

# Sports

## Summer teams swinging away

This summer, the Decatur County Pony League has a traveling squad with 19 boys in fifth, sixth and seventh grades.

The team is in the western division of the Ellis League. Other teams in the league are WaKeeney, Hoxie, Hill City and Quinter. They play four-inning double headers.

"We have been on the road a lot so far and look forward to many home games," said Coach Tim Breth.

On June 3, the team won one game and lost one to Quinter at home.

"I was very pleased with what I saw on the field," Coach Breth said. "We have a good foundation to build from. I would have liked to win both, but it just didn't happen."

On June 6, the team split a double-header at WaKeeney.

"This was our poorest performance so far," said Coach Breth. "We lacked fire and emotion. We lost the second game in the bottom of the last inning after ruling WaKeeney in the first game."

On June 8, the team won one and lost one at Quinter.

"We played so much better that night," Coach Breth said. "Our hitters broke open the game in the last inning to give us the win. In

the second game, our pitching and defense struggled, but the quality of baseball was so much better."

The team now has a 3-3 record and was to play at Hill City on Monday and at Hoxie tonight.

Next week, the team will not play but the week after, the boys will be at home, playing Hoxie on Monday, June 27, and Hill City on Wednesday, June 29. The first game starts at 6:30 p.m. both nights.

### Bantam Girls Softball

Oberlin downed Phillipsburg 23-19 and 18-17 in a double header on Thursday at home. The girls were to play at home Tuesday against Atwood.

Next week, they will be in Atwood for a 7 p.m. doubleheader on Tuesday, June 21.

### T-Ball

The T-ballers don't keep score but they have a lot of fun.

On Tuesday, Oberlin Livestock played Hansen Mueller and Raye's Grocery played the Bank.

This Tuesday, Raye's was to play Oberlin Livestock and the Bank to meet Hansen Mueller.

Next Tuesday, it will be Oberlin Livestock against the Bank at 6:30 p.m. and Raye's versus Hansen Mueller at 7:30 p.m.

## Co-ed teams get started

The co-ed softball teams were busy last week.

On Sunday, June 5, Pioneer seed downed Unger Chiropractic in two games, 17-15 and 19-4. Then Decatur Co-op beat Sappa Valley Construction in a pair, 17-1 and 13-0.

Last Wednesday, Black Gold won two from Ginger Power, 19-9

and 22-9.

Then it was Co-op over Unger Chiropractic 23-10 and 32-21.

On Sunday, Black Gold beat Sappa Valley 21-3 and 20-10. Pioneer Seed and Co-op split a double header with Pioneer winning the first game 14-13 and Co-op the second, 14-8.

## Luncheon at temple honors 11 members

The Oberlin Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star and Mountain Slope Lodge honored 11 members at a luncheon in the dining room of the Masonic Temple on Sunday, June 5. An audience of 50 witnessed the presentation of pins and certificates.

Martha Ann Hullet of Colby, second warder of the Grand Chapter of Kansas, presented a 50-year pin to Mary Ann Amack and a 60-year pin to Robert Fraker. Unable to attend were Mary Ann Erickson and Ellen Morgan, who had earned 50-year pins, and Lucille Fleming, who was

due a 65-year certificate.

Steve Molstad of Colby, past grand master of Kansas, presided over the presentation of Masonic honors. Charles Johnson received a 50-year pin and Floyd Lotker a 60-year pin. Unable to attend were Doyle Fredrickson, 25-year pin, and Frank Bouts, Arthur Hamilton and Virgil Kump, 60-year pins. The Capella Nova Brass Quartet provided entertainment.

Out-of-town guests were from Colby, Wichita, Jennings, Cozad, Neb., Meeker, Colo., and Dallas.

## Woman to begin teaching



Leta Meitl

Leta Meitl of Dresden has accepted a position at the McCook Beauty Academy.

She brings 25 years of experience as a hairstylist and nail technician which she will share with students. She will teach new and innovative techniques in nail technology, hairstyling, skin care and pedicures.

Her experience as a salon owner will help her to guide students in business education.

She and her husband Mark live on farm in rural Dresden and have three children, John, 20; Samantha, 17; and Katie, 8. She is a 1985 graduate of Decatur Community High School.

## Man gives Oberlin history

Program Chair Darrell Landau presented an interesting program titled, "As I See It - Past, Present and Future," at the June 7 meeting of the Oberlin Rotary Club at The Gateway.

The "past" included 4000 BC, with the first societies and book-keeping being developed. It brought about written language and recording of oral history, events, ancient society and beliefs.

The "present" focused on recognition, achievement, possession, knowledge and fun and games, otherwise known as human drives. Other attributes were related to human, earth and government needs.

The "future" recognizes the primary global problems such as uncontrolled population, overstressed resources and global needs and options. The need to conserve and allocate critical resources as well as plan and monitor earth's ability to sustain life were concerns of the

"future."

We will need to maximize our energy efficiency while transferring to renewable sources, he said. Much of the information presented gave examples of the old versus the new, as well as ideas, inventions, creations, methods and technologies that have changed and will change during these time periods.

A photo spread of earlier times in Oberlin, included Main Street in 1936, included his failed endeavor of building an ice-skating pond that wouldn't hold water, the story of the bell atop the old grade school being moved to the Smick Field entrance, the Oberlin high school band that won first place at the Enid, Okla., Tri-State contest in 1936 and the start of the first student government at Decatur Community High School in 1936. He said he played the clarinet in the band and was also a drum major.

Kay Brown was a guest

## Nominations are needed

The Farm Service Agency is looking for farmers and ranchers to be candidates in its county committee election this fall.

Nomination forms must be post-marked or received in the county office by close of business on Monday, Aug. 1.

"Farmers and ranchers can nominate themselves or any other producer in local administration Area 3 to run for a seat on the committee," said Diane Barrett, Decatur County executive director for the federal agency.

Townships included in the election are Summit, Custer, Jennings, Prairie Dog, Dresden, Lyon and Allison.

The county committee makes decisions on commodity price support loans, conservation and disaster programs, employing the county executive director and other agricul-

tural issues, Mrs. Barrett said

Candidates must participate or cooperate in a program administered by the agency, be eligible to vote in a county committee election and live in the local area they would represent.

The committee is charged with fitting national farm programs to the needs and situations faced by farmers and ranchers here, bringing local expertise and knowledge to Department of Agriculture's daily delivery of programs and services. For information, call the county office at 475-3131.

"Eligible voters may circulate or sign nomination petitions for as many candidates as they choose, including themselves," said Mrs. Barrett. "Also, organizations representing minorities and women farmers or ranchers are encouraged to nominate candidates."

## New Arrivals

### Brooklyn Grace Wilson

Grant and Grayson Wilson of North Little Rock, Ark., welcomed their sister, Brooklyn Grace, into their world on June 1, 2011. She weighed 9 pounds, 8 ounces and was 21 inches long. Their parents are Doug and Karla Wilson. Maternal grandparents are Leona and Lyle Hilker, Oberlin, and the late Ray Krause.



Brooklyn

## Gospel singer to perform

Christian artist Jerry Bennett will perform at The Gateway in Oberlin, at 7 p.m. Sunday, June 19. Admission is free, but an offering will be taken.

His most recent endorsements occurred on Feb 28, 2011 at the FAME (Families Advocating Moral Entertainment) awards, which originated in Branson, Mo. He won top honors as Keyboard Player of the Year, Gospel Artist of the Year, and the top prize, Entertainer of the Year. Previous winners have included

Roy Acuff, Merle Haggard, Hank Thompson, Bob Wills and Elvis Presley.

He has been entertaining during the winter season in the coastal bend of Texas since 2006, first appearing at the Rockport Gospel Festival hosted by the Rockport Police Department. Mr. Bennett has since become a favorite of "Winter Texans."

He also will perform at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Christian Church in Atwood.



The children and grandchildren of Wayne and Phyllis Zwickle request a card shower for their 50th wedding anniversary, June 18th.

Cards can be sent to:  
711 E. Washington  
Oberlin, KS. 67749

Tom and Connie Zwickle  
Dan and Traci Zwickle  
Amy Zwickle and  
Lori Zwickle

# People in Our Community

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Kevin, Georgann, Madeline and Annelise Amack, Meeker, Colo., and John and Shelly Ahrens, Dallas, came June 4 to attend the Eastern Star and Mountain Slope Lodge luncheon on Sunday, June 5, when their mother, Mary Ann Amack, received her 50-year pin.

Shelly and John returned home Monday, but the Amack family spent all week, returning home Sunday.

Word was received of the death of Frederick Helm, retired U.S. Army Colonel, of Honolulu, Hawaii. He was the son of Helen Helm of Cambridge, Neb., and the late John Helm and was reared in the Lyle community. Services are pending.

Norm and Karen Bryan and Kelle McLene of Clarksville, Tenn., have been visiting relatives in the area. Those who joined them for dinner on Thursday at the LandMark Inn were Marvin and Sharon Slabaugh, Elden and Delta Anderson, Dick and Donna Kelley, Rod Bryan, Ron Bryan and Laurene Van Otterloo.

Riley Larkins of Hays is visiting this week with her grandmother, Reta Barratt.

Judy Kump of Wichita, and her grandchildren, Lexie and Mitchell Erney, Wichita, and Kailynn and Casey Hazell, Hutchinson, spent last week with Cecilia Brown.

Ashley Horton was named to the Dean's honor List in the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Nebraska in Omaha for the spring semester.

A semester grade point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale for the block of 12 or more semester hours of graded work is necessary for this recognition. She is the daughter of Dalene Horton of Oberlin.

**Father's Day Buffet Sunday, June 19, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. LandMark Inn. Call 475-2340 for reservations.**

Eileene Grose, Cheryl and Sid

## Club News

### Auxiliary installs officers

The Oberlin American Legion Auxiliary met at the post home on June 8, with five officers and six members present.

President Angela Corcoran conducted the meeting. Chaplain Deanna Castle led a prayer, after which the group repeated the Pledge of Allegiance and Preamble.

Thank-you notes were read from the Harold Berry family for the funeral dinner and Carissa Wentz for her scholarship. The president read department letters. Membership of the unit is 99 percent. Eleven units have turned in their charters.

The president reported on the Memorial Day program. With the

wind, she said, it went well. A big thank you goes to Alana Raile for being Poppy Girl. Poppies are not sold but given to anyone who wants to wear one. Donations are welcome, and the money goes to help veterans.

The president installed officers for the coming year: Judy Scott, president; Melissa Chambers, vice-president; Ruth Miesner, secretary; Dolores Koerperich, treasurer; and Mrs. Castle, chaplain. Outgoing officers Mrs. Corcoran, Carol Morford and Phyllis Metcalf will serve as the executive board.

Hostesses were the outgoing officers.

### Widows and Friends meet

Widows and Friends gathered on June 8, at Coffee, Tea and Me for an 11:30 a.m. luncheon with 15 in attendance.

Coordinator Mary Ann Amack introduced her daughter-in-law, Georganna Amack of Meeker, Colo., as her guest. Eula Juennemann read a humorous story written by a child telling his version of "My Retarded Grandparents - Retired."

Others present were Phyllis Screen, Millie Lippelmann, Nadean Stoney, Elaine Bryan, Virginia Sprating, Cecil Hess, Joy Votapka, Doris Fringer, Martha Fringer, Laurene Van Otterloo, Esther Carlson and Joyce Hartzog.

The July 13 meeting will be an 11:30 a.m. luncheon at Coffee, Tea and Me.

### The Family of Doris Jean Shaw Oliver

will honor her with an Open House to celebrate her

80th birthday!

Selden Parish Hall  
Sunday, June 19th  
2pm until 4pm

No gifts requested. Cards can reach her at  
Box 102, Rexford, K8 67753

