Norcatur News

By the Norcatur News Committee

ver on March 1. Funeral services were

held March 5 at the Church of the

R.D. and Eunice Thornton, Sharee

on Saturday to visit Ray, Jen and

There were 21 members and one

guest, David Ankenman, Yacapia,

Calif., present for Senior Citizens on

March 2. Winners were Kathy

VanMeter, Juanita Eckhart and Leta

Strevey. The next meeting will be at

6 p.m. on Friday, with cards follow-

ing at 7 p.m. They will be guests of

the Royal Neighbors who are hosting

a soup and pie supper for the Senior

Pansy Price and her three grand-

Church Women United met at the

Clayton United Methodist Church on

March 2 with 11 present to enjoy the

salad luncheon and lesson. Doris

Mizell was leader and Clayton pre-

sented the lesson on Indonesia and

Samoa. Wava Ankenman sang a solo.

The meeting next year will be at the

Bill and Bee Nelson spent last week

in Wichita with their son, Todd, and

his family. Denise, Todd's wife, had

foot surgery, so the grandparents were

helping with Garrett. The Nelsons re-

Maple Grove Church.

turned home March 3.

children of Kensington, spent March

3 in Hays.

Royal Neighbors of America will accompanied them on a drive to Kearney, Neb. have a card party at 6 p.m. on Friday Rex Wendel observed his 80th Good Shepard in Denver. at the Educational Building. There

birthday on March 8. His address is:

more information contact Joyce Price, 213 Horace Greeley Ave. #306, and M.J. Dempewolf went to Hays Norton, 67654. United Methodist Women will Birthdays and anniversaries: March Bryce Thornton. serve a benefit ground hog supper for 7: Lance Roe, Galen Wentz; March the church from 5-7 p.m. on Satur-8: Mary Long; March 10: K.G. and day, March 24, at the Norcatur Edu-Dorothy Ward.

cational Building. They are also col-David Ankenman and Marguerite Clark were Thursday evening visilecting garden seeds for gardens for tors of Velda and Frank Ward.

Wava Reames was a three day visi-Sympathy is extended to the family of Max Brooks, who died in Den-

tor of Frank and Velda Ward and

Lyle News

By Helen Helm

Those present at the Lyle Community building for the community dinner on March 4, sponsored by the United Methodist Women, were Kathy Van Meter, Margaret Magers, Royce and Lola Cook, Bill and Pat Schwab, Lee and Lora Arnold, Todd and Deanna Sumner, Brooke and Brady; Yvonne Sumner and Pastor Dale Thiele

will be a soup and pie supper. For

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the needy.

Gene Van Otterloo brought Marguerite Fullerton to church Sunday morning and his daughter, Sue Peyton, of Denver, met them there for church services. Sue was here to attend the wedding of Cassandra Cook and Bo Schindler.

Yvonne Sumner spent several days last week in McPherson helping with her granddaughter, Gracie Mae Archer, who was hospitalized with a viral infection. Gracie Mae is the daughter of Amy and Mark Archer.

Kathy Van Meter, Margaret Magers and Joyce Price attended the World Day of Prayer at the Clayton United Methodist Church on March 2. That evening, Mrs. Van Meter, Mrs. Magers and June Jolly attended the Senior Citizen card party at Norcatur. Mrs. Van Meter received high score and her usual pitch partner, Juanita Eckhart, received second.

Mrs. Van Meter drove to Wa-Keeney on Saturday to attend an 80th birthday celebration for a cousin, Jessie Schneider. Mrs. Van Meter thought she enjoyed the afternoon as much as the honoree as she got to see many friends and relatives. Mrs. Schneider's three sisters were also there. Mrs. Van Meter had supper with Tim, Jolene, Carrie, and Clint Nejdl at Quinter en

Eckhart took part in the pitch tournament in Norton. The Eckhart-Van Meter team received second place. Mrs. Irene Powell and a friend met Coleen Rippe for lunch at Ober-

Sunday evening Mrs. Van Meter,

Mrs. Magers, Mrs. Jolly and Juanita

lin Monday. Coleen also visited her mother, Mrs. Powell, at Willow Ridge, in McCook Wednesday evening and was able to have a short visit with a former neighbor, Charlotte Macfee. Leon and Veda Wood made a

business trip to Norton Thursday. then visited Dennis Wilkens, who in spite of being an adult, is having the mumps. Complications caused him to be hospitalized. They also visited Rex Wendel who was observing his 80th birthday. Mr. Wendel and the Woods worked at the same place at one time. The John Helms visited Florence

and Jerry Uerling and attended Mass at St. Catherine's Church in Indianola Sunday morning. They had dinner in McCook, then visited their uncle, Bill Hanthorn, at Hillcrest Nursing Home. John Rinehart spent Monday and

Tuesday visiting his grandparents, John and Helen Helm. He has accepted a job in Germany and will leave soon. He plans to be gone for The Helms made a business trip

to Norton Wednesday and visited friends, Jo and Carl Welborn. Mike Helm spent Saturday afternoon with his parents, John and

Helen Helm and Deb and Timothy Helm were there on Thursday morning. Everyone helped with various

The John Helms visited Margaret Magers Thursday afternoon.

Rexford News

By Lula Thieler

Peg Greenwood attended a recep- Lane Purcell and Mark Basgall, section for American Legion National ond; Dick and Kenny Sanford third. Vice Commander Charles Ragsdell, Snacks were served. The next tourof Arkansas on March 6 at the Colby American Legion Post Home. Ac-Ragsdell on his tour of Kansas were State Commander David Warnken and State Vice Commander Elgin Wahlborg. Some 30 Legionnaires and Auxiliary members for the northwest Kansas area attended. Peg is Adjutant and Finance Officer of the Rexford Legion and Adjutant of the Sixth District, Kansas Department of the American Legion.

Lawrence and Zula Horinek's granddaughter, Machelle Briggs, Chance, Blake, Aston and Hunter, Dodge City, and their daughter, Patty Ann Casey, Wichita, came last weekend to help Zula celebrate her birthday. Gary Delzeit and Larry Horinek and his friend, Summer, of Colby, joined them. After a ham dinner, they played cards and games with the children. Zula says it was a fun birthday celebration.

The American Legion pinochle tournament was held in the legion hall on March 3 with a good crowd was carried out but no new projects attending. Prizes were won by Bill Dible and Lawrence Horinek, first; will be on March 22

nament will be April 7.

Grace Cheney hosted the Social companying Vice Commander Hour Club at the Red Barn Wednesday afternoon with seven present. Jokes were read for roll call. The business meeting was short and several games of bingo were played. Vesta Roth won the hostess gift. Deb Stepper will be the hostess on March 21.

Edna Colson reports that her 51/ 2-year-old grandson, Chris Richard, of Norton, who was run over by a tractor, is improving but is still in the hospital in Kearney, Neb.

Betty Nickols hosted a basket party at the Shepherd"s Staff Center Wednesday evening.

The ceramics group meets each Thursday evening at the Shepherd's Staff Center and makes some beautiful things. If you are interested in ceramics, please contact Jolene Hansen.

Lula Thieler hosted the Royal Neighbor meeting at the Community Hall Thursday afternoon with seven present. The usual business were discussed. The next meeting

Good Samaritan Center

Pat Glenn and Phyllis Berry had he had been rehearsing for morning social hour with Ella Peterson and Leona Glenn on Friday.

A menu for Friday's guest night was discussed during the monthly residents council meeting. Other issues discussed by residents and social worker Patty Scott were upcoming activities and the child day care.

Rick Chambers provided actual beads from the Mardi Gras. Some of the beads were given to residents during the Monday reminiscing about the Mardi Gras. The remainder of the beads will be used for the first day of

spring party. Jack Barrett, Joe Barber, David McGee and Frederick Helmkamp made pine cars for the derby with the Cub Scouts on Sunday. LaVern Burtis assisted the men as well as help from

devotions for residents and staff.

Life stories brought a lot of discussion and memories about life in the 30's and how different things are now.

Olga Anderson, Myrna Lacina and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Thompson were dinner guests of the Flaskas this past

Residents and their guests this past week: Ruby McKenna, Donna Chambers; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Helmkamp, Alvina Unger; Mr. and Mrs. Emil Flaska, Chuck and Cleta Moyan, Karen Matheny, Randy Matheny, Clarence and Oda Haynes and Jan Collins; Erma Holt, John Metcalf; Maxine Chambers, Joan and Harold Gaul; Alvena Ecker, Sharon Ecker; Pauline Zander, Alvina Unger; **Dena Gillespie**, Daryl and Marjorie Hartzog; Mabel Humes,

Health Fair coming on April 20

It's almost time again for the Decatur County Health Fair. It will be held on Friday, April 20. Again this year, it will be at The Gateway arena in Oberlin from 10 a.m. to 3

It will be sponsored by the Decatur County Health Department with representatives of Decatur County Emergency Medical Service; Decatur County Hospital; Decatur County Good Samaritan Center, and K-State Research and Extension participating in the planning. There will be many booths and

displays of interest. The Air Care helicopter from Kearney, Neb., will arrive at 11 a.m. and be on display until 2 p.m. Interested persons will be able to get an up-close view of the helicopter and will also be able to ask questions of the flight staff.

Scheduled booths will include a cardiac display, information on water well testing, eyeglass adjustment and repair, and organ donation. The Oberlin Lions Club will again be sponsoring the Lions Mobile screenings including, hearing, vision, blood pressure, glaucoma and blood sugar.

The Kansas Highway Patrol is planning on having "the convincer" available, which simulates a head- will be available on site, so come 8118.



Healthy Hints

By Marilyn Gamblin Decatur County Health Department

on crash at 5 miles per hour and for lunch. will depend on weather conditions.

The Decatur County Sheriff's Department will present a demonstration of the drug dog. Many other participants will be

on hand to share information on fun. health and wellness and allow the public to see what's available and ask questions. The Decatur County Willow Ridge, Social and Rehabilitation Services, Juenemann Eye Clinic, Richard Young Hospital, Screening Unit which offers free High Plains Mental Health, Midare just a few who will be on hand. Osteoporosis Services of Topeka will once again offer a bone density scan for a fee of \$10. Food

As you can see, there will be something for everyone, including several participants which are not listed here. Please join us for a day of learning, listening, and lots of

In preparation for the health fair, the Decatur County Health Department will be doing blood draws for Hospital, Cedar Living Center, and lab profiles on April 2, 3, and 4. Cottonwood Home Care, Decatur Appointments will be necessary and County Good Samaritan Center, these tests will be offered at a reduced price. Results will be available to participants on the day of the health fair through Nurse Practitioner Jonna Inman at specified west Organ Bank, and Valley Hope, times to help explain normal values and answer questions as time permits. To schedule an appointment for blood work, call the Decatur County Health Department at 475-

"To Judge or to Learn"

By Father Jim Hoover, Oberlin, Leoville and Selden Catholic chuches

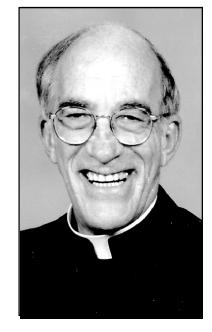
ing: "...Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices...those 18 people who were killed when a tower fell on them suddenly:" The followers of Jesus handled these two horrible facts as they had been taught from childhood - those had to be great sinners to be punished by God so swiftly and so completely. Surprise of surprises, Jesus immediately tells them

of their great mistake. God does not punish but forgives. Nor should we judge that we are better people because others must have sinned terribly to have gone through these accidents or sudden deaths. Instead, Jesus tells us that the same will happen to us unless we repent and change our life style in following Him.

Still, we do the same thing today. Whenever an learn what God is trying to tell us.

In the Gospel of St. Luke, one reads of the follow- earthquake happens or a tornado or a car accident or a sudden heart attack hits someone close to us we are tempted to immediately judge and thank God that we aren't like those people. But, even to us, Jesus tells us to learn what God is telling us in these incidents. They aren't punishments, but instruments in God telling us that we should never put off until "tomorrow which never comes" the repentance and change of life style required of those who are followers of

If we put it off again and again we missed the message of Jesus, and we will be suddenly overtaken, in an instant, by something which will change our life forever. Where do we think that it can't possibly happen to us? It will, unless we stop judging and



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