

Looking Back

Written by Wauneta Breeze
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10 years ago this week

June 15, 2000

Nearly 350 people attended BWTelcom's community barbecue and DSL Internet display held at the Legion Hall last Friday.

A Novacek family reunion was held June 11 at the Wauneta Legion Hall with the family of Ed Novacek hosting the 50th annual reunion with 84 attending.

Keri Sutherland, Christopher and Tyler Crowell and grandparents Tim and Rhonda Sutherland of Kearney spent Friday to Sunday in Omaha, attending the Junior Olympic state finals in which Christopher and Tyler competed. They toured the SAC Museum on Friday.

Jean Welch, Nina Fortkamp and Lee Moreland displayed paintings at the Palisade Pioneer Days art show.

Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Joe Barger, Peter, Abby and Laura attended a horse show in Culbertson where Laura received the reserve champion all-around.

Charlene Pursley and Adrienne Pursley spent Sunday to Friday in Grand Island meeting Teresa Glen and Ellie and were guests of Kurt and Susan Koch. Charlene, Adrienne and Ellie spent each day at the Stuhr Museum attending a class on "A Week in the Life of Laura Ingalls Wilder" where they wore authentic dresses and each day doing things Laura would have done.

High for the week: 104° on June 7; low of 91° on June 10. Moisture to date: 4.56 inches.

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25 years ago this week

June 20, 1985

A June freeze hit corn farmers along the Stinking Water Creek north of Wauneta late Tuesday night and early Friday morning. Approximately 160 acres of corn was damaged on four different farms.

Families attending the Junior Olympics at Columbus Saturday to watch their youngsters compete were the Jon Haarbergs, Kirby Kitts, Steve Applegarths, Kirk Sandmans and Tom Camerons. They returned home Sunday.

All of Orpha Jirik's children, grandchildren and great grandchildren attended Palisade Pioneer Days and helped her celebrate her 80th birthday.

Sunday morning Norman Fanning, Kasie O'Neil and Courtney Barger made their first communion at St. John's Catholic Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kanost of Lake Orion, Mich., were visitors of Worth and Lois Kanost Thursday. The men are cousins and were meeting for the first time.

Arlene Large hosted a birthday coffee Monday morning in honor of Ollie O'Neil's 97th birthday.

Precip for the week: .30 of an inch; for June: 3.23 inches; for 1985: 6.27 inches.

Grain Markets: wheat-2.89/bu.; corn-2.60/bu.; milo-4.20/cwt.; soybeans-5.40/bu.

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50 years ago this week

June 16, 1960

Larry Kitt was honored by both the Boy Scouts of America and the Methodist Church in the worship service at Mt. Zion Sunday morning when he was presented a medal and certificate for recognition of First Class rating in Scouting by Scoutmaster Fred Heldenbrand and the God and Country Award on behalf of the church by Rev. Vernon Goff.

Ervin Kitt and Irving Skelton were re-elected to the Wauneta Grade School Board.

Norma Gockley left Monday for Washington D.C. where she will be employed for the summer. She is a houseguest of Mr. and Mrs. William McCoy and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Vearl McBride and Vaughn took Lynn to Hobart, Okla., Tuesday of last week where he joined a crew to work in the harvest fields this summer.

Connie and Billy Dicke gave a surprise birthday party for their mother, Mrs. Bill Dicke, June 13. Mrs. Vella Walgren, Mrs. Edith Lorance, Mrs. Robert Baumfalk and Mrs. Junior Kitt and children were guests. Ice cream, cake, coffee and punch were served.

Marc Rueter is attending Boys State in Lincoln this week.

Rev. Harold Ottemoeller and family and Rev. J. H. Fajen of Ogaja, Eastern Nigeria, South Africa were Monday evening dinner guests in the Floyd Nordhausen home. That evening they showed films and spoke on their missions in Africa. Rev. Ottemoeller was a former teacher at St. Paul's Lutheran School.

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75 years ago this week

June 12, 1935

The new city building is almost completed, grand opening is set for June 22. It will house the library, the Commercial Club, town board sessions, and woman's club. The jail has two compartments.

College students home for the summer include: Glen Athey, Homer Hoff, Vearl Athey, Donald Cox, Bruce Resler, Keith Krausnick, Margaret Skelton, and Albert Keiser from the University of Nebraska and Margaret Emerick, Phyllis Green and Bud Fraiser from Colorado Teachers College, Greeley.

Leon Athey and Ima Hahn drove to Lincoln Sunday to attend graduation exercises where Glen Athey was granted a degree of bachelor science in civil engineering.

Evelyn Trembly returned home Sunday evening after spending the past two weeks with grandparents Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Allsberry.

Lois Leona Lee spent Sunday night with Lorean and Leatha Stephenson.

Local Markets: Cream-.19; hens-.14; eggs-.18; heavy springs-.15; leghorn hens-.11; wheat-.72; corn-.95.

100 years ago this week

June 16, 1910

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Last Thursday and Friday the Narrow Divide Telephone line changed their wire from the old poles to the high ones that had recently been put in.

J. W. Hanns had peas from their garden Monday. Can you beat it?

M. W. Nesmith sold a cow and Peter Durkin sold his two heifers to the Wauneta butcher a few days ago.

Andy and John Bodemans with their families helped to celebrate the golden anniversary of their parents in Palisade on June 2.

After Friday morning, meals will be 50¢ at the Falls Hotel, Saturday dinner excepted.