

Norcatcur News

By the Norcatcur News Committee

Aaron Helm has been back from West Point for the past three weeks. He got to come back a week early since he agreed to talk to local students in area schools about the Academy. Since then, he has been spending time and catching up with his family and friends. Aaron went back June 6, as a leader for the sophomore's summer training. After six weeks, he will be headed to Fort Irwin, Calif., to shadow a lieutenant. That ends in early August, when he heads back to West Point for his junior year of schooling.

There will be a benefit dinner for Terri James from 5 to 8 p.m. on Sunday, July 12 at the former Norcatcur Grade School. Everyone is invited to attend and is asked to bring a salad or a dessert. Meat and drinks will be provided by the Norcatcur Royal Neighbors, Oberlin Eastern Star and Norcatcur Commercial Club. For more information, contact Diane Leffler at 693-4501, or Jerry Wescott at 693-4499 or 693-4215.

The Norcatcur City-Wide garage sale will be from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, June 20. There will be 17 families participating. Maps can be picked up at the Cardinal Bar and Grill.

Lloyd and Sharon Stanton of Salina were overnight guests of his mother, Arlene Hix, on May 29. Betty Reid of Norton, and Ming and Wanda Nguyen of Lone Tree, Colo., were callers of Mrs. Hix over Memorial Day weekend.

Happy Birthday and Anniversary to Cheryl Hill, June 10; Ethel Miller, June 12; and Greg and Mary Long, June 15.

Results of the pool tournament on June 3, at the Cardinal Bar and Grill were Stan Miller, first place; Von Johnson, second; Dan Fringer, third; and Gerald Jackson, fourth.

The Norcatcur Commercial Club Scholarship applications can be picked up at The Bank or The Cardinal Bar and Grill. Applications are due back to Patty Stapp at The Bank by Tuesday, June 30. Scholarships will be awarded by Wednesday, July 15. If you have any questions contact Mrs. Stapp at The Bank.

Bee Nelson took Bob Sawdon from the Andbe Home to his dentist appointment in Norton on June 5, then picked up Oran Milner for his eye appointment in McCook, that afternoon. LaVerne Milner accompanied them to McCook.

Senior Citizens met June 5, with 12 players present. Winners were June Jolly, then Juanita Eckhart and Eleanor Jensen tied for second, and Beth Johnson rounded out the game. The next get-together will be 1:30 p.m. on Friday, at the Methodist Education Building.

David and Retta Hare picked up Kathy and Erika Wilkins of Holdrege on June 3 and brought them home to help with the wedding cake decorations. On June 5, Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins' children, Eric and Kristen, arrived for the weekend and for Marylyn Barnett's wedding. Joe and Trudy Hare, and daughters Jordyn and Megan arrived on Friday evening for the wedding. Janice Ebner and Keith Baker, Norton, and family were visitors on Saturday and Sunday.

Nickala O'Hare, daughter of Chris O'Hare, competed in the National Gymnastics Meet in Des Moines, Iowa, on June 7. She competed in Level 3, age 10. She brought home a third place medal in overall competition. Her best event was the balance beam where she placed second. She placed fourth in floor, fourth in vault and seventh in bars. There were 14 competitors in her classification. Chris took his daughter to the meet accompanied by Cody, his son. Also in attendance were Carla Nickells, Cody and Nickala's mother, and Dave Nickells. Nickala and Cody are the grandchildren of Rodney and Janice O'Hare of Norcatcur and Don and Jeanie Pharis of Norton.

Guests at the Stan Miller farm were Carol's niece, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Siple and Nathan, Wichita; and Lila Rule, Norton. Nathan Siple, 13, stayed at the Miller farm for a few days to help out and get a feel for country life.

Rea and Dee Magers went to Lakewood, Colo., on May 28,

to visit their daughter, Cheri and Bob Pomeroy and families. They enjoyed a barbecue on Sunday, celebrating three birthdays in the family. They had intended on returning home on the following Tuesday, but Dee's brother-in-law, Cliff Williams died on Monday, so they remained there to attend the funeral services on Friday. All of Dee's immediate family were there. On returning home on Saturday, they stopped in Bird City and visited former neighbors, Bill, Debbie and Katy Malone.

Bee Nelson, Mary Leslie, Dorothy Ward and Beth Sebaugh of Oberlin, journeyed to the Chinese restaurant in Norton on Sunday. They were sorry that Wava Reames wasn't feeling up to going with them.

James Reames, grandson of Wava Reames, is visiting for 10 days in Norcatcur. Last Tuesday they were in Norton, so son-in-law, Johnny Crum, could pick up a car from Walter Motors. The three of them, plus granddaughter Shawnda Hall, and Frank Ward, celebrated by eating lunch at the Hidden Dragon in Norton. Johnny and Shawnda went back to Oklahoma Wednesday, each driving a car. James and Wava have been having fun working on a puzzle of the United States showing the original location of Indian tribes. James has also enjoyed playing with Brenden and Quentin Wentz.

Also, the three "Okies" helped put out the Norcatcur Newsheet last Tuesday and enjoyed seeing how the process works.

Museum Tidbits

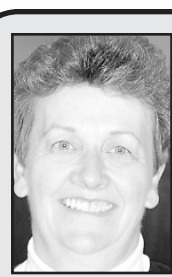
Thanks to Sharon Shulze for the pictures of Sarah Butler and families that she donated to the museum.

Thanks to Bill Ladehoff for the black case that held the City of Norcatcur's documents.

Freezing foods for the fair

To help save time and stress at county fair time, prepare food entries early and freeze them. Most baked goods freeze well and can still be blue ribbon quality. This includes cookies, yeast and quick breads, and cakes. Here are some tips:

- Bake the product as usual. Cool completely! This helps prevent condensation inside the wrapping and development of ice crystals.
- Use moisture-vapor resistant packaging. This includes freezer-safe plastic containers or bags, heavy-duty aluminum foil, and rigid containers.
- Separate layers of cookies with wax paper or parchment paper.
- If a cake or bread is to be frosted, freeze the product only and frost after it is thawed.
- Make pie crusts ahead of time



Home Time

By Tranda Watts
Multi-county Extension Agent

and freeze. Freezing whole prepared pies can cause the filling to soak into the crust.

• Thaw all baked goods in the freezer packaging. They can be thawed at room temperature. Remove from the freezer the night before the fair. Once thawed, repackage into the proper packaging according to your fair rules.

If you have further questions about preparing foods for fair com-

petition, please feel free to contact your local K-State Research and Extension Office.

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Lyle News

By Veda Wood

Margaret "Toots" Magers is home again after a two-week visit to Abilene to be with her grandchildren, Kendra and Kursten Guy, while their parents took a trip to Alaska for their 25th anniversary. Denise caught a 35-pound salmon and J.T. caught a 65-pound halibut.

They were able to send the fish home to the freezer and will have something to remember in more ways than one. They returned home early Saturday morning, brought Toots home on Sunday, then mowed for her.

Dewayne Jackson was our minister at Lyle on Sunday. He was accompanied by Aurelia and son, Josh. Some of the ones to remember in prayer were Aurelia's fa-

ther, who had surgery on Tuesday; Dewayne's brother-in-law, who is making wonderful improvement; Bill Schwab; the family of Joyce Sumner's granddaughter, Jenelle, who lost their two-year-old nephew; and Veda Wood's brother-in-law, Elvin Wood, who is taking therapy to gain strength.

Eleven enjoyed the dinner and fellowship after church. We always have good food and a good visit.

Aubrey, who is almost four, took it upon herself to cut her own hair, then after the deed was done, was really feeling bad until her mother trimmed it up. It looks nice, still red and curly, but it is always a shock to hear, "I cut my hair!"

Saturday was D-Day. I imagine everyone who is old enough to re-

member it remembers where they were at the time. On June 6, 1944, I was in Savannah, Ga., with my husband, who was in training as an armorer on our B-24 bombers.

We had a second floor room in a large house where he could come to town from the base overnight. We were awakened by bells ringing and whistles blowing, but didn't know what it was about.

Leon and his friend, Lee Grafe, hurried out to their base at Chattam Field, Ga., and found that the invasion at Normandy had started. Leon said since that it made him feel that he should have been there.

Within a month, he and his crew were in Italy. We had no way of knowing how many casualties our boys suffered until later.

Jennings News

By Louise Cressler

Spending a week visiting Galen and Meme Carper were Galen's daughter, Teka Carper, and granddaughters, Erica Atkins and Tegan Atkins, Little Rock, Ark. Galen's son, Judd Carper, Black Forest, Colo., also visited several days with the Carper's.

A small group enjoyed a potluck supper and information presented by "Jill's Helping Hands, Inc.," June 9. Those attending were Agnes Wahlmeier, Imogene Keenan, Alice Wagoner, Stan and Ramona Shaw and grandson, Logan Black from Carlsbad, N.M.; Kenneth and Violet Kriek; Alice Mizer and Louise Cressler. Shelley Wahlmeier and Jill Edgett gave the program.

The Czech Museum meeting was held June 4 at the Royal Neighbor Building. Neoma Tacha presided with directors, Mary Wahlmeier, Lawrence Jennings, Lila Jennings, Bob Tacha and Dean Gawth with present. Guests were the Lawrence's grandsons, Westley and Brendan Jennings. The May minutes were read and approved. The treasurer's report was given and bills paid.

Memorial weekend was busy with over 100 visitors from New Mexico, West Virginia, Colorado, California and Nebraska, as well as from Kansas. Since there is no Pride Committee anymore, the

decorating of the graves at the Jennings and Big Timber cemetery has been down by the Museum board. Thanks to Eugene and Dona Mrstik, Bob and Neoma Tacha for helping this year.

The Graduating class of 1950 has asked to hold their 60th reunion next year in the Royal Neighbor Hall. The next meeting will be at 2 p.m. July 2. The public is invited to attend.

The Historic Building Preservation Committee is planning an evening meal and program, honoring World War II veterans on July 19 to be held at the Masonic Hall. Look for more on this event at a later date.

Brian Jennings, Solomon, was a dinner guest of Lawrence and Lila Jennings on June 6. Westley returned home with his father after spending two weeks with grandparents. Rhonda Jennings, Wichita, was a Sunday visitor of the Jennings'. Brendon Jennings, Hastings, Neb., returned home Tuesday after visiting the past 10 days with grandparents. He also visited Lee and Judy Ploussard and Rod and Pat Fringer, Oberlin.

City water meters will be read Saturday, June 20. Please post your reading on your front door if your meter is inside.

Live Each Day to the Fullest

By Pastor Judity Stricker, United Church of Oberlin

Hasn't the weather been absolutely wonderful this last week? I can't remember when the flowers have been so beautiful and the air more soft and cool. It is as if summer is not coming this year though, of course, we know that it is and will be hot and dusty by August.

This week I commuted daily to Norton to an insertive for my ministry and at 6:30 each morning it has been quite foggy, and at times, raining a little. Yet, by afternoon, the sun peeks out and it is absolutely gorgeous. I have so enjoyed the gift of these lovely days.

Psalms 104 came to mind as I marveled at the creation before my eyes. There is the waving wheat, just turning, the many birds raising their young, even the young deer along the roadside, though that can be a little scary at times, were enjoying the tall grass.

Then, as I return home and to the business at hand, I turn on the television to check the news and find it all dark and filled with ugliness. It was easy to be reminded that God did not make the ugliness, man did. I found that to be comforting in the times in which we seem to find ourselves.

Yet, it does not really matter what is going on in the world, how dark and ugly our lives can become, we have a readily available source of comfort in the poetry of the *Psalms*. As I sat reading them, refreshing myself after a long, hard day, I wondered how much more difficult my days would be were it not for all of the Bible, and the faith, hope and courage to just live each day to the fullest, that the words of that book inspire. *Psalms 121* says, "I will lift up my eyes to the hills, from whence does my help come? My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth." Putting ourselves in touch with the creation around us, instead of dwelling on the infinite variety of bad news today and every day it seems, is something we all can do.

May I suggest that when you return home from a hard day, before you pick up that newspaper, before you grab the remote to catch the news, that you first open your Bible, go to the *Psalms*, read a couple until you have read yourself all of the way through. I promise they will speak to you if you let them.

AMEN



Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

OBERLIN SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH
785-475-3103
Fr. Henry Saw Lone,
MASS: 5:30 p.m., Saturday

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC, LEVILLE
Fr. Henry Saw Lone
MASS: 8 a.m., Sunday.

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, SELDEN
Fr. Henry Saw Lone
MASS: 10 a.m., Sunday

OBERLIN SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
Jerry Nowack
120 South East, Oberlin
SATURDAY: Sabbath School, 9:15 a.m.; Saturday Worship, 11 a.m.

JENNINGS-DRESDEN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH JENNINGS
Carrie Buhler, pastor
SUNDAY: Church School, 10 a.m. Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
DRESDEN
SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9:30 a.m.

PRAIRIE CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST
The Rev. Doug Hasty
SUNDAY: Church Services, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 8:30 a.m.

HERNDON IMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Pastor: Dennis Brown
SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9 a.m.

UNITED CHURCH OF OBERLIN
Pastor: Judi Stricker
109 North Griffith-American Baptist, Disciples of Christ, Presbyterian USA
SUNDAY: Adult Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Coffee: 10:30 a.m. - 11 a.m. Worship Service, 11 a.m. Choir practice every Sun. at 9:45 a.m. Holy Communion, 1st & 3rd Sundays. United Church Women, 2nd Wed at 2 p.m. Parish Council, 2nd Sun. following Worship

OBERLIN COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP (Southern Baptist)
Pastor: Gene Gee
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m., WEDNESDAY: Service, 7 p.m., FRIDAY: Celebrate Recovery 6-10 p.m.

OBERLIN UNITED METHODIST
102 North Cass — 785-475-3067
The Rev. Doug Hasty
SUNDAY: Church School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m. (Nursery provided.) WEDNESDAY: Choir practice, 7:30 p.m.

CLAYTON UNITED METHODIST
Pastor: Larry Danforth
Almena
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.

OBERLIN ASSEMBLY OF GOD
The Rev. Royce Leitner
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Worship, 7 p.m. WEDNESDAY: Adult Bible study, 7 p.m.

OBERLIN CHURCH OF CHRIST
South Beaver Street - Oberlin
Bill Duncan — Phone 785-475-3259
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Hour, 10:45 a.m. WEDNESDAY: Ladies Home Bible Study, 9 a.m.

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC, HERNDON
The Rev. Galen Long
Phone 785-322-5560
MASS: SUNDAY, 8 a.m

HERNDON COVENANT CHURCH
Keith Reuther, Pastor
Phone 785-322-5316
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Youth Group, 4 p.m.

NORCATUR UNITED METHODIST
Pastor: Larry Danforth
Almena
SUNDAY: Worship Service, 10 a.m.; Church School, 10:30 a.m.

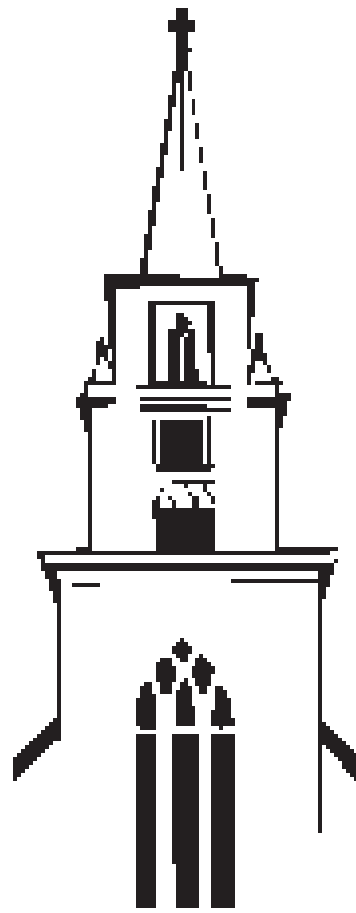
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Guest Speakers every Sunday
SUNDAY: Morning Worship 8 a.m.

EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH OF OBERLIN
Pastors: Chris and Sharon Nelson
810 West Cedar, Oberlin
Office Phone 785-475-2769
SUNDAY: Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Fellowship Time, 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 11 a.m. WEDNESDAY: Bible Study, 7 p.m.

LUND COVENANT CHURCH
Pastor: Doug Mason
10 miles south, 4 miles west of Oberlin
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.; WEDNESDAY: Bible Study and prayer, 7:30 p.m.

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
510 North Wilson
Interim Pastor: Kevin Schnakenberg
SUNDAY: Sunday School and Bible class, 9:15 a.m.; Divine Worship Service, 8 a.m.; Holy Communion: 1st and 3rd Sundays.

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH
404 North York Avenue
Oberlin, Kansas
Rev. Charlotte Strecker-Baseler
Church Office Phone: 785-475-2053
SUNDAY: Worship, 9:30 a.m.; Fellowship and Educational Hour, 10:45 a.m. Holy Communion first and third Sundays. THURSDAY: Women's Bible Study second Thursday at 9:30 a.m.



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