

THE OBERLIN HERALD - People in Our Community

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Edith (Herzog) DeLay, 97, died recently at a health care home in Kirkland, Wash. She had taught a number of years in the Oberlin Schools and married Leigh DeLay. She was a 1924 graduate of Decatur Community High School. Inurnment will be held in the Fort Maxwell Cemetery.

Three area students were among those who completed requirements for graduation during the fall semester at Fort Hays State University. They include: Tonya Woolsey, Oberlin, Bachelor of Arts in Justice Studies; Amy Walker, Jennings, Bachelor of Science in Nursing; and Janel Beckman, Selden, Bachelor of Arts in Information Systems Administration.

Jerry Marietta, a former Oberlin resident and 1953 graduate of Decatur Community High School, was admitted to the Wyoming Medical Center in Casper, Wyo., on Jan. 22, where he underwent cardiac bypass surgery. He is recovering at home. Mail will reach him at 1360 Payne Ave., Casper, Wyo., 82609.

—Mardis Gras Cajun Buffet Tuesday, Feb. 24, 6-8 p.m. LandMark Inn. Call 475-2340.

Phyllis McKay of Jenks, Okla., was visiting relatives and friends in Oberlin last week. She came especially to help Berenece McKay, a resident of Cedar Living Center, celebrate her birthday.

Dr. Dana Young of Miami Beach, Fla., visited his mother, Barbara Young, and the Kirk and Holly Young family from Monday to Friday.

Arlene Ready of Rapid City, S.D.,

and John J. Ready of Sabin, Minn., left Monday after visiting over the weekend with their brother-in-law and uncle, John Ready and his wife, Muriel.

Among students named to the Dean's List for the fall semester at the University of Nebraska at Kearney were Stephanie May, Oberlin, and Lindsey Hanchera, Danbury, Neb.

Winning highs in pinochle at Golden Age Center the past week were Veanna Orr, Henry Edgett, Doris Miller, Donna Kent, Merle Shirley and Myrtle Waldo. Lows were won by Aleen Van Vleet, Lawrence Wenger, Doris Fringer, Elsie Goodnight, Alvina Unger and Kelva Swindler. Pitch highs were won by Floyd Edgett and Dorothy Moore with lows going to Doris Miller, Henry Edgett and Aleen Van Vleet. Bridge winners were Charlotte Meints and Beth Sebaugh. Senior potluck will be held at 12:15 p.m. Sunday.

Angela Fortin of Oberlin was recently named to the Sterling College Dean's List for the fall semester. She is a freshman and the daughter of Jack and Donna Fortin.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Wolters were Friday and Sunday visitors of their grandson, Levi James Wolters, who was hospitalized in Atwood.

Two area students have been inducted into the Spring 2003 National Honor Roll. They are Kelsey Jackson, Norcatour, and Chelsea Morgan, Danbury. The National Honor Roll recognizes high-achieving high school and middle school students. Only students with a B or better average are eligible.

Music and worship planned

Dr. Jan Kraybill will lead a weekend of music and worship on Saturday and Sunday in Colby, sponsored by the Western Plains Arts Association, Colby First Presbyterian Church and Colby United Methodist Church.

Dr. Kraybill is the daughter of Gerry Anschutz of Colby and the late Dick Anschutz. She graduated from Colby High School and holds degrees from Kansas State University and the Missouri Conservatory of Music. She has held concerts as pianist and organist throughout the U.S. and abroad, performing in Russia, Poland, and extensively in the United Kingdom on historic organs. Events on Saturday will include workshops for choral musicians and children, culminating in an interac-

tive Hymn Festival called "Hope, Love and Joy," at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday at the Colby United Methodist Church, 950 S. Franklin. Dr. Kraybill will give an organ recital at 3 p.m. on Sunday at the First Presbyterian Church, 515 W. Fourth.

There will be a workshop for children in second to eighth grades from 9-11 a.m. at the Methodist Church. An afternoon workshop for singers from ninth grade to adult will feature choral techniques, global music, and learning music and descants for the evening's Hymn Festival.

Dr. Kraybill will give an organ recital at 3 p.m. on Sunday at the Presbyterian Church. For details, contact Mrs. Anschutz at (785) 462-2527 or Jan Wolf at (785) 460-3535.

Pancake benefit Tuesday

A benefit pancake feed will be served from 5-7 p.m. on Tuesday at the Bohemian Hall at the Decatur County Museum to raise money for replastering the walls.

Total cost for the project is still being estimated at \$5,000 to \$6,000. Over \$1,700 has been raised thus far. The meal will be served by the museum board and volunteers.

Marketing workshop set

Western Prairie Resource Conservation and Development will hold a fund-raising and marketing workshop from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, March 2, at the Colby Community Building. Presenter will be Shannon Thom of Professional Grant Services, Pratt.

Workshop topics will include: Fund Raising 101, long-range planning, special event planning, grant writing basics, and publicity and marketing techniques.

Ms. Thom's experience as a grant writer, coupled with a background in marketing and fund-raising, allows her to help those who represent schools, non-profit organizations, government officials and others who need to raise funds and/or learn marketing techniques.

Registration fee is \$100, which includes a resource packet. To register or for information, call (785) 462-2602.

Women share memories

Prairie Chapel United Methodist Women met at Golden Age Center on Feb. 11 with Faye Miller and Lucille Townsend as hostesses. Eight members answered roll call with "A Valentine I remember."

Vice President Ethel Railsback opened the meeting by reading, "How to Say Good-bye." Devotions on love were given by Phyllis Metcalf. Nadene Lafferty presented hymn history and Charissa Huff read from the Prayer Calendar items for the day. Also, she will be collect-

ing Campbell's soup labels. The Spiritual Growth Retreat will be April 16-17 and at least two women must go to receive credit. Mrs. Huff has applications. The meeting closed with the preamble.

Rowena Cathcart presented the program, "Soul Knitting", and stressed the fact we need silence, and silent meditation should be practiced. She illustrated with colored yarn tied together as a reminder that souls are knit together with each other and God.

Concert set at Bohemian Hall

C.C. Turner Music Ministries will present a free community concert at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Bohemian Hall at the Decatur County Museum.

Cal and Cindy Turner, a brother/sister duo, will present their new concert, "Heroes." The evening will include music, gift giveaways and stories.

June vows planned

Janell Bach of Hays and Kirk Robson of Hutchinson plan to be married at 5 p.m. on Saturday, June 5, at First Presbyterian Church in Ellsworth.

Parents of the couple are Doug and Debbie Bach and Ken and Alice Robson, all of Ellsworth.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Ellsworth High School and is an elementary education major at Fort Hays State University graduating in May. She is the granddaughter of Delbert and Pat Loesch, Lyons; Cliff and Helen Nesje, Crosby N.D.; Eleanor Bach, Manhattan; and the late Frank Bach.

Her fiancé graduated from Ellsworth High School and North



K. Robson and Janell Bach

Central Kansas Technical College at Beloit. He is a stone mason for M.L. Nevius Masonry, Hutchinson. His grandparents are Velda Robson, Abilene, and the late Bruce Robson, and Willard and Esther Noren, Oberlin.

April vows set by couple

Tammy Gutchewsky and Kendal Neal, both of Oberlin, plan to be married on Saturday, April 3, at the United Methodist Church in Oberlin.

Parents of the couple are Jack and Mary Gutchewsky, rural Herndon, and Varlan and Catherine Neal, Oberlin, and the late Irma Joy Neal.

The bride is a 1995 graduate of Decatur Community High School and received a business degree from Colby Community College in 1998.

Her fiancé is a 1985 graduate of Decatur Community High School.



K. Neal and T. Gutchewsky

Jennings student wins county spelling bee

Brian Linden, a seventh grader at Jennings School, won the Decatur County Spelling Bee last Tuesday by correctly spelling "occupancy" and "peppermint."

The event was held at Jennings. Coming in second was Alyssa Rippe, a seventh grader from Oberlin, who went down on "occupancy". She and Brian were the only contestants who had previous experience at county competition.

Carissa Wentz, an Oberlin fifth

grader, took third place, leaving the competition in round 9. Others participating were Mary Olson, grade 6, and Christopher Larson, grade 7, both from Oberlin, and Dakota Soderlund, a Jennings fifth grader who substituted for Brittany Ritter, the champion in the Jennings competition.

Lois Heilman and Kathy Randolph were judges and Julie Carter is Decatur county coordinator for the event.

Couple honored on 50th

Walt and Marilyn Gilmer of Oberlin were honored with a prime rib dinner on Sunday at the home of their son and wife, Scott and Nancy Gilmer of Goodland, in observance of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Marilyn Nelson, a 1949 graduate of Decatur Community High School, and Walt Gilmer were married on Jan. 16, 1954, in Raton, N.

M. They have made their home in Oberlin since 1975.

Others present for the dinner were her twin sister and husband, Carolyn and Bus Wurm; Dennis and Pat Wurm, and Byron and Jean Hale, Oberlin; Doug and Sharon Saba and family, Brighton, Colo.; and Zane and Shandi Gilmer, Colorado Springs.

Game scheduled Saturday

The Decatur County Firefighters will be playing the Northwest Winds in a basketball game at 1 p.m. Saturday at The Gateway.

This will be the last practice game for the Winds as they head to regional and state competition of Special Olympics.

The Winds team is made up of young people for the northwest

Kansas area. Oberlin team members include Jessica Soderlund and Kyle Hartzog. They will be participating in basketball, cheerleading and individual skills.

Cookies will be served after the game and donations will be accepted to help with travel expenses for the team.

Bluegrass program at Gateway

Scenic Roots, a family bluegrass group, will perform at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday at The Gateway in Oberlin.

The group presents a combination of bluegrass, folk, Celtic and gospel music by the Rogers family of Concordia. Performers include Amber, 14, fiddle, hammered dulcimer, banjo, mandolin and lead

vocals; Erin, 16, mountain dulcimers and vocal; and their father, Doug, guitar and vocal.

Admission will be by Oberlin Arts and Humanities season ticket, or \$10 for adults and \$5 for students up to age 12 at the door. For details, call Mary (785) 475-3329 or Ella (785) 475-3557.

Diet lesson planned today

A Family and Consumer Science lesson, "Weigh to Diet," will be presented by Tranda Watts, multi-county extension specialist, at 10 a.m. today at The Gateway Commu-

nity Room. The public is invited. For details, contact the extension office at 475-8121.

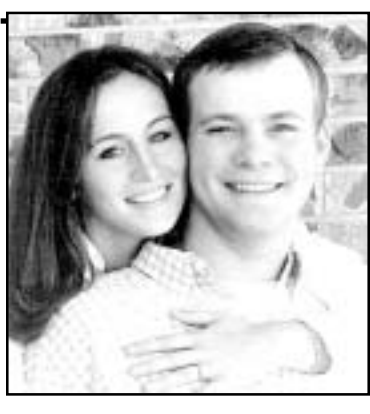
June vows set at Beloit

Beth Wehrman and Orrin Holle plan to be married on June 5 at the First Christian Church of Beloit.

Parents of the couple are Howard and Suzanne Wehrman, Sylvan Grove, and Kevin and Mary Holle, rural Atwood.

The future bride is a 2000 graduate of Sylvan Unified High School and graduated from Kansas State University in December with a bachelor of science degree, majoring in animal science and industry with an animal products option and a minor in agricultural business. Her grandmother is Ruth Wehrman, Emporia.

Her fiancé is a 2000 graduate of Atwood High School and graduated in December from Kansas State University with a bachelor of science in agriculture, majoring in agricultural economics with a farm management option and a minor in



B. Wehrman and O. Holle

animal science. His grandparents are Francis and Violet Holle, Atwood.; and Roy and Georgia Bauer, Pawnee Rock. Katie Bauer, Great Bend, is his great-grandmother.

They plan to live in Rawlins County and farm with his parents.

Couple to wed in April

Valerie Bartels and Shane Hammond plan to be married on April 17 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Hays.

Parents of the couple are Gary and Leslie Bartels, Oberlin; and Delmar and Janice Hammond, Syracuse. Her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Les Frazier, Goodland, and the late Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Bartels.

The bride-elect graduated from Decatur Community High School and Colby Community College with an associate's degree in applied science and from the dental hygiene program. She is a registered dental hygienist at Lifetime Dental Care in Hays.

Her fiancé graduated from Syracuse High School and attended



V. Bartels and S. Hammond

Dodge City Community College. He is a sales representative at Lewis Chrysler Jeep Dodge in Hays.

Club News

Widows and friends meet

Widows and Friends met at the LandMark Inn on Feb. 11 for an afternoon Valentine dessert. Doris Sloan presented Valentine thoughts.

Those present included: Judy Davis, Virginia Spratling, Eileene Grose, Mildred Holmdahl, Ila

Ray, Martha Nemeth, Alice Shirley, Dorothy Jackson, Esther Carlson, Joan Neidenthal, Judy Shirley, Cindi Sauder and Doris Sloan.

They will meet for an 11:30 a.m. luncheon on March 10 at the Pizza Hut.

Church honors seniors

Those over 80 in the congregation of St. John's Lutheran Church were honored with a dinner on Feb. 8, sponsored by the Lutheran Women's Missionary League. Valentine favors were

made by Shirley Shields. "Sing to the Lord a New Song" from Psalm 98 will be the theme for the 2004 district convention to be held April 23-25 in Wichita.

Girls Staters honored

The American Legion Auxiliary entertained with a potluck supper on Feb. 11 to honor Girls Staters.

Kelsey Gallentine, Elizabeth Boyd, Kelly Olson, and their mothers were guests of honor. After the supper, the girls gave a short presentation. It was decided that the auxiliary would send two delegates, and Ron Bryan, one.

President Phyllis Metcalf opened the meeting with the flag salute and the auxiliary preamble. Laurene Dempewolf led in prayer and 15 members and offic-

ers answered roll call. A treasurer's report was given by Dolores Koerperich.

The auxiliary will have a ham and bean feed at 5:30 p.m. on Feb. 26 at the Legion hall. Pies are needed from members.

The Legion and Auxiliary have the honor of presenting the colors at the Telethon on Feb. 28.

The next meeting will be on March 10 and Mrs. Dempewolf will have the program on community service. Hostesses will be Mrs. Dempewolf and Laurene Van Otterloo.

Norcatour Commercial Club will be having a Pancake, Sausage & Egg Supper



February 22, 2004

5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

at the city building.

It will be by donations that will go toward the annual scholarship.

New Arrival

Dylan Jacob Gassmann

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Gassmann of Lincoln, Neb., have adopted a son, Dylan Jacob. He was born Jan. 7, 2002, in Lincoln. He has two broth-

ers, Bratton 10, and Austin, 3 1/2. Grandparents include Julia Otter, Oberlin. Great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Francis Porsch, Selden, and Sophie Otter, Norton.

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