

There were 22 players at Senior Citizens on July 15. Winners were Glenn Alexander, Clent Hatfield and Mary Sedimayer. The next meeting will be on Friday beginning with a potluck supper at 6 p.m., followed by cards at 7 p.m.

Marguerite Clark, LaVerne Milner and Bee Nelson of the Norcatour News attended tea time for the Norton Telegram correspondents at the Rose of Sharon in Norton on Wednesday, July 13. A delicious luncheon was served, and all enjoyed an afternoon visiting and touring the Rose of Sharon Bed and Breakfast. Each correspondent received a recipe book, and some of the Telegram staff's favorite recipes.

Birthdays: Greg Long, Mary Wentz, Oran Milner - July 20; Stan Miller - July 25.

Saturday afternoon, July 16, Ralph and Evelyn Strayer, Atwood, visited Oran and Laverne Milner. They were en route to Norton to attend the 30th wedding anniversary celebration for Roy and Jean Skrdlant.

Guests of Virgil and Joyce Price the weekend of July 16 were Richard Jurey, Edmond, Okla., and Jason, Kathy, Connor and MacKinzie Jurey, Kennard, Neb. They were en route to Colorado for

a week of 4-wheeling. Kenneth and Pansy Price were Sunday afternoon visitors.

Guests of Bob and Leona Schoenrad on July 10 were granddaughter Pam and Martin Holland, great-granddaughter Kami and great-grandson Kyle. They stopped en route to Oklahoma to see other grandparents. They stopped again on the return trip to Colorado on July 15.

A Norcatour Fun Day is in the works for Aug. 13. We will be having lots of games, then later in the evening will be the after harvest luau at Momma Millie's Cafe. If any club is interested in having a fund-raiser on that day, contact Millie Matchett at (785) 693-4000.

The Liberty Star club met in the home of Teresa Wood in McCook on July 13. Members had lunch at Taste of Texas then had a meeting in the yard of Dwight and Teresa. Attending were Toots Magers, Kathy Van Meter, Carolyn Plotts, Cathy Anthony, Teresa and Veda Wood. Guests were Dwight Wood and Carol Mage.

Gerald and Judy Jackson have returned home after a visit in Aurora, Colo., with daughter Beverly and Andy, and grandsons Tyler and Danny. The Jacksons returned their granddaughter, Micaela, to her par-

ents after she stayed with them a couple of weeks. The Jacksons also visited son, Brian and Patty Jackson and Thad for a couple of days in Hudson, Colo., then visited friends, Norman Britigan (a graduate of Norcatour), Vera Bishop and Bruce of Arvada, Colo., and his friend, Donna, from Montrose, Colo. On Saturday they attended another Jackson family reunion where they met Carol and Butch Salter. Carol had just returned home after being in Norton with her father, Arnold Jackson. She said he is doing better at this time.

Do you have any Norcatour high school alumni or class pictures from years gone by or the recent reunion? Also, any school pictures you have would be appreciated. We would like to put them in a school scrapbook. These may be sent to Chris Dempewolf, Box 89, Norcatour, Kan., 67653.

The Norcatour Museum is still taking donations for the antique depot ticket holder found recently. If you would like to help us bring Norcatour items home, please send your donations to The Norcatour Museum, Box 89, Norcatour, Kan., 67653. Donations can also be made in memory of someone. A plaque will be hung in the museum with the names of those donating \$25 or more.

# Beach party planned Friday

Greetings:  
Whee!!! The weekend is over and this morning is cloudy. Why couldn't this happen earlier? The garage sales I'm sure were well attended, though it helped if you could find some shade between stops. The wind on Saturday just about got everyone. I had put in an order for a nice cool weekend but I guess there were too many orders ahead of mine.

Roxie Erickson, Joyce Hartzog and Sally Henningson are the ladies responsible for making the Farmers Market happen each week.

They travel to John Geisinger's farm every Tuesday evening to pick up the produce and have it ready for us Wednesday morning.

Kem Bryan and Sally Henningson did the Extravaganza on Saturday morning.

It looked so nice to see Penn Avenue busy and the merchants put-

## Chamber News

By Glenva Nichols

ting out their sidewalk items.  
On Friday, sand will be put down to cover part of the bricks on Main so the Beach Party can take place. There will be volleyball, games, food and music starting at 7 p.m. Come on down and see what is going on.

Next on the agenda is the Decatur County Fair, Aug. 9-13. The carnival will open each evening at 7 p.m. Our home-owned carnival is the oldest still going.

We have something special and should support our fair. That was shown last year in the *National Geographic*, with the write-up and picture.

School will be starting on Aug.

18. Just before that, on Aug. 16 at 6:30 p.m., the chamber, Oberlin Business Alliance and the school district will host the annual picnic in the park.

You will have a chance to meet the new teachers and greet those returning. Fried chicken, drink and baked beans will be furnished. You need to bring a dish of any kind and your table service. We welcome everyone to attend. Call the chamber office at (785) 475-3441 so we will know how much chicken to order.

We will keep you posted on upcoming events.

Remember, the pot is on, so stop by.

## Herndon News

By Carrol Ginther

Sympathy is extended to the family of Harlan Grafel, 80, who died in a two-vehicle accident west of McCook on Wednesday. Memorial services were held Saturday afternoon at the Republican Valley Event Center in McCook.

Cindy Bergling of Herndon has been transferred from a hospital in Denver to Cedar Living Center in Oberlin.

Mail will reach her at 810 West Columbia, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

Guests of Ann Martin on July 9 were Grant Jones and his fiancée, Lindsey Orr, of Wichita. Saturday supper guests were Butch and Lucy Evans, McCook; Bob and Liane Martin and Anikka, Hank and Lorri Martin and sons, and Nathaniel

Martin, Beloit.

Ann Martin and Bob and Liane Martin attended the Rooney family reunion in Denver last weekend. Thursday evening visitors of Mrs. Martin were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Geisinger and children, Austin, Texas.

Guests of Don and Joan Grafel last Friday evening were Keith and Roma Grafel and family, Oberlin. Joyce Lynch of Lincoln, Neb., was a last Monday visitor of Helen Marintzer.

Recent dinner guests of Monica Solko were Ron and Rodney Solko, Oberlin. Tom Solko was also a caller. Ron Solko was a Saturday dinner guest at her home and Tom, Patrick and Charles Solko were

Sunday callers.

Mike and Connie James, Thornton, Colo., spent last weekend with Edie Pettera.

Rose Ann and Shakia Rose Domsch took Frank Cox to Hays on Thursday.

Herndon Senior Citizens met at the Senior Center on July 6 for a business meeting. Poems were read and bingo followed. Edie Pettera won blackout and Ann Martin, the door prize. The next business meeting will be Aug. 3 with Helen Marintzer as hostess.

Appreciate everyone's patience at this busy time. Please keep calling with your news to Carrol Ginther, (785) 322-5343.

## Mount Pleasant News

By Dianne Bremer

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Waterman and Lisa, Bonaire, Ga., arrived Monday to visit family and friends and returned home Thursday.

Wednesday dinner guests of David and Karen Eskew were Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Waterman and Lisa, Bonaire, Ga.; Scott Waterman, David Tommie and Courtlyn, Colby; Mr. and Mrs. Michael Wesel, Alexandra and Corbin, Selden; Mr. and Mrs. Martin Waterman, Lila Waterman, and Virginia Solko, all of Atwood, Ron and Kassie Bryan, Melvin Waterman, Terry Lippelmann, Donna Eskew, and Connie Olson.

Stuart Euhus and the Brad Euhus family returned to Oberlin on Tuesday from Gunnison, Colo. One of the highlights they enjoyed was white-water rafting. After visiting relatives, Brad and his family left for home on Thursday.

Ann Burkhart and Scott Boyd, New York City; Brad and Melody Euhus, Aerial, Rhiannon, and Addison, Carol Stream, Ill.; Hildegard Euhus, Stuart Euhus, Paul and Kelly Shields, Tyler, Cassidy, and Caitlin, and Kent and Diana Euhus, were dinner guests of Gaylord and Shirley Shields on Wednesday.

Zach May played in the Knights of Columbus "Boys 10 and under"

Baseball Tournament at Plainville on Friday and Saturday. The team he played on won two of the four games.

Zach May and Buddy, his golden retriever, won a blue ribbon in showmanship and both a blue and Grand Champion ribbon in obedience at the Thomas County 4-H Dog Show in Colby Saturday morning.

Karolyn Muirhead returned home Sunday after spending the weekend in Hays visiting Robert and Diane Muirhead, Rebecca, Alex, Rachael, and Erin, and Amber Saliba.

Rhonda May and Dan Nedland, Cameron, Hunter, and Elizabeth, Cole May, Richard and Delayne May, Danica and Nolan, and Brianna May and friend, Shane Steckline, returned home on Thursday from a two-week vacation in California where they camped at San Clemente Beach State Park.

Vacationing with them were Mike and Kathy (Behrmann) Davis, Evan and Cory, Riverside, Calif., and Janice (Behrmann) Jordan, Jahna and Joey, Fallbrook, Calif.

Additional guests for a beach party on July 13 were Art and Lillian (May) Rutsch and Steve Rutsch, Vista, Calif., and Lois (May) Behrmann, Orange, Calif. Also joining them for a beach party

July 16 were Lillian Rutsch, Steven Rutsch, and Larry and Anne Rutsch, Tiana and Makayla, Vista, Calif.; Lois Behrmann, her nephew, Bryan and Pam Mein and their children Christine Fudge and Steven Mein, Grants Pass, Ore.

The group also enjoyed a trip to Puerto Nuevo, Mexico.

## Home Time

By Tranda Watts  
Multi-county Extension Agent

## Don't over purchase on summer produce

Abundant summer-fresh fruits and vegetables can prompt buying sprees, but overbuying may drive up food costs even when seasonal crops are lower in price.

Buy quantities you can use within one to three days. For example, bananas ripen more quickly in warm weather. Buy so they can be eaten before over-ripening.

Be picky. Look for fruits or vegetables that are free of cuts, bruises or signs of mold. Here are other shopping and food storage tips:

- Consider cost and use. If your family likes potatoes and you have a cool, dry place to store them, buying a 10-pound bag may offer convenience and savings.
- Allow fruits and vegetables to ripen. Produce may be harvested before it is fully ripe. Some will ripen during transport, but fruits and vegetables may need a little tender loving care at home. If, for example, fresh peaches are fragrant but still hard, place them in a brown paper bag on the kitchen counter to ripen.
- Check recommendations for food storage. Fresh-picked tomatoes will ripen on the kitchen counter. For optimum flavor, serve fresh tomatoes at room temperature; cover and refrigerate any unused portion after cutting.
- Storing melons at room temperature also is recommended. Chill before serving, if desired, and once cut, wrap well and refrigerate.
- Wash fresh fruits and veg-

etables in cool water before serving. If fresh from the garden and noticeably dirty, washing and drying before storage is recommended. Washing melons before cutting and slicing also is recommended, as melons grow on vines where they may come in contact with bacteria in the soil. If not washed bacteria on the outside may be transferred to cut pieces.

- Use technology to your advantage. Read manufacturers' instructions for your refrigerator and freezer and heed the recommendations.
- Cover food storage containers to reduce cross-contamination and accidental sharing of flavors.
- Store fresh-cut vegetables such as carrots or celery in a cold water bath for a day or two to help keep them crisp.
- Browning can result when certain enzymes in fresh-sliced fruits, such as apples or peaches, are exposed to air. Browning can be eliminated by adding a little ascorbic acid (marketed as "Fruit Fresh"), or citric acid such as lemon juice.
- Buy too much? Freeze or can before quality deteriorates.

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## 'God is Always Available'

By Pastor Kathy Aeillo of Almena, Clayton and Norcatour United Methodist churches

Romans 8:26 — *"Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words."*

Have you ever been in that desolate place where you don't know how or what to pray? Sometimes, in terrible grief or worry, a person might know they need to pray but can't think of what to say. It's a horrible feeling, almost like you can't find God.

Last week we read in Psalm 139 that we can't hide from God even if we want to. That being the case, it should be a comfort for us to know God is present with us in the Holy Spirit. When we're feeling alone and desperate, when we can't find words to pray, the Spirit will lift up our needs and desires to God. Pretty amazing, isn't it?

Doesn't it just boggle your mind how very much God loves us? God forgives us over and over again,

God watches over us, God sent Jesus to die on the cross for us and God allows the Holy Spirit to carry our deepest thoughts to heaven when we can't. That means when you're at your lowest point, feeling cut off from God, God is still right there in you and around you, making it possible for you to get through the day and the night.

Later in this passage, Paul writes nothing can separate us from the love of God, not "... death nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor power, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation...." No matter how awful things might seem, we must all try to remember that God is always present, God will never leave us on our own, we can't drive God away from us — and that's a good thing. If you feel you have nothing to say to God, let the Holy Spirit work in you and carry your joys and sorrows to the Lord, and find peace.



## Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

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| <p><b>OBERLIN SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH</b><br/>785-475-3103<br/>The Rev. George Kochuvelikkakam, MASS: 5:30 p.m., Saturday</p>                               | <p><b>UNITED CHURCH OF OBERLIN</b><br/>109 North Griffith-American Baptist, Disciples of Christ, Presbyterian USA<br/>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.</p> | <p><b>OBERLIN CHURCH OF CHRIST</b><br/>South Beaver Street - Oberlin<br/>Bill Duncan — Phone 785-475-3259<br/>SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Hour, 10:45 a.m. Junior Worship, grade 3 &amp; down. WEDNESDAY: Ladies Home Bible Study, 9 a.m.</p>           | <p><b>LUND COVENANT CHURCH</b><br/>Co-Pastors: Doug Mason &amp; Tom Smith<br/>10 miles south, 4 miles west of Oberlin<br/>SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.; WEDNESDAY: Bible Study and prayer, 7:30 p.m.; SATURDAY: Men's breakfast &amp; Bible Study, 7 a.m.</p>   |
| <p><b>IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC, LEOVILLE</b><br/>The Rev. George Kochuvelikkakam<br/>MASS: 8 a.m., Sunday.</p>   | <p><b>OBERLIN COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP (Southern Baptist)</b><br/>Pastor: Bobby Cornelius<br/>SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m., AWANA Club 4-6 p.m. WEDNESDAY: Service, 7 p.m.</p>   | <p><b>ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC, HERNDON</b><br/>The Rev. Damian Richards<br/>Phone 785-322-5560<br/>MASS: SUNDAY, 8 a.m.</p>   | <p><b>ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH</b><br/>510 North Wilson<br/>Pastor: Rev. Rick Langness<br/>Secretary: Norma Unger<br/>785-475-2333<br/>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.</p>  |
| <p><b>SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, SELDEN</b><br/>The Rev. George Kochuvelikkakam<br/>MASS: 7:30 p.m., Saturday</p>  | <p><b>OBERLIN UNITED METHODIST</b><br/>102 North Cass — 785-475-3067<br/>The Rev. Doug Hasty<br/>SUNDAY: Church School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m. (Nursery provided.) WEDNESDAY: Choir practice, 7:30 p.m.</p>   | <p><b>HERNDON COVENANT CHURCH</b><br/>Keith Reuther, Pastor<br/>Phone 785-322-5316<br/>SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Bible study, 7 p.m.</p>  | <p><b>FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH</b><br/>404 North York Avenue<br/>Oberlin, Kansas<br/>Pastor Charlotte Strecker-Baseler<br/>Church Office Phone: 785-475-2053<br/>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.</p> |
| <p><b>OBERLIN SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH</b><br/>Jim Martin<br/>120 South East, Oberlin<br/>SATURDAY: Sabbath School, 9:15 a.m.; Saturday Worship, 11 a.m.</p> | <p><b>CLAYTON UNITED METHODIST</b><br/>Pastor: Kathy Aeillo<br/>Almena<br/>SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.</p>   | <p><b>NORCATOUR UNITED METHODIST</b><br/>Pastor: Kathy Aeillo<br/>Almena<br/>SUNDAY: Worship Service, 10 a.m.; Church School, 10:30 a.m.</p>  | <p><b>LYLE UNITED METHODIST</b><br/>Carol Woodmanee, Almena<br/>Lyle Lay Speaker<br/>SUNDAY: Morning Worship 8 a.m.</p>   |
| <p><b>JENNINGS-DRESDEN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH JENNINGS</b><br/>Glenn Krebs, pastor<br/>SUNDAY: Church School, 10 a.m. Morning Worship, 11 a.m.</p>              | <p><b>OBERLIN ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b><br/>The Rev. Royce Leitner<br/>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 &amp; 4th Thursdays, 2 p.m.</p>  | <p><b>EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH OF OBERLIN</b><br/>The Rev. Heidi Wiebe<br/>810 West Cedar, Oberlin<br/>Office Phone 785-475-2769<br/>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.</p> | <p><b>PRAIRIE CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST</b><br/>The Rev. Doug Hasty<br/>SUNDAY: Church Services, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 8:30 a.m.</p>   |
| <p><b>HERNDON IMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST</b><br/>Pastor: Dennis Brown<br/>SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9 a.m.</p>  |   |   |   |

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