

Norcatour News

By the Norcatour News Committee

Congratulations to Dewayne Jackson, who celebrated his 30th anniversary with the United States Postal Service on April 4. He began working for the post office in 1981 as a substitute rural carrier at Norcatour, then was promoted to full time rural carrier in August of 1982.

Senior Citizens met on Friday with 13 present. Winners were Jackie Porter, Jodi Lyon and Veda Wood. The next meeting will be at 1:30 p.m. on Friday.

Stan Miller won first and Larry Lively, second, at the pool tournament on March 23 at the Cardinal Bar and Grill.

The Maple Grove Church will present a Christian gospel music program a 2 p.m. on Sunday at the Norcatour United Methodist Church.

Birthdays include Sherri Regal, Terry Gade, April 7; Margaret Magers, April 8; Dennis Shirley, April 10; Jerry Temple, April 12.

Guests at the Stan Miller farm from March 25 to March 27 were Mr. and Mrs. Casey Tuttle and Jade of El Dorado. They came so Justice could be matron of honor for her

friend, Kelsey Gallentine, who was married to Caleb Peters in Oberlin on Saturday, March 26.

Beth Johnson attended graveside services for her cousin, Cordell Clason, at Long Island on March 29.

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Miller went to Hays on Saturday, April 2, and were guests at the Steve Miller home. They also visited Steve and Marva and family, Angie Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Miller and Jon and Linda Broyles of Haysville. They all attended the 43rd annual show of the Hays High Plains Kansas Chapter Barbershop Harmony Society of which Steve is a member, at the Beach-Schmidt Performing Arts Center. The group will present another show on Thursday, April 14, in the afternoon and evening. Mr. and Mrs. Stan Miller also visited Mr. and Mrs. John Rule in Hays.

Word was received of the death of Mrs. Virginia Craig, 90, on Feb. 26. Her husband was Virgle Craig and both are buried in Arkansas.

Gary and Cathy Anthony attended church and the potluck at Lyle on April 3, then Margaret Magers accompanied them to Lebanon for

the pancake supper at the American Legion in the evening.

Rea and Dee Magers enjoyed a day of fishing with their son, Jeff Magers, last Saturday. Recent visitors of Rea and Dee Magers were her cousins, Marilyn Otter, New Almelo, and Donna Roth, Iowa. They also attended the Prairie Land Electric dinner together in Norton.

The weekend of March 26 and 27, family and friends gathered at the Jerrod and Kortney Poire home to celebrate the baptism of Kynleigh Ann Poire. Guests were Dave and Patty Stapp, Sam Stapp, Marian Dempewolf, Linda Schiep, Addison Schliep, Don and Debbie Poire, Jamie and Kerry Poire, Dylan and Chase, Matt and Marie Walker and Garret. Kynleigh was baptized at the Methodist Church in Erie.

Wave Reames, Bee Nelson, Gary and Devonna New and Judy Jackson had supper together last Saturday evening.

Virgil and Joyce Price attended the community dinner at Lyle on Sunday. Norma McCallister and Sherri Regal were recent visitors at the Price home.

We need to recheck labels

Food professionals urge consumers to read Nutrition Facts labels before choosing food products, but re-reading the labels on frequently purchased products periodically also is recommended.

Product formulas and processes can change, and while such changes may bring improvements, it's possible that nutrition information has changed and also possible for a potential allergen to have been introduced.

Packaging typically changes periodically, and that may mean that the number of servings per package also has changed.

Product names also can change. For example fruit formerly identi-



Home Time

By Tranda Watts
Regional Extension Agent

fied as "ugly fruit" is now being marketed as "uniq fruit."

More information about evaluating Nutrition Facts labels and choosing and using health-promoting foods is available at K-State Research and Extension offices throughout the state or by e-mailing twwatts@ksu.edu.

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Jennings News

By Louise Cressler

Stan and Ramona Shaw spent the weekend at the home of Kyle and Lisa Bollers, Tyce and Tenley, at Lockbuie, Colo. They attended the first birthday party of their great-granddaughter, Tenley, on Saturday at the Bollers home.

Rachel Carter is happy to announce the birth of her new great-granddaughter, Molly Bea Cawfield. Parents are Missy and Adam Cawfield. Grandparents are Allan and Sherry Carter, Overland Park.

Jennings Lions Club held Ladies night Thursday evening in the Senior Center. Their wives and other invited ladies were guests. The meal was prepared by Dave New and Tara Lahr.

A large group of people from the community worked Saturday at the American Legion building. The bushes around the building were cut and hauled off. After church services Sunday at the United Methodist Church, a potluck dinner was enjoyed. An Administrative Council was then held. Those attending were: the Rev. Barbara Patterson, Ken and Julie Carter, Keith and Helen Muirhead, Kenny and Vi

Krizek, Violet Foster, Kathy Nauer, Rachel Carter, Marge Hartzog, Darlene LaRue, Imogene Keenan and Louise Cressler.

Dinner guests of Lila Jennings on Friday were Loren and Phyllis Harris, Salina; Betty Harris and Patti Harris, Del Ray Fla.; Pam Page, Lake Mary, Fla.; Wanda Harris, Sheryl Thomas, John and Dennis Rohwer, Sam and Trudy Abbond, all of Omaha; Chuck Griffith and Brett Jennings. The evening was spent on "catching up with everyone and remembering the "good old times" the cousins had. We extend our sympathy to the Loren Harris family in the recent loss of their daughter, Dianna.

The Jennings Czech Museum held its monthly meeting at the Royal Neighbor Hall on Thursday afternoon, April 7. President Neoma Tacha conducted the meeting with directors Mary Wahlmeier, Alice Mizer, Lila Jennings, Bob Tacha, Dean Gawith, Mike Tacha, and Doyle Brown present. We are happy to welcome our two new directors, Alice Mizer and Doyle Brown, to our group.

Family information about Tony Pavlas and George Petrusek has been sent to their families. We have received memorials for Lawrence Jennings and Mrs. Harwood Kolsky.

Discussion about our near future activities was held. We will be open during the Memorial weekend and Alumni Banquet afternoon. There will be a couple of work days to get the crosses and flowers ready for the Jennings and Big Timber cemeteries and the Auxiliary will be getting the poppy arrangements ready for placing soon. Our next meeting will be at 2 p.m. on May 5.

The Jennings American Legion Post #351 would like to thank the family and friends of the members for the work done Saturday afternoon. The overgrown shrubs that were on the west and south side of the Legion Hall were removed. Those working were Kenny Krizek, Eugene and Dona Mrstik, Bob and Neoma Tacha, Royal and Peggy Tacha, Jeff and Mary Wahlmeier, Nick Wahlmeier, Lila Jennings, Brett Jennings, Brian and Westley Jennings.

Mount Pleasant News

By Dianne Bremer

Decatur Community High School placed first in their division and first overall in the McCook Community College Inter-High Scholastic competition Wednesday, April 6. Among those competing were Elizabeth Nedland, Cassidy Shields, and Zach May. Elizabeth placed second in literature and third in English, the improvisational team of Cassidy Shields, Joe Hirsch, Matt Glading, and Miki Dorshorst placed fourth, and Zach competed in geometry and chemistry. The improvisational team was given a topic and one minute to prepare a three-minute skit. All students who placed in the top three were given medals and certificates worth up to three credit hours of tuition for Summer 2011 which may be used for online, distance learning, or on-campus courses.

J. D. Johnson's eighth grade history class presented their sec-

ond annual wax museum "A Walk through Time" as history came to life in the Decatur Community High School gymnasium Saturday, April 9. After each student chose a figure from American History to research, they had to create a timeline, write and memorize a biography of their character, dress in costume, and have a prop to add interest to their presentations. Among the eighth grade students were Caitlin Shields portraying Dolly Madison, Dakota Tate portraying Jebediah Smith, and Garrett Scott portraying Robert Fulton.

Friday evening dinner guests at the home of Rhonda May and Dan Nedland and Elizabeth were Hunter Nedland, Rhiannon Davies, and Liam Nedland; Cameron Nedland and Stacy Hauck, Manhattan; and Amanda Marshall and Gatlin Reichert.

An enjoyable performance of

"Meet the Maxwells", the Decatur Community High School all-school play, was held Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon in the DCHS auditorium. Among the cast members was Elizabeth Nedland who portrayed Connie Maxwell, the brainy, college bound student.

Kelly Olson, Manhattan, was a weekend guest of her parents, Jerry and Connie Olson.

Cameron Nedland and Stacy Hauck, Manhattan, came back for the weekend to watch Elizabeth Nedland in the Decatur Community High School all-school play and were guests of his parents.

What is Love?

By Sharon Nelson, Evangelical Covenant Church, Oberlin

Sometimes words can be so overused that we don't even know what they mean. Love is just such a word. Surely there are differences among my love for chocolate and my love for my family and God's love for the world. How do we know what those differences are?

The Apostle John spilled some ink on this topic. He answers my question in one of his letters. You can find it in I John 3:16, "This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us." If we want to know what love really is, we look to what Jesus did when he died.

Almost two thousand years ago, those who opposed Jesus found some ridiculous charges to bring against him. Though he was innocent, he was condemned to die because of an insistent crowd and a governor who gave in to their demands. In that day and place, executions were accomplished by nailing the criminal to a wooden cross. It was a slow, painful way to die.

We could conclude that Jesus was merely the victim of political and religious persecution, and that he did

not choose to die. Certainly, the religious and political leaders played their part. But Jesus, being God, could have gotten out of it at any time. In John's gospel, Jesus specifically says that he lays down his life, and that no one takes it from him (John 10:15-18).

Why would anyone have such willingness to die? Maybe someone would die for an especially good person. But who would die for a regular sinner? It turns out, that's exactly what Jesus did. Even though we are sinners, Christ died for our benefit (Romans 5:7-8).

What kind of love is this? This is very different from the way we love. So often, our love is really manipulation. We say, "If you really love me, you'd _____." I'll love you if you _____." You can fill in the blanks. So often our love comes with strings attached. God does not love in that way. Jesus willingly gave up his life for us, even though we don't deserve it and can never repay him. That is unconditional, unending, faithful, steadfast, and amazing love.



Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

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785-475-3103
Fr. Mark Berland,
MASS: 10:30 a.m., Sunday

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC, LEONVILLE
Fr. Mark Berland,
MASS: 8 a.m., Sunday.

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, SELDEN
Fr. Mark Berland,
MASS: 5:30 p.m., Saturday

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: Praise team practice, 8 p.m.

CLAYTON UNITED METHODIST
Pastor: Ed Woods
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.

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SUNDAY: 9:45 a.m. Morning worship, 11 a.m. Youth group, 4 p.m.

NORCATOUR UNITED METHODIST
Pastor: Ed Woods
SUNDAY: Worship Service, 10 a.m.; Church School, 10:30 a.m.

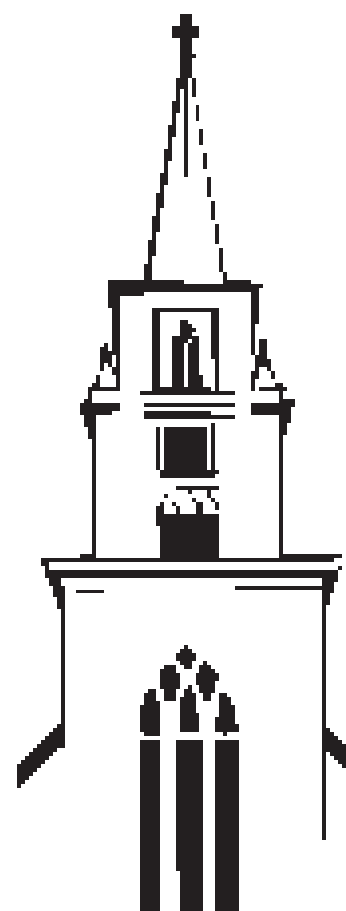
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SUNDAY: Morning Worship 9 a.m.

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LUND COVENANT CHURCH
Pastor: Doug Mason
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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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The Rev. Charlotte Strecker-Baseler
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Chamber News

By Carolyn Hackney

My weekend outing consisted of attending the Annual Lord's Acre Auction at Prairie Chapel, which is a small church northeast of Oberlin. It is always a fun time where each one brings something to auction off and good food for the meal following the auction. Lynn Johnston has offered his auctioneering ability for several years along with his side kicks, Sid Metcalf and Lynn Rippe, to make for an enjoyable and exciting event. I have never seen any auctioneer get the kind of prices that I saw Sunday. \$80 dollars for a homemade apple pie? \$45 to \$55 per jar for Strawberry Jam? \$30 for a loaf of homemade bread? \$25 for a bag (12-15) homemade chocolate chip cookies? OH yes, and a small baggie of homemade Peanut Brittle for over \$50?

Lynn and Roberta Johnson own and operate Johnson Realty from their office in downtown Oberlin, so if you're in the market for an auctioneer, please give them a call at (785) 475-3785 or stop in at their office at 122 S. Penn Ave.

Coming events sponsored by the Decatur County Area Chamber of Commerce are; Professional Assistants Luncheon on Wednesday,

April 27 (flyers will be out this week), Cinco De Mayo supper on Thursday, May 5; a community Spaghetti Supper in Norcatour on Tuesday, May 24, and a Bake Sale on Friday, May 27 along with the Burger and Brat Fry, sponsored by the Oberlin Business Alliance in front of the Last Indian Raid Museum. Also that day there will be a coffee hour at Home Planning Center from 10 a.m. till closing to help welcome our alumni to town for the weekend.

Another event sponsored by the Oberlin Business Alliance is the Annual Fish Fry on Good Friday, April 22, which will be held in the alleyway south of the Chamber office at 104 S. Penn.

Also something newly-sponsored by Oberlin Business Alliance will be a Community and Business Breakfast (homemade cinnamon rolls and coffee) in the parlor at the Museum on Wednesday morning, May 4 at 7:30 a.m. This is a time to tell others what is going on in the community and downtown, not a gripe session, but to help all the community to be aware of what is happening in our area.

Rexford News

By Vicki Allison

The annual Mission Conference at the Rexford Community Church will be Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The theme this year is, "Taking the Light of the Gospel into a World of Darkness."

Guest missionaries will be Larry and Lilia Baird, Biblical Ministries Worldwide, from Zacatecas, Mexico, and Eric Purcell, Church Resource Ministries, Omaha.

Activities begin Friday evening with a youth pizza party at 6:30 p.m. A breakfast starts at 8 a.m. Saturday and a supper at 6:30 p.m. Sunday School classes will be combined in the sanctuary at 9:30 a.m., with worship at 10:30 a.m. followed by a fellowship dinner.

On Tuesday, April 19, the Rexford Lins Club will have a soup supper fund raiser for Cole Christensen, who will be representing the U.S. in the World Games in Australia in June.

will be served from 5 to 7 p.m., prior to the Golden Plains Middle and High School Concert and the sophomore ice cream social and worker auction. Come on out and support our students and enjoy some good food and entertainment.

The last Bingo event until fall was held at the Red Barn on April 9.

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