

Norcatour News

By the Norcatour News Committee

The third annual Knutson-Montgomery reunion was another great weekend in Grand Island, Neb., on July 17-19. The four sons did a great job of taking care of the meals of juicy burgers dinner Friday night; fried chicken lunch on Saturday noon and a cream can dinner Saturday evening. Most everyone had a buffet breakfast Sunday morning and then headed for their homes.

Those attending were Dean and Donna Knutson; Dennis, Jamie and Kelsey Knutson, Council Bluffs, Iowa; David, Drew, Derrick and Dustin Knutson, Omaha; Dewayne, Denise, Jake, Sara and Vanesa Knutson and friend Heather, Palmyra, Neb.; Bob and Anita Montgomery, Oberlin; Bobbie and Lee Frakes, Trenton, Neb.; Brady Shuler and Jason Gillespie, Omaha; Blake, Amanda, Keegan and Karson Shuler, Bartley, Neb.; Blaine Shuler, Kearney, Neb.; Ron, Gina and Alyssa Montgomery, Jennings; Shane and Crystal Montgomery, Norton; Renee Harman, Norcatour; Chance Harman, Hyannis, Neb., and friend Candace, Curtis, Neb.

Scott Harman has been doing a lot of rodeo competitions in Kansas, Oklahoma and Nebraska. He took first overall at Beaver City, Neb., and third overall at Strong City. He took first overall in Atwood. He competed at Dodge City on July 29, and Phillipsburg on July 30. Chance has been team roping and took third at Broken Bow, Neb.

Debbie and Steve Obrecht, Denny Leichter, and Darcy and Terry Robbins took their parents, Vene and Phyllis Leichter, on a 60th wedding anniversary trip. They left Sunday, July 18, for Table Rock Lake near Branson, Mo. The first night they stayed in Pratt, then Monday checked into cabins at Indian Point. Tuesday evening they went on a showboat supper cruise with entertainment. Vene was picked to be on stage as part of the ventriloquist act. During the

trip they rode a pontoon, went jet skiing, saw four shows, visited a toy museum and the Roy Rogers/Dale Evans Museum. Vene and Steve have been in Kansas since July 2 to help Denny cut wheat.

Jeff Magers, Cedar Bluffs, visited his folks, Rea and Dee on Sunday. They celebrated an early birthday for Jeff.

Happy Birthday to Carolyn Kelley Plotts, Aug. 1, and Wyatt Wentz, Aug. 7.

Happy Anniversary to Dwight and Mary Wentz, Aug. 6; Darren and Lois Wentz, Stan and Carol Miller, and Bob and Kay Strevey, Aug. 7.

The Norcatour Christian Women are invited to the Almena United Methodist Women salad luncheon on Wednesday, Aug. 19, at noon. The program will be by Twila (Loughry) Bainter of Hoxie. The Almena women will furnish table service and drink. You are asked to bring a salad for every three people attending. If you're able to attend, please let Carol Ross know at (785) 854-7882, by Sunday, Aug. 16.

Results of the pool tournament at the Cardinal Bar and Grill on Wednesday, July 22, were Larry Lively, first place; Steve Salis, second; Von Johnson, third; Rusty Montgomery, fourth.

Agnes Pruitt will be celebrating her 93rd birthday on Friday, Aug. 7. Her address is Cedar Living Center, 810 W. Columbia, P.O. Box 268, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

Dorothy Ward accompanied Bee Nelson to McCook Sunday, July 26. They stopped in Oberlin for lunch on their way.

Deb Combs just returned from spending a week with her mother, Shirley Taylor, in San Rafael, N.M. Most of the week was spent doing some spring house cleaning. Friday, July 17, was spent having an all day yard sale. Saturday was a barbecue birthday party for Deb's twin brothers, Donald and Ronald Taylor. Deb's sisters, Serena Lake,

Phillipsburg, and Linda and Roger Clark, Emporia, also attended the festivities.

Congratulations to the winners of the Norcatour Commercial Scholarships! Scholarships were given to Lacey Roe, Lois Wentz and M.J. Dempewolf. Good luck in your upcoming school year!

Sympathy is extended to the family of Robert "Bob" L. Crabill who died Sunday, July 26, in Jetmore.

Wava Reames had a visit from her granddaughter, Shawnda Hall, of Dover, Okla. She joined Dorothy Ward, Bee Nelson and Wava on a jaunt to McCook after all were finished with the paper. That evening Shawnda and Wava were guests of Leslie and Lynn Ward for a fish fry. Other guests included Ruby Pfieger, Keith Ward, Kaley Ward and Robert Daniels. Thursday afternoon Shawnda spent her time with Aunt Lynn at the Garden Gate fForal. They enjoyed the Norton Fair and Norton Idol program on Friday evening.

On Sunday, Frank Ward spent the afternoon and enjoyed cards with Shawnda Hall and Wava Reames. Novice Shawnda won most of the games — beginners luck, maybe? Frank stayed for a cool summer supper.

Dave and Linda Schliep, Spencer and Addison, McCook, and Marian Dempewolf, Oberlin, were Monday, July 20, afternoon and evening visitors at Dave and Patty Stapp. Dave and Spencer came out to ride in the combine with Sam. The kids also rode four-wheelers and experienced the true atmosphere of harvest by having supper in the field with the harvest crew. Patty and Marian went to Ludell to visit with Patty's Aunt Dorothy Emahizer on Saturday, July 25.

Museum Tid-Bits
Thanks to the Juanita Thornton Memorial for the donation to the museum. Juanita's name will be put on the plaque for people that have donated \$100 or more. Thanks so much for remembering the Norcatour Museum.

Decatur Health Systems

By Othelia Vacura

Our nursing staff and other professional staff updated their cardiopulmonary resuscitation skills last week, practicing on adult and infant-sized manikins.

They also were fit-tested for N95 respirator masks that protect against airborne contaminants. Occupational Safety and Health regulations require that employers train and fit test others to use respiratory protection.

The H1N1 swine influenza has been positively identified in the Oberlin community. It would be a good idea to carry a small bottle of hand sanitizer or disinfectant wipes with you to clean shopping carts and door handles, and other areas that are frequently touched by many people to protect your own health.

If you are experiencing flu symptoms, such as coughing, sneezing,

body aches and respiratory distress, see your doctor to start immediate treatment and then stay home.

To help prevent the spread of infection, hand sanitizing stations have been set up at our facility. The products at these stations have been provided by Decatur Health Systems and the Decatur County Health Department.

The Oberlin Chapter of the Royal Neighbors of America recently donated 10 teddy bears to be given to children who come to the emergency room. Thank you to this group for helping to comfort our smallest patients.

Take advantage of the "golden opportunity" to stop by our booth at the Decatur County Fair this week. Our theme this year highlights the opportunity of obtaining specialty care right here in town through our

Specialty Clinic physicians. We will have cookbooks for sale and prize drawings each evening. Raffle tickets and tickets for the hospital benefit dinner on Saturday, Aug. 15, will be available.

The hospital's ninth annual Golf Benefit will be Saturday, Aug. 15. The public is invited to attend a prime rib benefit dinner that evening at the American Legion Hall. Tickets may be purchased for \$30 at the front desk of the hospital.

This year's proceeds will go toward updating patient rooms. The raffle this year is for a Traeger grill, a Wii exercise game and an Odyssey putter. Tickets may be bought at the hospital, the Chamber of Commerce, the Dresser, Ward Drug or the Bank.

Lyle News

By Veda Wood

Forty-five attended the annual Powell picnic Sunday, July 26. J.T., Denise, Kendra and Kurstin Guy spent Saturday night at their grandmother, Margaret "Toots" Magers' home and went to the picnic the next day. Many family members were there from Beaver City, Neb., Abilene, and some from Missouri.

June Jolly played cards at McCook on Friday, and she and Kathy Van Meter came to Norcatour Saturday morning for Prairie Land Food. They always volunteer their time helping distribute the food shares. We always get some foods that we might not ordinarily buy at a reasonable price. June has been picking beans, tomatoes, onions, etc., and says her corn is almost ready. It makes me wish I had been more industrious — maybe next year.

Gary Anthony will make another trip to Hays. We pray that his news is good.

The Liberty Star Club picnic will

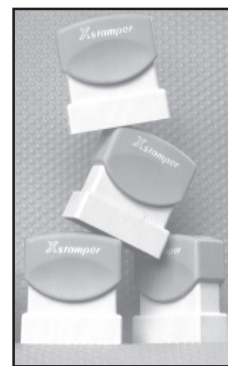
be held on Sunday, Aug. 9, at the Powell Picnic ground, in the case of rain, it would be at the Lyle Community Building.

My great-grandchildren are visiting their mother, Tielia High, for a few days. They have dropped in a few times, brought me a bouquet, sampled a cantaloupe, and cocoa, of course, and visited the puppies. Yes, Denny's dog has puppies again. They are darling and Grant has talked his dad into his taking one. I have three more; 1/2 Siberian Husky and 1/2 ????

While I am on the subject of the dog, as I was walking her the other day she suddenly gave me a violent jerk and I went down with a terrible whomp! I was trying to be careful, but things can happen so quickly. Anyway, after I was sure nothing was broken, I wrote this column. (Remember, I warned you about not giving me enough news!)

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Rexford News

By Vicki Allison

As usual, the summer season will be quickly disappearing now that the month of August has crept upon us. Some of the area schools will have enrollment during this first week of the month. Golden Plains enrollment will be Thursday and Friday, Aug. 13 and 14, and the first day is scheduled for Wednesday, August 26. A few weeks left to plan a family vacation.

During the July City Council meeting, a property cleanup status was reported by City Enforcement Officer, Jan Ackerman. Reports to be filed are as follows: 10 properties with vehicles in violation of Ordinance 168 (Motor Vehicle Nuisances), three properties in violation of Ordinance 167 (Weeds and Vegetation), and one property in violation of Ordinance 165 (Unsafe or Dangerous Structures). The council okayed sending out the letters concerning the vehicles and weeds. The violation concerning the unsafe structure required a resolution to be passed (and published in the newspaper). A motion was made and seconded to pass a resolution

concerning the property at 240 Ohio Street stating it was in violation of Ordinance 165 and requesting the owner's presence at a public hearing scheduled for Sept. 9, 2009. Motion carried 4-0. Mayor Dennis Allison's intentions are to enforce the city ordinances.

A Public Hearing for the 2010 Budget for the City of Rexford will be Wednesday, Aug. 12, at 7 p.m.

Ray and Jackie Johnson celebrated their 57th wedding anniversary Aug. 1.

Chad and Desiree Wark will celebrate their anniversary on Aug. 19.

August birthdays: Frank Dingwerth, 2; Chad Wark, 11; Lee Luna, 12; Frances Bange, 25; Lane Purcell, 30.

Red Barn happenings: Monday - Barnswallows, 2 to 5 p.m.; Wednesday at 10 a.m., Ladies Bible Study; Thursday - Come on Down, 2 to 5 p.m.; Friday - Koffee Klatch, 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Until next time, make your week memorable.

Midway News

By Mary Lou Olson

Detta Anderson was honored with a belated birthday supper and fireworks on Sunday at the home of Richard and Maureen Anderson, Samantha, Chris and Gabe. Others present were Gary Anderson, Dick and Donna Kelley, Oberlin; Kendra and Jessica Kelley, Frederick, Colo. Nate Kelley, and friend, Karli and daughter, Katie, of Florida.

McKenna and Hunter Brown of Tulsa, Okla., are spending Fair week with their grandparents, Tony and Trish Hennings.

Chloe Withington accompanied her grandparents, Gary and Mary Ann Erickson, home on Saturday from Chitopa for a visit and to attend the Decatur County Fair. Her father, Dale Withington, underwent back surgery on Tuesday in Tulsa, Okla.

Frank and Margaret McEvoy returned home Saturday from Hotchkiss, Colo., where they visited their son, Evan McEvoy. En route home,

they visited Ruthie Swanson at Rifle, Colo.

Mark and Barbara Olson attended the Promise Keepers Couples weekend in Boulder, Colo. On Saturday evening, they were joined for supper by Bill and Maxine Peebles, Karin Waters, and Martin and Sherri Steinemann and Lia, Denver; and Rex, Seth, Sam and Abbie Olson, Boulder, Colo.

Kyle and Ben Grafel returned home Saturday from a mission trip to a Covenant Church in Alaska, where they helped with a construction project.

Weekend visitors of Wesley and Eulaine Benda were Shirley Maresch, Jenna and Tim, Nekoma; and Bev Messerly, Paul and Anna, Sublette.

The Herndon Covenant Church congregation will hold services at 10 a.m. Sunday at Cedar Living Center in Oberlin.

The Trumpet Will Sound

By Rev. Royce Leitner, Oberlin Assembly of God

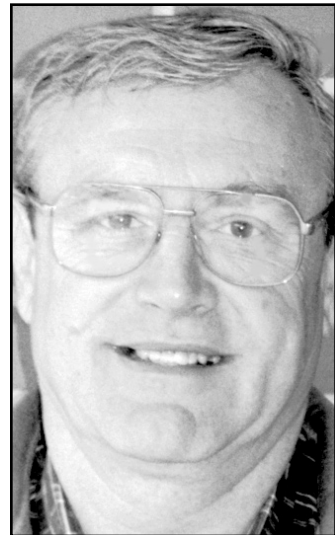
God, the Father is pleased that people accept the Son's salvation.

The old testament had many types of things for shadowing Jesus' work here on earth. One of these was the story of Noah's Ark. Noah was the preacher of righteousness, preaching 120 years to people that

God was going to destroy with water. No one took heed. Noah's family was the only one saved.

Jesus referenced this in *Matt. 24:38-39*.

So when this trumpet sounds, those that are saved will be gathered from the planet earth to forever live with Jesus! *1 Thess 4:16-17*



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, LEVILLE
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 (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.

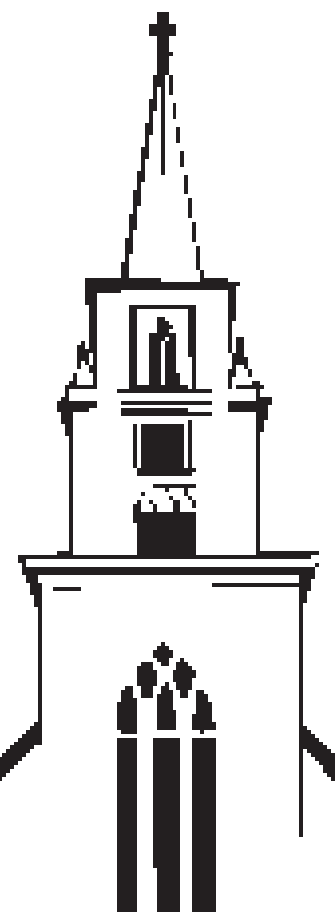
NORCATUR UNITED METHODIST
Pastor: Larry Danforth
Almena
SUNDAY: Worship Service, 10 a.m.; Church School, 10:30 a.m.

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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