

THE OBERLIN HERALD — People in Our Community

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Among out-of-town relatives who attended funeral services for Dale Bryan last Tuesday were Donna and Roy Donner, Chad and Laurie Brenning, Rob Bryan, McCook; Elaine and Merle Leatherman, Dustin Bryan, McPherson; Aaron and Dan Kelley, Tulsa, Okla.; Caleb Kelley, Lawrence; Bill Bryan, Plainville; Eric Bryan, Denver; Betty Slaybaugh, Tucson, Ariz.; Alice Acker, Beatrice, Neb.; Pat and Linda Payne, Rapid City, S.D.; Dennis and Lu Etta Fulton, Stockport, Iowa, and Kathy Ivey, Salem, Ark.

Harold Nichols was to undergo surgery on Tuesday in Denver. Mail will reach him at Presbyterian/St. Luke's Hospital, room 923, 1719 E. 19th Ave., Denver, Colo., 80218.

Adam Overmiller was among 36 McCook Community College students who were inducted into Eta Omicron Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa recently. To be eligible to become a member, a student must have a 3.50 grade point average out of a possible 4.0 with 12 credit hours and maintain a 3.0 average to remain in good standing. He is a 2004 graduate of Decatur Community High School.

Dale and Cheryl Votapka returned home last Wednesday after traveling for 10 days. They spent a few days at the state fair in Hutchinson, then went to Guthrie, Okla., where they enjoyed the Quilts and Apples Festival. Three Winnebago camping clubs spent the weekend seeing the sights in the area. The Votapkas also visited two of their daughters, Luanne Rupe and boys, Hays; and Beth and Chris Sluder, Matt and Kelly, Hinton, Okla. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Morton of Coldwater en route home.

Marilyn Gilmer has returned home from Denver, where she had been with her brother, Dr. Dennis Nelson, and his wife, Ada. Dr. Nelson died on Sept. 18 and memorial services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Bullock Colonial Chapel with burial at Fort Logan National Cemetery.

Lemoin and Joyce Raulston of Simpsonville, N.C., are visiting his mother, Goldie Raulston.

Those from Decatur County who attended the Hays District United Methodist Women meeting in Oakley Saturday were Goldie Stapp, Jody Betts, Elaine Bryan, Doris Sloan, and Marian Fraker, representing Oberlin; Angie Wilson and Charissa Huff, Prairie Chapel; and Marla West, Norcatar.

Kel Grafel accompanied his grandmother, Connie Grafel, to Manhattan for the K-State-Northern Colorado football game on Saturday. Also attending were Dan and Melinda Grafel, Kade and Isabel.

The children enjoyed the Junior Wildcat activities.

Frank Cameron is recuperating from surgery for a broken elbow which he suffered in a fall at the home of his son and family, Don and Susan Cameron, Brooke and Brandon, in Hutchinson. Mail will reach him at Sunshine Meadows Retirement Community, 400 S. Buhler Road, Buhler, Kan., 67522.

Gene and Helen Gee have been traveling to Farnam, Neb., to conduct services for the Nazarene Church since May 29. Sunday was their last service as the Rev. Lee Eads will assume pastorship the first of October. The Gees were honored with a farewell dinner and presented gifts for their service to the church.

Those in the Decatur Community High School Class of 1951 who enjoyed lunch together on Friday at the LandMark Inn included: Shirley Shields, Dorothy Moore, Donna Huff, Veanna Carman, Eloise Smith, Detta Anderson, Joyce Ploussard, Mary Lou Olson, Enid Anderson, Marjorie Olson and Joy Votapka.

Winning highs in pinochle at Golden Age Center the past week were Barb Solko, Henry Edgett, Wilma May, Floyd Edgett, Merle Shirley and Dewaine Stapp. Lows went to Dewaine Stapp, Wilma May, Max Carman, Doris Gilbert, Veanna Carman, Lawrence Wenger, Floyd Edgett and Barb Solko. Pitch highs went to Juanita Eckhart and Dorothy Moore with lows going to Aleen Van Vleet and Floyd Edgett. Winners at bridge were Annette Miller and Phyllis Lohofener. Open bridge will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday.

Weekend visitors of Cecil Hess were Dan and Carter Hess of Salina, and Steve and Jean Ann Confer, Jenna and Jessica of St. Francis.

Reece Grafel was honored on his second birthday with a barbecue at the home of his parents, Greg and Amanda Grafel and Kel, on Sept. 18. Others present were Connie Grafel, Rich Grafel, Dan and Melinda Grafel, Kade and Isabel, Jay and Annetta Ketterl, Colton, Morgan and Riley, Brad and Missy Uehlin and Gavon, Di Solko, Chelsey Schissler, Samme Steinmetz, Jeanette Miller, and Bob and Yuki Berkheimer, all of Oberlin; and Bill Steinmetz, Paula Steinmetz, Jane Kelling, Bill Austin, Terry Steinmetz and Tina McMillan, Norton.

LaVerne and Theo (Wagner) Wiedeman of WaKeeney returned home Wednesday from a trip to Scandinavia. They visited Bergen and Oslo, Norway, Copenhagen, Denmark, and Stockholm, Lund, Uppsala and Siguna, Sweden, plus other cities. Accompanying them were Donna Begnoche, Salina, and Donna Chambers, McCook. On

Thursday, they stayed at the home of Scott, Kayla and Isaac Wiedeman getting acquainted with their infant daughter, Macy Breanne. On Friday morning they had breakfast with Frank and Shirley Pekarek. They visited with LaVerne's sister, Jane Hudson, and also visited their new great-nephew, Brycten Call, and family at the Salina Regional Medical Center.

Family escapes hurricane

Todd and Rachel Richards, and their children, Jacob and Caleb, of Beaumont, Texas, were in the path of Hurricane Rita when it struck there around 2:30 a.m. Saturday morning.

His mother, Karen Metcalf, reported that Rachel and the children evacuated 100 miles north to the Toledo Bend cabins. They were able to take many personal items with them. Her son said that people in the area took the evacuation seriously and moved out before the storm hit.

He is a sheriff in the area so stayed to work. Mrs. Richards said that he and some of his co-workers have a generator at his home so they can use one room. Their home suffered mostly wind damage, but it will be some time before residents can return since there are no utilities.

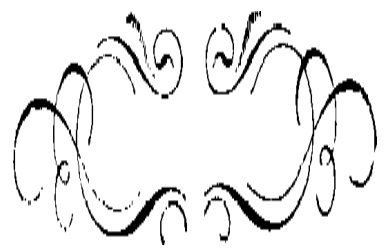
Mr. Richards was interviewed by Mark Ferman on the *Geraldo* show Friday night and it was on television here Saturday night.

Food pantry benefit set

The Decatur County Master Gardeners will have a benefit perennial plant sale for the Decatur Food Pantry from 5 p.m. until dark on Thursday, Oct. 6, in Gaylord and Shirley Shields' yard at 407 E. Commercial.

Anyone interested in plants should bring containers or boxes. The plants will be dug as they are selected and can be kept a few days before being planted, Mrs. Shields said. In case of bad weather, the benefit will be held in the spring.

For details, call Mrs. Shields at 475-3293, or the county extension office at 475-8121.



AMBER AND DERICK LORENTZ helped freshman Kelsey Leak from Wellington (center) in the Comprehensive Learning Center at Colby Community College.

Oberlin graduate keeps busy at Colby Community College

Derick Lorentz and his wife, the former Amber Reynolds, spend a great deal of time in the Comprehensive Learning Center at Colby Community College. In addition to attending classes full-time, the newly married couple work as tutors in the center.

Mrs. Lorentz is a 2004 graduate of Decatur Community High School. Her parents are Lyn and Marsha Reynolds of Cedar Bluffs. Her grandparents are Louise Coburn, and Stan and Jeannine Reynolds, McCook. Lee Ora Mockry, Cedar Bluffs, is her great-grandmother.

Her husband is the son of Rick and Mary Lorentz of McCook. His grandparents are Clarence and Evelyn Lorentz of Herndon. Derick is a great-grandson of Viola Frick of Trenton, Neb., and he is majoring in accounting.

"I help other students with accounting I and II, college algebra, managerial accounting and macroeconomics," he said. "My wife Amber is a tutor for biology, microbiology, chemistry I and II, English I and II, and college algebra."

In addition to her duties as a tutor, Mrs. Lorentz is a Presidential Scholar at the college. Presidential

Scholars are selected on the basis of leadership, academic achievement, poise and potential contribution to the college. They are expected to be leaders on campus and serve as examples for the student body.

Mr. Lorentz serves as a tutor for Student Support Services and is active in Phi Beta Lambda, an organization for students in business. Following graduation in May, the couple plans to transfer to the University of Nebraska in Lincoln.

"We plan to complete our undergraduate degrees in Lincoln," he said. "I will continue my education in graduate school with plans to complete requirements to take the certified public accountant exam. Amber plans to apply to the school of dentistry."

Several students are hired each semester by Director Joyce Washburn to serve as peer tutors in the learning center.

"CCC was recently notified that our tutor program has been certified at Level I and II by the College Reading and Learning Association," she said. "Paraprofessionals Brenda Kinderknecht, Connie Davis and I put in a great deal of time last year to meet the criteria and complete the documentation neces-

sary to receive the certification."

Aside from its main goal of creating a positive learning environment, Mrs. Washburn said, the center has expanded its program to include learning assistance, study skills and tutorial assistance.

Basic training (level 1) requires a minimum of 10 hours of tutor training, a minimum of 25 hours of actual tutoring, an earned grade of A or B in the subject content being tutored and a formal evaluation.

Advanced training requires at least 20 hours of training, which usually takes a half-semester course, and 50 cumulative hours of tutoring.

All services at the center are provided at no charge to students. It is open from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday, and from 4-8 p.m. on Sunday.

Gly Shaw
Happy 90th
Birthday

Celebrate with Gly on her 90th Birthday, October 9th by sending a card to her at 1608 SW 37th St., Apt 311 Topeka, KS 66611 or calling her at 785-266-1031

Have a special birthday!

Man retires from service

Col. Floyd A. Badsky, a 1975 graduate of Decatur Community High School, has retired from the Air Force after 26 years.

He graduated from Kansas State University in 1979 with an engineering degree and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Air Force. A pilot, he accumulated over 5,700 flying hours, working with many units and major weapons systems, including the C-141, C-5, KC-135 and C-17.

Col. Badsky served in the Gulf War and the Kosovo Operation Allied Force. He commanded three flying units, visiting more than 50

countries and all seven continents.

He has begun a second career as a flight inspection pilot and project manager for the Federal Aviation Administration in Oklahoma City. He and his wife, Evalyn, a native of Miami Beach, Fla., live in Norman. Their daughter Jessica is a freshman at the University of Oklahoma and son Bret is in the eighth grade.

He is the son of Floyd T. Badsky of rural Oberlin and the late Nathalie (Berndt) Badsky. He is a brother of Sheriff Ken Badsky, also of rural Oberlin.



F. Badsky

News Release

"Advanced Wound Care Update" is the title of a program to be held October 5, 2005, in Oberlin, KS.

This program is approved for 2 hours of continuing education and is designed for ARNPs, RNs, LPNs, PTs & PTAs.

For more information or to register for this program, please contact the Northwest Kansas Area Health Education Center, 217 E. 32nd, Hays, KS 67601. (785) 628-6128.

Open House
to celebrate the marriage of
Ray Thornton and Marian Dempewolf
Sunday, October 9~1-4p.m.
at Golden Age Center in Oberlin, Kansas
No gifts please
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