

# THE OBERLIN HERALD — People in Our Community

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Shawna (Wurm) Karl of Denver expects to undergo surgery on Thursday for a kidney transplant. She is the daughter of Arlo and Bonnie Wurm of Oberlin and is a 1981 graduate of Decatur Community High School. Mail will reach her at the University of Colorado Hospital, 4200 East 9th St., Denver, Colo., 80220.

Valentine's Day guests of Connie Grafel for a surf and turf dinner were Melinda Grafel, Kade and Isabel; Greg and Amanda Grafel, Kel and Reece; and Norma Grafel, Herndon. Dan Grafel was en route to Leavenworth for a Kansas Agriculture and Rural Leadership (KARL) meeting.

—Seafood Buffet, Friday, Feb. 24, 6-8 p.m. LandMark Inn. Call 475-2340 for reservations.

Nancy Ellis of Topeka was a weekend guest of her mother, Joy Votapka.

Weekend guests of Elaine Bryan to celebrate family birthdays were Floyd and Dale Marie Bryan, Farlington; Blayne and Shellee Bryan and Grant, Goodland; and Bayley Bryan, McCook. Celebrating birthdays were Dale Marie, Blayne, Shellee, Grant and Elaine Bryan. Laurene Van Otterloo was an additional guest Saturday evening.

Shakira Rose Cook, daughter of Todd and Crystal Cook, was baptized during morning worship services at the Oberlin United Methodist Church on Sunday by the Rev. Doug Hasty. A family dinner followed at The Gateway. Those attending were Mike and Ruby Cook, Clayton; and Judy Wenger, Lawrence and Dorothy Wenger, Ron Beneda, Val and Phyllis Beneda, and Todd and Crystal Cook, Corey, Dakota and Quinton, all of Oberlin.

—Italian Buffet, Tuesday, Feb. 28, 6-8 p.m., LandMark Inn. Call 475-2340 for reservations.

Among area students who earned semester honors at Kansas State University for their academic performance are: Grant Reichert, Jeffrey Wessel, Dresden; Kelsey Dorshorst, Kelly Olson, Oberlin; and Sarah Meitl, Jennings.

The Wurm family cousins had a mini-reunion and dinner at the Fron-

tier Restaurant Friday evening. The rest of the evening was spent at the home of Bob Wurm. Those attending were Phyllis McKay, Jenks, Okla.; Cheryl Davison, Tulsa, Okla.; Bob Wurm, Elden Haas, Bus Wurm, Arlo and Bonnie Wurm, Owen Wilson, and Mabel Zimmerman of Oberlin.

—Prairie Chapel Church pancake and sausage supper, 5-7 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 26. Freewill donation. Everyone welcome.

Egan Grafel, a computer science major and a member of the men's basketball team at Cloud County Community College, was a member of the homecoming court this year. The king, Reed Heim, Topeka, and the queen, Kina Miller, Aurora, Ill., were crowned during the Winter Sports Homecoming at the college on Feb. 11. Egan's parents are Keith and Roma Grafel of Oberlin.

Dick Buhler of Atwood, who has been a letter carrier on the east side of Oberlin for the past 22 years, has retired. Before he began working with the U.S. Postal Service, he operated Ace Hardware in Atwood. He said his plans are to "just take it easy for a while." A replacement for his position has not been named.

—70 percent off Christmas items. Oberlin Mercantile Company.

Wanda Dickinson and Jim Waterman went to Lincoln, Neb., over the weekend to visit her aunt, Olive Montgomery, who is ill. They also visited Mr. Waterman's daughter, Shanna Waterman, in Lincoln, and his sister, Lois, in Omaha. Mail will reach Mrs. Montgomery at 1001 South Street, Lancaster Manor, Lincoln, Neb., 68502.

Winning highs in pinocle at Golden Age Center the past week were Henry Edgett, Max Carman, Veanna Carman, Aleen Van Vleet and Dewaine Stapp. Lows went to Dewaine Stapp, Floyd Edgett, Aleen Van Vleet, Helena Bruggeman, Henry Edgett, Wilma May and Barb Solko. Pitch highs were won by Henry Edgett and Veanna Carman with lows going to Aleen Van Vleet and Floyd Edgett. Bridge winners were Leone Purton and Charlotte Meints.

## Seventh grader wins contest

Brock Baxter, a seventh grader at Smith Center Junior-Senior High School, won the Smith County Spelling Bee last week for the third consecutive time.

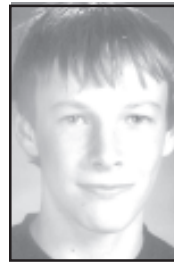
He is eligible, for the third year in a row, to represent the county at the state Spelling Bee on March 25 at the Garvey Fine Arts Center at Washburn University in Topeka.

Brock also won first place in the local International Lions Peace Poster contest, sponsored by the Smith Center Lions Club. He received a \$100 savings bond and his

poster went on to the district competition. It will also be on display at the Lions District K4 Convention in Hays in April.

The international winner will receive a trip to the International Lions Convention at Boston this summer, plus the honor of having the poster on the front of the *International Lions Magazine*. The poster is then framed and hung in the International Headquarters in Oak Brook, Ill.

Brock is the son of Barry and Janeil Baxter of Smith Center and a grandson of Jackie Votapka of Oberlin.



Brock Baxter

## Pharmacist is named Rotarian of the Year

Rusty Addleman was named Oberlin Rotarian of the Year for his contributions and participation in Rotary at the Feb. 14 meeting of the club.

He has been a member since 1976 and has held all of the offices. He said he is now considered a senior active member.

Mr. Addleman is the third generation in his family to belong to the club. His grandfather, D.G. "Dot" Addleman, and his father, Ted Addleman, were members for many years. He also is the third generation to own and operate Addleman Drug Store, which will observe 100 years of business in Oberlin in July.

His wife Sharon and Rick Doeden were guests at the meeting. Junior Rotarians from Decatur Community High were David Edgerton and

Sharee Dempewolf. Program chairman Charlie Corcoran called on Charles Haag, who introduced Leigh Davis, sponsor of the high school forensics team. Students Annamarie Larue, Alyssa Rippe, MaKenzie Nelson and Gabe Moore did their speech performances for the program.

Alyssa explained the importance of conserving the rain forests and Annamarie and MaKenzie gave a comical performance of "Demon Child," the story of a babysitter and her friend who were tied up by the child they are supposed to be watching.

Gabe closed the program by presenting a touching story in prose which involved a ragman who encountered several disadvantaged individuals and exchanged his rags for their misfortune.



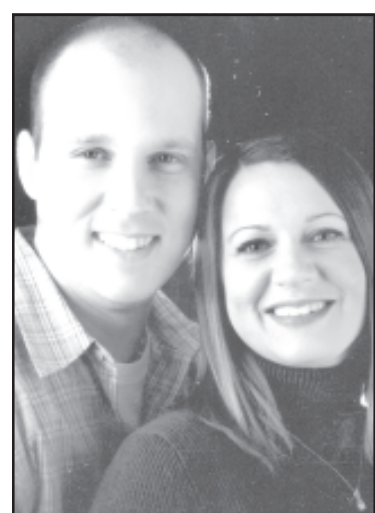
R. Addleman

## Couple plans June wedding

Ashly Minnick and Britt Goering of McPherson plan to be married on June 24, at the Eden Mennonite Church in Moundridge.

Parents of the couple are Roger Howland, Jewell; and Vicki Karnes, McPherson. and Larry Goering, Omaha, and Donna Goering, McPherson. Grandparents are Doran and Mary Ann Lorimer, Atwood; Ron and Dee McDougal, Oberlin; and Eileen Harms, McPherson.

The bride-to-be is a 1994 graduate of Decatur Community High School and is employed as a client service representative for Fee Insurance Group. She has a son, Sam Minnick, 7.



B. Goering and A. Minnick

Her fiance graduated from high school at McPherson and served in the U.S. Navy. He is an engineer with Morige Manufacturing.

## Student wins spelling contest

Matthew Wittman, a sixth grader at Oberlin Elementary School, correctly spelled "shepherd" and "poise" to capture top honors at the Decatur County Spelling Bee last Monday at the school cafeteria. He is the son of Gary and Jody Shike of Oberlin.

Runner-up was Shay McChesney, son of Don and Julia Ray of Oberlin, who had won the grade school spelling contest the previous week. Matt Glading, son of Darrin and Joan Glading, also competed from the grade school.

Representing Decatur Commu-

nity Junior High School in the competition were eighth grader Adrienne Pauls, daughter of Rick and Dori Pauls, Oberlin; and seventh graders Josh Ritter, son of Phillip and Sharla Ritter, Jennings; Dakota Soderlund, son of Gene and Cheryl Soderlund, Oberlin; and Joe Hirsch, son of Steve and Anita Hirsch, Oberlin. Susan May assisted with the contest.

The winner will represent Decatur County at the state Spelling Bee on March 25 at the Garvey Fine Arts Center at Washburn University in Topeka.



M. Wittman

## World Day of Prayer March 3

World Day of Prayer will be observed at 2 p.m. on Friday, March 3, at the Oberlin United Methodist Church.

The theme this year is "Signs of the Time." The program was written by women from South Africa and they share their heritage of faith even in a time when about 600 South Africans are dying of AIDS each day. The offering will help support the AIDS ministries in South Africa and the United States.

Sponsors include the Evangelical Covenant, United, Sacred Heart Catholic, Faith Lutheran and Methodist churches. The public is welcome.

Music will be provided by the vocal department of Decatur Community High School, under the direction of Susan Nelson. Organist will be Cheryl Metcalf. Refreshments will follow in the fellowship hall.

## 'Showboat' set at Colby

Come enjoy a riverboat cruise as the Tumbleweed Chorus of Colby presents the musical "Showboat" on Saturday, March 4, to celebrate 25 years of barbershop harmony.

Performances will be at 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at the Cultural Arts Center/Frahm Theater at Colby Community College. Two guest quartets will accompany the chorus

during its 25th anniversary voyage. Twelfth Street Rag will be featured, along with U.S. Male of Sterling, Colo. Colby's own Lasting Impressions quartet will also be on deck to lend a hand.

For tickets or details, call (785) 462-3004, 462-2474 or 460-6552, or (800) 279-8208.

## Retreat planned in Hays

Rachel's Vineyard Ministry will hold a retreat Wednesday-Friday, May 3-5, in Hays for anyone affected by abortion.

"This retreat is not only for women who have had abortions, but for anyone affected by the loss of

abortion," said Donetta Robben, retreat director.

For details, call (785) 623-7531 or healing@soulcommunication.net. Registration deadline is Friday.

## Club News

### Club plans 4-H Days

By SAMANTHA ANDERSON

The Feb. 12 Stick-To-It 4-H meeting was led by Queen Anne Wasson. The roll call was, "What is a good Valentine gift to receive?" Most members kept it simple and said something like chocolates, candy, flowers, or stuffed animals.

There were 29 members present and 10 members absent. 4-H Days will be March 10 at 5 p.m. at the Oberlin Elementary School.

We had two guest speakers. Clay Anderson and Michael Wasson came to talk to us about the new livestock facility at the fair-

grounds. Three great programs were presented by Kade Brown, Kelly Brown and Jacob Larue. Kade spoke about golf and Kelly talked about wrestling. Jacob taught us how to make delicious energy balls.

Cassidy Shields and Cheyanne Soderlund led a song called, "Be My Valentine" to the tune of "You Are My Sunshine."

March 10 is a great opportunity to see some talented children. Some will be giving demonstrations, project talks, readings, or skits, and a whole lot of musical talent. This will show you another side of 4-H.

### Valentine gifts shared

Monday Evening Club members answered roll call at the Feb. 13 meeting by telling of the most memorable Valentine gift they ever received. They met at the home of Judy Ladehoff with Diane Frickey as co-hostess.

"Pampering Yourself" was the theme for the program given by Carol Morford and Sue May. They displayed Mary Kay cosmetic products, including lotions, creams, skin treatments and fragrances and told of their benefits.

A donation was made to the

Seeds of Hope Telethon and plans were made to operate the Sunflower cinema during the month of March.

Members will meet at 7:30 p.m. on March 13 at the Dresser in downtown Oberlin to view new spring styles. A meeting will follow at the home of Marcia Lohoefer. A speaker from Kansas Communities LLC will discuss the community surveys which have been distributed locally. Karol Styles will be assistant hostess and roll call will be to name a favorite spring flower.

### Soldier speaks to women

Randy McHugh was the guest speaker at the Feb. 15 meeting of Oberlin United Methodist Women.

He spoke about his experiences as a member of a National Guard Unit in Nebraska, which spent 16 months in Kuwait and Iraq. He showed slides of the landscape and living conditions, as well as the area in which the unit was housed. He also spoke about his assignment to New Orleans after the hurricane last fall.

Plans were made to host the

annual World Day of Prayer service at 2 p.m. on Friday, March 3. Members who are able are asked to bring a sack lunch to the church at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, March 1, for a kitchen and fellowship hall clean-up.

Devotions were given by Eris Young, who used a military prayer in closing. Refreshments were served to 18 members and four guests by Pat Wright and Marian Fraker from tables decorated in a patriotic theme.

### Valentine puzzles solved

Gerry Neff was hostess for the Feb. 13 Pi Alpha Club meeting and gave devotionals entitled, "Straight from Heaven with Love" and "Friendship is a Sheltering Tree."

Fifteen members were present and Pat Wright won the hostess prize.

The club will entertain and serve pie at 2 p.m. at the February birthday party at Decatur County Good Samaritan Center.

Mrs. Neff had planned an

evening of fun, as members were paired off to complete Valentine puzzles with Marty Olson and Pat Wright finishing first to take the prize. A card with an unfinished sentence challenged members for a truthful answer.

Refreshments were enjoyed from a beautifully decorated Valentine table and guests went home with a red or white bucket of treats and a heart puzzle to puzzle their families.

### Calico Gals enjoy pictures

Members of the Calico Gals and guests met at Wheat Ridge Terrace on Feb. 15.

The program was presented by Sharon Wurm, director of the Decatur County Museum, who shared early day pictures of

downtown Oberlin, and other pictures which brought back memories to those present. Lunch was served by the officers.

The next meeting will be March 15 at the home of Mary Waldo.

### Diabetes group meets

Diabetes Under Control met at the United Church on Feb. 14.

Members heard about diabetic shoes, which are therapeutic and can help prevent serious foot problems due to diabetes.

Mabel Zimmerman was hostess. Elsie Wolters distributed diabetic recipes. A get-well card was signed for Ken Sattler.

The next meeting will be announced later.

### Horticulture events scheduled

Kansas State University Research and Extension and its Master Gardeners will participate in several horticultural events:

Feb. 24: Kansas Farmers Market Workshop, Wichita, phone (785) 532-1440.

Feb. 24-26: Manhattan Area Garden Show, (785) 537-6350; Johnson

County Home and Garden Show, Overland Park, (816) 931-4686.

March 1-5: Wichita Garden Show, (316) 946-0883.

March 3-7: Lawrence Garden Show, (785) 843-7058.

Contact the Decatur County Extension office at (785) 475-8121.

## New Arrivals

### Grant Ryan Lincoln

Hannah and Ethan Lincoln have a new brother, Grant Ryan, born Jan. 26, 2006, at Mercy Regional Hospital in Manhattan. He weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long. His parents are Travis and Holly Lincoln, Wamego. Grandparents are Larry and Becky Ayers and Griff and Cindy Lincoln, Oberlin. Great-grandparents are Irene Ayers, Charles and Donna Lincoln, and Dr. Don and Rose Harrier, all of Oberlin, and Fritz Shuster,

Medicine Lodge.

### Riggs McCartney Kuhn

Ryan and Heather Kuhn of McPherson are the parents of a daughter, Riggs McCartney Kuhn, born Feb. 11, 2006. She weighed 6 pounds, 15 ounces and was 18 1/2 inches long. Paternal grandparents are Howard and Carolyn Kuhn, Topeka. Paternal great-grandparents are Lemoine Landau, Wichita, and the late Patty Landau, and Byron and Phyllis McCartney, Oberlin.

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and Grandma



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