

Norcatour News

By the Norcatour News Committee

Lora Arnold hosted a 13th birthday supper for her great-grandson, Jordan Baker, at the Cardinal Bar and Grill Saturday, June 13. Besides the honored guest, those present were his parents Mark and Juli Anna Baker, brothers Nathan and Noah, and sister Marissa Baker; John and Brenda Arnold and Estella Harold.

Results of the dart tournament at the Cardinal Bar and Grill Wednesday, June 10, were: Game 1: Alice Barnett, first place; Patty Stapp, second; Kristi Gallentine, third. Game 2: Kristi Gallentine, first; Patty Stapp, second; Alice Barnett, third.

Friday, June 12, Dorothy Ward drove Bee Nelson to the Norton Hospital where Bee had a plantar wart taken off her left foot. Of course, Dorothy had to wait around till Bee was dismissed so some shopping was done, errands were run and lunch with Wava Reames, Wava's grandson, James Crum, and Frank Ward at the Hidden dragon. Bee and Dorothy made it home early afternoon.

Information submitted by Bob Strevey states that on Friday, June 12, the U.S. Highway 36 Association held their annual meeting in Atwood. Representatives from the 13 counties in Kansas that border Highway 36 heard reports from the Kansas Department of Transportation about work on the highway that is scheduled and what has been completed.

A report was heard from the Docking Institute which is preparing a study of possible changes to Highway 36. As the four lane highway is completed in Missouri, pressures are growing to extend the four lanes across Kansas. They were also made aware of the posting of weight limits on bridges in eastern Decatur County. Some of the bridges are very old and are deteriorating so bridge limits are likely to be lowered. Our state legislators warned that the state revenues are falling and further budget cuts are likely. Money for roads will be cut further.

Dave, Patty and Sam Stapp attended the wedding of Shane Montgomery and Crystal Mannebaugh Saturday, June 13, at Leoville.

Dave, Patty and Sam Stapp were lunch guests of Marian Dempewolf for a barbecue Saturday noon. Other

guests were Bob Dempewolf, Rose Riffle, Oberlin; Spencer and Addison Schliep, McCook; and Greg Dempewolf, Darcie Zuck and Jada, Culbertson, Neb.

Jeff Magers and Joy Luoto met Jeff's parents at the Cardinal Café on Saturday for a delicious fried chicken and catfish dinner. Later they visited and played cards at the Magers'.

Wava Reames, grandson James, and Jody Lyon journeyed to Wichita Friday. Jody went to visit her daughter and family, and Wava to meet her daughter and granddaughter, Shawna and Shawnda, and Shawnda's friend, Jordan Biggs. Saturday Wava and family spent the day at the Sedgwick County Zoo. They ate on the way back to the motel, then Shawna, James, and the girls headed for the pool, and Wava headed for the bed! Jody and Wava had a pleasant ride home to quiet Norcatour.

Everyone is welcome to the medical benefit for Terri James, Sunday, July 12, from 5 to 8 p.m., held at the Norcatour Grade School gymnasium. Please bring salads or desserts or yourself. Drinks and meat will be provided by sponsors, Oberlin Eastern Star, Norcatour Commercial Club, and Norcatour Royal Neighbors of America. For more information contact Jerry Wescott at 693-4215 or 693-4499, or Diane Leffer at 693-4501.

Happy birthday and anniversary to Bev DeLano, June 21; Jeni Henningson and Dave and Patty Stapp, June 23.

Results of the pool tournament on Wednesday, June 10, at the Cardinal Bar and Grill were John New, first place; Von Johnson, second; Stan Miller, third.

The new steel roof has been completed at the Norcatour United Methodist Church just in time for a wedding. On Saturday, June 6, Marylyn Barnett and Tyler Perry were united in marriage at a 5 p.m. ceremony.

A packed church of family and friends were there to witness the event. The ceremony was officiated by the Rev. Larry Danforth of the church. The newly married couple exited the church under an archway of decorated pitchforks also known as "the pitchfork brigade."

Visitors of R.D. Thornton's over the weekend were Lisa Leichter,

Laci Leichter, Lynn Streit and Chris Dempewolf. Lisa, Laci and Lynn took R.D. for a ride around Norcatour, then drove around the lake at Norton. Sharee Dempewolf had been a visitor earlier in the week. Chris Dempewolf is a regular visitor of her dad's.

Doug and Chris Dempewolf attended the wedding of Ryan Ruf and Jamie Zimmerman in Hays, on Saturday. While in Hays, they stopped and visited with the family of Ray Thornton.

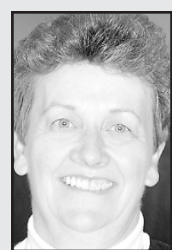
Enjoying Sunday dinner together at the Cardinal Bar and Grill were Mary Lesle, Bee Nelson, Beth Sebaugh and Dorothy Ward. While there, they also visited with Ron and Gerry Temple and Von and Joy Johnson.

Gerald and Judy Jackson took a ride to Selden last Sunday to enjoy the car and tractor show and other entertainment. They met up with Gerald's nephew, Richie Shoemaker of Colby, and his sister Iris Smith of Clayton.

Iris and Judy listened to the afternoon entertainment by Rose Bainter and her brother Vic Wagoner, sister Elaine Wagoner and son, Joe Bainter, known as the Wagoner Bunch, or Rose's Karaoke. Gerald threw horseshoes in the tournament and came home a winner.

Museum Tid-Bits
Thanks to Helen and Kenny McVay for the pens that they donated to the museum. Lots of old pens like Arnold Jackson - Blacksmithing and Welding, Sinclair-Johnson Oil Co., Peerless Mills Elevator, plus lots more.

June is time for rhubarb pie



Home Time

By Tranda Watts
Multi-county Extension Agent

Crisp leafy greens, plump red berries, and rhubarb are likely to be among the fresh foods available in local markets right now.

If it's June, it's time for rhubarb pie. Or, better yet, rhubarb and strawberry pie. Shoppers also can expect to see a variety of lettuce and salad mixes, radishes, broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, cucumbers, summer squash, beets, blueberries, fresh herbs and cut flowers at markets in June.

Some early tomatoes also are becoming available so shop for fresh produce that has good color and aroma, and is free of dents, cuts and bruises.

Brush off loose dirt, but wait to wash fresh fruits and vegetables until just before using them. If not familiar with a food, ask for information about it — how it was grown — and for tips in choosing and using it.

Rhubarb is an example. While some will remember it as grandma's favorite, others who are unfamiliar with it may not know that the stalks are edible, but leaves, which contain oxalic acid, can be toxic and should be discarded out of reach from children and pets.

Shopping farmers' markets regularly offers opportunities to learn about local foods and how to enjoy them. A directory of Kansas farmers' markets is available at local County Extension offices.

More information on food, nu-

trition, health and food safety is available at your local K-State Research and Extension offices or by e-mailing twatts@ksu.edu.

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Jennings News

By Louise Cressler

Keith and Helen Muirhead spent five days in Chicago visiting their daughter, Teffani and Joe Zadeh, and grandchildren Natalia and Dylan. They spent one day fishing in Indiana. They also took in the yearly showing of various art works from personnel from all over the U.S.A.

Max and Charlotte Cox from Doyle, La., were in Jennings June 18 through June 21 visiting with Eugene and Dona Mrstik and Pixie.

Wayne and Louise Cressler went

to Hoxie Sunday, Father's Day, and visited with Wayne's dad, Walt Cressler, at the Sheridan County Long Term Care. Others visiting were Pat and Lyle Hansen, Bartley, Neb.; Keith and Deb Bowie and Philip.

Jennings Book Club will meet Friday, June 26, in the Sunflower Senior Center with Carla Latimer as hostess.

Jane and Jim Wahlmeier and Amanda, Concordia; Ann Carter,

Maddy and Abby, Salina; Alan Carter, Overland Park, attended United Methodist Church in Jennings Sunday with the Carter family.

Rachel Carter is doing well after her knee surgery. She has been in swing bed at the Oberlin Hospital but will be returning home soon.

Wheat is turning a beautiful gold and will soon be ready to harvest. We have been fortunate not to get the storms others around us experienced.

Mount Pleasant News

By Dianne Bremer

Mollie Tate placed first in the 25 yard breaststroke and second in the individual medley at the Goodland swim meet Saturday, June 13.

Garrett and Gage Scott spent five days this past week in the Colorado Mountains with their grandparents, Myron and Alberta Scott. After their vacation, they met Justin and Wendy Scott at Kit Carson, Colo. on Saturday and Garrett and Gage returned home with their parents.

Mollie Tate placed first in her individual medley, second in the breaststroke, and fourth in the butterfly at the Colby swim meet on Saturday.

Quintin and Lindsay Cundiff, St. Louis, Mo., arrived Saturday evening to spend a few days visiting his parents, Greg and Janice Cundiff, and other family and friends.

Martin and Evelyn May were Father's Day dinner guests of Janice and Greg Cundiff and Quintin and Lindsay Cundiff.

Mike Shields, Omaha, Neb., was a weekend guest of Gaylord and Shirley Shields. Additional Father's Day dinner guests at the

Shields home were Stuart Euhus, Paul Shields and Tyler.

Carl Larson and Janene Holtz were Father's Day supper guests of Craig and Karen Larson.

Stean Olson, Hays, was a guest of the Gerald Olson family over the Father's Day weekend.

Richard and Anna Shaw and Joel and Tami Shaw and Dante were Father's Day dinner guests of Ralph and Violet Shaw.

John and Dianne Bremer and Jessica left Wednesday afternoon for Kansas City, Kan., where John attended the State of Kansas Judicial Spring Conference/Kansas Bar Association continuing education meetings Thursday and Friday.

They enjoyed the Kansas Bar show Thursday evening and visited with Lyn and Linda Tomasch, Larry and Lisa Sonstagen, Matthew, Emily, and Zachary, Lori Taylor and Marissa, Riley Frasure, and Dwayne Smith of Olathe Friday evening.

They returned home Saturday morning after enjoying breakfast at the Sonstagen home.

Has Science Triumphed Religion?

By Pastor Judith Stricker, United Church of Oberlin

So often these days we hear that science has triumphed religion, that we are just fooling ourselves if we are believers, that it was all an "accident" and that there is no God. Well folks, I can tell you that every time I hear that, something happens to make it clear that there is a God, and fortunately, I don't have his job.

This morning, my east-facing bedroom was bathed with the beautiful rose, red and orange light of sunrise. It almost took my breath away, and I could do nothing before I gave thanks for such beauty. I hope all of you out there have been looking at the beauty of the countryside lately. There are wildflowers that have not been seen for years. The taller grasses in pastures are knee high, and anything that flowers in a garden..... is! How can we doubt the hand of the creator?

Last winter, I received this e-mail and I have thought to use it many times, in a sermon, but just never found the right time. This spring, with everything in our world returning after a long series of dry years, I returned to the article and will use some of it here. It alludes to the mathematical precision of God's creation that belies happenstance.

The eggs of the potato bug hatch in seven days, those of the canary in 14, chickens in the barnyard, in 21, most ducks and geese, in 28, but the mallard in 35, the parrot and ostrich in 42. Notice anything? All are divisible by seven, that very important Biblical number. Hummmmm!!!

How about this? Each watermelon has an even number of stripes, each orange, an even number of

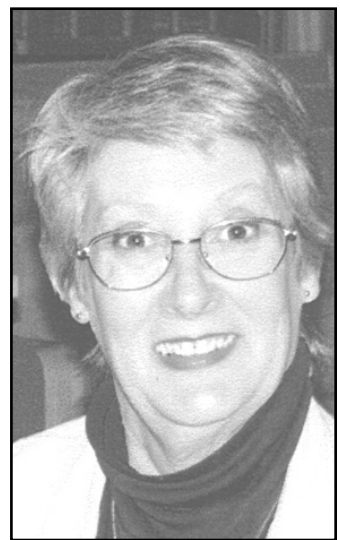
segments, each ear of corn, an even number of grains, and every bunch of bananas has on the lowest row, even, then each row decreases by one so that it is even, odd, even, odd and so on. Must be a reason for that that God sees.

This one really got me, since I have never seen the ocean, but have imagined how it must be. The waves roll in on shore twenty-six at a time per minute, no matter what the weather is doing.

Isn't this some of the most interesting stuff you've read lately? We humans just think we are in control. Oh, how we manage to totally mess things up to the max when we decide we know more than God.

I have never understood the argument between those who are Creationists and those who believe in evolution. They both are due to the design of the creator, as everything is, and arguing over the number of years it took for creation, or the method misses the point. The deeper we look into space, or into the very center of our planet, the more questions arise, and I believe that is the way it ALWAYS will be right up to that last day. So, take a look outside at sunrise, and view a masterpiece. Go outside right after dawn and smell the perfume scented air and feel creation in all of its summer glory. Take a drive out on Sunday afternoon, not to get to any destination, but just to view the awesome work of the creation. Count the petals on the wild flowers. See which are odd or even in number. Go out, check it out, and I defy you not to be overcome with beauty.

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, LEOVILLE
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.

LYLE UNITED METHODIST
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..

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