the strength of character of the woman by her large column-like shirt giving support to all the other members of the family. She is troubled but strong."

"The man squints into the bright prairie sky. He leans back to find the support of his woman. He holds his children's hands both for their protection and his inspiration. He must shelter them and provide for them."

"The girl is full of innocence and joy and hope. Although her knowledge is limited, her spirit is good and she is ready to go forth and do her part."

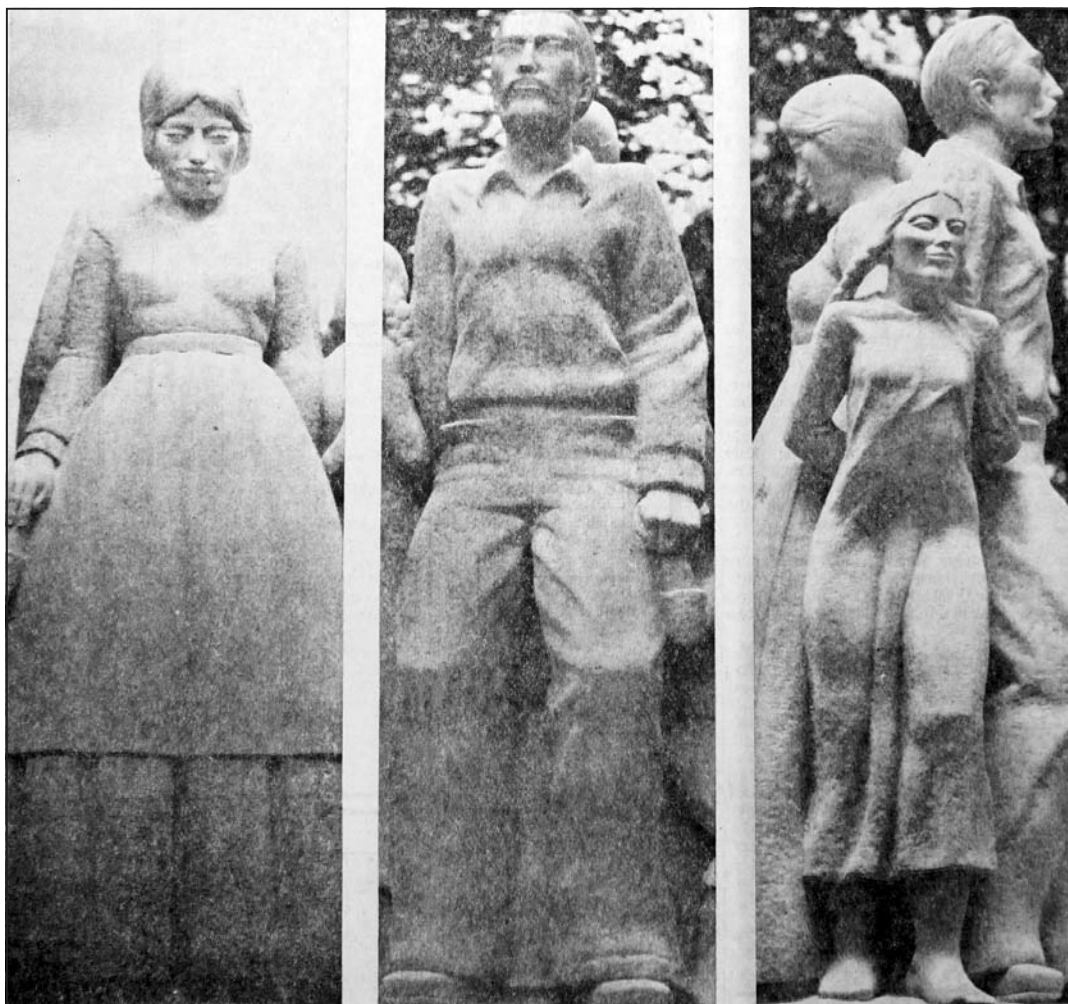
"The boy under the protective arch formed by the parents' arms is determined and fearless. He is Young America with his jaw set. He is the pioneers' future. He is now."

Towards the end of July, a dedication ceremony was planned and around 200 people came.

"As people view this work over the years, let them know that it was dedicated to the pioneer spirit that made it possible, and that because of it Oberlin is richer, its citizens more understanding and its community a better, more beautiful place in which to live," said Maurice D. Coats, former executive director of the commission.

Mrs. Floyd Lotker Jr. presented to Mayor Phyll Cramer the pioneer memorial plaque, which bears the names of pioneers and community builders memorialized by contributors to the statue. The plaque is displayed at the Oberlin museum.

Later, an issue of "Kansas!" magazine, published by the Kansas Economic Development Commission, featured a photograph of Mr. Felten working on the statue.



FOUR PIONEER FIGURES (above) stand back to back, man, wife, son and daughter, their arms linked to show the interdependence of the folks who settled this country. Pete Felten Jr., a Hays sculptor (right), carved the 9-foot-tall, 8-ton Kansas limestone statue in 1971.

—Photos from The Herald archives



Events of Yesteryear

By MaryLou Olson

125 YEARS AGO – July 1896

Alfred C. Banta returned from Otawa University Tuesday evening. Clerks now have plenty of time to talk.

Charley Martin began loading a car of new wheat Monday, the first. It is a rather small berry but otherwise good wheat.

Geo. Jackson moved a building from south of the O.K. Hotel to the lots of E. J. Taylor, the painter, in the west part of town on Tuesday.

Robert Tutt was cutting wheat on the Colt place Monday and Tuesday.

George Jackson went to Hoxie the first of the week where he has taken the job of moving the fixtures of the court house, including five safes.

On Thursday, many of the people of Oberlin went to Cedar Bluffs to see a ballgame between the Oberlin nine (Wright's Colts) and the boys at Cedar Bluffs. Chet Burnett started in to pitch for the Colts and was literally knocked out of the box. Score, Cedar Bluffs, 20, Colts, 7.

Those who come to the *Herald* office next week will likely find us in our new quarters across the street, just west of the I. O. Wear's Hardware Store.

The railroad boys report lots of rain east of Republican City.

100 YEARS AGO – July 1921

The combined header-thresher owned by Amos Mott burned in the field Monday night.

So far we have not heard any kick about the wheat that is being threshed by the combined machines. It has always been supposed that wheat had to "sweat" and if it did not in the stack, it would after it was put in the bin. But apparently that was a mistaken idea, and the only requirement is that the wheat must be thoroughly dry when it is placed in the bin.

Married July 17, 1921, Miss Mary Sylvia McCalla and Mr. Alvin H. Lohofener of Burkburnett, Texas.

A bunch of boosters for the Kansas City-Denver Highway were guests of the Oberlin Commercial Club at the Duncan Hotel.

Langmade and Woodward is the name of the new firm that will ask legal business in the future.

On Monday, Lester M. Parker, preacher and attorney, accompanied by his son, Leslie, and Billie O'Toole, started in his Dodge car for Florida. Lester gives as his excuse for leaving is that his wife much prefers Florida for Kansas.

75 YEARS AGO – July 1946

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rohnke of Norcatar and all of their 15 children were together for the first time since 1938 at the celebration of the couple's 36th wedding anniversary. They include Gus, Paul, Frank, John, Bernard, Albert and Carl Jr., Marie Alexander, Elsie Waits, Adeline Powell, Tena Larson, Katie Gustafson, Lillie, Alice and Gladys.

Last week, Glynn Shaw had the misfortune of losing the first joint of his index finger on the left hand in the auger on the elevator, which was mounted on his truck.

C/N Anna Ruth Miesner graduated Thursday evening, July 11, at the Catholic Cathedral in Denver. She received her training at the Mercy Hospital.

S/Sgt. Maxine Walker arrived home Saturday after receiving her discharge at Fort Sheridan on July 9. She entered the service in April, 1945, and was in Paris and later Frankfurt, Germany. She arrived in the states on July 4 on the George Washington.

The Lone Star Hustlers 4-H Club met Saturday, July 6, at the Al Hickert farm. The meeting was called to order by Jack Bainter. Ruth Warren gave a talk on music appreciation as medial treatment. Roger Shimek sang a song.

Liberty Star (By Mrs. Claude O. Kelley) Mrs. Elmer Chambers and Mrs. Harold Chambers drove up to call on Mrs. Kenneth Van Vleet and her new baby daughter, Shirley Jean, Saturday.

Traer (By Mrs. A. L. Carlisle) A couple of electricians have moved into the Meixner house and are wiring houses for R.E.A. We understand they started at Cedar Bluffs

and are working this way.

50 YEARS AGO – July 1971

There'll be some new features for the seventh annual Jennings Kolache Festival Saturday, including a Czech pastry shop, which will sell such specialties as strudel, fruit dumplings, pernik, sisky, and poppy seed bobooka. Sponsored by the Jennings EHU, the Czech Pantry will be set up in the Slab City Cafe building.

Donna Kump, reigning Miss Frontier, for Graham, Norton and Decatur counties, and LeAnn Muirhead, Miss Fort Hays State Pageant winner, will be heading for the Miss Kansas Pageant, which begins in Pratt today.

Wynn Horney, 45, of Albany, Mo., is the new owner-manager of Ralph Clark Clothing. Purchase of the stock and fixtures was made Monday from Ralph Clark, by Albany Gas Company, a corporation owned by Horney, and Ward Sauvage, Oberlin.

Rex Diehl phoned his sister, Mrs. Loyd Moore, from Oslo, Norway last week. The Diehls returned to Denver Monday following a one-month vacation in Great Britain, Northern Europe and Scandinavia.

Six DCHS varsity cheerleaders attended the third annual National Cheerleaders Clinic at Panhandle State College, Goodwell, Okla., July 5-0. They were Pat Harris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Harris; Marla Van Pelt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Van Pelt; Carol Roe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Roe; Barbara Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Brown; Kim Needham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Needham, Oberlin, and Jill Fredrickson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Fredrickson of Selden.

L.F. (Cush) Cushenbery has been appointed to the Kansas Bar Assn. Historical committee, one of 35 standing and special committees within the state association.

Capt. Fred Helm, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Helm of Norcatar, has received the Air Medal for meritorious service in South Vietnam. From September to February 1971.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Thummel, Gastonia, N.C., were killed in a car-truck collision while on vacation in Georgia. He was the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. George Thummel of Oberlin. This is the second tragic accident in the Thummel family as their daughter, Mary, and her husband, Clarence Musgrave, died in a car accident in 1954.

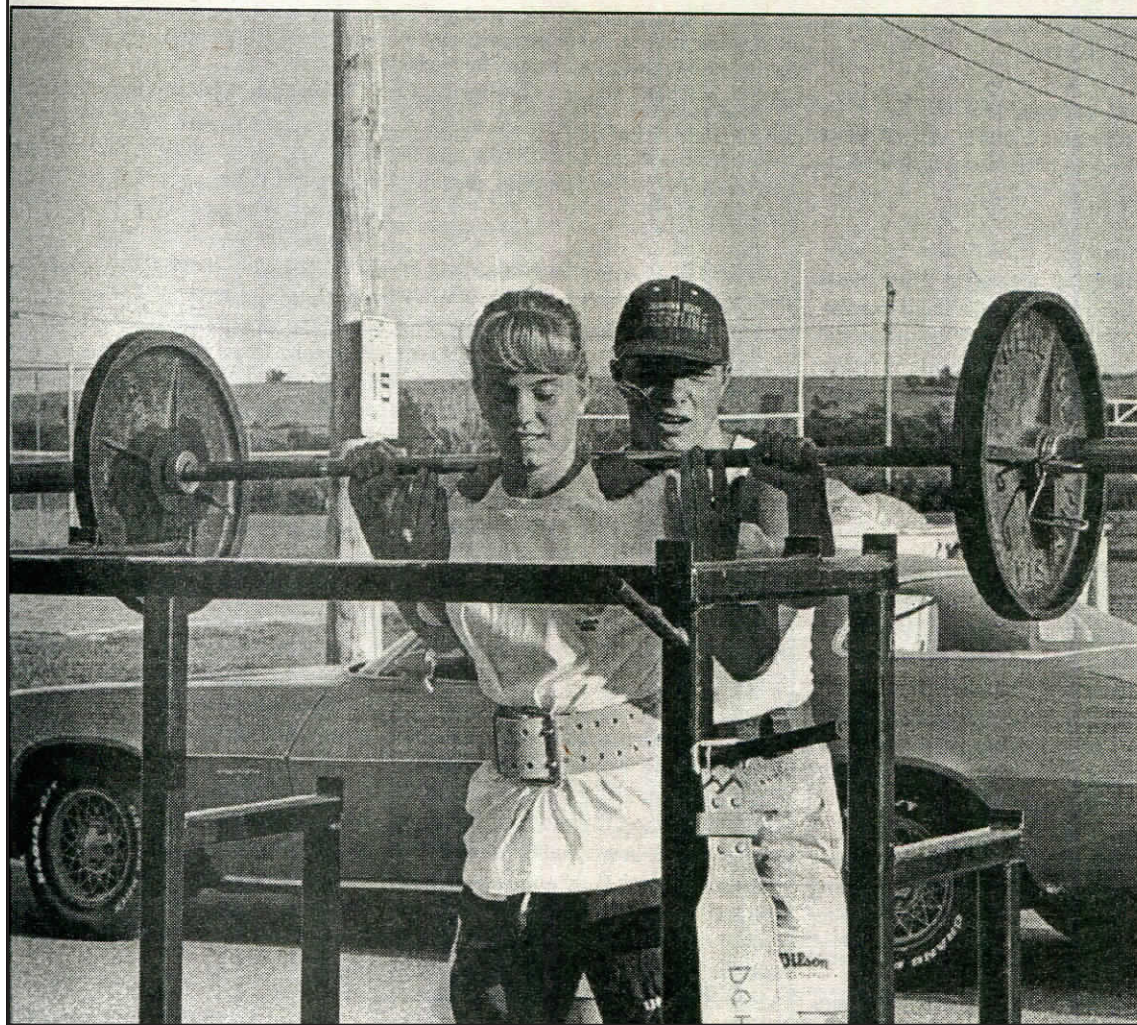
ASCS District Director George O. Gustafson of Hill City presented length of service awards to Eugene Wurm, Herndon, reporter, 10-year tie tack; Arnold Reichert, Selden, reporter, 15-year tie tack; Mrs. Emery Johnson, Oberlin, lead assistant, 10-year pin; Mrs. Dan Hess, Oberlin, program assistant, 15-year pin; Atley Muirhead, Dresden, county committee, 15-year tie tack; and Gerald Dellere, Selden, reporter, 10-year pin.

25 YEARS AGO – July 1996

Michael Martin Murphy, a dynamic entertainer, put on a spectacular performance before an enthralled crowd at The Gateway

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Sports



KRISTY OLSON was spotted by Bo Farr during a Lift-A-Thon at Decatur Community High in August 1996. — Oberlin Herald file photo by Carrie Stanley

on Saturday. Singing a duet with his son Ryan, he added a special touch to a song they co-wrote nine

years ago. When Sonja Fransson came to the United States from Hillerstop,

Sweden with her brother and his wife, Bert and Annika Fransson, and their children, Madelaine and

Robert, one of her hopes was to see how Americans celebrate the big summer holiday. When the family spent the Fourth of July with the Elden Anderson, Gordon Anderson and Edla Olson families, she got her wish.

"It was quite beautiful and so much fireworks that were so colorful," she said.

Barbara Solko plans retirement after almost 20 years as parts person behind the counter for John Deere. She said she wasn't really looking for a job but when Milton Nitsch asked her to come to work, she decided to give it a try.

Jennings News (By Deb Bader) Mary Votapka celebrated her birthday July 8 at the cafe with 34 people enjoying rolls and coffee with her.

Selden News (By Jacque Boultinghouse) The second annual sand-box volleyball tournament will be held at the Selden volleyball court, beginning at noon on Sunday. It is sponsored by the Golden Plains Booster Club.

Dr. Stephen LaBash patents device to aid in breast cancer biopsies. The general surgeon recently received a patent for the device which he hopes will revolutionize mammography and the removal of initially cancerous nodules.

Wendy Olson and Justin Scott exchanged wedding vows at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, May 9, at the gazebo in the City Park in Hill City. Parents of the couple are Gerald and Connie Olson, Oberlin, and Myron and Alberta Scott, Hill City.

Descendants of Frank and Anna (Meitl) Dempewolf gathered on July 6 in Seguin to observe their fourth tri-annual reunion. Special guest was the Rev. Merlin Kieffer at the afternoon meal held in St. Martin's Church basement, followed by group pictures.

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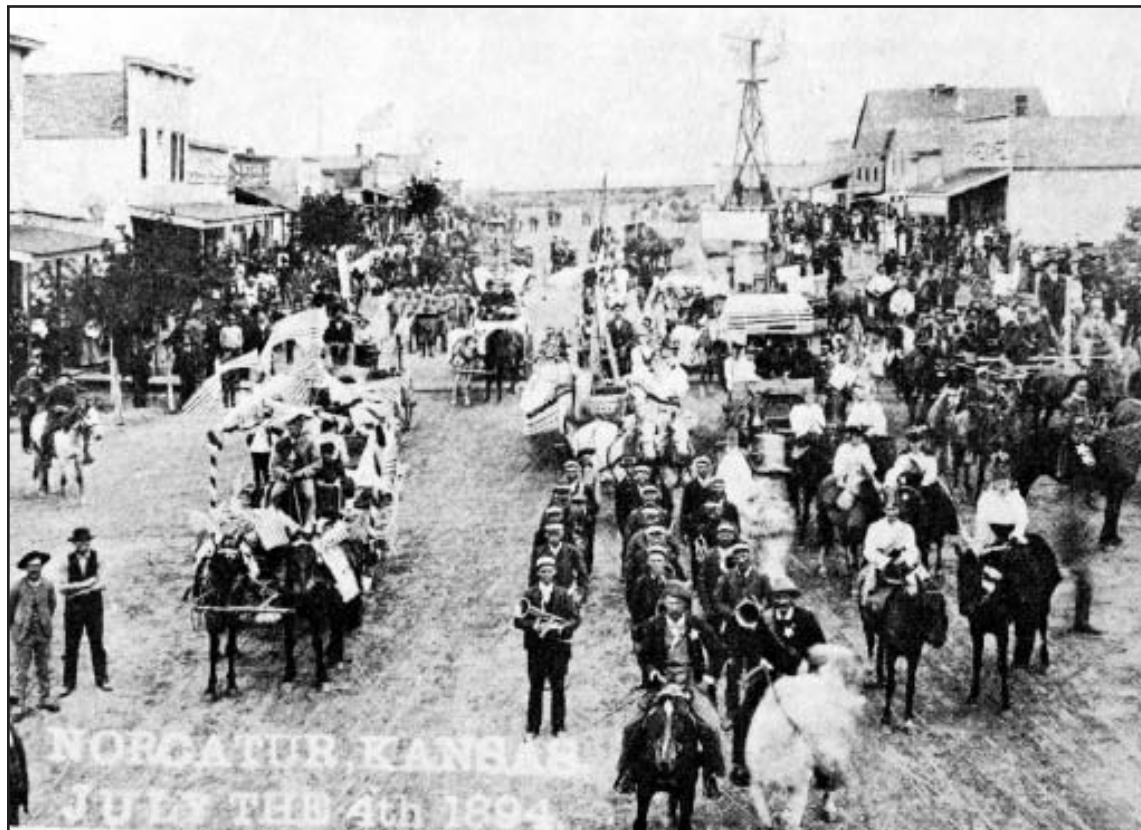
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THE BIG TIMBER BAND led the Fourth of July parade at Norcatour in 1894, which featured horse-drawn floats. —Photo provided by Last Raid Museum

Norcatour News

By the Norcatour News Committee

Former Norcatour resident Norman Roger Beachel wrote a nice note to the newsletter staff:

"Hello, I grew up in Norcatour and have lots of memories of Norcatour before I joined the service. I think Norcatour had a population of over 300 when I joined the service in 1963. I know it is much less now. I also know Norton and Oberlin haven't gotten much bigger.

"I worked during and after I finished high school for Talmens. The Navy was not that much different. Short nights and long days. Relaxing to how the mattress was placed in boot camp.

"I have worked on many types of aircraft, from props to supersonic jets. I have seen most of the seas in the world, but Norcatour is still my home."

Upcoming birthdays to be celebrated include Mary Wentz, July 20; Aaron Helm, July 21; Judy Ward, July 22; Ken McVay and Jenna Rowland, July 24; Stan Miller, July 25; Kaitlyn Schamberger, July 28; Carolyn Plotts, Aug. 1; Emily Bader, Aug. 2.

Norcatour Senior Citizens played

pitch last Friday. High scores went to Jodi Lyon, Bob Streyve and Alice Barnett. Their next game will be at 1 p.m. Friday, July 30 at the Community Church building. Pinochle players will meet at 1 p.m. Thursday at the U.S. Highway 36 Museum. Get out and do something fun! You will be welcomed at both.

The Norcatour Library Board is having a story hour and pizza party at 7 p.m. in Auker Park. Special guest will be Officer Sandra Harman from the Decatur County Sheriff's office. Officer Harman will be in her uniform, driving a Sheriff's Department vehicle and reading a special book about police officers. She will also be giving away books to the children. Those attending will be entered into a grand prize drawing for a Norton Theater ticket package.

All residents are encouraged to check their property for anything that might hold stagnant water and dump it as it is an ideal breeding ground for mosquitoes.

The Norcatour Alumni Committee is planning a reunion over the 2022 Memorial Weekend. Make plans now for this long-awaited reunion.

The Norcatour Community Church welcomes everyone. Upcoming speakers are: July 25, Margaret Thomas; Aug. 1, Halley Roberson; Aug. 8: Alice Barnett; Saturday, Aug. 14, 5 p.m. in the Park; Aug. 15, no church; Aug. 22, Margaret Thomas, ice cream social at 3 p.m.

Jennings News

By Louise Cressler

A beautiful day was enjoyed at the Sunflower Senior Center last Wednesday with the serving tables laden with many different dishes of food. Those attending the potluck dinner were Kay and Doyle Brauner; Pastor Gordon and Caroline Pettibone of Oberlin; Stanley Shimek; Martin Titus; Ramona Shaw; Alice Mizer; Dorothy Shimek; and Louise Cressler. Everyone is welcome to join us at noon on the second Wednesday of each month.

Jeff and Mary Wahlmeier, rural Clayton; Nick Wahlmeier, Kyndal and Brynn rural Oberlin; and Ramona Shaw, attended the birthday party at the Norton Lake on Saturday honoring Asher Wahlmeier, 2 year old son of Adam and Sierra

Wahlmeier, Norton.

A prayer chain request came on Friday for Bill Nelson. He is in the hospital with pneumonia.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Jimmy Gaumer, Lawrence, formerly of Jennings. Graveside services were held on Monday at the Jennings cemetery.

The sky darkened mid-morning Sunday and a weather alert came out warning of winds 60 to 70 mph, quarter size hail and heavy rain. We got the wind and rain and reports of .60 to one inch of rain. Thankfully we did not get hail.

Have you signed up yet to give blood on Friday, July 30? If you can, call Marge at (785) 678-3010.

Mount Pleasant News

By Dianne Bremer

Congratulations to Sam and Kelly (Olson) Stone on the birth of their daughter, Stella May, on Tuesday, July 13. She was 8 pounds, 9 ounces and 20.5 inches long. Grandparents are Gerald and Connie Olson of Oberlin and Scott and Doreva Stone of Hutchinson. Paternal great-grandmothers are Carol Stone and Estol Cohen, also of Hutchinson.

Vivian Redfern and Shelly Fenner, Goodland, met Joanne Wendelin for lunch in Colby on

Wednesday.

Janice Cundiff attended a Lutheran Woman's Missionary League Kansas District 2021 Kansas Assembly of Leaders event Thursday through Saturday at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Wichita.

Tami Shaw and Julie Gallentine returned home after spending the weekend in Colorado Springs visiting their sister/daughter and husband, Becky and Al Rohr.

Take care freezing produce

Freezing food can be quick and convenient, but there is a lot of science behind how food freezes that can affect the outcome.

After harvesting fruits and vegetables, chemical changes still occur due to enzymes naturally within the food. These can change color, texture, flavor and some nutrients. To stop enzymatic changes, there are key steps to take.

For most vegetables, blanching is effective to inactivate enzymes. This exposes the vegetables to boiling water or steam for a brief amount of time, then rapidly chilled in ice water. Blanching is essential for high-quality vegetables. It also helps destroy any microorganisms. Blanching time varies by vegetable.

For light-colored fruit, such as peaches and apples, enzymes can cause browning and loss of vitamin C. Instead of blanching, fruit can be treated with ascorbic acid (vitamin C) to interfere with the chemical reaction that causes the color changes. Use pure ascorbic acid or



Karen's Korner

By Karen Shepard
Family and Consumer Sciences Agent
Twin Creeks Extension District

commercial ascorbic acid mixtures.

Texture of frozen food can depend on the rate of freezing. Don't overload your freezer as that will slow the freezing process and result in poor-quality food. Typically, freezing 2 to 3 pounds at a time is best.

For more on freezing, see the National Center for Home Food

Preservation website.

Source: University of Minnesota Extension

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Jesus saves us in storms

Here we are smack dab in the middle of the summer. With the high temperatures and sometimes the high humidity, storms pop up here and there. Some are the garden variety. They are usually short and bring soft and gentle rains. We like these rains.

Then, there are the severe storms. These include, big black storm clouds, thunder that rumbles and lightning that cracks, pounding rain, high winds and sometimes hail, and sometimes tornadoes. In the midst of all storms, big and small, there always remains our Jesus by our side, saying, "Do not fear, do not be afraid."

In Mark 6, we find Jesus and His disciples. They had finished feeding the 5,000. Jesus had just gone to a mountain to pray. He then sent His disciples in a boat across the waters of the Sea of Galilee, to a town called Bethsaida. It was cold. It was dark. It was at night.

As the disciples were rowing across the waters of the Sea of Galilee, all of a sudden, a huge storm arose. It was a special and unique storm. There was no thunder or lightning or rain. Just a whole lot of wind. The waves got bigger. The water began to fill the boat and it began to sink. Half of the disciples rowed as hard as they could to get out of the way of the storm. The other half bailed as fast as they could to keep the boat afloat. They went through a lot of energy in a short period of time. They got tired, worn out, and exhausted.

Jesus knew the disciples were in trouble. He took it upon Himself to walk on the water to be with them. When the disciples saw Jesus walking on the water tired, worn out, and exhausted, they all cried out in fear. They thought that

He was a ghost. So, the first thing Jesus said to them when He got to them was, "Take courage, it is I, don't be afraid."

He then got into the boat. The moment He entered the boat, the wind died down, the waves calmed down, and the storm went away, replaced by His peace, calm and tranquility. That is why Jesus told the disciples, "Do not be afraid."

And now it comes down to you and me. When bad storms come our way. When we are tossed to and fro, beyond our control. When we are tired, worn out, and exhausted, we, too, become filled with doubts and fears. When doubts and fears become greater, faith and trust in our God and His words and promises become less.

So we look to Jesus, who has already conquered all the storms, of sin, Satan and death. Storms will come our way. We live in a fallen and broken world. The boat is the symbol of the Christian Church, each local congregation and each Christian.

We each exist in our own little row boat on the high seas of life. And, when big bad storms come our way, so does our Jesus. He takes it upon Himself to come be with us, and especially you, in the worst, most terrible, and most horrible times of your life.

And, not to just be in your presence, so that you can be in His presence. But, also, to speak to and say, "Take courage, it is I. Do not fear, do not be afraid." And not just to speak those words so that they can be heard, but also, to then, use all of His power and authority to calm the winds, and calm the waves, and to make the storm go away, replaced by His peace, His calm and His tranquility.

Jesus will always be our Great Storm Slayer.



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Mass: 8 a.m. Thursday

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Mass: 8 a.m. Wednesday

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CLAYTON
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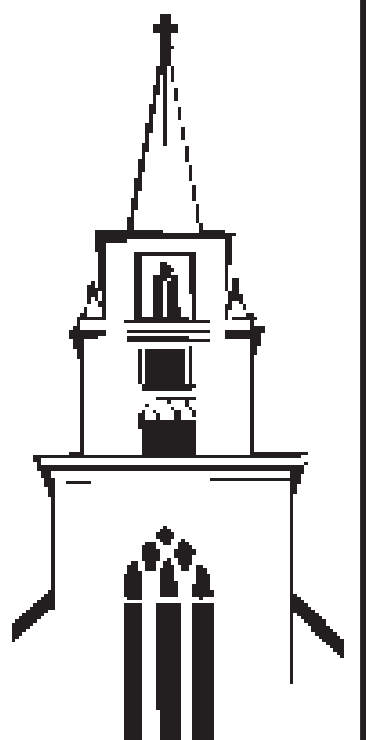
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CLUES ACROSS

- Fashion accessory
- Subatomic particle
- Ethnic group of the Philippines
- Popular cookie
- Fabric
- Alcoholic liquor
- Peter __, Dutch portrait painter
- Longtime Chicago mayor
- A famous "Lady"
- Islamic calendar month
- Rocky peak
- Polio vaccine developer
- Songs sung in open air
- Military movements
- Male parent
- Beloved hot beverage
- Female sibling
- Tackled the QB
- Set a dog on someone
- Long live! (Spanish)
- Porticos
- Pouch
- Smooth fabric
- Enough (archaic)
- Institute legal proceedings against
- Scarred
- Draw from
- Brother or sister
- Body part
- Commercials
- London soccer team
- Satisfied
- Surgical technique (abbr.)
- Fencing sword
- French industrial city
- Intellectual property organization (abbr.)
- Helps to carry food
- "Rule, Britannia" composer
- One-time Empress of the Roman Empire
- Intestinal pouches
- None better
- "WandaVision" actress
- Comedic actress Kathryn

CLUES DOWN

- Fifth notes of major scales
- Region
- Your consciousness of your own identity
- Georgetown athletes
- They follow A
- Spoke
- Hairdressers' domain
- Extravagantly theatric
- End-blown flute
- Heroic tales
- Member of a Semitic people
- Members of a priestly caste
- Southern Ghana people
- Counsels
- Body of water
- Awesome!
- Calendar month
- Native of region in Caucasus
- Indian city
- Exclusive
- Alaskan town
- Covered with ivy
- Loose granular substances
- Native American tribe
- Written American English
- Holiday (informal)
- Add up
- Small brown and gray rails
- Get off your feet
- Express disgust
- Surface of the ground
- Put into a silo
- Belief
- British nobleman
- Tennis game
- Dry, protective crust
- Swiss river
- Large integers
- La __ Tar Pits, Hollywood
- Every one of two or more
- "Deadpool" actor Reynolds
- Earlier
- Peter's last name

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Pool fun in the sun

BRENNAN Louderback (above) did a belly flop at the Oberlin City Pool earlier this month. Brennan (from left in right photo), Hayden Soderlund and C.J. Harris showed off their socks and played in a puddle beside the pool.

— Herald staff photos by Dayna Mannebach



* Student handbook gives changes

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return to class at 12:10 p.m. Grades five and six eat at 12:15 p.m. and return to class at 12:35 p.m.

- Morning preschool hours are 8:10 to 11:40 a.m. Afternoon preschool is 12:10 p.m. to 3:40 p.m.

- Shorts may be worn between April 1 and Oct. 1. Shorts can be no more than three inches above the knee.

- Students' lockers may be searched at any time. According to federal law, lockers are the property of the school district. Student searches and vehicle searches are permitted under federal law.

- Sixth-grade students may participate in junior high volleyball, cross country and track. Transportation will be provided to the high school for practice, but parents will be responsible for transportation home.

A student will only be released to their parents from any away trip activity. Students may be released to an authorized guardian with prior approval from the principal by the end of the school day. Students must travel with the bus to an event.

- To be valedictorian and salutatorian, a student must have competed at least 3.0 credits of weighted curriculum (trigonometry, statistics, calculus, physics, chemistry II and anatomy and physiology) and have no F quarter grades in any class.

- Valedictorian and salutatorian shall be determined by non-weighted quarterly grade average for 16 quarters.

- In the event of a tie, the student who has taken more credits of the weighted curriculum shall be chosen.

Decatur Community Junior-Senior High activities and athletics handbook covers eligibility policies.

- Students failing two or more subjects or are showing three or more reds in Summit at 10:30 a.m. on Monday as noted on Power-School will be placed on academic probation.

- Eligibility for lettering program in the high school band will be up to the band director and based on participation.

- For the opening ceremonies, the band will be in charge of the national anthem at home football games and will alternate with the DCHS singers at basketball games.

* Rusty supported community projects

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After college, he signed a professional football contract with the fabled Green Bay Packers after the 1960 draft. A \$71 check signed by his head coach, the legendary Vince Lombardi, for the signing is among his collection from that time.

During that summer, Mr. Addleman said, he survived the two-week training camp and made it to the final cut before being released from the team.

He was telling that story one night at a KU party as a young man across from him paid rapt attention.

"You knew Vince Lombardi?" he asked.

"Well," Rusty replied deadpan, "I was in his office once."

"Looking back," Mr. Addleman added, "it was a great honor to be coached under (Vince Lombardi) and encouraged by him in the beginning of his outstanding career."

Mr. Addleman earned a bachelor's degree in business administration and science from C. of E. in 1960 and a pharmacy degree from the University of Kansas in 1963 and later on, a Master of Hospital Administration degree from the University of Minnesota in 1969 while in the Air Force.

He married Sharon Pollnow in 1963, the same year he joined the Air Force. He was commissioned as a second lieutenant in Air Force Medical Service Corps and left the service as a captain.

Afterward, he returned to Oberlin and bought the Addleman Drug Store from his father in 1977.

The couple had three children, Michelle, Shannon and Chad, and then added six grandchildren. Mr. Addleman retired as a pharmacist in 2009 and closed the store after 103 years of it being the family business.

The couple was nominated by his sister, Ruth Ingold of Lenexa, to be featured in "Hometown Heroes" section of *The Oberlin Herald* in 2011.

Being an Oberlin native, he was involved in many civic projects.

At one of the annual Rotary Radio Day fundraisers on 101.1 KFNH in Oberlin, Mr. Addleman participated as Radio Day DJ, where he played different types of music, gave weather reports and sports news, along with information on the club.

Besides being on The Gateway committee for the Strategic Doing process, about 10 years ago, Mr. Addleman was on the recreation committee through the Decatur Tomorrow organization.

In 2018, the Decatur County Hansen Community Grant and the Grow Decatur County Foundation board, at their monthly meeting, awarded a \$8,562 to the Oberlin American Legion Post for the electronic ignitor system for safe firing of fireworks displays.

Mr. Addleman was one of those who worked on the project for two to three years.

"Rusty has been the 'director, arranger and provider' of our fireworks displays for many years," said Jim Miesner, an Oberlin graduate and Legion member.

Originally, Mr. Addleman worked on this project through the Oberlin Business Alliance, and on his own after the alliance merged with the Chamber.

"His dedication to providing the Fourth of July fireworks display has been very much appreciated by everyone," said Mr. Miesner.

At the time, Mr. Addleman said his reason to get an electronic system was because it was safer to use a remote control from 100 feet away to set off the fireworks.

"I had a very active and outstanding life," Mr. Addleman said. "It presented me with many opportunities and I couldn't be happier with the family I have."

His obituary appears on Page 2 of today's paper.

* Fair Board gives the go-ahead for races

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Another topic to consider, he said, is the water meter.

"Considering what it's costing us, we'll probably have to stick to that," said Secretary Jesse Carter. "This year the city has started charging for water usage at the race track, and the billed amounts have been between \$250 and \$350."

Afterward, the board had a phone conference with promotor Joseph Herskowitz of Hoxie about the five classes in his race series, include IMCA modifieds, stock cars, hobby stocks, sport mods and sport compacts.

"Everything is going good this year," Mr. Herskowitz said. "I want to start planning for next year. When the time comes to scheduling, we can do it and go."

The last races in Decatur County this year are on Fridays, Aug. 27

and Sept. 3.

The August date has been changed from Aug. 20 to Aug. 27.

Mr. Carter said the only dates that Mr. Herskowitz can't schedule would be the week of next year's fair and the week after the fair is booked for the Salem races.

"I would propose that first and second week of August are off limits," Mr. Carter said, "and everything else you can schedule. I think the fair board can be willing to sign a contract after the completion of the last races in the season."

Mr. Wilson said the promotor can come back to the board after the races in September, when they'll be meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 8.

"We're happy with the way things are going," he said. "No complaints."

Later, Alyssa Rippe-May, Twin Creeks Extension District agent in

Oberlin, brought copies of updated food/photography auction and livestock auction letters.

"We do what we've done in the past," she said. "We send out auction details to previous buyers with the list of kids that will potentially be in the livestock auction and food auction."

"The 4-H Council has agreed to buy cinnamon rolls and Subway sandwiches for all of our judges and volunteers, about \$200 max."

Mr. Carter said the board would split the cost with the council.

Last week, the agent said, Taylor and Logan Fortin came into the office. Their daughter is in open class and she wants to bring her dairy calf.

"Which they said is (she has a) 650-pound Holstein (calf)," Mrs. Rippe-May said. "All we have are pre-4-H bucket calf, lamb, goat and

pig classes. Do you want to add it to the bucket class or have it in its own class. For open class, they get ribbons for participation anyway."

Mr. Carter suggested to let the beef superintendents decide whether she goes with the bucket calves or to be in her own class.

Mrs. Rippe-May said she'll talk to the beef superintendents.

The new water line has been connected into the 4-H Building, with the old line being disconnected, Mr. Wilson said. Work that remains for that project include creating a protective cover where the new water line enters into the building.

Others at the meeting included board members Damon Andrews, Jason Berry and Treasurer Heather McDougal, and County Commissioner Stan McEvoy.

* City, Akrs hope to hold a public meeting

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the city.

Dr. Chambers asked if the city has looked at the cost of moving its offices and if there isn't a way to put The Gateway into the city's budget the same as the swimming pool and library.

Susan Nelson spoke for the Oberlin Arts and Humanities Commission, which has put on many events and shows at The Gateway, mostly before the city stopped funding two years ago. Since then, the group has been used as an advisory board for events.

"We support the building as a continuing events center," she said.

Janice Shobe, retired administrator at the Good Samaritan Center, said that the money lost running The Gateway over the years can-

not be regained. The question now, she said, is what to do with it in the future.

"This building is a gem," she said. "It would be a shame to let it become a tractor repair shop."

Mrs. Shobe said she realizes all its programs cost the city money, but she feels the cost of The Gateway is worth it, and wondered why there is a problem with allowing the electric fund to continue helping.

It is impossible to gauge the amount of money that comes to local businesses because of events at The Gateway, she said.

She gave three options:

- Use the money from the sales tax earmarked to pay pool bonds, which will be paid for in two years, to pay for and improve city facilities, including the pool and the civic

center.

- If the city gets a new power plant, savings on it over the cost of the old one could go to help pay expenses on the civic center.

- Take \$1 million and do a new building with fewer facilities.

"There is really no other venue in the community that has what the Gateway offers," she said.

At the end of her talk, the audience broke into applause.

Former Mayor Ladd Wendelin took the podium and just asked the council not to sell the Gateway. He also was applauded.

Councilwoman Kristin McHugh said that obviously the city needs help with the situation and added that she didn't think anyone is against Akrs, but many are against a sale.

Marilyn Black, who has attended city meetings for years, was the sole voice for those who wish the city to dispose of the facility.

She said she has talked to a lot of people and most who are for selling the facility think it is worth more but some just say "get rid of it."

She said she knew her position will be unpopular but that the facility has lost money ever since it was built and she was tired of paying.

Dr. Chambers said that he would head up a committee to look into options for having another entity buy or lease the facility from the city.

Ms. Roberson said she will try to set up a meeting so that representatives from Akrs can come for public meeting.

As of Monday, no time had been set yet.

Christian band to play at Gateway on Sunday

Sidewalk Prophets, a contemporary Christian band from Nashville that is on its "Great Big Family Reunion Tour," will perform at 7 p.m. Sunday at The Gateway.

"I'm excited, they're good," said City Administrator Halley Roberson. "We're hoping to get

church sponsorships. We need volunteers for a variety of things, take tickets, security, set up equipment and tear down."

If you'd like to volunteer, stop by the city office or call (785) 475-2217, she said.

The tickets are \$17.99 each.

Board OKs new tech director

By DAYNA MANNEBACH dmannebach@nwkans.com

The Oberlin School Board met Thursday morning to approve a memorandum of understanding with Technology Coordinator Ron Jansonius to put off his resignation so he can train the new director.

The members also approved a contract for Dena Dellere as information technology director.

Before the vote, the board met behind closed doors with Superintendent Joel Applegate to discuss an employee's contract for 15 minutes.

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