

LYLE NEWS

By VEDA WOOD

Jan. 12-I accidentally omitted Dwight and Teresa Wood and Phoenix, daughter of Cari Riffel from our Wood Christmas Dinner.

David Huff spent from Jan. 2nd to Jan. 5th at his parents home.

Joyce Sumner was in the hospital several days, and is now recuperating at home.

My daughter, Carol Moye, spent a good share of Jan. 2 with me.

We always have a good time, even doing nothing but visiting.

A small group met in Margaret "Toots" Magers home on Jan. 3 and had a very pleasant church service around her table, rather than heating the Community building.

Kathy Van Meter went to Wichita, to the home of her daughter, Sylvia and Jack Lovin.

Sylvia was having a baby shower for Maria Joplin of Garden Plain, Kan. Thirty guests included Sylvia's daughters, Danielle Jear-doe and Colton of Glen Elder and Carrie Briney, of Pratt.

The husbands came afterward, visited and took the ladies out. After everything was over, Sylvia was hospitalized with a possible mini-stroke.

She was improving well enough for Kathy to return home.

Sam William, of Wilson, brother-in-law of Kathy Van Meter and a cousin to the Nicholson's in Lebanon, passed away. He had been ailing for several years.

June Jolly's family had a birth-

day party for her daughter, Linda at the Coppermill in McCook. Besides Linda and Dennis, Carroll Jolly, Papillion, Neb. and daughter Becky; Linda's son, Les of Lincoln; Ron Weihs of Honey-creek, Neb.; Megan; Barbara and Butch Jolly; Louie and LaVaeda McFarland and several guests as it was also Louie's birthday.

June fixed dinner for Dean, Ron, Carroll, Becky, Dennis, Linda, Megan and Les.

She says she has the same problem that I do. We are out of practice when it comes to cooking for several people.

Our good friend, Gary Anthony is going to McCook three times a week for his dialysis, and continues to gain strength slowly.

NEW ALMELO NEWS

By BETTY OTTER

Marion and Marilyn Otter's family gathered on Christmas Eve at their home after Christmas Eve Mass.

Family that were present were Frank and Lavonne Otter, Josh Otter, Gabby Otter, Greg and Tammy Otter, Alissa and Seth, Steve Otter, Wichita; Joni Shellito and girls and Zack Otter, Norton.

Their great granddaughters, Lexus, Ray Leigh, and Johanna Shellito, Norton, spent the following weekend with them.

Family gathering at the Russ and Marcia Aumiller home on Dec. 27th were Jeff and Kathleen Vahling and family, Hays; and Jeremy and Missy Rumback Family, Lenora.

Family coming Jan 1st to the Alfred and Betty Otter home were Tina and Will Ritter and family, Olathe; Tom Otter, DeSoto;

Mark and Sheila Otter and family, Ulysses; Ashley Otter, Hays; Jolene and Jim Moss and family, Smith Center; Karl Otter, Great Bend; Charles Otter and family, Salina.

On Saturday evening, Gary and Bertsie Bruinekool, Lenora; Renee Bruinekool and Kirk Persinger, Norton, joined the family to celebrate Christmas.

On Jan 2nd, Roger and JoAnn Long hosted a Long family gathering at the farm.

After eating, the afternoon was spent playing cards and visiting.

Those attending were their mother, Lorraine Long, Hays; Joe and Rose Ann Long, Climax Springs, Mo., Rita and Bill Barker, Hays; Tom and Jan Long, Woodruff; Floyd and Karen Long, and family, Kimball, Neb.; Gary and Carolyn Long and family, Hill City; and Gerry and Mark Baalman, Grinnell. Gary Long's

birthday was on the 1st, so they all had cake and ice cream to celebrate.

On Jan. 2, Ruth Vahling accompanied her son Dick Vahling and family and Alberta Ritter of Oberlin to Westminster, Colo. to celebrate the marriage of her grandson, Michael Vahling, Oberlin, to Kandi Handran of Laramie, Wyo., at the Butterfly Pavilion, Westminster, Colo.

George and Vickie Gassmann also attended the marriage. On Jan. 9 a reception and dance was held at the Leoville Parish Hall in Leoville for Michael Vahling and Kandi Handran.

The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest was held Sunday, Jan. 17th at the Lenora High School Gym.

Contestants that qualified to go to Damar in Feb. were Bethany Perkins, Lily Cruz, Kayla Bell, Jesse Bebb and Garret Otter.

JENNINGS NEWS

By LOUISE CRESSLER

Paul and Kathy Nauer welcome grandson Jordan Ryan Groff, son of Marc and Roxanne Groff. He was born Jan. 8 weighing 8 pounds, 5 ounces.

Kay and Doyle Brown spent three weeks during the holidays visiting their daughter Keli and Phil Kleidosty in KeKaHa, Hawaii. Keli and Phil were host Christmas Day for her entire family.

On Jan. 17 Kay and Doyle Brown attended Eagle Scouts Court of Honor and reception in Hays for their grandson, Zachary Kuntz, son of Kara and Gordon Kuntz.

The Kansas Day Program was held Jan. 31 at 2 p.m. in the Sunflower Senior Center. Guest speaker was Lyle Hutchins who

Tacha presided with Directors Mary Wahlmeier, Larry Mizer, Lawrence and Lila Jennings and Bob Tachapresent. The Veterans' Wreaths have been picked up from the Jennings cemetery. A Kansas Day program was held Jan. 31 at 2 p.m. in the Sunflower Senior Center. The public was invited to come. Guest speaker was Lyle Hutchins who talked about "Buffalo Hunters and the Plains Buffalo" He had many items pertaining to this topic on display. The musical group "Clueless" from Oberlin entertained with several numbers. Members of the group are Lonnie McEvoy, harmonica; Mike Elwood, guitar and Sid Metcalf, vocal.

Mike and Vickie Bailey announce the birth of a new grandson born Jan. 12 at Norton. Parents are Colin and Lindsay Bailey. The baby, Carter, weighed 6 pounds, 3 ounces and was taken by ambulance to Kearney, Neb. with some

breathing problems. He is doing well and will soon be home.

Lawrence and Lila Jennings received the announcement of the birth of a new great-grandson. Tripp Joseph Anders was born Jan. 2 in Carrollton, Texas to Joey and Cecilie Anders. He weighed 7 pounds, 12 ounces. He is welcomed home by brother Greg, 3 years and two sisters, Madeliene, 5, and Anya, 16. Grandparents are Bob and Shelley Whitefield, Trout Lake, Wash.

Brian Jennings and Westley, Solomon, were weekend guests of his parents Lawrence and Lila Jennings.

Allan Carter, Overland Park, visited his mother, Rachel Carter, over the weekend. Saturday evening a Pizza party was enjoyed by Jess Carter, Clayton and Anna, Oberlin; Becky Carter, Stann Hartzog, Ken and Julie Carter, Allan Carter and Rachel Carter.

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By LOUISE CRESSLER

Kurt Brown, Millie and Dasheill, Quinter visited Sunday with his parents Doyle and Kay Brown. Janeil Dilling visited her mother, Imogene Keenan Sunday.

An enjoyable time was had Sunday at the Kansas Day program held in the Senior Center.

Lyle Hutchens and his son Mark, Hendley, Neb., gave an

interesting talk and display about buffalos. Mike Elwood, Sid Metcalf and Lonnie McVoy sang several songs, accompanied by harmonica and guitar.

Several from our community have lost loved ones recently who did not live here. The community extends sympathy to all the families.

A fundraiser for Haiti sponsored by the United Methodist

Church of Jennings and Dresden will be held Feb. 14 serving turkey with all the trimmings from 12:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. A free will donation is appreciated. At 1:30 p.m. Naomi Streck, Norton, will speak about her trips to Haiti with the Lifeline Ministries team.

She was in Haiti when the earthquake hit. Also, the United Methodist church is sending health kits to Haiti.

Reminders: United Methodist Women will meet tomorrow at 2 p.m. Jennings City council will meet Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the Sunflower Senior Center. The Sunflower Seniors Potluck Dinner will be held Feb. 9 at noon in the center. Games will be played in the afternoon. If you have a favorite board game bring it with you.

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