

Good Samaritan Center

Residents from Angel Lane and Country Reflections gathered in the Town Square for activities led by Barb Berry and Anita Ketterl. Reminisce time focused on quilts and how sewing was a part of the past most enjoyed. A Christmas recital was held in the Town Square. Jan Badsky open with Scripture and Benjamin Smith was program director. Featured artists were Greta Wendelin, Myrna Jones, Lois Carlson, Jan Badsky, Lavern Burtis, Ellen Horn, Dennis Brown, Benjamin, Samuel, Jonathan, Bethany, and their mother, Linda Smith; Joseph, Jennifer, Anita Hirsch, Praise Choir, Cheryl Miller, Anita Ketterl, and Coleen Rippe. Dennis Brown closed with prayer. Anita Ketterl led men's gathering. Reminisce topic was hunting

and the ox roasts in Herndon. Those attending were Harold Demmer, Fred Helmkamp, Howard Banta, and Art Nelson. Social Hour brought a birthday celebration for all with December birthdays. Those honored were Mamie Unger, Florence Fisher, Pauline Zander, Fred Helmkamp, Kathryn Post, Lois Buchholz, and Art Nelson. Cake was provided by Pat Abbey, Montine Alstrom and Coleen Rippe. Ice cream, donated by John Gilgenbach, rural Herndon, was also served. Reminisce corner was led by Joyce Ploussard. Residents gathered to share their New Year's resolutions. Those attending were Hattie Olson, Ella Peterson, Agnes Chambers, Elgie Brown, Dena Gillespie, Vergie Nygren, and Marilyn St. Clair. Residents en-

joyed fresh flowers for table arrangements from Prairie Petals. Joyce Ploussard led devotions and Little Sam's Daycare joined residents in brush art. Those attending were Bonnie Westcamp, Helen Styles, Agnes Chambers, and Pauline Zander. Tearing down of the Greens in the Town Square took place with Dena Gillespie, Helen Styles, and Elsie Macy helping put the Christmas decorations away. Dennis Brown shared *The Oberlin Herald* publication. Jan Badsky shared color favorites as she prepared the January calendar. Those attending were Agnes Chambers, Lorna Bishop, Bernice Meixner, and Leona Glenn. Ellen Horn served Social hour in the dining room. Friday's movie feature was, "On Golden Pond." Norma Helm donated the movie for Christmas. Popcorn and beverages were served. Dennis Brown led devotions in the dining room and Saturday and Don Stapp served Social hour. Lund Covenant Church held Sunday church service. Shirley Nichols served Social hour. Visitors were **Florence Jones**, Don and Shirley Carlisle, Lisa Carlisle, Lori Chavez; **Ruby McKenna**, Ed and Gloria McKenna, Donna and Anita Chambers; **Elfie Brown**, Clara Ann (Brown) Hoffman, Floyd and Marylu Brown; **Dena Gillespie**, June Vavroch, Steven Hartzog, Betty Krebs; **Lorna Bishop**, Lori Leiker, Jeff Leiker; **Maxine Chambers**, Carol Allen; **Helen Styles**, the Holle family; **Garrah Gaumer**, Betty Krebs.

No-till conferences planned



Extension Lines

By Brian Olson
Extension Agronomist

After this past summer, some producers might be considering doing things a little differently and adopting no-till production practices. The next question is, where do I begin? One place to start is with K-State Research and Extension, but some of you may also want to hear experiences from fellow farmers. Besides visiting at the local coffee shop, there are two farmer-driven conferences which may be of interest to you. In addition, for the experienced no-till farmer, these conferences provide a place to learn about advances in no-till production. The No-till on the Plains Winter Conference will be in Salina at the Bicentennial Center on Jan. 27 and 28, starting at noon. This conference focuses on producers using the no-till system, primarily in dryland production, and has become the largest no-till conference in the country with attendance around 1,500. General sessions and nine sets of seven concurrent breakout sessions allow attendees to select topics of interest. No-till on the Plains, Inc. is the primary conference sponsor (\$60 registration). For

more information, see: <http://www.notill.org> or call 1-888-330-5142. For those of you who would prefer a perspective of no-till farming in drier environments, the 15th Annual Winter Conference and Equipment Expo, "Farming on a Higher Plain" may be of interest. This conference, which is in Greeley, Colo. on Feb. 4 and 5 starting at 8 a.m., focuses on no-till in intensive dryland cropping systems. There are general sessions and 12 breakout session. The Colorado Conservation Tillage Association co-sponsors this conference along with the National Sunflower Association (\$65 registration fee, \$75 after Jan. 20). Contact Tara Steinke, Colorado Conser-

vation Tillage Association Events Coordinator, at (970) 358-4360 for more information. In addition to these two conferences, K-State Research and Extension has a very good "Kansas No-till Handbook" which provides detailed information on everything from planting to pest management. This handbook also includes testimonials from a producer in our area. Please visit the Web site: www.oznet.ksu.edu/agronomy-block2 or visit your local county extension office for more information. Please e-mail me at bolson@oznet.ksu.edu if you have any questions or would like to see a newspaper article on a specific crop production topic.

Cedar Living News

Sympathy is extended to the family of Beldon Jenik who died at Cedar Living Center on Dec. 31. Axie Sass has returned to her home in Oberlin. Everyone was excited to learn that the Christmas tree decorated by the Cedar Living Center residents won first prize in the museum contest. The Rev. Glenn and Betty Krebs gave the Sunday worship service. Myrna Jones and Carol Witt provided music on Monday afternoon. Fern Moore gave the reading program on Tuesday morning. Charley Vavroch won the first bingo on Tuesday afternoon and Darlene Stanley won the blackout game. Sylvia Martin celebrated her birthday on Dec. 31. Steve Martin, McCook, was her guest for lunch. Residents enjoyed a "mocktail" party featuring punch and snacks before supper on New Year's Eve. Several residents assisted with taking down the holiday decorations on New Year's Day. Father Mathew held Mass on Thursday morning. Stuart Euhus gave the Bible study lesson on Thursday afternoon.

Loretta Nelson assisted with pinochle on Friday afternoon. Nadean Stoney hosted the Coffee Club on Saturday morning. Recent visitors: Ilene and Doug Stanley, Wichita; Ray and Patt Tuller, Gary Matheny, McCook; Tracy Hartzog, Lisa Rhodes, Norcatur; Glenn and Betty Krebs, Jennings; Don Grafel, Herndon; Glema Macy, Lebanon; Carman Church and family, Imperial, Neb.; Tom and Glenva Burrell, Max, Neb.; John and Joanne Dolance, Dallas, Texas; Eric Tuller, Manhattan; Geraldine and Bill Lampe, St. Francis; Carl Mumm, Selden; Lisa, Taylor, and Erin Volesky, Plano, Texas; Carol Hixson, Goodland; Esther Noren, Fern Jording, Elaine Bryan, Faye Miller, Alice Shirley, Dolores Koerperich, Walt and Rosella Meitl, John Juememann, Bernard Corcoran, Rachel Gallatin, Esther Lindquist, Alvina Gamblin, Marie Jean Vavroch, Vayle Rohan, Janet Matheny, Bob and Lila Keenan, Verl Cook, Rhomine Smith, Betty Jenik, Elvin Beneda, Orlin Beneda, Ron and Patty Uehlin, Danyne Uehlin, Wendell Frickey, and Norine Schweitzerberger, Oberlin.

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'The Christmas Story Continues'

By Pastor Charlotte Strecker-Baseler, Faith Lutheran Church, Oberlin

On Jan. 6, the Church celebrates the epiphany or revelation of Jesus being made known to all nations as the magi (wise men) adore the Christ child (Matthew 2:1-12).
"We observed his star in the East (at its rising), and have come to pay him homage" (Matt. 2:2). For a few weeks now, I have gazed and gloried at a star in the eastern sky that burns ever so brightly. It is the planet Venus, the morning star; an incredible guiding light. Each day the sun's power is revealed at break of day in the east. Light is the ancient Epiphany symbol. For Jews or Christians to be "in the light" is to be right with God, to be alive in God. Christians have long called Jesus the light of the world. It is Jesus who brings us into right relation with God and one another. What was hidden was made known to all the nations. Jesus is humanity's great star, illuminating God's wide embrace and salvation for all. Jesus is the bright path for the magi and for you and me.
Our world is full of stars: movie stars, athletic

stars, music stars. The world comes to their door and they burn brightly for a time. But what of this star, Jesus, who appeared as a helpless baby? Is it not ironic that these wise men from the East would pay this little one homage? The magi came because they believed the stars. In some sense, the world and the heavens stopped over Jesus; this birth had cosmic significance. Herod trembled as did the powerful ones of the world with him; while for the downtrodden, hope was reborn. The magi are wonderful characters in this story. They represent the magnificence of the world and the diversity of its peoples. They came bearing gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh offered in homage and for burial, joining those who would later bring myrrh to Jesus' tomb. They worshipped God's love, from birth to death, poured out for the world. The epiphany of our Lord foreshadowed his resurrection. The star rising in the east looked to Jesus rising on the third day. The Light of the world continues to shine brightly; the darkness cannot overcome him.
Word of God, come, abide with us. Amen.



Lyle News

By Helen Helm

Those present at the home of Bill and Pat Schwab on Christmas Day were Debby Beard, Susan Boultinghouse and friend, Hays; and Joe and Angie Schwab, Josh, Mathew, Samantha, and Austin. Mrs. Kathy Van Meter entertained at a belated Christmas dinner and gift exchange Saturday evening. Present were Sylvia Lovin, Wichita; Tim, Jolene and Clinton Nejd, Quinter; and Danielle Nejd and friend, Beloit. Sylvia was a weekend guest and attended church services at Lyle with her mother. She returned home on Monday. Mrs. Marguerite Fullerton and Mrs. Margaret Magers took Charlie and Judy Easton, of Quinter, a kettle of potato soup Saturday to remind her of her birthday. This was always Judy's choice for her birthday as she was growing up. On Sunday Mrs. Magers drove back to Quinter where the J.T. Guy family, of Abilene, met Judy and Charlie and Mrs. Magers for a birthday dinner. Bruce and Leatte Bandy, Brett and Lynn Bandy, and Savannah Eisenbart, of Colby, brought Sunday dinner to the home of Marguerite Fullerton. That evening David and Jennifer Johnson, Great Bend, brought her a dessert made with Canadian blueberries. Celebrating a late Christmas Sunday at the John Helm home were Jim and Yanis Helm and Jaime and foster sons, Brandon and Maurice, Danbury; Helena Helm and Brian Perks, Chadron, Neb.; Maria Helm and Derek Downer, Hastings, Neb.; Mike and Deb Helm, Aaron, Rebecca, Jacob, Matthew, and Timothy, Norcatur; Kathy and Robert Brashers, Curtis, Neb.; Zac Brashers, Ogallala, Neb.; Seth Brashers, Lincoln, Neb.; Martin and Ceanne Rinehart, John Rinehart, Anne Rinehart, Jarrett Cook, and Ethan and Carolyn Rose Cook, all of Colby. The Rinehart family is planning a card shower for Ceanne Rinehart as she will have worked 30 years at the hospital in Colby on Jan. 13. Their address is 1035 East Eighth, Colby, Kan., 67701. Carol Moye, Oberlin, and her mother, Veda Wood, visited Sunday at the home of Tielia and Mike Slater and family near Wilsonville, Neb. On Monday, Mrs. Fullerton and Mrs. Magers were in Norton and

visited Mrs. Ruby Strayer. They found that former Lyle resident Gerald Brown had been taken to Kearney, Neb., to the Good Samaritan Hospital. The Browns' daughter and husband, Tom and Judy Nebgen and their daughter and husband, Ginger and Scott Johnson, Ashley and Ben, all of Illinois, were here for the holidays and were in Kearney with him. Gene and Laurene Van Otterloo brought Lee and Donna Van Otterloo, of Joplin, Mo., to the Marguerite Fullerton home for a visit on Tuesday. Mrs. Kathy Van Meter and Mrs. June Jolly drove to Orleans, Neb., New Year's Eve for a celebration there. On Monday evening Mrs. Jolly and Karen Brown played cards at the Eagles Lodge in McCook. Laurie Helm, St. Joseph, Mo., arrived at the John Helm home Tuesday evening. On New Year's Day she and her parents attended Mass at St. Catherine's Church at Indianola, Neb. Kathy Brashers, Curtis, Neb., met there and all had brunch in McCook. They had a nice visit with Diane and Terry Rippe and Randy and Julie Chambers and son, Cody, and saw Mike and Deb Helm and family at one of the shops. En route home they called at the Jim and Yanis Helm home. Visiting at the Jim Helm home were Yanis' sister, Daisy and her family, of Killeen, Texas. On New Year's Day, Van Cozad, Beaver City, Neb., brought salmon steaks to the home of Margaret Magers for her to bake. Mrs. Kathy Van Meter shared dinner with them and all spent the afternoon playing cards. Coleen and Laverne Ripe visited their son, Gail and Janet Rippe, and daughter, Allison, Wednesday evening and drove on to McCook, Neb. for supper out. Sandra and Larry McNames and Carol Moye visited Thursday with Mrs. Veda Wood. On Thursday Mrs. Fullerton and Mrs. Magers were in Oberlin for a doctor's appointment and had lunch with Gene and Laurene Van Otterloo. They visited Mrs. Irene Powell at the Good Samaritan Center. Mrs. Fullerton was to have medical tests taken Friday morning at the Decatur County Hospital.

Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

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| <p>OBERLIN SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH
785-475-3103
The Rev. Mathew Vazhappilly, The Rev. Mr. Stan Chapin, MASS: 10 a.m. Sunday</p> <p>IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC, LEVILLIE
The Rev. Mathew Vazhappilly
MASS: 8 a.m. Sunday.</p> <p>SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, SELDEN
The Rev. Mathew Vazhappilly
MASS: 10 a.m. Sunday</p> <p>OBERLIN SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
Arlyn Cochran, Minister
539 E. 2nd St., St. Francis
SATURDAY: Sabbath School, 9:15 a.m.; Saturday Worship, 11 a.m.</p> <p>JENNINGS-DRESDEN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH JENNINGS
Glenn Krebs, pastor
SUNDAY: Church School, 10 a.m. Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
DRESDEN
SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9:30 a.m.</p> <p>PRAIRIE CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST
The Rev. Doug Hasty
SUNDAY: Church Services, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 8:30 a.m.</p> <p>HERNDON IMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
The Rev. Nolan and Barbara Pierce
SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 10 a.m.</p> | <p>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. 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.
OBERLIN COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP (Southern Baptist)
Pastor: Bobby Cornelius
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m. Evening Service, 7 p.m. WEDNESDAY: Service, 7 p.m.</p> <p>OBERLIN UNITED METHODIST 102 North Cass — 785-475-3067
The Rev. Doug Hasty
SUNDAY: Church School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m. (Nursery provided.) WEDNESDAY: Choir practice, 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>CLAYTON UNITED METHODIST
Pastor: Charles Keller
785-693-4339
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.</p> <p>PIONEER BAPTIST CHURCH
Meeting Temporarily at
119 S. Cass Ave., Oberlin
Pastor Steve Smith
Phone 785-475-3844
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Service, 11:00 a.m.; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m. WEDNESDAY: Bible Study & Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m. Transportation is available to all of the services.</p> | <p>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.</p> <p>OBERLIN CHURCH OF CHRIST
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: Ladies Home Bible Study, 9 a.m.; Home Bible Studies, 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC, HERNDON
The Rev. Damian Richards
Phone 785-322-5560
MASS: SUNDAY, 8 a.m.</p> <p>HERNDON COVENANT CHURCH
Keith Reuther, Pastor
Phone 785-322-5316
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Bible study, 7 p.m.</p> <p>NORCATUR UNITED METHODIST
Pastor: Charles Keller
785-693-4339
SUNDAY: Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Church School, 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>LYLE UNITED METHODIST
Pastor: Charles Keller
785-693-4339
SUNDAY: Morning Worship 8 a.m.</p> | <p>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.
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.</p> <p>ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
The Rev. Chad M. Eckels, Pastor
785-475-2333
Share the Faith — as for me and my household we will serve the Lord!
SUNDAY: Sunday School and Bible class, 9:15 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Adult Bible Study, 6:30 p.m. WEDNESDAY: Quilters 9 a.m.; Midweek School, 4-7 p.m. THURSDAY: Information Class, 7 p.m.</p> <p>FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH
404 North York Avenue
Oberlin, Kansas
Pastor Charlotte Strecker-Baseler
Church Office Phone: 785-475-2053
SUNDAY: Worship, 9:30 a.m.; Fellowship and Educational Hour, 10:45 a.m. Holy Communion first and third Sundays. Congregation Council, third Sunday, 10:45 a.m. Youth Group, first and third Sundays, 10:45 a.m. WEDNESDAY: Confirmation class, 6:30 p.m.; Women's Bible Study second Wednesday at 9:30 a.m.</p> |
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