

Five Years Ago **Aug. 28, 2008**

Ten high school students have embarked on a new format for education this year at the newly opened Holyoke Alternative School, located in the 400 block of East Denver Street.

Grainland Cooperative celebrated the opening of their new E85 pumps at Ampride on Aug. 20. Visitors could talk with Colorado Corn representatives and learn about E85 fuel and Flex-Fuel Vehicles.

Implementation of closed campus during the lunch hour for students in grades 6-8 has drawn some criticism and questions from area residents as questions were addressed at the Aug. 19 meeting of the Re-1J Board of Education.

Ten Years Ago **Aug. 28, 2003**

Holyoke City Council is proposing a 1 percent sales tax increase on the November ballot. If approved, the revenue generated by the tax increase will be used specifically for recreation projects which the city has been unable to fund due to an ever-tightening budget.

Rich Brown of Holyoke was honored at a recent convention of the National Rural Letter Carriers Association for his 25 years of service as state editor of the Colorado Rural Letter Carriers Association. He is the longest-serving state editor in the national organization.

Holyoke High School is starting out its inaugural season of softball this year with 11 players on the roster.

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Twenty-Five Years Ago Sept. 1, 1988

The Communicatively Multi Handicapped program, coordinated through Northeast Colorado BOCES, has returned to Holyoke, starting with this 1988-89 school year. Nine students in the BOCES area are attending school in the C/MH classroom, which is located across the street to the north of Holyoke Elementary-Junior High School.

The Holyoke Centennial time capsule, filled with memoirs of the 100th-year celebration, was sealed and buried beneath the bell in the display in the corner park Friday afternoon.

Forty Years Ago Aug. 30, 1973

The Holyoke board of trustees recently named Forrest Watson town building inspector.

Great Western Producers Cooperative has announced that it is proceeding with negotiations which could lead to the long-delayed purchase of the Great Western Sugar Co.

The area received some reprieve from the hot, dry weather that had been depleting soil moisture. The 1.42 inches of precipitation was accompanied by hail that caused considerable damage to crops.

Fifty Years Ago Aug. 29, 1963

Dr. Herman Niehaus of Holyoke was one of several Colorado veterinarians who were honored last week at Glenwood Springs for having practiced veterinary medicine in Colorado for 50

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years or more.

Possible expansion of the youth recreation program in Holyoke was discussed by Chamber of Commerce members at a regular breakfast meeting held Tuesday morning at the Rainbow Cafe. Some suggested improvements were relocation of the swimming pool, improvements at Means Lake and expansion of the present recreational program to include winter activities.

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