

**THE OBERLIN HERALD —**  
**People in**  
**Our Community**  
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Tom, Karen, Krystal and Tiffany Anderson traveled to Springfield, Mo., to hear the senior sermon given to the student body at Central Bible College by their son and brother, Andy Anderson. He will graduate next spring. They also visited North Point Assembly of God, where Andy serves as youth pastor to the Middle School students. His brother, Nick, of Chicago, was unable to attend. His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Berndt, McCook; and Mrs. Marvel Anderson, Deshler, Ohio. He is a 2005 graduate of Decatur Community High School.

Bruce and Carmalita Olson, Nick, Lindsay and Sam, Fountain, Colo., were guests from Wednesday to Saturday of his mother, Marjorie Olson. Other dinner guests on Thursday were Esther Carlson, Dorothy Jackson, Bob and Joyce Hartzog and Kyle, Oberlin; and Cheryl Hartzog, Atwood.

Guests of Dale and Eris Young for dinner on Thursday were Tyler and Becky Woolsey, Hays; Ryan and Christy DeJmal and Evan, Shawnee; Robert and Trena Miller and Madelynn, Elm Creek, Neb.; Dr. Gary and Nancy Young, Manhattan; Dr. Brett and Karen Young, Dallas; Joe and Candy DeJmal, and Bob and Terri Woolsey, Oberlin.

Thanksgiving dinner guests of Bob and Deanna Castle were Janice and Eduardo Ferrado, Aurora, Colo.; Patty and Rod Steinmetz, Two Buttes, Colo.; Ryan Steinmetz, Fort Collins, Colo.; Mr. and Mrs. James Shirley and family, Olathe; Mr. and Mrs. Thaniel Monaco and family, Manhattan; Mr. and Mrs. Devan Castle and family, Hoxie; Mr. and Mrs. Travis Raile and family, Chris and Curtis Walston, Shelby Brown and boys, Doris Fringer, Shirley Ward, Shane Harris and boys, and Virginia Cooper.

Traveling last Wednesday to Overland Park to spend Thanksgiving with Steve and Chris Hess, Norah and Lola were Dan and Julie Hess and Carter, Salina; Steve and Jean Ann Confer, Jenna and Jessica, St. Francis, and Cecil Hess.

Weekend guests of Pat Cozad and family were her nephew, John Griffin, Noah and Alex of Wichita.

Dinner guests of Connie Grafel on Thursday were Norma Grafel, Herndon; and the Dan Grafel and Greg Grafel families.

Lairy and Beth Goltl visited from Wednesday to Saturday in Wichita with Scott and Deb Goltl, Molly, Matthew and Nathan.

Thanksgiving dinner guests of Cindi Sloan-Sauder were Doris Sloan, Merle Shirley, Dennis and Judy Shirley, Oberlin; Tom and Leanna Sloan, Hoxie; Hannes Geyser, Pieter Van Heerden and Werner Van Heerden of South Africa.

Lesley Tongish of Kansas City, daughter of Dave and Patricia Tongish of Newton, is one of 22 registered nurses who were accepted into the University of Kansas Master of Nurse Anesthetist program. Classes will begin in June. She is a granddaughter of Gene and Marcella Leitner, Oberlin, and Denis Tongish, Newton.

Guests of Don and Reta Barratt for Thursday dinner were Crystal Barratt, McCook; Amber Barratt, Hays, and Margaret Vacura.

Winning highs in pinochle at Golden Age Center the past week were Elden Haas and Ivis Hanson. Lows went to Doris Gilbert and Floyd Edgett. Pitch highs were won by Floyd Edgett and Dorothy Moore with lows going to Neil Marshall and Barb Solko. Winning high at bridge was Carol Shirley.

Thursday dinner guests of Carla Britton were Jeanne Britton, Thornton, Colo.; Opal Bryan, and Marvin and Sharon Slabaugh.

Janice Kurth, Imperial, Neb., visited her sisters, Doris Fringer, Ina Marie Goodnight, Judy Scott and Linda Weber and husband, Dick.

Thanksgiving dinner guests of Greg and Amanda Grafel and boys on Saturday were Bill Steinmetz and Terry Steinmetz, Norton; Bud, Monique and Jaymie Steinmetz, McCook; Di Solko and Randy Roberts, Oberlin; Coley Hacknev and

Chelsey Schissler, Herndon; Rod and Patty Steinmetz, Two Buttes, Colo.; Ryan Steinmetz, Fort Collins, Colo.; and Adam Steinmetz, Krickit Steinmetz and Spencer Ketterl, Oberlin.

Thanksgiving Day guests of John and Donna Sauvage of Selden were Dan and Shannon Black and Danika, St. Joseph, Mo.; Nathan and Nikole DeWitt, Ethan and Macy, Inman; Lyle and Amanda Davidson, Spencer and Shelby, Delphos; Trudy Stockham, Norton; Mike and Joan McKenna, Jennings; Heith, Bodie, Colton and Isabella Sauvage, and Michael and Danielle Schiltz, Londyn, Kash and Kain, Selden; and Michael and Cheryl Sauvage, Bill Sauvage, Pat Chard, and Keith and Maxine Sauvage, Oberlin.

Thanksgiving dinner guests of Dean and Peggy Groneweg were Lynn and Donna Groneweg, and Doug and Kristin da Silda and Josie, Enid, Okla.; Jim and Joyce Jones, Cambridge, Neb.; Jillian and Theo Thompson, Jeff Groneweg, Hays; Matt and Nikki Johnson, Thornton, Colo.; Eric and Liz Groneweg, Kearney, Neb.; and Robert and Judy Groneweg. The Eric Gronewegs also visited her grandparents, Bob and Lynn Boyd.

Thanksgiving guests of Max and Nila Hafner were Bill and Theresa Hafner, Ryan, Matthew and Anthony, Denver; and Lisa and Shane Arends, Sierra and Noah, and friend Emilio, Grand Island, Neb.

Holiday guests of Varlan and Catherine Neal on Thursday were Larry Shields, Lincoln, Neb.; Lloyd and Clarice Shields, Heather and Zoey, Lee and Teresa Shields, Tracy and Collin Shields and friend, Josh, McCook; Joshua Shields, North Platte, Neb.; Trina Shields, Hays; Tony and Kayla Korte, Braden, Riley and Toby, Rexford; and Alan Shields, Charlene Shields, and Kendal and Tammy Neal, Katrina and James, Oberlin.

Doug and Sara Hasty spent Thanksgiving in Dodge City with his parents, Robert and Phyllis Hasty. Additional guests were Ben and Rebekah Hitzfeld, Manhattan; Melissa Hasty, Baldwin; Don and Phyllis Hasty, Johnson; Justin Hasty, Little Rock, Ark.; Emily Hasty and her fiancé, Andrew, Hillsboro; and Bill and Dianna Rhiley, Valley Center.

Visiting their parents, John and Pat Wright, and Loyd and Mary Waldo, over the Thanksgiving holiday were Mike and Susan Wright, Lawrence, and Allison Wright, Kansas City, Mo. Friday dinner guests at the Wright home were Doug Wright, Overland Park; Mary Stoecker, Michelle, Mark and John, Oakley; and the Mike Wright family.

Karen Metcalf and Larry Thompson's Thanksgiving Day guests were Todd and Rachel Richards, Jacob and Caleb, Nederland, Texas; Kim and Dan LaFramboise and Emma, San Diego; Pam and Chris Cantania, Denver; Jonathon Richards and Amanda Brewster, Colby; Barry and Patti Richards and Andrew, Curtis Richards, Bryan Richards, Kristin and Randy McHugh, Jordan, Conner and Tyler, Corey Cook, and Lois Bryant, all of Oberlin. Weekend guests were Bob and Carol Billen, Denver.

Gail and Kay Marcuson spent Thanksgiving in Denver visiting their daughters and families. They were houseguests of Chuck and Diane Newcom. Additional guests were Natalie Newcom, Boston; Elda Newcom, Garden City; Mark, Julie and Brandon Hubbard, Lakewood, Colo., and Jessica Hubbard, Denver.

Thursday dinner guests of Frank and Margaret McEvoy were the Brian Beckman family, Grinnell; Joan and Kristy Evans, the Lonnie McEvoy family and Stan McEvoy.



Nick and Kristen Wolfram

**Couple exchange vows in double-ring ceremony**

Kristen Sombati of Brownstone, Mich., and Nick Wolfram of Dearborn, Mich., were married at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct 25, 2008, at Our Lady of the Woods Catholic Church in Woodhaven, Mich. Father Rick Macey officiated at the double-ring ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Paul and Teresa Sombati, Brownstown, Mich.; and LaMoine and Ruth Wolfram, Oberlin.

The church decorations included seasonal mums, wheat and sunflowers.

Matt Kush, Woodhaven, was organist and played "Canon in D" for the professional. He also accompanied Erin Wolfram, Lawrence, as she sang, "One Hand, One Heart," "Ave Maria" during the lighting of the unity candle and "Grow Old With Me," during communion.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a formal-length gown of ivory satin fashioned with beaded floral lace embellishment with a Spanish flair.

Laura Smith, Jenison, Mich., was maid of honor. She wore a celery satin floor-length, strapless gown with sequin adornments. Bridesmaids were Lauren Sombati, Kate Mooney, Jessica Carmody, and Carina Fiore. They wore sage green satin floor-length, strapless gowns with capes.

Stella Martin, Confer, Colo., was flower girl and was attired in a teal-length ivory dress. Ringbearer was J.T. Brydges, Dearborn.

Brian Dawe, Dearborn, served as best man. Groomsmen were Ste-

phen Sombati, Grand Rapid, Mich.; Rodger Wolfram, Lawrence; Chris Stitt, and Tony Kraatz, Dearborn.

Mrs. Sombati chose for her daughter's wedding a dark celadon floor-length, strapless gown with a cape.

The bridegroom's mother wore a black floor-length gown with silver, gold and beige bodice and matching jacket.

A reception followed at 6 p.m. at the Banquet Center Country Club in Riverview, Mich. The bridal table was centered with a three-tiered red velvet chocolate cake with cream cheese frosting, which was served by the banquet committee. In lieu of a guest book, a large poster board was signed by the guests.

The bride is a graduate of Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant, Mich. She is attending Wayne State University Law School in Detroit.

The bridegroom graduated from Decatur Community High School in 2000, and earned a Master in Architecture in 2005 from the University of Detroit at Mercy in 2005. He is project manager for Boom's Stone Company in Redford, Mich.

After a honeymoon to Cancun, Mexico, they are living in Dearborn.

Family and friends who attended the wedding were from Michigan, Kansas, Colorado, Texas and Illinois.

A reception honored the newlyweds on Nov. 15 at the home of Mike and Mirla Coleman of Oberlin for family and friends.

**Christmas concert at McCook**

The McCook Area Community Choir will present its annual Christmas concert at 4 p.m. Sunday at the McCook United Methodist Church.

Tammi Ritter of Oberlin is a member.

**Benefit set at Norcatur**

The Norcatur Royal Neighbors will be serving a ham-and-beans dinner with cornbread at 4 p.m. Sunday at the grade school cafeteria in Norcatur.

Everyone is welcome and desserts would be appreciated. Donations will go to the Decatur County Food Pantry at the United Church in Oberlin.

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The family of **Jim Mader** request a card shower for his 85th Birthday on Sunday, December 7th.

Cards will reach him at: HC-1, Box 41, Jennings, K8 67643

**January vows planned**

Amber Ritter and Britton Scott of Oberlin, plan to be married on Saturday, Jan. 17, 2009.

Parents of the couple are Tammy and Rick Touslee, Oberlin; Lynette and Rick Ritter, Colby; and Lee Don and Melanie Scott, Oberlin.

The bride is a 2004 graduate of Decatur Community High School and will graduate this month with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Fort Hays State University.

Her fiancé graduated in 2003 from Decatur Community High School and earned a degree in aviation maintenance from Kansas State University at Salina. He is employed by Wasson Farms.



Britton Scott and Amber Ritter

**Club hears center update**

Program chair Greg Lohofener gave an update on the progress of the new Golden Age/Recreation Center at the Nov. 25 meeting of the Oberlin Rotary Club at The Gateway.

He said that the Oberlin-Decatur County Economic Development Corp. and the county are trying to wrap up the money package and cost estimates for the building. It will house a new senior center, cinema and youth recreation area with a six-lane bowling alley.

The building will be at the site of the existing Golden Age Center and theater. The senior center will include a new kitchen and larger area in Phase I. Phase II will be a cinema with new seating, a digital sound system and a new screen. The third phase will be the bowling alley complex and an area that can be used for other recreation.

The architect is finishing the drawings for final bids on the interior utilities, he said. The county has bids in hand totaling \$461,000 for building erection and concrete

work. Total cost estimated to complete Phases I and II is \$750,000, Mr. Lohofener said.

Current money sources include Decatur County bonds, an Economic Development Corp. guaranteed loan from the U.S. Department of Agriculture and private donations and pledges totaling over \$250,000. He said the project is about \$30,000 short of having enough to complete the senior center and theater.

Construction is to begin in February, with completion next summer and the building open by August, during the Decatur County Fair. Mr. Lohofener expressed appreciation for contributions and assistance from various committees, the Bank, the commissioners, members of the Economic Development board, as well as many citizens.

Guests at the meeting were Sarah Hasty and Ralph Ross. Junior Rotarians attending from Decatur Community High School were Everett Urban and Nathan Simonsson.

**New Arrival**

**Cooper Andrew Eager**

Andrew and Jamie Eager of Olathe are the parents of a son, Cooper Andrew, born Nov. 16, 2008, at St. Luke's Medical Center in Olathe. He weighed 6 pounds, 8 ounces and was 18 inches long. Grandparents are Larry and Diana Alstrom, Hoxie; and Mike and Dimity Eager, Alpharetta, Ga. Great-grandparents are Willis and Peggy Carman, Hoxie; Sybil Language, Durban, South Africa, and the late Max and Jackie Alstrom. Myrtle Carman Waldo of Oberlin is his great-great-grandmother.



Cooper Eager

**Happy 50th Kay**  
 December 7th  
 50 years young  
 and Aged to Perfection

*Love, Your Family*  
*Andy, Amanda,*  
*Shane, Judson,*  
*Mother, Diana,*  
*Sam and Gary.*

*Oberlin Arts and Humanities Commission is pleased to present*

**Oberlin Area Concert Band**  
 opening with **Joel Shaw & Lonnie McEvoy**

**December 7, 2008**  
**Sunday • 7 p.m.**  
**DCHS Auditorium**

Season Ticket Event or \$10/adults, \$5/students grades 1-12.

For information call **Mary Henzel (785-470-0218 cell) or Ella Betts (785-475-3557)**

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