

## **Pipe bombs bring about open door policy**

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### **One Year Ago**

*May 12, 2011*

A \$2500 reward was still unclaimed, as no one was stepping forward with any information on the vandalism at the golf course. The reward was being offered after the second hole on the course was nearly destroyed by someone driving and peeling out on the grass causing deep rivets and grooves in the grass that were expected to take several seasons to repair.

### **Ten Years Ago**

*May 9, 2002*

A total of eight pipe bombs had been found in mailboxes across the state, bringing about the mailbox open door policy. The postmaster encouraged residents to leave a heavy rock in their box to keep their mail from blowing away, and advised that if the door wasn't left open, no mail would be delivered. Postal carriers worked extra hours to go door to door to educate everyone about the new policy. There was no word on when the policy would end.

### **Twenty-five Years Ago**

*May 6, 1987*

Plans for Madrid's Centennial were in their final stages for the May 23-25 celebration. Already set were the 5k and 10k races, an out house race, parade, a beard contest, a greased pig contest and a special recognition of citizens. That Saturday night there was to be dancing at the fire hall in Madrid followed by breakfast. Sunday's fun was to include a continental breakfast, followed by church services, then volleyball and softball games .

### **Fifty Years Ago**

*May 10, 1962*

Perkins County Community Hospital delightfully accepted their new gift from the Perkins County Association of Independent Insurance Agents: a new Jacuzzi whirlpool bath. The unit was valued at \$346, and was placed into the bathtubs of patients to treat sore muscles and aches. The jacuzzi most valuably was used to treat the arthritic patients at the time.

### **Seventy-Five Years Ago**

*May 6, 1937*

The first inspection for the year's soil conservation started this week. Precinct committeemen from every precinct in the county attended school on May 4 and began inspection immediately following. The first operations were checked and new information was given to the farmers, to help them know if they qualified for the program as a result of these visits.

