

# Norcatour News

By the Norcatour News Committee

Sympathy is extended to the family of Jeanette Craig Largon, who died Sept. 30. Graveside services were held Oct. 5 at Evergreen Memorial Gardens at Vancouver, Wash. Survivors include her husband, Jim; a son, Michael, and a daughter, Christine; and two sisters, Imogene Craig Alexander and Genevieve Craig Shuler. Her parents, C.W. and Alma Craig; three sisters, Stella, Lucille and Louetta; and three brothers, Wayne, Doyle and Virgle Craig, preceded her in death.

There will be a benefit potluck supper at 6 p.m. on Saturday at the Lyle Community Building to help with upkeep and utilities of the building. There will be music by Dwight Wood and his group, along with skits and readings. Everyone is welcome.

Senior Citizens will meet at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 2, at the Educational Building.

Birthdays include Lori Roe, Oct. 17, and Virgil Price, Oct. 20.

Vearl Sparkman and her two daughters went to Chickasha, Okla., where they met her sister,

Mary King; her son, Jim; Vearl's great-nephew, Jared; and her great-great-nephew, Joeie, who is 16, for the first time. They attended the Chapel School reunion in Lindsay, Okla., where she graduated from eighth grade. She won the prize for being the oldest person there. They also visited the farm where she grew up.

The Norcatour water tower is being painted.

The Lyle and Devizes histories are being written by Charles Keller, a former pastor at the Lyle and Norcatour United Methodist churches. Part of Mrs. Beebe's responsibilities was home missions. Knowing cold winter months were coming and many Lyle settlers were destitute, she applied to Methodist Home Missionary Service for all the warm clothing they could send. Clothes arrives in barrels and were distributed according to need. Other history can also be found in Pastor Keller's writings.

Megan and Blake Hillebrand hosted a 25th wedding anniversary party and dance for their parents, Frank and Susan Hillebrand, on

Saturday at the Eagles Club in Norton.

Bee Nelson, Mary Leslie, Oran and LaVerne Milner and Dorothy Ward attended the benefit spaghetti dinner for the city building roof repair, which was served by the Decatur Chamber of Commerce. Bee Nelson, Dorothy Ward and LaVerne Milner also attended the Clayton church supper and bazaar.

Ted and Ethel Hansen will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on Oct. 28. Their address is Box 3595, Mesquite, Neva., 89024.

Barbara Price Thrush, formerly of Norcatour, is receiving hospice treatment and mail will reach her at St. John's Hospice, 1320 Everest Court, Lakewood, Colo., 80215.

The museum is looking for obituaries of people who are buried at the Norcatour and Lyle cemeteries, especially after Sept. 1, 1998, as the cemetery book that Olive Keener put together is being updated.

They may be sent to Norcatour Museum, Box 89, Norcatour, Kan., 67653, c/o Chris Dempewolf.

# Wellness Fair set for Oct. 27

The Sheridan County Health and Wellness Fair is being planned this year for Saturday, Oct. 27, from 8 a.m. to noon at the Sheridan County 4-H Building in Hoxie. Many educational booths will be available as well as tests, shots, and other screenings.

The Wellness Fair is again being sponsored and organized by the Sheridan County Health Complex and by the Sheridan County extension office. Please save this date on your calendar and plan to attend this year.

A light lunch is being planned, and the ever-popular door prizes will be a big part of the Wellness Fair. One of the very popular providers at the fair is the Sheridan County Health Complex lab. Technicians will be ready to draw your blood to get various types of information for you. Blood draws will include the chemistry panel, the lipid panel, and the hemagram for \$25; a PSA screen for \$20; a TSH (thyroid) screen for \$15; and a C-reactive protein screen for \$10.

Participants will be asked to fast for 12-14 hours minimum for the lipid, chemistry and hemagram panels. Fasting is not necessary for other tests.

Bring your medical cards with you to the fair for use by the Sheridan County Health Complex and to have in mind the type of tests you might need.



## Home Time

By Tranda Watts  
Multi-county Extension Agent

Consider visiting with a family doctor before the Wellness Fair, to learn which tests might be most beneficial for you.

For further information about the Wellness Fair, please contact the Sheridan County extension office at (785) 675-3268 and ask for Tranda, or call the Sheridan County Health Complex at (785) 675-3281 and

ask for Kim. 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.



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## Midway News

By Mary Lou Olson

Congratulations to J.R. Ginther, who took top honors on several horses at the National Foundation Quarterhorse Show held at the Expo Center in Salina from Thursday to Sunday. His wife, Carrol, accompanied him.

J.R. showed the stallion, Mr. Cisco Buck, which he raised from a colt and he placed first in his class in the 4- to 10-year-old stallions. He was also judged grand champion overall.

J.R. also entered a yearling stallion, Ben Marc, owned by him, and won the yearling stallion class. Another stallion, Rhondo Skit, owned by Joel Shaw of Oberlin, placed second in the yearling stallion class. The stallion, Premium Buck, owned by J.R., won the Get of Sire. Premium Punky, a weanling owned by J.R., was second in the weanling filly class. There were over 1,000 entries during the show, which has been moved to Salina from Oklahoma City.

Eli John Holle, infant son of Orrin and Beth Holle, was baptized during morning worship services on Sunday at the Herndon Covenant Church. Pastor Keith Reuther officiated and sponsors were Clay and Jennie Anderson.

Relatives attending included Kevin and Mary Holle, Herndon; Howard and Suzanne Wehrman, and Gwen Batchman and family, Sylvan Grove; Fran and Violet Holle, Atwood; Larry Holle, Conifer,

of Larry and Deb Marks and family in Mulvane. Colo.; and Shelly Holle, Chanute. A birthday party at the Orrin Holle home Sunday afternoon honored their other son, Henry, on his second birthday. Joining the above group as guests were LaVern and Carolyn Holle of Agra, and Clay and Jennie Anderson.

A large crowd enjoyed the Swedish smorgasbord Saturday evening at the Herndon Covenant Church.

Kathy Frisbie of Monument, Colo., was a weekend guest of her mother, Daisy Schmidt.

Weekend visitors of Esther Noren were Ken and Alice Robson of Ellsworth.

Dave and Sherry Bergling returned home last Tuesday from a 10-day Mexican Riviera cruise on the Dawn Princess ship.

Carol Fink of Wamego visited her mother, Norma Anderson, over the weekend. She accompanied Nancy Ellis of Topeka to Oberlin and she spent the weekend with her mother, Joy Votapka.

Weekend visitors of Wesley and Eulaine Benda and the Mark Olson family were Daryl and Shirley Maresch, Nathan, Jenna and Tim, Nekoma; Bev Messerly, Sublette; and Sarah Olson, Manhattan. They all enjoyed the smorgasbord.

Dale and Maryanne Bishop are visiting her mother, Dolores Benda. He recently retired as a pastor and they have moved to Montana.

Bob and Sally Olson were houseguests from Wednesday to Friday

of Larry and Deb Marks and family in Mulvane.

## "Why did Jesus die? - The partition of sin"

By Pastor Doug Hasty - Oberlin and Prairie Chapel United Methodist churches

For the last three weeks I have used this space to try and answer the question, "Why did Jesus die?"

I have explained it in terms of God's great love for you and me, and the problem of sin. Isaiah 53:6: "We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all." This verse claims that everyone has chosen to ignore God and go our own way.

We have rebelled against God and His ways, but our sins have been laid on the Messiah, God's anointed One, His only Son. I have stated that the Scriptures talk about sin in four ways: the Pollution of Sin, the Power of Sin, the Penalty for Sin, and today I want to talk about the Partition of Sin.

On a smaller scale we can see the partition of sin at work in a family. Two siblings get in a fight and they go two days without speaking a word to each other - there is an unseen barrier between them. Their relationship has been harmed until they seek some kind of reconciliation.

In the same way the partition or separation is there when you sin; it begins now. The prophet Isaiah proclaimed, "Surely the arm of the Lord is not too short to save, nor his ear too dull to hear. But your iniquities have separated you from God; your sins have hidden his face from you, so he will not hear" (Isaiah 59:1-2). The things we do wrong cause this barrier.

The fourth solution to the problem of sin is seen in the image that comes from the home. We saw that both the root and the result of sin was a broken relationship with God. The result of the cross is the possibility of a restored relationship. Paul says, "God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ" (II

Corinthians 5:19).

The partition of sin has been destroyed. What happened to the prodigal son can happen to us. We can come back to the Father and experience love and joy and blessings. The relationship is not only for this life: it is eternal.

Let me try to illustrate what God does for us through Jesus Christ. Let's say I am standing in front of you and hold out my right hand with my palm turned upward. My open palm represents you and me all our family and friends. But because of sin there is a barrier over us that blocks our relationship with God. Let's say that barrier is represented by a book I would then place on my right hand. The book is a record of all our sins.

Then I put out my left hand with my palm turned upward and say that it represents Jesus. When Jesus went to the cross, he removed the book of sin that was a barrier for you and me and placed it upon himself. Because the barrier has been removed from my right hand, you and I have free access to God, and there is now therefore no condemnation. We are free.

Now because Jesus lived a perfect life and never sinned, his sacrifice pays the penalty for our sin, and He rises to new life in the resurrection and there is no separation between Him and the Father. Everyone can be reconciled to God, if we accept his free gift.

One day we will be with the Father in heaven; we will be free from the pollution of sin, free from the power of sin, and the penalty of sin, and the partition of sin, but also from the presence of sin. God has made this possible through His self-substitution on the cross because He loves you!



## Decatur Health Systems

By Othelia Vacura

The specialty clinic addition is nearing completion. Please watch for the open house date and try to work it into your busy holiday schedule. This expansion of our facility will make consulting with a visiting specialist much more comfortable.

It's time again for influenza vaccinations. Beginning this week, flu shots will be available at the county health department, the hospital and at your family physician's office. Please protect yourself, your family and others by deciding to get a preventive flu shot.

From October through March, which is flu season, be especially aware of washing your hands often. Unwashed hands are the No. 1 cul-

prit in spreading infection. Coughing or sneezing into the crook of your elbow rather than into your hands also prevents the spread of colds and flu.

It's almost Halloween, and every year at this time the residents at Cedar Living Center look forward to seeing all sorts of costumes. The third graders will give their annual Halloween program in the afternoon. Spooks of all ages are invited to visit anytime during the day, but especially after the Trick or Trunk Parade downtown, when Cedar Living Center residents will be prepared to hand out treats. Plan to make Cedar Living Center one of your stops on Halloween afternoon.

## Selden News

By Jacques Boultinghouse

The Selden Public Library is open every Monday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and on Wednesday evening from 6:30 to 8:30, as volunteers are available. Anyone wishing to volunteer may do so by contacting Judy Rogers or any of the board members.

Birthdays and anniversaries: Oct. 5 - Greg McKenna, Clara Schieferecke, Nick Kaus, Casey Boultinghouse; Oct. 6 - John Geisinger; Oct. 7 - Lad Truetken, Darren Juenemann; Oct. 9 - Cheryl Schlenk, Jesse Juenemann, Mary Ann Juenemann; Oct. 10 - Jerrie Robinson; Oct. 12 - Everett and Doreen Shuler; Oct. 14 - Maryse Schlenk; Oct. 17 - Jeremy Shaw; Oct. 18 - Todd and Jerrie Jacobs; Oct. 19 - Chris Murphy, Michael Shaw, Casey Shaw, Joe and Cathy Broeckelman; Oct. 20 - Renee Spresser, Orba Smith, Loran Schultz; Oct. 21 - Fred Mumm; Oct.

23 - Kory Koerperich; Oct. 24 - Vickie Sulzman, Scott Anderson; Oct. 25 - George Wessel, Yockey Jones; Oct. 26 - Julia Otter, Jacques Boultinghouse; Oct. 27 - J.R. Albers, Sam Shuler; Oct. 28 - Dawson Spresser, Zane Pauls; Oct. 29 - Chris Springer, Jack McKee; Oct. 31 - Paula McKenna, Anna Albers Johnson, Gannon Spresser; Nov. 1 - Jason Geisinger.

The Golden Plains Bulldogs met the Weskan Coyotes during Friday night football action. Golden Plains came out ahead 30-12. This was the Golden Plains Bulldogs' last home game.

On Thursday at Senior Citizens, Shirley Emigh won high, Bernita Aumiller took second, Ann Haziitt got low and had the most kings. Other members present included Helen Karls, Leone Porsch, Edna Schiltz, Paulie Neff, Jeanie Spresser, Carol Shaw and Lola Cook.

## Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

**OBERLIN SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
785-475-3103  
Fr. Henry Saw Lone, MASS: 10:30 a.m., Saturday

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC, LEUVILLE**  
Fr. Henry Saw Lone  
MASS: 5:30 p.m., Sunday

**SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, SELDEN**  
Fr. Henry Saw Lone  
MASS: 10 a.m., Sunday

**OBERLIN SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH**  
Mike Larson  
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: Judi Stricker  
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: Ray Gilstrap  
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, 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship, 11 a.m. Youth Group, 4 p.m.

**NORCATOUR UNITED METHODIST**  
Pastor: Ray Gilstrap  
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  
SATURDAY: Worship, 7 p.m.; 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.

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