

Vocalist to perform at Gateway Center

Oberlin native Donna (Kump) Tucker, a jazz vocalist, musician and songwriter, will perform at The Gateway civic center at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 18.

She is the daughter of Don Kump of Kingman and the late Jean Ann (Gauger) Kump, and is a 1969 graduate of Decatur Community High School.

"She has been blessed with not only a vibrant voice, but also a musical style and enchanting presence both on and off the stage making her an unforgettable talent," said Mary Henzel, a member of the Oberlin Arts and Humanities Commission.

She began her career in Dallas as a jazz singer and pianist. In 1999, she began a long-running contract with the Westin Tokyo in Tokyo. She spends several months a year there

performing six nights a week.

When asked where she is from, Ms. Tucker frequently responds, "Great people come from Kansas. I live in Kansas but I work all over the world."

Jazz studies have become an important component in her creativity. After moving back to Kansas to be near her family, she was hired by Friends University as an artist-in-residence to develop a vocal jazz ensemble. She says she enjoys working with students and choral directors as they develop jazz styles.

The concert is an Oberlin Arts and Humanities season ticket event or \$10 for adults, \$5 for students at the door.

For information, call Ella Betts (785) 475-3557 or Mrs. Henzel (785) 470-0218.



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People in Our Community

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Dalton Dolan, 18, suffered a broken leg and trauma to the spleen and pancreas in a racing pile-up during the hobby stock division at the stock car races in Goodland on Saturday night. He was flown to Hays Medical Center, where he underwent surgery and a rod was placed in his leg, according to his grandmother, Bonnie Dolan. Mail will reach him at the hospital, 2220 Canterbury Drive, Hays, Kan., 67601.

Jantje Kramer of Heidelberg, Germany, who was pictured with Corey Fortin in the feature story last week, stayed with Beckie Almqvist and her daughter, Kimia Beamgard, when she was an exchange student at Decatur Community High School. She was a junior and Corey was a senior.

Mr. and Mrs. Fernando Peña, Ian and Ella of Wichita spent from Saturday to Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Wolters. Sunday evening they were all luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tim Wolters and Levi of Ludell. Other guests of April Wolters, Atwood, and Lacy Wolters, Kansas City.

Guests of Herschel and Jody Betts over the Labor Day weekend were their son and wife, Gene and Jan Betts of Leawood and their granddaughter, Anne Betts of New York City.

Hank and Jeannie Benton of Vienna, Va., visited in Oberlin over Labor Day weekend after attending the wedding of his nephew, Ryan Kiser and Michaelon Jones on Saturday, near the Red Rocks in Colorado. The bridegroom is the son of Dr. Rick and Barbara (Benton) Kiser of Greeley, Colo. The couple will make their home in Denver.

Also attending the wedding were the Bentons' son, Brian, also of Vienna, and their daughter, Holly, and family of Austin, Texas.

Wayne and Sandy Orr of Rosalia were Saturday overnight guests of Max and Veanna Carman.

Labor Day weekend guests of Marvin and Sharon Slabaugh were Dan and Cheryl Peters, Morgan and Samuel, Onaga; Scott and

Angie Slabaugh, Gwen, Grace and Gage, Osborne; and Jeanne Britton, Thornton, Colo. Opal Bryan was an additional Saturday guest.

Tyler and Tiffany Witt and Trevor visited over Labor Day weekend with her parents, Roger and Nancy Robinson at Bayard, Neb., and with friends in Scottsbluff, Neb.

Melvin and Sheryl Solko of Daventport, Fla., came Aug. 26 to visit her parents, Val and Phyllis Beneda. On Aug. 29, they all left for Pagosa Springs, Colo., to vacation. They returned to Oberlin Saturday and the Solkos are leaving today for Kansas City, where they will visit their daughter, Toni and John Jenia. They also plan to stop in Nashville, Tenn.

Ron and Carol Martin of Littleton, Colo., visited over Labor Day weekend with his mother, Bernice Martin, and her mother, Violet Schissler, and other relatives.

Tim and Kim Davis and daughters, Angela and Sierra, spent Labor Day weekend at their family cabin outside of Grant, Colo. They were joined by her parents, Marty and Nancy Brandt of Colorado Springs.

Winning highs in pinochle at the Golden Age Center last week were Dorothy Moore, Kelva Dryden, Ardis Roe, Henry Edgett and Norma Anderson. Lows went to Norma Anderson, Doris Gilbert, Elden Haas, Dewaine Stapp, Veanna Carman and Neil Marshall. Pitch highs were won by Dorothy Moore and Max Carman with low going to Elden Haas. Bridge highs went to Carol Miller, Beth Sebaugh and Cynthia Matson.

Laurene Van Otterloo was a guest of Elaine Bryan, Mary Ann Amack and Cecil Hess for dinner at the Frontier Cafe on Sunday to celebrate her birthday, after which they were guests at her home for birthday cake.

Starla Russ of Garden City and Jane Dingus of Holcomb were Labor Day weekend guests of their parents, Richard and Clara Russ.

Women's program Sept. 22

Doris Johnson of Abilene will recall days of the past at the "Women in Denim" program from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 22, at the Prairie Museum of Art and History in Colby.

Mrs. Johnson is the author of the book "Gutsy Women," which exhibits her enthusiasm and desire to help children, especially girls, become all they can.

A program on women's health will be given from 10:15 to 11 a.m. with lunch at noon, catered by Bob Amos and entertainment by the "Wild Rose Poet," Helene Landenberger of St. Francis.

A program on composting begins

at 1 p.m., with a farm safety presentation to follow. A tour of music is scheduled from 2:25 to 3 p.m.

Cost is \$30 and deadline to register is Saturday, Sept. 11. Send reservations to Debbie Potter, 915 E. Walnut St., Colby, Kan., 67701. There is a limit of 50 women.

The program is sponsored by the Northwest Kansas Conservation and Environmental Alliance, representing conservation district managers from Cheyenne, Decatur, Gove, Logan, Rawlins, Sherman, Thomas and Wallace counties, who work together to provide educational programs their districts.

Hansen scholarships available to students

The Dane G. Hansen Foundation is offering 265 scholarships to any Kansas college in five categories for students in 26 northwest Kansas counties this year.

Eligible are students from an accredited high school or registered independent, private or home school in Decatur, Rawlins, Sheridan, Cheyenne, Norton, Cloud, Ellis, Ellsworth, Gove, Graham, Jewell, Lincoln, Logan, Mitchell, Osborne, Ottawa, Phillips, Republic, Rooks, Russell, Saline, Sherman, Smith, Thomas, Trego and Wallace counties.

Scholarships available for students who will graduate this spring include:

- Ten Leader of Tomorrow Scholarships for \$5,000, renewable for three years.

- Fifty Hansen Scholar Scholarships for \$3,000, renewable for one year, providing the student has at least a 3.0 grade average.

- One-hundred Hansen Student Scholarships for \$2,000, renewable for one year with a 3.0 average.

To qualify for college scholarships, a student must have taken the ACT test with a composite score of

21 or higher and have at least a 3.50 grade average in high school. The committee considers extracurricular school and community activities, citizenship, leadership and moral integrity.

Students planning must register at their school and take the qualifying test. Tentative test dates and Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 15 and 16.

- Ninety Vocational Education Scholarships, for \$2,000 non-renewable, are available. Students must complete an application available from their high school counselor. The committee considers the student's character, activities and goals. Recipients may enroll in any vocational course at any Kansas school not leading to a four-year degree.

- Fifteen Community College Scholarships with stipends of \$2,000 for Kansas community college students transferring to a four-year Kansas college. These may be renewed for one year. Obtain an application at the office of the Dean of Student Services or download it from www.hansenfoundationscholarships.com.

Chapter enjoys fun night

The Oberlin Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star held its 13th annual fun night and end-of-summer picnic last Wednesday evening. After 44 guests enjoyed a meal served in the dining room of the Masonic Temple, they adjourned to the lodge hall.

Worthy Matron Olive Hafner of Herndon introduced Worthy Grand Matron Gayle Cousatte of Wichita; Worthy Grand Patron John Ryana and his wife Wanda, Carbondale;

Grand Ruth Glenda Perkins, Leroy; and Grand Martha, Cecilia Hillebrand, Alma.

The program, planned by Mary Long, included several jokes, followed by the introduction of "Fabulous Fanny," assisted by Brenda McGuire. Both are from McCook.

Guests came from Colby, Atwood, Rexford, St. Francis and McCook.

Childhood screenings set

An Early Childhood Screening will be held for infants, toddlers and preschool children in the Oberlin School District from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Monday.

All children up to age 5 who will not take part in the kindergarten screening are invited. Parents need to accompany their kids through

the process. Allow one hour to 90 minutes for each child.

Children will be screened in four areas: communication, vision and hearing, cognitive skills, and gross and fine motor skills.

Call the school at (785) 475-2122 to set up an appointment.

Orchestra plans meeting

The Pride of the Prairie Orchestra will start its 2010-2011 season on Monday.

Past member musicians and new members are encouraged to meet in the Colby Community College band room at 7 p.m. for a half-hour

introductory session. Rehearsal will run from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

New musicians are not required to audition. For questions, e-mail President Mary Shoaff at comments@prairieorchestra.com.

Disaster deadline is Sept. 30

Diane Barrett, county executive director for the U.S. Farm Service Agency, reminds farmers that the deadline to submit 2008 Supplemental Revenue Assistance program payment applications is Thursday, Sept. 30.

Applications not filed by that date will not receive a payment.

This program provides disaster assistance payments to eligible farmers who have had crop production or quality losses. The program takes into consideration losses on all crops grown nationwide, paying

up to 60 percent of the difference between the farm guarantee and total farm revenue.

The guarantee is based on the amount of crop insurance and Non-insured Crop Disaster Assistance Program coverage on a farm. Total farm revenue takes into account the actual value of production on the farm as well as insurance indemnities and certain farm-program payments.

For details, stop by the Farm Service office at 408 S. Buffalo or go to www.fsa.usda.gov.

Rotarians hear of mansions

Ralph, Norma and Ryan Unger presented a program on the mansions of Newport, R.I., at the Aug. 31 meeting of the Oberlin Rotary Club at The Gateway.

The Unger family visited the mansions while on vacation. They said that the mansions were enormous, with many rooms, dance halls and entertainment rooms, large dining rooms, big kitchens, many bedrooms, guest rooms and servant areas. Many had secret passage and entry ways.

Some of those visited included The Breakers, Marble House, Rose-

cliff, Vanderbilt, Kingscote and the Elms. The Elms was the first all-electric mansion in Newport. The furniture, life-size sculptures and art collections exhibited in the mansions were remarkable. All had beautifully landscaped grounds and gardens. The Preservation Society of Newport County saved many of the mansions during difficult times and also many of the valuable objects and art.

Guests were Goodland Rotarian Marty Milea, Kay Brown and Norma Unger.

4-H Club earns herd award

By CHRIS ANDERSON
Yes, another month went by and Stick To It had another meeting. Zach May was acting as President Obama, oops, I mean Nolan Wasson our 4-H president.

Roll call was "Name the brand of your tennis shoes." Stick To It won the herdsman award this year — great job to all. Items discussed were the need for a pop stand not in

the 4-H building. Club voted to see what could be done to get a building placed where the old trailer used to sit. Members also voted on making a donation for the bowling alley.

Remember, applications are due Monday, Sept. 13. The next meeting will be at 4:30 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 26, at 4:30 at the Catholic church because of Labor Day and state fair entries. See you soon!

Women enjoy coffee meeting

Pastor Linda Willey was a guest of the Prairie Chapel United Methodist Women when they met on Sept. 1 for a coffee meeting at Coffee, Tea and Me.

Six members shared information about something they had read for roll call. Rowena Cathcart read from the prayer calendar and Coleen

Rippe had devotions on the subject of attitude.

A hay rack ride to benefit the Bridges to the Future drive will be held at the church on Saturday. For details, contact any member of Prairie Chapel. Angie Wilson gave an informative pledge lesson on the gifts God gives.

Choir needs new members

The McCook Area Community Choir asks that anyone who likes to sing and who enjoys singing good choral literature to join the group. Rehearsals begin this Sunday from 1:30 to 3 p.m. in the McCook United

Methodist Church.

The choir is preparing for its annual Christmas Concert at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 5. For details, call director Evie Caldwell at (308) 345-4165.

The St. Francis Community Services, Inc. is currently seeking applicants for the following positions:

Part-time Foster Care Homes Worker (Colby): Prefer licensed social worker or therapist. Must have bachelors degree in human services. Provide support to foster families in Western Kansas.

Part-time Compliance Technician/Administrative Assistant (Colby): Technician assures compliance with contractual and documentation requirements by assisting with client case tracking, monitoring and distribution of information. Must be at least 21 years of age. HS or GED required. Must pass KBI/DMV/CANIS.

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If you have caregiving questions, call your Kansas Area Agency on Aging.

1-866-457-2364 or visit www.k4a.org

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Call Pat at
(785) 475-2206

Come join Glen Baughman at his 80th birthday celebration

There will be an open house at The Golden Age Center from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 12

Help Wanted Head Start Aide

The Northwest Kansas Educational Service Center is accepting applications for Decatur, Thomas and Norton County Head Start Aide for the 2010-2011 school year.

Qualifications: High School Diploma or equivalent. This will be an 8 hour per day position, Monday through Friday assisting the teacher in completing duties.

Contact Person: Keva Scheib, Head Start Director, 785-672-3125 extension 160. To receive an application, contact Rose Langley, 785-672-3125.

Application Deadline: Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

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