

Norcatour News

By the Norcatour News Committee

Senior Citizens met Nov. 6 with 12 players present. Winners were Joyce Sumner, Claudia Bridges and Pastor Larry Danforth. The next meeting will be at 1:30 p.m. Friday in the Educational Building.

Results of the pool tournament at the Cardinal Bar and Grill on Oct. 28 were Don Dean, first; Stan Miller, second; Glen Morgan, third.

Results of the darts tournament at the Cardinal Bar and Grill on Nov. 4 were: Game 1 - Alice Barnett, first; Dolores Gallentine, second; Kristi Gallentine, third. Game 2 - Alice Barnett, first; Dolores Gallentine, second; Kristi Gallentine, third.

Justine and Hollie Streyve Rieke of Andover, are the proud parents of a little girl, Grace Abigail, born on Oct. 29, and weighed 8 pounds, 2 ounces. Grace has two big brothers, Jared and Ben.

Happy anniversary to Ron and Jerry Temple on Nov. 12.

Happy birthday to Amy Wentz, Howard Sumner, Nov. 12; Mary Leslie, R.D. Thornton, Nov. 13; Rea Magers, Nov. 14; Paul Lange, Nov. 15; Dewaine Stapp, Judy Shirley, and Troy Marshall, Nov. 17.

Kay Streyve left Oct. 28, for Andover to visit relatives. She spent time with Wendy and Loren Tien and family. Trudi McCollum and daughters of Liberty, Mo., came to Andover on Oct. 30, to meet the newest member of the family.

Lora Arnold hosted a belated

birthday supper for John Arnold on Saturday, Nov. 7, at the Cardinal Bar and Grill. Guests attending were Brenda Arnold, Julianna, Mark, Nathan, Jordon and Noah Baker, Bill LaSalle, Olive Arnold and Mary Arnold, and Roger and Mary Vanover.

Laci Leichliter made a surprise visit to great-grandma, Dorothy Ward, Sunday afternoon. She had been visiting her grandfather, R.D. Thornton at Oberlin.

Scott Harman, son of Ron and Renee Harman of Norcatour, has qualified to become a member of the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association. He was in competition with 35 other cowboys, of whom only the top 12 made the cut to become a member of the PRCA.

Gary Anthony has moved from the Wichita hospital to the Hillcrest Nursing Home, skilled nursing unit, in McCook on Nov. 4. He will get much needed physical therapy to be able to go home in about a month. Mail will reach him at Hillcrest Nursing Home, P.O. Box 1087, McCook, Neb., 69001.

Joining Gary Anthony for a roast beef dinner on Sunday, Nov. 8, at the Hillcrest Nursing Home was Cathy Anthony, Keith Anthony, a family friend, Mrs. Elsie Lang of Cambridge, Neb.; Cathy's niece, Barbara, and her husband, Roger, of Brush, Colo.

R.D. Thornton was admitted to

the hospital in Oberlin on Thursday of last week. He was released on Monday. Visitors were Chris Dempewolf, Sharee Dempewolf and Hayden Mann, and Laci Leichliter.

The ballots for Charter Ordinance #4 will be mailed out on Tuesday, Dec. 1, and must be returned by noon on Tuesday, Dec. 15. If you are not a registered voter and would like to vote on the Charter Ordinance #4, the last day to register is Monday, Nov. 30. Registration forms can be picked up at the Norcatour City office or the Decatur County Clerk's office. The Decatur County clerk's office will be open until 9 p.m. on Nov. 30. Absentee ballots will be available. Call the county clerk's office to get signed up for this option. Three people of the Norcatour community have volunteered to be on the counting board.

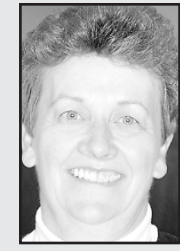
The Norcatour city office will be closed on Thursday and Friday, Nov. 26 and 27, in observance of Thanksgiving.

Museum Tid-Bits

Thanks to Dorothy Ward for the Ward family history. We would love to add your family history to the museum.

Thanks to Wava Reames for the picture of the Norcatour Rural High School basketball team. The picture included Merl Ward, Frank Tolle, Glen Deeter, a Hughes boy, and Ralph Billings.

Preparing wild game safely



Home Time

By Tranda Watts
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Hunting season is in full swing and millions of hunters and their families will consume the meat as burgers, steaks, in stews, dried jerky and many other ways.

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention is reminding all hunters to keep food safety in mind during the hunting season.

Diseases that spread from animals to humans are called "zoonotic diseases." There are many zoonotic diseases people can get from wild game. Most of these diseases make people sick when they eat undercooked meat, but some can make people sick from touching blood, muscle, brain tissue, and organs of a wild game animal.

You may be at risk of becoming infected with a disease when field dressing or butchering an infected animal or bird.

This is especially true when there is no soap and water available with which to clean up. You can get infected if blood, muscle, organs or brain tissue of a wild animal comes in contact with your eyes, nose, mouth, or a skin cut.

Not only can you get sick from having direct contact with an infected animal's fluids or organs, but tools can also spread germs if not cleaned well.

There are simple things you can do to protect yourself and your family from getting sick. Here are words of advice to safely field dress and

butcher wild game.

- Avoid all contact with visibly ill animals or those found dead.

- Use clean, sharp knives for field dressing and butchering.

- Wear eye protection and rubber or latex gloves (disposable or reusable) when handling carcasses.

- Avoid direct contact (bare skin) with fluid or organs from the wild game.

- Burn disposable gloves or place in a bag and throw away in the trash. Burn or bury inedible parts of the carcass after butchering.

- Wash hands as soon as possible with soap and warm water for 20 seconds or more and dry hands with a clean cloth.

- Clean all tools and reusable gloves used in field dressing and butchering with a disinfectant — such as dilute bleach.

Enjoy hunting this fall, but do it with food safety in mind.

If you have questions about wild game food safety, please feel free to contact your local K-State Research and Extension Office or e-mail tw-

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Jennings News

By Louise Cressler

No church was held Sunday at the Dresden or the Jennings United Methodist Churches because of the snowy weather. On Sunday, Nov. 22, a potluck dinner will be held after church services at Jennings with "Hanging of the Greens" decorating to follow.

The hunter's breakfast at the Masonic Hall was well attended. It was a beautiful day Saturday. Hunter's Supper at the United Methodist Church was enjoyed by over 100 people. After preparing and serving breakfast and then supper, there was a group of very tired ladies.

The city had several more water meters moved outside in resident's yards this past week. Water meters will be read Nov. 20. If yours is still inside your home, please read and post on front door.

Lawrence and Lila Jennings spent the weekend of Nov. 14 in Denver. They hosted a birthday supper for their daughter, Marcia Casey, on Saturday evening. Others attending were Steve and Vicki Cook, Fort Morgan, Colo.; Marlene Hounshell, Andy and Samantha Hounshell, Emily and Katie, Milt Sherman, Denver; Maranda Hounshell and

Jackson, Victoria and Mitchell Zubko, Erie, Colo.; and Derek and Jackie Cook and Kenny, Brighton, Colo.

The Heritage Associates of Jennings, Czech Museum meeting was held on Nov. 5. President Neoma Tacha presided over the meeting with directors Lawrence and Lila Jennings, Bob Tacha, Larry Mizer, Dean Gawith and Mary Wahlmeier present. Also in attendance was Dalene Gawith. She has put almost all the inventory books on computer discs now. We thank her for the hours of work she has done on this project.

A new basement door and steps have been replaced on the Shimmick building. We received three display cases from Phyllis May. Saturday, Dec. 12, is the day set for the National Veterans Wreath laying ceremony. We plan to take the wreaths to the Jennings and Big Timber cemeteries either Dec. 10 or 11, depending on the weather.

Jennings Ladies Legion Auxiliary met on Nov. 3, at the museum. The Jennings American Legion met there on Nov. 4. The next meeting will be at 2 p.m. on Dec. 3.

'Pattern of Brokenness'

Rev. Charlotte Strecker-Baseler
Faith Lutheran Church, Oberlin

We started this series by looking at God's Original Plan. God said it was good, so we know it was a perfect plan. This Original Plan was for humanity to live forever in perfect harmony with the rest of creation.

God created the human beings to love and serve one another with the hope that they would love and serve God as well. We learned last week that the Original Plan was broken when Adam and Eve ate from the Tree of Knowledge.

Blaming and brokenness has limited relationships ever since. Including brokenness between humanity and God, and humanity one from the other. The consequences of disobeying God, also, included a limit to life.

We see this pattern of brokenness throughout the first book in the Bible, *Genesis*. It starts with Adam and Eve. Adam blamed Eve for giving him the forbidden fruit to eat, and Eve blamed the serpent, who said, "If you eat from this fruit nothing will happen to you." The pattern gets worse with Adam and Eve's offspring, Cain and Abel. Out of anger Cain kills his brother Abel because he is jealous that God was pleased with Abel's sacrifice to God (*Genesis 4*). However, Cain did not follow God's instruction regarding worship sacrifice. God had said that the first fruits of their labor would be offered, not the leftovers. Abel gave his first fruits, Cain gave his leftovers.

The pattern of selfishness and evilness continues in story after story throughout the Scriptures. Humanity turns their backs on God and God's ways and each time they bring more suffering upon themselves. At

one point God is so angry He sets out to start over from scratch. God decides to spare one family, Noah and his family. Noah, follows God's instructions, is faithful and builds an ark and stocks it with pairs of all the animals of the world. The Flood (*Genesis 6-9*) takes care of the evil and God gives a second chance to His creatures. There are many stories that show the pattern of God's wonderful love and grace and the human response.

In this cyclical pattern that gets repeated again and again, we see humanity getting further and further away from God's original plan. Humanity again and again, turn their backs on God and finding themselves in deeper denial of their sinfulness. The cleverness of the devil becomes more crafty. Even those who claim to be the most religious are just as far away from God's Original Plan as those that don't even try to please God. Each time humanity moves further away from God, brokenness results and God's perfect love reaches out with grace.

Next week we will celebrate the solution to humanity's problem.

Lord, you are a great, mighty, and gracious God. When humanity first sinned, you continued to love. In mercy and forgiveness, you called the patriarchs of old to be the first of a people through whom you would work to draw humanity back into fellowship with yourself. Grant your people today, a clear understanding of our mission, and the power to perform it. In Jesus' forgiving name we pray. Amen.



Selden News

By Jacque Boultinghouse

Winterfest 2009 will be Friday, Nov. 27. Kids movie will begin at 5:30 p.m. at the Parish Hall with Santa following. People should register for the drawing at the participating stores, which will be open from 5 to 7 p.m., They include 5-S Livestock Equipment, Midway Cafe and Motel, Southwind, The Bank, Pauls Furniture, Koerperich Bookbindery, Karls Store, G&T Guns, Selden Public Library. There may be a few other businesses that will set up a table in the parish hall. Hot dogs and chili dogs will be served at the Community Center from 5 to around 7 p.m., or when we run out of food, compliments of the Selden Community Foundation and the Senior Citizens. The drawing will be at 8 p.m. at the Community Center. Please come and join in the fun.

School Calendar: Nov. 20 - 6 p.m. High School Vocal Clinic in Dighton. Nov. 23 - 2:30 p.m. High School Scholars Bowl in Grainfield. Nov. 24 - Junior High Basketball in Dighton. Nov. 25 - 29 - No school, Thanksgiving break.

Birthdays and anniversaries: Nov. 21 - Jim Zodrow, Brandon Offutt, Alan Turnbull. Nov. 22 - Jackie Neff, Wilma Ritter, Roy Rogers, Annette Spreser, Quinn Aumiller, Leone Porsch (she will be 90 years old). Nov. 23 - Nathan Spreser, Janelle Lobato, Alfred and Anna Albers, Calvin Ochs. Nov. 24 - Jordan Rogers. Nov. 25 - Dustin Juenemann, Dick and Betty Pauls (will be their 61st wedding anniversary), Troy Stanton, Mackenzie Carman. Nov. 26 - Robert Koerperich, Rick and Dori Pauls.

Herndon News

By Julie Hafner

Don and Joan Grafel attended the funeral of LaVerna Sallans in Aurora, Neb., on Thursday morning. LaVerna Grafel Sallans was a 1939 Herndon graduate. Our sympathy to family living in the area.

Gracelyn Julie Foxhoven, was created by God and placed into the hands of David and Jacalyn Foxhoven, Parker, Colo., on Monday, Nov. 9, 2009, for a blessed life. She weighed 7.72 pounds and was 19 inches long and has more hair than gramma! Welcoming her home and fighting to hold her are sisters, Caitlyn, Allison and Emmie Johanna; brothers, Caleb, Elijah and Seth David. Proud grandparents are Betty Foxhoven, Wynot, Neb.; and Bob and Julie Hafner, Herndon.

St. Mary's Fall Festival, held on Sunday, was a success with many

gathering to share the dinner, games and the work. Congratulations to Jayme Sattler, Marilyn Weishapl, Mike Ladenburger and Ardythe Cederberg.

Dana and Payton Juenemann, Hays, spent the weekend at grandparents' house while Chase went pheasant hunting. They spent weekend attending the craft fair and shopping in Norton with Aunt Mary.

Richard and Theresa Rippe treated Ed Rippe to supper at Park Hill in Atwood on Friday night for his birthday. Also helping celebrate were Kevin and Megan Rippe and girls, and Tim Rippe and Wyatt.

Not much else going on in Herndon. Folks are chasing cows, building fence and trying to harvest. And, of course, many families are welcoming hunters. Happy hunting!

Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

<p>OBERLIN SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH 785-475-3103 Fr. Mark Berland, MASS: 10:30 a.m., Sunday</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.,</p>	<p>NORCATOUR 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, LEOVILLE 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 9 a.m.</p>	
<p>SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, SELDEN Fr. Mark Berland, MASS: 5:30 p.m., Saturday</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.</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>DRESDEN SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9:30 a.m.</p>	<p>ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC, HERNDON The Fr. Stephen Folorunso Phone 785-322-5560 MASS: SUNDAY and THURSDAY 8:30 a.m.</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 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>		
<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>			

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