

THE OBERLIN HERALD — People in Our Community

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Guests of Marvin and Bee Hansen for the Decatur County Fair were their grandchildren and friends, Max, Alex and Sydnee Hansen, North Platte, Neb.; Kassie Goetz, and Amanda, Alicia and Pee Wee Olson, Omaha.

Barbara Young returned home Friday from a 10-day visit with her sister, Ellie and Cottie Matal in Woodland, Calif. While there, the Mats celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a dinner party and weekend at the Bodega Bay Inn at Bodega Bay, Calif. Others attending the celebration were Kirk and Holly Young, Colby; Dr. Dana Young, Miami Beach, Fla.; Mark and Katie Young, Houston, Texas; Lisa Eccles, Edmond, Okla.; Allen and Neta Jeffus, Topeka; Bill and JuDee Benton, Merced, Calif.; Ward and Tracey Matal, Megan, Lauren, Amanda and Robby, and Kristi Matal and Jana Matal, Sacramento, as well as other family and friends.

Phil and Marjorie Law of Lakewood, Colo.; Fern Jording, and Gary and Sarah Fredrickson, Karli and Kaine, Oberlin; Cindy and Rob Wood and Cody of Littleton, Colo., and Ray and Michelle Tackett and Kimberly and her friend, Danielle, of Warrensburg, Mo., attended the Jording family reunion in Palmer on Friday.

Guests of Penny Arnoldy for the Decatur County Fair were Paige Gawith, Madison and Gunner of Colby; and Andrea and Jerry Schuette, Henry, Eric and Dalton of Lyons.

Isaac Carman, son of Kendal and Amy Carman, was the winner of the Little Tykes tractor and trailer, presented by the Decatur County Day Care organization at their booth at the Decatur County Fair.

Julie and Mark Hubbard and Brandon of Lakewood, Colo., were weekend guests of her parents, Gail and Kay Marcuson.

Mark Scott of Sioux City, Iowa, visited from Thursday to Tuesday with his parents, Don and Alene Scott. Additional weekend guests were Rick and Kay Danburg and girls, Kearney, Neb. All attended the Krizek family reunion on Saturday at The Gateway.

Rhonda May and her children, Cameron, Hunter and Elizabeth, are spending this week with their husband and father, Dan Nedland, in Omaha, where he is undergoing outpatient treatment.

Shad and Jody Metcalf, Bryson and Seanna will be moving on Friday from Colorado Springs to Colby to make their home. He will continue as a chemical representative for United Supplies in eastern Colorado.

David C. Aschwege, a senior this year at Hays High School, was nominated as a Cambridge College Programme Scholar. He attended Cambridge University at Cambridge, England, from July 14 through Aug. 4. At Cambridge, he studied military history, war and

chivalry and British history. He is the son of Wayne and Ruth Ann Aschwege of Hays. His grandparents are Don and Marie Aschwege of Mesa, Ariz., but formerly of Oberlin, and the late Vern and Carol Erickson.

Brian Gutchewsky of Lawrence received word of the death of Jeremy Demoss of Kearney, Neb., in a car accident on Saturday. He was a former employee at Cabinetland in Oberlin and the men had been roommates. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon in Kearney.

Weekend guests of Gene and Marcella Leitner were Patricia, Leslie, Jarrett, and John Tongish, Newton; Britt Houser, Hays; Ashley Tongish, and Steve and Donna Wilson and Desiree, Wichita; Lucille Barenberg, Aurora, Colo.; and Cynthia and Rachelle Stadig, Denver. They came to attend the Decatur County Fair and the annual Leitner reunion on Sunday.

Weekend guests of Vernon and Jeanette Diederich were Bobby and Peggy Wurm of Eaton, Colo., who also visited Iris Wurm. Additional Sunday dinner guests were Eugene and Beverly Witt, Danbury; Doyle and Julie Richards and boys, Oberlin; Jeff and Annette Troyer, Shawn and Stephanie, Ellinwood; and Anita Hirsch, Jennifer and Joe. Shawn and Stephanie Troyer spent last week at the Diederich home and enjoyed the fair.

Winning highs in pinocle at Golden Age Center the past week were Doris Miller, Kelva Swindler, Henry Edgett, Dorothy Moore, Dewaine Stapp, Veanna Orr, Lawrence Wenger and Barb Solko. Lows were won by Lawrence Wenger, Donna Kent, Aleen Van Vleet, Wilma May and Veanna Orr. Pitch highs went to Aleen Van Vleet and Dale Votapka with lows going to Wilma May and Neva Townsend. Bridge winners were Phyllis Lohoefer and Cynthia Matson.

Ian Peña was honored with a party on his first birthday at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Wolters, with a cookout on Saturday evening. Levi James Wolters was also honored on his birthday. Guests included: Becky, Fernando and Ian Peña, Colby; Mr. and Mrs. Tim Wolters, Ashley and Levi James, Ludell; Lacy Wolters and Jessica Marks, Hays; Murry and Audrey Pavlicek, Oberlin; Gail and Allyson Rippe, Indianola, Neb., and Laura Amigroud, Denver. All later enjoyed the fair.

Ted Blytham and Sandy Gallatin of McCook visited on Friday afternoon at the home of Pastors Nolan and Barbara Pierce.

Weekend guests in the Loyd and Mary Waldo home were Michael, Sue and Allison Wright, Lawrence; Jana Rae Oliver, Raleigh, N.C.; and Buck and Brady Vernon, Frederick, Colo. They came for the fair and also to help their parents celebrate their 55th wedding anniversary. Additional Friday picnic guests were Don and Genola Claussen, Cathy Claussen, and Pat and John Wright, Oberlin; Doug Wright of Olathe,

and Mary Stoecker, Michelle, Mark and John, Oakley.

Recent guests of Jack and Karen Metcalf have included Doug Richards, Cap Richards and Cullin Driscoll, East Grand Forks, Minn.; Magnus and Corina Lindstrom, Karlsborg, Sweden; Mary Stephenson, Leavenworth; Joe and Kim Horn, Sam and Kate, State College, Pa.; Barry and Patti Richards, Curtis, Bryan, Jonathon and Andrew; Randy and Kristin McHugh, Jordan, Conner and Tyler, and Norm Richards.

Blackrose Angus Ranch of Culbertson, Neb., owns three bulls which were listed in the 2004 fall "Sire Evaluation Report" published by the American Angus Association in St. Joseph, Mo. It features the latest performance information available on 6,148 sires. The ranch is owned and operated by Mr. and Mrs. Rob Spencer.

Former Oberlin City Administrator Jerry Fear and his wife, Sonya, of Aurora, Colo., were in Oberlin on Thursday and Friday for the Decatur County Fair.

Don and Marie Aschwege of Mesa, Ariz., were visiting in the area last week.

Peggy (Jorn) Williams, Jeff, Keith, Kiara, Megan and Tiffanie, and her sons' friend, Josh Hinton, of Lawrence, visited relatives over the weekend and enjoyed the Decatur County Fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Wolters helped Dorothy Wolters celebrate her birthday at Cedar Living Center on Sunday by joining her for dinner and having two birthday cakes.

Joe McNeil, field agent with the Knights of Columbus, was cited for outstanding life insurance service at the 54th annual convention of the National Association of Fraternal Insurance Counselors held in Milwaukee, Wis. He has been a representative in the Oberlin, Dresden, Leoville, Rexford and Selden area for the past four years.

Houseguests of Arlo and Bonnie Wurm for the Decatur County Fair were Stanton and Rachelle Wurm, Alexandria and Victoria, Lebo; and Shawna and Mike Karl, Todd and Scott, Brighton, Colo. Kayla Wurm, Cody, Cade and Cory, were additional Saturday afternoon visitors and all enjoyed the Decatur County Fair.

Gary and Judy Vaughn of Henderson, Colo., were guests of his mother, Nelda Vaughn, and Todd and Laura Vaughn, Megan and Hannah and two friends, were houseguests of her mother, Juanita Williby, during the Decatur County Fair.

Nola (Jaderborg) Carlson of Fort Morgan, Colo., has been visiting Cloyce and June Harold. Thursday visitors at the Harold home were Ray and Julie Harold and family, who recently moved to Hays from Texas. Mrs. Carlson also visited Arlene Glad in Atwood.



TRESSIE SAMSON, a resident of Cedar Living Center, enjoyed a glass of punch at the 30th anniversary celebration on Friday afternoon. —Herald staff photo by Cynthia Haynes

Johnson reunion held at Jennings

Descendants of Charles and Christina Johnson gathered at the home of Doyle and Kay Brown near Jennings on Sunday, Aug. 1, for a reunion. Charles Johnson emigrated from Sweden in 1867 and Christina Nelson in the 1870s. They were married on March 24, 1877. In 1888, they purchased land in Altory Township in Decatur County and this land became the permanent home of the Johnson family. Attending the reunion were Alvin and Sharon Johnson, Oberlin, and granddaughter, Kirsten Lauers; Ar-

ris and Virginia Johnson, Hays; Bill and Janiece Dowell, Colby; Mike and Anne Dowell, Leah and Tyler, Hutchinson; Judy and Darrell Nelson, Monroe, Neb.; Mary Votapka, Tom Votapka, Jennings; Terri Hanke, Colby; Myron and Elaine McKinley, Tulsa, Okla.; Ann Rowh and grandson, Luke Rowh, Cimarron; Jason Rowh, Jennings; Ethel Taylor, Becki Taylor, Hays; Colleen Blake, Burlington, Colo.; Frank and Sheena Thomas and Akili, Des Moines, Iowa; Yuka Kashimada, Tokyo, Japan; Frances Mackenzie, Glasgow,

Scotland; David Brown, Anita Shuneman, Lafayette, Colo.; A.J. and Dorothy Stealy, Westminster, Colo.; Jim and Jo Stealy, Sarasota, Fla.; Del and Nancy Larson, Hiawatha; Marissa Larson, Silver Springs, Md.; Chuck Johnson, Wichita; Gib and Liz Dean, Knoxville, Iowa; Charles and Doris Ann Brown, Sun Lakes, Ariz.; Steve Brown, Oskaloosa, Iowa; Linda Bywater, Iowa City, Iowa; Kara Kuntz, Katherine and Zachary, Hays; and the Browns, Jennings.

Farm Bureau plans meeting

Joyce Thierer of the Kansas Humanities Council will be guest speaker at the annual dinner meeting of Decatur County Farm Bureau at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 19, at The Gateway. Ms. Thierer will present the program, "Stories from the Barn," which will include hayloft swings and



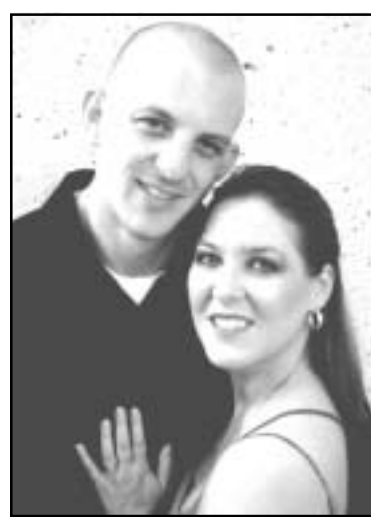
J. Thierer

barn dances, rotten egg fights, courtships, and smoking "out behind the barn." She divides her time between Ride into History, an historic performance touring troupe, and teaching history at Emporia State University. She specializes in the history of the American

West, with an emphasis on rural women's lives in the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. She also presents her first-person characterization of Calamity Jane Canary as part of Kansas Humanities Council's History Alive! Farm Bureau members need to call Dianne at 475-2238 by Friday if they plan to attend.

Couple plans fall wedding

Shelley Knuppel and Aaron Black, both of Lawrence, plan to be married on Saturday, Sept. 4, at the Wesleyan Church in Lawrence. Parents of the couple are Lyle and Sandy Knuppel of Wichita and Terry and Sue Black of Oberlin. The bridegroom is a grandson of Darlene Black, and Bonnie Weskamp, both of Oberlin.



A. Black, S. Knuppel

Veterans book planned

Plans are under way by the Oberlin American Legion and Auxiliary to print a book entitled, "Avenue of Flags: A Tribute to World War II Veterans." The idea was inspired after the World War II Memorial was dedicated in Washington, D.C., on May 29. Since most veterans were unable to attend the dedication, those World War II veterans able to attend were honored at Memorial Day services at the Oberlin Cemetery by the Oberlin American Legion and Auxiliary. Photographs of nearly 60 World War II veterans were taken by Cindy

Lincoln that day. Oberlin American Legion Commander Walter Pennell is heading up a project to print a full color 60-page magazine type book, which will include those pictures. During the recent Farmers Market and Flea Market, Oberlin Auxiliary members Phyllis Metcalf and Lois Lamb showed a copy of the uncompleted work. It will also include a section about Oberlin. Funds are needed to print the book and those interested in making donations may contact Mr. Pennell, Mrs. Metcalf or Mrs. Lamb. Checks should be made out to "American Legion Magazine."

Studio tour set at Cambridge

The Oberlin Arts and Humanities Commission plans a tour of Sondra Jonson's studio and sculptures in Cambridge, Neb., on Saturday, Aug. 28. Those attending will meet at the Gazebo in Centennial Park in downtown Oberlin at 9:30 a.m. Vans will be available for those needing a ride. The studio tour will begin at 11 a.m. At noon, lunch will be served at Cambridge Bed and Breakfast. The \$15 price includes tour and lunch. Reservations are needed before

Wednesday, Aug. 25, and can be made by calling Mary at 475-3329 or Ella at 475-3557.



The family of Margaret E. Rhodes invite you to a come and go 80th birthday celebration. Join us for refreshments on Saturday, August 21, 2004 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the basement of the United Methodist Church, Dresden, KS.

RSVP not required Your presence will be your gift.

Cards may be sent to: Margaret Rhodes Box 154 - Dresden, KS 67635

Leoville High sets date for alumni reunion

Some 150 reservations have been received for the Leoville High School Alumni and Associate Member Reunion to be held on Sunday, Sept. 5. Hosts will be the Class of 1948. Events will open with Mass at 4 p.m. at the Immaculate Conception Church. Registration and a social hour will follow in the Parish Center, with dinner to be served at 6:30 p.m.

Leoville High School was in 1969. Those unable to attend are encouraged to send a letter. For details, contact Alma Lub-

bers, 1990 County Road 30, Grinnell, Kan., 67739, phone (785) 824-3348.

New Arrival

Ryan and Crystal Barta of Little River are the parents of a son, Steele Frederick Barta, born Aug. 3, 2004, at the Hutchinson Hospital. He weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces and was 19 inches long. He has a sister, Mackinzie, 2. Grandparents are Ken and Connie Richards, Hesston; and Patrick and Frederick Barta, Little River. Great-grandparents are Eunice Richards, Oberlin; Robert and Lucy Traverson, San Diego, Calif.; and Robert and Aurelia Temple, Fairplay, Mo.



Steele Barta

60th Anniversary Denzel & Vesta Gilbert

The children of Denzel and Vesta Gilbert are requesting a card shower for their 60th Anniversary on August, 20, 2004. Cards may reach the couple at 710 East 4th, McCook, NE 69001. Their children are Sharon Frick, Sherrel Adams and Gwen Solko.

Happy Birthday, John!

Help us celebrate John Helm's 89th Birthday - August 19th

Send cards to: 1035 East 8th Colby, Kansas 67701