

Jennings News

By Louise Cressler

Stan and Ramona Shaw spent last week visiting Cindy and Danny Black, Logan and Bowen in Carlsbad, N.M. Additional guests during the week were Katie and Zach Golemboski and Lexy, Colby.

Terri Hanke spent March 13 to 20 in Puerto Penasco, Mexico, on her ninth mission trip. Puerto Penasco is about three hours south of San Diego, Calif. The group of 51 people from all over Kansas ranged in ages 6 to 60. They traveled as far as Tucson, Ariz., the first day, spending the night in a Christian High School there. Terri's group took on building two four-room houses in just three days. One 22 foot by 22 foot was for a family of six. The other house was for a family of 11 that included grandparents, parents, in-laws and children. This was a family currently living in the shell of an old school bus. Good weather and great teamwork allowed both groups to get the cement floors done in record time.

Part of the group was happy to see familiar faces from their 2009 mission trip, including a woman named Gloria, her husband and two small daughters. Last year Gloria saw the group's bus get stuck in the soft sand and walked over two miles to a construction site and convinced the foreman to use his heavy equipment to dig the bus out. They repaid

her kindness by obtaining some tar paper for her roof, nails and other building supplies. Unfortunately, they learned Gloria spent some time in the hospital and all of the supplies were stolen as well as their furniture and clothing. Even more shocking to the group, while Gloria received treatment for cancer, her husband and daughters camped out on the hospital lawn. They said this was common for anyone who could not afford a hotel.

By the time the homes were completed on Wednesday, the group leader obtained more building material, collected clothes from within the volunteer group and left behind all the extra food they would be unable to take back across the border. After the houses were finished and blessed on Wednesday, everyone enjoyed a relaxing afternoon at the beach at Rocky Point.

The luxury resort is about 10 miles from the slum area where the houses were built. They had a great time swimming, shopping, eating and arranged a two-hour harbor cruise that included a light supper and two very loud Mariachi bands. Besides enjoying the bands and food, they also saw many dolphins playing in the water. On Thursday morning everyone enjoyed a few hours shopping at the local market after breaking camp and then

headed back to Tuscan to spend the night at the same school. Part of the group's return trip was delayed when they lost the transmission in a bus, but it was quickly repaired. The vehicle Terri was in was also slightly delayed when the trailer it was pulling was hit by a pickup that spun out on the icy road. The damage wasn't bad enough that the trailer could not be pulled home. They arrived back in Garden City about 4 a.m. on March 20.

Many families were joined by their children for the Easter festivities. All of the Mike and Vicki Bailey children attended church with them.

Visiting Imogene Keenan were her daughter, Janeil Dilling, Goodland, and granddaughter Genia, Norton.

Jesse and Megan Carter, Anna and Clayton, Oberlin; and Abby and Madi DuBois, Norton, attended church with Ken and Julie Carter.

Tommie Kump had three of her grandchildren with her. It was so nice to have children attend the United Methodist Church services Sunday.

Sunflower Senior citizens potluck supper will be held Tuesday, April 13, at 6 p.m. The Dan Wahlmeier family will entertain the group following the meal. Everyone is welcome to come join us.

Mount Pleasant News

By Dianne Bremer

Sue May and Erin spent spring break in Sun City West, Ariz., with her parents, Gerry and Darlene Schaffer. While in Arizona, they also stayed with Sue's brother, Bob Schaffer and family in Phoenix.

Cassidy Shields received a I rating on her vocal solo and her vocal trio also received a I rating at Regional music.

Elwood and Jeanie May left March 23 for Kearney, Neb., where they visited Andrew and Stephanie Frankforter, Ethan and Isaac. Saturday, they and Brandon May of Salina celebrated Ethan's second birthday and on Sunday enjoyed a cookout at Fort Kearney before returning home on Monday, March 29.

Sarah Shaw and Caden, Andover, were March 26 and 27 visitors of her grandparents, Martin and Evelyn May. Additional Saturday noon lunch guests at the May home were Hunter May and Kalen Townsend.

Saturday evening, March 27, Martin and Evelyn May, Marvin May, Sarah Shaw and Caden, and the Chris May family met for dinner at an area restaurant since Sarah and Caden were returning home the next morning.

The Rotary Group Study Exchange team from Iceland, Sigridur Ingvarsdottir, Haukur Por Ludviksson, Oskar Torfi Porvaldsson, Fri-mann Baldursson, and Steingerdur Hreinsdottir arrived in Oberlin Saturday, March 27, to spend a few days with their host families, Rhonda May and Dan Nedland, Hunter and Elizabeth, Bob and Kay Gaskill, and John and Dianne Bremer, learning about our area and customs, visiting businesses and a local farming operation. The first evening they were here, the team and their host families enjoyed dinner at the Dan Nedland home and the evening before they left, the team and host families enjoyed dinner at the Bob Gaskill home. The team

left for Hoxie Wednesday morning, March 31.

Ralph and Norma Unger returned home Friday after enjoying a week vacationing in Newport, R.I., with their siblings, Duane and Lois Unger, Colby; Shirley Gaede, San Antonio, Texas; and Bob and Pat Mooty, Dallas, Texas.

Roger and Susan May, Ryan and Erin spent the Easter weekend in Colorado with her brother, Steve Schaffer and family, of Lone Tree, Colo.

Elwood and Jeanie May returned home Monday after spending the Easter weekend with their daughter and family, Andrew and Stephanie Frankforter, Ethan and Isaac, Kearney, Neb.

Paul and Kelly Shields, Tyler, Cassidy, and Caitlin, enjoyed Easter dinner at the home of Gaylord and Shirley Shields.

Greta Wendelin, Lawrence; Ladd Wendelin, Lincoln, Neb.; Rory Wendelin, Seward, Neb.; Lonnie Weyeneth, McCook; Wayne and Lois Larson, Craig Larson, and Brad Larson were Easter dinner guests of Norman and Joanne Wendelin.

Easter dinner guests of Rhonda May and Dan Nedland, Hunter and Elizabeth were Walter and Betty May, Robert and Sally May, Cole May, Manhattan; Roland and Pam May, Zach and Hannah, Regan Bartells, Phillipsburg; and Rhian-

non Davies.

Chris and Kasey May, Kaylee, Kelsey, and Hunter, Andy and Kelley May and Lauren, Janice and Greg Cundiff, Marvin May, Dorothy Moore, and Jack Fortin and Charles were Easter dinner guests of Martin and Evelyn May.

Enjoying Easter dinner at the home of Jerry and Connie Olson were Myron and Alberta Scott, Hill City; David May, McCook; Kelly Olson, Manhattan; Stean Olson, Hays; Evelyn Olson, Wilma May, and Justin and Wendy Scott, Garrett and Gage.

Easter dinner guests of Ralph and Norma Unger were Shirley Gaede, San Antonio, Texas, and Ryan and Darci Unger, St. Francis.

Enjoying Easter dinner at the home of Ralph and Violet Shaw were Richard and Anna Shaw and Joel Shaw.

Tami Shaw and Dante traveled with her parents, Norman and Julie Gallentine, to Colorado Springs over the weekend to spend Easter with extended family.

Jay Tate, Dakota, Mollie, and Grace were Easter dinner guests of Edith and John Tate. Becky was working and unable to attend.

Kristen Bremer and Dwayne Bray, Colby; Jessica Bremer, Topeka, and Walt Pennell enjoyed an early Easter dinner Saturday noon at the home of John and Dianne Bremer.

Midway News

By Mary Lou Olson

John and Ardythe Cederberg returned home on Good Friday from an 11-day bus trip to Washington D.C. where they visited most of the monuments, the capitol, the Smithsonian, and Arlington Memorial Cemetery and enjoyed the cherry blossoms. En route they spent the night before they left North Platte, Neb., with Larry and Denise Pettera. While in Omaha, they had supper with Ardythe's sister, Mardelle Goccek, and while in the D.C. area, they were able to spend some time with Anna (Cederberg) and Nate Heard and meet their infant son, Miles.

On Easter Sunday, John and Ardythe Cederberg got to meet their newest great-granddaughter, Paycie Nichole Juenemann, the daughter of Chase and Dana Juenemann of Hays.

Covenant Women Ministries will entertain with a salad luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Saturday at the Herndon Covenant Church. Guest speaker will be Carolyn Plotts of Norcatour, who will tell about their mission trip to Mexico.

Dinner guests of Kendal and Tammy Neal, Katrina and Jimmy on March 20 to honor Jimmy on his second birthday were Varlan and Catherine Neal, and Jack and Mary Gutchewsky.

Eulaine Benda was honored on Saturday evening with a dinner at her home in observance of her 90th birthday by her family. Those attending included Bob and Connie Smith, Chippewa Falls, Wis.; Kary, Jennifer, Nolan and Mollie Smith, Menomonee, Wis.; Gerald and Patti Benda, Ludell; Daryl and Shirley Maresch, Nekoma; Beverly and

Anna Messerly, Sublette; Brandon and Sarah White, Olathe; Nathan Maresch, Salina; Jenna Maresch, Hays; Kurt Olson, Paul Messerly, Tim Maresch, Manhattan; Mark, Barbara and Mary Rachel Olson, Fern Wenger, and Esther Noren, Oberlin.

Sunday dinner guests of Richard and Maureen Anderson, Samantha, Chris and Gabe to honor Gary Anderson on his birthday were the guest of honor and Elden and Detta Anderson.

Gary and Mary Ann Erickson returned home Friday after spending three months in Mission and Fredricksburg, Texas. They also visited their daughter and family, Debbie and Dale Withington, Hana, Ellie and Chloe in Chetopa.

Easter weekend houseguests of Mildred Holmdahl, and Mike and Janeil Jensen were Shani and John Maybriar and Caidin, Gardner; and Lori Ayers, Jordan and Caiden, Kearney, Neb.

Margaret McEvoy has been in Grinnell helping care for her new grandson, Griffin Wayne, son of Brian and Dawn Beckman.

Easter dinner guests of Jack and Mary Gutchewsky were Sarah Uerling, Addyson and Hayden, McCook; and Kendal and Tammy Neal, Katrina and Jimmy, Oberlin.

Doug Duell, a wrestling coach for 26 years at Burlington, Colo., has been named to *The Denver Post's* wrestling coach of the year in all classifications. His team, the Cougars, won the 2A state title this year. He has also been nominated for coach of the year in Colorado for the National Wrestling Coaches

Association. He was an outstanding wrestler during the 1970's for the Goodland Cowboys. He and his wife, Kim, will attend the presentation by the Colorado Chapter of National Wrestling Hall of Fame on April 24 at the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs. He is a son of Ben Duell, a cousin of the late Wayne Duell.

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By the Rev. Charles Danforth, United Methodist Churches, Norcatour and Clayton

Read *John 20:1-18*.

"Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen!" *Luke 24:5b-6a*

We have come to yet another Easter holiday. Doubtless, there are children looking forward to Easter egg hunts and to baskets filled with goodies from a mysterious bunny. Parents and grandparents will smile at the sight of these children as they laugh, play and even sleep. It is a traditional family day, as well as a day businesses make a lot of revenue from Easter sales. Is this all there is to Easter?

I am sometimes disturbed by how we can sometimes forget the meaning of the days that we celebrate. We can so easily miss the true meaning of the day with all the distractions around us. Whether it is Christmas, or Easter, we need to ask ourselves, "Why do I celebrate

this day? Why is it important?"

The popular answer may be, "Christ died for our sins." But the story of Easter is not about the death of the Son of God. This is only half of the story. Easter is about the resurrection of the Son of God. Jesus Christ was crucified, but he rose from the dead on the third day. The result of this great act of God done in Jesus Christ is the destruction of death itself. No longer shall death be considered the end. Instead, we shall live in spite of the shadow of death by the grace of Almighty God who loved us so much. It is God's desire that we should live and not be lost to darkness. God, we thank you for this wondrous gift. May we live as faithful disciples of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

OBERLIN SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH
785-475-3103
Fr. Mark Berland,
MASS: 10:30 a.m., Sunday

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

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, SELDEN
Fr. Mark Berland,
MASS: 5:30 p.m., Saturday

OBERLIN SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
Jerry Nacker
120 South East, Oberlin
SATURDAY: Sabbath School, 9:15 a.m.; Saturday Worship, 11 a.m.

JENNINGS-DRESDEN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Pastor: Barbara Patterson
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.,

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, 10:00 a.m.; Fellowship and coffee time; 10:30 a.m. The "no sermon" worship hour with the Lords Supper and Adventures With God open bible study; TUESDAY: Ladies Bible Study, 9 a.m.

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC, HERNDON
Fr. Stephen Folorunso
Phone 785-322-5560
MASS: SUNDAY and THURSDAY 8:30 a.m.

HERNDON COVENANT CHURCH
Pastor: Keith Reuther
Phone 785-322-5316
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Youth Group, 4 p.m.

NORCATOUR 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 9 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..

Norcatour News

By the Norcatour News Committee

Sympathy is extended to the family of Don Ward, brother of Bee Nelson, who passed away in Shawnee. He had been fighting a battle with brain cancer. A family memorial service was held in Shawnee on Saturday, April 3. Inurnment will be at a later date at the Clayton Cemetery.

Norcatour High School Alumni are asked to get their reservations in for the banquet which will be held on Saturday, May 29, at the school. For those who did not receive an invitation, email Denny Leichliter at mavrick@ruralnet.com or mail to: 1001 Road O, Clayton, Kan., 67629. Reservations need to be in by May 1.

Happy birthday to Shayla Bailey, March 31; Sam Stapp, April 1; P.T. Shirley, Matt James, April 3.

Results of the pool tournament at the Cardinal Bar and Grill on Wednesday, March 24, were Rusty Montgomery, first place; Stan Miller, second; C.W. Lyon, third; and Les Ward, fourth.

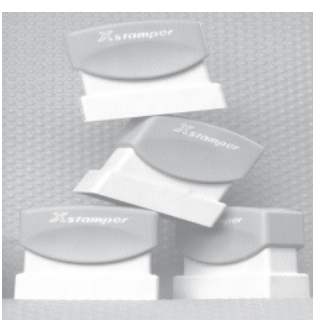
Results of darts at the Cardinal Bar and Grill on Wednesday, March 24, were: Game 1 - Patty Stapp, first place; Alice Barnett, second; and Kristi Gallentine, third. Game 2 - Alice Barnett, first; Kristi Gallentine, second; and Patty Stapp, third.

If you have brought food to the Educational Building at any time and haven't picked up your dishes, we hope you will do so as soon as

possible. If you haven't been to a 3-D movie before, it is worth going. Oberlin has the only 3-D movie theater in this area. The seating is awesome and is well worth the \$5.

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