

Dorothy and Kenneth Ward were called to Denver due to the death of their son, Douglas Ward, who died on May 12 of a massive heart attack. Funeral services were held Thursday morning, May 15. Other relatives attending from here were Lora Linn Leichter, Rodney and Lisa Leichter. Jay and Marilyn Mavity brought them home on Friday. The Mark Ward family of Hugo, Colo., and Ronald Leichter of Colorado Springs were also relatives who attended the funeral.

Birthdays and anniversaries: Kenneth Price, Charles and Inez Keller - May 21; Dewayne and Aurelia Jackson - May 23; Inez Jackson - May 24; Loretta Carter - May 25; Larry and Jodi Lyon - May 26; Jodi Lyon, Chance Harmon - May 27.

Congratulations to Senior Brandi Cook, graduating from Norton Community High School, who was left off the list of graduates.

Pansy Price went to Stockton for a track meet in which their grandson, Craig Wolf, participated. On May 16, Pansy and Kenneth Price were in Phillipsburg, taking their wagon, horse and mule to give rides to the second-graders. On May 17 they went to Sharon Springs for the graduation of his niece, Keli Wagner. On May 18, they attended the Norton graduation exercises and a reception for Melissa Hillbrand.

Graveside services were held Saturday at the Norcatu Cemetery for Ross Woodrow Hixon, 89, who died May 16, 2003, at his home in Norton. He was born Feb. 14, 1914, in Norton County, the son of Ross and Maude (Badelaar) Hixon.

Survivors include his wife, Eileene (rooks) Hixon of the Andbe Home, Norton; two daughters, Bar-

bara Trumpp, Phoenix, Ariz., and Beverly and Ed Morgan, San Antonio, Texas; five grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren; a brother, Bill Hixon and sister, Pearl Adams.

He was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers, Raymond, Chick and George, and a sister, Dorothy. Memorials were established to the Norton County Hospital or Andbe Home of Norton.

Keith and Linda Jurey, Albuquerque, were last weekend guests of Virgil and Joyce Price. They were en route to spend the week with Jason, Kathy, and Connor Jurey in Kennard, Neb., and Richard Jurey in Oklahoma City.

Rea and Dee Magers went to Beaver City, Neb., on May 16, to help Van Cozad celebrate his 95th birthday. The party was hosted by his daughters, Ruth and Karla.

Minh and Wanda Nguyen, Lone Tree, Colo., returned home May 16. They had brought their mother, Betty Reid, home after an extended stay.

Recent callers of Mrs. Reid were: Marguerite Clark, LaVerne Milner, Bee Nelson, David and Kathy Ankenman of Yucaipa, Calif.; Francis and Arlene, and Wilbur and Lula Hix. Albert and Doris Farr took her to Norton for dinner on Sunday.

Bob and Kay Strevey attended the graduation ceremony for Marylyn Barnett in Hastings, Neb., on May 17. They also attended a reception for her at her apartment. Other family members attending were Wendy and Loren Tien of Andover and Hollie and Justin Ricke of Wichita. David Hare of Norcatu and Kathy, Eric and Kristen Wilkens of Holdrege, Neb., were also there.

Marylyn Barnett made her debut on NTV (Channel 6 for Norcatu) as a reporter on live TV last Wednesday.

CORRECTION

An apology goes to Jay and Viola Gallentine from Bob Rapp for the item in the Norcatu News recently about how the Avenue of Flags got started. Jay Gallentine was the person who wrote to Keith Sebelius asking for a flag that had been flown over the U.S. Capitol in Washington so we could fly it at our Memorial Day services in Norcatu and also that we intended to start an Avenue of Flags.

The Norcatu History book which Ronald Temple had printed in 1986 gives the following account:

"The Avenue of Flags was initiated in 1972 and has been an impressive colorful addition to the ceremony. The Avenue has 87 flags — one for each of the veterans buried there and one that has flown over our nation's capitol. Jay Gallentine deserves credit for the idea of lining the driveways with flags. The idea was discussed with other World War II veterans — Lester Barnett, Bob Rapp and Tony Sebaugh. The idea did not take shape until Alice (Rubendall) Anderson's husband was buried in Norcatu. Alice again brought up the idea and it was finally agreed to try it, and the idea has been a beautiful addition to the Memorial Day Services."

Mr. Rapp noted that many veterans have helped with the services, but the most important has to have been John Duncan.

There were 14 members in attendance at Senior Citizens on May 16. Winners were Charles Keller, Clint Hatfield and Joyce Price. The next meeting will be a potluck dinner at 6 p.m. on Friday at the Educational

McGraw News

By Karl Launchbaugh

Mr. and Mrs. John Herrmann attended the preschool play on May 15, in which their grandson, Noah Smith, participated.

Mrs. Joe Cech visited Mr. and Mrs. Ray Weis Saturday.

Give your new tree a good start



Extension Lines

By Byron Hale
Decatur County Extension Agent

Oberlin residents have a great tree planting opportunity this spring: the city Tree Commission has three species of street trees available for homeowners.

These include breenspire linden, burr oak, and Prairiefire crabapple.

For complete information on this street tree planting program, contact the Extension Office

- Select the right tree for a site. To avoid problems, choose trees that are adapted to your location.
- Keep the tree well watered and in a shady location until planting. When moving the tree, lift it by the root ball or pot and not by the trunk.
- Before planting, remove all wires, labels, cords or anything else tied to the plant.
- Dig a proper hole. Plant the tree on solid ground, not fill dirt. Make the hole deep enough so the tree sits slightly above nursery level. The width of the planting hole is very important. It should be three times the width of the root ball. Loosening the

soil outside the hole so it is five times the diameter of the root ball will allow the tree to spread its roots faster.

• Remove all containers from the root ball. Cut away plastic and peatpots; roll burlap and wire baskets back into the hole.

If roots have been circling around in the container, cut them and spread them out so they do not continue growing this way.

• Backfill the hole with the soil that was removed. Amendments such as peat moss likely do more harm than good. There is no need to fertilize.

• Don't cut back the branches after planting except those that are rubbing or damaged. Leaf buds re-

lease a hormone that encourages root growth. If the tree is cut back, the buds release less hormone and fewer roots are formed.

• Water the tree thoroughly and then once a week for the first season if there is insufficient rainfall.

• Mulch around the tree. THIS IS IMPORTANT! Mulch should be 2- to 4-inches deep and cover an area two or three times the diameter of the root ball. Mulching reduces competition from other plants, conserves moisture and keeps soil temperature closer to what tree roots prefer.

• Stake only when necessary. Trees will establish more quickly and grow faster if they are not staked.

Rexford News

By Zula Horinek

Rexford PRIDE will hold their Farmers/Flea Market at the Rexford Park on Saturday, June 7. They are planned for the first Saturday of the month through September. Lunch will be provided by the Rexford Boy Scouts at the park.

Steve and Terry Salter, Daryl Carswell, Robert, Peggy and Brady Dible; Jared and Sara Dible, Lance and Maisha were May 10 evening guests of Rex and Betty Carswell.

Gary and Kay Cheney went to Syracuse on May 17 for the high school graduation exercises for Shanna Lynn Cheney, daughter of Marge and Duane Cheney.

Shanna was an honor student with a 3.5+ average. She will be attending Fort Hays State University.

Edna Colson attended the eighth grade graduation at Hoxie on May 20 for her twin granddaughters, Janna and Julia Colson, daughters of Arthur and Nancy Colson, then was an overnight guest of the Colsons.

Royal Neighbors met Thursday at the community building with Marg Leh as hostess. They went to the cemetery to place RNA flags on the graves of deceased members.

Social Hour Club met Wednesday at the Barn. The hostess gift was won by Cleda Moeder. She also received a birthday gift from

her secret pal. Bingo prizes were won by Grace Cheney, Jean Hawkins, Vesta Roth and Deb Stepper.

Vesta Roth and Deb Stepper went to Logan to decorate graves of Deb's family.

Gary Delzeit took his mother to Austin, Texas, where they attended Melissa Delzeit's graduation. She is Gary's niece and Zula's granddaughter. Melissa is the daughter of Terry and Karen Delzeit. Gary and Terry are twins. They had a very enjoyable time telling of times they lived at Fort Dodge and pranks they pulled while there, and of growing up together. Many of the things were new to their mother.

Cedar Living News

Dennis Brown of the Forget-Me-Nots hosted a party on Monday afternoon. He served watermelon to residents, staff and guests. Myrna Jones and Carol Witt gave the music program on Monday afternoon.

Waunita Stoney assisted in the activity department all week.

Fern Moore hosted the reading group on Tuesday morning.

Louise Nauer won the first bingo on Tuesday afternoon and Freda Gamblin won the blackout game.

Barbara Solko assisted with pinocle on Wednesday afternoon.

Stuart Euhus gave the Bible Study lesson on Wednesday afternoon.

Frances Nothdurft and V.W. Sauvage hosted a party held at noon on Saturday. They served cake and ice cream to residents and staff.

Gertie Fleckenstein spent Sunday with family in honor of her birthday on Monday, May 26.

Recent visitors: Tom and Glenva Burrell, Max, Neb.; Rachel Grace, Steve Martin and L.J., McCook; John Miller, Culbertson; Darla Brock, Hartford, Conn.; Anna Martin, Herndon; Jerry Temple,

Norcatu; Marj and Phil Law, Lorene Anderson, Lakewood, Colo.; Joseph Schmaderer, Ludell; Dolores Smith, Harrison, Ark.; Don Ashley, Selden; Nadine Chandler, Aneta and Royal McKay, Denver; Otis Skubal, San Antonio; Keith Mines, McPherson; Cliff and Clois Fiala, Colorado Springs; Allan Vavroch, Manhattan; Linda Clapp, Grand Island; Bridget Cramer, Bill Cramer, Marion, Ind.; Cathy Wenger, Denton, Texas; Lois McKinley, Ellsworth; Dennis and Jerridee Vernon, Kanopolis; Elna and Gayle Fortin, Brighton, Colo.; Dorothy Stephens, Selma, Calif.; Rosa Brock, Bill and Carolyn Brock, Lindsborg; Don and Carolyn Metcalf, Hoyt; Edna Smith, Lawrence; Larry and Sandy Wolfram, Liberal; Charles and Eloise Siegfried, St. Francis; Janice Doyle, Lincoln, Neb.;

Ira Kolsky, Eleanor Kircher, Faye Miller, Fern Jording, Dee McDougall, Elaine Bryan, Lyle Gamblin, Betty Jenik, Marie Jean Vavroch, Eula Juenemann, Phyll and Connie Cramer, Oberlin.

received 1 ratings at the state festival included: Nik Martin and Chelsey Williams, poetry interpretation; and Anikka Martin, prose interpretation. Those with 2 ratings were: Nathaniel Martin, prose; Curtis Brown, informative; Anikka Martin and Renae Solko, duet acting; and Nathaniel Martin and Nik Martin, duet acting. Their coach is Pam Brown.

Cecelia Lehman of Tribune was a last weekend visitor of Ann Martin. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Conant of Myessa, Ore., were Sunday visitors.

Richard and Theresa Rippe hosted a reception for their daughter, Brenda, in honor of her college graduation, at the Corner Garden Restaurant in Hays. Those attending were Kevin, Tim and Rodney Rippe, Alicia Burkhalter, and Pat Sloan. Colby; Cliff and Sue Rippe and Jennifer Leitner, Wichita; Emily Blank, Smith Center, and Jessica Hofaker, Logan.

Wilma Tongish entertained classmates and friends of the classes of '43 and '48 at the Tongish home Saturday before they attended the Herndon Alumni Banquet. Guests were Don and Joan Grafel, Bob and Vera Bobinmyer, Georgia Moore, Bob and Geraldine Nemeth, Ruth and Ray Coursey, Clemens and Rose Kogl, and Lloyd and Betty Harden.

Senior Citizens business meeting was held last Wednesday at the Senior Center. Bingo was played. Emery Kompus had blackout and Margaret Riener won the door prize.

Herndon News

By Carol Ginther

Funeral services were held on May 19 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Lancaster for John Marshall "Duke" Morland, 92, who died May 15 at the Horton Hospital. He was the son of Duke and Lottie (Sears) Morland and a brother to Ann Fleckenstein, a former resident. Survivors include his wife, Esther; five sons; a daughter; and another sister, Lila Justice.

Inurnment will be a 2 p.m. on Monday, June 2, at Fairview Cemetery at Atwood.

Sympathy is extended to the family of William M. "Bill" Kogl, 99, who died May 14, at the Good Samaritan Center in Atwood. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated May 17 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Atwood with Father Damian Richards officiating. Memorials were established to Mount Calvary Cemetery, Atwood, or St. Mary's Cemetery, Herndon.

Chelsey Schissler, April Portschy and Nik Martin were awarded the Lyle Springer Memorial Scholarship. Mr. Springer was industrial arts teacher at Herndon and was killed in an automobile accident. His wife, Charlene Springer, made the presentation of plaque and \$250 to each student during an awards ceremony at Herndon School.

Students in the fifth- and sixth-grade at Herndon School planted flowers in the downtown planters and park, assisted by PRIDE. They included Valentine Solko, Ashli Samson, Brittney Swart, Brandi Williams, Cody Upton, Cody Chambers and Charles Solko.

Herndon forensics students who

'There is Much Need for Love'

By Pastor Barbara Pierce, co-pastor,
United Church, Oberlin, and Church of Christ, Herndon

There is much need for love and there is much need for understanding of love. There are hate groups, and abuse abound.

We need a good understanding of love. We can get it from parents, siblings, family members, teachers, clubs and the church. Many of these along with psychologists, counselors and others emphasize the importance of love. The basic understandings and qualifications of love are found in the Bible. The 13th chapter of I Corinthians is an excellent expression of what love is and how it works.

Those verses begin with the idea that we may have the best language skills, but if we do not express love, we are no better than a noise maker, such as a loud gong or clanging cymbal.

Next the scripture teaches that if one is highly in-

telligent, having the power of prophecy, and has faith enough to move mountains, but has no love to teach and share, that one is not worth anything. And if one gives away everything, even giving up his/her body (does this describe a suicide bomber?), but has no love, that one gains nothing (verses 1-3).

Then verses 4-7 teach how love is actively involved in our lives. It says, "Love is patient and kind; love is not jealous or boastful; it is not arrogant or rude. Love does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrong but rejoices in the right. Love bears all things... endures all things." And verse 13, the last verse of the chapter, says, "So faith, hope, love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love."

How wonderful it is to live with love.

Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

<p>OBERLIN SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH 785-475-3103 The Rev. Matthew Vazhappilly, The Rev. Mr. Stan Chapin, MASS: 10 a.m. Sunday</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.</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>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.</p>
<p>IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC, LEVILLE The Rev. Matthew Vazhappilly MASS: 8 a.m. Sunday.</p>	<p>OBERLIN COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP (Southern Baptist) Pastor: Bobby Cornelius SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m. AWANA Club 4-6 p.m. Evening Service, 7 p.m.. WEDNESDAY: Service, 7 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 Wor- ship, 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>LUND COVENANT CHURCH Pastor: Tom Smith 10 miles south, 4 miles west of Oberlin SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Wor- ship, 11 a.m. SATURDAY: Men's break- fast & Bible Study, 7 a.m.</p>
<p>SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, SELDEN The Rev. Matthew Vazhappilly MASS: 6 p.m. Saturday</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC, HERNDON The Rev. Damian Richards Phone 785-322-5560 MASS: SUNDAY, 8 a.m.</p>	<p>ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH 510 North Wilson Interim Pastor: Don White Secretary: Norma Unger 785-475-2333 SUNDAY: Sunday School and Bible class, 9:45 a.m.; Divine Worship Ser- vice, 11 a.m.; Holy Communion: 1st and 3rd Sundays; Tuesday: Bible Study, 7:30 p.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>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 prac- tice, 7:30 p.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>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.; Fellow- ship 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 Sun- days, 10:45 a.m. WEDNESDAY: Confir- mation class, 6:30 p.m.; Women's Bible Study second Wednesday at 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>CLAYTON UNITED METHODIST Pastor: Charles Keller 785-693-4339 SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.</p>	<p>NORCATU UNITED METHODIST Pastor: Charles Keller 785-693-4339 SUNDAY: Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Church School, 10:30 a.m.</p>	
<p>HERNDON IMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST The Rev. Nolan and Barbara Pierce SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 10 a.m.</p>	<p>PIONEER BAPTIST CHURCH 709 E. Oak St., Oberlin Pastor Steve Smith Phone 785-3844 SUMMER SCHEDULE — SUNDAY: Morning Service, 10:30 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</p>	<p>LYLE UNITED METHODIST Pastor: Charles Keller 785-693-4339 SUNDAY: Morning Worship 8 a.m.</p>	

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