



THE STAFF has been helping with some redecorating at the Decatur County Hospital. Terese Vontz, who works with insurance in the office, helped paint the office walls.

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Parent-teacher meetings next week

Parent-teacher conferences for Oberlin Elementary School students will be held from 5 to 9 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 23, and from 8 a.m. to noon on Friday, Oct. 24.

There will be no school on Friday, Oct. 24.

Letters were sent to parents of younger children with assigned times to meet with their child's teacher. Parents are asked to come

at the assigned times.

There will be no assigned times, however, for parents of fifth and sixth grade students. Those parents may meet with teachers Jeri Buchholz, Carol Dixon and Sandy Ketterl in the gym either day. The school asks that conferences be kept to 10 minutes to give all parents an opportunity to meet with these teachers. Enter the gym at the west door and

pick up your child's grade card.

Teachers Mardi Lohoefer and Marty Olson and counselor Sheila Jansonius will be available for conferences in their rooms. Jeff Jones, Terri Woolsey and Sarah Bricker will be available for conferences from 8 a.m. to noon on Friday in the gym.

For questions, call the school office at 475-2122.

Widows and Friends meet at café

The Frontier Café was the site of the Widows and Friends meeting on Oct. 8 for an 8:30 a.m. breakfast.

Doris Sloan, coordinator, gave devotions, then introduced Mary Ann Amack, who gave an enjoyable report on a recent conference which she and Susan May attended in Oakley.

It was sponsored by the K-State Research and Extension Service of the Northwest Kansas Area on

Aging. The topic was "Growing Old — But Not Old."

Guests participated in three different forums with different topics chosen by each to attend.

She said that a special guest speaker there was a very agile old gentleman, Walter McBurney of Quinter. His tips to follow on aging included: exercise, nutrition, spiritual faith and positive attitude.

He did tell, too, that he is age 105

and will be 106 this month.

Others present were Nadean Stoney, Bertha Schwisow, Elaine Bryan, Mildred Holmdahl, Mabel Zimmerman, Virginia Spratling, Laurene Van Otterloo, Eileen Grose, Judy Davis, Norma Richards, Cecil Hess, Dorothy Jackson, Phyllis Screen and Doris Fringer.

The group will meet at 3 p.m. on Nov. 12 for coffee and dessert at the LandMark Inn.

Oncologist sees patients in McCook

Dr. Maria Editha de Villa, a physician specializing in medical oncology and hematology from North Platte, Neb., began seeing patients at Community Hospital's Medical Specialists Center in September.

She sees patients in McCook the second and last Tuesdays of each month. Dr. de Villa practices full time at the Callahan Cancer Center at Great Plains Regional Medical Center in North Platte.

She has had a private practice in the Philippines since 2003 in Makati, at the Cardinal Santos Medical Center in San Juan and the St. Luke's Medical Center in Quezon City. She was a lecturer in internal medicine at the San Beda College-College of Medicine in Manila before moving to North Platte.

Dr. de Villa completed her fellowship in hematology and oncology at

St. Elizabeth's Medical Center of Boston and a residency in internal medicine at the State University of New York-Health Science Center at Brooklyn.

She is board certified in internal medicine, hematology and oncology. She began seeing patients in North Platte in July.

To make an appointment, call central scheduling at Community Hospital at (308) 344-8285.

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Pizza Hut supports fund raiser

The Decatur County Kansans for Life will receive a slice of the dough from every pizza sold at Oberlin's Pizza Hut on Sunday.

Unlike past years, the members won't be waiting tables, but they will get the tips for the day.

The event is the only fund raiser the group does.

Pizza Hut is open from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Money will go to the Mary Elizabeth Maternity Home in Hays and for projects for the chapter.

Theater receives donation

Oberlin Royal Neighbors members **Lois** Lamb, **Edna** Mott, **Phyllis** Screen and **Nadean** Stoney met at the Sunflower Cinema on Thursday to make a presentation.

President **Lamb** presented a check for \$1,834 to theater board member **Bev** Reiter from the recent potato-bar matching benefit sponsored by the group. Other theater board members present were **Duane** Dorshorst and **Kala** Bose.

New Arrival

Sidny Ann Pinkerman

Jeremy and **Ronda** Pinkerman of **Dakota** Dunes, S.D., are the parents of a daughter, **Sidny** Ann, born July 30, 2008, in Papillion, Neb.

She weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces, and was 21 inches long. To welcome her home are her two sisters, **Abby** Lee, 3, and **Mia** Rey, 2. Grandparents are **Sharon** and **LeRoy** Stevenson, Oberlin, and the late **Lee** Mockry; and **Arlo** and **Anita** Pinkerman, Stromsburg, Neb. Great-grandparents are **Edwin** and **Doris** Black, Oberlin, and the late **Leola** Black; **Lee** Ora Mockry, Oberlin, and the late **Marion** Mockry; **Lucille** Pinkerman, O'Neill, Neb., and the late **Virgil** Pinkerman; and **Helen** Anderson, Butte Neb.; and the late **Vance** Anderson.



S. Pinkerman

Club News

Group plans cookie sale

Sixteen members of the Oberlin United Methodist Women answered roll call at the Oct. 1 meeting by giving a scripture verse about serving others. Devotions were given by **Maxine** Smith, based on *Matthew 18:5*.

Plans were made to attend the district meeting on Saturday, Oct. 18 in Quinter and a committee was appointed to make plans for a cookie sale in December as a fundraiser. A donation of \$100 was voted for the United Methodist Committee on Relief to aid victims of recent hurricanes.

A program on public education, "For the Love of Children," was given by **Fern** Moore. She gave statistics on the number of students who drop out of school.

Members were encouraged to support students, as well as teachers, at both elementary and secondary levels. **Mrs. Moore** named 45 members of the church who are now or have been involved in public education.

Nadine Haag and **Violet** Shaw served refreshments from tables decorated with fall arrangements and place mats with appropriate scripture verses.

Hostesses for the Nov. 5 meeting will be **Mary Ann** Amack and **Pat** Abbey. Devotions will be given by **Mary** Waldo and the program, "Giving Thanks for Good News," will be given by **Violet** Shaw.

Thank offering boxes will be collected.

Club visits bus factory

Zeta Nu Club met on Thursday at the Pizza Hut for a dutch luncheon.

A meeting followed at the home of **Lois** Fredrickson with 10 members present. **Mary** Henzel gave a review of the constitution as requested by the club at the previous meeting. After a discussion, several changes were proposed, which **Mrs. Henzel** will make

and the new guidelines will be voted on at the next meeting. Six members enjoyed an interesting tour of the bus factory at Jennings after the meeting.

The next meeting will be Thursday, Nov. 13, at the home of **Angie** Wilson with **Charlotte** Meints as co-hostess. A program on aging will be presented by the Good Samaritan Center.

Esther Carlson

will be celebrating her

90th Birthday

on October 20, 2008



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