

THE OBERLIN HERALD —

People in Our Community

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Ruth (Engelland) Cooper, a former home economics teacher at Decatur Community High School in the 1950s, is seriously ill. Mail will reach her at Osborne Memorial Hospital, 424 W. New Hampshire, Osborne, Kan., 67473.

Travis Lincoln was named to the Dean's Honor Roll at Fort Hays State University for the fall semester. He is a junior majoring in Physics. He will transfer to Kansas State University in the fall to complete a degree in Engineering. He is the son of Griff and Cindy Lincoln, Oberlin, and his wife, Holly, is the daughter of Larry and Becky Ayers of Oberlin. They have a daughter, Hannah.

Lynn R. Johnson and Victor A. Bergman of the civil litigation law firm of Shamberg, Johnson and Bergman at Overland Park, are listed among the "Best Lawyers in America" for 2001-2002. Mr. Johnson, son of the late Harold and Inez Johnson, and a 1963 graduate of Decatur Community High School, has been a member and partner of the firm since 1970. He has been selected to the "Best Lawyers" list in each edition since 1987.

Cecilia Kump of Wichita is a houseguest at the home of her brother and wife, Gary and Leola Zodrow, while visiting relatives and friends.

Jerry and Marcia Lohofener and Irel Lohofener went to Salina on Friday to visit Florence Muller and Royce and Delores Patton. They returned home on Saturday, accompanied by Mrs. Muller, who is spending 10 days with her daughter, Irel Lohofener, and family. Mrs. Muller observed her 104th birthday on Monday.

Kimberly Solko, daughter of Ron

and Diana Solko of Oberlin, was recently chosen for the All-USA-Academic Team, sponsored by the American Association of Community Colleges, *USA Today*, and Phi Theta Kappa International Honorary Society. She will be representing McCook Community College in Lincoln, Neb., on April 18. She is a sophomore, majoring in Office Technology. She was also named to the President's list with a fall semester grade point average of 4.0 and will be graduating in May.

Travis Castle, New York City, left on Saturday after spending three weeks visiting his family, Brian and Pam Simonsson, Krista, Breck, Nathan and other relatives and friends. He was honored on Jan. 20 with an early birthday get-together at the home of his grandparents, Vic and Opal Bryan, for his 21st birthday. Others present, besides his family, were Walt and Joanne Castle and Marvin and Sharon Slaubaugh.

American Legion open to public for dinner, Saturdays, 6 p.m.

Winning highs at pinocle at Golden Age Center last week were Eva Marie Vacura, Henry Edgett, Floyd Edgett, Kenneth Van Vleet and Vada Shaw. Lows went to Joanne Castle, Floyd Edgett, Alvina Unger, Aleen Van Vleet and Donna Kent. Pitch highs were won by Henry Edgett, Janice Carman, Aleen

Van Vleet and Mrs. Castle with lows going to Wilma May, Myrtle Waldo, Mrs. Unger and Henry Edgett. Bridge highs were won by Phyllis Berry and Phyllis Lohofener. There will be a potluck dinner at 12:30 p.m. on Sunday at the Golden Age Center.

Hattie Olson suffered a broken elbow in a fall on Thursday. She was hospitalized in Oberlin, but moved to Decatur County Good Samaritan Center on Saturday to stay while recuperating.

Barbara Solko, Marie Jean Vavroch, Charlotte Meints, Erlene Schroer, Bob and Marian Fraker, Alice Shirley, Joan Neidenthal, Eula Juenemann, Marty Munson, Doris Sloan and Virginia Spratling left on a bus tour on Wednesday for Denver, where they attended "Stars on Ice" at the Pepsi Center. They returned home on Thursday.

Marianna Bendon and Cecil Hess honored Mary Lou Olson with a birthday dinner at the Oberlin American Legion Saturday evening, after which they attended the jazz program at The Gateway.

Natalie Brown is among students at Kansas Wesleyan University who were selected as new Ambassadors for the spring semester. They assist with recruitment of prospective students, give campus tours, answer questions, participate in community activities and assist with new student orientation.

Teaching scholarships available

Teacher Education and Compensation Helps Kansas scholarships are available for those who would like to begin or complete associate degrees in early childhood education.

The scholarships will pay a portion of books and tuition, provide a travel stipend each month, reimburse for re-

lease time and give a bonus at the end of a scholarship contract year.

Persons eligible to apply are those in the Colby, Cloud County, Garden City, Kansas City, Kansas, Barton County and Labette Community College areas.

For details, contact Kris Nicholson, at (877) 678-2548.

The 'Seeds of Hope' Telethon needs YOUR Help Saturday, February 3, 1-10 p.m. at The Gateway, Oberlin

Seeds of Hope is THE annual fund-raiser for many of Oberlin and Decatur County's most important charities and nonprofit organizations. Most of these groups have no other public fund raisers. Seeds of Hope is their "United Campaign."

That's what makes Seeds of Hope so important to the whole community. Hundreds of hours of volunteer effort are being invested because these organizations are the lifeblood of our town. They depend on the money raised in the Telethon to get them through the year.

Who will benefit from Seeds of Hope?

This year as in the past years, the goal is to raise \$12,000 for our 21 recipients. The effort includes all parts of Decatur County.

This year's telethon will include the annual Talent Show, featuring performers from around the county, plus a fund-raising auction and written bids from the audience, of items donated by area merchants, residents and out of state groups.

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What can you do to help?

The "Walk-a-Thon" will be going on and interested persons can contact Dennis Brown at 475-2625. Baby-sitters will be provided from 1-6 p.m. by the Girl Scouts for individuals who participate in the Walk-a-Thon and talent show. Volunteers are still needed.

If you can help or donate items for the auction, call Sarah Fredrickson at 475-3135. And most importantly, Seeds of Hope needs your donation, no matter how large or small. You can call in during the Telethon, 475-3753 and 475-2901, or Anita Hirsch at 475-2358 or 475-2296, or use the handy coupon below and mail in your donation. Every dollar counts for Decatur County, so send yours in today!

And don't forget to watch "Seeds of Hope" on the Oberlin Community Access Channel 7, from 1 to 10 p.m. Saturday. And come on up to The Gateway to watch, sample the BBQ beef, baked potatoes and homemade pies and make your donation in person.

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