

Peekin' into the Past

Written by Holyoke Enterprise

Five Years Ago

Dec. 11, 2008

La Mexicanita opened recently in its new location at 136 N. Interocean Ave., which previously housed Silver Screen Video. La Mexicanita was at 416 E. Denver St., where Woody's Pivot Service is moving in.

All three schools in the Re-1J District earned an "average" ranking in academic performance for the 2007-08 school year, scoring very close to what they did one year ago on the State Accountability Reports.

Ten Years Ago

Dec. 11, 2003

Holyoke High School girls' softball club sport program has been approved for varsity status for the fall of 2004. This was the inaugural year for an HHS girls' softball team, which operated as a junior varsity program with community funding.

Area farmers and community leaders were given a chance to learn more about the emerging biodiesel industry at an informational meeting sponsored by Blue Sun Biodiesel on Dec. 5.

The first significant storm of the season hit the area, with 3 inches of snow falling in Holyoke late Monday and early Tuesday morning.

Twenty-Five Years Ago

Dec. 15, 1988

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“Golden Plains Recreation Center” received the most votes for the name for a Holyoke area community center in a recent survey conducted by the Holyoke Future Homemakers of America.

Concern over the chances that competition may exist between the various communities involved in the area’s revolving loan fund program has prompted the Holyoke City Council to begin looking into the possibility of restarting the Holyoke Area Development Corporation.

A playground equipment project at the Holyoke Ball Park, which was started two years ago, was completed this fall by the Holyoke Lions Club.

The mercury dropped to a low of 9 degrees Friday, Dec. 9 in Holyoke. The low temperature average for the week of Dec. 7-13 was 20 degrees, while high temps averaged at 44.

Forty Years Ago Dec. 13, 1973

Phillips County Sheriff Fred E. Thietje and Undersheriff Mary Thornton were featured in the October-November 1973 issue of the Colorado Sheriff and Peace Officer officials publication.

Dec. 4, Sterling Fiber Glass Inc. of Haxtun was forcibly entered by breaking and unlatching a window. Items taken were a 1,000-gallon septic tank, two fire extinguishers and 10 orange game sleds.

Mary Ellen Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Clark of Holyoke, sang the title role in a segment of the opera “Lucia di Lammermoor,” presented by the voice division at Kansas State University last week.

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Fifty Years Ago

Dec. 12, 1963

A break-in at the Amherst school last Wednesday night, Dec. 4, was one of four reported in the area that night. A total of about \$25 was taken from the four schools. Forced entry was made the same night into Nebraska schools at Venango, Brandon and Elsie.

Mildred Anderson of Haxtun has purchased the independent distributorship of Borden's dairy products here from Donald Karraker and assumed operation of the business last week.

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