

Decatur graduate interns at drug store

A 1998 graduate of Decatur Community High School is getting his feet wet in rural pharmacy, serving as an intern at Ward Drug Store this month.



Travis Castle

Travis Castle, who is in his final year of pharmacy school at the University of Kansas, started at the store at the beginning of April, helping out and learning.

Owner Kurt Vollertsen said the preceptor program helps keep him and the store affiliation with the pharmacy school. He said he has been a licensed preceptor, or supervisor, since he's been working here, but this is the first time a student has been placed here.

The program gives the students a chance to learn about independent rural pharmacies, said Mr. Vollertsen.

During the last year of pharmacy

school, said Mr. Castle, students do nine rotations, learning about their role of a pharmacist in each setting, including clinical, hospital, retail and ambulatory care. The idea is to experience the full breadth of pharmacy and expand their knowledge of what they have learned in class, he said.

Mr. Castle said he had two years of prerequisites to fill before he got into the pharmacy school. A degree normally takes at least six years.

As a high school student, he said, he worked at the Good Samaritan Center. Mr. Castle said he enjoys the health care arena, science and math, so pharmacy seemed like a good choice.

Mr. Castle is the son of Pam and Brian Simonsson and Joe Castle.

After graduation, he said, he plans to stay in the Kansas City area and work in hospital pharmacy.

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Among out-of-town relatives and friends who attended funeral services for Berenece McKay were John and Jane Fortin, Overton, Neb.; Jill McCorkle, McCook; Joyce Juenemann, Selden; Phyllis McKay, Jenks, Okla.; Cheryl Davison, Tulsa; Tim Stimbert, St. Francis; Mary Stephenson, Leavenworth; Matt and Kristy Ostmeyer, Jace and Tyler, Ellis; and Eric and Bridgett Moore, Manhattan.

Veanna Carman expected to undergo surgery on Tuesday in Kearney, Neb. Mail will reach her at Good Samaritan Hospital, 10 East 31st, Kearney, Neb., 68848.

Colton Sauvage, son of Heith and Shani Sauvage of Selden, and Kallie Schaben, daughter of Nate and Jaclyn Schaben of Selden celebrated their First Confession Wednesday evening at the Selden Sacred Heart Church. They had their First communion on Sunday morning. Officiating was the Rev. Henry Saw Lone. Both are second graders.

Tom Carroll of Atwood, owner of Ben Lee Processing, has been a patient in the intensive care unit at Hadley Medical Center in Hays since he was taken there by plane last Tuesday. His wife is the former Kathy Simpson, daughter of David Simpson of Oberlin. David and Shirley Simpson visited him on Wednesday, but on Monday, Mrs. Simpson said they are still running tests and he was still in an induced coma. Mail will reach him at the hospital, 2220 Canterbury Drive, Hays, Kan., 67601.

The Sunflower Cinema will receive \$556 from donations given during the Dresser fashion show on Friday evening.

Winning highs in pinochle at Golden Age Center the past week

were Dewaine Stapp, Ivis Hanson, Doris Fringer, Wilma May, Marie McKisson, Kelva Dryden, Henry Edgett and Elden Haas. Lows went to Doris Gilbert, Aleen Van Vleet, Elden Haas, Wilma May, Henry Edgett, Barb Solko and Doris Fringer. Pitchhighs were won by Dorothy Moore and Barb Solko with lows going to Floyd Edgett and Aleen Van Vleet. Winning highs at bridge were Janette Votapka and Merle Shirley. Open bridge will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday. Senior potluck will begin at 12:15 p.m. Sunday at Golden Age Center.

A memorial service was held on March 28 at Brewster Place in Topeka for Maxine Tillotson, 88, formerly of Norton, who died March 16 at Brewster Place Healthcare Center. Her late husband, J.C. Tillotson, was a former Norton County attorney, campaign manager for Bob Dole and a member of the Kansas House of Representatives.

Joe Samson Jr., and his son, Jeff, have opened Samson Restoration in Atwood, a business which restores antique vehicles and tractors. His son is a graduate of McPherson College, where he completed the restoration program. Joe's wife is the former Kayla Unger of Oberlin.

Leonard Cochran is recuperating from surgery, which he underwent in Kearney, Neb. Mail will reach him at Good Samaritan Hospital, 10 East 31st, Kearney, Neb., 68848.

Howard and Janette Votapka returned home last week from McAllen, Texas, where they spent the winter.

Sarah Marcuson spent the weekend in Topeka with her sister Leslie Marcuson to celebrate her birthday on Saturday. Ryan Nelson joined them for lunch on Sunday.

Sale barn cook retires after 30 years at stove

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After over 30 years of dishing out delicious meals and short orders at the Stockman Cafe at the Oberlin Sale Barn, L'Marie Robertson plans to retire this week.

The sale barn staff plans to honor her with an open house from 1 to 3 p.m. at the cafe next Monday, and the public is invited.

"My husband Jim and I first started helping in the kitchen at the sale barn around 1976 when it was managed by Roy and Ann Shobe," Mrs. Robertson recalled. "After they moved, we just took over the cooking and even after my husband's death, I have continued my weekly trek to the kitchen."

Mrs. Robertson said that they put in new booths and added some smaller tables, in addition to the stools which were already at the counter.

She said that when they started, one of the waitresses was Nadene Lafferty, who has since moved to McCook, but still helps out. The cafe is open only Monday, which is sale day.

"Back then, Jim and I did all of the cooking, along with washing dishes," she said. "Over the years, we have had others who have assisted with both."

"One of the things that draws people to eat at the cafe every Monday is the weekly noon specials," she said. "We serve 50 to 60 specials weekly, plus 30 or more short orders, which include hamburgers, cheeseburgers and other sandwiches, along with french fries, pies, cake and cinnamon rolls."

The work really begins on Sunday evening, she said, when around 30 pounds of roast beef is put in the oven for the sale-day lunch. The cooks begin their work at 7 a.m. on Monday, she said, and the waitresses usually come in around 9 a.m.

"I really got into the business when I felt I needed to do something outside of my home," she said. "I have enjoyed it and will miss it, but feel with some health problems, it is time for me to step down."

Mrs. Robertson, the former L'Marie Ambler of Danbury, said she attended high school in McCook, graduated in 1944, then worked at the telephone office in McCook. She met her husband, Ellworth "Jim" Robertson, through a cousin, Beverly (Van Vleet) Eiler, when she would visit her in Oberlin. They were married on Oct. 10, 1950, then lived on a farm south of Oberlin. She moved to Oberlin after his death on Nov 13, 1998.



L. Robertson

Tour planned April 27 to three area towns

The Oberlin Arts and Humanities Commission will sponsor a tour of the Dresden, Jennings and Clayton communities on Sunday, April 27.

Those leaving from Oberlin will meet at 2 p.m. at The Gateway, where the county van will be available, as well as a car pool. Others may join at any of the three towns.

The first stop will be in Dresden, where Dalene Gawith and Paul Welter will present information at the United Methodist Church.

From there, the group will go to Clayton, where a history of the town will be given by Gwynn Ward in the United Methodist Church.

The final stop will be at Jennings, where Bob and Neoma Tacha will conduct a tour of the Czech Memorial Museum, then participants will get a tour of downtown Jennings given by others.

Refreshments will be served at the Sunflower Senior Center, at the Jennings City Hall. Memorabilia from each community will be on display.

This is a season ticket event or \$10 for adults or \$15 for a family ticket.

For details, call Ella Betts at (785) 475-3557 or Mary Henzel at (785) 470-0218.

Herald plans to honor alumni

The Oberlin Herald plans to print a special edition on Wednesday, May 21, to welcome alumni of Decatur Community High School celebrating their 10-year anniversaries this year.

The newspaper would like to have members of each class provide some high school photographs, along with memories of things that happened while they were in school.

The following classes will be honored: 1928, 1938, 1948, 1958, 1968, 1978, 1988, 1998, as well as the graduating class of 2008.

A Herald staff member will be

contacting each class this week so members can gather information for this section.

Pictures of the 10-year and 25-year anniversary classes will be taken for the newspaper on Saturday afternoon, May 24, before the annual Alumni Banquet, which begins at 6:30 p.m. that evening at The Gateway.

For details, call the office at (785) 475-2206. Photos and memories can be sent to 170 S. Penn Ave., Oberlin, Kan., 67749, or e-mailed to ml.olson@nwkansas.com.

K-State student receives honor

Karli Fredrickson was one of 16 students selected for the Kansas State University Student Foundation membership class for the coming school year.



K Fredrickson

The foundation communicates the impact of philanthropic gifts to contributors when they serve as hosts in the KSU Foundation's Club events with benefactors at Colbert Hills.

Written applications from the freshmen, sophomore and junior classes were reviewed and 60 applicants were chosen for interviews. Miss Fredrickson will serve on this group for the remaining three years of her undergraduate studies.

She is a Life Science major in the pre-optometry program. Her parents are Dr. Gary and Sarah Fredrickson of Oberlin.

Workshop set for April 19

Anna Seeber Shaw will hold a basic pencil-drawing workshop at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Oberlin Covenant Church.

This is the eighth in a series of 12 workshops taught by Mrs. Shaw, sponsored by the Oberlin Arts and

Humanities Commission. The next one will be held at the same time and place on Saturday, May 17. There is a one-time fee of \$20.

For details, call Mary Henzel at (785) 470-0218.

Club News

Group gives scholarships

The Oberlin American Legion Auxiliary met April 9 with four officers present. President Angela Corcoran opened the meeting with all reciting the flag salute and repeating the preamble, followed by prayer by Phyllis Metcalf. Dolores Koerperich was hostess.

A thank you note was read from the Good Samaritan Center for the memorial given in memory

Members meet in McCook

Eight members of the Prairie Chapel United Methodist Women met at the home of Nadene Lafferty in McCook on April 2. Roll call was answered by telling "What I like about spring."

President Cheryl Metcalf opened the meeting with the group singing, "Great is Thy Faithfulness," followed by prayer. Devotions were given by Rowena Cathcart from "The Upper Room." Each member received a copy of the poem, "A Strong Woman versus a Woman

of Ruby Wennihan and from the Garden of Hope for supplies.

The president read from the district letters. The auxiliary will present four \$250 scholarships at the high school.

A donation was made by Memorial Hall, so the group can give four, instead of two scholarships.

of Strength."

Mrs. Lafferty gave a report on cards that had been sent and thank you notes were read from the Metcalf, Cathcart and Cook families. Prairie Chapel now has a page in the Oberlin United Methodist Church Newsletter. The Lord's Acre dinner and auction were set for April 13.

Angie Wilson presented an inspiring program, "Racial Justice," then closed with a prayer. Refreshments and a tour of Mrs. Lafferty's new home followed.

Students talk about history

Three sixth graders, Caleb Koerperich, Sierra Lohofener and Alexis Hissong, presented a program on research they have been collecting on the Last Indian Raid in Kansas at the April 8 meeting of the Oberlin Rotary Club.

They and their teacher, Mardi Lohofener, were introduced by Mark Olson, program chairman.

Caleb talked about the life of Chief Dull Knife; Sierra told about Cheyenne Chief Little Wolf and Alexis spoke about the William Lang family.

The raid occurred southwest of Oberlin along the Sappa Creek, which is now mostly pasture land, but one marked grave is still there.

A memorial at the Oberlin Cemetery was erected Sept. 13, 1911, for the 18 people killed during the raid.

Guests were Barbara Olson, Sarah Fredrickson, Kurt Anderson, Abby Hissong, Ann Anderson, Marcia Lohofener and Tom Mullen. Junior Rotarians from Decatur Community High School were Amber Goede and Kenzie Fisher.

Widows and Friends meet

Sixteen women enjoyed breakfast when Widows and Friends met April 9 at the Frontier Restaurant.

Coordinator Doris Sloan welcomed the group, which included several new visitors. She read a humorous article, "Pillsbury Doughboy Death Notice," taken from *The Kansas Senior Times*.

The newspaper also included a story and pictures of a Kansas woman who loved the cute, cuddly "Doughboy" and has collected the figurines since he was first intro-

duced on television commercials in 1965.

Others present were Bertha Schwisow, Elaine Bryan, Nadean Stoney, Mary Ann Amack, Eula Juenemann, Mildred Holmdahl, Mabel Zimmerman, Cecil Hess, Joy Votapka, Cheryl Votapka, Rowena Cathcart, Laurene Van Otterloo, Doris Fringer, Martha Fringer and Virginia Spratling.

The next meeting will be an 8:30 a.m. breakfast on May 14 at the Frontier Restaurant.

Retirement Party
for
L'Marie Robertson
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(Oberlin Sale Barn Cafe) - 1 to 3 p.m.
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Happy 80th Birthday

Please join Kieth Alstrom for some cake, a cup of coffee and maybe a few jokes at his 80th birthday celebration. It will be held Sunday, April 20 from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Golden Age Center. Dress casual.

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DCHS ALUMNI BANQUET RESERVATION COUPON

The DCHS, Alumni Banquet will be held at The Gateway in Oberlin, Saturday, May 24, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. Doors open for Social Hour at 5:30. Mail reservations and remittance to Alumni Assn., P.O. Box 201, Oberlin, KS 67749. Price per plate is \$14.00 - This includes dinner and 50 cents for the Smick Memorial Loan Fund.

Alumni's Name	Class	Year to be seated with
Spouse or Guest	Class	Year to be seated with

Space allows for alumni and spouse/guest. BE SURE to give class year and maiden name and year you wish to be seated with. Deadline for reservations is May 17, 2008.

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