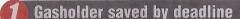
## OBERLIN NEWS-TRIBUNE **OUR YEAR IN STORIES**

There was no shortage of big stories in Oberlin in 2011. Many changed the face of the community and will continue to change in this new year. Here are 10 headlines we picked as some of the most interesting of 2011:



It only took 13 years of talk, but construction on the Oberlin Underground

Railroad Center finally The project will transform the Gasholder building, a historical building from the

late 1800s, into a state-ofthe art museum The center will also be a stop on the North Coast Inland Bicycle Trail and provide shelter for bicyclists, restrooms, a fountain, and

even a charging station for olootric care

The project was made possible by a community fundraising effort. While

construction on the project began in November, the city

er \$150,000 to finish the proi-"This project is very unique, and not just because of Oberlin's Underground Railroad history," said assistant city manager Darlene Colaso, "You also have the park-and-ride aspect of the project, which is pretty unique too. And then you have the piece of history that is the Gasholder building

itself. It's such a unique

of the Alleghenies."

only ones still standing west



Repairs to the gasholder building began with the roof this fall.