

The Royal Neighbors presented the Norcatour News volunteers with a check in the amount of \$2,030 to be used for paper expenses. This was raised from their matching funds dinner on Sunday, Oct. 10, 2004. Members of the Royal Neighbors present were Estella Harold, Lee and Lora Arnold, Maxine Brooks, Beth Johnson and Dorothy Woods.

On Saturday, there will be a Valentine's dinner at Momma Millie's Cafe featuring steak and fresh crab legs from Virginia Beach, Va. For reservations call (785) 693-4000.

The Cardinal Bar and Grill will have a Valentine supper party on Monday, which will include rack of ribs or salmon steaks. For reservations call (85) y93-4499.

Alta May VanGundy's was honored on her 100th birthday on Jan. 29 in Hastings, Neb. Those attending were Bonnie Klein and Dena; Ona Van Gundy; Larry and Sandra McNames; Andria and John Cooper, Devon and Skylar; Ryan and Neal McNames; David and Tina Wood; Dwight and Teresa Wood; Carol Moye, and Veda Wood.

The Norcatour Commercial Club will sponsor a benefit freewill fund raiser pancake supper from 5-7 p.m. on Sunday, in the All-purpose Room at the Norcatour City Building. Proceeds will be used to assist

the Decatur County Museum in moving St. Mark's Lutheran Church.

Guests of Dorothy Breiner the weekend of Jan. 22 were Mike and Linda Richard of Miltonvale; T.R. and Dianne Richard of Parker, Colo., and Kent and Julie Legg of McCook. Julie and Dorothy spent Saturday at the Norton Kids Wrestling tournament, where grandson Kaid McKenna received first in his weight class. Congratulations, Kaid!

Alice Anderson of Kiowa, Colo., was honored by KMGH-TV Channel 7 for their Everyday Hero Award. She is involved with running the local food bank out of the Kiowa Creek Community Church.

Marlene Wolf, Kensington, spent Jan. 26 and 27 with her parents, Kenneth and Pansy Price.

Carissa and Megan Wentz participated in the Oberlin Elementary School All-school Spelling Bee. Carissa took fourth and Megan took first. Carissa is a sixth grader and Megan, a fifth grader at Oberlin Elementary School. Way to go, girls!

Visitors at the Bill Nelson home Jan. 29 and 30 were Wayne and Norma McCallister; Nan Cook, Norton; Ruby Cook, and Jay Griffith, of Clayton.

Birthdays and anniversaries: Tracey Hartzog, Beth Johnson - Feb. 2; Francis and Arlene Hix -

Feb. 4; Karen Bailey - Feb. 6; Brad Long - Feb. 7; John Milnes, Eric Milnes, Megan Rhodes - Feb. 8.

The Norcatour Rural High School Alumni Banquet will be held Saturday, May 28. Contact Von Johnson at 117 West Legend Drive, Pueblo West, Colo., 81007-1714 or email v2535@hotmail.com for tickets, which are \$15 per person. Also, please indicate whether you will be attending the lunch to be served on Memorial Day (Sunday) at the Norcatour Grade School All-purpose Room, for \$5.

### ROYAL NEIGHBORS

The Royal Neighbors sponsored a birthday party at the Good Samaritan Center on Jan. 19. Members attending were Beth Johnson, Joyce Price, Dorothy Woods, Estella Harold, Lee and Lora Arnold, and Bob and Neoma Tacha. There were seven residents celebrating January birthdays.

Dick Higgins came to Oberlin for a funeral on Jan. 25, and spent the night with Dewaine Stapp.

On Jan. 26, Dewaine Stapp and Leone Purton went to Iola to see Kortney Stapp, a member of the Allen County College basketball team.

Jay and Maryllin Locy returned Jan. 22 from a two-week vacation. They spent a week in Jacksonville, Fla., with their son and family.

# Walk Kansas program begins

Decatur County residents are invited to join Walk Kansas 2005. The low-cost health fitness program will begin Sunday, March 13, and run through Saturday, May 7.

During the eight-week program, teams of six walk and record their mileage, with the goal being to walk 423 miles, equivalent to walking across the state of Kansas.

People can exercise independently at a time and place convenient for them or choose a time for physical activity with family, friends, neighbors or co-workers.

The team concept has contributed to the success of Walk Kansas. Knowing that teammates are counting on you may be all that's needed to encourage exercise.

Though initially developed as a walking program, 15-minute segments of aerobic exercise (running, bicycling, swimming, dance and step aerobics, weight training and team sports, for example) also may be counted toward the fitness goal.

Walk Kansas, sponsored by K-State research and extension of Decatur County, is easy yet can aid in reducing stress, lowering blood pressure, losing weight and reducing risks from diseases, such as heart disease and diabetes.

Tracking fruit and vegetable consumption, which will be added to the Walk Kansas program this year in Decatur County, is credited with increased consumption of health-promoting foods during and after the program. Past participants also have reported increased energy and a more optimistic outlook.

More than 90 of the 105 counties — and 17,000 people — are expected to participate in Walk Kansas this year. Its simplicity makes it appealing.

Are you interested in being on a walking team? Are you interested in improving your health and out-



## Home Time

By Tranda Watts  
Multi-county Extension Agent

look on life? If you answered yes to either of these questions, contact your local K-State research and extension office at (785) 475- 8121 and ask for a Team Captain's packet. Then search for five friends or five people you would like to be friends with to form a team. Team registrations and individual registrations should be turned back into the office by Monday, March 7.

Last year Decatur County had 72 spring Walk Kansas participants.

Please help us increase the number in 2005 to 100 participants. Call now for your Walk Kansas registration information.

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### DCHS ALUMNI BANQUET RESERVATION COUPON

The DCHS Alumni Banquet will be held at The Gateway in Oberlin, Saturday, May 28, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. Doors open at 5:30. Mail reservations and remittance to: Alumni Assn., P.O. Box 201, Oberlin, KS 67749. Deadline for reservations is May 19, 2005. Price per plate is \$12.50 - This includes dinner and 50 cents for the Smick Memorial Loan Fund.

Alumni's Name	Class
Spouse or Guest Name	Class
Space allows for alumni and spouse/guest. BE SURE to give class year and maiden name.	
If spouse/guest is also an alumni, please indicate the class year he/she would like to be seated with: <input type="text"/>	
Late registrations accepted, but no guarantee on sitting with your class.	

# Midway News

By Mary Lou Olson

Sympathy is extended to the family of Martin W. Schissler, 92, who died on Jan. 31 in Denver. He was a former resident of this community and was a brother-in-law of Violet Schissler and Myrtle Schissler.

Steve and Arian Arnold spent the weekend of Jan. 29-30 in Colorado, where they were houseguests of Mike and Nione Rhodin at Loveland. They also visited other relatives in the area.

Word was received of the death of Junior Chase, 83, of Smith Center on Friday at Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney, Neb. Survivors include his wife, Dorothy, of Smith Center, and daughter, Lynne and Galen Olson, of McKinney, Texas. Funeral services were held Tuesday in Smith Center.

Mary Lou Olson met Gara Lee Sprague of Arapahoe, Neb., met for lunch in McCook on Wednesday.

Richard Bergling of Ness City and Jeremy Bergling were weekend guests of Dave and Sherry Bergling. They attended the Sportsman Association banquet in Atwood on Saturday night.

# Selden News

By Jacque Boulinghouse

On Saturday, approximately 30 little girls attended a cheerleader camp in Rexford. Future little cheerleaders included: KeAnn Jacobs, Marlee and Landee McKenna, Rebecca Bange, Samantha Simons, Jordan Christensen, Caitlin Braun, Kami Miller, KayCee Miller, Gabrielle Schiltz, Hailee Spreser, Leea Juennemann, Brooklyn Bice, Taylor Todd, Jessica Koerperich, Angela Ritter, Kylie Jones, Diana Garcia, Brianna Russell, Kaylie Schaben, Julia and Emily Rogers, Lupe Garcia, Cheyenne Taylor, Rachael Ritter, Emily Wachendorfer, Chiani Pearce, Taylor Peterson, Kylee Fringer and Charolette McCurdy.

Birthdays and anniversaries: Feb. 10 - Carlene Bruggeman, Danica Ritter, Fansion Juennemann, Adrienne Pauls; Feb. 13 - Robert Ritter, Carol Lobato, Thayne Spreser, Olga Vargas, Marge Miller, Tressie Rogers, Alan Spreser, Dan and Miriam Shaw, Nick Stacey, Shirley Albers

Niermeier; Feb. 15 - MyKayla Lobato.

On Feb. 3 at Senior Citizens, Irene Kruse won high, Gene Rogers took second and had the most aces, and Edna Schiltz got low. Other members present included Carol Shaw, Paulie Neff, Don Smith, Alfred Albers, Anna Albers, Catherine Campbell, Cecelia Ottley, Dorothy Lovin, Betty James, Loa Cook, Royce Cook, Ann Hazlitt, and Leone Porsch.

The cake decorating demonstration on Feb. 2 was a success. Although the flu was going around and the weather wasn't favorable, the library was almost full, with only a couple of empty chairs.

Normal library hours are Mondays and Saturdays from 9 to 11 a.m., and Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

All library services are by volunteers — so contact a library board member or call the library and leave a message if you are interested in volunteering your time.

# Mount Pleasant News

By Dianne Bremer

Karolyn Muirhead attended a grandparents luncheon with her granddaughter, Rachel Muirhead, at her school in Colby on Friday and was a Friday overnight guest at the Robert Muirhead home, returning home on Saturday.

The Decatur Community High School scholar bowl team of Kelly Olson, Danica May, Cameron Nedland, Karli Fredrickson, and Destry Jackson placed third in the Regional Scholar Bowl competition and will be competing in the State Scholar Bowl competition at Bennington on Saturday.

Zach and Hannah May and Elizabeth and Hunter Nedland played piano solos in the Seeds of Hope Telethon Saturday at the Oberlin Gateway Center. Hannah May also

performed with her gymnastics class during the telethon.

Christian Rittmann was a Saturday afternoon visitor of his great-grandmother, Alvina Unger.

Jessica Bremer, Anne Marie Wasson, and Jennifer Hirsch represented Decatur Community High School with their memorized solos during Regional Piano competition at Fort Hays State University on Saturday. Jessica's solo was "Raindrop Prelude in D Flat" by Frederic Chopin. All three girls received I ratings and have qualified to play at the upcoming State Piano competition in Wichita. Also attending the performances on Saturday were John and Dianne Bremer, Carol Wasson, Steve Hirsch, and Cheryl Metcalf.

# 'The Perilous Day'

By Rev. Royce Leitner, Assembly of God Church, Oberlin

It's hard to believe that Paul states in II Timothy 3:1, "But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days." You would think he was talking about his own last day, because I've never known someone who was stoned nearly to death, or flogged.

He was probably stating the well-being of preaching the Word of God. Maybe to him, this was staying out of church on purpose, never setting priority for God's house, not paying tithes, etc.

He followed this with, "People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abu-

sive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of good, treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, having a form of godliness but denying its power." (II Timothy 3: 2-5)

You would think we would have a better portrait than that, but in my church experience I've seen nearly everything he has stated.

Let's really pray that we love God, and put Him first in everything. Let's get into the church we choose, and do the work God has called every one of us to do.



## Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

**OBERLIN SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
785-475-3103  
The Rev. George Kochuvelikkakam, MASS: 10:30 a.m., Sunday

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC, LEOVILLE**  
The Rev. George Kochuvelikkakam  
MASS: 8 a.m., Sunday.

**SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, SELDEN**  
The Rev. George Kochuvelikkakam  
MASS: 5:30 p.m., Saturday

**OBERLIN SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH**  
Jim Martin  
120 South East, Oberlin  
SATURDAY: Sabbath School, 9:15 a.m.; Saturday Worship, 11 a.m.

**JENNINGS-DRESDEN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH JENNINGS**  
Glenn Krebs, pastor  
SUNDAY: Church School, 10 a.m. Morning Worship, 11 a.m.  
**DRESDEN**  
SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9:30 a.m.

**PRAIRIE CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST**  
The Rev. Doug Hasty  
SUNDAY: Church Services, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 8:30 a.m.

**HERNDON IMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
The Rev. Nolan and Barbara Pierce  
SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 10 a.m.

**UNITED CHURCH OF OBERLIN**  
109 North Griffith-American Baptist, Disciples of Christ, Presbyterian USA  
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. Choir practice every Wed. at 6:30 p.m. Holy Communion, 1st Sun. United Church Women, 2nd Wed at 2 p.m. Parish Council, 2nd Wed. at 8 p.m.

**OBERLIN COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP (Southern Baptist)**  
Pastor: Bobby Cornelius  
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m., AWANA Club 4-6 p.m. WEDNESDAY: Service, 7 p.m.

**OBERLIN UNITED METHODIST**  
102 North Cass — 785-475-3067  
The Rev. Doug Hasty  
SUNDAY: Church School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m. (Nursery provided.) WEDNESDAY: Choir practice, 7:30 p.m.

**CLAYTON UNITED METHODIST**  
Pastor: Kathy Aeillo  
Almena  
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.

**OBERLIN ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
The Rev. Royce Leitner  
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Worship, 7 p.m. WEDNESDAY: Adult Bible study, 7 p.m. King's Kids, 6:30 p.m.; Youth, 8 p.m. Women's Group, 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 2 p.m.

**OBERLIN CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
South Beaver Street - Oberlin  
Bill Duncan — Phone 785-475-3259  
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Hour, 10:45 a.m. Junior Worship, grade 3 & down. WEDNESDAY: Ladies Home Bible Study, 9 a.m.

**ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC, HERNDON**  
The Rev. Damian Richards  
Phone 785-322-5560  
MASS: SUNDAY, 8 a.m.

**HERNDON COVENANT CHURCH**  
Keith Reuther, Pastor  
Phone 785-322-5316  
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Bible study, 7 p.m.

**NORCATOUR UNITED METHODIST**  
Pastor: Kathy Aeillo  
Almena  
SUNDAY: Worship Service, 10 a.m.; Church School, 10:30 a.m.

**LYLE UNITED METHODIST**  
Carol Woodmanee, Almena  
Lyle Lay Speaker  
SUNDAY: Morning Worship 8 a.m.

**EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH OF OBERLIN**  
The Rev. Heidi Wiebe  
810 West Cedar, Oberlin  
Office Phone 785-475-2769  
SUNDAY: Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Fellowship Time, 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 11 a.m. WEDNESDAY: Bible Study, 7:30 p.m.

**LUND COVENANT CHURCH**  
Pastor: Tom Smith  
10 miles south, 4 miles west of Oberlin  
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. SATURDAY: Men's breakfast & Bible Study, 7 a.m.

**ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
510 North Wilson  
Pastor: Rev. Rick Langness  
Secretary: Norma Unger  
785-475-2333  
SUNDAY: Sunday School and Bible class, 9:15 a.m.; Divine Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; Holy Communion: 1st and 3rd Sundays; KICK, 3:45-5:30 p.m. each Wednesday.

**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
404 North York Avenue  
Oberlin, Kansas  
Pastor Charlotte Strecker-Baseler  
Church Office Phone: 785-475-2053  
SUNDAY: Worship, 9:30 a.m.; Fellowship and Educational Hour, 10:45 a.m. Holy Communion first and third Sundays. Congregation Council, third Sunday, 10:45 a.m. Youth Group, first and third Sundays, 10:45 a.m. WEDNESDAY: Confirmation class, 6:30 p.m.; Women's Bible Study second Wednesday at 9:30 a.m.

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