



Home Time  
By Tranda Watts  
Multi-county Extension Agent

team members are by looking at this display. Sixteen of the teams have reported walking half way across Kansas which is where they should be as of April 9. These teams and the miles walked are as follows:  
Roadrunners, 564 miles; Kansas Kick Hers, 413 miles; Walking Wild Women, 412 miles; Changing Challengers, 382 miles; City Slickers, 344 miles; Young and Restless, 339 miles; Fat Burners, 336 miles; Git'er Done, 290 miles; Decatur Professional Women, 280 miles; Senior Steppers, 279 miles; Good Sam Angels, 272 miles; Cranky Cruisers, 259 miles; Clinic Walk 'abouts, 259 miles; Friday Friends, 257 miles; Healthcare Huffin' Hoofers, 254 miles and Freeman's Fast Walkers, 233 miles.  
Increased consumption of fruits and vegetables is also encouraged. The top five teams which are eating the most fruits and vegetables (5 cups are recommended daily) are:  
Changing Challengers, first; Senior Steppers, second; Roadrunners, third; Young and Restless, fourth and Walking Wild Women, fifth.  
Participants are encouraged to keep up the good work by continu-

ing to take steps to improve your personal health.  
If you have further questions, please feel free to contact your local K-State  
Research and Extension Office or e-mail twatts@oznet.ksu.edu.  
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Prairie Land Food Pak pick-up day will be Saturday, April 26 at 8 a.m. at the United Methodist Church Educational Building.  
The Third Annual City Wide Garage Sale will be from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 10. Sign-up sheets are at the post office, bank and city building. Any questions call Twila at (785) 693-4203 or Sherrie at (720) 838-0430.  
Birthdays and anniversaries: Margaret Magers, April 8; Dennis Shirley, April 10; Jerry Temple, April 12; and Frank and Velda Ward, April 14.  
Larry and Terri James celebrated their anniversary on Saturday, April 5, at Colby with Lori Milnes of Oberlin. They enjoyed the good food at Montana Mike's.  
Senior Citizens met on April 4 with 17 players present. Winners were Eleanor Jensen, Claudia Bridges and Bee Nelson. The next meeting will be at 1:30 p.m. Friday in the Educational Building.  
Results of the pool tournament at the Cardinal Bar and Grill on April 2, were: Larry Lively, first; Dave Stapp, second; Chuck Forbes, third; Fred Molzahn, fourth. Results of darts tournament were: Round 1, Kristi Gallentine, first; Alyssa Montgomery, second. Round 2, Kristi Gallentine, first; Alice Barnett, second. Cricket - Sam Stapp, first; Patty Stapp, second.  
Sympathy is extended to the family of Ernest L. "Pete" Hoppes, a World War II veteran. Inurnment services were held on April 1 in the Norcatour Cemetery.  
Gwynn Ward and Bee Nelson

visited their cousin, Jay Griffith at Whispering Pines in Norton on April 4. They also saw Lula Hix, Betty Reid, Pansy Price and Carmen Lesh.  
Bee Nelson accompanied Dorothy Ward to visit her daughter, Lora Linn Lechlitter, at Hays Medical Center on Sunday. Her daughter, Lila Freshment, is staying in Hays, to be near her mother. A granddaughter, Laci Lechlitter, Rodney and Ronald Lechlitter have all taken turns staying with their grandmother and mother. Lora Linn is still on the respirator, but gradually being taken off of it. She is still in intensive care unit and has been since entering the hospital on March 22, so visiting is limited.  
Weekend guests of Dorothy Ward were her daughter-in-law, Paula Ward and granddaughter, Diana Ward of Denver. They had also visited Lora Linn Lechlitter in Hays.  
Laci Lechlitter had lunch with Grandpa R.D. Thornton last Wednesday at the Good Samaritan Center. Sharee and M.J. Dempewolf had supper with him on Friday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Streit were Sunday visitors of R.D. Thornton. The Streits brought lunch and took R.D. to Don and Laverne Allmer's house in Oberlin for lunch. While there, they all enjoyed watching old home movies. Lynn and Ralph stopped at the Doug and Chris Dempewolf home later, before returning home to Larned, Kan.  
Mr. and Mrs. Stan Miller left on April 4 and went to Great Bend,

where they met Mr. and Mrs. Casey Tuttle, El Dorado and friends, Mr. and Mrs. Cloyd Ikenberry, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Tuttle and Drew Tuttle, Quinter, and Bethany Weishapl, Colby, to attend wedding festivities on Saturday, of a friend, Tori Neuforth and Chris Stukey of Salina.  
En route home on Sunday, the Millers visited Mr. and Mrs. John Rule Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Jason Rule, Elliot and Payton in Hays. Carol also went to visit her folks, Mr. and Mrs. John Rule Sr. in Clayton.  
**MUSEUM TIDBITS**  
Thanks to the following for the items that were donated: Brian and Pam Simonsson for the "Time to Remember" history book; Norcatour Grain for the picture of the Lyle baseball team; Bob and Anita Montgomery for the basketball shorts, band uniform pants, basketball shirt, football shirt, cheerleading uniform, letters with pins, music letter, all from Norcatour Rural High School, homecoming queen crown from 1952, baseball uniform with O.G. Bell Insurance information on the back, Reager baseball shirt, Norcatour IOOF lodge tie, and for the newspaper articles.  
What do you have in your closet that can be added to the museum? Don't forget the museum when making your donations. Your donations help bring Norcatour items home.  
The tornado whistle will be tested on Mondays at noon, year round. The whistle is alternating blast. The siren will not be tested if there is threatening weather.

Herndon News  
By Voni Sattler

The community extends sympathy to the Ginther families and Christine Dean in the loss of their loved ones, Ava Grace Ginther, and Bob Dean.  
Get well wishes are extended to Don Grafel and Jean Huss, who both underwent recent surgeries.  
Ann Solko and Esther Pennington attended the regional music competition in Oberlin.  
Don Pettera of Mesa, Ariz., came Thursday to visit his mother, Edie Pettera at Cedar Living Center in Oberlin and other relatives and friends.  
Kent and Chris Wood joined Don, Les and Myrna Pettera for pizza at the B.S. Cafe in Herndon on Saturday evening.  
Myrna Pettera hosted a party honoring the April birthdays of Esther Pennington and Julie Hafner. Others present were Chris Wood, Ann Solko and Voni Sattler.  
Myrna Pettera and Chris Wood were Sunday afternoon visitors of their aunt, Esther Pennington.

Don and Les Pettera were brief visitors.  
Sunday evening, Don, Les and Myrna Pettera and Voni Sattler ate dinner at Roger's Bar and Grill. Les and Myrna left for their home in Loveland, Colo., on Monday.  
Lucy Evans of McCook spent the day with her mother, Ann Martin. Pat Glebe of Stratton, Neb., was a brief visitor Saturday evening of her Aunt Ann.  
Visitors the past week of Frank and Beth Hraha were her children and grandchildren, Kenny and Stacey Chartier, Doug and Bethany and friend, Lindsey of Newnan, Ga; Cindy Cohn, Ben and Josh, Colorado Springs; Bob Chartier, Ozawkie, and Gerard and Cheryl Green, Emily and Matthew, Rosalia.  
Steve, Carlos, Pat, Vince, Mike, Brandon and Dale, all of Colorado, visited with Ken and Chris Wood at the pool hall over the weekend. They were here to hunt turkeys and work on their house.

Jennings News  
By Louise Cressler

Stan and Ramona Shaw and Wilfred and Alice Wagoner are happy to announce the arrival of their great-grandson. Noah Matthew Wagoner was born prematurely on April 9, 2008, at Freeman Hospital, Joplin, Mo. He weighed 2 pounds, 3.3 ounces and is 14 inches long. His parents are Rosa Ward and Brandon Wagoner, Neosho, Mo. Grandparents are Kevin and Colleen Wagoner, Sharon Springs and Danny and Cindy Ward, Neosho, Mo. Great-great-grandmother is Carol Shaw, Selden. Brandon reports his "little guy" is doing good, but will be in the hospital approximately six to seven weeks.  
Terri Hanke, Tom Votapka, Brecken Rowh and Mary Votapka went to Phillipsburg Saturday to meet Tim and Lori Votapka, Kildeer, Ill.; Nancy Diacon, Houston, Texas; and Mark and Cindy Judd and Amanda, Great Bend, at the Pizza Hut for lunch. The latter group, all children of the late Bill and Phyllis

Votapka, had been to Stockton to attend the funeral of Ben Niermeier, 87, formerly of Ludell, on Friday.  
Galen and Meme Carper went to Liberal Saturday to visit Shirley Jones Martinez who is very ill. Meme and Shirley grew up together in the Dresden community, went to school together and have kept in touch through the years.  
Because of stormy weather in Burlington, Colo., where B & H Paving is now working, they will not be in Jennings filling street cracks on April 16 or 17. It will be 10 days to two weeks before they will work here.  
Jennings received some much needed moisture last week. Reports from 1.25 inches to 1.75 inches have been received.  
Mary Votapka received a new address for Joyce Kolsky, formerly of Jennings. She has moved into an assisted living, Winchester Meadows, 3701 W. 10th St. Apt. 227; Sedalia, Mo., 65301.

Rexford News  
By Vicki Allison

The city-wide clean-up was canceled due to the 4 inches of wet snow the area received on Thursday and Friday. The snowflakes were huge as it began to snow Thursday. The weather was the cause of the time change a year ago also. Mayor Allison said that "hopefully, Friday, April 18, will work out." The city will pick up branches, tree limbs, yard waste and appliances without freon and other items residents want to get rid of (No grass clippings, painted or stained wood or tires will be picked up).  
Those celebrating a birthday this week include Joan Dingwerth, the 7th and Brandy Gilbert, Marjorie

and Darrell Leh, the 9th.  
Red Barn on-going activities: Monday, Barnswallows, 2 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m., Ladies Bible Study and 8 p.m., Men's Bible Study, led by Pastor Lane Purcell; Come on Down, Thursdays, 2 p.m.; and Friday's Koffee Klatch at 9:30 a.m. Bingo is the second Saturday, 7 p.m., of each month.  
Until next time, make your week memorable.

Internet tonight.  
475-2206

Jesus Drives Me Crazy  
By Rev. Ray Gilstrap, Almena, Clayton and Norcatour United Methodist Churches

Grace and peace to you in the name of Christ. My prayer for you today is that you will continue looking for ways to "Go Nuts for Jesus Christ," because your faith drives you crazy with love.  
In his book, "Jesus Drives Me Crazy," Leonard Sweet writes, "Jesus wants to drive you crazy. In fact, the fundamental identity of a NUTS disciple is this: Someone who is crazy in love. . . with God, with life, with the world. There is nothing that makes you more passionate, more obsessed, or more crazed than being in love. We can't love God first. God first loved us. (1 John. 4:19) But NUTS disciples are lunatics for love - the first to love others.  
Why does this sound haywire? Because popular culture has used this metaphor of "crazy" to help normal people bring life to a boil. I grew up listening to Patsy Kline's "Crazy." Paul Simon's "Still Crazy after All These Years" is a testimony I want sung at my funeral. My kids introduced me to Aerosmith's song "Crazy," and though I try hard to rid my ears of the ringing, I can still hear Brittany Spears sing "You Drive Me Crazy."  
The aim of discipleship is a love relationship with God and life. We are to love others more than ourselves, but in that craziness that the world promotes, we have become a "Me First Culture." I received an e-mail from a friend the other day that asked the question: "What would happen if we treated our Bible like we treat our cell phone?" Here's part of what he said: "What if we carried it around in our purse or pocket? What if we flipped through it several times a day? What if we turned back to go get it if we forgot it? What if we used it to receive messages from the

text? What if we treated it like we couldn't live without it? What if we gave it to kids as gifts? What if we used it when we traveled? What if we used it in case of emergency?"  
The technology we live with today has so consumed our lives with "Me" that we've lost track of the values system that enables Godly priorities in our lives. And the most important question becomes: How can we regain a Godly sense of values and witness it to others?  
Sweet quotes novelist/priest Fred Buechner, "If the world is sane, then Jesus is mad as a hatter and the Last Supper is the Mad Tea Party. The world says, Mind your own business; and Jesus says, There is no such thing as your own business. The world says, Follow the wisest course and be a success; and Jesus says, Follow me and be crucified. The world says, Drive carefully, the life you save may be your own; and Jesus says, Whoever would save his life will lose it and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. The world says, Law and Order; and Jesus says Love. The world says, Get; and Jesus says, Give. In terms of the world's sanity, Jesus is crazy as a coot, and anybody who thinks he can follow him without being a little crazy too is laboring less under a cross and more under a delusion."  
Does thinking about such things make you wonder if Jesus really wants to drive you crazy? Do you have the guts to go NUTS for Christ? Try turning your thinking around with the old platitude, JOY.  
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Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

<p><b>OBERLIN SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH</b> 785-475-3103 <b>Fr. Henry Saw Lone,</b> MASS: 10:30 a.m., Sunday</p> <p><b>IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC, LEOVILLE</b> <b>Fr. Henry Saw Lone</b> MASS: 8 a.m., Sunday.</p> <p><b>SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, SELDEN</b> <b>Fr. Henry Saw Lone</b> MASS: 5:30 p.m., Saturday</p> <p><b>OBERLIN SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH</b> <b>Mike Larson</b> 120 South East, Oberlin SATURDAY: Sabbath School, 9:15 a.m.; Saturday Worship, 11 a.m.</p> <p><b>JENNINGS-DRESDEN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH JENNINGS</b> <b>Carrie Buhler, pastor</b> SUNDAY: Church School, 10 a.m. Morning Worship, 11 a.m. DRESDEN SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>PRAIRIE CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST</b> <b>The Rev. Doug Hasty</b> SUNDAY: Church Services, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 8:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>HERNDON IMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> <b>Pastor: Dennis Brown</b> SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9 a.m.</p> <p><b>UNITED CHURCH OF OBERLIN</b> <b>Pastor: Judi Stricker</b> 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 Sun. at 9:45 a.m. Holy Communion, 1st &amp; 3rd Sundays. United Church Women, 2nd Wed at 2 p.m. Parish Council, 2nd Sun. following Worship</p>	<p><b>OBERLIN COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP (Southern Baptist)</b> <b>Pastor: Fred Dycus</b> SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m., AWANA Club 4-6 p.m. WEDNESDAY: Service, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>OBERLIN UNITED METHODIST</b> 102 North Cass — 785-475-3067 <b>The Rev. Doug Hasty</b> SUNDAY: Church School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m. (Nursery provided.) WEDNESDAY: Choir practice, 7:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>CLAYTON UNITED METHODIST</b> <b>Pastor: Ray Gilstrap</b> Almena SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.</p> <p><b>OBERLIN ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> <b>The Rev. Royce Leitner</b> SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Worship, 7 p.m. WEDNESDAY: Adult Bible study, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>OBERLIN CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> South Beaver Street - Oberlin <b>Bill Duncan — Phone 785-475-3259</b> SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Hour, 10:45 a.m. WEDNESDAY: Ladies Home Bible Study, 9 a.m.</p> <p><b>ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC, HERNDON</b> <b>The Rev. Galen Long</b> <b>Phone 785-322-5560</b> MASS: SUNDAY, 8 a.m</p> <p><b>HERNDON COVENANT CHURCH</b> <b>Keith Reuther, Pastor</b> <b>Phone 785-322-5316</b> SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship, 11 a.m. Youth Group, 4 p.m.</p>	<p><b>NORCATOUR UNITED METHODIST</b> <b>Pastor: Ray Gilstrap</b> Almena SUNDAY: Worship Service, 10 a.m.; Church School, 10:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>LYLE UNITED METHODIST</b> <b>Carol Woodmanee, Almena</b> <b>Lyle Lay Speaker</b> SUNDAY: Morning Worship 8 a.m.</p> <p><b>EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH OF OBERLIN</b> <b>The Rev. Heidi Wiebe</b> 810 West Cedar, Oberlin <b>Office Phone 785-475-2769</b> SUNDAY: Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Fellowship Time, 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 11 a.m. WEDNESDAY: Bible Study, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>LUND COVENANT CHURCH</b> <b>Pastor: Doug Mason</b> 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.</p> <p><b>ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> 510 North Wilson <b>Secretary: Norma Unger</b> 785-475-2333 SUNDAY: Sunday School and Bible class, 9:15 a.m.; Divine Worship Service, 8 a.m.; Holy Communion: 1st and 3rd Sundays.</p>	<p><b>FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> 404 North York Avenue Oberlin, Kansas <b>Rev. Charlotte Strecker-Baseler</b> <b>Church Office Phone: 785-475-2053</b> 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.</p>
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