

Norcatour News

By the Norcatour News Committee

Lloyd and Sharon Stanton, Salina, visited over the weekend with his mother Arlene Hix and brother Gail Bailey. They came to attend the 50th alumni activities of Norton Community High School. Lloyd attended school in Norton with the exception of his senior year as his family moved to Clayton. His last year of school was at Jennings. Lloyd and Sharon also visited his Uncle Veryl and Vi Van Der Wege in Norton, Beth Mustoe, and James and Lena Skrdlant at the Andbe Home.

Happy Birthday to Brenda Arnold, July 18; Mildred Schwab, July 19; Oran Milner, Don Hill, Greg Long, Mary Wentz, Tara Nelson, July 20; Aaron Helm, Bonnie Wescott, July 21.

Lynn (Sissy) McFarland, Killeen, Texas, met Keith, Gary and Cathy Anthony in Salina on June 29. She was on her way to Fruita, Colo., for

the funeral of her mother-in-law, Aileen McFarland. The Anthonys were in Salina for a test on Gary, which came back good. Sissy left July 5 for Colorado for the funeral on July 7. She returned to Norcatour on Thursday for a few days before she went back to Texas.

Bee Nelson accompanied Dorothy Ward to Norton Friday, July 10, for Dorothy's doctor appointment. Bee also saw the doctor in the afternoon for her foot. While Dorothy got her foot worked on Bee visited Bob Sawdon.

Fourth of July fireworks were enjoyed by the Leichlites and Obrechts. Vene and Phyllis Leichliter and Steve and Debbie Obrecht came to Denny Leichlites on July 2 to help with wheat harvest. Kyle, Kathleen, Maverick and Mercy Obrecht came on Friday, mostly to see the fireworks and finish the paintings in Denny's garage. Mav-

erick and Mercy had never seen "lightning bugs" before and were thrilled to play with them and catch them in a mason jar.

Gerald and Judy Jackson celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in New York City. The trip was a gift from their daughter Beverly and her husband Andy Huerta, and grandchildren, Tyler, Danny and Micaela Huerta. Andy and Beverly were also celebrating their 25th anniversary. They all toured the city on a double decker bus, toured the Empire State building, stopped at the Metropolitan Art Museum, then to the Cathedral Church of Saint John, the Divine, which started being built before 1892 and won't be finished until the 2020. They also visited Battery Park, strawberry fields in Central Park, and Ground Zero, where they are rebuilding the World Trade Center and Memorial Gardens. They visited Times Square, Grand Central Station, shopped at Macy's and rode the subway. They also visited Saint Patrick's Cathedral, watched the fireworks on the Hudson Bay, and the grand finale was visiting Ellis Island and the Statue of Liberty.

Jeff Magers and Joy Luoto, Cedar Bluffs, fixed his parents, Rea and Dee Magers, a delicious shish kabob barbecue for their anniversary on Saturday. On Sunday, Rea and Dee went to the benefit for Terri James in Norcatour.

Sixty people came to the benefit for Terri James and \$865 was raised. Any donations may be left at The Bank in Norcatour.

Wava Reames' dinner guest for Wednesday and Thursday was Frank Ward. He couldn't resist fresh roasting ears, tomatoes and nectarines that Wava brought home from Missouri. They also toured the harvest fields and enjoyed the sights of the wheat being gobbled up by those big ol' machines.

Fall events creeping upon us

Chamber News

By Carolyn Hackney

We had a very nice time in Centennial Park on Sunday night. The weather was nice with a good breeze to keep the mosquitoes away. Joe Hirsch and Co. did a great job, as he always does. Our numbers were not too high again, but I think all who attended enjoyed themselves.

Fair is creeping up on us as each day passes. A lot of people have been in to put their names on the list for the carnival rides and games, but there are still lots of available spots yet. What better way to spend a couple hours? After all, fair only comes once a year. Let's help make it one of the best ever.

I bought more jam last Wednesday and I will enjoy that for several weeks. There were also a few vegetables that came in. The potatoes and onions tasted great. I believe the vendors will be back again this week. I haven't seen any sweet corn yet at our market, but hoping to soon.

We had a new business ribbon cutting here at the office last Tuesday. Tim Bowen has started a "Handyman Service" and says he is keeping very busy. His card lists the type of work that he does as Home Repairs, Business Repairs, Electrical, Plumbing, and Remodeling. With 32 years experience, I'm sure he will do a fantastic job for you.

If there are any other new businesses in town that haven't been contacted for this free service from the Chamber of Commerce and would like to set up an appointment to do this, please call me at the Chamber office at (785) 475-3441.

We are also working on the Back-To-School Picnic coming up for Wednesday, Aug. 12, in the City Park. This should be a fun time also. I'll have more information later.

The Scooter should arrive at the office in a day or two, and then tickets will be available. If you see Ken out there riding one, he is probably headed to the office.

The fall events will be here shortly, which include a Tail-Gate Party at the Homecoming football game, Highway 36 "Treasure Hunt" Garage Sale, the Spook Parade, Business to Business Tour, Oberlin Business Alliance Longest Tail Feather Contest, Light Parade, and the Craft Show. I'm sure there may be others that I missed, so keep reading my column and I'll try to keep everyone posted about events that I know are coming up.

The pastures still look like spring-time. I pray that the hailstorms will stay away.

Have a great week!

Jennings News

By Louise Cressler

A smaller than usual group of Senior Citizens gathered for a potluck supper on July 14 at the Sunflower Senior Center. A short business meeting followed.

The Masonic Hall was overflowing Sunday with people coming for the World War II veterans and other veterans program and the bountiful meal. Everyone attending now understands why we are raising money for an air conditioner. We thank all who helped in any way to make this a success.

Last weekend guests at the Tom and Mary Votapka farm were Elaine and Myron McKinley and their grandson, John of Tulsa, Okla.; Ralph and Linda Rosse of Maxwell, Neb.; and Ethel Taylor, Hays. They enjoyed trips out to the harvest field and seeing the countryside. On Sunday afternoon Drake and Brecken Rowh and John found a rattle snake at the farm and were happy to see it dispatched with a garden hoe.

Terri Hanke recently visited her mother in Phillipsburg and also got to visit with her niece, 2nd Lt. Monica Riggs of Chanute. Lt. Riggs pilots a C135 Stratotanker with the Air National Guard out of Forbes Air Force Base in Topeka. Her most recent refueling mission was to refuel Air Force One when President Obama visited Trinidad/Tobago.

Tamala Schultz, Kansas City, Mo., came to visit her parents Keith and Helen Muirhead of Dresden last weekend. Tamala came to help her mother after she returned home from Denver following surgery. Her help was very much appreciated.

Stan and Ramona Shaw and grandson, Logan Black of Carlsbad, N.M., visited at the home of Aaron and Tara Gillespie, Hays, last Saturday. They made the acquaintance of their new great-grandson, Jackson. While in Hays they visited Ramona's sister, Mary Anna Dinkel. On Saturday, Stan and Ramona Shaw attended the luncheon and open house at the Selden Parish Center honoring Paulie Neff on his 80th birthday. Paulie is Ramona's

cousin.

Logan Black, Carlsbad, N.M., spent the weekend at the home of his sister, Katie and Zach Golemboski and Lexy of Colby. He returned Sunday evening to spend two weeks with his grandparents Stan and Ramona Shaw before returning home to Carlsbad.

Guests during the week at the Kay and Doyle Brown home were their grandchildren, Jordan and McKenzie Brown, children of Kent and Robin Brown, Estes Park, Colo.; and grandson, Zachary Kuntz and friend Aaron Cunningham, Hays. Additional weekend guests were Kurt Brown, Millie and Dasielle, Quinter; Joan Moore, McPherson; Dana Cunningham, Hays; and Gordon and Kara Kuntz and Katie, Hays.

The Heritage Associates of Jennings, Czech Museum held its meeting July 16 at the Royal Neighbor Hall with President Neoma Tacha presiding. Directors present were Mike Tacha, Larry Mizer, Mary Wahlmeier, Lawrence and Lila Jennings, Bob Tacha, and Dean Gawith. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved and treasurer's report given.

Several items were given by the Robertsons, Bainters, Welters, and Wilners. These will be cataloged and put on display. We thank Dean for making several bulletin boards for the museum. A discussion concerning Fireman's Fun Day was held. Programs for the Fundraiser at the Masonic Hall were available.

Our next regular meeting will be at 2 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 6.

Lawrence, Lila, and Brett Jennings attended a family dinner in Ong, Neb., on Sunday honoring Ryan Musgrave who is on leave from the Navy. It was hosted by Dale and Tammy Musgrave. Others attending were Lee and Judy Plousard, Oberlin; Brendan Jennings, Hastings, Neb.; Erin Musgrave, Eric Musgrave, Heather Steele, Kearney, Neb.; and Dax Shipley Musgrave.

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Mount Pleasant News

By Dianne Bremer

Maurine Kay (Rezner) Hartman, 71, Rancho Mirage, Calif., passed away Friday, July 17, after a brief illness. She is survived by sons Brian and Hannah and family, Greeley, Colo.; Brenton, Indio, Calif.; Bill and Janice and family, Soddy Daisy, Tenn.; and sisters Alice May and Lois Carlson, both of Oberlin. She was preceded in death by her husband, Phillip; parents, Walter and Lela Rezner; sisters Lee Ora Carlson and Doris Staack; and brother, Wayne Rezner.

Craig Larson returned home Friday from Laramie, Wyo., after spending a few days visiting and fishing with a friend, Todd Leubers.

Jessica Bremer was a Thursday overnight guest of Anne Wasson, Manhattan. On Friday, Jessica attended an executive board meeting of the Future Alumni Network (FAN) of which she is Vice-President of Alumni Relations. Following the FAN meeting, Jessica met with the new Associate Director of the Leadership Institute before returning home that evening. Both meetings were held on the Washburn University Campus in Topeka.

Cassidy Shields, and Hunter and Elizabeth Nedland left Sunday, July 12, for El Dorado, where they attended the Butler Showcase Show Choir camp on the Butler Community College campus. They returned

home with their parents late Friday evening.

Kimberly Wickersham and Calvin, Council Bluffs, Iowa, have been visiting at the home of her mother, Karen and Craig Larson, since Friday. Her husband, Jeff, had been on a fishing trip and joined them at the Larson home on Sunday. Additional Sunday supper guests at the Larson home were Carl and Janene Larson and Elsie. The Wickershams will return home on Wednesday.

Nolan May, Lawrence, spent the weekend in Oberlin visiting family and friends.

Jack Fortin was a Sunday afternoon visitor of Martin and Evelyn May.

Dying to Sin

By Pastor Doug Mason, Lund Covenant Church

Many of you may not be aware that I grew up in a Catholic family. Many times I went to confession and "confessed" my sins — looking for forgiveness. For those of you that are not familiar with Catholicism, confession is done in a small closet-like box where you admit your sins to the priest who serves as a representative of God, empowered to forgive people's sins. But what really puzzled me through that time were people that purposefully sinned and simply went to confession for forgiveness over and over again. The attitude was "I can sin all I want. All I have to do is go to confession and I have a clean slate." While it's true that the greater the sin, the greater the forgiveness, we are not free to sin as we like.

This is not a new problem though. The apostle Paul had a similar problem going on with the Christians in Rome. Someone was teaching the Romans that we receive more grace and blessing from God as a result of sinning greater, therefore, why not sin so that you

can experience even greater forgiveness. In the *New Testament* book of *Romans*, chapter 6, Paul writes, "What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? By no means! We died to sin, how can we live in it any longer?"

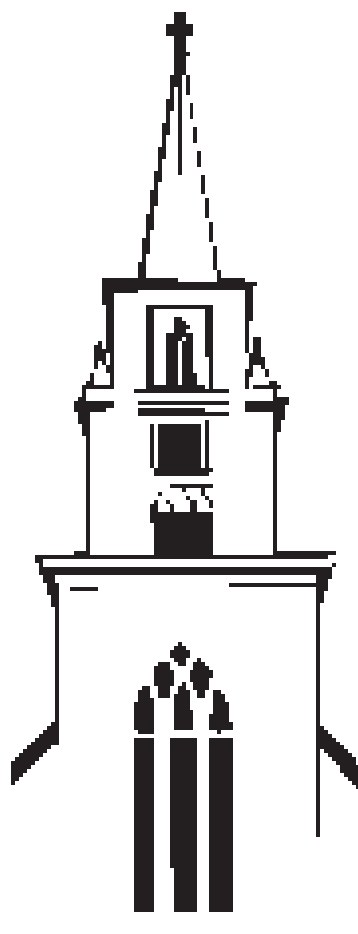
What does he mean when he says "we died to sin?" Well, it's saying that we, as Christians, aren't living for ourselves anymore. We aren't seeking self-gratification as our "god." We are now Ambassadors for Christ, representing the one true God. So, living in sin (meaning to purposely choose a sinful lifestyle) is in contrast to living righteously (living solely to serve God).

We are still sinners and we can't ever forget that. But in order to receive forgiveness for our sin, we need to be remorseful over our sin. When we say, "God, I have sinned against you," we need to mean it. Otherwise, when death arrives and eternal judgment is upon you, you might be in for a huge surprise.



Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

<p>OBERLIN SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH 785-475-3103 Fr. Mark Berland, MASS: 5:30 p.m., Saturday</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>NORCATUR UNITED METHODIST Pastor: Larry Danforth Almena SUNDAY: Worship Service, 10 a.m.; Church School, 10:30 a.m.</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC, LEVILLE Fr. Mark Berland, MASS: 8 a.m., Sunday.</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>LYLE UNITED METHODIST Guest Speakers every Sunday SUNDAY: Morning Worship 8 a.m.</p>	
<p>SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, SELDEN Fr. Mark Berland, MASS: 10 a.m., Sunday</p>	<p>CLAYTON UNITED METHODIST Pastor: Larry Danforth Almena SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.</p>	<p>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.</p>	
<p>OBERLIN SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH Jerry Nowack 120 South East, Oberlin SATURDAY: Sabbath School, 9:15 a.m.; Saturday Worship, 11 a.m.</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>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.</p>	
<p>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.</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>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.</p>	
<p>PRAIRIE CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST The Rev. Doug Hasty SUNDAY: Church Services, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 8:30 a.m.</p>	<p>HERNDON IMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST Pastor: Dennis Brown SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9 a.m.</p>		
<p>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</p>	<p>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.</p>		



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Traer News

By Maralyn Courange

Word was received by Maralyn Courange of the death of her sister-in-law, Victoria Hubbard, 78, of Vernal, Utah, on Friday, July 17. She was a sister of the late Irvan Courange. Funeral services were held Monday in Vernal. Survivors

include her husband, Glenn, and two children, Carlene Muir and family and Timothy Hubbard and family, all of Vernal. She was the daughter of the late Joe and Mary Courange. She was also preceded in death by two sisters and five brothers.