

THE OBERLIN HERALD - People in Our Community Mary Lou Olson, society editor mlolson@nwkans.com

Jamie Carman Alstrom, daughter of Larry and Diana (Carman) Alstrom of Hoxie, graduated from Kansas State University with a dual degree on May 22. Family and friends who attended the graduation, reception and barbecue at her apartment included: Peggy Carman, Oberlin; Joy Richardson, Bozeman, Mont.; Mike and Dimity Eager, Madison, Wis.; Larry and Diana Alstrom, Deb Campbell, Cindy Ostmeyer, Dick, Anne, Chelsea and Riley Heskett, all of Hoxie; Bryan and Angie Long, Wichita; Clay and Ragen Alstrom, Fort Collins, Colo.; her fiancé, Andrew Eager, Gregg and Holly Horning, Adam Ostmeyer and friend, Kara, Emily Ostmeyer, and Lindsay Koster, Manhattan; and Tom Alstrom, Peabody.

Marie McKisson received word of the death of her sister-in-law, Alberta Bouchey, 85, of Palco, on May 30 at Hays Medical Center. She was a sister of the late Martin McKisson. Mrs. McKisson and her son, Jim Ferguson, went to Plainville on Wednesday evening for the family reception at the funeral home. Funeral services were held Thursday. Among other survivors are a daughter, Deann Desair, Palco; and a son, Bill and Barb Bouchey, St. Louis, Mo.

Brenda Eason and family of Gillette, Wyo., came last Monday and visited until Thursday with her sister and family, Anita and Spencer Ketterl, and Ryan. Mrs. Ketterl and Ryan accompanied them home for a visit.

Rebekah and Ian Peña of Colorado spent from Friday to Monday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Wolters.

Darrell and Mary Hamilton, Garden Grove, Calif., are visiting in Oberlin for several weeks.

Jim Carver of Granite Falls, N.C., spent Memorial weekend with his mother, Dorothy Carver, and attended the 45th anniversary reunion of his high school class.

Houseguests at the home of Jim and Judy Gaumer over Memorial weekend were her cousin and husband, Donelle and Tom Manton, Umpqua, Ore. Other family members whom the Mantons visited were Gayle and Ruth Bainter, West and Weston Bainter, rural Dresden; Warren and Jan Bainter, Oberlin; Ben Bainter and friend, Nikki, Hays; Nathan Gaumer, Cambridge, Neb.; and Amy Gaumer and Clayton Erickson and Isabelle, Tecumseh. Donelle is a former Oberlin resident and reporter for The Oberlin Herald.

Adrian Chambers, son of Jerry and Melissa Chambers of Oberlin, was the lucky winner of the bicycle given during the Summerfest Car Show by the Western Fraternal Life Association. Vivian Bishop, who signed up the children, said there were 81 who registered.

Don Beardsworth, 66, of Albuquerque, N.M., died June 2, from complications following heart surgery. He was the brother of Mrs. David (Mary) Anderson, of Tucson, Ariz., but formerly of the Lund Community. Other survivors include his wife, Nancy, of the home; four children; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren; his mother, Rosemary Beardsworth, Tucson; and a brother, Jerry Beardsworth, Lebanon, Tenn. Memorial services are pending.

Shaun and Donna Futrell, Calise Castle and Doris Fringer visited Rod

and Patty Steinmetz at Two Buttes, Colo., from Wednesday to Saturday, after which the Futrells left for their home in Garden Valley, Calif.

Jeremy Bryant and Jason, and Karen Roesch of Manhattan spent Saturday night and Sunday with Jerald and Elaine Leitner. Memorial weekend visitors were Delbert Siegfried, Arapahoe, Neb., and Karla and John Sullivan and Jerad, Colby. Jerad remained for a longer visit with his grandparents.

Tucker and Tonya Woolsey, Trae and Taite have moved to Las Vegas, Nev., where he has accepted a robotics teaching position in seventh and eighth grade.

Descendants of the family of Russell and Anna Lemman met for a reunion at the 4-H building in Oberlin on Sunday, May 30. There were nearly 70 family members in attendance.

Winning highs in pinocle at Golden Age Center the past week were Aleen Van Vleet, Barb Solko, Merle Shirley, Veanna Orr and Max Carman. Lows were won by Myrtle Waldo, Floyd Edgett, Veanna Orr and Aleen Van Vleet. Pitch highs were won by Myrtle Waldo and Merle Shirley with lows going to Dorothy Moore and Floyd Edgett. Bridge winners were Janette Votapka and Cynthia Matson.

Roberta "Perky" Barnett of Peoria, Ariz., visited during Memorial week with her daughter, Carol and Wesley Smith.

Phyllis Nicholson of Salina visited last week with her mother, Lora Zwickle.

Logan Stanton, a student at Washington Elementary School in Ellis, is among seventh grade students throughout the country who scored a 95 percent or better on a standardized test such as the Iowa Test of Basic Skills. He was invited to take the SAT or ACT Test with high school students through the Duke University Academic Talent Search Program. The state honors students who qualify with a score of 20 or above on the SAT/ACT. A student needs a score of 21 or above to attend a regent college. Based on his ACT scores, he was invited to attend the Kansas Recognition Ceremony at the University of Kansas on Sunday. He is the son of Tim and Melissa Stanton of Ellis, and grandson of Adelia Perrin of Ellis, but formerly of Oberlin.

Janie Law of Abilene spent Thursday and Friday with her sister, Marie McKisson.

Russell "Rusty" Grafel of Oberlin, and Michelle Juenemann of Selden are among students who completed graduation degree requirements at Hutchinson Community College. The sessions offered intensive courses taught by the faculty and graduate instructors in six general areas to challenge students academically while allowing them to get a taste of university life.

Jace Robinson of Oberlin was among 66 gifted middle and high school students who attended Scholar Weekend at the University of Kansas recently. The sessions offered intensive courses, including psychology, aerospace engineering and mathematics through the ages, taught by the faculty and graduate instructors in six general areas to challenge students academically while allowing them to get a taste of university life. He is the son of Merlou Robinson and Mike Robinson.

Couple plans July wedding

Michele Marie Olson and Ryan Dee Wolf, both of Springfield, Ill., plan to be married on July 31, at Christ Lutheran Church in Lincoln, Neb.

Parents of the couple are Lowell and Shelley Olson, Ogallala, Neb.; Douglas and Patricia Brown, Oberlin; and Rodney and Barbara Wolf, Ogallala, Neb.

Grandparents of the bridegroom are Arthur and Dolores Oelkers, Elwood, Neb., and Howard and Jo Wolf, Gilbert, Ariz. The bride's grandparents are Larry and Fay



M. M. Olson and R. Dee Wolf

Gallentine, Ogallala, Neb., and Carol Olson, Brule, Neb.

The bride-elect is employed with Heartland Credit Union as a loan officer. Her fiancé is an investment representative with Bank One.

Couple honored on 60th

Jim and Rita (Bishop) Fortin of Wentworth, Mo., but formerly of this area, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with family and friends.

They were married June 5, 1944, in Norton.

Children of the couple are Fred Fortin; Connie and Vernon Houck; Jess and Karla Fortin; and Peggy and Ken Heidlage. A son, Jimmy, is deceased. They have 10 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren and make their home at 2948 Lawrence 2155, Wentworth, Mo., 64873.



Jim and Rita (Bishop) Fortin

Scott family holds reunion

The Scott family met on May 30 for a reunion on May 30 at Golden Age Center in Oberlin.

Those present included: Dennis and Geneva Scott, Weatherford, Texas; J.D. Scott, Clara and friend, Nance, Canyon, Texas; Dwayne and Twila Scott, Wathena; John and Lori Naegele, Callie and Lexi, Gardner; Ronald Scott and Gina, Washington, and her friend, Calvin Brichot, Salina; Rod and Patty Steinmetz, Two Buttes, Colo.; Ryan and Kellie Steinmetz, Fort Collins, Colo.; Shaun and Donna Futrell, Garden Valley, Calif.; Shane Harris, Justice and Jude, Oak Grove, Ky.; Devan and Sarah Castle, Rebekah, Maiah and Dane, Quinter; James Shirley, Megan and Breanna, and Heather Glaschow, Ellen and Abbey, Olathe; John and Roxane Mebler, Thomas Courter, Imperial,

Neb.; Mitch and Rhonda Pickett, Chancey and Morgan, Culbertson, Neb.; Stephanie Erickson, Chase and Alexandria, and friend, Cameron Scott, Wichita; Jess Rummel and daughter, Keitra Clark, Glenwood, Ark.; Shelby Brown, Dayton and Dawson Kempt, Norcatur; Tyson Nicholson, Longmont, Colo.; Shannon Harris and friend, Bobby Adams, West Plains, Mo.; Thaniel and Jennifer Monaco, Madison and Lawson; Curtis and Chris Walston; Desirae Shields; Valerie Faris and son, Bruce King, Lawrence Marshall; Mick and Rhonda Barth, David and Wiley, Spencer and Anita Ketterl and Ryan; Valisha Castle, Kariah and Alana and friend, Travis Raile; Bill and Ina Marie Goodnight; Doris Fringer; Carolyn Shirley; Judy Scott and Calise Castle, Oberlin.

Carey family gathers at hall

The Bohemian Hall in Oberlin was the site of a gathering to celebrate the memory of Lys J. and Virginia (Mrstik) Carey on Sunday, May 30. Their children Bill and Lynne Carey, Ryan, Devin, Brandon and Melissa, Benbrook, Texas; Rita Carey, Westminster, Colo.; and Bert and Judy Dieck, Trevor and Ashlee, Greeley, Colo., hosted the potluck dinner for family and friends.

Others in attendance included Lys Carey's sister, Lois Land, Louisa, Ky.; nephews, Robert and Karen Land, and Marc and Mary Hol-

brook, Lexington, Ky.; Virginia Carey's sister, Maxine Sauvage and Keith Sauvage, Oberlin; cousins, Zola Pearl Branch, Arvada, Colo.; Howard Janousek, Yuma, Ariz.; Cliff and Clois Fiala and daughter, Jan Latham, Colorado Springs; Nadean Stoney, Oberlin; Lawrence and Lila Jennings, Brian and Westley Jennings, Jennings; niece, Joan and Mike McKenna, Jennings; and nephews, Bill Sauvage Pat Chard, Mike and Cheryl Sauvage, Kayla and Tyler, Justin Sauvage and his fiancée, Nikki Dolan, all of Oberlin; and John Sauvage, Selden.

Reunion held in Selden

The annual Bainter-Randall family reunion was held Sunday, May 30, at the Parish Hall in Selden.

Those attending were: Bill and Rose Bainter, Clayton Bainter, Joe Bainter, Selden; Norma Tice, Hoxie; Gayle and Ruth Bainter, West Bainter and Weston, Kasey Heskett and Colton, rural Dresden; Warren and Jan Bainter and Judy Gaumer,

Oberlin; Nola Branch, Denver; Jack Bainter, Indianapolis, Ind.; Donelle and Tom Manton, Umpqua, Ore.; and Ben Bainter and friend, Nikki, Hays.

The 2005 reunion will be held Sunday, May 29, 2005, at the Sheridan Estates in Hoxie with Joe Bainter as president and Judy Gaumer, secretary-treasurer.

Camp benefit planned

The Oberlin Covenant Church will sponsor a benefit rummage and bake sale from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday for the FROGS (Fun, Radical, Outdoor, Getaway Summer Camp) to be held in the Oberlin City Park this summer.

The camp will be held from June

28 through July 30 at the Oberlin City Park for all children going into second grade through sixth grade. The day camp includes games, crafts and singing and is sponsored by the church. Pastor Heidi Wiebe said it is not a vacation Bible school, but rather a day camp.

Basketball camp to be held

Decatur Community High School will hold a Triple Threat Basketball Camp from Monday through next Wednesday, stressing fundamentals including passing, dribbling and shooting.

Oberlin Coach Dick Ahlberg said that the staff will include Don Bechard of Gardner-Edgerton High

School and several college players. Pick up forms from Coach Ahlberg or at the high school. Cost of the camp is \$45 and each camper will receive a T-shirt.

Boys and girls from kindergarten to sixth grade will play from 9 a.m.-noon and those in seventh to 12th grades will practice from 1-4 p.m.

Man promoted to captain

Tanner Woolsey, son of Bob and Terri Woolsey of Oberlin, has been promoted to the rank of captain.

While serving at Kadena Air Force Base, Okinawa, Japan, he was selected 18th Comptroller Squadron Company Grade Officer of the Year 2003, and Pacific Air Forces Fianancial Analysis Officer of the Year 2003.

The 18th Comptroller Squadron was selected Pacific Air Forces Comptroller Organization of the Year 2003 and U.S. Air Forces Comptroller Organization of the Year 2003.

Captain Woolsey has been serving at Osan Air Force Base, Republic of Korea, since April, assigned to the 51st Operations Group. His duty

title is Chief, OG Resource Management.

He has been selected for undergraduate flight training and will report in June 2005, to Moody Air Force Base in Georgia. He is a 1995 graduate of Decatur Community High School.

He earned a degree in finance in December 1999 from Kansas State University, at which time he was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Air Force after completing the Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) program.

He is the grandson of Helen Woolsey of Ainsworth, Neb., and Dale and Eris Young of Oberlin



T. Woolsey

May family holds reunion

A May family reunion was held over the weekend for the descendants of Henry and Dora (Stier) May, beginning with a barbecue on Friday evening at St. John's Lutheran Church fellowship hall.

The group toured the three country Lutheran church cemeteries, met for lunch at the LandMark Inn and later enjoyed sodas at Addleman Drug Store on Saturday. After an afternoon of touring the Decatur County Last Indian Raid Museum and downtown Oberlin, they met for dinner Saturday evening at The Gateway Center. On Sunday they enjoyed dinner at The Gateway following church services.

Only three of the first cousins, Dora (Orthmann) Boan, daughter of Emma (May) Orthmann, and Evelyn May and Fred Leslie May, children of Fred May, were unable to attend. The oldest in attendance was Edwin May Sr. and the youngest was Erin May.

Those attending by families included: Edwin May Sr., San Antonio, Texas; Edwin May Jr. and Sandy May, San Antonio, Texas; Kenneth and Mona Hoehner, Wheat Ridge, Colo.; Kevin and Karen Hoehner, Arvada, Colo.; and Marla (Hoehner) Danner, Lakewood,

Colo., children and descendants of Henry and Katie May;

Karolyn (May) Muirhead, Oberlin, daughter of Herman May;

Robert and Geraldine Meyer, Estes Park, Colo.; Marvin and Ruth Meyer, Topeka, and Mike Meyer, Edwards, Colo.; children and grandson of Martha (May) Meyer;

Arthur and Alice May, Wilma (Mrs. Elbert) May, Martin and Evelyn May, Jack and Mildred (May) Fortin, John and Dianne (May) Bremer and Jessica, Jerry and Connie (May) Olson, and Charles Fortin, Oberlin; children and descendants of Ernest May;

Wilbur and Lu Verne May, Walter and Betty May, Oberlin; Arnold and Lois (May) Behrmann, Orange, Calif.; Arthur and Lillian (May) Rutsch, Vista, Calif.; Richard and Delayne May, Danica and Nolan, Robert and Sally May and Cole, Rhonda May and Dan Nedland, Cameron, Hunter, and Elizabeth, Roland and Pam May, Zach and Hannah, Roger and Susan May, Ryan and Erin, Oberlin; Janice (Behrmann) Jordan, Jahna and Joey, Fallbrook, Calif.; Randall Rutsch, Boulder, Colo.; and Steve Rutsch, Vista, Calif.; children and descendants of Theodore May.

Vacation Bible school planned

A community Vacation Bible School will be held from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Monday, June 14, through Friday, June 18, at the Oberlin United Methodist Church for pre-school through sixth grade.

Theme will be "Code Jesus" and Jennifer Monaco and Cheryl Soderlund are co-directors.

Deb Marshall will be in charge of the pre-school children. The others will follow mission sites. Janice Ganje will teach the Damascus site

throughout the week. Other teachers include: Bill and Carol Duncan, Lystra; Sheila Jansonius and Mardi Lohofener, Philippi; Anita Hirsch, Athens; and Jeni Henningson and Carol Brown, Malta.

All children in this age group from all denominations are welcome. Registration forms are available at Raye's Grocery and the Oberlin City Library.

For details, contact Mrs. Jansonius at 475-3428.

Retirement reception held

A public reception honoring Dr. Boyd Walker, Dr. Gerald Sanden and Sue Long on their retirement from Colby Community College was held Friday in the Student Union at Colby Community College.

Dr. Walker, a licensed veterinarian, has been program director and instructor for the vet-tech program since 1977. The program, which is the only one in Kansas, is based on American Veterinary Medical Association guidelines. It was first examined by the association in September 1974 and accredited in December of that year. Full accreditation status has been maintained since that time. He is also the chair for the Agriculture/Veterinary Technology division.

Dr. Gerald Sanden of Oberlin began teaching at Colby in the fall of 1988. Prior to accepting the job in Colby, he worked in private and public research and extension.

He earned his Ph.D. in Plant Pathology from Virginia Polytechnic Institute, and teaches several agronomy and physical science classes.

Although he is officially retiring, Sanden and his wife, Maria, plan to do volunteer work beginning this summer when they will be serving at a national park. He will also work

for the Kansas Crop Improvement Association as a crop inspector for certified seed. His wife plans to retire next year from her teaching job in the Oberlin school system.

Sue Long started her career at the college in 1987. She is the adult education and outreach coordinator at the college with responsibility for ITV offerings, 27 outreach sites and the students who enroll at those centers.

She has her master's degree in education, and has helped over 1,000 students enrolled in outreach classes achieve their goal of graduating from CCC. She plans to continue working with her family's farming operation located near Jennings. In addition, she may return to the classroom as a substitute teacher. She is the granddaughter of Mary Votapka of Jennings.

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HAPPY 90TH BIRTHDAY GRANDPA LLOYD!

The family would like to request a card shower for his 90th Birthday on June 11.

Cards will reach him at 512 N. York Oberlin, KS 67749



Wesley and Eulaine Benda will celebrate their 60th Wedding Anniversary with a family gathering the weekend of June 11 to 13.



Greetings will reach them at 338 N. Penn, Oberlin, Kansas 67749.

Wesley Benda and Eulaine Erikson were married June 12, 1944 at the Herndon Covenant Church.

Their children are Connie and Bob Smith, Eden Prairie, Minn.; Leanne and Losson Pike, Ashland; Gerald and Patti Benda, Ludell; Shirley and Daryl Maresch, Nekoma; Beverly and Mitch Messerly, Sublette; and Barbara and Mark Olson, Oberlin.



Happy 50th Anniversary

The family of Roger & Angie Wilson are hosting an open house in honor of their 50th Anniversary on Saturday, June 19 from 2 to 4 p.m. at The Gateway, Oberlin, Kansas

No gifts please; your presence is all that is requested