

Looking Back

Written by Wauneta Breeze
Thursday, 30 December 2010 16:03 -

10 years ago this week

Dec. 21, 2000

Newly elected village board members Tony Cribelli and Rod Rector were sworn into office and joined board members Lloyd Sinner, Otis Knotwell and Marv Hamilton in conducting village business. Cribelli and Rector replaced Al Wilkins and Steve Noble who opted not to seek another term.

Longtime URNRD Board Member Gene Haarberg retired after 28 years on the board.

Bill and Rhonda Bischoff were awarded first place in Heritage of Wauneta's Christmas lighting contest. Second place went to Jiggs and Pat Crapson and third to Harry and Nola Straub.

R.J. and Jana Mintling attended the graduation ceremonies of Rosalind Weber at the University of Nebraska at Kearney and Bob and Bev Troudt attended the graduation of Shanna Bardsley and reception following for Rosalind, Shanna and two friends.

Elsie Becker visited Otto and Ida Bartels Sunday afternoon and enjoyed playing Christmas music, Elsie on the piano and Otto on the Hawaiian guitar.

Brian and Michelle Harchelroad and Dalton, Everett and Louise Stamm, Chad DeWester and Wynona Springer took Jan and Gary DeWester to dinner at the Coppermill in McCook Thursday evening on their 37th anniversary.

No precip; for the year: 17.10 inches. High for the week: 47° on Dec. 15; low: -3° on Dec. 11.

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25 years ago this week

December 26, 1985

The Palisade School is the first Nebraska school to implement a four-day week. The legislature adopted a new law on attendance requirements last year, making way for the change at the Palisade school. Previously, students had to attend school a required number of days which was changed to 1,080 hours per year. Palisade had already lengthened class periods from 50 minutes to 62, with a half-day dismissal on Friday. Friday mornings included labs, elective classes, etc. The four-day week was easy to implement.

The Round-a-Bout Extension Club ate dinner at the Senior Citizens dinner as a group and attended the grade school Christmas program in the afternoon.

Members of the Methodist church choir and their leader, Cindy Sandman, and other parents met at 3:00 Sunday, going caroling around town. They went to the rest home to give a program, then met at the church to eat sloppy joes and snacks.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sandman returned home Wednesday after spending three weeks visiting friends and relatives in Mesa and Apache Junction, Ariz.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ivile Green on the 17th for a Christmas coffee and cake were Elise Haarberg, Dora Denker, Bea Fye, Clara McBride and Bob Fye.

Linda Rietsch, Pam Rietsch, Edna Keiser, Leta Brunkhorst and Alma McBride met in McCook Wednesday to eat lunch together.

Margie Kitt was a caller on Dec. 16 in the home of Lois and Arwyn West who were celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary that day.

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December 22, 1960

Eleven people won \$5 in Christmas drawings sponsored by the Wauneta Commercial Club. They included Jane Wilson, Mrs. E. W. Hettinger, Mabel Dicke, Mrs. Ruby Collins, Cindy Moon, Russell Burke, Wallace Denton, Page Johnston, Randy Gerih, Jane Crapson and Lloyd Redden.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Larson celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary Sunday with a covered dish dinner and cake reception held at the Redeemer Lutheran Church, planned by their daughter, Mrs. Eugene Haarberg.

John Kitt received the God and Country Award of Scouting Sunday morning at Mt. Zion. Rev. Ernst presented the award. A group of scouts were honor attendants.

Lt. Col. and Mrs. E.B. Campbell came Sunday for a few days visit in the homes of her brothers, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Skelton and family and Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Skelton and family. Lt. Col. Campbell is retiring from the army and they were enroute from New York to their home in San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sutherland of Long Beach, Calif., arrived Friday evening to spend two weeks in the parental C.J. Sutherland and Herman Nordhausen homes.

Mrs. Gertrude McCallum and Mrs. Nelson Burham entertained the Embroidery Club at a 12:30 luncheon Wednesday afternoon at the McCallum home.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walgren entertained members of the Methodist choir at a Christmas coffee

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in their home Wednesday evening following choir practice.

75 years ago this week

December 18, 1935

A corn husking bee was held for Elmer Harrison Friday. Thirty-two men turned out. The women came in and helped out with the dinner. All the corn was gathered but a few acres.

Sunday dinner guests at the Hal Fanning home were Jesse Stinnette and family, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Oliver, Mrs. Metcalf and George Metcalf.

Mrs. Ralph Grosbach was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Cocklin Thursday.

Audrey Dunn returned home from a vacation from the army Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lute Troxel and family from Hamlet spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Orley Troxel and family.

100 years ago this week

December 29, 1910

We believe last Sunday was the first time in Wauneta's history that there was no Christmas service at the M.E. Church on that day since the church was built.

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A wagon load of young people went to Parnell skating Tuesday afternoon.

Winnie Gibson took a bath in the lake Monday night through the ice while skating.

Jay Person has been entertaining corn shellers during the holidays.

C. A. Nesmith and family, Geo Smith and family, James Nesmith and wife and Rev. Andreas and family ate turkey with Ashby Morrison and family Christmas Day.

Truman Kitt has a fine new double seated buggy. He says Santa brought it.