Our Community

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Bernie and Othelia Vacura of Oberlin were in Rossville on Saturday for the state meeting of the ZCBJ Lodge. It was the 100th anniversary of the Moravan ZCBJ Lodge of Rossville and Mrs. Vacura presented an anniversary sign to President Ben Stach of Rossville. She is state representative for the Cesti Vlastenci ZCBJ Lodge of Jennings and her husband, Bernie, is alternative representative. The Vacuras have also been selected as representatives to the National ZCBJ Lodge meeting at Milwaukee, Wis., in August.

David Chomowicz of New York City spent last week visiting John and Muriel Ready. His wife, Esther Ready, and their son, Nicholas, spent from Wednesday to Monday with the Readys.

Jean Earlywine, sister of Ila Ray of Oberlin, is recuperating from a broken hip at her home. She is a 1946 graduate of Decatur Community High School. Mail will reach her at 1642 Washington, Louisville, Colo., 80027.

Easter weekend guests of Nora Bearley were Bob and Sharon Bearley, Chris and Lonnie, Kensington; Max and Bev Bearley, Sharon Springs; Max Jr. Bearley and Isys, Colby; Jim and Sandy Allen and Amanda, Littleton, Colo.; Jerry and Montine Alstrom, Oberlin; Mark and Jessi Luck, Wichita; and Larry and Judy Bearley, Oakley.

-Teams needed for Relay For Life. Phone 475-3135.

Marie Jean Vavroch and her children, Allan Vavroch, Mankato; Kevin Vavroch, Topeka; and Janice Doyle, Lincoln, Neb., attended funeral services at Immaculate Conception Church in Grinnell for their brother-in-law and uncle, Kenneth Hoover, 73, of Lady Lake, Fla., who died on April 12. His wife is the former Ida Hickert, a sister of Mrs. Vavroch. Burial was in the church

Cheryl Davison of Tulsa is spending this week helping her mother, Phyllis McKay, prepare for her move to Jenks, Okla. Jamie and Allison Brewster spent the Easter holiday in Oberlin with her and helped with preparations. Jamie had also been here a week earlier.

Jonathon Howland, son of Caleb ana Saran Howiana, was top nopper during the Hop-A-Thon for Muscular Dystrophy held recently at Guys and Dolls Pre-School in Oberlin. He raised \$250 and total for the 11 participants was \$583. Deb Lohoefener is their teacher.

Fern Wenger and Jodie Wenger spent Easter weekend in Chicago, as guests of Jason and Sallie Wenger. Joining them were Ron and Linda Wenger of Dayton, Tenn., and Brian and Jennifer King, Tyler, Matthew and Brysen, of Cincinnati, Ohio. They also helped Fern, Ron and Sallie Wenger celebrate their birth-

Garrett Flax of Arnold took his First Communion on Sunday at St. Aloysius Church in Ransom. Those attending church and a brunch which followed to honor him were his parents, Vern and Cinda Flax, and Morgan, Arnold; Idella Frickey, Terry and Sandy Rush, Jennifer and Heather Ploussard, and Lemoin ter at the university.

Rush, Oberlin; Kevin Rush, Gavin and Gannon, Olathe; Pat Nichol, Utica; Mark and Bernice Barber and Ryan, Lindsborg; Bernard Flax, Wilmington, N.C.; Lori Dreiling and Jill, and Carol Geist, Hays.

Life. Phone 475-3135.

Charley and Marie Jean Hickert received word of the death of her niece, Julie Schlinder, 47, of Oakley as the result of an auto accident west of Lawrence on Sunday. She was a junior high teacher at Oakley and the daughter of the late Norman Hickert and the late Bessie Hickert. Her husband, Louis Schlinder, was taken to KU Medical Center, where he is being treated for injuries.

Winning highs in pinochle at Golden Age Center the past week were Myrtle Waldo, Henry Edgett, Dale Votapka and Dorothy Moore. Lows went to Dale Votapka, Doris Miller, Donna Kent, Floyd Edgett, Elsie Goodnight and Aleen Van Vleet. Pitch highs were won by Doris Miller, Floyd Edgett, Wilma May and Kenneth Van Vleet with lows going to Kenneth Van Vleet, Dorothy Moore, Dale Votapka and Aleen Vleet. Bridge highs were won by Janette Votapka, Mary Horney, Ila Ray and Jody Betts.

Carmie Wickham is recuperating Lonny Brewer, at Decatur County Hospital from recent knee replacement, which she underwent at McCook. She is the mother of Sharon Johnson.

with her grandson, Derek and Jennifer Reinhardt and Landon, at ris, service officer; and Charles Bogue. Others present were Kent Corcoran, chaplain. and Patty Reinhardt and Nelson, Bison; and Allison and Larry Gradig, Kylee and Devan, LaCrosse. Mrs. Lindemann spent time earlier in the month with her granddaughter, Polly Lindemann, and her grandson, Troy and Kimberly Lindemann, Luke and Elise, at Wichita. The Reinhardts brought

Benjamin Bryan, son of Floyd and Dale Marie Bryan, performed at Carnegie Hall on Sunday with the Kansas State Choir and the Kansas State Chorale on Sunday. The K-State groups, along with the Cowley College Concert Choir, Emporia High School Chorale, the Denton (Texas) High School Chorale and the Kansas State Alumni Choir, per-rickson. formed "The Testament of Freedom," by Randall Thompson. Ben is a graduate of Decatur Community High School.

Nathan Witt of Culbertson received a first place medal award in ceramics at the 28th Annual High School Art Exhibition and Paint-In held recently. It was hosted by the McCook Community College Art Department. He is a senior at Culbertson High School and is the and Industry, marks 25 years of son of Gary and Thelma Witt. His paternal grandparents are Eugene leaders from various walks of life, and Beverly Witt of Danbury.

Among 84 Fort Hays State University students who have been chosen as student orientation advisors are: Robert Fossum, Hays, but formerly of Oberlin; Christopher McKenna, Jennings, and Danielle Spresser, Selden, freshmen; and Jacqueline McKenna, Jennings, senior. Orientation advisors help incoming freshman and transfer students prepare for their first semes-

Kansas Sampler Festival set

The 2003 Kansas Sampler Festi-9,000 visitors. The 14th annual val will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 event is a project of the Kansas Samto 4 p.m. on Sunday in Independence. Among those planning to attend are Chamber Secretary Glenva Nichols and her husband, Harold.

p.m. on Saturday, and from 10 a.m. pler Foundation and moves around the state every two years. It will be held in Newton in 2004

and 2005. Admission is \$5 for adults; \$3 for

They are expecting from 7,000 to children ages 7-14.

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Couple plans June vows Wednesday, April 30, 2003

David Schomp, both of Hutchinson, plan to be married on Saturday, June 7, at the First Presbyterian Church in Colby.

Parents of the couple are Doc and Rochelle Mather, Clayton; and John Schomp and Debra Schomp, Charlottesville, Va. Grandparents of the couple are

Mary Carman, Colby, and Lillian Schomp, Earlysville, Va. The bride-elect is a 2000 gradu-

ate of Jennings High School and will graduate May 9 from Hutchinson Community College with an Associate of Arts as a paralegal.

Her fiance graduated from -Teams needed for Relay For Charlottesville in 1995 and will also graduate in the fall of 2004 from **Hutchinson Community College** with an Associate of Science Degree

Shower honors bride-to-be

Erica Stanley was honored with a der, Carrie Spresser, Jolene Fortin, Hostesses were Carol Manning, Peggy Roe and Donna Spresser. She will be married to Daren

Fortin on June 21.

Stanley, Kari Stanley, Ethel Schroe-

bridal shower on Saturday, April 19, Lori and Jessie Fortin, Kristi Fortin, at the Oberlin Covenant Church. Ardis Roe, June Fortin, Jane Carlisle, Joyce Juenemann, Donna Fortin, Anita Mumm, Jill Mc-Corkle, Diana, Danae and Kaitlynn McCorkle, Lynda Peters, Amanda Those who attended were Alice Grafel, Sharon Slabaugh and Karen

T. Heinrich, B. Schomp

Fort Hays State University.

They plan to make their home in

Hutchinson until December, then

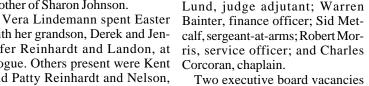
move to Hays, where he will attend

Legion elects new commander Walter Pennell was elected comficers were sworn in by John

mander of the

Oberlin American Legion Post during the meeting on Thursday Other new of-

ficers include: vice commander; Gary Allen, adjutant; Elmo



W. Pennell

were filled by Larry Ayers and

the nominating committee and of- May activities.

Gary Allen, outgoing commander, was presented with an American Legion clock and a replica of the U.S. Army Carbine Rifle by Commander Pennell and Mr. Bremer for his three years of dedicated service in the Legion.

Work nights in preparation for Memorial Day ceremonies will be held May 15, 22 and 25.

Flags will be placed at the cemetery beginning at 6 a.m. on Memorial Day, May 26, and removed at 3 p.m. that day. Volunteers from the community

are needed to assist. Four students applied for scholarships and one was selected. The next official meeting will be

Elmer Kathka was chairman of delayed until June 26, due to the

Relay for Life deadline near

Those who plan to be corporate sponsors for the American Cancer Society Relay for Life need to contact Dr. Gary Fredrickson by May 1 so T-shirts may be ordered. He will also need the logo for each sponsoring business.

Team captains need to turn in their team registration money and names of team members by May 1, along with T-shirt sizes, to Sarah Fred-

Luminary funds collected should be given to Peg Smith on a weekly The Relay for Life is scheduled

from 7 p.m. on Friday, June 6, through 7 a.m. on Saturday, June 7, at the high school track. For details, contact Mrs. Fred-

rickson, 475-3135; Ms. Smith, at 475-2296; Regina Stanley, 475-2143, or Chris Dempewolf, (785)

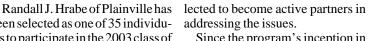
Man joins leadership class

been selected as one of 35 individuals to participate in the 2003 class of Leadership Kansas, a nationally recognized program that aims to develop and motivate future leaders for the state.

Leadership Kansas, a program of the Kansas Chamber of Commerce identifying outstanding potential informing them of key issues facing the state, and inspiring those se-

1978, Leadership Kansas graduates have included state officials, industry executives and community lead-

west Energy, Hays, is the 2003 pro-



Since the program's inception in

The class of 2003 was approved by the Leadership Kansas Board of Trustees, chaired by Marsha Chappelow of Blue Valley Schools, Overland Park. Larry Berg of Mid-





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Ryan Diederich

Sgt. Ryan Diederich is in the

Army Reserves and is a member of the 946th Transportation Company, Fort Dix, N.J. He was ship-

since then.

ped to Kuwait on April 5, but his family has not R. Diederich heard from him

He is the son of Marsha and Gary Richards, and Steve and Marilyn Diederich, all of Oberlin.

Tanner G. Woolsey

reared in Oberlin and graduated from Decatur Community High School in 1995. He attended Colorado University

for one year and while there, he joined the Air Force ROTC pro-

He then transferred to Kansas Bridgeport, Neb.

State University, where he was commissioned as an Air Force officer. He graduated with a finance degree in December 1999.

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From May 2000 to the present he has been assigned to the 18th Wing,

Kadena Air Force Base, Okinawa,

His work includes being an 18th Comptroller Squadron Deputy Commander and Financial Analyst. He is also Squadron Security and Operational Security Manager.



He was recently honored by re-1st Lt. Tanner G. Woolsey was ceiving the 18th Comptroller Squadron Company Grade Officer Award for the quarter from January to March 2003.

> He is the son of Bob and Terri Woolsey of Oberlin and the grandson of Dale and Eris Young, Oberlin, and Helen Woolsey,

Club News

Brownies make necklaces

By KIAH BLAU The Brownie Girl Scouts met was thundering and began to rain.

after school on Tuesday, April 15. After snacks, the girls performed the flag ceremony. Darian had the girls answer roll

call by naming a boy that is their friend. We had 13 members. The girls made a bunny pouch necklace craft from cord, beads

and a bunny face made of foam. Later we all went to Sappa Park for a nature hike to identify differweeds. We have to leave the park grade Brownie Scouts.

After we got back to the Methodist Church basement, the first-

earlier than planned because it

and second-grade girls sang scout songs. The third-grade girls discussed activities for their bridging project. When Girl Scouts move from one age level to another, it is called bridging. The third-grade Brownie Scouts will become Junior Girl Scouts. The Daisy Girl Scouts, kindergarten ent kinds of grass, trees and age, will bridge to become first-

Unit enjoys musical program Hearth and Home Unit met trict meeting will be held at Hoxie

of food for the Food Pantry.

Vice President Barbara Castor

April 21 with Faye Miller as host- on May 6. A musical program on ess. Roll call was to bring a can television was enjoyed for the program.

The next meeting is May 19 conducted the meeting. The dis- with Laurene Van Otterloo.

Stick-To-It 4-H Club meets

Stick-To-It 4-H Club met on April 13 at the Catholic church in Oberlin.

Talks were given by Anne Wasson, Cheyenne Soderlund, Dakota Soderlund, and Sara Kyte.

Musical family to perform

The Gateway in Oberlin. They will cultural and ethnic blending beginalso give a show Monday at Oberlin ning with pre-Columbian wind and Elementary School.

The family of five plays over 30 different instruments during the

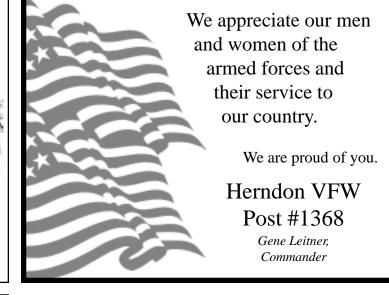
the morning, the sun being the first deity in importance. Alborada, to the Batista family, signals the beginning of a new day for them as they take their music throughout the

Often mistakenly called "Inca door.

Milo Batista and his family band music," present day Andean folk music is the product of centuries of percussion instruments played in Peru, Bolivian, Ecuador, Colombia, Chile, Paraguay and Mexico.

Their program includes songs and Alborada means the first light in tunes from Central and South America along with popular songs from the United States.

The event is sponsored by Western Plains Arts Association. Admission is by season ticket or \$12 for adults and \$6 for students at the



DCHS ALUMNI BANQUET RESERVATION COUPON

The DCHS Alumni Banquet will be held at The Gateway in Oberlin, Saturday, May 24, 2003 at 6:30 p.m. Doors open at \blacksquare 6:00 Banquet at 6:30. Mail reservations and remittance to: ■ Alumni Assn., P.O. Box 201, Oberlin, KS 67749. Deadline ■ for reservations is May 19, 2003. Price per plate is \$12.50

Alumni's Name

Class

Address

Space allows for alumni and spouse/guest. BE SURE to give address, class year and maiden name.

If spouse is also an alumni, please indicate the class year the spouse would like to be seated with: