

Marguerite Clark was a guest of the LaVerne Rippe family for Easter dinner. Gregg and Ryan won the egg toss contest; Coleen was the first victim. Of course, the women won the egg hunt. Allison, 1 1/2-year-old daughter of Gail and Janet, won everyone's heart.

Easter weekend visitors of Carrel and Alice Barnett were news anchors and reporters from the Nebraska Television Network station of Kearney, Neb. They were: Marylyn Barnett, their daughter, a news reporter; Sean Biledeau, Omaha, a news and sports reporter, Julie Hong, Denver, a news anchor; Max Thackeray, Louisville, Ky., camera crew, and Jarad Geadke, Wellsfleet, Neb., also from the camera crew. This was not a business visit, so all equipment, except disposable Kodak cameras, had been left at the station.

Their first stop was the County Line Café for an oversize hamburger. Jenna, café greeter, enjoyed their new faces. Saturday afternoon and evening were spent enjoying the farm — cows, open spaces, and 4-wheeler and motorcycle riding. Sunday morning all attended Easter church services in Norcatour, except Max, who is a late sleeper. Bob and Kay Strevey joined the group for Easter dinner. The crew's goal

was to see calves being worked, and that took place after dinner. Things went "normal", as Julie only missed one with the head gate. On their way back to Kearney Sunday evening, Marylyn hit a deer and disabled her car. This was areal "low" end to their weekend, but everyone was okay.

The third annual Decatur County Relay for Life (American Cancer Society) will be held June 18-19. We are trying to get teams together to walk. Also, we are selling luminaries. Luminaries are \$10, and can be bought in memory or in honor of someone. Contact person is Chris Dempewolf.

Birthdays and anniversaries: Frank and Velda Ward - April 14; Brad and Shanna Long - April 16; Laurie Milnes, Claire and Mary Leslie - April 18; Anthony Marshall - April 19.

Two names were left out of the Decatur Community High School ensemble list in last week's news. Justine Miller and Kelsey Gallentine are members of Chanté, and Justine is a member of the women's ensemble. Both received I ratings.

R.D. Thornton, Dean Thornton, Stan and Carol Miller and Chris Dempewolf attended funeral services for Cody Shephard in Phillipsburg on Friday. Cody is

R.D. and Dean's aunt, the late Orval Thornton's sister.

Sharee Dempewolf was a weekend guest of Ralph and Lynn Streit and boys in Larned. En route to Larned, Sharee visited Laci Leichter and Jen and Bryce Thornton.

Easter supper guests of Marian Dempewolf were Doug, Chris, Sharee and M.J. Dempewolf; Dave, Patty, Kaitlyn and Sam Stapp; Amber Dempewolf, Bob Dempewolf and Rose Riffle, and Dave and Linda Schliep.

Judy Menges sent word that Velma Rogers of Colby remains in Citizens Medical Center there. She would enjoy hearing from friends.

Rodney and Lisa Leichter, Siebert, Colo., were guests of Lora Linn Leichter over Easter weekend. They visited with Lisa's dad, R.D. Thornton, and other family. Granddaughter Laci Leichter, Hays, came late Saturday evening and spent Sunday, also. Lora Linn, Rodney and Lisa, and grandparents Dorothy and Kenneth Ward had dinner at the County Line Café on Saturday evening.

Dorothy and Kenneth Ward drove to Colby after church on Easter Sunday, where they met the Mark Ward family of Hugo, Colo., for lunch.

Clear your calendars for May

Chamber News

By Glenva Nichols

We finally had some moisture. The snow was nice, but not the cold temperatures which accompanied it. I am sure we have had this before but we just don't remember.

The Personal Assistant's Day luncheon is today. Many are sending employees as a thank you for their help during the year. We appreciate everyone for doing this.

The month of May is looking to be very busy, with school and alumni activities followed by Memorial Day.

Oberlin Business Alliance has scheduled two burger fries and hopes this will bring the moisture. The Alumni Room will be open on Friday, May 28, from 1-4 p.m. and on Saturday, May 29, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Friday, May 28, will be pro-

claimed Poppy Day in Oberlin. Be sure to get a poppy to wear and show support to all who have served in the Armed Forces to protect our country.

Until next time — remember the coffee pot is always on, so stop by and have a cup.

Are seed treatments worth it?

As we approach planting time, farmers can buy seed treated with an insecticide, intended to protect the seed and new plant from feeding insects.

Now if everyone had lots of feeding insects in the field, they would be more inclined to buy treated seed. However, what happens when there are very few insects present? Does it still pay to buy seed treatments?

Research was conducted on corn and grain sorghum at the Harvey County Experiment Field near Hesston. The results from a three-year study indicate yields tend to be boosted by seed treatments even when insect populations are low. According Mark Claassen, agronomist-in-charge, "A likely explanation for this is that the seed treatment allows plants to stay healthier by minimizing damage caused by minor pests that 'nibble away' at yields. While we encountered mainly flea beetles or chinch bugs, it is possible for growers to encounter low levels of these or other insects, such as wireworms, that can affect stands, seedling vigor and, ultimately, yield."

The study evaluated crops planted in different rotational sequences each year. Corn followed wheat, sorghum, and soybean, while sorghum followed wheat,



Extension Lines

By Brian Olson
Extension Agronomist

corn, and sorghum in successive years. The study involved two corn hybrids, two sorghum hybrids and several seed treatment options, including no treatment, Gaucho, Cruiser and Prescribe.

The corn was planted in mid-April at 20,000 to 23,000 seeds per acre, and the grain sorghum was planted in late April or early May at 46,000 to 47,000 seeds per acre. There were only light to moderate infestations of flea beetles and/or chinch bugs over the study period.

In two of the years, corn yields were depressed by hot, dry conditions. Over the three-year study period, yields ranged from 30 to 93 bushels per acre. The three-year average corn yield for the "no treatment" (check) site was 51 bushels per acre, while the average for crops grown from treated seed was 61 bushels per acre, a 10 bushel difference.

The average grain sorghum yields

over the three years ranged from 48 to 107 bushels per acre. The three-year average grain sorghum yield for the no-treatment (check) area was 63 bushels per acre, while the average for the treated seed area was 71.5 bushels per acre, an 8.5 bushel difference.

For more information, look at "Insecticide Seed Treatments" which can be downloaded at the Web site: www.oznet.ksu.edu/agronomy-block2/ by clicking on the Production and Pest icon, or pick up a copy at the county local extension office.

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Herndon News

By Carol Ginther

The Herndon Chamber of Commerce met April 12 at Sunflower Villa meeting room to proceed with plans for the Herndon Ox Roast on June 12. Orders are being taken for T-shirts, visors and framed postal cancellations. Entries for the parade are due by June 5.

Cow Patty Bingo tickets are available for \$5 per square at The Bank or through Chamber members. A city-wide cleanup day is scheduled for May 15.

The 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament will include a maximum of 10 adult teams, 9th grade and older, and a maximum of five junior high teams, 6th through 8th grade.

Marty and Michelle Rohm, Aldon, Tyler and Pat Wolford, Aurora, Colo., and Helen Marintzer were Easter dinner guests of Kent and Chris Wood.

Easter weekend guests of Bob and Julie Hafner were Dave and Jackie Foxhoven and Caitie, Allie, Caleb and Eli. All were Sunday dinner guests of Janice Sattler and fam-

ily at the Prairie Development Center in Atwood.

Melvin and Regis Kogl of Lake-wood, Colo., spent a few days with Helen Marintzer.

Mildred Kleidosty spent Easter weekend in Riverdale, Neb., with her son, Tony, and family.

Those who spent Easter weekend with Monica Solko were Judy Solko, Larned, and Carol Solko, Hays. Ron, Diana, Kimberly and Rodney, and Tom Solko joined them for Easter Sunday dinner.

Easter dinner guests at the home of Bob and Liane Martin were Atwood Martin, Herndon; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Kircher, Mr. and Calvin Ufford, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Woods, Oberlin.

Golden Oldies met at the Down Home Cafe on April 8 to help Doris Marintzer celebrate her birthday. Others present were Anna Mae Ketterl, Dorothy Engleman, Ann Martin, Helen Marintzer, Edie Pettera, and Bernie Fred. Regis Kogl was a guest of Helen Marint-

zer.

Herndon Senior Citizens met on April 7 for a business meeting and birthday party honoring Doris Marintzer. Dorothy Engleman read the poem, "Depression Flour Sack Underwear." Doris Marintzer won blackout in bingo and Ann Martin won the door prize.

The next meeting will be a potluck today with Maxine Reuber and Beth Hraha on kitchen duty. The next business meeting will be May 5.

Midway News

By Mary Lou Olson

Word has been received of the death of Vic Hartman, formerly of Herndon, on Feb. 29. His late wife was the former Evelyn Olson, daughter of the late Harry and Esther (Davis) Olson, formerly of this community. She was a cousin of Quentin Bergling, Bob Olson, Keith Olson, and Alden Olson.

Jack and Mary Gutchewsky spent the weekend in Lawrence, where they visited their son and his wife, Brian and Krista Gutchewsky. Verol Bergling is recuperating satisfactorily at home following surgery last week in Garden City.

Alice Robson of Ellsworth was a weekend guest of her mother, Esther Noren. She spoke on Saturday at the salad luncheon held at the Herndon Covenant Church.

Immediate relatives who attended funeral services for Hattie Olson on Friday at the Oberlin Covenant Church included: Bill and Maxine Peebles, and Martin and

Sheri Steinemann, Denver; Bob and Sally Olson, Ludell; Rennie and Jeaneen Olson, Irving, Texas; David Olson, and Jonathan Olson, Corbin and Candalin, Iowa; Bob and Annette Frenzl, Lacey and Whitney, Salina; Larry and Deb Marks, Amalia, Joseph and Amber, Mulvane; Louis and Ava Perkins, Wichita; Keith and Mary Lou Olson, Dave and Sherry Bergling, Herndon; Mark and Barbara Olson, Sarah, Kurt and Mary, and James and Kimberly Witt, Keely, Tyler, Ashley and Whitney, Oberlin; Rex Olson, Seth, Sam and Abbie, Boulder, Colo.; Quentin and Olive Bergling, Atwood; Jeri Ann McPheeters, Colby; Alden Olson, McDonald; and Steve O'Neill, Brighton, Colo.

Maxine Peebles and Sheri Steinemann were Saturday luncheon guests of Jodie Wenger. They and their spouses were houseguests of Wesley and Eulaine Benda.

Selden News

By Jacque Boultinghouse

The first Sunday in June, the Selden American Legion will again host the annual Antique Car and Tractor Show.

Birthdays and anniversaries: April 22 - Linda Spresser, Layn Bruggeman; April 23 - McKayla Bainter; April 25 - Leroy Wessel, Robert and Laura Ritter, Lance and Lisa Stoll; April 26 - Dena Dellere, Roger Emigh, Traci Bruggeman, Jerry and Paula Schiltz; April 27 - Tricia Bullock Carney; April 28 - Erin Rogers, Betty Hickert.

On April 15 at Senior Citizens, Cecelia Ottley won high, Anna Albers took second, Catherine Campbell got low and Vesta Shea had the most queens. Other members present included: Betty James, Dorothy Lovin, Irene Kruse, Don Smith, Carol Shaw, Edna Schiltz, Alfred Albers, Gene Rogers, Lola Cook, Paulie Neff and Leone Porsch.

noche Tournament in Rexford, Rick Shaw and Mark Basgall managed high, Pete and Phyllis Ziegelmeier took second and Darlene Robben and Bill Dible got third. Other players included: Rex and Betty Carswell, J.R. Albers and Ed Sandaval, Tammy Shaw and Jacque Boultinghouse, Warren and Julie Ziegelmeier, Dave Mitchell and Bob Rogers, and Deb Stepper and Grace Cheney.

Due to a nearby fire some of our usual players were busy playing fireman and were unable to attend. As far as season totals, Tammy and Jacque ranked No. 1 with a score of 4494, Warren and Julie with 4472, Deb and Grace with 4470, Darlene and Bill with 4466, Pete and Phyllis with 4454, Rick and Mark with 4422 and Dave and Bob with 2114. Well, I guess it looks like Rick and Mark won this little battle — but Tammy and I won the war.

'Chaos Without God'

By Rev. George Kochuvelikkakam, Oberlin Sacred Heart Catholic Church

The Bible gives many examples of how existentially destructive it is when humankind doesn't let God be God. The story of the tower of Babel is one. "Come let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves" (Gen. 11:4).

The tower reaching to the heavens is an expression of the human will to be on the same level as God. We don't want to be dependent on God any longer. We want to make a name for ourselves and we will not let God rule our lives.

The result is chaos. People can no longer communicate and don't understand the languages of one another.

The point of the story of the tower of Babel is to

show the fundamental connection between our mutual relations and our relation to God. When we break our relationship with God, we also break our relationships with one another. If God is not given his right place in our life, we will lose our true name, that God knows us by. We lose our identity. If our personhood is not rooted in the authentic love that comes from God, we will not be able to meet others in a genuine way.

When people live without God, they become strangers to one another and techniques have been developed to help us hide and not show our true selves. We become ever more locked up in our own narrow bunkers.

We need God to be able to truly communicate. When we know we are loved by him, we can confidently open up ourselves to one another.



Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

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| <p>OBERLIN SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH
785-475-3103
The Rev. George Kochuvelikkakam, MASS: 5:30 p.m., Saturday</p> <p>IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC, LEVILLIE
The Rev. George Kochuvelikkakam
MASS: 8 a.m. Sunday.</p> <p>SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, SELDEN
The Rev. George Kochuvelikkakam
MASS: 7:30 p.m. Saturday</p> <p>OBERLIN SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
Jim Martin
1007 W. 3rd St., McCook, Neb.
SATURDAY: Sabbath School, 9:15 a.m.; Saturday Worship, 11 a.m.</p> <p>JENNINGS-DRESDEN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH JENNINGS
Glenn Krebs, pastor
SUNDAY: Church School, 10 a.m. Morning Worship, 11 a.m.</p> <p>DRESDEN
SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9:30 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>HERNDON IMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
The Rev. Nolan and Barbara Pierce
SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 10 a.m.</p> | <p>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.</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 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>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.</p> <p>CLAYTON UNITED METHODIST
Pastor: Kathy Aeillo
Almena
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.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>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.</p> <p>ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC, HERNDON
The Rev. Damian Richards
Phone 785-322-5560
MASS: SUNDAY, 8 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>NORCATUR UNITED METHODIST
Pastor: Kathy Aeillo
Almena
SUNDAY: Worship Service, 10 a.m.; Church School, 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>LYLE UNITED METHODIST
Carol Woodmanee, Almena
Lyle Lay Speaker
SUNDAY: Morning Worship 8 a.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>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.</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 Service, 11 a.m.; Holy Communion: 1st and 3rd Sundays; Tuesday: Bible Study, 7:30 p.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.; 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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