

KU to honor seniors at Goodland next week

Students from 15 area Kansas high schools will be honored next Wednesday by the University of Kansas Alumni Association and KU Endowment at the annual KU Honors Dinner in Goodland.

Among those being honored are Jay Wessel, Chris Larson, Nathan Simonsson and Alyssa Rippe, Oberlin, and Taylor Young of Colby, a former Oberlin student.

Forty-four seniors from high schools in Cheyenne, Decatur, Gove, Logan, Rawlins, Sheridan, Sherman, Thomas and Wallace counties will be recognized at the event at 7:30 p.m. (Central Time) at the Elks Lodge, 1523 Arcade St., in Goodland.

A Colby couple, Paul and Sharon Steele, both KU grads, will receive the Mildred Clodfelter Alumni Award from the association.

The award is named for Ms. Clodfelter, who received a bachelor's degree in 1941 from KU and worked at the university for 47 years, 42 of them at the alumni association. Ms. Clodfelter, retired in 1986 and died in 2005.

The Kansas Honors Program began in 1971 and has honored more than 100,000 students who rank in the top 10 percent of their high school senior class regardless of college plans.

Each will receive an American Heritage Dictionary in hardback and CD versions, presented by Heath Peterson, director of Kansas programs for the association.

Holy Week services planned

Palm Sunday services are scheduled at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday at the Selden Sacred Heart Catholic Church; at 8 a.m. on Sunday at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Leoville; and at 10:30 a.m. Sunday at the Oberlin Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Maundy Thursday services begin at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 9, for the Selden and Leoville churches, followed by 7:30 p.m. services at the Oberlin church. Good Friday services will be held at Leoville at 3

Woman attends conference

Connie Grafel of Oberlin was one of 170 people who participated in the 2009 We Kan! Conference in Salina last Tuesday. Theme of the one-day conference was "Rural Kansas: Come ... and get it."

CBS Radio News was at the rural tourism conference and did a segment heard nationally the day after the session. IMG Pictures was also there, filming for a documentary "Small Town, USA."

William J. Crowe, special assistant to the dean of libraries, will speak to the students and their parents and guests.

Honored students will be guests of the association and Endowment; parents and area alumni are welcome to attend for \$10 each.

Community volunteers collect reservations, coordinate details and serve as local contacts for the event. Kurt Vollertsen is the Decatur County coordinator.

Other honorees include by high school: Brittany Kammer, Brewster; Sydney Busse, Cheylin; Lauren Bethell, Jeremy Hasrter, Kiri Kendrick, Brittany Schuette, Lindsey Wilson, Quinnlyn Woofter, Miss Young, and Garrett Zwegardt, Colby; Tate Bruggeman and Tanner Moss, Golden Plains; Brennen Clouse, Kaitlin Fugleberg, Chelsie Gausman, Taylor McLemore, Tanner Oharah, Devin Mangus and Danielle Pettibone, Goodland; Trisha Goetz, Amanda Heim and Katelin Neuenschwander, Hoxie; Jordan Albers and Lindsay Hoff, Oakley; Luke Ochs, Shana Burgess and Lance Thielen, Quinter; Mark Bohme, Keegan Peckham and Leah Sharp, Rawlins County; Courtney Douthit, Cara Hunt, Sam Sowers and Kim Voeller, St. Francis; Hannah Moorhous and Rachael Smith, Triplains; Lauren Elder and Audra Kuhlmar, Wallace County; Sheena Sexson, Weskan; and Jennifer Hartman and Heather Beougher, Wheatland.

p.m. and at Oberlin at 7 p.m.

Holy Saturday services for all three parishes will begin at 8 p.m. at Selden. Easter Sunday masses are scheduled at 8 a.m. on Sunday, April 12, at Leoville, and at 10:30 a.m. in Oberlin.

Palm/Passion and holy communion will be observed at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday at Faith Lutheran Church.

Other Holy Week services will be carried next week, including Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter weekend services.

Ms. Grafel represented the Oberlin Convention and Visitors Bureau as well as Northwest Kansas Travel Council, of which she is chairman this year.

Former Oberlin residents at the conference included Gary Sanden, Baldwin City Convention and Visitors Bureau representative, and Ellen Morgan, who serves on the Kansas Sampler Foundation board.

Wedding set in Hays June 13

Jamie Lynn Zimmerman and Ryan Ruf plan to be married on Saturday, June 13, in Hays.

Parents of the couple are Calvin and Vicki Zimmerman, Alta Vista, and Robert and Sherri Ruf, Oberlin.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Council Grove High School and a 2007 graduate of Fort Hays State University, where she received a degree in Medical Diagnostic Imaging. She will receive a Bachelor's Degree in Diagnostic Medical Sonography in May.

Her fiancé graduated from De-

Couple plans April wedding

Lauren Ashley Wood and Benjamin Davies Young of Wichita Sharp, Rawlins County; Courtney Douthit, Cara Hunt, Sam Sowers and Kim Voeller, St. Francis; Hannah Moorhous and Rachael Smith, Triplains; Lauren Elder and Audra Kuhlmar, Wallace County; Sheena Sexson, Weskan; and Jennifer Hartman and Heather Beougher, Wheatland.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Grant Wood, Chandler, Ariz., and Dr. and Mrs. Gary Young, Manhattan. His grandparents are Dale and Eris Young, Oberlin.

The bride-to-be graduated from the Creighton University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing and works as a nurse in Cardiac Intensive Care at the Via Christi Regional Medical Center in Wichita.

Her fiancé graduated from Kansas State University with a Bachelor

Diabetes walk set at Hays

Hays Medical Center Diabetes Solutions will sponsor a free Diabetes Awareness Walk at 1 a.m. on Saturday, April 18, on the Fitness Trail at center's campus.

Participants should meet at the gazebo at the Center for Health Improvement. The walk is part of the regular monthly program, "Diabetes Doesn't Have to Rule Your Life: Strategies for Living with Diabetes."

Walkers will be on the trail for 30



Ryan Ruf and Jamie Zimmerman

catuur Community High School and received a Bachelor's Degree in agriculture from Fort Hays State University.

He is an agronomist at Cenex Harvest States in Quinter.



Benjamin Young and Lauren Wood

of Science in electrical engineering. He completed his Doctor of Medicine degree at Creighton University School of Medicine, where the couple met. He is a third year resident in orthopedic surgery at the Kansas University School of Medicine in Wichita.

minutes, go inside for free diabetes information and a sandwich and drink.

In case of inclement weather, the walk will be moved inside. Walkers of all ages and health status are welcome. Those who are unable to walk can bring a wheelchair or motorized scooter, and there will also be a few wheelchairs available.

Call Shawna at (800) 248-0073 or (785) 623-2305 for details.

Club enjoys brunch

Marty Olson was hostess for the 10 a.m. Saturday spring brunch on March 26, of Pi Alpha Club with Cecil Hess as co-hostess. The colorful table centerpiece carried an Easter motif and included many rabbits from her collection. Guest favors were bookmarks of rainbow ribbons with a beaded "Pi Alpha" emblem.

All enjoyed the delicious food bar furnished by the hostesses and the last half of the alphabet roster.

Mrs. Olson presented the program by telling about her favorite

children's books, reading some and showing the beautiful illustrations to go with the stories. She also read, "The Letter 'E,'" which is the most used letter in the alphabet.

Thirteen members were present and answered roll call with a rainbow or storm memory. A \$20 donation was made to the Senior Center complex. A card was signed for Elaine Bryan and Estella Waldo won the hostess gift. The April 13 meeting will be at Sappa Manor with Joyce Ploussard as hostess and Joy Russell assisting.

Brothers place high on teams

Jerome Seck, formerly of Oberlin, and now a fifth grader at McDaid Catholic Elementary School in North Platte, Neb., submitted an art entry to the spring 2009 Catholic Daughters of America Annual Education Contest. His picture took first place in Division I Art in the contest, sponsored by Our Lady of Fatima Court of North Platte, and has been submitted to the state competition.

Jerome also participated in the Destination Imagination Affiliate regional competition in Grand Island, Neb., on March 21. His team placed first in division Private DI, elementary. The team qualified to participate in the state affiliate finals in Kearney on Saturday.

This is his first year in Destination Imagination.

His brother, Gilbert Seck, a seventh grader at St. Patrick's Catholic School in North Platte, also went to the Destination Imagination Affiliate Regional Competition. His team placed first in their region and division Private DI, middle school. It also qualified for the state affiliate finals. This is his third year in the program. The brothers are the sons of Marsha (Miller) Seck, North Platte, a 1982 graduate of Decatur Community High School, and the late Mark Seck. Their grandparents are Jeanette Miller and Leon and Connie Miller, Oberlin, and Jerome and Evelyn Seck, Olathe.

Couple presents banner

Rotarian Doyle Brown and his wife Kay presented a Rotary banner from Hawaii to club President Jesse Carter at the March 24 meeting of the Oberlin Rotary Club at The Gateway.

The couple said they received the banner on a recent trip to Hawaii. The club will send an Oberlin Rotary banner to the Hawaii club in exchange.

Program chair Dick Ahlberg gave a potpourri of his life stories. This

included his family background, growing up in Clay Center, college at Fort Hays State University, his philosophy of life and education, his career at Decatur Community High School, experiences with former principals Herschel Betts and Buzz Matson (both Rotarians), friends, politics and his love of sports and teaching.

He closed with, "You are who you know and what you read."

To Celebrate 50th Wedding Anniversary

The children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Hickert, invite you to participate in a card shower to commemorate their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Saturday, April 11, 2009. Gerald Hickert and Marcella Boor were united in marriage April 11, 1959 in Seignin, Kansas. Cards and notes of congratulations will reach the Hickerts at: 1700 Anthony Drive, Hays, K8 67601.

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and the Decatur County Area Chamber of Commerce welcome RAS Cabinetry to the business community

The Chamber Board welcomed RAS Cabinetry to the business community with Trevor Harmon cutting the ribbon. The business is located east of Oberlin on U.S. Highway 36.



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The Chamber Board welcomed Crop Production Services to the business community. Bob Stanley cut the ribbon for the business, which is located north of Oberlin on Highway 83.