



Dusty and Tracy Sprague

Couple exchange vows at chapel in Nebraska

Tracy L. Keeling, formerly of Oberlin, and Dusty R. Sprague, Hastings Neb., were married on Saturday, April 5, 2008, in a private ceremony held in the Jones Chapel of First United Methodist Church, Hastings Neb. Pastor Alan Davis officiated at the double-ring ceremony.

Joy Davis provided musical selections. The altar was adorned with Kansas sunflowers, wheat and cream colored tulips.

Attending were: Jason Berry, Salina, son of the bride; Donna Sell, Cummings, mother of the bride, Tammy Wilson, Devon and Logan, Nortonville, sister of the bride; Zachary Sprague, Hastings, Neb. son of the bridegroom; Barbara Gobbs, brother of bridegroom, Dawn Sprague, Jake and Briana,

Kearney, Neb.; sister of the bridegroom; Sharon Martin, Riverdale, Neb., and aunt of bridegroom, Donna Parr, Roseland, Neb.

Following the ceremony, the couple hosted a luncheon reception at the Landmark Plaza Back Rib Lounge in Hastings.

The bride graduated on May 17 with her Masters of Science in Nursing with an emphasis on Nursing Education from Fort Hays State University and will begin post-graduate work this fall. Her husband has completed his Stephen Ministry training and also his lay-ministry training with the First United Methodist Church.

They are living at 731 N. Briggs Ave., Hastings, Neb., 68901. A honeymoon trip is planned for late fall of this year.

Woman earns college degree

Hillary McShea graduated Magna Cum Laude from the State University of New York at Geneseo on Saturday. She received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology.

She was one of 15 Presidential Scholars in a graduating class of about 1100 seniors. This distinction "recognizes the highest level of accomplishment in academic study and community service, including athletics, creative endeavors and co-curricular activities. Presidential Scholars represent and reflect the ideals of the university and serve as ambassadors for the college throughout the year."



Hillary McShea

She also received the Psychology Department's Donald DeMott Community Service Award.

She plans to move to Fairfax, Va., this fall, to pursue her postgraduate degree at George Mason University.

Attending her graduation were her parents, Gary and Jody Shike of Oberlin; her mother Patty Morton of Wichita, and her grandparents, Rex and Billie Morton of Sahuarita, Ariz.

A reception was held at her home in Rochester Saturday evening. Eric and Cindy Scott, Zach, Meredith and Courtney Tucchini attended the reception.

Poppies available on Friday

Poppy Day will be held in downtown Oberlin on Friday and poppies will also be available at the cemetery on Monday.

For over 80 years, the American Legion Auxiliary has distributed the bright red memorial flowers to the public to remind them that millions of Americans have sacrificed their lives and health to keep our nation strong and free.

The first poppies were distributed in 1921 and were made with silk by French war widows and orphans. By 1931, making of poppies by veterans became a small business

and was found to be very therapeutic and the veterans were paid a small sum for each poppy made.

The poppies are never sold but are given in exchange for a small contribution.

Which over the years has generated more than \$2 million for veteran rehabilitation and help for their families.

From the first poppies made of silk to the ones now made of crepe paper, Poppy Day simply says "Remember and wearing a poppy is a personal statement which simply says, "I Care."

Piano students will perform

Five piano students of Mary Henzel will play in a mini recital at 2 p.m. on Sunday at the Oberlin Covenant Church.

They include: Cerys Davies, daughter of Gareth and Lisa Davies;

Isaac Carman, son of Kendal and Amy Carman; Andrew Wade, son of Brad and Linda Wade; and Danay and Daisy Rhein, daughters of Bryan and Donna Rhein. The public is invited.

*Awards given to students

(Continued from page 8A) Perfect Attendance Awards:

Freshmen: Jacob LaRue, Nolan Peters, Dakota Soderland.

Sophomores: Stephanie Bruggeman, Jessica Fredrickson, Christian Rittman.

Juniors: Lucas Juenemann, Alyssa Rippe.

Seniors: Lacey Ream. Stuco Scholarship Pins: (3.4-3.9 each of the first three weeks)

Freshmen: Tiffany Anderson, Bret Ashley, Nakita Bose, Rhianmon Davis, Jordan Dreher, Jacob Helm, Joseph Hirsch, Sara Kyte, Jacob LaRue, Tim Larson, Rachelle

Scott, Dakota Soderland, Chad Williams.

Sophomores: Brandi Diederich, Jessica Fredrickson, Ashley Horton, Kira Meitl, Mary Olson, Adrienne Pauls.

Juniors: Jacinta Carter, Derek Chambers, Chris Larson, Annamaria Larue, Ryan McEvoy, Nathan Simonson, Jay Wessel.

Seniors: Lacie Alstrom, Jessica Bremer, Kassia Bryan, Heather Glodt, Melissa Hasty, Rebecca Helm, Chenaniah Langness, Amber Mason, Shanna Pearce, Lacey Ream, Gage Reichert, Rory Wendelin, Nicole Wessel, Kayla Zodrow.

Club News

Women plan salad supper

Oberlin United Methodist Women met May 7 at the fellowship hall of the church with Louise Pollnow and Bernice Martin as hostesses.

Guest speaker was Charissa Huff, who serves as the connecting link between the Hays District United Methodist Women and the local units. She told about the current and future district projects in which members can be involved.

It was voted to send a donation to World Vision for medical

needs of children in third-world nations.

The June 4 meeting will be a guest night salad supper at 6:30 p.m. in the basement of the church with Linda Hollowell, Janeil Jensen, Fern Moore and Sam Gotchall as hostesses. Program committee is Montine Alstrom, Betty Jones, Sara Hasty and Pat Fringer. Devotions will be given by Doris Sloan.

Strawberry shortcake was served at tables decorated with bouquets of lilacs and tulips.

Woman gives program

Lucille Townsend presented the lesson, "God's Song in God's Mission" at the May 7 meeting of the Prairie Chapel United Methodist Women at her home.

President Cheryl Metcalf conducted the meeting and the group sang, "Blessed Assurance" followed by prayer.

Nadene Lafferty read two poems, "Summer Days" and "Talk to Him" for devotions, followed

by prayer.

Roll call was answered by seven members with a United Methodist Women memory. The granddaughter of Charissa Huff was a guest. Coleen Rippe read the Prayer Calendar Moments. Cleaning the church and the June breakfast were discussed.

The next meeting will be a salad supper in September at the home of Mrs. Metcalf.

Group sets Poppy Day

Plans were made to hold Poppy Day in downtown Oberlin on Friday when the American Legion Auxiliary met on May 14. The poppies will also be available at the cemetery on May 26.

President Angela Corcoran opened the meeting, followed by prayer by Chaplain Lois Lamb,

the flag salute and the Preamble. Roll call was answered by six members.

Membership has reached 111 with a total of 129 as the goal. It was decided not to serve lunch to the Bike across Kansas participants. Mrs. Corcoran was hostess.

Group meets at Gateway

The Decatur Business Women met May 14 at The Gateway. Ten members and one guest, Rebecca Helm, from Decatur Community High School were present.

President Dori Pauls conducted the meeting. Four were chosen to receive a \$350 scholarship: Kristi

Smith, Kayla Zodrow, Shanna Pearce and Lacie Alstrom.

The Relay for Life along with a float for the museum anniversary will be discussed at the June 11 meeting. Deanna Castle offered to help on the nominating committee for new officers.

New day care center to open

Tiffany Robinson plans to open Small Steps Childcare, a new day-care center in Oberlin, on Monday, June 2, at 202 S. Wolf Ave.

She and her fiance, Tyler Witt, have purchased the house in west Oberlin for her new business. They plan to be married Saturday, July 12, at the McCook Christian Church.

"This is something I have always wanted to do since I was 12 years old," Miss Robinson said. "It has been my

dream and I love kids."

A native of Bayard, Neb., she completed cosmetology school at Hair Design in Scottsbluff, Neb. She also worked at Albertson's in Scottsbluff and completed management classes. She is front end manager at Schmick's Market in McCook. Her parents are Roger and Nancy Robinson of Lodgepole, Neb.

Anyone interested in reserving a place for their children may call her at (785) 470-1684.



T. Robinson

Student named Richey Scholar

Jessica Bremer has been named a Richey Scholar and has received a four-year renewable scholarship through the Richey Scholars Program established with the generous gift of the Ronald Richey family.

Students whose academic achievements place them in the top 10% of students nationally are invited to apply. Awards are based on academic achievement, extra-curricular involvement, and leadership and

service to the community.

She and her parents, John and Dianne Bremer, recently attended a scholarship recognition luncheon on the Washburn University Campus in Topeka where the recipients were addressed by a representative from the Richey family. They also met officials from Washburn University and the Washburn Endowment Association. She plans to attend Washburn University this fall majoring in

marketing and finance.



Jessica Bremer

Benefit Supper
for
Allen (Al) Robey
Saturday, May 31, 5:50 - 7 p.m.
Oberlin American Legion



Serving:
Traeger grilled pork
with all the trimmings!

This benefit is being held to help Al recover his losses from a recent house fire.

Internet tonight!!!
Call 475-2206

Couple plans June wedding

Kristi Smith of Oberlin and Shadon Satter of Topeka plan to be married on Saturday, June 7.

Parents of the couple are Peg Smith, McCook, and Gary and Julie Satter, Topeka.

The bride is a graduate of Jennings High School and attends Colby Community College. She is employed by the Northwest Kansas Educational Service Center.

Her fiance graduated from Seaman High School and Kansas City



Shadon Satter and Kristi Smith Community College. He is employed at the Douglas County Fire and Medical Department in Lawrence.

KSU graduates named

Area students among 2,900 candidates for graduation over the weekend at Kansas State University in Manhattan include:

Decatur County: Sarah Olson, Master of Science in accounting; Kelsey Dorshorst, Allie Moore, Bachelor of Science., all of Oberlin.

Norton County: Amanda Gray, Lenora, Master of Business Admin-

istration.

Rawlins County: Lance Basgall, Herndon, Bachelor of Science in mechanical engineering; Adam Holste, Elizabeth Holste, Ludell, Bachelor of Science, Joseph Holste, Ludell, Bachelor of Science in civil engineering; Tanner Schmidt, Ludell, Bachelor of Science in construction science and management.

QUARTERLY STATEMENT OF

Jean Ann Hale, County Treasurer of Decatur County, Kansas, Showing Balance on hand for the Quarter ending April 30, 2008

County General	268,669.44	Special Jail Equip.....	2,350.05
SW Bell Rural 911	24,385.38	PATF.....	90.00
Wireless E-911	13,925.38	Sp Fire Equip	94,001.77
E-911 Grant.....	.11	Bond & Interest.....	45,179.84
Recycling	1,408.31	Museum Fund31
Landfill	11,588.65	RFD Memorial	658.14
Road & Bridge	344,941.58	Economic Devel.....(78.18)	
Special Bridge	92,215.62	CORE.....	2,504.62
Home for Aged.....	92,911.84	RFD.....	143,438.71
Conservation District....	2,363.47	Bad Check Trust Fund..	1,045.42
County Health Nurse....	40,008.47	Election Filing Fees	315.00
Ambulance Memorial....	1,492.72	Stray Animals.....	1,930.29
Ambulance	78,762.67	Hospital Rev.Bond ...	56,285.69
Noxious Weed	36,536.25	History Books	779.00
Special Road Mach ..	235,642.75	Corp. Plan Emp. Trust ..	26,764.51
Election	37,866.04	Current Tax.....	262,610.53
Ambulance Sp Equip....	92,461.94	Motor Vehicle Tax.....	65,841.55
Deeds Tech. Fund.....	845.96	Delq. Personal Tax	168.17
Employee Benefit.....	198,923.27	Good Sam Mem. Prin.	503,579.56
Equip. Reserve Fund..	57,648.47	Treasurer Special Auto..	12,985.83
Conceal & Carry	640.00	Motor Vehicle License..	2,442.75
Summer Rec. Mem	2,937.50	Sales Tax	23,703.76
Senior Citizens	30,465.36	RV Tax.....	1,175.17
Employee WH.....	37,263.43	Alcohol Liquor Tax	25.00
Cafeteria 125	21,108.16	Partial Pay	3,736.30
Sp Alcohol Program....	3,748.20	Redemp. & Assign ...	16,599.11
Special Park & Rec.....	3,244.51	Suspense Acct	2,810.05
Summer Rec.....	2,807.00		
Public Trans	4,139.49	Total (78.18)	3,009,973.10

TOWNSHIP OR CITY	GEN'L Revenue	Road	SP Road
Allison		273.86	
Altory		236.95	
Bassettsville		23,649.30	18,215.22
Beaver		236.31	
Center		251.20	
Cook		261.56	
Custer		227.89	
Dresden	SW (630.00)	263.50	
Finley		18,685.32	
Garfield		286.81	
Grant		255.73	
Harlan		301.05	
Jennings		302.34	
Liberty		282.27	
Lincoln		282.92	
Logan		8,169.41	
Lyon		321.77	
Oberlin		15,037.73	11,253.12
Olive		10,224.16	
Pl Valley		322.41	
Prairie Dog		265.44	
Roosevelt		232.42	
Sappa		205.23	
Sherman		12,053.28	
Summit		15,989.13	

TOTAL	(630.00)	108,617.99	29,468.34
CITIES		CEMETERY	
Clayton	.08	Norcatary	63.25
TOTAL	.08	Dresden	26.28
		Hawkeye	138.00
		TOTAL	227.53

FUND	
County Funds	3,009,894.92
Township Funds	138,716.33
City Funds	.08
Cemetery Funds	227.53
TOTAL	3,148,838.86

CASH:	
Investments	1,857,807.94
The Bank Oberlin	412,153.28
Cash	625.00
The Bank MM	104,716.09
The Bank OB. MM	443,028.00
TBO Corp Plan	26,764.51
FNB Wireless E911	13,930.10
Farmers Bk & Tr.	289,813.94
TOTAL	3,148,838.86



State of Kansas, Decatur County, ss
I, Jean Ann Hale, Treasurer of DECATUR County, Kansas, do solemnly swear that the above statement is complete, true and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief. SO HELP ME GOD.
Jean Ann Hale, County Treasurer
I HEREBY CERTIFY, That the foregoing statement was subscribed and sworn to before me, and in my presence, by the above named, this 30th day of April, 2008. Marilyn Horn, County Clerk