THE OBERLIN HERALD — **People in Our Community**

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Bob and Deanna Castle, Chris Walston and Doris Fringer met Patty and Rod Steinmetz of Two Buttes, Colo., in Denver on Oct. 8 and all flew to Los Angeles. They went to Laguna Beach on Oct. 10 for the wedding of James and Heather Shirley, then all went to Hollywood. On Oct. 11, they went to San Diego and Tijuana, Mexico, then returned home on Oct. 12.

Larry Smith was in Emporia on Thursday to attend the Emporia State University Fall Showcase Concert. Brent Smith, in his first year at the university, performed with the Amphion Men's Ensemble. He and his sister, Theresa Smith, in her third year, performed with the A Cappella Choir during the concert.

Jerald and Elaine Leitner visited her cousin, Chauncey Hafner, of Herndon, a patient in the Rawlins County Hospital, on Friday. He will be 85 on Thursday.

-Dresser Fashion Show, Oct. 31, 2 p.m. at The Gateway.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Eckhart, Niantic, Ill., and Juanita Eckhart and Lee Eckhart, Norcatur, visited Lois Eckhart on Monday.

Harold Olson is recuperating from knee replacement surgery, which he underwent recently at Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney, Neb.

Brittany McConville of Indianola, Neb., granddaughter of Eileene Grose, and Bob and Elaine Miller of Oberlin, was crowned 2004 Homecoming Queen for the Southwest Nebraska Rough Riders at the Southwest Riders/Cambridge football game on Oct. 8 in Bartley, Neb. She is the daughter of Mark and Kim McConville of Indianola.

man and Romanian food. Tues., rence; and Luanne Rupe, Joshua, Oct. 26, 6-8 p.m., LandMark Inn. Jonathan and Jonah, Hays. They 475-2340.

John Unruh of New York City and his sister, Susan Dulat, of Rochester Hills, Mich., were in Oberlin on Oct. 7 doing genealogy and took Ethel Railsback out for breakfast. Their mother was Betty (Baker) **31, 2 p.m. at The Gateway.** Unruh, who graduated from Decatur Community High School in 1937. Mrs. Unruh's mother was the late Nelle (Railsback) Baker and her father was John Railsback, a former sheriff and commissioner of Decatur County, who also served in the Legislature.

Leslie Jean Jones of Oberlin has earned her diploma as a radiology technician at Southeast Community College-Lincoln campus, Lincoln, Neb. She is a 2000 graduate of Decatur Community High School and is employed at the Decatur County Hospital. She and her husband, Wade, are the parents of a daughter, Hannah. Her parents are Kent and Deb Brown of Oberlin.

joyed "The Crusaders" at the United Carter, Salina; Mary Lou Olson, Methodist Church in Atwood on Herndon; Rex Olson and Beth Sunday. Arlin Ankle, the pianist, is a relative of Mrs. Wolters. They also visited Dorothy Wolters at the Good Samaritan Center in Atwood.

Dale and Cheryl Votapka returned home Thursday evening after traveling for 10 days. They attended the final camp out of the season of the Winnebago clubs held in Louisburg, where the group attended the Applefest at the Cider Mill and enjoyed the Middle Creek Opry. While they were gone, they visited their children, Beth and Chris Sluder, Matt and Kelley, Hinton, Okla.; Drs. Pam and Eric

-Transylvanian Buffet, Ger- Huerter, Finn, Max and Jack, Lawalso visited Flossie Millage at Benton, Mo.; Nadine Bailey, Louisburg; and Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Morton, Coldwater, before returning home.

-Dresser Fashion Show, Oct.

Winning highs in pinochle at Golden Age Center the past week were Henry Edgett, Aleen Van Vleet, Kelva Swindler, Veanna Orr, Dorothy Moore and Dale Votapka. Lows were won by Floyd Edgett, Wilma May, Doris Miller, Doris Fringer, Merle Shirley and Aleen Van Vleet. Pitch highs went to Henry Edgett and Wilma May with lows going to Aleen Van Vleet and Doris Miller. Merle Shirley and Leone Purton were bridge winners.

Among those attending the Steven Hess and Christian Mois wedding on Saturday in Overland Park were Cecil Hess, Gordon and Cynthia Matson, Oberlin; Steve and Jean Ann Confer, Jenna and Jessica, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Wolters en- St. Francis; Dan and Julie Hess and Kinneavy, Boulder, Colo.; John Riepl and Georganne Gorham, Overland Park; Nancy Jorn and Stuart Beals, Peggy Williams, Jeff, Tiffani, Megan, Keith and Kiara, Lawrence; Eppie Jorn, Warren, Pa.; Jan Evans, Rose Hill; and Randy and Lisa Wilson, and Robert and Diane Muirhead, Colby.

> John and Shirley Dornburger of Salina were Thursday afternoon visitors of Vivian Bishop.

Doreen Holsman of Horton, and Lila Holsman were afternoon callers of Elsie Wolters.



RED HATTERS from Oakley, Atwood, Hoxie, Norton, Culbertson and McCook joined the Oberlin club for a "Red Hat Jamboree" at the Bohemian Hall. Charlotte Meints of Oberlin (upper right) waited in line for the chicken salad luncheon with other women from the area, all sporting their colorful hats. -Photo by Dwayne Jones

Juncheon enjoyed by Red Hatters

The welcome flags were waving in Oberlin as 64 Red Hatters, adorned in purple and red, came to Oberlin for a luncheon and "Red Hat Jamboree" on Oct. 9 at the Bohemian Hall on the museum grounds.

Don Meints, dressed in red hat and purple shirt, gave a welcoming handshake to all the ladies as they arrived.

The hall was decorated with red hats hanging on the walls. The tables were covered with lavender cloths and decorated with tiny red hats, made by the Oberlin Red Hatters, at each place setting. Lavender and states branches tied with red ribbons were used as centerpieces on each table.

Betty Jones, Queen Mum of the Northwest Kansas Haughty Hatters, welcomed everyone. Those in atten- parties, a pajama breakfast at a cafe,

dance included "Ladies of the Prai- sippin' sodas at Addleman Drug rie" from Oakley; Red Hatters, Hoxie: Crimson Cuties, Norton: Red Hat Chicks and Red Hatters, Atwood; Rock and Roamin', Culbertson; and Red Hat McCookies and Red Hot Sisters, McCook.

Mrs. Jones presented the program, "What will I lose next?" Susan Nelson, a pink hatter and Decatur Community High School vocal teacher, sang songs from Broadway musicals. She and Pat Wright, accompanied by Myrna Jones, taught the group "The Red Hat Song" to the tune, "Red, Red Robin," which included a lot of swaying, singing and clapping.

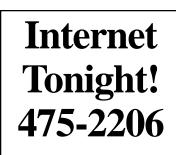
Each chapter queen told of some of their activities. Among those mentioned were come-as-you-are

Store, museums, eating out at the LandMark Inn and Bierock Cafe, a day at the craft store in Brewster making red hat jewelry, pizza parties, high tea, touring the Doll House at Hill City, and bus trips to cities.

The hot chicken salad luncheon, catered by Gerry Neff, was followed by a style show put on by the Dresser. Manager Karen Metcalf was narrator and several Red Hatters modeled fall and winter clothing and jewelry.

Many of the Red Hatters found treasures at antique stores, the Dresser, drug stores, LandMark Inn and other stores before departing.

The Red Hat Society is a group that not only has fun after 50, but also cares for friends and family needs within their communities.



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Parent-teacher conferences set

Parent-teacher conferences for there will be no school for those stupreschool and kindergarten students at Oberlin Elementary School will be held next Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 27 and 28.

There will be no school for students in Integrated Preschool and Kindergarten on those two days.

Conferences for students in

dents that day, either. Letters were sent on Thursday to

meet with their child's teacher. Parents should plan to meet with the teachers at the assigned times.

There will be no regular conference time scheduled with the fifthgrades 1-6 will be on Thursday, so and sixth-grade teachers. Fifth-

Cadet earns promotion

Cadet Jeffrev Adams, a seventh maternal grandparent

grade teachers David Olson and Jeri Buchholz and sixth-grade teachers Carol Dixson and Cynthia Matson, parents with the assigned time to along with Jim Buchholz and Keith Grafel, will be in the gym from 8 a.m. to noon. They, along with Terri Woolsey and Steve Cullen, will be available from 1-3 p.m. in their classrooms.

Mardi Lohoefener will not have a scheduled time, but she will be available for a conference.

School board attends meeting

sen and Barbara Olson, members of the Oberlin School District, attended the Kansas Association of School Boards Region 9 fall meeting at the Hoxie High School on Wednesday, Oct. 6.

The regional meetings are designed for the exchange of ideas and information between school boards, superintendents and the association staff. Members heard about the upcoming legislative session and board presidents and superinten-

dents shared ideas during the presi-

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dents' and superintendents' council.

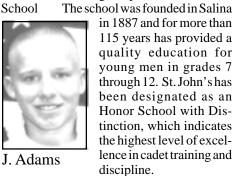
Association staff and educators from each region provided information on current topics. The meetings are held each fall at 10 locations

Dewayne Jackson, Kurt Vollert-

grader at St. John's Military School

in Salina, has been promoted to Cadet Private First Class.

He is the son of Sherrell (Gilbert) Adams of Mc-Cook, 1964 graduate of Decatur Community High School, and the late Carl Adams. Denzel and Vesta Gilbert of McCook, formerly of Oberlin, are his



GENERAL NOTICE TO CONTROL NOXIOUS WEEDS

The Kansas Noxious Weed Law K.S.A. 2-1314 et seq requires all persons who own or supervise land in Kansas to control and eradicate all weeds declared noxious by legislative action. The weeds declared noxious are: Field Bindweed, Musk Thistle, Serica Lespedeza, Johnson Grass, Canada Thistle, Bur Ragweed, Leafy Spurge, Hoary Cress, Quack Grass, Russian Knapweed, Kudzu, & Pignut. Multiflora Rose is a County Option Noxious Weed declared noxious by the Board of County Commissioners of Decatur County. Notice is hereby given pursuant to the Kansas Noxious Weed Law to every person who owns or supervises land in Decatur County that noxious weeds growing or found on such land shall be controlled and eradicated. Control is defined as preventing the production of viable seeds and the vegetative spread of the plant.

Failure to observe this notice may result in the County:

1. Serving a legal notice requiring control of the noxious weeds within a minimum of 5 days. Failure to control the noxious weeds within the time period allowed may result in the county treating the noxious weeds at the landowners expense and placing a lien on the property if the bill is not paid within 30 days or,

2. filing criminal charges for non compliance. Conviction for non compliance may result in a fine of \$100 per day of non compliance with a maximum fine of \$1500.

The public is also hereby notified that it is a violation of Kansas Noxious Weed Law to barter, sell, or give away infested nursery stock or livestock feed unless the feed is fed on the farm where grown or sold to a commercial processor that will destroy the viability of the noxious weed seed. Custom harvesting machines must be labeled with a label provided by the Kansas. Dept. of Agriculture and must be free of all weed seed and litter when entering the State and when leaving a field infested with noxious weeds. Additional information may be obtained from the Decatur County Noxious Weed Department or by contacting the Kansas Dept. of Ag, 109 S.W. 9th, Topeka, Kansas 66612.



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