



## Home Time

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## Chamber News

By Carolyn Hackney

There were several events going on around the area, but the heat and we haven't been getting along very well, so I was home most of the weekend. I do plan to make a donation to the Decatur County Helping Hands organization which had a fund-raiser on Saturday. These funds go to help only Decatur County people with medical issues, traveling expense, etc. I hope others will make a donation to this worthy cause; you never know when we might be in need also.

Fair is just around the corner!! Do you have your photos printed that you took on July 4? That should be interesting. I remember when my girls were in 4-H photography projects, and every year at the last minute we would make a trip to North Platte to the two-hour photo shop, and whatever we would need in the way of horse tack or rodeo queen competition attire at the western store.

Have you signed up to work a game or ride during the evening carnival nights? I know the heat isn't helping us make that decision, but there are lots of empty spots to fill.

Place your ad in THE OBERLIN HERALD Call Tim Davis at 475-2206

Sympathy is extended to the family of Dean Knutson, 87, who died July 2 in Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Steve and Debbie Obrecht, Pueblo, Colo., and Craig Eckhart, Fremont, Neb., came June 30 to help Denny Lechlitter harvest his wheat. Late Friday, July 2, Vene and Phyllis Lechlitter, Kyle and Kathleen Obrecht, Denver, with children Maverick, Mercy and Martial came for the weekend. After completing lots of projects on July 4, they went to see the fireworks in Norton. The Denver bunch went back on Monday afternoon. Steve, Debbie and Craig returned to their homes Tuesday, then came back on July 9.

Priscilla Lawn Duncan rode to McCook after a combine part with Debbie Obrecht on Saturday, July 10. She is here visiting her mother Dorothy Lawn in Norton.

The Norcatu United Methodist Church will celebrate its 125th year at 10 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 8, following services. Everyone is welcome. A spot luck dinner is planned at noon. Meat, drink and table service will be provided. Please bring a covered dish or two and join us.

Happy birthday to Dickie Beachel, July 9; Brenda Arnold, July 18; and Mildred Schwab, July 19.

Happy anniversary to Rea and Dee Magers, July 9.

Results of the pool tournament at the Cardinal Bar and Grill on Wednesday, July 7, were Stan Miller, first; Bob Hoover, second; and Carl Lyon, third.

Casey Morris, Lubbock, Texas, was traveling through Kansas visiting relatives over the holiday weekend. He visited Mr. and Mrs. Curt DeDonder, and Sophia, Topeka; Mr. and Mrs. Casey Tuttle, El Dorado, and Mr. and Mrs. Rocky DeLano, Wichita. On Saturday, July 3, he visited with Aunt Carol at the farm and rode in the combine with his Uncle Stan and also with J.R. He had supper with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Miller, Oberlin, before traveling on to Colby to spend the night with his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Chad Applebury, Eli

and Karyssa.

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Miller went to Norton on July 4 to take Lila Rule out for supper, then visited Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Brooks, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brooks, Steve and Erin at the Weldon Brooks residence in Norton.

Lora Arnold was a Sunday dinner guest of Denny Lechlitter, and Steve and Debbie Obrecht and Craig Lechlitter at the Denny Lechlitter residence.

Dennis Molzahn of Independence, Mo., and Cathy Claussen, Oberlin, visited Beth Johnson on July 6.

Sarah Kawcak, great-niece of Rea and Dee Magers, and a student of Oklahoma State College, Stillwater, spent several days with them over the 4th of July. Additional guests for a barbecue were Margaret "Toots" Magers, Judy and Charlie Easton, Quinter; Jane Engelhardt, Norton; and Jeff Magers and Joy Luoto, Cedar Bluffs.

On Wednesday, Dennis Skalka, San Antonio, a friend of Rea and Dee Magers, stopped by for a visit and lunch. He was en route home after attending his aunt's funeral in Hastings, Neb. Years ago the Skalkas stopped at the Magers to shop at their store, and a great friendship developed at that time.

Beth Sebaugh accompanied Anita Volskay and Bee Nelson to Norton Sunday, July 11, to eat at the Hidden Dragon. They also visited with Mr. and Mrs. Dale Goss.

LaVerne Milner moved to the Andbe Home on July 9, where both Oran and LaVerne are now residents. Oran celebrated his birthday on July 20.

Anita Volskay and Bee Nelson drove to Independence, Mo., on June 29, after the Norcatu News was mailed out, to spend the weekend of July 4th with Tara Nelson. On July 1, they all went to the Lake of the Ozarks cabin to do some boating, fishing and water skiing. They celebrated Bee's birthday on July 4 with homemade ice cream, thanks to Tara and a decorated cake furnished by friends of the girls. They returned

to Norcatu on July 7.

Brandon Ward came July 8, to accompany his grandmother, Dorothy Ward, to Hillsboro and Newton on July 9. The occasion being the wedding of Kenneth John Ward and Breanna Marlene Sage on Saturday, July 10. K.J. is the eldest son of Mark and Debby Ward, Hugo, Colo. The wedding was on The Green at Bethel College, North Newton, at 5 p.m., with the dinner reception following. They are honeymooning in the mountains. Brandon accompanied his grandmother home on Sunday.

On June 30, a telephone call came from Alice Rubendall Anderson of Franklin, Neb., stating that although brother John Rubendall is in a nursing home, he knows them and visits with them and is very contented. His wife Mary works close by and they all live near, so it is easy to visit him. Mary and Alice recently stopped to see Betty Rubendall in Red Cloud, Neb.

The Rubendall family lived in Norcatu for many years, the kids received their education in the Norcatu schools and Earl and Edna had a grocery store.

Earl and Edna built a new home just south of the Lutheran Church, where Gary and Kathy Anthony now live.

Senior Citizens met on July 2. There were 14 present and the card game winners were Joyce Sumner, Jackie Porter and Bob Schoenrad.

The United Methodist Church was graciously complemented Sunday, July 4, by Rev. Kyle Obrecht bringing the message. He is a nephew minister visiting at Dennis Lechlitters, and a grandson of Vene and Phyllis Lechlitter.

A huge thanks to Brendan Wentz and James (Wava Reames' grandson) for all their help in pulling the weeds out of the sandbox at the Elden Aufer Park.

Increasing interest in gardening and shopping for locally grown foods at farmers markets and produce stands is prompting increased interest in home food preservation.

While preserving summer crops can add flavor, color and health-promoting nutrients to winter meals, and, often a cost savings, the failure to follow food safety guidelines in preserving food can be deadly.

Extension offices have been fielding a lot of questions about canning green beans lately.

Heed this warning that using a boiling water canner rather than a recommended - and tested - pressure canner is risky because spores of Clostridium botulinum bacteria, which are naturally occurring in soils, are heat resistant.

The heat in a boiling water canner is not enough to kill the spores that can germinate and grow into active bacterial cells that will produce a toxin that is deadly to humans. While improperly canned low acid foods, including all vegetables and meats, may lose their color, develop a cloudy appearance or have lids that pop, contamination is not always visible.

Do not taste suspect food, but do use tested recipes and follow directions exactly for successful home food preservation.

A pressure canning gauge and seal should be checked annually prior to use. If you would like to have your dial gauge from your pressure canner checked, call you local K-State Research and Extension Office. Most of them have equipment to test the accuracy of dial gauges. The small round rocker gauges do not need to be tested because they remain accurate.

And, if timid about canning, freezing is always an option.

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## Shalom Means Peace

By Fr. Mark A. Berland, Sacred Heart Catholic Churches of Oberlin, Selden; and Immaculate Conception Catholic Church of Leoville

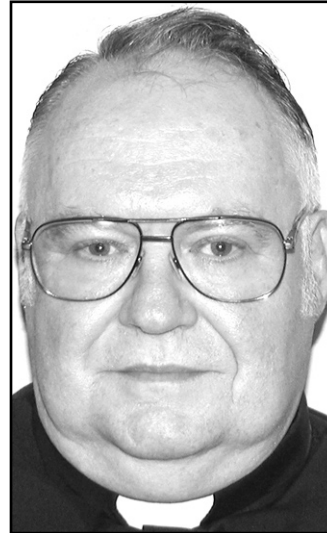
On the evening of Christ's resurrection day, He appears to His disciples hiding out in the upper room. Jesus greets them, "Peace be with you" (John 20:20); in Hebrew - Shalom. This was a common greeting in the Jewish world. But it is a greeting that is full of meaning and rich in content that no single English word can render it.

To us, peace usually means freedom from civil disturbance, a time of quiet and harmony. But shalom is much more than that. The origin of the Hebrew word was a verb that meant that nothing is lacking, a completeness - a state of perfection. To the Hebrew, shalom was first of all a gift from God. Its elements contained concepts of rain in due time, an abundance of harvest, a time of no enemies or wild animals. It was a state of perfect well-being. The shalom concept developed into the idea of a state of righteousness with God, which meant that one was innocent and just before the Lord. The time of the Messiah, the

Prince of Peace, was to be a time of God's blessing. He would give to His people all that was needed to live in righteousness and harmony before God. This is what St. Paul is referring to in *Philippians 4:6-7*. The peace of God is so much greater than we can understand. We can only be at peace through union with Jesus Christ.

In Luke's gospel, *Luke 10:1-12*, Jesus sends out 72 followers to prepare the people in towns and villages He wishes to visit. He gives them the power of peace to give to the people they meet "into whatever house you enter, first say 'Peace to this household.' When we greet each other during our daily duties, let us make this prayer that God's peace resides with them, that perfect well-being and calm that only our Heavenly Father gives through Jesus Christ be with them.

Peace be with you.



## Lyle News

By Veda Wood

I was sorry to hear that my old classmate, Dean Knutson, passed away on July 2. He had fallen and broken a hip and it developed into pneumonia. He and I were the only classmates from the class of 1941 at our alumni banquet May 29. Grave-side services were held on Saturday, July 10. His son, David, gave a very interesting talk on Dean's life. A lunch followed at the Educational Building.

Last week two ladies visited Margaret "Toots" Magers looking for Lyle Church history. They were Sue O'Dell, 4 Duneden Cr., Bella Vista, Ark., 72715, and Dottie Merideth Kemp, 29 Tibberton Cr., Bella Vista, Ark., 72715, (479) 855-6792. Dottie is the great-granddaughter of William John Meridet, one of the earliest ministers of the Lyle Church.

The Lyle history tells about Prentiss and Margaret Beebe coming to the community to help start a church. He was the nephew of Samuel Andrews in whose home they had meetings a year before the church was organized.

Prentiss developed typhoid fever and died in 1878, just after the last Indian raid, and his wife was

asked to take over his work. It was a hard decision, as people back than thought a woman should not preach. She did take the job, and later married William Merideth, the young ministerial student who was appointed to share the Norton circuit with the "two gun totin'" J.L. Langley.

The ladies were on their way to Estes Park, Colo. They were asking about a picture of Rev. Merideth that they said used to hang in the church, but none of us could remember it.

Last Thursday, Gary Anthony, Aubrey High and I spent part of the day in McCook. While Gary had his dialysis, Aubrey and I went to the doughnut place for doughnut holes, then browsed Walmart and D&S, and afterward, Gary treated us to lunch at Fullers. Gary received a clean bill of health from his cancer doctor.

Butch Stanley had a bad accident Saturday evening northeast of Lyle. He was run over by his tractor and was airlifted to the Kearney Hospital, but had no broken bones. Our prayers are with him.

Judy and Charlie Easton mowed for "Toots" Magers on Saturday.

## Jennings News

By Louise Cressler

Matt Hall and Jeaneane Rodriguez, Brighton, Colo., recently visited with his mother and his grandmother, Pat Hall and Violet Foster. They also visited Norma Richards and Deanna Hanschild, Oberlin, and daughter, Annette with granddaughter Alayna who were visiting from California.

Helen Rhodes and her sister, Ruth and Jerry Ridge, Garden City, flew to Portland, Ore., on July 7 to visit their brother Bill and Jean Brainard.

They visited three days in Lincoln City, Ore., with nieces and nephews, returning to Kansas on Tuesday, July 13.

Jane and Jim Wahlmeier, Concordia, attended church Sunday with her mother, Rachel Carter.

Mary Mapps and Rachel Mapps of California recently purchased the former Paul Heit house in Jennings. We welcome them to our town.

Our electricity was off Saturday morning from 7:30 a.m. to almost noon. We were glad they got it on before the afternoon.

Water meters are being read Wednesday, July 21. Please post your reading if your meter is inside.

Relatives received word from Judith Nusse of the illness of her mother, Marjorie (Shearer) Tacha of Huron, S.D. She is in a nursing home there and she celebrated her 95th birthday in May with nearly the whole family present.

## 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, LEOVILLE**  
Fr. Mark Berland,  
MASS: 8 a.m., Sunday

**SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, SELDEN**  
Fr. Mark Berland,  
MASS: 10 a.m., Sunday

**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. Linda Willey  
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. Linda Willey  
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: Fellowship and coffee time; 10:00 a.m. The "no sermon" worship hour with the Lord's Supper and Adventures With God, 10 a.m. 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: Morning Worship, 10 a.m.

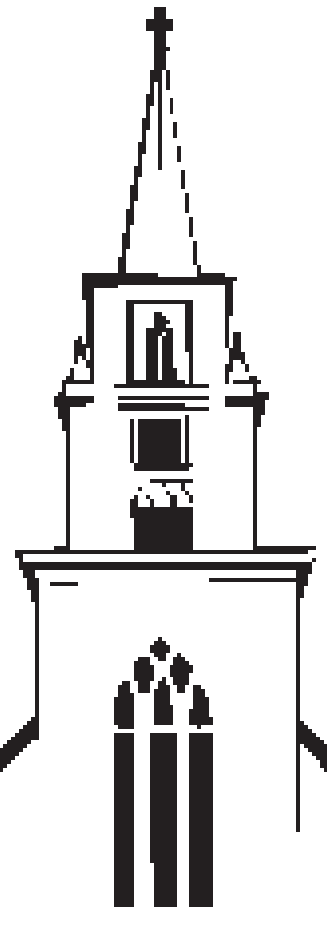
**NORCATUR UNITED METHODIST**  
Pastor: Larry Danforth  
Almena  
SUNDAY: Worship Service, 10 a.m.; Church School, 10:30 a.m.

**LYLE UNITED METHODIST**  
Guest Speakers every Sunday  
SUNDAY: Morning Worship 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..



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