

Cents & Sensibility

It's one of those things you don't appreciate until it's not there - the Take a Penny/Leave a Penny Tray. What luck when the tray is there, with shiny pennies so you don't have to pocket a handful of change. Do your part and keep those penny trays filled on August 8 - Take a Penny, Leave a Penny Day. There are many who deem the penny to be useless. In the United States, it costs 3.7¢ to make one penny. In 2012, Canada decided a penny wasn't even worth minting. Their lowest denomination of currency is now 5¢. Such a change in currency won't help the U.S., where it costs a whopping 13.8¢ to mint one nickel. Why does it cost so much to make these coins?

It all depends on the price of copper, a component in coins. Even when the price of copper fell in 2014 - saving the U.S. Mint \$29 million in overall production costs - it still lost money minting pennies and nickels.

product was taken annually for each account, every case needed to be accounted for. Daily inventories were needed if discrepancies were discovered.

We may have started at the bottom but we worked our way up. We were able to purchase one of the warehouses and ran it for 10 years - we grew from 200,000 Sq ft to 100,000,000 Sq ft at several locations.

Warehouse Experience!

~Rose & Alan Pedersen

Moving to California, in 1963, was a BOLD move for a young couple with a seven month old baby. We were hoping for a better life, so we packed all of our earthly belongings into our 1959 Chevrolet Biscayne and headed west.

We settled in Stockton, CA, located in the northern part of the San Joaquin Valley where the soil supported the growth of abundant fruit trees and fields of vegetables. There were several canneries to accommodate preserving these products, so the warehouse became a required industry. A few years after we arrived, Alan began his journey as a warehouseman. He was hired as an office worker and transferred to the warehouse as a foreman sometime later. He worked in the warehouse for 23 years.

Warehouses operated on the concept that instead of shipping a truck load of one item, a variety of items could be gathered to make a truck load. We could ship a full pallet, or by the case from a number of different packers.

We received merchandise from many packers. There were canned goods from Tillie Lewis Foods, Tri Valley Growers, California Canners & Packers, & Pacific Coast Producers, of Stockton area. There were products from all the way in Minnesota, Hormel from Austin & Green Giant from Leseur.

There were bags of tomato product for Heinz from Tracy, CA. Cranberries for Ocean Spray & Salmon from Peterson Fisheries both out of Washington state. Pineapple from Maui, Hawaii & General Mills cereals from Lodi, CA. We also ran an ammonia bottling line and stored bar soap.

The wholesalers & retailers storing with us included: Safeway Stores, Nash Finch-distributed by Nugget Dist., Armour Dial, Sysco Foods, S&W Fine Foods, Hormel, Topco, General Mills, & Owens Illinois Glass.

The merchandise was received by truck, rail or shipping containers. Everything was brought into the warehouses and stored on pallets. Occasionally, hand stacking was required. A warehouseman would receive a manifest to pick merchandise from and then arrange them on pallets to prepare for shipment. A foreman would check the order & shrink wrap it then stage it by the front dock for pick up. Office personnel would receive orders from a wholesaler or retailer by phone or fax, prepare manifest and keep inventory control. They also helped the truck drivers. Inventory of



PUT THIS on YOUR CALENDAR!

500 Card Party	1 st
Game Day: Scrabble	6 th
M.L.C. Library Outreach	7 th
Music: Lonny Carpenter	7 th
Joke Club	8 th
BINGO Night with Lorenzo's	9,23
Coloring Fun	11 th
Splish Splash Hope Harbor	12 th
Reminisce: The Fair	14 th
Lunch Outing: Lyon Co Fair	15 th
Sing Along with Dana Funk	18 th
Wii Bowling	18 th
Muffins & Mimosas	19 th
Bus to ACC: Hammertyme	19 th
Monthly Birthday Party	20 th
PO•KE•NO 50¢ to play	21 st
Chautauqua: Sheriff Eric Wallen	22 nd
Page Turners	26 th
Craft: Family Tree	27 th
Virtual Voyage: Day at the Fair	28 th
Mens Group: Author Dana Yost	28 th
Wear SPORTS gear!	29 th
Fold & Deliver	29 th
Movie: Wizard of Oz	29 th

Upcoming Events . . .

Page Turners Book Club: The book this month is *The Wizard of Oz* by L. Frank Baum. If you would like a copy, stop into the Activities Office. Join us for a discussion in the Pool Table Room on Tuesday, August 26th at 11:15 AM.

Senior Day at The Lyon County Fair: Come and join us at the fair on Saturday, August 16th. Music and refreshments are at 9:30. The Senior day program starts at 10:30, followed by BINGO (sponsored by Hill Street Place.) Hope to see you there!!

Sounds of Summer Parade: We are looking for a few volunteers for August 23 to ride on the float.

Helping Hands at Hill Street Place: During the month of June, we recorded a total of **39.50** volunteer hours. Thank you so much for all you do at Hill Street Place and everywhere.

Volunteers Needed: We know you all have different life experiences and we would love to have you share them with us. If you are interested in writing a bit about your history for the Newsletter please stop into the Activities Office.

Last Month at a Glance . . .



Lefties Take the Lead . . .

Did you hear the one about the inventor who developed a left-handed hammer? It didn't sell. He forgot to invent left-handed nails! But if he had, they likely would have been sold by the Left Handers Club, which celebrates International Left Handers Day on August 13.

Left Handers Day is about more than just advocating for left-handed products, like scissors, pens, and can openers. It's about creating "Lefty Zones," where right-handed people attempt tasks using their left hands. For one day, the proverbial shoe will be on the other foot, with righties struggling to use tools unfit for their right-handedness. It's a day when all lefties will fight for their, um... rights.

~Activity Connection

Pawsitive Days of August. . .

~Activity Connection

The hot and sultry days of summer, known as the “dog days,” stretch from July 3 to August 11. This period of time was named by the ancient Romans, who observed that the Dog Star, Sirius, was most visible in the night sky during this steamy season.

It makes perfect sense, then, that August 3–9 is Assistance Dog Week, a week honoring canines that help humans with disabilities. Guide, hearing, and medical-alert dogs are specially trained to accompany their owners anywhere and everywhere. “Detection dogs” sniff out everything from bedbugs to forest truffles to cancer.

In addition, August 5 is Work Like a Dog Day, a day for all those dogs who put in a hard day of work. Search-and-rescue, police, therapy, herding, hunting, tracking, guard, and sled dogs are not merely pets but are integral partners in working endeavors. For example, no other dog can compete with the bloodhound’s sense of smell, which is so reliable that it’s admissible as evidence in a courtroom. Bloodhounds can track a smell more than 300 hours old and trails more than 130 miles long.

The Doberman pinscher was bred by a German tax collector named Karl Friedrich Louis Dobermann as a protective companion to assist him on his daily rounds. Not only is the Doberman a tough guard dog but also it’s one of the smartest dog breeds in the world.

German shepherds are renowned Hollywood actors as well as police and therapy dogs. The breed’s courage may be rivaled only by their charisma. When Rin Tin Tin debuted on the silver screen, he received more than 10,000 pieces of fan mail per week.

While we’ve all heard the saying “work like a dog,” these industrious canines give the phrase new meaning.



Summer Word Search . . .

U Q E Z J Y L A V E X S T F L
N O I T A C A V L G A C Y Q O
Q X D C C T G T T G A K V P L
Z T F U P F S U N F L O W E R
H O Q Q T A C A O X A D Q H X
H E A T C I I Q L T Q U C N Y
B V B D Q C N A E O H A V W F
F A N P D E C S M P E V L U S
G A S K B C I F R B O P A W K
S N V E A R P C E C G O I N O
F S I S B E L J T D F M L D G
U I O T W A K J A X M Q E B F
A I Y S A M L F W I V N A F G
I T A C E O H L N G D B Y V F
T F Z C G K B G O V W N P Y C



BEACH
BASEBALL
ICE CREAM
SWIMMING
PICNIC
VACATION
SUNFLOWER
WATERMELON
SANDCASTLE
HEAT
BOATING
POOL

YELLOW BRICK ROAD LEMON SQUARES

INGREDIENTS - CRUST

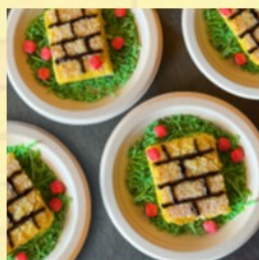
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/4 cup powdered sugar

INGREDIENTS - FILLING

- 2 large eggs
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 3 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
- Zest of 1 large lemon (about 1 tbsp)
- Pinch of salt
- Powdered sugar, for dusting
- 1/2 cup (1 stick) softened butter
- 1 pinch salt

DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat your oven to 350°F and line an 8x8-inch baking pan with parchment paper, allow overhang on the sides for easy removal.
2. In a medium bowl, beat together the softened butter and powdered sugar until combined.
3. Add the flour and salt, continuing to beat until a soft dough forms.
4. Evenly press the dough into the prepared pan, forming the crust.
5. Bake for 20 minutes.
6. While the crust is baking, in a medium bowl, beat together the eggs, granulated sugar, baking powder, fresh lemon juice, lemon zest and pinch of salt.
7. Remove the baked crust from the oven, carefully pour the filling over the crust.
8. Return the pan to the oven and bake for another 20-25 minutes, or until the center is set and no longer jiggles.
9. Let the lemon bars cool completely in the pan on a wire rack.
10. Chill them in the refrigerator for at least 1 hour for easier cutting.
11. Once cooled and chilled, use the parchment paper to lift the bars out of the pan.
12. Dust with powdered sugar and cut into squares before serving.



Journey Back to Oz . . . ~Activity Connection

August marks a celebration for fans of The Wizard of Oz—the 86th anniversary of the beloved film’s release on August 25, 1939. In addition, the 125th birthday of the classic book, first published in May 1900, was celebrated earlier this year. Whether you first met Dorothy and Toto on the page or the silver screen, their journey down the Yellow Brick Road continues to charm audiences of all ages.

L. Frank Baum’s The Wonderful Wizard of Oz was a sensation from the start, quickly becoming a staple in American children’s literature. Over the decades, the story has inspired sequels, stage plays, and, most famously, the 1939 MGM film starring Judy Garland as Dorothy. The film dazzled audiences with its Technicolor magic, memorable songs, and a cast of unforgettable characters: Scarecrow, Tin Man, Cowardly Lion, and, of course, Toto (who is played by a female Cairn terrier named Terry).

The book and the movie differ in small ways—Dorothy’s slippers are silver in the book but ruby red in the film, for example—but both deliver the same heartwarming message about friendship, courage, and finding your way home. The story’s appeal has lasted in part because it offers both adventure and comfort. As author Ray Bradbury once said, “Oz is what we would hope and like to be,” a place where villains aren’t so villainous and hope always wins out.

The Wizard himself is a memorable figure, too. When his secret is revealed, he admits, “I’m really a very good man, but I am a very bad wizard,” reminding us all that sometimes, good intentions matter more than magical powers.

So this August, why not revisit Oz? Dust off the book, queue up the movie, or share the story with a grandchild or other young friend. After all, as Dorothy reminds us, “There’s no place like home”—and for many, Oz will always feel a little like home, too.

