

# Events of Yesteryear

By Jody Betts

## 125 YEARS AGO — Nov. 1885

Mr. King, an attorney, will soon erect an office on the vacant lot south of Keys & Emahizer's.

Sunday School has been changed from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

The Herald expects to occupy new quarters within the next 30 days. We have secured rooms over Hunt, Burnett & Coard's new store on Hall Street just west of the court house.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J.F. Heitmann on Nov. 13 a boy, weight 12 pounds.

Ordinance No. 13 providing for regulating grades of gutters and streets in Oberlin was passed by the city council. Also Ordinance No. 14 prohibiting nuisances and defining the meaning of the term. The ordinance in effect prohibited the running of gambling houses or houses of ill fame within the corporate limits of the city, also within a distance of five miles of the corporate limits of the city.

## 100 YEARS AGO — Nov. 1910

John Hopwood and Blanche Marks were married Saturday evening at the home of C.C. Brooks in Olive township.

Fred Helmkamp and Paul Nitsch of Logan Township started for Missouri this evening for a visit.

The temperance lecture at the M.E. Church Sunday afternoon by Clerin Zunwalt was well attended.

Vincent Larrick who recently graduated from a dental institution in Denver after being home for a few days returned to Denver where he has a position.

Swede Home: Jon Siegenthaler went to Nebraska last week to shuck corn this winter.

## 75 YEARS AGO — Nov. 1935

Word has come from Washington indicating that the CCC will establish a work camp here soon at Sappa Park.

The Decatur Red Devils followed their tough game with Atwood earlier in the week with Hoxie who had not won a league tilt this fall but Oberlin was barely able to nose out a 7-6 win. Due to an injury in the Atwood game, Kessler was out of the line-up and Beardsley played the quarterback position. To win the league title they must now defeat Norton in the annual turkey

day game.

Ralph Martin, English and journalism instructor at DCHS, gave an interesting account of his travels in European countries last summer at the Tuesday noon meeting of Oberlin Rotary.

Guest speaker at Monday Evening Club was Miss Esther Stelson who spoke about the culture of the peoples of South America. Miss Stelson, who is math teacher at DCHS, was on the faculty of an American school for girls in Chile, South America, for a number of years.

Norcatour: The wedding of Miss Joyce Tolle and Clifford Chambers occurred Nov. 12 at Norton. The bride is a daughter of Oscar Tolle and a graduate of Norcatour High School. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Chambers of near Lyle and has been working at Oberlin for some time.

Miss Agnes Heitmann is the new clerk in Campbell's Store taking Mrs. Geiger's place. She has worked for Fringer's Variety for several years and has been replaced there by Verna Nicodemus.

Jennings: The Armistice Day celebration was well attended, everything turning out fine, even the day. Snow and mud didn't stop the crowd from enjoying the football game.

## 50 YEARS AGO — Nov. 1960

"IT," mountain lion, cougar, panther, or what-have-you, was sighted twice in the Lyle vicinity. Clyde Ukele, state game protector of Norton, said that it is possible, but not likely that a mountain lion — also called catamount, panther or cougar — could have come down from the Colorado mountains and moved this far east. He said that an increasing number of deer are moving into the area and a mountain lion could be following the deer herd.

Faith Lutheran Church and Bethel Lutheran Church have decided to merge into one church with Faith Lutheran Church being the home of the merged churches announced the Rev. Alvin R. Zeilinger, the pastor of the two churches for the past 18 months.

The Rev. and Mrs. J.C. Garrett and Larry arrived last week to make their home in Oberlin. The Rev. Garrett has accepted the call to the

Oberlin Assembly of God Church.

Gale Ridgway, owner of Ridgway Electric Store here, is opening an electric shop in Hoxie.

Gordon Anderson was high bidder and purchaser of the Joe Mathews land which sold at public auction here Saturday to settle the estate. Purchase price for the 720 acres was \$48,100. Anderson immediately after the sale sold the 80-acre tract to Arlo Wurm, retaining for himself all of Section 22 in township 3, range 30

## 25 YEARS AGO — Nov. 1985

Oberlin's bank at the south end of Penn Avenue was busier than usual Friday with the closing of the Decatur County National Bank announced on Thursday and the opening of The Bank of Oberlin during regular business hours the following day. R.D. Gaskill, who has assumed the presidency of The Bank and his wife, Kay, of Winona were busy meeting customers during the day. Helping with the reorganization of the new financial institution is Ray Lohoefer, former bank officer here.

Other investors in the bank hold-

ing company headed by Gaskill are F.D. Starns, also of Winona; Bert Summers, Wallace; Eugene Zuspahn, Goodland, and Sumner Schlenk, Selden. More than 100 persons attended a meeting Saturday night at the high school auditorium with Stanley Gish, closing manager for the FDIC regional office in Kansas City, acting as spokesman. It was announced on Monday that Gary Walter and Phil Frost will serve as bank vice presidents and Jan Bricker as cashier.

Oberlin City Council voted to impose a 2% transient guest tax on the three local motels, the Star, Frontier and Bar-D-Bar to promote tourism in the area.

New Arrival: Evan and Jody Robertson, Oberlin, daughter, Hayley Lynn, 11/19/85 at St. Anthony Hospital, Hays.

At least one experienced hunter found the opening week of pheasant season somewhat satisfactory. Charlie Meyers, Denver Post Outdoor writer, noted that his group of five hunters had bagged 14 birds by day's end and attributed their success mostly to the work of their labrador retriever.

## Midway News

By Mary Lou Olson

Sympathy is extended to the family of Veda Mae (Henningsen) Nelson, 84, who died Nov. 16, 2010, at the Prairie Senior Center in Colby. She was a native of the Achilles community. Funeral services were held Friday morning at the Atwood United Methodist Church with burial at the Lone Star Cemetery at Tully.

Thanksgiving Eve services will begin at 7 p.m. tonight at the Herndon Covenant Church.

Congratulations to Francis and Florine Hurst who celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Monday. They live on their farm at 20440 Road 33, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

Gerald and Patti Benda attended the wedding of her brother, Larry Hadacek, and Amy Gardner at the Seelye House in Abilene on Saturday afternoon. They will make their home on a farm near Cuba.

## Jennings News

By Louise Cressler

The community extends sympathy to the family of Larry Mizer. Larry died Tuesday morning, Nov. 16. Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. on Saturday at the Jennings United Methodist Church. Burial was in the Jennings cemetery. Dinner was served to the family at the church.

On Sunday after church services at the Jennings church, a potluck

dinner was enjoyed, followed by the decorating of the church. The decorating of the Community Hall will be Tuesday Nov. 30 in the p.m. If you'd like to help, we would be glad to have you.

City Council will meet Thursday, Dec. 9, instead of Thursday, Dec. 2 at 7:30 p.m. in the Senior Center.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving!!!

## Cedar Living News

By Teresa Shaughnessy

Cedar Living Center will be hosting a benefit soup supper on Friday evening at the Golden Age Center from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Homemade chili and chicken noodle soup will be on the menu along with assorted desserts. The proceeds from the benefit will go toward outfitting our new bathing spa room.

There were several winners at the dice game played in the dining room on Monday afternoon. Players included Dale Butler, Darlene Fisher, Irene Fringer, Elsie Goodnight, Agnes Pruitt, Mary Votapka, Fern Wenger, Mabel Zimmerman, and Bob and Dixie Keller.

The Royal Neighbors held their November meeting in the Cedar Living Center dining room after bingo on Tuesday afternoon.

Pastor Charlotte Strecker-Baseler of the Faith Lutheran Church gave the monthly Communion service on Tuesday afternoon on the CLC patio.

The craft group met on Wednesday afternoon to work on Thanksgiving table decorations.

Fr. Mark Berland brought Communion for the Catholic residents on Thursday morning.

The Monday Evening Club hosted the November birthday party in the dining room on Thursday evening. Those being honored included Edna Mott, Dale Butler, and Donna Kent. Musical entertainment was provided by Michael Milbauer of McCook. Several guests and residents danced along to the music. Club members served ice cream sundaes. It was truly a special evening.

The baking group made peanut butter chocolate chip cookies on Friday afternoon and they were a big hit. Reports were that the cookies were delicious.

Sunday was a grand day to celebrate with family and friends at Cedar Living Center. Around 90 guests as well as residents, staff, and many volunteers gathered for the annual Thanksgiving dinner.

## Good Samaritan Center

By Lisa Paulson

A hunting we will go, a hunting we will go. Hi-ho the dairy oh, a hunting we will go!

As hunting season got under way, the pond area in Town Square began attracting all sorts of game and fowl.

No doubt they were seeking refuge from all the hunters that have made their way to our fair town.

A squirrel, a rabbit, ducks, a goose, a pheasant, a prairie chicken, a bobcat with a chucker in his claw, a raccoon and a mule deer all crowded in.

Little did they expect some die hard hunters right here at Good Sam!

On Tuesday, Alice Bobbitt, Faye Miller, Opal Bryan, Loren Schrock, Evelyn Olson, Betty and Walter May, Olive Arnold and Ben Jorns brought out their hunting licenses for some Duck, Duck, Goose hunting! Balls and hula hoops were the weapons of choice.

Loren bagged his limit first, Alice second, and then Faye, Walter and Betty all tied for third!

With Thanksgiving right around the corner, a Turkey Shoot was in order so again the hunters came out! Ben Jorns, Alice Bobbitt, Faye Miller, Leone Porsch, Opal Bryan, Olive Arnold, Earl Brown and Doris Marintzer all bagged a turkey or two! Turkey Balloons (surgical gloves) were the targets.

Fun was had by all, but Faye took the Turkey Trophy!

Our thanks to Marvin and Andy May for providing the animals and Francie Miller for being our Game Warden (score keeper).

We had four birthdays to celebrate this month: Nila Wesch, Walter May, Leone Porsch and Leo Mooty. Kay Marcuson and the ladies from the Zeta Nu Club planned the party!

Second graders came to sing some Thanksgiving songs and recite some poetry.

It was a sweet reunion of some First Hand Friends and their reading pals. Most of the children remembered their passwords (their reading pals' name), but couldn't find Sammy among all the visiting animals!

Leo Mooty passed away before his 96th birthday arrived. We celebrated his life and death on Friday morning. Leo's life work was spent as a public bus driver in Dallas, Texas. Janice Shobe presented a beautiful memorial in his honor, presenting the gospel message using an analogy of being on the Bus of Life. Leo was well loved and will be sorely missed.

Faye Miller, Walt May and Amy Rehm all ventured out to the theater to see the Decatur Community High School presentation of The Wizard of Oz. All the residents got a sneak preview on Tuesday when Dorothy (Serena Stacy) Scarecrow (Nolan Henningson) and Lion (Joey Hirsch) came to sing for us. Good Sam employees, Joey Hirsch, Sara Kyte, Brett Ashley, Nakita Bose and Katie Glading were all in the musical. Thank you, Susan Nelson and Leigh Davis, for your hard work and dedication. Congratulations on a superb production and thank you for always including us!

On Sunday, the Decatur County Ministerial Association hosted the Community Thanksgiving Service here. Pastor Linda Willey from the United Methodist Church opened the service with a welcome and responsive reading.

Pastor Bill Duncan from the Church of Christ gave the pastoral prayer.

Pastor Charlotte Strecker-Baseler from Faith Lutheran sang and read the Scriptures. Father Mark Berland from Sacred Heart Parish presented the sermon. Special music was provided by the United Methodist Praise Team. There were approximately 50 in attendance and they stayed for fellowship over cookies and coffee afterwards.

Give thanks with a grateful heart! Happy Thanksgiving!

Visitors this week were: Reva Marshall, Ron and Dixie Snyder (Colby) for **Dorothy Hunt**. Susan and Erin May and Rhonda May for **Walter and Betty May**. Edie Tate and Gladys Geis for **Lois Carlson**.

Gerald Olson for **Evelyn Olson**. Ralph and Norma Unger for **Leo Mooty**. Lucy Schissler, Earl Brown and Walter and Betty May. Connie Simonsson for **Amy Rehm**. Jodee Stillman and Cash (Hoxie), Peggy Carman (Hoxie) and Max Carman for **Myrtle Waldo**. Marvin and Sharon Slabaugh for **Opal Bryan**.

Frank and Mert McEvoy for **Lucy Schissler and Eulaine Benda**. Bud and Vicki Mumm (Gem) for **Doris Marintzer**, Hubert Mumm and Francis Janousek. Jim Rogers (Selden) and Clem and Pat Mumm (Colby) for **Hubert Mumm**. Cheryl Miller for **Loren Schrock**. Andrea Cappel, Betty Butter (Arapahoe, Neb.) and Murry and Audrey Pavlicek for **Mary Lemman**. Shirley Emigh (Selden) for **Loren Schrock** and Leone Porsch. Helen Brooks and Betty Heisel for **Ethel Nemeth**. Steve and Arian Arnold for **Edla Olson**. Elsie Wolters for **Dorothy Pryor**.

## Herndon News

By Julie Hafner

The Herndon community welcomes Lyle and Janet Hackney from rural Oberlin. Lyle works for Hummon Corporation out of Wichita or SandHill Well Service, as it is known in Herndon. The Trenton area and McCook were home to Janet raising a son who is in Alaska and daughter, who now lives in Phillipsburg. Lyle's son, Coley, and family live in Herndon and son Tyler lives in Denver. Lyle and Janet are busy unpacking and settling in. Family and area history are part of their lives and they enjoy sharing. Welcome to the big city!

Adam Ketterl, a 2002 Herndon graduate, was recently recognized by Gates Corporation as Master Automobile Technician of the Year for 2010. Gates, in collaboration with the National Institute for Automotive Service, partners annually to improve the quality of vehicle repair. Award winners are selected based on their ASE test scores and community service. Adam and other technicians were honored at a special ceremony held in Scottsdale, Ariz. Congratulations, Adam, on your award and hard work. Adam is the son of Dave and Judy Ketterl, Herndon, and is married to Angela Bliss Ketterl and they make their home in Atwood.

Janice Sattler, Atwood; Gene Kleidosty, Pete and Eileen Ports-

chy and Bob and Julie Hafner of Herndon attended the Thanksgiving potluck dinner at Cedar Living Center on Sunday. They were guests of Edie Pettera, Wilma Bobinmyer and Joan Noble.

It is so exciting for Herndon to greet new residents, Will Jolliffe, Delethea, Erika and Miley from Cheyenne, Wyo. Will is employed in local agriculture and loves all the benefits of country living. Erika is seven and attends Rawlins County Elementary School in Atwood while Miley, 2, spends the day with mom. Cheyenne was home to Delethea before the move to Herndon. The family enjoys spending time together taking country rides, looking for deer and other wildlife. Will spent six years in the Marine Corps and is looking forward to area demolition derbies, hopefully, being a serious contender. Herndon is happy you are here! Welcome!

Herndon congratulates Sacred Heart parish in Atwood where they will celebrate their 125th Anniversary on Sunday, Nov. 28. All are welcome to join parishioners for Mass at the church with a supper following at the Columbian Hall. Most Reverend Bishop Paul Coakley and former priests and teachers plan to attend, weather permitting.

## Lyle News

By Veda Wood

The Liberty Star Club had their annual Thanksgiving Supper at the Lyle Community Building. Nineteen people had a good time eating and visiting. Before going home pictures were taken of the present club members to be sent to former members with a Christmas card.

Toots Magers enjoyed the Pheasant Supper served by the Norcatour Methodist Church on Saturday evening. I had planned to go but was 'entertaining' a cold and sore throat that caught up with me over the weekend.

Kathy Van Meter and Lloyd Frandsen went to the Kearney Arch

where they had lunch at the Fireman's Museum and enjoyed The Manneheim Seymour Christmas Show sponsored by the Cambridge First Security Bank and Tri Valley Health System. This show has been done for 25 years, usually in Omaha. It was a gift to Kathy by Lloyd's son-in-law for her help in harvest. June Jolly has two quilts done and has some batting for future quilts.

On Veteran's Day, I rode with several ladies from the Norcatour 'Chatty Hatters' Red Hats' in the Veterans parade and later had lunch at the Hidden Dragon at Norton.

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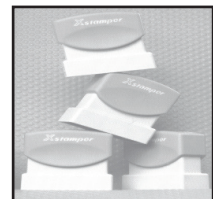
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