

THE OBERLIN HERALD

Events of Yesteryear

By Jody Betts

125 YEARS AGO — Sept. 1884
Ducks and geese are flying southward.

Mrs. Rodehaver will build an addition to the north side of the Oberlin House, 16x20.

We have sold the scales in front of the Herald office to D.C. Moser who expects to move them to his lumber yard soon.

The sound of the hammer and saw is heard in every quarter of the town and the building boom has struck Oberlin in earnest.

D.C. Moser has opened a new lumber yard just southwest of the Herald office and intends to keep a full supply of lumber of every description. He has also purchased the stock of lumber handled by Halowell & Kulp.

At the teacher's examinations last week certificates were issued to the following teachers: C.G. Bosworth, Flora Taylor, Ruhma Beal, Mont Mason, J.C. Alsworth, Nora Caster, Mary Doom, Mrs. J.E. Langley, Melinda Lee and C. Borin.

100 YEARS AGO — Sept. 1909

The Oberlin Baptist Assoc. met at the Baptist Church Sept. 23. The moderator Rev. D.O. Banta had been stricken with paralysis on Tuesday evening previous and the arriving delegates were greatly depressed by the unwelcome announcement as all had known of him and his work in the association for years.

The flour war seems to be over and the price is settled at about \$1.35 per sack.

Charley Hendricks gave the editor a ride in his auto Wednesday morning.

A card from Atwood announces the arrival of a son at the home of F.H. Hayward on Sept. 24.

The City Council has ordered a street light at the crossing west of the engine house and another two blocks east.

75 YEARS AGO — Sept. 1934

The large crowd that gathered from all sections of the county to hear Gov. Landon and Frank Carlson, Republican candidate for Congress, was variously estimated from 1,000 to 1,500 persons. The speaking was held on the courthouse lawn at three o'clock in the afternoon Friday and was preceded with a few numbers by the Decatur Com-

munity High School band under the direction of Bert Hostinsky. W.T. Wolfe, chairman of the Republican county committee, introduced the distinguished speakers.

Gov. Landon assured the voters of Decatur County a continuation of his program and cooperation with the federal government in the relief problems.

The first home football game for the Red Devils will be played on the newly sodded field Friday with Lenora with the band leading the team to the field shortly before 3 o'clock. The large new bleacher stand erected on the north side of the field will seat 240 people. It has been decided to levy the small charge of 10 cents for admission to the bleachers, the fund being used to construct a similar stand on the other side of the field.

Cedar Bluffs: A little girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Decker Sept. 22. Also, a son, Jerry O'Neal, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Kennedy of Oberlin Sept. 14.

Lund: Little Russell Lemoine Raulston was two weeks old Sunday. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Raulston.

Vickers: June Jaderborg is on the sick list again.

Northwest Sappa: A large crowd attended festival at St. John's Lutheran Church Sunday. They served more than 300 people. Just think of all the dishes to wash.

Jennings: Will Rushton, age 60, died suddenly while loading hay at Danbury Thursday. His son, Elmer, was with him. He leaves a wife, three sons and a daughter.

Raymond Emerson was the honor guest at a birthday party Wednesday evening after school when his mother invited 12 of his friends in to enjoy the occasion and celebrate his birthday. Outdoor games were played and his mother served a delicious lunch.

50 YEARS AGO — Sept. 1959

Foot-long hotdogs, a dance, a country store, bargains, an outdoor, weapons, Chief Evergreen Tree, old-time costumes — these were all elements of the second Mini-Sapa Jubilee last Friday and Saturday. At least 1,000 persons visited the museum grounds during the two days according to the guest register at the Country Store.

Coming the greatest distance was Mrs. W.E. Knox, nee Lucy Frewen, who journeyed from Boston, Mass., for two reasons: celebration of her 70th birthday with her twin sister, Gladys Ward, and the Jubilee. The women were born 10 miles south of Oberlin. Their post office was Hooker and their postmaster was Mrs. Lydia Barnes, sister of Wild Bill Hickok. Their father was J.C. Frewen, who taught in a country school built of sod, accepting food in lieu of a salary. Lucy became Mrs. Knox in 1910 and her husband practiced medicine in Norcatur until 1921 when they moved to McCook. After her husband's death in 1945 she moved to Boston where she divides her time between two sons, Dr. W.E. Knox III and Dr. Hertzler Knox.

Jennings: Shimmick Hardware will sell its entire stock of merchandise at public auction Sept. 29. They have been on the business roster of Jennings since 1888. Recently their mortuary business was sold to Norman Bainter and Jay Janousek.

Area football teams had their troubles in opening games with the Red Devils losing to Almena 25-7 and rival Norton losing to Plainville 27-6.

New Arrivals: Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Keenan, daughter, Debra Lee, Sept. 19, 1959; Mr. and Mrs. Willis Carman, daughter, Cindy Lou, Sept. 21, 1959; Mr. and Mrs. Francis Farr, son, Alfred Eugene, Sept. 16,

1959.

Two local couples, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Banta and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Anderson, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kirschke, Denver, returned last week from a European tour which took them into Scotland, Holland, France, Switzerland, Italy, Austria, Germany and Morocco. The Bantas also visited London, the Andersons in Sweden and the Kirschkes in Germany.

25 YEARS AGO — Sept. 1984

Candidates vying for political office who will make their appearance at this year's Mini-Sapa Days celebration this Saturday include attorney general Robert Stephan, 40th senatorial district Republican candidate Paul Steele, Colby, an incumbent state Senator Richard Gannon(D), Goodland.

A 29-degree reading and the first frost of the season will push the fall harvest into high gear. Kent Reinhardt at Oberlin Milling reported three loads of new crop milo had been brought in this week and tested under 14 moisture.

New Arrival: Jeff and Jan Jenkins, Jennings, daughter, Beth Marie, Sept. 24, 1984.

The Colby Eagles clipped the Red Devils 20-7 in a game marred by long runs and pass interceptions. The Jennings Coyotes' impressive record of 3-0 will be challenged by Weskan this week, according to Coach Carl Wahlmeier.

Let's Go to the Museum

By Sharleen Wurm, director

It is hard to believe that there is only one week left in September.

Saturday, Oct. 3, the museum will celebrate its 51st Mini Sapa. Starting at 7 a.m. in the Bohemian Hall there will be pancakes and ham with the DCHS Singers performing at 8 a.m. A bake sale with items furnished by the members will be held in the Land Office at 8:30 a.m.

Lunch will be served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the hall with pork burgers, brats, polish sausages and chips. This will be by donation. The Decatur County Helping Hands for Health will be serving soda floats during this time. They also ask for a donation to help Decatur County

residents with out-of-pocket expenses in time of sickness.

New this year is the Taco Salad Supper from 5 to 7 p.m. in the hall. This event is being sponsored by the Royal Neighbors matching funds project with proceeds going to maintenance and upkeep of the Museum grounds. John Juenemann will be providing the entertainment. Our own Myrna Jones will be jazzing up the evening with John.

Free admission all day from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. to tour the museum and see what all has been done in the past year. Come and enjoy a relaxing, laid back fun day at the Museum!

Herndon News

By Julie Hafner

Celene Dunker, Ludell, and Emma Lou Sattler, Herndon, visited Jean and Frank Huss on Thursday afternoon.

On Saturday, Don, Del and Alan Solko traveled to Denver, Colo., to attend the wedding of Amy Marintzer and Jeff Reid. Amy is the daughter of Damian and Linda Marintzer. Bud and Vicky Mumm and Kent and Chris Wood also attended. Vicky's sister, Connie Walker and her family, Porter, Texas, will be visiting in Herndon this week.

Pam and Rose, Rawlins County Health Department nurses, offered seasonal flu shots at the Herndon Senior Center on Wednesday before the monthly potluck. They reported a very good turnout. They continue to offer the seasonal flu shots at the health department for anyone who needs them. They will be back at the Senior Center in November offering H1N1 vaccinations. They remind everyone to stay healthy by washing hands often, cough into your elbow, stay home when you are ill, and try to get plenty of rest and good nutrition.

Tom and Celeste Noble, Hot Springs, Ark., visited their mother, Joan Noble, at Cedar Living Center. They were on their way to Denver to attend a wedding.

Sharon Ecker received word Wednesday of the death of Sister Helen Urban, 95, at Concordia. Sister Helen was a Sister of St. Joseph for 75 years in Kansas and Nebraska, and was born in Topeka. She received her habit and pronounced final vows on Aug. 15, 1938, and took the name of Sister Mary Alexia. Later, she changed to her baptismal name Helen. She retired in 1991 and moved to the Motherhouse in 2002. Mass of the Christian Burial was Monday and burial was in the Nazareth Motherhouse Cemetery. Sister Helen taught many students at St. Mary's through the years 1952-1958 in Herndon.

Norma Grafel, Amanda Grafel and Julie Hafner enjoyed lunch together Tuesday at Coffee, Tea and

Me in Oberlin.

The Herndon Library would like to add stories to its growing collection of family histories. Among others, they have Emma Huss Durant's memoirs of the Joseph Huss family and also The Life and Times of Louis Riepl.

The Herndon senior citizens met for a dinner meeting Wednesday, Sept. 16, with 13 attending. Sue Frick won the blackout and Beth Chartier won the door prize. Mark your calendar; the next luncheon will be Wednesday, Oct. 21, at noon.

The Belles of St. Mary's from St. Mary's Catholic Church entered the dining area of Good Samaritan in Atwood last Thursday with their rendition of "When the Saints Go Marching In." Dressed in black slacks, white tops, and red handkerchiefs, the Belles entertained the residents and guests with various old time songs. Some of their songs included "Raindrops Keep Falling on My Head" as the girls dawned umbrellas; "Catch A Falling Star" while catching stars; baseball caps, shirts and bats to accompany "Take Me Out To The Ballgame" and blowing bubbles to "I'm Forever Blowing Bubbles." Final song as the Belles waved blue handkerchiefs and left the hall was "Happy Trails." Those who were able to sing that day were Sharon Ecker, Julie Hafner, Liane Martin, Vicky Mumm, Voni Sattler, Ann Solko, Eileen Unger and Theresa Rippe on the keyboard.

Looks like the Highway 36 Treasure Hunt across Kansas was a success! Julie Hafner chatted with Janice Sattler, Jayme Sattler and Floyd Trail as they manned the Oberlin Senior Center, Atwood, on Friday and Saturday selling hot deals. Friends from Nebraska, Karl and Beulah Tiede, Overton, and Karmen Schlueter, Sumner, snoop their way through Norton, Oberlin, Atwood and Ludell before heading home with a truckload.

Stu and Pam Stuczynski traveled to Omaha to attend a Peter Frampton

concert that their son, Brandon, invited them to. The concert was held at Harrah's Riverboat Casino where they also enjoyed winning at blackjack and the roulette tables. After a great concert, a live band was playing and Pam got the dance started. Brandon wasn't sure there was supposed to be a dance but everyone soon followed. While in Omaha they also spent time with Pam's sister, Diana and family, and Stu's brother and family.

Sunday morning coffee guests of Esther Pennington were Voni Sattler, Chris Wood and Shirley Barenberg of Denver.

Dave and Judy Ketterl, Herndon, and Aaron, Sarah and Gideon White of Norton spent Saturday at the Kansas State Fair in Hutchinson where Sarah and Aaron worked at the K-State birthing building. Dave, Judy and Gideon enjoyed the animals and a train ride around the fairgrounds.

Chamber News

By Carolyn Hackney

It sure feels like fall this morning. It appears that this week is going to be a bit cooler than last week. I don't like the cold winter, but I like the changing of the seasons. I used to think that living in a warm climate all the time would be great, but just look what I would miss.

This cool weather gets me in the mood for roasting hot dogs over a fire, with a cup of hot chocolate and marshmallows for dessert. At a time in my life, there had been a big tree cut down and we wanted to burn the stump. That worked well except this stump was a lot underground (it was around three feet in diameter or more), so it smoldered for close to four weeks. Toward the last week, the fire was down in the ground a couple of feet. I could go out there and add some small kindling and make a fire in no time for my hot dog supper.

Don't forget, today at noon is the deadline for information for the Table Tents. Turn it into the Chamber office.

I saw a lot of merchandise out this weekend. I didn't have time to go to garage sales, but I saw lots of people out and about. The weather

was perfect except for the clouds on Sunday morning. Most of the sales had finished by then, and the out-towners had moved on. Thursday also looked like a big day.

The Chamber had a good turnout for the tailgate party on Friday before the football game. It was good for the team to win our homecoming game. The stands were packed, and I'm sure that gives our team a big boost to help them win.

I don't know who will be doing the tailgate parties at the other home games, except for Friday, Oct. 23, when the Oberlin Business Alliance will be having one before the football game. I'll have more information later.

I have had several calls inquiring about the Holiday Craft Show for Nov. 28, and lots of spaces are already spoken for. It looks like quite a variety of projects to show.

Remember Mini Sapa celebration coming up the first Saturday in October. Events are starting at 7 a.m. through the day until 7 p.m. A pancake feed will start the day. Come and enjoy the day and help them celebrate.

Have a great week!

Cedar Living News

By Teresa Shaughnessy

We continue to receive some lovely donations of homegrown fruits and vegetables. Everything has been delicious and most appreciated by the residents. We are still picking tomatoes in our little box garden in the courtyard area, but with autumn arriving this week, we fear that all of the fresh produce will soon come to a halt.

Monday afternoon residents met in the dining room to try a new trivia game. Those trying their luck included Dale Butler, Alvina Gamblin, Elsie Goodnight, Ruth Havel, Donna Kent, Wilma May, Edna Mott, Jim Plotts, Agnes Pruitt, Mary Votapka, Leroy Wessel, and Delores Wheeler.

Myrna Jones and Mary Ann Amack led the sing-along time on Monday afternoon.

Agnes Pruitt won the first bingo on Tuesday afternoon and Mary Votapka won the blackout game. Several residents also met on Tuesday evening for a game night.

Juanita Williby hosted the pinochle group on Wednesday afternoon.

With autumn just around the corner, the craft group met on Wednesday afternoon to start working on some fall decorations.

Stuart Euhus gave the Bible study lesson before supper on Wednesday.

The dietary department hosted a taco bar at noon on Thursday. This

meal was selected as the "Menu of the Month" by the residents' council at their last meeting. It was a big hit with both residents and staff.

Helen Juenemann hosted the September birthday party in the dining room on Thursday afternoon. Those being honored with September birthdays were Ruth Havel, Wilma LaSalle, Delores Wheeler, Elsie Goodnight, and Marie Thomas. Marsha Morford assisted with serving treats. John Juenemann provided musical entertainment.

Elsie Goodnight had several visitors on Thursday in honor of her birthday.

The baking group met on Friday afternoon to bake up batch of homemade cookies. The cookies were served warm from the oven along with coffee or lemonade.

Recent visitors: Linda Bosler, Herndon; Jim and Carolyn Plotts, Deanna, Brooke, and Brady Sumner, Norcatur; Susan Orr, Tammi Engel, Colby; Lillian Sulzman, Mildred Welter, Dresden; Jesse, Jerry, Anna, Jaelyn, Juliann, Delpha Sis, Jarett and Marie Sis, Jason Sis, Atwood.

Lyle Gamblin, Lois Lamb, Gary and Janelle Walter, Kaylene Thomas, Connie Miller, Eunice Richards, Veanna Carman, Mirium Fisher, Marilyn Gamblin, Jeanette Sulzman, Ralph and Phyllis LaSalle, Sharon Johnson, Mary McEvoy, Sam Mack, Oberlin.

Good Samaritan News

By Lisa Paulson

This was a week to celebrate birthdays — seven of them to be exact! Tuesday during Social Hour we celebrated them all. The honorees were Lois Carlson, (Sept. 2), Olive Arnold (10), Paul Miesner (11), Elden Long (14), Hubert Mumm (19), Glenn Martin (21), and Leona Helmkamp (28). We celebrated with angel food cake and strawberries, along with a slide show of recent pictures of the residents taken at various events.

Hillbilly Horseshoes is still a weekly happening! Faye Miller was our first place winner with a score of 140 points. Opal Bryan took second with 125 points and there was a tie for third between Olive Arnold and Alice Bobbitt with 95 points. Others who played were Elsie Macy, Evelyn Olson, Mary Lemman, and R.D. Thornton.

Bingo is also a favorite weekly event. Our thanks to Reva Marshall who filled in for Colleen Geihlsler and Marilyn Horn. The game must go on... or look who would have been disappointed: Pooch Portschy, Earl Brown, R.D. Thornton, Emma Sanford, Lora Zwicke, Evelyn Olson, Faye Miller, Kathryn Post, Leone Porsch, Dorothy Pryor, Lucy Schissler, Amy Rehm, Shirley Hayward, Myrtle Ross, Alice Bobbitt, Opal Bryan, Edla Olson, Violet Schissler, Doris Marintzer and Elsie Macy.

We just finished up our week of Creation which was awesome and so fitting considering the theme of the Community Worship Service on Sunday and Stuart Euhus's message on "Light" last Sunday. This week we looked at the story of Zacchaeus. Janna Leitner and Joey Hirsch ended our lesson with a fun duet of the song, "Zacchaeus was a Wee Little Man."

Our resident Prayer Team is picking up momentum. Amy Rehm and Edla Olson lead the team of Prayer

Warriors: Opal Bryan, Alice Bobbitt, Evelyn Olson, Leone Porsch, Dorothy Pryor and Shirley Hayward. They meet every Thursday night. If you have a prayer need, please call and leave a message with anyone who answers the phone; they'll pass it on to the ladies.

The men have to have their time, too, thanks to Pastor Keith Reuther and Frank McEvoy who join the guys for coffee at the "round table." Pooch Portschy, Earl Brown, Elden Long, R.D. Thornton, Leo Mooty, Wesley Benda and Paul Miesner get together for that and Keith tells some pretty good jokes!

Mark your calendars! We're getting ready to rock again! This year's Rock-a-thon will be Saturday, Oct. 24.

Visitors this week were Bev and Wayne Smith (Burlington) for **Kathryn Post**. Doris Fringer for **Kathryn Post** and **Lora Zwicke**. Ralph Crimm and Colleen Fikan (Atwood), Mert and Frank McEvoy for **Lucy Schissler**. Ann Hazlett (Selden) for **Leone Porsch**. Elsie Wolters for **Dorothy Pryor**. Ron and Dixie Snyder (Colby), Reva Marshall and Penny Fringer for **Dorothy Hunt**. Elden and Della Anderson for **Eva Bryan**. Jody Betts and Dianne Bremer for **Alice May**. Bud and Vicky Mumm (Gem) for **Doris Marintzer**. Rhonda Wildeman (Jennings) for **Emma Sanford** and **Faye Miller**. Audrey and Murry Pavlicek and Cletus and Janet Knipp (Hays) for **Mary Lemman**. **Glenn Martin** celebrated his birthday with his wife Eunice, and his family. **Hubert Mumm** also had a birthday. He is one of 13 siblings. Helping him celebrate were Bud and Vicky Mumm (Gem), Delores Raile (Hoxie), Mary Jane Smith (Colby), Eleanor Rogers, Eileen Murphy, Jim Rogers, Ken Mumm (Selden), Anogene Rogers (Rexford).

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