

Beverly Alexander Lintz tells us that Glenn Alexander continues in good health and is ready to go any place she wants to take him. His new address is 13801 N. 560 E., Syracuse, Ind., 46567.

Beth Johnson sent in these corrections to her item on the Clason reunion in Oklahoma City. Shirley Clason Crammer was the oldest member present. Cathy's last name is Claussen. Beth's mother's name was Ruth Clason Rupp.

If you weren't at the Cardinal Bar and Grill on Friday July 14, here's what you missed: Bikers were guests of Bee Nelson from Thursday, July 13, to Saturday morning, July 15. Abby De Wald, Amande Barrett, Boo and Greg Rutledge, all of Los Angeles, make up the singing group "The Ditty Bop," and the ladies are the bikers. The group is biking from Los Angeles to New York to promote their new release, "Moon Over the Freeway," with booked performances along the way.

While in Norcatour the group gave an hour performance at the Cardinal Bar and Grill Friday evening, July 14, and were well received. Their next performance was to be at Lucas, then on to Lawrence, Kansas City, Mo., and Warrensburg, Mo., on their way to New York.

The three ladies left on their bikes at 5 a.m. Saturday, July 15, for Smith Center. Daniel Strevey accompanied them to Norton then returned to Norcatour before Greg left with their van to refurbish the ladies' water supply. A phone call Saturday evening to Bee reported they had arrived in Smith Center by 11 a.m. By van they traveled to the center of the United States and on to Clay Center for pictures with the

World's Largest Ball of Twine. These pictures, plus others taken along the route, will be used as backdrops for their shows. Bee thinks things are pretty quiet around her house again.

Birthdays: Greg Long, Mary Wentz, Oran Milner - July 20; Stan Miller - July 25.

"The weather at the Memorial Weekend celebration was so inclement that many people could not hear, and the main speech was cut short due to wind. Norman Roger Beachel's original speech follows:

"In 1865, Henry C. Welles, a druggist in the village of Waterloo, N.Y., mentioned at a social gathering that honor should be shown to the patriotic dead of the Civil War by decorating their graves.

"Townpeople adopted the idea wholeheartedly. Wreaths, crosses and bouquets were made for each veteran's grave.

"On May 5, 1866, civic societies joined the procession to the three existing cemeteries and were led by veterans marching to music. At each cemetery there were impressive and lengthy services.

"In 1965, a committee of community leaders started plans for the centennial celebration of Memorial Day. Their goals were "to obtain national recognition of the fact that Waterloo is the birthplace of Memorial Day through congressional action and to plan and execute proper celebration for such centennial observance.

"In May of 1966, just in time for the Centennial, Waterloo was recognized as the 'Birthplace of Memorial Day' by the United States government. While other communities may claim earlier observances of honoring the Civil War

dead, none can claim to have been so well planned and complete, nor can they claim the continuity of observances that Waterloo can."

A surprise birthday party was held for Helen McVay on Sunday. She lives at: 814 N. Wabash, Norton, Kan., 67654.

NORCATOUR MUSEUM

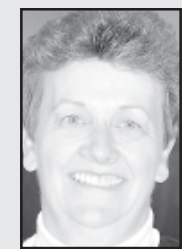
Dorothy Breiner and Gary Anthony brought in business pens; Dorothy Ward, key chains and a coaster; Tillie Shirley, a clear Norcatour Centennial pitcher; and Terry Cross donated a box of goodies including lots of pictures, school items, etc. Please note Chris Dempewolf is recording the items given to the museum differently now, so it may take a little longer to record them and get them displayed. There is also a form to sign.

The Norcatour Museum is open Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to noon. If you would like to visit on a weekend, please call the Norcatour City Office to set up an appointment.

If you are an alumni of Norcatour Rural High School and would like to look around at the school while here visiting, stop by the Norcatour City Office.

Vera Bishop remains hospitalized at Lutheran Hospital in Wheat Ridge, Colo. She was still under hospice care as of July 18, but planned to move to a nursing home soon. Mail will reach her at 11726 W. 74th Way, Arvada, Colo.

Summer heat can be a killer



Home Time

By Tranda Watts
Multi-county Extension Agent

tea or other caffeinated beverages. Tranda Watts is Kansas State University extension specialist in food, nutrition, health and safety for Decatur, Gove, Norton, Sheridan, and Trego counties. Call her at 785-443-3663 or e-mail twatts@oznet.ksu.edu. For more information, contact the county extension office, 475-8121.

Midway News

By Mary Lou Olson

Beverly Messerly and Anna of Sublette left Wednesday after visiting her parents, Wesley and Eulaine Benda, Gerald and Patti Benda and the Mark Olson family. Jim, Renae, Christa and Jamie Wolf of Minot, S.D., were Saturday supper and overnight guests of John and Ardythe Cederberg. They were en route home from Pueblo, Colo., where Christa and Jamie had competed at National Little Britches Rodeo last week. Diane and Megan Ruppert joined them for supper.

Connie Smith of Eden Prairie, Minn., arrived Thursday to visit the Wesley Benda family. She left Monday to join her sisters, Leanne Pike of Ashland, Shirley Maresch

of Nekoma, and Beverly Messerly of Sublette for lunch in Dodge City. En route home, she visited her mother-in-law, Dollie Romalewski, in Concordia.

Frank and Margaret McEvoy returned home Saturday from Havensville, where they had attended funeral services for his sister, Rosemary Sauvage, on Tuesday. They were accompanied home by his sister, Janet Lee of Anchorage, Alaska, who came for the services.

Mary Lou Olson took her grandsons, Tyler Witt and Kurt Olson, out for supper in McCook on Thursday to honor them both for their birthdays, belatedly.

Chamber News

By Glenva Nichols

Beach Party set for streets on Friday

Last week I thought the garage sales would float off, not because of the rain, but from the sweat. Hope the record-breaking heat wave is through. Friday did bring some moisture around us and the cool weather is welcome. The garage sales were off to a good start. You could find just about anything you needed or some treasures. Thanks to all who participated.

The Beach Party is coming Friday. Plans have shaped up and the barbecue grills will be heating up in anticipation of the cook-off. The winner overall will get \$100 scrip money from Raye's Grocery and Kirk Brown. There are five classes in which you can enter.

Rules are at the Chamber office, R & M Service and *The Oberlin Herald*. You can register at the Chamber, (785) 475-3441; R & M Service, 457-2177; or with Gary Walter at 475-3495. The Re-Load will be serving barbecued brisket with all the trimmings. The volleyball net has been inspected and is ready for use.

A homemade ice cream and pie benefit will be held Friday at the Business Enhancement Center drive-through. This is for expenses and mileage for the Urban family by his classmates, football mothers and friends. All of this will be followed by a street dance with music

by our local DJs. Hopefully there will be other things to do while you spend the evening on Main Street. Activities will start at 6:30 p.m. with the barbecue judging at 7:30 p.m.

The next thing coming up is the fair. Livestock are being all polished up, cookies and cakes baked, and the final pressing done on sewing projects. The photos and art have been put together and hopefully the heat hasn't baked the produce in the garden.

Coffee hour for August will be at Addleman Drug Store as Rusty and Sharon celebrate the 100th anniversary of the store. This will be Friday, Aug. 11, starting at 9 a.m.

The final fling before school starts is the Chamber/Oberlin Business Alliance/USD 294 annual picnic in the park. *The Oberlin Herald* will be holding its drawing for the shopping spree and other businesses are sponsoring. You will need to be present to win, so get your chair, table service and a covered dish ready. Call the Chamber office to reserve a piece of fried chicken to go with all the good food. You know, I think Decatur County has the best cooks around and it shows at all the potlucks.

Be sure to stop by and have a cup in the morning, as it is too hot for it in the afternoon.

Rexford News

By Vicki Allison

Tracy King Gilchrist has taken a position with the Natural Resources Conservation Services of the Department of Agriculture, out of Manhattan, and has moved. We will miss her and the community has appreciated all the work she has done as a member of Rexford Pride.

William Arasmith is home recovering after being a patient at the Hays Medical Center for a week.

Debra Gamboa and husband returned last week after spending a month in Mexico visiting and building a house.

A potluck dinner was held at the Rexford Community Church after the morning service with Esther Goossen as a special guest. She came each day last week for Vacation Bible School and visited about her work as a missionary in Brazil.

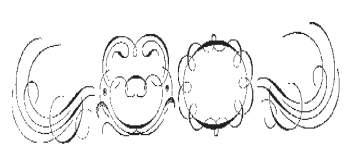
Edna Colson received word July 13 of the death of her sister-in-law, Esther Baker, on July 11. Roberta Colson took her mother to Kinsley for the funeral services on July 15. Happy birthday to Jeannette Bencken who celebrated on Tuesday. Gary and Karen Hibbs cel-

brated an anniversary July 18. At the Red Barn: Barnswallows met July 17. Those playing cards were Lawrence Horinek, Dick Sanford, Jean Hawkins, Grace Cheney, Deb Stepper and Lawrence and Mary Anne Juenemann.

The Come on Down card players on Thursday were Lawrence Horinek, Rex and Betty Carswell, Dick Sanford, Deb Stepper, Grace Cheney, Jean Hawkins and Charles Williams.

At Koffee Klatch on Friday were Evelyn Proffitt, Clea Moeder, Eunice Sanford, Deb Stepper, Liz Rall, Grace Cheney, Delores Dible, Doris Jean Oliver, Jean Hawkins and Vesta Roth.

Until next time, make your week a fun and memorable one.



'Building Character'

By Pastor Doug Hasty,

Oberlin and Prairie Chapel United Methodist churches

"For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all...." (II Corinthians 4:17)

The men's group in our church is using for their study Rick Warren's "Purpose Driven Life" on DVD and this last session was so good I want to share some of it with you.

Do you realize God has a purpose behind every problem? The Lord uses circumstances to develop our character. We face circumstances twenty-four hours a day so they are a good learning tool.

Jesus warned us we would have problems in the world. No one is immune to pain or insulated from suffering, and no one gets to skate through life problem-free. The Apostle Peter assures us that problems are normal, saying, "Don't be bewildered or surprised when you go through the fiery trials ahead, for this is no strange, unusual thing that is going to happen to you."

Because God is sovereignly in control, accidents are just incidents in God's plan for you. Because every day of your life was written on God's calendar before you were born, everything that happens to you has spiritual significance.

Romans 8:28-29 explains why: "We know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them. For God knew his people in advance, and he chose them to become like his Son."

To fully understand Romans 8:28-29 we should

consider it phrase by phrase. "We know": Our hope in difficult times is not based on positive thinking, or natural optimism. It is a certainty based on truths that God is in complete control of our universe and that he loves us.

"That God causes": There's a Grand Designer behind everything. Your life is not a result of random chance, fate, or luck. There is a master plan. History is His story. We make mistakes but God never does.

"Everything": God's plan for your life involves all that happens to you — including your mistakes, your sins, and your hurts. It includes illness, debt, disasters, divorce, and death of loved ones. God can bring good out of the worst evil. He did it at Calvary.

"To work together": Not separately or independently. The events in your life work together in God's plan. They are not isolated acts, but interdependent parts of the process to make you like Christ.

"For the good": This does not say that everything in life is good. Much of what happens in our world is evil and bad, but God specializes in bringing good out of it.

"Of those who love God and are called": This promise is only for God's children. It is not for everyone.

"According to his purpose": What is that purpose? It is that we "become like his Son." Everything God allows to happen in your life is permitted for that purpose!

So remember there is purpose behind every problem, and God is intent on developing your character. I have passed along a lot to think about, I hope it helps. Grace and Peace.



Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

OBERLIN SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH
785-475-3103
Fr. Henry Saw Lone,
MASS: 5:30 p.m., Saturday

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC, LEOVILLE
Fr. Henry Saw Lone
MASS: 8 a.m., Sunday

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, SELDEN
Fr. Henry Saw Lone
MASS: 7:30 p.m., Saturday

OBERLIN SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
Jim Martin
120 South East, Oberlin
SATURDAY: Sabbath School, 9:15 a.m.; Saturday Worship, 11 a.m.

JENNINGS-DRESDEN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH JENNINGS
Carrie Buhler, pastor
SUNDAY: Church School, 10 a.m. Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
DRESDEN
SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9:30 a.m.

PRAIRIE CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST
The Rev. Doug Hasty
SUNDAY: Church Services, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 8:30 a.m.

HERNDON IMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Pastor: Dennis Brown
SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9 a.m.

UNITED CHURCH OF OBERLIN
Pastor: Judy Strucker
109 North Griffith-American Baptist, Disciples of Christ, Presbyterian USA
SUNDAY: Adult Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Coffee: 10:30 a.m. - 11 a.m. Worship Service, 11 a.m. Choir practice every Wed. at 6:30 p.m. Holy Communion, 1st Sun. United Church Women, 2nd Wed at 2 p.m. Parish Council, 2nd Wed. at 8 p.m.

OBERLIN COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP (Southern Baptist)
Pastor: Fred Dycus
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m., AWANA Club 4-6 p.m. WEDNESDAY: Service, 7 p.m.

OBERLIN UNITED METHODIST
102 North Cass — 785-475-3067
The Rev. Doug Hasty
SUNDAY: Church School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m. (Nursery provided.) WEDNESDAY: Choir practice, 7:30 p.m.

CLAYTON UNITED METHODIST
Pastor: Kathy Aeillo
Almena
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.

OBERLIN ASSEMBLY OF GOD
The Rev. Royce Leitner
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Worship, 7 p.m. WEDNESDAY: Adult Bible study, 7 p.m. King's Kids, 6:30

p.m.; Youth, 8 p.m. Women's Group, 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 2 p.m.
OBERLIN CHURCH OF CHRIST
South Beaver Street - Oberlin
Bill Duncan — Phone 785-475-3259
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Hour, 10:45 a.m. WEDNESDAY: Ladies Home Bible Study, 9 a.m.

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC, HERNDON
The Rev. Damian Richards
Phone 785-322-5560
MASS: SUNDAY, 8 a.m.

HERNDON COVENANT CHURCH
Keith Reuther, Pastor
Phone 785-322-5316
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Bible study, 7 p.m.

NORCATOUR UNITED METHODIST
Pastor: Kathy Aeillo
Almena
SUNDAY: Worship Service, 10 a.m.; Church School, 10:30 a.m.

LYLE UNITED METHODIST
Carol Woodmanee, Almena
Lyle Lay Speaker
SUNDAY: Morning Worship 8 a.m.

EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH OF OBERLIN
The Rev. Heidi Wiebe
810 West Cedar, Oberlin
Office Phone 785-475-2769
SUNDAY: Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Fellowship Time, 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 11 a.m. WEDNESDAY: Bible Study, 7 p.m.

LUND COVENANT CHURCH
Pastor: Doug Mason
10 miles south, 4 miles west of Oberlin
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.; WEDNESDAY: Bible Study and prayer, 7:30 p.m.

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
510 North Wilson
Pastor: Rev. Rick Langness
Secretary: Norma Unger
785-475-2333

SUNDAY: Sunday School and Bible class, 9:15 a.m.; Divine Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; Holy Communion: 1st and 3rd Sundays; KICK, 3:45-5:30 p.m. each Wednesday. Foundations Bible Class, Thursday, 7-9 p.m.

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH
404 North York Avenue
Oberlin, Kansas
Rev. Charlotte Strecker-Baseler
Church Office Phone: 785-475-2053
SUNDAY: Worship, 9:30 a.m.; Fellowship and Educational Hour, 10:45 a.m. Holy Communion first and third Sundays. THURSDAY: Women's Bible Study second Thursday at 9:30 a.m.

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