

Chamber News

By Glenva Nichols

Beth Johnson left on the California Zephyr in McCook on July 10 for Chicago, where she met David, Jennifer and Zoie, then all went to Tomale, Wis.

On Sunday evening they met Jennifer's mother and grandmother in Grand Forks, N.D. Kaitlin and Brittany had been at Sioux Outlook, Ontario, with Jennifer's mom and grandma. They traveled to Camp Perkins, near Sun Valley, Idaho, where they attended the Clason reunion from July 13-16. There were nine states represented and 51 in attendance.

The oldest was Shirley Clason Crammer, 91, and the youngest, a great-grandson, Russell Scott, 3 weeks old. They enjoyed Craters of the Moon, Yellowstone Park, Mount Rushmore and Crazy Horse Monument, then spent 10 days with John and Carmella Groebe and Frances Lindley at their cabin at Sioux Outlook, Ontario. She returned to McCook on July 31.

Oran and Lavern Milner and

Goldie Brewer attended Fern Mapes' 94th birthday celebration at the Good Samaritan Center in Oberlin on Friday, July 30.

Saturday evening, July 31, supper guests at the Milner home were Goldie Brewer and Veda Woods.

Birthdays and anniversaries: Marguerite Clark - Aug. 3; Dwight and Mary Wentz - Aug. 6; Wyatt Wentz, Les Ward, Agnes Pruitt, Darren and Lois Wentz, Bob and Kay Strevey, Stan and Carol Miller - Aug. 7.

Guests of Dorothy and Kenneth Ward from July 25-27 were Sharon and Spiros Coven and his sister Eva, of Veneta, Ore. Sharon is a niece of Kenneth and is Jarrold Ward's daughter. Lora Linn Leichter was also a guest.

Bill and Bee Nelson arrived home from Independence, Mo., on July 28, and stayed until today. Bill has two doctor appointments this week, then they plan to return home for two weeks.

The Magers reunion was held in

the United Methodist Educational Building on Sunday, Aug. 1. Seventeen gathered to enjoy the potluck and visiting.

The Norcatour Pre-school is looking for kids to enroll for the 2004-05 school year. Contact Deb Marshall at (785) 693-4344.

Margaret Magers, and Jeff Magers and Joy had supper with Jeff's parents, Rea and Dee Magers, on July 27 in honor of Jeff's birthday. Joining them for the evening were Ursula and Bill Stephens of South Turkey Creek, Colo. Ursula worked at the Bureau of Mines in Denver while Jeff was employed there.

There were 20 attending Senior Citizens on July 30. Winners were Cleat Hatfield, Veda Wood and Elden Long.

The next meeting will be at 7 p.m. on Friday, in the Educational Building.

J. Bishop, Houston, Texas, visited Oran and LaVerne Milner on July 28 and they had lunch at The County Line Café.

School is almost upon us. Where has the summer gone? Many things have happened, vacations have been taken and now is the time to buy supplies, clothes and enroll in school.

The fair has been a busy place this past week. Dads and moms have had to take everyone to the carnival for an evening or two. Thanks to all the volunteers that make it possible. There have been many calls to the office with questions about the programs, and always a word of praise for the carnival. Way to go, Oberlin!

Many thanks to the people who have so faithfully given to the fireworks jars each year. Because Mother Nature had her own display on the Fourth, our fireworks were held over until fair time. They were outstanding.

Farmers Market is held every Wednesday morning on main street, when the garden producers get their wares gathered and to town. Thank you to those who give of their time and efforts so the rest

of us can enjoy.

The Chamber/Oberlin Business Alliance/USD#294 picnic in the park is fast approaching. This is for everyone who wants to attend. This will give you and your children a chance to meet their teachers, coaches and staff. KFNH is again helping out with entertainment.

Please call the Chamber office at 475-3441 by 4 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 13, if you plan to come, so we can turn in a number for the fried chicken. You will need to bring a covered dish, chairs, table service — and pray that the wind isn't blowing 100 m.p.h. The Oberlin Herald will be drawing for the \$1,000 shopping spree, the Alliance's dinner for two at the LandMark, and the free year's membership in the Chamber. See

you there.

School starts on Aug. 19 and sports will follow. Watch out for the yellow buses picking up students with their stop signs out. Since school starts early, the morning sunrise will mean you have to pay attention.

Remember the pot is always on, so stop by and have a cup.

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Midway News

By Mary Lou Olson

Congratulations to Col. Dennis Barnett, who was honored at a retirement ceremony at Fort Walton Beach, Fla., after completing 30 years in the U.S. Air Force.

LeRoy and Daisy Schmidt of rural Oberlin and Keith and Darlene Barnett of Atwood flew to Fort Walton Beach, to visit their children, Dennis and Pat Barnett and granddaughters, Sara, Emily and Rachel, and great-granddaughter, Peyton, and also attend the retirement festivities. Gen. Paul Hester, Commander of Pacific Air Forces from Hawaii, presented Col. Barnett and his wife, Pat, with many decorations in appreciation for their time spent in the Air Force. Col. Barnett also received a plaque of appreciation for flying with the British Royal Air Force as an exchange pilot. They will be making their home in Atlanta, Ga.

While in Florida, the families enjoyed a Country Western Jambooree, an ocean cruise and a walk on the gulf beach. Later they traveled to Atlanta, Ga., where they attended the Braves and Mets baseball game. The following day was the wedding of Emily Barnett and Greg Harrell.

Other family members attending the wedding were Chris and Sherri Schmidt, Joe and Vicki Schmidt, and Danace O'Malley from this area; the Mike Barnett family, Kurt and Kathy Frisbie, Clint, Erin and Barry Schmidt, all from Colorado; and Tanner Schmidt and Mandi McKinley of Manhattan. After 12 enjoyable days, the Keith Barnetts and LeRoy Schmidts returned home last Monday.

Eric Sattler of Fort Collins, Colo., was honored for his birthday by his parents, Ron and Cindy Sattler, at their home on Sunday afternoon. Other guests included Marissa Larson of Fort Collins; Ward, Jan, Chloe, Mariah and Cianna Olson of Colorado Springs; Jan Sattler, and Brian, Mary, Katelyn and Colin Clark of Atwood; John and Ardythe Cederberg, Dana Sattler and Chase Jueneemann.

Jack and Mary Gutchewsky visited from Friday to Sunday with Brian and Krista Gutchewsky at Lawrence.

Mac and Jeri Ann McPheeters of Colby were Sunday evening barbecue guests of Dave and Sherry

Berling.

Weekend guests of Richard and Maureen Anderson and family were Dave and Sherrie Aberle, Cheyenne, Phoenix, Austin, and Carson, and Mellodie Fish, Arvada, Colo.; Val Badding, Westminster, Colo.; and Pete and Tia Marti, Tiana, Tayber and Tavree; and Angie and Dominic Rossi, Thornton, Colo.

Visitors at the home of Genevieve Henningsen over the weekend were Bob and Marsha Espenson; Bob and Karla Hockel, Clay, Morgan, Mia, MacKenzie and Cody; Marty and Patty Espenson, Ryley and Kyle; Jason and Cindy Espenson and Alex, Michael and Dee Dee Espenson, Londyn and Meadow; and Justin and Britteny Espenson and Zachary, Bingham Lake, Minn.; Tony and Trish Henningsen, Oberlin; Teresa Brown, Garden City; and Justin and Kendra Brown, Hunter and McKenna Tulsa, Okla.

Wesley Benda has returned home from Community Hospital in McCook and is recuperating satisfactorily from hip surgery. Leanne Pike of Ashland, and Beverly Messerly, Paul and Anna of Sublette have been visiting in the Benda home.

Bud and Linda Monroe of Auburn, Calif., came Wednesday, and have been houseguests of Elden and Detta Anderson. Joining the two couples for a family get-together on Friday at the Sappa shelterhouse were Helen Jaderborg, Greg and Tara Winger, Austin and Ryan, and friends, Travis and Vince; Scott and Rhonda and Heather Richardson, Longmont, Colo.; Sheldon and Brenda Kelley, Kendra and Jessica, Frederick, Colo.; Dave and Sherrie Aberle, Cheyenne, Phoenix, Austin, and Carson, and Mellodie Fish, Arvada, Colo.; Val Badding, Westminster, Colo.; Pete and Tia Marti, Tiana, Tayber and Tavree; and Angie and Dominic Rossi, Thornton, Colo.; Monte and Jody Stull, Dayton and Emily, Lee's Summit, Mo.; Ren and Bev Whitaker, Marion, Iowa; Debbie and Seth Kelley, Silver Lake; Wane and Cheryl Stull, Solomon; and Dick and Donna Kelley, Gary Anderson, the Richard Anderson family, and Vic and Opal Bryan. Sharon Slabaugh

and Jeanne Britton were afternoon callers.

The same group helped Eva Bryan celebrate her 91st birthday on Saturday afternoon at the Decatur County Good Samaritan Center. Additional guests were Ron and Jody Cox of Phoenix, Ariz.

Gerald and Patti Benda enjoyed a vacation trip to Branson, Mo., with several of her relatives.



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August 25

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'Are you ready for the return of Jesus?'

By Kathy Aeillo, Pastor of Almena, Clayton and Norcatour United Methodist churches

There's a verse in Luke, chapter 12, that tells us if the owner of the house had known when the thief was coming, he would have been prepared and his house wouldn't have been burglarized. The next verse, number 40, tells us we had better be prepared because we don't know when the Son of Man is coming, either.

It seems a little odd that Jesus' return would be compared to a thief breaking into a house but I think the comparison is used well, in order to get our attention.

I don't know how many of us ever think about the second coming of Christ. If we do think about it, we assume it's still a long way off.

Of course, we don't know the timing for Jesus' arrival at all and thinking about it probably makes at least some of us uncomfortable.

With all the books that have been written about the tribulation and the end of the world and the second coming, we still don't really know what to expect except that we will all be judged and the event

will be spectacular.

The point of the verses in Luke is that we must be prepared. There are clichés about living like there is no tomorrow and most of us tend to shrug them off, I think. But there might not be a tomorrow and, if we shrug off that idea, we could be in real trouble.

The Rev. Charles Stanley tells a story about something his mother told him when he was still a teenager. He was getting ready to go out with his friends. She stopped him and told him to behave as if Jesus would come back in the very next minute. He said those words affected the rest of his life. Every time he was tempted to do something he shouldn't, he would "hear" those words in his conscience and turn away from the temptation.

Ever since I heard that story I've tried to keep it in mind, hoping that when temptation comes along I'll remember it and be able to turn away. I know I'll never resist all my temptations but, if I can do just a little better every day, I may be a little less worried about what I'll say to the Lord when I see him.



Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

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The Rev. George Kochuvelikkakam, MASS: 5:30 p.m., Saturday

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The Rev. George Kochuvelikkakam
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The Rev. Doug Hasty
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Pastor: Bobby Cornelius
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Interim Pastor: Don White
Secretary: Norma Unger
785-475-2333
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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.

Jennings News

Guests of Doyle and Kay Brown on Saturday evening, July 31, were Kurt and Valerie Brown and Millie-curt, Quinter; Kara Kuntz, Katherine and Zachary, Hays; Mike and Anne Dowell, Tyler, Leah and friend, Shelby, Hutchinson; Bill and Janiece Dowell, Colby; Charles and Doris Ann Brown, Sun Lakes, Ariz.; Linda Bywater, Iowa City, Iowa; Steve Brown, Oskaloosa, Iowa; Jim and Jo Stealy, Sarasota,

Fla.; and A.J. and Dorothy Stealy, Westminster, Colo.

Previous weekend guests at the Doyle and Kay Brown home were Gordon and Kara Kuntz, Katherine and Zachary, Hays.

John and Deanell Tacha of Lawrence were Friday, July 30, overnight guests of Mildred Tacha. Mrs. Tacha had spent the previous two weeks visiting at the Tacha home in Lawrence.

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