



**ANTHONY MARSHALL PLAYS** Jesus in the upcoming Decatur Community High School play, "Godspell". The cast has been rehearsing since September. The play will be performed on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 19-20.—Dictator photo

## Annual musical to feature 'Godspell'

**By KAYDEE LEITNER**  
The musical "Godspell" is just around the corner, and the cast is working hard to memorize lines and songs. When asked how the musical was going, Mrs. Nelson replied, "The musical is going pretty well considering all the conflicts with other activities."

Mrs. Nelson encourages everyone to come to the musical. "It is a really positive story," said Mrs. Nelson. "It has a lot of variety in music, comedy, and drama, and will showcase students' talents as well." The musical is based on the gospel of St. Matthew. It will be performed on Friday, Nov. 19, and Saturday, Nov. 20, at 7:30 p.m. in the

Decatur Community High School auditorium. As a money maker for their trip to Kansas City to see the musical "Aida," the vocal students are planning a special evening in conjunction with the Saturday night performance of "Godspell." They are offering dinner and a show for \$10. Starting at 6 p.m. in the cafeteria,

the vocal department will serve a dinner consisting of an appetizer bar, lasagna, corn, garlic bread, and a dessert prior to the performance. The "dinner and show" tickets are available until Nov. 15 and may be purchased by contacting any vocal student or by calling the high school at (785)475-2231.

## FFA members travel to Kentucky

**By KELSEY GALLETINE**  
Touring, ice skating, bowling, walking through a cave, and attending the 2004 National FFA Convention kept eight FFA members very busy last week. The members who traveled to Kentucky for the annual convention were seniors Megan Barrett and Kelsey Gallentine; juniors Caleb Peters, Bret Marietta, Kegan Macfee, and Justin Zodrow; and sophomores Chet Ely and Bronson

Scott. Advisor Nathan Copeland and his wife, Angela, accompanied the group. Mr. Copeland said, "This was one of the best trips we've taken. The kids were a fun bunch." The group left Oberlin Tuesday, Oct. 26, and arrived home on Monday, Nov. 1. In that time frame, the group did various fun things. They toured the Budweiser Brewery and the Arch in St. Louis. In Indianapolis, the group toured the Indianapo-

lis Speedway. The national convention was held in Louisville, Ky., and the group spent two days there. At the convention, the group looked at different career options, participated in a workshop called "The Influencer," bought FFA merchandise, and went to two sessions. At the sessions, the members heard from Dave Roever, a Vietnam Veteran who was injured during the war. They also toured the Corvette

Factory and Museum in Bowling Green, Kentucky, and went deep down into one of Kentucky's caves, the Diamond Cavern. At night the group went ice skating, bowling, swimming, and out to eat. Senior Megan Barrett said, "The trip was fun, but we were gone a long time." President Caleb Peters said he was glad he got to experience new things. Not only did the group have tons of fun, they also learned a lot.

Voice of Decatur Community High School



By the DCHS Dictator Staff

## Journalism staff to babysit for cash

**By AMBER BARRATT**  
The yearbook staff is planning to raise money for the 2005 yearbook by babysitting from 8 a.m.-10 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 13. Children 2 and up are welcome to attend for a day of fun including games, movies, and baking cookies. Lunch and dinner will be served along with snacks throughout the day.

The cost will be \$3 an hour per child with an additional charge of \$1 per meal. They also have a family plan for parents with more than one child.

This will be a great opportunity

for moms and dads to get some Christmas shopping done, or do anything they need to around the house.

The journalism staff will be in charge of watching the kids throughout the day. The journalism sponsor is Brenda Breth.

Parents must sign their kids up by Nov. 10, so the yearbook staff knows how many meals to plan and how many babysitters they need.

Forms can be picked up at the high school office, or by calling Brenda Breth at 475-2231 or emailing her at bbreth@usd294.org.

## School Menus

November 15-19  
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**Monday** — Breakfast: cereal, toast, peaches. Lunch: potato bar, turkey fritter. **Tuesday** — Breakfast: waffles, ham, tropical fruit. Lunch: pizza. **Wednesday** — Breakfast: cereal, muffin, apples. Lunch: turkey. **Thursday** — Breakfast: pancake, sausage patty, pineapple. Lunch: beef and noodles. **Friday** — Breakfast: yogurt, muffin, mixed fruit. Lunch: ham and beans, corn bread. Milk served with all meals. Choice bar served with all

lunches.  
PRAIRIE HEIGHTS

Breakfast is served daily: toast, cereal, juice. Lunches: **Monday** — burritos, refried beans, Mandarin oranges, cupcakes. **Tuesday** — chicken patties, Doritos, cheesy green beans, strawberries. **Wednesday** — turkey and dressing, potatoes /gravy, corn, pumpkin pie. **Thursday** — chicken/noodles, potatoes, cheesy green beans, tropical fruit. **Friday** — pizza, peas, peaches. Milk served with all meals. Salad bar served with all lunches.

## Midway News

By Mary Lou Olson

Congratulations to Chuck and Tobina Norris, who were married Saturday at St. Elizabeth Seaton Catholic Church in Salina. The bride is the former Tobina Schmidt, daughter of Joe and Vicki Schmidt of Ludell; and the bridegroom's parents are Charlie Norris, and Phyllis Norris, Okeechobee, Fla. They will make their home on a ranch at Howard, where he is a rancher and she will work for Ag Info-Link.

Among those from the bride's immediate family who attended the wedding were Joe and Vicki Schmidt, LeRoy and Daisy Schmidt, and Chris and Sherri Schmidt, all of this community; Wade and Mandi McKinley, and Barry and Tanner Schmidt, Manhattan; Danace Maloney, Clae, Jordan and Kaine, and T.C. McDonald, Colby; Clint Schmidt, Erin Schmidt and Shawn Parson, Denver. LeRoy Schmidt was honored with a birthday party by the family Sunday at the Candlewood Suite in Salina.

Nione Rhodin of Loveland, Colo., spent last week visiting her mother, Edla Olson, and her sister, Arian and Steve Arnold. They helped Mrs. Olson move from Wheat Ridge Terrace to Decatur County Good Samaritan Center.

Congratulations to J.R. Ginther, whose horses won trophies in the Kansas Foundation Quarter Horse Show in Salina. There were over 15,000 entries. Mister Cisco Buck, owned by Bennett Quarter Horses of McCook, was sired by Ginther's

stallion, Premium Buck, and won first in the yearling stallion class. He was raised and showed by Mr. Ginther.

Cisco Dun Kid, owned by Todd Eland of Salina, was bred and raised by the Ginthers. He placed second in the four-year-old class and was also shown by Mr. Ginther. The foundation only accepts horses for showing that are proved by four generations of papers.

Mary Lou Olson, Cecil Hess, and Marianna Bendon joined their cousins, Donna Hampton and Marilyn Linn of Wichita, and Vendla Tacha of Jennings, for lunch on Wednesday at the Frontier Restaurant in Oberlin.

Saturday overnight guests of Wesley and Eulaine Benda were Mitch and Beverly Messerly, Paul and Anna of Sublette. They had attended the Oakley-Sublette football game Saturday afternoon in Oakley, then came for the smorgasbord at the Herndon Covenant Church on Sunday.

Maxine Peebles and Sheri Steinemann and Tia Grace of Denver visited relatives over the weekend and attended the smorgasbord on Sunday.

Congratulations to Mary Rachel Olson, who was chosen to play first chair saxophone in the Northwest Kansas Music Educators Association honors program at Hays on Saturday. Her mother, Barbara Olson, accompanied her to Hays and attended the concert in the afternoon.

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