

The Norcat United Methodist Church will have a pancake supper from 5-7 p.m. on Saturday, in the Educational Building. The new pastor, Kathy Aeillo, will be there to meet and greet everyone. She serves the Norcat, Clayton and Almena Methodist churches. Everyone is welcome.

Mail can be sent to Pat Schwab, in care of Susan Boultinghouse, 1125 Centennial Boulevard, Hays, Kan., 67601. She is recuperating from a stroke and would appreciate hearing from friends.

John and Mary Rubendall celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Feb. 23. Their address is: 1002 15th Ave., Franklin, Neb., 68939.

Feb. 22 visitors of Francis and Arlene Hix were Veryl and Freida Van Der Wege, Norton, and Gail and Mark Bailey.

Oran and LaVerne Milner met Ralph and Evelyn Strayer at the County Line Café on Feb. 18 for breakfast.

There were 16 present at Senior Citizens on Feb. 20. Winners were Clent Hatfield, Esther Miller and Dorothy Lawn. The next meeting will be at 6 p.m. on for a soup and pie supper, as guests of the Norcat Royal Neighbor lodge. Cards will follow at 7 p.m. at the Educational Building.

Feb. 17 visitors of Virgil and Joyce Price were Sue Crockett, Aurora, Colo., and Ruby Cook, and Kenneth and Pansy Price, Clayton. The following Sunday afternoon, Bob and Leona Schoenrad of Norcat were visitors.

Birthdays: Mike Helm - Feb. 25; David Hare, Andrea Marshall, Robert Schoenrad - Feb. 26; Bill Nelson - Feb. 28; Lucas Bailey - March 2.

The weekend of Feb. 21, Frank and Velda Ward were visited by their daughter, Wava Reames of Kingfisher, Okla. Leslie and Lynn Ward and Kaley, were guests for a pizza.

Dinner guests on Feb. 22 of Frank and Velda Ward were Wava Reames, and Keith and Kaley Ward. Sunday evening guests were Marguerite Clark, and David and Kathy Ankenman from California for an evening of cards.

Ivan Leroy Auker was admitted to Ketchikan Memorial Hospital on Wednesday, Feb. 25, to undergo surgery for colon cancer. His address is P.O. Box 375, Craig, Ala., 9921.

The recent article on "Wolf Hunts" in the *Norcat News* was used in the Decatur Community High School class on Kansas history. They were discussing that subject at the time the article appeared in the *News*.

John and Mary Rubendall have their first great-grandson, Solomon Aldon Lang, weighing in 5 pounds, 3 ounces. Parents are Libby and Kevin Lang, Wymore, Neb., and grandparents are Jan and David Beck.

Esther Miller went to Monday Bridge Club on Feb. 16 at the Merle Shirley residence in Oberlin. She later had supper with Gary and Annette Miller in Oberlin.

Beverly Morris had supper and spent the night with Esther Miller on Feb. 19.

If anyone has an extra copy of the "blue" history book of Norcat, which you would like to donate to the library or city office, please contact Chris at 693-4461.

Sharee Dempewolf was a weekend guest of Lynn and Ralph Striet in Larned. She also stopped by to

see Ray, Jen and Bryce Thornton in Hays.

Andrea Marshall's 18th birthday was celebrated at the home of Troy and Deb Marshall home on Sunday evening, Feb. 22. Those attending, besides her family, were grandparents Forrest and Inez Jackson, and Neil Marshall, Kathy Almquist and Adam Spanier.

Congratulations to Andrea and Anthony Marshall for taking firsts at the Wheatland speech tournament on Feb. 21. Andrea took first with her informative speech, and Anthony with his humorous solo.

The Three Prairie Unit met Feb. 13, with five members present. Roll call was "Something about Valentines." Vice-president Lula Hix called the meeting to order. The "Crock Pot Cookery" lesson was discussed, and pamphlets were handed out. After a Valentine exchange, a delicious lunch was served by Norma McCallister.

The Youthville organization in Newton is recycling old greeting cards into new ones. Just cut off the fronts of the cards (making sure no message is on them), and take them to the United Methodist Church or Educational Building, where there is a box for them.

The Kansas West United Methodist Women will be sponsoring a Mission Education Tour from June 6-16, departing from Wichita to Oklahoma, Texas and New Mexico. Young women, ages 15-22, may apply by April 1. Information and applications can be picked up from Marla West. Total cost is \$300.

The Preschool Spring Program/Graduation will be held at 7 p.m. on May 12 in the All-Purpose Room.

# Suggested overseeding choices



## Extension Lines

By Brian Olson  
Extension Agronomist

With many wheat fields still looking suspect, producers may want to overseed or replant with a spring crop like oats, barley, triticale or wheat.

Do not use winter barley, triticale, or wheat, as you will be disappointed with the results. The best time to plant these spring crops for our area would be March 1-25 using a seeding depth between three-quarters to 1 1/2 inches. Spring oats and barley should be planted between 40-64 pounds per acre, while spring triticale and wheat should be planted at 50 to 70 pounds per acre.

Typically, spring barley, wheat and triticale are not grown in our area because they do not perform as well as a winter type. Winter varieties mature earlier than their spring counterparts, which allows for more grain fill before the crop shuts down due to the heat in June. However, with many fields of poor winter wheat, spring crops may be more appealing.

Because spring barley, triticale and wheat are not normally grown here, finding yield information for our area will be difficult, but seed dealers may have some information. To find a university crop performance test on spring crops, the closest information comes from Nebraska, and a web link to this information entitled "Spring Small Grain Variety Selection" is at [www.oznet.ksu.edu/agronomy-block2](http://www.oznet.ksu.edu/agronomy-block2).

If a producer would like to overseed winter wheat with a spring wheat, there is some concern about whether the wheat will be taken at elevators, so check first. Ron Koehn, general manager of Midwest Co-op, said: "Midwest would be

willing to take spring wheat if the producer lets them know what type of wheat it was. As for a mixed load of spring and winter wheat, the co-op will likely take it, but there may be a discount".

Unlike spring barley, triticale and wheat, spring oats is regularly grown in this area. Among varieties that did well at the K-State Research and Extension Center in Colby was Jim from Minnesota, which won the test with a yield of 67.9 bushels per acre. The rest of the top five were Blaze from Illinois at 66.7, INO9201 from Indiana at 66.2, Don from Illinois at 65.0, and Rodeo from Illinois at 64.4 bushels per acre. Other yields from commonly grown oat varieties were Bates from Missouri at 59.7 and Jerry from North Dakota at 46.6 bushels per acre. The average yield for the test was 58.4.

Nitrogen is needed by all of these crops for optimum growth, but lodging can occur when excessive amounts are present. For oats and barley, applying one pound of nitrogen per acre for every bushel of expected yield is a good guideline. However, putting on more than 40-60 pounds of nitrogen per acre may cause significant lodging and increase the potential for high nitrates in the forages. For spring triticale

and wheat, apply the same amount of nitrogen as if you were growing winter wheat.

For more information, a publication entitled "Small Grain Cereals for Forage" along with the report entitled "Winter Cereals for Forages" will be useful. These can be downloaded at [www.oznet.ksu.edu/agronomy-block2](http://www.oznet.ksu.edu/agronomy-block2) under the "Production and Pests" page, or visit your county extension office to acquire a copy.

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



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## 'Escaping the Poverty of Existence'

By Rev. Nolan Pierce of United Church of Oberlin

We hear the words wealth and poverty used frequently. Being included and sharing in wealth may be a desired goal in life. Being in poverty is a dreaded position that none likes to experience.

There are many kinds of wealth — personal wealth, family, company, national, etc. The same is true for poverty. Likewise there are degrees of wealth and poverty. Some experience momentary or short-term periods of time in both. The strength of life is found in lengthening the wealth and replacing and removing causes of poverty. This is true in financial, spiritual, and relational situations.

The beginning of wealth starts in good relationships. Poverty of many kinds often starts when bad or poor relationships develop.

Wealth of possessions may elevate social standing and put one in a position of power and authority, and yet leave that same one poor in relationships. When that happens, the poverty of existence is in the driver's seat. Good relationships are the driving power of a wealth of good living.

Lent is always from Ash Wednesday till Easter; this year it is Feb. 25-April 10. Lent is a season the church has established to commemorate the art of good living. Jesus was and still is the example of

finding and developing the Good Life. Not all of those who lived in the time of Jesus chose to follow the teachings of Jesus. Those who did escaped the poverty of existence.

The Church grew out of those who knew Jesus and learned the lessons of life that Jesus taught. The teachings of Jesus and the work of the Church through the guidance of the Holy Spirit continue to offer a wealth of love for living.

A thoughtful scripture on this subject is when Jesus was praying, in John 17:20-23: "I do not pray for these only, but also for those who are to believe in me through their word, that they may all be one; even as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they may also be in us, so that the world may believe that thou hast sent me. The glory which thou has given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one. I in them and thou in me, that they become perfectly one, so that the world may know that thou hast sent me and hast loved them even as thou hast loved me."

Being a part of God's blessings takes renewed effort all the time, not just a season. But starting again with resolve to walk with God and fellowship with each other is escaping the poverty of life and sharing the wealth of living now and on into eternal living.



## Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

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| <p><b>OBERLIN SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH</b><br/>122 S. Penn Ave., Oberlin<br/>785-475-3103<br/>The Rev. George Kochuveilikkakam,<br/>The Rev. Mr. Stan Chapin,<br/>MASS: 10 a.m. Sunday</p>         | <p><b>HIGH PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br/>122 S. Penn Ave., Oberlin<br/>Pastor Steve Smith<br/>Phone 785-475-3844<br/>SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Service, 11 a.m. and Evening Service 7 p.m.; WEDNESDAY: Bible Study &amp; Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.</p>  | <p><b>OBERLIN ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b><br/>The Rev. Royce Leitner<br/>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 &amp; 4th Thursdays, 2 p.m.</p>                             | <p><b>EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH OF OBERLIN</b><br/>The Rev. Heidi Wiebe<br/>810 West Cedar, Oberlin<br/>Office Phone 785-475-2769<br/>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><b>IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC, LEVILLIE</b><br/>The Rev. George Kochuveilikkakam<br/>MASS: 8 a.m. Sunday.</p>   | <p><b>UNITED CHURCH OF OBERLIN</b><br/>109 North Griffith-American Baptist, Disciples of Christ, Presbyterian USA<br/>Rev. Barbara and/or Nolan Pierce<br/>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><b>OBERLIN CHURCH OF CHRIST</b><br/>Beaver and Mill<br/>Bill Duncan — Phone 785-475-3259<br/>SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Hour, 10:45 a.m. Junior Worship, grade 3 &amp; down; 2nd Sundays: All-church dinner. WEDNESDAY: Ladies Home Bible Study, 9 a.m.; Home Bible Studies, 7:30 p.m.</p> | <p><b>LUND COVENANT CHURCH</b><br/>Pastor: Tom Smith<br/>10 miles south, 4 miles west of Oberlin<br/>SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. SATURDAY: Men's breakfast &amp; Bible Study, 7 a.m.</p>   |
| <p><b>SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, SELDEN</b><br/>The Rev. George Kochuveilikkakam<br/>MASS: 6 p.m. Saturday</p>   | <p><b>OBERLIN SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH</b><br/>Jim Martin<br/>1007 W. 3rd St., McCook, Neb.<br/>SATURDAY: Sabbath School, 9:15 a.m.; Saturday Worship, 11 a.m.</p>   | <p><b>ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC, HERNDON</b><br/>The Rev. Damian Richards<br/>Phone 785-322-5560<br/>MASS: SUNDAY, 8 a.m</p>   | <p><b>ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH</b><br/>510 North Wilson<br/>Interim Pastor: Don White<br/>Secretary: Norma Unger<br/>785-475-2333<br/>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.</p>   |
| <p><b>JENNINGS-DRESDEN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH JENNINGS</b><br/>Glenn Krebs, pastor<br/>SUNDAY: Church School, 10 a.m. Morning Worship, 11 a.m.<br/>DRESDEN<br/>SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9:30 a.m.</p> | <p><b>OBERLIN UNITED METHODIST</b><br/>102 North Cass — 785-475-3067<br/>The Rev. Doug Hasty<br/>SUNDAY: Church School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m. (Nursery provided.) WEDNESDAY: Choir practice, 7:30 p.m.</p>  | <p><b>HERNDON COVENANT CHURCH</b><br/>Keith Reuther, Pastor<br/>Phone 785-322-5316<br/>SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Bible study, 7 p.m.</p>   | <p><b>FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH</b><br/>404 North York Avenue<br/>Oberlin, Kansas<br/>Pastor Charlotte Strecker-Baseler<br/>Church Office Phone: 785-475-2053<br/>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.</p> |
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