

People in Our Community

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Those who were confirmed and received into membership during Sunday morning worship services on Sunday at the Oberlin United Methodist Church were Mason Ahlberg, Kariah Castle, Quinton Cook, Regent Erickson, Tabor Erickson, Dante Robertson and Evan Shobe. Pastor Linda Willey officiated.

Veanna Carman is hospitalized at Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney, Neb., where she underwent surgery last week. Mail will reach her at the hospital, P.O. Box 1990, 10 E. 31st Street, Kearney, Neb., 68848.

Dave and Marty Olson have spent time in Kearney, Neb., to make the acquaintance of their new granddaughter, Ellie Reese Murrish, who was born April 3. She weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long. Her parents are Dave and Jenny Murrish. Mrs. Olson is still there helping with the care of her new granddaughter.

Charles and Donna Lincoln accompanied their daughter, Judy Call, of Colby to Arcadia, Okla., on Tuesday, to visit their daughter and sister, Cheryl and Ken Gibson.

DeLane and Crista Sauvage and Junior attended funeral services at the Hoxie High School on Saturday for Shalonna Nadine Bell, 23, who died April 7 at Wesley Medical Center in Wichita from cancer. She was the daughter of Gene and Ardith (Keith) Bell. She was a sister of Shayla (Bell) Trembley, whose husband, Kyle, is a cousin of Crista Sauvage.

Brad Marcuson and his parents, Gail and Kay Marcuson, went to Hays on Thursday to watch Sarah Marcuson play tenor saxophone in the jazz ensemble during a concert at Fort Hays State University. They also helped her celebrate her 25th birthday.

Winning highs in pinochle at the Golden Age Center last week were Ivis Hanson, Kelva Dryden, Henry Edgett, Doris Fringer, Ardis Roe and Dorothy Moore. Lows went to Neil Marshall, Ardythe Cederberg, Doris Fringer, John Cederberg, Kelva Dryden, Ivis Hanson and Henry Edgett. Pitch highs went to Henry Edgett and Ardythe Cederberg with lows going to Dorothy Moore, Pat Abbey and John Cederberg. Bridge

highs were won by Dewaine Stapp and Cynthia Matson.

Andrew Dempewolf, of Oberlin, a senior at Fort Hays State University, has been selected through an interview process to be an orientation assistant for the 2012 spring and fall semesters. A senior, majoring in elementary education, he is one of 64 students selected. Orientation assistants help new students become familiar with the campus and student resources, create a fun and welcoming atmosphere for new students, assist in the Tiger Enrollment process and answer questions. Requirements include having a department or faculty recommendation and a minimum 2.5 grade pi. Applicants must have attended at least two consecutive semesters, including the spring 2012 semester. They must be returning students who have demonstrated good academic ability, communication skills and interest in working with new students. They must also attend two training sessions, must work the four Tiger freshman pre-enrollment sessions in the spring and New Student Orientation activities in August. His parents are Mike Dempewolf, Oberlin, and LeAnna Schwab, McCook. He is a 2008 graduate of Decatur Community High School.

Kenzie Fisher, Oberlin, has been elected from the College of Natural and Social Sciences at the University of Nebraska at Kearney to represent her college in the Student Senate for the coming school year. The Student Senate has the power to pass legislation for the campus, approve new student organizations, appoint student representatives to the Faculty Senate and other administrative committees, and perform other duties concerning student issues of concern. She is the daughter of Kendal and Angie Fisher of rural Oberlin.

Weekend guests of Elaine Bryan were Floyd and Dale Bryan of Farlington; Bethany Bryan, New York; and Bayley Bryan, Kansas City, Mo. They visited Laurene Van Otterloo on Friday and Bethany visited Melissa Carlton. Kem Bryan was an additional Saturday luncheon guest, then Bethany and Bayley visited with Kelly Olson of Manhattan at the home of Justin and Wendy Scott and boys in the afternoon.

New pastor named at church

The Rev. Roy Matthewson delivered his first sermon on Sunday as the new pastor of the Lund Covenant Church southwest of Oberlin.

He said he was born at St. Croix Falls, Wis., and reared in a town of 400. He graduated from Northwestern High School in Maple, Wis., in 1982 and attended the Mission Covenant Church in Poplar, Wis.

He completed a bachelor's degree in biblical and theological studies at North Park University, then did short-term mission work in Reynosa, Mexico. He attended seminary at North Park, then served a one-year internship in Northbrook, Ill., before graduating in 2002.

He spent a year in Driggs, Idaho, then worked in church leadership for five years at the Arbor Cov-

enant Church in Madison, Wis. He has served the past seven months as an interim pastor at Faith Covenant Church in Colorado Springs.

He and Stacey Prince plan to marry Sept. 29 in Colorado Springs. She works with the Mission of Mercy there. His mother, Donna Matthewson, has sold her home in Colorado and will be living in Oberlin with her son until his marriage.

He said that he has some plans for the church, including a men's breakfast. Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. with worship to follow at 11 a.m.

He said he is impressed with Oberlin and enjoys gardening as a hobby. However, he said, he thought his yard at the church parsonage at 410 E. Commercial may be a bit too shady for that project.

Senator speaks to Rotary club

State Sen. Ralph Ostmeyer spoke at the April 10 meeting of the Oberlin Rotary Club at The Gateway.

He was introduced by Program Chair Jay Anderson. Other guests were Ben Bainter and Ann Anderson. The senator, who is chairman of the National Resource Committee and

the Rules and Regulations Committee, spoke about redistricting for the Senate and the U.S. Congress. He said he is opposed to any new regulations on carnivals. He also told about fees proposed for senior citizens' hunting and fishing licenses, water bills and the education budget.



PENNAVENUE BOUTIQUE co-owner Jill Swank checked out some baby dresses in the new business, which will open May 1 at 101 S. Penn. She said the store will sell "gently used" clothes and accessories in sizes for preemies through women's plus. — Herald staff photo by Carolyn Plotts.

Resale shop to open

By MARYLOU OLSON
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A new Oberlin business, Penn Avenue Boutique, plans to open at 101 S. Penn Ave. on Tuesday, May 1.

Owners Jill and David Swank said the store will operate with the "classy woman in mind." Mrs. Swank said they plan to sell "gently used" clothing in sizes from preemie to teen, misses and plus sizes, with shoes and accessories, including hand bags.

She and her husband have been busy installing racks, shelving and dressing rooms in the building, which they are leasing from Lee Gilliam.

Mrs. Swank said she will be buying clothes and accessories by

appointment. She can be reached at (785) 475-5861.

The couple moved to Oberlin from Fort Morgan, Colo., in April 2009, and she has been associated with Twice Sold Treasures in Norton. She said she had a similar business in Fort Morgan. Mr. Swank, a retired federal employee, worked for the Department of Defense in several locations, including Germany and Baltimore.

"We are excited about our new business and hope to help women, especially those who are looking for casual and career oriented clothing," the couple said.

Hours will be from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday through Friday or as posted on the front door.

Alumni Banquet set at Gateway on May 26

The Decatur Community High School Alumni Banquet will be held Saturday, May 26, at The Gateway.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and the banquet meal will be served at 6:30 p.m. Reservations for the dinner are \$20, which includes 50 cents for the Smick Scholarship fund. Deadline for reservations is May 15; send checks to Box 201, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

Alumni members are asked to write their names, the year they graduated and the names of spouses and guests on the reservation.

Anniversary class pictures for 10-year classes, as well as the 75 and 25-year classes, will be taken by *The Oberlin Herald* for the newspaper.

Photographer Jeanie Unger will also be taking colored pictures of any anniversary classes, who set up a time with her. Call her at 475-3256.

The paper will take pictures of the 1937, 1942, 1952, 1962, 1972, 1982, 1987, 1992 and 2002 classes. The Herald will print times and locations of these reunions, so class members are asked to call the office at (785) 475-2206 or e-mail ml.olson@nwkansas.com with times and locations.

Alumni officers are Lee Franklin, 1963 class, president; Anita (Richardson) Hirsch, 1980, vice president; Karen (Waterman) Eskew, 1978, secretary; and Robyn (Russell) Rouse, 1986, treasurer.

Good Samaritan Center plans tea for volunteers Saturday

The Decatur County Good Samaritan Center is celebrating National Volunteer Week with a Volunteer Appreciation Tea to honor its helpers at 2:30 p.m. Saturday in the Town Square at the center.

"Anyone who would like to join the Good Sam Family as a volunteer, please call me at 475-2245 and join us this Saturday," said Activities Director Lisa Paulson.

"National Volunteer Week is set aside each year to extend our

appreciation for those who contribute so generously to our center. Volunteers play a key role in the Christian mission and ministry of the Good Samaritan Society by sharing their individual gifts and talents with us."

The sponsor of the week is the Points of Light and Hands-On Network. The week began in 1974 when President Richard Nixon signed an executive order establishing an annual celebration of volunteering.

Dallas Brass to perform

The internationally acclaimed Dallas Brass will perform at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Colby High School Auditorium.

The concert is sponsored by the Western Plains Arts Association. Admission will be by season ticket

or at the door, students \$10 and adults \$20.

The association will close the season with a performance by the Bethany Handbell Choir at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 29, at the Hoxie High School Auditorium.

Club News

Club hears of missions

Carolyn Kelley Plotts spoke at the April 9 meeting of the Monday Evening Club at the home of Sue May. Judy Shirley was assistant hostess.

Fifteen members answered roll call by donating paper goods for the Haven House in Norton, which provides weekend housing for people visiting relatives at the state prison near Norton.

Mrs. Plotts talked about the time she and her husband Jim spend in their ministry at the Norton prison. She also told of the Casas por Cristo project, where they travel to Juarez and

Ciudad Acuna, Mexico, with work parties to build homes for poor families.

Members donated school supplies to be taken to Haiti by Nannette Zander on her next visit to the House of Hope school.

The final meeting of the club year will be a cookout and potluck supper at the home of Gaylord and Shirley Shields on May 14 with spouses as guests. Meat will be furnished and guest speaker Judy Cochran will demonstrate grilling techniques. Assistant hostess will be Mary Ann Erickson.

Gardeners meet for lunch

Eight members of the Oberlin Garden Lovers Lunch Club met on March 27 for lunch at the LandMark Inn.

Jan Ackerman, code enforcement officer for Oberlin, Atwood, Norcat, Rexford and Medicine Lodge, talked about her job and responsibilities and emphasized her belief that rural Kansas is a wonderful place to live.

She noted that Oberlin is a beautiful town with a pretty and well-kept downtown district and said she wants Oberlin to

"sparkle" and to look good for people passing through who are looking to relocate.

Remember, as you are thinking about your spring plantings, a great source of information on plants growing well in our area is www.prairiestarflowers.org.

The club welcomes new gardeners. It meets the fourth Tuesday of the month. Call 475-2340 the morning of a program to reserve a spot and order your lunch.

Happy gardening!

Widows and Friends meet

The Widows and Friends group enjoyed lunch April 11 at Coffee, Tea and Me with 21 in attendance.

Coordinator Mary Ann Amack welcomed everyone and recognized Doris Sloan, who had organized the group several years ago.

Susan Rynearson read a touching and true story, a lesson of Easter from an unlikely child titled, "What Was in Jeremy's Egg?" She gave a copy to everyone.

The group will meet at 11:30

a.m. on Tuesday, May 8, at Coffee, Tea and Me for another luncheon.

Others present were Mildred Holmdahl, Eileen Grose, Mabel Zimmerman, Cecil Hess, Elaine Bryan, Virginia Spratling, Phyllis Screen, Lillian Koger, Nadean Stoney, Mildred Lippelmann, Ardis Roe, Norma Krieh, Joy Votapka, Martha Fringer, Carolyn Hackney, Eula Juenemann, Laurene Van Otterloo and Doris Fringer.

Club holds a salad supper

Zeta Nu Club met April 12 at the Golden Age Center for a salad supper with Joy Votapka and Eloise Smith as co-hostesses. Twelve members enjoyed fellowship and a meal.

A thank-you note was read from the Loyd Waldo family for the club's support and generosity. As Mary Waldo was a charter

member of the club, it was voted to make her an honorary charter club member. President Marian Fraker asked for volunteers to help at the Decatur County Fair this summer.

Mrs. Fraker installed Charlotte Meints as president and Joan Larue as secretary for the 2012-2013 club year.

State music is at Colby

The State Music Contest for large groups will be held at Colby High School on Thursday.

The Decatur Community High School choir will perform at 11 a.m.

in the auditorium and the band at 1 p.m. in the gymnasium.

The public and parents are invited to come hear the groups.

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NOTICE OF 2012 ANNUAL MEETING

This is your official notice of the Annual Meeting of the Decatur Cooperative Association, to be held at the Gateway Convention Center in Oberlin on Thursday evening April 19, 2012.

The agenda is as follows:

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| 6:00 p.m. | Doors Open |
| 6:30 p.m. | Serving meal |
| 7:00 p.m. | Business Meeting |
| | Audit Report |
| | Election of Directors |
| | Chairman's Report |
| | Manager's Report |

Directors terms expiring are those now held by Rod Bryan and Chris Bailey. Rod Bryan will be retiring from the board. The floor will be open for nominations at the meeting. Financial Statements will be provided at the meeting for year ending January 31, 2012.

Please mark Thursday, April 19, 2012, on your calendar and attend your Cooperative Annual Business Meeting.

Sincerely,
Decatur Cooperative Association
Kurt Anderson, President

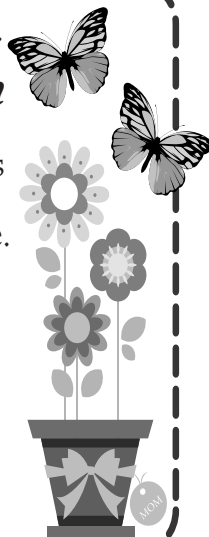
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