

Chamber News

By Glenva Nichols

Fifth Wednesday is July 30. Be sure to sign up at the participating businesses for a chance to win \$50 in scrip from the Oberlin Business Alliance.

The hospital is having a golf tournament on Aug. 2 followed by a dinner and dance at The Gateway. Funds raised will go toward purchasing equipment for a Wellness Center. Contact Connie Grafel or Lynn Doeden for more information.

Coffee hour for July will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. at the chamber office on July 25. See you for coffee and cookies then.

Unified School District 294 will hold a public meeting at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, July 23, at the Norcatour City Office to discuss raising the local option budget. It is important that everyone attend.

Vacation Bible School will be held at 10 a.m. today at the Norcatour City Building, to follow up the one held in June.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Glass, Oklahoma City, spent from June 26-28 with Beth Johnson and Fred Molzahn. On Friday, June 27, Mr. and Mrs. Glass, Dorothy Lawn and Beth Johnson spent the day in McCook.

Goldie Brewer has returned home after spending almost a month in Colorado. Donna Vick, Monument, Colo., also came on her motorcycle to visit her mother.

A community bridal shower honored Melissa Miller on Sunday. She will be married on Aug. 9 to Curt DeDonder in Manhattan.

Recent houseguests of Bob Sawdon were his son, Ken, and grandsons, Sean and Sloane Sawdon, Glenwood, Minn.

Guests of Fern Mapes for a cook-out on July 4 were Donna Warren, Paul Foth, Janet Fike and Deanna North of Oberlin, Corky Conard of Norton, Goldie Brewer and Mike

Mapes. After the cookout, they all went to Norton for the fireworks display at the lake.

Rea and Dee Magers were guests at the Hickert reunion at the 4-H building in Norton on Saturday night. Those attending were descendants of Al and Amanda Hickert. Dee is a first cousin to the Hickerts.

Birthdays and anniversaries: Dickie Beachel, Lyle Auker Jr., Rea and Dee Magers - July 9; Dorothy Breiner - July 10; Renee Harman - July 12.

The Decatur County Fair is fast approaching and workers will again be needed. A sign-up sheet will be in the Cardinal Café, or call Kristi Gallentine at 693-4377. Fair dates are Aug. 5-9. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Barnett rode a motorcycle to Salina for the Fourth of July weekend to visit her sister and husband, Mary and Tom Wright. Their sons, Ren Wright and family, Blue Springs, Mo., and Russ Wright, San Antonio, Texas, were also there. Mr. and Mrs. Darren Barnett and family of Haysville visited on July 6. They also enjoyed their grandchildren Sunday afternoon.

The Norcatour News volunteers

celebrated the July birthdays of Betty Reid and Bee Nelson on July 8 with cake and ice cream.

The Clayton United Methodist Women invite you to come hear Justine Miller tell of her recent M.E.??? Tour on Friday, July 18 at 2 p.m. at the church in Clayton.

Fourth of July guests for a cook-out of Doug, Chris, Sharee and M.J. Dempewolf were Ray, Jen and Bryce Thornton, Hays; Lisa and Laci Leichliler, and Ralph, Lynn, Jesse and Jacob Streit, Larned. Later they went to Oberlin to watch the fireworks.

Visitors of Marian Dempewolf, Oberlin, on Sunday, July 6, were Amber Dempewolf, Sharee and M.J. Dempewolf, and Kortney and Kaitlyn Stapp. The girls enjoyed looking at pictures after lunch.

The Summer Reading Fun Days ended July 1. The theme was "Laugh It Up at Your Library", with the crafts having a patriotic theme. The children made a U.S. flag from craft sticks, red, white and blue foam stars with their pictures in them, a U.S. flag beaded pin, and a U.S.A. bracelet. On the last day they enjoyed making their own brownie ice cream sundae.

Special congratulations to Megan Wentz and Amanda Marshall on completing the summer reading program. These girls had their 1,500 pages completed by July 1, and didn't start reading until June 9.

Remember, Aug. 8 is the last day to complete your reading to receive a special surprise. A big thanks to Deb Marshall for being in charge of the program, and to Andrea Marshall, Anthony "Blondie" Marshall, Sharee Dempewolf, and Jeni Henningson for assisting.

The summer heat is upon us, but on cool evenings you can hear the locusts, showing fall is not far away.

The community garage sales are coming fast. The closing time for sales to be put on the map, with your \$5 payment, is noon on Thursday. The maps will be available 3-5 p.m. Thursday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday and 7:30-10 a.m. Saturday.

Sand will be spread out on main street for the annual Beach Party, sponsored by Oberlin Business Alliance, to begin at 10 a.m. on July 26. There will be food, games and the Decades will be playing for listening and dancing from 8-10 p.m.

Two volleyball nets will also be set up for a 16-team tournament. Teams are to have two men and two women, so get your foursome together and sign up. The cost is \$50

Mount Pleasant News

By Dianne Bremer

Enroute to Danville on business, Anna Shaw was an overnight guest of her sister and family, Dr. Amy Seebler and husband Dr. Kyle Tipton, Anna, Andrew, and Erica in El Dorado on July 5.

Elaine Bodecker Samuelson, Lakewood, Colo., was a Wednesday overnight guest of Ralph and Violet Shaw. Elaine taught social studies at the Oberlin junior/senior high school during the late 1960s. Bob and Shirley Gaede, San Antonio, Texas, spent several days visiting her mother, Alvina Unger, and other family and friends.

After spending a few days visiting his parents, Mark Shields left Tuesday to return home to Tucson, Ariz. His wife, Corby, went to To-

peka to help her parents, Dennis and Betty Campbell, pack and get ready to move to Tucson since they have sold their home, and Kerick stayed with his grandparents for a few more days. On Friday, Gaylord and Shirley took Kerick to Salina to meet his mother, and return home to Tucson.

Mark Shields recently graduated from the University of Phoenix with a Masters degree in Business Administration.

Jennifer Shaw enjoyed spending a couple of days with friends at Mahoney Lake near North Platte before returning home Sunday afternoon.

Norman and Joanne Wendelin, Greta and Rory, were Saturday

evening dinner guests of Craig and Karen Larson.

Martin and Evelyn May attended the 50th wedding anniversary celebration for Myron and Darlene Veh at the Norton Library Sunday afternoon. Later that afternoon, the Mays attended the installation of Pastor Adam Reichert at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hoxie.

Pastor Don White, Atwood, and Karl Wendelin, Herndon, were Sunday noon dinner guests at the Norman Wendelin home.

Stean Olson was a weekend guest at the Jerry Olson home.

Dianne Bremer attended a Farm Bureau Gold Star Program evaluation committee meeting Tuesday in Salina.

Good Samaritan Center

Devotions were led by Joyce Ploussard on Monday. Little Sam's Daycare gathered in the Town Square to bring flowers. Daycare assistant Kristi Fortin and residents, with the help of daycare children, cut and glued a garden of "fun foam" flowers.

Assisting was Jan Badsky. Reminisce Time gathered to talk about music theory. Pieces from Wagner, Bach, and Tchaikovsky were shared and discussed. Mildred Holmdahl served social hour. Volunteers Margaret Majors and Kathy Van Meter joined Mildred Holmdahl to share cards with Ruth Laidig, Garrah Gaumer, Ivah Alexander, Jan Badsky, and Elva Shaughnessy. Others enjoying the excitement were Bonnie Weskamp, Leo Mooty, and Lorna Bishop.

Leading devotions Tuesday was Joyce Ploussard. Walk for Health activity gave residents a stroll round the building. Final destination will bring a celebration for all. Summer First Hand Friends came and shared reading time with their companions. Daycare children enjoyed a game of checkers with Men's Gathering. Volunteer Ellen Horn served social hour. Reminisce group gathered for activities led by Connie Miller and Becky Moore, activity assistants. Bingo concluded the day's activities.

Each Wednesday is set aside to let residents choose gospel song favorites. Joyce Ploussard led, and Cheryl Miller accompanied on the piano. Birthday greetings were ex-

tended to Ella Peterson by staff and residents. Bible study was led by volunteer Mert McEvoy. Those attending were Dea Gillespie, Helen Styles, Hazel Flaska, Ella Peterson, Garrah Gaumer, and Mamie Unger. Nail care was held with volunteers Dorothy Alstrom and Janice Winters. A birthday party for Ella Peterson was celebrated, with cake, at social hour. Ellen Horn served.

On Thursday Joyce Ploussard led devotions. There were also Catholic services in the morning with Ruby McKenna, Lois Buchholz, and Bonnie Weskamp attending. After lunch the residents did Walk for Health. The day ended with social hour.

Friday started off with devotions and communion. Elvie Brown, Agnes Chambers, Ivan Alexander, Helen Styles, and Marilyn St. Clair gathered for craft fun, led by Jessica Bremer. Ellen Horn was the volunteer for social hour. The day ended in a salad potluck, with families of residents and staff.

Dennis Brown led devotions on Saturday. Junior volunteer Mitchell Wittman led ball fun and Don Stapp served social hour.

The United Methodist Church of Oberlin led church services on Sunday and Phil Erickson, volunteer, served social hour.

Recent visitors: Ruby McKenna - Donna Chambers, Joan McKenna; Elva Shaughnessy - Varlan and Catherine Neal; Garrah Gaumer - Joan McKenna. Also visiting were Sally and Bob Oenon of Atwood.

Gary Matheny, McCook; John Miller, Culbertson, Neb.; Joseph Schmaderer, Ludell; Don Ashley, Betty James, Carl Mumm, Selden; Tom and Glenva Burrell, Max, Neb.; Marie Vacura, Pueblo, Colo.; Jerry Temple, Larry and Jody Lyon, Norcatour;

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'Power - Part III'

By Pastor Glenn A. Krebs, United Methodist churches, Jennings and Dresden

While it is true (to a degree) that "knowledge is power," as our society has become increasingly technical and professionals have become increasingly specialized, "knowledge" became increasingly difficult to define and obtain.

The blossoming of computer technology and the Internet caused a veritable explosion of information available to anyone with a personal computer and a telephone line. This has led to another saying: "Information is power."

It is this saying which is currently regarded as wisdom by our society. The person who possesses information is the person who wields power. This is proved by what is the most rapidly growing type of crime in America today: identity theft.

With computer equipment and the proper skills, a competent criminal can obtain all the information that makes up another person's identity: Social Security number, driver's license information, telephone number, address, employment status, credit card accounts, bank accounts, property ownership. With that information, the criminal effec-

tively becomes the person you are supposed to be.

And it's not just a criminal element that uses this information. Have you ever wondered how so many companies obtain not only your name and address, but your personal preferences regarding leisure activities, buying habits and profession?

One of the largest businesses in the world today is obtaining and selling this information to companies that use it to advertise their products, and are able to do so efficiently by targeting the people they think will be most likely to buy what they are selling.

If you have spent much time on the Internet, you are well aware of the astounding volume of information that is readily available.

A problem, I see, with that volume is not all the information available is of equal value. Very often I see or hear "facts" that have been obtained from a website. And very often those "facts" prove to be inaccurate or just plain false. Obtaining information from the Internet can be similar to buying a used car over the telephone; one has no idea whether the seller on the other end of the line is being truthful.



Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

<p>OBERLIN SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH 785-475-3103 The Rev. George Kochuvelikkakam, The Rev. Mr. Stan Chapin, MASS: 6 p.m. Saturday</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, LEVILLIE The Rev. George Kochuvelikkakam MASS: 8 a.m. Sunday.</p>	<p>OBERLIN SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH Arline Cochran, Minister 539 E. 2nd St., St. Francis SATURDAY: Sabbath School, 9:15 a.m.; Saturday Worship, 11 a.m.</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 4-7 p.m.; Evening Service, 7 p.m. WEDNESDAY: Service, 7 p.m.</p>	<p>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 break- fast & Bible Study, 7 a.m.</p>
<p>SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, SELDEN The Rev. George Kochuvelikkakam MASS: 7:30 p.m. Saturday</p>	<p>JENNINGS-DRESDEN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH JENNINGS Glenn Krebs, pastor SUNDAY: Church School, 10 a.m. Morning Worship, 11 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>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>OBERLIN SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH 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>NORCATOUR UNITED METHODIST Pastor: Charles Keller 785-693-4339 SUNDAY: Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Church School, 10:30 a.m.</p>	<p>ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC, HERNDON The Rev. Damian Richards Phone 785-322-5560 MASS: SUNDAY, 8 a.m.</p>
<p>HERNDON IMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST The Rev. Nolan and Barbara Pierce SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 10 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>LYLE UNITED METHODIST Pastor: Charles Keller 785-693-4339 SUNDAY: Morning Worship 8 a.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>

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