

THE OBERLIN HERALD

Events of Yesteryear

By Jody Betts

125 YEARS AGO — Nov. 1885

The passenger train arrives at 11:40 p.m. and departs at 4 a.m. Quite a heavy rain fell in this county Saturday.

Gay Wooster and Pat Boyles have bought Colby and Moser's new livery barn.

The foundation to Frank Hunt's new store building just west of the courthouse has been laid and the building is expected to be ready for occupancy within 30 days.

The postmaster general has ordered establishment of a post office at Norcatatur and has named J.D. Riggs as postmaster.

Election results: Treasurer, Ira Kellogg; Clerk, R.W. Finley; Register of Deeds, P.L. Ashcraft; Sheriff, J.E. Bebb; Surveyor, E. Jameson; Geographer, W.H. Peck; commissioner, Geo. M. Miller.

J.B. Hitchcock returned last Saturday from Oregon with a carload of blooded colts.

Hop Douglas is building quite a large addition to his livery, feed and sale stable.

100 YEARS AGO — Nov. 1910

Dr. Tilden is home from his trip to the Pacific Coast.

John Brown, who has been laid up with a broken ankle, is able to get downtown again.

It is reported that Mrs. Vale will shortly resign her place as rural carrier and the family will probably move to Florida. There will be four applications for her place: Will Kellogg, E. Danielson, Earl Clinkenbeard and Will Marietta.

Swede Home News: A.H. Anderson moved the Mennonite Church home to his place last week and it will be used for a barn.

Norcatatur Items: Estella Bell and Grover Coverdell were married Oct. 2.

Kanona Items: George Fiala, John Locy and Edward Keenan left Friday for the east where they will pick corn this winter.

75 YEARS AGO — Nov. 1935

Contrary to rumors in recent months, the major WPA project at Sappa Lake has been approved and funding will allow work and wages for 100 county relief men. E.M. Brooks chairman of the Sappa Lake committee of the Oberlin Chamber of Commerce, received word that the comptroller in Washington had allowed the sum of \$129,000 required for the project.

Armistice Day will be a quiet holiday in Oberlin with most businesses closed. For several years it has been the custom to celebrate here one year and follow the football team to Atwood the following and the custom will be observed this year.

Court House News: Vyrl Nicodemus, 29, and Fausta Vernon, 26, both of Oberlin received a license Nov. 2 and were married at the Methodist parsonage in Glen Elder Nov. 3 by the Rev. Roy E. Frey.

New Arrivals: Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hostinsky, a baby girl Nov. 4, who has been named Suzanne; Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Corcoran, a baby girl, Oct. 5.

Jennings: A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Stacy last week and a baby boy arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Nelson who has been named Billy Lee.

Funeral services were held for Mrs. John (Gertrude) Ufford, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Langmaid, who died Oct. 31 at her home north of Goodland.

Norcatatur: Miss Arline Shirley and Kenneth Clark were married Tuesday in Oberlin and are making their home in the Bolinger apartments.

50 YEARS AGO — Nov. 1960

Decatur County joined other counties in Kansas in giving the Republican state ticket a sweep of all national and state offices except the Fifth Congressional District where Floyd Breeding won re-election. Attorney General John Anderson tossed a roadblock in the path of Gov. George Docking in his bid for an unprecedented third term.

The annual influx of pheasant hunters took up every vacant room in town last weekend.

Business stores and public offices will be closed on Veterans Day Nov. 11.

Regina Wennihan, Connie Emigh, Karen Ashley, Janice Bainter, Frank Bennett and Donald Macfee were presented the 4-H Key Awards for 1960 on the basis of club projects completed.

Jennings, who had a streak of 14 wins, and Selden, which was working on their third consecutive unbeaten football season and 26th straight victory, beat Jennings 40-31 last week. Selden's speed proved the winning margin.

Lloyd S. Miller who started with Southwestern Bell in Topeka in 1936 in the legal department, has been elected vice president of American Telephone and Telegraph Co. He graduated from DCHS in 1921 and from KSU and Washburn Law School.

25 YEARS AGO — Nov. 1985

Although local game protector Dick Kelly advises that the pheasant count is down this year, local motel operators are reporting no vacancies and Loretta Nelson is helping hunters make arrangements in local residences.

Area music lovers will have the opportunity to hear the 60-voice K-State Choir perform at the DCHS

auditorium on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 16 under the sponsorship of the Western Plains Arts Association.

Kenneth Burrus, vice president of West Central Manufacturing, has announced plans to close the company's Oberlin plant which has been located in Oberlin since 1974. The company will continue to operate in Altus, Oklahoma where they now manufacture modular motels throughout the Southwest.

The Oberlin volleyball team ended an impressive season losing to Norton in the sub-state at Ellis, the eventual winner of the tournament. The Lady Devils ended the season with a record of 13-14. Coach Dorshorst praised Kristin Richards, Robyn Russell, Michelle Addleman and Barb Juennemann for their tournament performance as well as the upperclassmen who were good leaders.

The DCHS cross-country squad placed second in the 3-A regional meet and qualified for State for the seventh time in nine years.

Mr. and Mrs. Arlo Wurm announce the engagement of their daughter, Shawna Lea to Michael George Karl, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Karl of Downers Grove, Ill.

A June 14, 1986, wedding is planned at St. John's Lutheran Church in Oberlin.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Olson have returned from a vacation trip to visit family members in Washington and California and together they spent several days in Hawaii.

The Rev. Peter McKinney, his wife, Lori and their two sons, Dale, 4, and Luke, 2, moved to Oberlin last week and he has assumed the pastorate of the Assembly of God Church. Both are natives of Chicago.

Herndon News

By Voni Sattler

Don Pettera, Mesa, Ariz.; Les and Myrna Pettera, Loveland, Colo., had lunch with their mother, Edie Pettera at Cedar Living Center on Tuesday before taking Don to the McCook Airport to return home.

Bob and Julie Hafner met the Dave Foxhoven family of Parker, Colo., in Burlington, Colo., on Sunday to celebrate the first birthday of Gracelyn and the 18th wedding anniversary of Dave and Jackie.

The Old Town Museum closed in September so they missed the Kit Carson Carousel with 46 hand-carved animals but the family enjoyed birthday brownies at the park with swings, slides and playground accessories.

Bud and Vicky Mumm entertained daughter, Anita Mumm of Denver and friends, Sara Schoentgen, Bob and Kathy Day, John Harris; Cork and Jacque Riener, and Pat and Catherine Monahan by attending the dinner and concert by artist Chuck Pyle at the Aberdeen in Atwood Friday evening. The group gathered again for lunch Saturday and toured the Mumm farm.

Les and Myrna Pettera, Loveland, Colo., were luncheon guests of Kent and Chris Wood Thursday. Beth Chartier visited Les and Myrna Thursday evening.

Sympathy is extended to Linda and Wayne Bosler, Herndon, and the family of Elwood Jording in the area. Elwood, brother to Linda, took pride in his woodworking and made a wooden candle sconce for each of his sisters. Graveside memorial service was held Saturday, Nov. 6,

at the Oberlin Cemetery.

Deanna Cook, Denver, was a guest of Ron and Cindy Sattler over the weekend. Dana, Payton and Paycie Juennemann, Hays, arrived Friday and all enjoyed the Herndon Craft Fair Saturday morning and the beautiful afternoon outside on the farm. The guests returned home on Sunday after Mass.

Jessica Riener and Audrey Bassgall attended Tiger Days at Fort Hays State on Saturday.

Les and Myrna Pettera, Loveland, Colo., were Friday morning visitors of Esther Pennington. Janice Sattler, Atwood; Marlene Cook, Parker, Colo.; and Les and Myrna enjoyed soup and desserts Friday evening with Bob and Julie Hafner. Marlene and Myrna participated in Herndon Craft Days on Saturday at St. Mary's Hall. The group enjoyed pizza at Roger's Saturday evening after the craft show.

Michaela Rippe celebrated her sixth birthday with a Tinkerbell cake Sunday evening at the home of her grandparents, Richard and Theresa Rippe. Family celebrating with her and her grandparents were her parents, Kevin and Megan; sisters, Lilly and Allison; Tim, Alicia and Wyatt Rippe; Rodney Rippe of Hays and Ed Rippe and Michelle Stevens.

Thursday, November 11, is recognized as a day of tribute to veterans. Support our fallen soldiers as well as those who fought and continue to fight for our freedom. Display the U. S. flag and take a moment to give thanks.

Midway News

By Mary Lou Olson

Pastor Keith Reuther was honored by the congregation of the Herndon Covenant Church with a surprise birthday coffee during the Sunday School hour on Sunday in observance of his 50th birthday.

Weekend guests of Steve and Arlean Arnold were Dick and Rhonda Weber of Shell Rock, Iowa. Afternoon callers were Jerry Hill and Lori, Norcatatur; and Brett and Erin Fredrickson, Denver.

Mark and Barbara Olson and Gerald and Patti Benda attended the K-State-Texas football game in Manhattan on Saturday. Other relatives attending were Kurt and Mary Olson and Paul Messerly, students at K-State, and Bev Messerly and Anna, Sublette.

Elden Anderson is recuperating satisfactorily at home after undergoing shoulder surgery in Kearney, Neb., on Friday.

Among relatives from this area who attended a party honoring Harmony Ann Wilson of Kearney, Neb., on her third birthday on Saturday at the home of her parents, Chris and Keely Wilson, Julie, Derek and Noah, were James and Kimberly Witt, and Tyler and Tiffany Witt and Trevor, Oberlin; Charlie and Sandy Kincaid, Norton; Evalyn Wilson, Hays; Larry and Carolyn Schultz, St. Francis; and Keith and Mary Lou Olson, Herndon.

Dolores Benda is a patient at the Rawlins County Hospital and Elda Olson is hospitalized in Oberlin.

"An Invitation to Prayer" will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday at the Herndon Covenant Church. Those interested in attending may contact Pastor Keith Reuther at (785) 322-5316 to sign up. Lunch will be provided.

Selden News

By Jacque Boulinghouse

On Thursday during Senior Citizens at the Community Center, Bill Bolz won high, Jeanie Spesser took second, Alfred Albers got low and Ralph Weis had the most Kings. Other members present included: Betty James, Edna Schiltz, Lola Cook, Royce Cook, Matt Finnesy, Shirley Baker, Ann Hazlitt, Phyllis Bolz, Bob Wessel, Anna Albers, Pat Wessel, Gail Mumm, Carl Mumm, Paulie Neff, Carlene Bruggeman and Shirley Emigh.

The Seniors meet every Thursday at the Community Center. Their meal starts at 11:30 a.m. and they start cards at 1. If you would like to join them, please contact any member and they can get you signed up for the meal.

School Calendar - Nov. 15, - 4 p.m. Junior High Scholars Bowl in Atwood. 5 p.m. High School Scholars Bowl in Goodland. Nov. 17 - Grade School Gifted/Talented Seminar. Nov. 18, - Junior High basketball in Colby with Heartland Christian School.

Birthdays and anniversaries - Nov. 12, - Gus Ochs, Emily Wachendorfer. Nov. 13, - Isaac Brockelman, Jonathan Broeckelman, John Wessel. Nov. 14, - Wayne Sulzman, Danny Rogers. Nov. 15, - Cindy Stevenson Stechman, Dennis Bruggeman. Nov. 16, - Karla Wessel, Tom Bruggeman. Nov. 17, Jaren Adleman, Lawrence

Juennemann. Nov. 18, - Ellis Walker, Fonda Emigh Mangino.

Winterfest Friday, Nov. 26, Downtown Selden! There will be a movie for the kids at the parish hall at 5:30 p.m. Following the movie, Santa will arrive at the community center and hot dogs and chili dogs will be served there throughout the evening. Businesses will be open from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. for people to register for the drawing. Drawing will be at the Community Center at 8 p.m.

Sixteen new large print books were shelved at the Selden Public Library "Call Me Mrs. Miracle," by Debbie Macomber; "Gingerbread Cookie Murder," by Joanne Fluke; "Legacy," by Danielle Steel; "Bad Blood," by John Sandford; "Santa Fe Edge," by Stuart Woods; "Don't Blink," by James Patterson and Howard Roughan; "Lydia's Charm," by Wanda E. Brunstetter; "Playing the Game," by Barbara Taylor Bradford; "Embers of Love," by Tracie Peterson; "The Brave," by Nicholas Evans; "Chasing the Night," by Iris Johansen; "Keeping Time," by Stacey McGlynn; "Promise Me," by Richard Paul Evans; "Solomon's Oak," by Jo-Ann Mapson; "A Chesapeake Shores Christmas," by Sherryl Woods; "The Best of Friends," by Susan Mallery.

Jennings News

By Louise Cressler

The Jennings Historical Building Preservation committee will be at the Masonic Hall Friday afternoon in preparation for the pheasant hunter breakfast, which will be served from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. on Saturday at that building.

The Jennings United Methodist Church is sponsoring a Mission project for the children of Djibouti, Africa for Christmas. Please bring gently used or new tennis shoes and sandals, no flip flops, by Nov. 30. There is a box in the vestibule of the church. Please help!

Remember breakfast at the Masonic Hall from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. on Saturday and the Hunter's Supper at the church from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 13. Everyone is welcome. There will be a freewill donation for breakfast and a set charge for supper.

Patricia Smith, sister of Lisa Hicks, has rented an apartment at

the housing. Also Lisa's daughter, Stephanie Sawatsky and son Caden came this past week. She also has an apartment rented.

The United Methodist Women met Nov. 3. Kathy Nauer gave the program, "Gift of Life, Love and Time" with those attending taking part. Glenda Johnson gave devotions and Lila Jennings brought snacks. Those attending were: Rachel Carter, Helen Rhodes, Ruth Chance, Kay Brown, Kathy Nauer, Glenda Johnson, Patty Foster, Barbara Patterson and Louise Cressler. Plans were made for the hunters supper.

City water meters will be read on Nov. 20. Please post on your door, if your meter is inside.

Lawrence Jennings is in a Denver hospital. Larry Mizer is still in the hospital at Norton. We wish them a speedy recovery.

Rexford News

By Vicki Allison

To honor our Veterans, a Veteran's Day assembly will be given by Mrs. Linda Garrett and students at 1 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 11, Veteran's Day, in the Big Gym, at Golden Plains High School.

Also, at Golden Plains High School, the community is invited to a soup supper and play to be held Friday, Nov. 12. The National Honor Society will be providing a soup supper for donations prior to the play, from 5 to 6:45 p.m. The members are raising funds for recycling bins at the school. The high school play, "Hail, the Hunkering Hero," will be presented at 7 p.m. All are invited to a quiet evening out before basketball season starts.

Shepherd's Staff is holding the first "Crop and Clip" scrapbooking weekend from Friday to Sunday, Nov. 12 to 14. Any lady with a creative streak is welcome to attend. There will be a special guest speaker and lots of time to work on projects. Call Gwen Griffiths (785) 687-2076 or 687-2565) for more information.

A group of quilters from all over northwest Kansas were at Shepherd's Staff this weekend. Nineteen ladies spread their projects out and made beautiful quilts, table

adopted our plants and fish, giving them lots of tender loving care. Myrna Jones and Cheryl Miller get our toes tappin' and our lips a'singing with their piano playing. Keith Reuther and Frank McEvoy come every Friday for Men's Coffee. If you would like to be blessed, we could match your time and talent to a particular resident or need. Give Lisa Paulson a call at 475-2245.

This week, we were honored to present a check to Greg Lohoefer in the amount of \$3,000 to benefit our new Bowling Alley. Three additional donations of \$275 each will be sent to Ray of Hope Ranch (Dewey, Okla.), The Shepherd's Staff (Rexford) and Victory House (Brewster). The Residents were tickled to be a part of the 2010 Rock-A-Thon, giving back to the community that they love so dearly.

The Lyle Gals came on Monday for the monthly pinochle game. Our "Nochle" heads were Leone Porsch, Walt and Betty May and Lucy Schissler. This is always a great time. While cards were being played by some, others were Pitchin' Pumpkins in Town Square. Amy Rehm, Shirley Hayward, Olive Arnold, Alice Bobbitt, Evelyn Olson, Opal Bryan, Earl Brown and Crystal Moore all competed. Alice was our winner!

On Tuesday, Amy Rehm, Leone Porsch, Crystal Moore, Alice Bobbitt and Betty May made beautiful Batik Autumn Wall hangings. They are on display at the front porch.

On Wednesday, Jona Freel presented an award from the Good Samaritan National Campus to Lisa Paulson on behalf of all the staff and residents for our commitment to keeping connected to the community.

Congratulations GSS-Decatur County Residents and Staff, you are being recognized for: Exemplary performance of incorporating our 4 Hallmark Values and Mission by giving to others in your community.

Visitors were: Ron and Dixie Snyder (Colby) Tami Cook (Norcatatur) and Reva Marshall for **Dorothy Hunt**. Sue May for **Walter and Betty May**. Gladys Geis and Edie Tate for **Lois Carlson**. Gerald Olson for **Evelyn Olson**. Ralph and Norma Unger for **Leo Mooty and Walter and Betty May**. Max Carman for **Myrtle Waldo**. Sharon Slabaugh for **Opal Bryan**. Mert McEvoy for **Lucy Schissler**. Bud and Vicky Mumm (Gem) for **Doris Marintzer, Francis Janousek and Hubert Mumm**. Donnie Lemman and Murry and Audrey Pavlicek for **Mary Lemman**. Cheryl Miller for **Loren Schrock**. Arian Arnold for **Edla Olson**. Helen Brooks and Jody Betts for **Ethel Nemeth**. Mildred Holmdahl for **Edla Olson, Evelyn, Opal Bryan and Eulaine Benda**. Jody Betts for **Mary Waldo**. Jim and Pam Wesch for **Nila Wesch**.

runners, wall hangings, and other decorations.

The Gideons met at the Shepherd's Staff on Saturday night.

Last weekend, a group of Lutheran Youth, middle school and junior high students from Garden City, Atwood, Colby, Norton, and Scott City, met at the Shepherd's Staff. They held sessions and played paint ball.

There were 140 boxes wrapped and filled for the Rexford Community Church's Operation Christmas Child project Sunday, Oct. 31. It was great to see a lot of the area youth participating. Plans are to deliver the packages to Denver the day after Thanksgiving.

We welcome the many hunters who will join us this opening weekend! The Rexford Lions Club invites the public to the Annual Pheasant Hunters dinner from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 13, at the Community Hall on Main Street. The menu will include: chili, chicken Noodle, Mashed Potatoes, Hot Dogs, and desserts.

As a reminder, Bingo will be played at the Red Barn at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 13.

Until next week, make your week memorable.

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