By the Norcatur News Committee

Overnight guests of Oran and

LaVerne Milner on Aug. 3 were

Mary Beard and Josh, of San Diego,

Calif. That evening they joined

Marguerite Clark, Norton, for

pizza. Marguerite is Mary's aunt.

Another of Marguerite's nieces,

Anete Whilesede, her daughter Jes-

sica, and Jessica's friend, Luke

from Saskatoon, Canada, also ar-

rived in Norton on Aug. 3. On

Wednesday, the group met at Mar-

guerite's home and all went out for

breakfast. After a good visit at

on to Clay Center to visit her moth-

er, Barbara Clark. Anita, Jessica,

with Anita's aunt, Roberta Will-

iams. They drove on to Greensburg

to visit Anita's parents. Margaret

and Harold Clark and brother, Jon,

will later visit Jim and other friends.

Anita plans to spend about a month

there. Jessica and Luke plan to re-

turn to Canada after a few days'

Don Ankenman, Autora, Ind.,

France, visited at the Oran Milner

home on Thursday, Aug. 5. Claudia

is visiting the Don Ankenman's in

Ankenman relative.

A.W. and Evelyn Lyon will be celebrating their 65th wedding anniversary on Thursday, Aug. 19. They live at the Andbe Home, 201 West Crane, Norton, Kan., 67654.

Word was received of the death of Marilyn Hutchinson on July 12, 2004. She was a daughter of the late Percy and Elta (Shick) Wilmore and granddaughter of the late Prrston and Cora Shick.

Survivors include her husband, Jacob; a daughter, Cindy Lee Hutchinson; a son, J. Scott and Andrea Hutchinson; four grandchildren; a sister, Dr. Jean M. McDill; and a brother, Richard and April Willmore. Memorial services were held July 20 at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church in Jacksonville,

Michael Sedlmayer wrote to say that his parents, Albert and Mary Sedlmayer of Norcatur will be celebrating their 34th wedding anniversary on Aug. 21. Their family plans to be with them for the month of August. His father will be celebrating his 63rd birthday on Sept.

Saturday overnight guests on Aug. 7 of Virgil and Joyce Price were their grandson and family, Jason, Kathy, Connor and MacKinzey Jurey, of Kennard, Neb. They were en route home from a vacation in Colorado.

Weekend guests Aug. 7 and 8 of Frank and Velda Ward, and Leslie and Lynn Ward were Wava Reames, son-in-law Johnny Crum, and grandson, James. They came for the Decatur County Fair, the Ankenman reunion in Norton, and most importantly, to pick up granddaughter Shawnda. Shawnda had spent two weeks with Leslie and Lynn and Frank and Velda.

Many participated in the surprise birthday party for Marguerite Clark at the Educational Building on Saturday evening. Johnnie enjoyed the Demolition Derby at the Oberlin fair so much that he thought he'd give it a try. Sunday night, on the way home to Les and Lynn Ward's, he got his first deer! The deer and car both died in the accident, but Johnnie is fine, just bruised. Wava, Johnnie, Shawnda, and James headed home Monday morning, borrowing a car from Frank and Velda. Celebrating August birthdays and belated July birthdays at the Frank and Velda Ward home were Johnnie and James, Leslie, Wava and Velda.

Recent visitors of Lowell Sethe fair in Oberlin.

your computer ink and toner cartridges and hand-held cell phones at the Norcatur City Office. These will be for the Decatur Community High School Journalism Department.

Jesse Streit of Larned visited from Aug.. 4-7 with his Grandpa Thornton and enjoyed the Decatur

Dempewolf, R.D. Thornton, Ralph, Lynn, Jesse and Jacob Streit attended the wedding of Misti Beachel and Nathan Budig on Aug. 7, in Hill City. M.J. was a candlelighter in the wedding.

Birthdays and anniversaries: Troy and Deb Marshall - Aug. 11; Jay Locy - Aug. 13; Frank Hillebrand - Aug. 15; Andrea Marshall, Gene and Kristi Gallentine - Aug.

tered bucket calves at the Norton meeting will be at 7 p.m. on Friday. County Fair. Megan and Cassie got Reserve Grand Champion in the 9year-old division. Rebecca and Clover got Grand Champion in the 7year-old division. Megan constructed a hooded sweatshirt and was awarded best-constructed garment and Reserve Grand Champion. Megan was also awarded first place in life-skill judging, and received Best Bread Award. Megan and Rebecca entered crafts, foods, clothing, a rocket and came home with lots of ribbons. This was Megan's third and Rebecca's, first Marguerite's, Mary and Josh went year as members of Prairie Dog 4-

H Club. Way to go, girls! Dave and Patty Stapp took Sam and Luke drove to Hays for a stop Stapp to Iola on Aug. 3 to spend a few days with his sister, Kortney Stapp. Dave and Patty returned home Wednesday. Sam and Kortney and Jared Piore returned to Norcatur on Aug. 6. Jared returned home Monday, and Kortney will return Saturday, Aug. 14. She will be a sophomore at Allen County College and is a member of the Allen County Red Devil basketball and Claudia Barbier, Forback,

Dave, Patty, Kortney, Kaitlyn, and Sam Stapp attended a barbecue at the home of Marian Dempewolf on Saturday, Aug. 7. Other guests were Jared Piore, Iola; Dave and Linda Sheilp, McCook; Mr. and Mrs. Duane Sheilp, Kearney, Neb.; Amber Dempewolf, Topeka; Greg Dempewolf, Culbertson, Neb.; Bob Dempewolf and Rose Riffle, Dewaine Stapp and Leone Purton, and Marian Dempewolf, Oberlin.

Virgil and Joyce Price attended her family reunion at the Barnett Park in McCook on Aug. 7. There were 44 present to enjoy eating, visiting, and picture taking. The picnic dinner at noon was catered by their niece, Pam Messinger.

The following day, Virgil and Joyce Price attended the Lyle community picnic dinner hosted by the Library Star Club. Fourteen were present and had a nice day at the Powell picnic grounds. A few even took a ride on the rope swing.

Evelyn and Ralph Strayer of Atwood visited Oran and LaVerne Milner on Aug. 7. They had attended the Skrdland family reunion

Martha (Dick) Scheiwe writes that their daughter will be living in Minneapolis, Minn., for a few months and will be working at a home for the disabled as their activities coordinator.

Pansy Price had knee replacement surgery on July 6 at Kearney, Neb., and came home on July 10 to recuperate and have physical therapy at Norton. Their daughter, Marlene Wolf and grandchildren baugh were Mary Lou, Tyler, and took turns staying with the Prices to Kayla Waugh, who also attended help out. On three different weekends the entire Wolf family came to Don't forget you can drop off do mowing and yard work. The Prices enjoyed the cards, calls and visits from everyone.

Janet Rippe of Indianola, Neb., and Cathy Ankenman of Yucaipa, Calif., planned a surprise carry-in dinner at the Educational building in Norcatur on Saturday, Aug. 7, in honor of Marguerite Clark's 90th birthday. Those attending were: Doug, Chris, Sharee and M.J. Janet's husband, Gail, and daughter, Allison; Cathy's husband, Dave; Wava Reams of Oklahoma; Betty Reid of Norton: and Frank and Velda Ward, Oran and Laverne Milner, Bill Craig, Rea and Dee Magers, all of Norcatur. After enjoying lots of good food and a beautiful birthday cake, the group played games and cards.

There were 22 present at Senior Citizens Friday, Aug. 6. Winners were Virgil Price, Clent Hatfield, Megan and Rebecca Wentz en- and Margaret Magers. The next

Selden News

By Jacque Boultinghouse

Birthdays and anniversaries: Aug. 19 - Cody Wurm; Aug. 20 -Sandra Lobato, Alisha Broeckelman, Kelvin Sulzman, Joe and Phyllis Trembley, Darrel and Carlene Bruggeman, Alan and Sally Jones; Aug. 21 - Melissa Broeckelman, Jerry Schiltz; Aug. 22 -Steve Rogers, Alan Bruggeman; Aug. 23 - Eileen Murphy, Kelly Stevenson; Aug. 24 - Anna Albers;

Aug. 25 - Chris Broeckelman.

On Aug. 12 at Senior Citizens, Cecelia Ottley won high, Catherine Campbell took second, Don Smith got low and Betty James had the most kings.

Other members present included: Lola Cook, Dorothy Lovin, Carol Shaw, Don Shaw, Edna Schiltz, Gene Rogers, Paulie Neff and Clara Schieferecke.



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Two field days set for farmers

This is definitely the time of year for field days, and it's nice to finally see some payoff for the summer's work. There are two field days farmers may want to know about.

First, there will be a Sunflower Field Day at the Kansas State University's Agricultural Research Center in Hays on Tuesday, Aug. 24. Speakers will address sunflower production, pest control, hybrid performance and management. Registration and orientation begin at 8:30 a.m. and tours begin promptly at 9 a.m. Lunch will be available, and the program will end at 2 p.m. Topics of will include:

Weed control for sunflower pro-

duction, Phillip Stahlman, weed Managing sunflower in crop-

ping system, Rob Aiken, crop sci- Management of sunflower moth and stem insects, J.P. Michaud, en-

tomologist. Precautions for aerial application of pesticides to control head moth, Bob Wolfe, agricultural en-

• Commercial sunflower hybrid demonstration plots, which include 54 oil, confectionery and NuSun Indeova for a few weeks. She is an types from 12 companies. Company representatives will be

Recent visitors of Esther Miller on hand to talk about their products. dio. were Michael Miller of Prairie Vil- For more information, call the relage and Beverly Morris of Hoxie. search center office at (785) 625-



Extension Lines

By Brian Olson Extension Agronomist

3425 (ext. 200).

The other event will be the Cover Your Acres Field Day three miles west of Oberlin from 1 to 8 p.m.. Thursday, Aug. 26, organized by the Northwest Kansas Crop Residue Alliance. K-State has partnered with the Residue Alliance for the field day and a winter conference.

Farmers will be able to view 20 corn, 18 grain sorghum, and kfive sunflower hybrids along with 12 soybean varieties. Plant population comparisons for each crop have been planted, along with a spacing study for each. There will be breakout sessions on row crop plant populations, seeding rates for wheat, a farmer's perspective of notill wheat production, and pest management in sunflowers, along with equipment, seed, and chemical dealer displays. The dinner speaker will be Dave Thorell of KRVN Ra-

To register, send a form to Dan Skrdlant, Route 2, Box 67B, Nort-

on, Kan., 67654. Make your check payable to the NWKS Crop Residue Alliance for \$15 per person if received before Aug. 19, or \$25 per person thereafter.

Don't forget the strip-till field day to be held a half mile east of Quinter from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday.

Brian Olson is Kansas State University extension agronomist for Decatur, Gove, Norton, Sheridan, and Trego counties. E-mail bolson-@oznet.ksu.edu if you have any questions or would like to see a newspaper article on a specific crop production topic.

For more information, contact the county extension office, 475-



'How can you fulfill God's expectations?'

By Pastor Kathy Åeillo of Almena, Clayton and Norcatur United Methodist Churches

Early in the book of Isaiah the prophet tries to warn the people of Israel, reminding them how good God had been to the people and what God expected in return. Isaiah speaks of a man planting a vineyard, preparing it correctly, protecting it, caring properly for the plants. Yet the vines produced wild grapes instead of the good grapes he had cultivated.

Isaiah's words for the people are that God has done everything possible to save them and protect them but they have repaid God not with justice and righteousness but with bloodshed and cries. The Israelites to whom Isaiah preached were

Jews who went to the Temple and made their sacrifices, then went about their lives cheating the poor and living lives of debauchery. Those were the sins that brought the wrath of God.

We tend to associate the God of the Hebrew Bible with fire and brimstone, and God certainly did punish the people who could not seem to obey the rules He had provided. But this God loved the Chosen People and wanted to continue protecting and blessing them. Remember, it was the people who kept breaking the covenant, not God.

Just as the people of ancient Israel presented their offerings in the Temple but lived as hypocrites, there are some among us who do the same thing. It has never been enough to give lip service to being ties that go along with calling ourselves Christians. expectations.

God asked for, and expected to receive, justice from God's people. That means, then and now, that we are to keep our eyes and hearts open to see the needs of all those people who have so much less than we do or those who grieve or suffer in other ways. We see the pictures on television and in the newspapers that make us wince or catch our breath — the pictures of war and famine and disease. We think there's little we could do to relieve such suffering and perhaps we're right but, if everyone thinks that way, we would be absolutely

If each of us did a little, however, we could make a real difference. Whether it be serving in missions, or sending money or supplies, or dedicating ourselves to pray for those in need, we can bring justice if enough of us put our hearts into trying.

It is not just in Third World countries that we see such things though, is it? Talk to the people at your local food pantry and you'll find how many folks are in dire need of help right in our own communities. Travel a few short hours in almost any direction and you'll find a place providing ministry through supplying desperately needed medical and dental care and clothing to people who have no money to buy such things. It's pretty hard to get a job when you don't have decent clothes to go to an interview.

God expects justice and righteousness from God's people and for God's people. Look into your hearts and a follower of Jesus Christ. There are responsibilipray for God's wisdom to see how we can fulfill God's



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MASS: 7:30 p.m. Saturday **OBERLIN SEVENTH-DAY**

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Jim Martin 120 South East, Oberlin SATURDAY: Sabbath School, 9:15 a.m.; Saturday Worship, 11 a.m.

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DRESDEN SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9:30 a.m.

PRAIRIE CHAPEL **UNITED METHODIST** The Rev. Doug Hasty SUNDAY: Church Services, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 8:30 a.m.

HERNDON IMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST The Rev. Nolan and Barbara Pierce SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 10 a.m.

HIGH PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH 122 S. Penn Ave., Oberlin **Pastor Steve Smith** Phone 785-475-3844

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109 North Griffith-American Baptist. Disciples of Christ, Presbyterian USA Rev. Barbara and/or Nolan Pierce SUNDAY: Sunday School. 9:30 a.m.: Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. Choir practice every Wed, at 7:30 p.m. Holy Communion, 1st Sun, United Church Women, 2nd Wed at 2 p.m. Parish Council, 2nd

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CLAYTON UNITED METHODIST Pastor: Kathy Aeillo Almena

SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.

OBERLIN ASSEMBLY OF GOD The Rev. Royce Leitner

SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Worship, 7 p.m. WEDNESDAY: Adult Bible study, 7 p.m. King's Kids, 6:30 p.m.; Youth, 8 p.m. Women's Group, 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 2 p.m.

OBERLIN CHURCH OF CHRIST South Beaver Street - Oberlin Bill Duncan — Phone 785-475-3259 SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.: Worship Hour, 10:45 a.m. Junior Worship, grade 3 & down. WEDNESDAY: Ladies Home Bible Study, 9 a.m.

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School, 11 a.m. WEDNESDAY: Bible

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ship, 11 a.m. SATURDAY: Men's break-

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