

# People in Our Community

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**—All outer wear 25% off this week only @ The Dresser.**

Gene Van Vleet and Bill, San Diego, and Laine Van Vleet, Seattle, left Friday after visiting a week with his mother, Aleen Van Vleet. They also visited his sister, Veanna Carman, who was hospitalized for surgery in Kearney, Neb., and her husband, Max.

Virginia Almquist of Smith Center brought her sister, Cecilia Brown, to Oberlin on Monday. Mrs. Brown had been in Wichita to be with her son, Ron Kump, who is critically ill in the intensive care unit at Via Christi-St. Francis Hospital.

J. Lynn Lohoefer received an award for achievement through employment and independence during the annual awards luncheon held in Hays on Sept. 23 by Developmental Services of Northwest Kansas. He is the son of Deb Lohoefer of Oberlin.

Vi Meyers of Gresham, Ore., and daughter, Susan Cotterill of Portland, Ore., and Kay Marcuson were Wednesday afternoon callers of Elsie Wolters. They all attended the 125th anniversary celebration.

**—Bridge Tournament at Good Sam, Oct. 17 at 2. Call 475-2245 for details. 39-41**

The Kansas Music Teachers Association held its District 4 Auditions in Hays on Saturday. The following piano students of Cheryl Metcalf participated in Plan C (two memorized pieces from two different musical eras): Luke and Caleb Koerperich, Kade Grafel, Daniel Lerew, and Michael and David Noren. Luke, Caleb, Kade, Daniel and Michael qualified to attend the State Auditions in Lawrence on Nov. 13.

Nancy Ellis of Topeka visited over the weekend with her mother, Joy Votapka, who was transferred on Saturday to Decatur County Hospital for therapy following knee replacement surgery at Community Hospital in McCook last Tuesday.

Norma Richards was hospitalized for five days last week at Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney, Neb., where she underwent thyroid surgery. Her daughter, Deanna Hanschild, was with her and stayed with Cody and LaDonna Richards.

Winning highs in pinochle at the Golden Age Center last week were Henry Edgett, Elden Haas, Adis Roe and Norma Anderson. Lows went to Ivis Hanson, Kelva Dryden, Ardis Roe, Dorothy Moore, Henry Edgett and Neil Marshall. Zane Geis won at chicken-foot dominoes. There was no pitch. Bridge winners were Cynthia Matson and Beth Sebaugh. Senior potluck at 12:15 p.m. Sunday at Golden Age Center.

## Veterinarian joins clinic

Dr. Erica Daniels has joined Countryside Veterinary Clinic of Oberlin and Hoxie, moving to Oberlin last week from Chattanooga, Tenn.

She was reared in Harrison, Tenn., and said she has wanted to become a veterinarian since she was young.

She earned a degree in management information systems from Auburn University in Alabama in 1999, then was a computer programmer in Georgia, Maine and Alabama. In 2006, she received a Bachelor of Science in Biology from Auburn in Montgomery, Ala. She earned her Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree from the College of Veterinary Medicine in Auburn this spring. She



Dr. Daniels

interned in Texas and Kansas prior to taking the associate position in Oberlin and Hoxie.

She is starting practicing at the clinic in Oberlin, but will also assist later in Hoxie. Both are owned by Dr. Mark Olson and Dr. Travis Hissong. She will be taking appointments for both large and small animal care and says she is looking forward to meeting people in both towns.

She said she likes Oberlin and is enjoying being in and working in a smaller community. Dr. Hissong and Dr. Daniels both live in Oberlin and Dr. Olson is living in Hoxie. All three will take appointments on a rotating basis at both clinics.

Cheryl Votapka has returned after traveling the past month with a Winnebago cravon. Some of the tous they enjoyed were the Blue Ox factory, Pender, Neb.; the Corn Palace, Mitchel, S.D., and the state capital, called the "Skyscraper of the Plans," Bismarck, N.D. the groups destination was the Norsk Hostfest in Minot, N.D., a five-day Scandinavian festival where they enjoyed the talents of Alan Jackson, Vince Gill, Daniel O'Donnell, and the Gaithers. They returned to Kansas and attended the open house sponsored by Olathe RV, Gardner. En route home, she visited her daughter and family and helped celebrate a grandson's birthday.

Lakin Lahe and daughter, Karmie, and Chyanne Lahe, Grand Junction, Colo.; Brad and Aubrey Burmaster, Brenda Lawless and Jeff, Andrea, John and Kira were guests of Pat Cozad for a potluck supper on Saturday.

Gabe Moore will perform Sonata III in F" on the euphonium at a recital in Presser Hall auditorium at Bethany College next Tuesday. He is the son of Monte and Kelly Moore.

**—Seafood Buffet Friday, Oct. 15, 6-8 p.m. LandMark Inn. Call 475-2340 or reservations.**

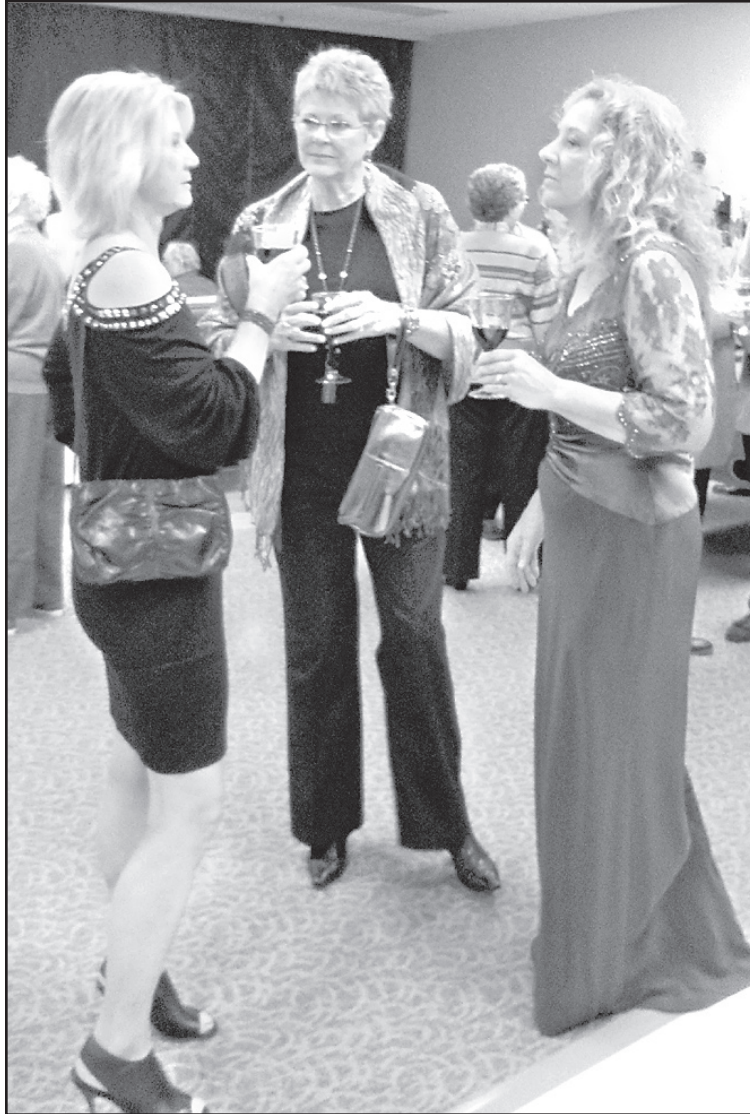
Sid and Cheryl Metcalf traveled to Manhattan to be with their sons and attend the K-State-Nebraska game. Shad and Jody Metcalf of Colby and Chris Metcalf and friend Nina were there. They also enjoyed tailgating with Connie Grafel, while she celebrated her birthday. They returned through Hays to attend the District Auditions of her students.

Jack Benton received word of the death of his brother, George Benton, 82, of Bridgeport, Neb., on Sunday morning.

Marian Dempewolf enjoyed supper on Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Don Allmer of Modera, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Thornton of McCook. The Allmers were Sunday overnight guests of Mrs. Dempewolf. Andrew Dempewolf of Hays was a Sunday afternoon visitor.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Wolters attended the Oberlin-Atwood football game Friday. Their grandson, Levi, played for Atwood.

Vi Meyers of Gresham, Ore., and daughter Susan Cotterill, Portland, Ore., were houseguests last week of Gail and Kay Marcuson. Vi and Gail are cousins and were originally from the Lund area.



**ENJOYING A BREAK** during the Philadelphia Orchestra presentation of "Starry Night of Romeo and Juliet" at the new Sunflower Cinema on Sunday evening were (from left) Jeanie Martin, Carol Shirley and Mary Jo Lohoefer.

— Photo by Becky Vollertsen

## Crowd enjoys orchestra

The Philadelphia Orchestra was shown as a one-day-delayed performance at the newly renovated Sunflower Cinema in Oberlin on Sunday evening, using new technology and equipment.

The orchestra performed "Starry Night of Romeo and Juliet."

Kicking off the first concert of the season, coordinators held a wine and cheese social, followed by the performance. The social and orchestra performance were a joint effort of the Sunflower Cinema and the Oberlin-Decatur County Economic Development Corp.

The concert presentation was made possible through a system called SpeciCast Entertainment, which involves a set-top box connected to a high-speed Internet connection to broadcast live or

recorded cultural and performing arts and entertainment events on large-screen televisions and projectors at senior centers, educational facilities, theaters and community centers.

## Castle enjoys reunion

A Castle family reunion was held Sunday at the Golden Age Center in Oberlin.

Those present included Janice Castle Ferrada, Denver; Andrea Castle Southard, Kansas City; Joe Castle, McCook; Trey and Deb Ward, Smith Center, Devan and Dane Castle, Hoxie; Breck and Nathan Simonsson, Manhattan; Gavin Gutchewsky, Kearney, Neb.; Alyia Kestano, Denver;

## Coaches give program

Program Chair Rusty Addleman introduced the fall sports coaches from Decatur Community High School, who gave the program at the Oct. 5 meeting of the Oberlin Rotary Club at The Gateway.

Coach J.D. Johnson is beginning his third year as head football coach. He has 28 players on the team this year with six seniors. He said that the team is off to a slow start with a 2-3 record, but beat St. Francis 22-14.

The state is set up with six-team districts this year, with the top two teams going into the state playoffs. The coach credits a good weight program as a factor for the team's good conditioning.

Volleyball coach Sherri Ruf is mentor for the No. 1 team in Class 2A. She has 18 players on the team

with five seniors. The players want to finish the season strong, as they have won their tournament at Oberlin. She said that they love to have a good crowd to cheer for them at home.

Cross country coach Dick Ahlberg has eight boys and seven girls on the squad. Both teams have made a good showing so far. He said that on Saturday, Oct. 23, they will have the Regional Cross Country meet here.

Jim Hollowell reported that Patricia Gomez, an exchange student from Panama in 2001, is married and had a baby boy born Aug. 14.

The club welcomed Junior Rotarians Nolan Peters, Jacob Helm and Jordon Dreher from Decatur Community High School, and visitor Kay Brown.

## Club News

### Lesson given on autumn

Oberlin United Methodist Women met Wednesday afternoon at the fellowship hall. Roll call was answered with scripture verse from the book of Esther and devotions were given by Pat Abbey.

The lesson, "Autumn Celebrations" was given by Violet Shaw who listed special blessings of the fall season. She distributed a handout with a devotion by 91-year-old Billy Graham, "May your troubles be less, your blessings more, and may nothing but happiness come through your door. Life without God is like an unsharpened pencil — it has no point."

Notes of appreciation were read from guests who attended

the friendship coffee on Sept. 11. Plans were made to attend the Hays District fall meeting at Colby on Saturday, serve refreshments for the Praise Group songfest to be held at the church on Sunday, Oct. 24, and also serve at the charge conference on Nov. 7. Members will again sponsor a cookie party on Saturday, Dec. 18, at the Golden Age Center.

Refreshments were served by Joan betts from tables decorated in fall colors. Members are asked to bring Thank offering boxes to the Nov. 3 meeting when the program will be given by Fern Moore. Roll call will be a Bible verse from Isaiah and Laurene Van Otterloo will be hostess.

### Women meet at cafe

The Prairie Chapel United Methodist Women met Wednesday afternoon at Coffee, Tea and Me with Phyllis Metcalf as hostess.

Roll call, a book of the New Testament, was answered by eight members and one guest, Annette Snyder. President Cheryl Metcalf led in prayer for those mentioned, after which the group repeated the purpose. The district

meeting will be held at Colby on Saturday. Members were encouraged to participate in the reading program. Ethel Railsback gave devotions, followed by prayer and several members brought things to share.

The next meeting will be Nov. 3 at the home of Mrs. Metcalf. Coleen Rippe will give the program on the World Thank Offering.

### Kid fiddlers to perform

The Kid Fiddlers, a family group of musicians, will perform at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23, at The Gateway in Oberlin.

The group, from Henderson, Nev., has been performing for audiences around the world since 2001. They combine mastery of over a dozen instruments, vocal harmonies, clogging and humor. It is a family show, suitable for all ages.

It is said that when "Mom" takes the stage with her five talented kids (ages 7-19), audiences are spellbound. The kids don't just play

music for fun or to entertain; they are using their talents to raise money for causes including the American Cancer Society and the American Diabetes Association.

The family includes Toni Jackson, Mom; Tess, 18; Grayden, 15; Mikinzie, 13; Zach, and Skyler, 7.

This is an Oberlin Arts and Humanities Commission season ticket event or \$10 for adults; and \$5 for students at the door.

For information, call Ella Betts, (785) 475-3557, or Mary Henzel, (785) 470-0218.

### Vocal concert set for Tuesday

The Decatur Community High School vocal department will present a concert at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the high school auditorium.

Director Susan Nelson said that the theme will be "How Can I Keep from Singing." The students will sing that selection, along with some songs from Brazil. Featured during the evening will be the men's choir,

Men in Black, the DCHS Singers, Chanté, the women's choir and the combined choir. Mary Jo Lohoefer is accompanist and Nolan Hennington will also play a duet with her on one piece.

"The concert is free and we invite everyone to come and enjoy the music," said Mrs. Nelson.

### New Arrival

#### Christopher Noah Wilson

Chris and Keely Wilson of Kearney, Neb., are the parents of a son, Christopher Noah, who was born Sept. 18, 2010, at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney. He weighed 8 pounds, 10 ounces and was 21 1/2 inches long. He has two sisters, Julie Beth and Harmony Ann, and a brother, Derek Anthony. Grandparents are James and Kimberly Witt, Oberlin; the late Julie Witt; and Charlie and Sandy Kincaid, Norton. Great-grandparents are Evalyn Wilson, Hays; Eugene and Beverly Witt, Danbury; Keith and Mary Lou Olson, Herndon; and Larry and Carolyn Schultz, St. Francis. Great-great-grandmothers are Martha Schultz and E. J. Query, St. Francis.



Christopher

#### Aleen VanVleet

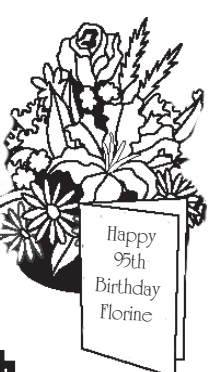
**will be honored with a card shower on her 100th birthday on October 21.**

*We love you! Leo and Josie, Veanna and Max and Gene and Lil and families*

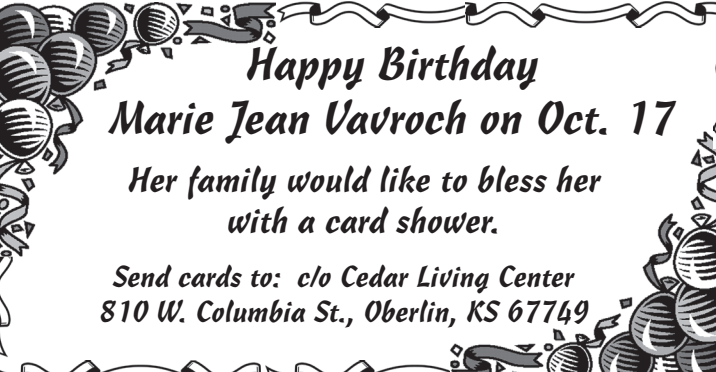
**Mail can reach her at 810 W. Columbia, Oberlin, KS 67749.**

### Happy 95th Birthday, October 16 Florine Vernon

*Her family is honoring her with a card shower.*



**Cards will reach her at: 203 S. York Oberlin, KS 67749**



#### Happy Birthday

**Marie Jean Vavroch on Oct. 17**

*Her family would like to bless her with a card shower.*

**Send cards to: c/o Cedar Living Center 810 W. Columbia St., Oberlin, KS 67749**

**Come help celebrate Lyle Hilker's 80th Birthday**

**OPEN HOUSE Saturday, Oct. 16 2 - 4 p.m. McCook Senior Center 1312 W. 5th, McCook, NE**



*Cards may also be sent to: 1651 Highway 83 Oberlin, KS 67749*

**Classifieds get results 785-475-2206**