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## THE OBERLIN HERALD —

# People in Our Community

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Word was received of the death of Irene (Henningson) Parr of Rossville on Sunday. She was a sister of Bob Henningson of Oberlin and a 1946 graduate of Decatur Community High School. Their parents were the late Carl and Ruth (Glad) Henningson. A sister, Frances Lintecum; a son, Howard; and a daughter, Catherine, are also among survivors. An obituary will be carried when available.

Jack Hines of Chesapeake, Va., spent a few days visiting in the area. He is a 1950 graduate of Decatur Community High School and was en route to Lebanon, Ore., to visit his sister, June Faulkner. He had been to Fort Walton, Fla., to visit his son and daughter, Glenn and Sharon Hines.

Danielle Bucker, Teagan and Addison, of Casper, Wyo., spent 10 days recently with her parents, Lee Don and Melanie Scott and other relatives.

Winning highs in pinocle at Golden Age Center the past week were Max Carman, Ivis Hanson, Barb Solko, Ardis Roe, Henry Edgett, Dorothy Moore and Doris Fringer. Lows went to Floyd Edgett, Doris Gilbert, Dorothy Moore, Floyd Edgett, Ivis Hanson and Dewaine Stapp. Pitch highs were won by Henry Edgett and Floyd Edgett

with lows going to Elden Haas and Neil Marshall. Winning highs at bridge were Janette Votapka and Shirley Simpson. There will be no May potluck dinner on Sunday.

Gary and Leslie Bartels were Mother's Day guests of their daughter and family, Valerie and Shane Hammon and Camryn, of Hays. En route home, they visited their son and family, Mitch and Roxanne Bartels, Regan and Tatum at Phillipsburg.

Doris (Schiesler) Fedro, Waco, Texas, and her daughter, Dane Lane, Lake Jackson, Texas, have been houseguests of Frances Schiesler, and visited other relatives and friends. They returned to their homes on Thursday.

Deanna Castle presented a program about the Memorial Day poppies to all grades at Oberlin Elementary School on behalf of the Oberlin American Legion Auxiliary on Monday morning in the gymnasium. She presented a poppy to all students and school staff.

Cecil Hess spent Mother's Day with Steve and Jean Ann Confer, Jenna and Jessica at St. Francis.

Dorothy Alstrom of Oberlin and her sisters, Hazel Rippetoe, Del City, Okla., and Eleanor Matal,

Prairie View, have returned home after spending 10 days visiting their sister, Betty Smith, and her son and family, Mark and Debbie Smith in Anchorage, Alaska.

Joy Votapka was a dinner guest of Dan and Lisa Votapka on Mother's Day in McCook.

Confirmation was held at Faith Lutheran Church during morning worship on Sunday, during which Kiah Blau and Nolan Henningson affirmed their baptism.

Pastor Charlotte Becker-Strecker officiated. Kiah is the daughter of David and Stephanie Blau, Oberlin, and Nolan's parents are Robbie and Jeni Henningson, Norcatour.

Travis Raile prepared a Mother's Day dinner on Sunday at their home for his wife, Valisha, and children, and Bob and Deanna Castle.

Janie Rutherford of Berryton, and Rich and Wendy Ufford, Havre, Mont., spent May 2-3 weekend with their parents, Calvin and JoAnn Ufford, and helped with their sale of sewing material.

Jesse Carter, president of the Oberlin Rotary Club, and Herschel and Jody Betts attended the District Rotary Conference held at the Eisenhower Center in Abilene on Friday and Saturday.

## Five seniors to perform on Saturday

Five graduating seniors from Decatur Community High School will perform in a music recital at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday at The Gateway.

Jacinta Carter, daughter of David and Diane Carter, participates on clarinet, saxophone and voice. She plans to attend Fort Hays University next year to continue her music and writing.

Annamarie Larue, daughter of Bruce and Marianne Larue, loves to sing and perform and plans to attend Butler County Community College and pursue those interests.

Ethan Merrill, son of Kenneth and Jody Merrill, admits to being "addicted to music and musicals." He is unsure where he will go to college, but plans to continue acting, singing and performing.

Makenzie Nelson, daughter of Steve and Susan Nelson, plays baritone saxophone and bass guitar.

She wants to study music, counseling and youth ministry at Friends University in the fall.

Alyssa Rippe, daughter of Lynn and Joyce Rippe, is a flutist and will continue her studies at Kansas State University.

A number of other high school students will also participate in the recital.

It is sponsored by Oberlin Arts and Humanities Commission and members plan a reception for the students following the recital. There is no admission charge.

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



A. Rippe



M. Nelson



A. Larue



J. Carter



E. Merrill

## Baccalaureate services set this evening

Baccalaureate services for the Decatur Community High School Class of 2009 will begin at 7:30 p.m. tonight in the high school auditorium.

The service, planned by the senior class officers, will include instrumental and vocal ensembles and solos by classmates. Pastor Doug Mason will speak. Heather Plous-

sard will read Scripture, and Jay Wessel will share his faith story.

Everyone is invited to attend. The Decatur County Ministerial Association sponsors the event.

## Babysitting clinic planned

The Decatur County Farm Bureau and the American Red Cross will offer a babysitting clinic from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, June 9, in the fellowship hall of the Oberlin United Methodist Church.

The class, for students from 11 to 15, will cost \$35. Prospective sitters should bring a large baby doll and a sack lunch.

For details, call Tami Sporn at (785) 470-4042, or stop by the office at 122 E. Commercial to pick up a registration form.

## Photo display at Logan

"Ansel Adams: The Man Who Captured the Earth's Beauty" is on display through Sunday, July 5, at the Dane G. Hansen Museum in Logan.

Mr. Adams was born in San Francisco and took his first photograph with a Kodak Brownie box camera in Yosemite Valley when he was 14.

Although he trained as a concert pianist from 1914 through 1927, he also studied photography with the photo-finisher Frank Dittman. By 1930, photography became his career and the American West his choice.

For information, call the museum at (785) 689-4846 or go to www.hansenmuseum.org.

## Man earns doctorate

Cole Spresser of Atwood, a grandson of Ardis Roe of Oberlin, will graduate from the University of Kansas School of Medicine on Saturday. His parents are Robert "Coop" and Donna Spresser, both graduates of Decatur Community High School.

He is a 2001 graduate of Atwood High school and earned a bachelor of science degree in chemistry at the University of Nebraska at Kearney. He will begin his three-year residency in internal medicine at the KU Medical Center in Kansas City. His address is 21072 W. 118th Terrace, Olathe, Kan., 66061.



C. Spresser



## Planning a Wedding?

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