

# THE OBERLIN HERALD — People in Our Community

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Earl Wells of Clay Center is a houseguest of his sister, Marie McKisson. He suffered a broken leg and broken ribs in a motorcycle accident last week in North Dakota. Mrs. McKisson visited him in the hospital at Minot, N.D., and he accompanied her home. He will be undergoing therapy at Decatur County Hospital.

Visitors at the Dennis Shirley home have been their daughter, Vicki Waldron, Bangor, Pa., and granddaughter, Shelby Barlow, Jacksonville Beach, Fla. They were joined for a cookout on Saturday evening, Aug. 7, by Graham Piece and Eva Lynn, New Zealand; Hannas Geysler and JR Erasmus, South Africa; Cindi and Jaime Sauder, Flower Mound, Texas; Clint Schmidt, Denver; Donald Wasson; Dan, Carol, Ann and Nolan Wasson, Selden; Patrick Shirley, Norcatour; Merle Shirley, Doris Sloan, Daisy and LeRoy Schmidt, Chris and Sherri Schmidt; and Jim and Laurie Wasson, Oberlin.

Terri Rice, Justin and Jameson of Bluffton, S.C., visited from Aug. 9 to 14 with her grandparents, Jerald and Elaine Leitner and Rex and Ethel Schroeder, and also with Andy and Kaydee Leitner.

Karen Eskew and Alexandra Waterman spent the weekend in Wichita visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ed Waterman, Mr. and Mrs. Darren Hibbs, A.J. and Emma, and Gary Waterman and his fiancée, Nora Stewart. They toured the Sedgwick County Zoo on Saturday morning.

Leslie Marcuson was a houseguest of her parents, Brad and Elaine Marcuson, Sarah and Jared, for the Decatur County Fair. She presented a program for the Rotary Club on her trip to Cuba and judged the Pet Parade at the Good Samaritan Center. Her parents accompanied her to Washburn University on Saturday, where she will be a senior, majoring in secondary history education. En route, they attended the wedding of Alisha Broeckelman and Jacob Cersovsky in Manhattan on Saturday evening.

The Brainard family reunion was held Sunday at the Selden Senior Center with the Dolly (Brainard) Wasson family as hosts. Those present were Eldred and Lorraine Wurm, Atwood; Dave and Irene Brainard, Mankato; Dan and Carol Wasson and Nolan, Donald Wasson, and Carol Hill, Selden; Evelyn Brainard, Goodland; Jim and Laurie Wasson, LeRoy and Daisy Schmidt, and Doris Sloan, Oberlin.

Sadie Mae (Wymore) Cooper is recuperating at home after being hospitalized with pneumonia and a blood infection. She and her husband, Tom, were in Oberlin for her 60th alumni reunion in May. Mail will reach her at: 7773 Cedar Lake Ave., San Diego, Calif., 92119-3018.

Bob and Deanna Castle, Doris Fringer and Carolyn Shirley visited

from Thursday to Sunday with Rod and Patty Steinmetz at Two Buttes, Colo.

Those who enjoyed the Van Vleet reunion on Sunday at Golden Age Center were Bob and June Gossman, McCook; Alva Lee Van Vleet and Dessie Lexis, Trenton, Neb.; Mark and Marsha Seck and family, North Platte, Neb.; Bob and Sandra Stapp, Danbury, Neb.; Dennis and Pat Wurm, Leon and Connie Miller and boys, Veanna Orr, Aleen Van Vleet, Barbara Castor and Elaine Thomas.

Steve and Kathy Fraker and Aaron of Fallon, Nev., came Aug. 4 to visit his parents, Bob and Marian Fraker. He returned home Aug. 9, but Mrs. Fraker and Aaron remained for a longer visit and left Monday. They also visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Wade, at Russell.

Staff/Sgt. Randy McHugh left Monday after visiting his wife, Kristin, and children, Jordan, Conner and Tyler, since July 31. He will report to Camp Doha, Kuwait.

Winning highs in pinochle at Golden Age Center the past week were Max Carman, Veanna Orr, Aleen Van Vleet, Alvina Unger, Henry Edgett, Wilma May and June Jolly. Lows were won by Floyd Edgett, Donna Kent, Henry Edgett, Aleen Van Vleet, Veanna Orr and Kathy Van Meter. Pitch highs went to Henry Edgett and Floyd Edgett with lows going to Aleen Van Vleet and Doris Miller. Merle Shirley and Annette Miller were bridge winners.

Cindi and Jaime Sauder, Flower Mound, Texas, have been guests of Doris Sloan. They picked up Shelby Barlow of Jacksonville Beach, Fla., at Wichita and brought her to the home of her grandparents, Dennis and Judy Shirley, for a 10-day visit. P.T. Shirley will return her to Florida.

Gus and Elsie Wolters attended funeral services for their niece, Suzanne (Wolters) Hodge in Atwood on Friday.

Barbara Dehlinger returned home last Monday from Klamath Falls, Ore., where she attended the wedding of her grandson, Sam Tacchini, and Heather Jones on Aug. 7. The bridegroom is the son of Ern and Keven Tacchini of Burns, Wyo.

Overnight guests of Patrick Shirley were Graham Piece and Eva Lynn of New Zealand. They were en route to Sturgis, S.D., then will return to New Mexico, where they are on a silage crew. Graham worked for the Shirleys four years ago.

John and Linda Stanley returned recently from Daytona Beach, Fla., where they attended a reunion of the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment. John served with the 11th in Vietnam in 1966-67. There were 1,000 present for the three-day event. A golf tournament was held at Victoria Hill in Deland and was won by the team of John Stanley, Blaine Gadberrry, Ted Seagroves and John Sorich. They enjoyed sightseeing and the beach. The reunion will be in Colorado Springs next year.

The Rev. Richard and Shelly Vernon, Rachele, Reve', Regina, Roberta and Richard John of Colon, Neb., were Friday overnight guests of his mother, Florine Vernon, en route to Colorado.

Dustin Sullivan of Hays celebrated his 21st birthday and Justin Rice of Bluffton, S.C., his sixth birthday, at the home of Karla and John Sullivan in Colby on Saturday. Their birthdays were Aug. 9. Jameson Rice, Bluffton, S.C., celebrated his birthday with Jerad Sullivan, also on Saturday, at the Sullivan home. Their birthdays are Nov. 6. Other guests were Terri Rice, Bluffton, S.C.; Katrina Jones, Hays; Andy Leitner, and Jerald and Elaine Leitner, Oberlin.

Becky and Ian Peña, and Ashley Wolters joined Elsie Wolters for dinner last week in Colby, then Mrs. Wolters spent the afternoon with Ashley and Ian Peña.

## Pilot kept in a coma for healing

Dennis Kasson, a Norton County farmer-stockman and part-time pilot injured in a plane crash last month, remains in a drug-induced coma at Via Christi/St. Francis Medical Center in Wichita while recovering from burns.

Mr. Kasson suffered third-degree burns over 60 percent of his body in the crash July 15.

His wife Sandy, who has been by her husband's side since the accident, returned to their home last Monday, planning to return to Wichita on Wednesday. Mrs. Kasson said her husband is in the intensive care unit and has had some skin grafts. She said he will be having more over the next month or so.

Mrs. Kasson said the doctors have told her to expect him to be in the hospital for at least two months.

"We've been here for 23 days, so we're looking at one more month, maybe six weeks," she said.

Mrs. Kasson said the doctors are planning to gradually reduce the drugs that are keeping her husband in a coma over the next week.

The Kassons' son Matt and his wife, the former Jenny Brown, are taking care of things for his parents while his father recovers.

Their daughter, Melissa Uehlin of Oberlin, stayed with her dad in Wichita while her mother came back home for a day.

Mail will reach Mr. Kasson at Via Christi Medical Center, 929 North St. Francis St., Wichita, Kan., 67218.

## Get-together in Denver set

The 64th annual Decatur County get-together and potluck lunch in Colorado will be held at 12:30 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 12, at the home of Phil and Norma Yonker, 7944 South Newland Court, Littleton, Colo.

For details or directions, call (303) 932-7940. Everyone is welcome.



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**Brad & Kim Ware**  
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25th  
Wedding  
Anniversary



Couple will celebrate their 25th Wedding Anniversary August 18. Brad is a 1975 graduate of Decatur Community High School and the eldest son of Irvan and Maralyn Courange of Traer, KS. Kim (Archer) Ware is originally from Chamberlin, SD. Early in their marriage the couple lived and worked in the McCook and Oberlin area. They presently reside in Gettysburg, SD. Brad has an architecture degree and manages a lumber yard. Kim is a Medical Technologist and is the lab supervisor at the Gettysburg Hospital. The couple have 3 children: Kaylee, 16; Korey, 14; and Kolten, 11.

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