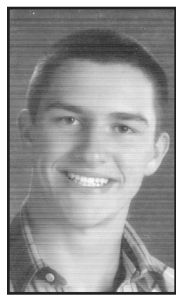


# Area youths chosen for Washington trip

Zach May of Oberlin and Regan Bartels of Phillipsburg are among three area students selected by Prairie Land Electric Cooperative for a free trip to Washington.

They will join about 1,500 high school juniors from across the nation to learn more about their government and tour landmarks in and around Washington, including Arlington National Cemetery, Capitol Hill, Smithsonian museums, the Lincoln Memorial and more. They will also meet with legislators.

Their parents are Mitch and Roxanne Bartels of Phillipsburg, and Roland and Pam May of Oberlin. Mitch Bartels is a 1987 graduate of Decatur Community High School and the son of Gary and Leslie Bar-



Zach May



R. Bartels

tels of Hays, formerly of Oberlin. Walter and Betty May of Oberlin are Zach's paternal grandparents.

Prairie Land and other rural electric cooperatives have sponsored these youth tours to Washington since 1968.

# Cattle meeting set for May 3

K-State Research and Extension will host a Cattle Feeders College on Thursday, May 3, at the Logan County Fairgrounds in Oakley.

This program has been designed to help those involved in every facet of the feeder cattle industry. Registration will begin at 4:30 p.m., followed by dinner and break-out sessions.

The program will also include presentation of "Top Hand" Cattle

Feeding Industry Employee Awards for workers who "symbolize the values of hard work, honesty, reliability, integrity and animal stewardship that the Kansas Cattle Feeding Industry was built on."

Submit nominations by Friday by e-mail to Dr. Justin Waggoner at [jwaggon@ksu.edu](mailto:jwaggon@ksu.edu). The college is free, but registration is required by Friday by calling the Oakley Extension office at (785) 671-3245.

# Sale to help with research

Northwest Kansas active and retired federal employees have adopted Alzheimer's research as their cause, and fund-raising efforts this year includes a garage sale project.

David Swank, Alzheimer's chairman for the Oberlin Chapter of the National Association of Active and Retired Federal Employees, says he's organizing a garage sale at his home, 212 E. Hall Street, for Friday to Sunday, May 11 to 13.

He has begun accepting donated items at his home, which include furniture and household items. If you would like to donate money, he said, make your check out to NARFE Alzheimer's Research.

Mr. Swank said last year Oberlin contributed \$775 to an Alzheimer's research fund from their first garage sale and he hopes the area can do better this year.

For questions, call Mr. Swank at 475-2550.

# Rotarians enjoy musicians

Musicians from Decatur Community High School presented several contest numbers for the program at the April 17 meeting of the Oberlin Rotary Club at The Gateway. They were introduced by club President Charlie Haag. Kay Brown was a guest.

The senior girls sang, "Dance On My Heart," Serena Stacy sang, "The Mermaid Song," after which Cassandro Canto sang "The Black Swan. Samanda Anderson sang "The Green Dog," then the Senior

Girls Trio concluded the program by singing, "Remember." They were accompanied by Susan Nelson, vocal director, and Jenny Tally, accompanist.

Volunteers are to sign up to help with the after prom duties. Rusty Addleman reported that thirty teams have signed up to play in the 3-on-3-basketball tournament and that volunteers are needed. A check from the club will be presented to Jeremy Tally next week for the cemetery directory project.

# Turnaround group to meet at the Golden Age Center

The Oberlin Turn Around group will meet at 6 p.m. Thursday at the Golden Age Center. Time has been changed from 5:30 p.m.

It will be pizza night, so those

attending are asked to bring salads and desserts to share. There will be door prizes, inspirational readings and jokes. Everyone is welcome.

# Community Walk is Monday

Decatur Health Systems will be celebrating Hospital and Nursing Home Week with its annual Community Walk from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Monday.

Participants are asked to meet at the Sappa Park shelterhouse. There

will be gifts for everyone and hot dogs and water will be provided by the hospital. Grilling will be done by Decatur County emergency medical volunteers.

Everyone is welcome to come out and walk, or just for a dog.

# People in Our Community

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Young people who took their first communion on Sunday at Oberlin Sacred Heart Catholic Church were Jacie Fortin, daughter of Daren and Erica Fortin; Joshua Juennemann, son of Gary and Jennifer Juennemann; and Braeden and Landen Ketterl, sons of Jason and Megan Ketterl. Father Mark Berland was celebrant and Jennifer Juennemann was their teacher. A parish potluck followed Mass.

Easter guests of Warren and Jan Bainter included their daughter, Abbie Bainter, Hays, and a friend, Robert Weatherly, Ellsworth, and Gayle and Ruth Bainter, Hoxie. Their son, Ben Bainter of Milwaukee, Wis., came on Tuesday to visit his parents.

Kay Gaskill accompanied her daughter, Jody Metcalf and Seanna, of Colby, to Denver on Thursday, where Seanna, a second grader at Colby Elementary School, performed in a dance competition at Loretta Heights College on Friday and Saturday.

Doris Fringer accompanied Chris and Curtis Walston and Desirae to Two Buttes, Colo., where they spent the weekend with Rod and Patty Steinmetz. On Saturday, they and Stephen and Kellie (Steinmetz) Sexton of Fort Collins, Colo., attended a baby shower in Springfield, Colo., which honored Tammy and Ryan Steinmetz.

Amanda Grafel attended funeral services for Kendra (Mann) O'Brien, 36, in Mission on Tuesday, April 10. Mrs. O'Brien died on April 5 at a hospital in Kansas City. Both women were former Norton residents and school friends. Mrs. O'Brien was a niece of Kaylene Thomas of Oberlin.

Crista Sauvage accompanied Kylee Hunter of Colby and Jessica Corbin of Goodland to Overland Park on Friday, where they attended the Kansas Press Association meeting. Mrs. Sauvage received a certificate for a winning advertisement for Dale's Fish 'n' Fun in The Oberlin Herald.

Brad and Elaine Marcuson spent the weekend of April 14 and 15 in Manhattan, where Mrs. Marcuson attended Mother's Weekend at Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity with their son, Jared Marcuson.

Twenty-eight piano students, five piano teachers and two judges were involved in a District Kansas Music Teachers Association Music Progressions event in Oberlin on Saturday. Towns represented were Goodland, Stockton, Phillipsburg, and Oberlin. Judges were Karol Hickel, WaKeeney, and Pat Ziegelmeier, Gem. Students from Oberlin were Gavin Lytle, Luke and Melody Koerperich, Michael Noren, Erin May, Mollie Tate, Clayton Carter, Maddie Johnson, Daniel Lerew, and Isabel Grafel, students of Cheryl Metcalf.

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

Sonya Chapin underwent surgery on Wednesday at Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney, Neb. Her daughter, Regan Blanchard, of Charleston, S.C., came to be with her and her husband, Stan, who is also in Kearney. Ross Blanchard is staying at their home in Oberlin and he said his grandmother expects to return home this week.

Deanna Castle took seven Oberlin girls from the Oberlin United Methodist Youth Group to the Teen Girls Conference held at the Orpheum Theater in Omaha on Saturday. They included Celiana Shobe, Ravyn Van Vleet, Kariah Castle, Demi Murray,

Ashley Witt, Whitney Witt and Asia Tegels. They got to see former American Idol contestant Jason Castro, Jaime Grace, Illusionist Harris III, Jenna Lucado Bishop, daughter of Max Lucado, and Pat Eastham. Sessions were on relationships, guys, friends, faith, choices and dreams. The conference was started by Women of Faith in 2005.

Gail and Kay Marcuson and Brad Marcuson, Oberlin; Diane Newcom, Denver, and Julie Hubbard, Lakewood, Colo., attended memorial services on Saturday in Montrose, Colo., for Kay Marcuson's sister, Joyce Anderson, who died last week.

Frieda Goetze is recuperating satisfactorily at her home in Oberlin after undergoing her second knee replacement surgery in Denver.

Friday supper guests of Dennis and Judy Shirley included her aunt, LaRaine Claar and cousin, Jim Claar, Missoula, Mont.; and Doris Sloan and Cindi Sauder. They were also Saturday brunch guests and were joined by a cousin, Susan Sloan McCarthy, Gordon, Neb., and her son Paddy McCarthy, Garden City. Saturday evening they all went to Hoxie to attend the 65th birthday party honoring Tom Sloan. LaRaine was a house guest of Doris Sloan. All were Sunday luncheon guests of Cindi Sauder and were joined by Tom and Leanna Sloan, Hoxie; Patrick and Cindy Shirley and Shelbi McKenna, Norcatour, and Merle Shirley, Jaime and Aden Metcalf, Hannes Geysler and Willie Swart, Oberlin. Sunday evening was pizza with Doris Sloan. Guests were LaRaine and Jim Claar and Dennis and Judy Shirley.

Winning highs in pinochle at the Golden Age Center last week were Henry Edgett, Ivis Hanson, Marie McKisson, Dorothy Moore and Kelva Dryden. Lows went to Dorothy Moore, Doris Fringer, Marie McKisson, John Cederberg, Ivis Hanson, Neil Marshall and Estella Waldo. Eleanor Boyle was winner at Chicken Foot dominoes. Pitch highs went to Henry Edgett and Pat Abbey with lows going to Ardythe Cederberg and John Cederberg. Bridge highs were won by Carol Shirley, Annette Miller, Marie McKisson and Dorothy Cochran.

Funeral services were held at Olinger Crown Hill Mortuary in Denver on April 13 for Lucille (Carstens) Larcon, 84, who died on April 9. She was a 1945 graduate of Jennings High School. Among relatives who attended the services were Gayle and Ruth Bainter, and Wes Bainter, Hoxie; Ben Bainter, Milwaukee, Wis., Judy Gaumer, and Warren and Jan Bainter, Oberlin. Mrs. Larcon was a sister of Ruth Bainter.

Rod and Kem Bryan visited their daughter and family, Summer and Jason Creed, Remington, Sky and Jordan on Sunday and attended Jordan's first communion at the Catholic Church in McPherson.

Margaret Steadman recently moved to Oberlin from Denver. She is the former Margaret Morton, a 1955 graduate of Decatur Community High School, and is the mother of Mary (Erickson) Long.

Roger and Nancy Robinson accompanied Tyler and Tiffany Witt and Trevor to Denver on Thursday, then they all flew to Phoenix to attend the wedding of their son and brother, Chris Robinson and Kristin Kwiatkowski on Saturday.

# Couple plans June wedding

Anne Marie Wasson and John Franklin Emert plan to be married Friday, June 1, 2012, in Manhattan.

Parents of the bride-to-be are Daniel and Carol Wasson of Selden. She is a granddaughter of the late Donald and Maxine Wasson and the late Charles and Marjorie Clinkenbeard.

She is a 2006 graduate of Decatur Community High School and attended Kansas State University, where she earned a Bachelor of Science degree in apparel design and production. She is a fashion consultant for Clique Boutique in Prairie Village.

Her fiance is the son of John and



Anne Marie Wasson, John Franklin Emert

Kimberly Emert of Mission. His grandparents are Harold "Red" Emert and the late Ferne Emert of Sabetha and J.L. and Wilmetta Deutsch of Hoisington.

A 2005 graduate of Shawnee Mission East High School, he attended Kansas State, where he earned bachelor's and master's degrees in accounting. He is a certified public accountant with CBIZ MHM in Leawood.

# Mass and tour set for parishes

The Salina Diocesan Catholic Rural Life Commission has chosen the Selden and Leoville parishes to be hosts for the annual St. Isidore's Mass tour on Saturday, May 5.

A prayer service on St. Isidore and the history of the church will begin at 10:30 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church in Selden. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m., catered by the Midway Cafe, at the Selden Parish Hall. Make reservations by calling Janice Kruse at (785) 386-4236.

The group will leave at 12:15 p.m. for a tour of the McCarty Dairy

near Rexford, then will leave there at 2:15 p.m. for a tour of the Bainter Elk Ranch.

At 3:25 p.m., they will go to Immaculate Conception Church in Leoville, where a Mass is scheduled at 4 p.m. with blessings of seed and soil. After Mass, they will go to a field and bless it. Supper will follow in the church basement for both parishes; no reservations are needed.

A choir practice is scheduled for 4 p.m. Sunday at Leoville.

# Club News

## Club meets at LandMark

The Calico Gals Club met April 18 at the LandMark Inn with Delta Anderson as hostess. Others present were Sandy Counter, Shirley Shields, Phyllis Screen, Barbara Duell and Millie Lippelmann.

Roll call was answered with a current event, which included the tornado in Solomon; a newborn baby stolen when the mother was killed with a car in Houston; a grandson who suffered serious heartburn from a track meet; and

the increase of bald eagles in Minnesota. The club collect and flag salute were given.

Members voted not to fix food for funeral dinners but to make a memorial donation for members and spouses. Sandy Counter won the hostess prize.

Barbara Duell told about a wealthy woman near Colby who lost both husbands to cancer, then after her death, several thousands of acres, as well as five homes and their contents were sold.

## Members share activities

Estella Waldo was hostess for the April 9 meeting of Pi Alpha Club after returning from winter in Arizona.

Vice President Joan Evans conducted the meeting in the absence of Marty Olson, since she and her husband David were in Kearney, Neb., making the acquaintance of their new granddaughter, Ellie Reese Murray. She was born April 3 to their daughter and hus-

band, Jenny and David Murrish, and members enjoyed seeing a picture of the little girl.

Devotions, given by Mrs. Waldo, were "A Common Story." Eleven members were present, including Pat Wright of Oakley.

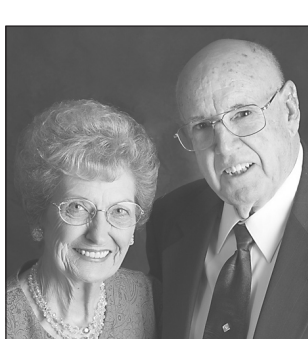
The last meeting of the club year was to be a social meeting at the home of Mert McEvoy on Monday.

## Auxiliary sets luncheon

The Oberlin American Legion Auxiliary met April 11 to finish plans for the recognition luncheon for members over age 80 at noon Saturday at the Legion Hall.

Carol Morford, Dorothy Woods

and Phyllis Metcalf were appointed as the nominating committee. Plans for Memorial Day activities were discussed. Selection of the Poppy poster contest winner will take place at the May meeting.



The children of Ed and Joyce Dean wish to announce the 60th Wedding Anniversary of their parents on

May 4, 2012. Ed and Joyce (Harper) Dean were married in Colby, Kansas on May 4, 1952. Ed and Joyce have 3 daughters, Valerie and Ed Poe, Sharon Springs, KS, Vickie and Mike Bailey, Jennings, KS, and

Velda and Dennis Billenwillms, Canadian, Texas. They have 9 grandchildren, and 17 great-grandchildren. They will be celebrating their anniversary with family. Cards will reach them at 506 E. Oak, Oberlin, 67749

# New Arrival

## Ellie Reese Murrish

Dave and Jennifer Murrish of Kearney, Neb., are the parents of a daughter, Ellie Reese Murrish. Born April 3, 2012, she weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces and measured 19 1/2 inches. Grandparents are Dave and Marty Olson, Oberlin, and Karen Murrish, Kearney, and the late John Murrish. Great-grandparents are Alden and Macalene Olson, McDonald, and Jim and Grace Schroer, Manhattan.



Ellie Murrish

The Children of Bernita (Sulzman) Aumiller invite all friends and family to join in celebrating an ongoing life journey, 80 years in the making and not over yet.

Saturday April 28, 2012

2-4 p.m.

Senior Citizen Hall Selden KS

Family requests no gifts

Let us meet all your gardening needs.

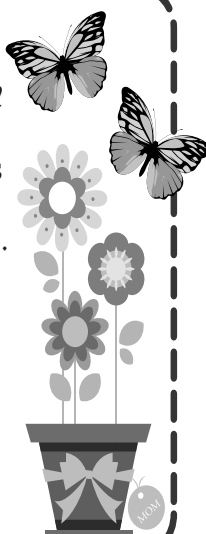
## Mona's Market in Dresden

has seed potatoes, onion sets and plants, asparagus roots, vegetable seeds and spring bulbs. Another greenhouse has been added along with a retail store. From trees to seeds we have it all.

Hours are Monday through Saturday 9-5:30, Sunday 1 to 4.

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## 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 Loan 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: \_\_\_\_\_

Late registrations accepted, but no guarantee on sitting with your class.