

THE OBERLIN HERALD

# Events of Yesteryear

By Jody Betts

**125 YEARS AGO — August 1885**  
 Brick laying on Geo. Colby's block will begin this week.  
 Norcat, the new railroad town on the county line, is materializing rapidly we hear.  
 A.J. Hollister relinquished his claim south of town for a span of horses and harness and \$400 in cash.  
 Dr. Ward, a practicing physician from Indiana, has put out his professional shingle at the drug store of S. and C.S. Maddox.  
 Nine restaurants and hotels look after the needs of the inner man in Oberlin at present, and the music at the dinner hour would discount the melody of the Swiss family bell ringers.  
 Charley Barnett, east of town, was drowned Sunday in Parker's Draw.

Johnson and Simpson's circus exhibited here to full houses Wednesday afternoon and evening.  
 Elijah Bray, the Atwood-Oberlin mail carrier, takes in Ludell on his route.

**100 YEARS AGO — August 1910**  
 The severe rain storm on Friday night was one of the worst since 1893 when the town was flooded: 3.03 inches fell in one hour flooding the Chautauqua grounds and the ball grounds and putting an abrupt end to the afternoon program and the ball game.  
 The Commercial Barn, owned by Mr. Fike, burned to the ground about 11:30 Sunday night. Twelve head of horses, nine hogs, and a lot of feed, harness and other materials were destroyed along with the barn.  
 Nathan Watson discovered the fire and awoke Mr. Fike and his son who were sleeping in the barn, or they might have perished.  
 Allison Items: The old settlers say the Solomon was three feet higher than it had ever been last Friday.  
 J.C. Emahizer, the merchant prince of Topeka, was in this city Sunday and Monday visiting his brother-in-law, Judge Geiger. Emahizer has made a lot of money since he left Oberlin and has built up a wonderful business at the state capital.

to Oberlin and the Theo Counters will move there and take over the active management of the elevator.  
 Funeral services were held for Ella Norton, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest R. Norton of Harlan Township.  
 Mrs. Wm. McMullen was called to Salina by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. W.L. Andrews. Mrs. Andrews is 83 years old and is well known to most residents of the south part of the county, the Andrews family having made their home near Dresden for a good many years following the early 90's.  
 The Swastika and and Jolly Ten clubs were entertained at rook Friday night at the home of Mrs. F.G. Caster. Prize winning scores were held by Mrs. McDowell and Mrs. Metts.

**75 YEARS AGO — August 1935**  
 Nearly 1,200 head of livestock were disposed of at good prices at Oberlin Livestock Exchange last Friday setting a new record. The sale lasted until 10:15.  
 Henry Beardsley left Monday to meet Mrs. Beardsley and Alice and Henry Jr., at Denver. They have been spending the summer in California.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Russell Anderson came home Monday evening from New York City where Mr. Anderson has been attending Columbia University.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Howard Banta left Tuesday for York, Neb., where Howard is managing an elevator. They plan to stay there until Christmas time when they will come back

**50 YEARS AGO — August 1960**  
 With the first week of school nearing an end, combined enrollment at Decatur Community High School and Oberlin Elementary School stands at 734. High school enrollment was close to 250 at mid-week.  
 Ira (Prof) Laidig has been elected governor of Rotary District 567 for the 1961-62 term. Laidig is Oberlin's first district governor since Caleb Smick held the post in 1932-33.  
 Clifton Waldo, 84, retired farmer and former county commissioner, died Aug. 24 after a long illness.  
 Johannes Vollmer and family have moved to Denver where he is employed as a cook. The family was brought here this spring from Holland through the Resettlement Services of the United Presbyterian Church and he has been employed at Oberlin Bakery.  
 New Arrivals: Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hess, a son, Steven Joe, Aug. 26; Mr. and Mrs. James Screen, a daughter, Susan Kay, Aug. 29; Mr. and Mrs. Gerhardt Waterman, a daughter, Karen Gayle, Aug. 25.

**25 YEARS AGO — August 1985**  
 Final plans have been made for the climax of Oberlin's centennial celebration — the appearance of recording artist Pat Boone at the community worship service on Sunday, Sept. 29, at 2:30 p.m. at the Decatur County fairgrounds.  
 The community of Herndon was dealt a severe blow last week when its only financial institution, the State Bank of Herndon, was officially closed by the Kansas State Banking Commissioner. Although this is the ninth bank closing in Kansas this year, the Herndon bank is the only one in northwest Kansas thus far which will not reopen.  
 Lowell Byarly, formerly of Osborne, joined the Farmers National Bank of Oberlin last week where he will serve as vice president and agricultural representative.  
 It has definitely been a cool and wet August. Tom WonSettler, Serv-Tech representative, said we will need to have a frost-free period clear up until the first week of October for all the milo in the area to reach maturity.  
 New teachers at Oberlin Elementary

ary School are: Jerry Carpenter, administrative assistant and physical education; Tamera Higgins, third grade and Janice May Lessard, speech therapist. New at Decatur Community High School are Maria Olson, Spanish and Brenda Sand, English, Dictator and yearbook. Coming into the Oberlin school from the Norcat school are Oran Miller who will teach seventh grade geography and American history and Audrey Pavlicek, kindergarten and Chapter I math at Oberlin Elementary School.  
 New Arrivals: Patty and Randy Hrabe, Oberlin, daughter, Tracey Jean, Aug. 15, 1985; Patricia and Rod Steinmetz, Oberlin, daughter, Kellie Kaleen, Aug. 16, 1985; Sharon and Charles Wurm, Oberlin, daughter, Malorie Nadine, Aug. 18, 1985.

Dr. Lynn Fogleman was honored at a farewell picnic Sunday evening at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Simpson. Guests were Dr. and Mrs. Ren Whitaker, Dr. Marguerite Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Ganje, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Michael, and Karil Bellah.  
 The congregation of the Oberlin United Methodist Church gathered Sunday noon for a farewell dinner for Dr. Fogleman who has completed two years in family practice with the Oberlin Medical Clinic. He will be moving to Waterloo, Iowa, where he will complete another year of family practice and will be married to Sharon K. Goodwin Sept. 1.  
 The Oberlin Lions slow-pitch softball tournament ended Sunday with the Quinter men and the Hoxie women winning the titles.

innovation and prosperity. The success of locally owned businesses provides real-life inspiration to our young people, proving that they can stay in or return to our community to prosper.  
 • **Get Better Service**—It is no secret that local people are caring, friendly people...your neighbors! Our area businesses take pride in hiring the right people who are passionate about their products and services. By shopping local, we're giving them the support they've earned.  
 • **Consider What Our Retailers Face**—They purchased their stock six months ago hoping to sell it today, pay their employees, pay their taxes, heating and cooling costs, donate to many community programs, and hopefully pay themselves.  
 • **Keep Our Community Unique**—We have a variety of unique specialty shops and products that are an integral part of the distinctive character of our area. By choosing to support local businesses you help maintain our distinct character.  
 A few things coming up are the Up-In-Smoke barbecue at Sappa Park on Saturday, Sept. 11; a Vintage Baseball Game on Sunday, Sept. 12, at the ball field here in town; and the Highway 36 Garage Sales on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 17, 18 and 19. Some people do like to start their garage sale on Thursday evening prior to Sept. 17. A lot of people come from the west and stop in these western cities before traveling on through the state. To be on the list and map from the Chamber office, you can contact me in the office.  
 The Chamber is seeking nominees to serve on the board, as our current members will be retiring at the end of the year. Potential board members need to have the desire to be part of a group that is committed to making things happen in the community and being responsive to the needs of the Chamber membership.  
 Have a great week!!!

## Chamber News

By Carolyn Hackney

I know everyone has heard this plea before, but I want to share this again. What businesses would you miss if they disappeared? Your purchases are what keeps those businesses around. Some counties have statistics that show that \$60 to \$75 out of every \$100 spent locally, stays in the county. Imagine how that could impact our county if we would pledge to spend \$100 more in our county! I don't mean \$100 more than we are spending, just spend \$100 less in other places and try to buy your product here in Oberlin.  
 A few reasons for doing this are:  
 • **Money Spent Local, Stays Local**—This helps to create jobs, provide more services like education and health and safety services through taxes, invest in neighborhood improvement and promote community development.  
 • **Local Businesses Contribute to the Community**—Ninety-one percent of local business owners contribute to their community, including schools, nonprofits and community groups, by volunteering and making donations. How can you expect area businesses to support your cause if you don't support them?  
 • **Local Businesses Provide Jobs**—Supporting our own local businesses means you're helping to secure jobs and opportunities for your neighbors, family and community. These employees in turn spend in the local economy.  
 • **Shopping Local Saves You Money**—Choosing to shop local saves you fuel costs, meals and shipping fees if shopping online, not to mention long line-ups, traffic, weather, and travel time which in turn is money saved.  
 • **Lower Environmental Impact**—Reduce your environmental footprint. Shopping local means you're not burning fuel and contributing to greenhouse gas emissions. Everything you need is right here in our own backyard.  
 • **Entrepreneurship**—Local entrepreneurship fosters economic

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## Good Samaritan News

By Lisa Paulson

This week was another busy one. Our routine activities are our structure and remind us of our daily chores we did when we were home. They bring stability and familiarity, but then there is always the added splash of something new, fun, educational or spontaneous like unexpected guests that make living here vibrant and relevant. It helps to keep us active and alert, gives us purpose and delight. Here is a sampling of some of those splashes throughout the week that add color to our days.  
 On Tuesday, we brought back the Golden Ringers to once again get the ladies ready for holiday performances. They look forward to sharing of their talent with their loved ones and the community. This week, Anita Hirsch warmed them up with some simple choreography to "If You're Happy and You Know It" but they already voiced the desire for a more challenging piece.  
 Rainy Day Theater solved another mystery through acting out a script. Amy Rehm, Shirley Hayward, Alice Bobbitt, Leone Porsch, Earl Brown, Edla Olson and Opal Bryan enjoyed this activity.  
 Storytellers Alice Bobbitt, Leone Porsch, Earl Brown, Edla Olson, Amy Rehm, Shirley Hayward and Opal Bryan wrote another story: "The Sparrows Return to Capistrano" and on Friday our second "Laugh it Up" circle took place. Janice Shobe, Vi Krizek and Kelley May joined me and Faye Miller with daughter-in-law Franci Miller, Dorothy Hunt, Violet Schissler, Leone Porsch, Alice Bobbitt, Edla Olson, Amy Rehm, Shirley Hayward, Olive Arnold, Eva Bryan and Opal Bryan in the fun.  
 On Saturday, Eva Bryan celebrated her 97th birthday! Friends and family who came to help her celebrate were Dick and Donna Kelley, Gary Anderson, Elden and Delta Anderson, Dennis and Leona

Barrett and Jim Barrett (Lincoln, Neb.) and Jeanne Hafner, along with staff and residents. Happy Birthday, Eva!  
 It has also been awhile since we have recognized our many most loved and valued volunteers. We appreciate all they do everyday and we want to say again... Thank you! Dennis Brown who is faithful to bring our devotion every Saturday morning. Gladys Geis ministers through visiting. Larry Smith helps with e-mails. Wednesdays Rosella Meitl, Dorothy Alstrom and Penny Fringer give manicures. Bernice Martin brings homemade treats for Social Hour and Marilyn Horn, Pat Fringer and Colleen Geihlsler host our weekly Bingo night.  
 Wednesday is a busy day for our volunteers, for which we are very grateful. Thursday, Carol Duncan reads Current Events. Once a month, the Lyle Gals, Joyce Sumner, Toots Magers and Kathy Van Meter come for pinochle and Larry Mack deals Poker for Pizza and Poker night! New volunteers are Melissa Chambers and Jill Swank. God Bless you all!  
 Visitors this week were Ward Brown for Earl Brown, Ken Mumm (Selden) for Hubert Mumm, Reva Marshall and Ron and Dixie Snyder (Colby) for Dorothy Hunt, Ralph and Norma Unger and Pat and Melody Wilshire (Burleson, Texas) for Leo Mooty. Gladys Geis for Lois Carlson. Marvin and Sharon Slabaugh for Opal Bryan and Eva Bryan. Audrey and Murry Pavlicek for Mary Lemman. Cheri Kastens for Pooch Portschy. Pat Abby, Janelle Morel and Jody Betts for Goldie Stapp. Jack and Jackie Wesch for Nila Wesch. Max and Veanna Carman for Myrtle Waldo. Julia Otter (Hays) for Leone Porsch. Linda Bunney (Norcat), Marilou Long, Linda, Joslyn and Andrew Wade for Elden Long. Laurene Van Otterloo for all.

## Cedar Living News

By Teresa Shaughnessy

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bers and residents joining together for fellowship, music and prayer. Pastor Keith Reuther delivered the sermon. We will look forward to the group returning for services next summer.  
 The dietary department teamed up with the activity department to make ice cream sundaes on Sunday evening. Staff members made each sundae just as ordered by the residents. Toppings included chocolate, caramel, strawberry, bananas, whipped cream, cherries and nuts.  
 Residents and staff were sad to learn of the passing of Eldon Huntley this past week. Mr. Huntley had gone above and beyond the call of duty in assisting residents on the transportation van. We extend our sympathy to his widow, Opal Huntley, who is a retired employee of Cedar Living Center and continues to be a valued volunteer.  
 Recent visitors: Lillian Sulzman, Mildred Welter, Dresden; Julie Hafner, Herndon; Janice Kruse, Lad and Lori Truetken, Selden; Gregg Sayer, Cambridge, Neb.; Les and Myrna Pettera, Loveland, Colo.; Richard Pavlicek, Sun City West, Ariz.  
 Marilyn Gamblin, Connie Miller, Marian Dempewolf, Jody Betts, Barbara Castor, Gladys Geis, Phyllis Screen, Lois Lamb, Audra Duncan, Nadean Stoney, Max and Veanna Carman, Ralph LaSalle, Sondra Young, and Everett and Doreen Shuler.

## Selden News

By Jacque Boultinghouse

On Thursday at Senior Citizens, Ralph Weis won high, Gail Mumm took second, Anna Albers got low and Betty James had the most aces. Other members present included Shirley Emigh, Jeanie Spresser, Matt Finnesy, Alfred Albers, Paulie Neff, Edna Schiltz, Bernita Aumiller, Ann Hazlitt, Carl Mumm, Helen Karls and Marilyn Meyer.  
 The Senior Citizens meet each Thursday for dinner and cards. Anyone 55 or older is welcome to join them. If you intend to eat dinner with them you need to let them know so they have enough food.  
 Birthdays and anniversaries: Aug. 26 - Ivonn Vargas, Dusty

Spresser, Valerie Broeckelman. Aug. 27 - Jimmy Kruse, Bob and Elaine Koerperich. Aug. 28 - Lisa Stoll, Andrew Broeckelman. Aug. 29 - Russ Emigh, Jerry and Chrysalis Rall, Jyle Adelman. Aug. 31 - Ellis and Gloria Walker. Sept. 1 - Bart Karls, Barry Quanz, Dan Wessel.  
 School Calendar: Friday - Volleyball and Football Soap Scrimmage. Saturday - 9 a.m., High School Volleyball at Healy. Tuesday - 4 p.m., High School Volleyball at Rexford with Hoxie and St. Francis.  
 New books at the Selden Public Library: Junior Easy Fiction: "Up, Down, and Around," by Katherine Ayres.

## Herndon News

By Julie Hafner

Herndon seniors held their monthly dinner and entertainment at the center on Wednesday, Aug. 18, with Karen Yarín winning blackout and Jo Harris, the door prize.  
 Mabel Riepl Tongish, Amarillo, Texas, 88, passed away on Wednesday, Aug. 18, in Amarillo. She was the daughter of Joseph and Josephine Pitner Riepl and was a 1939 Herndon High School graduate. She married Claude Tongish. Services were held in Texas on Friday, Aug. 20. Sympathy is extended to family in the area.  
 Enjoying a "Back to Work Teachers" get-together Friday evening at the Herndon Pool Hall were Jacquie Leitner, Deb Portschy, Peach Beims, Rachelle Solko and Jennifer Beims. They enjoyed chic-chat and fresh garden veggies and melons.  
 Richard and Theresa Rippe spent the weekend in Hays visiting with Rodney Rippe and Katelyn Clark of Hays, and Aaron, Brenda and Addison Schilde of Minneola. Everyone met to help Brenda celebrate her 30th birthday. Joining them for the afternoon and dining at Gellas Diner and LB Brewing Co. on Saturday evening were Brenda's college dorm-mates and their families, Emily Blank and husband, Tyler and girls TyLynn and Kensley, Kensington; and Amy and Shawn Feldman, Arika and Kade from Lyons.

Other friends joining them during the weekend were Brian and Mary Clark, Atwood, and Rick, Gayla and Zack Binder of Hays.  
 Brief visitors last week of Bob and Julie Hafner were Les and Myrna Pettera, Loveland, Colo.; Ron and Cindy Sattler, Herndon; Brian and Mary Clark, Atwood; Mason Reiter and Jim, Denver; Sharon Ecker, Herndon, and Jackie Votapka, Oberlin.  
 On Saturday, Greg, Rita, Joe and Isaac, and Justin and Lori Marintzer traveled to Kansas City and met Jacob, Tara and Kade Marintzer of Westmoreland and Abe, Alex, and Addisyn of Emporia. All enjoyed the afternoon shopping and swimming. Kris, Anna Beth and Mason Marintzer of Kansas City joined the group in the afternoon. All went to eat at Oklahoma Joe's BBQ. Sunday afternoon all attended a Kansas City Royals baseball game to celebrate Greg's birthday.  
 Kyle and Ashlie Frick returned to their home in Seattle, Wash., this week after spending the summer with their dad, Kyle Frick and grandparents, Laverne and Sharon Frick and best friend, Taryn Sattler.  
 Jacob, Alexis, Hayden and Gwendolyn Sattler of Wichita came to visit Grandma Emma Lou Sattler on Saturday, Aug. 14. Terri Dechant,

Denver, spent the weekend with her mother too.  
 Dave and Bonnie Franke traveled to Logan to visit the SuperCroc display at the Dane Hansen Memorial Museum. The fossil remains were found in the Sahara Desert and reached 40 feet in length. On Wednesday, they visited Tom and Kay Franke of Council Grove. From Thursday to Saturday, they were guests of Dean, Carrie and Heide Franke of Jefferson City, Mo. Before heading home Monday, they spent Sunday with Aaron, Brenda,

Candaesa and J.D. VanHorn of Ottawa.  
 St. Mary's Christian Youth Organization is hosting a "Back-to-School" breakfast on Sunday, Aug. 29, at St. Mary's Hall in Herndon. They will be serving pancakes, sausage, eggs, fruit, coffee and juice from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. for a freewill donation. Everyone is welcome.  
 Bob and Liane Martin were Saturday evening dinner guests of Tom and Arlene Bliss of Atwood.

## Mount Pleasant News

By Dianne Bremer

Elaine Samuelson and sister, Pat Plakorus, Lakewood, Colo., were Thursday to Saturday guests of Ralph and Violet Shaw.  
 Casey and Jennifer Harshman, Emporia, were weekend guests of her parents, Richard and Anna Shaw.  
 Casey and Jennifer Harshman, Richard and Anna Shaw, and Joel and Tami Shaw and Dante were Sunday noon dinner guests of Ralph and Violet Shaw.  
 Liam Davies Nedland is recuperating satisfactorily after undergoing surgery to repair a congenital herni-

ated diaphragm Friday afternoon at Children's Hospital in Omaha, Neb.  
 John and Dianne Bremer and Jessica left Friday morning for Topeka to move Jessica back to Washburn University where she will be a senior this fall. On their way home Sunday afternoon, John and Dianne visited David and Linda Bremer in Newton.



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