

move locations and hire new people

The same year, he married Sharon Pollnow, then started 3 1/2 months of training in medical administration.

In 1972, Rusty left the Air Force and moved to Tennessee. The couple returned to Oberlin in 1976 and he headed up Health Underserved Rural Areas Grants, a program to help small towns survive, recruit doctors and improve health care. He bought the drug store from his father in 1977, but only worked weekends until around 1990.

CENTER ADDS EMPLOYEES

R & M Service Center has had several changes. Owner Robert Groneweg purchased the building they occupy at 150 S. Penn Ave. and has grown his staff with the addition of Robert Cathcart to help with service and installation jobs. Judy Cochran and Joyce Ploussard help keep the business and sales running smoothly and give the store a friendly atmosphere.

R & M has a full line of Whirlpool, Maytag and KitchenAid appliances, as well as heating and air conditioning sales and service. Two years ago, R & M also became a dealer for Traeger Wood Pellet Grills.

RELOAD MOVES TO NEW LOCATION

One of Oberlin's most popular eating establishments, the ReLoad, moved to a new location at 133 S. Penn on Oct. 19, 2007, in a building the owners, Mick and Rhonda Barth, purchased.

The ReLoad has been on the east side of the street for 21 years; the Barths took over the business in 1993.

He was reared in Russell County while his wife is a native of Oberlin. Mr. Barth also operates Barth Dirt Construction and his wife is a special education teacher at Decatur Community High School.

Their specialty is homemade pizza, but among favorite noon specials are Taco Tuesday and chicken fried steak dinners on Friday. They also serve sandwiches and other delicacies. Mrs. Barth's sister, Valarie Faris, is the chief cook.

NEW DAY CARE OPENS

Tiffany Robinson opened Small Steps Childcare, a new daycare center, June 2, at 202 S. Wolf Ave.

She and her fiancé, Tyler Witt, purchased the house in west Oberlin for her new business. They plan to be married Saturday, July 12, at



AT THE END of the year, Kelly's Home Medical opened under the ownership of Kelly Moore, a nurse at the Decatur County Hospital. The business is located in the Business Entrepreneurial Enhancement Center at 104 S. Penn in Oberlin.

— Herald staff photo by Dave Bergling

the McCook Christian Church.

A native of Bayard, Neb., she completed cosmetology school at Hair Design in Scottsbluff, Neb. She also worked at Albertson's in Scottsbluff and completed management classes. She also works on Saturdays at Schmick's Market in McCook.

Anyone interested in child care should call her at (785) 470-1684.

COUPLE BUYS STORE

Fred and Wanda Hardman purchased the Times Past building at 159 S. Penn from Steve and Arian Arnold last September and have remodeled the apartment on the second floor for their home.

The Arnolds moved their long-time antique business to their farm south of Herndon.

Mr. Hardman was a carpenter for 20 years and his wife operated Building Blocks Child Care in Colorado Springs, which the couple still owns.

In April, the Hardmans opened F and W Outlet, selling used furniture and "found treasures," in the store. At the same time, Mrs. Hardman's sister, Barbara Mullen, opened a

through Saturday.

Both women are natives of California. Mr. Mullen works in the county appraiser's office.

SERVICE CENTER OPENS

A Colorado man opened D&M Service Center just off the highway at 203 W. Frontier Parkway.

Dwayne Dolan is a cousin to Dwight Wentz, who owns the building and operates the service station. Mr. Dolan will service all types of vehicles, repair tires, brakes and other automotive work, along with selling tires.

Hours will be from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday and from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday. His phone number is (785) 475-2375.

APARTMENT MANAGER HIRED

Teresa Shaughnessy took over as the manager of Wheat Ridge Terraces in the spring with the retirement of Marcia Lohofener.

Miss Shaughnessy started as activities director at Cedar Living Center, a unit of Decatur Health Systems, in May 1989. She will continue to supervise that area along with her new job.

TOWING COMPANY STARTED

Chuck Harms opened ASC Towing and Repair out of his newly purchased Oberlin home in 2007.

The service includes 24-hour towing and roadside service, and free removal of unwanted scrap iron, automobiles, trucks, recreational

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