

People in Our Community

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Betty and Gary Votapka of California visited over Memorial Day weekend with relatives. A hamburger fry honored them on Sunday at the home of Joy Votapka. Others present were Mary Votapka, Tom Votapka, Sue Long, and Terri Hanke, Jennings; Ann Rowh, Jodi Inguanza and children, Cimarron; Nancy Ellis, Topeka; Charlie and Gina Votapka, Ogallala, Neb., and Dan and Lisa Votapka, Travis and Tara, Howard and Janette Votapka, Faye Meitl, and Norma Anderson, Oberlin.

Memorial weekend guests of Lyle and Leona Hilker were Doug, Karla, Grant and Grayson Wilson, North Little Rock, Ark. On Saturday they all attended the Krause family reunion at Cody Park in North Platte, Neb.

Alice Kleinsorge Marshall, Manchaca, Texas, visited Jerald and Elaine Leitner on Sunday afternoon.

Duane and Marilyn Waldo, Tucson, Ariz.; and Mike and Susie Wright, Lawrence were Memorial weekend houseguests of Loyd and Mary Waldo. Sunday afternoon visitors were Don Claussen and Kerry Hullet, Salina; Brad Taylor and Becki Taylor, Hays; Tom Votapka, Jennings; Deb McKinley, Oklahoma; Fred Waldo, Oberlin; Dan Waldo, Overland Park; and Clarence Nicholson and Madeline, Salina. Myrtle Waldo joined the Waldos of Oberlin and Arizona for lunch on Memorial Day.

Enid Anderson attended the wedding of her granddaughter, Dawn Marie Diederich, and Jared Gilbert on May 4 in Boca Raton, Fla. The bride is the daughter of Dave and Cheri Diederich.

Rita Carey, Westminster, Colo., and Judy Dieck, Greeley, Colo., visited Keith and Maxine Sauvage and other friends and relatives in Oberlin and Jennings over Memorial weekend. Other callers were Trudy Stockham, Norton; Amy McKenna and Doug Osburn, Overland Park; Mike and Joan McKenna, Jennings; John and Donna Sauvage, Selden; Don and Thelma Moorhous, Culbertson, Neb., and Bill Sauvage and Tyler Sauvage, Oberlin.

On Mother's Day weekend, Jim and Linda Hollowell attended the commencement at the University of Northern Colorado at Greeley. Their daughter, Holli Hollowell Coburn, received her Masters Degree in Clinical Counseling. She is also a fifth grade teacher for the Denver Public Schools.

Helen Pelkey Jones and her husband, Preston, of Tucson, Ariz., attended her 45th class reunion festivities. They were weekend guests of her classmate, Jackie Votapka. The class of 1963 gathered at the Votapka home Saturday evening following the banquet.

Amber Lynae (Reynolds) Lorentz is among graduates who earned degrees from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln during commencement exercises on May 9 and 10. She received a Bachelor of Science in the College of Arts and Sciences. She is a graduate of Decatur Community High School and the daughter of Lyn and Marcia Reynolds of Cedar Bluffs.

Enid Anderson accompanied Clinton and Avonne Anderson of Ottawa and Alicyn Anderson of Olathe to Bismarck, N. D., to attend the graduation of Abby Anderson on Sunday. She is daughter of Calvin Anderson and Brenda Anderson. Her sister, Angie, also attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Wolters attended the reception for their granddaughter, April Ann Wolters, at the Tim Wolters farm at Ludell on May 18. She graduated at Kansas State University at Manhattan on May 17.

Fern Jording accompanied Phil and Marij Law of Lakewood, Colo., to Warrensburg, Mo., to attend the high school graduation of Jeffrey Tackett, their great-grandson and grandson, on Saturday, May 17. Mrs. Jording also celebrated her 92nd birthday the same day. Jeff will be attending the University of Central Missouri, majoring in business law/management. He recently returned from Atlanta, Ga., where he was participated in a Distributive Education Clubs of America, international business law and ethics competition.

Rebecca Mason graduated from the Colby Community College nursing program and after she passed her state boards, she has accepted a nursing job in Salina. She is the daughter of Doug and Johanna Mason of Oberlin.

Memorial weekend guests of Marjorie Olson were Ward and Jan Ward, Chloe, Mariah and Cianna of Colorado Springs, Colo.

Helen Riepl of Cimarron accompanied her son, Greg Riepl of Edmond, Okla., to Oberlin on Friday for the weekend. Joining them was their son and brother, John Riepl, Overland Park. Mrs. Riepl attended the 1948 class reunion. Joan Hopkins Tongish, McDonald, a former class member, also joined them for the afternoon reunion at The Gateway.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Billodeaux of Oberlin, La., stopped by the Herald office last week to reorder the paper. His wife is from Bartley, Neb., and they were on their way there for a reunion. She said she really enjoys reading the paper.

Katie Glading, daughter of Darrin and Joan Glading; Joe Hirsch, son of Steve and Anita Hirsch, and Teens for Christ director Doug Mason left Tuesday on the Arkansas mission trip. They will be replacing shingles on some cabin roofs and will return on June 5.

Jerald and Elaine Leitner went to Colby on Saturday to help their great-granddaughter, Talyn Sullivan, daughter of Katrina and Dustin Sullivan, celebrate her second birthday. Other guests were Karla, John and Jerad Sullivan, Colby; Haylee McGlade and Braden, Savannah, Ga.; and Darla Jones, Casey, Aiden and Ashton; and Ken Jones and Cooper, all of Plainville.

Winning highs in pinochle at Golden Age Center the past week were Doris Fringer, Dorothy Moore, Henry Edgett, Floyd Edgett and Kelve Dryden. Lows went to Doris Gilbert, Aleen Van Vleet, Wilma May, Doris Fringer, Henry Edgett and Dewaine Stapp. Pitch highs were won by Dorothy Moore and Aleen Van Vleet with lows going to Henry Edgett and Barb Solko. Winning highs at bridge were Cynthia Matson, Beth Sebaugh and Charlotte Meints.

An open house and barbecue dinner was held for Dwight and Fredricka Garnhart on Monday May 19, at the home of his nephew and family, Kenny, Colleen, Justin and Jacob Gee. Mr. and Mrs. Garnhart were married in January in Chadron, Neb. where they live. Those who stopped by to visit and have dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Gene Gee, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Mack and Lyle Gamblin.

Memorial weekend guests of Cecil Hess were Steve and Chris Hess, Nola and Lola, Overland Park, and Dan and Julie Hess and Carter, Salina.

Mr. and Mrs. Fernando Pena, Ian and Ella of Wichita were Memorial weekend guests of her parents, Gus and Elsie Wolters. Darlene Ankle of Chandler, Ariz., and Doug and Jennifer Ankle of Laramie, Wyo., were Sunday callers.

Helen Riepl of Cimarron entertained with a pizza supper on Friday at the Pizza Hut to honor her son, Greg Riepl of Edmond, Okla., on his birthday. Other relatives present were Cecil Hess, Marianna Bendon and Karla Jones, Mark and Barbara Olson, Kurt and Mary, James and Kimberly Witt, Ashley and Whitney, and Tyler Witt and Tiffany Robinson, Oberlin; Mary Lou Olson, Herndon, and John Riepl, Overland Park.

Members of the Decatur Community High School class of 1951 enjoyed a get-together Saturday morning at the LandMark Inn. Those attending included Dianne Nemeth Bareiss, Overland Park; Denise Woodside Kenny, Canton, Ohio; Janet DeMay Bamesberger, Indianola, Neb.; Perky Smalberger Barnett, Peoria, Ariz.; Donna McClure Huff, Norcat; Mary Lou Bendon Olson, Herndon; and Joy Cathcart Votapka, Eloise; Anderson Smith, Shirley Euhus Shields, Detta Bryan Anderson, and Dorothy Reith Moore, Oberlin. Among those unable to attend from Oberlin were Enid Worcester Anderson, Veanna Van Vleet Carman, Marjorie Vernon Olson and Joyce Clair Ploussard; as well as Carolyn Soderlund Holle, Agra.

Elaine Bryan accompanied her daughter, Sue and Kevin Renk of Plainville to Topeka to attend the graduation of their son, Matthew Renk on May 10. She was a houseguest of another daughter, Corinne and Dave Denton while in Topeka. The Renks also spent Memorial Day weekend guests of Mrs. Bryan.

Robbie Koerperich, a 1988 graduate of Golden Plains High School, recently earned his doctorate in education administration and super-

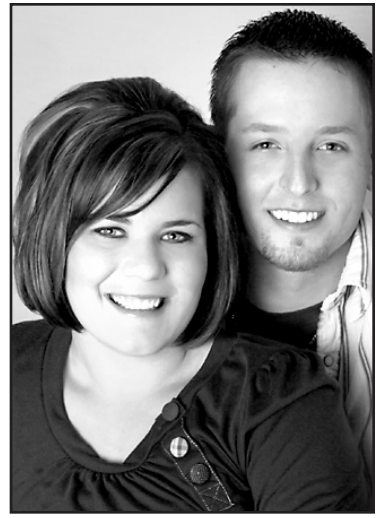
vision from Arizona State University. The son of Robert and Elaine Koerperich of Selden, he received his Bachelor of Arts in education from Fort Hays State University in 1992 and his master's degree from Emporia State University in 2003. He is assistant superintendent in the Holbrook, Ariz., school district, which serves 2,500 students. He and his wife, Debbie (Carman) and their children, Kory, Kylie and Kobi, live in Holbrook.

Couple plans June wedding

Lindsay Diane Scott and Tyler Lee Richardson plan to be married on Friday, June 27, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Pratt.

Parents of the couple are Dave and Julie Scott, Pratt; Brent and Diane Phillips, Rexford; and Terry and Kelly Richardson, Pratt.

The bride-elect is a 2003 graduate of Pratt High School and a 2008 graduate of the Pratt Community College Nursing program. A resident of Pratt, she plans to be a registered nurse at Hutchinson Hospital in the Intensive Care Unit in Hutchinson.



L. Scott and T. Richardson

Her fiance, also of Pratt, graduated from Golden Plains High School in 2002 and Pratt Community College in 2004. He works for TR Oilfield Services and Rentals Inc. in Pratt.

Reunion held Saturday

The Mel Pelkey family of Atwood held a family reunion and karaoke at the their home in Atwood on Saturday evening.

On Sunday afternoon, the group enjoyed a cookout at the Old Bohemian Hall in Oberlin.

Those attending included Denise (Woodside) Kenny, Canton Ohio, and daughter, Diana Rangel, Columbus Ohio; Ron and Dee

McDougal, Nora, Bill, Mackenzie, Mason and Madison Urban, Amy McDougal and Troy Haas, and Garrett, Heather, and Jessiah McDougal, Oberlin; Gail, Rick, Lyndsi and Cameron Smith, Christy, Brandy, Shaylyn and Colton Brooks; and Mel and Stephanie Pelkey and Megan, Atwood; Vicki Karnes, McPherson, and Steve Flaska, Victoria.

Grads honored at tea

A tea last Tuesday sponsored by the Star committee honored high school and college graduates who work at the Decatur County Good Samaritan Center.

Honorees included Ali Samson, Desiree Vilar, Chantelle Beneda, Amber Mason and Jenny Ploussard, Decatur Community High School; Holly Jannamon, Penn Foster, online student; and Tammy Touslee, licensed practical nursing at Colby

Community College. A graduation cake and ice cream were served.

Star members include Linda Hollowell, chair; Frances Nothdurft, Joan Evans, Paula Corcoran, Kelley Black May, Michelle O'Dea, Tina Perrin, Violet Krizek, Judy Jordan and Angela Corcoran, secretary. Others assisting with the tea were Sonya Gillespie and Melissa Chambers.

Rotarian talks about reading

Ralph Unger gave a program at the May 20 meeting of the Oberlin Rotary Club at The Gateway about his childhood experiences, including his love of reading.

He also told about information from a book with questions everyone wonders about and pointed out the difficulty people in other countries can have learning the English language. The club will sponsor a circus in

Oberlin on June 12 at the fairground. Tickets will be in soon for businesses to sell.

Rotary scholarships were given to Melissa Hasty and Rebecca Helm, with Charles Corcoran Scholarships going to Jessica Bremer and Jared Marcuson.

Darrell Landau was welcomed back to Oberlin.

Guests were Evan Barnum and Vickie Bailey.

Registration extended to June 3

Registration for the Marketplace 29 A.D. summer Bible school for children from kindergarten through sixth grade has been extended.

Get forms at sponsoring churches, Ward Drug or Raye's Grocery, and return them to Ward or to Johanna Mason by Monday

The program is described as a hands-on, experience-oriented event that has been popular with children.

Registration also will be open at 4:45 p.m. on Tuesday at the Sappa Park shelter house, on the first day of the free course.

Club News

Widows and Friends meet

The Widows and Friends gathered at the Frontier Restaurant for breakfast on May 14. Doris Sloan gave a humorous reading titled, "I Like Being Old."

Others present were Mildred Holmdahl, Laurene Van Otterloo, Eula Juenemann, Nadean Jennings, Elaine Bryan, Norma Richards, Esther Carlson, Eileene Grose, Doris Fringer, Bertha

Schwisow, Mary Ann Amack, Cecil Hess and Dorothy Jackson.

Cindy Sauder, daughter of Mrs. Sloan, stopped by and shared her news that she had purchased a home in Oberlin so will be a permanent resident.

The group will meet on June 11 at 8:30 a.m. for breakfast at the Frontier Restaurant.

Club plans June picnic

Calico Gals Club met May 21 at the home of Marylu Brown with eight members present: Mrs. Brown, Phyllis Screen, Donna Kelley, Detta Anderson, Millie Lippelmann, Alice Bobbitt, Sandy Counter and Margaret McEvoy.

Roll call was a favorite flower. Cards were signed for Jan Hackney and Lois Carlson, who were hospitalized. The June 18 club picnic will be held at the City Park. Mrs. Anderson won the hostess gift.

Henry scholars named

The Pete Henry Foundation has awarded 162 scholarships for 2008 high school graduates. This is the fourth year the foundation has given the renewable scholarships.

Area recipients include: \$1,500 each semester for eight semesters: Andrew Broeckelman, Golden Plains.

\$2,000 vocational-technical: Jacob Korte, Golden Plains; Shanna Pearce, Decatur Community High.

\$2,000 university: Caitlyn Moss, Brittany Miller, Golden Plains.

\$1,500 university, Chenaniah Langness, Decatur Community.

\$1,000 university: Jessica Bremer, Heather Glodt, Nicole Wessel,

Kayla Zodrow, Decatur Community; Brandy Ginther, Daniel Rogers, Jordan Rogers, Golden Plains.

\$750 university: Lacie Alstrom, Lacey Ream, Decatur Community; Tim Beeck, Samantha Dice, Joshua Korte, Tiffany Kyle, Jennie Staats, Golden Plains.

This scholarship was created through the will of Pete Henry, a farmer for many years in the Brewster area, who wanted to help area students further their education. They are given in Decatur, Rawlins, Sheridan, Cheyenne, Gove, Logan, Sherman, Thomas and Wallace counties.

Girl Scouts offer camps

Girls in kindergarten through third grade in northwest Kansas have a chance to discover summer camp, Girl Scout style.

All girls are invited to join registered Girl Scouts for "Outdoor Science" and "Discovery" camps, which will have girls exploring different ways to connect the outdoors with science.

Girls in kindergarten through third grade can attend one of four day/night camps Wednesday and Thursday, May 28 and 29, in Stockton; Tuesday and Wednesday, June 3 and 4 in Goodland; Tuesday and Wednesday, June 10 and 11 in Oakley; and Tuesday and Wednesday, June 17 and 18 in Victoria. Participants will be cooking outdoors, hiking, making crafts, playing games, star gazing and more.

Camps begin at 10 a.m., then at 6 p.m. all kindergartens and any others who don't want to stay overnight will go home. The rest will spend the night and continue with activities

until they are dismissed at 3 p.m. the second day. The cost for day camp is \$20 for Scouts and \$30 for non-Scouts. The overnight camp is \$32 for Scouts and \$42 for others.

Girls in grades 4 to 6 will discover the A to Zs in the outdoors at Fort Hays State University on Tuesday to Thursday, June 24 to 26.

Camp will start at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, with activities planned until the girls are dismissed at 3 p.m. on Thursday. This camp is \$95 for Scouts or \$105 for nonmembers.

At all camps, each girl will receive a T-shirt and patch.

Fees include accommodations, program fees, meals, snacks, patch and insurance. Financial assistance is available. All camps will be supervised by staff and camp aides, a first aider will be on site and a bad weather plan in effect.

For details and forms, contact Girl Scouts of Kansas Heartland, 2707 Vine, Suite 8, Hays, Kan., (785) 625-5671.

Stearman Fly-In set for June

The 26th Annual Stearman Fly-In, featuring vintage aircraft and fun events, will be on Saturday and Sunday, June 14 and 15, at the Cheyenne County Airport in St. Francis.

Breakfast and lunch will be served

on the field, and skydivers will form a daisy. A sunrise launch of hot-air balloons is planned.

There is no admission charge for the all-day event.

Summer reading program set

The Oberlin City Library will hold its individual summer reading program for school children of all ages throughout the day on Mondays from June 2 to July 28.

Treats will be given to those who finish the program, courtesy

of Addleman Drug Store, Pizza Hut and the Oberlin City Library. Librarian Carol Smith said she invites children to come read with us this summer.

For details, stop by the library or call (785) 475-2412.

Planning a Wedding?

The Oberlin Herald

is happy to run pictures and stories of weddings.

However, we need the information within five weeks of the marriage. Write-ups received after this date require a \$10 charge for each month past the deadline date.

Stop by our office for a wedding form.

Internet tonight

Call 475-2206

Benefit Supper

for **Allen (Al) Robey**

Saturday, May 31, 5:50 - 7 p.m.

Oberlin American Legion



Serving:
Traeger grilled pork with all the trimmings!

This benefit is being held to help Al recover his losses from a recent house fire.