

THE OBERLIN HERALD —

People in Our Community

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Cathy Claussen returned home Friday from Olathe, where she had visited a week with her son, Chris and Angie Claussen, and made the acquaintance of their infant daughter, Annika Ranell Claussen, who was born Nov. 1.

Vicky and Michael Sylvester were in Denver in October for funeral services for her grandfather, Frank Valentine, 103, who died Oct. 5, and her step-father, Raymond Vincinelli, 88, who died Oct. 30.

Mr. Sylvester has a brain tumor and multiple other injuries and the family requests prayers and support for him. The couple recently moved to Oberlin and they own the building formerly occupied by the Donut Shop.

Among out-of-town relatives and friends who attended funeral services for Myrtle Warner on Nov. 3 were: Gerald and Leona Rogers, Newton; Tami and Randy Carlgren, Joshua and Hannah, North Newton; GERALYN and Lauren Parker, Goodland; Jillian Parker, Trena and Madeline Miller, Kearney, Neb.; Joe and Stephanie Rogers, Davison, Mich.; Conrad Rogers, Chicago; Sherry and Harry Watts, Diana and Stuart Watts, Melanie Rogers, Manhattan; Scott and Julie Rogers and Meredith, Larned; Mike and Mary Stephenson, Leavenworth; Shane and Jill Boultinghouse, Great Bend; Dick and Betty Pauls, Selden; Father Nick Parker, Salina; Bernadette and Neil Austin, Garden City; Harold and Luella Parker, Mel Breathower, Long Island; and Evan Wenger, Denton, Texas.

Jared Marcuson is a \$500 recipient of the Neva and L.E. Brocher Scholarship at Barton Community College for the 2008-09 academic year. It is given by the Barton Community College Foundation.

A 2008 graduate of Decatur Community High School, he is a freshman, majoring in political science. His parents are Brad and Elaine Marcuson.

Winning highs in pinochle at Golden Age Center the past week were Doris Gilbert, Ivis Hanson, Kelva Dryden, Ardis Roe, Barb Solko and Henry Edgett. Lows went to Henry Edgett, Doris Gilbert, Elden Haas and Barb Solko.

Pitch highs were won by Elden Haas and Henry Edgett with lows going to Neil Marshall and Dorothy Moore. Winning highs at bridge were Cynthia Matson and Charlotte Meints. Annual Thanksgiving potluck, 12:15 p.m. Sunday, Golden Age Center.

Andrea Bromm, Omaha, and Sarah Marcuson spent the weekend visiting Leslie Marcuson and her fiancé, Ryan Nelson, in Topeka.

Among those who attended funeral services in Norton on Saturday morning for Bill Belt were Phyllis Lohoefer, Alex Ortez and Herschel and Jody Betts.

He was a cousin of Mrs. Lohoefer and Mr. Betts. Survivors include a son, Eric and wife, Masa,

Salem, Conn.; a daughter-in-law, Susan Belt, Berrton, and a sister, Anna Lee Martin, Sylmer, Calif.

Muriel Ready was honored with an open house Saturday afternoon in observance of her 100th birthday by her husband, John, her daughter, Esther Ready and husband, David Chomowicz and Nick, New York, at the Decatur County Good Samaritan Center.

Background piano music was provided by her grandson, Nick. Among other out-of-town guests were Elmo and Margaret Lund, Hays; Nancy (Ellis) Woods, Garden City; Marla Manning, Kelsey and Taryn, Denver; Jeanne Beer, Larned; Steve Beer, Wichita; Eber and Joanie Phelps, Hays; Kristen Bremer and Dwayne Bray, Colby; and Jessica Bremer, Topeka.

Marj Law of Lakewood, Colo., returned home Thursday after spending a week visiting her mother, Fern Jording. Mrs. Jording had spent two weeks at Decatur County Hospital and then spent a few days at Cedar Living Center. Lori Lowrance of Westminster, Colo., was an additional weekend guest of her grandmother, Mrs. Jording, on Nov. 1 and 2.

Brad and Elaine Marcuson attended the Farm Bureau Presidents Conference and Kansas Farm Bureau Annual meeting in Manhattan from Thursday to Saturday as delegates for the Decatur County Farm Bureau.

Jared Marcuson of Great Bend, also attended as president of the Barton Community College Collegiate Farm Bureau Club.

Among out-of-town relatives and friends who attended funeral services for Wynn Horney on Friday were Jack and Sybil O'Toole and Laurie Nachtigal, Hiawatha; David and Michelle Luttrell, Centennial, Colo.; Dave and Lisa O'Toole, Leawood; Joyce Miller, Kent Keppel, Gene and Yve Lindemann, Denver; Rocky and Julia Miller and family, Gem; Bill and Sandy McConville, Culbertson, Neb.; Cindy Shields, Ron and Jackie McKillip, Lee and Pat Foley, McCook; Larry and Barb O'Toole, Wichita; Kenneth and Joan Hensley, Albany, Mo.; Kevin Keppel, Grand Junction, Colo.; Dorothy and Jean Deal, and Ricky Horney, Kansas City, Mo.; Rex and Doris Mayor, Colby; Janice Owens and Lee, Goodland; and Warren and Bonnie Reid, Brewster.

A baby shower was held for Desirée Vilar on Saturday at the Parkview Apartments community room, hosted by her mother, Leslie Nolette. Family and friends who attended were Chantelle Beneda, Peyton Fife, Samaria Vilar, Alicia Bergling, Angee Pearce, Kimberly Davis, Pat Cozad, Karla Jones, Marianna Bendon, Desirae Shields, Beth Sliter, Patty, Sierra, Lily, and Jessie Hendrickson, Buffy Varos, Ashley and Andrea Miller, Oberlin; Mary Lou Olson, Herndon; Wanda Farr, Kaitlyn Gillespie, Jennings.

Watercolor session Saturday

The fifth in a series of beginning watercolor and composition workshops by artist Anna Seeber Shaw will begin at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Oberlin Covenant Church.

The cost of each workshop is \$15. For details, call Mrs. Shaw at (785) 475-2707 or Mary Henzel at (785) 470-0218.

Rockathon set Nov. 22

Residents of the Decatur County Good Samaritan Center are ready to rock on Saturday, Nov. 22, during their fourth annual Rockathon.

Sixteen residents will set their chairs to rocking to raise money for their annual service project. This year, the money will be donated to help pay for a new senior center.

They will rock from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sponsor sheets are available at the Good Samaritan Center, throughout town businesses and at area churches, said Lisa Paulson, activities director.

Those who will take on the task are Alice Bobbitt, Eva Bryan, Opal Bryan, Shirley Hayward, Faye

Miller, Doris Marintzer, David McGee, Edla Olson, Evelyn Olson, Leone Porsch, Dorothy Pryor, Amy Rehm, Lucy Schissler, Violet Schissler, Elaine Thomas and Lora Zwickle. Relief rockers Hubert Mumm, R.D. Thornton and Leona Helmkamp will fill in when someone needs a break.

"Our goal is to raise \$150 for each rocker, or \$2,400," said Mrs. Paulson. "Plan to join us in this exciting endeavor. There will be live entertainment all day long and a 'Build Your Own Sundae' station."

Call Lisa Paulson or Anita Hirsch at the center at 475-2245 for information.

Colorado band to perform

The Highway 385 Band from Colorado, which calls itself "the true voice of Middle America," will play for a dance at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, at The Gateway civic center in Oberlin.

The band plays a little bluegrass, a little country, '50s rock 'n' roll, some '70s music, then moves into something entirely different.

The four members, who say they enjoy each other's company, all hail from the High Plains of eastern Colorado and western Kansas. When the band gets together, it's

traveling down U.S. 385, so that's how the band got its name.

Members are Dan Steerman, mandolin, banjo, guitar and vocals; Terry Souther, guitar, vocals; E.J. Carpenter, guitar, mandolin, bass, vocals; and James Lightle, bass, dobro and vocals.

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

Man speaks about Internet

John Dehn, director of new media at *The Oberlin Herald*, spoke about the importance of the Internet to businesses at the Nov. 4 meeting of the Oberlin Rotary Club at The Gateway. He was introduced by Cynthia Haynes, program chair.

He said that businesses can save many dollars by having a website, which should be a tax-deductible expense, but a great way to reach out to customers and the community.

The No. 1 expense for any busi-

ness is employees, he said, and by having a website on the Internet, a business can control employment, reducing its largest expense. The cost to get a website on the internet is about \$1,500 to \$3,000.

Guests were Janice Shobe of the Atwood Rotary Club, John Lesinski of the Front Row Rotary Club in Virginia and Ann Anderson. Junior Rotarians from Decatur Community High School were Annamarie Larue and Farra McChesney.

Decatur graduate goes to Iraq

Specialist Jake Robinson, a Decatur Community High graduate and a former employee of *The Oberlin Herald*, deployed to Iraq in October, where he will serve for a year with the Army.

He entered the service in January 2006 and took basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. He has been stationed at Fort Wainwright, Alaska, near Fairbanks.

His wife, Spc. Katherine Robinson, has completed a one-year tour of duty in

Iraq and they were able to spend a day together there before she returned home. After they complete their military service, both plan to enroll at the University of Kansas in January 2010.

Jake is the son of Merlou Robinson and Mike Robinson. Jerry and Marcia Lohoefer of Oberlin are his maternal grandparents.

Mail may be sent to Spc. Jake Robinson, HHC, BDE 1/25 SBCT, FOB Warhorse, APO, AE 09336.



J. Robinson

New Arrival

Annika Claussen

Annika Ranell Claussen was born Nov. 1, 2008, in Overland Park. She weighed 8 pounds, 1.4 ounces and was 20 inches long. Her parents are Chris and Angie Claussen, Olathe. Grandparents are Cathy Claussen, Oberlin, and the late Chuck Claussen; and Mike and Ranell Johnson, Lincoln, Neb. Great-grandparents are Don Claussen, Salina, and the late Genola Claussen; Mary Beth Johnson, Norcat; Lee Molzahn, Crawfordville, Fla.; Luella Johnson, Bellevue, Neb., and the late Robert Johnson; and Gerda Levos, Albion, Neb., and the late Obed Levos.



A. Claussen

Club News

Women plan cookie party

Oberlin United Methodist Women answered roll call at the Nov. 5 meeting by giving a scripture verse on being thankful.

Devotions on that theme were given by Mary Waldo and thank offerings were collected. Rowena Carpenter of Selden was a guest of Helen Derby.

Robert Rouse, junior high youth leader, spoke to the group about possible projects in the future in which students could interact with the United Methodist Women.

It was voted to sponsor a cookie party on Saturday, Dec. 20, at the Business Enhancement Entrepreneurial Center in downtown Oberlin. A variety of cookies will be sold by the pound and free coffee will be served. New books for

the reading circle for the coming year were on display.

Violet Shaw presented a program on being thankful for the many blessings we enjoy in this community and nation and stressed that we should be positive rather than negative in our relationships.

The Dec. 3 meeting will be at Wheat Ridge Terrace with residents as guests. Roll call will be a favorite Christmas song and devotions will be given by Nadine Haag.

Program leader will be Maxine Smith and hostesses will be the executive committee.

Hostesses were Pat Abbey and Mary Ann Amack, who served from tables decorated in a Thanksgiving motif.

New member welcomed

Delphyn Biggs of Oberlin was welcomed as a new member of the John Athey Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution when it met on Nov. 5 in the Teller Room of the LandMark Inn for lunch.

Regent Judith Watkins opened the meeting and a report was given on veterans. Roll call was answered with a family wedding story.

It was reported that 1800 box tops and 200 labels had been sent to schools so they can purchase supplies and computers. It was reported that the Daughters of the American Revolution had

acquired 2,224 new members this year.

The lesson was given on the "Pelican Girls." In 1701 and 1702, these girls were brought to Mobile, Ala., to make homes and families for the soldiers who were brought over to make a freight way to the Gulf on the ship, Pelican.

The next meeting will be lunch at noon at the Colonial Steakhouse at Oakley. Kansas State Regent Shirley Coupal and the Goodland Chapter ladies will be guests. Visitors are welcome. The meeting closed with prayer.

Bakeless bake sale planned

Prairie Chapel United Methodist Women met on Nov. 5 at Cedar Living Center. Angie Wilson gave devotions using *Psalms 23*, followed by prayer.

Roll call was answered by five members and a former member, Mary Uehlin, with a Thanksgiving blessing. Mrs. Wilson, Charissa Huff and Cheryl Metcalf attended the district meeting in

Quinter and gave reports. It was decided to hold a bakeless bake sale in January for the money making project. The group will

be participating in the reading program with several books purchased at Quinter.

Coleen Rippe gave an interesting program, "Give Thanks for Good News," after which President Cheryl Metcalf served refreshments furnished by Patti Uehlin.

The next meeting will be the Christmas meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Dec. 3 at the home of Mrs. Wilson. Prayer partners will exchange gifts and members are to bring treats.

Deadline set on eligible crops

The deadline to apply for most benefits under the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program is Monday, Dec. 1, says Diane Barrett, county executive director for the U.S. Farm Service Agency.

Crops that may be eligible for these benefits are those which are not eligible here for crop insurance. Dec. 1 is the final date to pay the applicable service fee and obtain 2009 coverage for barley, rye, triticale, wheat, aquaculture, canola, Christmas trees, nursery crops, speltz and turf grass sod.

The administrative service fee is \$250 per crop for each county not to exceed \$750 in each county or \$1,875 total for one producer. Farmers must pay the fee and file

a form by the deadline, which has been extended from the original date of Sept. 1.

Dec. 1 is also the final date to pay the applicable service fee and obtain coverage for all grasses. This program may cover 55 percent of average market price for the commodity if a natural disaster caused a 50 percent production loss or greater.

Operators must obtain coverage on all noninsurable crops and purchase crop insurance on all insurable crops to remain eligible for 2009 supplemental disaster assistance programs in the new Farm Bill.

For details, stop by the county office at 408 S. Buffalo.

Thanks to all who voted



and for making the effort to choose our leaders.

May God help those elected meet the challenges which lie ahead. I will strive to serve the people in the 120th District to the best of my ability and experience!

Thanks again.

Sincerely,

John Faber

120th District Representative

Paid for by The Campaign to elect John Faber, Ed Carson, Treasurer.

The Dresser

invites you to the

Annual Fall & Holiday

Fashion Show

Friday, Nov. 14 at The American Legion 6 p.m. Social 6:30 Fashion Show

Entertainment provided by DCHS Store open following show.

This is a benefit for the store and we ask for your support.

"Men Welcome"



152 S. Penn downtown Oberlin 785-475-3407

Happy 70th Birthday

to our #1 KU fan!

Love, Your family



Happy 95th Mom & Grandmother

Love, Dennis and Judy, Vicki, Patrick and Cindy, Becky and Cash, Lauren, Kasey, Shelby and Shelbi

We are requesting a Card Shower to celebrate Merle's Birthday.

Cards will reach her at: Merle Shirley, 715 W. Ash, Oberlin, KS 67749

