

People in Our Community

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Dr. Alfred Krake, a former Oberlin doctor, is being treated for leukemia, according to Carol Wolf of Hays, a former Oberlin resident and nurse. The family is requesting prayers for him and mail will reach him at Box 9, Dry Prong, La., 71423.

Spending a week with their parents Mary and Stuart Henzel over the New Year were Barron Henzel, San Diego, Calif., and Richard Henzel, St. Petersburg, Fla.

Mary Votapka has returned to Cedar Living Center and is recuperating from a broken hip which she suffered in a fall on Dec. 20. Mail will reach her at 810 W. Columbia, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

– Surf and Turf Buffet Friday, Jan. 20, 6-8 p.m., LandMark Inn.

Kathy Washington of Sioux Falls, S.D., visited from Thursday to Sunday with her father, Marlin Bowen, and her brother, Tim and Connie Bowen. Marlin is back working at Cabin Antiques after undergoing quadruple heart bypass surgery at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney, Neb.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the Salem Lutheran Church, rural St. Francis, for Leila Ruth Hilt, 96, who died Saturday at the Cheyenne County Hospital. She was a sister of Bill Raile, who is a resident of Decatur County Good Samaritan Center.

– Sunday Brunch Buffet Sunday, Jan. 29, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. LandMark Inn. Call 475-2340 for reservations. 03-04

Elynor Bennett, a 1942 graduate of Decatur Community High School, has moved to a nursing

home. Mail will reach her in care of Jamie Fulson, 98 Bermuda Drive, Ponca City, Okla., 74604.

Among area students who were named to the Dean's Honor Roll for the fall semester at Fort Hays State University were Jacinta Carter, Jennings; Andrew Dempewolf and Dakota Soderlund, Oberlin; Jeffrey Riener and Jessica Riener, Herndon.

– Check out 60% off sale rack during January Clearance at The Oberlin Mercantile Company.

April Ann Wolters was a Monday evening dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Wolters.

Winning highs in pinochle at the Golden Age Center last week were Ivis Hanson, Neil Marshall, Dewaine Stapp, Ardis Roe, Doris Fringer, Kelva Dryden and Norma Anderson. Lows went to Willa Urban, Max Carman, Henry Edgett, Neil Marshall, Kelva Dryden and Charlotte Meints. Mexican Train Domino winners were Kay Marcuson and Martha Fringer. Pitch highs were won by Varlan Neal and Veanna Carman with lows going to Henry Edgett and Bob Jones. Cynthia Matson, Merle Shirley and Annette Miller had highs in bridge.

Funeral services were held Monday morning at Herrmann Memorial Chapel in McCook for Ronald L. Myers, 63, of North Platte, Neb., who died Jan. 10, 2012, at Great Plains Regional Medical Center in North Platte, from cancer. He was the son of Lloyd Myers of McCook and the late Violet (Ruzicka) Myers, a 1942 graduate of Decatur Community High School. Among other survivors are his wife, Vicky, and two sons, Shane and Heather Myers, Omaha, and Jason and Renae Myer, Olathe, and families.

Oberlin grad accepted into optometry school

Kurt R. Olson, a 2007 graduate of Decatur Community High School, has accepted an invitation to attend the Midwestern University Arizona College of Optometry in Glendale, and will start classes in August.

He graduated in December from Kansas State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in agronomy. He is a member of FarmHouse Fraternity.

Mr. Olson is the son of Dr. Mark and Barbara Olson of Hoxie. His grandparents are Keith and Mary Lou Olson, Herndon, and Eulaine Benda, Oberlin, and the late Wesley Benda.



Kurt Olson

Scouts plan Cookie Kick-Off

Oberlin Girl Scouts and their leaders are planning an "Up All Night Cookie Kick-Off" beginning at 6:30 p.m. Friday at the Golden Age Center. Dismissal will be at 8 a.m. Saturday. The event will include girls from kindergarten through 12th grade.

Brownie leader Joni Marshall said that admission will be one personal hygiene item. The group will be doing crafts, bag work,

cooking training, watching a movie and eating snacks. Girls are to bring pajamas, sleeping bags and a girlfriend.

Other leaders include Kurt Anderson, Daisies; Sarah Howland, Juniors; and Leslie Plotts, seniors.

Reservations need to be in today. Cost for girls who haven't yet joined Scouts is \$12. For details, call Ms. Marshall at (785) 475-7006.

Turnaround set for Jan. 26

Oberlin Turnaround, "where friends meet on brick streets," will meet at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 26, at the Golden Age Center.

The meeting will include a potluck dinner, so those attending are

asked to bring a favorite dish, along with a table game or inspirational reading to share.

Men, women, children and teenagers are welcome, said organizer Susan Rynearson.

Auxiliary plans brunch

The Oberlin American Legion Auxiliary met on Jan. 11 and made plans to help with a brunch scheduled from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 4, at the Legion Hall.

Proceeds will be used for reconstruction of the Veterans Monument at the Oberlin Cemetery.

The auxiliary will furnish rolls, coffee cake and a fruit bowl to complement other traditional brunch food.

Plans were made to continue preparing for upcoming events, including Girls State, Poppy Day and Memorial Day activities.

Legion makes plans to fix up monument

The Oberlin American Legion and Auxiliary are spearheading a plan to restore the Veterans Monument at the Oberlin Cemetery, which was toppled and the top broken in half by a windstorm last summer.

Rollie Avery and Ruth Miesner, who are heading up the project, said the groups have determined that the monument can be reconstructed, so voted to raise money for the project.

"This monument stands in our community as a representation of the lives and service of generations of men and women," Mr. Avery said. "It is, therefore, our responsibility to restore this symbol."

Members are asking for help.

They said that the monument needs new etching and they are hoping for graphic designers to submit designs. The original etching was a flag at rest with the slogan, "Silent Glory."

Donations may be sent or made directly to a special account at the United Northwest Federal Credit Union, 117 S. Penn, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

A brunch is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 4, at the American Legion as a fund raiser for the project.

The goal is to complete the repairs and have the monument installed by Memorial Day. For details, contact either Alan Marietta or Judy Scott on the fund-raising committee.

Pianist to perform

Ronnie Kole, a world-renowned pianist and entertainer, will once again perform at The Gateway civic center in Oberlin at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 28.

Mr. Kole, part of the New Orleans music scene for decades, has performed in over 600 cities worldwide for audiences including Pope John Paul II and six U.S. presidents. He has appeared at Carnegie Hall and entertains regularly at New Orleans' two most prestigious festivals, the Jazz and Heritage Festival and the French Quarter Festival.

A typical Kole concert includes tunes from Broadway, "Phantom of the Opera" and "Amazing Grace," plus audience requests.

He has published a number of CDs including "Music of the

Vines," arranged around his music tours of the wine country of France, where he is popular. As a result, he received the Chevalier to the Arts and Letters, the highest award the French Government gives to an artist or performer.

Mr. Kole gives much of his time and talent to civic and charitable activities. He has been honored with one of five bronze statues in New Orleans Music Legends Park along side Al Hirt, Pete Fountain, Fats Domino and Chris Owens.

This is an Oberlin Arts and Humanities season ticket event or \$12 for adults and \$7 for students at the door.

For information, call Ella Betts (785) 475-3557 or Mary Henzel (785) 470-0218.

Club News

Club hears about park

Monday Evening Club met on Jan. 9 at the LandMark Inn with Nanette Zander as hostess.

A program on the history of Sappa State Park from 1935 to 1939 was presented by Gary Anderson, assisted by Dick Carman of the museum board.

Members learned that the park was at one time a project of the National Park Service. A picnic area opened in June 1936 east of the site where the dam was later built. Many photos and blueprints, including those for the shelter house, have been given to the museum by the family of Ernest Nichols, who came to Oberlin to work on the project after graduating from Kansas State College in Manhattan.

Some work was done by the Civilian Conservation Corps, which hired young men who were housed in a camp in east Oberlin. Other workers were employed by the Works Progress Administration.

Mr. Anderson is a member of the committee which has been working in recent years through Decatur Tomorrow and the Oberlin City Council to restore the park. Projects completed include adding playground equipment and improving camping areas. Goals include building new restrooms at the shelter house.

The Feb. 13 meeting will be at the home of Sharon Addleman with Kelly Wasson helping.

Sexton gives program

Joan and Kristy Evans were hostesses for the Jan. 9 meeting of the Pi Alpha Club at the Sappa Valley Manor. Joyce Ploussard was co-hostess.

Guest speaker was Jeremy Tally, sexton of the Oberlin Cemetery, who told of plans to buy a new digital directory to replace the paper directory at the cemetery, which no longer has room for new listings.

He showed a video of a new touchscreen directory which will cost \$20,000, including construction of a gazebo to house it. Money is being raised through donations and memorials. Mr. Tally asked that the club gratuity

be given to the fund.

President Marty Olson conducted the business meeting. For devotions, Mrs. Ploussard read inspirational words which had been typewritten by her mother, the late Ellanette Claar.

Fourteen members were present, including Pat Wright of Oakley. Christmas letters were read from Nora Bearley and Margaret Lund and a birthday card was signed for Estella Waldo.

Rosella Meitl won the hostess gift.

Marjorie Olson will be hostess for a social meeting at 3 p.m. next Wednesday at Coffee, Tea and Me with Cecil Hess as co-hostess.

Widows and Friends meet

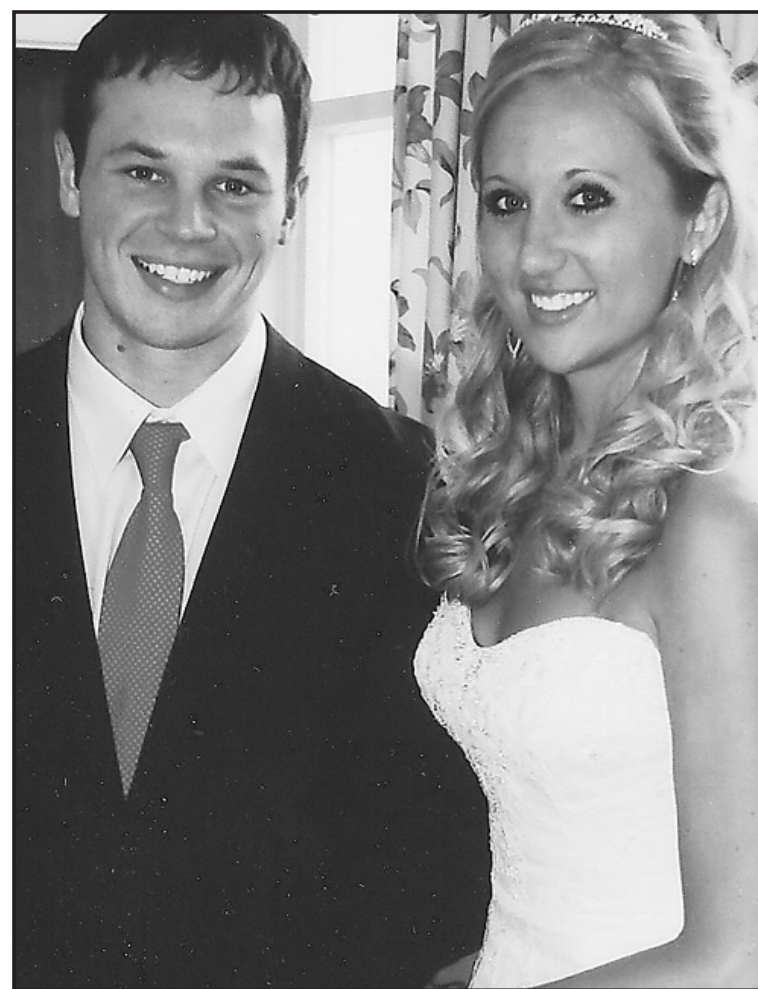
The Widows and Friends group enjoyed breakfast together at the Frontier Cafe on Jan. 11 with 16 present.

Coordinator Mary Ann Amack greeted each one and thanked them for coming, then issued good wishes by reading, "Recipes for a Happy New Year."

Others attending were Doris Fringer, Eula Juenemann, Martha

Fringer, Mabel Zimmerman, Joy Votapka, Marian Dempewolf, Helen Gee, Dorothy Moore, Elaine Bryan, Cecil Hess, Virginia Sprattling, Laurene Van Otterloo, Willa Urban, Phyllis Screen and Ardis Roe.

The next meeting will be a luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 8, at the Pizza Hut.



Theodore and Megan Chancellor

Couple wed in Florida

Theodore E. Chancellor and Megan E. Gonshor were married Saturday, April 2, 2011, in St. Augustine, Fla., and later made their Christian vows in Grimbsy, England, with the Rev. Rod Church, former pastor of the First Congregational Church in McCook, officiating.

Parents of the bridegroom are Ken and Rose Chancellor, McCook. Parents of the bride are Marty and Teresa Gonshor, Oxford, Ala.

Grandmother of the bride is Mary Lewis, Grand Island, Neb. The bridegroom's grandmothers are Evelyn Meitl, Oberlin, and Darleene

Chancellor, McCook.

The bride graduated from White Plains High School in Alabama in 2007 and attended Gadsden State University. She works for Align Networks in Jacksonville, Fla.

The bridegroom is a 2005 graduate of McCook High School. After serving five years in the U.S. Navy, he is in the active reserve while pursuing a degree in aviation management and operations at Jacksonville University.

The couple lives in Jacksonville.

Club learns about city grants

Administrative assistant Steve Zodrow from the city office spoke about the application for a street grant for the program at the Jan. 10 meeting of the Oberlin Rotary Club. He was introduced by City Administrator Karen Larson, program chair.

He said it took him nearly two months to finish the application for the City of Oberlin and talked about the many pages of the grant that have to be read and completed. He

said the city had to do an income survey. The city's engineers surveyed the condition of the streets in need, specifically those to the hospital and clinic, two blocks south of The Gateway and Griffith Avenue south of the Catholic church. The grant calls for streets to be replaced with concrete rather than asphalt. He said he expects an answer by the end of January.

Evan Barnum of Colby was a guest of Steve and Cynthia Haynes.

Happy 100th Birthday, Myrtle

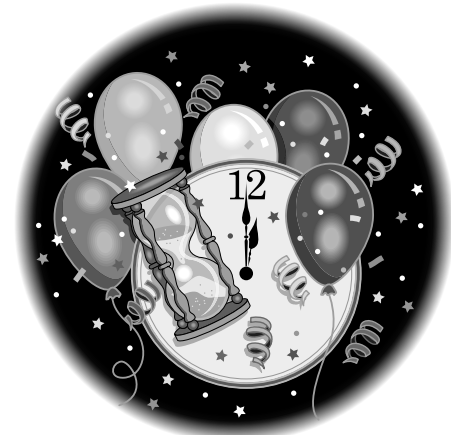
The family of Myrtle Carman Waldo will honor her on her 100th birthday with an open house.

Sunday, Jan. 22 from 2-4 p.m.

Decatur County Good Samaritan Center, 108 E. Ash, Oberlin, Kan. 67749.

No gifts please.

Let us put the HAPPY in your New Year!



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Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

Helen Helm is celebrating her 90th birthday on January 29th, 2012.



Please send her a card of congratulations to: Helen Helm, 1205 Nelson St. Apt E 13, Cambridge, Neb. 69022

WARREN C. BAINTEY CPA, CHARTERED

We would like to welcome Colleen Fikan to our office as the new receptionist. Colleen has 11 years experience in a tax office and will be a great asset to our office.

We would also like to congratulate Natasha Carman who has reached a personal and professional milestone in her career by studying and passing the Internal Revenue Service's intensive enrolled agent exam covering all aspects of federal taxation. The award of the enrolled agent (EA) designation recognizes demonstrated knowledge and assures clients that the agent is up-to-date on the latest tax law changes and can represent clients before the examination division of the IRS.