

## **Peekin' into the Past**

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### **Five Years Ago**

**Nov. 6, 2008**

Reconstruction of the Phillips County Communication Center is expected to be complete in November, according to Phillips County commissioners during their Oct. 31 meeting.

Because of a new national law known as the Red Flag Law, put into place to crack down on identity theft, patients of Melissa Memorial Hospital will now have to bring their IDs with them when they check in to the hospital.

### **Ten Years Ago**

**Nov. 6, 2003**

A cancer support group is being formed for Phillips County residents.

The unseasonably warm, dry weather that has lingered in the Holyoke area came to a screeching halt late last week as temperatures dropped 40 degrees and a steady drizzle verging on snow moved in. The change in weather put a halt on this year's corn harvest, which had been progressing rapidly.

### **Twenty-Five Years Ago**

**Nov. 10, 1988**

Cub Scouts and Webelo Scouts joined forces Saturday, Oct. 29 when they raked leaves at Melissa Memorial Hospital for a group service project.

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Jack Geist hit a hole-in-one on Hole Three at Holyoke Golf Course on Nov. 2.

Big Byron Agri Services will open a new office on the state line the first of November and will be offering a full line of fertilizer and chemicals plus irrigation and equipment parts.

### **Forty Years Ago Nov. 8, 1973**

A 1973 GMC Sprint pickup, owned by Herbert Brandt of Holyoke, was stolen from the Brandts' locked garage sometime Friday night. On Monday night, Nov. 5, two men were apprehended during a gun battle while they were burglarizing a business in Poteau, Okla. The Brandt pickup they were driving was extensively damaged during their apprehension.

The newly formed Holyoke Council on Aging will be studying many problems of the aging, but its prime objective is to investigate the possibility of a "Meals on Wheels" program.

### **Fifty Years Ago Nov. 7, 1963**

Strong winds swept across northeast Colorado Tuesday, creating one of the worst "tumbleweed blizzards" within the memory of Phillips County old-timers. The dry weeds clogged driveways and yards and virtually buried a number of farm dwellings.

Surveying and soil testing have been completed and all plans for the construction of Holyoke's new Melissa Memorial Hospital are virtually "wrapped up," a spokesman said Tuesday.

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