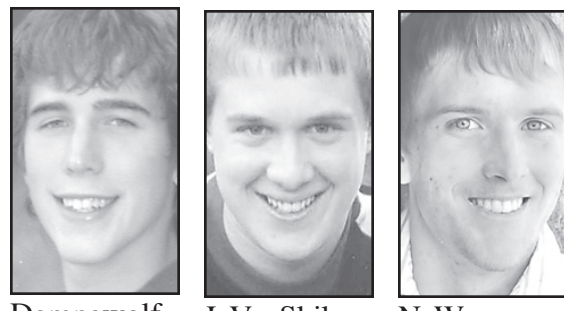


Three area 4-H youths win state scholarships

Three Twin Creeks Extension District 4-H members, along with 47 other Kansas 4-H youths, will share in \$37,150 in scholarships for the coming school year.



Dempewolf J. VanSkiel N. Wasson

Andrew Dempewolf, Oberlin, who is attending Fort Hays State University, received the Clara L. Dubbs 4-H Scholarship.
 Joshua VanSkiel, Norton, who is attending Kansas State University, received Gary and Lorraine Kilgore 4-H Scholarship.
 Nolan Wasson, Oberlin, received the Orschlen Farm and Home 4-H Scholarship. He will attend K-State this fall.
 The scholarship program is financed by the Kansas 4-H Foundation. Recipients were honored at the 4-H Emerald Circle Banquet in Manhattan, also sponsored by the Foundation.
 This year, scholarship recipients were selected from more than 200 applicants, said Gordon Hibbard, president of the Kansas 4-H Foun-

ation.
 He said that recipients represent 27 Kansas counties and four extension districts covering 10 counties, and that means that the money will be shared by students in 37 of Kansas' 105 counties.
 The dollar value of the scholarships ranges from \$250 to more than \$1,000 each, with the average award being \$743, Mr. Hibbard said.
 The awards can be used to pay for college or other schools. Mr. Hibbard said many of the donors are former 4-H members who appreciate their educational experiences in 4-H.
 For information about 4-H educational opportunities for Kansas kids, stop by your county Extension office or go to www.Kansas4-H.org.

THE OBERLIN HERALD — People in Our Community

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Recent Oberlin visitors were Merle and Audrey King, daughter, Adele White and grandsons, Brian and Scott Wile, all of Oklahoma City. Granddad was showing his grandsons where he was born, Cedar Bluffs, and where he was reared, Oberlin.

Sharon Schuetz returned home Thursday from Salina, where she had spent two days caring for her grandchildren, Levi, Nash and Ian Johnson, while their parents, Rick and Lisa Johnson, were in Kansas City.

Evan and Mary Jorm of Lawrence came Thursday for the Decatur County Fair and to visit his aunts, Cecil Hess and Mary Lou Olson, and families. They and his classmates, Tom and Jenny Phillips of Seattle, Wash., had lunch together on Friday at the LandMark Inn.

Among area students who graduated from Fort Hays State University in May were Lydia Karnopp, Oberlin; Bachelor of Science in speech-language pathology; Blake Hillebrand, Clayton, Bachelor of General Studies; Jeffrey Riener, Herndon, Applied Science in radiologic technology; and Rodney Rippe, Herndon, Bachelor of Business in management.

Houseguests last week of Jerald and Elaine Leitner were Jerry Leitner, Hilton Head, Beach, Fla.; Claudia Bryant, Fort Myers, Fla.; Karla and John Sullivan, Colby; Christina and Kirk Darr, Fort Myers, Fla.; Terri Rice, Justin and Jameson, Long Island, N. Y.; Jeremy Bryant, Jason and Ethan, Manhattan; Dustin and Katrina Sullivan, Taly and Tage, and Jerad Sullivan and friend, Jamie, Colby; Andy Leitner, Oberlin; Cameron Darr, Salina; and Cindy Smith, Hilton Head Island, S.C. Other callers were Gary Bryant, Joplin, Mo.; Sherry and Bill Arnott, Fort Myers, Fla., and Rex Schroeder, Oberlin. The Leitners and their houseguests also attended a picnic at the John and Karla Sullivan home to honor Dustin Sullivan and Justin Rice for their Aug. 9 birthdays and Jerad Sullivan and Jameson Rice on their birthdays which will be Nov. 6.

Sheila DeKnight and her friends of Stockton, Mo., spent fair week in Oberlin visiting relatives and friends.

John and Connie Simonsson returned home recently from an 18-day trip to Europe. They went to Crans-Montana, Switzerland, then met Gil Mahaffy in Seefeld, Austria. The Simonssons went on to Rothenburg, Germany then met Mr. Mahaffy in Frankfurt, Germany and all three flew to Athens, Greece.

Duane and Carol Witt of Great Bend were honored with luncheon at Rozelle Court at the Nelson Art Gallery in Kansas City on July 31 in observance of their 60th wedding anniversary. Those present were Luan Taylor, Prairie Village; Ryan Taylor, Junction City; Aaron and Nicole Taylor, Leawood; Greg and Mary Lohofener, Oberlin; Leigh Ann and Clint Johnson, Kansas City; Adam and Jeni Lohofener, Olathe; and Mark Witt, Alec and Laura, Great Bend.

A neighborhood birthday party at the home of Jody Betts Friday afternoon, July 30, honored Margaret Vacura. Invited guests were

Joy Russell, Kay Gaskill, Marilyn Puckett, Rita Garver, Pat Wright of Oakley, Pat Fringer, Reta Barratt and granddaughter, Riley, of Hays

Houseguests of Dorothy Moore for the Decatur County Fair were Mike and Debbie Nickels, Emma and Mark, McLouth; Eric Moore, Justine and Dylan, Manhattan; and Brian Moore, Las Vegas, Nev.
 The Haughty Hatters of Northwest Kansas Red Hat Club enjoyed the delightful comedy, "Stanton's Garage" presented by the Decatur Area Theater Association and former Decatur Community High School Drama Club members at The Gateway. Attending were Marian Fraker, Ann Mines, Sherri Shuler, Fern Moore, Carol Morford, Willa Urban and Charlotte Meints. Norma McCallister, Norcatour, of the Chatty Hatters Red Hat Club, joined the Oberlin club for the play.

Winning highs in pinochle at the Golden Age Center last week were Henry Edgett, Dorothy Moore, Max Carman, Ivis Hanson and Kelva Dryden. Lows went to Elden Haas, Max Carman, Kelva Dryden, Neil Marshall, Dewaine Stapp, Veanna Carman, Henry Edgett and Ivis Hanson. Pitch highs were won by Henry Edgett, Veanna Carman and Elden Haas with lows going to Dorothy Moore and Max Carman. Chicken foot highs were won by Doris Fringer and Eleanor Boyle. Bridge highs went to Marty Olson and Shirley Simpson. Potluck at 12:15 p.m. Sunday at Golden Age Center.

Roxie Erickson and Ken Erickson, Corbin and Gavin, and friend, Becky, of Manhattan and Kris and Farah Erickson and Christian of Lindsborg visited Bernice Martin and other relatives and attended the Decatur County Fair.

Jade and Nate Wunderly, Brennan and Braylan of Thornton, Colo., visited from July 29 to July 31 with relatives. While Mrs. Wunderly attended a Mary Kay Convention in Dallas, the boys spent the time at the Carol Morford home in Oberlin and the Woody Morford home in McCook. Mrs. Wunderly returned Thursday and they all enjoyed the Decatur County Fair.

Roger and Norine Gray and granddaughter, Allie, of Hays visited during the Decatur County Fair with Frank and Margaret McEvoy.

Weekend guests of Kenny and Jody Black were Joe and Lori Brewer, Beau and Brett of Limon, Colo. They also visited her mother, Leona Helmkamp. Dan and Julie Hess of Salina were additional Saturday evening visitors.

John and Connie Simonsson attended a family reunion at the Sleep Inn Motel in Valley Center, hosted by his sister, June Marcy of Valley Center. Others present were Brian and Pam Simonsson, Nathan and Breck, Oberlin; Travis Castle, Olathe; Brent Simonsson, Wamego; Gil and Carlyne Gilford, Arvada, Colo.; Jennifer Bellacosa, Shane and Casey, Lisy and Joe Luxner, Tanner and Carli and Timi and Eric Brinker, Kendal and Ronni, Denver; Todd and Jeanette Marcy and family, Holdrege, Neb.; Ric and Sonja Netzer and family, Arvada, Colo.; and Dan and Shaila Creitz and family, Erie.

Western Plains sets 2010-2011 schedule

The Western Plains Arts Association has scheduled programs ranging from plays to musical groups for the 2010-2011 season in several northwest Kansas towns, including one in Oberlin.
 Season tickets are available now. The cost is \$90 for a family, \$40 for an adult and \$15 for students. For details, call Joan Albers, (785) 460-6448; Carol Rahn, (785) 462-6341; Pat Ziegelmeier, (785) 462-6808; or Amie Kendrick, (785) 460-3837.

The tentative schedule includes:
 • Bummer the Drummer and the Kansas City Street Band, Sunday, Sept. 12, 3 p.m. (Central Time), Goodland High School.
 • Rhythm and Passion, Monday, Sept. 20, 7:30 p.m., Cultural Arts Center, Colby Community College.
 • Guy Lombardo's Royal Canadians, Sunday, Oct. 3, 7:30 p.m., Hoxie High School.
 • Michael Fitzsimmons and Drums of the World, Sunday, Oct. 17, 7:30 p.m., St. Francis High School.
 • The Golden Dragon Acrobats, Sunday, Oct. 31, 3 p.m., Colby High School.

• The Sunflower Trio, Sunday, Nov. 7, 3 p.m., the Gateway, Oberlin.
 • The Starry Night Trio, "Celestial Christmas," Sunday, Dec. 6, 3 p.m., Cultural Arts Center, Colby College.
 • Greg Buchanan, harpist, Tuesday, Jan. 25, 7:30 p.m., Atwood High School.
 • "Give 'em Hell," Harry Truman, Sunday, Feb. 20, 7:30 p.m., Atwood High School.
 • The Brett Family Show from Branson, Mo., Saturday, Feb. 26, 7:30 p.m., Oakley High School.
 • "The Music Man," musical, Monday, March 7, 7:30 p.m., Oakley High School.
 • The Stanleystones, Sunday, March 20, 3 p.m. (Central Time), Sharon Springs High School.
 • The Alfred Packer Memorial String Band, Sunday, April 3, 3 p.m., Hoxie High School.
 • The International Tenors, Sunday, 3 p.m., Cultural Arts Center, Colby College.
 • "18 Reasons to Laugh, Love and Live" by Petrella, Sunday, May 3, 1 p.m., Quinter High School.

Family reunites in Selden

The Carman-Shaw reunion was held Sunday, Aug. 1, at the Selden Senior Center with 52 in attendance. The next reunion will be held Aug. 7, 2011, with the place to be determined.
 Those present included:
Clyda (Shaw) Emigh descendants: Gary and Shirley Emigh, Kyle, Aaron, Garrett, Gus, and Tatan Emigh, Selden.
Floyd Shaw descendants: Stan and Ramona Shaw, Jennings; Scott and Janet Shaw, Hoxie; Steve and Joni Shaw, Selden, Sandy (Shaw) and Doug Wedermeyer, Wakeeney; Andrea, (Shaw) Chris and Jonathan Graham, Stockton.
Ernie Shaw descendants: Doris Gene (Shaw) Oliver, Rexford; Cody Medina, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Marla (Oliver) and Dennis Rogers, Selden.

Clifford Shaw descendants: Nancy and Tiffany Robinson, Shannon (Robinson) and Laural Titus, Tyler Robinson and Christian Smith, Colby.
Artie Shaw descendants: Pat Carman, St. Francis, and Barbara (Carman) Gilstrap, Wray Colo.
Archie Carman descendants: Mary Carman, Colby; Darrell Carman, Heather (Carman) Mike, Shane and Ryan Westcott, Becky (Carman) Chad, Bryce and Destiny Wacker, Josh Carman and Hannah Carman, Oakley.
 Martin and Wilma Carman, Skylar Hatfield, Terri Carman, Gina Carman and Caitlin Behring, all of Colby;
 Rochelle (Carman) and Doc Mather, Clayton; and Matthew Heinrich, Colby.

Farm meeting Thursday

Farmers interested in signing up for the Conservation Reserve Program this year are urged to attend a meeting planned by the U.S. Farm Service Agency at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Sunflower Cinema.
 Sign-up continues through Friday, Aug. 27, said Diane Barrett, county executive director for the agency. Farmers may offer eligible cropland for contracts of 10 to 15 years. Mrs. Barrett said the program takes less-productive land out of crop production and puts it into a lease agreement with the U.S. Department of Agriculture to maintain

the acreage as wildlife habitat. The 2008 Farm Bill authorized the department to maintain contracts on up to 32 million acres.
 Enrollment is voluntary, said Mrs. Barrett. Landowners plant cover, such as native grasses or trees, in exchange for annual rental payments, plus cost-share and technical assistance.
 Land that is not currently enrolled may be offered during this sign-up period, she said. Current participants with contracts expiring this fall may make new offers. Contracts become effective Oct. 1.

New Arrivals

Rylan Renae Aschenbrenner
 Gary and Tara Aschenbrenner of Ellis are the parents of a daughter, Rylan Renae Aschenbrenner, who was at 10:49 a.m. on July 11, 2010, at Hays Medical Center. She weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces and was 19.5 inches long. She has a brother, Aiden, 1. Grandparents are Anthony Gassmann, Dresden; Peggy Gassmann, Oberlin; and LeRoy and Lois Aschenbrenner, Ogallah. Great grandparents are Magdalen Gassmann, Park; Regina Schuster, Ellis; and Mary Aschenbrenner, WaKeeney.



Rylan A.

Nami Grantina Woolsey
 Maj. Tanner and Kaori Woolsey of Iruma-City, Saitama, Japan, are the parents of a daughter, Nami Grantina Woolsey. She was born July 14, 2010, weighed 6 pounds, 2 ounces, and was 20.5 inches long. She has a sister, Joana, 2. Grandparents are Bob and Terri Woolsey, Oberlin, and Isao and Kimiko Saso, Saitama. Paternal great-grandparents are Dale and Eris Young, Oberlin, and the late Bus and Helen Woolsey, Maj. Woolsey is currently flying B52H bombers out of Guam.



Nami W.

Money available to save trees

Money is available to help landowners renovate shelter belts and restore forested riparian areas, said Matthew Barnes, district conservationist with the U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Service in Oberlin. The application deadline is today.

Farmers are eligible under two Cooperative Conservation Partnership Initiative proposals, which will target shelter belt renovations.
 For details, stop by the office at 408 S. Buffalo, call (785) 475-3131 or go to www.ks.nrcs.usda.gov/ programs.

Couple celebrates 55 years

Richard and Clara Russ of Oberlin were honored by their family at their home over the weekend on their 55th wedding anniversary and this 80th birthday.
 Attending were Della Phillips and daughter, Stephany, Nikki and Bell, Springfield, Mo.; and son, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Phillips, Stover, Mo.;

Edward Russ, WaKeeney; Starla Russ, Garden City; Jane Dingus and Andrew, Holcomb; Julie Cunningham, Oberlin; Chuck Russ, Philadelphia; Jeff and Ruth Longhenry, Kylie, Jeffery, Samial, Levi, Maray Bell and Mikiah, Columbus, Ohio; and James and Autumn Arasmith and Amarissa, Rexford.

1935 flood program planned

A program to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the 1935 flood, which killed dozens and drastically changed the Republican River Valley and the communities along it, will be presented at 1 p.m. Saturday, during Old Settlers Day at the Community Building in Indianola, Neb.

on this project. Personal accounts of the flood given by guests have been recorded and will be included in the program. Additional activities include a small-scale recreation of the 1935 flood and the construction of 1928 Lincoln Page biplanes similar to the one Charlie Blosser used in his rescue efforts.
 The event is free and appropriate for families.

The National Weather Service in Goodland has spent two years

Disaster applications due

The deadline to submit 2008 Supplemental Revenue Assistance disaster payment applications is Monday, Sept. 30, said Diane Barrett, county executive director for the U.S. Farm Service Agency.
 Applications not filed by that date will not receive a payment, she said.
 The program pays farmers who had crop production or quality losses during the 2008 crop year.
 To be eligible, farmers must be in a county with a 2008 disaster designation from the secretary of

agriculture or one adjacent to such a county, and must have suffered at least a 10 percent production loss on a crop of "economic significance." They had to have insurance under the Federal Crop Insurance Act, or coverage under the Non-Insured Assistance Program, for all significant crops.
 For details, stop by the office at 410 S. Buffalo in Oberlin or call (785) 475-3131 during business hours.

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Colleen Geihlsler, Decatur County Clerk
 Transportation Administrator

Jonna's Day

This is in appreciation for all her hard work and dedication to our community. Sunday, August 15, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Golden Age Center in Oberlin.

50th Anniversary

The children of Rich and Janice Hayes are hosting a 50th Wedding Anniversary for them on August 14th at the American Legion in Atwood, KS.
 A reception will be from 5:00 p.m. to 7 p.m. and a dance from 8:00 p.m. until 11:30 p.m.
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