

Norcatour News

Esther Miller entertained the Monday Bridge Club on Aug. 1. Winners were Carol Shirley, Judy Shirley and Marty Munson, all of Oberlin.

Winners of the pool tournament on Aug. 1 at the Cardinal Bar and Grill were: Lawrence Marshall, Oberlin, first; Marcie Wuest, Norcatour, second; and R.D. Thornton, Norcatour, third.

Mike Higgins of Castle Rock, Colo., writes to say that *The Norcatour News* is one of the highlights of the week he says he misses Norcatour and thinks about moving back here after he retires, though he will probably move to be near grandchildren.

Bob and Bonnie Rapp of Manhattan sent word that they are getting around well now, with Bob using a walker.

Susan Bolek of Valparaiso, Ind., came to surprise her parents, Lee and Lora Arnold, on Aug. 2, with a visit. They all attended the Farm Bureau barbecue beef and pork supper at The Gateway in Oberlin. On Friday, Aug. 5, they all attended a program at the Clayton United Methodist Church where Jessica King talked about the Methodist tour she took recently.

Birthdays and anniversaries: Troy and Deb Marshall - Aug. 11; Jay Lucy - Aug. 13; Frank Hillebrand - Aug. 15; Andrea Marshall Spanier, Gene and Kristi Gallentine - Aug. 16.

Gen Brunk of Hill City and her daughter, Beverly (Brunk) Michael-

lis of Waco, Texas, who visiting her mother, went to Manhattan on July 28 to see Gen's sister and husband, Bonnie and Bob Rapp.

Pastor Dale and Connie Thiele of Lucas were early morning visitors on Friday, Aug. 5, at the home of Bee Nelson. They, along with Oran and LaVerne Milner and Dorothy Ward, had breakfast at Momma Millie's.

Marguerite Clark was surprised on her 91st birthday with a birthday dinner at the Cardinal Bar and Grill on Wednesday, Aug. 3. Those attending were Rea and Dee Magers, Oran and LaVerne Milner, Bill Craig, Charles Hixson, Glenn Alexander, Dorothy Breiner, Judy Jackson, Dorothy Ward, Bee Nelson, Frank and Velda Ward, Norma McCallister, R.D. Thornton, Larry Hix and Laci Roe. Rodney New also shared her delicious ice cream birthday cake.

On Saturday, Aug. 6, Lee and Lora Arnold and Susan Bolek attended the wedding of Keely Witt and Chris Wilson. On Sunday, Aug. 7, Lee and Lora Arnold entertained at Momma Millie's in honor of their daughter, Susan Bolek. Their guests were Mark and Julianna Baker, Nathan and Marissa Tiffany Wheeler, John and Brenda Arnold, Mary Arnold and Dorothy Ward.

There were 20 players at Senior Citizens on Aug. 5. Winners were Kathy Van Meter and Gwynn Ward, Bob Streyve and Joyce Price. The next meeting will be at 7 p.m. on Friday at the Educational

Building. Weekend guests Aug. 7 of Lowell Sebaugh were Bob, Mary, Kyle, Tyler and Kayla Lough of Wamego. Saturday supper guests for tacos were Monty Hunt, Janice and Rodney O'Hare and McKenna and Kaden O'Hare of Oberlin. On Saturday, the men went to Oberlin to play golf. Sunday morning Scott O'Hare of Hillsboro joined them to play. The Loughs returned to Wamego on Sunday to get Kyle ready for college. He will attend Coffeyville Community College on a track scholarship.

Diana Carroll was a recent overnight guest of Dorothy Breiner. She came from Colorado for the Magers family reunion.

Water was shut off in the City of Norcatour for a while the first week of August so a leak could be fixed. Mike Helm, Carl Lyon, Doug Dempewolf and Jeff Roe helped uncover the valves so the leak could be repaired. A few fire hydrants will be replaced soon, and water will need to be shut down at that time also.

The Summer Reading Awards program was held the first week of August. Rebecca Wentz and Ganon Henningson both read 35 books and received trophies for being the top readers in their age division. In the next division Nolan Henningson read 2,508 pages, Carissa Wentz read 2,508 pages, Megan Wentz read 3,079 pages, and the top reader was Amanda Marshall with 5,000 pages.

Amanda also received a trophy. All the children participating in the program received a medal.

On Sept. 24 the Decatur County Chamber of Commerce will have a benefit meal at the Norcatour city

building. Proceeds will be split between our museum, library, preschool and the highway fund. Watch for more details.

Mary Gregory and Tillie Shirley sent in a clipping from the *Rocky Mountain News* about the Lutheran church being moved. All the photos and articles are going into a scrapbook in the museum.

Kelsey Gallentine received the George and Delia Preston Scholarship, in the amount of \$200, from the Norcatour United Methodist Church, and a \$100 scholarship from the Norcatour United Methodist Youth Group. Kelsey will be attending Colby Community College in the fall, majoring in Criminal Justice.

Supper guests of Rea and Dee Magers on Aug. 2 were Jeff Magers and Joy Luoto, Cedar Bluffs, and Joy's son, Robert, of Gresham, Ore.

The Magers reunion was held Aug. 7 at the Educational Building in Norcatour with 18 in attendance. After enjoying great food and a good visit, the group took turns giving news about their families. This was recorded in the Magers record books by Opal Palmer, secretary.

Guests of Gerald and Judy Jackson the weekend of Aug. 8 were daughters Charlotte and Bev Jackson, Ken Fisher, and grandchildren Tyler, Daniel, Micaela, Shawn, and Thad. Shawn and Thad stayed through fair week with the Jacksons.

Rodney New's recent weather observations included an average daylight temperature of over 100 degrees for 10 days at the end of July and beginning of August, and "too many" days with hot south winds exceeding 25 mph.

Lyle News

By Deanna Sumner

Toots Magers and Kathy Van Meter played pinocle with residents at the Good Samaritan Center in Oberlin on Monday, then visited Marguerite Fullerton.

Liberty Star Club members Angie Wilson, Carolyn Plotts, Veda Wood, Toots Magers, and Kathy Van Meter sat at the 4-H booth during the fair on Tuesday.

The Lyle Ladies sewed Friday. Saturday was Kathy Van Meter's birthday and she celebrated all day with the help of June Jolly and Joyce Sumner. They went to Indianola, Neb., for Old Settlers Days and did the crafts fair, then they entered the 4-point pitch tournament. That evening they attended the bull fry at Momma Millie's in Norcatour, and

were joined by Veda Wood. Weekend guests of Toots Magers were Pam and Mike Hornung, Britany and Tyler Hawk of Aurora, Colo., and J.T. Guy, Kurstin and Kendra of Abilene. They all attended the fry in Norcatour and were joined there by Jane Engelhardt of Norton.

The Liberty Star Club picnic was held at the Powell picnic grounds on Sunday. Members present were Toots Magers, Kathy Van Meter and guests, Tim and Clinton Nejd, of Quinter; Veda Wood, Kathy and Gary Anthony and guest, Keith Anthony, and Deanna, Brooke and Brady Sumner. Fun was had by all (especially on the goat swings), with good food and a beautiful day.

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Jennings News

By Louise Cressler

Paul and Kathy Nauer flew to San Francisco where they met Paula Nauer. The three took a sightseeing

tour of the California redwoods and the Oregon coastline. They stopped at Gresham, Ore., and visited Paul's aunt and uncle, Lydia and Elmer Wagner, and cousins. They then continued on to Mount Rainier in Washington and spent some time in Seattle with a friend of Kathy before returning home.

William and Rachel Carter went to Kansas City with Jesse and Megan Carter, Clayton and Anna, of Oberlin last Wednesday to visit Allan and Sherry Carter. On Friday Allan and Sherry had a backyard party for the family.

Present were Ann and Dick Graner, Bethany, Mo.; Karen and Alan Weber and Rachel Ann, Columbia, Mo.; Suzanne and John Cicheler, St. Louis; Kris and Kevin Dieckmann, Andy and Nathan, Olathe; Rachel Carter, and roommate Jessie Maxwell, Kansas City, Mo.; William and Rachel Carter; and Jesse and Megan Carter, Clayton and Anna, Oberlin. The Jesse Carter family attended a family reunion Saturday and Sunday.

Sunday afternoon on the way home the Carters met Ann and Wes DuBois and Ken and Julie Carter in Belleville. The Ken Carters had kept Abby and Madi, daughters of

Ann and Wes, for the weekend and were returning them to their parents.

Jane Wahlmeier and Amanda of Phillipsburg visited William and Rachel Carter on Sunday.

Housing Board meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 18.

Those enjoying a potluck supper on Aug. 9 at the Sunflower Senior Center were Rachel and William Carter, Merl and Ruth Chance, June Vavroch, Agnes Wahlmeier, Jay Kump, Arch Harman, Vendla Tacha, Ramona and Stan Shaw, Pat Hall, Violet Foster, Keith and Helen Muirhead, Mary Votapka, Claudine Bennett, Emma Sanford, Bob and Neoma Tacha, Louise Cressler, Carroll and Edie Reed of Seibert, Colo.; Bert and Ona Basgall of Sharon Springs; Larry and Shirley Miller of Genoa, Colo., and Gertie and Robert Zwegygart of St. Francis. Following the meal, some lively music was enjoyed. Ramona and Stan Shaw were honored with a song for their 45th wedding anniversary, which they celebrated on Saturday.

On Aug. 11 five men from the Norton Correctional and their supervisor came to help the city clean curbs and cut trees in the highway park. We thank these men for all the work they do for us.

'Who Was This Jesus?'

By the Rev. Heidi M. Wiebe, Evangelical Covenant Church of Oberlin

Jesus was a person who left people wondering who He was. People saw His miracles, they heard His teaching, they witnessed the reality of His life, yet there were many differing opinions as to who He was. Despite these many and varied opinions, Jesus wanted His own disciples to know who He was.

Jesus and His disciples had been together for about two years. They saw the miracles, they heard the teaching, they should know who He was. So in Matthew 16:13-20, Jesus asks the disciples two questions that get at the heart of His identity. The first question was general. "Who do people say that I am?"

The disciples responded by saying, John the Baptist, Elijah, Jeremiah, or one of the other prophets.

Then Jesus made the question more personal. "Who do you say that I am?"

It was Peter who responded to this question. "You are the Messiah, the Son of the Living God." (v. 13)

Jesus was pleased with Peter's response, and He used his response to teach the disciples a new truth — that they would be the ones who would begin

what we know today as the church.

What is the church according to Jesus? I believe that Jesus' words in verses 18-20 tell us the church is a group of people with God's authority dwelling in them and the Holy Spirit's power moving through them. This authority and power gives them the opportunity to do great and amazing things in the world, or at least their little corner of it.

I am constantly amazed by what our church is able to do, not with our own power or by our own strength. We are often short on resources, people and money, but with God's authority and the Holy Spirit's power in us we are able to pray for those who are hurting, reach out to the kids in our community by sponsoring FROGS camp, spend time learning more about Jesus during times of joy and sorrow.

We don't do any of this on our own, instead we are able to do this only because we have answered Jesus' question, "Who do you say that I am?" by agreeing with Peter that Jesus Christ is the son of the Living God, and then living out that reality with our words, in our thoughts and by our actions. That is the church, and like Jesus said, the very gates of hell will not prevail against it.



Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

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| <p>OBERLIN SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH
785-475-3103
The Rev. George Kochuvelikkakam, MASS: 5:30 p.m., Saturday</p> <p>IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC, LEOVILLE
The Rev. George Kochuvelikkakam MASS: 8 a.m., Sunday.</p> <p>SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, SELDEN
The Rev. George Kochuvelikkakam MASS: 7:30 p.m., Saturday</p> <p>OBERLIN SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
Jim Martin
120 South East, Oberlin
SATURDAY: Sabbath School, 9:15 a.m.; Saturday Worship, 11 a.m.</p> <p>JENNINGS-DRESDEN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH JENNINGS
Glenn Krebs, pastor
SUNDAY: Church School, 10 a.m. Morning Worship, 11 a.m.</p> <p>DRESDEN
SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9:30 a.m.</p> <p>PRAIRIE CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST
The Rev. Doug Hasty
SUNDAY: Church Services, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 8:30 a.m.</p> <p>HERNDON IMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Pastor: Dennis Brown
SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9 a.m.</p> | <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>CLAYTON UNITED METHODIST
Pastor: Kathy Aeillo
Almena
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.</p> <p>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.</p> | <p>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.</p> <p>ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC, HERNDON
The Rev. Damian Richards
Phone 785-322-5560
MASS: SUNDAY, 8 a.m.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>NORCATUR UNITED METHODIST
Pastor: Kathy Aeillo
Almena
SUNDAY: Worship Service, 10 a.m.; Church School, 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>LYLE UNITED METHODIST
Carol Woodmanee, Almema
Lyle Lay Speaker
SUNDAY: Morning Worship 8 a.m.</p> <p>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.</p> | <p>LUND COVENANT CHURCH
Co-Pastors: Doug Mason & Tom Smith
10 miles south, 4 miles west of Oberlin
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.; WEDNESDAY: Bible Study and prayer, 7:30 p.m.; SATURDAY: Men's breakfast & Bible Study, 7 a.m.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> |
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Mount Pleasant News

By Dianne Bremer

Karolyn Muirhead returned home Aug. 8 after accompanying the Robert Muirhead family of Hays, to Walton, where they attended a housewarming party for John and Ruth Peters.

Gaylord and Shirley Shields returned home on Friday from Monterey, Calif. Gaylord attended a Farm Credit meeting Monday and Tuesday, and Forrest and Pat Junod joined them on Wednesday for a few days of vacationing before they returned home.

Connie Gosler, Dawn Zimbal, Hannah and Rian, Mesa, Ariz., and Nancy Baumfalk, Aurora, Colo., were guests of Elwood and Elaine Mines Sunday through Wednesday and enjoyed the Decatur County Fair.

Joan Loughmiller, James and Chris, Wellington, were guests of Karolyn Muirhead Wednesday through Saturday and enjoyed attending the Decatur County Fair. Phil and Karen Shields, Justin and Anna, Salisbury, Md., arrived Friday to visit family and friends. They are guests of his parents, Gaylord and Shirley Shields, and will return home on Thursday.

Additional Sunday dinner guests at the Shields home were Hildegard Euhus and the Paul Shields family. Martin and Evelyn May attended open houses honoring Henry and Beatrice Wolfram on their 60th wedding anniversary at the Cedar Living Center on Saturday, and Walter and Rosella Meitl on their 50th wedding anniversary at the Golden Age Center Sunday afternoon.

John and Dianne Bremer and Jessica visited with Esther Ready and son, Nick Chomowicz, New York City, this past week while she was here visiting her parents, John and Muriel Ready.

Esther and Dianne also visited with classmates Alan Anderson, Baytown, Texas; Janie (Brown) Romero, Denver; Rick Marcuson, Overland Park; and Judy (Schroeder) Fritz, Hinesburg, Vermont, at the Decatur County Fair Saturday evening.

Martin and Evelyn May were Sunday afternoon visitors of Jack and Mildred Fortin and Charles.

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