



Sherry and Bradley Schroeder

Couple married at Norton church

Sherry Lea Kattenberg, daughter of Joyce Kattenberg of Salina, and the late Robert Kattenberg, and Bradley Schroeder, son of Patricia Chard of Oberlin, were married on April 24 at the Norton United Methodist Church by the Rev. Lew Van Der Wege.

Grandparents attending were Ernest and Edna Kattenberg, Lebanon, Kan., and Jim and Bunny Schroeder, Grinnell.

The bride was escorted to the altar by a close family friend, Roger Allen, Lebanon. She wore a white satin gown covered with lace and pearls.

Elizabeth Bowen, Colorado

Springs, was matron of honor and wore a lilac gown.

Best man was Nick Quenzer of Colby. The bridegroom and the best man wore black tuxedos with gray vests.

Flower girls were Emily Ryter, Texas, and Emma Baroni, Buena Vista, Colo.

The bride's son, Robert Patrick Schroeder, Norton, was ringbearer and was escorted by his aunt, Patti Trojanovich, Buena Vista.

A reception and catered lunch followed the ceremony in the church fellowship hall.

After a trip to southern Kansas, they are living in Norton.

Nursing home receives honor

Decatur County Good Samaritan Center was honored recently with a Recognition Award from the Kansas Association of Homes and Services for the Aging.

The awards ceremony was part of the nonprofit association's annual spring convention at the Wichita Airport Hilton. Those from the center who were present to receive the award were Administrator Janice Shobe, and Director of Nursing Loretta McFee.

The awards are presented to association members receiving three or fewer nursing care deficiencies on their annual survey by the Kansas Department on Aging. Decatur County Good Samaritan Center received zero deficiencies on its most recent survey.

"This award indicates that Decatur County Good Samaritan Center

has earned the distinction of being among the top 10 percent of facilities in Kansas with very few deficiencies," said John Grace, President and Chief Executive Officer of the association. "It also is an indication of individual dedications and pride on the part of personnel to provide quality senior care."

The Kansas Association of Homes and Services for the Aging is a statewide association of more than 160 nonprofit nursing facilities and retirement communities. Its mission is advocacy, professional development and networking information.

It is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year and this is the 14th year of the Awards of Excellence for outstanding programs at member facilities.

Artist displays his furniture

LaVern Burtis of Oberlin is the featured "Artist of the Month" at the Dane G. Hansen Museum in Logan in June.

His work brings some fabulous primitive furniture, which is produced by Mr. Burtis in shades of red, navy, black, sage, and mustard. His display includes benches, quilt racks, shelving units, cupboards, cabinets, towel holders, cookbook rack/recipe holders, and much

more. These items are also available for sale while on display there.

The current exhibit, "West by Southwest," which is also on display, portrays the southwest in 60 paintings and several bronzes. It focuses on works of the 20th century, with rare paintings from the Taos Society of Artists, as well as historic and contemporary Santa Fe artists.

For details, call (785) 689-4846 or go to www.hansenmuseum.org.

New Arrival

Jacie Rose Fortin

Daren and Erica Fortin of Oberlin are the parents of a daughter, Jacie Rose, born June 7, 2004, at the Decatur County Hospital in Oberlin. She weighed 6 pounds, 5 ounces and was 18 inches long.

Grandparents are Bob and Alice Stanley, and Jerry and Jolene Fortin, Oberlin. Great-grandparents are Rex and Ethel Schroeder; Don and Ardis Roe, and June Fortin, Oberlin, and Dick and Bernadette Stanley, Vancouver, Wash.

In order to better serve the people of this community, the Decatur County Health Department is asking that anyone needing services please call and make appointments for their needs. Due to the busy schedule of the Health nurse, we are asking all persons with children who need shots to please call for appointments. If you have insurance, please bring your insurance card with you.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Call the Decatur County Health Department at (785) 475-8118.

Club News

Group enjoys salad supper

A guest night salad supper the evening of June 2, sponsored by the Oberlin United Methodist Women, was attended by 46 women. Hostesses were Eris Young, Janeil Jensen and Doris Fringer.

Table decorations featured a patriotic theme. Devotions were given by Joan Betts, based on Ecclesiastes 3 and the seasons of change.

Sara Hasty presented a program on the history of several patriotic hymns often sung in churches with group singing of each, led by Pat Wright and accompanied by Betty Jones on the piano. She included interesting facts about the

authors and composers of "America;" "America, The Beautiful;" "Onward Christian Soldiers;" and "The Battle Hymn of the Republic."

President Pat Wright reminded the group of the "Bike and Build" group from Habitat for Humanity which will spend the night at the church on June 23. A potluck meal for the group and other interested persons is planned that evening.

The next meeting will be on Sept. 1 with Mrs. Wright and Eileene Grose as hostesses. Devotions will be given by Goldie Stapp and the program by Jody Betts.

Women enjoy breakfast

Widows and Friends enjoyed breakfast at the Frontier Restaurant on June 9.

Those present included: Elaine Bryan, Cecil Hess, Mildred Holmdahl, Eileene Grose, Evelyn Olson, Alice Shirley,

Nadean Stoney, Phyllis Screen, Millie Lippelmann, Martha Fringer, Helena Bruggeman and Doris Fringer.

They will meet at 3 p.m. on July 14 for dessert at the LandMark Inn.

Woman honored on 80th

The family of June Fortin honored her with a birthday celebration on Sunday, June 6, at The Gateway.

All of her children were present. They include: John and Jane Fortin, Judy and Don Macha, Jack and Donna Fortin, Jerry and Jolene Fortin, Jane and Roger Carlisle, Joe and Jan Fortin, Jill and Terry McCorkle, Jay and Shelli Fortin, Jamie and Lisa Fortin, Joyce and Dave Juenemann, Jeff Fortin, and Jason and Gwen Fortin.

Grandchildren attending were Mark and Stacy Chitwood, Morgan, Matthew and Madison; Traci Fortin, Cathy Fortin, Monte and Sandy McLain, Jace, Jordan and Jayden; James and Mendy Hopkins, Darrian and Cheney; Anita and Dan Mumm, Mason, Jack and Collin; Amy and Kendal Carman, Isaac and Patience; Angie Fortin, Josh Morrison, Darren and Erica Fortin, Kristy Fortin, Brandon Dirks, Corey Fortin, John and James Carlisle, Cindy Mockry, Dustin and Nichole Verhage and Keaton, Cassidy and Kennedy Jensen, Katie Fortin, Donnie and Brooke McCorkle and Caitilin, Diana McCorkle and Holly, Daniel McCorkle, Shannon Moore, David McCorkle, Danae McCorkle, Teresa and Jason Eberle and Tanner, Josh and Jacob Fortin, Chase, Jessica, and Lucas Juenemann; Rebecca, Kari, Koriann, Jeb and Brady Fortin; Keithen, Kennedy and Konner; Mary Ann and Ron Linner and family. Mrs. Fortin's sister, Edna Swafford, and her daughters, Ronda Osorio and Sandy Robinson also attended.

Others who attended included Jack and Glema Macy, Norabell and Linda Manning, Dale Carlisle, Lynn and Roberta Johnson, Jackie Votapka, Bob Wurm, Glenda and Don Gould, Bob and Christlene Cook, Royce and Vicky Leitner, Tim and Brenda Davis, Norma Brown, Jodie Merrill, Ethan and Emma, Norma and Dewayne Carman, Don and Ardis Roe, Larry and Peggy Roe, Phillip and Jani Little, Orville and Donna Mockry and their daughter, Mary Sue and her husband; Bessie Vandervort, Marion Wenger, Gordon Wilson, Jack and Mildred Fortin and Charles, Mary Lemman, Patty Brown, Fern Jording, Eula Juenemann and Brenda Breth.

Several family members also helped Mrs. Fortin celebrate her birthday with a trip to Branson, Mo., from June 8-12. They enjoyed several shows including the Oak Ridge Boys; Pierce Arrow; Moe Bandy; Kirby Vanburch, "Prince of Magic"; the Dixie Stampede, and Shoji Tabuchi.

They also enjoyed shopping, sightseeing and golfing, swimming, go carts, laser tag and arcades and went to Lambert's Cafe, "Home of Throwed Rolls" in Sikeston, Mo. En route to Branson, they stopped in Cherryvale and located graves of the family of Mrs. Fortin and her sister, Edna Swafford.

Those making the trip were June Fortin, Oberlin; Edna Swafford, Seattle, Wash.; Jane and Roger Carlisle, Jay, Shelli and Jacob Fortin, Joyce and Lucas Juenemann and Kori Ann Fortin, all of Oberlin, and Jill, Terry and Danae McCorkle, and Madison Chitwood, McCook.

Those attending from this area by families included: Richard and Jean Dempewolf, Colby — Charles and Dana Dempewolf and family, Steve and LaDonna Dempewolf and family, Colby.

Pauline Ritter, Dresden — Ann Middleton, Goodland.

Marian Dempewolf, Oberlin — Douglas and Chris Dempewolf and family, and Dave and Patty Stapp and family, Norcatur; Linda Schlip, McCook.

Delores Zerr, Andover — Jessica Padgett, Becky and Richard White and family, Wichita.

Don and Laurene Dempewolf, Oberlin — Kevin and Donna Juenemann and family, Colby; Larry and Kim Dempewolf and family, Central City, Neb.; Michael and Jennifer Driskell, Kansas City, Mo.

Myron and Dianne Kleidosty, Simi Valley, Calif.

Vona Lea Dempewolf, Rapid City, S.D., was unable to attend for health reasons.

Youths on mission to New Mexico city

Several Oberlin United Methodist Youth members went on a mission trip to McCurdy School in Espanola, N.M., on Sunday, May 30.

Those attending were David Barth, Kellen Doeden, David and Ken Morris, Julie and Betsy Haag, Rebekah Hasty, Drew Martin, Jeremy Tally, and Bob and Deanna Castle.

The drive allowed them to see the beautiful scenery in Colorado Springs, Pueblo, and Walsenburg, Colo.; Taos, N.M., and other sites en route to Espanola. They also stopped in San Luis, the oldest town in Colorado, to walk the hillside "Stations of the Cross" which is done in bronze statues. This was a vivid reminder of scenes in the "Passion of the Christ" movie.

Espanola had some wind storms before their arrival, so the group did cleanup of limbs and branches around the campus. Their main project was to clean out one of the two irrigation ditches which provide water for the grounds from a mountain spring many miles away.

A broken-down fence area was also replaced and the youth decided to build a small bridge to make the ditch easier to cross. The campus is busy with walkers, baseball, softball and football games, so this ditch is crossed by many people. The group received signs of appreciation for a job well done by passersby and by other work teams at McCurdy. The electrician in their group, Bob Castle, was also able to repair the school bell system.

The group learned the history of McCurdy School from Irene Cole, former teacher and staff member at McCurdy for over 40 years. She still volunteers every summer. This included a tour of the building which houses McCurdy's Campbell Soup labels and Box Tops for Education processing center. Millions of the labels and box tops are turned in each year for school supplies and other needed materials, including vehicles. Because McCurdy is a private school, they receive no state funding, and the label and box top funding is an important resource for them.

A trip was taken to Bradbury Science Museum in Los Alamos, which houses the history of the creation of the atomic bomb. Lakin Garcia, a

graduate of McCurdy School, now retired Naval Commander and head of one of the departments at Los Alamos Labs, met with the group and gave a personal tour of part of the 43 square miles of the Los Alamos Lab area. He also thanked the members for giving their time and efforts for McCurdy. A drive was then taken to Valle Grande to view a beautiful (treeless) valley created by the collapse of a volcano onto itself, which includes a large working ranch.

On Thursday, a United Methodist Youth Choir of 25 high schoolers from Roswell, N.M., site of the UFO landing, made a stop-over at McCurdy on their two-week singing tour, and performed at lunch time. After completing the work on the ditch in the morning, members went to White Rock to view the Rio Grand Gorge, and Bandelier National Monument, which is a site of the pueblo cliff and adobe dwellings. This included some long hikes and climbing of several wooden ladders to learn about part of the culture of the Anasazi people.

On Friday, the first project of the morning was to clean up an overgrown courtyard at the dorm building, after which the team went to a residence owned by McCurdy School used as a rental for teachers and completed tree trimming and major yard cleanup. Everyone worked hard and had that job completed by noon. After lunch, several took the "old road" to Taos for more sightseeing. The others did the necessary cleaning of the dorms, which was required before departure. In the evening, a visit to Sonic for supper included an interesting view of "dragging main" by the young people of Espanola in various "fixed-up" vehicles. Then it was off to bowling for the evening.

An early morning departure on Saturday, June 4, got the group to Pueblo, Colo., for lunch and then on to Rock Canyon, a swim area at Pueblo Reservoir, where everyone enjoyed swimming, water slides and paddle boats. It was on to Colorado Springs for supper and home to Oberlin by 11 p.m. with tired team members.

They all felt, however, that it was a good tired after the hard work they had done for a very worthy cause.

Students attend band camp

Three Decatur Community High School students — Karyn Jordan, clarinet; Chris Jordan, percussion; and Sarah Marcuson, saxophone — were chosen to attend the Kansas Lions Band Camp at Friends University in Wichita.

All will be juniors this fall. Their parents are Judy Jordan, and Brad and Elaine Marcuson.

Each music section presented a concert Friday evening, June 4, and the complete band performed on Saturday, June 5, for the Lions state convention. Expenses were paid by the Oberlin Lions Club.

Sarah and Karyn will be attending the Lions International Band Camp at Detroit, Mich., and Windsor, Ontario, the first week in July.

Dr. John Taylor was conductor for the state band and Dana Hamant will conduct the international band.

Brad and Elaine Marcuson and Jared attended the concert on Friday, and Judy Jordan attended the Saturday morning performance.



S. Marcuson



K. Jordan



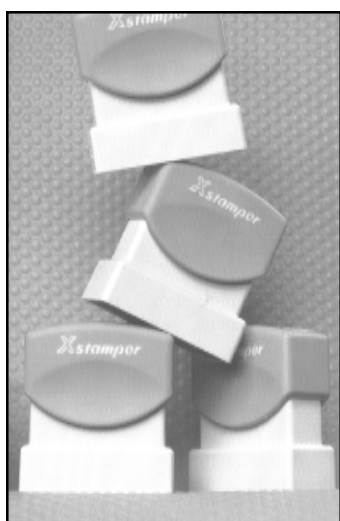
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