



Betty and Alfred Otter

## Couple celebrates 50th

Alfred and Betty (Bates) Otter will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on June 12 with an open house reception from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the St. Joseph Parish Center in New Almelo.

The couple were married on June 14, 1960 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in New Almelo.

Their children and spouses are:

Mike (deceased), Paul and Sharon Otter, Tina and Will Ritter, Tom Otter, Mark and Sheila Otter, Jolene and Jim Moss, Karl Otter and Charles Otter. The couple also has 16 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

Cards may be sent to; 28052 St. Elizabeth Street, New Almelo, Kan. 67645.

## Student News

Samuel Field, a 2010 graduate of Northern Valley High School, was selected to attend the 27th annual Governor's Scholarship Awards program May 2 in Topeka.

The recognition ceremony honors the top academic 1 percent of Kansas high school seniors. Students are selected from accredited public and private schools across the state.

"These high school seniors have shown dedication in their studies and a commitment to learning. They've earned this honor, and I want to congratulate all of them on this achievement," said Gov. Mark Parkinson.

Samuel plans on attending Manhattan Christian College and Kansas State University with a major in secondary education.

Scholarships for the Norton Community High School Seniors:

Patricia Eicher-Butler Scholarship: Anna Cummings, Emily Juenemann, Amanda Ray, Bethany Winkel, Kendra Engelbert, Zane Perez, Cody Cook, Alyssa Thomson, Kayleigh Brooks, Josh Gallentine and Zach Bainter.

Ida Tansill Memorial Scholarship: Bethany Roy, Tonielle Fiscus, Matt Miller, Austine Dole and Taylor Rossi.

Bob Winteroth Memorial Scholarship: Kaitlyn Wolf

J. Byrum Memorial Scholarship: Kendra Engelbert and Zane Perez

Louis Welter Memorial Scholarship: Hayli Bozarth

Citizenship Award Scholarship: Kendra Engelbert and Marcus Herman

Tracy Rynnion Memorial Scholarship: Alyssa Thomson  
LaDon Eppinger Sportsmanship Memorial Scholarship: Zane Perez

K&Y Scholarship: Kendra Engelbert, Matt Miller, Alyssa Thomson and Bethany Roy

Leo Moody Memorial Scholarship: Zane Perez

Rotary Scholarship: Zane Perez, Bethany Roy and Tonielle Fiscus  
Maxine Marsh Memorial Scholarship: Kelli Johnson

Henry Becker Memorial Scholarship: Tonielle Fiscus

Duplicate Bridge Club Scholarship: Matt Miller

American Legion Auxiliary Scholarship: Shelby Jones

LongSpur Pheasants Forever Scholarship: Chris Maddy, Alyssa Thomson and Charli Lawson

FCCLA: Austine Dole and Cody Cook

Jack and Wanda Mechsner Scholarship: Kendra Engelbert, Anna Cummings, Tonielle Fiscus, Matt Miller, Bethany Roy, Emily Scott, Amanda Ray, Zane Perez, Austine Dole, Kelsie Nuzum, Cody Cook, Alyssa Thomson, Bethany Winkel and Shelby Jones.

Twenty three students at the University of Kansas have been chosen as orientation assistants

and orientation coordinators for this summer and the upcoming academic year.

The students will assist with summer and fall orientation programs as well as Hawk Week, Hawk Days and Rock Chalk Chow Downs.

Orientation assistants are hired through a process that includes essay writing, group interaction activities, a five-minute speech and final interview. The assistants prepare for orientation sessions by attending three weeks of training that covers University of Kansas academic and student services, public speaking, interaction with the public and diversity issues.

New Student Orientation programs are tailored to incoming students' fields of study and offer information about University of Kansas to first-time freshmen, transfer students, and readmitted students. The programs are designed to help students, parents and guests with their academic, social and personal transitions to University of Kansas and to reduce anxieties about attending college.

Mathew James Lawrence Shepard, Lenora, who is a senior in economics and environmental studies and a graduate from Norton Community High School, has been chosen to be an orientation coordinator. Mathew is the son of Paul Shepard.

Forty-eight University of Kansas students have been initiated into Mortar Board, senior honor society.

Mathew Shepard, a junior from Lenora, was chosen as chapter president for 2010-11. Mathew is the son of Paul Shepard and a graduate of Norton Community High School. He is a Economics and Environmental studies senior.

New Mortar Board members are selected by outgoing chapter members based on distinguished ability and achievement in scholarship, leadership and service. Students must have a 3.0 grade-point average and hold senior status during some or all of the academic year. All newly initiated members have grade point averages above 3.5.

What became University of Kansas Mortar Board chapter was founded in 1912 as the Torch senior women's honor society. In 1924, it affiliated with the national Mortar Board women's honor society.

# Cherry pits in the pie, No!

Tranda Watts', recent column announcing cherry season brought back a lot of memories to this cherry pickin' gal. Today it brings me to offer one more entry for the 2010 Cook's Corner Culinary Catastrophe Hall of Flame.

The roots of this catastrophe began long ago, although not so very far away. The house my parents purchased in 1953 had a prolific cherry tree right by the front porch. We enjoyed both the shade and the fruit until a bad windstorm split our tree right down the main trunk. We thought it was gone for good, but my resourceful father performed some orthopedic surgery with a big bolt and a bucket of tar, pulled it back together and it lived to bear cherries for many more seasons.

During my formative years, Mama's cherry pie, crisp, preserves, fresh and even salted cherries, were always around. I came to believe those little red globes were a necessity of life.

Consequently, we planted three varieties of cherry trees at the first

## Cook's Corner

Liza Deines



house we owned. The neighbors, as well as the neighborhood birds, appreciated the abundant harvest reaped during long hot summer days. We hosted cherry picking parties every evening and gave away pounds and pounds of tart pie cherries. Boxes and boxes of juicy red cherries made their way to our deepfreeze, bowls of cherry sauce were devoured, jars of preserves and cherry pit jelly filled pantry shelves. We utilized every bit of that lush flavor.

After a few years of pitting cherries by hand, I was elated to find a vintage cherry pitter at an auction. It had pitted many a cherry by the time it came to our house, but it would still operate, providing it was assembled correctly. Unfortunately one day I

didn't quite "get it all together," as the saying goes. Unaware that only about every third cherry was being pitted, I froze a dozen boxes of "pittiful" fruit.

Now my father-in-law was one of my favorite people in all the world. He was much like my husband, a man of few words, but when he spoke what he said was worth a listen. Even though I was not of German heritage, had been raised in town, and couldn't cook or sew worth a whoop, that blessed man welcomed me into the family as if I were exactly what he'd always had in mind for his oldest son's wife. Having had both a German mother and wife, he had been well fed for many years by wonderful cooks who didn't spare the cream or butter, made marvelous noodles, perfect pastry and delicious dishes I couldn't even pronounce, much less make.

His favorite food was cherry pie. Do you see this one coming right down the highway toward you? Yep, I made him a homemade cherry pie using a box of

our homegrown cherries. And you know just which box I chose from the dozens in the freezer. I did see a pit or two while I was cooking the filling and fished them out but I missed so many others. Why, I ask you, WHY do these things always happen to me?

The family always joked that if there were one rock in the chili or one pit in the pie, LeRoy or his dad would get it. Neither one had good teeth so a minor inconvenience to most of us could mean a visit to the dentist for either of them. There were enough pits in that pie to go around the whole family. As we ate, little heaps of cherry stones accumulated on the edges of my fancy pie plates, my face turned cherry red and everyone was choking with laughter as we picked our way through each treacherous bite.

LeRoy's dad asked for a second piece and commented that a few pits sure enhanced the cherry flavor.

Did I tell you he was a wonderful man, didn't I?

## Police Log

### May 23

11:43 a.m. Report of domestic battery, Arrest made  
12:48 p.m. Request to speak to officer concerning text messages  
12:50 p.m. Civil standby  
1:51 p.m. Report of items missing from residence  
2:00 p.m. Request from parent to speak to child that was upset  
11:02 p.m. Report of reckless driver, Library

### May 24

12:07 a.m. Report of vehicle driving around race track  
12:16 a.m. Report of power outage  
8:58 a.m. Report of dog running loose, 700 block North  
10:21 a.m. Request to speak to officer concerning civil matter  
11:02 a.m. Report of individual that absconded from Russell  
3:46 p.m. Welfare check  
6:23 p.m. Report of individuals cats going into residence, 500 block W. Wilton

### May 25

9:43 a.m. 911 hang-up, 500 block Grant  
11:14 a.m. Report of kids throwing ball and hitting vehicle  
11:33 a.m. Report of missing cat  
1:07 p.m. Request to remove son from residence, 300 block S. First  
2:23 p.m. Information on bench warrant  
3:57 p.m. Two vehicle accident, Credit Union  
6:23 p.m. Request to speak to officer concerning rowdy kids  
7:00 p.m. Report of dog in highway, Loves

### May 26

1:54 a.m. Activated alarm, Jam-

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8:11 a.m. Report of missing dog,  
8:26 a.m. Missing dog at pound  
10:04 a.m. Report of missing orange purse  
11:08 a.m. Request for welfare check on cat, 500 block W. Wilton  
3:23 p.m. Request for accident report  
3:41 p.m. Report of missing dog,  
4:09 p.m. Dog found  
4:10 p.m. Report of semiparked in fire lane  
4:31 p.m. Request for civil standby  
7:55 p.m. Report of reckless driver, 400 block W. Washington

5:41 p.m. Request for civil standby so individual can retrieve trash can from ex-girlfriend  
5:50 p.m. Neighbor dispute, 500 block W. Wilton  
May 27  
12:11 a.m. Report of harassing phone calls

9:17 a.m. Report of racing motorcycles, E. Highway 36  
10:18 a.m. Request for extra patrol, Norton Community High School  
12:34 p.m. Report of 10 juveniles shooting pellet guns on creek

**STARTING JUNE 3**  
**Norton American Legion**  
**Under New Management**

Come and Join Us on Thursday, June 3 for a Management Special . . . Homemade Chicken Fry and Welcome Jerry Wescott Our New Manager and Cook, 35+ Years Experience

— CATERING WILL BE AVAILABLE —  
MEMBERS AND GUESTS WELCOME!

6-Week Class

## Water Aerobics

WITH  
**Connie Glenn**  
Starts June 14

Meets Every Monday and Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. at the Norton Municipal Pool

Call Connie at 871-0445 to Enroll

May 28- June 2

Showing at the

# NORTON THEATRE

## The Back-Up Plan

1 Hour, 48 Minutes (PG-13) Presented in Digital Surround Sound

Friday and Saturday: 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.  
Sunday and Monday: 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.  
Tuesday and Wednesday: 7:00 p.m.

### Shrek: The Final Chapter

1 Hour, 44 Minutes (PG)

Only Premiere Passes for Shrek: The Final Chapter  
All Passes Accepted for Back-Up Plan

General Admission: \$6.00 and \$5.00 for The Back-Up Plan/\$3 Ticket Sunday  
Premiere Admission: \$7.00 and \$6.00 for Shrek/No Sunday Discount

Premiering Wednesday, June 30  
The Twilight Saga: Eclipse - (PG-13)  
Advanced Tickets on Sale June 4  
Visit [www.nortontheatre.com](http://www.nortontheatre.com) for Details

**COMING SOON**

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## RED CROSS CERTIFIED SWIMMING LESSONS

Enrollment will be at the Park Shelter west of the Pool

**Thurs., June 3, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. and 5-6:30 p.m.**  
**Saturday, June 5, 10 a.m.-noon**

**SESSION 1: JUNE 14 THROUGH JUNE 25**  
**SESSION 2: JUNE 28 THROUGH JULY 9**

NO PHONE ENROLLMENTS  
Must be 4 years of age or older. Each session is \$15.00. \$5.00 fee for late enrollments.

## Cross Roads

"What is the Purpose"

**For Your Prayers**

What is our purpose in having God answer the prayers we pray? If we want to be connected to God in prayer, we must pray that God will make us a blessing to others. There is a fact of life, if Christians expect God to bless them, they must be willing to bless others with whatever God has given them. Jesus wants us to be like Him and His view of the church is found in James 1:27, "Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows..." If Christians ignore those who have obvious needs, what right do they have to pray to God about their own needs?

Obedient Christians are God's channels in meeting the needs of the poor in a way that draws attention to Christ. The reason you should ask God to bless your business or bless you in the work place is so that you can not only provide for yourselves. It is also so you can bless Him and reach out to the needs of the needy.

I recently read a story about a man who was a multi-multi-multi- millionaire. Pastor Rick Warren had visited with this man who just a few years ago went bankrupt. After going through this severe trial the man received the Holy Spirit gift of giving. He allowed the Holy Spirit to give him the revelation of hilarious giving, which is New Testament teaching.

This man now gives 97% of his income to the Lord's work, which includes meeting the needs of the poor. He lives on 3% of his income and still lives a higher standard of life than most of the people in this country.

He found the necessity of obedience to the tithing, then, he was illuminated to the truth that he could not out give God. He went from the joyful surrender of 10% to 20% to 30% and is now at 97% and he lives a very wealthy life style. This man had come to the realization that his purpose in this world was to be a blessing to the Lord and others.

Not everyone has the Holy Spirit gift to give like the man whom Pastor Rick Warren wrote about. However, all Christians are called to pray for blessings that will grow their relationship with Christ, provide for their families and meet the needs of others.

**What is the Purpose of Your Prayers?  
Pray for Blessings that Bless Others!**

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