

NORCATUR NEWS

By NEWSLETTER VOLUNTEERS

Prairie Land Food pick up day is Saturday, June 28, at the Methodist Church Educational Building at 8 a.m.

Recently, Rea and Dee Magers received a call from J.T., Guy of Abilene, telling them of a damaging tornado, which destroyed the Charlie and Judy (Magers) Easton farm west of Quinter. Judy is J.T.'s mother and Rea's niece. They went to the Easton farm and saw the terrible damage. The house roof was gone, leaving the four walls standing. There were family, friends, and neighbors there helping them save the furniture and contents of the house.

A retirement dinner was held on Sunday, June 1, for Pastor Ray Gilstrap. A quilt from the Norcatour Church was given as a thank you.

Guests of Dickie Beachel on May 25 were Roger, San Diego; Calif.; Patty Kasson and grandchildren of Curtis, Neb.; June Forbes and her son and children; brother, Bob of Norcatour; daughter, Misty and grandsons; and Scott Beachel, along with several other relatives. The highlight of the activities was the meeting of Roger and his son, Bradley Beachel, Marion, Iowa.

Norma McCallister enjoyed her Kimble family reunion in Salina when more than 50 Kimbles from nine states were present. They had 14 first cousins there of the 16 living from the Dillon and Lillie Kimble family of Downs.

Rea and Dee Magers attended the McKenna family reunion on Sunday, June 8, at the parish hall in New Almelo, Kan. About 60 people enjoyed the pot luck dinner. Later, the Magers went on to Norton and joined friends at Whispering Pines to celebrate Kenneth and Pansy Price's 65th Wedding Anniversary.

Jeff Magers and Joy Luoto, Cedar Bluffs, visited and had lunch with Jeff's parents, Rea and Dee Magers on Saturday, June 7.

Marguerite Clark's guests, David and Kathy Ankenman, went back to California Wednesday morning, June 4. On Tuesday, Marguerite's niece and nephew, Anita Whiteside of Canada and Jon Clark of Greensburg came for dinner and a nice afternoon visit.

Wava Reames took her father, Frank Ward, to McCook to get a new television. He now has a great picture in high definition.

Dorothy Ward and Bee Nelson attended the Kenneth and Pansy Price 65th Wedding Anniversary reception at Whispering Pines in Norton Sunday, June 8.

Bee Nelson and Dorothy Ward visited Bob Sawdon at the Andbe Home in Norton Sunday, June 8.

Kortney and Jerrod Poire, Emporia, were weekend guests of Dave and Patty Stapp, Kaitlyn and Sam. They went to the Cambridge Lake and had fun boating, fishing and tubing. They all attended the wedding and reception of Dan Dempewolf and Jolene Bremekamp on Saturday. Dan is a nephew and cousin of the group. Kortney and Jerrod returned home Sunday, June 8.

Norman Walter and friend had dinner at the Cardinal Bar and Grill, June 8, for the Sunday Buffet.

Memorial Day weekend guests of Gen Brunk from Hill City were Bob and Bonnie Rapp, Manhattan; daughter, Malea and Tom Copeland, Arvada, Colo.; daughter, Barbara and Wilbur Stites, rural Hill City; granddaughter, Shauna and Ben Rumbaugh and Isabelle and Jemma, Evans, Colo. Other visitors were Ralph Pool, Kinsley, Gary and Glenda Donart, Las Cruces, N.M., Gen, Malea, Bonnie, and Bob and Barbara attended the Norcatour Cemetery ceremony on Sunday afternoon, May 25.

The Cardinal Bar and Grill would like to thank everyone who supported the Memorial Day lunch. We served over 131 people during the noon hour. We enjoyed the positive response received from the patrons.

Dewaine Stapp left May 31 traveling to Allen, Texas, to visit with his daughter, Elaine Kingsley, and her two children, Ashley and Aaron. Ashley Kingsley, Galveston, Texas, arrived on June 1. Sunday evening a barbecue was held to celebrate Aaron Kingsley's graduation. June 3, everyone attended Aaron's high school graduation ceremony that could

accommodate the 1,084 graduating senior class. Aaron will be attending Collin County Community College in the fall. Dewaine spent the rest of the week enjoying spending time with his daughter and grandkids. Thursday, June 5, Dewaine was taken to lunch for a Father's Day celebration a little early and Ashley returned home to Galveston. Dewaine returned home Friday, June 6.

There will be a card shower for Willadean (Wright) Blackmore's 90th Birthday celebration. Cards will reach her at Golden Living Center, 612 Walnut St., Cottonwood Falls, Kan., 66845. Her children are: Anne (Drawbridge) Morris, Gary Drawbridge, Patsy (Wright) Cutsinger, Peggy Wright, and Billy Wright.

Guests of Dorothy Ward, for pizza, at Norton, on Tuesday evening June 3, were Jay and Marilyn Mavity, Cunningham, Fay Mavity, Lochbule, Colo., Paula Ward and Diana Ward, Denver, Colo., and Mark and Debby Ward, Hugo, Colo.

Family gathered at the home of Dorothy Ward on Wednesday evening June 4, after the funeral for Lora Linn Lechlitter, excepting those who had to return home.

Those who came to the funeral from a distance were Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Lechlitter, Seibert, Colo.; Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Freshment, Kennewick, Wash.; Ronald Lechlitter, Colorado Springs, Colo.; Laci Lechlitter, Colby; Mr. and Mrs. Jay Mavity, Cuningham; Fay Mavity, Lochbule, Colo.; Paula Ward and Diana Ward, Denver; Ruth Chamberlain, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Jones, Mr. and Mrs. John Rhoden, all of North Platte, Neb.; and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Orth, St. Francis. There were many of the Lechlitter family also.

Saturday noon, June 7, luncheon guests of Dorothy Ward, at the Cardinal Bar and Grill, were Laci Lechlitter, Lila Freshment and Ronald Lechlitter.

The family of Lora Linn Lechlitter wishes to thank the community for their kind expressions of sympathy, flowers, prayers and concerns and for all the food brought to our homes and the dinner at the Educational Building. God bless you all.

A belated "thank you" to those who planned my 92nd birthday surprise luncheon at the Cardinal Bar and Grill on May 29. LaVerne Milner.

Anyone or any business that has sustained damage from the storms needs to contact the Decatur County Emergency Director, Patty Skubal at 785-475-8100, with your damage. This is from the dates of May 22 to June 13, 2008. You need to provide information on the damage, where it occurred and cost of repairs. Assistance may be provided.

MUSEUM TID-BITS

Thanks to Genevieve Brunk for the following items: St. Mark's Lutheran Church - 80th Anniversary Folder, New Testament Bible that was given to her by the Norcatour Church of Christ, Royal Neighbors necklace and Odd Fellows 25 year pin.

LODGE NOTICES

American Legion Harmonson Redd Post No. 63
Second and Fourth Monday
Gil Otter, Commander

Eagles Lodge FOE 3288
Second and Fourth Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.
Marvin Matchett, President
John Walsh, Secretary

Sons of the American Legion
Fourth Monday 7:30 p.m.
James Railsback, Commander
Doyle Brooks, Adjutant

Veterans of Foreign Wars
Reg. 7:00 p.m.
First Mon. of each Month
Curt Archibald, Commander
Joe Ballinger, Quartermaster

I.O.O.F. No. 157
Meet at Eagles Club
First and Third Thursday
Each Month at 7:30 p.m.
Horace Collins, Noble Grand
Randy Knoll, Secretary

Make Church a Part of Your Life

WEEKLY SERMONETTE

"Living Water quenches thirst forever"

By Jerry Cummings, Pastor of Living Hope Fellowship in Norton

In John Chapter 4 we read a familiar story of Jesus and his encounter with a Samaritan woman at Jacob's well. He asked her for a drink of water, which surprised her, since Jewish men did not normally even speak to Samaritan women. He went on to speak of "Living Water" which He could give to those who ask, and this "Living Water" would quench one's thirst forever.

As the conversation went on, Jesus, by the revelation of the Holy Spirit, spoke to the woman accurately about her personal history. He told her she had had five husbands and was currently living with a man who really wasn't her husband. She then tried to talk theology, but Jesus redirects her to Himself as the source of life and the promised Messiah. Not only did this woman place her faith in Jesus, but she told the rest of the town about the miraculous knowledge and gracious words with which Jesus had spoken to her. As a result this Samaritan town

believed in Jesus even before many of Jesus' own Jewish people.

About then, Jesus' disciples, who had been gone, returned and marveled at what was going on. Jesus used this opportunity to teach the disciples about the harvest (people com-

ing to eternal life). He told them of how people often do not think that it is the right time for people to come to believe. They say, "The harvest (souls) is for a future time. People and things are just not right yet. Some day, some way, when they are

ready, hopefully they will believe." But Jesus tells us not to think this way. This woman was not looking for anything. This was before the time when the Samaritans were to be reached with the good news. This was not an evangelistic meeting setting with preaching and a choir.

However, Jesus said that we are to look up and see that the time is now. By the power of God's Spirit, people can be converted even when the time does not seem right. What we need is a higher vision, and a greater measure of the same power of the Holy Spirit which Jesus walked in. This is what Jesus has promised to us in Luke 11:13 and Acts. 1:8. For the sake of the harvest, let us ask, believe, and hunger for the empowering presence of His Spirit in our lives.

"But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." Acts 1:8

Going My Way?

These traffic signs are confusing. We want to go the right way, but how do we know which way that is? For all we know about reading traffic signs, there are still times when we make a wrong turn. Our lives can feel the same way. We think we have a read on all our problems, yet there are times when our differing aims and directions create stress, tension, and conflict. Wouldn't it be great if everything flowed in the "right" direction?! God can be the key to improvement here. From the Golden Rule to the Good Samaritan, we gain positive insights from Him; the Good Shepherd who provides a sense of spiritual direction. God provides excellent directions for all who are going His Way. Explore His path at your house of worship this week!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 John 1.1-10	1 John 2.1-17	1 John 2.18-29	1 John 3.1-24	1 John 4.1-21	1 John 5.1-21	John 2 and 3

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