

People in Our Community

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Murry and Audrey Pavlicek have been following their grandsons, Kollyn and Mark Schippers, during football season at Hoxie. They also recently visited in Wichita with Kelli and Daniel Butherus, Clay and Erin and watched Clay play soccer.

Dr. Douglas Fair attended the Kansas Chiropractic Association Fall Convention in Kansas City last weekend. In addition to board meetings and district meetings, education seminars included "Cause and Effects of Indoor Air: Posture Rehab, Methods of Documentation." The keynote speaker on Saturday night was Sandy Praeger, the Kansas insurance commissioner.

Calise Castle left Tuesday for Asheville, N.C., to make her home. She is employed by Cummins Tools. Her parents are Bob and Deanna Castle.

David and Sharon Summers of Colorado Springs were weekend guests of Roger and Angie Wilson and they all enjoyed the Mini-Sapa celebration at the Last Indian Raid Museum and Mini-Sappa Antique Thresher and Engine Show.

J. Lynn Lohofener of Atwood was honored at the Developmental Services of Northwest Kansas awards luncheon held recently in Hays. He received an award for employment achievements and greater independence for having been consistently employed in his community. He is the son of Deb Lohofener of Oberlin and a grandson of Ray and Phyllis Lohofener of Oberlin.

Winning highs in pinochle at Golden Age Center the past week were Max Carman, Elden Haas, Henry Edgett, Dorothy Moore, Veanna Carman and Wilma May. Lows went to Aleen Van Vleet, Doris Fringer, Elden Haas, Dewaine Stapp, Floyd Edgett and Doris Gilbert. Pitch highs were won by Henry

Edgett and Dorothy Moore with lows going to Barb Solko and Aleen Van Vleet. Bridge winners were Merle Shirley and Cynthia Matson. Senior potluck will be at 12:15 p.m. Sunday at Golden Age Center.

Doris Peterson of Atwood had lunch on Monday with Gail and Kay Marcuson.

Relatives who enjoyed lunch together on Monday at the Frontier Restaurant were Betty Butter, Arapahoe, Neb.; Ardess Cappel, McCook; and Mary Lemman, Myrna Wilson, Dona VanPelt and Audrey Pavlicek, Oberlin.

Lindsay Fortin and Kayla Sauvage, seniors at Fort Hays State University, were among students who participated in a program recently which was centered on two of Ben Franklin's handwritten letters in a hands-on experience for students studying elementary education. They are students from the Elementary Social Studies Methods class taught by Dr. Sue Jacobs, assistant professor of teacher education, who participated by interacting with and helping area fifth- and eighth-grade students.

Bob and Sharon Bearley of Kensington; Sandy Allen, Littleton, Colo.; and Larry and Judy Bearley, Oakley, visited Nora Bearley and Jerry and Montine Alstrom over the weekend. They all attended the Bearley family reunion in Atwood.

Logan Glaze, son of Mick and Linda Glaze of Oberlin, is a member of the Fort Hays State University Tiger Rodeo team, which kicked off its season from Sept. 29 to Oct. 1 with the Colby Community College chapter of the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association in Colby. He is a junior and participates in tie-down roping and team roping.

Problem traced in copter crash

The cause of a helicopter crash at the McCook Municipal Airport on Sept. 28 has been traced to a welded part which broke.

Ron Willocks, owner of Pawnee Aviation of McCook, said the break caused the prototype kit helicopter, which he and the pilot, Marvin May of Oberlin, were testing, to crash. He said that the restraint system worked, seat brackets bent to absorb the shock, and the main rotors, fashioned of high-tech carbon and glass

fiber, absorbed the energy as they struck the ground and collapsed.

"It did exactly what it is designed to do," he said. "The production run will now feature cast aluminum instead of the welded part which failed."

He said that he and Mr. May will put everything they learned in perfecting the wrecked helicopter into making the next one, which will start assembly in a couple of weeks, better from the beginning.

FFA chapter needs support

The Oberlin FFA plans a meeting at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 18, at the vocational building at the high school for all FFA alumni and others who would be interested in supporting this high school program.

Purpose of the meeting, said advisor Jason Ketterl, is to help gen-

erate ideas for fund raisers, program improvement and community involvement with the chapter.

Those who are interested, but may not be able to attend, are asked to call the school at (785) 475-2231 and ask for Mr. Ketterl.

Head Start plans health project

Decatur County Head Start will sponsor a health project at 6:30 p.m. Monday at the Oberlin Elementary School cafeteria, designed by the University of California at Los Angeles and supported by Johnson and Johnson.

The project is to help parents take care of minor illnesses and injuries at home and learn when it is necessary to take a child to the doctor. Parents will receive a book, "What to Do When Your Child Gets Sick"

and other health care items.

Bargain Box Plus is furnishing money to buy books for families that don't have a child in Head Start. Health professionals will be at the meeting to answer questions. Prizes have been donated by area businesses and Head Start. Babysitters will be available in the Head Start classroom.

For details, call Head Start at (785) 475-3935.

Church concert Saturday

Cal and Cindy Turner of Colorado Springs will present an "uplifting and motivating" concert at 7 p.m. on Saturday at the Oberlin Assembly of God Church and lead ser-

vices at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Sunday.

They said that the concert will include music, stories, gift giveaways and fun for all ages. The public is invited to the free concert.



HER BAG OF TRICKS contained a talking turtle and dancing flowers. Clown Kathy VanMeter kept the crowd laughing at a benefit potluck supper held Sept. 23 at the Lyle Community Building.

Lyle benefit draws crowd

By CAROLYN PLOTTS

Always a self-sufficient bunch, the people of Lyle take care of their own.

On Saturday night, Sept. 23, about 50 people gathered at the Lyle Community Building for a potluck benefit to help raise money to operate the building.

Jim Plotts sang a few songs, followed by musical numbers on the keyboard and kazoo by Montay Brown and Brooke Summer. Clown Kathy Van Meter entertained with her "talking" turtle, dancing flowers and Mexican marionette. Teresa Reves-Wood played two numbers on the hammer dulcimer and the Prairie Dogs, a bluegrass band from McCook, finished out the evening with guitar pickin', banjo playing and old-fashioned fiddle music.

The event raised several hundred dollars to help with the expense of operating the building, the center of life in the Lyle community, north of Norcaturn in the far northeast corner of Decatur County.

Sunday morning, the center houses worship services of the Lyle United Methodist Church; Wednesday the ladies of the church meet there to sew blankets for Spanish-American missions; and occasionally the Liberty Star Club or the Star Valley 4-H club holds a meeting there.

The hall always has been a community project. Around 1958, said

Gary Anthony, the 4-H Club was a bustling organization with more than 50 members.

Every month, the club would meet in the old Legion Hall building in Lebanon, Neb., just north across the border. Leaders decided the club needed its own meeting place and the Lyle community needed a building for events. Fundraising efforts bought the materials and volunteers provided the labor, and the club soon had a meeting place.

Over the years improvements have included indoor plumbing, kitchen facilities, a new metal roof and central air.

The original plan called for each family to contribute \$10 a year to the upkeep of the building, said Margaret Magers. That fee entitled each family to use the building anytime they needed for parties, family dinners or wedding showers.

That plan worked for many years, said Mrs. Magers, but the finances dwindled along with the population. Last year, the Liberty Star Club, a women's group formed in 1934, assumed responsibility for fund raising and agreed to act as treasurer for the Building Fund. The benefit was the second event held to raise money.

Club members said neighbors and many former residents enjoyed the potluck and thought the entertainment added to the fun.

Church plans benefit dinner

A fall harvest celebration is planned from 5 to 7:30 p.m. next Wednesday at the Oberlin Covenant Church, 810 W. Cedar.

The church is renewing its traditional fall turkey dinner and enter-

tainment is planned. The public is invited to join the congregation as they start the harvest season. The meal, with all-homemade food, is a benefit for the church, said Pastor Heidi Wiebe.

New Arrivals

Ella Marie Juenemann



E. Juenemann

Nolan Juenemann welcomes home his baby sister, Ella Marie Juenemann, who was born at 2:39 p.m. on Sept. 25, 2006, in Wesley Medical Center in Wichita. She weighed 4 pounds, 8 1/2 ounces and was 17 3/4 inches long. Their parents are Dustin and Tonya Juenemann of Leoville. Grandparents are Don and Helen Juenemann of Leoville and Lenny and Doris Fleckenstein of Jennings.

Katherine Elizabeth Keys



K. Keys

Katherine Elizabeth Keys was born Aug. 11, 2006, at St. Francis Health Center in Topeka. She weighed 7 pounds, 6 ounces and was 20 inches long. Her parents are Robert and Beverly Keys of Topeka. She has two brothers, Robbie, 3 1/2, and James, 2. Grandparents are Gene and Helen Gee, Oberlin, and Dr. Robert and Joyce Keys, Topeka. Ruth McQuinton, Oberlin, is her great-grandmother. Kenny and Colleen Gee, Oberlin, are her uncle and aunt, and Corky Garnhart, Oberlin, is her great-uncle.

Club News

Women hear tour report

Melissa Hasty told Oberlin United Methodist Women about the Methodist Educational Tour in which she participated when the group met on Oct. 4 at the church.

The 10-day bus tour, which included 40 girls and six sponsors, left Wichita in June and traveled in the southeastern states, where they visited Methodist-related colleges and institutions. They also participated in work-day projects in Little Rock, Nashville, Louisville, Red Bird Mission in Kentucky, and Wichita. A highlight of the trip was the tour of Mammoth Cave in Kentucky.

Guests were Myrtle Warner

and Sara Hasty. Devotions, based on II Thessalonians 2:16-17, on the theme of encouragement, were given by Eris Young.

The youth group will be serving a meal following church on Sunday. Plans were made to attend the Hays District meeting on Oct. 21. Eileene Grose, Marian Fraker and Jody Betts were hostesses.

Thank offerings will be collected at the Nov. 1 meeting and roll call will be answered by a scripture verse on being thankful. The lesson will be given by Violet Shaw and devotions, by Marian Fraker. Hostesses will be Judy Davis and Mary Waldo.

4-H club elects officers

The Star Valley 4-H Club met on Oct. 5 at City Park for a meeting and election of officers. It was decided that the club should go to church together for 4-H Week at St. John's Lutheran Church. Enrollment cards were handed around to be filled out and brought to the next meeting.

Elected officers were Britta

Noren, president; Chenaniah Langness, vice president; Sarah Langness, secretary; Matthew Helm, treasurer; Aaron Helm, reporter; Brittney Urban, song leader; Jacob Helm, recreation leader; David Noren, historian; and Sarah Langness, Britta Noren and Jacob Helm, 4-H council representatives.

Peace is program theme

Rowena Cathcart gave an inspiring program, "Peace that Surpasses Understanding" when eight members of Prairie Chapel United Methodist Women met at the church on Oct. 4. Charissa Huff and Angie Wilson were hostesses.

Mrs. Wilson opened the meet-

ing with the devotions, "God Says," followed by prayer. Prayer calendar items were read by Mrs. Huff and roll call was a Bible verse on peace.

Officers for the coming year will remain the same except for the nominating committee to which Coleen Rippe will be added.

Rotary hears about scams

Dr. Bonnie Lynch of the state Office of Securities Commissioner spoke at the Oct. 3 meeting of the Oberlin Rotary Club. She was introduced by Ralph Unger, program chairman.

After retiring as a teacher, principal, college professor and accreditation administrator, she said, she was asked by the securities commissioner to do presentations on investment fraud and abuse to civic and senior groups throughout the state. She said Kansas is ranked 28th in

the United States in scams due to the openness and honesty of most Kansans. She said people should call the commissioner before investing.

"If it sounds too good to be true," she said, "it probably is!"

It often takes up to two years to prosecute offenders in scam cases, she said, and the victim often has passed away by then.

Guests were Lauren Fortin and Chad Ely, junior Rotarians from Decatur Community High.

Annual Scavenger Hunt set

The 27th annual Scavenger Hunt will begin at 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21, at the Oberlin City Park band shell.

Participants are asked to bring a flashlight, envelope, pen, night gown, donut, basketball and egg. All prizes have been donated or purchased from Oberlin merchants and the first-place winner will receive a \$100 gift certificate from Raye's Grocery. A dance will follow at the Oberlin American Legion for all ages. The entry fee is \$5 per person and one bag of chips per team.

Everyone is invited to come out and join the hunt to keep the tradition going.

For details call Gerry or Theresa Tally at (785) 475-3781, Paul or Lacy Tally at 386-4328, Jenny Kasson at 877-3784; or Torrey Morford at 475-7103.

Childhood screening set

Early Childhood Screening for preschoolers will be offered by the Oberlin Elementary School and Northwest Kansas Educational Service Center staff on Monday, Oct. 23, at the Oberlin United Methodist Church.

All preschoolers up to age 5 who will not take part in the kindergarten screening are invited. Parents need to accompany their children through the process, which takes an hour to an hour and a half. Children will be screened for communication development, hearing and vision, cognitive development and motor skills.


Call the school at (785) 475-2122 to set up an appointment.

Annual Holiday Fair
Monday, Oct 16, 2006
5-8 p.m.
Golden Age Center
220 N. Penn
Oberlin, KS

The holidays are just around the corner! Looking for a gift? This is the place to do all of your holiday shopping.

- Stampin' Up
- Watkins
- Premier Designs
- Mary Kay
- Discovery Toys
- Beauticontrol
- Home Interiors
- Usborne Books
- Chloe's Charms
- Creative Memories
- Silpada Designs
- Pampered Chef
- Tupperware
- Home & Garden Party

Myrna Kelley
will celebrate her
90th Birthday
on Friday, Oct. 13, 2006.
An open house in her honor
is planned from 1 to 3 p.m.
Sunday, Oct. 22, at the home of
Eddie and Terri Anderson, 608
Main, Goodland, Kan. 67735



Cards can be sent to her
in care of Terri Anderson
at the above address.

Membership Drive Dinner
for the
**Oberlin American Legion,
Sons of American Legion
and Auxiliary Members**

Thursday, Oct. 19, 2006

Serving at 6 p.m. • Porkburgers, baked beans and cole slaw

Oberlin American Legion
114 S. Rodehaver — Oberlin, KS



The family of
**Geneva
Morford**
requests a Card Shower to
honor her
90th Birthday

Cards will reach her at:
RR2, Box 15
Oberlin, KS 67749



Happy 90th!