

HISTORICAL MEMORIES

For AUGUST 1900-2005

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1900 – Dr. Romaine is the dentist who makes a set of teeth for \$5.00.

1930 – Gothenburg sported one of the miniature golf courses which were springing up all over the country. The nice little 18-hole course and clubhouse was set up on the lots west of the horseshoe grounds on 9th Street. Tynee Golf Course was the name chosen.

1935 – The list of Gothenburg's unemployed was reduced by 37 last week, that number being drawn for work on the Sutherland project. Between 80-90 Gothenburg men were now employed on the project which consisted of the construction of 64 miles of canals, the Sutherland Reservoir and Lake Maloney.

1980 - The Gothenburg Lion's Club had installed wooden supports for a footbridge at Lake Helen. They volunteered to construct the bridge with the city paying for materials. The footbridge was to span the water splitting the land masses in two at Lake Helen.

1980 – Despite a gasoline price increase of about 50 cents per gallon over most of the summer, the number of tourists has been up at the Pony Express Station by about 10 percent.

1985 – A position of City Administrator was created for Gothenburg when Councilman Arlond Garrett, Larry Franzen and Rick Blasé unanimously approved an ordinance presented by City Attorney Mike Bacon. The city had been without an administrator since June 1980.

1995 – The torch for the 1996 Summer Olympic Games in Atlanta, GA followed the Pony Express Trail from Julesburg, CO to St. Joseph, MO. The torch passed by the Midway Station on the 96 Ranch south of Gothenburg, (NOTE: This torch can be seen at the Historical Museum.)

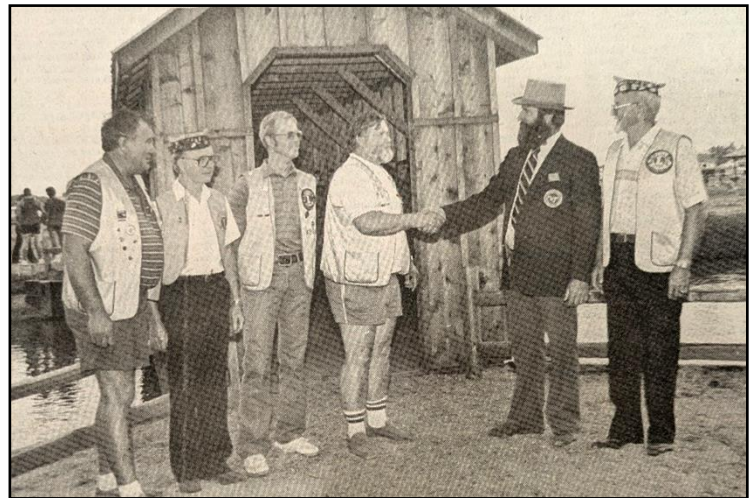
1995 – The Gothenburg Jaycees in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce were planning a new event entitled the PX Summerfest. The four-day event included a children's theatre, talent show, fishing

contest, coed softball tournaments, craft and snack booths, games and a DC Lynch Carnival.

1995 – The Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors presented a First Dollar to the new KOA Stage Stop owners Barry McDiarmid and his daughter Nikki. Five Star Flooring, Todd Houchin, also received a First Dollar.

2000 – Dollar General Store, a Fortune 500 Company, has announced it will locate in downtown at 1009 Lake.

2005 – With a boost from a Community Development Block Grant of \$218,5000, renovation and the addition to the Senior Center is now a reality.



1985 – The covered bridge at Lake Helen was officially dedicated to the City of Gothenburg by members of the Gothenburg Lions Club. According to Lions Club president John Merrell, this may be the only covered bridge in Nebraska. Those pictured are G.R. Shackleton, Howard McFadden, Jim Breuer, Merrell, City Councilman Larry Franzen and Harold Oliver.

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