

## **Elsie “Can Do” project raises funds for park improvements**

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### **One Year Ago**

*March 29, 2012*

In a 3-1 vote, city council approved the construction of a three-bay box hangar at the Grant Municipal Airport during their regular meeting. The hangar project would be funded by \$402,120 from the FAA, with the city providing the remainder of the funding for the construction which will total \$446,800.

### **Ten Years Ago**

*March 27, 2003*

Long-time Grant Golf Course employee John Sexson was deciding to retire from his 17-year position of greenskeeper for the course. Age, as well as a recent stroke were the main factors in his decision to leave the physically demanding job of caring for the 67-acre course.

Jan Goff, now Rahn, was named the managing editor of The Grant Tribune Sentinel.

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

*March 30, 1988*

“Collecting aluminum cans for the “Can Do” project in Elsie had raised just over 400 dollars. At least 54 children had taken part in the project that was designed to raise funds for the acquisition of a sprinkler system for the ball field at Centennial Park. For their efforts, the children who participated were looking forward to a skating party in April.

Fifty Years Ago

*March 28, 1963*

Kenneth Drake, a 26-year-old transport driver for the Elsie Coop Oil Co. received minor injuries when he laid a fully loaded, 60,000 pound semi-trailer transport onto its side. The accident occurred Friday at around 3:15 in the afternoon. The drivers comments were, “I know it can happen to anyone, no matter how careful he tries to be.”

### **Seventy Five Years Ago**

*March 31, 1938*

A great crowd attended the dedication services for Ogallala’s new post office building and the city welcomed the guests in a big way. Area postmasters enjoyed a banquet, then the flag was raised and the “laying of the cornerstone” celebration. There was a live band, food and drinks and an excellent crowd.