

JENNINGS NEWS

By LOUISE CRESSLER

Jennings United Methodist Women met April 6. Claudine Bennett, Kathy Nauer, Naomi Carter, Ruth Chance, Kay Brown, Helen Rhodes, Rachel Carter, Lila Jennings, Pastor Glenn Krebs, Betty Krebs, Glenda Johnson and Joan McKenna attended. The lesson topic was "Maintaining God's Temple, Our Physical Bodies" given by Decatur County Physical Therapist Brenda Peterson. Quiet moments was presented by Kathy Nauer. Hostesses were Lila Jennings and Ruth Chance.

The Jennings city council met April 7 with Mayor Bob Jones; Councilmembers Stann Hartzog, Rick Foster, Bill Gawwith, Don Bolt, and Louise Cressler; City Clerk Sue Long; and guest Raymond Yahne. Council discussed nuisance properties and dogs running loose. Letters were sent to owners. The council reviewed bids to work on filling cracks in the streets. Council voted to have B & H Paving, Scott City

do the work. Names presented to fill the vacancies on the library board were Violet Krizek and Becky Carter. The council approved the nominations. Warren Tacha and Kathy Nauer's terms expired. Along list of maintenance projects in the city was on the agenda. Some possible solutions were discussed. The monthly budget update was reviewed.

William and Rachel Carter hosted dinner at the Town and Country cafe in Norton honoring their daughter Jane's birthday. Those present were Jane and Jim Wahlmeier, Phillipsburg; Sally Wahlmeier, Norton; Jesse and Megan Carter and daughters, Clayton and Anna, Oberlin; Ken and Julie Carter; William and Rachel.

Wayne and Louise Cressler received news of a new great-grandson. Grant Walker was born April 5, the parents of Todd and Kim Gaston, Sattellite Beach, Fla. Grandparents are Mike and Sharon Gaston, Ames, Iowa.

PITCH TOURNAMENT

By JAKE DURHAM

As the faithful gathered for the April Tournament, there was much to celebrate as the boys of summer (those beloved Royals) were about to make their debut for a season filled with hope based on young players once again. Only time will tell what the outcome will be and there was much diversity in the expectations as most had their opinions. The pilgrims from the East were in great spirits as their knock game was getting larger and more exciting. The Grand Mothers were still playing April fool jokes while the Northern Tier Gang was all about the Spring Football and their beloved Huskers. Some Wildcat Fans were excited about the possibility of local talent making an impression. The local rains were by far the cause for most celebration and before anyone was aware of it, it was time to begin, but their was one team short when a pair entered through the south door claiming to be Snow Birds on their way home from Arizona and in need of rest and respite. They were immediately given the last even numbers and the Brown Eyed Girl shouted, "Begin to Commence".

As the teams rushed to their respective tables, there were indications that enthusiasm was high as from across the room came that famous war cry of General George Custer's as he engaged the enemy at the Battle of the Little Big Horn, "Take No Prisoners", and the bidding began with an intensity of high spirit and determination. Early on there were signs of stress as the first round was being played out. The Chef and the Maderde went head-to-head with defending Champions, the Plantation Owners for the honors on round one and the honors went to the Plantations Owners by the skins rule as round two was played out. The Plantations owners had the same experience on round two with the Car Salesman and the Lady Golfer but this time the honors went to the Salesman and the Golfer; but the tote board showed the Plantation Owners in the lead after two rounds.

The Ladies from Lyle, always looking for something to celebrate, did the two step shuffle to the scorers table as they took the honors clean on round three and again the board showed the Plantation Owners in first place, who by now were expressing thoughts of back to back championships. The gong rang to announce a break after round four which seemed to intensify the bidding as opponents played the face off game, and just like on New Year's eve when the ball drops to usher in a new year, changes were in the making, as Bug Man and the Exterminator cashed in the honors but the Car Salesman and the Lady Golfer coasted into the lead. The Plantation owners were in second along with the Bugman and the exterminator, the Ladies from Lyle were in fourth and rounding out the top five were the Ladies from Lyle.

The atmosphere during the break was on the light side and the employment of cell phones seemed to be the major activity as there was a great amount of time left to allow for more serious contemplation. However, as round five got underway, at least one half of the teams were aware of the fact that they needed to make up for lost ground

which would be interpreted as better bidding and more careful playing. The Hair Stylist and the Farm Manager took the honors on round five as the Plantation Owners regained the lead once again only to yield to the Bug Man and the Exterminator who took the sixth round honors for the first double of the evening. The Bomber Pilot and the Navigator, using the middle of the runway, taxied up to the scorers table with the honors on round seven and on round eight with back to back honors, a feat seldom equaled and never excelled, but all along the Bug Man and the Exterminator were solidifying their position with a six point lead.

A break was declared after round eight to give everyone a chance to assess their situation. With two rounds left, for many it was move up or move out, while those near the top of the board needed to maintain their position and not make any crucial errors at this stage of the game. As round nine got underway, high bidding was the name of the game as in order to make the most points, control is a must; however it's best to have the cards to match the bidding. The Hair Stylist and the Farm Manager took the honors on round nine for the third double of the evening and a close look at the board revealed the Bug Man and the Exterminator, now with a twelve point lead. A good lead going into the last round but not a sure thing as a negative score is a possibility as well as a maximum score of 28. Obviously, the tenth and final round would determine the outcome once again.

The tenth and final round got underway with a light hearted atmosphere almost like the first round, as it seemed as though the outcome was accepted as a matter of fate. The usual sounds of victory and defeat filled the room as the final round came to an end and as the scores were recorded, the lead changed several times but in the end, the Bug Man and the Exterminator, ever confident of their playing ability, capped the championship as a matter of fact.

Top ten teams in order were: 1. Lynn Thiele and Jerry Darling; 2. Doug Gallentine and Jake Durham; 3. Myron Veh and Dick Hemphill; 3. June Jolly and Margaret Magers; 5. Darren McMullen and Bill Glennemeier; 6. Dave Sheley and Doc Peterson; 7. J.D. Daffer and Duane McEwen; 8. Rusty Goss and Gill Otter; 9. Weldon Brooks and Eldon Vincent; 10. Larry Harman and Kenny Becker. Winning score by Thiele and Darling was 121 points for an average of 12.1 points per round.

High Round scorers were: Welden Brooks and Eldon Vincent; Norman Walter and Mary Jane Wahlmeier; June Jolly and Margaret Magers; Lynn Thiele and Jerry Darling; Rusty Goss and Gil Otter; Myron Veh and Dick Hemphill; Darren McMullen and Bill Glennemeier. Highest single round score was 20 points by Lynn Thiele and Jerry Darling, and Myron Veh and Dick Hemphill. Double high round winners were: Jerry Darling and Lynn Thiele, Myron Veh and Dick Hemphill and Rusty Goss and Gil Otter.

It was noted that the calendar on the wall showed the May Pitch tournament to be on May 1, so come early, games start at 7 p.m.



NORTON FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
The Rev. Lew Van Der Wege,
Pastor

804 W. Wilberforce, Norton 877-2196

SUNDAY — 8 a.m. Early Service
 9:15 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
 10:30 a.m. Worship Service
 5 p.m. Sr. UMYF
 7 p.m. Bridge Service
 MONDAY — 6:30 p.m. First

Place
 WEDNESDAY — 4 p.m. Children's Choir
 7 p.m. Chancel Choir
 8 p.m. Administrative Council
 8:15 p.m. Bell Choir
 THURSDAY — 9:30 a.m. Morning Circle
 1:30 p.m. Afternoon Circle
 6 p.m. Bridge Band Rehearsal

EDMOND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Lew Van Der Wege,
Pastor

SUNDAY — 9 a.m. Worship Service

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Georgia Briery, Senior Warden
102 E. Waverly, Norton

SUNDAY — 9:30 a.m. Christian Education
 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Celebrant Fr. Dennis Gilhouse; Lay Reader, Connie Johnson
 11:30 a.m. Coffee Host, Hendersons
 3-4 p.m. God's Pantry, Marshall Henderson
 April 29-30, Rummage Sale

COMMUNITY FULL GOSPEL CHURCH
Pastor Terry Laughlin
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laughlin@ruraltel.net
313 W. Lincoln

SATURDAY — 7 a.m. Men's Prayer at the church
 SUNDAY — 9:15 a.m. Christian Education
 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship
 6 p.m. Royal Rangers
 WEDNESDAY — 7 p.m. "Created For His Glory" Bible Study

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH
Father Vincent Thu Laing
877-2234
stfanci@ruraltel.net
108 S. Wabash, Norton

Mass Schedule
 Sunday 10:30 a.m.
 Monday 8 a.m.
 Tuesday No Mass
 Wednesday 8 a.m.
 Thursday 8 a.m. Mass
 Friday 8 a.m.
 Saturday 7 p.m.
Sacrament of Reconciliation
 4 p.m. Saturday, 30 minutes before Mass or by appointment
TUESDAY — 7 p.m. Bingo
WEDNESDAY — 7 p.m. SYF (K-8)
 First Friday of the Month — Adoration following Morning Mass
 First Saturday of the Month — 8 a.m. Marion Devotions
 K of C Third Monday of Month at 7:30 p.m.

NORTON MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE

Hospital chaplain, Monday through Sunday, Kasson
 Sunday Services, 2 p.m. Andbe Home; 3 p.m., Norton Manor, Kasson

PRAIRIE VIEW REFORMED CHURCH
The Rev. Jeffrey Van Der Weele
410 Holland, Prairie View 973-2794

SUNDAY — 9 a.m. Morning Worship Services.
 10:15 a.m. Sunday School
 Noon, Potluck
 7 p.m. Services at Prairie View Reformed Church
WEDNESDAY — 6:30 p.m. Pioneers Class
 7 p.m. Youth Group at Luctor Christian Reformed Church

LUCTOR CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
2 miles east and 3 miles north of Prairie View

The Rev. Jeffrey Van Der Weele 973-2794

SUNDAY — 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship
 Noon, Potluck with Prairie View Reformed Church
 7 p.m. Combined worship services at Prairie View Reformed Services
WEDNESDAY — 6:30 p.m. Pioneers at Prairie View Reformed Church
 7 p.m. Youth Group at Luctor Christian Reformed Church

REDEEMER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
Pastor Timm O. Meyer
e-mail:
timmomeyer@ruraltel.net
805 W. Holme, Norton 877-3138

SATURDAY — 10 a.m. Family/Marriage Retreat at Good Shepherd, Kearney
 SUNDAY — 9:05 a.m. "Goodness From the Good Shepherd" Radio Broadcast, KQNK 106.7 FM & 1530 AM
 10 a.m. Worship Service
 11:15 a.m. Sunday School
 MONDAY — 6 p.m. Confirmation at Alma
 7:45 p.m. Worship at Alma
WEDNESDAY — 7 p.m. Bible Study

NORTON CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Jeff Nielsen, Minister
Cody Shepherd, Youth Minister
e-mail:
ncc_office@sbcglobal.net
208 N. Kansas, 877-2871

SATURDAY — 8 a.m. Camp work day
 Bible Bowl at Manhattan Christian College
 SUNDAY — 8 a.m. Early Church
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 10:40 a.m. Worship Service
 1 p.m. CE Meeting
 No Bible Bowl
 7 p.m. Jr./Sr. High Youth Group
WEDNESDAY — 6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast
 9 a.m. Prayer and Fellowship
 6 p.m. AWANA supper
 6:25 p.m. AWANA (Awards - Last night)
 6:30 p.m. Bible Bowl
 7 p.m. Upper Room Prayer Time

THURSDAY — 9 a.m. Group II, no meeting
 2 p.m. Group I at Town and Country
 7 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting
SATURDAY — Camp Work Day

FIRST CHURCH OF GOD
Pastor Terrill Worthington
1010 Churchill Dr. 877-2181

SUNDAY — 9:15 a.m. Time of Prayer (Adults)
 9:30 a.m. Time of Prayer (Children in kitchen)
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship
 6 p.m. Choir Practice
 7 p.m. Evening Service
WEDNESDAY — 6 p.m. 3D at Parsonage
 7 p.m. Adult Bible Study, King's Kids, Jr. High and High School Worship
 8 p.m. Committee Meetings, Team Practice
2nd THURSDAY of each month — 7 p.m. Women of the Church of God
3rd SATURDAY of each month — 8 a.m. Men's Breakfast

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
The Rev. Rick Rostek
814 N. Second, Norton 877-2430

SUNDAY — 9 a.m. Sunday School, Bible Class
 10:30 a.m. Worship
 Building Project Kick-off
MONDAY — 5:15 p.m. LWML
WEDNESDAY — 2 p.m. Andbe Home
 3:45 p.m. Midweek
 5:15 p.m. Choir
THURSDAY — 9:30 a.m. Bible Study (Deines)

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, ALMENA
Kirk Kasson, Pastor
e-mail: congo@ruraltel.net

SUNDAY — 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. Church Services
 4:30 p.m. Membership Classes
 7 p.m. TFC
MONDAY — 3:30 p.m. Good News
TUESDAY — 7:15 a.m. Teen Women's Discipleship
WEDNESDAY — 7 p.m. Kirk and Kim's Small Group
 7:30 p.m. Women's Fellowship
THURSDAY — 7:15 a.m. Teen Men's Discipleship

ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, LOGAN
Father Allen Scheer
 SUNDAY — 8:30 a.m. Mass
 MONDAY — 5:30 p.m. Mass

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF LOGAN
Pastor Troy Buss
 SUNDAY — 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. Church services
WEDNESDAY — 7 p.m. Bible Study

CLAYTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Pastor Kathy Aeillo 669-2554
 SUNDAY — 10 a.m. Church School
 11 a.m. Worship Service

LENORA CHURCH OF GOD
 SUNDAY — 10:30 a.m. Worship Service
WEDNESDAY — 7 p.m. Bible Study

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH
404 N. York Avenue, Oberlin
 SUNDAY — 9:30 a.m. Worship
 10:45 a.m. Fellowship and Educational Hour
 Holy Communion, first and third Sundays
 7:30 p.m. Congregation Council second Wednesday

NORTON SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
105 S. Case Street
Pastor Marion Miller
SATURDAY SERVICES — 9:45 a.m. Church Services
 10:45 a.m. Sabbath School
LONG ISLAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
The Rev. Shelly Cox
554 Washington, 854-7626
 SUNDAY — 11 a.m. Sunday School
 11 a.m. Morning Worship
FIRST SUNDAY — 12 noon Fellowship Dinner
 1 p.m. Administrative Council Meeting
FIRST WEDNESDAY — 2 p.m. United Methodist Women's Meeting in Fall, Winter and Spring

NORTON FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor Charles Ross
112 S. Archer, 877-5214
 SUNDAY — 11 a.m. Worship Service
 6 p.m. Evening Service
WEDNESDAY — 7 p.m. Mid-Week Prayer Meeting and Bible Study

LIVING HOPE FELLOWSHIP
One mile south of Norton at corner of PDRA road
Pastor Jerry Cummings 877-2426
 SUNDAY — 10 a.m. Worship and Praise Service.
WEDNESDAY — 7 p.m. Youth and Children's Programs
 7 p.m. Adult Home Bible Study
THURSDAY — 7 p.m. Prayer Meeting

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS
Phillipsburg Branch
Noel Krouse, Bishop
620 7th Street
 SUNDAY — 10 a.m. Sacrament meeting
 11:15 a.m. Sunday School
 11:15 a.m. Primary
 12:05 a.m. Priesthood meeting
 12:05 a.m. Relief Society
 Visitors welcome.

LOGAN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Shelly Cox
303 W. Church, 689-4350
 SUNDAY — 9:15 a.m. Worship

10:30 a.m. Sunday School
 9:15 a.m. Fifth Sunday song service
FIRST & THIRD WEDNESDAYS — 6:30 p.m. UMYF
SECOND WEDNESDAY — 1:30 p.m. United Methodist Women
THIRD WEDNESDAY — 7:30 p.m. Administrative Council Meeting

UNITED PARISH OF LENORA
The Rev. Jack Kersenbrock
140 E. Iowa, 567-4420
 SUNDAY — 10 a.m. Sunday School
 11 a.m. Worship Services

LYLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Carol Woodmansee
 SUNDAY — 8:00 a.m. Worship Service

MAPLE GROVE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN
9 miles west
4 1/2 miles north of Norton
Pastor Leon Neher
 SUNDAY — 10 a.m. Sunday School
 11 a.m. Worship Service
 4th Tuesday, Women's Fellowship
 3rd Sunday, Noon, carry-in dinner

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH, NEW ALMELO
stjoseph@ruraltel.net
Father Vincent Thu Laing
Pastoral Administrator, Stan Chapin
 Sunday — 8:30 a.m. Mass
 Friday and Monday 8 a.m. Scripture Communion Service
 Weekday Mass Tuesday 8:30 a.m.

ALMENA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Pastor Kathy Aeillo 669-2554
 SUNDAY — 8:30 a.m. Worship
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
WEDNESDAY — 7 p.m. Bible Study in Fellowship Hall
2ND SUNDAY — Noon Fellowship Dinner
 1:00 p.m. Administrative Board Meeting
3RD THURSDAY — 1:30 p.m. United Methodist Women in Fellowship Hall

HENDLEY/WILSONVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES
The Rev. R.L. Malchow
 10 a.m. Sunday Worship Hour
 1st and 3rd Sundays, Hendley
 2nd and 4th Sundays, Wilsonville
 Coffee Fellowship after service
 3rd Thursday U.M.W.

LIVING WORD BAPTIST CHURCH
308 West Crane
Interim Pastor Terry Laughlin
 SUNDAY — 9 a.m. Morning Worship
 10:15 a.m. Sunday School
MONDAY — 7 a.m. TFC Ministry Team Breakfast
 7 p.m. TFC Connection
WEDNESDAY — 7 p.m. Prayer and Praise Time

WILSONVILLE UNITED BAPTIST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Minister, Keith Theobald
 SUNDAY — 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 11 a.m. Worship and Communion
 1st Thursday, B.C.W. 9 a.m.

NORCATUR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Pastor Kathy Aeillo 693-4519
 SUNDAY — 10 a.m. Worship Service
 11 a.m. Sunday School