



Carrie Clydesdale (above) in her early 40s. Miss Clydesdale (below) as a young woman.



—Photos courtesy of the Clydesdale family



Four generations of Clydesdales recently gathered at the Andbe Home for a family picture to honor Miss Carrie C. Clydesdale who will celebrate her 100th birthday on March 5. Pictured are, front row, left to right: Mackenzie Clydesdale, Shianne Philipp, Miss Carrie, Connor Alexander; second row: Sally Clydesdale, Doris Clydesdale, Angie Alexander; back row: Brian Clydesdale, Robert Clydesdale, Jay Alexander, Teresa Clydesdale, Randy Clydesdale and Derek Clydesdale.

—Photo courtesy of Robert Clydesdale

Woman celebrates 100th birthday

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Carrie C. Clydesdale will celebrate her 100th birthday on March 5. She said the secret to a long life is "not to work too hard".

But, hard work seemed to play a big role in her life. Born in 1908, on a farm five miles east of Lenora, Carrie and her three brothers, Albert, Russell and Leonard, did their share of farm chores. Their parents were William J. and Mary (Florence) Clydesdale who actually participated in the Oklahoma Land Rush.

Carrie recalls helping her mother with the chickens and the garden. "We canned lots of tomatoes," she said. Her sewing skills were developed in a sewing class in high school.

The family operated a little store in their country home and she helped there, too. Her brother, Russell, knew how to drive and he would drive to other farmsteads to pick up cream and eggs that they would sell in their store.

Carrie remembers her father

had sensitive skin. Once a week he would drive to the barber shop in Lenora for a shave.

She was one of 22 students to graduate from Lenora High School in 1927. For fun, young people would go to what she called "party games" at neighbors' homes. She said, "I didn't go to dances, though. My brothers did, but I didn't think I was very graceful."

For a while she went to a business school in Topeka. She said, "I found out I wasn't cut out for that."

Carrie never married. When asked about beaus in her life she said, "When it comes right down to it, I never got real serious. But, I did date a few boys while I was in Topeka." She added, "I worked for a Topeka family taking care of their little boy. When they moved to Salt Lake City, (Utah) they asked me to go along with them. I stayed four or five months, but I didn't like it there. I wanted to be back in Kansas, so I came home."

Carrie felt she was needed at home. She said her family raised a lot of wheat and corn. There were always hired men to feed and she said she did a lot of cooking. She said, "In those days people had to work. That's the way we helped our families."

She said, "I could cook pretty good. I shouldn't brag on this but, I was actually a better cook than my mother."

During World War II, her brother Russell was a cook in the Army stationed in Africa. He contracted malaria and died. She said that was a very sad time for her family. She said five years after the war, his body was brought back to Lenora where he was buried with full military honors.

Through the years, Carrie remained at home, caring for her aging parents. Her father died in 1954, when he was 80 years old and her mother died in 1959. After their deaths, she worked at the Norton Andbe Home for two years. But, she had to quit when she came down with a strange ill-

ness and was very sick. She said it took her a full year to recover.

After that she began caring for people in their homes. She stayed with and cared for a woman in Norton for four years. She said, "I stayed with people. Mostly at night. Their families wanted someone with them."

About 1970, when she was 62 years old, Carrie retired and began to take care of herself. She said, "I figured if I wanted to travel, I better do it before I got too old." She said the first time she ever flew in an airplane was when she took a trip to visit an aunt in Florida. She also went to California.

In her later years, she enjoyed helping prepare funeral dinners.

Her brother, Albert Clydesdale, died in the 1960s and Leonard Clydesdale, died in 2004.

A resident of the Andbe Home since January of 2001, Miss Clydesdale will celebrate her birthday with family and friends. Birthday greetings may be sent to her at No. 15-North, 201 W. Crane, Norton, Kan. 67654.

Prices make assessing thin wheat stands a priority

When it comes to wheat stands, how thin is too thin? In some areas of Kansas, the wheat crop came up late or stands have been unusually sparse this year, according to Jim Shroyer, K-State Research and Extension crop production specialist.

Where this is the case, producers may want to know if these fields should be kept or destroyed and planted to a summer row crop, Shroyer said.

Crop insurance considerations play an important role in this decision, but there are also agronomic and economic factors to consider, said Shroyer, who is the Extension state agronomy leader.

"Wheat yields are normally only 40 to 60 percent of normal when

it is seeded or emerges very late. But even if the field has only half a stand, it is probably worth keeping this year," he said. "With the high price of wheat currently, a field with only 15- to 20-bushel yield potential may be worth keeping this year; whereas in previous years that may not have been justified."

One thing to keep in mind is that late-emerged wheat will mature later than normal, and may face more disease pressure, he said. Spring weather conditions are especially critical to the ultimate yield of late-emerged wheat.

"It is too early at this point in the season to make a reasonable estimate of yield potential. The earliest producers can start estimating yields is when the wheat

reaches the jointing stage. There are still many factors that can influence yields after that time, but counting the number of tillers present at jointing time can at least provide a rough estimate of yield potential," he said.

To make this estimate, producers can assume that each tiller per square foot will equal about one bushel of grain yield. Shroyer said. For example, if there are 20

tillers per square foot at jointing, producers could estimate the yield potential to be about 20 bushels per acre.

"This is far from precise, but it will suffice as an early ballpark estimate. Normally, only about 70 to 80 percent of the tillers present at jointing will make it to heading, but this is highly dependent on weather conditions and initial tiller density," said Shroyer.

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Norton Lion recognized for his 59 years of service

Bill Belt joined the Norton Lions Club Jan. 1, 1949. This year marked his 59th year as a member of Lions Clubs.

Mr. Belt will be recognized, along with three other long-time Lion members who have served their hometown clubs and communities for over 60 years each, when the Lions of Western Kansas assemble for their K4 District Convention in Colby, March 7 and 8. Other Lions to be honored are Lion J. Arthur Bryan who will reach his diamond anniversary of 75 years as a member of Lions Clubs International (LCI). Lion Bryan holds the distinction of being the longest serving Lion in Kansas... and the fourth longest serving Lion in the United States; Lion Owen Wingfield has been a member of the McDonald Lions Club for 74 years. This makes him



Lion Bill Belt

the second longest serving Lion in Kansas and the sixth longest in the United States; and Dr. Arris Johnson of the Hays Lions Club has been a Lion since June 1, 1948, when he joined the Oberlin Lions Club as a charter member.

The Norton Lions Club, chartered 78 years ago, is one of six clubs that will be recognized at the convention. Other clubs are Hays at 84 years, Oakley at 81 years, McDonald at 71 years and Plainville, Scott City and WaKeeney with 76 years each.

The International Association of Lions Clubs is the world's largest community service organization. There are 850 Lions in NW Kansas, serving in 35 clubs.

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