

## May vows planned by couple

Nicole Ellis and Don Reilly Semple plan to be married on Saturday, May 30, in Chicago. They plan to host a reception in Kansas in September.

Parents of the couple are Nancy Ellis, and Darrel and Marilyn Ellis, Topeka; and Cynthia Hughes-Coons and Dean Coons, Lenexa; and Don and Gayle Semple, Overland Park.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Joy Votapka, Oberlin; and the late Chuck Votapka; and Joe and Ina Ellis, St. George. Her fiancé is the grandson of Claire Hughes, Camdenton, Mo., and the late Charles Hughes; and Don Semple, Overland Park, and the late Nancy Semple.

She is a 2001 graduate of Seaman High School and graduated from Kansas State University in 2006,



Don Semple and Nicole Ellis

with a Bachelor of Architecture Degree. She is employed by Fitzgerald Earles Architects in Chicago.

He graduated from Shawnee Mission West in 2001, and from Kansas State University in 2006 with a Bachelor of Architecture. He is employed by Krueck & Sexton Architects in Chicago.

## Couple plans to wed

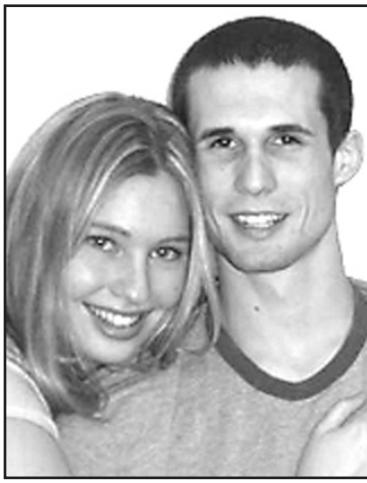
Shane Montgomery, Salina, and Crystal Mannebach, Lindsborg, plan to marry on Saturday, June 13, 2009, at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Leoville.

Parents of the couple are Ron and Gina Montgomery, Jennings, and Bob and Evelyn Mannebach, Colby.

The bridegroom is a 2004 graduate of Decatur Community High School and is currently working on completing his degree in Computer Technology at K-State Salina Technical College.

His fiancée is a 2005 graduate of Colby High School and will be graduating from Bethany College in Lindsborg with a degree in Elementary Education.

They plan to make their home in



Shane Montgomery and Crystal Mannebach

the Salina area after the wedding.

## First Holy Communion held

Several received their first Holy Communion at the Immaculate Conception Church in Leoville, and Sacred Heart Churches at Selden and Oberlin.

Communion took place during morning mass at Selden on Sunday, April 25. Communicants were Jake Anthony Geisinger, son of Jason and Dana Geisinger; KayCee Miller, daughter of Mike and Tammy Miller; Nolan Ritter and Noel Regan Ritter, twin son and daughter of Robert and Lora Ritter. Receptions followed in their respective homes with families and friends.

Those who received Communion

at Leoville on Saturday evening, May 2, included Jacob Ritter, son of Greg and Stephanie Ritter; and Hallee McKenna, daughter of Greg and Paula McKenna. A reception followed in the church basement.

First crowning took place at the Oberlin Sacred Heart Parish, in conjunction with Mary Crowning during morning mass on Sunday, May 3. First Communicants were Reegon Witt, son of Gordon and Gina Witt; Andrew Juenemann, son of Gary and Jennifer Juenemann, and Clayton Carter, daughter of Jason and Megan Carter. A parish potluck followed in their honor.

## Rotary hears speech students

Thirty Decatur Community High School speech students presented the program at the May 5 meeting of the Oberlin Rotary Club at The Gateway.

They and their teacher, Leigh Davis, were introduced by Herschel Betts, program chair. Ms. Davis spoke about the group's success at its recent state meet in Wichita. There are 11 seniors on the team.

President Jesse Carter presented

a program on the Shelter Box, a global grassroots Rotary Club project when the club met on April 28. It was developed in the Ukraine in 2000 and they are now national Shelter Box Rotary Club affiliates in the U.S., Australia, Canada and Southeast Asia. All boxes are assembled and stored in the Ukraine facilities then given to local Rotary clubs in disaster areas. Guests were Sara Hasty and Kay Brown.

## Neighbors deliver baskets

The Oberlin Chapter of the Royal Neighbors of America and Kids First Preschool, directed by Becky Ayers, joined hands on Friday, May 1, to deliver May Day baskets to the residents at Cedar Living Center.

The May baskets, made by the 10 preschool kids, were delivered by Royal Neighbors members Lois Lamb, Edna Mott, Phyllis Screen, Nadean Stoney and Audra Duncan.

## New Arrival

### Mason Lee Tally

Paul and Lacy Tally of Oberlin, are the parents of a son, Mason Lee Tally, born at 7:51 p.m. on April 12, 2009, at Community Hospital in McCook. He weighed 7 pounds, 10.6 ounces and was 10.5 inches long. Grandparents are Gerry and Theresa Tally, and Leo and Carrie Zoderow, Oberlin. Great-grandparents are Juanita Williby, and Harold and Glenva Nichols, Oberlin; Florence Zoderow, Leoville; Gene and Shirley Bieker, Palco; and Nettie Griggs, Colby.



M. Tally



Marcella and Gene Leitner of Oberlin, Kansas will celebrate their 60th Wedding Anniversary May 24.

Their daughters, Patricia Tongish of Newton, Kansas; Barbara Leitner of Farmington, New Mexico; and Donna Wilson of Wichita, Kansas would like to honor their parents with a card shower. Greetings will reach them at 103 E. Washington, Oberlin, Kansas 67749

## Club News

### Group remembers mothers

Oberlin United Methodist Women shared memories of their mothers at the May 6 meeting which was attended by 18 members and one guest, Roberta Schillig, when they met at the church.

The devotional theme, "An Attitude of Gratitude," was led by Fern Moore based on *Proverbs 31: 27-28*.

Violet Shaw led the lesson on the study for the year entitled "Who am I at the Table?" based on *Matthew 16: 13-15*. At the closing, each person lit a candle as she reflected on her gifts, graces, abilities and challenges in the community with a group of women in today's world.

Judy Davis was elected to serve

as president beginning in January 2010 and Pat Abbey as secretary. Judy Davis reported on the Spiritual Growth retreat which she attended recently at Camp Lakeside.

The June 3 meeting will be a guest night salad supper at 6:30 p.m. with hostesses Mary Ann Amack, Janeil Jensen, Betty Jones and Sam Gotchall. Devotions will be given by a member of the Dorcas Circle and program committee members are Sara Hasty, Montine Alstrom, Pat Fringer and Fern Moore.

Strawberry shortcake was served from tables decorated with vases of lilacs by Bernice Martin and Louise Pollnow.

### Women hold salad supper

Prairie Chapel United Methodist Women met at the Oberlin United Methodist Women for a salad supper and meeting on May 6.

There were eight members who answered roll call with "A Bird from the Bible." President Cheryl Metcalf opened the meeting with the group singing "In the Garden," followed by prayer.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and the treasurer's report given. It was decided by members that the treasurer should pay any bills during the summer.

United Methodist Women Sunday at Prairie Chapel will be

Elden and Charissa Huff.

Angie Wilson, a member of the nominating committee, moved that the same officers serve next year. Officers for 2010 will be Cheryl Metcalf, president; Lucille Townsend, vice president; Phyllis Metcalf, secretary; and Rowena Cathcart, treasurer.

After the business meeting adjourned, Tammy Sporn gave an interesting program on trolls and showed several that she has collected. The first troll was made in Denmark by Thomas Dam in the late 50s.

This was the last meeting until September.

### Auxiliary sets convention

The 89th annual American Legion Auxiliary-Department of Kansas Convention will be held at Ramada Inn in Topeka from Friday through Sunday.

The more than 19,000 members throughout the state will gather to conduct business and review the activities of the organization over the administrative year.

The convention enables members to come together in support of enhancing and expanding philanthropic services available through the organization, as well as educating members on the elements of

the American Legion Auxiliary's programs and mission.

The American Legion Auxiliary is celebrating its 90th years of service to supporting communities, others and most importantly veterans and their families. The organization, with membership nearing one million members worldwide, is dedicated to encouraging the spirit of America's core values of citizenship and patriotic service through a commitment to volunteerism, service to community, youth and those who have served our country.

For details, call (785) 232-1396.

### Walkway of Flags set May 25

The Decatur County Good Samaritan Center will mount its fourth annual Memorial Day Walkway of Flags in front of the building on Monday, May 25. The flags will be lined with flags memorializing fallen heroes or remembered loved ones.

Last year, 120 flags were flown at the nursing home, and this year another 50 flags have been purchased to recognize servicemen and women serving in Iraq and Afghanistan. A special section of the

walkway will be reserved for these freedom fighters, said Lisa Paulson, activities director at the center.

Flags will be displayed in memory of, or in honor of, a loved one for a donation of any amount, she said. Proceeds will be used by the activities department.

The residents will also be sending more "love-filled" boxes overseas to soldiers and are needing current addresses.

For information, call Mrs. Paulson at 475-2245.

## Alumni banquet set at Gateway May 23

Decatur Community High School Alumni will be flocking to Oberlin on Memorial weekend to attend the Alumni Banquet.

Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. at The Gateway for a social hour before the banquet is served at 6:30 p.m.

Reservations should be sent to P.O. Box 201, Oberlin, Kan., 67749. Cost is \$15.50 with 50 cents going to the Smick Memorial Fund.

The 10-year anniversary classes, as well as the 25-year class, will have pictures taken by *The Oberlin Herald* for the newspaper and are printed in bold face.

Other anniversary classes may call Jeanie Ungerat (785) 475-3256 if they would like a colored class picture. The Herald pictures will run in next week's edition, along with a special section about the 10-year anniversary classes.

Reunions and times for Herald photos follow:

1929: No reunion planned.  
1934: No information available.  
1939: Sappa Valley Manor, 2 to 4 p.m. Pictures at 2:30 p.m.

1944: Dutch Treat, Frontier Cafe east room, 2 to 4 p.m.

1949: Luncheon, 11 a.m., upstairs at Gateway. Pictures at 12:30 p.m.

1954: Luncheon, 11 a.m., American Legion on Friday. Snacks, 11 a.m., at American Legion.

1959: Noon luncheon, Bohemian hall. Pictures at 2 p.m.

1964: 12:30 p.m., Jim Reeves Seedhouse, 1 p.m.

1969: Business Enhancement Entrepreneurial Building (former Farmers National Bank.) Pictures at 3 p.m.

1974: No information available.

1979: Legion, noon to 4 p.m. Pictures at 1:30 p.m.. Get-together after banquet at Rocky Diederich home.

1984: Legion, 12 to 3 p.m. Pictures at 12:15 p.m.

1989: No information available.

1994: ReLoad; 2 p.m.

1999: Sappa Park shelterhouse, 1 to 4 p.m. Pictures at 4 p.m.

2004: Home of Matt Coleman,

## Two doctors give up practice for ministry

Two Clay Center physicians, Dr. John Kelley, 40, a 1987 graduate of Decatur Community High School, and Dr. Chance Williams, 38, recently gave up their medical practicing after deciding that a lot was missing from their lives.

A recent story written by reporter Tim Unruh in *The Salina Journal* said both felt the tug to be home more, spending time with their children, working on their marriages and serving the Lord.

They both gave up their work at Clay Center Family Physicians, where they were practicing full-time, so they could focus on "the spiritual side of a beating heart."

The doctors became close friends at work and through their efforts at the Evangelical Covenant Church, where they are part of a small men's group.

Dr. Kelley said that when he and four others attended a men's minis-

try and pheasant-hunting weekend in South Dakota in 2008, it ignited his passion to pursue ministry. It was then that he and Dr. Williams started Wellspring Outfitters, a men's ministry.

The men said that building the ministry will take time. A website is under construction and the partners are considering the benefits of applying for nonprofit status.

"Could building the ministry become a burden? That's something Chance and I have talked a lot about," Dr. Kelley said. "We want to practice what we preach. First things first — our relationship with God and family."

Dr. Kelley and his wife Dana have three children, Joshua, 11; Jairus 8; and Anna 5, the *Journal* reported. They are pursuing the adoption of a child from China. His parents are Jack and Anne Kelley, former Oberlin and Lyle residents.

## Kids program returns

"Fun, Radical, Outdoor, Getaway Summer" Camp (FROGS) is back and is counting the days until summer!

This camp is for kids who want to play games, hang out with friends, and be creative! The camp will be held 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday, July 6, through Friday, July 24, every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at the Oberlin City Park. Only grades entering second through sixth may attend. Kids must bring their own lunches, and when the day is over

they can head right over to the pool! Don't miss this great chance for your kids to have fun and make new friends this summer!

"This is an amazing camp that kids in high school now still talk about!" said Deb Marshall, one of the organizers from the Oberlin Evangelical Covenant Church, which sponsors the camp.

For more information contact the church at 475-2769, or talk to Amanda or Deb Marshall or the new pastors, Chris and Sharon Nelson.

Remember your loved ones with flowers for Memorial weekend.  
Silk or Fresh Available - Early orders preferred.  
Will deliver to area cemeteries.

**Prairie Petals**  
"It's not just flowers - It's Feelings"  
785-475-3241 ☎ Toll Free 866-901-3241

**Big Timber Memorial Services**  
Sunday, May 25  
10 a.m. followed by Potluck Dinner at 12:30 p.m. at the City Hall in Jennings. Drinks will be furnished. Please bring your own table service.

**WAR DEAD Foreign Service**

Joseph Cilek John Fiala, Sr. Albert Janousek Matt Kaspar, Sr.	Fred Wentz James Janousek Joseph Urban	Frank Pachner Gustave Steffen Joseph Tucek Joseph Vacura
--	--	---

**Civil War**  
Bartholomew Henry

**Spanish American War**  
Anthony Kolsky

**World War I**

Henry W. Heilman William Krizek	Anthony Kaspar Joseph Petracek
------------------------------------	-----------------------------------

**World War II**

Edward Cilek Vollie Kathka Raymond Matousek Alfred W. Heilman Lys Carey	Anton Vacura Carl Kasper Bernard Ehrlich Frederick A. Flaska Lumir Jesse Skubal	Raymond Pavlicek Myron Skubal John Petracek Stanley Mazanek Donald Shaw
---	---	---

**Vietnam**  
Wayne Buchanan

**Peacetime**  
Elmer Petracek

**Korea**  
Raymond Kaspar Norman Petracek  
Harwood Chandler  
Bennie Krizek  
Charles Votapka

**JENNINGS CLASS OF 1959**  
will be meeting at the Friendship Village on Hwy. 383 in Jennings on Saturday, May 23 at 2 p.m.

Anyone who would like to visit, please stop by!

**The Stamps**  
You Can't Wait to Get Your Hands On.

- PRE-INKED (NO STAMP PAD NEEDED)
- CLEANER, EASIER TO USE
- 50,000 IMPRESSIONS BEFORE RE-INKING
- DOZENS OF MODELS

**THE OBERLIN HERALD**  
170 S. Penn • Oberlin, Kan. 67756 785-475-2206