

People in Our Community

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Dr. Gary and Sarah Fredrickson returned home Sunday from a six-day trip to Jamaica. They were joined there by Vic and Linda Brown of Coudersport, Pa. They celebrated the 25th wedding anniversary of the Fredricksons; the 35th wedding anniversary of the Browns, and a surprise 50th birthday party for Mrs. Fredrickson.

Gene and Helen Gee returned Monday evening of last week from a trip to Colorado in observance of their 42nd wedding anniversary on Oct. 18. They visited his brother, Jerry and wife, Beverly Gee of Colorado City, and sister Lanore Hand of Howard. The Gees attended church with Lanore on Sunday and then had lunch in Salida with Gene's sister and her friend Donna of Howard.

Gary and Mary Ann Erickson returned home last week from a six-week vacation trip to Boston and other points of interest in the eastern states.

Bernie and Linda Wennermark of Fairview, Ore., were weekend houseguests of Gail and Kay Marcuson. The men are cousins.

Rod Steinmetz, who was seriously injured on July 13 when a semi tire exploded and struck him, returned to his home in Two Buttes, Colo., on Oct. 16 after being hospitalized at Swedish Hospital and later at Craig Rehabilitation Hospital for therapy in Englewood, Colo. His wife, Patty, brought him home.

Max and Veanna Carman returned home Friday from Kearney, Neb., where she had been hospitalized following recent surgery. Visiting them over the weekend were her daughters, Patty and Frank Rutherford and D.J., Tucson, Ariz., and Susan Orr, Colby, who had come to help their grandmother, Aleen Van

Vleet, celebrate her 100th birthday at Cedar Living Center.

Cecil Hess attended the St. Francis Elementary School music program, given by kindergarten through third grade students, on Tuesday evening. Vocal director is her daughter, Jean Ann Confer.

Doris Fringer accompanied Curtis and Chris Walston to Olathe, where they spent the weekend visiting James and Heather Shirley and family. On Saturday they attended a farewell party for James, who will be going to San Antonio, Texas, to spend a year with the Reserves. The Walstons also attended the Kansas City Chiefs game on Sunday. They all returned home Monday.

Nancy Ellis of Topeka is spending time with her mother, Joy Votapka, who is recuperating at home from recent knee surgery at McCook.

Cheryl Votapka attended the last campout of the season for the High Plains Roamers. The club camped at Meade and toured the Meade County Museum and the Dalton Gang Hideout. They were treated to a character enactment of Doc Holiday. On Saturday, they visited the air museum and cotton warehouse in Liberal. The weekend came to a close with a church service, led by Jerry Odle of Montezuma.

Winning highs in pinochle at the Golden Age Center last week were Elden Haas, Marie McKisson, Neil Marshall, Dorothy Moore, Dewaine Stapp, Norma Anderson and Henry Edgett. Lows went to Dorothy Moore, Neil Marshall, Ardis Roe, Henry Edgett, Elden Haas and Peggy Ream. Kay Marcuson and Dorothy Moore were winners at chicken foot dominoes. There was no pitch. Bridge winners were Dorothy Cochran and Shirley Simpson.

Man enjoys volunteering

Evan Jorn, 58, a 1969 graduate of Decatur Community High School, was honored recently for his volunteer work. He spends a chunk of his time each week volunteering with the Hospice in Lawrence.

He helps patients in and out of chairs, feeds them, walks them to the bathroom — whatever's needed. Every Thursday, he carts this acoustic set to the Care Cottage to play guitar. On performance days, he strums songs that resonate with the crowds he sings for, an aging group, many with terminal cancer or Alzheimer's disease.

When he plays, he gets to watch toes tap and smiles fold onto faces that were previously inert, vacant.

"There's really no end to the rewards of being a volunteer," he says. "Because I choose volunteer activities that fit my interest and

abilities, it's more likely that I'll be happier for having done the work, and I usually am.

"A volunteer gig is a lot like a job: You want one you're both good at and enjoy. Finding community activity that jibes with interests can make volunteering more pleasant for both the individual and the community at large.

"I have had the opportunity to grow from a poor farm kid — rich in love, poor in money — to a college-educated engineer and manager."

Mr. Jorn said he started volunteering in his early 50s.

He was reared on a farm in Olive Township, the son of the late Don and Glee Jorn. He and his wife Mary, as well as his sisters, Nancy Jorn and Peggy Williams, live in Lawrence.

Woman takes x-ray training

Sherri Kyte of Oberlin is completing a two-year course through Southeast Community College in Lincoln, Neb., and has accepted a part-time position as an x-ray technician at Community Hospital in McCook.

The former Sherri Gaines, daughter of Jim and Beverly Gaines of Oberlin, she graduated from Decatur Community High School in

1985 and completed cosmetology school at McCook Beauty Academy in 1986. She has operated the Hair Gallery in Oberlin since that time.

She plans to have the Hair Gallery open by appointment only on Saturdays, beginning Nov. 1.

She has a daughter, Sara, who is a senior at Decatur Community High School, and a son, Austin, who is an eighth grader.

Sign-up period extended

The cutoff date for applications for the Conservation Stewardship Program has been extended to Jan. 7, the U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Service says.

"All farmers are encouraged to apply for CSP," said Eric Banks, state conservationist for the agency. "Eligible lands include cropland, pastureland, rangeland and nonin-

dustrial forestland."

A self-screening checklist is available to help farmers determine if their land might fit in this program at www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/new_csp/csp.html.

For information, stop by the county office at 408 S. Buffalo and talk with the staff about this and other programs, or call 475-3131.

Acrobats to perform Sunday

The Golden Dragon Acrobats will perform at 3 p.m. Sunday at the Colby High School Auditorium, sponsored by the Western Plains Arts Association.

They represent the best of a tradition that began more than 27 centuries ago. Direct from Hebei, China, the company has traveled around the world, to all 50 states and to over 65 countries on five continents.

major awards over its history, including the National Association of Campus Activities Entertainer of the Year Award and Campus Activities Today's Performer of the Year Award.

Admission is by season ticket or at the door, adults \$15 and students \$7.



Scottie and Chelsey Mishler

Couple exchange vows in outdoor ceremony

Chelsey Rose Juenemann and Scottie Gene Mishler were married at 6:30 p.m. on July 26, 2010, in an outdoor ceremony at the home of her parents, Fred and Lesa Juenemann, at the family farm north of Brewster. The Rev. George T. Rahn of Colby officiated.

The bride is the granddaughter of Eula Juenemann, Oberlin, and the late Bernard Juenemann, and Buell Briney, Brewster, and the late Ruth Briney.

She graduated from Fort Hays State University in 2003 and teaches fifth and sixth grade reading at the Lakin Middle School.

The bridegroom is the son of Larry Mishler, Garden City, and Joni Adams, Beloit. He is the grandson of Harriet Mishler, Commerce,

Okla., and the late Lawrence Mishler, and the late Frank and Sue Hart. He farms northwest of Lakin.

The bride's attendants were Kaleigh Mishler, daughter of the bridegroom, and Lexi Weaver, sister-in-law of the bride.

The bridegroom was attended by his son, Garrett Mishler, serving as best man, and his father.

Asha and Willow Juenemann, nieces of the bride, were flower girls. They were escorted across the yard on a John Deere wagon by Kade Juenemann, nephew of the bride. Readers were Kiedra Riedel and the bridegroom's sister, Tennile Williams.

The couple lives northwest of Lakin.

Luncheon held on Friday

The staff, correspondents and photographers were entertained by *The Oberlin Herald* to a luncheon on Friday at the LandMark Inn.

Those attending included: Dianne Bremer, Mount Pleasant News; Louise Cressler, Jennings, Virgil and Joyce Price, Norcatour News; Veda Wood, Lyle; Lisa Paulson, Good Samaritan Center; Julie Hafner, Herndon; Mary Lou Olson, Midway and society editor; Susan May, photography; Kimberly Da-

vis, managing editor; Tim Davis, advertising; Jody Betts, Yesteryear; Pat Cozad, bookkeeping; Leslie Nollette, advertisement make-up; and Nancy Robinson, proofreading.

Those unable to attend were Teresa Shaughnessy, Cedar Living Center; Jacque Boultinghouse, Selden; Vicki Allison, Rexford; Sarah Fredrickson, photographer, and Carolyn Kelley-Plotts, Outback.

District governor visits club

District Gov. Peter Marcos was a guest at the Oct. 12 meeting of the Oberlin Rotary Club when it met at The Gateway.

Program Chair Dick Ahlberg asked President Lynn Doeden to introduce the governor and his wife Corline, along with Assistant District Gov. Peggy Cabrinha of the Atwood Rotary Club. Gov. Marcos said that his theme for this year is "Building Communities/Bridging Continents." He talked about the Rotary Foundation and what it does, along with grants that are available to Rotary Clubs, up to \$1,500, for community projects.

With this district being a "Future Vision Pilot District," he said, up to \$30,000 is available in grants. Clubs only need to apply for this money.

Mr. Marcos talked about his focus areas for this year, then presented President Doeden with this year's pennant and pins and gave a Paul Harris Award to Herschel and Jody

Betts for their contributions to the foundation.

Guests were Jessica Bremer and Kay Brown.

Members met on Oct. 19 at The Gateway and Program Chair Gary Anderson introduced Jim Sherer, president of the Great Western Cattle Trail Association in Dodge City. He said that this organization began in Oklahoma and Texas but now has a chapter in Kansas, with future chapters in Nebraska and Montana.

Their mission is to promote and preserve the heritage of the cattle drives of the late 1800s. The cattle trail from Dodge City passed just west of Oberlin, going all the way up to Canada. This organization wants it to be designated as a National Historic Trail, he said.

Guests were Connie Grafel and Junior Rotarians from Decatur Community High School, Erin Jeffrey and Tim Larson.

Club News

Club enjoys program

Monday Evening Club members met at the Last Indian Raid Museum on Oct. 11 for the program, "Oberlin, Through the Years" presented by Sharleen Wurm, museum director, with the assistance of Dick Carman.

Through the use of photos, she featured the several spaces on South Penn, which now include Home Planning Center, Ray Jewelry and the Decatur County courthouse.

Members answered roll call by showing a photo of their home and telling the year it was built. Plans were made to entertain at 6:30 p.m. on Nov. 18, at Cedar Living Center and a donation was

voted for the new bowling alley. Club President Sue May expressed appreciation to Sharon Addleman, who planned the club float for the 125th anniversary of Oberlin parade. It featured associate member, Dottie Lotker; her daughter, Laurie Wasson and daughter-in-law, Kelly Wasson and her daughter, Michaela Wasson.

The Nov. 8 meeting will be held at the home of Peggy Pratt with Judith LaBash as co-hostess. Members are to wear something hand knit or bring an afghan. The program, "What it takes to be a Master Knitter" will be given by Ann Gallentine.

Auxiliary hears teachers

Five officers, four members and guests of the Oberlin American Legion Auxiliary enjoyed a program presented by Decatur Community High School teachers Candy DeJmal, Wendy Scott and Jason Ketterl, "Career Clusters and Pathways," when they met on Oct. 13, at the Legion Hall.

The teachers explained that the program uses video handouts in their classes and showed how they will work.

President Angela Corcoran opened the business meeting and Chaplain Lois Lamb gave the prayer, followed by the group repeating the Pledge of Allegiance

and Preamble. The president reported that the auxiliary has been assigned to Fort Dodge Soldiers Home and money will be sent there for their gift shop.

The president held a membership recognition presentation for Dolores Koeperich, 10 years; Carol Allen, 11; Phyllis Metcalf, 12; Phyllis McCartney, 17; Deanna Castle, 32; Carol Morford, 38; Lois Lamb, 51; Carolyn Hackney, 1, and Mrs. Corcoran, 32. A card was signed for Edna Mott, who is in the hospital. Hostesses were Mrs. Allen and Mrs. Lamb.

Women discuss fashions

Calico Gals met Oct. 20 at Coffee, Tea and Me with Detta Anderson as hostess. Members present were Phyllis Screen, Shirley Shields, Margaret McEvoy, Sandy Counter, Betty Grout and Millie Lippelmann.

The club collect and the flag salute were given. Roll call was a new fall fashion. Large purses,

long scarves, bright colors and fake coats were mentioned. Phyllis Screen won the hostess gift.

The Thanksgiving meeting will be at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 17, at the Oberlin Covenant Church and the meal will be catered. Several members volunteered to decorate tables. Election of officers will be held.

Replacement seminar Nov. 2

Dr. Scott Franssen, an orthopedic surgeon with Central Nebraska Orthopedics and Sports Medicine of Grand Island and Hastings, Neb., will present information about total joint replacement at 7 p.m. Tuesday Nov. 2, at Community Hospital in McCook.

Information on the hospital's class, "Totally Committed: A Joint Replacement Experience," will be available.

This seminar, including information on treatment and rehabilitation of the hip and knee, is free,

but reservations are required. Call Sarah Wolford at (308) 344-8550 by Friday, Oct. 29.

Dr. Franssen and his partner, Dr. Michael McCarty, specialize in general orthopedics and sees patients at the hospital orthopedic clinic every Tuesday and Wednesday. Both also perform surgery in McCook each week, including joint replacements. They have seen patients in McCook since 2008.

To make an appointment, call the clinic at (308) 344-8376.

School conferences set

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

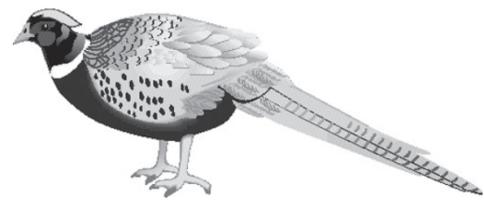
At the high school, conferences are held in the cafeteria.

At the grade school, the kindergarten conferences will be held in the kindergarten room. Parents of

students in fifth and sixth grade will meet with Carol Dixon, Sandy Ketterl and Belinda Jones in the gymnasium; Mardi Lohoefer, Carol Wasson and Sheila Jansonius will not have scheduled times, but will be available for conferences in their rooms.

There will be school on Thursday, but there will be no school on Friday due to state volleyball.

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