

Norcatour News

By the Norcatour News Committee

After a rain shower, Mother Nature cooperated on Friday, June 20, with blue skies as the Cardinal Bar and Grill hosted a "Cruise in Night" for hot rods, classic cars and motorcycles. Welcome flags flew on Norcatour Main Street for the evening visitors. Car count looked slim as C.W. Lyon and Scott Hartzog led the parade out of town in the fire truck, followed by parade marshal, Gerald Jackson and his passengers, Judy Jackson, Jackie Paler, Iris Smith and Devonna New, holding American flags. As they made their way back into town around 16 cars from the Norton Car Club had joined in. As the parade ended there were 23 cars, four motorcycles and one antique pedal tractor.

Several locals entered cars and motorcycles including: Gerald Jackson, 1972 Impala Convertible; Gene Gallentine, 1954 GMC Pickup; Dwight Wentz, 1939 Chevy Sedan; Denny Leichter, 1970 Mustang Convertible; Larry Sumner, 1965 Chevy El Camino; Greg Sumner, 1967 Chevy Camaro; Dean Forbes, 1949 Chevy Business Coupe; Darrel and Alice Barnett, motorcycles; and Amiee Wentz, antique Pedal Tractor.

Jerry Wescott and staff provided an excellent pizza buffet and music was provided by "Country Plus" (Dallas, Delbert Jackson and Harlan Palmer) who played for a full house.

Mary Leslie, Dorothy Ward and Bee Nelson were in Norton Friday morning, June 27, when they decided to venture on to Kearney, Neb., to visit Wava Reames who is a patient at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney. They discovered that Wava had been moved that morning into the Rehabilitation Center to Room 3747-2. They also went shopping and there, following us into the store, were Debra Helm and the boys. Small world!

Senior Citizens will not meet until 1:30 p.m., Friday, July 18, at the Methodist Educational Building.

If you have broken limbs from our storms, place them at the edge of your yards and the Helm kids will be around to remove them for you. If you wish to give a donation to the good work of the Helm kids—do so. It is certainly a big help to all of us and a great job the the kids.

Family visitors to the Hill resi-

dences for the month of June were: Sandra Craig, Fort Collins, Colo.; Donna and Perry Garrison, Dewey, Okla.; Brett and Erin Fredrickson, Thornton, Colo.; and Bert, Lori, Kyler and Kaylee Irtenkauf, Westminster, Colo. They celebrated a belated Mother's Day and Father's Day. Brett and Erin were picked up at Oberlin International by Brett's dad out of Longmont, Colo., on June 20 and they flew on to Warsaw, Mo., for a family reunion then returned on June 22 to Oberlin.

On Friday, June 27, Deb Combs went to Lincoln, Neb., to pick up her daughter, Senior Airman Riki Foos, who was returning from a six-month deployment to the Persian Gulf.

Oran and LaVerne Milner drove to Arapahoe, N.W., on Sunday, June 22, to attend the Bryant and Ervin family reunion.

Jay and Judy Anderson, New Amsterdam, N.Y., were houseguests of Ron and Gerry Temple. They were here for the funeral for his mother, Mrs. Fern Anderson on June 27. They left for Minden, Neb. Monday morning and planned to meet the Temples in Kearney, Neb., on Tuesday where Ron had his dialysis treatment. The Andersons will go on to their home in Jamestown, N.Y. Jay is a Norcatour Rural High School graduate of the class of 1964.

Doug and Chris Dempewolf attended the Dempewolf family reunion in Oberlin on Saturday. Sharee Dempewolf stopped by for a short visit. Don and Laurene Dempewolf and family hosted the reunion this year.

Happy birthday and anniversary to Bee Nelson, July 4; Gerald and Judy Jackson, July 5; Von Johnson, Russell and Karyn James, July 7.

The family of Betty Reid celebrated her 90th birthday with an open house at Whispering Pines on Saturday afternoon. Cards can be sent to: 103 Whispering Pines, Norton, Kan., 67654.

Weekend guests of Arlene Hix were Marjorie Prince of Liberty, Mo., and her grandson, Scott, Tiffany and Dakota Spencer, Kearney, Mo.

Friends and family helped Bev Miller DeLano of Wichita, celebrate her 50th birthday in Norcatour at the Cardinal Bar and Grill with Karaoke. Included in the celebration were two of her classmates and their

families, Ron Montgomery and Greg Long.

Those attending were: Rocky DeLano, Wichita; Stan and Carol Miller, Norcatour; Gary and Annette Miller, Oberlin; Chad and Aimee Applebury, Eli and Karyssa, Colby; Casey Morris, Lubbock, Texas; Melissa and Curt DeDonder and Sophia, Manhattan; Justine and Casey Tuttle, El Dorado; Rodney and Marcia Tuttle, Quinter; Janine and Morganne Baehler, Sharon Springs; Gwen Lock, Hugoton; David and Jan Leopold, Hoxie; Carol Wessel, Nikki and Jay, Jeff Wessel, Dresden; Ryan and Jennifer Nichol, Russell; Dewaine Stapp, Leone Perton, Oberlin; Bill and Gail Brooks, Clayton; Terri Hart, T.J., Donna and Marilyn Been, Gruver, Texas; Bob and Anita Montgomery, Greg and Mary Long, Ethan and Jenna, Oberlin; Ron and Gina Montgomery and Alyssa, Jennings; Scott Hartzog, Troy Wentz, Katri

na and Carissa Wentz, Chris Dempewolf, Ron and Jerry Temple, Carolyn and Jim Plotts, Dickie Beachel, Norcatour, and Gene and Kristi Gallentine, Clayton. Jerry and the Cardinal Bar and Grill crew did an awesome job making the celebration a success.

Earlier in the day, most attended the McDonald/Thornton reunion at the Sappa Valley Manor in Oberlin. Those attending were: R.D. Thornton, Marion Thornton, Oberlin; Dean and Elsie Thornton, Rush Center; Shannon Thornton and family, La Crosse; Verle and Dee Francis, McCook; Bob and Vada McDonald, Logan; Linn McDonald, Logan; Alva and Dock Horn, Colby; Mary and Ron Dole and Trish, Hill City; and Kim and Kevin Moss, Menlo.

Midway News

By Mary Lou Olson

Young people who left Sunday to spend this week at Covenant Heights Bible Camp near Estes Park, Colo., included: David and Michael Noren, Matt Glading, Jacob Howsare, Noah Jones, Becca, Bob and Beth Reuther, Braden Schmid and Sierra Stacy. Greg and Gwen Jones and Obadiah took some of them out.

Diane Howsare of Valparaiso, Ind., is visiting her daughter and family, Sandy and Keith Reuther.

Eight new members joined the Herndon Covenant Church during morning worship services on Sunday. They were Ethan and Lacy Walker, Vince Carlson, Mary Olson, Ben and Rachel Grafel, Rosalie Capo and Bill Reuther.

David Olson, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Jon and Daisy Olson, Corbin, Candalin and Keiragan, St. Louis, Mo.; Scott Olson, Irving, Texas; Annette Frenzl, Salina; and Deb Marks and Joe, Mulvane, have been helping Bob and Sally Olson with the harvest. Larry and Deb Marks and family spent the weekend visiting the Olsons and also his mother, Betty Marks.

Visitors of Daisy Schmidt, Chris and Sherri Schmidt, and Joe and Vicki Schmidt over the 4th of July holiday were: Kurt and Kathy Frisbie, Monument, Colo.; Craig and Kristen Engelsen, Hunter and Wyatt, Larkspur, Colo.; Dennis and Pat Barnett, Fort Walton Beach, Fla.; Colin and Sara Connor, Payton and Alyssa, Montgomery, Ala.; Greg and Emily Harrell and Addison, Atlanta, Ga.; Rachel Barnett, Fort Walton Beach, Fla.; Curtis and Dawnelle Heim, Karli, Kelsi and Christopher, Tucson, Ariz.; T.C. and

Danace McDonald, Clae, Jordan and Kainin, Colby; Clint Schmidt, Denver; Michael and Erin Kittson, Tucson, Ariz.; Chuck and Tobina Norris, Howard; Wade and Mandi McKinley and Gabriel, Manhattan; Barry Schmidt, Lincoln, Neb.; Megan Frazier, Manhattan; Tanner Schmidt, Wichita; and Jodi and Kami Hagen, Denver.

On Saturday, Sherri Schmidt, Dawnelle Heim, and Danace McDonald hosted a baby shower for Erin Kittson at Sherri's home. Fun games were played, including a race to hang as many baby clothes on a clothes line while holding a baby and talking on the phone. Every guest selected a number corresponding to the birthday age (1 year to 18) of the baby and wrote a letter to be opened on that birthday. Brunch was served.

Attending the shower were Kami Hagen, Kristen Engelsen, Kristina Hills and Karli, Carol Wasson, Doris Sloan, Cindi Sauder, Pat Barnett, Kathy Frisbie, Sara Connor, Mandi McKinley and Gabriel, Gayle Carlson and Sean, Kendra Pelton, Daisy Schmidt, Sherri Schmidt, Dawnelle

Heim, Karli and Kelsi, and Danace McDonald, Clae and Jordan.

On Saturday evening, the group helped Chris Schmidt celebrate his 55th birthday; Jordan O'Malley, her 9th birthday and Alyssa Connor, her second birthday with pizza, cake and a swim party at the Atwood swimming pool.

A birthday breakfast at the home of Richard and Maureen Anderson on Saturday honored their sons, Chris, on his 13th birthday that day, and Gabe, who was 12 on June 30. Guests were Dick and Donna Kelley, Elden and Detta Anderson, and Gary Anderson.

Weekend guests of Mark and Barbara Olson, Kurt and Mary were Brandon White, Leawood, and Sarah Olson, Manhattan. Keely Wilson of Kearney, Neb., honored Sarah with a bridal shower Saturday afternoon at the Small Steps Childcare of Tiffany Robinson in Oberlin.

The Herndon Covenant Church congregation will hold services at 10 a.m. Sunday at the Decatur County Good Samaritan Center in Oberlin.

Chamber News

By Jo Henderson

Everyone will want to make plans to attend the Rocking R's big National Day of the Cowboy Celebration from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., on Saturday, July 26.

Other upcoming events include: the Picnic in the Park on Wednesday, Aug. 13; the Decatur County Fair from Tuesday, Aug. 5 to Satur-

day, Aug. 9., along with the U.S. 36 Highway Treasure Hunt on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 19-21. You can pick up information at the office.

Stop by and pick up the new Decatur-Rawlins county directory.

So have a great weekend. See you on the sidewalk.

An offering pleasing to God

By Father Henry Saw Lone, Sacred Heart Catholic Churches of Oberlin and Selden;

Of all the months of the year, for most of us, July is vacation time—an opportunity for relaxed conversation with family and friends, as we engage in sports activities and perhaps some travel. Our working and resting are, indeed, part of the larger drama of God's creating, sustaining, and saving grace. As we consciously share in work and leisure, aware of the Lord's presence and love, everything we do and everything we are, proclaims the good news that Christ has died, Christ has risen, and Christ will come again. I would, therefore, like to devote my reflections on the way that even our leisure time can be an offering pleasing to God.

Sometimes it seems as if we were made for work and that rest and leisure are simply a pause from activity so that we can replenish our strength and go right back to accomplishing tasks. God made us not only to work but also to enjoy the fruits of our labor, as the Catechism reminds us, God made us "to know, love, and serve Him in this world and be happy with Him forever in Heaven." We were made in such a way that we rightly crave time to think and pray. We have the capacity for wonder and awe, and we will be frustrated unless we listen to those deepest urges and follow them. We need peace and quiet so we can pursue and develop our interior life, our spiritual side. When we are constantly preoccupied with work, inevitably,

our spiritual life is diminished. The real challenge in today's "all-or-nothing world" is to find a healthy balance between work and leisure.

In the Book of Genesis, God Himself rested on the seventh day, thereby, setting an example for us. We know that nature itself has its seasons and cycles, its rhythm of light and darkness. Animals and vegetation need periods of being dormant. If creation submits to this rhythm, should we not also?

In American culture, for the most part, we seem to have lost an appreciation of sabbath rest. While many people *must* work, even on Sundays, for example, those in health care or service industries, many of us freely choose to spend much of our Sunday accomplishing tasks. Keeping the sabbath rest would indeed be a powerful means of proclaiming the good news that. Let us, therefore, give consideration to ways we might more explicitly pursue leisure and Sabbath rest as an offering of praise and thanksgiving to God.

During the summer, many of us have the opportunity to take extended vacation. Sometimes, vacations mean going to a familiar spot.

Whether our journeys be near or far, the very act of travel can be a wonderful means for experiencing the Lord's presence. As we "let go" of control and face all the uncertainties of travel, we recognize our dependence on God and others.



Herndon News

By Voni Sattler

Cousins of Russell Hauptman met at the Herndon Immanuel Cemetery to dedicate a military memorial plaque for him. He died in September of 2002. Russell was born Oct. 25, 1922. He was married to Betty Jordan Van Buskirk. Their children are Annette, Shiela, Sharon and Allen.

Those attending the dedication were Eldred and Lorraine Wurm, Phil and Sharleen Wurm, Rachel Wurm, Owen Wilson, Elden Haas and Mabel Zimmerman.

Welcome home remarks and toasts were made by Eldred Wurm and all returned to Roger's Bar and Grill in Herndon for pizza and fellowship.

Melodie Sattler spent last weekend with her mother, Voni Sattler, and sisters and their families, Kathy Leitner and Deanna Williams.

An ice cream social was held Saturday evening, June 28, after Mass for Father Galen Long, who has been assigned to a new parish. Many attended to wish him a fond farewell. He will be dearly missed.

Melodie and Voni Sattler and Chris Wood were brief visitors of Esther Pennington and Mary Rush-

ing last Sunday. Dana and Payton Ann Juenemann of Hays, were brief visitors last Saturday of Ron and Cindy Sattler.

Wayne and JoAnn Riener of Concord, Calif., are visiting and helping his brother, Kork, with the harvest.

On June 28, a potluck was held at the home of Joe and Nadine Green. Those attending were Wayne and JoAnn, Dennis and Doris Riener of Palisade, Neb.; Kork Riener and Jessica, and Andrew Richards, John and Keri Riener of rural Atwood, Jim and Amy Riener of Phillipsburg, Bob and Patti Chartier of Ozarkie and Beth Chartier of Herndon, Jeanne Tuma, Mitchell and Brittany, and Marty Ruda, Jerry and Connie Rietcheck and Kylie, all of Colby and Dave Green, Baron and Emma. Bob and Patti came June 20 to help with the harvest, but had to go back before harvest got underway. They left June 30. Billie Ross and her niece, Makayla of Colorado came later to help Emma celebrate her birthday, which was July 1 and also Brittany Tuma, whose birthday was July 4.

Jennings News

By Louise Cressler

Damp, cloudy Monday morning. Jennings got a shower Sunday evening which will delay harvest this morning.

Tuesday visitors of Galen and Meme Carper were daughter, Carol Topliff, Goodland; and Joslin McGuinness and baby Carter, Evergreen, Colo. Sunday visitors were Tim and Ann Bailey, Rachel Bailey and friend Cory Conley, Broken Arrow, Okla. They were on their way home from Denver, where Rachel had played in a fast-pitch softball tournament.

Family who came to celebrate July 4th and Rachel's birthday at the William Carter home were: Jane Wahlmeier and Amanda, Concordia; Allan and Sherry Carter, Overland Park; and Rachel Carter and Jessie Maxwell, Kansas City, Mo. The Carter children hosted a birthday coffee at Mom's Lil' Market on Friday morning. In the evening they went to the home of Ken and

Julie Carter for a picnic. Joining at the picnic were: Max and Norma Ward, David Ward, Clayton; Shelley McKenna, Ann DuBois, Abby and Madison, Salina; and Jesse and Megan Carter, Clayton and Anna, Oberlin. Rachel said it was a great birthday and a big thanks goes to all who came to the coffee.

If you are taking limbs or grass clippings to the Jennings landfill, please put them in the pit. Do not dump up on the edge, as someone then has to gather them up and put in the pit.

An interesting talk was given Sunday morning at the United Methodist Church by Ward Foley of Norton. He was born with Arthrogyposis and has had numerous operations. He has written several books.

Jennings City Council will meet at 6 p.m. Thursday in the Sunflower Senior Center. Note time change.

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, LEVILLE
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 (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.

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: Worship Service, 10 a.m. at various locations during the summer. Call for details.

NORCATUR UNITED METHODIST
Pastor: Ray Gilstrap
Almena
SUNDAY: Worship Service, 10 a.m.; Church School, 10:30 a.m.

LYLE UNITED METHODIST
Guest Speakers every Sunday
SUNDAY: Morning Worship 8 a.m.

EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH OF OBERLIN
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
Interim Pastor: Kevin Schnakenberg
SUNDAY: Sunday School and Bible class, 9:45 a.m.; Divine Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Holy Communion: 1st and 3rd Sundays.

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH
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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