

Family holds reunion at Jennings center

Descendants of Alvin and Mary Jennings met at the Senior Center in Jennings on Sunday, Aug. 31, for a family reunion. Hosts were Lawrence and Lila Jennings and Emery and Delores Kathka.

A potluck dinner was followed by visiting, picture taking and introductions and history about each family.

Those present, by families, included:

Ira Jennings: Pauline and Glen Eaton, Salina.

William Jennings: Lawrence and Lila Jennings, Jennings; Brett Jennings, Nadean Stoney, Jerry, Waunita ad Jeremy Stoney, James and Delores Jennings, Oberlin; Brian and Westley Jennings, Solomon; Jerred, Angie, Jordan and Javen Stoney, Great Bend; Jody and Christina Skidmore, Aurora, Neb.; Joyce Honeyman, McCook.

Marjorie Jennings Flaska: Kay and Tracy Flaska.

Pearl Jennings Kathka: Agnes and John Urban, Wilma Kathka, Rocky and Andrew Urban, Marvin, Martina, Trista and Rachel Urban, Colby; Rick and Connie Brown, Oberlin; Duane Kathka, Arapahoe, Neb.; Emery and Delores Kathka, McCook.

Maria Jennings Tupper: Roger and Delores Tupper, Naponee, Neb.; Wes and Donna Stratman, Pueblo, Colo.

Others present were Eugene and Dona Mrstik, Jennings; Fern Mosier, Chris, Nicole, Hunter, Creighton and Brooklyn Kelley, Oberlin; Cheryl and Chris Barnett, Colby; Carolyn Nowak, Goodland.

Plans are to meet at the Senior Center in Jennings on Sept. 6, 2009, with Lawrence and Lila Jennings as hosts again.

Colby college gets new teacher

Joe Vysourek, program manager for KXXX radio station at Colby, has been hired as radio station manager and instructor in the broadcasting department at Colby Community College.

A native of Atwood, he has been operations manager and program director at the Colby station for the past 10 years. After graduating from Atwood High School, he completed two years of college in Colby in broadcasting.

He has received awards and hon-

ors from statewide organizations, including the Kansas Association of Broadcasters. He was selected "DJ of the Year" in 2004 and 2006 and was honored for his production talents, receiving first-place honors on several occasions. He has worked the 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. shift for many years, in addition to his management duties. Samantha From will take over his morning show.

He and his wife Rebecca have a son, Tanner, 2.

Quilting workshop planned

A seven-week quilting workshop will be presented from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. by Janie Lowry of Stockton at the Dane G. Hansen Memorial Museum in Logan.

Classes will be held weekly from Tuesday, Oct. 7, through Thurs-

day, Nov. 18, in the Hansen Plaza Community Room, 110 Main, in Logan.

The first class will be an orientation.

For details or to register by phone, call (785) 689-4846.

Painting classes set in Logan

A "Joy of Painting with Bob Ross" workshop will be offered from 9 a.m. to noon, and 1 to 3 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 11 and 12, at the Hansen Museum in Logan.

Class members will paint "The

Mailbox" on Saturday and "The Old Kansas House" on Sunday.

Bring a roll of paper towels; all other supplies will be provided.

For details, call (785) 689-4846 or go to www.hansenmuseum.org.



Jeremy and Jennifer Tally

Couple exchange vows in double-ring ceremony

Jeremy Tally married Jennifer Hirsch in a double-ring ceremony at the United Methodist Church in Oberlin on Saturday, Aug. 9, 2008. The Rev. Doug Hasty officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Steven and Anita Hirsch of Oberlin. Grandparents are Vernon and Jeanette Diederich of Oberlin and Fred Hirsch Jr. of Simpson.

The bridegroom is the son of Eugene and Tonya Tally of Oberlin. His grandparents are Dwayne and Betty Jones, and Harold and Glenva Nichols, and his great-grandmother is Ruth Laidig, all of Oberlin.

Candlelighters were Serena Stacy, "honorary sister" of the bride, and Stephanie Troyer, a cousin of the bride.

Soloist was Amy Carman, accompanied on the piano by Cheryl Metcalf.

Tricia Dorshorst was maid of honor and Jordan Tally, brother of the bridegroom, served as best

man. Ushers were David Morris, Brent Smith, Joseph Hirsch, brother of the bride, and Shawn Troyer, a cousin of the bride, and Ethan Merrill, "honorary brother" of the bride.

Kenzie Fisher was seated at the guest book. Rory Wendelin and Jacinta Carter handed out the programs.

A reception followed at the Old Bohemian Hall at the Last Indian Raid Museum. Teresa Seymour and Rebecca Richards were in charge of the gift table. Lisa Paulson was the wedding coordinator.

The bride is a sophomore at Kansas State University, majoring in music education, and works cleaning houses in the Manhattan area. He is a junior in landscape management at K-State and works in the lumber department at Home Depot.

They are living at 1601 Hillcrest Drive, Apt. Y23, Manhattan, Kan., 66502.

Nurse's contract extended

The Oberlin School Board approved adding to the district nurse's contract by 25 percent last Monday.

Superintendent Pat Cullen said the nurse, Johanna Mason, has a part-time contract now, but it needs to be increased because one student in the district needs a little more of her time.

The board approved the additional time on the contract to help with a special needs child.

Dr. Cullen said he would like to buy an industrial grade cabinet saw for \$3,099 for the high school from Depco out of Pittsburg. The saw has new safety features.

The board approved purchase of the saw.

Member Chris Bailey went over section D of the policy book, which is on fiscal management. The policy won't be approved until the second reading at the October meeting.

There weren't any big changes.

In other business, the board:

- Talked about a project to replace the front entrance at the high school. Dr. Cullen said he hasn't received the plan yet, but should have it this week.

- Received a booklet of job descriptions for classified staff, which Dr. Cullen said he copied from different sources, although he didn't say which. He asked the board to look at the booklet and call him with any recommendations.

- Accepted a \$8,000 gift from Edla Olson for the vocal music department.

- Held two closed sessions for 15 minutes and one for 5 to discuss personnel with Dr. Cullen and the board, then held four more, for 15, 10, 10 and 5 minutes without Dr. Cullen. There was no action taken.

The board will meet again on Monday, Oct. 13.

Club News

Club shares summer events

Monday Evening Club members shared happenings of the summer when they began the 2008-2009 club year on Sept. 8 with a salad supper at the rural home of Arian Arnold. Fifteen members and a guest, Cindi Sauter, attended. Assistant hostesses were Sharon Addleman and Ann Anderson.

Vice-President Karen Metcalf conducted the business meeting and dues were collected by the

treasurer, Mrs. Addleman. Club members were thanked for helping at the Decatur County Fair and it was noted that President Peggy Pratt had participated in a triathlon during the summer.

The Oct. 13 meeting will be held at 7 p.m. at the Dresser to view a display of new fall fashions, followed by a lunch across the street at "Coffee, Tea and Me."

Members enjoy brunch

Zeta Nu Club met on Thursday at the home of Lois Fredrickson for a breakfast brunch. Fifteen members answered roll call.

The next meeting will be at

noon on Thursday, Oct. 16, at the Pizza Hut, after which members will tour the bus plant at 2:30 p.m. at Jennings.

Club has annual supper

The Pi Alpha Club year opened on Sept. 8 with the annual salad supper at the home of Eris Young. Gerry Neff and Joyce Ploussard were co-hostesses.

Mrs. Young read, "The Explanation of God," in words written by an eighth grader for devotions. President Marty Olson

reviewed the new year books and 13 members were present. Summer activities and memories were shared by members. Doris Sloan received the hostess gift.

Rosella Miller will be hostess for the Monday, Sept. 22, meeting, with Janette Votapka assisting.

Workers move flag poles

The Decatur County commissioners decided last Tuesday to move the flag poles from the west side of the courthouse to the front, or south, side of the building.

It wasn't the first time the commissioners had discussed moving the poles, but by the end of the meeting, workers from the road and bridge and noxious weed departments had dug out the poles and made ready to move them.

County Clerk Marilyn Horn said a light pole in the front of the courthouse had fallen over the weekend. Custodian Bob Berls said the city wanted to know if the county wanted the pole put back up, which the commissioners did.

Patti Skubal, county emergency management director, said she received a check for \$7,400 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to reimburse her office and the sheriff for regular time, overtime and equipment used during the storms on Thursday, May 22 and Thursday, June 5.

She said she has contacted Hot Brush from Bird City about putting Decatur County decals on her vehicle.

Commissioner Ralph Unger said the Local Emergency Protection Committee met at the beginning of September. They nominated officers for the year, with him serving as chair. Dr. Mark Olson as vice chair, Mrs. Skubal as recorder and Byron Hale as public information

officer. The nominations, said Mr. Unger, have to be approved by the commissioners, which they did.

He said he thought the next meeting would be Wednesday, Dec. 3, adding that the state has suggested having quarterly meetings instead of monthly.

In other business, the commissioners:

- Approved the purchase of \$9,500 worth of chemicals to spray musk thistle.

- Heard that Charles Godwin did get a number from the state to have the sign for his RV Park on U.S. 36. The county was contacted about the sign since it is on the fairgrounds. Commissioner Stan McEvoy showed a copy of an agreement for the Crossroads Express sign, with the owner paying \$50 a year for three years. The agreement probably needs to be renewed.

- Agreed to allow repairs to the bulldozer at the landfill, which has a blown seal and the left cylinder is leaking.

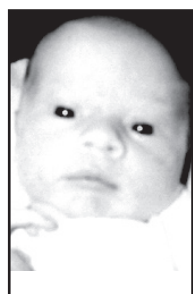
- Approved a resolution to close a half mile of road between sections 30 and 31 in Dresden Township at the request of Wilbur Reichert. A hearing was scheduled for the next commissioners' meeting.

- Signed forms to ensure the county would give the extension office \$60,000 in next year's budget and \$19,000 to the soil conservation district.

New Arrivals

Derek Allen Bishop

Derek Allen Bishop was born July 28, 2008, at Community Hospital in McCook. He weighed 6 pounds, 13 ounces and was 19 3/4 inches long. His parents are Jerry and Erin Bishop of Oberlin. He has a brother, Ryan, and two sisters, Malia and Alana. His grandparents are Gary and Tracy Orr, Oberlin; and James and Carol Coelfield, Lamar, Mo. Great-grandparents are Don and Marilynn Johnson, Plainville, and the late Bill and Mary Ward.



D. Bishop



N. Kittson

Noah Michael Kittson

Erin and Michael Kittson of Tucson, Ariz., are the parents of a son, Noah Michael Kittson, born in Tucson on Sept. 1, 2008. He weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces and was 20 inches long. Grandparents are Chris and Sherri Schmidt, Achilles, and James and Juanita Kittson, Badger Creek, Mont. Great-grandmothers are Daisy Schmidt, Achilles; Marie Williamson, Heart Butte, Mont.; and Beverly Kittson, Browning, Mont.

Trinity Lynn Bergling

Trinity Lynn Bergling was born at 5:57 a.m. on Sept. 4, 2008, at the Decatur County Hospital. She weighed 6 pounds, 15 ounces, and was 19 1/2 inches long. Her parents are Alicia Bergling and Sid Lampman. She has a sister, Kelly, 2. Grandparents are Dave and Sherry Bergling, Oberlin, and the late Cindy Bergling, and Vicki Lampman and Rick Lampman, McCook. Great-grandparents are Quentin and Olive Bergling, Atwood, and Judy Allen, McCook.



T. Bergling

Katelyn Ann Diederich

Shawn and Kathy Diederich of Colby are the parents of a daughter, Katelyn Ann Diederich, born Aug. 27, 2008, at Hays Medical Center. She weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces. She has a sister, Samantha. Grandparents are Alice Urban, Colby, and the late Kenneth Urban, a native of Oberlin, and Tom and Cheryl Diederich, Lenora.

Happy
Birthday
Mom

Donna, Mike, Stan,
Mark, Connie,
Marcia and families.

Love ya!



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