

Oberlin graduate named school support director

Roz Fuller of Washington has been named project director with the Public Charter School Center for Student Support Services. The daughter of Alyce Avery of Oberlin, she graduated in 1967 from Decatur Community High School. The nonprofit agency provides support to Washington-area charter schools on violence prevention, parenting skills, mental health, drug and alcohol prevention, and teen pregnancy, among other things. Ms. Fuller will direct a federal grant program which provides education and assistance for emergency response and crisis management plans and which coordinates all charter school emergency plans with Washington emergency responders, including police and fire departments, and emergency medi-

cal teams. She will also be consulting with charter schools on discipline plans and on positive behavior intervention. There are more than 50 charter schools in the area. Charter schools differ from public schools only in the education methods they use, she said. They receive the same amount of federal and state money, and they are held accountable for their standardized test scores, just as public schools are. Charter schools can use alternative methods of instruction not normally used in public schools. Most charter schools across the country are in areas where public schools have not met with much success in helping low-income urban youth, she said, and many charter-school students are outperforming their public school counterparts.

Couple honored on 60th

Gail and Kay Marcuson of Oberlin were honored by their children and grandchildren with a dinner Saturday evening at the Land-Mark Inn for their 60th wedding anniversary. Kay Dillane and Gail Marcuson were married in Chula Vista, Calif., on Nov. 29, 1945, on the 25th wedding anniversary of her parents, Ada and Perry Dillane. He was stationed at Brown Air Field at Chula Vista, Calif., and after his discharge on July 2, 1946, they moved to a farm

in the Lund area. Those present included Diane and Chuck Newcom, Denver; Julie, Mark and Brandon Hubbard, Lakewood, Colo.; Jessica Hubbard, Lafayette, Colo.; Rick, Sally and Grady Marcuson, Overland Park; Brad, Elaine, Sarah and Jared Marcuson, Tom and Maxine Smith, Stuart and Mary Henzel, Zane and Gladys Geis, Vera Lindemann, John and Muriel Ready, Oberlin; Doris Peterson, Atwood; and Joe and Cathy Broeckelman, Selden.

Piano students attend clinic

Piano students of Mary Henzel and Cheryl Metcalf participated in the North Central Music Teachers League piano clinic Saturday in Phillipsburg. They included Zach and Hannah May, Cheyanne Soderlund, Jordyn Wasson, Heather Glodt, Elizabeth Nedland, Sarah Marcuson, Britta and David Noren, Mary Olson, Jacob Helm, Caleb Koerperich, Nolan Henningson and Samantha

Anderson. The clinic included 58 students and 10 piano teachers from Oberlin, Norton, Stockton, Jewell, Prairie View, Phillipsburg, and Smith Center, plus six judges. At the morning and afternoon recitals, students chosen by the judges performed, along with the teachers, who joined together on two pianos to play two numbers.

Rotary hears about Congo

Kathy Almquist shared her experiences while growing up in the Congo in central Africa at the Nov. 8 meeting of the Oberlin Rotary Club. Introduced by Neal Russell, Ms. Almquist said that her parents were medical missionaries. She learned to speak several languages spoken by the 60 million people living in the Congo. Much history of the Congo can be traced to flourishing times as

early as the 15th century. There are over 200 ethnic groups and 240 to 400 languages. Most of the natives are not educated and the women do most of the work, including farming. She displayed several samples of Congo art and culture. Visitors were Carolyn Applegate, a Rotarian from Norton, and Junior Rotarians Destrly Jackson and Karyn Jordan.

Kansas veteran honored

Jud Wagner, 106, of Smith Center, the only known World War I veteran living in Kansas, and his family, were honored during a Veterans Day ceremony at the Statehouse in Topeka. Mr. Wagner is an uncle of Don Claussen of Oberlin and a brother of his mother, the late Lydia Claussen Railsback. Mr. Wagner saw action as a Marine in France and Germany in World War I, two sons joined the Corps before World War II, and a grandson is an Army veteran. His

83-year-old son, J.S. Wagner, a retired school superintendent, lives in Kensington. He served in both World War II and the Korean War. Jud Wagner was unable to travel to Topeka, but was represented by his family. Mr. Claussen said that his uncle has lived in Smith County all of his life. He remembers spending summers at his home when he operated the county farm. "Uncle Jud was a boxer," he said, "and still puts out his two arms in the boxing mode every time I visit him."

Club News

New member welcomed

Carolyn Hackney was welcomed as a new member of Prairie Chapel United Methodist Women when they met on Nov. 2 at the home of Angie Wilson. Her daughter, Julie, was also a guest. Ethel Railsback was co-hostess. President Angie Wilson opened the meeting with scripture and prayer. Roll call, "A verse of thanks," was answered by nine members and the two guests. Charissa Huff read from the prayer calendar and also read a poem from the book "Diary of Daily Prayers" for devotions. The book is on the reading list.

A thank you letter was read from Camp Lakeside for the donation, which will go toward the new water tower. Mrs. Huff reported on the conference meeting in Wichita. The group made plans to start working on a quilt. Cheryl Metcalf presented the program, "The World Thank Offering" with the focus on "The Lord's Prayer." The Christmas meeting will be at the home of Cheryl Metcalf at 7 p.m. on Dec. 7. Roll call will be an ornament exchange. Traci Uehlin will have the program and prayer partners will be revealed.

Prayer is program topic

Violet Shaw was lesson leader at the Nov. 2 meeting of Oberlin United Methodist Women. She spoke of the differences in the Lord's Prayer, found in the gospels of Matthew and Luke, as well as modern translations of the Bible, including the New International Version published in 1973; the New Revised Standard Version of 1989; the New American Bible of 1986; and the Contemporary English Version published in 1995. Hand-outs were distributed with thoughts on the different phrases of the prayer.

Devotions were given by Fern Moore, based on Galatians 6:12, on the theme of Thanksgiving. Hostesses were Mary Waldo and Jody Betts. President Pat Wright told the group that new yearbooks are being planned. Reading chairman Elaine Bryan had the new reading books on display and ready for check-out. The Dec. 7 meeting will be a Christmas tea at Wheat Ridge Terrace with residents as invited guests and refreshments provided by the executive board.

Club hears serviceman

Fifteen members of Zeta Nu Club met at the home of Angie Wilson on Nov. 10 and heard Randy McHugh share his experiences and show pictures of Kuwait, Iraq and New Orleans, where he served with the National Guard. He received an appreciation gift for being the speaker. Veterans contributions were collected and the club matched

the donations. The club will participate in the Angel Tree program again this year, selecting two children to support. Kay Marcuson won the hostess gift of a Thanksgiving towel. The Dec. 8 Christmas meeting will be held at the home of Mary Waldo. A sharing of crafts and a white elephant gift exchange will be held.

Widows and Friends meet

Widows and Friends journeyed to Norcatur on Nov. 9 for lunch at the Cardinal Bar and Grill. Attending were Mary Ann Amack, Pat Abbey, Phyllis Screen, Louise Pollnow, Luetta Pollnow, Mildred Holmdahl, Evelyn Olson, Bertha Schwisow, Alice Shirley, Doris Fringer, Ruby Wennihan, Virginia Spratling, Nadean Stoney, Delores Koerperich, Norma Richards,

Deanna Hanschild, Beth Sebaugh, Eula Juenemann, Marty Munson, Millie Lippelmann, and Doris Sloan. Marge Neilsen of Franklin, Neb., was a guest of Mrs. Spratling. A Christmas potluck dinner will be held at noon on Dec. 14 in the Fellowship Hall of the United Methodist Church. Entertainment is planned and everyone is welcome.

New officers elected

Peggy Groneweg was elected president and Kim Langness, secretary, when the St. John's Lutheran Women's Missionary League met on Nov. 12. Vice President Connie Olson conducted the meeting and Phyllis Beneda gave devotions. "Thanksgiving All Year Long" was the topic presented by Teresa

Diederich. The memorial plaque was discussed. Charitable contributions were chosen including Human Care World Relief; Good Shepherd Mission, Kansas City; Christian Radio Station KNGN, McCook; and Children's Christian Concern. Hostesses were Lois Larson and Connie Olson.

Diabetes group meets

Diabetes Under Control celebrated a pre-Thanksgiving dinner on Nov. 8 at the Frontier Restaurant.

A get-well card was signed for Ken Sattler of Herndon. The next meeting will be announced later.



GREETING 1ST SGT. JERRY CHAMBERS at the Oberlin Elementary School Veterans Day program on Friday was Oberlin American Legion Auxiliary member Phyllis Metcalf. Sgt. Chambers returned home last week after serving in Mosul, Iraq, for 14 months. — Herald staff photo by Dave Bergling

Veterans honored at grade school program

Veterans of all wars were honored Friday morning during a program at the Oberlin Elementary School gymnasium. The colors were presented by Girl Scouts Darian Bose, Haley Schiesler and Brittany Urban. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Samantha Anderson gave the welcome and Nolan Henningson read the President's Veterans Day proclamation. Samantha gave the history of Veterans Day and the third grade did a choral reading. Veterans from all branches of the service were recognized, after

which the fifth and sixth graders sang "Fifty Nifty United States" and "Freedom" under the direction of Jim Buchholz. A slide presentation, "A Salute to Veterans," included photos of veterans. The program closed with "God Bless America" sung by the students and audience, and several second graders displayed the letters which said, "Thank You, Veterans." Refreshments followed. A large American flag was displayed with the stars and stripes made by handprints of the fourth graders.

4-H Club elects officers

By TAYLOR MACFEE The Maverick 4-H Club held its first meeting of the new 4-H year on Oct. 9 at the Bohemian Hall. We elected new club officers: Marci Metcalf, president; Kaden Macfee, vice president; Marisa Baker, secretary; Andy Dempewolf, treasurer; Kiah Blau, parliamentarian; Marci Metcalf, Kenzie Fisher, Nathen Baker, council representatives; Taylor Macfee, reporter; Alexis Hissong, historian; Rachel Ritter, recreation leader; Jamie Soderlund, song leader; Kaylee May, junior president; Kelsey May, junior vice president; Kennedy Fortin, junior secretary; Kegan Blau, junior treasurer; Caleb Koer-

perich, junior reporter; Jordyn Baker, junior recreation leader; Killian Dellere, junior parliamentarian. Refreshments were served by the Macfees and Schieslers. The Maverick 4-H Club helped hang Christmas greenery downtown at its Nov. 6 meeting. After hanging greenery, we had a fun day where we played volleyball, kickball, horseshoes and had horseback riding. We ended the day with grilling hot dogs and roasting marshmallows and making s'mores. Those attending included the Macfee, May, Baker, Fisher, Ritter, Koerperich, Hissong, Metcalf, Schiesler, Soderlund, Dempewolf and Fortin families.

Crop deadline is Dec. 1

The closing date for some crops under the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program is Dec. 1, says Bill Fuller, state director for the U.S. Farm Service Agency. Crops eligible for these benefits are those which can't be insured in the county where grown.

Dec. 1 is the final date to pay service fees for covered crops, \$100 per crop. For details, stop by the agency's county office or call (785) 475-3131 before Dec. 1.

New Arrival

Matthew Gregory Duncan

Greg and Tamara Duncan of 7403 B Akron Street, Lubbock, Texas, 79423, are the parents of their first child, Matthew Gregory Duncan. He was born at 5:44 p.m. on Nov. 6, 2005, and weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces. Grandparents are Bill and Carol Duncan, Oberlin; and Jeff and Chris Slosser, Vernon, Texas. Great-grandmothers are Audra Duncan, Cincinnati, and Mildred Ellis, Vernon.



M. Duncan

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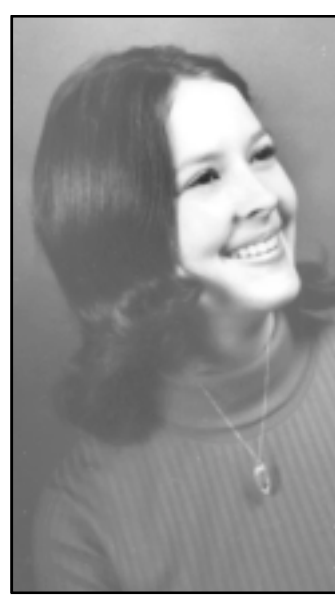
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Friends and family of **Walter A. Moore** are invited to attend his **90th Birthday Brunch**. It will be held **Saturday, November 26, 2005, 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.** at the **Menonite Friendship Manor Chapel, South Hutchinson, Kansas**, and will be hosted by his children: **Bob & Karen Moore, Bette & Ron Hirst, Nancy & Dave Sitzmann, and Jim & Cindy Moore.**



To a Farmer's Daughter,
You're not OLD, you're just Half a Hundred years!

Happy Birthday!

Love,
the Farmer's Son from apartment 5 and your 3 children



Red Sweat Pants--- \$2
Hand-me-down Striped T-shirt from 2 older brothers ---- \$7
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All your friends and family seeing you with your underwear on your head ----- PRICELESS!
Happy 18th Birthday Scott!!!!
We love you--
Eric, Krysten & Matt, & Bryan