## NEW ALMELO

## **By BEVERLY OTTER**

On May 2, a public auction was held for the "Township Hall" in New Almelo. The hall and the furnishings in it were sold. Randy and Helen Rhea bought the basement structure which was built in 1941.

On May 11, three children received their first communion at Mass on Sunday morning.

They were William Gassmann, son of Randy and Beth Gassmann; Jazzmin Walhmeier, daughter of Dan and Shelly Wahlmeier; Luke Wahlmeier, son of Curt and

Becky Wahlmeier. A reception in their honor was held after Mass. On May 2, Jazzmin Wahlmeier crowned the statue of Mary, that is over the graves of Mrs. James Gillece and daughter who died in a prairie fire.

The Knights of Columbus members passed out flowers to all the ladies at Mass on Mother's Day.

On May 18, the eighth graders of the parish were blessed at Mass. The monthly coffee and rolls were held in the parish hall after mass.

Alfred and Betty Otter attended the Smith Center High School graduation of their granddaughter, Cheyenne Moss, daughter of Jam and Jolene Moss.

On May 21, they attended the graduation of their granddaughter, Ashley Otter, from the Hair Academy at Hays. Ashley is the daughter of Mark and Sheila Otter, Ulysses.

On May 25, they attended the promotion from eighth grade for their granddaughter, Kaitlin Otter in Great Bend. She is the daughter of Paul and Sharon Otter, Great Bend.

On May 26, they attended the eighth grade promotion of their granddaughter, Anna Otter, daughter of Mark and Sheila Otter, Ulysses.

Kyleigh Flax and Dustin Cole were married by Father Dan Scheetz at St. Joseph Church, New Almelo. Kyleigh is the daughter of Loretta (Otter) and Norbert Flax, Ransom. Dustin is the son of Larry and Kimberly Cole, Phillipsburg.

Roger and JoAnn Long attended the Long "Camp out" Reunion at Webster Lake from Memorial Day to June 5th.

Tuesday, July 6, 2010 THE NORTON TELEGRAM

Their grandson Daniel Schuster, Milford, Ohio and Jonathan and Phillip Kirk and friend from Lafayette La. spent the time with them.

On June 12, Alfred and Betty Otter celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. They were married June 14, 1960 at St. Joseph Church, New Almelo.

Their seven children and 15 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren were all in attendance.

All of Betty's living brothers

and sisters were there and all of Alfred's sisters and brothers except Harold from Flagstaff, Ariz. Many nieces and nephew and community members attended. On June 13, the Annual McK-

enna Reunion was held in the New Ålmelo Parish Hall.

A funeral Mass and burial was held June 16, with Father Galen Long celebrating the Mass. Geneva and Howard Long lived in the New Almelo area all their lives, raising eight children.

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Kathy Van Meter attended the annual Hilburn reunion at Rocky Ford, Colo., at the home of her niece Janet and Robert Penrod and family the first weekend in June.

There were over 60 in attendance from California, Arizona, Kansas, Nebraska and Colorado. All the family was there except

a granddaughter and family in California. Her daughter, Elaine Chavez, came from California. She and her daughter spent the week in Wichita with Jack and Sylvia Lovin and Brian. Kathy also visited Allan and granddaughter Carrie Briney at Pratt. On Thursday, I took Gary Anthony to McCook for his dialysis,

and saw Julie Breiner at the clinic. I then visited Sheryl and Richard Patterson, visited son Dwight and went shopping at Walmart. Before we came home, Gary treated me to dinner at Fullers Restaurant. I know why they named it Fuller's, if I had eaten everything they brought I would be fuller than I've ever been. Very

good food, too.

The rest of my week has been spent pitting cherries brought in from the farm by Denny. David planned to come on Saturday, but had to change his plans, and now thinks probably Tuesday. He is putting built-ins in Sandra and Larry's house in Palco. Now that they are both retired, they plan to go back there to live.

The Andbe Home called with an invitation to family breakfast on Sunday, so I spent the forenoon with Aunt Alta. Mr. Milner mobiled by in his wheelchair, so we had a pleasant, short visit. I also saw Claudia Bridges, Bob Shick and several other friends.

The daughters of our sister,

Bonnie Klein, are planning a memorial for Bonnie in Atwood June 26 at 10:30 a.m. Lee and Twila Vernon are planning to come for the day, at least. Twila says her doctors call her their "miracle patient."

We are so thankful she is doing so well.

Guests of Doyle and Kay Brown during harvest week were: Dorothy Stealy, Greg Stealy and Denise Waldo, Denver; Jim and Jo Stealy, Sarasota, Fla.; Kurt Brown, Millie and Dashiell, Quinter; Kent Brown, Jordan and McKenzie, Estes Park, Colo.; Joan Moore, McPherson; and Kara Kuntz, Katherine and Zach-

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ary, Hays.

Col. Gordon Kuntz has been deployed to Djibouti, Africa, where he has command of a medical troop.

Stan and Ramona Shaw attended the first birthday party Saturday of their great-grandson, Jackson Gillespie, at the home of his parents, Aaron and Tara Gillespie, Hays.

Mark Shaw and Ethan, rural Logan, visited his parents, Stan and Ramona Shaw, Sunday morning

Chuck and Jo Mowry, Yuma, Ariz.; their daughter Terri and son from Texas recently visited Dorothy Jones, Bob Jones and Carla Latimer. Chuck is a brother of Dorothy.

Marc and Roxann Groff, Jacob, Jadan and Jordan, Garland, Neb., are visiting Kathy and Paul Nauer.

They are helping with the wheat harvest. Maurice Yepsen, Kewanee, Ill., is visiting in the Jennings area and is a houseguest of Paul and Kathy.

Wayne and Louise Cressler received word on June 30 of the birth of their new great-granddaughter, Josie Renee Lemmons. She weighed 8 pounds, 13 ounc-

Parents are Jessica and Ben Lemmons, Manhattan. After a complicated birth, Josie was flown to Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City. She is doing well. Big brother, Gabe, almost 3 years old, is anxiously awaiting her arrival home.

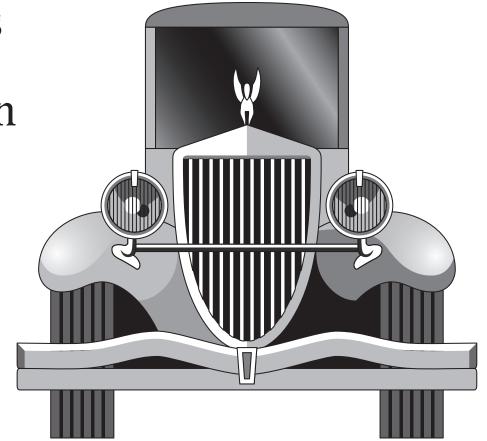
The Sunflower Senior potluck supper will be held at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, July 13, in the senior center.

Everyone is welcome to join us.

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Dash Plaques to First 100 Entries **Registration Downtown Norton** Courthouse Lobby, 8:00 a.m.-noon TROPHIES TO TOP 30 CARS AND TOP 5 MOTORCYCLES Awards to be at 3:00 p.m. Downtown

Drag Races Start at 4:30 p.m. at the Norton Airport North on Highway 283. Drag Cars must be show registered. Must be 21 to Enter and Motorcycles are not allowed to Drag



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