

THE OBERLIN HERALD

Events of Yesteryear

By Joan Betts

125 YEARS AGO — April 1888

A large amount of dust in circulation Monday. R.A. Marks was able to take an airing in a carriage Saturday. The Rock Island grade is completed to the east line of Decatur County. A force of men is at work on every mile of grade between there and Colby in Thomas County. Married, at the residence of Mr. A.B. Johnson, April 15, 1888, by Rev. A.D. Wirts, Mr. Aaron Johnson and Miss Hannah Nylund, both of Decatur County. H.J. Potter has again taken possession of the Commercial House. At a meeting of the city council Chas. H. Tilden was appointed a committee of one to visit eastern cities for the purpose of gathering information and plans for water works for this city. Gay C. Wooster and D.C. Moser recently fell heir to a piece of good fortune. The Rock Island Town Co., has located a new town adjoining a quarter section of land belonging to them.

100 YEARS AGO — April 1913

Jennings Items: Solomon Rees, one of the most noted "Pioneers of the Plains" died at his home in this city Monday morning. In the Norton-Decatur high school contest in declamation and debate held at the Oberlin Opera House Friday, the Norton contestant won the declamation over Mabel Wolfe, Decatur's contestant, and Decatur's debaters, Bryan Muirhead, Harry Anderson and Glenn Blickenstaff, conclusively out-argued the Norton debaters. The question was: "Resolved, that Kansas should incorporate the principal of the short ballot into its election system." Unofficially we hear that Loyd McGee and Miss Ruth Wimer, both of Custer Township, were married Wednesday, April 16th. Allison Items: Walter Taylor and Alma Burrious, both of Lucerne, were married April 2nd by Rev. Sitterly. Mr. and Mrs. F.H. Smith who have been visiting their sons at St. Louis, have returned home. It is reported that Editor Parker of the Times is considering challenging the winner of the wrestling match at the Opera House Saturday night.

75 YEARS AGO — April 1938

Crop conditions in this county, so many farmers say, are better today than at the corresponding date, in many years. Last week's rainfall, spread over 36 hours, totaled 1.24. Eugene Jones, defendant in the recent trial here in the Dresden bank robbery case, was in Oberlin Friday and appeared before Judge Kite to renew his bond set for \$10,000.00 for the pending retrial. The trial last month resulted in a mistrial after the jurors were unable to reach a decision after 100 hours of deliberation. On April 12th Miss Elsie Wurm, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Wurm of Oberlin and Dorce L. Hayes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Hayes also of Oberlin were married by the Rev. Wagener, pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church. Both the couple are graduates of DCHS and well known here where he is associated with Hayes & Son Hardware. Mr. and Mrs. Miles Carver are the parents of a boy born last week and weighing eight and a half pounds. Plans for celebrating the 75th birthday of Washburn University are going forward and John Bremer, Class of 1931, has been appointed chairman for Decatur County. Other graduates residing in the county are Neil Rogers, Class of 1913, Cedar Bluffs; Dr. Henry Hardesty, 1900, Jennings; Guy B. Morrish, 1918, and Mrs. Geo. (Ruth) McMullen, 1933, both of Oberlin. Fifty years ago Etta Lammert and John Dryden, a young couple from Stockton, ran away from home and were married. Among those attending the 50th anniversary celebration held for them in Stockton on April 22, 1938, were a son and his family from Oberlin, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dryden, two children and two grandchildren.

50 YEARS AGO — April 1963

A grand total of 5,000 beautiful 12-page brochures, telling in words and pictures the advantage of living in Oberlin will be off the presses in Denver before May 1. Oberlin's first "Dollar For A Scholar" drive netted \$850 in a house-to-house canvass of the city's residential areas. Roberta Grogan of Oberlin and Janice Sebaugh of Norcatour have been selected by the Hays District

of the Methodist Church for the Missionary Education Tour this summer. Mrs. Howard Kessinger began work Monday at the Herald office as society editor and bookkeeper. She has replaced Mrs. Jerry Vance who resigned to devote more time to teaching piano. Bob DeMay took first place in the 120-yard high hurdles and Jon Peters won the discus at the Fort Hays Relays.

25 YEARS AGO — April 1988

State Treasurer Joan Finney visited the Decatur County courthouse Tuesday and was guest speaker at the Oberlin Rotary Club. Architect Howard Hahn, Denver, has furnished a sketch of the proposed Centennial Plaza at the corner of Penn Avenue and Commercial Street. The downtown park began with donation of the land by Farmers National Bank during the city's centennial year in 1985 and start-up funds are on hand from the Centennial observance. Memorial gifts toward the project may be left at the city office. A number of Jennings residents and Jennings bank depositors have experienced a bank closing before, leaving them to react calmly to news that the local institution was closed last week due to loan losses

Museum Matters

By Sharleen Wurm

It was another successful rummage sale for the museum. The board and I want to thank all of you who donated items for the sale. Every year, I start worrying that we won't have much, but each year I am wrong, thanks to our wonderful supporters. Our thanks, too, to those who bought from us and who donated money to our cause. Friday and Saturday, I will be representing the museum at the Order of Indian Wars Symposium in Denver. With me out of the office, Tami is having a "The Boss Is Out of the State" Special. Both Friday and Saturday, admission will be two for the price of one. This will be a great time to bring a friend and tour our historical buildings. Many of you have not yet been

through to see what rearranging we did over the winter. April is "Money-Smart Month" across Kansas. Money Smart Kansas is an annual community outreach initiative to promote and encourage financial awareness for all ages. The museum is proud to be host for two presentations sponsored by K-State Research and Extension and the Twin Creeks Extension District: from noon to 1 p.m. Tuesday, "What's in Your Credit Score?", and that evening from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., "Get Your Financial Papers Organized." These classes will be held in the parlor with Julianne Shoup from the Sheridan County Extension office. Call the Decatur County Extension for reservations at 475-8121.

Good Samaritan News

By Whitney True

"We do not know what we'd do without you," was the theme this week as the Good Sam hosted a donut social celebrating our volunteers and National Volunteer Appreciation Week. Residents served up donuts and coffee Tuesday morning as a big thank you for all the time our volunteers so faithfully give! Balloons, centerpieces, brightly colored tables and a banner set a scene designed by residents. "The heart's intention is the measure of all things," are words taken from a historical letter written way back to the 12th century. Old words that definitely hold true even today. Our volunteers have great big hearts and we believe that the time they dedicate to volunteering with and for our residents speak to the intention of their hearts. I think it's easy to get caught up in the specifics or rules of society, of religion or really any organization but when it comes down to it, our hearts' intentions are probably most important. A big thank you to all of our volunteers!

planning. Jo Chason, Connie Cramer, Amy Rehm, Leona Helmkamp and Margaret Vacura are on our new meal planning committee. There is a lot of new activity at the center and residents are getting excited for barbecues, gardening and more outings. If you would like to volunteer or know of school-aged kids that would like to volunteer over the summer, please let us know. This week visitors included: Connie and Kelly, Jerry Olson, Fred Baer, Brandi and Travis White

We just do not know what we'd do without you. In other news we had a fun-filled week complete with a van ride through the country. Walt and Betty May, Connie Cramer and Marylu Brown and I hopped in our van, hit Highway 36 and set cruise control, turned up the tunes and set out to take a look at the Mays' old farmland. We heard funny stories, learned a lot and Betty May even got a little teary-eyed reminiscing. We played poker on Friday night; what better way to welcome the weekend than with a little gambling. Of course, the stakes are just for the satisfaction of winning and maybe some dessert! We also celebrated our April birthdays with a party for Myrtle Ross and Eulaine Benda. We had key lime cupcakes and played "Pin the Tail on the Donkey." Who said you can't play that game in your 90s? We also planted an indoor herb garden. Woody May, Alice Bobbitt and Galen Tacha planted parsley, mint and oregano. We have also formed a committee that will plan a meal once per month and we plan to use our herbs as part of our meal

for Evelyn Olson; Pat Tongish for Marcella Leitner; Reva Marshall and Penny Fringer for Dorothy Hunt; Cheryl Miller for Loren Schrock; Connie and John Simonson for Amy Rehm, Marylu Brown and Ollie; Jeanne and Keri Britton for Opal Bryan; Cathy Wenger for Connie Cramer; Peggy Carman and Jodee Stillman and Cash for Myrtle Waldo; Ralph and Norma Unger for Earl Brown; Margaret Vacura, Jeanie May for Woody May. members present included: Pat Wessel, Betty James, Ralph Weis, Lola Cook, Royce Cook, Carl Mumm, Bernita Aumiller, Marilyn Meyer, Lillian Sulzman, Helen Karls and Paul Neff. School Calendar: April 19, 3 p.m. high school track in Oakley; April 20, high school forensics regionals, Junior Senior Prom; April 22, 7 to 8 p.m., National Honor Society Inductions in Rexford; April 23, 3 to 8 p.m., high school track in St Francis; April 25, 6 to 9 p.m., ice cream social and worker auction; junior high and high school spring music program, 7 to 9 p.m.

Selden News

By Jacque Boulinghouse

Birthdays and anniversaries: April 19, John Paulson; April 20, B.J. Rogers, Sandy Koerperich, Rob Schiltz; April 21, Mike Peter, Heath Sauvage; April 22, Brian Schroer, Michael and Danielle Schiltz, Tammy Fredrickson, Linda Schroer; April 23, Jeremy Kruse, McKayla Bainter; April 24, Davis and Terra Rath; April 15, Robert and Laura Ritter, T.J. Preston. Thursday during Senior Citizens at the Community Center, Jeanie Spesser won high with a score of 712, Ann Hazlitt took second with a score of 615, Shirley Emigh got low with a score of 474 and Bob Wessel had the most Kings. Other

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Mona's Market in Dresden

is open for business! We have seed potatoes, onion plants and sets, garden seed and asparagus roots. We have a wonderful selection of annuals, perennials, vegetable plants, shrubs and trees. New this year - We now have grape vines, blueberry bushes and raspberry & blackberry vines. Monday through Saturday 9-5:30 and Sunday 1 to 4.

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Cedar Living News

By Teresa Shaughnessy

Residents and staff gathered on Monday afternoon to help Connie Miller celebrate her birthday. Everyone enjoyed sharing her birthday cake served with strawberry ice cream. Mary Ann Amack and Dolores Koerperich led the sing-along time before supper on Monday. The Reading Buddies from the second grade classes at Oberlin Elementary visited on Tuesday morning. As always, the children shared their excitement for life as well as their reading skills. Beth Sebaugh won the first bingo on Tuesday afternoon and Alice Shirley won the blackout game. Mike Helm and Becky Cox assisted. Pastor Charlotte Strecker-Baseler of the Faith Lutheran Church gave the monthly Communion service on the Cedar Living Center patio Tuesday afternoon. The Eastern Star hosted the April birthday party in the dining room on Wednesday afternoon. The group served pastries to an appreciative crowd of residents. Those being honored with April birthdays were Dee Anna Krizek and Violet Brown. Many residents stayed up past their usual bedtime on Wednesday night to attend the bonus bingo game played in the dining room. There were lots of laughs and lots of winners during the two blackout

games. Fr. Mark Berland brought Communion for the Catholic residents on Thursday morning. Several residents gathered in the dining room on Thursday afternoon to swap animal stories in honor of National Pet Day. Char Agan brought her dogs in for show and tell and other staff members shared pictures of their pets. The baking group fried up some fresh doughnuts on Friday afternoon. We worked our way through more than three dozen very quickly. National Nursing Home Week, May 12 - 18, is fast approaching. Connie Miller and Teresa Shaughnessy are busy working on plans for a really special week. We would appreciate ideas, volunteers, or donations for the event. St. John's Lutheran Church was in charge of the worship service on Sunday afternoon at Cedar Living Center. Recent visitors: Laurie Helm, St. Joseph, Mo.; Martin and Ceanne Rinehart, Ogallala, Neb.; James Helm, Kathy Shaffer, McCook; Rebecca Cox, Manhattan; Deb, Mike, Timothy and Matthew Helm, Norcatour Oberlin visitors: Marilyn Gumbelin, Dolores Koerperich, Alex Redinger, Sherri Shuler, Connie Olson.

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Lyle News

By Veda Wood

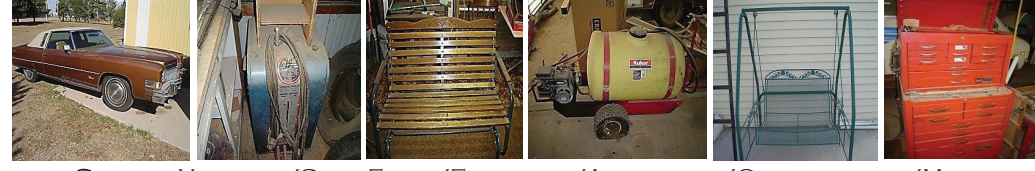
Joyce Sumner returned from her trip to Florida, where she had a good visit with her son Larry and grandson Ryan, of Jensen Beach, Fla. While there, she went boating, saw Cape Canaveral and climbed to the top of a lighthouse, among other things. They were having cooler weather than usual while she was there. One thing she does not miss, being home, is the traffic. Although Toots Magers had celebrated her birthday the previous Saturday, we had more of her cake on Sunday at the church dinner; her actual birthday was April 8. Liberty Star Club met at her home last Wednesday, so we got to enjoy it again. The ladies had planned a plant sale for the April meeting, but the day was very cold, so we may have a few plants next month. Members present were Toots Magers, Carolyn Plotts, Joyce Price,

Sandy Gade, Carol Moyer and Veda Wood. Carolyn gave some interesting information and pictures of their trip to Guatemala. Judy and Charlie Easton visited Toots Sunday afternoon. Coleen Rippe visited June Jolly on Friday and took a quilt June had promised her for their bazaar. June played pitch on Monday, and on Saturday the card club she belongs to had their end of the year party. She went to a garage-sale on Saturday. Carol Moyer visited her mother, Veda Wood, on Monday. She has been wanting to help with a little gardening, but...brrrr. They enjoyed being inside instead. An interesting tidbit (to me, anyway): My daughter, Carol, was born on her dad's birthday; Sandra was born the first day of spring; David on Christmas; and Merlin on income tax day. Happy birthday, Merlin.

PUBLIC AUCTION

SATURDAY, APRIL 27TH, 2013 @ 10:00 A.M. CT AUCTION LOCATION: 4-H BUILDING, N. HWY. 25, ATWOOD, KS

SELLERS: BERNEDA M. ZOBERST TRUST



SELLING: VEHICLES/SHOP EQUIP/FURNITURE/APPLIANCES/COLLECTABLES/MISC

Table listing auction items in three columns. Items include vehicles (1974 Cadillac Eldorado, 1948 REO Speed Wagon), furniture (Solid Oak Dining Room Table), tools (Stephens 410 Bolt Action w/Clip), and various household items like lawn mowers, generators, and kitchenware.



Many more items too numerous to mention. Lunch will be served. Glad Real Estate / Rocky Hayes-Auctioneer 415 State, P.O. Box 173, Atwood, KS 67730 Office: 785-626-2039 / Cell: 785-626-4022 Visit our web site for additional photos @ www.gladrealestate.com