

People in Our Community

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Alumni challenge classes

Vicky Ray of the Decatur Community High School Class of 1968 and Mary Jo Lohofener of the 1973 class are challenging all Decatur Community High alumni classes to support the new bowling alley, which is still needing money to complete construction.

The Oberlin-Decatur County Economic Development Corp. and the Decatur Area Development Fund have sent letters to alumni, challenging each class to be a part of this community project by making a donation of \$150 for a bowling-pin set. A plaque will be placed at the new facility recognizing each class that makes a donation.

As of Monday, \$80,445 had been received, leaving \$69,555 to complete the \$150,000 needed to finish the facility.

Contributions may be sent to the Decatur Area Development Fund, 104 S. Penn Ave., Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

Benefit in Atwood Sunday

Friends of Alicia (Burkhalter) Rippe of rural Ludell are planning a benefit lunch and auction for her from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Sunday at the Columbian Hall in Atwood.

Soup, sandwiches and desserts will be served, followed by an auction of 100 donated items beginning at 1 p.m.

Mrs. Rippe was diagnosed in May with adrenal cortical cancer, which has since spread to her liver and lungs. She is undergoing chemo and



VIOLET SCHISLER (seated) shook hands with her great-granddaughter, Breckyn Jensen, during the Rockathon on Saturday at the Decatur County Good Samaritan Center. The rockers netted a total of \$3,722, which will be given mainly to help complete the new bowling alley, along with small donations to the Shepherd's Staff in Rexford, Victory House at Brewster and Ray of Hope Ranch at Dewey, Okla.

— Photo by Anita Hirsch

Harold Berry has been in the intensive care unit at Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney, Neb. His wife, Pat, is with him. Mail will reach them at the hospital, Box 1990, room 6205, Kearney, Neb., 68848.

Marie McKisson was a Thursday overnight guest of her sister, Janie Law in Abilene. On Friday, she and her brother, Earl Wells, of Clay Center met another sister, Carol Jean Barkley of Allen, Texas, and they all went to Branson, Mo., for the weekend.

Jackie Mayberry's daughters and granddaughter were weekend visitors at her home Oct. 9 and 10. Jackie and Zach also attended the potluck supper at the Pat Cozad home on Saturday.

— **Sunday Brunch Buffet, Sunday, Oct. 24, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Landmark Inn 475-2340.**

Weekend guests of Lyle and Leona Hilker were Steve and Trina Krause, Gracie and Jacelyn, Syracuse, Utah; and Karla Wilson and Grayson, North Little Rock, Ark. They came to assist with the open house on Saturday in McCook, which honored Lyle Hilker on his 80th birthday.

Veanna Carman remains hospitalized in Kearney, Neb., following recent surgery. Mail will reach her at Good Samaritan Hospital, P.O. Box 1990, Kearney, Neb., 68848.

Leslie Nolette took Samaria Vilar to Golden, Colo., to spend Thursday thru Sunday visiting her sister, Cecily Solis, and brother, Jeremy Solis. Jeremy is a Marine and will leave for Afghanistan the end of October.

Winning highs in pinocle at the Golden Age Center last week were Kelva Dryden, Henry Edgett, Ardis Roe, Dorothy Moore and Elden Haas. Lows went to Ivis Hanson, Neil Marshall, Elden Haas, Dorothy Moore and Henry Edgett. There was no pitch. Bridge winners were Carol Shirley, Ila Ray, Cynthia Matson and Alice Shirley.

— **Ladies New 'It' jeans are here. 20% off all jeans this week only @ The Dresser.**

Those from the area who attended

New business opens in town

Roger and Nancy Robinson, owners of Robinson Insulation, have moved to Oberlin from Bayard, Neb., and he will continue with their insulation business here.

The couple has purchased a home at 306 E. Ash. Mrs. Robinson is working part-time as a proofreader at The Oberlin Herald office and also works part-time at Ward Drug.

The couple has been in business for 12 years in the Scottsbluff and Bayard area. He does fiberglass blow-in insulation for older homes and commercial buildings, and paper-faced or unfaced roll-in batts for walls and fiberglass blow-in for attics for new construction. Before

the Hays District United Methodist Women meeting on Saturday in Colby were Judy Davis, Charissa Huff, Deanna Castle, Marian Norton, Jody Betts and also Kay Brown of Jennings.

Elsie Wolters was a Saturday visitor of Marty McCain and Lucille Wicke at the Good Samaritan Center in Atwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Van Vleet, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Estfam, Phoenix, Ariz.; visited last week with Aleen Van Vleet to help her celebrate her 100th birthday at Cedar Living Center. They also visited Max and Veanna Carman in Kearney, Neb.

— **Transylvanian Buffet German and Romanian Food, Tuesday, Oct. 26, 6-8 p.m. LandMark Inn 475-2340.**

Keely Wilson, Julie, Harmony, Derek and Noah of Kearney, Neb., were weekend guests of her parents, James and Kimberly Witt, Ashleigh and Whitney. They and Tyler and Tiffany Witt and Trevor went to St. Francis on Saturday to attend funeral services for Martha Schultz, 84, who was a grandmother of Kimberly Witt. Later they all enjoyed the Swedish smorgasbord at the Herndon Covenant Church.

Kevin Dixon of Atwood was guest speaker on Sunday at the Oberlin United Methodist Church and also sang several songs. He is the son of the late Don and LaVay (Huntley) Dixon.

Gabe Moore was one of the homecoming king candidates at Bethany College in Lindsborg. He is an instrumental music education major and is a member of the Bethany College Band and Gamma Kappa Alpha fraternity. His parents are Monte and Kelly Moore.

Elaine Bryan accompanied Corinne and Dave Benton of Topeka to Colorado on Wednesday, where they enjoyed the fall foliage in the mountains and also spent time in Estes Park and Denver. They returned to Oberlin on Friday.

starting his own business, Mr. Robinson worked in the lumber and construction industry for 20 years. They have lived in Bayard for 29 years.

Mr. Robinson was born and reared in the Bayard area and his wife is from Scottsbluff. They have a son, Chris, a medical doctor in Scottsdale, Ariz., and a daughter, Tiffany, who owns Small Steps Daycare in Oberlin. She and her husband Tyler Witt have a 3-month-old son, Trevor, and they live on a farm northeast of town. He works for Grafel Farms.

To contact Mr. Robinson, call (308) 641-1375.

Supper benefits landscaping

A benefit taco supper sponsored by the Oberlin Camp of the Modern Woodmen of America last week brought in nearly \$4,100 to help with the landscaping and retaining wall at the senior meal site.

Marie McKisson, secretary of the organization, said \$3,170 was given by those who attended the meal and

radiation therapy at North Platte, Neb.; proceeds will go to help with medical expenses.

She and her husband Tim have a 2-year-old son, Wyatt. She is a 1999 graduate of Cheylin High School in Bird City. Her husband is a brother of Kevin Rippe, loan officer at The Bank in Oberlin.

For details or to make a donation, call Nadine Green at (785) 322-5583 or Ruth Holste at (785) 626-3522.

Safe driving program set

The American Association of Retired Persons Driver Safety Program and the Atwood Lions Club will sponsor a driver safety class from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Atwood American Legion.

The classroom refresher should help drivers improve their skills and their alertness to their driving scene.

Physical changes that come with aging, rules of the road and are

\$900 was donated by the Modern Woodmen.

Landscaping will be done in phases, with the first part to be completed before winter by Nelson Concrete. The front of the building will get a retaining wall and steps.

driving problems are some topics to be covered.

All licensed drivers are invited to take this course. Cost is \$12 for members and \$14 for nonmembers. The Sherman County Farm Bureau will pay half the cost.

Class size is limited to 30 students. For details or to register, call Bill Beamgard, (785) 626-3020, or Don Keihl, (785) 890-6638.

New Arrivals

Ada Mae Norman

A daughter, Ada Mae Norman, was born Oct. 13, 2010, to Luke and Erin Norman of Crawford, Neb. She weighed 8 pounds, 8 1/2 ounces. Grandparents are Dale and Tammy Musgrave, Ong, Neb.; and Diane

and the late Bee Norman, Crawford, Neb. Great-grandparents are Lee and Judy Ploussard, Oberlin; Lawrence and Lila Jennings, Jennings; and Dean and Myrna Musgrave, Indianola.

Students jump for heart

Students at Oberlin Elementary School participated in the American Heart Association's Jump Rope for Heart event on Oct. 1 and raised a total of \$6,306.

Third grader Bethany Mason raised the most money with \$300. Several other students did an outstanding job, gym teacher Jeff Jones said, including fifth grader Trevor Bruhn with \$276; sixth grader Austin Brown, \$255; and kindergartner Teague Morford, \$250. The first grade collected the most as a class with \$1,272.

The event was held during physical education classes, Mr. Jones

said. Students worked hard to help fight heart disease and stroke.

The physical education classes earned a gift certificate from U.S. Games for \$300, which will be used to help buy new equipment, Mr. Jones said they'd like to thank everyone who helped them or made donations.

Woodalls to perform Monday

The Woodalls, a family singing group, will present a program during the morning worship services at 11 a.m. and again at 7 p.m. on Sunday at the Oberlin Assembly of God Church.

The family, which includes two sons and their parents, will lead services at 7 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at the church. Everyone is welcome.

Turkey dinner set for tonight

The Oberlin Covenant Church will hold its annual Fall Harvest Celebration from 5 to 7 p.m. tonight, at the church, 710 W. Cedar.

roast turkey and dressing with all the trimmings. They invite everyone to come and enjoy the meal for a donation.

Parent conferences planned

Parent-teacher conferences for Oberlin Elementary and Decatur Community Junior-Senior High will be held from 4:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 27, and from 4 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 28.


At the high school, conferences will be in the cafeteria. The kindergarten conferences will be held in the kindergarten room with teachers Diana Steinmetz and Jeri Bucholz.

There will be no assigned times for parents of fifth and sixth graders. Parents can meet with Carol Dixon, Sandy Ketterl and Jeff Jones in the gymnasium both days. Mardi Lohofener, Carol Wasson and Sheila Jansonius will be available for conferences in their rooms.

There will be no school classes on Thursday because of the confer-


ences, and no school on Friday, Oct. 29, because of state volleyball.

60 Years Old
October 23, 1950
Good grief, once she looked young but now she is an



Antique

Happy Birthday, Sis!
From your handsome brothers!



Club News

Woman gives program

The Oct. 11 meeting of the Pi Alpha Club was held at the home of Rosella Meitl and she gave devotions, "Thoughts from a Blood Donor's Table," and also told a Hospice story.

Linda Hollowell was introduced and welcomed by Mrs. Meitl. She told about her profession in the medical field and said she works in several capacities at the Good Samaritan Center. She entertained the group with several gospel songs. She worked many years in Denver before she and her husband moved to Oberlin. She asked that the \$20 club gratuity be given to the Star committee

at Good Samaritan. President Gerry Neff said members are to meet at 2 p.m. on Oct. 19 at Good Samaritan to put on the October birthday party for residents. Rolls will be served.

Eleven members answered roll call, dues were collected and a donation was accepted for the Christmas Angel Tree. Rachele Lytle won the hostess gift.

The next meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. Monday at Sappa Valley Manor with a light lunch to be served by the hostesses, Joan Evans and Kristy Evans. Kristy will have the entertainment.

Club observes 60 years

The Zeta Nu Club met on Thursday, Oct. 14, at the LandMark Inn to celebrate its 60th anniversary with a luncheon. Eloise Smith welcomed the group and Charlotte Meints had devotions.

Others attending were Ella Betts and Dorothy Avery, former members, Ruth Miesner, Gladys Geis, Joan Larue, Kay Marcuson, Dorothy Cochran, Mary Henzel, Marian Fraker, Angie Wilson, Judy Davis, Mary Waldo and Janice Winters.

The club will entertain for birthdays at 2:30 p.m. Nov. 18

at the Good Samaritan Center. Four residents will have birthdays and the second-grade class will entertain.

The Nov. 11 meeting will be a brunch at the home of Angie Wilson, followed by the Veterans Day program at the grade school and the veterans parade downtown. Members will be collecting for the Angel Tree and also for veterans at this meeting. Mrs. Fraker thanked those who helped with the meal for the funeral of Erlene Schroer.

Members enjoy luncheon

Eight members of the Garden Lover's Garden Club met on Sept. 28 for lunch at the LandMark Inn.

There was a short discussion on an heirloom tomato that Shirley Shields had started this spring. It provided a bumper crop of huge tomatoes. She also led a discussion on dividing plants and graciously invited members

to her home for the many plants that she was digging up and dividing. She discussed which would do best in a sunny location or in the shade.

The last meeting of the season will be at noon on Tuesday at the LandMark. Call there to pre-order your lunch. The discussion will include "Getting your garden ready for winter."

Widows and Friends meet

Widows and Friends gathered at the Frontier Cafe on Oct. 13 for an 8:30 a.m. breakfast.

The next meeting will be an 11:30 a.m. luncheon at the Pizza Hut on Wednesday, Nov. 10. A get-well card was signed for their

leader, Mary Ann Amack.

Attending were Phyllis Screen, Mildred Holmdahl, Eileen Grose, Cecil Hess, Nadean Stoney, Eula Juenemann, Laurene Van Otterloo, Martha Fringer and Doris Fringer.

Oberlin Arts and Humanities presents...

The Kid Fiddlers



Oberlin Gateway Center
Saturday, October 23
7:30 p.m.

From Henderson, Nevada, the Kid Fiddlers perform on seven different instruments, sing and clog.

Oberlin Arts & Humanities Season Ticket Event or \$10 per adult, \$5 per student, grade 1-12. For information call Ella Betts, 785-475-3557, or Mary Henzel, 785-470-0218.



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