

Peekin' into the Past

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Five Years Ago April 17, 2008

This week, Jan Loesch, executive director of A Caring Pregnancy Resource Center of Northeast Colorado, and her group of volunteers are excited and grateful to celebrate the opening of their first satellite site in Holyoke.

In a matter of days, the area has seen the great extremes of Colorado weather, as heavy snow Thursday and Friday, April 10-11 changed to sunshiny, 75-degree weather Monday and Tuesday, April 14-15.

After the closing of the Bread of Life program, which was recently put on hold after the closing of Holyoke Community Church, former coordinator Joy Schafer is continuing to work with Food Bank of the Rockies, but this time she is focusing specifically on helping Phillips County seniors who are struggling to make ends meet through the government-sponsored commodity program.

Ten Years Ago April 17, 2003

Stephen Bohrer, PhD, has been hired as superintendent of Holyoke School District Re-1J, starting July 1. He replaces Dr. Bill Brown, who is retiring.

PC Telcom recently completed the switch to a new fiber-optic line between Holyoke and Sterling after years of interruptions in service due to gophers severing the main line between Holyoke and the rest of the telecommunications world.

Twenty-Five Years Ago April 21, 1988

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A birthday party will kick off the 100-day celebration of Holyoke's Centennial on April 24. The time capsule that was buried in front of the flagpole at Phillips County Courthouse at the time of Holyoke's Diamond Jubilee was dug up this week, and the contents will be on display during the 100-day celebration.

Announcement was recently received that the Heginbotham Library in Holyoke has been entered into the National Register of Historic Places, in recognition of the property's contribution to the heritage of the state of Colorado.

Bryan Elder, sixth-grader at Holyoke Elementary School, competed in the April 8-11 Far Western Short Course Swimming Championships at Walnut Creek, Calif. Over 1,300 swimmers from all over the United States and Japan participated in the competition.

Forty Years Ago April 19, 1973

Susan Paloucek, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Paloucek, was elected Colorado state president of the Future Homemakers of America for the 1973-74 school year.

Ernest Kinnie, son of State Senator Kenneth Kinnie of Julesburg, is presently student teaching at Holyoke Elementary School under Kelma and Velma Lohmann.

Mike Mailander, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Mailander of Holyoke, is one of 40 outstanding high school seniors that have been offered college scholarships by the Boettcher Foundation.

Fifty Years Ago April 18, 1963

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Strong winds Sunday were a prelude to a severe windstorm that battered a large section of the High Plains Monday, with winds up to 75 mph in Holyoke. The temperature in Holyoke on Monday hit 89 degrees before cooler weather settled in.

Carl Ferguson will retire from the Re-1J school board next month, after serving on school boards in this community continuously for 29 years.

Diamond Jubilee souvenir coins were put into circulation Tuesday and will soon be available in all Holyoke business places.

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