### **Norcatur News** By the Norcatur News Committee

Guests of Gerry and Devonna had a wonderful visit. Max, Norma and LaJean Flaska of Dallas, Ore., arriving in time for a birthday party, Devonna was hosting for her cousin Rovella Fisher of Norton. Also attending was Rovella's husband Lyle, Lewis and Joann Roberts, and John and Joann Ankerman. Time was also spent with John and Carol New for dinner and games.

Guests of Beth Johnson were Brenda Glass, Jamie Jarrigan of Oklahoma City, Chuck Johnson, Guthrie, Okla., and David Johnson, Lenexa. They were here for the graveside services for Lois McPherson at the Clayton Cemetery Thursday, June 25.

Wava Reames visited Beth Sebaugh and Terri James in the Oberlin hospital last Tuesday. Both ladies are making progress and should be home soon.

Friday Wava Reames and Tammy (Sebaugh) Bunny, who have been school mates from first grade all the way through to college, went to McCook for a few errands. Tammy also wanted to try the much-touted Joltin' Joe's fruit drinks.

Sunday Wava joined Mary Lesle, Bee Nelson and Dorothy Ward for the Sunday buffet at the Cardinal Bar and Grill. Barbara McCool joined them briefly and they all

about a request for the city to spray

mosquitoes on Thursday, but didn't

decided anything, although the

City Administrator Austin Gilley

said he's had calls and e-mails from

people wanting to know if the city

is going to spray. He said a fogger

will cost \$7,500 and the chemical

consensus was not to do it.

**City Council talks** 

of mosquito spraying

New last week were friends Red and Dave Ward also came up from Clayton for dinner and they had a good visit with them too.

> There will be a benefit dinner for Terri James to help with medical bills from 5 to 8 p.m. on Sunday, July 12, at the Norcatur grade school gymnasium. Please bring a side dish or dessert. Drinks and meat will be provided by sponsors Oberlin Eastern Star, Norcatur Commercial Club and Norcatur Royal Neighbors of America. For more information contact Jerry Wescott at 693-4215 or 693-4499; or Diane Leffler at 693-4501.

Happy Birthday to Betty Reid and Ron Temple, July 1; Bee Nelson, July 4; and Von Johnson, July 7.

Happy Anniversary to Gerald and Judy Jackson, July 5; Dwight and Mary Wentz, and Russell and Karyn James, July 7.

Results of the pool tournament on Wednesday, June 24, at the Cardinal Bar and Grill were Dave Stapp, first place; Gerald Jackson, second; Stan Miller, third.

The deadline for returning Norcatur Commercial Club Scholarship applications has ended. Scholarships will be awarded by July 15. For more information, contact Patty Stapp at The Bank.

Mary Lesle traveled to McCook

#### Wednesday, June 24, on business and was accompanied by Bee Nelson. Lunch was on their agenda along with shopping at Wal-Mart.

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Father's Day weekend guests of Gerald and Judy Jackson were son Brian Jackson and his friend Kerry Clapp, both from Thornton, Colo. Saturday they helped get ready for a garage sale which Brian enjoyed spending time visiting with all the customers. They also took in several other garage sales and went home with their car full. Other Saturday afternoon, June 20, callers were Dallas and Delbert Jackson. After her garage sale, daughter Charlotte Kurtz joined them for visiting and running around. Sunday afternoon guests were Donnie and Shanna Nitzel, Oxford, Neb. Shanna is a niece of Judy.

A call came from Kay Anderson Smiley, on Saturday morning, June 27, to tell of her oldest son's marriage on June 20. Sonny White and Janice DeBau were married in a pool-side wedding ceremony, between rain showers, but Kay said it turned out to be a beautiful day. Guests were family and close friends.

Kay is also looking forward to a visit from Von Ellis, a former Clayton resident. He used to spend much of his time at the Anderson farm when they lived in the Norcatur-Clayton area. She is busy planning all the sight seeing things they will be doing when he arrives.

A group eating at the big round table at the Cardinal Café for lunch on Friday and enjoying the good food, were Gerry and Ron Temple, Wava Reames, Mary Lesle, Rea and Dee Magers, Bee Nelson and Dorothy Ward. Good company!

# **Dryness needed for harvest**

Another week has gone by, and harvest will be in full swing if we can get that hot weather that is needed for harvesting.

I should never complain about rain in this country, but we could use a little dry weather about now. Wheat harvest was always one of my favorite times of the year. It was like a job being completed.

It's been pretty quiet around the office, but I know that will change here shortly. With the fair coming up, back-to-school-picnic, and the Highway 36 garage sales, there won't be many dull moments.

The fireworks display was exceptionally good this year. The variety was pretty, and those big booms sure kept you awake. Be sure and thank any Oberlin Business Alliance member for putting this on, and all the local donors that made this possible. Without the help of happen. Remember, too, that donations may still be brought into the Chamber office. The ice cream and brownies were a great treat also.

I bought some jars of jam at the Farmers' Market last week along with some homemade bread. Very good for breakfast!! I also heard there were good cookies and some for diabetic diets. I hope there will be fresh vegetables soon.

There were also a variety of other items: pies, rolls, other homecanned goods, jewelry, and several other items. Come by and take a look this Wednesday and see what you can find.

There have been some donations coming in for the Golden Age/ all working together, it couldn't Recreation Center, but much more

is needed. I know a letter went out to the community a short time ago about the progress and what is needed yet.

By Carolyn Hackney

**THE OBERLIN HERALD** 

**Chamber News** 

I have to be honest that at first I wondered if we really needed this big expenditure in our little community, but when I looked at the plans and saw the potential usage for all age groups of the community, I understood the need for our town. It will be a place for our young and old to hang out. So, I would like to encourage all to donate whatever possible to help get this done.

I hope you all have a good week and stay safe during this busy time. There will be lots of trucks and other traffic on the roads, so be careful.

# **Mount Pleasant News**

**By Dianne Bremer** 

Mollie Tate placed fourth in the butterfly, second in the individual medley, and second in the breaststroke at the Oakley swim meet Saturday, June 27.

Pat and Diane Ryan, Ponchatoula, La., were June 28 – July 2 houseguests of his daughter and family, Becky and Jay Tate, Dakota, Mollie, and Grace.

Ed Chapman, New Orleans, La., and Christian Roundtree, Lafayette, La., were Tuesday evening dinner guests of John and Dianne Bremer and Jessica at an area restaurant. On the way home from supper, they

visited at the Jay Tate home. Ed and Christian were in the area for a few days to visit Keith and Helen Muirhead and watch the progress of the wheat harvest.

Cameron Nedland, Lawrence, arrived Thursday to spend the Fourth of July weekend with his parents, Rhonda May and Dan Nedland, Hunter, and Elizabeth. He returned home Sunday afternoon. Cameron is interning this summer for Second District Congresswoman Lynn Jen-

kins at the State Capitol in Topeka. Todd Leubbers, Laramie, Wyo., arrived Friday at the home of Craig

and Karen Larson to spend a few days helping them with wheat harvest.

Wayne and Lois Larson, Brad Larson, Kathy Almquist, and Jay and Suzanne Cooper, Wichita, were Fourth of July barbecue guests at the Norman Wendelin home. At dark following the barbecue, they enjoyed ghost stories and fireworks.

Members of the St. John's Lutheran Youth Fellowship group helped serve at the Thrivent Fourth of July fund raiser held for Ardith Wayne on Saturday evening.

## **The Root of Sin By Pastor Doug Mason, Lund Covenant Church**

In each of my articles this month, I'd like to talk about sin. I found the following story in the publication Hot Illustrations for Youth, by Youth Specialties, and I thought it was very applicable.

One day a little boy named Julian fell down while chasing butterflies in a field of tall grass. Soon afterward, the boy's left eye started hurting, so he was of the irritation, so he just gave the boy some ointment and sent him home.

Eventually Julian's eye problem went away. About year later, though, the boy started complaining of cloudy vision. His parents took him to an eye specialist, who was stunned by what he discovered.

Apparently when Julian had fallen a year earlier, a tiny grass seed had implanted itself in his cornea. Slowly the seed had grown and had actually sprouted two little leaves in Julian's eye. The seed had to be

things like, "That didn't hurt."

But sin has a way of implanting itself into our hearts and growing into something that can do permanent damage to our souls. Sin can blur our vision and cause us to take our eyes off Christ. Satan wouldn't have it any other way.

Have you allowed sin to take root in your life? Is taken to a doctor. The doctor couldn't find the source your vision blurred? Unless the root of sin is surgically removed, it will destroy you and your relationship with God. The removal can't be done with ointment. Only Jesus can get rid of your sin. That's why he went to the cross.

> "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:9

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and prayer, 7:30 p.m

SUNDAY: Morning Worship 8 a.m.

Church School, 10:30 a.m.



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### it would cost the city at least \$11,000 to get started. It's expensive, said Mr. Gilley, but if the council wants to do it, it could be done.

Spraying wouldn't be effective, said Mayor Joe Stanley, unless it's done once a week.

that can be put on a hose, said Councilman Rob McFee, and people can spray their own yards.

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Mr. Gilley said he had checked on withdrawing the city's loan request for \$4.473 million from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. If that's done, he said, and the city wants to re-apply it could be looked at negatively.

The Oberlin City Council talked Northwest Kansas Telecommunications out of Colby for approximately \$4,500

Mr. Gilley thanked Foreman Dan Castle and Lineman Ron Solko for their extra work during the power outage, a comment that was met with a round of applause. The two have been running the city's power plant 24 hours a day since Saturday, would cost \$5,000 for each drum, so June 27, to keep power going until parts arrive to fix the city's main ransformer

> "People don't know how close the city came to a big disaster," said Mr. Gilley, "but they kept the lights on.'

In other business, the council:

 Approved donations of \$500 One retailer here sells a sprayer each for the past three years to the Oberlin Business Alliance for fireworks and another \$500 for this year's show.

• Approved the appointments of Charlotte Meints, Sarah Bricker and Pam May to the Arts and Humanities Commission. The women will serve until 2012.

• Decided to table the changes in the administrative ordinances

The council talked about water until the next meeting, Thursday,

treatment options including putting July 16. in a reverse osmosis system which would cost upwards of \$6 million.

The council didn't make any decisions.

With the recent power outage, said Mr. Gilley, there were phone problems at The Gateway. He said they couldn't get anyone to fix the system except someone from Kansas City. Mr. Gilley said he didn't take bids. The purchase was from

• Set a special meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday at The Gateway to work on the budget and look at the ordinance for the golf carts, micro utility vehicles, all terrain and work site utility vehicles.

• Held a 20-minute closed session for nonelected personnel with the council only. There was no action taken afterward.



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removed immediately in order to save the boy's vision

Sometimes when we fall into sin, we tell ourselves

# Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

**OBERLIN SACRED HEART** CATHOLIC CHURCH 785-475-3103 Fr. Mark Berland, MASS: 5:30 p.m., Saturday

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC, LEOVILLE Fr. Mark Berland, MASS: 8 a.m., Sunday

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, SELDEN Fr. Mark Berland, 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 NORCATUR UNITED METHODIST (Southern Baptist) Pastor: Gene Gee SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; SUNDAY: Worship Service, 10 a.m.;

Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m., WEDNES-DAY: Service, 7 p.m., FRIDAY: Celebrate Recoverym 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



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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

