

Church calls new pastor

Fred Dycus of Goodland is serving as pastor of the Oberlin Community Fellowship. He said he accepted the call to the church in January, but he and his wife still live in Goodland.

He said he is a Bible preacher focusing on word study in order to know the truth of the scriptures. He drives to Burlington, Colo., to work at the correctional facility and his wife works in Colby.

His family moved around when he was young, he said, because his father was in the Air Force. He said some of his greatest memories growing up were the four years he lived in Turkey, where he saw several Biblical sites. He said it was during one of those visits that he felt the call to preach.

Pastor Dycus said he attended Dallas Baptist University and Mid-

western Baptist Theological Seminary and has served six churches in the 30 years he has been in the ministry. He has been to Israel twice and reports it as being "awesome to see and walk the land of our Messiah." He has served during a Missionary Evangelical Conference in the Virgin Islands, as well as several mission trips and countless revivals.

"My wife and I are looking forward to the day we can move to Oberlin full-time," he said, "joining the community, supporting the schools and attending the sports activities."

Morning worship begins at 10:30 a.m. Sundays and an in-depth Bible study is held at 6:30 p.m. AWANA group is held for the kids at 4 p.m. The church is at the junction of North Penn Ave. and Frontier Parkway.



Fred Dycus

Selden postmaster named

Phyllis Ziegelmeier of Gem has been named postmaster at Selden, says Mark Kerschen of Hutchinson, manager of regional post office operations for the U.S. Postal Service.

Mrs. Ziegelmeier said she was born and reared in Colorado and married Pete Ziegelmeier in September 1979. They moved to Gem on May 7, 1980.

She was named relief postmaster at the Gem office in January 1987 and served as the of-

ficer in charge at Gem several times and in St. Francis for five months this year. She became postmaster at Gem on Aug. 20, 1994.

She and her husband have a son, Pete II, and they farm and have a cow/calf operation with her husband's brother, Warren.

"I look forward to meeting many new people, renewing some old friendships and doing my best to serve the postal needs of the Selden community," she said.



P. Ziegelmeier

Oberlin band to perform

The Oberlin Area Concert Band, under the direction of Neal Russell, will be featured during Heritage Days 2006 at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday at the Fox Theater in McCook.

Theme will be "The Music of World War II," a salute to the USO shows of that era.

Also performing will be the Heritage Singers, with an appearance of McCook's Andrews Sisters, and the McCook Piano Quartet.

Among band numbers will be "Washington Post March," "Gaslight Gaieties," "Hello My Baby," and "You Tell Me Your Dream."

Band members are Christie Morris, Rhonda May, flute; Pam May, Cheryl Metcalf, Brooke McCorkle, Kim Langness, clarinet; Joan Glading, Susan Nelson, Sharon Boling, alto sax; Lisa Smith, tenor and baritone sax; Robyn Rouse, bassoon; and Lonnie Weyeneth, Kelly Shields, Joanne Wendelin, Chen-niah Langness, Donnie McCorkle, trumpet.

Tickets, \$5 for adults or \$2 for children 12 and under, may be purchased at Addleman Drug Store in Oberlin or at the door.

Edgetts meet for reunion

The Cleave and Rosa (Glenne-meier) Edgett family met at the Rodney and Toni Metheny home in McPherson on Sept. 9 for a reunion with all of the children present except Norman, who was in Colorado hunting.

Hosts were Morris and Cecilia (Edgett) Metheny.

Those present included: Floyd Edgett, the oldest person there, and his daughter, Robin Edgett, Oberlin; and his son, Mike Edgett, Colorado Springs; Henry Edgett, Oberlin, and daughters, Roy and Diane (Edgett) Stutterheim, and Nyla (Edgett) Gebhard, Long Island; Louis and Ila Edgett, Americus; Morris and Cecilia (Edgett) Metheny, McPherson; Tim Metheny, Liberty, Mo.; Jim and Peg Metheny, Payton and Ashlie, Rodney and Toni Metheny and Moliann, Terry and Judi Metheny, Clarence and Vicki (Metheny)

Wing, McPherson; Micheal and Summer (Wing) Huffman, Jaylynn, Madison, Kindra and Devon, Canton; Nick and Holly Wing, Deeka, Caine and Atlanta, McPherson; Camine (Metheny) Wilson and Mark Weiden, Marquette; Roy and Rachel Carrothers, Owen and Leila, McPherson; Alberta (Edgett) Metheny, Norton; Sheryl (Metheny) Smith and Courtina Quillen Wright, Golden, Colo.; Deona Metheny Cook, Norton; Melissa (McAllister) Herren and D.J., Hutchinson; Ken Edgett and Lisa Disney, son of Norman and Bernice Edgett, Great Bend; and Gail Noel Barnes, Norman, Okla., daughter of Joseph Noel and a grand-niece of Rosa Edgett.

The next reunion will be held on March 11 at the Floyd Edgett home in Oberlin to celebrate his 85th birthday.



Jeffrey and Rebekka Anne Dudensing.

Couple wed in Herndon

Rebekka Anne Martin and Jeffrey D'Wayne Dudensing were married at 5 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 30, 2005, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Herndon. Officiating was Father Damian Richards.

Parents of the couple are Robert and Liane Martin, Herndon, and Kenneth and Rebecca Dudensing, Sweetwater, Texas. Grandparents are Ann Martin, Herndon, and the late August Martin; Raymond Kircher, Oberlin, and the late Eleanor Kircher; Helen Dudensing, Stamford, Texas, and the late Clement Dudensing; and the late A.F. and Sylvia Jobe.

Anikka Martin was maid of honor for her sister.

Michael Jones served as best man. Ushers were Mac Redmon, brother-in-law of the bridegroom; Matt Dudensing, cousin of the bridegroom; and Kirche and Nikolaus

Martin, brothers of the bride.

Jamie Redmon, sister of the bridegroom, was lector. Altar servers were Rodney Rippe and Jeff Riener. Organists were Theresa Rippe and Diane Sis, and vocalists were Adam Ketterl and Tim Rippe. Krishawna Farrington and Richard Rippe were eucharist ministers.

A dinner and dance followed at the Elks Club in McCook. Hosts were Aaron and Brenda Schilde, and Craig and Sarah Ellerback. Assisting were Debbie Dudensing, Joan Jobe and Peggy Jones, aunts of the bridegroom, and Julie Geisinger and Bette Martin, aunts of the bride.

The bride is studying for a doctorate in agricultural economics at Clemson University and her husband is completing military training. After a honeymoon to Charleston, S.C., they are living in Seneca, S.C.

Royal Neighbors hold convention in Oberlin

The Oberlin Royal Neighbors of America Camp hosted the Decatur County Convention on Saturday at The Gateway.

Mayor Ken Shobe welcomed delegates from McCook, Norcat, Rexford and Wilsonville.

Fraternal Training Coordinator Cindy Stewartson from the headquarters in Rock Island, Ill., spoke, telling about changes in the organization.

She said she enjoyed seeing the Golden Age Center and The Gateway, where many Royal Neighbor projects have been held, and was impressed with the beauty of Oberlin.

The Norcat camp conducted a memorial service for members who died during the past year, including Harriet Neal, Robert Weiser, Elizabeth Ann Perkins, Viola Tacha, Neva Jean Taylor, Helen Hen-

derson, Ray LaRue, Eva Marie Vacura, Florence Jones, Axie Sass, Donald Waterman and Roger Gross.

The McCook camp presented the initiation of new members. Each camp presented a number and the Norcat camp performed a short drill.

Those who had been members for 25, 50 and 75 years were recognized and pins were presented to the presiding oracle and recorder of the convention.

Proceeds from the coin offering were donated to the swimming pool project in Oberlin.

Names drawn for prizes included Eleanor Zumalt, Dorothy Woods, Marilyn Millbauer, Estella Waldo and Neoma Tacha.

Rexford will host the 2007 convention, to be held at The Gateway.



C. Stewartson

Rotary hears candidate

Bonnie Sharp, Democratic candidate for state insurance commissioner, spoke at the Sept. 12 meeting of the Oberlin Rotary Club at The Gateway. She was introduced by Steve Haynes, program chairman.

She said that the office was established in 1871 "for the people and by the people." Mrs. Sharp said the office goes beyond party lines and she believes that elected officials should be the voice of the people. The office regulates insurance, she said, and she wants to make sure that

people get the benefits they are due. She said she also is concerned about those who do not have health insurance.

The club will operate and serve the second week of each month at Sunflower Cinema, beginning Oct. 14.

Guests were Alex Storrie and Dick Harrison of Hawaii and Past District Governor Wayne Aten of Goodland. Junior Rotarians were Regan Badsy and Wendy Ashley from Decatur Community High School.

Club News

Supper opens club year

A salad supper on the deck of the rural home of Arian Arnold opened the new club year on Sept. 11 when 18 Monday Evening Club members and a guest, Deanie Moore, Florissant, Colo., met on Sept. 11. Assistant hostess was Roxie Erickson, who also presided over the business meeting which followed.

Vice President Kay Moon reviewed the new club books which include a meeting at Cedar Living Center in November when members entertain for those having birthdays; decorating a Christmas tree at the museum; and helping in the operation of Sunflower Cinema during the month of February.

Sue May presented a report from the theater meeting on projects and needs. It was agreed that

it would be helpful to parents if the advertisement which listed the upcoming movies also included ratings and themes.

Shirley Shields reported on the goals of the strategic plan which came from the meetings held last spring with Terry Woodbury, consultant.

Members signed up for projects in which they would volunteer to assist.

A farewell gift was presented to Roxie Erickson, who is moving to Manhattan.

The Oct. 9 meeting will be held at the home of Jody Betts with Laurie Wasson as co-hostess.

The program will be given by Jerald and Maria Sanden on their work as volunteers at Medora, N.D., at the south unit of Theodore Roosevelt National Park.

Auxiliary receives flag

President Angela Corcoran presented a certificate and flag which had flown over the fire station of the platoon in Iraq which the group adopted last year when members of the American Legion Auxiliary met on Sept. 13. Crystal (Corcoran) Mahan is a member of this platoon. Mrs. Corcoran also presented the history of the national anthem.

Three officers and two members were present. Devotions and prayer were given by Phyllis Metcalf, followed by the pledge of allegiance. Memberships chairman Carol Allen reported that 81

members have paid their 2007 dues. The goal set by the state department is 135. It was decided after a discussion that the president should get in touch with the Legion commander to get answers on several issues.

Projects for the next year were discussed and also getting members to attend the meetings. Thank you correspondence was read from the Calmery O'Neil Medical Center for donations for veterans and Sharee Dempewolf for her scholarship.

Hostesses were Mrs. Metcalf and Mrs. Corcoran.

Club enjoys salad supper

The Pi Alpha Club met Sept. 11 for the traditional fall salad supper, hosted by Eris Young on her beautiful flower-laden patio. Ila Ray was co-hostess to the 16 members and one guest, Vicky Ray, attending.

Devotions, given by Mrs. Young, recalled the terrorism and patriotism of the 9-11-01 New York attack.

Members responded to roll call by relating their summer happen-

ings. Gerry Neff thanked the club for the gift of a "50th anniversary" picture album, which she and her husband received from the club in observance of their anniversary on Aug. 21.

The evening concluded with a drawing for secret sisters. Joan Evans won the hostess gift.

Janette Votapka will host the Sept. 25 meeting with Pat Wright assisting.

Widows and Friends meet

Widows and Friends gathered for breakfast at the Corner Cafe on Sept. 13 to open the fall season.

Attending were Doris Sloan, Mildred Holmdahl, Eileene Grose, Norma Richards, Phyllis Screen, Dorothy Jackson, Esther Carlson, Louise Pollnow, Elaine Bryan, Connie Olson, Cecil Hess, Luetta Pollnow, Delphia Biggs, Mary Ann Amack, Millie Lippelman, Beth Sebaugh, Nadean

Stoney and Bertha Schwisow.

A trip to Colby is planned on Oct. 11 with an 11:30 a.m. luncheon at the China Buffet, which offers American and Chinese food. It will be followed by a visit to local attractions and shops as desired.

Arrangements for the luncheon and rides may be made by calling Doris Sloan at (785) 475-2445.

Club has surprise brunch

Zeta Nu Club met on Sept. 14 at the Oberlin Covenant Church for a surprise brunch.

Kay Moon gave a demonstration on fruit and vegetable sculptures. President Janice Winter conducted the meeting and 17 members answered roll call, then

read the club collect and gave the flag salute.

Lois Fredrickson discussed the constitution and Mary Waldo distributed copies of the new budget. Correspondence was read. The hostess gift was won by Mrs. Fredrickson.

Diabetes group meets

Diabetes Under Control met at the home of Elsie Wolters on Sept. 12.

Plans were made to participate in the Health Fair at Hoxie in October after the group received an invitation. Gerry Neff was a guest.

Mrs. Wolters presented information on Hg. Aic and explained what the normal Aic should be.

All members rated well with most having B or above.

Each was encouraged to get a 6 or lower and also were encouraged to eat more fruits and vegetables and exercise.

Bev Reiter was hostess and also distributed information on diabetes.

New Arrivals



Madilyn and Maddix Green

Madilyn Green Maddix Green

Malilah and Mason Green have a new sister, Madilyn, and brother, Maddix, born Sept. 11, 2006, at Hays Medical Center. Madilyn weighed 6 pounds, 6 ounces, and Maddix, 5 pounds, 12 ounces. Parents are Eric and Chris Green of Jennings. Grandparents are John and Linda Stanley, Oberlin; Kerry

Green and Hope Brown, Jennings, and Laura and Roland Washburn, Norton. Great-grandparents are Leroy and Leona Green, Great Bend. Great-great-grandmother is Nettie Britton, Plainville.

Amy Elizabeth Olson

Nathan and Patrick Olson welcome their new sister, Amy Elizabeth Olson, who was born at 3:17 p.m. on Sept. 13, 2006. She weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces and was 20 inches long. Their parents are Jon and Cindy Olson of Joliet, Ill. Grandparents are Dave and Marty Olson, Oberlin, and Brad and Rhonda Dooley, Long Grove, Ill. Alden and Macalene Olson, McDonald; Laverne and Leona Dooley, and Nola Hiland, Ottawa, Ill., and the late Thomas Hiland, are their great-grandparents.

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