

Congratulations to the Oberlin girls power lifting team, who won the 2A state championship. Kortney and Kaitlyn Stapp were members of the team.

Easter dinner guests of Donna Warren in Oberlin were Fern Mapes, Goldie Brewer, Mike Mapes, Janet Fike, Paul Foth and Deanna Foth.

Fern Mapes visited her brother, David Schlingloff, in Hill City on April 12. From Hill City they went to Claflin to visit their nephew, Carrol Crossfield, and on to Ellinwood to visit their sister, Bernice Crossfield, helping to celebrate her birthday.

Easter Sunday dinner guests of Lora Linn Leichter were Rodney, Lisa and Laci Leichter, and R.D. Thornton.

Easter weekend guests of Dorothy and Kenneth Ward were Mr. and Mrs. Mark Ward, K.J. and Brandon of Hugo, Colo.

Ron and Jerry Temple hosted Easter Sunday dinner at their home. Guests were Larry, Suzanne, Simone and Marcus Cahoj, Atwood; Jerry and Lisa Rhodes, Scott and Tracey Hartzog, Norcatour; Jessica Rhodes and Caden, Norton; and Willem Hendrick Postma and Johannes Jurgens Burger, from South Africa.

Juanita Eckhart, Cathy Claussen and Beth Johnson attended the Easter sunrise services at Lyle.

Cathy Claussen was an Easter dinner guest of Beth Johnson and Fred Molzahn.

Easter Sunday dinner guests of Bob and Kay Strevey were Darrel and Alice Barnett, Marylyn Barnett and a friend from Hastings, Neb., Hollie and Justin Ricke, Wendy and Loren Tien and Glen Strevey.

Easter weekend guests of Lula and Wilbur Hix were Lynn and Ed Wedow, Scottsdale, Ariz., and the Wedows' daughter and granddaughter, Chanin Floyd and Ava, who met them at Denver International Airport and accompanied them to Norcatour.

Easter dinner guests of Bill and Bee Nelson were Marguerite Clark, Lee Eckhart and Bob Sawdon.

Mark your calendar for this Saturday and join in the Norcatour Annual City Wide Garage Sale. Clubs are encouraged to have stands, bake sales, etc. The cost to set up and sell is \$5 and should be paid to Carolyn Plotts. She will make a map showing each location. Those from out of town are also invited to set up a garage sale or booth.

Bob Strevey reports that they will have a collection of paintings for sale during the community garage sale on Saturday, including paintings by local artists. They will be at Keith's Market.

An area in Keith's Market has also been reserved for clothing donations. The clothing will be sorted, packed and shipped to Mexican-American Ministries in southwest Kansas. For more details, see Bob Strevey.

The camping season begins in early June. The United Methodist

Church has three camping sites in Kansas: Horizon (east of Arkansas City), Lakeside (north of Scott City), and Mary Dell (south of Abilene). There is grant money available to any youth in the Norcatour area, regardless of church affiliation. For more information, contact Pastor Charles Keller.

Members of the Relay for Life committee are willing to be guest speakers at club meetings. If your club is interested contact Peg Smith (785) 475-2296 or Sarah Fredrickson (785) 475-3135.

Birthdays and anniversaries: Leta Strevey, Gary Anthony, Forrest Jackson - April 23; Greg Sumner - April 24; Yvonne Sumner - April 25; Gerald Jackson, Pearl VanSickler, Les and Lynn Ward - April 26; Goldie Brewer - April 27; Inez Keller - April 29; Rodney and Janice O'Hare - April 30.

Bill and Bee Nelson attended the open house in Norton on Saturday, which honored Maxine Brooks on her 85th birthday.

Clint Hatfield is back from California. He visited his brother in Palm Springs, and enjoyed playing golf at the P.G.A. West, Greg Norman Stadium, and Palmer, private home of the Bob Hope Chrysler Classic.

There were 14 at Senior Citizens on April 18. Winners were Virgil Price, LaVerne Milner and Charissa Huff. The next meeting will be at 7 p.m. on Friday at the Educational Building.

Easter guests of Marian Dempewolf were Doug, Chris, Sharee and M.J. Dempewolf; Dave, Patty, Kortney, Kaitlyn and Sam Stapp; Greg Dempewolf, Bob Dempewolf and Rose Riffle, Linda Dempewolf and Dave Schlep.

R.D. Thornton had lunch on Saturday with Moe and Dee Francis, Dean and Eloise Thornton, Shelby Thornton, and Shon and Karen Thornton and family.

# Moisture should help wheat

For quite a while, I thought the area was heading toward another dry spring where short and thin wheat stands would likely prevail. However, I have been mildly surprised with the weather this past month.

The area has had some abnormally warm days with 80-plus degree weather, but in general, we've had spring temperatures in the 60s with some much-needed moisture. The wheat has really responded, and most of it has the potential to make a good crop. There are a few fields with thin stands, probably due to poor establishment. Overall though, I am cautiously optimistic that the area wheat fields will produce a good crop if this weather continues.

The next question is how the various wheat varieties are responding. Our five northwest Kansas counties, each has a wheat test plot with 12 hard red winter wheat varieties and three hard white winter wheat varieties, except Decatur, which has only two hard white winter wheat varieties.

The Kansas Wheat Commission has sponsored a comparison between no-till and conventional-till wheat, so all 12 varieties have been drilled with both tillage systems. Ten other sites throughout northwest Kansas have the same comparison. This three-year comparison study will provide multi-site and multi-year information for producers.

These plots can be viewed any time, but field days will be held at the following times and locations: Sheridan County — June 4, 7 to 8:30 a.m., 1 mile east and 1.5 miles south of Hoxie; Trego — June 4, 5:30 to 7 p.m., 4 miles north and 4 miles west of WaKeeney; Norton — June 5, 5:30 to 7 p.m., 6.5 miles west of Norton; Decatur — June 6, 7 to 9 a.m., 4 miles west of Oberlin; and Gove — June 6, 4 to 8 p.m., 2 miles east and 0.5 miles north of



## Extension Lines

By Brian Olson  
Extension Agronomist

Quinter.

On another note, many producers are thinking of scaling back corn planting populations on irrigated ground to try extending the usefulness of water coming from pivots with low pumping capacities. Producers could go from 30,000/A to 26,000/A and not hurt production by much.

However, if producers go from 30,000/A to 20,000/A, they are basically capping their yield potential markedly below what the previous potential was, while production costs will be very similar per acre except for reduced seed cost. They won't save a significant amount of water because corn canopy development will be less.

More water evaporation at the soil surface will occur and more

weeds could emerge.

The best alternative for producers is to split a circle in half on a limited capacity well, planting one side to corn and the other to wheat, grain sorghum, or sunflowers.

There is also some concern whether insured irrigated corn acreage planted at a significantly reduced rate will qualify for full coverage. Before planting, producers should check with their insurance agent.

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## Selden News

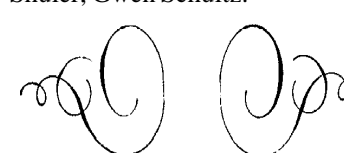
By Jacque Boultinhouse

On April 24 at Senior Citizens, Irene Kruse won high, Dorothy Lovin took second, Anna Albers got low and Leone Porsch had the most jacks. Other members present included: Betty James, Royce Cook, Lola Cook, Vesta Shea and Paulie Neff. On May 1, the Seniors will be having a pot luck dinner.

Helen Karls was a guest for bridge on Wednesday, April 23, at the home of JoAnn Vaughn in Colby.

Birthdays and anniversaries:

May 1 - Ron Shaw, Kent and Tenna Ashley; May 2 - Rudy Lechtenberger, Cody Shaw; May 3 - Lance Stoll, Harold and Eileen Murphy, April Hunziker, Nicole Moore; May 4 - Tim and Monica Svoboda, Shane Boultinhouse; May 5 - Joe Lobato; May 7 - Debi Shuler, Gwen Schultz.



## Cedar Living News

Freda Gamblin is a new resident. Dennis Brown and Stuart Euhus of St. John's Lutheran Church gave the Easter Sunday worship service.

Gertie Fleckenstein spent Easter Sunday with family members. Don and Merle Thomas were Easter dinner guests of the Dennis Thomas family.

Myrna Jones and Carol Witt assisted with the music on Monday afternoon. Fern Moore gave the reading program on Tuesday morning.

Dennis Brown of the Forget-Me-Nots served donuts on the patio Wednesday morning.

Bea Wolfram celebrated her birthday on Wednesday.

The April birthday party was held on Wednesday afternoon with the Eastern Star as hosts. They served ice cream and cookies. Those celebrating April birthdays were Freida Matheny, Bea Wolfram, Lloyd Beneda and Floyd Bryan. Each received a gift from the Eastern Star and a balloon from the staff

at Prairie Petals. Carol Witt provided musical entertainment.

Recent visitors: Ann Martin, Don Grafel, Herndon; Jerry Temple, Dorothy Ward, Frank Ward, Lynn and Leslie Ward, Norcatour; Cliff and Clois Fiala, Colorado Springs; Eugene and Dona Mrstik, Leonard Fleckenstein, Jennings; Bob Karow, Denver; Kevin Vavroch, Topoka; Allan Vavroch, Manhattan; Bob Matheny, Marion, Neb.; Paulie Neff, Carl Mumm, Don Ashley, Selden; Kenneth and Pansy Price, Norma and Max Ward, Clayton; Joanne Dolance, Dallas; Judy and Gene Stark, Sun City, Ariz.; Susanna Dolance, Ann Arbor, Mich.; Mary Miller, Dresden;

Irene Fringer, Faye Miller, Lyle Gamblin, Karen Bennett, Eula Juenemann, Marie Jean Vavroch, Don Stapp, Dennis Thomas, Alice Shirley, Dewaine Stapp, Esther Lindquist, Alvina Gamblin, Carol Allan, Rachel Gallatin, Fern Jording, Elaine Bryan, Oberlin.

# 'God's Gift Of Peace'

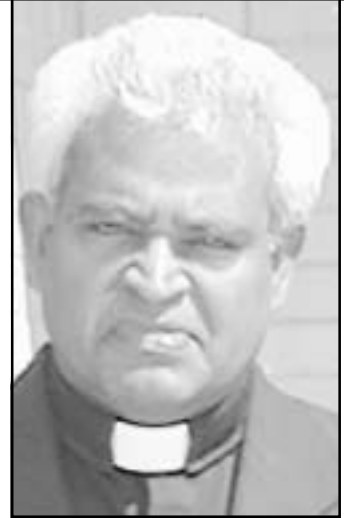
By Rev. Mathew Vazhappilly, Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Jesus sent His disciples out into a world that was turbulent. But he wanted them to be the messengers of blissful quietness and peace. He equipped them duly. He gifted them with His Holy Spirit. It is the Holy Spirit, the same power of Christ, that is at work within us. It is a powerful expression of a new life, a risen life. It is a vision of life through the incessant flow of the Lord's power.

Lord Jesus sends us, too, like His disciples, to

create a new heaven and a new earth, in and through the self-realization of Christ and a life in His spirit. That is the new world, of peace, of love and of joy, he wants us to create. Peace is a life experience of the gift of God's love. Peace wells up within a repentant heart and makes it overflow. When this peace flows out and reaches everyone, our gift is well used.

Let us pray, "Lord, make me an instrument of peace."



## Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

**OBERLIN SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
785-475-3103  
The Rev. Mathew Vazhappilly, The Rev. Mr. Stan Chapin, MASS: 10 a.m. Sunday

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC, LEVILLIE**  
The Rev. Mathew Vazhappilly  
MASS: 8 a.m. Sunday.

**SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, SELDEN**  
The Rev. Mathew Vazhappilly  
MASS: 6 p.m. Saturday

**OBERLIN SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH**  
Arlin Cochran, Minister  
539 E. 2nd St., St. Francis  
SATURDAY: Sabbath School, 9:15 a.m.; Saturday Worship, 11 a.m.

**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.

**PRAIRIE CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST**  
The Rev. Doug Hasty  
SUNDAY: Church Services, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 8:30 a.m.

**HERNDON IMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
The Rev. Nolan and Barbara Pierce  
SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 10 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. 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.

**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.

**CLAYTON UNITED METHODIST**  
Pastor: Charles Keller  
785-693-4339  
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.

**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. Visit us on the web at [www.pioneerbaptist.org](http://www.pioneerbaptist.org)

**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.

**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.

**ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC, HERNDON**  
The Rev. Damian Richards  
Phone 785-322-5560  
MASS: SUNDAY, 8 a.m.

**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.

**NORCATOUR UNITED METHODIST**  
Pastor: Charles Keller  
785-693-4339  
SUNDAY: Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Church School, 10:30 a.m.

**LYLE UNITED METHODIST**  
Pastor: Charles Keller  
785-693-4339  
SUNDAY: Morning Worship 8 a.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, 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 11 a.m. WEDNESDAY: Bible Study, 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.

**ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Interim Pastor: Don White  
Secretary: Norma Unger  
785-475-2333

Share the Faith — as for me and my household we will serve the Lord!  
SUNDAY: Sunday School and Bible class, 9:45 a.m.; Divine Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Holy Communion: 1st and 3rd Sundays; Tuesday: Lenten Services: 7:30 p.m.; Wednesday: KICK- 3:45 p.m.

**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.

## Supplement stock feed with summer forage

Summer annual forages are a good way for stockmen to supplement their livestock feeding operation.

These forages may range from growing sudangrass to forage sorghum to pearl millet, depending on each producer's operation. Forage sorghums and sorghum-sudangrass hybrids are best suited for silage production while sudangrass and pearl millet are best adapted for haying and grazing operations. The most drought-resistant is pearl millet.

Seeding rates vary for these forages with 10-20 pounds per acre for pearl millet in drilled rows, while 20-25 pounds per acre is planted for sudangrass.

Forage sorghums are generally planted at 4-6 pounds per acre. The higher seeding rates are due to a typical emergence rate of 65-70 percent. Soil temperature should reach between 70-75 degrees F at a planting depth of 1-1.5 inches. If soil temperature is below 70 degrees F, emergence and plant vigor will be poor.

When applying fertilizer, do not apply excess nitrogen. All of these forages can accumulate high nitrate values which can poison livestock. The general recommendation is to apply 30-40 pounds per acre nitrogen per ton of dry matter production minus the residual nitrogen in the soil.

Pest control can be a challenge with these forages. Typically, weed control is more troublesome be-

cause commonly used herbicides may not have a label for the forage type the producer is growing. Therefore, producers should decide before planting how they are going to control a weed infestation if one occurs.

With the recent rains, kochia is prevalent in some fields. Later in the spring, pigweed will start emerging. One option is to let the infested fields continue to grow. Both kochia and pigweed can provide protein to the animals, although they can cause accumulation of high nitrate levels, even toxicity. If cattle stocking rates keep the weeds grazed off, their seed production should be kept low. Therefore, producers need to weigh the pros and cons of short-term forage supply versus potential long-term increase in weeds.

For more information on these topics, publications entitled "Summer Annual Forages" and "Emergency Supplemental Forages" can be downloaded at the Web site: [www.oznet.ksu.edu/agronomy-block2](http://www.oznet.ksu.edu/agronomy-block2) under the Production and Pest icon, or visit your local county extension office to pick up a copy.

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