

Norcatour News

By the Norcatour News Committee

Alumni and spouses, spouses of deceased alumni, their companions, any attendees of the grade school or high school, or former administrators or teachers, are invited to attend the Norcatour Rural High School Alumni Reunion. The banquet will be served at 7 p.m. on Saturday, May 28, followed by a dance at 9 p.m.

For reservations and tickets to the banquet, contact Von Johnson, treasurer, 117 West Legend Drive, Pueblo West, Colo., 81007-1714, or email v2535@hotmail.com. Cost will be \$15 per person, and tickets must be purchased by May 1. Admission for the dance with DJ music will be \$5 per person at the door.

A separate lunch will be served Memorial Day Sunday at the Norcatour Grade School for \$5 per person. Please indicate if you will be attending, so an estimate of food can be made.

Allen and Lee Sebaugh write to

say they both enjoy reading of all the happenings in Norcatour. He has been gone for many years, but plans to be here for Memorial weekend and the Norcatour Rural High School Reunion.

Momma Millie's will serve Easter dinner on March 20.

Birthdays: Mary Fern Gregory - Feb. 20; Lucas Bailey - March 2; Gene Gallentine - March 5; Lance Roe, Galen Wentz - March 7; Betsy Jakowski, Mary Long - March 8.

Virgil Price will be retiring on April 1, after working for the City of Norcatour for nearly eight years.

The New Harvesters Singers and the Norcatour United Methodist Church held a benefit supper for Randal and Kim Mayo, who suffered fire damage to their home.

Congratulations to Dorothy Breiner, postmaster at the Norcatour Post Office, who received her 25-year service pin on Feb. 23. Dan Taylor, manager of post office operations from Salina, personally

handed Dorothy her pin and a nice award certificate.

Harold Curran now has a phone, (785) 263-1817. He would enjoy visiting by phone, or mail will reach him at Sterling House #2, 1102 N. Vine, Abilene, Kan., 67410.

Winners of the pool tournament at the Cardinal Bar and Grill for the week of Feb. 7 were: Kieth Alstrom, Oberlin - first; Chad Kier, Clayton - second; and Les Ward, Norcatour - third. Winners the week of Feb. 21 were: Les Ward, Norcatour - first; R.D. Thornton, Norcatour - second; and Bill Brooks, Clayton - third. The next available tournament will be the week of March 21.

Wayne and Norma McCallister brought ice cream and strawberries Sunday evening, Feb. 27, to help Bill Nelson celebrate his Feb. 28 birthday.

Virgil and Joyce Price enjoyed having Max and Doris Thielbar, Lincoln, Neb., as guests the weekend of Feb. 25.

Response of wheat to chloride



Extension Lines

By Brian Olson
Extension Agronomist

This past week I have had phone calls from farmers asking about putting chloride on wheat.

Chloride is a relatively new nutrient for top dressing wheat. Although research on the benefits of a chloride has been around for some time, this nutrient was typically not seen as deficient in Kansas until the past few years.

Chloride has many important roles in the plant on the cellular level. Some include acting as a counterion for cations such as calcium, potassium, and magnesium, which allow the plant to draw up these nutrients more readily. In addition, wheat plants with sufficient chloride levels are able to suppress diseases such as take-all root rot, tan spot, stripe rust, leaf rust and septoria.

A majority of fields in Kansas show chloride levels of 40 pounds per acre or less, with a significant amount having less than 10. Chloride has a negative charge, which means it will leach through the soil profile. A 0-24 inch soil sample should be taken to determine if a field is deficient.

Chloride comes in many different fertilizer forms. Most common is potassium chloride, which is roughly half potassium and half chloride. Other chloride fertilizers include ammonium chloride, calcium chloride, magnesium chloride, and sodium chloride.

The response from 20 pounds of chloride per acre on fields that have less than 20 pounds per acre of chlo-

ride available is fairly impressive. At five sites, Cimarron, Jagger, Karl 92, Ogallala, TAM 107, 2137, and 2163 were grown. The average yield for these varieties without additional chloride was 76 bushels per acre, but with additional chloride, the wheat yield was 84. Some of these varieties had a big response, including Cimarron, which yielded 59 bushels per acre without chloride and 75 with. Ogallala had no response from additional chloride, with both treatments yielding 77 bushels per acre.

There are factors in the soil in addition to chloride levels that play a part in the response a variety has to chloride. However, on average, there is a positive response to chloride of 5-8 bushels per acre when soil levels are low. A soil test is the best way to determine if chloride is needed. Otherwise, chloride may be applied to a field that does not need it and not applied to a field that does need it.

For more information on chloride, find the publication "Chloride in Kansas" at the web site: www.oznet.ksu.edu/agronomy-block2/

under the Production and Pests icon, or visit your county extension office.

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Jennings News

By Louise Cressler

Correction: Jean Skubal was co-hostess at the Tuesday Study Club, not Kathy Nauer as stated in last week's news.

Jennings City Council met March 3 in the Senior Center. All council members and Helen Rhodes, city librarian, were present. Helen gave the annual report on library usage. Council thanked her for the work she has done in the city library.

Maguire Iron came Tuesday to inspect the water tower and found it in good shape. City grant application for funds to renovate community hall was not accepted. The clerk will seek other sources. Several bids have been received to fill cracks in the paved streets. Council is waiting for other bids before making a decision.

Reminder: Only tree limbs, shrubbery and such can be taken to the landfill. No rolls of wire, tin or plastic, please. Maintenance is needed on road to the landfill, clean drainage ditch behind city shop, paint street signs, spray for box elder bugs at the community hall and check main waterline. A rather lengthy discussion was had on abatement of nuisance. There are several properties which need to be addressed.

Reviewed the emergency phone list. Each council member is responsible for certain streets. The next meeting will be April 7.

An ambitious crew worked all day Saturday clearing trees and dirt from the drainage ditch behind the city shop. Workers were Bob Jones, mayor; Stann Hartzog, Bill Gawith and Louise Cressler, council members; and Wayne Cressler, Alfred Cressler and David Cressler. All ate lunch at the Broken Wheel Cafe. In the afternoon, Eric Green and Kerry Green came to help.

United Methodist Women met March 2 at the church. Attending were Sue Glodt of Oberlin, Vendla Tacha, Kay Brown, Lila Jennings, Pastor Glenn and Betty Krebs, Rachel Carter, Helen Rhodes, Naomi Carter, Kathy Nauer and Louise Cressler. Sue gave an infor-

mative and interesting talk about the Sappa Youth ranch and the life of the boys living there. Louise gave quiet moments. Refreshments were served by Kathy and Helen. The next meeting will be April 6.

Winners at Saturday night cards at the Senior Center during February were Eleanor Morel, Feb. 5; Louise Cressler, Feb. 12 and 19; and Mary Votapka, Feb. 26. We were joined by several ladies on Saturday, March 5: Claudia Bridges and Joyce Sumner, Norton; Margaret Magers, June Jolly, Kathy Van Meter and Joyce Sumner, Norcatour; Eleanor Morel, Mary Votapka, Agnes Wahlmeier, Vendla Tacha and Louise Cressler enjoyed the evening.

Ramona Shaw, Chris Gillespie and Mary Wahlmeier went to Hays Saturday to watch Bowen Black wrestle in the Kid Wrestling matches. They were met by Aaron Gillespie and Nick Wahlmeier, Hays; Lisa Wagoner and Kyle Bollers, Salina; Adam Wahlmeier, Dodge City; Katie Wahlmeier and Zach Golemboski, Colby; and Danny and Cindy Black and Logan. Bowen received the second-place trophy in his weight class. While in Hays, Ramona, Chris and Mary visited Mary Anna Dinkel.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Muirhead met their daughter Mignon Barry, Wellfleet, Maine, in Denver on Feb. 23 for a four-day ski trip.

Colleen Wagoner of Jennings and Eric and Lori Vahling of Dresden were named to the fall dean's list at Fort Hays State University. To qualify, students must earn a minimum grade point average of 3.60 for the semester.

The Jennings Student Council is collecting General Mills box tops and the community is encouraged to save these for them.

They receive 10 cents for each box top mailed and proceeds will go toward student activities at the Jennings School.

Prairie Heights Teachers Association is planning a consignment auction at 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 16, at the Jennings School.

Items may be consigned or donated for the auction by contacting any of the teachers at the school at (785) 678-2414, or by e-mailing jrogers@usd295.k12.ks.us. Proceeds will be used for scholarships for graduating seniors and alumni of Jennings High School.

'The Paradox Of Being Both Saint and Sinner'

By Rev. Rick Langness of St. John's Lutheran Church

Many people were surprised to hear that the alleged BTK killer was by all visible means an upstanding citizen. He has a wife and children and was active in his church.

It is difficult to make sense of how these two extremes can co-exist. Is he good or bad? Is he a saint or a sinner? By his actions it is hard to distinguish what he is.

What may even be harder to comprehend is the reality that this man, even if he is found guilty, could nonetheless be a child of God! Yes, the crimes are truly horrendous and vile, but are they so bad that God cannot forgive them? Are the fruits of evil so vile and sour that God cannot create new life in spite of them?

It is easy for us to fall into the trap of believing that our actions can win or lose our salvation. To believe that a particular sin is too evil for God to forgive puts man in the place of God. This thinking makes salvation a work of man, not God.

We may be surprised by how sinful we can be, but God isn't. The sins of the BTK killer were known by God as Jesus hung on the cross: the sins of the past, present, and future. Your sins were also known on that day. They do not surprise God.

Jesus did not just die for a few select sins. He died for all sin, the sin of our rebellion against God and the specific ways it manifests itself. Thus, He even died for the violent crime of murder. God brought salvation to all mankind no matter how horrendous and evil the crime. God saves sinners, even murderers, and yes, even you and I. It is regrettable, however, that not all will believe this simple promise of salvation.

Jesus says in Matthew 12:33, "Make a tree good and its fruit will be good, or make a tree bad and its fruit will be bad, for a tree is recognized by its fruit." There is great error in thinking that we, as the tree, can make ourselves good or bad. It is not the fruit which makes the tree; it is the tree which makes the fruit.

Judging by the fruit, the BTK killer was a bad tree. There was much evil stored up within him. But is there any evidence of him being a good tree? Was this man baptized? If so, God made him a good tree also. He brought to life a good tree deep within the decaying rot of the bad tree. If this is true, we must ask which tree was fed and nourished. Even a good tree will die when it is not fed.

A tree made good by God must be nourished. It needs to feed upon the Word of God. It needs the forgiveness of sins found daily through confession. It needs the baptismal waters, which continually flow over us, to bring refreshment and strength.

As believers in Christ we are both saint and sinner. You and I are bad trees made good through the work of Jesus Christ. As bad trees we only produce bitterness and self-indulgence. We produce envy, hatred, lust and jealousy. This is our sinful nature that we continually carry about, the bad tree that, when fed, can produce some very bad fruit.

But God has brought to life a good tree that grows in the heart of the bad tree. He brings forth good fruit in the midst of all the death and bitterness. He declares us holy and righteous. He justifies us freely and covers us with the very righteousness of Christ. He makes us good and gives us life. From this life, which He brings to us by His grace and which is ours through faith, He brings forth good fruit.

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Mount Pleasant News

By Dianne Bremer

Congratulations to Jaron and Tara Tate, Hot Springs, Ark., on the birth of their first child, Abigail Marie. She was born Feb. 24, weighed 7 pounds, 1 ounce, and was 19 inches long. Paternal grandparents are John and Edith Tate. Her paternal great-grandmother is Lois Carlson.

Norman, Joanne, and Rory Wendelin, accompanied by Greta Wendelin, returned home from Seward, Neb., Friday evening. En route home, they visited Ladd Wendelin in Lincoln, Neb. Greta is visiting her parents over spring break from Concordia University.

Quintin Cundiff is also home visiting his parents, Greg and Janice

Cundiff, during Concordia University's spring break.

Rory Wendelin was among those representing Decatur Community High School at the speech tournament Saturday at Ellis. Also attending the speech events were Joanne Wendelin and Greta.

Dakota Tate was a Saturday overnight guest of his grandparents, John and Edith Tate.

Hannah May competed in the Creative Movements Gymnastics meet Saturday in Atwood. She received participation medals in her two individual routines, and performed with her class in a team routine which was awarded a silver medal for second place.

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, LEVILLE
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
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.; Fellowship, 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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