

By **JOAN W. MEYER**
Compiled from Marion archives

10 YEARS AGO

JANUARY 2, 2003

The Marion County Courthouse looked stately in the snow following an unexpected storm Thursday afternoon. Meteorologists said the surprise snowstorm formed in the Rockies, gathered moisture, then moved into Kansas dumping between one and six inches of snow around the county and contributing to several accidents.

Jason Matz, Marion High School senior, has been named to the 3-A All-State Football Team. Matz also received all-league honors and will have the honor of having his picture hung on the Wall of Fame at the Marion High School Gymnasium. He is the son of Craig and Denise Matz.

Obituaries appearing in this issue include those of Della Ritters, Harold McKibbin, Thelma Schlotthauer, Bud McLinden, Irene Frantz, and Scott Mason.

Two Marion County employees, Jim “Butch” Cogdill and Dale Snelling, were honored for 40 years of service as Marion County employees in December at the county’s annual Christmas party. Each received an engraved knife.

The engagement of Gabrielle Dawn Longhofer and Christopher Case Darrow is announced this week by their parents. The couple plans to be married May 31.

25 YEARS AGO

JANUARY 8, 1988

Nicole Kristin Reid of Emporia won the Marion County

Record’s 1988 First Baby contest, arriving at St. Luke Hospital at 1:42 a.m. Sunday. She is the daughter of James and Tena Reid of Emporia.

Mrs. Frank Vlk of Marion won the *Marion County Record*’s annual holiday season subscription contest this year and was rewarded with a \$150 shopping spree. She selected Quality Food Market as where she would do her shopping. Other award winners were Henry Everett of Durham, a \$75 award, and Marion Parrack of Marion, a \$50 award.

Stanley Anderson of Marion has been reappointed by national commander Earl L. Stock Jr. of the Veterans of Foreign of Wars to serve as a national aide-de-camp for the coming year.

Sandra Slider, 34, a native of Lyons, has joined the staff of the *Marion County Record* as a reporter.

Mary Ann Conyers received an associate degree in nursing Dec. 17 at Butler County Community College. Conyers graduated as an honor student and is a member of the Order of the Purple. She is employed full time at St. Luke Hospital.

Frances Wynn of Marion has purchased the franchise to operate Jaconi’s Pizza Parlor locally. She took over operation Jan. 1.

35 YEARS AGO

JANUARY 11, 1978

The Earl Wineinger home, less than a mile south of the Marion County Lake dam, burned to the ground early Wednesday morning. It is speculated the fire started in an old chimney. The family escaped without injury, but only a few possessions were saved.

LeRoy Burton, who has been

teaching in Germany since 1975, has rejoined the faculty at Marion High School. He is the subject of this week’s Personality Profile.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Reznicek of Ottawa announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Judith Ann, to Louis W. Wegerer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wegerer of rural Marion.

Births announced in this issue include a son, Joshua Wade, born Jan. 6 to Mr. and Mrs. Bradford Wildin, Marion, and a son, Barrett Christopher, born Jan. 9 to Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Hauser, Grand Rapids, Minn.

Three area Tabor College students will take advantage of opportunities to travel during the winter interterm period in January. Debbie Kreutziger, a senior, will travel with the college choir to Europe. Junior John Popp will be one of 11 students to study banking and investments in New York City. Greg Regier, a sophomore is one of 21 who will study drama in New York City.

50 YEARS AGO

JANUARY 3, 1963

Lanell Marie, 13th child of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tajchman is the “First Baby of 1963” in Marion. She was born Jan. 2 at St. Luke Hospital. She and her parents will be the recipients of the fine first baby gifts offered each year by Marion merchants.

The first residence fire in Marion in many months occurred Wednesday at the Carl Anderson residence on Cleveland Street in Jex Addition. The Andersons and their four small children lost much of the clothing and belongings.

James Moffitt of Tampa will

be among two contingents of volunteers departing Jan. 3 for Nigeria to work as secondary school teachers. After a week’s orientation in Lagos and regional capitals, the volunteers will be assigned to secondary schools throughout Nigeria, using English as the language of instruction.

Marion High School’s “Basketball Queen” will be crowned during halftime of the Warrior-Council Grove game next week. Finalists for queen are Cheryl Caselman, senior, and two juniors Donna Hanschu and Mary Konarik. The girls will be escorted by Mike Schwemmer, Lowell Ensey, and Max Jackson.

Kathy Klein entertained college and high school friends, Connie Sturgis of Manhattan, Ann Falen and Linda Gutsch of Emporia, Linda Strome of Burdick and Sandra Janzen of Lincolnville at a “pajama party” Thursday evening.

60 YEARS AGO

JANUARY 8, 1953

Mr. and Mrs. Errett Phillips, who have operated the Marion Pharmacy for the past 34 years, announce this week they have sold the business to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. McCartney of Eureka. The change of ownership and management was effective Jan. 1.

Tom Hett, well known local farmer/cattleman roped a large Golden Eagle the other day in Harold Hauser’s pasture. Why the bird didn’t fly, or couldn’t, Tom didn’t know. He says he will take the eagle home, feed him up, and see if they can teach him to fly.

Marion Marble and Granite Works, a widely known local monument firm, operated for many years by Jack Scott, has been leased, effective Jan. 1, to Walter Keazer and Jack Helmer.

Cynthia Ann Horst, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Horst of Florence, is the first baby born at St. Luke Hospital this year. She was born Jan. 2 and will receive the various prizes offered by Marion merchants.

North Cedar Street residents up in the neighborhood of the new church say there are so many “little chuckle-holes” in the street that it gives them the hiccups when they drive on it.

Alice Faye Ward, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Ward, Marion, was one of 23 students at the Washington University School of Nurs-

ing in St. Louis, to receive the white cap of student nurses at the traditional “capping” ceremony.

100 YEARS AGO

JANUARY 4, 1913

T.P. Burkert came in this morning and paid his Record subscription for about the 42nd time. He has been a subscriber since the paper started in 1870.

Miss Edythe Martin was the winner of the \$50 diamond ring given away by Sheldon’s Jewelry Store to the one guessing the nearest to the length of time a big candle, on exhibition in the store window during the holiday season, would burn. The candle burned 64 hours, 10 minutes, and 6 seconds. Miss Martin’s guess was 64 hours, 10 minutes, and 40 seconds. There were at least 1500 guesses.

Two prisoners escaped from the county jail Tuesday evening. It is evident that the jail is in no shape for keeping desperate men. These men had help from the outside, someone having passed a small crowbar in to them and with it they pried their way through the ceiling into the bathroom and escaped. This much at least ought to be done—things should be fixed so that it will not be so easy to pass things in to prisoners.

J.H. Hoch has bought from Isaac Good the lots on the west and north of the Stone arch bridge—the lots running back to the alley line, taking in the old stone building and east to the center of the creek.

About 30 young people were very pleasantly entertained at Niels Hansen’s last Saturday evening. Various games were played and refreshments were served.

125 YEARS AGO

JANUARY 6, 1888

S.C. Palmer, of Chase County, formerly from Marion, has been in town this week selling a patent door strip.

Tom Daniels returned Tuesday evening from Illinois, whither he went with the precocious body of his little boy to lay it beside its mother in the Decatur cemetery.

Everything is booming here, people go running along the streets (after their hats) as if this was the last day on which to transact business.

The Y.M.C.A. of this city is working hard. We are not yet fully organized but hope to be next Sunday. We will then buckle on the full armor of the Lord, and be prepared for battle.

Every gardener and floriculturist is acquainted with the great seed house of James Vick, Rochester, New York. The annual catalogue of this old and reliable house is again upon our table, “a thing of beauty” as usual, fit for any parlor table.

Peter Gaasch showed us yesterday an eight months old colt that tipped the beam at 820 pounds on the scales here. A pretty good one we think for a field colt that hasn’t been in a stable this winter.

The first four days of the new year were beautiful. Masons laid stone, and outdoor work of all kinds went on as if spring time had come, gentle Annie. But, at this writing, the earth is mantled with a thin coating of snow, and fans are not in particular demand.

Days of Yore

By **MARILYN JONES**
Compiled from Peabody archives

10 YEARS AGO

JAN. 1, 2003

The city of Peabody has been awarded a \$400,000 community development grant (CDG) from the Kansas Department of Commerce and Housing. It is earmarked for the city to use toward upgrading at the wastewater treatment plant.

The holiday shopping spree winners were Kelly Penner, Elsie Uphoff, Trisha Oursler, and Virgie Jones.

V. I. “Bud” McLinden, 87, died Dec. 22, 2002 at Marion Manor Rehabilitation Center in Marion.

25 YEARS AGO

DEC. 31, 1987

Guests of Muriel Wolfersperger for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day were Kris and Roger Carswell, Dwight and Riley.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Seibel hosted a chili supper Tuesday evening.

Lynn and Jerry Watts of Blue Springs, Mo., were Christmas visitors at the home of Pearl Watts. The guests left early, concerned about the weather.

50 YEARS AGO

DEC. 27, 1962

A four-inch blanket of snow that fell like a movie sequence

Christmas Eve turned large areas of Kansas into a huge Christmas card scene for the Yuletide holiday.

The Peabody Young Farmers class held their first meeting Friday evening with 21 farmers attending. The group elected a board of directors, consisting of Warren Slocombe, Lee Rempel, Irvin McPheeters, Tony Gaines, John Reid, and Alfred Schmidt which will plan the course of study and activities for the coming year. Vo Ag instructor Gary Jones is supervising the class.

100 YEARS AGO

DEC. 25, 1912

Mr. and Mrs. Holden took their baby to Peabody Wednesday and had its neck operated on. It has been very ill, but improving at present.

Mr. Davis of Wichita, Field Secretary of the State Temperance Union, gave a lecture at the Methodist Church Sunday to a full house. It was thoroughly enjoyed by all, for Mr. Da-

vis knows how to deliver the goods.

Ben Moersky of Florence threshed kaffir corn and millet at Townsend ranch from Tuesday until Friday of last week.

125 YEARS AGO

DEC. 29, 1887

Dogs have been killing a good many sheep hereabouts, lately.

The electric lights were “out” last evening owing to breakage in the machinery and some of the merchants were compelled to rustle around for lamps. The streets looked dark, too.

Yesterday and before were quite cold and today the streets are full of teams, as if all the farmers had come to town to take in supplies for Christmas.

An effort is being made to organize a dancing club in this city and secure Prof. Tappen for an instructor.

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The Authors of this 2012 Holiday VIP Preview once again suggest that you visit the best Sonic today at 1600 East 30th Avenue in Hutchinson, phone (620) 664-9117. They thank everyone for their patronage! Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you and your family. They thank you for your business!