

The Norcatur Fire Department is having its annual Pizza Supper on Sunday, Jan. 25. Orders needed to be in by Sunday. For details, contact any Norcatur fireman.

Donna Vick brought Goldie Brewer home from Colorado on Jan. 7. Mrs. Brewer had spent five weeks visiting Jim and Donna Vick and Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Selva and sons.

Lynn and Ed Wedow, Scottsdale, Ariz., spent Christmas with her parents, Wilbur and Lula Hix.

Duane Kintigh, Courtland, spent Jan. 2 with Wilbur and Lula Hix.

Rea and Dee Magers visited in Norton recently with Marvin and Doris Faye Jackson, former neighbors in Norcatur. Both are doing better.

Birthdays: Dorothy Lawn, Maryllin Locy, Jan. 17; Marguerite Fullerton, Dean Van Gundy, Jan. 18; Jason Gallentine, Jan. 20.

Mrs. Katherine Severns, Norton, recently wrote a song titled "Freedom's Call", with music by Mitchel Hoppes, son of Pete Hoppes. A tape of the song was sent to the National Guard units in Salina and Fort Riley, which both sent 350 soldiers to Iraq the day after Christmas. The tape was played at farewell parties for the soldiers. Those interested in the song may contact

Mrs. Severns.

Beth Sebaugh drove to Garden City on Dec. 22 and Tammy and Jim Bunny accompanied her to Kansas City to spend Christmas with Tom and Telia Gilreath and Jeslin. Jill Bunny of Connecticut joined them.

Marlene and Ron Wolf and family were Christmas Day guests of her parents, Kenneth and Pansy Price. Recent visitors of the Prices were Lee Eckhart, Jeff Roe, Dennis and Roberta MacAllister, and Chuck Griffith. Kenneth and Pansy spent a day in Hays, attending a housewarming for Mr. and Mrs. Dean LeSage.

Word was received on Jan. 11 of the death of Elden Vanover, 86, San Diego, Calif. He was a graduate of Norcatur Rural High School in 1935. He is survived by his wife, Wilma, of the home; a sister, Dorothy Rowh, Scott City; a cousin, Velma Rogers, Colby, and other relatives. Memorial services are pending.

THREE PRAIRIE UNIT

Three Prairie Unit met Jan. 8 at the Educational Building with President Bee Nelson conducting the meeting. Roll call was answered with "A Fact About Kansas" by six members. Program books for 2004 were handed out and filled in, and Valentines were signed for veterans

in the Topeka and Wichita Veterans Hospitals. All planned to attend the Oberlin extension lesson at The Gateway on "Crock Pot Cooking." The next meeting will be on Feb. 12.

Everyone is welcome to join the pinocle group playing at 10 a.m. Monday mornings at the cafe.

Gary, Cathy and Keith Anthony went to Kearney, Neb., on Jan. 11 to visit Lorretta Carter in her new apartment. Her phone number is 308-698-7020.

Monday Bridge Club met with Esther Miller on Jan. 5. Winners were Ila Ray, Merle Shirley, and Alice Shirley, all of Oberlin.

Dorothy Woods, Beth Johnson, Ethel Miller and Joyce Price attended the joint installation of the Rebekah Lodge officers at WaKeeney on Jan. 10. There were 20 present for the dinner and installation. Officers for the Norcatur Rebekah Lodge are: Dorothy Woods, noble grand; Joyce Price, vice-grand; Beth Johnson, secretary; Arlene Hix, treasurer; Ethel Miller, chaplain, and Maxine Books, warden.

Virgil and Joyce Price visited Bob and Leona Schoenrad on Jan. 11. They enjoyed seeing the many crafts the Schoenradts make, and brought home some materials to make some of their own.

Has cold damaged wheat?

With the cold temperatures that came across our area a couple of weeks ago, some of you may be wondering if that could have caused some problems for the wheat.

Typically when the area receives this type of weather, the soil is not as dry as it is now. Soil moisture acts as an insulating blanket around the wheat crown, where the growing point is located. When there is very little moisture on the soil, the dry soil will quickly acclimate with air temperature. When air temperature is extremely cold, this stress has more of a potential to cause damage. Fortunately, some places did have snow, which also acts as insulation for the growing point. For those fields where snow was blown off or did not have much to begin with, there is potential for winterkill. These areas would be the tops of terraces where wind increased cold penetration into the soil.

The next question may be, "How much will winterkill affect my wheat crop?" Unfortunately, as we all know the wheat is already in a fragile state with a poor root system and poor stands. This is difficult to replicate in a trial situation, but a study was completed at Garden City where the percentage of winterkill was measured for its impact on wheat yield.

According to Merle Witte, K-State agronomist in charge of the project, the percentage of winterkill loss does not result in the same percentage of yield loss.

He also indicated "Growing conditions in early spring when tillering is occurring and during the grain-filling period when kernel numbers and kernel size are being determined affect the extent to which winterkill damage expresses itself. Thus, 25 percent winterkill



Extension Lines

By Brian Olson
Extension Agronomist

damage in one year may not be as damaging as the same percent winterkill in another year."

To simulate winterkill, two methods were used. In the first year, the appropriate amount of wheat, 0, 25, 50, or 75 percent, was hoed out. In the second year, the percentage that was to be "killed" was replaced with spring wheat, which died out over the winter. The average yield for the check treatment (0 percent winterkill) the first year was about 59 bushels per acre. The yield for the 25 percent winterkill treatment was 55.3 bushels per acre, or about a 6.5 percent yield loss. With the 50 percent winterkill treatment, the yield was 50.7 bushels per acre, or about a 14 percent yield loss. For the 75 percent winterkill treatment the yield was 46.8 bushels per acre, or about a 21 percent yield loss.

Average yields the second year of the study were lower because growing conditions during grain-filling were not as good, Witte said. The check, or 0 percent, winterkill treatment yielded 46 bushels per acre. The 25 percent winterkill treatment yielded 39 bushels per acre, or close to a 15 percent yield loss. The average yield for the 50 percent winterkill treatment was 32.5 bushels per acre (29.5 percent yield loss), and the average yield for the 75 percent winterkill treatment was 18.5 bushels per acre (59 percent yield loss).

In addition, in both years the most severe winterkill treatment resulted in a delay in the heading date with a reduction in test weights. In the first year there was only a small reduction in test weights. In the second year, with less conducive growing conditions, there was a 3.5 pound per-bushel reduction in test weight from the 0 percent winterkill treatment to the 75 percent winterkill treatment.

It is always important to remember that wheat is a survivor. Fields have typically been written off before and still produced a decent crop. However, this condition is yet another factor working against the wheat crop this year.

For a copy of this research, click on the Production and Pest Icon under the wheat section and download the document "Winterkilling studies with white- and red-seeded wheat" at the Web site: www.oznet.ksu.edu/agronomy-block2, or a copy can be acquired at your local extension office.

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.

Selden News

By Jacque Boultinhouse

Birthdays and anniversaries: Jan. 15 - Dave Wachendorfer; Jan. 19 - Myrtle Shaw, Bodie Sauvage, Anogene Rogers, Ricky Bullock; Jan. 20 - Jessica Shaw; Jan. 22 - Shirley Emigh; Jan. 23 - Frank Neff, Matthew Geisinger, Shawn Boultinhouse; Jan. 24 - David Bainter, Julia Roger; Jan. 25 - Diane Aumiller, George and Lola Wessel; Jan. 26 - Michele Goscha, Abby Boultinhouse; Jan. 27 - Bob Pope; Jan. 28 - Roger Aumiller, Gary Robinson.

On Jan. 8 at Senior Citizens, Cecelia Ottley won high; Bob Lovin took second; Leone Porsch got low and Lola Cook had the most tens. Other members present included: Catherine Campbell, Dorothy Lovin, Don Shaw, Carol Shaw, Alfred Albers, Don Smith, Anna Albers, Betty James, Irene Kruse, Vesta Shea, Gene Rogers, Paulie Neff, Clara Schieferecke and Annie Heim.

The next fire department meeting will be at 7 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 26, at the Selden library. Please try to attend as we are going to "burn down" a local business on paper.

The paperwork for the community building grant is moving along at a snail's pace, or so it seems right now. Be patient, we are getting there.

Chris Bainter has lost his little Skipperkey dog out northwest of town. If anyone sees a little black fuzzy thing please give Chris a call.

Anyone wanting to join the Selden Fitness Center or to pay up your 2004 dues please contact Judy Rogers, Teri Brantley, Elaine Koerperich or Helen Carman. The new membership rates are: individual - \$50; family - \$75, and individual or family monthly - \$10.

On Jan. 15 at Senior Citizens, Lola Cook won high, Shirley Emigh took second, Betty James got low and Dorothy Richards had the most kings. Other members present included: Carol Shaw, Leone Porsch, Catherine Campbell, Irene Kruse, Edna Schiltz, Don Smith, Dorothy Lovin, Vesta Shea, Don Shaw, Paulie Neff and Clara Schieferecke.

School Calendar: Thursday - Junior High basketball at Sharon Springs; Friday - High School basketball at Rexford with Triplains; Saturday - 9 a.m., speech meet at Tribune; Monday - 7 p.m., financial aid meeting at Rexford for seniors and parents.

Over the weekend, Rick and Tammy Shaw, J.R. Albers and Jacque Boultinhouse played in the monthly Pinocle Tournament at Rexford. J.R. and partner Dave

Williams placed third, while Tammy and Jacque Boultinhouse did not place. Tammy and Jacque did, however, beat the "boys" (Rick Shaw and Mark Basgall) with a score of 667, while the boys had 587. Next time, boys!

Herndon News

By Carol Ginther

Congratulations to Harvey and Roseanna Stoney, who celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Sunday.

Saturday visitors of Ann Martin were Mr. and Mrs. Kirche Martin, Indianola, Neb.

Sunday dinner guests of Don and Joan Grafel were Tom and Kay Franke.

Holiday visitors of Bob and Julie Hafner were Joe and Shannon Hafner and family, and Jeff Hafner, all of Scottsbluff, Neb. Jason Hafner and Raquel Frerichs, Lexington, Neb., were New Year's visitors. Jan Sattler was an afternoon visitor.

The Herndon seventh-grade scholar bowl team placed third at the Goodland round robin tournament. Team members are Logan Hoyt, Drew Basgall, Nathan Stoney, Sarah Grafel, Elijah Kastens and Cody Upton. Their coach is Jacque Leitner.

Recent visitors of Monica Solko were Tom Solko and Ethan Solko of Atwood. Ron Solko of Oberlin was a last Saturday dinner guest.

Connie and Mike James of Thornton, Colo., were omitted last week from the guests of Les and Myrna Pettera for an after New Year's lunch.

Goldie Oldies met on Jan. 8 at the Down Home Café. Those present were Helen Marintzer, Anna Mae Ketterl, Wilma Bobinmyer, Edie Pettera, Bernie Fred and her daughter, Linda Rocco, and Elizabeth.

Congratulations to Nathan Stoney, who placed first in the National Geographic Bee held at the Herndon School. Marcus Portschy placed second.

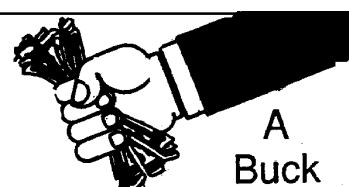
Herndon Senior Citizens met Jan. 7 at the Senior Center for a business meeting and birthday party, which honored Pooch Portschy. Maxine

Reuber read the poems, "Forgetfulness" and "Not Fit for Public Office." Ann Martin won blackout bingo and Maxine Reuber, the door prize.

The next potluck will be today with Ollie Hafner and Edie Pettera on kitchen duty. The next business meeting will be Feb. 4 with Dorothy Engleman as hostess.

St. Mary's Christian Mothers Altar Society met Jan. 11 at St. Mary's Hall with 12 members and Father Damian present. Lila Lietner presided and Father Damian opened with prayer.

It was decided to combine Mother's Day, Father's Day and school graduations with a breakfast on May 23. The fall bazaar will be Nov. 14 with turkey, dressing and ham dinner, followed by a raffle and bingo. Mrs. Denny Riener donated a handmade "Tree of Life" quilt for the raffle. Other raffle prizes will be discussed at the next meeting. Father Damian gave an informative talk and led the group with a closing prayer. Bingo, door prize and lunch served by the officers followed.



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'God's Will'

By Rev. Royce Leitner, Assembly of God Church, Oberlin

One of the questions a person may ask is, "What is God's will for my life?"

There can be many answers. However, the New Testament is the will of God, laid out in scripture reference. The work that is done in our lives by the Holy Spirit is to correct and fit our life to meet this will and testament, and we'll be judged accordingly.

Of course, there is opposition to this message, but nevertheless it is the truth. In this testament we will find "love, joy, peace, faith, kindness, gentleness, meekness, self-control, longsuffering . . ." (Galatians 5:22, 23).

These are the fruits of the Spirit.

So if you are searching for God's will, start with the Bible!



Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

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

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

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, SELDEN
The Rev. George Kochuvelikkakam
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.

HIGH PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH
122 S. Penn Ave., Oberlin
Pastor Steve Smith
Phone 785-475-3844
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Service, 11 a.m. and Evening Service 7 p.m.; WEDNESDAY: Bible Study & Prayer Meeting, 7 p.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.

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.

NORCATUR 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 Wierle
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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