

People in Our Community

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Adrian Overmiller of Oberlin has completed work for a high school diploma at the Graham County Learning Center. The center is completing its ninth year of serving the communities of Northwest Kansas and works with adults who are in need of a high school diploma, offering an alternative to the General Education Diploma program. He is the son of Lynn Overmiller and Sherri Stouffer.

Recent guests in Oberlin of Bob and Kay Gaskill was Timo Riedle from Gundelsheim, Germany, a former exchange student of their son Guy of Winona, and his parents Donate and Wolfgang and sister Tonya. Tuesday afternoon they enjoyed golfing at the Oberlin Golf Course with Rusty Addleman and Buzz Matson. Wednesday evening the Gaskills, and Guy Gaskill, Jesse Gaskill, and Antoine Kirstetter of France; and the Riedles, celebrated a belated birthday dinner for Guy at the home of Shad, Jody, Bryson, Seanna and Jude Metcalf in Colby.

Jerald and Elaine Leitner went to Colby on Saturday to see their great-granddaughter, Talyn Sullivan, 4, perform in her gymnastics program. Among others attending were her grandmothers, Karla Sullivan, Colby; and Darla Jones, Plainville.

Winning highs in pinochle at the Golden Age Center last week were Doris Fringer, Dorothy Moore, Henry Edgett, Max Carman and Norma Anderson. Lows went to Doris Gilbert, Kelva Dryden, Ardis Roe, Neil Marshall, Max Carman and Doris Fringer. Winning highs in "Chicken-Foot" dominoes were Don Anderson and Gladys Geis with lows going to Dorothy Moore and Neil Marshall. Bridge winners were Judy Shirley, Cynthia Matson and Annette Miller.

Among those from this area who will be participating in the Mississippi Mission trip from May 26 to June 7 in the Delta Cary Mississippi area are Katie and Matt Glading and David Noren, Oberlin, and Mariah Jones, Atwood. Other Teens for Christ members who plan to go to Doctor Arroya, Mexico, with Dayspring Ministries from June 3 to June 14 are Joe Hirsch and Britta Noren. Pastor Doug Mason will be on the staff in Mexico.

Jordan Tally, son of Eugene and Tonya Tally of Oberlin, was named to the Dean's Honor Roll at the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture for the 2010 spring semester. To qualify a student must earn a grade point average of at least 3.5 on a 4-point scale.

Mackenzie Carman, daughter of Jodee Stillman, was named valedictorian of the graduating class at Hoxie High School. Peggy Carman, Hoxie, but formerly of Oberlin, and the late Willis Carman are her grandparents. Myrtle Waldo of Oberlin is her great-grandmother.

Duane and Pat Dorshorst attended commencement exercises at Bowling Green University at Bowling Green, Ohio, during which their daughter, Kelsey Feyes, earned her master's degree in special education. She and her husband, Andy, are moving to Manhattan to make their home.

Nadeine Lafferty of McCook is recuperating from recent surgery. Mail will reach her at 1502 W Circle Drive, McCook, Neb., 69001.

Guests at the home of Dan and Carol Wasson this past week to attend commencement exercises for their son, Nolan, were their daughter, Anne Wasson of Manhattan and Mrs. Wasson's sister, Julia Clinkenbeard of Menomonee Falls, Wis.

Jennifer Monaco and Madison of Manhattan came for the high school graduation on Saturday for Wade Juenemann and Nolan Wasson.

Sunday visitors of Jerald and Elaine Leitner to help them celebrate their 63rd wedding anniversary and also Jerald's birthday were Jeremy and Karen Bryant, Jason and Ethan of Manhattan. They also had calls from Oklahoma, Texas, South Carolina, Florida and Kansas. Eight of the couple's nine grandchildren were baptized on their anniversary, May 23.

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Groups sponsor free movie

The independent film, "To Save a Life," will be showing free at the Sunflower Cinema next week thanks to the efforts of Ten Cent Evangelism, the Decatur County Ministerial Association, the Good Samaritan Society and the theater board.

FROGS Camp begins June 7

It's time for kids entering second through sixth grades to make plans to attend Radical Outdoor Getaway Summer (FROGS) Camp at the Oberlin City Park. The camp has been moved up to Monday, June 7, through Friday, July 2, this year. It will still be from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. "Kids should get ready for awe-

next Wednesday, and Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 4 to 6. The theater only seats 100, so youth groups should call Lisa Paulson (785) 470-7288 to guarantee tickets.

This film is the story of an all-American teen, Jake Taylor, who seemingly has it all. After a childhood friend's death, Jake's world turns upside down, and he is forced to make a decision that could change his life forever.

Poppy Day event is Friday

The Oberlin American Legion Auxiliary plans a Poppy Day event on Friday, Miss Poppy, Alana Raile, and her escort will be downtown from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. that day with the auxiliary at the museum and at the Oberlin Cemetery on Memorial Day. Each memorial poppy is handmade by veterans. Poppies are never sold but given in exchange for a contribution. In the past 70 years, the national organization says, the Poppy Day program has generated more than \$2 million for veterans' rehabilitation and welfare programs. Since 1921, when the auxiliary adopted the poppy as its memorial symbol, the blood-red flower has stood for the sacrifices made by American servicemen and women

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Scholarships given at awards assembly

Decatur Community High School students who received scholarships and honors during the annual awards assembly Wednesday at the school included:

Dane G. Hansen Scholarship: Mary Olson.

Pete Henry Foundation: Jaxen Alstrom, Kira Meitl, Ashley Horton, Jessica Fredrickson, Gatlin Reichert, Nolan Wasson, Kortnie Fisher, Ray Zodrow, Brandi Diederich, Adrienne Pauls, Mary Olson, Kaden Macfee, Stephanie Bruggeman.

Col. Delbert Townsend K-State Scholarship Award: Mary Olson, Hunter Nedland.

Col. Delbert Townsend 2-year Scholarship Awards: Brandi Diederich, Ashley Horton, Jessica Fredrickson.

KU Willcoxon Scholarship: Jessica Fredrickson.

KU Love Scholarship: Jessica Fredrickson.

Wendy's Heisman Scholar Athlete Awards: Mary Olson, Nolan Wasson.

Regents Recommended Curriculum Completed: Jessica Fredrickson, Kira Meitl, Mary Olson, Ashli Samson, Ashley Horton, Hunter Nedland, Adrienne Pauls, Nolan Wasson.

Kansas Board of Regents Certificate for Exceptional Academic Performance (ACT of 32 and above): Hunter Nedland.

President's Awards for Educational Excellence (ACT of 25 or above and grade average of 3.5 and above): Jessica Fredrickson, Mary Olson, Kira Meitl, Adrienne Pauls.

President's Awards for Educational Achievement: Industrial Arts, Nolan Wasson; Art, Kira Meitl; Vo-Ag, Chance Marble; Vocal Music, Ashley Horton; Instrumental Music, Jaxen Alstrom; Theater, Ashley Horton; Speech, Ashley Horton; Spanish, Brandi Diederich and Cody Kane; Journalism, Adrienne Pauls; Computers, Stephanie Bruggeman; Accounting, Adrienne Pauls.

Chapter BH P.E.O. Awards: Adrienne Pauls.

Decatur County Farm Bureau Association Scholarship: Nolan Wasson.

Petracek Memorial Scholarship: Ashley Horton.

"I Dare You Leadership" Awards: Carissa Wentz, Keithen Fortin.

Gertrude Reilzback Railsback and Cloyd B. Railsback Memorial Scholarship: Kira Meitl.

Elsie Robinson 4-H Scholarship: Nolan Wasson.

Monty Mockry Memorial Award: Dakota Soderlund.

KSHAA Citizenship Awards: Brandi Diederich and Chance Marble.

Dale Dennis Citizenship Award: Wade Juenemann.

National Honor Society Members: Brandi Diederich, Ashley Horton, Mary Olson, Nolan Wasson, Jessica Fredrickson, Kira Meitl, Adrienne Pauls.

Perfect Attendance: Tyler Bruggeman, Tyler Shields, Keithen Fortin, Dakota Soderlund, Dalton Jones, Garrett Berry, Nolan Peters, Stephanie Bruggeman, all 4 years.

Stucco Scholarship Awards (students who made a 3.4 or better grade average each of the first three 9

weeks): Freshmen: Matt Glading, Ryan May, Elizabeth Nedland, Darbi Rouse; Sophomores: Nolan Henningson, Shay McChesney; Juniors: Tiffany Anderson, Rhiannon Davies, Jacob Helm, Jacob Larue; Seniors: Stephanie Bruggeman, Brandi Diederich, Jessica Fredrickson, Kira Meitl, Ashley Horton, Adrienne Pauls.

Howard and Irene Benton Scholarship Award: Nolan Wasson.

Erik Erickson Scholarship: Gatlin Reichert.

Jody Fredrickson Nursing Scholarship: Peggy Ream.

Glenn L. and Edna Mott Memorial Scholarship: Kaden Macfee.

Decatur Community Foundation Scholarships: Adrienne Pauls, Brandi Diederich.

Rotary Scholarships: Mary Olson, Hunter Nedland.

Charlie Corcoran Scholarships: Adrienne Pauls, Nolan Wasson.

Emily E. Shobe Art Scholarships: Jenny Ploussard, Elisha Jones.

Aquarius Educational Scholarship: Ashley Horton, Stephanie Bruggeman.

Oberlin Jaycees: Kortnie Fisher, Jessica Fredrickson.

Decatur Coop Scholarship Award: Nolan Wasson, Kortnie Fisher.

Lions Club Scholarships: Jessica Fredrickson, Stephanie Bruggeman.

American Legion Scholarship: Ashley Horton.

Sons of the American Legion: Ashley Horton.

American Legion Auxiliary Scholarship: Brandi Diederich.

Royal Neighbors: Stephanie Bruggeman.

Alif Be Khe Scholarship: Brandi Diederich, Mary Olson, Stephanie Bruggeman, Wade Juenemann.

Decatur Professional Women Scholarships: Brandi Diederich, Ashley Horton, Kira Meitl.

Goldie and Clara Scott Memorial Scholarship: Ashley Horton, Wiley Farr.

R.D. Thornton and Decatur County Shrine Club Scholarship: Stephanie Bruggeman, Ashli Samson.

Archie and Lola Hamilton Science Scholarships: Ashley Horton, Kira Meitl.

Ralph A. and Mildred C. Pavlicek Memorial Scholarship: Ray Zodrow.

Masonic Lodge Essay Scholarship: Ashley Horton, Hunter Nedland.

James Buchholz Memorial Scholarship: Ashley Horton.

Hoehner/Miller Scholarship: Kira Meitl.

Principal's Awards: students with straight As for three nine weeks: Kade Brown, Zach May, Carissa Wentz, Miki Dorshorst and Dalton Jones.

League Academic Awards (given to athletes who letter in a sport and have a 3.7 or better grade average): volleyball, basketball, Miki Dorshorst, Ashley Horton, Adrienne Pauls; volleyball, Carissa Wentz; football, basketball, Zach May, Dakota Soderlund; football, wrestling, Jacob Larue; wrestling, Kade Brown, Matt Glading, Jacob Helm; cross country, basketball, Dalton Jones; cross country, Tyler Shields, Nolan Henningson, Tiffany Anderson.

Salutatorian chosen

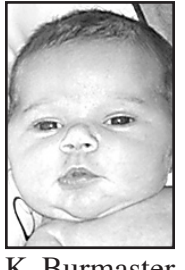
Kira Meitl, daughter of Gary and Tina Meitl, gave a speech during commencement Saturday as the salutatorian of the 2010 class.

At the time that the story about commencement was written last week, a salutatorian had not been chosen.



Kira Meitl

New Arrival



K. Burmaster

Kira Ann Burmaster
Jeff and Andrea Burmaster of Oberlin are the parents of a daughter, Kira Ann Burmaster, born April 24, 2010, at 10:11 a.m. at Community Hospital in McCook. She weighed 8 pounds, 4 ounces and was 20 1/4 inches long. She has a brother, John. Grandparents are Pat Cozad, Oberlin, and Lori Hannah, Westminster, Colo. Great-grandparents are Stan and Betty Hannah, Cherry Hills Village, Colo., and Virginia Brueggemann, Windsor, Colo.

Club News

Widows and Friends meet

The Widows and Friends group met on May 12 at the Pizza Hut to enjoy the noon buffet. A get-well card was signed for Norma Richards.

Those present were Delphia Biggs, Eula Juenemann, Doris Fringer, Mabel Zimmerman, Bertha Schwisow, Cecil Hess, Virginia Spratling, Dorothy Jackson, Esther Carlson, Nadean Stoney, Laurene Van Otterloo, Millie Lippelmann, Elaine Bryan, Mary Ann Amack and Phyllis Screen.

Club enjoys Mexican food

Calico Gals Club met on May 19 for lunch at the Mexican restaurant in Colby. Members present included Phyllis Screen, Bette Grout, Barbara Young Duell, Detta Anderson, Donna Kelley and Millie Lippelmann.

Following lunch, the group met at the home of Mrs. Duell in Colby. The club collect and flag salute were given. Roll call was "Thoughts of Your Mother." Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. Screen will work on updating the new

Mrs. Amack had charge of arranging the next meeting, which will be a 10 a.m. brunch at Coffee, Tea and Me on June 9.

Alumni return Saturday

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Graduates of Decatur Community High School and guests will be returning to their home town over the weekend for reunions and the annual banquet Saturday evening at The Gateway.

A social hour will begin at 5:30 p.m. before the banquet, and proceeds will go to the Smick Memorial Scholarship Fund. The banquet, to be served by The Gateway staff, will begin at 6:30 p.m.

The Rev. David Smith of Winfield, a 1970 graduate, will give the invocation, and Alumni Association President Janice Wesch Shobe will give the welcome. Anniversary classes will be recognized and new officers elected during the business meeting.

Entertainment will be by the DCHS Singers. Mary Olson will be accompanist for the singing of "The Alma Mater" at the close of the evening. Other officers are Connie Rehm Simonson, vice president; Arian Olson Arnold, secretary; and Mary Erickson Long, treasurer.

Times and places for class reunions and 10-year reunions and anniversary pictures follow. Also, see the alumni insert in this week's paper.

Towns plan alumni banquets

The Jennings High School Alumni Banquet will begin at 5:30 p.m. Saturday in the Sunflower Senior Center. Leanna Sloan of Hoxie will cater the meal.

Alumni Association President Carl Wahlmeier will conduct the business meeting, during which alumni and military personnel who have died during the past year will be recognized. Other officers are Louis Wahlmeier, Jennings, vice president; Judy Tacha Vaughn, Henderson, Colo., secretary; and Stacy Hartzog, Overland Park, treasurer.

Dan Wahlmeier of Clayton will sing and play his guitar for the program. A street dance in front of the Jennings City Hall will follow with music by the band "Clueless."

The new 2010 alumni directories will be available at the banquet, with Bobbi (Brooks) Barton in charge of the sales.

NORCATUR

The Norcaturn Alumni Banquet will begin at 6 p.m. Saturday in the Norcaturn High School building with some 250 people expected.

The meal will be served by the Cardinal Bar and Grill. A dance will follow with music by the Three Jacks.

Present officers are Beverly Ritter Miller, Norton, president; Joe Dawson, Norcaturn, vice president; and Dennis Leichter, Clayton, secretary-treasurer.

HERNDON

To mesh with the every-five-years Herndon Ox Roast scheduled for Saturday, June 12, the 91st Annual Herndon High Alumni Banquet will be served at 6 p.m. on Friday, June 11, at St. Mary's Hall.

Reservations are due June 4. Mail to: Donald Grafel, Rt. 1, Box 2, or David Franke, Rt. 1, Box 14, Herndon, Kan., 67739. For details, call (785) 322-5223. Cost is \$14.

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