

Peekin' into the Past

Written by Holyoke Enterprise

Five Years Ago May 8, 2008

Holyoke was under a blizzard warning for most of the day on May 2, with four inches of snow accumulating throughout the day.

Holyoke Police Chief Phil Biersdorfer reported this week that he and his officers are on the lookout for an officer impersonator who may be from the Holyoke area.

Approximately 400 tickets were sold to kids of all ages at Holyoke's Cinco de Mayo celebration Sunday, May 4.

Ten Years Ago May 8, 2003

Rural Development, an agency of the United States Department of Agriculture, is bringing its Mutual Self-Help Housing program to Holyoke, giving potential homeowners the opportunity to move into a brand new home with "sweat-earned" equity by working with other families to help build their own homes as a type of down payment.

A crowd of about 300 people from throughout the region attended the Cinco de Mayo Fun Fest 2003 at the Phillips County Fairgrounds on Saturday, May 3.

Twenty-Five Years Ago May 12, 1988

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Chandra Kadlecek, who comes to Holyoke from Stratton, Neb., was hired as manager of the Holyoke Swimming Pool, beginning May 16.

Holyoke fifth-graders have been studying about old-time one-room country schoolhouses and got to experience that concept last week when they dressed in outfits like those that might have been worn 100 years ago and held class in a "one-room schoolhouse" in the basement of First National Bank.

Holyoke Spanish teacher José León was recognized May 5 at the UNC Foreign Language Day when he received an outstanding teacher award.

Forty Years Ago May 10, 1973

The May 24 issue of the Holyoke Enterprise will mark the advent of a new process by which the Enterprise will be printed. The new process is offset printing, and all the typesetting will be done by a phototypesetter. The pages of the paper will be prepared in the Enterprise printing department and will then be taken to Sterling to be printed on the high-speed presses of the Journal Advocate.

The Holyoke FFA chapter and the Hartington, Neb., FFA chapter have initiated an exchange program between the two schools. The five boys from Hartington are guests this week of the Holyoke FFA chapter and their families and are taking part in voc-ag shop and classes.

The first annual recognition banquet sponsored by the Holyoke Education Association was held May 8 in honor of Helen Gueck, who is retiring after 22 years of teaching.

Fifty Years Ago May 9, 1963

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The Dairy King in Holyoke has been sold by Mr. and Mrs. O.K. Hammond to William F. Kramer, recently of Longmont, but formerly of this community. The Hammonds have owned and operated the Dairy King for the past ten and a half years, having purchased it from George Kramer in 1952.

Allen's O.K. Rubber Welders, owned and operated by Allen Knight, has completed an addition to the shop and added new equipment. Knight took over the business a little more than a year ago in April 1962, buying it from the D.D. Osburns, who had owned and operated the business for 18 years.

Mel Herts of Scottsbluff, Neb., has been employed by the Holyoke Jack & Jill store as a baker. He assumed his new duties Monday.

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