

THE OBERLIN HERALD — People in Our Community

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Jack and Sybil O'Toole have returned home after spending time with their daughter, Laurie and David Nachtigal and Brogan, and their infant daughter, London Elizabeth, who was born March 18.

Mabel McLaughlin has returned home from California, where she visited her sons, Mike McLaughlin, at Sylmar, and George McLaughlin, at Long Beach. She also spent a week with a nephew, Rocky Peterson, and two nieces, Sherry Peterson and Barbara Forshee, and their families in Lincoln, Neb., before returning home Wednesday.

Winning highs in pinochle at Golden Age Center the past week were Floyd Edgett, Doris Miller, Max Carman, Doris Fringer, Wilma May and Aleen Van Vleet with lows going to Dorothy Moore, Aleen Van Vleet, Doris Miller, Henry Edgett, Myrtle Waldo, and Merle Shirley. Pitch highs were won by Dorothy Moore and Henry Edgett with lows going to Floyd Edgett and Wilma May. Bridge winners were Marie McKisson and Annette Miller. Senior potluck is postponed to Sunday, April 24, at 12:15 p.m.

Competing in the regional music festival held Saturday, April 2, at Oberlin were junior Christopher Jordan, Ludell, of Rawlins County High School, and junior Karyn Jordan, Oberlin, of Decatur Community High. Christopher performed with a percussion solo, percussion ensemble, mixed vocal ensemble (Consort show choir), and small choir. Karyn performed with a clarinet solo, clarinet trio, women's vocal ensemble, and mixed ensemble (DCHS Singers). Both students, son and daughter of Judy Jordan, Oberlin, received 1 ratings on all performances, and will go on to compete at the state level.

Elaine Bryan received word from her brother, Wayne Grafel of Culbertson, on Saturday of the death of their cousin, Kenneth Thiringer, at Wray, Colo. He was the son of the late John and Theresa (Grafel) Thiringer, and was also a cousin of John Grafel and Don Grafel of Herndon. Survivors include two daughters, Marcia and Treva; and two sisters, Elsie Macfee, Atwood;

Museum has buffalo exhibit

The Dane G. Hansen Memorial Museum, 110 W. Main in Logan, will have on display, "Buffalo Hunters: Two Cultures," through May 1. The exhibit represents the life-long collections of two close friends, David Chalfant of Hill City, and Lyle Hutchens of Hendley, Neb. Sharing a passion for history, wildlife, and Native American culture, these men have collected artifacts, memorabilia, and firearms since their youth.

The exhibit combines over 100 items, photos, and information panels derived both from the Native American people who killed the buffalo for survival and the white buffalo hunters who killed for money, sport, and the thrill of the slaughter.

Included in this exhibition will be skinning tools, bead work, powder kegs, grinding stones, rifles and ammo, cartridge pouches, moccasins, pipe bowls, leggings, ceremonial rattles, and other items from the Sioux, Ute, Cheyenne, Kiowa, Apache, Arapaho and Plains Indians. During the late 1860s and early 1870s, 30 to 50 million buffalo roamed the Plains. For the Native American, a buffalo was a super-market on legs, providing meat for food, but also hides for homes, robes and clothing, sinew for sewing,

and Hilda Morthole, Culbertson. Funeral services were held Tuesday morning at Wray.

Gene Van Otterloo was transferred from Decatur County Hospital to Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney, Neb., last Monday, where he underwent further surgery. Mail will reach him at the hospital, 31st and Central, Box 1990, Kearney, Neb., 68848.

—Victorian Spring Tea, Sunday, April 17, 1-3 p.m. LandMark Inn. Call 475-2340 for reservations.

Frank and Margaret McEvoy and Stan McEvoy attended the Kansas Locker Convention at the Holiday Inn Select in Wichita last week. During the convention, their son-in-law and brother-in-law, Brian Beckman of Grinnell Locker, was honored with the Outstanding Service Award. Among others in attendance were his wife, Dawn, and son, Ethan, of Grinnell. En route to Wichita, Mr. and Mrs. McEvoy had dinner with Joe and Joan Thummel in Salina and en route home they had supper with Roger and Norine Gray in Hays.

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Mr. and Mrs. Gus Wolters attended funeral services for his cousin, Leona (Wolters) Hedke, on Friday at the United Methodist Church in Trenton, Neb. They called on Dorothy Wolters at the Atwood Good Samaritan Center on Wednesday.

Rusty and Sharon Addleman and Louise Pollnow were in Kansas City over the weekend, where they attended the wedding of Chad Theodore Addleman and Noel Francie Roe at Simpson House on the Plaza Saturday evening. Among other relatives in attendance were Rita Pollnow and Norman Tilden, Davis, Calif., Shannon and Bob Gillund, Brynna and Bryant, Tinley Park, Ill., and Michelle and Kevin Rush, Gavin and Gannon, Olathe. Mrs. Gillund and children returned to Oberlin with the Addlemans and will be visiting here until April 30, when the newlyweds will be honored at a reception in Oberlin.

Some charge that the government promoted the demise of the buffalo behind the scenes. Officials realized that they could never solve the "Indian problem" by military action alone, so to kill off the life-source of these people was a much less direct action. By 1883, less than 500 buffalo remained in the wild. Luckily, a few dedicated individuals saved these magnificent animals from extinction at the turn of the century.

Hutchens, a lifetime resident of rural Hendley, has farmed and ranched for over 50 years and also raises a small herd of buffalo. Chalfant, an artist and teacher for the past 28 years, helps his father manage his buffalo ranch in rural Graham County.

The show is free.

The event is being planned by the Decatur County Theater Board. Volunteers who are willing to help should contact Jennifer Auxier at (785) 475-2824.

Former publishers honored by K-State

Former Oberlin residents Howard and Sharon Kessinger, publishers of the *Marysville Advocate*, were among 11 distinguished graduates honored by Kansas State University as 2005 Alumni Fellows.

Fellows were chosen by each of the university's nine colleges. The Kessingers represented the College of Arts and Sciences.

Sharon Kessinger graduated from K-State in 1959, where she was editor and business manager of the *Kansas State Collegian*.

After attending Wichita State University and serving in the Army,

Howard Kessinger graduated from K-State in 1957. He was business manager of the *Collegian* and is a past member of the Alumni Association's board of directors.

The Kessingers published *The Oberlin Herald* for more than 10 years and were co-owners of the *Washington County News* for about 10 years. Mr. Kessinger is a past president of the Kansas Press Association and serves on the Kansas Newspaper Foundation board. He is also a director of the U.S. 36 Highway Association.

History seminar Saturday

A seminar, "Search for Cheyenne, Military and Other Historic Sites Along the Solomon Valley and northwestern Kansas during the 19th century."

Registration begins at 9 a.m. The public is invited to attend presentations and panel discussions during the day and listen to professional and local historians. There is no admission charge.

Marsha King, an archeologist for Kansas Department of Transportation, will talk about the historic value of archeological sites as cultural resources.

John Sipes, a professional historian and a citizen of the Cheyenne

nation, will discuss the occupation by the Cheyenne of the Solomon Valley and northwestern Kansas during the 19th century.

Dr. Leo Oliva, author and professional historian, will present accounts of the U.S. military in the area before the Civil War.

During the afternoon, a panel of area historians will discuss a battle or skirmish between the U.S. Army and the Cheyenne and the construction of a sod fort after the battle.

A sandwich lunch buffet will be available for \$5, or participants may bring their own food. Those planning to partake of the buffet are asked to call (785) 627-5866 by Friday.

Bridge tournament next week

The 16th annual Norton National Bridge Tournament will begin at 7 p.m. on Thursdays, April 21, April 28 and May 5 at the Norton American Legion Hall on North U.S. 283.

Players from beginners to advanced are encouraged to enter. The fee is \$10 per team. Players must enter as a team and will play with

their partner throughout the tournament. However, substitutes are allowed in any round.

Each team is asked to bring a deck of bridge or regular cards, which will be returned.

Send entries to Jake Durham, 414 N. First, Norton, Kan., 67654 or call (785) 877-2400.

Celtic folk band to perform

Rowan, a Celtic folk band from Lawrence, will perform at 3 p.m. Sunday at the Quinter High School auditorium.

The trio will present a combination of Irish and Scottish tunes and original, contemporary and tradi-

tional folk music, showcasing a variety of instruments as well as vocal music.

Admission is by Western Plains Arts Association season pass, or \$8 for adults and \$4 for children at the door.

Agritourism workshop set

The Kansas AgriTourism Initiative will sponsor a workshop on Thursday, April 21, in Colby for farmers and ranchers interested in additional income.

The session will help businesses improve marketing and increase the number of visitors.

The Kansas Department of Commerce is partnering with area Re-

source Conservation and Development offices and Kansas State University extension to put on the workshop.

For information or to register, visit www.kansasagritourism.org or www.kansascommerce.com or call Janna Dunbar at (785) 296-3737.

State music contest Thursday

The Decatur Community High School choir and band will participate in the state music contest at Colby on Thursday.

The choir, under the direction of

Susan Nelson, will perform at 11:45 a.m. The band, directed by Deanne Spanier, will play at 12:55 p.m. Everyone is invited.

Ag Day winners named

Over 90 students from 16 high schools participated in the FFA Ag Day at Northwest Kansas Technical College in Goodland.

Those from Oberlin who finished in the top 10 overall and the three overall team winners included:

Overall Individuals: Rhys Davies, Kegan Macfee and Caleb Peters, bronze.

Overall Teams: Oberlin, plaque.

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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:

Late registrations accepted, but no guarantee on sitting with your class.

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Kanona & Norcatour Historical Tour

Sunday, April 24, 2005 • 2 p.m.

Leaving from the Gateway parking lot at 2 p.m. the first stop will be the Kanona town site. Historian Ethel Johnson Taylor and others will talk about Kanona's history. Second stop at Auken Park on Main Street in Norcatour where Ron Temple, Frank Ward and others will speak followed by photographs and items of historical interest from both Kanona and Norcatour at the Norcatour Community Building.

This is a season ticket event or \$10 for adults and \$5 for students in grades 1-12. Rides available for those who are unable to drive. Refreshments. For details, call Ella Betts at (785) 475-3557 or Mary Henzel, (785) 475-3329.

Sponsored by the Oberlin Arts and Humanities Commission, Decatur County Museum and Oberlin Convention and Visitors Bureau.

This program is presented in part by the Kansas Arts Commission, a State agency, and the National Endowment for the Arts, a Federal agency, Oberlin Arts & Humanities Commission, Hansen Foundation.

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Theater benefit supper set

A benefit taco supper will be held from 5:30 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 20, at the Golden Age Center to raise money for the Sunflower Cinema.

The event is being planned by the Decatur County Theater Board. Volunteers who are willing to help should contact Jennifer Auxier at (785) 475-2824.

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