



Mark and Sarah Bricker

Couple exchanges vows in Sappa Park

Sarah Reif and Mark Bricker of Oberlin were married at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 27, 2007, at Sappa Park near Oberlin.

A private family double-ring ceremony was held with Rev. Charlotte Strecker-Baseler officiating.

Parents of the couple are Duane and Debbie Reif, Hoisington; Jan Bricker, Oberlin, and the late Jim Bricker. Grandparents are Mayette Keith and Dorothy Reif, Hoisington.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore an elegant ivory silk chiffon gown featuring a scattered beaded floral design, finished with a three-quarter sleeve sheer bolero jacket with scalloped trim and beaded detail. The headpiece, created by Anne Beck, was made of small ivory flowers and pearls. She carried a bouquet of autumn flowers.

Matron of honor was Carey Kennedy, Topeka, sister of the bridegroom.

Best man was Shane Reif, Lindsborg, brother of the bride.

Ringbearers were Joe and Maria Kennedy, Topeka, nephew and niece of the bridegroom.

The bride is a 2001 graduate of Hoisington High School and a 2005 graduate of Bethany College, Lindsborg, where she received her Bachelor of Arts in instrumental music education. She teaches instrumental music to grades 5 through 12 in Oberlin. She is the co-founder of Kansas for Kids Fighting Cancer Foundation.

The bridegroom is a 1989 graduate of Decatur Community High School and a 1994 graduate of Fort Hays State University where he received his Bachelor of Science in physical science. In 1996, he received his Master of Science in physical science. He teaches physics and chemistry in Oberlin, as well as teaching through Colby Community College. He is also engaged in farming.

The couple will make their home in Oberlin. A reception is planned in the spring.

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People in Our Community

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Justin Pachner recently returned to the police department in McCook after 18 months of duty in Iraq. He had been with the department five years before his deployment. He is the son of Jeanne Pachner of Oberlin and the late Roger Pachner.

Norma Richards is recuperating at the Decatur County Hospital from knee replacement surgery, which she underwent at Community Hospital in McCook last Monday.

Jim and Linda Hollowell were visited by Belton Smith of Orlando, Fla. The men attended Pueblo Junior College and were members of the track team.

Eldon Smith returned home Saturday after spending three weeks in Traverse City, Mich., with his sister, Gladys Schichtel.

Karen Metcalf returned home recently from Washington, N.C., where she visited her uncle and aunt, Walter and Letha Honea, and their daughter, Nancy Adams. She accompanied her cousin, Gwen and Charlie Estep, to Washington, D.C., and Williamsburg, Va., on a sightseeing trip. They also visited another cousin, Jenny Lockhart, in Fredricksburg, Va.

Houseguests of Phyllis McCartney last weekend were her sister, Avis and Melvin Beneda, and daughter, Judy Swisher, Holton; Jerrilee Bender and Madison, Oklahoma; Janette and Bill Smitham, Will Smitham, and Debra and Nate Luther and Sophia, Denver. Additional weekend visitors were Monica Minary, Ashlyn and Alyssa, North Platte, Neb.

Winning highs in pinochle at

Golden Age Center the past week were Wilma May, Doris Fringer, Aleen Van Vleet, Max Carman, Merle Shirley, Barb Solko and Kelva Dryden. Lows went to Elden Haas, Aleen Van Vleet, Doris Fringer, Wilma May, Henry Edgett and Ivis Hanson. Pitch highs were won by Barb Solko and Floyd Edgett with lows going to Henry Edgett and Elden Haas. Bridge highs were won by Cynthia Matson, Carol Shirley, Charlotte Meints and Phyllis Lohofener. There will be open bridge at 1 p.m. Thursday. Senior potluck begins at 12:15 p.m. Sunday at Golden Age Center.

Clara Russ and her daughter, Julie Cunningham, went to Thornville, Ohio, on Saturday and they were accompanied home on Monday by their daughter and sister, Ruthie Longhenry and children, Kylie, Jeffrey, Sam, Levi and Moreh, who will visit until Thanksgiving. Her husband, Jeff Longhenry, will come for Thanksgiving and they will accompany him home.

Renee McEvoy visited several days with her grandparents, Frank and Margaret McEvoy, and family.

Dennis and Darlene Agan visited over the weekend with their son, Ryan Agan, 22, who remains in the intensive care unit at Good Samaritan Hospital Kearney, Neb. He suffered injuries in a motorcycle accident near his home in Hastings, Neb., on Oct. 25, but his father said he is showing good improvement.

Vickie Enfield, Bev Klein and Dorothy Avery of Norton attended the piano and violin program presented by Stanton Nelson at The Gateway Sunday afternoon as guests of Jody Betts.



Bradley and Lindsay Blake

Couple marries in South Carolina

Lindsay Haynes and Bradley Blake of Augusta, Ga., were married at 4 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 6, 2007, in an outdoor ceremony in front of a grove of trees at the Rye Patch reception center in Aiken, S.C.

The Rev. Tobby Hagler officiated at the double-ring ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Steve and Cynthia Haynes, Oberlin, and Jerry and Roberta Blake, Naperville, Ill.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore an off-the-shoulder, floor-length gown fashioned with a fitted bodice and full skirt. The short train had beading on the edges and down the back. Her bouquet was of calla lilies, irises, Gerber daisies and wheat.

She wore her mother's floor-length, multi-tiered veil and a cameo gold bracelet that had been worn by her great-great-grandmother at her wedding in the 1800s.

Felicia Haynes, Augusta, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Elsie Haynes, Emporia, cousin of the bride; Katherine Blake, Naperville, Ill., sister of the groom; and Angelia Spell, Augusta. They wore long dresses in matching apple red and carried bouquets similar to the bride's.

Nik Wilets, Augusta, brother-in-law of the bride, served as best man. Groomsmen were Harsha Vemulapalli, Augusta; R.J. Diepenbrock, Miami; and Lacy Haynes, Lawrence, brother of the bride.

The groom, best man and groomsmen wore tuxedos with vests and ties to match the bridesmaid's dresses.

Ushers were Amy Nguyen, Boston, and Amanda Meigs, Augusta.

A buffet reception followed on

the lawn at the Rye Patch, an old southern farm home now part of a city park. The bridal table was centered with a three-tiered pound cake with buttercream frosting, and a chocolate bridegroom's cake with ganache and chocolate shavings. The bride's mother served the cake.

The bride is a graduate of Decatur Community High School. She earned a Bachelor of Science in education in 2001 from the University of Kansas and a Master of Library and Information Science degree from the University of South Carolina in Columbia in 2005. She is information services coordinator at the Medical College of Georgia library in Augusta.

The bridegroom graduated from Naperville North High School and received a Bachelor of Science in journalism and a Bachelor of Arts in computer science in 2003 from the University of Missouri, Columbia. He is a software engineer for Morris Digital Works in Augusta.

After a honeymoon to Rome and Paris, the couple is living in Martinez, Ga., just outside Augusta.

Out-of-town guests for the wedding included Dr. Ken and Chris Haynes and Michael, Redding, Calif.; Doug Haynes, Elsie and Barbara, and Daryl and Barbara Blaylock and Andy, Emporia; Rick and Marie Cairns, Concordia; Phyllis Thompson, Augie and McKenzie, Phoenix; Jed and Jenny Harris and family, south Florida; Greg McDowell and Amy, Scottsdale, Ariz.; Amy and Nhat Nguyen, Boston; Austin and Amanda Wyman, Joanne Hognlund and Kim Smith, Chicago; and Mandolin Veerkamp and Vchenna Orji, Lawrence.

Club News

Women decorate tree

Prairie Chapel United Methodist Women met at the home of Patti Uehlin on Nov. 7.

President Angie Wilson opened the meeting with a thought and prayer, followed by devotions by Coleen Rippe. She read a story from the book, "Grip of Grace," followed by prayer.

Mrs. Rippe, Charissa Huff and Mrs. Wilson attended the district meeting at Norton and reported

an interesting meeting. A tree will be decorated at 10 a.m. on Thursday at the Last Indian Raid Museum.

Mrs. Huff gave an interesting program, "World Thank Offering, Sustainer of Life."

The December meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Wilson with members bringing goodies. Lucille Townsend will give the program, "Advent Christmas."

Assistant director named at museum

Michelle Hollars has been hired as assistant director at the Last Indian Raid Museum in Oberlin. She replaces Liane Martin of Herndon, who recently resigned to spend more time with her family.

Mrs. Hollars said she was born and reared in a small town in California where she met her husband, Johnny. They were married in 1989 and have three children: Shane, 16; Elizabeth, 10; and Emily, 6.

"We lived in Sacramento, where city life was getting a little too crazy," she said. "My brother-in-law and his wife have lived in Dresden for about four years and when my mother-in-law, Barbara Mullen, came to visit, she fell in love with Oberlin and decided to retire here with her husband, Tom. We were soon to follow.

"Our family moved to Oberlin over a year ago and we have enjoyed becoming a part of this great community. Johnny works at RAS Cabinetry, formerly Cabinetland. My son Shane works at Raye's

Grocery and my daughters are active in Girl Scouts. We are active members at the United Church of Oberlin and also enjoy playing music and gardening in our spare time. We also have a few classic cars that we are restoring."

Mrs. Hollars said she started at the museum last March as the cleaning lady and fell in love with all the history here.

"I enjoy my new job as assistant director and I'm learning so much every day," she said. "My favorite project is the house file. I have been identifying unknown pictures of houses and studying their histories."

"I'm also going to be updating pictures of the homes around town," Mrs. Hollars said, "so if anyone sees me out taking pictures of their home, they'll know why. If anyone knows any history about their house, I would love to hear about it so I can add it to the file," she said.

"Please stop by the museum so we can get acquainted," she said.



M. Hollars

Arts, craft show next week at The Gateway in Oberlin

Oberlin's annual Holiday Arts and Crafts Show will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 24, at The Gateway, sponsored by the Oberlin Arts and Humanities Commission.

This will be the first year home-based name brand businesses will join the crafters displaying and sell-

ing their wares, said organizer Mary Henzel, and nearly 70 booths have registered. Lunch will be offered by The Gateway staff and babysitting will be provided. Donations for babysitting will be appreciated.

Drawings will be held during the day for items donated by vendors. There is no admission charge.

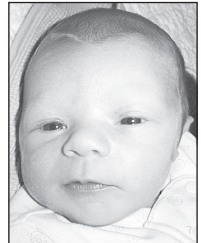
New Arrivals

Gideon Ritchey White

Aaron and Sarah White of Norton are the parents of a son, Gideon Ritchey, born Oct. 29, 2007, at 5:09 p.m.

He weighed 5 pounds, 15 1/2 ounces and was 19 inches long.

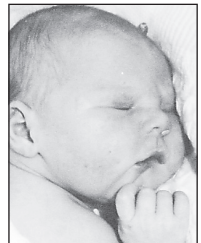
Grandparents are Hal and Marilyn White, Kingsdown, and David and Judy Ketterl, Herndon. Great-grandparents are the late Clarence and Anna Mae Ketterl, the late John and Maxine Howard, the late Kenneth and Avis White, and Laura Stewart, Zenith, and the late Ritchey Stewart.



G. White

Harmony Anne Wilson

Chris and Keely Wilson of Kearney, Neb., are the parents of a daughter, Harmony Anne, born Nov. 1, 2007, at the Good Samari-



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tan Hospital in Kearney. She weighed 8 pounds, 13 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long. She has a sister, Julie Beth.

Grandparents are Charles and Sandy Kincaid, Norton; James and Kimberly Witt, Oberlin, and the late Julie Witt.

Great-grandparents are Evelyn Wilson, WaKeeney; Eugene and Beverly Witt, Danbury; Larry and Carolyn Schultz, St. Francis; and Keith and Mary Lou Olson, Herndon. Great-great-grandmothers are Martha Schultz, St. Francis, and E.J. Query, Bird City.

Hannah Rian Grace

Ryan and Corey (Rhodes) Grace of Wamego are the parents of a daughter, Hannah Rian, born Sept. 10, 2007.

She weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces and was 20 inches long. She has a brother, Noah, and a sister, Ava.

Grandparents are Jerry and Lisa Rhodes, Norcatour, and John and Rita Grace, Topeka.

Great-grandparents are Ron and Jerry Temple, Norcatour; Bud and Helen Rhodes, Jennings; and Mary

Benefit planned in Clayton

A benefit auction and soup supper will be held on Sunday at the Clayton Community Building to help Laura (Shaw) Robinson pay medical expenses. The meal will be served at noon, followed by the auction at 1:30 p.m.

Mrs. Robinson, a patient at Wes-

ley Hospital in Wichita, is on a heart transplant list.

Anyone who wants to donate baked goods, supplies for the supper or door prizes or for the auction should call Ruth Chambers at (785) 202-0979 or 470-7664, or leave items at 803 N. First in Norton.

Woman honored on 90th

Edna Mott was honored by her family with an open house for her 90th birthday on Sunday at the Golden Age Center.

Hosts were her son-in-law, George Sayer, Lexington, Neb., and her grandsons, Gary Sayer and friend, Lori, Lexington; Greg and Andrea Sayer, Tyson, Dillon and Amelia, Cambridge, Neb.; and Glenn and Tonya Sayer, Andrew, Carl and Madison, Gothenburg, Neb.

Others present included Pat Wright, Wilma May, Rusty and Sharon Addleman, Martin and Evelyn May, Millie Lippelmann, Lois Lamb, Nadean Stoney, Rita Garver, Opal Bryan, Sharon Slabaugh, Phyllis Metcalf, Ann Gallentine, Everett and Dorene Shuler, Patty McIntire, Carol Allen, Jacob

Koerperich, Delores Koerperich, Phyllis McCartney, Nadeane Haag, Lori Edwards, Marilyn Horn, Connie Moore, Crystal and Jamie, Carol Wasson, Dewaine Stapp, Pat Fringer, Don and Ann Mines, Marie McKisson, Timmarie Sporn, Elsie Wolters, Julie Gallentine, Dante Robertson, Tami Shaw, Laurene Bryan Van Otterloo, Phyllis Screen, Doris Fringer, Dorothy Moore, Elaine Bryan, Ila Ray, Mary Ann Amack, Marilyn Horn, Marianna Bendon and Cecil Hess.



Families meet for reunion

The Farber-Keith family reunion was held at the home of Emery and Delores Kathka in McCook on Sept. 29 and 30.

The group enjoyed visiting, taking pictures, looking at family history and a white elephant gift exchange. The traveling picture went to Noreen Jumps of McCook and the traveling elephants to Jackie Miller of Grand Island, Neb. They are to be brought back to the next reunion next June 28 and 29, also to be held at the Emery and Delores

Kathka home in McCook.

Present besides the Kathkas were Noreen Jumps, Richard Farber, McCook; Shirlee Calahan, Sidney, Neb.; LeVerna Petersen, Jackie Miller, Grand Island, Neb.; Randy and Bonnie Stoppkotte, Alda, Neb.; Judy and David Weiland, Lincoln, Neb.; Howard Kenfield, Carrie, Adam, Andrea and Ashley Keith, Nettie Schneider, Ogallala, Neb.; Jimmy and Jeannene Keith, Phoenix; Dennis Kathke, Danbury; and Duane Kathka, Arapahoe, Neb.

Planning a Wedding?

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