

# THE OBERLIN HERALD — People in Our Community

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Jean Erickson entertained with a birthday dinner on Nov. 8 in Colby to honor her husband, Erik, on his 93rd birthday and also Mary Lohofener. Guests were Alan and Pat Erickson, Sharon Lohofener, Elma Lee Erickson, Jo DeYoung, Em and Don Threlkel, Delbert Erickson, and Gail and Kay Marcuson.

Jordin Wasson, daughter of Tom and Tammy Wasson and piano student of Mary Henzel, received a I rating at the North Central Kansas Music Clinic in Norton on Saturday.

Todd Tompkins received word from his son, Seth, of his safe return from Afghanistan. He was on a six-week deployment during the recent elections and expressed thanks for prayers and well-wishes. He is currently stationed in Fort Bragg, N.C., and his wife, Sara, is with him.

Bob and Helen Gaines of Brighton, Colo., visited from Wednesday to Sunday with Luella Sloan, and Jim and Beverly Gaines. They came to help with the antique sale, which was held by Jim and Reva Marshall, and Harvey and Maxine Wright.

David Brown and four pheasant-hunting friends from Kansas City were weekend guests of his parents, Floyd and Marylu Brown.

Winning highs in pinochle at Golden Age Center the past week were Dorothy Moore, Henry Edgett, Doris Fringer, Merle Shirley, Doris Miller and Max Carman. Lows were won by Aleen Van Vleet, Doris Miller, Wilma May, Peggy Ream, Henry Edgett and Lawrence Wenger. Pitch highs went to Dale Votapka and Aleen Van Vleet with lows going to Merle Shirley and Doris Miller. Phyllis Berry and Beth Sebaugh were bridge winners. Thanksgiving senior potluck dinner will be at 12:15 p.m. Sunday at

Golden Age Center.

Lucy Schissler of Atwood is hospitalized at Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney, Neb. She is the former Lucy Elson, formerly of Traer. Mail will reach her at the hospital, 31st and Central, Kearney, Neb., 68847.

Doug and Eunice Kane, Spraker, N.Y., were houseguests of Gail and Kay Marcuson from Nov. 6-9. Additional Sunday evening guests at their home were Deanna Castle, Doris Fringer, Linda Weber, Ina Marie Goodnight, and Brad and Elaine Marcuson. The Kanes were Monday dinner guests of Doris Peterson in Atwood.

Guests of Everett and Nellie Gerdes to help them celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary over the weekend were Lorri Wilson and Lacey, Greeley, Colo.; John and Lorraine Ross, WaKeeney; John Allen and Sharon Ross, Ellis; Rosella Lunzmann, Deshler, Neb.; Pam Carlson, Lincoln, Neb.; Russell and Marla Gerberding, Daventry, Neb.; and Curtis and Louise Fintel, Byron, Neb. Their daughter, Lorri Wilson and Lacey provided the food for the anniversary dinner on Saturday and ice cream and cake were served in the afternoon.

Jerry and Beverly Gee and their granddaughter, Elizabeth Tatman, of Colorado City, Colo., had dinner at the Frontier Restaurant on Friday evening with his brother, Gene and Helen Gee, and their son, Kenny and Coleen Gee, Justin and Jacob. They were weekend guests at the Gene Gee home and the Kenny Gee family also visited them over the weekend. They left Sunday for Ohio, where they will spend Thanksgiving with her parents.

Elsie Wolters called on Dorothy Wolters and Maude Edwards at the Good Samaritan Center in Atwood on Sunday.

## Farm agency to hold elections

Farmers and rural landowners in Decatur County have until Dec. 6 to vote in elections for U.S. Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency county committee members.

"Electing county committee members is an exercise in democracy," said Diane Barrett, county executive director for the agency. "The locally elected committee has primary responsibility for making national farm programs fit the needs and situations faced by local farmers. Members bring local expertise and knowledge to the daily delivery of programs and services."

Ballots are being mailed to all eligible voters in those parts of the county where a committee member's term will expire on Dec. 31.

Mrs. Barrett said ballots must be filled out, signed and returned to the county office by Dec. 6 to be counted.

"It is important that farmers sign their ballots," she said. "Without a

valid signature the ballot doesn't count."

Ballots will be counted in public by Dec. 13. Elections may be challenged by nominees within 15 days after the results are posted. Elected committee members and alternates take office Jan. 1.

Eligible voters who have not received a ballot may get one at the county office. Eligible voters must participate or cooperative in agency programs.

County committees make decisions on commodity price-support loans; payment eligibility; establishment of allotments and yields; conservation programs; incentive, indemnity and disaster payments for some commodities; and other farm disaster assistance. The system was established in the 1930s to give farmers and ranchers a say in how farm programs are administered, Mrs. Barrett said.

For details, contact the county office at 410 S. Buffalo or write to Box 147, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

## Little to be open Thanksgiving

If you want to eat out on Thanksgiving Day in Oberlin, plan to attend the community dinner held at noon at St. John's Lutheran Church, 510 N. Wilson. Nearly everything in town will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 25.

Businesses planning to be closed include Raye's Grocery, the Frontier Restaurant, Mean Gene's, the LandMark Inn, the Re-Load, A & W Restaurant, Pizza Hut and Keeno's Roadhouse.

Other closings include all county, city, state and federal offices and the

post office, all banks and financial institutions, the schools and the Oberlin City Library, which will close at 3 p.m. next Wednesday.

County and city offices and the schools will remain closed on Friday, Nov. 26, but regular hours will resume at the library.

**OPEN THANKSGIVING DAY**  
Businesses which will remain open on Thanksgiving Day include Crossroads Express, Ampride, and Dollar General, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and the Red Crown Lounge, from 4 p.m. to close.

## Oberlin graduate wins county attorney race

Justin Barrett won a write-in campaign for county attorney in Cheyenne County at the Nov. 2 election.

A native of Oberlin, he is a 1996 graduate of Decatur Community High School. He and his wife, Amber, and 1-year-old daughter, Justice, recently moved to Colby. He earned a bachelor's degree in philosophy at Washburn University, then went to Boston for his first year of law school.

"I didn't realize how wonderful smaller communities were until I went to Boston," he said.

He completed his Juris Doctorate at Washburn University School of Law in May and in September was sworn in.



Justin Barrett

He will occupy the county attorney's office in the courthouse in St. Francis. An uncle, Lorence Youngquist, lives at St. Francis and much of his family is from northwest Kansas. He will commute from Colby.

He said, "I'm looking forward to coming 'back home' to northwest Kansas. We want to raise our daughter in a smaller community."

His wife is a student working on a degree in secondary education. His parents are Jim and Diane Barrett, Oberlin, and Tammy and Ken Searls, Quinter.

He won the position over another write-in candidate, Scott Beims, who is county attorney in Rawlins County.

## Christian conference set

"Heartland Restoration" will be offered at 7 p.m. Friday and at 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Saturday at The Gateway in Oberlin. Lunch will be available on Saturday.

Ministers for the Christian conference will be Jon and Helen Jenkins of Troutman, N.C., who are ordained with the International Church of the Foursquare Gospel.

The couple met in Bible College and have been married 30 years. Their three sons are also Bible College graduates and full-time ministers.

The Jenkinsses were pastors for 25 years, then resigned from their church in Tampa, Fla., in 1996, to minister to the church at large.

There is no admission charge, and the public is invited.

## Holiday craft show next week

The Oberlin Holiday Arts and Crafts Show will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 27, at The Gateway in Oberlin.

Exhibitors from Colorado, Nebraska, New Mexico, and Kansas will be filling 80 tables. Lunch will be served and a babysitting service

will be available in the building. Door prizes will be given all day.

The event is sponsored by the Oberlin Arts and Humanities Commission. There is no admission charge. For details, contact Mary Henzel at (785) 475-3329 or email mhenzel2@juno.com.

## Area students honored

Several area students are included in the 38th Annual Edition of Who's Who Among American High School Students, 2003-2004.

They are nominated by high school principals and guidance counselors, national youth groups, churches and educational organizations based on students' academic achievement and involvement in extracurricular activities. Traditionally 97 percent of the students are college-bound.

They include:  
**Oberlin:** Kelsey Dorshorst, Allie

Moore, Isaac Shaw, Rebekah Hasty, Sarah Ruf, Rena Unger, Brett Keck.

**Jennings:** Brett McKenna.  
**Herndon:** Brett Chambers, Caleb Kastens, Joe Marintzer, Kendra Solko, Daron Chambers, Abraham Marintzer, Janelle Solko.  
**Rexford:** Ashlee Hudson, Kristin Wark.

**Selden:** Ashley Albers, Valerie Broeckelman, Jesse Colson, Megan Juenemann, Jessica Shaw, Dana Broeckelman, Ryan Bruntley, Stephanie Juenemann.

## Students receive honors

Several area students are among approximately 254,000 included in the 27th Annual Edition of The National Dean's List, 2003-2004.

It is the largest recognition program and publication in the nation honoring high achieving college students. They are selected for the honor by their college deans, registrars or honor society advisors and must be in the upper 10 percent of their class, on their school's "Dean's List" or have earned a comparable grade.

They include:

**Jennings:** Bryan Stephens, Colby Community College.

**Herndon:** Jennifer Beims, Nikolaus Martin, Kansas State University; Adam Ketterl, Wyoming Technical Institute.

**Oberlin:** Regina Corcoran, Ryan Ruf, Rodney Solko, Fort Hays State University; Corey Fortin, Sarah Olson, Kansas State University; Krickit Steinmetz, Sterling College.

**Selden:** Michele Goscha, Ashley Stevenson, Lori Truetken, Colby Community College; Aimee Truetken, Kansas State University.

## Assistance deadline nears

Deadline for applications for the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program for this year's crops is Dec. 1, said Diane Barrett, county executive officer for the U.S. Farm Service Agency.

Included in the program are forage crops for livestock, mechani-

cally harvested or grazed, and all grasses plus alfalfa. Benefits are limited to those not insurable in the county which are produced for food or fiber.

For details, contact the county office at 475-3131.

## New Arrival

### Bryant Robert Gillund

Robert and Shannon Addleman Gillund of Tinley Park, Ill., are the parents of a son, Bryant Robert Gillund, born Nov. 12, 2004, on the birthday of his grandfather, Rusty Addleman. He weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces and was 20 inches long.

He has a sister, Brynna Reé, 12 months. Grandparents are Rusty and Sharon Addleman, Oberlin; and Marge and Terry Gillund, Tinley Park. Great-grandparents are Louise Pollnow, Oberlin, and the late Ted Pollnow, and Mae Pinta, Tinley Park.

## Club News

### Singers present program

Thirteen members of Pi Alpha Club met at Sappa Manor on Nov. 8 and enjoyed a performance by the DCHS Singers, under the direction of Susan Nelson, vocal teacher.

David Morris and Anthony Jackson also sang a duet from the upcoming musical, "Godspell," with several parents also present for the program.

Elaine Bryan was hostess and gave devotions entitled, "I Don't Do" and "Stories as Seen Through the Eyes of a Child." Co-hostesses

were Gerry Neff and Cecil Hess.

The club has donated stuffed toys to Cedar Living Center and the hospital for their Furry Friends project. A \$10 donation was made to the high school music department for the evening entertainment. Marty Olson received the hostess prize.

Members will meet at 7 p.m. at the home of Bill and Judy Ladehoff on Nov. 22 for a tour of the historic home. A meeting will follow at the home of Pat Wright with Joy Russell as co-hostess.

### Auxiliary plans soup supper

Eight members of the American Legion Auxiliary met at the Legion on Nov. 10. Alice Bobbitt and Lois Lamb were hostesses.

President Phyllis Metcalf opened the meeting with prayer and conducted the meeting. Members were encouraged to attend the Veterans Day program at the grade school on Nov. 11. Mrs. Metcalf reported that the book on Memorial Day has been sent to the printers and it is hoped it will

be completed by Thanksgiving.

The auxiliary plans to decorate a Christmas tree at the museum at 10 a.m. today. Members were encouraged to send cards to those from this area who are in the military service.

Plans were made for a soup supper at 6:30 p.m. on Dec. 8. Officers will provide the soup and members are to bring finger foods.

### Club tours book binders

Monday Evening Club members traveled to Selden on Nov. 9 for a tour of Koerperich Bookbinders.

Chris Koerperich conducted the tour, assisted by Marcia Schlage and Carolyn Urban. Members enjoyed viewing the various steps in the book binding process and samples of orders filled for schools, law firms, genealogy publishers and newspa-

pers.

Following the tour, club members enjoyed dinner at the Southwind Bar and Grill in Selden.

The Club will meet at the museum on Dec. 13 for a tour of the Christmas trees, followed by a business meeting and Christmas party at the home of Barbara Dehlinger. Roxie Erickson will be co-hostess. Roll call will be "a childhood Christmas memory."

### Group to decorate tree

Chapter BH of the P.E.O. Sisterhood met on Nov. 11 at the home of Dori Pauls with Susan Nelson assisting.

President Mary Lohofener said that the chapter will decorate a Christmas tree at the museum at 2 p.m. on Friday. Mrs. Nelson passed around photographs showing the completed decora-

tion of the Angel Lane bathing room at the Good Samaritan Center. She also reminded members of the high school musical at 7:30 p.m. this Friday and Saturday.

Members worked on decorations for the chapter's Christmas tree at the museum while sharing Thanksgiving thoughts and things for which they were thankful.

### Widows and Friends meet

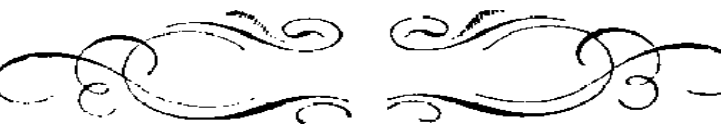
Widows and Friends enjoyed coffee, hot cider and cookies at Wheat Ridge Terrace dining room on Wednesday afternoon, Nov. 10.

Doris Sloan, coordinator, read "Wee Thanksgiving" and "Complaining Whenever Because." Several guests gave humorous and thankful thoughts.

Those present included: Doris Sloan, Luella Sloan, Lora Zwickle, Doris Gilbert, Mary Ann Amack, Millie Lippelmann,

Nadean Stoney, Bertha Schwisow, Phyllis Screen, Elaine Bryan, Cecil Hess, Norma Richards, Myrtle Waldo, Irel Lohofener, Dorothy Jackson, Goldie Raulston, Alvina Unger, and Esther Carlson. Guests were Shirley Gaede, San Antonio, and Helen Gaines, Brighton, Colo.

The Christmas meeting will be an 11:30 a.m. potluck dinner at the Fellowship Hall of United Methodist Church on Dec. 8.



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The family of **Murlin Krizek** would like to request a card shower in honor of his **80th Birthday** Nov. 19, 2004.

Cards will reach him at:  
38667 Ravenswood Rd.  
McCook, NE 69001

**John & Muriel Ready** are celebrating their **55th Wedding Anniversary** with a card shower given by their daughter and family, **Esther, David and Nick.** Mail will reach them at the **Good Samaritan Center, 108 E. Ash, Room 316, Oberlin, KS 67749**