

# Norcatour News

By the Norcatour News Committee

Beth Johnson visited Agnes Pruitt at the Cedar Living Center.

Wava Reames inadvertently put the schedule for Harman's rodeo news as belonging to Chance when, in fact, it is Scott Harman's schedule.

Gina, Ron, Anita and Bob Montgomery went to Haviland, on Friday, Sept. 12, for Alyssa's volleyball game.

Bob and Anita Montgomery and Renee Harman attended the Colby rodeo, Sept. 12, 13, 14, to see Scott Harman ride.

Marguerite Clark was at the Cardinal Bar and Grill on Friday with nephew Robert Clark, Maryland; niece Betty and Dick Lynch, Indiana; grand-niece Janet and Gale Rippe, Allison and Nathan, McCook, and LaVerne and Oran Milner. Wava Reames joined them for a nice visit.

Last week was father/daughter week for Frank Ward and Wava Reames. They were in Norton Monday, McCook on Wednesday,

and had lunch on Thursday.

Sympathy is extended to the Marylin J. Locy family.

Sunday, after church, Dorothy Ward accompanied Bee Nelson to Norton for the Arts Council Homes Tour. The last place on the tour was at Whispering Pines. They also stopped to see Kenneth and Pansy Price's home and a guided tour of other facilities at Whispering Pines. They called on Marguerite Clark, and her house full of guests, including nieces and nephews, plus Oran and LaVerne Milner and hopefully we didn't leave anyone out! Next, they called on Lula Hix. Upon reaching home they each did some work on the *Norcatour News*, getting ready for Tuesday morning, when the volunteers gather to put the pages together and mail out.

Lunch guests on Sunday, Sept. 14, of Marian Thornton were her daughters, Patty, Dave and Sam Stapp and Linda Schliep, Spencer and Addison.

Happy Birthday to Lisa Rhodes,

Don Daniels, Sept. 16; Charlotte Kurtz, Sept. 19; Doug Dempewolf, Sept. 20; Tonya Porter, Sept. 21; Shanna Long, Sept. 22; Kelsey Jackson, Mathew Helm, Jean Daniels, Sept. 23; Carol Miller, Sept. 24; Ruth Lechlitter, Sept. 25; Jacob Helm, Sept. 28; Monty Hunt, Sept. 30.

Happy Anniversary to Robert and Leona Schoenrad, Sept. 16.

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Miller went to Topeka on Monday, Sept. 8, to visit Mr. and Mrs. Curt DeDonder and Sophia. They enjoyed an afternoon at the Topeka Zoo with granddaughter Sophia on Tuesday. They went to El Dorado on Wednesday, Sept. 10, and spent the night with daughter Justine Tuttle. Her husband, Casey, was in Georgia for some training. The Millers returned home on Thursday.

On Sunday, Rea and Dee Magers met Loyd and Mary Waldo of Oberlin, at the Cardinal Café in Norcatour, and enjoyed a good visit while they ate lunch.

# After-school cooking class

How time flies when a person is having fun!!!! Where does time go?

We are introducing a new class, beginning crochet, at 7 p.m. tonight at the Business Enhancement Entrepreneurial Center. You can call Cheryl Votapka for information or to enroll at (785) 475-3345.

Decatur Tomorrow's group, Existing Building and Facilities, is starting another knitting class on Saturday. Call Ann Gallentine at (785) 693-4476.

We have had an inquiry about starting a new after-school cooking class for kids. The teacher is still working on time and place. It should be great for kids to learn

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how to create their own food and snacks.

Anyone is invited to teach a class. We are always looking for fun ways to educate and entertain. If there is an interest to form groups that play chess, scrabble, cribbage, etc., let us know. We can help you get one going. Call the Chamber at 475-3441 and leave a message. We will give it our best shot.

One last note: The Chamber wants to thank everyone for stepping up and making this community

their own. Have you noticed there are fewer weeds, trash, pop cans, etc. visible on the streets this year compared to last?

Everyone is making a difference. Small differences in large amounts have a huge effect.

We are one of the nicest towns in northwest Kansas. Thanks for caring!

Have a comment or opinion? Drop us a note at 104 S. Penn, or call (785) 475-3441. We would love to hear from you.

## Herndon News

By Julie Hafner

Esther Pennington had an accident recently, falling and breaking two ribs. While recuperating, she's enjoying the get-well cards and appreciates company. Visitors this past week were Chris Wood, Beth and Kenny Chartier, Julie and Bob Hafner, Sharon Ecker and Voni Sattler.

On Monday Dave and Bonnie Franke returned home from Albuquerque, N.M. after spending two weeks there while their son, Brian and Tracy, traveled to Vietnam to adopt their son. David James is 15 months old and is experiencing walking and listening to the sound of his new shoes. A sister, Ellen welcomed him to his new home with lots of love. The Franks commented that most of the children at the orphanage under the age of six months never leave their crib. Congratulations to David James and his new family.

The Senior Citizens dinner was held on Wednesday at the center. Bingo was played with Beth Chartier winning the blackout and Sue Frick was the lucky winner of the door prize. Representatives of the Rawlins County Health Center, Deanna Freeman and Todd Howard, gave a power-point presentation on the impending vote in November of the continuation of the 13 mills for the hospital.

Diana Solko joined Penny Loker, McDonald, and David Allen and Sam Cody, Atwood, on Friday and Saturday traveling to North Platte visiting the Buffalo Bill Cody Ranch and enjoying Rail Fest. Rail Fest is an annual celebration of railroad and western heritage coming together for a fun-filled three days of events.

Wednesday evening a meeting was held at the school with James Foster, Department of Commerce, Office of Rural Opportunity. Representatives of different organizations will be contacted to further ideas, any input or future plans. For more information on this contact David Franke, 322-5223.

Karl and Beulah Tiede, friends from Lexington, Neb., surprised Julie and Bob Hafner Sunday afternoon. They had been searching out all those bargains at the 3rd annual great 36 Highway "Treasure Hunt" through Kansas, visiting Norton, Oberlin, Herndon and Atwood. After glancing at the back of the pickup, we can say they had a successful weekend.

Melodie, Madison and Jamison Sattler of Aurora, Colo., spent the weekend with Voni Sattler, and Brad, Deanna, Brandi and Kassi Williams. Saturday evening they enjoyed dinner at the Williams farm, along with Kathy and Braden Leitner of Atwood. Sunday after church, Voni served breakfast at her home for Melodie, Madison, Jamison, Brad, Deanna, Brandi, Kassi and Zachary. Voni, Melodie and Deanna visited their Aunt Esther Pennington and Alan and Ann Solko on Sunday before Melodie and the children returned to Colorado.

The Bells of St. Mary's entertained Thursday at the Good Samaritan Center in Atwood celebrating the September birthdays. Theresa Rippe on piano and Sharon Ecker with her funny jokes joined Father Dan Scheetz, Liane Martin, Chris Wood, Eileen Unger, Julie Hafner, Voni Sattler, Ann Solko, Janice Sattler, Marie Sis and Vicky Mumm. Cookies and ice cream were served for the party.

Kristy and Megan Plander, Lincoln, Neb., journeyed to Herndon Sunday afternoon, getting acquainted with Abby Schroeder and Wyatt Rippe. Other guests also getting acquainted with Megan were Alan and Ann Solko, Charles Solko, Sam Solko, Destiny, Ceanne and Donovan Schroeder, Marty and Jane Waterman, Donna Waterman. John and Keri Riener; Alicia Rippe and Don, Diana and Mark Solko.

Joe and Shannon Hafner, Scottsbluff, Neb., announce the birth of Anna Irene. She was born on Sept. 18, weighing 6 pounds, 8 ounces.

She has a sister, Keleigh, and three brothers, Noah, Abraham and Matthew, to welcome her home. Grandparents are Julie and Bob Hafner, Herndon, and Virginia Campbell, Sidney, Neb.

Becky and Murial Faimon of Stratton, Neb., spent Wednesday with Vicky and Bud Mumm.

## Rexford News

By Vicki Allison

Golden Plains is celebrating "Homecoming" and activities which began on Monday with Paradise with students dressing in paradise apparel and kicking off the week at the football field with a Hot Dog Feed. The Jersey Auction and a pep rally followed.

Tuesday was a Western Day; Wednesday, a Clash Day, Thursday will be a Color Day, where the girls are to wear pink and boys wear black; Friday is Spirit Day and dressing in the Bull Dogs colors, red, white, and black. A parade will begin at 1:30 p.m. on Main Street in Rexford, and a Pep Rally at 2:15 p.m. held at the gym. The junior

class concession stand will open at 5 p.m. at the football field. Homecoming crowning will be 6:15 p.m., prior to the football game when the Bulldogs play Triplains/Brewster at 7 p.m.

The Thieler reunion was held at the Red Barn in Rexford on Sept. 14. Those attending were Don and Lily Thieler, Kenneth Thieler, Colby; Keith Barnett and Donna Waterman, Atwood; Virginia Solko, Ludell; Coleen Bowen, Wray, Colo.; and Rex and Betty Carswell, Rexford.

All enjoyed a carry-in-dinner and an afternoon of visiting. Before leaving, everyone enjoyed delicious homemade ice cream, furnished by

Don and Lily Thieler. Edna, Ernest and Janine Colson attended Mr. and Mrs. Tyler Knapp's wedding in McDonald, on Sept. 13. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Colson, Hoxie; Stan and Grace Kaus, Colby; and Roberta Colson, Goodland, also attended. Tyler is in the Marines and will go to Alaska soon.

Red Barn on-going activities: Monday, Barnswallows, 2 to 5 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m., Ladies Bible Study and 8 p.m., Men's Bible Study; Come on Down, Thursdays, 2 to 5 p.m.; and Friday's Koffee Klatch, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Until next time, make your week memorable.

## Witnessing the Love of God

By Pastor Doug Mason, Lund Covenant Church

All through high school, Alyssa tried to share her faith in Christ with her four closest friends. In long, late-night conversations, they'd talk about everything from heaven to abortion to the existence of evil in the world. Alyssa loved her friends and wanted them to know Christ the way she did.

After they graduated, the four friends tried to stay in touch. Even though they moved to different parts of the country, they e-mailed each other, got together at holidays, and even took vacations together during the summer. Sometimes they'd have conversations like the ones of old, with Alyssa talking about her beliefs and her relationship with God.

While Alyssa's friends always treated her with respect, they never became Christians. Their decision — or, rather, their lack of a decision — was a real disappointment to Alyssa.

After college Alyssa accepted a job across the country and soon lost touch with her friends. When she came back home for Christmas one year, she ran into one of them at a local department store.

Her friend was pushing a baby stroller and proudly

introduced her new baby to Alyssa. When Alyssa found out that her friend wasn't married, she thought, "A lot of good all that talking about God did. Look what happened to her. She ended up getting pregnant before she got married."

Toward the end of their conversation, Alyssa asked if she could hold the baby. As her friend handed the infant to her, she said, "You know, Alyssa, you're partly to thank for this baby. If it wasn't for you, I would have had an abortion. But I kept remembering all we had talked about and just couldn't do it."

Oftentimes we confuse witnessing with single-handedly bringing someone to faith in Christ. Most of the time though, witnessing is more effective when simply sharing your viewpoints and values and how God's word, the Holy Bible, directs your choices in life. People remember that. Maybe you won't be the person leading that friend to Christ, but you might be a link in a chain of events that eventually helps that person find the Savior.

As in this story, it also might make a life and death difference.



## Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

**OBERLIN SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
785-475-3103  
Fr. Henry Saw Lone,  
MASS: 5:30 p.m., Saturday

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC, LEVILLE**  
Fr. Henry Saw Lone  
MASS: 8 a.m., Sunday

**SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, SELDEN**  
Fr. Henry Saw Lone  
MASS: 10 a.m., Sunday

**OBERLIN SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH**  
Mike Larson  
120 South East, Oberlin  
SATURDAY: Sabbath School, 9:15 a.m.; Saturday Worship, 11 a.m.

**JENNINGS-DRESDEN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH JENNINGS**  
Carrie Buhler, pastor  
SUNDAY: Church School, 10 a.m. Morning Worship, 11 a.m.  
DRESDEN  
SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9:30 a.m.

**PRAIRIE CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST**  
The Rev. Doug Hasty  
SUNDAY: Church Services, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 8:30 a.m.

**HERNDON IMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Pastor: Dennis Brown  
SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9 a.m.

**UNITED CHURCH OF OBERLIN**  
Pastor: Judi Stricker  
109 North Griffith-American Baptist, Disciples of Christ, Presbyterian USA  
SUNDAY: Adult Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Coffee: 10:30 a.m. - 11 a.m. Worship Service, 11 a.m. Choir practice every Sun. at 9:45 a.m. Holy Communion, 1st & 3rd Sundays. United Church Women, 2nd Wed at 2 p.m. Parish Council, 2nd Sun. following Worship

**OBERLIN COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP (Southern Baptist)**  
Pastor: Fred Dycus  
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m., AWANA Club 4-6 p.m. WEDNESDAY: Service, 7 p.m.

**OBERLIN UNITED METHODIST**  
102 North Cass — 785-475-3067  
The Rev. Doug Hasty  
SUNDAY: Church School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m. (Nursery provided.) WEDNESDAY: Choir practice, 7:30 p.m.

**CLAYTON UNITED METHODIST**  
Pastor: Larry Danforth  
Almena  
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.

**OBERLIN ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
The Rev. Royce Leitner  
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Worship, 7 p.m. WEDNESDAY: Adult Bible study, 7 p.m.

**OBERLIN CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
South Beaver Street - Oberlin  
Bill Duncan — Phone 785-475-3259  
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Hour, 10:45 a.m. WEDNESDAY: Ladies Home Bible Study, 9 a.m.

**ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC, HERNDON**  
The Rev. Galen Long  
Phone 785-322-5560  
MASS: SUNDAY, 8 a.m.

**HERNDON COVENANT CHURCH**  
Keith Reuther, Pastor  
Phone 785-322-5316  
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Youth Group, 4 p.m.

**NORCATOUR UNITED METHODIST**  
Pastor: Larry Danforth  
Almena  
SUNDAY: Worship Service, 10 a.m.; Church School, 10:30 a.m.

**LYLE UNITED METHODIST**  
Guest Speakers every Sunday  
SUNDAY: Morning Worship 8 a.m.

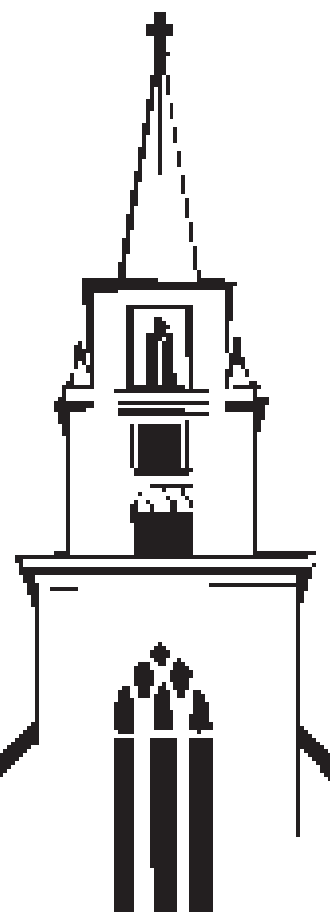
**EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH OF OBERLIN**  
Pastor Tom Smith  
Interim Pastor  
810 West Cedar, Oberlin  
Office Phone 785-475-2769  
SUNDAY: Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Fellowship Time, 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 11 a.m. WEDNESDAY: Bible Study, 7 p.m.

**LUND COVENANT CHURCH**  
Pastor: Doug Mason  
10 miles south, 4 miles west of Oberlin  
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.; WEDNESDAY: Bible Study and prayer, 7:30 p.m.

**ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
510 North Wilson  
Interim Pastor:  
Kevin Schnakenberg  
SUNDAY: Sunday School and Bible class, 9:45 a.m.; Divine Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Holy Communion: 1st and 3rd Sundays.

**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
404 North York Avenue  
Oberlin, Kansas  
Rev. Charlotte Strecker-Baseler  
Church Office Phone: 785-475-2053  
SUNDAY: Worship, 9:30 a.m.; Fellowship and Educational Hour, 10:45 a.m. Holy Communion first and third Sundays. THURSDAY: Women's Bible Study second Thursday at 9:30 a.m.

**THE WORKING MAN'S CHURCH**  
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