



Ashley and Brittan Houser

Couple exchange vows at church in Newton

Ashley Tongish became the bride of Brittan Houser at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 6, 2005, at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church in Newton. Father Floyd McKinney officiated.

Parents of the bride are Dave and Pat Tongish of Newton. Her grandparents are Gene and Marcella Leitner, Oberlin; Denis Tongish, Herndon, and the late Wilma Tongish.

The bridegroom's parents are Jim Houser, Newton; and Deborah Davis, Broken Arrow, Okla. His grandparents are Kathleen Wheeler, Broken Arrow, Okla.; and the late Harry and Carmen Houser.

Lesley Tongish, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Shea Stubby, Yetunde Oluokanni, and Seyi Oyo, friends of the bride, were

bridesmaids. Desiree Wilson, Morgan Tongish, and Lauren Tongish, cousins of the bride, were junior bridesmaids.

Devan Delugo, cousin of the bride, was flower girl. Ringbearer was Andrew Evans, nephew of the bridegroom.

Coby Houser served his brother as best man. Groomsmen were Billy Evans, brother of the bridegroom; Tipton Evans, brother of the bridegroom; and Joel Hamlin, and Matt Royston, friends of the bridegroom.

A dinner and dance followed at Tallgrass Country Club in Wichita. After a honeymoon to Cancun, Mexico, they are at home in Wichita, where both are students at Wichita State University.

Oberlin chiropractor honored

Dr. Douglas Fair of Oberlin was honored at the Kansas Chiropractic Association convention Oct. 1 in Kansas City, where he was inducted into fellowship of the International College of Chiropractic.

Both personal and professional achievements are considered when members are selected. Fellows are required to be of high moral standard, have a high code of ethics and strive to further the development of the science of chiropractic.

Professional achievements noted at the ceremony included service in both state and district chiropractic organizations; as a past president of the state association and currently serving on its board, as well as on the Chiro+Plus Kinesiology organization; over four decades of service to

his patients in northwest Kansas; and being licensed in three states.

Dr. Fair was recognized for his diligence in continuing education. It was noted that he graduated cum laude from the National College of Chiropractic in 1964. He received a bachelor's degree from Columbia College and a master's degree in nutrition from Bridgeport University. He is a certified practitioner in acupuncture and applied kinesiology.

His most recent in-depth studies have been with Dr. John Brimhall, who is known internationally in the field of holistic healing, allergy elimination and cold lasers. Dr. Fair is listed in the *International Who's Who of Intellectuals*, *Jane's Who's Who of Aviation*, and the *International Who's Who of Chiropractic*.



Douglas Fair

Club News

Program topic is prayer

"Praying Women of the Bible" was the program topic for the Oct. 5 meeting when 17 members of Oberlin United Methodist Women met at the church. Elaine Bryan and Kay Moon were hostesses. Joan Betts gave devotions.

Group singing of "Sweet Hour of Prayer," accompanied by Kay Moon, was followed by a solo by Linda Hollowell entitled "Jesus is All the World to Me." Lesson leader Doris Sloan distributed cards for prayer requests, which were later exchanged to be re-

membered during October. Reading group leader Mrs. Bryan reported that four new books had been purchased at the recent meeting of the Hays district in Oakley. A thank you was read from Camp Lakeside for the donation toward the new Fiber-glas water tower.

Thank offerings will be collected at the Nov. 2 meeting. Devotions will be given by Mary Ann Amack and the program by Violet Shaw. Hostesses will be Mrs. Betts and Mary Waldo.

Church honors women

St. John's Lutheran Church celebrated Lutheran Women's Missionary League Day on Sunday, Oct. 2, with a special service and carry-in dinner. Pastor Rick Langness gave a prayer of blessing for the 129 blankets and quilts made by the women for Lutheran World Relief.

Three teams gathered mites

from members of the congregation for the game, "The Trail of Mission Mites." On Wednesday, Martin and Evelyn May took the mission quilts, men's clothing, women's sweaters and children's clothing and soap to Hays, where it was loaded on trucks to be taken to the central distributing center.

Rotary is the program

Marilyn Noon talked about the ABCs of Rotary when the Oberlin club met Oct. 4 at The Gateway.

She told about the origin of the Rotary wheel and the Rotary flag, first flown in Kansas City, Mo., in 1915. Since then, she said, it has been to the north and south poles, as well as every nation in between.

Rotary's Four-Way Test was developed by Roger G. Taylor in

1932 and the motto of "Service Above Self" was adopted in 1989. Rotary ranks as the world's oldest service organization and is the second-largest.

The club's board decided to send \$2,000 each to the Houston district and New Orleans Rotary districts for hurricane relief. Rusty Adleman reported that contributions totaled over \$3,000 and the club will make up the difference.

Recital Friday at Emporia

Theresa Smith will hold her senior recital at 7:30 p.m. on Friday in the Heath Recital Hall on the Emporia State University campus.

She is working on her bachelor of music education in both vocal and instrumental music. She started studying the flute privately in 1996 with Christie Morris of Oberlin, and currently studies with Kate Bergman. She participates in wind ensemble, flute choir, woodwind chamber, a cappella

choir and Madrigal Singers and has also performed in opera and musical theater.

In 2004 and 2005, she was selected to play in the annual honors recital. She has also enjoyed directing the Catholic church choir, Jubilee Ringers and the Madrigal Dinner.

After graduation, she plans to teach high school music. She is the daughter of Larry and Karen Smith of Oberlin and is a graduate of Decatur Community High School.



T. Smith

Student receives honors

Kendra Anderson of rural Oberlin is a member of the Barton County Community College meat judging team, which finished fourth at the 18th annual Beef Empire Days Intercollegiate Meat Judging contest Oct. 2 at Garden City.

Students can explore careers in the food science industry and build skills in leadership, decision making and time management through the competition. The team's next contest will be the

American Royal Meat Judging contest Oct. 16 in Emporia.

Kendra, a sophomore, was also chosen as a student ambassador at the college. Ambassadors conduct and schedule campus tours and help with recruiting. To qualify, students must have a grade average of at least 3.0 and be recommended by a faculty or staff member or a teacher.

The daughter of Gayle Anderson, she is a 2004 graduate of Decatur Community High School.



K. Anderson

Art spaces are available

The Oberlin Holiday Arts and Crafts Show will be held at The Gateway in Oberlin on Saturday, Nov. 26, sponsored by the Oberlin Arts and Humanities Commission.

There are still a few booth spaces available. For details, call Ella Betts at (785) 475-3557, or Mary Henzel (785) 475-3329.

Student places second with entry on pioneers

Emily Byarlay, 8, placed second at the state level for her prose theme entry "Pioneers in Kansas" in the Kansas Authors Club contest. She received the award on Oct. 7 at an author's talk and reception in Coffeyville, which featured picture book artist Tim Raglan.



E. Byarlay

Over 200 entries were submitted. Judges included Kansas Authors Club members Tom Mach, James Wright, Cheryl Cavajal, and Brenda Collins. The youth contest organizer was member Christie Breault.

Kansas Authors Club sponsored the statewide writing and art contest for youth in grade 1-12. Theme was "Kansas: Who Walked These Trails?" Students could write either prose or poetry about trailblazers on the historic trails in Kansas from early explorers, military men, pioneers, and cattlemen to modern trailblazers in science, industry, and the arts.

Winners received a certificate and medal for writing achievement, and a book with their published work.

Emily is a daughter of Tawnya Byarlay of Hutchinson, and Gary Byarlay of Oberlin. She is the grand-

daughter of Lowell and Verna Byarlay and great-granddaughter of Howard and Joanne Labrman, all of Oberlin.

She is a home-schooled third grader and is a member of Reno County Home Educators.

Her story follows:

Pioneers in Kansas
Many different people traveled the trails of Kansas.

The pioneer settlers were some of the most important people. I learned about pioneers and my family history in social studies.

Franklin Ira Lahman, my great-great-grandpa, was one of the pioneers. But, instead of coming in a covered wagon like most others, he came on a train to Winona, Kan. Winona was named Gopher when he got here.

He homesteaded in Logan County in 1887. When he got here, there were no schools or churches, and they lived in dugouts and sod houses. My great-great-grandpa was born in a dugout. They had a hard life.

They were farmers. If they wouldn't have settled here, there wouldn't be anybody here today to enjoy the trails of Kansas. So, they were pretty important!

School plans conferences

Parent-Teacher Conferences for Oberlin Elementary School students will be from 5 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 26, and from 8 a.m. to noon on Friday, Oct. 28.

Letters were to be sent home today with assigned times for parents to meet with their child's teacher. Parents of fifth-graders will meet

with teachers David Olson and Jeri Buchholz together in room 216.

Mardi Lohofener, interrelated classroom teacher; Cynthia Matson, Title I/Grade 6; and Sheila Janzonius, elementary counselor/Title I, will not have scheduled times for parents, but they will be available for conferences in their rooms.

New Arrivals

Kaci Jo Dirks

Brandon and Kristi Dirks of Ludell are the parents of a daughter,

Kaci Jo, born Sept. 28, 2005, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces and was 19 inches long. Grandparents are Jerry and Jo-



Kaci Dirks

lene Fortin, Oberlin; Linda Dirks, Gem; and Dan Dirks, North Platte, Neb. Great-grandmothers are Ardis Roe and June Fortin, Oberlin; and Dixie Stock, McCook.

parents are Todd and Crystal Cook, Oberlin. Grandparents are Ron

Beneda and Judy Wenger, Oberlin; and Mike and Ruby Cook, Clayton. Great-grandparents are Val and Phyllis Beneda, and Lawrence and Dorothy



S. Cook

Wenger, Oberlin; the late Clea Wenger; Nan Cook, Norton; and the late Paul Cook; Verl and Noreen Crabill, Norton; and the late Minnie Crabill.

Colton M. Werther

Shannon and Chris Werther of Lindon are the parents of a son, Colton Michael, born Oct. 3, 2005. He weighed 6 pounds, 2 ounces and was 20 inches long. His parents are Richard and Wendy Ufford, Overbrook. Paternal grandparents are Calvin and JoAnn Ufford, Oberlin.

Shakira Rose Cook

Corey, Dakota and Quinton are the proud brothers of a baby sister, Shakira Rose Cook, born at 3:54 p.m. on Aug. 20, 2005, at Hays Medical Center.

She weighed 7 pounds, 11.3 ounces and measured 20 1/2 inches. Her



Home Time

By Tranda Watts
Multi-county Extension Agent

Second aging expo planned

K-State Research and Extension offices in northwest Kansas, along with the Area Agency on Aging and county Farm Bureau units, plan another round of the expo "Full Circle... An Aging Expo" this month.

The event will be offered on Thursday and Friday, Oct. 27 and Oct. 28, in Colby at the United Methodist Church and in Phillipsburg at the Huck Boyd Foundation.

Registration is due by Friday, Oct. 14. For an application, contact the county K-State Research and Extension Office, (785) 460-4582 in Colby, or the Phillips/Rooks Extension District at Phillipsburg at (785) 543-6845.

According to the Kansas Statistical Abstract, Kansas, like many other states, has an aging population. With the aging baby boomer population on the rise, the number of aging in northwest Kansas may soar in the near future.

Topics include the new Medicare prescription drug program, retirement and estate planning, choosing a care facility, ethical and legal end-of-life issues, nutrition and arthritis, and even dealing with the holidays.

If you need a ride, check with the county transportation office. For information, call the Northwest Area Extension Office at (785) 462-6281 and ask for Becky.


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*Reception
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Dr. Stelian Andreca
October 16
7-3 p.m.
in the Hospital Lobby*

*Sponsored by
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*Happy 95th
Aleen
VanVleet*

Aleen's kids and grandkids would like to honor her 95th Birthday on October 21st with a card shower. Cards will reach her at:
Aleen VanVleet
Wheat Ridge Terrace
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