**Chamber News** 

## **Norcatur News** By the Norcatur News Committee

Norcatur Royal Neighbors of America is inviting all women of the community to a Mother's Day Tea from 2 to 4 p.m. on Wednesday, June 11, at the Norcatur City Hall. R.S.V.P. by June 4, to Lora Arnold 785-693-4445.

There will be three \$400 Norcatur Commercial Club scholarships awarded this year. Anyone who is furthering their education is eligible to apply. Applications are available at The Bank or Norcatur City Office and may be returned to the same places. They are due on or before June 20. The winners will be notified within a few days after that date.

Memorial weekend guests of Don and Joye Hill were granddaughters, Kodi Ferguson and Leah Graham; daughter, Donna and Perry Garrison, all from Bartlesville, Okla.; daughter, Sandra, Fort Collins, Colo.; son, Steve, Denver; and son Jerry and Cheri Hill, Norcatur. They attended the Memorial Day ervices at the Norcatur Cemetery on Sunday, then drove to Cambridge, Neb. on Monday to visit family gravesites.

Betty Reid, Norton, and Wanda and Minh Nguyen, Lone Tree, Colo., visited Arlene Hix and her daughter, Marge Prince, of Liberty, Mo., who arrived May 21 to spend a month with her mother.

Happy Birthday to LaVerne Milner, May 29; Jamie Wentz, May 30; Ron Harman, June 3.

Happy Anniversary to Ron and Renee Harman, May 29; Tad and Rebecca Hartsough, May 30.

Bob and Bonnie Rapp and Pastor Eric and Robin Norris attended the pinning ceremony for the Baker University, Class of May 2008, School of Nursing at Stormont-Vail Health Care, of which granddaughter, Nicole Rapp was a member. The event was held at the Grace Episcopal Cathedral in Topeka, on May 16.

Nichole Rapp, daughter of Ben and Yvonne Rapp, a pinning recipient, also received her diploma with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree at the Baker University graduation exercises held on May 18. She will begin her nursing career at the Lawrence Memorial Hospital in June. Ben Rapp and family live in Lawrence.

The Stan Miller farm was extra lively last week. Eli, age 4, and Karyssa Applebury, 18 months, came on May 21 and stayed with Stan and Carol until their folks, Mr. and Mrs. Chad Applebury of Colby, returned May 27. Their parents were in Lubbock, Texas visiting Casey Morris and seeing his home there.

Justine Tuttle of El Dorado returned home May 24, after spending Jeff, from near Cedar Bluffs. Later a week visiting her parents, Stan and the three ate dinner at the VFW hall Carol Miller and helping them with in Lebanon. On Sunday afternoon, celebrated their first wedding anniversary on May 26.

Nate, had a grand time with so much attention!

Kenneth and Pansy Price will observe their 65th wedding annverary with a reception Sunday afternoon, June 8, at Whispering Pines Living Community, 200 W. Highway. 36, Norton, Kan., 67654.

Karyn James, wife of Russell James, from Jacksonville, S.C., flew into Denver and spent a week with family and friends including Larry and Terri James.

Deb Combs and her father, Elmond Scott, Hill City, visited family gravesites at the Mount Hope Cemetery at Almena on May 24.

Virgil and Joyce Price were dinner guests of Kenneth and Pansy Price on May 21 to celebrate Kenneth's birthday.

Max Thielbar, Lincoln, Neb., was a guest of Virgil and Joyce Price from May 23 to May 26. They attended the Danbury School Reunion on Sunday. Kenneth and Pansy Price were visitors on Sunday afternoon.

Kaitlyn Stapp competed in Nationals in the heptathlon for the Colby Community College track team in Levelland, Texas. She was awarded the Most Valuable Player of the 2008 track and field at the school's Athletic Banquet.

Dave, Patty and Sam Stapp visited with Jerrod and Kortney Poire in Emporia on May 26 and 27.

A group of eight people enjoyed lunch at the Cardinal Bar and Grill on Wednesday, May 21. Included were Christine and Johnny Richards, Olathe, former residents of the Norcatur, who just happened to be there, Oran and LaVerne Milner, Marguerite Clark, Deb Comes, Bee Nelson and Dorothy Ward.

There were 136 flags up at the Norcatur Cemetery. Thanks to all who helped put up and take down the flags on Sunday.

Bee Nelson took Marguerite Clark, Sherree Regal and LaVerne Milner to Hastings, Neb. on May

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Price enjoyed eating lunch at the Cardinal Bar and Grill,m Sunday, May 25, before attending services at the Norcatur Cemetery. Kenneth saw several of his classmates there.

Marlene Wolf came to the Prices on Monday, May 26, and took them to the various cemeteries where family is buried in the Norcatur, Clayton, Jennings, Lebanon, Neb. and Wilsonville, Neb.

Rea and Dee Magers attended the services at Lyle and also the dinner at the Community building on Sunday, then attended the Norcatur services. On Memorial Day they went to Lebanon, Neb. where they attended the services with their son, the babysitting. Justine and Casey Joe Boyles and K.C. visited at the Magers home. Joe was originally from Jennings. On Tuesday, Dee's brother, Lou and Norma Hahn, Craig, Colo., stopped by and they all enjoyed lunch at the Cardinal Cafe. On Saturday morning, Rea and Dee Magers received a call from J.T., Guy of Abilene, telling them of a damaging tornado, which destroyed the Charlie and Judy (Magers) Easton farm west of Quinter. Judy is J.T.'s mother and Rea's niece. They went to the Easton farm and saw the terrible damage. The house roof was gone, leaving the four walls standing. There were family, friends, and neighbors there helping them save the furniture and

### **MUSEUM TIDBITS**

Thanks to Wayne and Norma McCallister for the Norcatur High School Class of 1969 graduation announcement and for the Tartoof program.

We had a Kansas Centennial coin with Norcatur stamped on it donated by the Averil and Marquirite Fullerton Estate. Thanks!

Donated are pictures of Norcatur Odd Fellows lodge members and a collar that the members wore. Thanks to Lynn Ward for getting these items for us. The pictures are of Sam Betts, Charles Pease, Frank Young, Clark Bell, O.G. Bell, E.D. Nelson and Eli Gallentine. Other names included Frank Castle and John Duncan but there are no pictures of them.

We still have the Norcatur history books for sale. They are \$40. for the "Diamond Jubilee Celebration" (1961) and "ATime To Remember" (1976). Call to request your books, (785) 693-4461.

The museum has moved to its new location. Since there is heat in this room the museum will be opened year round. A special thanks to M.J. Dempewolf for helping move the big items. Stop in and take a look.

Norcatur memorabilia may be sent to: P.O. Box 89, Norcatur, Kan., 67653. Don't forget the museum when making your memorial donations.

## See the car races on Saturday

Well, the sun is finally out - for how long is anyone's guess — but it's still nice to see after the gloom of the last few days.

I must say it's been an interesting spring so far. I can't remember the last time I turned the heat back on

in May. Usually it's open all the windows, turn on the ceiling fans, and try and stay cool enough to keep the air off as long as possible.

I'm not sure I am all that anxious to see what the summer has in store, but it sure is nice to see how green the rain made everything: so fresh

and new and clean. Even the air go for an evening walk and not need smells sweeter, so I will enjoy this to take a sweater. until the heat is on and no matter how hot it gets

I will not wish for winter or snow (I may eat these words) but I'm ready for the warm days of summer, to have everything open to get out and play. the evening breeze and to sit on the porch a cold glass of lemonade, or

**By Jo Henderson** 

With June upon us, it's time for the races again, at 7 p.m. on Saturday, June 7, and again on Monday, June 16. So let's go to the races!

Looks like a great weekend, so See you on the sidewalk.

## **Decatur Health Systems** By Othelia Vacura

This year seems to be bringing us an excess of tornadoes and other severe weather, so here is a clarification of hospital policy in the event of a tornado warning:

If a tornado warning is issued and you have no basement, please plan on going to one of the storm shelters designated for public use, at the courthouse, the high school or the Good Samaritan Center.

The hospital is not a public storm shelter. Although we will not turn away people who are under imminent threat, anyone who comes to the hospital will sit in the upstairs hallway just as most patients do.

25 people and this number can be ing the Diabetic Conversation Map reached quickly with ambulatory patients and employees who are not allowed to leave when our facility goes into lock down upon a tornado warning.

We are not equipped to furnish snacks and drinks for people other than our patients. Due to the amount of clean-up and disinfecting that was necessary after the last tornado warning, in the future, we will not be allowing anyone to bring in pets.

The Diabetic Support Group will be meeting at 7 p.m. on Thursday in the Specialty Clinic addition. Please

The capacity of our basement is use the east entrance. We will be do-Game to challenge and facilitate discussion about diabetes. Diabetic friendly snacks will be served.

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# **Building Our Foundation** By Pastor Judith Stricker, The United Church of Oberlin

Saturday, May 25, our family gathered to attend the graduation of our granddaughter from Red Lodge, Mont., High School! The final day came after many more days of planning, and two, driving! The trip is tiring under the best of circumstances, but this trip was a blue ribbon winner for being the worst. Not only was gas nearly \$4 per gallon, but the weather ... the weather was historic, literally!

We began at 6 a.m. on the 23rd. It was misty and very windy, but oh well, this is Kansas, right? We had barely crossed the Nebraska border when fog came creeping in, and may I say, not on little cat feet. I had never experienced blowing fog before. Our mantra by that time was, "Surely we'll run out of this in a few more miles." We didn't! In fact things just got worse! The fog progressed to rain, not just pattering down, but blowing horizontally. The highways were puddles. Then, when we thought we'd seen the worst, the tornado that had touched down in Laramie decided to lift right over Casper, complete with large hail, and thank goodness, torrential rain, which made driving extreme but saved the car's finish!

As we pulled into the tunnels of the Wind River Canyon, it began to snow and by the time we reached our night's lodging in Thermopolis, Wyo., the wet snow was six inches deep. What a trip! What we will do for family!! Family, our nation's foundation. Family, our church's foundation.

This last Sunday's Lectionary Scriptures blended This summer, as we attend a few of the milestones in very well. They were Romans 1:16-17 and Matthew life - weddings, anniversaries and graduations - may I 7:21-29. The theme was building lives upon solid recommend a thorough examination of our Christian ground with a strong foundation! As we sat in the gymnasium graduation ceremony on a very rainy Sunday afternoon, I was mulling over my sermon for the 1st. Looking around at all the families gathered, I knew in short order that to preach on the strong foundation of family was just plain right for the time. And so I did preach that message Sunday last, and am bringing this message today as well!

Somehow, no matter how dysfunctional, how estranged from each other, family members rally during those landmark moments in our lives!! Here in the U.S. families still are instilling in their children the importance of democracy and freedom. However, Christian values and morality are at war with our culture. Both Jesus and Paul, in the passages from Matthew and Romans make it clear that lives must be built on strong foundations and that means Jesus Christ!

How can our young people build strong foundations without the Word of God? Somehow, I don ft believe they can. And sadly, some definitely are failing, foundations crumbling.

William Barclay, a world-renowned Scottish Theologian, says that to mix mortar that helps to build solid foundations in life, we must do two things: listen to Jesus, and do what he asks! Listen and do. How can we listen, if our time is so prioritized that church is left out? We've made Sunday just another day, not what it was intended to be, a time to listen to the Word, to est, to reflect, to worship. Just one more day!

The second thing is to "do"! Listening must be followed with action! Folks, if that action follows in the footsteps of Jesus, sometimes it will not be politically correct! But, it will be as Jesus would want it to be. To save our Christianity in the 21st century, we've got to be ready to sacrifice our comfort zone!



Visitors at the Stan Miller farm on May 25, were Mr. and Mrs. Rocky DeLano, Wichita; R.D. Thornton and Sharee Dempewolf, Oberlin, and Chris Dempewolf, Norcatur.

Mary Lesle accompanied Wava Reames to Kearney, Neb., on Wednesday where Wava had a doctor's appointment. Wava visited her parents, Frank and Velda Ward on Monday. She also visited Tillie Shirley and Juanita Eckhart.

Marguerite Clark spent last weekend with Janet and Gale Rippe, McCook. Janet's parents, Betty and Dick Lynch, were also there. Betty is Marguerite's niece from Iowa. The Rippe children, Ali and contents of the house.

> **Midway News** By Mary Lou Olson

Sympathy is extended to the family of Helena Carlson, 73, of Atwood, who died Thursday at the Rawlins County Health Center. She and her husband, Gaynor, were former residents of this community. Funeral services were held Monday morning at Williams Funeral Home in Atwood with Pastor Keith Reuther officiating. Burial was at the Atwood Fairview Cemetery.

Survivors include a daughter, Brenda Brickey Dinger, Jeffersonville, Ind.; a son, Vincent and Gayle Carlson of this community; and a daughter, Carla and Jerry Barber, McPherson; two sisters, Audrey and Paul Thompson, Albermarie, N.C., and Sandra Lawrence, Bryan, Texas; two sisters-in-law, Lorraine Murray, Mulvane, and Pauline and Herschel Masters, Derby; six grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. Memorials were established to the First Christian Church of Atwood.

Annette Frenzl of Salina left Sunday after spending a few days with her parents, Bob and Sally Olson.

The Sunday School picnic for the Herndon Covenant Church will begin with worship services at 10 a.m. Sunday at the park by Lake Atwood. Bring potluck and chairs.

Sarah Olson of Manhattan was a weekend guest of her parents, Mark and Barbara Olson, Kurt and Mary. On Sunday afternoon, Mrs. Olson, Sarah and Mary entertained with a bridal shower honoring Tiffany Robinson, who will be married on July 12 to Tyler Witt.

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foundations. Are the bricks and mortar that were built by dedicated Sunday School teachers, parents and pastors, still strong? If not, may I also suggest a pointing-up of our lives, a building up of our foundations so that our children and grandchildren will receive the best gift possible, our example.

## Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

**OBERLIN SACRED HEART** CATHOLIC CHURCH 785-475-3103 Fr. Henry Saw Lone, MASS: 5:30 p.m., Saturday

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC, LEOVILLE Fr. Henry Saw Lone MASS: 8 a.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 Sun. at 9:45 a.m. Holy Communion, 1st & 3rd Sundays. United Church Women, 2nd Wed at 2 p.m. Parish Council, 2nd Sun. following Worship

OBERLIN COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP NORCATUR UNITED METHODIST (Southern Baptist) Pastor: Fred Dycus SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; SUNDAY: Worship Service, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m., AWANA Church School, 10:30 a.m. Club 4-6 p.m. WEDNESDAY: Service,

### **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

**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. Galen Long 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.

Pastor: Ray Gilstrap Almena

LYLE UNITED METHODIST Carol Woodmaneee, 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 Secretary: Norma Unger 785-475-2333

SUNDAY: Sunday School and Bible class, 9:45 a.m.: Divine Worship Service. 11 a.m.: Holv Communion: 1st and 3rd Sundays



**Derek Riner** 

**Rick and Dori Pauls** 

404 North York Avenue **Oberlin**, Kansas **Rev. Charlotte Strecker-Baseler** Church Office Phone: 785-475-2053 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.

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