

People in Our Community

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Vera Lindemann is recuperating at Decatur County Hospital from surgery, which she underwent recently in Wichita. Mail will reach her at the hospital, 810 West Columbia, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

Those from the 1969 Decatur Community High School graduating class who met at the Pizza Hut Wednesday evening to visit with their classmate, Evan Jorn of Tampa, Fla., were Carolyn Bryan Miller, Marvin May, Dan Lippelmann, Richard and Anna Shaw, Bob Shuler, Larry and Peggy Roe, Oberlin; Marie Schultz McVay, Stan and Grace Colson Kauk, and Alan Erickson, Colby; and Sue Unger Olson, Goodland.

Dustin Sullivan and Katrina Jones of Hays spent Wednesday and Thursday with his grandparents, Jerald and Elaine Leitner. They met John and Karla Sullivan on Thursday to watch Jerad play junior high football.

Murry and Audrey Pavlicek went to Denver on Wednesday, where she was admitted to Presbyterian/St. Luke's Hospital. She underwent surgery on Thursday for leg injuries received in a fall in May. Mail will reach her at the hospital, 1719 E. 19th, Denver, Colo., 80218, room 1008.

Dennis Kasson, who suffered injuries in a recent airplane accident, remains in the Via Christi/St. Francis Burn Unit in Wichita. According to Sandi Kasson, he continues to make progress, is able to be up in a wheelchair for about an hour and is undergoing occupational therapy.

Duane and Thelma Woodard of Arvada, Colo., were in Oberlin on Friday looking for information on his grandfather, James Jackson, and wife, Elizabeth (Melcher) Jackson, former Oberlin residents. Both are buried in the Oberlin Cemetery and he had a son, James M. Jackson. Mr. Jackson died at the home of his daughter, Mary Clarinda (Jackson) Shaw on Aug. 21, 1925. Their address is 17029 W. 68th Place, Arvada, Colo., 80007-7691 or email LDTHWoodard@aol.com

Jeanette Diederich and Teresa Diederich attended funeral services in Kimball, Neb., on Thursday for Jo Marie Lehar, then went to Colorado, where Jeanette visited her brother, Bobby and Peggy Wurm, at Eaton, and Teresa visited her daughter, Kamy Diederich in Fort Collins. They returned home Saturday.

Sunday Brunch Buffet, Sunday, Sept. 19, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. LandMark Inn. Call 475-2340.

Relatives attend Texas wedding

Bill and Carol Duncan, accompanied by his mother, Audra Duncan of Cincinnati, Ohio, went to Lubbock, Texas on Sept. 3. On Saturday, they attended the wedding of their son and grandson, Greg Duncan, and Tamara Slosser, both of Lubbock.

Among others in attendance were Mr. and Mrs. Scott Duncan, Paul and Beth, Brownwood, Texas; Kathleen and Greg Norris, Salina; Kristen and Lori Norris, Edmond, Okla.; 13 of the bridegroom's uncles, aunts and cousins, primarily from Texas; the bride's parents, Jeff and Chris Slosser; her grandmother,

Mildred Ellis, Vernon, Texas; her twin sister, Tracey, of Dallas; and several other relatives. Also present were 12 of the bridegroom's co-workers from Metro Tower at Lubbock, where he is manager and his wife is a lawyer. The couple honeymooned near Lake City, Colo., then returned to Lubbock on Sept. 12.

The Duncans returned to Oberlin on Sept. 6. Audra Duncan will visit here until Sept. 21, then return to Cincinnati.

The newlyweds are making their home at 7403 B Akron Street, Lubbock, Texas, 79423, phone (806) 745-3619.

Pool surveys distributed

Swimming pool surveys are being distributed to each home in Oberlin over the course of the next two weeks.

Maverick 4-H started the distributions on Sunday evening during their 4-H meeting, canvassing most of the east side of Oberlin. The remainder of the area will be completed by the Girl Scout troop.

Surveys were placed in the door of each home with instructions to complete and return to the display in Raye's Grocery or to Dori Pauls by mail. Those who do not receive a survey at their home within the next two weeks may pick one up at Raye's Grocery.

Extension plans program

The Family and Consumer Educators will sponsor the lesson "Kansas Saves" at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 28, at the Gateway Community Room in Oberlin.

The program will inform participants how to build wealth, not debt. It includes money management

strategies for all ages and income levels. The lesson will focus on basic financial education needed to save a few extra dollars. The public is invited.

For details, contact the extension office at 475-8121.

Women's retreat set Saturday

"Transformations, a Woman's Life Story," will be presented by Mary K. Parrott of Lubbock, Texas, at the Covenant Women's Retreat from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday at

the Oberlin Covenant Church. The day will also include music and worship, and lunch. All women are invited. Contact Barbara Dehlinger at 475-3344.



TAKING TIME OUT for a little fun on a slide at the Lutheran Youth Fellowship Gathering in Orlando, Fla., were Karli Fredrickson (seated) and (from left) Lora Marietta, Danica May and Leah Marietta.

Lutheran youth enjoy gathering in Orlando

Thirteen Lutheran Youth Fellowship members of St. John's Lutheran Church of Oberlin recently attended the 2004 Lutheran Church Missouri Synod National Youth Gathering in Orlando, Fla.

They were Denton Bailey, Megan Barrett, Brock Euhus, Karli Fredrickson, Andy Gilliam, Bret, Leah and Lora Marietta, Danica and Nolan May, Cameron Nedland, Kelly Olson, and Brent Stallman. Sponsors were Colleen and Butch Rittmann.

The event was held at the Orange County Convention Center with the theme, "Beyond Imagination," based on Ephesians 3:20-21. It was the largest single denomination youth event in the nation with over 35,000 youths attending from across the United States and 29 other nations. It is held every three years for students entering their sophomore

year to just recently graduated. The week included motivational speakers, an ongoing drama and Christian music. They were also able to watch the Jesus painter complete a large acrylic painting of Jesus in about 10 minutes. Other events included a worship service with communion, Bible studies and a dinner hosted by the Kansas District at the Peabody Hotel.

The group also volunteered for servant events, which included nailing headers to be used in new construction for Habitat for Humanity. They also sorted Bibles for missions, packed school supply boxes and assisted at the Habitat for Humanity office. A second group helped the elderly with crafts, a sing-along and games.

The next gathering is scheduled for July 27 to Aug. 1, 2007, in New Orleans.

Family members to run in 'Race for the Cure'

Several family members of the late Candy May plan to participate in the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation Race for the Cure 5K run/fitness walk at Towne East Mall in Wichita on Saturday, Sept. 25.

They include her daughter, Sarah (May) Shaw of Wichita, and her sons, Andy May, and Chris May and his wife, Kasey and their children, Kaylee, Kelsey and Hunter, all of

Oberlin. Several friends will also be participating. The race supports medical cancer research and is a financial support for those needing mammograms and other testing. Those interested in contributing are asked to make checks to: Wichita Race for the Cure. They may be sent to Kasey May, 207 S. York, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

Loan deadline is Sept. 23

The deadline for applications for emergency disaster loans by farmers in Rawlins, Decatur, Norton and Phillips counties is Thursday, Sept. 23.

John C. Vogt, farm loan manager for the U.S. Farm Service Agency, said that operators needing farm credit as a result of drought, wind and insect infestation since Jan. 1, 2003, should apply at the Norton County Farm Service Agency office, 113 N. Norton.

"Loans covering physical and/or production losses may be made at 3.75 percent interest rate, and are scheduled for repayment as rapidly as feasible, consistent with the applicant's reasonable ability to pay," he said.

Loans covering physical losses

may be used to replace installations, equipment, livestock, or buildings (including homes), lost through this disaster. They may be used to buy feed, seed, fertilizer or livestock, or make payments on real estate and chattel debts.

"Funds can also be used for other essential operating and living expenses," Mr. Vogt said.

An applicant must be operating a family-size farm or ranch, be unable to get credit elsewhere, and have suffered a qualifying physical and/or production loss from the disaster.

Farmers who suffered at least a 30 percent reduction to at least one crop may have a qualifying loss. Loans cover up to 80 percent of qualifying losses, or \$500,000, whichever is less.

Membership dinner set

The 2005 annual membership drive and dinner for all present and new members of the Oberlin American Legion, Sons of the Legion and

Auxiliary will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 30, at the post home at 114 S. Rodehaver in Oberlin.

Club News

Church to share memories

Plans were made for the 100th anniversary of Prairie Chapel Church when Prairie Chapel United Methodist Women met at the home of Ethel Railsback. Phyllis Metcalf was co-hostess. The anniversary will be celebrated on Sunday, Sept. 26, with church services scheduled at 10:45 a.m.; a noon meal, provided by the church women, and a celebration with a program and anniversary cake to follow at 1:15 p.m. Members shared memories of the church during the meeting.

Roll call was answered by nine members with a vacation memory. Mrs. Railsback read devotions from I Timothy. Charissa Huff read items from the prayer calendar and the hymn history on "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow." It was voted to give a gift to missions in honor of the anniversary of the church. Nadene Lafferty presented an inspiring program on the world thank offering. The next meeting will be at the home of Coleen Rippe.

Salad supper enjoyed

Chapter BH, P.E.O. Sisterhood, met with Violet Shaw on Sept. 9 for a 6:30 p.m. salad supper. Mary Jo Lohofener assisted. New yearbooks were distributed and special features noted. Ongoing plans for the 2005 Kansas State Chapter convention were discussed. Robyn Rouse reported 39 youngsters have registered for "Creative Movements Gymnastics," which she will be coaching, and also read a list of equipment that will be needed. The chapter voted to purchase one tumbling mat for the group.

Various ways to support the swimming pool fund-raising activities were also discussed. Mrs. Shaw reported a story she had written was published in the latest issue of the "Good Old Days" magazine. The Aug. 12 meeting was a brown bag lunch at noon in the City Park with a business meeting following. For the program, each member opened a paper sack given to her, showed the three items inside, and tried to determine which member those items represented.

Lutheran women meet

"His Enthusiasm is Boundless — Fruit of the Spirit, Kindness" was the topic led by Janice Cundiff at the Sept. 11 meeting of St. John's Lutheran Women's Missionary League. The fall workshop will be at Hill City on Sept. 25. Delegates are Connie Olson and Evelyn May with Mrs. Cundiff and Wilma May as alternates. LWML

Sunday is scheduled for Oct. 3. A potluck dinner is planned on Oct. 17 at the church to help Val and Phyllis Beneda celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary. Kim Langness, the new pastor's wife, was welcomed and became a new member. The meeting closed with prayer for the nation. Hostesses were Phyllis Beneda and Susan May.

Group enjoys sod house

Widows and Friends drove to McDonald on Sept. 8 for lunch at the Frosty Mug. From there they went south to visit the Minor Family Sod House Bed and Breakfast. Fred Juene-mann, proprietor and host, conducted the tour and told of the soddy's history. Sixteen persons attended including Eula Juene-mann, Louise

Pollnow, Luetta Pollnow, Judy Davis, Phyllis Screen, Nadean Stoney, Millie Lippelmann, Bernie Fred, JoAnn Neidenthal, Ethel Schroeder, Martha Nemeth, Bertha Schwisow, Evan Jorn, Cecil Hess, Mary Lou Olson and Norma Richards. The Oct. 13 meeting will be an 11:30 a.m. luncheon at the Pizza Hut, followed by a surprise tour.

Wurm family holds reunion

The 56th annual Wurm family reunion was held Sunday, Sept. 5, at The Gateway in Oberlin with 59 members and friends present. A potluck dinner was held at noon and Owen Wilson gave the blessing. A short business meeting followed the dinner. Owen Wilson conducted the meeting and the minutes of the last reunion were read by Jeanette Diederich. Iris Wurm was the oldest member present. A social afternoon followed. The next reunion will be held Sept. 4, 2005, at The Gateway. Those present included: Owen Wilson, Traer; Mr. and Mrs. Arlo Wurm, Kevin Wurm, Cody, Cade and Cory, Rachel Wurm, Bob Wurm, Phil and Sharleen Wurm, Dennis and Pat Wurm, James and Kimberly Witt, Tyler, Ashley and

Whitney, Roberta and Lynn Johnson, Jackie Votapka, Mabel Zimmerman, Iris Wurm, Vernon and Jeanette Diederich, Doyle, Julie, Tyler and Clay Richardson, Steve and Anita Hirsch, Jennifer and Joseph, Shelli Fortin, all of Oberlin; Eldred and Lorraine Wurm, Atwood; Gene and Beverly Witt, Danbury; Charlie and Sharon Wurm and Kiefer, Brett Dovel, Staplehurst, Neb.; Jan and Terry Mowry, Wilsonville, Neb.; Elizabeth Kinton, Salina; Ben and Shannon Richardson, Rebecca Richardson, Salina; Teresa Richardson, Wichita; Ed Witt, Norton; Bruce, Cindy, Matthew and Marc Howe, Wood River, Neb.; Dave and Patty Chambers, Culbertson, Neb.; Ginny Volberding, Ogalalla, Neb.; and Shaun Kircher and Crystal Witt, McCook.

Benefit auction planned

A benefit auction is scheduled from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday in front of Fidele Electric Woodcrafting and the Rocking R in downtown Oberlin. Proceeds will be divided between the Decatur County Museum, to be used for moving of St. Mark's Lutheran Church from Norcatur to the museum grounds, and the swim-

ming pool fund. Fidele and the Rocking R will be serving free hot dogs and drinks during the auction to mark their joint anniversary sales. Anyone wishing to donate items for the auction or make a cash donation, should contact Karen at the Rocking R, 475-3113, or Greg at Fidele Electric, at 475-3024.

Thank You

Once again I would like to thank all those people who have supported me with thoughts, prayers, concerns and deeds following my recent accident. To individually list all would be impossible but special thanks must go to my children, Clay and Denae for donating their pigs to be auctioned, my parents, Jim and Robyn, wife Gina and all my other family and relatives, Ron Montgomery and the Black Sheep Squadron, Jess and Kris Randel, Gary Juene-mann family, Duane Dorshorst family, teachers, staff and students of U.S.D. 294 and the community of Oberlin as a whole. Thank you all for the love, prayers, support, cards, visits, work and donations. I feel truly lucky and blessed. Thank you.

Jim Andersen

Happy 18th Birthday Canaan!

Love, Mom, Greg Chantelle and Gracie Anne