

People in Our Community

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Torrey and Carol Morford, Oberlin, and Koi and Stacey Morford, Longview, Wash., spent Dec. 20-23 with Nate, Jade and Brennan Wunderly in Olathe to celebrate an early Christmas and Jade's birthday. Woody Morford, McCook, joined them on Dec. 21. Torrey and Carol Morford spent Christmas Day with Dan, Carrie and Teague Morford.

Christmas Eve guests of Doris Sloan were Tom and Leanna Sloan, Matt Sloan and Jaylie, Hoxie; Cindi and Jaime Sauder, Flower Mound, Texas; Merle Shirley, Oberlin; P.T. Shirley, Norcat; Cindy McKinney, Norton; Hannes Geysler and Waldo DeKack, Capetown, South Africa.

Mr. and Mrs. Fernando Peña, Ian and Ella of Wichita were visitors from Friday to Monday of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Wolters. Mr. and Mrs. Wolters enjoyed the Christmas program at Redeemer Evangelical Church in Atwood on Christmas Eve. Their grandson, Levi Wolters, was a participant.

Area students who are among 1,350 fall candidates for graduation at Kansas State University include: Grant Reynolds, Oberlin, Bachelor of Science in mechanical engineering; Aaron Timm, Ludell, and Jeremy Kruse, Selden, Bachelor of Science in business administration.

Christmas Day dinner guests of Sid and Cheryl Metcalf were Shad and Jody Metcalf, Bryson and Seanna, Colby; Chris Metcalf, Austin, Texas; Kim and Mark McConville, Brittany and Dylan, Indianola, Neb.; Brooke and Mitchell Nelms, Omaha; Joe Haag, McCook; and Shannon Metcalf and Eileene Grose, Oberlin.

—Seafood Buffet, Friday, Dec. 20, 6-8 p.m. LandMark Inn. Call 475-2340 for reservations.

Supper guests of Luetta Pollnow on Christmas Day were Diana and Sam Steinmetz, and Kay Chambers, Oberlin, and Gary Metcalf, McCook. Monday luncheon guests of Mrs. Pollnow were Shane and Amanda Johnson, Dodge City.

Christmas Eve guests of Connie Grafel were Dan and Melinda Grafel, Kade and Isabel; Greg and Amanda Grafel, Kel and Reece; Norma Grafel, Herndon; Jayson Wylie, Arroyo Hondo, N.M.; Paula Steinmetz and J.D. Sanderson, Norton; and Chad and Susie Stanley and Addie of Colorado.

Jan Badsy has been awarded a scholarship through the Kansas Sheriff's Association. Her husband, Ken, is the sheriff of Decatur County. She is the first wife of a law enforcement officer to apply for or win a scholarship. She plans to complete work for a degree in sociology and social work at Fort Hays State University.

Holiday guests of Pastor Tom and Maxine Smith were Tom and Amy Loftus and Jennifer, Minneapolis, Minn.; Pastor Dave and Trisha Smith, McPherson; Annie Castle and friend, Matt, Hays; and Dan and Diane Castle, Oberlin.

Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday at First United Methodist Church in McPherson for Kathleen Joyce Durr, 49, who died on Saturday. She was the wife of Philip Durr of McPherson, and a

daughter-in-law of Merrill and Vera (Cathcart) Durr of Hutchinson. Her husband is a nephew of Virgil and Rowena Cathcart, and Joy Votapka of Oberlin.

Jim and Denise Abbey and their daughter, Kenzie, of Manhattan were Christmas Day dinner guests of her parents, Bill and Delores Deines at Burlington, Colo., and supper guests of his parents, Jim and Pat Abbey of Oberlin.

Winning highs in pinochle at Golden Age Center the past week were Veanna Carman, Max Carman, Floyd Edgett, Henry Edgett and Dewaine Stapp. Lows went to Dorothy Moore, Aleen Van Vleet, Donna Kent, Doris Fringer and Helena Bruggeman. Pitch highs were won by Henry Edgett and Floyd Edgett with lows going to Wilma May and Dorothy Moore. Bridge winners were Phyllis Lohoefer and Mary Horney.

—New Year's Eve Surf and Turf Dinner, 6-8:30. \$25/person includes dessert. LandMark Inn. Call 475-2340.

Funeral services were held on Dec. 17 at the United Methodist Church in Hoxie for Doris Jean Spillman, 75, who died Dec. 14. She was born Dec. 10, 1930, near Lucerne, the daughter of Wesley and Ethel (Hines) Foster. She married Doren Spillman on Feb. 15, 1947, at Oberlin and they had four children, all of whom survive. Burial was at the Hoxie Cemetery.

Christmas Eve guests of Bob and Deanna Castle were Devan and Sarah Castle and family of Hoxie, Thaniel and Jennifer Monaco and family, Chris and Curtis Walston, Carolyn Shirley, Shane Harris, Shannon Harris, and Doris Fringer. The same group, with the exception of the Walstons and Carolyn Shirley, were also Christmas Day dinner guests at the Castle home.

Family spending Christmas with Dan and Julie Hess and Carter of Salina were Steve and Chris Hess and Norah, Overland Park; Steve and Jean Ann Confer, Jenna and Jessica, St. Francis; and Cecil Hess.

—Save 25-50 percent off Christmas items. Oberlin Mercantile Company.

Cindy and Jaime Sauder, Merle Shirley and Doris Sloan went to Kearney, Neb., on Christmas Day, to spend the day with Judy and Dennis Shirley. Dennis is recuperating after undergoing heart surgery on Thursday. Others joining them were P.T. Shirley, Cindy McKinney and Shelli, Hannes Geysler, Waldo DeKack, Cash and Becky Barlow and Shelby, Jacksonville Beach, Fla.; and Vicki, Kasey and Lauren Waldron, Bangor, Pa. Mail will reach Dennis at Good Samaritan Hospital, 31st and Central, Kearney, Neb., 68847.

Home for the holidays at the home of Dale and Cheryl Votapka were Beth and Chris Sluder, Matt and Kelly, Hinton, Okla.; Drs. Pam and Eric Huerter, Finn, Max and Jack, Lawrence; and Luanne Rupe, Joshua, Jonathan and Jonah, Hays. Odene Koehler was an additional Christmas Eve supper guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Wolters were Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tim Wolters, Lacy, April Ann, Ashley and Levi James of Ludell.



Robert and Robyn Stolarick

Couple weds in Memphis

Robyn Pavlicek and Robert Stolarick II of Memphis, Tenn., were married at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 5, 2005, at the First Evangelical Church in Memphis. Officiating at the double-ring ceremony was the Rev. Taylor Park.

Parents of the couple are Robert and Roxanne (Ridgway) Pavlicek, Memphis, and Robert and JoAnn Stolarick, Germantown, Tenn. The bride's parents are both graduates of Decatur Community High School.

The church was decorated with greenery and big white bows on the front church doors, candlelit centerpieces on each side of the main door in the foyer, and grand candelabras covered with greenery and bows down the center aisle and across the front of the church.

The Rev. Steve Clark, Memphis, was organist and played "Canon in D" for the processional; "Jesus, Joy of Man's Desiring" as the grandparents and mothers were seated; and "Wedding March" for the recessional. Amy Gunnell, Germantown, and Rebecca Morgan, Atlanta, Ga., sisters of the bridegroom, were vocalists. Mrs. Gunnell sang, "In This Very Room" before the processional, and Mrs. Morgan sang, "The Lord's Prayer" as the unity candle was lighted.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, chose a white strapless gown fashioned with beaded bodice, full skirt with beaded detail at puffers, and a long train, later gathered in a French bustle for the reception.

Matron of honor was Kelli Wallace, Oakland, Tenn., and maid of honor was Shawna Barger, Huntington, Tenn. Bridesmaids were Andrea Tuter, Memphis; Amy Gunnell, Germantown; and Rebecca Morgan, Atlanta. They wore strapless burgundy ankle-length gowns.

Bob Stolarick, Germantown, father of the bridegroom, served as best man. Groomsmen were Jared Becksfort, Germantown; Corey

Miller, Aaron Coppedge and Jeremy Hollis, Memphis; Robert McLean, Washington, D.C.; and Ryan Pavlicek, Lakeland, Tenn. Ushers were Greg Lloyd and William Dinwiddie, Memphis.

Mrs. Pavlicek chose for her daughter's wedding a burgundy ankle-length gown fashioned with short sleeves. The mother of the bridegroom wore a champagne teal-length skirt with rhinestone-detailed jacket.

The couple was transported to the reception in a vintage burgundy 1958 Jaguar Mark Eight.

The reception was held at Appling Manor. The bridal table was centered with a white four-tiered white wedding cake with strawberry filling and a topper with an "S" monogram. The bridegroom's chocolate cake was topped with a "T" in orange with white frosting background for the University of Tennessee. Table decorations included hurricane lamps surrounded by rose petals and roses in julep cups. The bridesmaids' bouquets were used for centerpieces on the other tables.

April West, Southaven, Miss., was seated at the guest book.

The bride is a 1996 graduate of Wooddale High School. She earned a Bachelor of Science and Education with a concentration on fashion merchandising in August 2003 from the University of Memphis. She is an account executive for International Paper.

Her husband graduated from Germantown High School in 1999 and attended the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. He is attending the University of Memphis and is a medical sales representative for Hillco Medical.

After a honeymoon to Maui, Hawaii, they are making their home at 2374 Ridgeland Street, Memphis, Tenn., 38119.

Among out-of-town guests were Susan Anthony, Norton, aunt of the bride, and Sandra Dean, Oberlin.

Club News

Auxiliary holds soup supper

The Oberlin American Legion Post Auxiliary met for a Christmas soup supper at the post on Dec. 14 with seven members present.

Membership chairman Carol Allen reported 145 paid members. A thank you note was read from the Jack Lamb family and a donation was made to the auxiliary for the meal served. A note was also read from Alice Bobbitt, a member who has moved to North Platte, Neb.

Sixteen Christmas cards were signed, one for each member of

the platoon of Crystal Corcoran Mahan, who are serving in Iraq. It was voted to have the auxiliary give Walt Pennell the balance owed on the "Avenue of Flags" books.

The next meeting will be at 7 p.m. on Jan. 11 at the post. Members are asked to bring items for a Valentine box to be sent to the adopted platoon in Iraq. For ideas for items needed, call Angela Corcoran at 475-2465, or Phyllis Metcalf at 475-2479. Thoughts of Christmas were shared for the program.

Members enjoy dessert

Six members of the Calico Gals Club met Dec. 21 at the LandMark Inn.

A business meeting was held and Marylu Brown won the hostess gift. A gift exchange was held after which members enjoyed coffee and dessert. A tour of the

Christmas trees at the Decatur County Museum followed.

The next meeting will be lunch at the Pizza Hut at 11:30 a.m. on Jan. 18, followed by a meeting at the home of Mary Waldo to make plans for the coming year.

4-H Club has gift exchange

By TAYLOR MACFEE
The Maverick 4-H Club held its December meeting and Christmas party earlier this month at the McCook YMCA.

After fun and games, there was a gift exchange, along with finger food. The meeting was held afterward. New business was live-

stock auction, and donation to the Angel Tree.

In attendance were Bakers, Metcalfs, Koerperiches, Hissongs, Fortins, Schiesslers, and Macfees.

The Maverick 4-H Club wishes everyone a Merry Christmas.

Singers entertain Rotarians

The DCHS Singers presented a preview of their Christmas concert at the Dec. 20 meeting of the Oberlin Rotary Club at The Gateway. The singers and their director, Susan Nelson, were introduced by Warren Weibert.

Among selections were "Noel," "Christmas and I'm

Never Going to Cry Again," and "Santa Claus is Just a Good Ol' Boy."

Visitors were Julie Haag and Barbara and Sarah Olson. Junior Rotarians from Decatur Community High School were Marci Matchett and Joe Mondero.

Relay planning to start Jan. 5

An organizational meeting for the American Cancer Society's 2006 Decatur County Relay for Life will begin at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 5, at the Economic Development Corp. building at Penn and Commercial.

The group plans to meet the sec-

ond Monday of every month after that, and anyone interested in helping with the 2006 Relay is welcome. The Relay will receive money from the Seeds of Hope Telethon.

For details, call Chris Dempewolf at (785) 693-4315 evenings.

New Arrivals

Lexie Lynn Ermey

Jenifer Kump and Mitchell Ermey II of Wichita are the parents of a daughter, Lexie Lynn, born Oct. 14, 2005. She weighed 6 pounds, 12 ounces and was 20 inches long. Grandparents are Ron and Judy Kump, and Lisa Dillon, Wichita; and Mitch and Leslie Ermey, Cape Fair, Mo. Great-grandparents are George and Cecilia Brown, Oberlin; and the late Jack Kump; and Dick and Geneva Hall, Wichita.



Lexie Ermey

Zoë Lark Lohoefer

Chad and Julie Lohoefer of Tampa, Fla., are the parents of a daughter, Zoë Lark, born Dec. 22, 2005. She weighed 9 pounds, 11 ounces. Grandparents are Bill and

Sharon Lohoefer, North Platte, Neb.; and John and Evie Burks, Tampa, Fla. Great-grandparents are Mary Lohoefer, Oberlin; Erik and Jean Erickson, Colby; and Gordon Green, Gainesville, Fla.

The children and grandchildren of Martin and Darlene LaRue wish to honor them with a card shower for their 50th Wedding Anniversary on January 1st.

Cards will reach them at:
P.O. Box 116 - Jennings, KS 67643

Troy, Anne, Jessica and Jared

ON JANUARY 29, 1961 JUDITH SLOAN AND DENNIS SHIRLEY WERE UNITED IN MARRIAGE. THE CHILDREN OF THIS UNION, VICKI WALDRON, PATRICK SHIRLEY, AND BECKY BARLOW, ENCOURAGE THEIR FRIENDS, FAMILY, AND NEIGHBORS TO CONGRATULATE THEM IN THIS MILESTONE OF 45 YEARS OF MARRIAGE BY PARTICIPATING IN A CARD SHOWER BY MAIL OR EMAIL. PLEASE SEND ANY STORIES, ANECDOTES, PICTURES, EXPERIENCES THAT YOU HAVE HAD WITH OUR PARENTS TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

JUDY & DENNIS SHIRLEY
106 N. ANTELOPE
OBERLIN, KS 67749

OR EMAIL:
JUDYDENNISANNIV@YAHOO.COM

THANKS FOR YOUR KIND WORDS AND LOVE,
Vicki, Patrick, and Becky



Benefit soup supper set

A benefit soup supper for the Oberlin Kids Wrestling program will begin at 5 p.m. Tuesday at the Decatur Community High School

cafeteria, right before a high school wrestling dual with Phillipsburg and McCook. Everyone is invited to stop by and have some soup.



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Love ya' guys,
Mom & Dad

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Enrollment: Wednesday, January 4, and Thursday, January 5, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Decatur Community High School Room 112. Education Coordinator: Candy DeJmal, 785-475-2179 (home) or 785-475-2231 (school).

No.	Course	CR.	Instructor	Place	Time/Day
CO126	PowerPoint	1	C. DeJmal	Hi Sc	7:00-10 p.m.
			Start: Wed. 1/11		Ends: 5/3
CO176	Intro. to Computer Concepts & Applications	3	M. Larue	Hi Sc	7:00-10 p.m.
			Start: Wed. 1/11		Ends: 5/3
AC101	Accounting Fundamentals	3	C. DeJmal	Hi Sc	7:00-10 p.m.
			Start: Mon. 1/9		Ends: 5/1
EN177	English Composition II	3	B. Breth	Hi Sc	7:00-10 p.m.
			Start: Mon. 1/9		Ends: 5/1
EN110	Medical Terminology	1	L. Doeden	Hi Sc	7:00-10 p.m.
			Start: Wed. 1/11		Ends: 5/3
HE101	Basic Nutrition	3	M. Moxter	Hi Sc	7:00-10 p.m.
			Start: Wed. 1/11		Ends: 5/3
PS176	General Psychology	3	T. Woolsey	Hi Sc	7:00-10 p.m.
			Start: Thur. 1/12		Ends: 5/4
PS276	Developmental Psychology	3	T. Woolsey	Hi Sc	7:00-10 p.m.
			Start: Wed. 1/11		Ends: 5/3
SO176	Introduction to Sociology	3	J. Wenger	Hi Sc	7:00-10 p.m.
			Start: Thurs. 1/12		Ends: 5/4
MU176	Introduction to Music	3	Staff	Hi Sc	7:00-10 p.m.
			Start: TBA		Ends: TBA
SO123	Criminology	3	J. Wenger	Hi Sc	7:00-10 p.m.
			Start: TBA		Ends: TBA
MA205	Elements of Statistics	3	P. Dorshorst	Hi Sc	Day
			Start: Tues. 1/10		Ends: 5/26
HI177	American History 1865 to Present (\$40 Telecourse Fee)	3	R. Walz	Hi Sc	TBA
			Start: TBA		End: TBA
AR175	Art Appreciation	3	T. Woolsey	Hi Sc	TBA
			Start: TBA		End: TBA
CJ110	Intro to Criminal Justice	3	J. Wenger	Hi Sc	TBA
			Start: TBA		End: TBA

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