

Club News

Women plant flowers

Eleven Prairie Chapel United Methodist Women met in the Angel Lane dining room at Decatur County Good Samaritan Center on May 11. Coleen Rippe and Angie Wilson were hostesses and roll call was answered with a memory of Prairie Chapel Church.

President Angie Wilson opened the meeting with a poem for Mother's Day and prayer. Devotions were given by Nadene Lafferty using Corinthians 12:12. Hymn history was given by Mrs. Wilson on "His Name is Wonderful." She said that she would place a box at the church for linens for Camp Lakeside after receiving a letter stating the need.

Wiring of the church was discussed and the church board will

be contacted. A May calendar was distributed showing things members could do for a small amount each day with that money, along with the Salt Sack money, to be used for new curtains.

There are two church plates available and interested persons may contact Mrs. Metcalf and Mrs. Wilson. Members will be asked to bring a salad for the 100th anniversary dinner on Sept. 26.

Charissa Huff told of her trip and showed a video of the Met tour in 2003, during which she was a counselor for young girls. Following the meeting, several set out plants around the sign and in the front of Good Samaritan Center as a community project.

Mission program given

Carolyn Kelley-Plotts was guest speaker at the May 5 meeting of Oberlin United Methodist Women.

She spoke of the "Casas por Cristo" housing project which she and her husband and other members of the Norton Christian Church have been involved with in recent years. They furnish housing for low-income persons across the Mexico border from El Paso, Texas. She also showed a video of how a basic three-room home could be constructed in three working days by a crew of about 12 volunteers. Funding, supplies and labor are donated by each work crew and volunteers for their upcoming mission project in October are being sought.

She said it has been a very worthwhile and rewarding experience.

Roll call was answered by 15 members and three guests, Myrtle Warner, Luella Sloan and Kay Gaskill, by showing items from Mexico. Mrs. Plotts also displayed a variety of Mexican items. Marian Fraker gave devotions, based on the theme of Mother's Day, which included a reading, "Why God Made Moms." Hostesses were Ruby Wennihan and Doris Sloan.

A guest night salad supper will be held June 2 with Eris Young, Doris Fringer and Janeil Jensen as hostesses. Devotions will be given by Helen Derby and the program committee is Sarah Hasty, Shanna Richards and Betsy Haag.

Members enjoy brunch

A brunch on Saturday morning at the Teller Room of the Land-Mark Inn concluded the 2003-2004 club year for Monday Evening Club.

Roll call was answered by 17 members who told of a highlight of the club year. Irel Lohoefer, who joined the club in 1954, was honored for 50 years of consecutive membership, and a note was read from Marjorie Nitsch of Manhattan, an associate member, who joined in 1941.

sent flowers to outgoing officers and presented gifts to the following new officers: Judy Ladehoff, president; Carol Morford, vice president; Maria Sanden and Peggy Pratt, secretaries; and Sandy Fair, treasurer.

Dues were collected and plans were made for the coming club year.

It was announced that the Chautauqua circuit will be in Colby in June as part of the year-long celebration of the 150th anniversary of the Kansas Territory.

President Karen Metcalf pre-

Baccalaureate services set

Baccalaureate services for graduating seniors will begin at 7:30 p.m. next Wednesday at the Decatur Community High School auditorium.

The Rev. Doug Hasty will give the baccalaureate address. His daughter, Rebekah Hasty, who is a senior, will also speak. Music will be provided by students in the music department.

The service is sponsored by the Decatur County Ministerial Association. The public is invited.

Depot celebrates birthday

The Ol' Depot, on Lake Road in Atwood, will celebrate 16 years in business, from noon to 5 p.m. on Saturday, May 22, and Sunday, May 23, during the annual Atwood Early Rod Run.

The event will feature refreshments and a \$16 gift certificate giveaway. The combination arts, crafts and antique store began with one room of local crafts and antique furniture for display and resale. It is manned by volunteer vendors at the old 1889 Burlington Railroad depot.

Hours are from noon to 5 p.m. Friday through Sunday, or by appointment.

Commencement set at Colby

Colby Community College will celebrate its 39th annual commencement at 2 p.m. on Saturday, in the Colby Community Building.

Delivering the commencement address will be Senator Stephen Morris of Hugoton. Degrees and certificates will be conferred by Dr. Mikel Ary, president of Colby Community College.

Also on the commencement program will be the conferring of Honorary Associate Degrees to Kenton and Sheila Krehbiel, presentations of the Mosier Award to the year's outstanding graduate, and the Tangeman Award to the institution's distinguished teacher for 2004.

Cost-share funds available

The Kansas Department of Agriculture wants to give some federal money to organic growers and handlers to help offset the cost of federal organic certification.

"This is an opportunity for our organic industry to tap into federal resources delivered to Kansas to help pay for organic certification," said Adrian Polansky, Kansas secretary of agriculture. "I hope all who are eligible apply soon."

Under an agreement with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the Kansas department will be able to reimburse producers or handlers 75 percent of their costs of organic certification up to \$500. Certification or recertification must occur between Oct. 1, 2003, and Sept. 30, 2004.

Farmers and handlers must submit an application to the state, including a copy of their organic certification and an invoice showing fees they paid. Forms are available on the department's website at www.accesskansas.org/kda/organic.htm or by calling (785) 296-3556. The state received \$35,000 from the U.S. Agricultural Marketing Service for the cost-share program.

Appreciation banquet set

The 8th annual Volunteer Appreciation Banquet for Older Americans will be held on Thursday, May 13, in the Colby Community Building.

The event will begin with dinner served at 5:30 p.m. A dance will follow at 7 p.m. There is no charge for the dinner and dance.



DIANA HASENBERGER checked out a display at the Job Olympics competition held recently in Phillipsburg. She is a member of the team from Oberlin, which earned many awards.

—Photo by Jody Shike

Job Olympics team places high

Nine Oberlin students placed high during Job Olympics competition held on April 28 in Phillipsburg.

Students and their awards included:

Jessica Soderlund: rolling silverware, third; job application, phone messages, second.

Cameron Weishapl: Sorting mail, towel folding, second.

Bethany Weishapl: Recycling, third; job application, second.

James Altfilish: Bagging groceries, rolling silverware, third.

Jessica Mathill: Assembling kids' meals, second.

Diana Hashenberger: Towel folding, first

Ethan Merrill: Keyboarding, second; order filling, phone mes-

sages, first.

Andrew Richards: Small gas engine, third; automobile check, second.

Sara Russ: Towel folding, second; recycling, third.

Their instructor, Jody Shike, said, "I am very proud of the team."

Alumni banquet May 29 in Oberlin

The Decatur Community High School Alumni Banquet will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 29, at The Gateway. Doors will open at 6 p.m.

Brad Marcuson is president of the Alumni Association. Other officers include: Pat Pomeroy, vice president; Patti (Bryant) Richards, treasurer, and Chris (Thornton) Dempe-wolf, secretary.

Reservations are due by May 19 and cost for the dinner will be \$12.50 per plate. There is a reservation form in this edition of *The Herald*. Reservations and remittance may be mailed to: Alumni Association, Box 201, Oberlin, Kan., 67749. The Gateway staff will serve the meal.

The Oberlin Herald will be tak-

ing pictures of all the 10-year anniversary classes, as well as the 25-year class.

Jeanie Unger will be taking color pictures of these classes, as well as the five-year classes, for those who request them. She may be contacted at (785) 475-3256.

Class reunions and locations on Saturday include:

1934: No information available.

1939: Sappa Manor, 2-4 p.m.

1944: Luncheon at 12 noon, south side of American Legion. **Pictures at 2 p.m.**

1949: Luncheon at 11:30 a.m., Bohemian Hall.

1954: American Legion, 1-4 p.m. **Pictures at 2:30 p.m.**

1959: Luncheon at LandMark

Inn, 12:30 p.m.; Social at American

Legion, 2-4 p.m.

1964: Luncheon at Reeves Seed House. **Pictures at 1 p.m.**

1969: High school cafeteria, 2-4 p.m.

1974: The Gateway, 1-5 p.m. **Pictures at 4 p.m.**

1979: Hog roast at noon at the Sappa shelterhouse. **Pictures at 1:30 p.m.**

1984: Luncheon at Centennial Bowl, 1-4:30 p.m. **Pictures at 3:30 p.m.**

1989: Red Crown, 2-5:30 p.m.

1994: The Re-Load. **Pictures at 3 p.m.**

1999: Meet at 1 p.m.; barbecue at Brendan and Kathy Moore Quonset hut, 2 p.m.

Bride honored with shower

A miscellaneous bridal shower was held April 18 at Sappa Valley Manor honoring Erin Doeden, daughter of Rick and Lynn Doeden.

She will be married to Rodger Wolfram, son of LaMoine and Ruth Wolfram, on June 12, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Oberlin.

Hostesses were Pat Brown, Mary Jo Lohoefer, Kristy Ostmeyer, Judy Ostmeyer, Abby Hissong and Jeannie Gawith.

Others present were: Lynn Doeden, Ruth Wolfram, Shirley Nichols, Pat Conrad, Cil Conrad, Charly Conrad, Jennifer Snapp, Linda Womble, Colleen Rittmann, Sandra Lafferty, Julie Legg, Pat Glenn, Jackie Brown, Sharon Olson, Margee Wilson, Pam Harmon, Lolita and Marci Metcalf, Susan Nelson, Sharon Ream, Tiffanie and Brittanie Farr, Alexis Hissong, and Skyler Brown.

Authority gives fair report

The Decatur County Amusement Authority took in \$56,682 from sale of go-carts, fair receipts, interest and toy sales, according to a report given by Secretary-Treasurer Kristi Gallentine at the annual meeting of the Decatur County Chamber of Commerce.

Expenses of \$38,117 included a donation to the Decatur County Improvement Committee, rent, repairs

on swings, Octopus, Tilt-a-Whirl, taxes, advertising, toys, food, insurance, supplies, utilities and spraying.

The group decided not to proceed with a proposed go-cart track and the carts were sold. Among projects on the agenda to complete this year included a new ticket booth, and metal siding and roof for the Sinko and merry-go-round buildings.

Commission receives grant

The Oberlin Arts and Humanities Commission has received a grant for \$2,000 to assist with the annual Writers Retreat, directed by Barbara Dehlinger and Merlou Robinson.

The retreat has been held for the past seven years and has gained popularity each session.

The application was submitted to the Kansas Arts Commission in Topeka. A total of \$4,848 was also re-

ceived from the Hansen Foundation and Kansas Arts for an Operating Grant. The Oberlin Arts and Humanities Commission benefits from these funds which help implement and support community programming.

Program Director Mary Henzel wrote and submitted the applications for the grant.

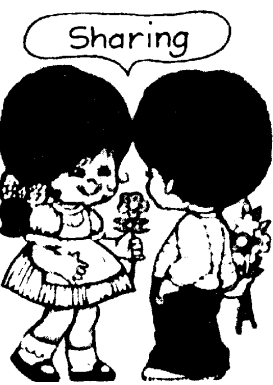


Guys & Dolls PreSchool

is now taking enrollment for fall classes.

The deadline for enrollment is May 26th. The number interested will determine if the program runs.

Please call Deb at 785-475-3308



The children of Lys and Virginia (Mrstik) Carey invite family, friends, former classmates to a potluck dinner to honor the memory of their parents beginning at 1 p.m. on Sunday, May 30 at the Bohemian Hall in Oberlin (Virginia was a 1941 DCHS graduate) Come and share your favorite dish and memories of the couple.



Internet tonight!
475-2206

New Arrival

Addeson Mackenzie Stanley
Chad and Susan Stanley of 3709 South Sherman, Englewood, Colo., 80110, are the parents of a daughter, Addeson Mackenzie, born April 22, 2004. She weighed 7 pounds, 4 1/2 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long.
Grandparents are John and Linda Stanley, and Chuck and Diane Frickey, Oberlin; and Jim and Becky Paris, Denver.



A. Stanley

New Shipment of Collegiate Items
Graduation Cards
GRADUATION SPECIALS:
BATH GIFT BASKET, PROMOTIONS
20% off on DECORATED BOXES
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Enjoy your Prom - Make it a Safe one
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Any questions, please come in Wednesday or Friday morning.
Saturday - May 15 - We will be closing at 2 p.m.

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