

People in Our Community

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Rita Garver received word of the death of her son, David Shuler, on Friday at his home in Grand Junction, Colo. He was a 1971 graduate of Decatur Community High School. An obituary will be carried in the paper when available.

Members of the Class of 1947 who enjoyed lunch together on Saturday at the ReLoad, planned by Ella Betts and Mary Waldo, were Rea and Dee Magers, Norcatur; Darrell and Mary Hamilton Landau, Garden Grove, Calif.; Beverly Van Vleet Eiler and Bob Chambers, McCook; Elmer Van Vleet, Denver; Evelyn O'Leary St. Francis; and Francis Moore, Ella Maggard Betts, Herschel and Jody Bremer Betts and Loyd and Mary Taylor Waldo, Oberlin. Joyce Gardner Martin was unable to attend.

Joe Stanley attended market for Do-It-Best Hardware Stores from May 16 to 18 in Indianapolis, Ind. While there, the group witnessed the motorcade of President Barack Obama as it left a nearby hotel. He said he thought the president had stopped there after giving his speech at Notre Dame. Mr. Stanley said the motorcade was surrounded by national security guards and there were protesters across the street.

Memorial weekend guests of Bill and Carol Duncan were Brandon and Lori Norris, Edmond, Okla., and her nephew, Chris Truesdale, Chocktaw, Okla.; Greg and Kathleen Norris, Salina; Greg, Tamara and Matthew Duncan, Lubbock, Texas; and Kristen Norris and friend, Kyle Ramsey, Edmond. Joining them later were Audra Duncan, and her houseguests, her daughter and husband, Reba and Stan Porter, Cincinnati, Ohio. The Porters will stay through this Friday.

Weekend houseguests of Rusty and Sharon Addleman were Chad and Noel Addleman and Kate, Olathe; and Allen and Neta Jeffus, Topeka.

Bob Russell and daughter, Marcy Pearson, of Indio, Calif., left Monday after visiting 10 days with Jerry and Marcia Lohoefer. They also attended the private military inurnment at the Oberlin Cemetery for her husband, David Pearson, who died last August.

Evan and Mary Jom of Lawrence visited over Memorial weekend with relatives and friends and attended the 40th alumni reunion of the 1969 class. Helen Riepl of Cimarron and Greg Riepl of Edmond, Okla., visited relatives on Sunday after decorating at several cemeteries.

Herschel and Jody Betts visited recently with Irvin and Muriel Christensen near Durham. Mrs. Christensen is the former Muriel West of Norcatur, and she lived with the J.R. and Loretta Betts family while attending high school in Norcatur.

Jerald and Elaine Leitner attended a birthday party in Colby for their great-granddaughter, Taly

Sullivan, on Saturday for her third birthday, which was May 24. Others present were her parents, Dustin and Katrina Sullivan; her grandparents, Karla and John Sullivan, Colby; and Terry and Darla Jones, Plainville; Jerad Sullivan and Jake, Ashley Haines, and Louie, Mac, Levi, Courtney, Rachel and Carson Vaneaton, all of Colby. It was also Jerald Leitner's birthday and the 62nd wedding anniversary of Jerald and Elaine Leitner. Karla and John Sullivan and Jerad took the Leitners out for lunch on Saturday to help them celebrate.

Howard and Carolyn Kuhn and their daughter, Amie Bruce, Landyn and Jady of Topeka, were weekend guests of Phyllis McCartney.

Word was received of the death of Jim Staley, 89, of Springfield, Mo., on May 20. He was born at Kanona on Oct. 25, 1919, the son of the late John and Selma (Hanson) Staley. He graduated in 1939 from Decatur Community High School. Survivors include his wife, Mary Ellen, and a son, Richard Staley, and family. He was a cousin of Ivis Hanson, Cecil Hess and Mary Lou Olson.

Richard and Clara Russ attended the graduation for their grandson, Josiah Russ, on Friday at the Kansas Technical College in Goodland. He earned a degree in auto body. He is the son of Ed and Vivian of Wakeno, and they and their family also attended.

Weekend guests of Norma Brown were Arley and Barbara (Wymore) Brewer of Tulsa, Okla., who were en route home from Denver. Additional visitors on Sunday morning were Tom and Sadie Mae (Wymore) Cooper of San Diego, Calif. The Coopers planned to visit her sister and husband, Lorene and Bob Walker in Hudson, Colo., en route home.

Jerry and Marcia Lohoefer, and Seth Lohoefer and children, Oberlin; and Lyn and Bob Fossom and family, Ness City, were among those who attended the wedding of Ashley Walters and Jeff Starkey in Colby on Saturday. The bride is the daughter of Amy and David Lamb of Winona and the newlyweds will make their home in Tribune.

Jeff and Andrea Burmaster and John spent from May 12 through May 14 in Grand Junction, Colo., and attended the graduation of their niece, Chyanne Lahe.

Thomas Weishapl, highway maintenance supervisor for the Kansas Department of Transportation, was recently recognized for 30 years of state service. He is the supervisor for the Oberlin Sub-Area Crew.

Winning highs in pinochle at Golden Age Center the past week were Barb Solko, Dorothy Moore, Veanna Carman, Henry Edgett, Ardis Roe and Doris Fringer. Lows went to Veanna Carman, Max Carman, Barb Solko, Floyd Edgett and Neil Marshall. Pitch highs were won by Henry Edgett and Dorothy

Moore with lows going to Floyd Edgett and Neil Marshall. Winning highs at bridge were Carol Shirley, Marie McKisson, Cynthia Matson and Charlotte Meints.

Memorial weekend guests of Bob and Marian Fraker were Dennis Fraker, Denver; and the Larry Norton family, Houston, Texas; Marcia Sedeen, Nathan and Sara, Scottsdale, Ariz.; and Pattie Sparks Shelton, Wash.; children of the late Harold "Bud" and Faye Norton.

Funeral services were held on May 11 at Evans Funeral Home in Carrington, N.D., for Verdine J. Nelson, 80, of Plainville, who died May 6.

He was a former Oberlin resident and businessman, and was a brother to Helmer "Hoppy" Nelson. Memorials are suggested to Hays Renal Care Group and contributions may be sent to Mesher-Kemp Family Funeral Home, 320 S.W. Second, Plainville, Kan., 67663.

David Morris of Oberlin, graduated from Hastings College on Saturday, May 16, at its 123rd commencement ceremonies. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Chemistry. He is the son of Ken and Christie Morris of Oberlin.

Marilyn Henke was a weekend guest of Connie Grafel. Saturday evening visitors were Sam O'Toole, McCook, Shannon Metcalf, Danbury; Mr. and Mrs. Brian Van Pelt, Hays; Chad and Susie Stanley, Ryder and Addison, Denver; Mr. and Mrs. Brady Richards and Owen, Antonio; Cody and LaDonna Richards, Kearney, Neb.; Kevin Fortin, Wamego; Bob and Mike Scherzer, Rockport, Texas, Mary Groneweg, Lakewood, Colo.; Chuck and Diane Frickey, Dan and Melinda Grafel, Kade and Isabel, and Greg Grafel.

Brett Lohoefer received his Juris Doctorate degree from Georgetown University Law, Washington, D.C. He is the son of Bill and Sharon Lohoefer of North Platte, Neb., and the grandson of Mary Lohoefer of Oberlin and Jean Erickson of Colby.

Jean Earlywine of Louisville, Colo., has been visiting her sister, Ila Ray.

Weekend guests of Loyd and Mary Waldo were Mike and Susan Wright, Lawrence; and Allison Wright and Loy Ukpokodu, Kansas City. They came for the reunion of the 1974 class and also visited John and Pat Wright.

Herschel and Jody Betts attended commencement exercises for their granddaughter, Mary Katherine Betts, daughter of Gene and Jan Betts, at Blue Valley North High School in Leawood on May 17, which was held at Kemper Arena. Also attending were her sister, Anne Betts, Los Angeles, and her brother, Michael Betts, who graduated the previous week from the School of Business at the University of Indiana. Mary Kate plans to attend the University of Texas at Austin and major in business.

including seats and seat belts and could be used only during the day. They would need to be inspected and permitted each year.

The council decided that all terrain vehicles will need to have a flag on the back, anyone under 18 must wear a helmet and the driver must wear eye protection. All-terrain vehicles need regular seats but seat belts are not required.

For work-site and micro utility vehicles, the regulations are the same as for golf carts but some might be required to have a flag. If there is any doubt as to what type of vehicle it is, the ordinance says, the police chief has the final say.

However, since the state law on such vehicles doesn't change until July 1, Mr. Hirsch advised the council to table the ordinance until the law allows it.

"Don't do anything until July," he advised.

In other business, the council

- Heard from Councilwoman Marcia Lohoefer that she would like to hear from the fire chief and someone in the county dispatch office occasionally, since the city provides money for both.

- Decided to make the economic development director a full-time city position. Mr. Gilley said he would hire Connie Grafel, who currently holds a joint position with the city and the Economic Development Corp. Her salary will remain the same, \$30,000 a year, he said, but she will get benefits and work under his direction.
- Agreed to make the \$80,000 the city has agreed to give to build a wetland area at Sappa Park as a grant to the Sunflower Chapter of Pheasants Forever. The wildlife group leases the city-owned land at the park. A grant would help with accountability and responsibility for the money, Mr. Gilley said, and make sure that if any is left over it will be returned to the city.
- Agreed to sign a lease renewal with Baker Petrolite Corp. on land near the airport, where the company stores vehicles. The renewal will be for two years at \$960 a year with a change in language which will allow the council to raise the rent at the end of that time. The current agreement does not allow that, the administrator said.
- Asked Mr. Hirsch to write up an

Alumni enjoy class reunions

Alumni came from all parts of the country to enjoy the annual Decatur Community High School banquet and program at The Gateway on Saturday evening.

The DCHS Singers presented the program. Officers elected were Janice Wesch Shobe, president; Connie Rehm Simonson, vice-president; Arian Olson Arnold, secretary; and Mary Erickson Long, treasurer.

Those who made reservations for the banquet follow:

- 1934: Boyd Roberts, Connie and Scott Steger.
- 1935: Edna Pavlicek Mott.
- 1936: Esther Olson Carlson, Jay Gilbert, Russell Rhodes.
- 1937: Amy Anderson Rehm.
- 1938: Barbara Van Vleet Castor, Delbert Townsend.
- 1939: Alice Hackney Bobbitt, Lloyd Emerson, Dorothy Olson Jackson, Arris and Virginia Johnson, Bernice Robertson Martin, Jim Plotts, Nila Post Wesch.
- 1941: Darrell Landau, Wayne and Lois Larson.
- 1942: Alyce Anderson Avery, Johnnie and Christine Richards, Lee and Estella Waldo.
- 1943: Patty Manning Brown, Dennis Fraker, Hilaria Hickert Huff, Cecelia Hickert Kotschwar, Doris Pierce McKinzie, Bernice Montgomery Sevier, Doris Stephens Gilbert.
- 1944: Darrel and Dorothea Boutz, Rex and Betty Thieler Carswell, Tom and Sadie Wymore Cooper, Wilma Hickert Farrell, Dean and Peggy Groneweg, Cecil Bendon Hess, Mary Barnes Lohoefer, Phyllis Wurm McKay, Mary Sapp Pyquist.
- 1945: Joe Boyles, Edna Herron Swafford

- 1946: Loyd Waldo.
- 1947: Ella Maggard Betts, Joan Bremer Betts, Beverly Van Vleet Eiler, Mary Hamilton Landau, Rea and Dee Magers, Elmer Van Vleet, Mary Taylor Waldo.
- 1948: Ralph Shaw.
- 1949: Milton Anderson, Merlin Anderson, Don and Marie Tally Aschwege, Dennis and Betty West Campbell, Betty Porthsch Jones, Colleen White Kathka, Luella Hayes Krizek, Donna Rush Lawver, Wayne and Odette Long Marietta, Peggy McConnell McGurrin, Vaughn Miller, Don and Ann Lucy Mines, Loyd and Fern Diehl Moore, Rex Morton, Harold Nichols, Royce and Carol Rasmussen, Juanita Tally Relfh, Harold Richardson, Charles and Clara Russ, Arthur and Lillian May Rutsch, Violet Spiers Shaw, Gaylord Shields, Norman and Delores Witt Troester, Leo Van Vleet Jr., Maxine Smalberger Walker, Carolyn Nelson Wurm.

- 1951: Jim and Jane Rasmussen Daume, Donna McClure Huff, Melba Richardson McCoy, Shirley Euhus Shields, Eugene Witt.
- 1952: Ben and Barbara Jeffus Young-Duell, Bill Goss, Melvalyn Pollnow Guinn, Earnest Huff, Billie McClure Morton, Carl Neff, Everett and Dorene Pollnow Shuler.
- 1953: Bonnie Taylor Anderson, Donna Witt Goss, Gary Guinn, Darlene Richardson Yarbrough.
- 1954: Gary and Carolyn Chambers Allen, Dorothy Schwab Cochran, Robert and Pat Corcoran, Stanley Deines, Dolores Soderlund Depperschmidt, Vernon Diederich, Victor and Corinne Ingram, Marie Dean Kester, Philip and Marjorie Jording Law, Voyle Miller, Delbert and Liselotte Musgrave, Charlolette Urling Neff, Glenva Laidig Nichols, Daniel Plotts, Dean and Dixie Roedel, David and Shirley Simpson, John Tally, Dave and Colleen Paddock Lemman Tarman, Gary and Lucille Carter Townsend, Beverly Wurm Witt.
- 1955: Donna Bryan Kelley, Marvin and Carol Messinger Laeger, Delbert and Norma Witt Lewis, Janet Wagoner Miller.
- 1956: Rusty Addleman, Ray Corcoran.
- 1957: Dick Carman, Delmar Richardson.

- 1958: Joyce Carlson Hartzog.
- 1959: Sharon Pollnow Addleman, James and Deloris Alexander, Steve and Arian Olson Arnold, Lyle and Kathryn Sater Beaumont, Howard Benton, Fredrick and Serena Moody Bradshaw, Jim and Maxine Carver, Jon and Rose Mathews Christensen, Clinton and Loy Fortin Corder, Bill DeMay, Gary and Mary Ann Page Erickson, Roxie Martin Erickson, Arnie and Mary Zander Frank, Gary and Deanna Grose, Clara Ann Brown Hoffman, Von and Joy Bosler Johnson, Charles and Carolyn Kelley, Larry Laird, James and Reva Snyder Marshall, Frank and Margaret Thoren McEvoy, Stan Moberly, Charles and Sandra Fisher Moore, Woody and Karla Morford, David and Carole

Musgrave, Jesse Osbourne, Linda Perine, LaVerne and Coleen Powell Rippe, Sharon Rush Schuetz, Vern and Garrah Lea Smith Thornbrugh, Roy and Jane Unger, Doris Yorker, Norbert and Nannette Zander.

- 1960: Iris Graves Benton, Joy Long Richardson.
- 1961: Sid and Cheryl Metcalf, Jim Plotts, Mike and Nione Olson Rhodin.
- 1962: Rod Avery.
- 1963: Gerald Olson,
- 1964: Sherrell Gilbert Adams, Dean Alexander, Clarence and Norma Ames, Barry and Heather Avery, Karen Pavlicek Cassen, Galen and Lynn Chase Olson, Cheryl McKay Davison, Bob Dorsch, Eleanor Scott Dykeman, Larry V. and Eileen Fringer, Douglas and Faye Park Gerdes, Connie Mines Goslar, Carolyn Sue Hayes, Danny Musgrave, Ken and Candy Olson Rauhut, Dick Sater, Linda Nemeth Starkey, Evan and Sheryl Guy Unger, Gary and Nancy Young.
- 1965: Carolyn Kelley Plotts.
- 1967: Rozanne Avery Fuller, Margaret King, Mike McVay.
- 1968: Ken and Janice Wesch Shobe,
- 1969: Angela Corder Corcoran, Kit Cushenbery, Alan and Pat Erickson, Jan Porter Evans, Marilyn Cochran Henke, Evan and Mary Jom, Fred and Lisa Juennemann, Stan and Grace Colson Kauk, Dan and Vickie Lippelmann, Marie Schultz McVay, Barbara Boultinghouse Nelson, Connie May Olson, Wayne and Sandy Orr, Lea Thompson Patterson, Tom and Jennifer Brown Phillips, Bill and Leanna McVay Roberts, Jim Stanley, Pam Grose Van Vleet, David Waldo, Cindy Shobe Whiteley.
- 1972: Steven Nelson.
- 1973: Monte Moore.
- 1974: Larry Bearley, Jerry and Mary Chambers, Greg Duncan, Leland and Ro-

berta Montgomery Frakes, Kristi Fredrickson Gallentine, Larry and Terri Stapleton James, Charles Meitl, Susan Orr, David and Linda Porter, Nancy Aschwege Reuss, Teresa Shaughnessy, Mike and Nancy Shields, Tim and Donna Carlisle Urban, Laurie Lotker Wasson, Nancy Ellis Woods, Sharon Beery Wright, Michael and Susan Waldo Wright.

- 1977: Kirk Kelley.
- 1979: Kathy Almquist, Amy Anderson, Brice and Kristi Bickford, Ernest and Janine Colson, Doug Dempewolf, Daniel and Tracey Denner, Jon Dunn, Lisa Young Eccles, Cheryl Hartzog, Elden and Charissa Huff, Brad Larson, Kelly Golt Moore, Jeff and Karen Koerperich Ostmeier, Darryl Rippe, Alan Shuler.
- 1982: Shirley Schwab Bader.
- 1983: Sheldon and Brenda Kelley, Troy Marshall.
- 1984: Devin Bader, Tom and Melissa Berkheimer, Deb Jackson Marshall, Kevin Nasser.
- 1987: Chris Thornton Dempewolf.
- 1989: Shannon Addleman, Larry and Kim Dempewolf, Joel Dunn, Catherine Braden Faimon, Mike Hansen, Christina Stanley, Doug and Karla Krause Wilson.
- 1999: Ben and Rachael Bainter, Clint and Leigh Ann Lohoefer Johnson, Kimberly Solko.
- 2009: Haley Barrett, Jacinta Carter, Derek Chambers, Amanda Edmiston, Logan Fortin, Jacob Fortin, Danyel Jeffrey, Elisha Jones, Lucas Juennemann, Tamara Ketterl, Christopher Larson, Annamarie Larue, Cole May, Ryan McEvoy, Jordan McHugh, John Meitl, Ethan Merrill, McKenzie Nelson, Heather Ploussard, Andrew Richards, Alyssa Rippe, Jordan Tally, Everett Urban, Jay Wessel.

QUARTERLY STATEMENT OF

Jean Ann Hale, County Treasurer of Decatur County, Kansas,
Showing Balance on hand for the Quarter ending April 30, 2009

FUND		Special Park & Rec.	
County General	390,074.57		2,807.30
SW Bell Rural 911	23,664.43		4,006.75
Wireless E-911	12,843.54		3,039.80
E-911 Grant11		2,992.80
Recycling	4,880.03		PATF
Landfill	8,495.17		251.00
Road & Bridge	529,928.60		Sp Fire Equip
Special Bridge	113,780.10		94,001.77
Home for Aged	85,983.45		Bond & Interest
Fair Maintenance	1,313.82		45,179.84
Conservation District	4,146.30		RFD Memorial
County Health Nurse	40,058.44		1,148.14
Golden Age Bond	295,687.03		Economic Devel.
Ambulance Memorial	992.72		2,176.49
Ambulance	125,560.81		CORE
Noxious Weed	40,948.54		1,873.28
Special Road Mach	30,319.75		RFD
Election	30,538.84		117,717.40
Ambulance Sp Equip	94,406.94		Bad Check Trust Fund ..
Deeds Tech. Fund	3,039.42		1,702.94
Employee Benefits ...	174,497.85		Stray Animals
Equip. Reserve Fund	83,025.47		2,323.24
Conceal & Carry	1,540.00		Hospital Rev. Bond ...
Juvenile Detention	2,710.00		56,285.69
Summer Rec. Mem	3,087.50		History Books
Senior Citizens	35,943.75		1,179.00
Employee WH	28,988.07		Corp. Plan Emp. Trust ..
Cafeteria 125	15,928.10		10,738.13
Sp Alcohol Program	5,758.73		Current Tax
			204,698.26
			Motor Vehicle Tax ...
			63,575.43
			Delq. Personal Tax ...
			17,745.33
			Good Sam Mem. Prin. 546,061.65
			Treasurer Special Auto ..
			19,276.39
			Motor Vehicle License ...
			2,362.50
			Sales Tax
			17,673.17
			RV Tax
			1,064.77
			Alcohol Liquor Tax
			50.00
			Partial Pay
			7,928.54
			Redemp. & Assign ...
			16,485.20
			Suspense Acct
			5,270.99
			Total 3,437,757.88

TOWNSHIP OR CITY	GEN'L Revenue	Road	SP Road	S. Waste
Allison		220.29		
Altory		190.61		
Bassettsville		38,551.18	33,021.27	
Beaver		190.09		
Center		202.06		
Cook		210.40		
Custer		183.31		
Dresden		211.96		630.00
Finley		22,841.80		
Garfield		230.71		
Grant		205.71		
Harlan		242.16		
Jennings		243.21		
Liberty		227.06		
Lincoln		227.58		
Logan		8,331.98		
Lyon		258.83		
Oberlin		29,863.92	837.79	
Olive		8,853.59		
Pl Valley		259.35		
Prairie Dog		213.52		
Roosevelt		186.96		
Sappa		165.09		
Sherman		12,600.46		
Summit		15,286.32		

TOTAL	0.00	140,198.15	33,859.06	630.00
CEMETERY			FUND	
Norcatur	25.09		County Funds	3,437,757.88
Dresden	7.69		Township Funds	174,687.21
Hawkeye	161.00		Cemetery Funds	193.78
TOTAL	193.78		TOTAL	3,612,638.87

CASH:	
Investments	2,045,072.08
The Bank Oberlin	481,251.83
Cash	625.00
The Bank MM	61,198.97
The Bank OB. MM	99,379.23
TBO Corp Plan	10,738.13
FNB Wireless E911	5,645.54
Farmers Bk & Tr.	411,803.16
TB MM-Good Sam Mem	100,989.57
FNB-MM	100,248.33
TB-Golden Age Bond	295,687.03
TOTAL	3,612,638.87

State of Kansas, Decatur County, ss
I, Jean Ann Hale, Treasurer of DECATUR County, Kansas, do solemnly swear that the above statement is complete, true and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief. SO HELP ME GOD.
Jean Ann Hale, County Treasurer
I HEREBY CERTIFY, That the foregoing statement was subscribed and sworn to before me, and in my presence, by the above named, this 30th day of April, 2009. Colleen Geihlsler, County Clerk

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