

## **Peekin' into the past**

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### **Five Years Ago May 15, 2008**

Moving the sixth grade to the junior high building in Holyoke for the 2008-09 school year brought a number of citizens to the May 6 school board meeting to ask questions, listen to reasoning and express opposition.

The original Phillips County Event Center building, which had stood for approximately 60 years, was demolished May 7 so the county could begin construction on the new Event Center.

### **Ten Years Ago May 15, 2003**

Eight area veterans will join the Holyoke High School Class of 2003 on Sunday, May 18 in receiving their high school diplomas through a program called Operation Recognition. Those eight are Deane Anderson, Max Brown, Lavern Gibbs, Roy Koberstein, Vernell Meinte, Elton Oltjenbruns, Clifford Schmidt and Leonard Schmidt.

At a special "constitutional service" held on Sunday, May 11, Holyoke Community Church members celebrated the rite of passage as the church went from being a mission church to an officially organized independent church body.

A new picnic shelter at the Phillips County Fairgrounds was dedicated last week in memory of John Sullivan, who played an active role in Phillips County.

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### **Twenty-Five Years Ago May 19, 1988**

Holyoke Variety owner Carl Gorsuch announced this week that he will be closing his local store at 118 N. Interocean around the first part of July.

HHS junior Eric Thayer was the top weight lifter in the May 11 lift-a-thon held in the school weight room and wrestling room. Twenty boys raised approximately \$750 in the lift-a-thon.

The City of Holyoke is hosting an open house Saturday, May 21 as part of the centennial celebration. Tours of city facilities, shops and all equipment will be offered.

### **Forty Years Ago May 17, 1973**

May 31 has been designated as the completion date for the Holyoke Housing Authority project in Holyoke. The units are expected to be ready for occupancy by June 15.

A coyote bounty system has been proposed by the Colorado General Assembly. According to House Bill 1598, \$25 would be paid for each coyote killed in the state.

### **Fifty Years Ago**

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### May 16, 1963

The giving away of two Shetland ponies with new saddles Saturday evening at the “stoplight corner” will climax a three-day sale event conducted by two well-known Holyoke businesses, Schmidt Motor Supply and John Baldwin Chevrolet Company.

A road-grading crew uncovered \$700-800 last Thursday along a Yuma County road between Holyoke and Wray. The money, in \$10 and \$20 bills, is believed to be part of the \$22,863 stolen from First State Bank in Enders, Neb., on April 14, 1962.

Two Holyoke High School students, William Bahler and Frank J. Austin, were recently awarded honorable mention in the national feedlot planning contest sponsored by A.O. Smith Harvesters Products, Inc.

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