

# Make Church a Part of Your Life

## WEEKLY SERMONETTE

*"Church and football; a lot in common"*

*By Maurita Lymer, Lenora Church of God*



**"The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going." John 3:8**

### The Unseen Hand

**A sailboat can't sail by itself; it needs the wind in its sails to keep it moving. A gust of wind is like an unseen hand; invisible, it comes along and moves the sailboat through the waves. It's the power the sailboat relies on.**

**Like the wind, God is invisible, and like the wind He is a mighty force. He can be your power if you let him. He can move you in the right direction; He can give you the strength to do what you cannot do alone.**

**Look for God in your house of worship this week and discover His almighty power. Learn how He can guide your life.**

Did you know that church is a lot like football? Let's see how:

- The quarterback sneak - church member quietly leaving during the closing prayer.
  - The draw play - what children do with the bulletin during worship.
  - Half time - the period between Sunday school and worship when people choose to leave.
  - Benchwarmer - those who do nothing in the church.
  - Backfield in motion - making trips to the restroom or water fountain during the service.
  - Staying in the pocket - what happens to a lot of money when the offering is taken.
  - The 2-minute warning - what happens when people realize the sermon is almost over and they begin gathering their belongings.
  - Sudden death - what happens to the attention-span when the preacher goes in to overtime.
  - The trap play - when you're called to do something but you weren't paying attention.
  - The end run - getting out of church without shaking hands with, or speaking to, guests.
  - The hand off - when you give someone else the job you are called to do.
  - The fumble - why you don't witness to someone God placed in your path.
  - The goal line stand - when you and your church take a stand against satan.
  - And the last one -
  - The touch down - when you help someone find their way to Jesus.
- The Apostle Paul tells us to "fight the good fight of faith" in 1 Tim. 6:12, and to run the race that God has placed before us in Hebrews 12:1.
- We're not called to play football as Christians - we're called to win the fight against the enemy - satan. And God has given us His game plan: it's called the Bible, and it will lead you to victory, and eventually to heaven.

<b>Sunday</b> 1 Peter 1.1-12	<b>Monday</b> 1 Peter 1.13-25	<b>Tuesday</b> 1 Peter 2.1-17	<b>Wednesday</b> 1 Peter 3.8-22	<b>Thursday</b> 1 Peter 4.1-19	<b>Friday</b> 1 Peter 5.1-14	<b>Saturday</b> 2 Peter 1.1-21
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## LYLE NEWS

By VEDA WOOD

Gary, Cathy and Keith Anthony were at the open house, Easter service and breakfast. Keith plans to go to the wedding of his granddaughter, Shauna, in Texas. Gary's daughter, Windy and children came to the Easter breakfast

Sympathy is extended to the family of Lee Arnold. He will be missed.

Margaret Magers took June Jolly, Kathy VanMeter and Veda Wood to the Prairie Land Electric

dinner and meeting on Tuesday. Carol Moye, and A.J. and Tielia High had lunch with Veda Wood on Wednesday.

Many Lyle residents attended Lee Arnold's funeral. The Rev. Gilstrap brought a good message, and we said farewell to a good man.

Kathy Van Meter, June Jolly and Margaret "Toots" Magers attended the soup and pie supper served by the Royal Neighbors on Saturday evening. The purpose was to raise money for a new roof for the school building.

## JENNINGS NEWS

By LOUISE CRESSLER

The Jennings community extends sympathy to the Alice and Wilferd Wagoner family. Alice's sister, Agnes Bollig, Collyer, died March 27 as the result of a car accident.

On Monday, Jason and Ali Tolliff, Joel and Jonah, Tonganoxie, visited Galen and Meme Carper. On Wednesday Charlene Mangus, Steve, Devin and Dani of Kanorado came to visit Galen and Meme Carper. Devin and Dani entertained the group with their musical talent. Steve, who attends Goodland Vo-Tech, Galen and Devin went for a tour of BCI.

Stan and Ramona Shaw visited over the weekend at the home of Tom Neff and Chris Gillespie, Marion.

On Saturday, Colleen Wagoner, Sharon Springs, and Chris and Ramona attended a baby shower for Rosa Ward, Granby, Mo. Colleen

was an additional overnight guest of Tom and Chris on Saturday night. En route home on Sunday, Stan and Ramona visited at the home of Ramona's sister, Mary Anna Dinkel, Hays.

Brett McKenna and fiance, Tracy Weber, of Manhattan and Amy McKenna of Kansas City, Mo., were Easter weekend guests of Mike and Joan McKenna. They all attended the sixtieth wedding anniversary for Joan's parents, Keith and Maxine Sauvage in Oberlin.

Joan McKenna hosted the Jennings Book Club on March 27. Attendees included Lynn Tacha, Joan Metz, Sue Long, Terri Hanke, Patty Foster, Ruth Chance, Helen Rhodes and Carla Latimer. "The Lay Of The Land" by Richard Ford was discussed by the group.

Joan Metz will host the next meeting on April 28.

## NEW ALMELO

By BETTY OTTER

On March 13, Marcia Aumiller met her son, Josh Vahling, at the Kansas City Airport as he came home for a 10-day leave. On Friday evening, Josh, Marcia and Russ Aumiller, and Jeremy and Missy Rumback and family gathered at the home of Jeff and Kathleen Vahling and family in Hays for a barbecue. Easter weekend, Russ and Marcia returned Josh to Kansas City. His next assignment is Iraq.

Guests at the Raymond and Bonita Slipke home for dinner on Easter were Frank McClurg, Logan; Vickie Kendall, Phillipsburg; Pam McClurg, Georgia; Dustin and Crystal McClurg and family, Logan. They also celebrated Frank's sixtieth birthday with homemade ice cream.

Family coming to the home of Alfred and Betty Otter for Easter were Tina and Will Ritter and family, Olathe; Jolene and Jim Moss and family, Jewell; Karl Otter, Great Bend; and Mark and Sheila Otter and family, Ulysess. Jim and Jolene and family helped move Jim's mother, Nadene Oberkrom, to Agra.

On Saturday Betty and Karl attended the district wrestling for young wrestlers in Hays to watch Marshall Otter, a grandson, compete. he won first in his weight class and went to state contest in Topeka on March 29.

On March 30, Miriam Slipke, Hoxie; Darla Slipke, Manhattan; Alan and Phyllis Slipke, Netawaka; and William and Michelle Slipke and family, Hoxie, were guests for dinner at the home of Raymond and Bonita Slipke and family. They all attended Rachel's confirmation later in the afternoon.

On March 30, confirmation was held at 2 p.m. Mass with Bishop Paul Coadley, Salina, and Father Vincent Thu Laing celebrating.

Those receiving confirmation were: Rachel Slipke, daughter of Raymond and Bonita Slipke and Luke Ninemire, son of Jim and Peggy Ninemire. A reception was held afterwards in the Parish Hall.

Don Schuckman, La Crosse, visited his daughter, Stacy and Jared Scheetz and family on Sunday.

## BOWLING

Stardust

Standings, March 17 - FSBT 1, 30-10; Front Range Auto, 27.5-16.5; First State Bank JR, 27.5-16.5; FSBT 2, 24-20; First State Bank SR, 12-32; Fit-To-Go, 5-39. High Line: Becky Williams, 184; Peggy Sevier, 181; Jennifer Schemper, 179; FSBT 2, 333; FSBT 1, 322; Front Range Auto, 315; High Line Handicap: Becky Williams, 217; Jennifer Schemper, 217; Peggy Sevier, 214; FSBT 2, 399; FSBT 1, 380; Front Range Auto, 380. High Series: Bev Miller, 470; Peggy Sevier, 465; Janet Manning, 464; FSBT 1, 981; FSBT 2, 949; Front Range Auto, 888. High Series Handicap: Bev Miller, 617; Becky Williams, 587; Peggy Sevier, 563; Rhonda Browning, 563; FSBT 1, 1,158; FSBT 2, 1,147; Front Range Auto, 1,080.

Standings, March 24 - FSBT, 34-10; Front Range Auto, 27.5-16.5; First State Bank JR, 27.5-16.5; FSBT 2, 24-20; First State Bank SR, 12-32; Fit-To-Go, 5-39. High Line: Becky Williams, 184; Peggy Sevier, 181; Jennifer Schemper, 179; FSBT 2, 333; FSBT 1, 322; Front Range Auto, 315; High Line Handicap: Becky Williams, 217; Jennifer Schemper, 217; Peggy Sevier, 214; FSBT 2, 399; FSBT 1, 380; Front Range Auto, 380. High Series: Bev Miller, 470; Peggy Sevier, 465; Janet Manning, 464; FSBT 1, 934; FSBT 2, 920; Front Range Auto, 893. High Series Handicap: Peggy Sevier, 564; Becky Williams, 560; Janet Manning, 560; FSBT 2, 1,118; FSBT 1, 1,108; Front Range Auto, 1,088.

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