

People in Our Community

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Ken and Christie Morris spent Easter weekend with their son, David Morris, in Hastings, Neb. David is working on his master's in teaching at Hastings College.

Air Force Airman 1st Class Corey R. Cook has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. He completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills. Airmen who complete basic training earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force. He is the son of Todd and Crystal Cook of Oberlin and a 2007 graduate of Decatur Community High School.

Kurt and Becky Vollertsen and Herb and Carol Shirley, Oberlin; Mike and Vickie Bailey, Jennings, and Mick and Collette Miller, Norton, vacationed last week and enjoyed several shows in Branson, Mo. The Vollertsens and Shirleys met former Oberlin residents, Gene and Carol Lintner, for dinner in Branson. En route home Saturday, the Vollertsens met their son and family, Grant and Wendy Vollertsen and Charly of Garden City at the Plaza in Kansas City for dinner, then stopped in Hays to visit their daughter, Haley Vollertsen.

Cecilia Brown has returned from a two-week vacation trip to visit her family in Wichita. While there, her granddaughter, Melisa (Kump) Hazell honored her with a party in observance of her 85th birthday. She also visited friends and former neighbors in Springfield, Mo., and Kansas City and was honored with a neighborhood party while in Kansas City. En route home, she visited her sister and husband, Virginia and Lorell Almquist, in Smith Center.

—Surf & Turf Buffet Friday, April 29 6-8 p.m. LandMark Inn 475-2340.

Mike and Bernita Gawith have purchased a home at 710 East Ash and have moved to Oberlin from Stockton. They are the parents of Peggy Ream, Gary Gawith and Scott Gawith. The family formerly lived in Oberlin.

Easter dinner guests of Sid and Cheryl Metcalf were Kim and Mark McConville and Dylan, and Brooke Nelms, Indianola, Neb., and Eileene Grose. That evening Guy Gaskill and his exchange student, Edwardo, the Sid Metcalfs, Shannon Metcalf and Jaime Sauder were supper guests of Shad and Jody Metcalf, Bryson, Seanna and Jude in Colby.

Spencer Young, son of Kirk and Holly Young of Colby, was among

Walking tour planned May 8

A walking tour of downtown Oberlin will start promptly at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 8, at the gazebo in Centennial Park, Penn Avenue and Commercial Street. Participants should be at the park by 1:45 p.m.

Sally Henningson will conduct the tour, which will concentrate on the west side of Main Street. She

Alumni banquet to be May 28

The Decatur Community High-School Alumni Banquet will begin at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, May 28, at The Gateway in Oberlin. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m.

The Oberlin Herald will print a special Alumni section that week, which will include the 10-year anniversary classes of 1937, 1941, 1951, 1961, 1971, 1981, 1991 and 2001, as well as the 25-year class of 1986.

Cut-off date will be May 20

Friday, May 20, is the second cutoff date for Environmental Quality Improvement Program Organic Initiative applications in Kansas to be considered for current-year money.

Sign-up deadline is Friday

Friday is the deadline for applications in the second sign-up for the Lesser Prairie-Chicken Initiative in Kansas.

20 entrepreneurial students who were finalists and qualified to compete in the Next Big Thing idea competition at Kansas State University on Thursday. He is a junior in entrepreneurship and is a former Oberlin resident.

Winning highs in pinochle at the Golden Age Center the past two weeks were Elden Haas, Veanna Carman, Max Carman, Kelva Dryden, Henry Edgett, Doris Fringer, Dorothy Moore, Ardis Roe and Dorothy Wenger. Lows went to Ivis Hanson, Doris Fringer, Veanna Carman, John Cederberg, Ardis Roe, Marie McKisson, Dorothy Moore, Neil Marshall, Henry Edgett and Elden Haas. Chicken Foot domino winners were Ann Mines and Gladys Geis. Taking highs at pitch were Max Carman, Neil Marshall, Henry Edgett and Dewaine Stapp with lows going to Myrna Jones, Elden Haas and Norva Kriegh. Bridge highs went to Dorothy Cochran, Marie McKisson, Charlotte Meints, Marty Olson and Cynthia Matson.

—Victorian Tea Sunday, May 1, 1-3:30 p.m. LandMark Inn. Call 475-2340 for reservations.

Brent and Rhonda Jennings have moved to Oberlin from Topeka. He will be retiring soon from military service. She is the daughter of Rod and Pat Fringer of Oberlin and his parents are Judy Ploussard, Oberlin, and the late Lawrence Jennings.

Chris and Keely Wilson, Julie, Harmony, Derek and Noah, Kearney, Neb.; and James and Kimberly Witt, Ashley and Whitney, and Tyler and Tiffany Witt and Trevor attended a family Easter dinner on Saturday at the home of Larry and Carolyn Schultz at St. Francis.

Guests at the home of Gene and Marcella Leitner were Barbara Leitner, Farmington, N. M.; Ashley Houser, Overland Park; Patricia Tongish, Newton, and Donna Wilson, Wichita.

Mabel McLaughlin is staying with her son, Mike, not George, while undergoing medical treatment. Mail will reach her at Vineyard Park, 4985 Midway Rd, Vacaville, Calif., 95688.

Elaine Bryan spent Easter weekend with Kevin and Sue Renk and Selby at Plainville. Other dinner guests were Casey and Allison Jones, Aiden and Ashton, Plainville, and Matt Renk and friend, Angie, Kansas City.

Members of the Oberlin Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star who attended Grand Chapter of Kansas meeting in Wichita last week were Mary Ann Amack, Karen Bennett, Sarah Orr and Anna Teel of Atwood.

will discuss changes along the street over the years.

The tour will end with refreshments.

This is an Oberlin Arts and Humanities Commission season ticket event or \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. For details, call Ella Betts at (785) 475-3557 or Mary Henzel, (785) 470-0218

All anniversary classes, including the five-year anniversary classes, are asked to leave or call information on the location and times of their reunions to *The Herald* so they may be printed in newspaper. Pictures will be taken of the 10-year classes, the 65-year class and the 25-year class for publication. All other classes that wish pictures taken may call Jeanie Unger at (785) 475-3256.

Stop by the U.S. Department of Agriculture county office at 410 S. Buffalo in Oberlin and visit with the Natural Resources Conservation Service or conservation district staff for information.

Stop by the U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Service at 410 S. Buffalo to get information about the program.

Couple to marry in August

Jaime Sauder and Shannon Metcalf plan to be married on Friday, Aug. 5, 2011, at the Oberlin United Methodist Church.

Parents of the couple are Cindi Sauder, Oberlin, and Dave Sauder, Lewisville, Texas, and Sid and Cheryl Metcalf, Oberlin.

She is the granddaughter of Doris Sloan, Oberlin, and Max Sauder, Green Valley, Ariz.

His grandmother is Eileene Grose, Oberlin.

Rotarians give program

President Lynn Doeden conducted a "Rotary Member Roundtable of Events" segment for the program at the April 12 meeting of the Oberlin Rotary Club.

Each table of members presented news of the community, school, government, business and even their own personal lives.

Doyle and Kay Brown said they will be going back to Hawaii soon as they will again become grandparents. Herschel Betts said that his health is improving. Greg Lohoefer spoke about the recent tour at the bowling alley. Bob and Kay Gaskill have twin grandsons and Bill and Connie Riedel recently became grandparents for the first time, with another baby due in August.

College adds iPad program

The Kansas Board of Regents has approved a new Mobile Application and Entertainment Development program for the Northwest Kansas Technical College.

Students will learn how to develop applications in the iPhone and iPad market. The iOS architecture is one of the fastest growing technology opportunities in modern history, the school says

The program will teach students to create apps and games for the iPhone, iPod Touch, and iPad and

Sheep dog trials this weekend

The Friends of Cottonwood Ranch will hold the annual Cottonwood Ranch Sheep Dog Trials on Saturday and Sunday.

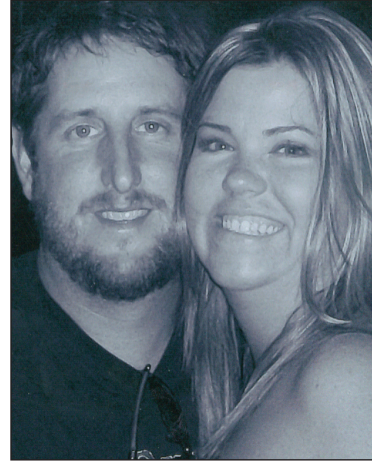
Class competition will begin at 8:30 a.m. both Saturday and Sunday and conclude at 3:30 p.m. or later each day. The Open Class, usually the most competitive, will begin around 1 p.m. both days. The entire course is visible from the visitors area. Bring lawn chairs or other seating.

The trials are one of the earlier events in the region sanctioned by the American Border Collie Association and attract competitors throughout the Great Plains and the Rocky Mountains, from Montana to Texas. Four classes of dogs of

Country show in Quinter

Petrella, known as the first Lady of Country-Soul, will bring her one-woman show, "18 Reasons to Live, Laugh and Love," to the Quinter High School Auditorium at 3 p.m. Sunday, sponsored by the Western Plains Arts Association.

A native of Hot Springs, Ark., she has seven albums and has performed across the nation for the past 15 years.



Jaime Sauder and Shannon Metcalf

The bride-to-be is a partner in Sauder and Daughter Logos on Display.

Her fiancé is a farmer and rancher in northeast Decatur County.

Ken Morris will be taking a leave of absence from Rotary.

Duane Dorshorst reported that Decatur Community High School will start a "professional learning experience" program that will provide on-the-job training and career experiences at area businesses. Ralph Unger spoke about the Decatur County Fair and the upcoming work nights and events for the Amusement Authority. Volunteers are always needed, as it takes 200 helpers to work and man all of the events. Charles and Betsy Haag will have another grandchild, and he will be Rotary president for 2011-2012.

Guests were Mrs. Brown and Mayor-elect Riedel and his wife.

to build cross-platform, mobile web-apps that will run on nearly any modern smart-phone, including iPhone, Android, Blackberry, Windows Mobile, Symbian and more.

It will begin this fall; students have the option of a nine-month certificate or a two-year associate degree. Northwest Tech will take up to 60 students on campus, plus additional online students.

For details, contact Jeff Wolski at jeff.wolski@nwktc.edu or call (785) 890-1541.

varying ages and expertise, with handlers from beginners to professional trainers, will compete to win awards and earn points to qualify them for the National Finals.

The Cottonwood Ranch State Historic Site is on U.S. 24 near Studley, 18 miles west of Hill City or 15 miles east of Hoxie.

Lunch and refreshments will be available both days. The ranch house, now mostly furnished, will be open for tours. Visitors may see some of the off-season achievements of the Friends group and the many pieces of furniture loaned by Bob Jones of Jennings.

There is no admission fee, but donations are appreciated to cover expenses.

Her Dreams of the Heartland Foundation has provided money to the Garland County Literacy Council, the Lupus Foundation of America, the Charitable Christian Medical Clinic, Habitat for Humanity and Court Appointed Special Advocates.

Admission is by Western Plains season ticket or at the door, adults \$10 and students \$5.

Student wins honors in jump rope tourney

Kendra Kelley has excelled during the past year in jump roping, and on Saturday, April 9, at the AAU Jump Rope Tournament at Monarch High School in Louisville, Colo., she qualified in the age 13-14 age group for the Junior Olympics to be held in New Orleans the first week of August.

She received five thirds, two sixths, three sevenths, one eighth and a bronze medal in 13-14 All Around.

Kendra is the daughter of Sheldon and Brenda Kelley of Frederick, Colo., and a granddaughter of Dick and Donna Kelley of Oberlin.

On Saturday, April 16, at the USA Regional Tournament, also held at the high school in Louisville, she

qualified for the 13-14 age group for the Nationals in Galveston, Texas, the last week in June.

She earned one third (Double Dutch Pairs Freestyle, four persons), one fourth (Double Dutch Single Freestyle, three persons) and two fifths, (Double Dutch Pairs Speed) and (Four Person Speed Relay).

She is on the Mad Hops team of Louisville, Colo., which has 60 members. Her coach, Molly Metz, is a seven-time world champion.

Kendra has been jumping for five years and has qualified the last three years for the Junior Olympics, her parents said. This is her first year for nationals.



K. Kelley

Club News

Women focus on Easter

The Prairie Chapel United Methodist Women met on April 6 at the home of Angie Wilson.

President Cheryl Metcalf opened the meeting with the group singing "The Old Rugged Cross," followed by prayer for those mentioned. Phyllis Metcalf gave the devotions on flowers of spring, especially the Easter lily. Prayer Calendar moments were read by Rowena Cathcart.

Roll call, "An Easter Thought," was answered by seven members, Inez Keller.

A donation was given to Nan

Zander for her program on the House of Hope in Haiti.

The Lord's Acre and supper were held April 10. Members made plans for United Methodist Women's Sunday to be held at a later date. Lucille Townsend is collecting money for the Prairie Chapel Memorial Fund.

Pastor Willey gave a program on Easter. A dedication lunch was served by the hostess.

The next meeting will be at noon next Wednesday, at LandMark Inn with the program, "Making Peace with Mother Earth," by Mrs. Townsend

Calico Gals go to Atwood

The Calico Gals Club met on April 20 for lunch at the Park Hill Cafe in Atwood, then went to the Bette Grout home for the meeting.

Others present were Jan Hackney, Barbara Duell, Phyllis Screen, Shirley Shields, Margaret McEvoy, Donna Kelley, Marylu Brown and Delta Anderson.

Roll call was an Easter memory. Mrs. Anderson gave a good report on the club to resident of the Decatur County Good Samaritan

Center. It was suggested that a little club be started at the center. It was reported that a button collection sold for \$3,000 a card at an antique sale. The hostess gift was won by Mrs. Duell.

The next meeting will be at the Good Samaritan Center with May Waldo as hostess on May 18. Each member is to bring a finger food. Roll call will be your wedding picture and members are to tell how they were proposed to.

Auxiliary hears speaker

Ten members of the Oberlin American Legion Auxiliary met at the post hall on April 13.

President Angela Cocoran opened the meeting and Chaplain Deanna Castle gave the prayer, followed by the group saying the flag salute and preamble.

Cindi Sloan Sauder gave a program on volunteering, stressing

the needs at the Good Samaritan Center, especially the need for more men to share a cup of coffee and chat with the men residents.

Two students were chosen to receive \$250 scholarships. A table filled with Easter goodies was prepared and served by Ruth Miesner with the help of Dorothy Woods.

Orchestra reschedules event

The Pride of the Prairie Orchestra performance from April 15, which was cancelled due to weather, has been scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday at Colby Community College's Frahm Theater.

Proceeds will go to the Vernon Akers family to help with medical expenses incurred when Josiah, a violinist, needed emergency surgery.

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