

Norcatur News

By the Norcatur News Committee

Oran and LaVerne Milner drove to Denver on April 3 to visit Vera Bishop and Bruce Bishop and other relatives. Minnie Ruth Bailey was leaving on April 9 for an extended visit with her son, Greg and wife, in Florida.

Senior Citizens met on April 1 with 22 present. Winners were Clent Hatfield, Margaret Magers and Joyce Price.

Kathy and David Ankenman let us know at the *Norcatur News* they enjoy reading about everyone, and what is happening in the Norcatur area. Roger and Diana New wrote with plans to attend the Norcatur Alumni and Memorial Day events. Gene Morgan enjoys the *News*, especially the old stories; he turned 80 in February and is doing well. Bob and Shirley Anderson say the *News* has "been the glue that has held our little City on the Hill together," and that they plan to attend the May reunion. Although she can no longer sit and read easily, Geneva Lechlitter appreciates receiving the *News*. Martha and Dick Schieiwel let us know they will not be able to attend the alumni activities this year, as once again they have a daughter graduating from high school.

On Easter weekend Dixie and Elvin, David and Tina Wood, Dwight and Teresa Wood, and Veda Wood, met in the home of Mervin Wood of Newton, Iowa. He is presently residing in an assisted living complex. They celebrated Teresa's birthday as well as the Easter holiday.

Recent visitors of Veda Wood were Ona Van Gundy, Dwight and Teresa Wood, Dennis Wood, Jim and Carolyn Plotts and Fred Molzahn.

Jeanie Pelkey surprised Bill Craig with birthday cake and coffee at the Cardinal Bar and Grill on Friday, April 8.

Momma Millie's Café will have Karaoke on Saturday.

A bridal shower was held Saturday, April 9, at the Educational Building for Amy Karnes. Amy and Chad Kier were married at Clayton on Saturday, April 16.

Birthdays and anniversaries: Frank and Velda Ward - April 14; Brad and Shanna Long; Claire and Mary Leslie - April 18; Anthony Marshall - April 19.

Esther Miller was an Easter dinner guest of Carol and Stan Miller. Beverly Morris, Hoxie, visited her grandmother and did some yard work.

Monday Bridge Club met with Esther Miller on April 4. Winners were Beth Sebaugh, Judy Shirley and Marty Munson, all of Oberlin. Guests were Leone Purton and Marie McKisson.

On Friday, May 27, the Norcatur Grade School will be open from noon to 8 p.m. for anyone wanting to get together for visiting, touring the schoolhouse, and visiting the Norcatur Museum, located in the school building, with host Ron Temple. Bring your pictures and/or stories to share with others. Cookies, tea and coffee will be provided in the All-purpose Room, beginning at 7 p.m.

The All-purpose Room will also open Saturday, May 28, from noon to 7 p.m., for more socializing. At 2 p.m. coffee, tea and cookies will again be provided.

On Sunday, the school house will open at 10 a.m. Lunch will be served there for \$5, starting at 11:30 a.m..

The Norcatur Cemetery Board welcomes Charles Hixson as a regular board member. We appreciate his willingness to serve. The other board members are Gary Anthony, Troy Marshall, Wayne McCallister and Bill Nelson.

Glenn Alexander and Rea and Dee Magers were luncheon guests of Frank and Velda Ward at the Cardinal Bar and Grill on April 7.

Winners of the pool tournament held April 4, at the Cardinal Bar and Grill were: first - Bob Barnett, Norcatur; second - Herb Shirley, Oberlin; and third - Brad Barnett, Trenton, Neb.

Momma Millie's Café will be closed Saturday, April 30, so Marvin and Millie Matchett can attend the State Music Festival in Concordia. Their daughter, Marci, will be playing a flute solo and be a part of the flute trio.

Ralph and Berniece (Hussfeldt) Shively will celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary on April 30. Along with four children and spouses, they enjoy 11 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren. They live at 2044 W. 17th Street, Loveland, Colo., 80538.

Frances received more than 90 cards.

Don't forget coffee hour today

Greetings:

Oh, the weather is beautiful and the flowers are starting to bloom. Even those little yellow ones that are pests. Maybe spring has finally sprung. The rains have been a great benefit to all, and it sounds like there could be more in the forecast. We will take it all.

The coffee hour is at Farmers Bank and Trust today, from 9 to 11 a.m. Be sure to stop by and join them for some goodies.

Sunday will be the Kanana and Norcatur Historical Tour. This is an Arts and Humanities season ticket event. For more information contact Ella Betts, (785) 475-3557, or Mary Henzel, (785) 475-3329.

Remember the Office Assistant's

ChamberNews

By Glenva Nichols

Luncheon on Thursday, April 28. Be sure to send your faithful employees, your better half or yourself. Call your reservation to the chamber office before April 22. The Angels will be watching over you that day.

If you happen to be in the Newton area on May 7 and 8, be sure to attend the Kansas Sampler Festival. This is very interesting. The whole state is represented in the many tents that display things of interest from each area. That weekend

Harold and I will be representing Decatur County on behalf of the Oberlin Convention and Visitors Bureau in the northwest Kansas tent.

Mother's Day is fast approaching, but there is sufficient time to make arrangements to honor her in a fashion she will appreciate.

We have some alumni directories here at the office as well as the Avenue of Flag magazines.

The pot is on, stop by and sit spell.

Midway News

By Mary Lou Olson

The Herndon Covenant Youth Group will sponsor a benefit supper at 6 p.m. on Sunday at the church for the congregation. For details, contact Lori Seaman or Pastor Keith Reuther.

Elma Lee Erickson, and Don and Em Threlkel accompanied Bob and Karen Threlkel of Hays to Cheney, where they attended the wedding of Justin Bearley and Lori Graf at the rural St. Joseph Ost Church on Saturday evening. On Sunday they joined relatives at the home of Mark and Jessica Luck at Goddard for a surprise birthday party honoring Jerry Alstrom of Oberlin. En route home they were joined by Mr. and Mrs. Leon Mosteller of Bern for supper in Wichita to honor Bob and Karen Threlkel on their 25th wedding anniversary.

Sherry Bergling spent the weekend in Hays with her family and they all helped her son, Wayne Chesney, celebrate his 31st birthday.

Mac McPheeters of Colby spent the weekend with Dave Bergling and they enjoyed turkey hunting.

Gara Lee Sprague of Arapahoe, Neb., visited Sunday afternoon at the home of Keith and Mary Lou Olson. She was en route home from St. Francis, where she attended prom activities for her granddaughter,

Jennifer Austin, and visited Doug and Paula Austin, Joey and Jennifer, over the weekend.

Loren and Ronna Dellinger, Morgan and Grant, of Thornton, Colo., were houseguests from Thursday to Sunday of Richard and Maureen Anderson, Samantha, Chris and Gabe for turkey hunting and they had a successful hunt.

Jennings News

By Louise Cressler

The Spring K-8 Music Program and Athletic Banquet will be held Monday, April 25, at the Jennings School. A hamburger fry, sponsored by the Lions Club, will start at 6 p.m. The music program will begin at 6:30 p.m. and recognition of athletes at 7:15 p.m. Academic Fair projects will also be on display at this time.

The next Housing Authority Board meeting will be at 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 21.

The Senior potluck, held April 12, was enjoyed by Rachel Carter, William Carter, June Vavroch, Ramona Shaw, Stan Shaw, Neoma Tacha, Bob Tacha, Edith Foster, Emma Sanford, Agnes Wahlmeier, Ruth Chance, Merl Chance, Arch Harman, Mary Votapka, Claudine Bennett and Louise Cressler, and guests Don Ammons, Hoxie, and Rosemarie Hartman, Grainfield. Don and Rosemarie entertained with some wonderful music,

waltzes, polkas, etc.

Dinner guests Sunday of Mary Votapka and Tom were Frances Montieth, Stockton; Barbara Montieth, Virginia Beach, Va.; Dawn Davenport and son Austin of North Carolina, and Sue Long.

An open house honoring Frances Bader on her 80th birthday was held at the Jennings United Methodist Church on Sunday, April 10.

Relatives attending were grandsons Todd Mathews, Pauls Valley, Okla.; Brian Bader, Nebraska; granddaughter Allison Bader, Nebraska; Frances' sisters, Margaret and Bill Hoffman, Hot Springs Village, Ark.; Nancy and David Bristow, Springdale, Ark., and Bonnie Urling, McCook, Neb.; her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Coleman, Washington; and Fred Coleman, Kansas City, Mo., and nephew, Dan Broyles, Wichita. Over 60 family members and friends signed the guest book, and

Frances received more than 90 cards.

Herndon News

By Carrol Ginther

Anikka Martin of Herndon was the recipient of a \$1,000 Kansas Veterans of Foreign Wars Endowment Association college scholarship. The scholarships are awarded to selected children and grandchildren of members of the Kansas Veterans of Foreign Wars and its Ladies Auxiliary. She was sponsored by the Herndon Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1368. Her parents are Robert and Liane Martin and her grandparents are Ann Martin of Herndon, and Ray and Eleanor Kircher of Oberlin.

Monica Solko and Mildred Kleidosty were last Friday dinner guests of Tom Solko at Colby. Saturday visitors of Monica Solko were Ron and Kimberly Solko of Oberlin. Sunday callers were Rodney and Ron Solko of Oberlin. St. Mary's Altar Society met April 10 with 12 members and Fa-

ther Damian present. President Julie Hafner read, "Mom's Prayer," to open the meeting. Windows at St. Mary's Hall have been covered with film and new drapes. The women are checking into costs of another kitchen stove and work being done in the ladies restroom. The group will fix hair at Good Samaritan Center in Atwood on Aug. 5 and 19.

The parish 125th celebration will be held Monday, Aug. 15, and Bishop Paul Coakley will conduct the 7 p.m. Mass. The parish bazaar has been set for Sunday, Nov. 13. Marcella Leitner entertained with her doll collection. Doris Marintzer won the door prize.

Kendra Solko of Herndon received the Greenhand degree. She is a member of the FFA Chapter at Rawlins County High School in Atwood.

'Life in Abundance'

By Rev. George Kochovelikkakam of Oberlin Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Christianity is forward-looking. Christians believe in the future. Something new is always happening in their lives. Christians are not nostalgic about their childhood and are not unhappy when feeling the marks of aging.

Conventionally life is seen as an ascending curve, topping out around the age of 40 or 50. From then on, the curve irrevocably drops, vitality decreases, we get old and soon it is all over.

For Christians on the other hand, life is continuously ascending. Not only that, this movement is continuously accelerating. The climax is the moment when we step over the threshold to eternal life.

Death is not an end. Christians look at death as the gate into the indestructible life we have invisibly carried within us while on earth. The Christian view of death changes the view of life. To live is to be on the way toward the fulfillment of one's deepest longing. Christians are never satisfied with being completely at rest in this world. They try to make use of all the possibilities of life. But not for their own gain. All things are means leading to the goal.

Christian faith is a faith in life. Life is continuously vibrating, within and around us. Our earthly journey is about nothing else than to open ourselves more and more to the life that one day shall blossom eternally.



Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

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

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC, LEONVILLE
The Rev. George Kochovelikkakam MASS: 8 a.m., Sunday.

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, SELDEN
The Rev. George Kochovelikkakam 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.

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

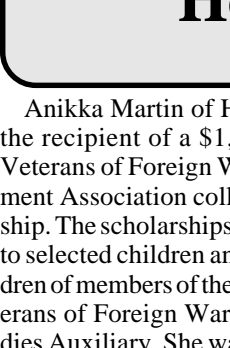
LYLE UNITED METHODIST
Carol Woodmanee, Almena
Lyle Lay Speaker
SUNDAY: Morning Worship 8 a.m.

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. SATURDAY: 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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