

Assistant director joins museum in Oberlin

By MARY LOU OLSON
Liane Martin of Herndon has joined the Last Indian Raid Museum staff as assistant director, and says she is thoroughly enjoying her new job.

State University, where he is majoring in mechanical engineering. He will be doing an internship with Case Corp. in Wichita this summer.



Liane Martin

Mrs. Martin is a native of Indianola, Neb., and is the only child of Raymond Kircher, now of Oberlin, and the late Eleanor Kircher. She was reared on a farm and said that one of her father's favorite hobbies has always been restoring antique tractors.

She graduated from Red Willow High School, then earned a degree in business education from Chadron State College in Nebraska. She taught business at Potter and Bartley, Neb., for four years before marrying Bob Martin of Herndon in 1978. She also worked for a time as an aide at the Herndon School.

The couple live on a farm north of Herndon, where they raised four children, all graduates of Herndon High School:

- Rebekka, who is married to Jeff Dudensing, and lives in Seneca, S.C., where she is working on her doctorate in rural development and he is in the military.
- Kirche and his wife, Tasha, who farm and live on the Kircher home place near Indianola. He is a graduate of Nebraska College of Agriculture at Curtis and besides farming works for Schaffert Manufacturing at Indianola. His wife also graduated from the school at Curtis as a certified vet tech. She works for the Tri-Valley Medical Center at Cambridge. They have two children, Kiana and Kristan.
- Nikolaus, a junior at Kansas

family. For the couple's 25th wedding anniversary, she said, she surprised her husband by buying him an old Case LA tractor, which he has since restored. She said that she enjoys all antiques, but especially dishes with violets on them, along with Depression glass. Other hobbies include reading and sewing.

She replaces Lynda Peters. "I feel that (Director) Sharleen Wurm and I will complement each other at the museum," she said, "since she is so good with genealogy and I am more interested in fabrics, dishes and other antiques. I hope to write some stories about some of the beautiful Victorian and other early-day homes in Oberlin, which is right down my alley."

"Maralyn Courange, who operates the gift shop, is an invaluable asset to the museum since she has always lived here and can help not only with names but also the history of Oberlin and the area."

The museum opened for the season on April 1 and hours until Dec. 1 will be from 9:30 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, with Sunday and Monday by appointment only for groups of 10 or more. The phone number is (785) 475-2712.

Oberlin grad performs in 'Forbidden Broadway'

Ladd Wendelin, son of Norman and Joanne Wendelin of Oberlin, performed recently in "Forbidden Broadway" at The Loft at The Mill in Lincoln, Neb.



L. Wendelin

He graduated from Decatur Community High School in 2002 and earned a degree in interpersonal communications in May 2005 from Concordia University at Seward, Neb. He is a customer service representative for a cable company in Lincoln and does theater in the evening.

He has helped stage manage several shows with TADA productions, and appeared in "The Fantasticks" as Henry, and also as Mitch in "A Streetcar Named Desire" at the Lincoln Community Playhouse.

"I've come a long way," he said, "but I give a lot of credit to (teachers Leigh Davis, (Neal) Russell, (Christie) Morris, and (Susan) Nelson, among others, for having the courage and ambition to give Oberlin a much needed drink of the arts, music and theater."

"Most people think the arts are an arbitrary thing, some sort of novel amusement to pass the time, but if those same people came around to realize how important the arts are to fostering mental growth and providing healthy outlets of self-expression for their kids, they'd think dif-

ferently, and maybe, just maybe, the world would be a better place for it.

"I mean, who doesn't like seeing their kid on stage? Oberlin should never lose that sense of need for the arts, as a building block to a better rural community."

"Currently, I'm being featured as a chorus member in a production of "Sweeney Todd" that goes up in May at Kimball Recital Hall on the University of Nebraska campus in Lincoln. After that, I'm sure something will come up. It usually does."

"If I'm not behind the scenes, I'm on the stage. And if I'm not singing and dancing, I'd rather be doing serious drama. If I can't do any of those, I'd rather be in the audience."

"As far as future plans go, I can't say I have any pie-in-the-sky dreams, like making it big on Broadway, but one can dream, can't he? In the future, I'd like to possibly start my own theater company, or possibly tour places like northwest Kansas with my own theater troupe, helping audiences from school children to the elderly see that we may not be able to live in a perfect world, but I'll be darned if we can't live in a beautiful one."

Ladd is a grandson of Karl Wendelin of Herndon, and Wayne and Lois Larson of Oberlin.

Band, choir to contest at Colby

The Decatur Community High School band and choir will perform at the Regional Music Festival on Thursday at Colby High School.

The band, under the direction of Christie Morris, will play at 12:50

p.m. in the high school gym. The choir, directed by Susan Nelson, will sing at 1:45 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

Family and friends are welcome to attend.

Christian women to meet

The McCook Christian Women's Club will host "Spring into Spring" from 10 to 11 a.m. on Friday, April 21, at the Best Western Poolside on Friday, April 21.

Speaker will be Donna Roth of Wichita, a retired nurse. Her theme

will be "Shattered, but not Broken." Heidi Pinkal of McCook will demonstrate scrapbooking.

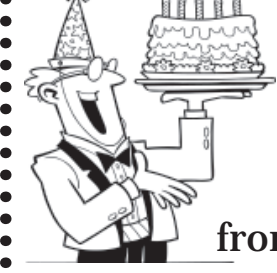
Reservations are due by April 19 and may be called in to Dolly at (308) 345-4011, or Rose at (308) 345-1191.

Seniors to meet at Colby

Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) Annual Recognition Night will be next Wednesday at the American Legion in Colby.

The free dance will be open from 7 to 9 p.m. to all area senior citizens. The Ramblin' Andy Family Band will play.

"Happy Birthday to Marjorie Konalske of Lenexa on April 14th from an old time friend."



Club News

Women plan Lord's Acre

Plans were made for the Lord's Acre potluck dinner and sale to be held at 12:30 p.m. on April 23 when Prairie Chapel United Methodist Women met on April 5 at the home of Lucille Townsend. Patti Uehlin was co-hostess.

Roll call, "How we plant seeds to make others grow" was answered by nine members. Charissa Huff gave devotions. Correspondence was read from

the Viron Johnson and Cheryl Metcalf. Mrs. Huff plans to attend the Prayer Retreat at Camp Lakeside on April 28 and 29. Quilt blocks need to be turned in.

Angie Wilson presented an Easter program about the different symbols of Easter. The next meeting will be a Dutch luncheon at 12:30 p.m. on May 3 at the LandMark Inn. Mrs. Townsend will give the program on Earth Day.

Club enjoys breakfast

Seventeen members of Pi Alpha Club met April 8 for a spring breakfast at the home of Marty Olson. Decorations carried out an Easter rabbit motif and an Easter card was made for each.

For devotions with a tree theme, Mrs. Olson read an inspir-

ing story, "The Tale of Three Trees." Janette Votapka won the hostess gift.

The closing meeting of the club year will be held on April 24 at the country home of Mrs. Votapka with Pat Wright as co-hostess. It will be an evening of fun and games, and club dues and contributions will be collected.

Reception Saturday for couple

Frank and Velda Ward of Norcatour will observe their 60th wedding anniversary on Friday.

Their children, Wava Reames, and Leslie and Lynn Ward, all of Norcatour, are hosting a card shower and a come-and-go reception from 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturday at Cedar Living Center in Oberlin.

Frank Ward and Velda Fullerton were married April 14, 1946, in Norcatour. Witnesses at the cer-



Velda and Frank Ward

emony were Max Ward and Norma Sebaugh, who later married. The couple requests no gifts.

Let's Go to the Museum

Our first activity of the new season with author Doug Yocum brought many people to the Museum. We had visitors from Hoxie; Norton; Atwood; McCook; Almena; Trenton, Neb.; Decatur County; and a couple from Iowa.

Our KFNF-sponsored rummage and bake sale will be Saturday, April 22, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Sunday, April 23, noon to 4 p.m. If you have gently-used items you would like to donate they can be brought to the

Bohemian Hall between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

Proceeds from the rummage and bake sale go to the support and maintenance of the museum. This is important to help the museum continue as a vital part of the community.

Our members are asked to furnish a baked item, which needs to be at the Museum by 8 a.m. on Saturday. The bake sale will be in the Land Office, next to the Bohemian Hall.

New Arrivals

Mia Rey Pinkerman

Jeremy and Ronda Pinkerman of Papillion, Neb., are the parents of a daughter, Mia Rey, born Feb. 15, 2006. She weighed 7



M. Pinkerman

pounds, 4 ounces and was 19 1/4 inches long. She has a sister, Abby Lee, 16 months. Grandparents are Sharon Mockry, Oberlin, and Arlo and Anita Pinkerman, Stromsburg, Neb. Great-grandparents are Lee Ora Mockry, and Edwin and Doris Black, Oberlin; Helen Anderson, Butte, Neb.; and Virgil and Lucille Pinkerman, O'Neill, Neb.

Maverick Munden

Rob and Julie Kennedy Munden of Larned are the parents of a son,



M. Munden

Maverick Kennedy-Cain Munden, born Feb. 13, 2006, at Central Kansas Medical Center in Great Bend. He weighed 9 pounds, 4 ounces and was

20 1/2 inches long. He is welcomed home by his big sister, Dallas, 10. Grandparents are Joann and O.D. Calhoon, Colby, and Robin and Jim Cain, Great Bend. Great-grandmothers are Loretta Hayden, Colby, and Stephanie Cain, Great Bend.

Julie Beth Wilson

Chris and Keely Wilson of 1806 Avenue E, Kearney, Neb., 68847,



Julie Wilson

are the parents of a daughter, Julie Beth, born April 8, 2006, at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney. She weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces, and was 19 inches long. Grandparents are Charles and Sandy Kincaid, Norton; James and Kimberly Witt, Oberlin; and the late Julie Witt. Her great-grandparents are Evalyn Wilson, WaKeeney, and the late Vernon Wilson; Louise Swank, Colby, and the late Clair Swank; Eugene and Beverly Witt, Danbury; Keith and Mary Lou Olson, Herndon; and Larry and Carolyn Schultz, St. Francis. Her great-great-grandmothers are E.J. Query, Bird City; and Martha Schultz, St. Francis.

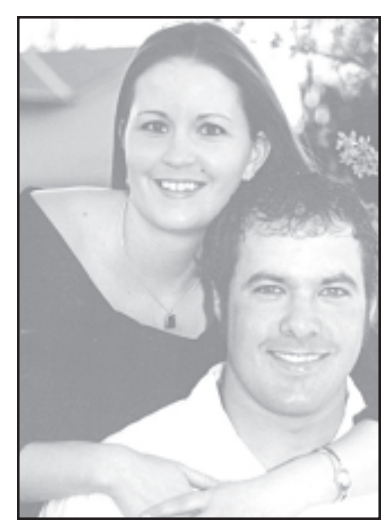
Couple plans July wedding

Valisha Castle and Travis Raile of Oberlin plan to be married on July 29.

Parents of the couple are Bob and Deanna Castle of Oberlin, and Pete and Kay Raile of St. Francis.

The bride is a 1997 graduate of Decatur Community High School. She earned a degree in biology with a minor in chemistry from Fort Hays State University in 2002 and is a pharmacy technician at Ward Drug Store. Doris Fringer of Oberlin is her grandmother.

Her fiance graduated from St. Francis High School in 1997 and earned a degree in biology with a



V. Castle and T. Raile

minor in physical education from Bethany College in 2002. He is backhoe operator for Gore Oil Co. His grandparents are Bob and Gertie Zweygardt, and Ed and Wanda Raile of St. Francis.

Holy week services set in area churches

The Decatur County Ministerial Association will sponsor a community Good Friday service at 12:10 p.m. at the Centennial Park gazebo in downtown Oberlin. (See story page 8A.) Other Holy Week services will include:

COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP
Easter Sunday services will begin at 10:30 a.m. with Pastor Fred Dycus in charge.

BERLIN, LEVILLE, SELDEN CATHOLIC

Holy Thursday Mass will begin at 5:30 p.m. at Selden, and at 7:30 p.m. at Oberlin. On Good Friday, services are scheduled at 1 p.m. at Selden; 3 p.m. at Leoville; and 7 p.m. at Oberlin. A Holy Saturday Mass will begin at 9:30 p.m. at Leoville. Easter Sunday Mass will begin at 8 a.m. in Selden and 10 a.m. at Oberlin.

JENNINGS-DRESDEN UNITED METHODIST

Maundy Thursday services with communion and Tenebrae will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Dresden United Methodist Church. Good Friday communion services will be at 6:30 p.m. at Jennings. Easter Sunday worship will begin at 9:30 a.m. at Dresden and 11 a.m. at Jennings.

PRAIRIE CHAPEL OBERLIN METHODIST

Maundy Thursday services will begin at 6:30 p.m. at Oberlin, and at 8 p.m. at Prairie Chapel. Easter morning worship services begin at 9 a.m. at Prairie Chapel and 10:45 a.m. at the Oberlin church.

HERNDON IMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Good Friday services will be held at 5:30 p.m. Easter services will be at 9 a.m.

OBERLIN UNITED CHURCH

A Maundy Thursday communion service will begin at 5:30 p.m. Morning worship will be at 10:30 a.m. Sunday.

FAITH LUTHERAN

Holy Week services include

Art exhibit set at Hays

The Fort Hays State University Department of Art will host the annual High School Art Exhibition next Wednesday in the Gross Memorial Coliseum arena.

About 1,500 students representing 70 high schools will display artwork and, weather permitting, create new works in chalk on the sidewalks and plaza area in front of Rarick and Martin Allen halls.

The show at the coliseum will be on display from 10 a.m. until noon. The public is invited.

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Maundy Thursday Holy Communion at 7:30 p.m.; Good Friday service at 7:30 p.m.; and Easter Sunday Holy Communion at 9:30 a.m. with a potluck Easter brunch to follow.

CLAYTON, NORCATOUR, LYLE METHODIST

Good Friday services will begin at 7 p.m. at the Clayton church. Easter sunrise services will begin at 6:30 a.m. at Lyle, followed by breakfast at the Lyle Community Building. Easter morning worship will begin at 10 a.m. at Norcatour and at 11 a.m. at Clayton.

OBERLIN COVENANT

Maundy Thursday services will begin at 7 p.m. An Easter breakfast is planned at 8:30 a.m., followed by Easter services at 9:30 a.m. Sunday. There will be no Sunday School.

LUND COVENANT

Maundy Thursday services will begin at 7:30 p.m. An Easter sunrise service and breakfast is scheduled at 6:45 a.m. at the Cow Palace. Easter morning worship will begin at 10:30 a.m. There will be no Sunday School.

HERNDON COVENANT

Maundy Thursday services will begin at 7 p.m. at the Herndon Covenant Church with a Good Friday service at 1 p.m. Easter sunrise service will begin at 6:30 a.m. at the cemetery, followed by breakfast at the church. Sunday School will follow at 8:30 a.m. with morning worship at 10 a.m.

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN

Maundy Thursday communion services and Good Friday services will begin at 7:30 p.m. An Easter morning sunrise service is scheduled at 7:30 a.m., followed by breakfast served by the Lutheran Youth Fellowship. Sunday School will follow at 9:15 a.m. and morning worship at 10:30 a.m.

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC HERNDON

Easter Sunday Mass will begin at 8:30 a.m.

Frank and Velda Ward
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High Plains **Artfest**
The High Plains Artfest would like to thank the members of the Artfest Committee and the following volunteers who helped make the second annual High Plains Artfest a successful venture. It couldn't have been done without you.

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