

Norcatur News

By the Norcatur News Committee

Guests at the Don and Joye Hill residences at Christmas were Brett, Erin and Sissy Fredrickson, Thornton, Colo.; and Steve Hill and Erick Wilson, Denver. Other guests included daughter Sandra Craig and Jason Craig and Rosella, all of Fort Collins.

Chris and M.J. Dempewolf and Scott Lyon stopped in to visit with R.D. Thornton at the Good Sam on Saturday.

Happy birthday and anniversary to Glen and Carolyn Strevey, Don and Joye Hill, Feb. 3; Patty Stapp, Karen Bailey, Feb. 6; Brad Long, Feb. 7; Eric Milnes, Feb. 8; and Cathy Anthony, Feb. 9.

Results of the pool tournament at the Cardinal Bar and Grill on Wednesday, Jan. 27, were Carl Lyon, first; Bill Ellis, second; Larry Lively, third; and Matt Wilson, fourth.

Results of the darts tournament at the Cardinal Bar and Grill on Wednesday, Jan. 27, were: Game 1 - Kristi Gallentine, first; Dolores Gallentine, second; and Patty Stapp, third. Game 2 - Alice Barnett, first; Patty Stapp, second; Dolores Gallentine, third.

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Miller went to Topeka on Jan. 22 to visit Mr. and Mrs. Curt DeDonder and Sophia. They also got to see Carol's sister, Peggy Mast while there. They returned home on Jan. 25.

Pansy Price, Norton, attended the Norcatur United Methodist Church on Sunday, Jan. 31. She called on Virgil and Joyce Price after the services. They had a great visit but Pansy needed to be back to Norton around noon as her family was taking her out for Sunday dinner.

Anita Volskay, Independence, Mo., was a house guest of Bee Nelson Monday, Jan. 18 to Jan. 20. Anita and Bee left for Independence on Jan. 20, after putting out the Norcatur News. Bee had had word that her brother, Don Ward, Shawnee, was ill. Bee spent from Jan. 20

through Jan. 26 visiting daughter Tara Nelson and Anita Volskay at Independence, Mo. Bee and Anita visited Don Ward Jan. 21. Tara, Anita and Bee spent Jan. 23 with Don Ward, and nephew Bart and Sharol Ward in Shawnee. While there the Crossroad Hospice honored Don for being a veteran with a very impressive ceremony. They presented Don with a certificate, a red-white-blue ball cap and placed a medal on a red, white and blue ribbon around his neck. This was done by the chaplain from the Crossroad Hospice Organization.

On Saturday, Jan. 30, Wayne and Norma McCallister were luncheon guest of Bee Nelson and Anita and then Wayne and Anita did a few little repair jobs for Bee.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Beverly Michaelis, Waco, Texas, who died Jan. 28. Beverly was the daughter of Genevieve and the late Howard Brunk; niece of Bonnie Rapp and cousin of Bee Nelson. Funeral services were held Saturday, Jan. 30, at the First United Methodist Church in Waco. Condolences may be sent to Genevieve Brunk at 299 E. Mulberry St., Hill City, Kan., 67642.

Company at the Rea and Dee Magers hoome on Sunday, Jan. 31, for dinner were Jeff Magers and Joy Luoto of Cedar Bluffs. They enjoyed Scrabble and the Norcatur Fire Department delivered their famous pizza. We are proud of our firemen!

Sunday was Fireman's Pizza Day. These guys and gals outdo themselves every year! As usual, Bee Nelson, Mary Lesle and Wava Reames met at Dorothy Ward's home for a pizza party.

Norcatur Senior Citizens met on Jan. 29 at the Norcatur Methodist Educational building for a covered dish dinner followed by cards. There were 14 for lunch and 13 stayed to play cards. Winners were Eleanor Jensen, followed by Bob

Strevey and Dorothy Ward.

Wava Reames visited her father, Frank Ward, for a co-op dinner last week. Also, Wednesday late afternoon Steve McMurry, Bee Nelson and Anita Volsky came over Wava's for a movie-with-dinner evening. Steve provided the best five-cheese chicken lasagna ever!

Saturday evening, Jan. 30, was the Cardinal Bar and Grill's first annual Trivia Night. There were nine teams with six people per team. The team of Sharon Schulze won first place; second place team was Lynn Doeden's; and the booby prize went to the last place team, "You can't fix stupid." Patty and Dave Stapp dug up the questions and answers and did a great job. Everyone had a great time! The next Trivia Night is tentatively set for Saturday, April 24.

Jackie Broyles was installed as the 2010 Marshal at the Midian Shrine Installation of Divan, Trustees and Unit/Club Officers on Friday, Jan. 22, in the Scottish Rite Auditorium in Wichita. He has been an active member and officer of the Keystone Kops parade unit for many years. His wife is the former Linda Bolliger of Norcatur, Class of '65.

M.J. Dempewolf and Scott Lyon were weekend guests at the home of Doug Dempewolf. Doug, M.J. and Scott visited with the Bushey clan. The Busheys were back for the last weekend of pheasant season.

Dave and Patty Stapp, Sam and Kaitlyn, went to Erie the weekend of Jan. 22-24 and visited Jerrod and Kortney Poire.

Kaitlyn Stapp, Hays, was a weekend guest of Dave and Patty Stapp.

Check your home for radon

Mid-winter has settled over the nation's heartland and there's no better time to test for radon in homes and businesses than right now.

On Jan. 22, Kansas Gov. Mark Parkinson proclaimed January as Kansas Radon Action Month. Parkinson and the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) urged Kansans to protect families, students and educators, and businesses' employees and customers by testing their homes, schools and work sites for radon, which is an odorless, invisible gas.

Radon is the second-leading cause of lung cancer in the U.S., and the first in people who have never smoked. The good news is that prolonged exposure to high concentrations of radon can be prevented.

Radon is a naturally occurring radioactive gas that can emanate from soil and become a health hazard when concentrated inside a home, school, business or other structure. More than 200 lung cancer deaths per year in Kansas may be linked to indoor radon. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency estimates that indoor radon contributes to 21,000 lung cancer deaths in the United States each year. Exposure causes no immediate symptoms, and often goes unrecognized until serious health complications arise.

KDHE stated that about one out of every three radon measurements performed in Kansas are elevated, being above 4 pCi/l (picoCuries per liter). Some areas have higher levels than others, though elevated levels of radon have been detected in every county in the state. As many as one in 15 U.S. homes has elevated radon levels that often go undetected.

Some communities have building codes which require new homes to be built using radon-resistant techniques, and additional cities in Kansas are considering this modifi-



Home Time

By Tranda Watts
Multi-county Extension Agent

cation to their building codes.

Radon test kits are available at K-State Research and Extension Offices in Kansas, as well as at local hardware and builder's supply stores.

Test results showing high levels can usually be fixed with simple and affordable venting techniques. Homeowners should talk with a certified radon contractor if levels above 4 pCi/l are detected.

A list of certified radon contrac-

tors is available by calling the Kansas Radon Hotline at (800) 693-KDHE (800-693-5343).

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Lyle News

By Veda Wood

Thank you and God bless to Anita Volsky and Bee Nelson for stabilizing my handrail the dog had gotten her leash wound up in.

Margaret "Toots" Magers, Joyce Sumner, Eleanor Jensen, June Jolly and Kathy Van Meter quilted and sewed at Lyle on Tuesday for the first time since before Christmas.

Judy and Charlie Easton visited Toots on Sunday and finished bringing Christmas decorations in from her yard and the cemetery.

Earnest and Donna Huff are living in McCook now. They stayed at the farm Monday night and went to the doctor at Hays Tuesday. On Thursday he saw a doctor in Norton. They both gave him good reports and OK'd hip replacement, if he wishes to.

Keith Anthony says he is doing all right and Gary and Cathy came home last Monday from Lincoln, Neb.

June Jolly hit a deer by the Ron Temple place on her way to get her Prairie Land Food on Saturday. She went to a sale in McCook and came home loaded (just kidding,

June.) — with sewing material of all kinds.

Joyce Sumner called Toots and said that it is icy and snowing in Norton and they won't make their usual trip to volunteer at Good Sam.

Congratulations to Cody and Brooke Briggs of Douglas, Wyo., on the birth of Kiyra Sage Briggs, granddaughter of Tracey Pershing. That's another name we will have to get used to. Ha. Pretty, though. That makes me her great-great-grandmother.

I ate lunch with my aunt Alta May Van Gundy at the Andbe home on Sunday, Jan. 31, Alta's birthday. We visited, had a big piece of scrumptious chocolate cake, and a lady from the Norton paper, LaVonne Gill, interviewed her and took pictures. Then we went to their church service where there were more congratulations. I think she had a good day. Someone asked her how it felt to be 105 and she said, "Oh, it feels wonderful." I'll take her word for it, as I don't think I'll experience it. However, that would only be 19 years away — and they go fast.

We Should Look Up

By Pastor Kevin Schnakenberg
St. John's Lutheran Church, Oberlin

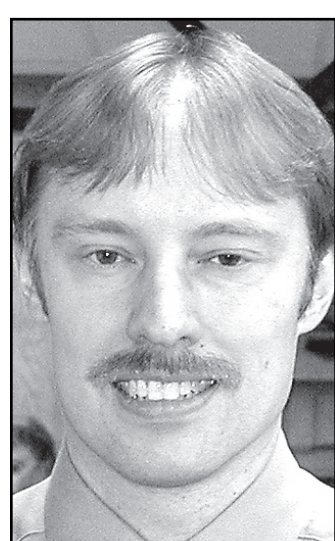
So often when things are going well for a Christian, when life isn't dealing us any hard blows, when life is as close as possible to a bed of roses, we have a tendency to forget God and our reliance upon Him. "I can take care of things, I can handle whatever comes my way," we like to think. But then something happens that knocks us back to reality.

I read of an account where a Christian doctor who had helped many people on the road to recovery was suddenly stricken with illness. He lay in bed suffering for many days. Friends came by and sympathized with him. One said, "It is too bad, doctor, that you must be down." "Not at all," he replied, "the Lord brought me down that I might not forget to look up."

This doctor was very wise in knowing sometimes we need something that humbles us, that brings us down low, so that we remember to look up to God and not rely on ourselves. The Lord is the one who is the source of blessing, who takes care of things, who

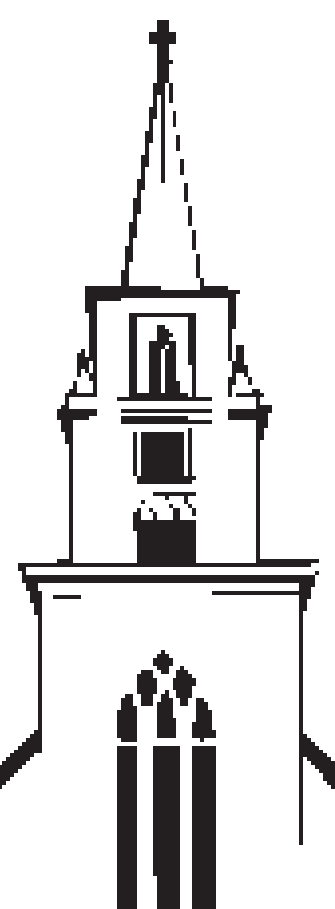
is in control of our lives. Even when we are not faced with a great need at the time, we always look up to God for His every good gift — and remembering to thank Him for those good gifts. And sometimes the "good gift" is a hardship in life causing us to turn to Him, thereby bringing us closer to Him.

Of course, God wants us to turn and look up to Him daily in repentance, realizing we are sinful human beings who cannot remove our sin from ourselves, but that our sin has been taken away by His Son, Jesus Christ, by His death on the cross. As we look up at the cross and see the amazing grace and love of God in Jesus, we see the forgiveness given through faith in Christ for all the times we relied upon ourselves, for all the times we have not looked up to Him for His divine guidance, and for all the times we have disobeyed Him in any way. Look up to Christ and see in faith His help in every situation.



Schedule of Oberlin and area church services:

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| <p>OBERLIN SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH
785-475-3103
Fr. Mark Berland,
MASS: 10:30 a.m., Sunday</p> <p>IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC, LEVILLE
Fr. Mark Berland,
MASS: 8 a.m., Sunday.</p> <p>SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, SELDEN
Fr. Mark Berland,
MASS: 5:30 p.m., Saturday</p> <p>OBERLIN SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
Jerry Nowack
120 South East, Oberlin
SATURDAY: Sabbath School, 9:15 a.m.; Saturday Worship, 11 a.m.</p> <p>JENNINGS-DRESDEN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Pastor: Barbara Patterson
SUNDAY: Church School, 10 a.m. Morning Worship, 11 a.m.</p> <p>DRESDEN
SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9:30 a.m.</p> <p>PRAIRIE CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST
The Rev. Doug Hasty
SUNDAY: Church Services, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 8:30 a.m.</p> <p>HERNDON IMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Pastor: Dennis Brown
SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9 a.m.</p> <p>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</p> | <p>OBERLIN COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP (Southern Baptist)
Pastor: Gene Gee
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m., WEDNESDAY: Service, 7 p.m.,</p> <p>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.</p> <p>CLAYTON UNITED METHODIST
Pastor: Larry Danforth
Almena
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC, HERNDON
Fr. Stephen Folorunso
Phone 785-322-5560
MASS: SUNDAY and THURSDAY 8:30 a.m.</p> <p>HERNDON COVENANT CHURCH
Pastor: Keith Reuther
Phone 785-322-5316
SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Youth Group, 4 p.m.</p> | <p>NORCATUR UNITED METHODIST
Pastor: Larry Danforth
Almena
SUNDAY: Worship Service, 10 a.m.; Church School, 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>LYLE UNITED METHODIST
Guest Speakers every Sunday
SUNDAY: Morning Worship 9 a.m.</p> <p>EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH OF OBERLIN
Pastors: Chris and Sharon Nelson
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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
510 North Wilson
Interim Pastor: Kevin Schnakenberg
SUNDAY: Sunday School and Bible class, 9:15 a.m.; Divine Worship Service, 8 a.m.; Holy Communion: 1st and 3rd Sundays..</p> | <p>FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH
404 North York Avenue
Oberlin, Kansas
The Rev. Charlotte Strecker-Baseler
Church Office Phone: 785-475-2053
SUNDAY: Worship, 10:00 a.m.; Fellowship and Educational Hour, 11:15 a.m. Holy Communion first and third Sundays. THURSDAY: Women's Bible Study second Thursday at 9:30 a.m.</p> |
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