

“What Happened this Week in History”

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1939

“Club Takes Lead in Radersburg Civic Life”

Taking the lead as a civic leader, the Gold Diggers Home demonstration club has provided the community of Radersburg with a civic center and community hall to carry on local affairs. The hall formerly known as the Radersburg amusement hall has been purchased by this industrious club composed of some twelve progressive women leaders.

The deal was made between the club and S.L. Young, the former owner of the hall.

“Canton Valley News”

Some stockmen are taking their cattle to summer pastures. Paul Plymale and Pete Barker drove the Chas. Barker herd over the range via Confederate Gulch Tuesday to Mrs. Minnie Bingham’s ranch. Dan Mahony is reported to have taken his herd Tuesday to Jim Ball Basin.

“Radersburg News”

A stork shower was given on Sunday evening at the IOOF hall in honor of Mrs. Harvey Barraugh by several of her friends. Mrs. Barraugh received many beautiful and useful gifts and at the close of a pleasant evening refreshments were served.

Mrs. Bob Bomar and son of Livingston were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Bomar and family this week.

Rea Sitton, Hazel Pennell and children, Betty and Birdie, Mrs. Sam Harris and son, Bud, were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Harris at the Hutchinson Ranch on Crow Creek on Sunday.

1950

“Ray’s Shoe Shop Has New Quarters”

Ray Kline moved his shoe shop from the Odd Fellows hall on Spruce Street to the small shop building next to Don’s Mart this week.

“Townsend Briefs”

Mr. and Mrs. George Gabisch spent the long week end in Billings. The trip caught them in the midst of the late heavy snow and blizzard that enveloped southeastern Montana and they were forced to stay in Harlowton all night Friday night and continued to Billings behind snow plows the following day. At Broadview the school buses weren’t able to operate and school children were marooned in the town over Friday night. It was said there was 18 inches of fresh wet snow in Harlowton.

Cynda Holland was two April 20 and to celebrate the occasion she entertained her neighborhood friends including Judy and Pat McDonnell, Marietta Lanning, Tommy and Beverly Bayles, Mardee and Bobby McElwee and Johnny Poole.

1961

““Winston News”

Every Winston stockman is, has been, or soon will be branding. The calf crop has been unusually good this spring as a result of the warm, dry weather we had during calving time.

Also, it is spring cleanup time and people both in Winston and on the ranches are busy with rakes and pitchforks. Unfortunately some of the tin cans and bottles are not reaching the dump pit, but are being dribbled in the pastures where livestock graze. As this is a serious hazard to livestock, the owner of the pastures is hoping there will be no more garbage dumped anywhere, but in the pit which he generously furnished, otherwise he may have to take legal steps to curb the litterbugs.

Tony Moe became a member of the Elks Lodge in Helena Saturday afternoon at their seventieth anniversary initiation. Mrs. Moe joined her husband in the evening for the banquet and the anniversary ball.

1967

“Local Students Honored at High School Week”

Broadwater County High School junior, John McNulty, received first place in the state in history competition at High School Week held at Montana State University April 27 – 29. There were 878 top ranked juniors and seniors from Montana high schools competing for the forty-seven scholarships offered by the University. As an award for his achievement in history, John received a Rand McNally Deluxe World Atlas.

In the general competition, BCHS students again performed well. Senior Gary Flynn was awarded a \$195 scholarship for third place in Class C Schools, John McNulty received \$195 for taking fourth place in Class C competition and junior, David Jersey, received honorable mention.

Other local students attending High School week were seniors, Peggy Christie and Jerry Kitto.

“State Music Meet in Great Falls this Weekend”

Twenty-three students will be in Great Falls this weekend to take part in the Solo and Ensemble State Music Meet. Approximately 1500 students and teachers from the western half of Montana will be in Great Falls for this event.

Students who will leave early Friday morning are Marcia Moudree, Cathy Williams, Jeanne and Peggy Christie, Lorelee Flynn, Anita Olsen, Marilyn Hoffman, Marilyn Hargrove, Margaret and Larry Mullany, Bill, Ricky and Jerry Kitto, Jane Williams, Sherry Crum, Sharmon Malcom, Lisa Lanning, Shelly Iverson, Mike Harrigfeld, Dale Sprout, Dan Shearer, Tony Kaul and Tim Turman.

The students will be accompanied by Mrs. Lorraine Kitto, piano teacher, and Mrs. Paulie Ragen, vocal and instrumental teacher at the school.

1978

“Radersburg News”

Dear Readers: Sorry about no news last week and not much this week. I have a cold and have been in bed for over a week.

Loretta Williams stopped last week and gave me some news but was unable to write it.

Sharmon Bucy and Tom and Jerrie and Debi Brammer and Becky visited with their grandmother Hilda Young. They also stopped at Sally Roberts for coffee and visited with Jean Ralls.

Mike Sitton spent Saturday helping Harold Sitton put up his shed.

Wednesday, Bill, Harla and J.B., were business callers in Bozman. They also visited Bill's aunt, Mrs. Grace Melton.

Dorothy Sitton reported that there was five in church Sunday.

Jean Ralls leaves by plane Wednesday for a visit with her mother in Massachusetts. Will have more about that when she returns in two weeks.