

## Looking Back

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### 10 years ago this week

#### Feb. 20, 2003

Kevin and Renee Fink and sons Gideon and Eli moved from Scottsbluff to Hamlet where he will be the assistant pastor at the Hamlet Union Church.

Harry and Nola Straub and their family, David and Lori Straub, Brianna, Kelsey and Shawn and Robert and Amy Straub, Kaleb, William and Seth, all of Wyoming, flew from Denver for a nine-day vacation in Florida and the Bahamas. The adventure was a retirement trip for Harry who retired from Texaco, Inc. after 32 years.

Beverly Dinnel and Lucille McBride helped residents at Heritage with their kitchen band Friday morning.

Martin and Erma Fortkamp observed their 52nd anniversary on Friday, Feb. 14 with Mr. and Mrs. Duane Fortkamp and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Swisher and family as guests for a cooperative supper. Evening visitors were Violet Long and Art and Nina Fortkamp.

Wauneta-Palisade eighth grader Allison Ellicott won first place in the Chase County Spelling Bee, topping 31 other contestants.

Virgil and Edie Sandman attended the baptism service of their great granddaughter, Haylee Sandman, at the Imperial Methodist Church Sunday morning. They and Haylee's parents, Derek and Allison, were among dinner guests of Larry and Anita Kitt of Parks.

Laura Buffington accompanied Ray and Vicki Buffington to Farmington, N.M., where they spent a week with Roger and Dixi Buffington and their daughter, Julie and Bob Kysar, Holly and Clay.

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Bronco Booster co-president Cathy Humphrey presented W-P's coach, Roger Lauhead, with a congratulatory cake for his 200th win (at least) as Wauneta High School and Wauneta-Palisade girls head coach following their win over Maywood Friday night.

Nine Bronco cagers received GPAC all-conference honors including: Emily Humphrey, girls first team; Ashley Fortkamp, second team; Staci Alberts and Ashley Kitt, honorable mention; Matt Wilson and Joe Humphrey, boys first team; Seth Alberts, second team and Matt Klima and Andrew Sandman, honorable mention.

### 25 years ago this week

#### February 18, 1988

Wauneta's local organization, the Wauneta Commercial Club, will now be known as the Wauneta Chamber of Commerce.

Ora and Lenore Gove were selected as the king and queen during the "Home With Heart" festivities at Heritage. The Goves will celebrate their 61st wedding anniversary next month.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Denker and Mr. and Mrs. Vearl McBride had supper and attended the "Baldnobber" musicians show in McCook Thursday evening. They met Donna and Leo Williams, Jack Hunt, Rich Williams and wife there.

Betty Mintling, Lois Greeley and Ora Nordhausen enjoyed breakfast at Enders Cafe Friday morning.

Wauneta men who attended a wood working show in Denver, Colo., over the weekend were Jim McKinney, Bob Nordhausen, Hank Wicke, Dale Wicke, Bernie Steinert, Gene Bartels,

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Stuart Bartels and Brice Rueter.

St. John's Catholic parish celebrated World Wide Marriage Day Sunday, Feb. 14 at mass honoring all married couples, especially those couples married 35 years or more. Honorees were Ray and Velma Hromas, Otis and Lena Vlasin, Ed and AnnaBelle Vapenik, Bernard and Dorothy O'Neil, Merle and Margaret O'Neil and Dan and Joanne Liebig.

Precip for the week: .02 of an inch; for 1988: .93 of an inch.

Grain Markets: wheat-2.73/bu.; corn-1.75/bu.; milo-2.50/cwt; soybeans-5.53/bu.

### 50 years ago this week

#### Feb. 21, 1963

Mrs. Will Colby was surprised on her birthday by her two nephews from Stratton, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Harrison and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Harrison, who brought ice cream and cake to help her celebrate.

Grade school students and four mothers went to Lincoln early Saturday morning on a tour sponsored by the Burlington R.R. They visited the Lincoln Air Force Base, toured the capitol building and attended the ice capades. Students were Jimmy Fortkamp, Nick Kanost, Jackie Grimm, Karla Stock, Ricky Heldenbrand, Jerry Arenz, Glen Louch, Rhonda Schwenk, Jon Haarberg, Chris Hoff, Steve and Libby Balius, and mothers, Mrs. Rolland Fortkamp, Mrs. Lowell Grimm, Mrs. Emerson Schwenk and Mrs. Vic Haarberg.

Mrs. Merna Brown, Kimmy and Tammy of Denver and a friend are spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gerih.

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Mr and Mrs. Martin Gerhard of Hillsdale, N.J., were Monday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nordhausen.

### 75 years ago this week

#### February 23, 1938

Boys will soon realize a dream! The American Legion will sponsor a boy scout movement and organization is in the making. Arnold Cowles and Ennis Decker are the prospective scout leaders.

Wowie!! Won't the Wauneta High School Band look fine in their new uniforms. They will be the school colors — red and white. Hats and coats will be red with a white Sam Browne belt. The boys will wear white trousers and the girls white skirts.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Williams of McCook at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Olmsted.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Walgren returned home from Omaha Monday and took supper that evening at the W. Dicke's. Mr. and Mrs. Rob't. Baumfalk and son were also guests.

Local Markets: wheat-.81; corn-.53-.57; barley-.40; eggs-.12; cream-.24-.25; hens-.11.

### 100 years ago this week

#### February 20, 1913

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The flag for the school house is here and will be floated to the breeze on Saturday, Washington's birthday. It's a dandy!

Sam West and wife were over in the sand hills of Dundy County visiting his brothers.

As a result of indulging in too many free lunches at sale, Art Nesmith is suffering with the gout in his big toe.

C. E. Hart and Jas. Nesmith went to Benkelman Monday p.m as jurors.