

Down Memory Lane

August 16, 2001
Volleyball teams at OHS will be a little cooler this fall, thanks to two fans donated by Girard’s IGA and Osborne Industries, designed and built by O.I. Pictured with the fan are Girard’s owners, David & John Girard; OHS athletic director, Doug Ubelaker; O.I. president, Stan Thibault, and O.I. Ventilation Engineer, Brent Brown.

Captain John Moberly, a 1988 graduate of OHS and a 1992 graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, receives a grant to work on his graduate degree in aeronautical and astronautical engineering with a goal

of becoming an astronaut.

On April 23, Lance Kendig competed in the 2001 National Invitational Crops contest in Ames, Iowa, which is a contest between colleges. He compete for Cloud County. He received High Individual.

August 15, 1996
Yoxall’s First, Trumans and Davis Second, Niquette and Liberty Court, all names of Osborne’s housing subdivisions, will joined by a new division named Sunset Addition, the city council unanimously agreed during a special meeting Monday. The new division is city owned

land on West Main in the vicinity of Tenth Street. One lot was recently sold to Osborne homeowners, Steve & Beverly Long.

Donations are being accepted for a belfry to house the original school bell to be placed at the School Dist. No. 1 schoolhouse on the museum grounds. Road signs and an access road are now complete for the monument honoring the site of the last Indian fight in Osborne county, west of Osborne.

August 15, 1991
Cool weather and the excitement accompanying the fair attracted a grandstand full

of spectators to the races at the Osborne Speedway August 5. Placing first in the late model feature race was Mike Cooper, Beloit.

Starting school August 19 is entirely too early was the opinion expressed by parents at Monday night’s school board meeting. Jo McDanel pointed out that other schools in the area don’t start until September 3, following Labor Day.

August 14, 1986
The USD 392 school board made the decision at Monday’s regular meeting that shorts can be worn for the first two weeks of the school year with the addition that the time may be extended a week at a time at the discretion of the superintendent.

Sheldon Remus, son of C.W. & Twila Remus, Cawker City, was the winner of the trophy in Junior Showmanship for the second consecutive year at the National Clydesdale show in Milwaukee, Wis.

The Osborne men’s softball team won the second place trophy at the Mid-State softball tournament held at Hays. Pictured are bat boy Jason Hachmeister, Brad Roadhouse, Doug Ubelaker, Bo French, Bruce Erickson, Kenny Ubelaker, Bill Hachmeister, bat boy Brian Jackson, Stan Jackson, Scott Noel, Greg Smith, Jim Skillen, Ronnie Zabel and Bret Noel.

August 27, 1981
The First State Bank & Trust, Osborne, is celebrating its 75th anniversary with an open house Thursday and Friday. In October 1980, the bank’s stock transferred ownership to nine local residents: David & Linda Haskins, Jerry & Gaye McFarland, Burton & Bonnie Thompson, Mrs. Ernestine Mick, and Donald & Norene Gregory.

A ribbon cutting ceremony was held Monday morning in recognition of the grand opening of Stop ‘N Shop, a service station and convenience store previously operated as J-J Oil.

Marie’s Flower and Gift

Shope now has a new name and owner, Linda Haskins recently purchased the business from Marie Robben and has renamed it Country Flowers.

During the past few summer weeks Junior Campbell has done considerable remodeling at the Family Fun Center and skating rink, Portis. He installed a lunch counter and booths and will serve coffee and quick lunches.

August 12, 1976
Frank Wheeler, Osborne, a charter member of the KCCA and dean of American cartridge collectors was presented a custom made trophy at the recent O-K Cartridge show proclaiming him KCCA “Man of the Year.”

This Friday the Osborne Municipal Swimming Pool will offer a “teen night,” according to Deb Henke, pool manager. The teen night will consist of music and late night swimming from 9 p.m. until midnight for those 13 years and older.

August 5, 1971
Russell’s Mayor Roger Williams was assured Tuesday by Senator Bob Dole that National Aeronautics and Space Administration team will inspect the russell-Hays area for the possible location of a proposed NASA Space Shuttle Station. No date for the inspection has been set.

August 11, 1966
Osborne county’s economy is running in high gear, according to a nationwide survey of business activity, recently completed. The spendable income of Osborne county residents was, after deduction for personal taxes, more than \$12,202,000, as against the 1964 total of \$11,357,000. The average per household cam to \$5,084, a rise over the prior year’s \$4,732.

According to Kansas Crop and Livestock Report Service, Osborne county last year had dairy products valued at \$7,786. This compared with the 1964 income of \$4,931 and a five year average of \$4,365.

Kill Creek HDU took first place in organizations with their, Help Kep America Beautiful, float. There were not as many floats entered in this year’s parade as in some years, but it was a fine parade including more variety than in other years. The Jaycees had charge of the parade.

Both of Osborne’s girls softball teams were undefeated this last season. the A-team went 10 for 10 while the B-team went 7 for 7. Osborne’s A downed Downs (2), Plainville (2), Natoma, Mankato (2), Lebanon (2) and Glen Elder. B downed Downs (3), Lebanon (2), Natoma and last but not least the women. All these wins have to be accredited to the excellent coaching of Cleo Dugan and Dr. E.U. Charbonneau.

August 17, 1961
Early last Friday morning seven Alton Boy Scouts with their sponsor, Burton Gregory, met with Scouts from Hays, Russell, Stockton and Plainville to begin a 40 mile historical hike over part of the Smoky Hill Overland Trail, the shortest route between Atchison and Denver, but the least favored because of Indian attacks. The Alton boys, all Tenderfoot scouts, were the youngest on the hike and always right behind the leaders. Going on the hike were John Cordill, Billy Peterson, Lloyd Hartzler, Lee Miller, Dick Sherbondy, Jerry Johnston and Arthur Gregory.

The Osborne pubic schools will commence September 5, according to Stanley Abel, superintendent. The new gymnasium should be completed by the first day of school except for the floor. The lockers are all ready to go for football practice. the new addition to the grade school is having its problems because of the lacer of steel door frames, but things are going as fast as possible and with a little luck the new addition should be ready by September 1. New to Osborne school this year is the textbook rental plan formerly promulgated by interested parents of the PTA.

From the Record

The Osborne County Commissioners met August 11, 2025. Those present: Rex Johnston, Craig Pottberg, Troy Schaefer and Heather Betzold, County Clerk.

Pottberg called the meeting to order at 9 a.m. in chambers.

Chris Rhodes, IT/EM, met with commissioners to discuss purchase of an AED at landfill and First Aid Kits. Schaefer made a motion to approve Rhodes to purchase AED and first aid kits with ARPA funds in the amount of approximately \$3,500, Johnston second. Motion carried.

Terry Nichols, R&B Supervisor, met with commissioners to discuss landfill requests. Johnston made a motion to approve the landfill requests for 711 4th St. Alton and 713 N 4th St., Alton KS from \$70 to zero; Schaefer second. Motion carried. Nichols informed commissioners he was granted the High-Risk Road Signage Grant #71C-5374-01. Discussion was held on new truck cost vs maintenance cost on used trucks. Discussion was also held on citizen concern of soft spots and tube from Dean Oliver.

Mindy Miller, OCCF and Tim Zimmerman, KS Department of Commerce met with commissioners to discuss Community & Eco-

nomie Development Analysis, Financing & Contributions of OCCF initiative.

Terry Nichols met with commissioner to discuss Truck lease finance options. Johnston made a motion to lease purchase two Western Star Trucks built to spec with a 7-year lease with Peoples Bank as Lease purchase agent, Schaefer second. Motion carried.

Discussion was held further on citizen concern, crane, landfill compactor, and vote sponsorship, and the situation with Joshua Cashman to move fence out of R/W. Discussion was held further on Rolling Hills Safety Meeting and CDL reimbursement agreement, and landfill roof.

Pottberg made a motion to go into executive session for non-elected personnel for employee evaluation with Commissioners, Betzold, & Nichols for ten minutes beginning at 11 a.m. and ended at 11:10 a.m., Schaefer second. Motion carried.

Johnston made a motion to hire Clancy Luther for \$15/hour as Heavy Equipment Operator II, Pottberg second. Motion carried.

Commissioners reviewed County RNR notices and HVAC quotes for Health Choices. Pottberg informed commissioners Gregory was working on a letter for John

Martin on a fence dispute.

George Eakin, Osborne Industries, met with commissioners to discuss the Escrow Agreement status with the bank.

Commissioners reviewed KCAMP Cybersecurity Coverage, October 14th Crisis Town Hall Meeting invite and High Plains Mental Health June 26, 2025 minutes.

Schaefer made a motion to approve the August 4, 2025 minutes as presented, Johnston second. Motion carried.

Schaefer made a motion to approve checks & vouchers in the amount of \$143,650.11. Johnston second. Motion carried.

Commissioners discussed the new road request financing options.

Tommy Bowler, Maintenance, met with commissioner to discuss the Elevator Outage and Health Choice HVAC size and the Solid Waste Pollution Permit.

Johnston made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of \$97,580.46, Schaefer second. Motion carried.

Schaefer made a motion to approve Clint Offutt, GIS Contract, Johnston second Motion carried.

Pottberg made a motion to adjourn the meeting g at 11:55 a.m., Johnston second. Motion carried.

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Legal Notice



(Published Thursday, May 29, 2025 in the Osborne County Farmer)

BobbiJo Boxum, Treasurer of Osborne County, Kansas showing a balance on hand for quarter ending July 31, 2025.

The Peoples Bank, Osborne	\$509,558.99
The Peoples Bank, Osborne	\$26,440.96
Sunflower Bank, NA, Osborne	\$84,982.24
Sunflower Bank, NA, Osborne	\$53,762.83
Southwind Bank, Natoma	\$90,909.27
Funds Invested	\$8,589,383.87
Cash	\$1,300.00
Total	\$9,356,338.16

FUND AND ACCOUNT BALANCES:

GENERAL	3,053,827.23
ROAD & BRIDGE	458,945.71
SPECIAL ROAD & BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT	557,995.46
SPECIAL MACHINERY	153,173.12
FAIR BUILDING	15,295.98
HEALTH	9,183.29
APPRAISER COST	113,581.72
APPRAISER CAPITAL OUTLAY	46,099.41
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	142,923.10
ELECTION	36,237.39
COUNTY ATTORNEY CAPITAL OUTLAY	2,325.51
SOIL CONSERVATION	6,475.97
NOXIOUS WEED	71,457.95
NOXIOUS WEED CAPITAL OUTLAY	29,606.97
HOSPITAL DEBT SERVICE	1788,393.04
AMBULANCE	434,911.50
SPECIAL AMBULANCE	69,115.95
WASTE DISPOSAL	114,119.14
FAIR PREMIUMS	3,038.95
MISCELLANEOUS GRANTS	29,750.00
OSBORNE CO HISTORICAL MUSEUM	307.72
SHERIFF'S EQUIPMENT FUND	70,607.75
JJA GRANT	154.23
ORFD #1 GENERAL	34,950.56
ORFD #1 SPEC MACHINE & EQUIPMENT	176,569.06
ORFD #1 GRANT	13,100.00
ORFD #2 GENERAL	30,178.22
ORFD #2 SPEC MACHINE & EQUIPMENT	24,787.18
ALCOHOL ABUSE PROGRAM	14,447.73
ORFD #3 GRANTS	9,325.00
ORFD #3 GENERAL	41,458.78
ORFD #3 MEMORIAL FUND	6,000.23
ORFD #3 SPEC MACHINE & EQUIPMENT	147,393.18
COMPUTER CAPITAL OUTLAY	14,424.81
TOURISM & CONVENTION PROMOTION	6,020.09
SHERIFFS FUND CONFISCATED PROPERTY	346.35
OSBORNE CO EWASTE	48,008.01
SPECIAL LANDFILL EQUIPMENT	66,699.63
ROD EQUIPMENT CAPITAL OUTLAY	3,982.71
TREASURER'S CAPITAL OUTLAY	8,934.61
DISTRICT MEETING	41.94
COURTHOUSE CENTENNIAL	500.00
GIS MAPPING	1,510.44
EMERGENCY MGMT EQUIPMENT	41,905.48
ELECTION EQUIPMENT	45,943.00
OSBORNE CO 911	50,825.03
COVERT TOWNSHIP SPECIAL	10,653.55
GRANT TOWNSHIP SPECIAL	21,536.18
HANCOCK TOWNSHIP SPECIAL	32,087.64
HAWKEYE TOWNSHIP SPECIAL	12,462.59
INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP SPECIAL	13,799.46
KILL CREEK TOWNSHIP SPECIAL	18,695.62
LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP SPECIAL	15,845.17

MT AYR TOWNSHIP SPECIAL	12,560.97
SUMNER TOWNSHIP SPECIAL	42,215.33
WINFIELD TOWNSHIP SPECIAL	79.43
BETHANY TOWNSHIP SPECIAL	27,561.38
BETHANY SPECIAL ROAD	3,274.82
COVERT SPECIAL ROAD	16,303.13
GRANT SPECIAL ROAD	27,441.62
HANCOCK SPECIAL ROAD	28,183.24
HAWKEYE SPECIAL ROAD	22,046.35
INDEPENDENCE SPECIAL ROAD	26,323.99
KILL CREEK SPECIAL ROAD	47,484.64
LAWRENCE SPECIAL ROAD	29,212.81
MT AYR SPECIAL ROAD	26,583.46
NATOMA SPECIAL ROAD	58,841.80
SUMNER SPECIAL ROAD	18,604.67
VICTOR SPECIAL ROAD	26,241.46
WINFIELD SPECIAL ROAD	13,472.33
ORFD #4	1,298.79
KIRWIN IRRIGATION C & C	193.50
WEBSTER IRRIGATION 0 & M	3,697.50
EMPLOYEE CAFETERIA PLAN	746.56
WIC PARENT AGENCY	4.99
VETERANS MEMORIAL	4,288.56
SPARKS/COVID RELIEF FUND	6,427.82
LONG & SHORT	1,710.66
DELINQUENT TAX ACCOUNT	104,785.30
PARTIAL PAYMENT TAX	18,046.52
ADVANCE TAX	184.51
FORECLOSURE SALES PROCEED	8,280.00
CURRENT TAX	396,109.61
ESCROW FUND	4,396.84
NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION	134.33
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY FEES	5,120.78
CMV REGISTRATION FEES	3,187.80
DRIVERS LICENSE	20.00
MOTOR VEHICLE TAX	124,154.14
MOTOR VEHICLE	19.17
MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATING FUND	21,683.77
POSTAGE	3,970.10
COMPENSATING TAX	6,145.01
ISOLATED SALES TAX	5,553.99
RV TAX	3,344.15
RESIDENTIAL USE TAX	788.16
SALES TAX RESIDUE-LAVTRF	29.91
SPECIAL ROAD RECORDS FUND	26,070.96
CO CLERK'S TECH FUND	7,142.16
CO TREASURER'S TECH FUND	8,039.35
HERITAGE TRUST	3,067.00
USD #392 BOND & INTEREST	(64.95)
USD #392 MINERAL TAX	405.48
USD #407 GENERAL	71.58
USD #407 CAPITAL OUTLAY	14.32
USD #407 GENERAL SCHOOL SUPPLEMENT	61.28
GRAND CENTER CEMETERY	108.64
DOWNS CITY-EMPLOYEE BENEFIT	(41.38)
OSBORNE CITY-EMPLOYEE BENEFIT	(22.90)
OSBORNE CITY-INDUSTRIAL	(5.83)
OSBORNE CITY-NUISANCE	(893.93)

I, BobbiJo Boxum, Treasurer of Osborne County, Kansas, do solemnly swear that the above is a true and correct statement to the best of my knowledge and belief.

BobbiJo Boxum, Osborne County Treasurer

I, Heather Nichole Betzold, hereby certify that the foregoing statement was subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th day of August, 2025.

Heather Nichole Betzold, Osborne County Clerk

(8-C39-21)