

# People in Our Community

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Word was received of the death of Fern (Wymore) Nelson, a 1942 graduate of Decatur Community High School, on Jan. 26, 2013, at her home in Indian Harbor Beach, Fla. She was the daughter of the late Earl and Rose Wymore. Survivors include a daughter, Jonel Nelson Kirby; four sons, Johnny Nelson, Jr., (missing in action since 1985); Bill (Stephanie) Nelson, Tim Nelson and Jerry Nelson, all of Florida. A sister, Sadie Mae (Tom) Cooper of San Diego, also survives. Her parents; a brother, Durward Wymore; and a sister, Lorene Walker, preceded her in death.

— **Surf & Turf Friday, Feb. 8, 6-8 p.m. LandMark Inn 475-2340.**

Bridget Corcoran was named to the President's Honor Roll at Colby Community College for the fall semester. It includes only students with a perfect 4.0 grade point average. Her parents are Paul and Angela Corcoran of Oberlin.

— **PEO soup supper Tues., Feb. 12, 5:30-7:30, DCHS Cafeteria.**

Winning highs in pinochle at the Golden Age Center last week were Ardythe Cederberg, Ivis Hanson, Ardis Roe, Norma Anderson, John Cederberg, Dorothy Moore and De-waine Stapp. Lows went to Norma Anderson, John Cederberg, Max Carman, Doris Fringer and Henry Edgett. Mexican Train domino winners were Phyllis Screen and Nila Hafner. Pitch highs were won by Pat Abbey and Max Carman with lows going to Henry Edgett and Ardythe Cederberg. Taking highs at bridge were Marie McKisson and Shirley Simpson.

— **Annual filter sale. Place orders now 'til Feb. 12. Oberlin Automotive.**

## Rotary Club hears principal

Past President Charles Haag conducted the Jan. 29 meeting of the Oberlin Rotary Club at The Gateway. Greeter was Vickie Bailey. Junior Rotarians from Decatur Community High were Danny Rhein and Cody Wurm.

Principal Ben Jimenez presented a program on getting high school students ready for college, as well as future careers. He said each student needs to have the academic preparation and cognitive and technical skills, as well as employability skills, to succeed at college, in attainment of an industry-recognized certification or in the workforce, without further training or remedial courses.

He said colleges are finding that many entering students are not ready or prepared for college. Kansas and other states are changing the

Weekend guests of Jerry and Montine Alstrom and Nora Bearley were Mark and Jessica Luck, Corbin, Cyler, Camden and Cailynn of Hays.

— **Sunday Brunch 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. LandMark Inn 475-2340.**

Joseph Hollowell and friend, Teri Lynch, of Denver, were guests from Friday to Monday of his brother, Jim and Linda Hollowell. They all enjoyed watching the Super Bowl on Sunday and touring the area.

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Diane Newcom, Denver, spent last weekend in Oberln visiting her parents, Gail and Kay Marcuson, and Brad and Elaine Marcuson.

— **25% off Marie Osmond Jewelry. Oberlin Mercantile.**

A funeral Mass was held at Sacred Heart Church in Colby on Monday, Jan. 28, , for Darrell Dean Barnett, 77, of Colby, who died Jan. 25, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. He was a native of Rexford and a son of Jesse and Edna (Chadd) Barnett. Survivors include his wife, the former Charlene Seeberger; two daughters, Sandy (Denny) DeSotel, Longmont, Colo.; and Janice (Al) Ackerman, Hays; a son, Bernie (Kris) Barnett, Mead, Colo.; a brother, Mirl (Evelyn) Barnett, Rexford; a sister, Opal (Earl) Moss, Hoxie; seven grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Elgin and Roy Barnett; and a sister, Virginia Broders.

way they do things in high school to get students ready and prepared. He said employability includes basic skills, critical thinking and interpersonal qualities including social awareness, responsible decision making, self management and self-awareness.

City Councilman Rusty Addleman presented the program at the Jan. 8 meeting.

He explained some of the major city projects, including the water project and swimming pool and the status of both. He said that the proposed sales tax for the swimming pool could raise \$225,000 a year based on annual sales of \$17 million.

Junior Rotarians from Decatur Community High School were Cassidy Shields and Zach May.

## Sprayer workshop scheduled

Thomas County and Rawlins County Extension plan a sprayer calibration workshop from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Tuesday at the Thomas County 4-H Building.

Robert Klein, University of Nebraska cropping systems specialist, will lead the workshop, designed to help farmers do a professional job of pesticide application. Choosing the right nozzle is critical for correct particle size to comply with the label and Environmental Protection Agency rules, to be effective and to manage drift, he says. The sprayer must be calibrated correctly to ensure efficiency as well.

Today's farmers increasingly view sprayers as vital to the efficiency of their operations, Klein said.

The list of products to be applied has gotten longer and each product — fertilizer, herbicide, fungicide or insecticide — has its own application window. By owning the sprayer, farmers can target the application for the right moment.

The meeting is sponsored by Farm Implement and Supply Co., American Implement, Colby Ag Center, Lang Diesel Inc. and BASF, the Chemical Company.

There is a \$10 registration fee payable at the door. Register by Friday by contacting the Thomas County Extension office, th@listserve.ksu.edu or (785) 460-4582, or the Rawlins County Extension office, ra@listserve.ksu.edu or (785) 626-3192.

I have been privileged to be able to practice law here in Oberlin, Kansas, for over 50 years. I especially want to thank all of the loyal clients who have permitted me to be of service to them. I am announcing at this time that I have sold my office facilities to Allen Shelton, who intends to practice here in Oberlin on a full time basis. I plan to handle a few probate and trust matters from my home in Hays for a couple of years. With respect to all, the balance of my work I am strongly recommending Allen Shelton. Allen has had a lot of experience in the legal field and he takes good care of his clients. I might add that for any of you who have not met Allen, I would suggest that you stick your head in the office and introduce yourself.

Again many thanks to my clients, and have a GREAT YEAR.  
**Elmo Lund - Lund Law Firm Chartered.**

## Couple to wed March 2

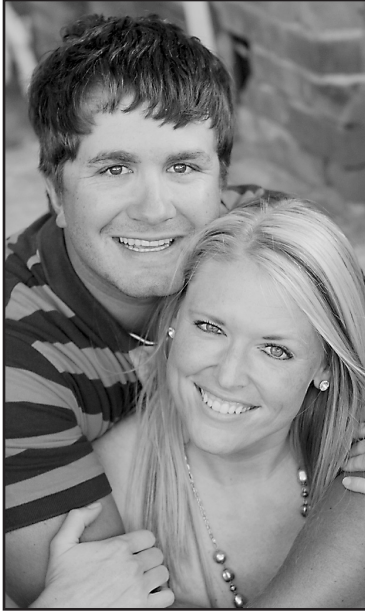
Kelsey Frager and Jason Thomas plan to marry Saturday, March 2, in Manhattan.

Parents of the bride are Gerry and Shirley Frager of Morrowville. Her grandparents are Shirley and Charles Walter and Lester Ayers of Washington, Kan.

She is a 2009 graduate of Fort Hays State University and is a sonographer at St. Francis Medical Center in Grand Island, Neb.

Her fiance's parents are Dennis and Kaylene Thomas of Oberlin. Elaine Mann of Downs is his grandmother.

A 2011 graduate of the Manhattan Area Technical College, he is a lineman for the Howard-Greeley



Kelsey Frager and Jason Thomas

Rural Public Power District in St. Paul, Neb.

They plan to live in St. Paul.

## Top speller wins bee

Zeke Jimenez, a seventh grader at Decatur Community Junior/Senior High School, captured first place during the Decatur County Spelling Bee held Monday morning at the Oberlin Elementary School cafeteria.

He is the son of Ben and Jennifer Jimenez, and his dad is principal at the high school.

He won by correctly spelling the word "meadows." This qualifies him for the Sunflower Spelling Bee, which will be held Saturday, March 2, in Sheridan Hall of the Beach/Schmidt Performing Arts Center at Fort Hays State University and sponsored by *The Hays Daily News*. The winner will advance to the Scripps National Spelling Bee to be held May 26 to June 1 in



Z. Jimenez

Washington.

Runner-up was Erin May, a sixth grader at Oberlin Elementary School. She went down on the word "rapidity." She is the daughter of Roger and Susan May.

Superintendent Duane Dorshorst pronounced the words and counselor Sheila Jansonius was the judge.



Erin May

## Band to perform Sunday

Jeff Davidson and the Trail Riders Band will present a "19th Century U.S. Historical Panorama" at 3 p.m. Sunday at the Quinter High School Auditorium.

Combining a unique blend of songs, history and pictures, the group will revisit the history of the West and its influence on the shaping of the economy, ideology and heroism of this country.

The West drew early explorers who traversed parched plains as they explored the vast Louisiana Purchase. It beckoned to the traders

on the Santa Fe Trail, and to pioneers on the Oregon Trail. The West did not escape the heartbreak of the Civil War, but the post Civil War cattle drives created the greatest American hero — and the symbol of the West — the cowboy.

The group will lead audiences through the history of the West from the time of Coronado to the end of the 1800s.

Admission is by Western Plains Arts Association season ticket or at the door, adults \$20, students \$10.

## Senior candidates needed

Older adults interested in politics are encouraged to become a candidate for the Kansas Silver Haired Legislature by the Thursday, Feb. 14, deadline.

The unicameral legislative body comprises 125 representatives. It provides an educational experience in the political process and an opportunity to identify policy concerns for older Kansans, organizers say.

## KanLovKids program set

The Colby High Plains Lions Club is sponsoring a KanLovKids informational program and training at 7 p.m. Monday at the Colby Community College Student Union, room 104.

Presenters will be Dr. Kendall Krug, an optometrist from Hays; Lion Dr. Anne Nielsen, outreach director for Kansas School for the Blind; and Dr. Mark Wahlmeier, a Colby optometrist.

Anyone interested in learning more about this program for low-vision children is invited. It will be repeated at 11:15 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 12, at the Northwest Kansas Educational Service Center, 703 W. Second St., in Oakley.

This program is an initiative of the Kansas Lions Sight Foundation, the School for the Blind and the Kansas Optometric Association. It provides help for children and students with low vision by offering low-vision evaluation and rehabilitation services.

Price for a low-vision evaluation is \$250. However, the KanLovKids doctors reduce this by \$100, then the Sight Foundation contributes \$100 and the school district is billed for the remaining \$50.

Kids from birth through age 22 are eligible. For details, call Lions District Gov. Sheryl Brenn of Levant at (785) 586-2384 or (785) 443-1066.

## Club News

### Women enjoy card game

Marjorie Olson was hostess for the Jan. 28 social meeting of the Pi Alpha Club at her home. Joy Russell was co-hostess and for devotions, she conducted a Kansas trivia quiz honoring Kansas Day.

Nine members were present

and the afternoon was spent with two tables enjoying an intriguing card game called "golf" with Mrs. Russell in charge. Cecil Hess won the hostess gift.

The next meeting will be Monday at the home of Mert McEvoy with Joyce Ploussard assisting.

## Rexford to get new duplexes

New construction is planned at Rexford, thanks to \$2 million in government money.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development administration and the Kansas Housing Resource Corp. have teamed up to build 10 affordable rental units in Rexford. The five duplexes will help provide housing for new employees of the McCarty Family Farms and other farm workers.

To help with construction costs, Rural Development will provide a \$500,000 loan and a \$965,223 grant to Northwest Kansas Hous-

ing, a nonprofit community housing development organization serving 24 counties.

The state agency awarded Rexford a \$400,000 grant as part of a new initiative designed to help cities and counties develop moderate-income housing and infra-structure in rural areas.

The dairy plans to double in size over the next two years to fulfill a new contract with Dannon, the world's top-selling brand of yogurt. The McCarty family donated land for the units.

## KanCare meeting in Colby

The KanCare medical insurance program will sponsor two educational meetings from 1 to 3 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 20, at the City Limits Convention Center, 2217 S. Range in Colby.

An announcement about this meeting is being mailed to each KanCare household.

This is the first educational tour since KanCare launched on Jan. 1. While previous tours focused on what Medicaid consumers would need to know about KanCare start-

ing this year, the upcoming meeting will be dedicated to helping members with questions on the transition, including the 90-day choice period for health-plan coverage.

Any person with a disability may request accommodations, such as Braille or an interpreter, however, transportation will not be provided. Requests should be made by noon Feb. 13 by emailing KanCare@kdheks.gov or by calling Rita Haverkamp at (785) 296-5107.

## Benefit supper at cafeteria

The Oberlin Red Devils Booster Club will serve a benefit soup and dessert supper from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Friday in the high school cafeteria, preceding the basketball games between Oberlin and Rawlins County.

Proceeds will go to support club

activities. Recent projects have included a Red Devils Country football field fence design and entrance signs to Oberlin, treat bags and water bottles for special events, booster photo sports schedules and "Adopt a Fan" and "Fan of the Season" awards.

## New Arrivals

### Sawyer Miles Miller

Sawyer Miles Miller was born at 6:44 p.m. Monday, Jan. 14, 2013, at Swedish Medical Center in Denver. He weighed 7 pounds, 2.7 ounces and was 18 3/4 inches long. Parents are Bryan and Margaret Miller of Denver. Grandparents are Carolyn Miller, Oberlin; Jerry Miller, Gem; and Jerry and Kathy Vrbas, Atwood.



Sawyer

### Tyler Joseph Townsend

Trent and Jessica Townsend of Oberlin are the parents of a son, Tyler Joseph Townsend, who was born at 3:34 p.m. on Jan. 27, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. He weighed 2 pounds and was 13 3/4 inches long. Grandparents are Gary and Lucille Townsend, Danbury, Neb.; and Joe and Regina Stanley, Oberlin.



Brodey John

### Brodey John Woodall

Bryce and Ryann Woodall of WaKeeney have a son, Brodey John Woodall, born at 8:45 p.m. Jan. 1, 2013, at Hays Medical Center. He weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces and was 20 inches long. He has three sisters, Ellie 9, Audrey 8 and Natalie 2. Grandparents are Evan and Judy Goltl, Hill City, but formerly of Oberlin, and Joel and Nanette Woodall, WaKeeney. Great-grandparents are Richard Woodall, WaKeeney, and Juliette Schreiner, Hays.



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