

Couple sets June vows in country

Joy Eldridge of Oberlin and Mike Farr of McCook plan to be married on Saturday, June 10, at their new home in rural Culbertson, Neb.

The bride is the daughter of Sam and Christine Eldridge of Oberlin. She is a 2001 graduate of Decatur Community High School and is a senior at the University of Nebraska at Kearney.

Her fiancé is the son of Mitch and Candy Farr of McCook and a 1997 graduate of McCook High School.



Mike Farr and Joy Eldridge

He is the culinary engineer at the Looking Glass in McCook.

Infant baptism held Sunday

Corbin John Luck, son of Mark and Jessica Luck, was baptized Sunday, March 5, at the Oberlin United Methodist Church by Pastor Doug Hasty. Brian and Jennifer Allen were the sponsors. A lunch was served in the basement of the church following the service.

Those attending were Mark and Jessica Luck and Corbin, Wichita; Bob and Lynnette Luck, Colby; Jerry and Montine Alstrom, Larry Long, Nora Bearley, Kieth and Dor-

othy Alstrom, Gary and Becky Alstrom, Oberlin; John, Tara, Tate and Hannah Garcia, and Max, Bev and Isys Bearley, Hays; Bob and Sharon Bearley, Kensington; Sandy Allen, Amanda Allen, Jen and Brian Jones, Littleton, Colo.; James, Carrie and Hailey Allen, Lakewood, Calif.; Larry and Judy Bearley, Oakley; Nikki Amlong, Catherine; Don and Em Threlkel, Atwood; and Elma Lee Erickson, Herndon.

Duck stamp contest opens

Students in grades K-12 may enter drawn, colored and painted pictures of ducks, geese and swans in this year's Junior Duck Stamp program.

The art program is open to students in home, private, parochial or public schools. Money raised from the sale of the Junior Duck Stamp is used for conservation education and scholarships.

Rules, regulations, and entry forms are available from Lorrie Beck at the Great Plains Nature Center in Wichita by calling (316) 683-5499, extension 108, or by visiting

the website duckstamps.fws.gov. The program was created to help American youths increase their awareness and appreciation for wetlands and waterfowl. Last year, nearly 700 students from Kansas learned the importance of wetlands to waterfowl while participating in this nationwide program. The Coleman Co. and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service sponsor the program in Kansas. Ribbons, certificates and prizes are awarded to first-, second- and third-place winners and 16 honorable mention winners in each of the four age groups.

Music program at Oakley

"Gentlemen Prefer Blondes" will be presented at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 14, at the Oakley High School. It is sponsored by Western Plains Arts Association.

Set in the roaring 20s, it dramatizes the adventures of the fun-loving and hedonistic gold digger and chorus girl, Lorelei Lee, a role made famous on Broadway by Carol

Channing in 1949 and on screen by Marilyn Monroe in 1953.

It includes such melodies as "A Little Girl from Little Rock" and "Diamonds Are a Girl's Best Friend." The play is produced by Windwood Theatricals.

For ticket information visit www.wpaa.us.

Advocate training session set

There will be an education advocate training session from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Tuesday, March 28, at the Fire Station training room, 409 E Street in Phillipsburg.

Individuals who are employed by a school district or coop may not serve as an education advocate in that district. This also includes those school employees who are foster

parents.

To register or for details, call Kari, Alisa or Karen at Families Together Inc., (785) 233-4777 or (800) 264-6343 (toll free, for parents and adoptive/foster parents only).

The training session is provided by Families Together, Inc. through a contract with the Kansas State Department of Education.

Club News

Women plan quilting

Prairie Chapel United Methodist Women met on March 1 at the home of Phyllis Metcalf with Nadene Lafferty as co-hostess.

Vice President Lucille Townsend opened the meeting with devotions on peace. Roll call was answered by seven members with an Irish blessing. Items from the Prayer Calendar were read by Charissa Huff.

A Bible study was scheduled for March 5 at Prairie Chapel Church with the Oberlin church

also invited. This was previously scheduled for Jan. 15.

Quilt blocks were brought and the committee plans to start working on them. A celebration of the combined Hays and Dodge City districts will be held at a retreat at Camp Lakeside on April 28 and 29. Charissa Huff has the information and registration forms.

The next meeting will be at the home of Lucille Townsend with Patty Uehlin as co-hostess.

Club enjoys dutch treat

Pi Alpha Club enjoyed a Dutch treat dinner meeting at the Pizza Hut on March 27, hosted by Nora Bearley.

Thirteen members and one guest, Margaret McEvoy, were

present. Doris Sloan won the hostess gift.

The March 13 meeting will be held at Sappa Valley Manor with Joy Russell as hostess, assisted by Cecil Hess.

March wedding planned

Tiersa Glennemeier and Jonathon Counter of Oberlin plan to be married at 5 p.m. on Saturday, March 25, at the Lund Covenant Church. A reception will follow at 8 p.m. at The Gateway in Oberlin.

Parents of the couple are Bill and Betty Glennemeier of Norton, and Fred and Sandy Counter of Oberlin.

The bride is a certified nurse aide at Decatur County Good Samaritan Center in Oberlin.

Her fiancé graduated from Decatur Community High School and Kansas Technical College in Goodland in automotive technology. He is employed by the City of



T. Glememeier, J. Counter Oberlin.

New Arrivals

Lauden James Barrett

Justin and Amber Barrett of Colby are the parents of a son, Lauden James Barrett, born Feb. 27, 2006, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. He weighed 7 pounds, 6 1/2 ounces and was 20 inches long. He has a sister, Justice Barrett. Grandparents are Matthew and Eva Wills, Conway Springs; Jim and Diane Barrett, Oberlin; and Tamera and Ken Searls, Quinter.

Dashiell Kurtis Brown

Kurt and Valerie Brown of Quinter are the parents of a son, Dashiell Kurtis, born Feb. 17, 2006. He weighed 8 pounds, 10 ounces, and was 20 inches long. He has a sister, Millicent Christine, 3, to welcome him. Grandparents are Galen and Eleanor Augustine, Lenora; and Doyle and Kay Brown, Jennings. Great-grandmothers are Agnes Swank, Garden City; and Mildred Tacha, Jennings.

Morgan Beverly Peters

Dan and Sheryl Peters of McPherson are the parents of a daughter, Morgan Beverly, born at 1:39 p.m. on Feb. 1, 2006, at Memorial Hospital in McPherson. She weighed 8 pounds, 14 ounces and measured 22 inches in length. Grandparents are Marvin and Sharon Slabaugh, Oberlin; the late Beverly Slabugh, and Dave and Jean Peters, Olsburg. Great-grandparents are Glendon and Eula Barrett, Cottonwood Falls.

Senior citizens exercise program to be offered

As part of an effort to help Kansans of all ages take steps to improve their health, a new Healthy Kansas initiative program designed to meet the special needs of Kansas seniors will begin in Oberlin, starting April 3.

Carol Morford, Gary Sanden and Rhonda May were in Topeka last week for three days of training and were certified to be in charge of the free fitness program.

Plans are to hold the Kansas Seniors Together Enjoy Physical Success (STEPS) training three days a week in the back room of Golden Age Center. The classes will be from 9 to 10 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. The class will run for five weeks, then be repeated, so participants may also sign

up for upcoming classes. Oberlin, a Lifelong Community, is one of three in Kansas which received a grant for the program, the others being Great Bend and Topeka. Kansas Area Agency on Aging is also a partner in the program, which focuses on balance, coordination and physical strength. Several levels will be offered.

Participants must have a doctor's signature to participate. Registration will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. next Wednesday in the back room at Golden Age Center and complete information will be given at that time. Seniors, 60 or over, are encouraged to attend, including residents of Wheat Ridge Terrace, Good Samaritan Center and Cedar Living Center.

Rotary Radio is Sunday

Oberlin Rotary Club members will become radio deejays on Sunday when they host their seventh annual Rotary Radio Day fundraiser at KFNF 101.1.

Members will serve one-hour shifts beginning at 10 a.m., and ending at 7 p.m. They will read local business advertisements, play your favorite music, give weather and sports reports, and talk about what the club is doing locally and internationally.

With the support of the business community and others, funds raised will be used to support local and international projects. Local projects include: two \$750 scholarships for Decatur Community High School

seniors; annual dictionary giveaway to Oberlin Elementary School third graders; sponsor high school after prom party; and children's safety playpen at the baseball field.

International projects are: Polio Plus campaign, Tsunami relief, and Katrina and Gulf Coast states relief.

Those participating as deejays include: Herschel Betts and Buzz Matson; Jay Anderson and Joe Stanley; Charles Haag and Greg Lohofener; Doug Fair and Dan Nedland; John Bremer and Ralph Unger; Gary Fredrickson and Mark Olson; Doyle Brown and Lynn Doeden; Peggy Pratt and Rhonda May; and Gary Shike and Jim Hollowell.

Christian women to meet

Bobbie Eichenberger of Concordia will speak on the subject, "I Know How You Feel" at the McCook Christian Women's Club meeting on Friday, March 17, at the Best Western poolside, 612 West B Street.

It will begin with a continental

breakfast at 10 a.m. and conclude at 11:30 a.m. Featured also will be Renalle's Classic Hair Design, demonstrating the latest styles.

Reservations should be made by March 15 by calling Dollie (308) 345-4011 or Rose (308) 345-1191.

Art exhibit planned at Hays

The Hays Arts Council will sponsor the 37th annual Smoky Hill Art Exhibition from April 28 through June 2, open to any artist living in Kansas.

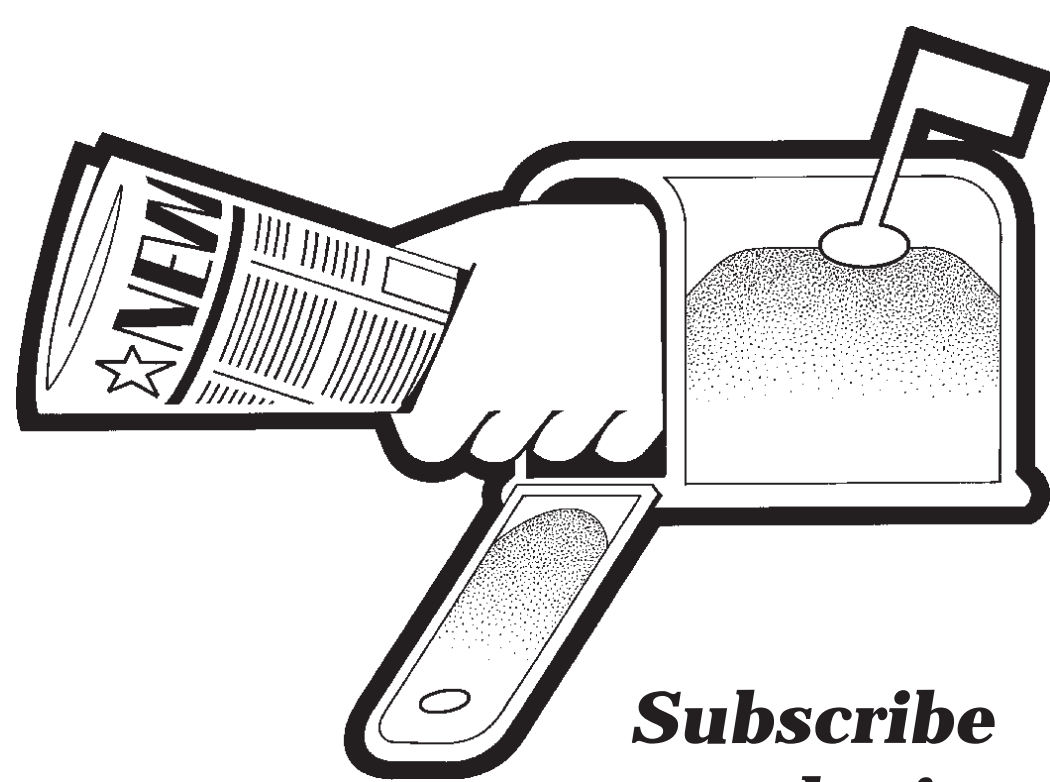
All original two- and three-dimensional works are eligible. Artists must submit 35 mm slides for preliminary judging. Entry forms,

fees and slides are due by March 9.

Paul Dorrell, founder and director of the Leopold Gallery, will serve as juror. Up to \$2,250 in cash prizes will be awarded.

For details or an entry form, call (785) 625-7522 or e-mail bmeder1038@aol.com.

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