

People in Our Community

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Those from out-of-town who attended funeral services for Dale L. Brunk included Janene Kleidosty, Lawrenceville, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. Rob Kleidosty, Sparks, Nev.; Brent Kleidosty, Carson City, Nev.; Mr. and Mrs. Dustin Kleidosty, Taylor Kleidosty and Kevin Kleidosty, Midlothian, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. David Kleidosty, Kalynn and Cody, Lawrenceville, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Brunk, Grady, Laura and Garrett, and Mary Rath, St. Francis, and Mr. and Mrs. Von Johnson, Norton.

Dave and Marty Olson spent Saturday visiting their daughter and her husband, Jen and Dave Murrish, in Kearney, Neb.

Joan and Kristy Evans returned home Wednesday from Norfolk, Va., where they had gone to meet their son and brother, Petty Officer Chad Evans, when his ship, the USS Mesa Verde, came into the harbor. He is serving the 18th year of his career in the Navy.

Don and Gerry Neff spent the weekend in Wichita, where they visited their daughter and family, Debbie and Mark Jennings and Jordan. They also visited two of Mrs. Neff's friends, Virginia Orth of Andale and Theresa Neisus of Wichita.

Lloyd Waldo has been transferred to Select Specialty Hospital in Kansas City. Mail will reach him in care of Mike and Susan Wright, 2893 Gill Ave., Lawrence, Kan., 667047-3058. Another daughter, Jana Oliver, left Monday after spending time with him at the hospital and with her mother, Mary Waldo.

Winning highs in pinocle at the Golden Age Center last week were Norma Anderson, Kelva Dryden, Ardis Roe, Marie McKisson, Ardythe Cederberg, John Cederberg and Ivis Hanson. Lows went to

Dorothy Moore, Max Carman, Doris Fringer, Dewaine Stapp and Marie McKisson. Martha Fringer won at Mexican Train Dominoes. Pitch highs were won by Henry Edgett and Pat Abbey with lows going to Max Carman and Dorothy Moore. Bridge highs were won by Cynthia Matson and Merle Shirley.

Neal and Joy Russell and their granddaughter, Darbi Rouse, spent the weekend in Wichita, where Darbi was given an opportunity for a private oboe lesson at Wichita State University and also received a ticket to attend the orchestra concert at Century II. They were houseguests of Brandon and Beth Russell, A.J. and Kara and attended A.J.'s first Blue and Gold Banquet. He crossed the bridge from Webelos to Boy Scouts and received the Arrow Light for Cub Scouts. A.J. and Kara Russell accompanied them home and are spending this week with their grandparents.

Sue (Van Otterloo) Peyton of Aurora, Colo., was a weekend guest of Laurene Van Otterloo. She came to attend funeral services on Saturday for Jim Marshall, father of a high school friend, Tami (Marshall) Cook of Norcatour.

Herschel and Joan Betts attended the Rotary District 5670 Governors meeting held Saturday at Smith Center. On the way home, they visited the cabin on Beaver Creek northwest of Smith Center in which Dr. Brewster Higley lived in 1871 when he wrote "Home On The Range," which became the Kansas state song in 1947. Also attending the Rotary meeting were Gayle and Ruth Bainter of Hoxie and Wayne and Odetta Marietta of Russell.

Rotarians hear about relay

Program Chair Ralph Unger spoke about "Relay for Life" and its importance to the community at the Feb. 14 meeting of the Oberlin Rotary Club at The Gateway. Early detection is essential to higher survival rates, he said. He added that 80 percent of the money raised by Relay for Life goes for research and only 3 percent for administration. Many victims with early cancer

signs have few or no symptoms, he said. The odds are better for men and women who have quit smoking and chewing, improved their diets and get daily exercise. The Relay will be June 15 and 16 in Oberlin, he said.

Rotary welcomed as guests Norma Unger and Jody Betts, as well as Meghan Wentz and Greg Shaw, junior Rotarians from Decatur Community High School.

Turnaround set on Thursday

Food, fellowship and fun will be featured at the Oberlin Turnaround meeting at 5:30 p.m. Thursday at the Golden Age Center. Roast turkey and potatoes will be furnished and those attending

are asked to bring a covered dish and a "white elephant" gift for bingo prizes. The evening will also include inspirational readings, talks and humor. Men, women, children and teenagers are welcome.

Alumni banquet set for May

The annual Decatur Community High School Alumni Banquet will be held Saturday, May 26, at The Gateway. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. and the banquet will be served by The Gateway staff at 6:30 p.m. Cost for the meal is \$20, which includes 50 cents for the Smick Memorial

Scholarship Fund. A coupon appears in this week's paper, (below) twice in March and twice in April and once in May.

Alumni officers include Lee Franklin, president; Anita (Richardson) Hirsch, vice president; Karen (Waterman) Eskew, secretary; and Robyn (Russell) Rouse, treasurer.

New Arrival

Clay Richardson and RaNae Brunswick of Arapahoe, Neb., are the parents of a daughter, Zya Harper Richardson, born Jan. 25, 2012, at Tri Valley Health Center in Cambridge, Neb. She weighed 6 pounds, 1 ounce and was 19 inches long. Grandparents are Doyle and Julie Richardson, and Stephen and Pamela Brunswick, McCook. Great-grandparents are Wayne and Jo Larson and Jeanette Diederich, Oberlin; and Marion and Selma Brunswick, and Benny and Mary Propp, McCook. Great-great-grandmother is Violet Martin, McCook.



Zya

DCHS ALUMNI BANQUET RESERVATION COUPON

The DCHS Alumni Banquet will be held at The Gateway in Oberlin, Saturday, May 26, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. Doors open at 5:30. Mail reservations and remittance to: Alumni Assn., P.O. Box 201, Oberlin, KS 67749. Deadline for reservations is May 15, 2012. Price per plate is \$20.00 - This includes dinner and 50 cents for the Smick Memorial Fund.

Alumni's Name	Class
Spouse or Guest Name	Class
Space allows for alumni and spouse/guest. BE SURE to give class year and maiden name.	
If spouse/guest is also an alumni, please indicate the class year he/she would like to be seated with: <input type="text"/>	
Late registrations accepted, but no guarantee on sitting with your class.	

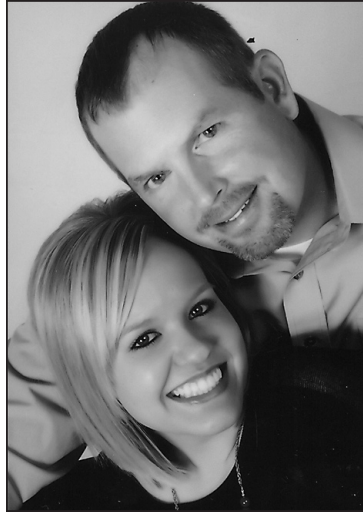
Couple to wed in June

Kacey Gumm and Michael Roe plan to marry Saturday, June 9, 2012, at the First Presbyterian Church in Concordia.

Parents of the couple are Jeff and Ronda Gumm, Concordia, and Larry and Peggy Roe, Oberlin.

The bride-to-be, a graduate of Concordia High School, attends Kansas State University in Manhattan. She expects to graduate in 2013 with a degree in marketing.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Decatur Community High School. He earned a degree in mathematics



Michael Roe and Kacey Gumm

from Washburn University in Topeka, and teaches math at Concordia High School.

Club News

Women have luncheon

The Calico Gals met Feb. 15 at Coffee, Tea and Me for a luncheon. Present were Detta Anderson, Barbara Duell, Shirley Shields, Donna Kelley, Millie Lippelmann, Sandy Cunter, Phyllis Screen and Marylue Brown and her daughter, Karmel Hutfles.

Roll call was answered with something about the presidents. The courtesy committee reported that the club gave a memorial gift after Lois Carlson's death. A plaque, "Angels Gather Here," will be given for the Angel Room at the Good Samaritan Center sent by Phyllis Nicholson in memory of her mother, Lora Zwickle. A letter about Mrs. Zwickle's life was read. Thank-you notes

were read from the families of Verna Mae Anderson and Mrs. Carlson.

Donna Kelley gave each member a Valentine coffee mug full of goodies and asked that each member refill the cups and give them to someone else next February. She also finished making out the yearbooks.

Mrs. Hutfles told about her twin sons, who are working at a "180" facility for boys, which serves several states. Mrs. Lippelmann won the hostess gift.

The next meeting will be with Margaret McEvoy on March 21. Roll call will be on St. Patrick's Day and members are to bring a green snack.

Program given on health

Monday Evening Club members met Feb. 13 at the LandMark Inn with Kelly Wasson and Sharon Addleman as hostesses. Table favors were individual carnations and dessert was a selection of Valentine-themed pies. Marla Shelton was a guest.

"Women's Health" was the topic of the program given by Dr. Addleman of Unger Chiropractic Clinic. She talked about the importance of a healthy diet with adequate fiber and the nutritional benefits of omega-3 fish oils and probiotics to reduce inflammation in the immune system.

She said supplements should be molecularly distilled. She suggested using the web site www.pubmed.gov to obtain information about side effects of some medications and information on clinical trials.

Members voted donations for the landscape project at the Golden Age Center and the Good Samaritan Center Hoedown.

The March 12 meeting will be at the home of Peggy Pratt with Diane Frickey and Judy Shirley as hostesses. Shirley Shields will give a program on gardening.

Members enjoy program

The Feb. 13 meeting of the Pi Alpha Club was held at Sappa Valley Manor with Elaine Bryan and Cecil Hess as hostesses.

President Marty Olson conducted the business meeting and Mrs. Hess read a poem, "Kansas Winter," for devotions. Eleven members and one guest, Montine Alstrom, were present. Mrs. Olson won a box of chocolates for the Valentine hostess gift.

The club plans to meet at the Cedar Living Center at 2:30 p.m. Thursday to entertain for residents' February birthdays with Joy Russell providing music.

A "Show and Tell" program was enjoyed as members showed family photos and told interesting and entertaining stories of special occasions, gatherings

and events.

Among things shared were a family wall hanging with names and Scrabble titles; a teacher's prized Precious Moments figurines from graduates; a 100-year-old depression carnival glass pitcher; a wedding gift to grandparents which was passed down in the family; an old, small serving pitcher; an article from the *Goddard Gazette* about Donna (Kump) Tucker, an Oberlin hometown celebrity, who became an international singer and entertainer; a 1936 child's autograph book; and a grandmother's quilt with more names to be added.

A social meeting will begin at 6 p.m. Monday at the Pizza Hut with Nora Bearley as hostess.

Club meets at nursing home

Twelve members of Zeta Nu Club met Feb. 9 at the Decatur County Good Samaritan Center with Mary Waldo as hostess and Gladys Geis as co-hostess.

President Marian Fraker conducted the meeting and led in the flag salute and club collect.

Charlotte Meints gave the list of committees for the new year.

Cheryl Miller, pianist, with her father, Loren Schrock, on the harmonica, entertained the club with some good old-time favorite songs.

Oberlin chapter observes FFA week

The Oberlin FFA chapter is celebrating National FFA Week this week.

"I Believe" is this year's theme, and it celebrates more than 80 years of FFA traditions while eagerly anticipating the organization's future, according to Jason Ketterl, advisor of the Decatur Community High School chapter.

"FFA members are the innovators and leaders of tomorrow. Through agricultural education and hands-on learning, they prepare for the more than 300 career opportunities in the food, fiber, and natural resources industry," he said.

National FFA Week is sponsored by Tractor Supply Company and Carhartt as a special project of the National FFA Foundation and annually encompasses Feb. 22, George Washington's birthday.

"The Oberlin FFA Chapter would like to thank the community for their continued support of our FFA

Chapter. This year we have been very active and have had great success at our Career Development Events," he added.

The Dairy Judging team placed 5th and saw Brittany Urban take 8th place individually. The Dairy Judging team will compete at State Contest in Manhattan. Team members include: Jeff Shaw, Sammy Meitl, Brittany Urban, and Taylor Macfee. Sammy Meitl also won the Prepared Public speaking contest and will attend State contest in that event.

"The Oberlin FFA chapter still has several competitions this spring and hopes to continue its success," Mr. Ketterl said. "Our chapter has been involved in nine different activities this year, including teaming up with Decatur County Co-op to sell Crystalx tubs and helping with the local blood drives."

Christian conference set

A Christian Workers Conference on Saturday, March 3, at the Heartland Christian School in Colby will help connect rural congregations with resources and training.

Brian Wechsler, executive director of Village Missions, will speak. More than 38 workshops are planned and 20 vendors have signed up.

Workshops will be led by Jarrod Spencer, Jane Johnson and Dan Keller, Colby; Kara Howerly, Hoxie; Doug Mason and John Paulson, Oberlin, and Vicky Taff, Levant.

Mr. Mason's workshop is entitled,

"Oral Interpretation of Scriptures" and Mr. Paulson will talk on "Looking to Leadership."

This event is for anyone who serves in their church, organizers say, not just pastors and youth workers, but music leaders, teachers, technicians and others.

Registration is \$45, which includes lunch. Registration begins at 8 a.m., with the first session at 8:45 a.m.

For details or to register by phone, call Gwen Griffiths at (785) 687-2565.

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- ★ Lindi Johnson
- ★ Joseph McCarty
- ★ Saggi Bottom Boys
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