

## Looking Back

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### 10 years ago this week

**Dec. 12, 2002**

Karen Beveridge and Emily Hoffman joined the staff at the Wauneta Breeze replacing David Vrbas who has moved to Grand Island.

The WPHS one-act team took district runner-up honors at the Class C2-7 District Play Production contest in Oshkosh. They tied for first place in overall points but the championship was awarded to Rushville as the team won more first place votes. Cited for outstanding performances were Seth Alberts, Sheridan Wright, Ashley Fortkamp, Cody Egle and Abby Barger.

Richard (Pudge) Hamilton was back as the projectionist at the Chateau Theatre after the theatre was reopened by the Wauneta Chamber. Hamilton started 30 years ago as the projectionist but after the third year he became manager. As the theatre closed and then reopened, Hamilton was called back to help out.

Madison Ray, daughter of Travis and Melanie Miller of Imperial, was baptized in the worship service at Redeemer Lutheran Church. Sponsors were Sherry and Mark Moorhaus of Culbertson and Kerry and Dave Hamilton.

Rick and Cindy Einspahr and Esther Einspahr attended the Doane College choir concert in Crete Sunday where Rogan Einspahr and Trish Fanning are choir members.

Kelsie Skelton attended "The Nutcracker Suite" in Ogallala with her grandmother, Barb Miller.

Leland and Sharon Maris returned Dec. 7 from visits with daughter Sheila and Skip Dargis,

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Scott and Eric at Vineland, N.J., and daughter Julie and Dan Ashline, Ethan and Eliese at Shelby, N.C.

Dennis and Donna Gockley were Sunday visitors of Taya and Scott Northrup and girls at Stoneham, Colo., and attended Shay's Christmas program at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Fort Morgan.

Bob and Marge Hanna and Mike and Robin Hanna went to Colby, Kan., Thursday night to see Sam Munderloh's eighth grade basketball game.

No precip. High for the week: 59° on Dec. 6; low: 20° on Dec. 6.

### 25 years ago this week

#### December 10, 1987

Ruby Tatum and her son, Jon, visited in the Les Walgren home to visit with their daughter, Lucille, who was visiting here from Florida. Lucille and Jon were seeing each other for the first time in 30 years.

June McCallum and Ruby Anderson attended the North Platte Festival Bell Choir performance held at the Imperial theater Saturday.

Attending the Christmas performance of Handel's "Messiah" at the Congregational Church in Grant Sunday were Kay Kincaid, Shirley Munn and Kathy and Aimee Tubbs.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hoff returned Saturday from a three-week trip to the east coast. They spent Thanksgiving with daughter Ann and Ron Prior and Mark in Bedford, Mass., and also celebrated

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Ann's birthday, then visited Emma's sister, Irma Propps in Spencer, W. Va.

Al and Emma Carrigan were Wednesday supper guests of Leona and Ralph Gockley for the December birthdays of Al and Emma and Ralph.

Wauneta senior Nikki McBride won one of four awards for outstanding individual recognition of achievement at the U.S. Model House of Representatives political forum at Kearney State College Nov. 24. This is the first time a Wauneta student has won one of the awards, according to teacher Gary Goodchuck.

### 50 years ago this week

#### Dec. 13, 1962

Installation of a new dial telephone system is on schedule, according to Robert Bradley. Underground cable was completed this week and a building to house the equipment is under construction in south Wauneta. Phone installation will begin in January with June 2 as cut-over date.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Fortkamp, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Jirik and the Frank Stute family surprised Mrs. John Howard Wednesday evening on her birthday.

Mrs. Bob Fye has signed a publishing contract with the "Swanee Song's Co." of Concord, Tenn., for the song, "My Daddy," she wrote in memory of her father.

Students taking part in the Kearney State Teachers College's production of "The Christmas Vespers" Sunday include area students Linda Handel, Wauneta; Jaunetta Sailors, Hamlet; Karen Fitzpatrick, Imperial; Ronald Troutman, Palisade; and former Wauneta resident, Lois Morgan.

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Ted Anderson, Francis Drake and John Edwards of the Wauneta Coop Oil Company attended the Consumers Cooperative Association annual meeting in Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 5-7.

Mr. and Mrs. Lavern Denker and family spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Greeley.

### 75 years ago this week

**Dec. 15, 1937**

Miss Edna Metcalf and Glen Christensen were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wilber Frasier and Gary.

Arch Counce attended a convention of International dealers in Omaha last week.

Floyd Nordhausen, 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nordhausen, accompanied Dr. Stewart of Stratton to a pure bred hog sale at Marysville, Mo., last Thursday, returning Sunday by way of Omaha.

Mrs. C. B. Berry, Mildred and Mary Lou spent Sunday at the C. M. Ketler home.

Former resident Roy Bowker, now of Caldwell, Idaho, visited friends here from Wednesday to Monday.

### 100 years ago this week

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### December 12, 1912

Mr. and Mrs. Gardner were up from Hamlet between trains Monday.

C. C. Greer returned from Denver Wednesday. His dad set him to work at once.

Mrs. Flora Curry planned a surprise on her husband Sunday, it being his birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Griest of Wauneta and E. Hanna and family were present.

Enders visitors Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Haarberg, Mable and Ruth Clark, Mr. Wilson, F. B. Cecil and J. R. Hunt. The members were fixing up the Ash telephone line Tuesday.