

By Norcatour News Committee

The Kansas State Historical Society is collecting the Norcatour News as far back as 1985 and will microfilm them to have on record in Topeka. A story which featured those who work on the Newsheet has been featured in the Hays Daily News, Salina Journal and Topeka Capitol. April birthdays include: April 4, Ivah Alexander; April 7, Terry Gade; April 9, Bill Craig; April 10, Dennis Shirley.

Beverly Morris, Hoxie, had dinner with her grandmother, Esther Miller, at the Cardinal Cafe on March 25.

The Mark Ward family spent the weekend to move the computer of his father, K.G. Ward, to the main floor for added convenience. Lora Linn Leichliter was also Saturday evening and Sunday dinner guest. K.J. Ward and Aaron Helm renewed acquaintances on Saturday afternoon. Deb and Brandon visited Lois and Darren Wentz Saturday evening.

Leta Streyve will be observe her 90th birthday on Sunday afternoon at the Educational Building.

A March birthday party was held at the Norton Pizza Hut March 26 honoring Nathan Baker, Norma McCallister, Tiffany Wheeler and Lee Arnold.

Those present were Lee and Ora Arnold, John and Brenda Arnold, Susan and Frank Bolek and Sarah, JuliAnna and Mark Baker, Nathan, Marissa and Jordan, Tiffany Wheeler, Mary Arnold, Olive Arnold, Jim and Teresa Arnold and Kalynn, Wayne and Norma McCallister, Gary and Susan Hillebrand, Melissa and Dana, Pastor Dale and Connie Thiele. A birthday cake, made by JuliAnna, was

served later.

The Norcatour Pre-school will participate in the Muscular Dystrophy Association Hop-a-Thon on April 17.

There were 20 members present for Senior Citizens on March 30. Winners were Glenn Alexander and Dale Thiele (tie) and Beth Johnson.

Sunday dinner guests of Goldie Brewer were Mike and Fern Mapes and Donna Warren.

Dennis and Judy Shirley gave a presentation of their trip to Australia on Sunday evening at the Educational Building.

Eunice Thornton was transferred from Decatur County Hospital to the Hutchinson Hospital last week, where she began chemotherapy and radiation. Mail will reach her at: Hutchinson Hospital, 1701 E. 23rd., Room 5303, Hutchinson, Kan. 67501.

Selden News

By Jacque Boulinghouse

Birthdays and anniversaries include: April 5, Dick Pauls; April 6, Dennis Urban, Fred and Theda McKee; April 8, Devinn Ritter; April 10, Bob Rogers, Joe and Carol Lobato; April 11, Gary Emigh; April 15: Steve Shaw and Carl Mumm; April 16: Gail Mumm; April 17: Danielle Spresser and Mike and Linda Spresser.

Bill and Vicki Hunziker received word that his brother, Don and wife Vera of Gilbert, Ariz. have become first time grandparents of Kimberlie Alexandra, daughter of Sean and Yvonne Hunziker, of Mesa, Ariz.

At Senior Citizens on March 29, Elsie Wessel won high' Carol Shaw took second; Donald Shaw got low and Cecelia Ottley had all Kings. Other members present included:

Anna Albers, Catherine Campbell, Don Smith, Laura Berls, Irene Kruse, Vesta Shea, Flerry Shea, Clara Schieferecke, Dorothy Lovin, Lola Cook, Leone Porsch, Fansion Jueneman and Paulie Neff.

At the April 5th Senior Citizens, Don Shaw won high, Paulie Neff took second, Catherine Campbell got low and Laura Berls had all Queens. Other members present include Carol Shaw, Fansion Jueneman, Leone Porsch, Vesta Shea, Flerry Shea, Lola Cook, Royce Cook, Don Smith, Cecelia Ottley, Dorothy Lovin, Gertrude Fleckenstein and Anna Albers.

Word has been received of the death of Vern Kelly, 72, of Fredonia. He was married to Phyllis Heagney and they spent their early married life in Selden.

A newspaper open house will be held at the Selden Public Library on Wednesday, April 25, from 7 to 8 p.m. The Selden Library invites area patrons and historians to review the availability of historical newspapers for the City of Selden. These papers, "The Selden Advocate", "The Selden Independent", "The Selden Observer" and "The Selden Times" date from 1889 to 1963.

Mount Pleasant

By Dianne Bremer

Elwood and Elaine Mines returned home Thursday from Mesa, Ariz., where they spent a month with their daughter and son-in-law, Connie and Ron Gosler. While there, they enjoyed visiting with family and attended the wedding of their granddaughter, Dawn Gosler and Joshua Zimbal, at Chandler, on March 31.

Among wedding guests were Don and Ann Mines, and Dale and Cheryl Votapka, Oberlin; Nancy and Ron Baumfalk, and Carol and Chuck VanErt, Steven and Sandy, Aurora, Colo.; Sheri Coon, Georgetown, Texas, and Lynette and Pat Salvo, Tucson, Ariz.

The cake was baked and decorated by Mrs. Randy (Bonnie) Weber, daughter of John and Mildred Grafel of Herndon. The above guests were also invited to attend a Sunday brunch the following day at the home of Connie and Ron Gosler.

Don and Ann Mines left March 26 to visit their daughter and family, Sheri and Patrick Coon, Nathan and Todd, Georgetown, Texas. Sheri accompanied her parents to visit their other daughter and son-in-law, Lynette and Pat Salvo, in Tucson. From there they all traveled to Chandler, Ariz., to attend the March 31 wedding of Dawn Gosler and Joshua Zimbal. They also attended a brunch the next day at the home of Connie and Ron Gosler, Mesa. After an extended visit with family, Don and Ann returned home Thursday.

Dianne Bremer attended the Farm Bureau annual Spring Conference in Manhattan on Wednesday. She provided continuing education workshops for Farm Bureau secretaries

throughout the state. She visited with Sharon Wright on Tuesday evening after arriving in Manhattan and returned home Wednesday evening.

Lester Wurm, Overland Park, arrived Wednesday afternoon to visit his sister, Wilma May. Wilma and Lester spent Wednesday evening visiting at the home of their brother, Eugene Wurm. Lester returned home Thursday morning.

Friday evening guests at the home of Mildred and Jack Fortin and Charles were Martin and Evelyn May, and LuVerne and Wilbur May. They celebrated Martin and Evelyn's 54th wedding anniversary which was April 6, and Wilbur and LuVern's 51st wedding anniversary, which was April 9.

Janice and Greg Cundiff were Saturday supper guests of John and Dianne Bremer. They helped Janice and Greg celebrate their 12th wedding anniversary, which was March 25.

Greta Wendelin left Friday with the Decatur Community High School vocal group for Denver. While there, they participated in a vocal clinic, saw "Westside Story," and also participated in an exchange concert at Goodland. She returned home with the group on Monday.

Robert and Diane Muirhead, Rebecca, Alex, Rachael, and Erin, Scott City, arrived Saturday to visit his mother, Carolyn Muirhead, and uncle, Reinhard May. They returned home Sunday.

Alvina Unger was a Sunday afternoon caller of Carmie Wickham.

Hertha Kelley, St. Francis, was a Sunday overnight guest of her sister, Alvina Unger.

Rexford News

By Lula Thieler

Several from Rexford attended the birthday party for Frances McIntyre at the Prairie Senior Living Complex in Colby on April 1. Other Colby friends were there also. A beautifully decorated cake was served with coffee.

"A Light Shines in the Darkness" was the title of the successful Missions Conference held in the Rexford Community Church last weekend. Missionary speakers were Geoff and Tina Casteel, who plan to serve in Peru, and Esther Goossen, who has served in Brazil for many years. A soup and sandwich supper was served Friday evening, followed by a special Easter presentation.

On Saturday morning several men and boys met for a breakfast with Mr. Casteel at the church. In the afternoon the women and girls enjoyed a tea party with Esther and Tina as speakers. Each table held a lighted lamp or candle to follow the theme. On Saturday evening the main speaker was Esther Goossen. On Sunday morning she talked to the children and the Casteels talked and showed

slides of Peru for the adult service. A potluck meal was served at noon.

Marjorie Paddock of Rose Hill visited her mother, Lula Thieler on Monday. On Tuesday they went to Colby to have dinner with JoAnn Miller. All three went to see Lula's new great-grandson, Trey Austen Miller and his parents, Mark and Kelly Miller. They was born on Friday, March 30.

Ron and Janette Dible visited their daughter, Ruth and Jeff Sperling and their daughter, Karin, in the Wichita area, the weekend of March 16. The following weekend they went to Denver to see Paul and Diana Dible and Keli.

The Social Hour Club met with Eileen Dible at the Fairview Estates Retirement Community in Colby on Wednesday afternoon. Guests were Ardis Boersma, Lucile Long and Edna Sloan. Lula Thieler won the hostess gift. Bingo was played and refreshments served. Hulda Wark will be the hostess on April 18 at the Barn.

A large crowd turned out to vote at City Hall on Tuesday for the local elections.

Lyle News

By Helen Helm

Those present for the community dinner on Sunday at the Community Building were Lola and Royce Cook, Lee and Lora Arnold, Virgil and Joyce Price, Pastor Dale and Connie Thiele, Leon and Veda Wood, Marguerite Fullerton, Kathy Van Meter, and Margaret Magers. The next dinner will be at noon on May 6. Everyone is welcome.

Rex and Merle Cozad, Hutchinson, visited their son, John Cozad, on March 30. They all went to Beaver City, Neb., to visit Van and Irene Cozad. Mrs. Cozad also visited Margaret Magers Friday afternoon.

John and Helen Helm drove to Colby on Saturday to spend the weekend with Martin and Ceanne Rinehart. They all attended the U.S. Field Band and Chorus at the Colby Community Building on Saturday evening. The Helms returned Sunday evening and had supper with the Mike Helm family at the Girl Scout spaghetti supper. Rebecca Helm is one of the Scouts.

Donna and Earnest Huff attended the Farm and Home Show in Salina on Thursday. Charissa and Elden Huff and Richard left for Washington D. C. for the Farm Bureau Award which they won last fall. Richard sat in Senator Pat Roberts' seat. They returned on Tuesday.

Donna and Earnest Huff visited Margaret Magers Saturday evening. They have rented the house they own,

which was formerly the Jack Kelley home, to Laurie Ishcomer and son.

Coleen Rippe visited her mother, Irene Powell, at Wheat Ridge Retirement Center in Oberlin. Mrs. Powell is enjoying her new surroundings.

Sympathy goes to Kathy Van Meter who lost her great-nephew, Kurt Redfern, of McCook.

Mrs. Van Meter's daughter, Sylvia Lovin, WaKeeney, visited the family at the Jim Redfern home on Monday. On Tuesday Tim, Jolene, Carrie and Clinton Nejd, Quinter, joined them and all attended the funeral services. Kathy's sister-in-law, Karen Hilburn, Logan, attended also.

Mrs. Van Meter spent Wednesday night at her niece's, Vivian Redfern. On Sunday evening Margaret Magers, June Jolly and Kathy Van Meter picked up Juanita Eckhart at Norcatour and they attended the pitch tournament in Norton. The Jolly-Magers team played. On Tuesday evening they were joined by Marguerite Fullerton and visited the Van Cozads, and spent the evening at the Senior Center in Beaver City, Neb.

Margaret Magers, June Jolly, Kathy Van Meter and Juanita Eckhart picked up Lorretta Carter on Wednesday in Norcatour and attended the Prairie Land dinner in Atwood. They also visited Suzanne Temple Cahoj, who works at the post office there.

June Jolly and her houseguests,

Carroll Jolly and Ron Wiehs and daughter, Shelby, were supper guests at the Dean Jollys Friday evening. They went to McCook Saturday to the Dennis McFarlands and had dinner in Indianola. The guests returned to Council Bluffs, Iowa, on Sunday.

John Todd Guy, Abilene, took his grandmother, Margaret Magers, home Friday for a visit.

The John Helms were in Lebanon on Wednesday for the chicken dinner at the cafe and visited Betty Orvis, Nadeane Haag, and Margaret Spence.

Earnest and Donna Huff visited Margaret Magers on March 31 and Marilou and Elden Long on Thursday evening.

McGraw News

By G.G. Launchbaugh

The family of Gayle Bainter celebrated his birthday on Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Bainter.

Mr. and Mrs. George Launchbaugh, Steve Launchbaugh and Karl, visited Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Sines on Sunday.

Jim Bainter, Bill Bainter and Dale Bainter visited Russel Bainter last week.

"The Long and Winding Road"

By Pastor Heidi M. Wiebe, Oberlin Evangelical Covenant Church

When I think of going on a trip, I look forward with eager anticipation to the destination, whether it is Denver or Hawaii. For me, getting ready for a trip is almost as much fun as the trip itself. As I am packing, I begin to think of everything that I will do when I arrive, the new sites I will see, or even the familiar haunts that I will revisit.

This week, the church travels from Palm Sunday to Easter. It is a long and winding road from the streets of Jerusalem where the crowds hail Jesus Christ as King, to an upper room where Jesus will meet with His disciples for a last meal and where one who will betray Jesus and one who will deny friendship with Jesus, will be revealed. The road continues to a ruler's palace where Jesus is humiliated, tortured and left utterly alone to face His fate. Jesus' journey will end on a dark hillside called Golgotha, where He will be hung on a cross to die. Thankfully for the world, this journey does not end there on that cross. For Jesus will take an even more amazing journey from death back into life, but that is another story!

This journey of Jesus is what the church calls Holy

Week, and it is our journey as well. We are invited to join Jesus as He travels this long and winding road from palm-strewn streets to a hill crowned with a wooden cross. We are invited to look at that cross and wonder where we have gone wrong. Why is it that we desire to go our own way when the way of God is the only way to true happiness and joy? Why do our lives feel like they are falling apart — relationships with spouse and children, job, finances, satisfaction with life — all seem to fall far short of our expectations?

Our journey into Holy Week leaves us with all these questions about our life and our relationship with God. At the end of the journey there is darkness, but there is also the first faint trace of an early dawn. With Easter right around the corner, Holy Week leaves us to consider where the journey goes from here.

The journey through Holy Week brings us face to face with the resurrection. We are told of an empty tomb, a promise that Jesus beat death and an invitation to believe that if "We have been united with Him in a death like His, we will certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His". (Romans 6:5)



Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

OBERLIN SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

785-475-3103
The Rev. James Hoover, Canonical Pastor
Sister Marilyn Wall, Pastoral Administrator
MASSES: SATURDAY, 6 p.m.
SUNDAY: 8 a.m.

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Bobby Potter, Minister
539 E. 2nd St., St. Francis
SATURDAY: Saturday Worship, 9:15 a.m.; Sabbath School, 11 a.m.

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Glenn Krebs, pastor
SUNDAY: Church School, 10 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
DRESDEN
SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9:30 a.m.

UNITED CHURCH OF OBERLIN

109 North Griffith-American Baptist, Disciples of Christ, Presbyterian USA
Rev. Barbara and/or Nolan Pierce
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. Bell Choir, 6:30 p.m. Choir practice every Wed. at 7:30 p.m. Holy Communion, 1st Sun. United Church Women, 2nd Wed at 2 p.m. Parish Council, 2nd Wed. at 8 p.m.

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102 North Cass — 785-475-3067
The Rev. Gary M. Fisher
SUNDAY: Church School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m. (Nursery provided.)
WEDNESDAY: Choir practice, 7:30 p.m.

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Beaver and Mill
Bill Duncan — Phone 785-475-3259
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Hour, 10:45 a.m. Junior Worship, grade 3 & down; 2nd Sundays: All-church dinner. WEDNESDAY: Home Bible Studies, 7:30 p.m.

OBERLIN ASSEMBLY OF GOD

The Rev. Royce Leitner
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Worship, 7 p.m. WEDNESDAY: Adult Bible study, 7 p.m. King's Kids, 6:30 p.m.; Youth, 8 p.m. Women's Group, 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 2 p.m.

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MASS: SUNDAY, 8:30 a.m.

HERNDON COVENANT CHURCH

Keith Reuther, Pastor
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NORCATOUR UNITED METHODIST

Pastor: Dale Thiele
785-693-4378
SUNDAY: Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Church School, 10:30 a.m.

LYLE UNITED METHODIST

Pastor: Dale Thiele
785-693-4378
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Morning Worship 11 a.m.; Youth meeting, 4 p.m.; Bible study, 7 p.m.

LUND COVENANT CHURCH

Pastor: Tom Smith
10 miles south, 4 miles west of Oberlin
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. SATURDAY: Men's breakfast & Bible Study, 7 a.m.

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709 E. Oak, Oberlin
Steve Smith, Pastor
Phone 785-475-3251
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Worship, 6 p.m. WEDNESDAY: Services, 7 p.m.

EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH OF OBERLIN

The Rev. Heidi Wiebe
810 West Cedar, Oberlin
Office Phone 785-475-2769
SUNDAY: Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Fellowship Time, 10 a.m.; Sunday School, 11 a.m. TUESDAY: Bible Study, 7 p.m.; WEDNESDAY: WORSHIP CELEBRATION, 7:30 P.M.

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