

Norcatatur News

By the Norcatatur News Committee

The unified school district will hold a public meeting at 7 p.m. tonight at the Norcatatur City Office, concerning raising the local option budget.

The Decatur County Fair is fast approaching and will be held from Aug. 5-9. There is a sign-up sheet for volunteers in the Cardinal Café, or call Kristi Gallentine at 693-4377.

Three Prairie Unit met July 10, with six members and one guest, Estella Harold, present. Mrs. Harold joined the unit. Roll call was something about the Fourth of July. Plans were made for Aug. 7 for the fair, and to entertain at Cedar Living and Good Samaritan Center on Aug. 14. Lorretta Carter drew the hostess gift, and Helen McVay was hostess.

Albert and Doris Farr visited Betty Reid on July 12. They were en route to Oberlin to attend a wedding.

Betty Reid and Marguerite Clark went to the cafe for lunch on July 13, then drove to Norton to visit Rex and Eve Wendel, at the Norton Manor.

Birthdays: Gregg Long, Mary Wentz, Oran Milner - July 20.

Bill and Bea Nelson went to Kansas City recently for his surgery check-up. Word has been received that he needs some further testing before he can return home.

Marguerite Clark kept the "home fires burning" — rather, the air conditioning running — t the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gail Rippe while they were vacationing in Indiana.

Virgil and Joyce Price enjoyed having their grandson, Jason and Kathy Jurey and Conner, visit from July 10-12. They were en route to a family vacation in Colorado, and planned to stop by en route to their home in Kennard, Neb.

Virgil and Joyce Price attended the wedding of Tim Bashford and April Steven on July 12 at the Church of God in Norton. A reception, buffet supper, and dance followed at the 4-H building.

Oran and Laverne Milner drove to Denver on July 12. They visited Bruce and Vera Bishop. Vera was honored on July 8 with a party for her 95th birthday at the White Fence Farms. Also attending the dinner were Bruce Bishop, Mike Bishop, Kin Bishop, Chlae Raplogle, George and Wilma Bishop, Paul

and Gene Bishop, and Minnie Ruth Bailey.

Bob and Leona Schoenrodt returned recently after spending four days in Dacono, Colo., visiting family and friends. They also visited with the Tri Town Seniors at their club, but still think Norcatatur is the best place to live.

School will be starting soon, and the Cardinal Café is looking for cooks, waiters and waitresses.

The library appreciates donations of magazines, but asks that they be not more than a year old.

NEW ARRIVAL

Elijah Charles Applebury was born July 7, 2003, at Hays Medical Center. He weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces. He is the son of Chad and Aimee Applebury of Colby. Elijah's grandparents are Bev Morris and Chet Morris. Great-grandparents are Gary and Annette Miller, and his great-great grandmother is Esther Miller.

Rea and Dee Magers attended the funeral of her cousin, Bertilla (Hickert) Conroy in McCook, on July 10, then had lunch in St. Patrick's Church basement with family and friends.

Most wheat plot results are in



Extension Lines

By Brian Olson
Extension Agronomist

Wheat plots this year had 15 varieties planted into both no-till and conventional-till systems, with the exception of Decatur, which did not have NuFrontier in the test.

Four of the five sites — Norton, Decatur, Gove, and Trego — were harvested, while Sheridan was damaged by residual Tordon.

There was no difference found between no-till and conventional-till systems when evaluating all the sites together. No-till was on average 6.2 and 8 bushels per acre better at Trego and Norton, while conventional-till was 7.7 and 8.3 bushels per acre better at Gove and Decatur. A more complete analysis of why this happened will occur at the end of the three-year study.

Since there was statistically no difference across tillage systems, yields for each variety were combined across tillage system and locations. NuFrontier (white) had the highest yield across the test plots, with an average yield of 62.5 bushels per acre, followed by Jagalene at 60.8.

Rounding out the top six were Alliance at 59.5, Trego (white) at 58.8, Vista at 57.2, and Jagger at 56.8.

Stripe rust probably affected which varieties had the highest yields. Of the top six, five had low stripe rust ratings, indicating they were resistant. Five of the bottom six, Stanton, 2137, Thunderbolt, Venango, Lakin (white), and Ogalala had high stripe rust ratings.

Following are the top three yielding varieties at each site with a designation of NT for no-till and CT for conventional-till beside them: Decatur - Jagger (CT) 57.3, Jagalene (CT) 57.3, Alliance (CT) at

55.2; Trego - Jagalene (NT) 59, Trego (NT) 53.9, and 2137 (NT) 53.8; Norton - Alliance (NT) 76.6, AP502CL (NT) 74.7, Jagalene (NT) 72.4; Gove - Jagalene (CT) 75, NuFrontier (CT) 74.4, Jagger (CT) 73.4. The top three varieties at Paramount Seed, which had 38 varieties, were Jagalene at 87.6, Jagger at 83.6, and Cutter at 78. Individual county results will be available at the county fairs, on the web and at your county extension office.

During harvest, many farmers were wanting the rain to stop so they could harvest their wheat. I believe most were fairly pleased with what they cut. However, all of this wishing for the rain to stop has caused Mother Nature to turn off the water entirely.

Since harvest, the condition of the summer crops has degraded considerably. Dryland corn and grain sorghum appear to be in the

worst condition in southern Gove County, progressively improving as you travel north. The 100-plus degree temperatures along with increased water use by corn and grain sorghum have caused many fields to exhibit significant stress. If moisture is not received fairly quickly, there will be a lot of fields chopped for silage.

To download a copy of the county test plot results, please visit the Web site: www.oznet.ksu.edu/agronomy-block2 or visit your county extension office to pick up a copy.

Brian Olson is multi-county extension agronomist for Decatur, Gove, Norton, Sheridan, and Trego counties. E-mail bolson@oznet.ksu.edu if you have any questions or would like to see a newspaper article on a specific crop production topic. For more information, contact the county extension office, 475-8121.

Good Samaritan News

On Monday, July 14, Little Sam's Daycare children gathered with residents to share crafts and play time. Volunteer Pat Abbey helped with baking to furnish fresh cookies for Social Hour.

Resident's Council was held Tuesday with Coleen Rippe leading the discussions. Men's Gathering was held. Dennis Brown served fried bananas with ice cream at Social Hour. Reminiscence Corner was attended by Dena Gillespie, Ruth Laidig, Ivah Alexander, and Ella Peterson.

Harold and Eleanore Demmer celebrated his birthday by having supper and enjoying bingo with their daughter, Connie Grafel, and family.

Mert McEvoy led Bible study Wednesday. Dorothy Alstrom and Pat Whetzel provided nail care and Ellen Horn served at Social Hour.

Thursday morning, Catholic services were held with Bonnie Weskamp, Lois Buchholz, and Ruby McKenna attending. Spelling fun was held with Lorna Bishop,

Agnes Chambers, Leo Mooty, and Vergie Nygren attending. For Social Hour, the children from Little Sam's shared banana splits with residents.

Current Events were read by Carol Duncan on Friday. F.R.O.G.S. Camp, led by "head frogs" Erin Duke and Anthony Marshall, and "head toad" Heidi Wiebe, shared singing and a pet parade. The summer day camp, in its second year, helped children from the community share in the intergenerational fun.

On Saturday, Dennis Brown led devotions and Goldie Stapp served Social Hour.

Church services were led by the Assembly of God Church on Sunday. Florence Vavroch served Social Hour.

Recent guests: Hazel Flaska - Don Karnes, Gerald and Charlene Karnes, Steve Karnes, Jon Smith, Chuck and Clea Morgan; Dena Gillespie - June Vavroch, Earl and Pat Hartzog; Ruth Laidig - Janice, Ernie and Eric Mehl; Dorothy

Wolters - Elsie Wolters; Harold and Eleanore Demmer - Carole Unger, Cindy, Jessica, Austin and Tara Traphagan; Elsie Macy - Elsie Wolters; Lorna Bishop - Ron and Lori Leiker of Hays; Hattie Olson - Sally and Bob Olson of Atwood, Mary Lou Olson.

2003 30th ANNUAL SHRINE SUPER BOWL OF HOPE
Wichita State University
July 26th 7:00pm
CALL 1-800-530-5524

'Power-Part IV'

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

We have seen the wisdom of our society acclaim, in turn, that money is power, knowledge is power, and information is power. I wish to offer you what I think will be the next in our long line of sayings (remember, you saw it here first!):

Critical thinking is power.

How does one go about sorting through all the information available to all of us? How does one decide whether or not to believe the "facts" presented by an Internet website? One can operate by trial and error, but that is time consuming and expensive. And sometimes, dangerous.

Here is where one of the oldest pieces of advice I can remember comes in very handy. That advice is, "Use your brain!" This is but a very simple way

to express the idea that critical thinking is important. The person who has a pile of information but does not have the critical thinking skills to discern what is useful, relevant, and true possesses much less power than the person with the same information and the ability to recognize its value.

I receive information via e-mail on a regular basis. Some of it is intriguing and seems plausible, but turns out later to be the product of someone's imagination. I have tried to sharpen my critical thinking skills in order to sort fantasy from reality. Without a high level of critical thinking ability, the astonishing volume of information available to each of us is relatively useless.



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are now being accepted at

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Decatur County Conservation District (785) 475-3131

To nominate a Decatur area producer, contact either office by August 4th.

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CARDIOLOGY:

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Denver, Colorado
Jeff Curtis, M.D. Wednesday, Aug. 20
Hays, Kansas

ONCOLOGY:

Martin Rubinowitz, M.D. Monday, Aug. 4
Denver, Colorado
Monday, Aug. 25

PODIATRY:

James Reeves, D.P.M. Thursday, Aug. 21
Lawrence, Kansas
Friday, Aug. 22

PULMONOLOGY:

Robert Albers, M.D. Wednesday, Aug. 27
Hays, Kansas

UROLOGY:

Kevin McDonald, M.D.
Hays, Kansas
Carl Newman, M.D.
Hays, Kansas
Darrell Werth, M.D. Thursday, Aug. 28
Hays, Kansas

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Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

OBERLIN SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH
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The Rev. George Kochuvelikkakam,
The Rev. Mr. Stan Chapin,
MASS: 6 p.m. Saturday

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC, LEVILLIE
The Rev. George Kochuvelikkakam
MASS: 8 a.m. Sunday.

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, SELDEN
The Rev. George Kochuvelikkakam
MASS: 7:30 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., AWANA Club 4-7 p.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
709 East Oak St., Oberlin
Pastor Steve Smith
Phone 785-475-3844
SUMMER SCHEDULE - SUNDAY: Morning Service, 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m. WEDNESDAY: Bible Study & Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m. Visit us on the web at 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.

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Beaver and Mill
Bill Duncan — Phone 785-475-3259
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 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.

NORCATATUR 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
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 Service, 11 a.m.; Holy Communion: 1st and 3rd Sundays; Tuesday: Bible Study, 7:30 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.

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