10 years ago this week

March 1, 2001

Don Suda of Palisade was appointed to fill a vacancy on the Wauneta-Palisade school board on the resignation of Guy Rundback.

Wauneta native Thom Liebig is spending three months at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida helping to assemble the Mars Odyssey orbiter. Liebig is one of seven technicians deployed by Lockheed Martin astronautics in Denver to build the orbiter and has been working on the project for the last three years. The orbiter will search the planet Mars for signs of water and ice and will scan for radiation hazards to see if Mars is safe for human exploration.

Patricia and Dewey Sorenson of El Cajon, Calif., spent Sunday with Leona Paustian. They also visited Alvina Buffington, Ed Buffington, Orpha Maris and Laura Buffington.

Dale and Virginia Krausnick attended granddaughter Monica's high school musical, "Lil Abner," in Benkelman Saturday evening.

Don and Pauline Grosbach and Marlin and Lois Wine attended the Arts Council production of the Missoula Children's Theatre performance of "Treasure Island."

Precip to date: .07 of an inch. High for the week: 59° on Feb. 22; low: 17° on Feb. 25.

25 years ago this week

February 27, 1986

Fred and Maxine Heldenbrand were honored Sunday, Feb. 23, at an open house held at the Wauneta Legion building on their 50th wedding anniversary hosted by their four children and spouses: Rod and Nellie Heldenbrand, Kathy and Duane Jorgensen, Tom and Jan Heldenbrand and Rick and Jolene Heldenbrand.

Al and Emma Carrigan returned Friday from a month's trip to California and Oregon, visiting the Robert Stephens family at Palmdale, Calif., and the Gary McAfees at Salem, Ore. Gene Carrigan met them in Denver and they a short time with him before coming home to Wauneta.

Guests of Otis and Beryl Knotwell for Sunday dinner were Carol Muths and Tony, Colleen and Dennis Goings, Brad and Billy Jo and Barb and Gordon Hinrichs. They observed Knotty's Feb. 23 birthday, Carol's on the 24th and Dennis' on the 26th.

Esther and Laura Keiser of Denver, Colo., visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brunkhorst and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rietsch Wednesday.

The Steve Noble family visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earvin Noble in Albion over the weekend observing Steve's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Troudt and Mr. and Mrs. Rick Malcolm entertained the Wauneta girls basketball team Saturday evening.

Several families from the Hamlet area attended the 40th anniversary open house for Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Howard at the Lutheran Church in Palisade Sunday.

Precip for February: .46 of an inch.

Grain Markets: wheat-2.75/bu.; corn-2.27/bu.; milo-3.40/cwt; soybeans-4.64/bu.

50 years ago this week

February 23, 1961

Four Waunetans, Alvin Knepper, Jack Maddux, Jess Webber and Walter Fox, consulted with Bureau of Reclamation representatives in Denver Tuesday, discussing the possibilities of building a transmission line from Imperial to allow the purchase of Bureau of Reclamation power to meet Wauneta's critical power shortage.

The former S and W Oil Co., recently purchased by "Shorty" Hamilton, will be operated under the name of Hamilton Service and all gas and oil products will be offered.

Cathy Hanna placed second at the KNOP-TV spelling contest at North Platte, competing with 23 other fifth graders. She was eliminated in the 27th round by Doug Hansen of Elsie.

Burdette Melchert and Chester Graves of Hamlet attended a meeting in McCook Friday where Mr. Melchert received a high honor award for the county, raising 175.1 bu. of corn per acre on a five acre field.

Mrs. Bernard O'Neil and Carol, Cindy and Nik Sandman, Jeff Maxfield, Ruth DeHart, Nancy Stock and Ray Wilson spent Saturday in Lincoln on a student tour.

Coffee guests in the Fay Fanning home after the Senior Class play were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fanning and family and Mr. and Mrs. Merle O'Neil and family.

Mrs. Lizzie Busking returned Tuesday from an extended vacation in Arizona and New Mexico.

She accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bischoff.

No precip. High for the week: 64° on Feb. 17, low: 9° on Feb. 18 and 19.

75 years ago this week

February 19, 1936

The bridge in east Wauneta will be a reality according to word received from authorities. The funds have been allowed and as soon as details are arranged construction will begin.

From last Thursday noon til Monday the coal dealers were entirely out of coal and many coal bins around town were all too low for comfort when accompanied by zero weather. We are more fortunate than some as no one suffered. Three carloads came in Monday and coal was distributed according to the need.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kitt and son are moving this week to Meriden, Wyo., where they will farm the Fred Petsch ranch. Gerald Wade, Leland Kitt, Irvin Kitt and Howard Stinnette were McCook visitors Friday.

Local Markets: wheat-.85; corn-.56; cream-.33; eggs-.21; heavy hens-.14; light hens-.14; cox-.07.

100 years ago this week

February 23, 1911

Wauneta should organize a commercial club.

A number went to Palisade to attend the good road meeting, among them were H. E. Athey, Jas. Miner and A. C. Grimm.

H. E. Curry has taken a homestead south of Elex Hanna and is building a large house on same.

Some of the snow of last Saturday is still on the ground. It has been 6 to 8 below. If it keeps on we will have some good ice yet.