

THE OBERLIN HERALD — People in Our Community

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Among out-of-town relatives and friends who attended funeral services for Jack Lamb on Dec. 9 were Rob and Vickie Clevenger, Gibbon, Neb.; Sherri Waggoner, Alma, Neb.; Jack Armstrong, and Gene Mitchem, North Platte, Neb.; John and Francheska Lamb, Mark and Braxton, Keven and Leo, Gloria and John, and Roger and Judy, all of Topeka.

Nadine (Paddock) Ferguson, a 1938 graduate of Decatur Community High School, was honored on her birthday on Friday by her family. She and her late husband, Orville Ferguson, are natives of Oberlin. She makes her home at 12221 W. Maple, Apt. F7, Wichita, Kan., 67235.

Vivian Bishop is recuperating from hip surgery at Decatur County Hospital. She underwent surgery on Thursday and was transferred on Monday from Community Hospital in McCook.

—Norton Rotary Club scholarship benefit soup supper, 5-7 p.m., Jan. 3 before Norton-Oberlin game in high school cafeteria.

Doris Sloan and Merle Shirley accompanied Dan Wasson to Kearney, Neb., on Sunday, where they visited Dennis Shirley, who is hospitalized there, and his wife, Judy. Mail will reach Dennis at Good Samaritan Hospital, 31st and Central, Kearney, Neb., 68847.

Bob and Yuki Berkheimer spent the weekend at the home of Jim and Heather Berkheimer, Cate and Grace in Goddard. They stayed with their grandchildren while their parents were in Kansas City for a meeting.

Eldon Smith returned home last Monday from Traverse City, Mich., where he visited his sister, Gladys Schichtel. They spent Thanksgiving in Chicago with her daughters, Kay and Barry Lesht, and family, and Karen Schichtel.

Second Chance drawings set

Those who have tickets from the Christmas on Us promotion still have a chance to win some money in the Oberlin Business Alliance-sponsored Second-Chance giveaway this week.

Starting Tuesday and continuing through Friday, 10 numbers will be placed in a different store window at 6:30 p.m. each evening. Those

Steve Fraker of Fallon, Nev., visited over the weekend with his parents, Bob and Marian Fraker, after attending a meeting in Denver.

—Are your parents growing older in a city? Wheat Ridge Terrace Retirement Apartments could be your answer. Come visit and meet the family. 785-475-1000.

Winning highs in pinochle at Golden Age Center the past week were Henry Edgett, Max Carman, Dewaine Stapp, Floyd Edgett, Donna Kent and Veanna Carman. Lows went to Veanna Carman, Dewaine Stapp, Donna Kent, Henry Edgett and Floyd Edgett. Pitch highs were won by Henry Edgett and Juanita Eckhart with lows going to Floyd Edgett and Wilma May. Bridge winners were Phyllis Lohofener and Annette Miller.

A Christmas "block" party was enjoyed by neighbors of John and Pat Wright at their home on Sunday evening.

Karyn Jordan, Oberlin, performed in the high school District Honor Band in Hays earlier this month, earning fourth chair clarinet. Her brother, Christopher Jordan, Ludell, sang in the District Honor Choir as a tenor, and had a small solo in the joint concert. Attending the performance were their mother and brothers, Judy Jordan, Sean and Daniel, Oberlin.

Those from out-of-town who attended funeral services for Goldie (Hanson) Dorson on Dec. 12 at Pauls Funeral home were Rex and Fern (Lively) Borsheim, Green Cove Springs, Fla.; Marie and Francis Garrison, Donna and Chuck Gano and Irene Walker, Hill City; Edna and Roy Van Loenen, Bogue; Minnie Likens, Hutchinson; Linda Diamond and Marcus, Ron Urban and Norma, Eddie Urban and Patty, Ron Urban, and Rick Urban, Pueblo, Colo.; and Jesse and Cyndi Carlisle, McCook.

with the tickets from the contest must find the location, then check their numbers. There will be 10 new numbers posted at 6:30 p.m. each day in a different store.

The first person to find one of their ticket numbers wins \$50 in Santa Bucks in that store. For details, call the Chamber office at (785) 475-3441.

Girl chosen for honor choir

By KELLEN DOEDEN
The Decatur Dictator

Out of more than 50 girls, Jenny Hirsch, an Oberlin junior, was chosen as a member of the 2006 Kansas Music Educators Association state honor choir.

She tried out in November. After

making it to district honor choir, she was selected for the state group. She will attend a three-day rehearsal and performance Feb. 23-25 in Wichita.

"It is a great honor that I hope will be a wonderful experience," Miss Hirsch said.

Cottonwood sets open house

Cottonwood Ranch Historic Site near Studley will hold a holiday open house from 2 to 5 p.m. and from 6 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 28.

It is being co-sponsored by the Kansas State Historical Society, the Friends of Cottonwood Ranch, and

the Scrappy Quilters.

The public is invited to view the display of hand-made tree ornaments, visit, and enjoy free refreshments both inside the house and outside at the chuck wagon.

There is no admission fee.

Couple honored on 50th

Dick and Donna Kelley were honored by their family with an open house on Saturday afternoon at The Gateway in Oberlin in observance of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Hosts were Kevin and Debbie Kelley and Seth, Topeka; Nate and Jamie Kelley and Payton, San Diego, Calif.; Dr. Kirk Kelley, Davenport, Iowa; and Sheldon and Brenda Kelley, Kendra and Jessica, Frederick, Colo.

Donna Bryan, daughter of Gilbert and Opal Bryan, and Dick Kelley, son of Claude and Dorothy Kelley, were married on Dec. 17, 1955, at the Herndon Covenant Church. The Rev. Bob Fleenor, assisted by the Rev. Fred Granstrom, officiated. Their attendants were her sister, Janice Bryan; his brother, Jim Kelley; Glenva Beneda; and Dale Votapka.

Both are 1955 graduates of Decatur Community High School. They live on a farm southwest of Oberlin.

Others who attended the open house included: Margaret Magers, Kathy Van Meter, Lyle; Armin and Vickie Sowers, Dresden; Mark and Gail Bergling, Ludell; Tom and Glenva Burrell, Max, Neb.; Jim and Carolyn Plotts, Earnest and Donna Huff, Norcat; Pastor Keith Reuther, Elma Lee Erickson, Keith and Mary Lou Olson, Herndon; Carol Fink, Wamego; Lynn Anderson, Austin, Texas; Verol and Rosemary Bergling, Atwood; Julie Plotts, Indianola, Neb.; Lori Houston, Tribune; Bob and Elaine Fleenor, McPherson; Helen Jaderborg, Longmont, Colo.; Janice Sauvage, Edwards, Colo.; Wane and Cheryl Stull, Solomon;

Marvin and Sharon Slabaugh, Vic and Opal Bryan, Buzz and Cynthia Matson, Elaine Bryan, Cecil Hess,

Man honored on 90th

Edwin Black of Oberlin was honored on his 90th birthday with a dinner, followed by an open house at The Gateway on Sunday, Dec. 11.

Hosts were his children, Lyle Black of Beverly Hills, Calif., and Sharon Mockry of Oberlin.

Among those who signed the guest book were Ronda and Jeremy Pinkerman and Abby, Omaha; Cloyd and Naomi Peters, Ron and Jane Pennock, Norman and Hannah Meixner, Jeremiah and Becky Meixner and family, Stan and Jean Reynolds, McCook; Athol Callan, Cambridge, Neb.; Rick and Marcia Seip, Wallace, Neb.; Vince and Kay Clemens; Doris Clemens, North Platte, Neb.; Veda Heisel, Lorena Taylor, Rita and Mike Barlow, Lenora; Allen and Karen Carpenter, Trendy and Hannah Waggoner, Norton; Glenda Macy and her sister, Garden City; Evan and Phyllis Wilson and family, Wichita; Duane Wilson, Hunterville, N.C.; Mabel

Telephone man talks at Rotary

Johnnie Johnson, chief executive officer for Nex-Tech Wireless Telephone Systems; Dorothy Steiben, sales manager; and Jeff Wheeler, agent manager, all of Hays, were guest speakers at the Dec. 13 meeting of the Oberlin Rotary Club.

They were introduced by Kurt Vollertsen.

Mr. Johnson spoke about the company's service and telephones

Man earns sales award

Larry Alstrom, formerly of Oberlin, was recognized with an Outstanding Dealer Sales Achievement Award for 2005 by Stauffer Seeds. He serves growers in the Hoxie area as a Stauffer dealer.

"I enjoy getting out and visiting with my customers," he said. "Whether I'm showing them new seed varieties or talking about Stauffer Seeds — we're a company with products that perform great in this area and we're here to stay."

His relationship with Stauffer Seeds began in 1999 when he started growing seed corn. Soon he became



Dick and Donna Kelley

Leonard and Dorothy Cochran, Sue Hillebrand, Herschel and Jody Betts, Richard and Maureen Anderson, Samantha, Chris and Gabe, Diana Solko, Laurene Bryan-Van Otterloo, Carolyn Miller, Dolores Koerperich, Steve and Connie Noren, Britta, David and Michael, Lyle and Janet Hackney, Gary and Mary Ann Erickson, Frank and Margaret McEvoy,

Wesley Benda, Dewaine Stapp, Eldon and Opal Huntley, Mirla Coleman, Jackie Votapka, Elden and Detta Anderson, Loyd and Mary Waldo, Loyd and Fern Moore, Keith and Candi Ketterl, Jaxen Alstrom, Carolyn Hackney, Walt and Rosella Meitl, Gary Anderson, Karen Eskew, Kieth and Dorothy Alstrom, Wayne and Lois Larson, Martin and Evelyn May, Rusty and Sharon Addleman, Tony and Trish Henningsen, Ralph and Norma Unger, Jack and Karen Metcalf, David and Shirley Simpson, Mark and Barbara Olson, and Rod and Kem Bryan, Oberlin.

A family brunch was held on Sunday morning at the LandMark Inn. Those in addition to the Kelley family in attendance were Bob and Elaine Fleenor, Elden and Detta Anderson, Helen Jaderborg, Janice Sauvage, Wane and Cheryl Stull, Gary Anderson, Carolyn Plotts, Jennifer Auxier and Alexandria, and Patrick O'Hare.

Kennedy, Linda and Paul Chaffin, Goodland; Twila and Dwayne Scott, Wathena; Curtis and Connie Meixner, Arkansas City; Jay and Diana Jolly, Hugo, Colo.; Marion and Bernice Black, Gary and Sharry Schafer, Yuma, Colo.; Vivian and Vicky Heisel, Fort Morgan, Colo.; Leroy Stevenson, Morehead, Minn.; Lyle Black, Beverly Hills, Calif.; and Kristin Ockerman, Mesa, Ariz.

Those from Oberlin were Doris Black, Sharon Mockry, Tim and Brenda Davis, Donna Fortin, Anita Mumm, Nelda Vaughn, Frances Vacura, John and Edie Tate, Hank and Bea Wolfram, Roger and Jane Carlisle and John, June Fortin, Marion Wenger, Royce and Vickie Leitner, Norma Brown, Gordon Wilson, James and Leanna Bryan, Darrell and Kay Jones, Mildred Black, and Lyman and Sharon Black.

in 27 counties in western Kansas and five in eastern Colorado. He said that Nex-Tech has partnered with Sprint PCS for national service. He said the company has its main offices in Hays and provides more than 50 jobs to northwest Kansas.

Guests were Gary Juenemann and Janice Shobe. Junior Rotarians were Drew Martin and Lora Marietta.

a seed representative and by 2002, was an independent dealer.

"The Stauffer corn hybrids have been doing well for all of my customers. Our 2721 is an absolute powerhouse hybrid in this area," he said.

He and his wife, the former Diana Carman, live on a farm southeast of Selden.



Norma Ward will celebrate her 80th Birthday on December 26th. Happy Birthday Gorgeous! From all your kids, grandkids, and great-grandkids

Club News

Christmas meeting held

Monday Evening Club members held a holiday cookie and candy exchange when they met on Dec. 12 at the home of Mary Ann Erickson. Karen Metcalf was co-hostess.

Roll call was answered by naming a favorite holiday food. Gifts for children were brought to the meeting to be given later for the community Christmas children's project.

President Carol Morford thanked the committee of Laurie Wasson, Kay Moon, Kelly Wasson and Dottie Lotker, as well as

Arian Arnold of Times Past, who decorated the Christmas tree for the club at the museum in a masculine Victorian theme. Christmas cards were signed for associate members.

The Jan. 9 meeting will be held at Sehnert's Bakery in McCook, with the lesson "Expresso 101" followed by a light meal. Members are to meet at 5:30 p.m. at the parking lot of the United Methodist Church to car pool. The club will honor residents of Cedar Living Center with January birthdays during the coming month.

Members hold taste tea

Pi Alpha Club gathered on Dec. 12 at the Pat Wright home to enjoy the annual Christmas taste tea. Eris Young was co-hostess and the lower half of the club roster also furnished delicacies.

Seventeen members and a guest, Sam Gotchall, were present.

Mrs. Young read "A Christmas Symbol," and presented a beautiful card copy to each. Mrs. Wright presented Christmas sto-

ries including "Christmas Memories of 1936."

Stuffed toys have been delivered to the Good Samaritan Center and the sheriff's department. The evening concluded with a tree/wood theme gift exchange as a "right-left" story was read by the hostess, along with the singing of Christmas carols.

Virginia Spratling will host the Jan. 9 meeting with Eunice Martin assisting.

Widows and Friends meet

Widows and Friends met at noon on Dec. 14 at the United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall for a bountiful Christmas dinner. Doris Sloan and Mildred Holmdahl were hostesses.

The DCHS Singers presented a grand program of Christmas songs and dances with a solo, "Breath of Heaven," sung by Anne Wasson. Susan Nelson is director and accompanist is Mary Lohofener.

Mrs. Sloan read, "How to Stay Young" and "How to Age to Perfection." She was presented with a Christmas poinsettia by Virginia

Spratling from the group for her dedication and leadership.

Those present included: Doris Fringer, Louise Pollnow, Eileene Grose, Beth Sebaugh, Virginia Spratling, Elaine Bryan, Luetta Pollnow, Cecil Hess, Doris Sloan, Martha Fringer, Mildred Holmdahl, Mary Ann Amack, Pat Abbey, Esther Carlson, Dorothy Jackson, Alice Shirley, Eula Juenemann, Norma Richards, Lois Lamb, Millie Lippelmann, and Nadean Steony.

The next meeting will be an 8:30 a.m. breakfast at the Frontier Restaurant on Jan. 11.

Methodist women meet

"A Cup of Christmas Tea" was the theme of the Dec. 7 meeting of Oberlin United Methodist Women, held at Wheat Ridge Terrace with residents as guests.

Kay Moon entertained with piano Christmas music as guests arrived. Devotions entitled "Celebration of the Star" were given by Mary Ann Amack. Roll call was answered by members and guests sharing a memorable Christmas experience.

Program chairman Marian Fraker read "A Cup of Christmas Tea" and refreshments were served by the executive board.

Yearbooks were distributed for the coming year and it was announced that the Day of Prayer and Self-Denial would be observed at the Jan. 4 meeting.

Fern Moore will be lesson leader and members are to bring a sack lunch. Hostess will be Violet Shaw.

Members enjoy buffet

Chapter BH, P.E.O. Sisterhood, met at the home of Susan Nelson on Dec. 8 for a Christmas buffet, followed by a musical program by the DCHS Singers. Kay Moon was co-hostess.

The chapter voted to join the Chamber of Commerce and make a donation to the DCHS Singers for their program. A list was distributed for members to volunteer for jobs for the soup supper which

the chapter will serve in February. The next meeting will be on Jan. 12 at the home of Pat Wright with Pat Brown assisting.

The evening closed with the annual toy exchange. After each member opened her gift and was told why that toy reminded the giver of her, the toys were boxed and delivered to the Blue Angels for their annual toy project.

4-H club makes wreaths

By SAMANTHA ANDERSON

The Stick-To-It 4-H Club meeting started at 2:30 p.m. so club members could make wreaths for the Good Samaritan Center. There were 33 members present and six members missing.

We took the wreaths to the center and caroled. Anne Wasson led

the club meeting. Our Christmas party took place at the Sacred Heart Church. All families brought refreshments. Club members played the quiet game to open gifts. The last person to open gifts was the first person to talk.

If you don't have 4-H enrollment cards done, please get them in soon.

New president installed

Pastor Rick Langness installed Peggy Groneweg as president and Kim Langness as secretary when the Lutheran Women's Missionary League met on Dec. 15.

Shirley Shields read the story

of the birth of Jesus Christ. The song, "A Great and Mighty Wonder" was read by the group. A total of \$90 was given for miles for missions at the Christmas dinner on Dec. 4. Christmas plates were delivered following the meeting.

New Arrival

Kambrey Arin Woods

Kayla Sauvage and Aaron Woods of Hays are the parents of a daughter, Kambrey Arin, born Dec. 16, 2005. She weighed 7 pounds, 12 ounces and was 21 inches long. Grandparents are Michael and Cheryl Sauvage, Oberlin; and Lissa

Woods, Beloit. Maternal great-grandparents are Keith and Maxine Sauvage, Oberlin; and Mary Arehart, Norton.

Paternal great-grandmother is Vicky Robertson, Beloit. Yvonne Mann, Glasco, is her paternal great-grandmother.



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We love you,
Mom, Dad &
the gang



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Shelley McKenna turns FIFTY on December 27. Happy Birthday from your kids, siblings, and outlaws!

