

# Norcatour News

By the Norcatour News Committee

Oran and LaVerne Milner and Mary Leslie accompanied Bee Nelson to McCook, on Sept. 19, for doctor appointments for Oran and Bee.

On Sunday, Sept. 21, Dorothy Ward, Mary Leslie and Bee Nelson had dinner at the Cardinal Bar and Grill. The fourth member, Wava Reames was having problems with her leg, so we took dinner to her.

Derrick Bolliger, Orleans, Neb., took last week off from running locomotives to help the crew at the Stan Miller farm get some of the fall work done, and he says for some "home cookin'."

Jerrod and Kortney Poire, Emporia, and Kaitlyn Stapp, Hays, met Dave and Patty Stapp and Dewaine Stapp at Plainville Friday evening and watched Sam play football.

Patty Stapp attended the first birthday party of Addison Schliep, held at her parents' home at McCook, on Sept. 20.

Cathy Claussen and Beth Johnson spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Mike Johnson of Lincoln, Neb., and attended a stork shower for Angie Claussen.

Happy Birthday to Mathew Helm, Kelsey Jackson, Jean Daniels, Sept. 23; Carol Miller, Dwight Wentz, Sept. 24; Ruth Leichter, Sept. 25; Jacob Helm, Sept. 28; Monty Hunt, Sept. 30; Kay Strevey, Oct. 1.

Happy Anniversary to Doug and Chris Dempewolf, Oct. 4; Elden and Marilou Long, Oct. 6.

Judy Menges, Colby, visited Idah Gallentine-Hoover in Norton on Sept. 14. Idah, a sister of Jay Gallentine, of Norcatour and Norton, grew up around Norcatour and lived on a farm south of town. She also taught school in Norcatour and the area around many years ago. Idah thought it was interesting reading the Norcatour News and the articles of the early years. She also visited Verl and Vi Van Der Wege in Norton. On Sunday, Sept. 7, she visited Marie McChesney at the Good Samaritan Center at Oberlin. Ron Temple was there with his singing group.

The Annual Decatur County Royal Neighbors of America convention was held Saturday, Sept. 20 at The Gateway in Oberlin. McCook Royal Neighbors of America camp was the hostess. There were 33 registered.

Those who attended from the Norcatour Camp were Joyce Price, Neoma Tacha, Dorothy Woods, Crystal Moore, Estella Harold and Lora Arnold.

On Saturday, Sept. 20, Mary Leslie and Bee Nelson drove to Orleans, Neb., to buy potatoes fresh from the field, but found they were sold out. They drove home through Beaver City, Neb., and Norton and stopped at the Highway 36 Treasure Hunt for homemade baked items.

The Decatur County Noxious Weed Department has said they will be here after the first frost to spray bindweed. This is your last chance to get signed up for spraying. Call the city office today!

Thanks to Deb Combs for the DVD's and to Mary Sedlmayer for the books that they donated to the library. We do appreciate donations of new books, DVD's and VHS tapes.

## MUSEUM TIDBITS

Thanks to Ralph and Phyllis LaSalle for Ralph's Norcatour FFA jacket and his U.S. Air Force uniform. Both look great in the museum!

# Mount Pleasant News

By Dianne Bremer

Anna Shaw bicycled in the 11th annual three day, 109 mile, "Rails to Trails" Mickelson Trail Trek on Sept. 19, 20, and 21 in South Dakota, beginning in Edgemont and ending in Deadwood.

Anna Shaw returned home Sunday after spending the weekend visiting Jennifer Shaw in Emporia, where she is attending college. On Friday night they traveled to Kansas City and enjoyed the comedienne performance of Jim Gaffigan.

Marvin May and Andy and Kelley May and Kalen left Friday morning for Wichita and were weekend guests of Brian and Sarah (May) Shaw and Caden. They participated in the Susan G. Komen Wichita

Race for the Cure on Saturday and returned home Sunday evening.

Janeil Jensen accompanied John and Dianne Bremer to Topeka on Friday afternoon and spent the weekend with her daughter, Sherri Ayers, and family. Janeil made the acquaintance of her new great-grandson, Karson Ticie Turner, who was born Tuesday, Sept. 23. He weighed 5 pounds, 8 ounces, was 18 1/2 inches long, and was released from the hospital Sunday morning. His parents are Andrew and Shannon Turner of Topeka, and his great-great-grandmother is Mildred Holmdahl of Oberlin. Shannon is a granddaughter of Mike and Janeil Jensen.

John and Dianne Bremer spent the weekend in Topeka visiting their daughter, Jessica.

They attended Family Day at Washburn University on Saturday where Jessica is a student, attended Sunday morning worship services at St. John's Lutheran Church in Topeka.

After services visited with Ruth Meyer, a member of their congregation. Ruth and her husband, the late Marvin Meyer, are former residents of Oberlin; he was a partner with Wolfe, Bremer, Meyer, and Morgan before moving to Topeka. John and Dianne, accompanied by Janeil Jensen, returned home Sunday evening.

# Herndon News

By Julie Hafner

Vickie Schmaltz of Dickenson, N.D., niece of Lavern and Sharon Frick, will be visiting the family and other relatives in Herndon. Lavern and Sharon spent Sunday in Trenton, Neb., with his mother, Viola Frick. They recently attended the birthday party for Cyrus Green of Atwood, who turned six and also had fun at Dean Portschy's 50th birthday party on Saturday evening.

Please note that St. Mary's regular mass schedule will change from 8 to 8:30 a.m. on Sunday, Oct. 5, in Herndon.

Family and friends celebrated the birthdays of Dean Portschy, Justin Marintzer, and Joe Marintzer who turned 50, 30, and 21, respectively. A party was held at the Herndon Pool Hall Saturday evening.

Weekend guests of Dean and Deb Portschy and family were Freddie and Shirley Reed of Stockton. Pete and Eileen Portschy joined the

family after mass on Sunday for brunch.

Julie and Bob Hafner spent the weekend in Parker, Colo., with the Dave Foxhoven family. Marlene Cook, and Julie and Bob visited Tom Cook, a patient at Swedish Hospital in Englewood, Colo., on Saturday.

Aaron, Sarah, and Gideon White of Norton spent two days recently visiting Dave and Judy Ketterl. Adam and Angela Ketterl joined them for Saturday evening dinner.

Herndon Library hours are from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. every Saturday afternoon. Genealogy books will be available in the near future.

John Kleidosty called Alan Solko for a salsa recipe this week. Sounds like there's a bunch of tomato canning going on in North Platte, Neb.

Chris Wood was a visitor of her aunt, Esther Pennington.

On Monday, Don and Joan Grafel traveled to Healy to attend the

homecoming festivities.

Company at the Don Grafel home this week included: Nanette Philbrick, daughter of Joan's, of Casper, Wyo.; Lynn and Betty Grafel, Roundrock, Texas, and Wayne and Betty Grafel, Culbertson, Neb. They enjoyed lunch at Roger's Bar and Grill on Friday.

# Decatur Health Systems

By Othelia Vacura

The Diabetic Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday in the lobby of the Specialty Clinic Addition at the Decatur County Hospital, 810 W. Columbia. Use the east entrance.

Pharmacist Kurt Vollertsen of Ward Drug will be speaking about diabetic foot care. Following the meeting, diabetic friendly snacks will be served. This is a valuable way of sharing successful methods of living with diabetes.

Several areas of improvement are going on at Decatur Health Systems. Steve Diederich of Diederich Installation spent several days removing the old carpeting and laying new carpeting in the patio area of Cedar Living Center, with the perfect color to complement the new wicker furniture in that area.

The maintenance crew has been remodeling the hospital nurses' station to comply with the privacy standards of federal regulations. The higher walls are noticeable when you come in, but be assured, the same friendly faces are still here, ready to provide you the best of care.

Also, the front office crew has been putting a fresh look on their work area by changing the wall color to a warm tan.

What if you could donate a penny to improve the tools used to provide health care in Oberlin every time you searched the internet? Now you can. GoodSearch.com is a search engine that donates half its revenue to charities its users support. The donations may seem small, but they add up: 500 people searching four times a day would raise over \$7,000 a year for their designated charity.

In addition, through an agreement with national online retailers, your online shopping through GoodShop generates a donation based on your purchase price without costing you a single cent. GoodSearch was founded by Ken and J.J. Ramberg, web pros who figured there had to be a way for people to support causes they care about, using the power of the Internet.

They dedicated the site to their late mother, who taught them to work to make the world a better place. Yahoo powers this search engine, and questions you may have about how it works are answered on the GoodSearch.com site.

Add GoodSearch.com to your favorites, designate Decatur Health Systems as your favorite charity and start today to search and shop on our behalf.

# It Only Happens in the Movies

By Doug Mason, Lund Covenant Church

Recently I read about things that only happen in the movies and on television. I found it fun and eye-opening. Here are some examples:

- All grocery shopping bags contain at least one stick of French bread.
- The ventilation system of any building is the perfect hiding place. No one will ever think of looking for you in there, and you can travel to any other part of the building you want without difficulty.
- Should you wish to pass yourself off as a German officer, it will not be necessary to speak the language. A German accent will do.
- The Eiffel Tower can be seen from any window in Paris.
- A man will show no pain while taking the most ferocious beating but will wince when a woman tries to clean his wounds.
- Cars that crash will almost always burst into flames.
- Medieval peasants had perfect teeth.
- It's always possible to park directly outside the building you're visiting.
- A detective can only solve a case once he has been suspended from duty.
- If you decide to start dancing in the street, everyone you bump into will know all the steps.
- It does not matter if you are heavily outnumbered

in a fight involving martial arts — your enemies will wait patiently to attack you one by one by dancing around in a threatening manner until you have knocked out the ones before them.

Police departments give their officers personality tests to make sure they are deliberately assigned a partner who is their total opposite.

Have you noticed these things about movies? I sure have. But there is also something else I've noticed. When a Christian character is shown on screen he/she is almost always a buffoon. Christians are ignorant, overbearing, mean, and/or some sort of dangerous extremist. What's up with that?

Movies and television shows rarely depict real life accurately. After all, their purpose is to entertain not educate. But in real life, Christians tend to be more stable, well-adjusted and very in-touch with the world around them. If you really want to live a life with purpose, hope, and value, try living by life's little instruction book — the Bible. You can also look at these Christian guidelines as Basic Instructions Before Leaving Earth. Remember, life doesn't happen the way Hollywood says it happens, quality life happens when we model it after Christ. Romans 12 says, "Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world." Instead, seek God's good, pleasing and perfect will.



# 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, LEVILLIE**  
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: Larry Danforth  
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.

**NORCATOUR UNITED METHODIST**  
Pastor: Larry Danforth  
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**  
Pastor Tom Smith  
Interim Pastor  
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.

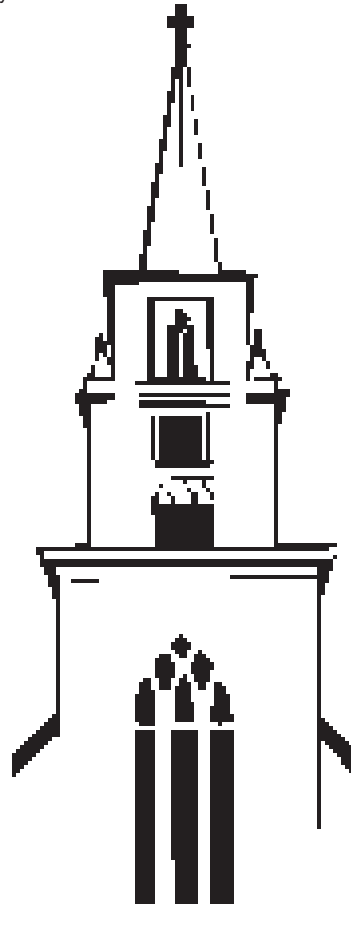
**LUND COVENANT CHURCH**  
Pastor: Doug Mason  
10 miles south, 4 miles west of Oberlin  
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.; WEDNESDAY: Bible Study and prayer, 7:30 p.m.

**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.

**THE WORKING MAN'S CHURCH**  
C&H Power Line Building on Hwy 83 (North of the Airport) Oberlin, Kan.  
Pastor John Paulson  
SUNDAY: Worship, 9:30 a.m.; Come as you are.



# Jennings News

By Louise Cressler

The ladies of the Jennings community will be baking kolaches on Friday at BCI, the former schoolhouse. Kolaches will be sold at Mini Sapa 50th Anniversary celebration of the Decatur County Last Indian Raid Museum in Oberlin on Saturday. Proceeds of the kolache sale goes to help renovate the Masonic Hall.

Capt. Todd Gaston, Sumter, S.C., a grandson of Wayne and Louise Cressler was deployed to Iraq this past week. He is a Captain in the Air Force and a meteorologist.

City Council will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the Senior Center.

Weekend guests of the Lawrence Jennings home were Brian and Westley Jennings, Solomon; Brent and Rhonda Jennings, Andrea, Morgan, and Brendan, Wichita; Dale, Tammy, Eric and Erin Musgrave, Ong, Neb.; Pat Kinneman,

Tulsa, Okla.; and Tim Kinneman, Arkansas.

Brett Jennings entertained them all to a barbecue on Saturday evening, along with Rod and Pat Fringer, Lee and Judy Ploussard, Oberlin, and other friends and neighbors. Brett Jennings will soon be deployed to southern Iraq with the National Guard.

The Immaculate Conception Church of Leoville will hold its Fall Festival on Sunday, Oct. 12. Bingo will begin at 3 p.m. A roast beef and turkey dinner with all the trimmings will be served from 5 to 7 p.m.

The auction will begin at 6 p.m., along with games, a country store and a drawing. Everyone is welcome.

A Pheasant Hunter's breakfast will be held at Jennings in the Masonic Hall on Saturday, Nov. 1, the opening day of hunting season. More on this at a later date.

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