

People in Our Community

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Linda Marintzer, Westminster, Colo.; Deb Scheufler, Tempe, Ariz.; and Karen Buxton, Brighton, Colo.; spent last week with their mother, Marie Zimmerman, and surprised her with a big new television set.

Kelly Wasson and Marilyn Dieckerich, both chiropractic assistants at Fair Chiropractic Clinic, traveled to Dallas, Texas, to attend Parker Seminars. They are sharing with the patients what they learned about the importance of nutrition and supplements, low laser therapy, pediatric chiropractic, balancing female hormones without drugs, and why people get sick and how they can get and stay well.

Sunday dinner guests of Luetta Pollnow were Shane and Amanda Johnson and Judson, Dodge City; Sam and Diana Steinmetz; and Gary and Kay Matheny.

Winning highs in pinochle at Golden Age Center the past week were Henry Edgett, Dorothy Moore, Elden Haas, Ardis Roe, Dewaine Stapp, Doris Gilbert and Floyd Edgett. Lows went to Floyd Edgett, Kelva Dryden, Dorothy Moore, Barb Solko, Elden Haas, Doris Gilbert, Ivis Hanson and Neil Marshall. Pitch highs were won by Elden Haas and Dorothy Moore with lows going to Aleen Van Vleet and Floyd Edgett. Winning highs at bridge were Carol Shirley, Charlotte Meints, Annette Miller and Leone Purton.

Mike and Vicky Sylvester, who own the former Daylight Donut building, said that they do hope sometime later to open a restaurant there, but due to health problems that have developed since his car accident, they do not know when that might be.

Esther Ready of New York City visited her parents, John and Muriel Ready, over the weekend.

Steve Hirsch was in Grand Rapids, Mich., from Sept. 23 to 28 attending the National Volunteer Fire Council. He represents Kansas on this board and was appointed this year to serve on the legislative committee which is involved in legislation in Congress that affects the fire service in the United States. His wife, Anita, accompanied him and participated in the spouse program which included a visit to the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Museum.

Gail and Kay Marcuson, and Brad and Elaine Marcuson attended the fall vocal and band music concert at Barton County Community Col-

lege on Monday evening. Jared Marcuson is a member of the Hilltop Singers.

—Seafood Buffet Friday, Oct. 10, 6-8 p.m. LandMark Inn. 475-2340.

Dr. Bob and Nadine Simpson spent the weekend in Oberlin for the Mini Sapa celebration and served as marshals for the Last Indian Raid Museum parade. They were guests at the LandMark Inn and later of Herschel and Jody Betts.

Kim Langness, Sarah, Nehemiah, Ruth and Esther of Bazine were Wednesday luncheon guests of Jerald and Elaine Leitner.

Sheila DeKnight and Jackie Ainley of Stockton, Mo., and Beth (DeKnight) Kelliher of Franklin, Mass., were in Oberlin over the weekend for the Mini-Sapa activities. Mrs. DeKnight's mother, the late Kathleen Claar, was the first curator of the Last Indian Raid Museum. The women had lunch with Joyce Ploussard on Friday at the ReLoad.

Sarah (Olson) White, daughter of Mark and Barbara Olson of Oberlin, and April Ann Wolters, daughter of Tim and Barbara Wolters of Ludell were among more than 440 students who received degrees from Kansas State University this summer. Sarah earned a master of accountancy, and April, a bachelor of science in business administration.

Steve and Marilyn Horn returned Monday from a 12-day bus tour to see the New England Fall Foliage. They enjoyed the lovely leaf colors of the Eastern states, visiting Niagara Falls, Plymouth Rock, Ohio Amish Country and history tours of Boston and New York.

John and Hank Juenemann returned home Monday from St. Paul, Minn., where they visited Larry and Kathy Vander Poel, formerly of Oberlin.

On Saturday, they attended the wedding of their son, Adam Vander Poel, and Laura Snook, at the Basilica of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Minneapolis, Minn.

The newlyweds will live in Minneapolis. En route home, the Juenemanns attended the 50th anniversary celebration which honored distant cousins, Ken and Adeline Sinclair, in Le Center, Minn.

Don Stapp is hospitalized at Hays Medical Center in Hays. Mail will reach him at 2220 Canterbury Road, Hays, Kan., 67749.

Principal gives program

Oberlin Elementary School Principal Duane Dorshorst presented the program at the Sept. 30 meeting of the Oberlin Rotary Club at The Gateway.

He was introduced by Lynn Doeden, program chair for the week. Mr. Dorshorst is the state representative for elementary principals in Kansas.

He spoke about the multi-tiered systems of support to be used in Kansas schools to focus on improving the academic performance of all students, especially struggling learners in elementary schools.

He described a three-tiered system which looks at the supports that all students need, those which some students need and then those that only a few students need. Specific

interventions are identified at each level which makes it more likely that students will receive the learning support they need.

The main goal is for schools to use their resources in ways that help figure out what it takes for each child to be successful, he said.

This is done by knowing who needs support early each year and putting those supports in place; implementing evidence-based interventions for all students and tailoring interventions based on each student's needs and using progress-monitoring data to know when to make changes.

Junior Rotarians from Decatur Community High were Logan Fortin and Lucas Juenemann.



FRANK WARD enjoyed a close look at a small squirrel held by Cathy Wenger. She and her husband Evan brought several of the squirrels with them from Texas, where they had been rescued after Hurricane Ike destroyed their tree homes.

—Othelia Vacura photo

Cedar Living Center residents enjoy squirrels

Evan and Cathy Wenger of Denton, Texas, were recent visitors of their parents, Phyll and Connie Cramer, and Fern Wenger, and brought with them six baby squirrels that survived Hurricane Ike in Houston.

Residents at Cedar Living Center, including Fern Wenger, enjoyed watching and petting the squirrels, which have become quite active.

The Wildlife Rehabilitators group in Houston rescued 140 baby squirrels made homeless when the hurricane destroyed their tree homes. The Humane Society in Denton, where Cathy Wenger works, took in 70. Each of the workers took some

baby squirrels home to bottle feed for about a month.

Squirrels cut their teeth at seven weeks and are able to eat nuts and seeds, she said. At that time, they will be old enough to live on their own and will be returned to live in the wild in Houston.

Baby squirrels are called "Pinkies," she said, perhaps because they are hairless and about the size of a little finger when they are born.

Squirrels look like rats when they are born, she said, but one way to tell the difference between the two is that squirrels have black toenails and rats do not.

Couple observes 50 years

Dr. and Mrs. Walden Peterson of Lindsborg were honored with a reception on Sunday at the Fellowship Hall of the Lindsborg Covenant Church in observance of their 50th wedding anniversary. He is the son of the late Walden and Elsa (Holmdahl) Peterson Thelander, formerly of Oberlin.

Celebrating with the couple were their son and his wife, Dale and Michelle (Klem) Peterson, who married in Denver on Aug. 9, 2008. A program also honored the couples.

Walden Peterson and Ruth Johnson were married on Oct. 5, 1958, in the same church. He was a dentist in Lindsborg for 47 years and is now retired.

He serves as a trustee and treasurer for the church. Mrs. Peterson

was office manager of the dental practice for more than 20 years.

She is the organist, a choir member and a worship planner for their church.

Also present were their other sons, Mark and Joyce Peterson; Anders, Lars and Nils, Lindsborg; Ralph and Sue Peterson, Erik, Aaron and Evan, Billings, Mont., and Andrew Peterson, Emporia.

Among cousins who attended were Eloise Smith, Mildred Holmdahl, Janeil Jensen, Merlin and Bonnie Anderson, Gayle Carlson, Oberlin; Kendra Pelton, Burdett; Phyllis Klich, Denver; Janet Vermillion, El Dorado; Rick Rydquist, Dallas; Mick and Cooker Rydquist, Paul and Marlene McGill, and Darla Stevens, Kansas City.

Women plan soup supper

Prairie Chapel United Methodist Women met at the home of Coleen Rippe on Oct. 1. Roll call, a Bible verse on the Holy Spirit, was answered by eight members and the Rev. Doug Hasty.

President Cheryl Metcalf conducted the meeting and asked for prayer requests with prayer following. Lucille Townsend gave Prayer Calendar Moments. The president read an invitation to the Hays District meeting to be held on Saturday, Oct. 18, at Quinter. The group voted not to have a Christmas tree at the

museum this year. Plans were made for the soup supper on Oct. 5 at the church.

Ethel Railsback gave an interesting program, "For the Love of Children" with members having a part. "Jesus Loves Me" was sung and the program closed with prayer for children.

The next meeting will be at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 5, at Cedar Living Center with Patti Uehlin as hostess. Coleen Rippe will give the program on the World Thank offering.

New Arrival

Evelyn Althea Spanier

Adam and Andrea Spanier of Oberlin are the parents of a daughter, Evelyn Althea, who was born at 12:45 p.m. on Aug. 26, 2008, at the Decatur County Hospital. She weighed 9 pounds, 12 ounces. Evelyn means "living light" and Althea means "demure, wholesome" and it is the middle name of her grandmother, Deanne Lang-

ness. Grandparents are Troy and Deb Marshall, Norcat; Allan and Deanne Langness, Goodland; and Kerry Spanier, Garden City. Great-grandparents are Forrest and Inez Jackson, Norcat; Neil Marshall, Oberlin; Marcelle Sloan, Dodge City; and Nick and Sylvia Spanier, Garden City. Her father is station manager at KNGN 1360 AM in McCook.

'The Rainmaker' comes to Oberlin on Saturday

The Southwest Nebraska Community Theater of McCook will present "The Rainmaker," at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at The Gateway in Oberlin.

The production is sponsored by the Oberlin Arts and Humanities Commission.

It is set during a period of drought reminiscent of the "dirty thirties." The play centers around a ranch family which could have lived in our plains area with the difficult times of no rain, failed crops, grasshoppers, and dying cattle. While no "rainmaker" came to them, they and their neighbors endured through hard work, faith, and perseverance.

Bill Marshall and Jerilynn Carr, directors, said of the setting of the play, "At a time of a paralyzing drought in the midwest, we discover a girl whose father and two bro-

thers are worried as much about her becoming an old maid as they are about their dying cattle. As they are trying to marry her off, there is no relief from the dry heat.

From out of nowhere appears a unique character with grandiose ideas about making rain, which he promises to do for \$100. The family, excluding Lizzie, finally consent to his scheme.

He convinces them to do crazy things, banging on a drum, painting arrows on the ground, tying mules legs together. During these antics, he turns his magic on Lizzie and convinces her that she is beautiful and lovable. Rain comes as well as hope of love for Lizzie.

This is a season ticket event or \$10 for adults and \$5 for students at the door. For details, call Ella Betts, (785) 475-3557 or Mary Henzel (785) 470-0218.

Oberlin Lion honored

Jack Benton, a longtime member of the Oberlin Lions Club, was presented with the "Hero Award" for being the "get-it-done" guy by District Gov. John Lee during his official visit on Sept. 15.

Mr. Benton, who is treasurer of the club, works at the concession stand at the ball park in the summer, helps with Prairie Land Food distribution, volunteers at high school

sports events and does what needs to be done, according to Boyd Wilson, president of the Oberlin Lions Club.

Governor Lee spoke about the goals for this Lions District, which covers 72 clubs throughout the entire western half of Kansas.

The club will observe its 60th anniversary on Saturday at The Gateway.



Jack Benton

DeMays enjoy reunion cruise

The family of Hal and Martha DeMay met in Texas at the home of Dan and Jodi (DeMay) Grubb on Lake Conroe for the beginning of a Caribbean family reunion cruise.

Members present included Dale and Janet (DeMay) Bamesberger, Indianola, Neb.; Bill and Robyn DeMay, Olathe; Frank and Kathy (DeMay) Felix, California; Bob and Dianne DeMay, Phoenix; Steve and Carolyn (DeMay) Richards, Brewster; Mike and Amber Grubb Dallas; Christy, Gayland, Chelsea, Cori, and Cameron Hoffman, Montgomery, Texas; and Joanne and Steve Perea, Ozark, Ark.

Also joining the group were Tomas, Karen, and Tony Ball-esteros, long time friends of the Grubbs, and entertainers from Toledo, Spain.

The family shared many stories about Cedar Bluffs, where they grew up and Oberlin, where they graduated from high school, as well as McCook.

A barbecue dinner at the Grubb

home was followed by several boat rides on the lake. The following morning, a bus picked the family up and took them to Galveston, to board the Carnival Cruise liner for a five-day cruise to Progresso and Cozomel, Mexico. The first day at sea saw the family gathering in the China Restaurant for a performance by Tomas with his Spanish guitar. Bob, Dianne, Kathy and Frank added some talent also. The family all wore their reunion T-shirts, made by Christy, and Carolyn had put together memory albums for each family, so the rest of the afternoon was spent reminiscing of the past.

On the return to Galveston, the bus was there to meet the family. Several flew back to their homes that day, so the bus dropped those family members off at Bush Intercontinental Airport in Houston. The rest finished their reunion on Lake Conroe or returned home by car. Family members all expressed their thanks on parts of a quilt which Janet is piecing and quilting.

Alzheimer's program planned

Dr. Michael Breiner of Lincoln, Neb., will speak from 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturday at the Decatur County Good Samaritan Center, giving a program to help families understand Alzheimer's disease.

Dr. Breiner will share his unique, compassionate perspective as not only a physician but also the son who cared for his mother after she

was diagnosed with Alzheimer's.

The center's new Butterfly Garden will be on display. This is a supplemental program to the Garden of Hope, which was created two years ago to meet the needs of residents with dementia.

Anyone who has a loved one living with this disease is encouraged to attend.

Bridge benefit set for center

A bridge tournament will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 16, 23 and 30 at the Oberlin American Legion as a benefit for the Decatur County

Good Samaritan Center. Deadline to register is Monday. Call Cindi Sauder or Montine Alstrom at (785) 475-2245.

Norcat United Methodist Church
Bazaar & Soup Supper
October 18th, 2008
at Norcat Educational Building

Soup & Pie will be served starting at 5 p.m. (Free will donations accepted)

Auction to follow at 7 p.m. with many items donated from Norton, Oberlin, and Norcat businesses

Raffle of digital camera during auction, need not be present to win

Happy Anniversary!

The family of
James & Linda
Hollowell
of Oberlin is requesting
a card shower in honor of their
40th Wedding Anniversary
on October 12, 2008

Cards will reach them at:
1648 1130th Rd.
Oberlin, Kansas 67749

Advertise your business on-line
Call Dave Bergling ~ 475-2206

Card Shower for
Elda Campbell's
90th Birthday
Oct. 8, 2008

Mail will reach her at: Prairie Sr. Living Complex,
1625 S. Franklin 106A, Colby, KS 67701

40th Anniversary
The children and grandchildren of
Rev. Gene and Mrs. Helen Gee

request you to join
family and friends
in showering them
with cards
to honor their

40th Anniversary
October 18, 2008
Cards will reach them at:
902 E. Commercial
Oberlin, KS 67749