



# McPherson County News

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## From The Tryon Graphic Files

TEN YEARS AGO  
MARCH 15, 2007

Taylor Lovitt, Jordan Lovitt and Natasha Carr all qualified from McPherson County High School for the state speech competition.

Taylor Lovitt, Margo McNutt, Meka Melvin and Talia Miller all qualified for the 2007 Sandhills Conference All-Conference Basketball team.

Joe Christopher and Dave Christopher were this week's senior spotlights.

Deaths: Forrest "Junior" Kugler, 77, of Stapleton, March 5; Ted Long, age 75, North Platte, March 6.

Births: Isaiah Neal, son of Jesse and Sheri Neal of Alma, February 28.

TWENTY YEARS AGO  
MARCH 20, 1997

Marlene Crosier, officer in charge at the Tryon Post Office, was pictured with the new Tryon Postmaster, John M. Wroot. He began his duties on March 17.

The MCHS Speech Team took first place at the Oregon Trail Conference contest on March 11. Local students placing were: Jeremy Arensdorf, Lana Streiff, Tara Connell, Kyle Correll, Ryan Correll, Arlis Blake, Justin Moore, Darla Arensdorf, Sarah Schultheiss, Travis Beck, Lacy Beck and Tyler Neal.

The McPherson County High School Board of Education has named a new superintendent to lead District No. 90 beginning July 1. Mr. Dennis D. Krominga was officially hired at the March 13 meeting.

Chad William Fisher was this week's Senior Spotlight.

Births: Wiley & Haley Munson were born March 13.

THIRTY YEARS AGO  
MARCH 19, 1987

Casey Connell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Connell and Jeanne Masters, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Masters of Tryon, were crowned king and

queen of the 1987 Heart Fund Jamboree.

Deaths: Henry Melvin Waits, 85, Tryon, March 15.

Melanie Jameson was this week's Senior Spotlight.

McPherson County High School placed third in the technical tests in Division IV Schools at Mid Plains Community College. Individual placers were: Craig Neal, Mike Waits, LeRoy Black, Scott Starr, Craig Neal, Melanie Jameson and Trevor Neal.

FORTY YEARS AGO  
MARCH 17, 1977

A blizzard which began with an inch of rain Thursday night, left part of Tryon without power for nearly 48 hours after the rain turned to snow early Friday morning. Snow plows had a very tough time with the seven to 15 foot drifts on the highway from North Platte to Tryon and never reached Tryon until Sunday afternoon. It was reported by a driver of one of the plows that it took them four hours to come to Tryon from the junction four miles east of Tryon. Some houses were nearly buried in the drifts of snow.

During the storm, several people were stranded at the Frontier Café. They spent their time by playing cards, pool, foosball, and a little Nerf Basketball.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dahlin lost two big cedar trees in their front yard that were uprooted by the storm.

FIFTY YEARS AGO  
MARCH 16, 1967

Jean Snyder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Miles Snyder of Platts was selected to represent Tryon at Girls Sate in Lincoln. Sheryl Connell was named alternate.

Sandi Jo Connell was born March 6, 1967 to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Connell of Stapleton.

Pamela Rodewald was a speller on Channel 2 Spelling Bee Friday.

SIXTY YEARS AGO  
MARCH 21, 1957

Teddie Daigger and Maudene Haskell have been named as delegates to Boys and Girls State at Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith and family were injured Sunday, March 17, when

their car went out of control on the road which goes north from the Tryon-Ringgold junction. Mrs. Smith received a broken collar bone, Mr. Smith and baby received minor bruises, and daughter Judy, even though she was thrown through the windshield, reports only bruises.

SEVENTY YEARS AGO  
MARCH 20, 1947

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Allen are moving Saturday to the Jennie Cline place from the Bill Lange place north of town.

The high school at Tryon had been averaging four or five absent every day due to sickness. They were glad to report that Mr. McIntosh was improving. He was taken to the hospital at North Platte.

The sale at Dewey Harvey's was well attended on Monday.

EIGHTY YEARS AGO  
MARCH 18, 1937

Ira Sage, former editor of the Arthur Enterprise, died on Wednesday of last week of injuries received in an auto accident the evening before. At one time Sage was the editor of the Paxton Times and was Superintendent of schools at several western Nebraska towns.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Heldenbrand of North Platte announce the birth of a son, March 15.

The Graphic printed bills last week for the John Cooper sale which will be held on March 25.

Jake Jeffords and Claude Kimble of Broken Bow landed their air plane near Tryon Monday forenoon to repair a tire. The men were hunting coyotes.

NINETY YEARS AGO  
MARCH 17, 1927

A fine baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ted French Sunday, March 13.

Walter Stack is sporting a new ford roadster recently purchased as the Tryon Garage.

Lloyd Moore and Artie French made a trip to North Platte the first of the week. They drove out two new trucks which will be used to haul Clay for surfacing this end of the North Platte Tryon road.

Ben Varner is helping at the Woods ranch for a few weeks.

### Aunt Bea's Senior Meals Lunch Menu

Monday, March 20 - Polish sausage, sauerkraut, scalloped potatoes and green beans.

Tuesday, March 21 - Grilled chicken breast, mashed potatoes and corn.

Wednesday, March 22 - Barbecue sandwich, baked beans and French fries.

Thursday, March 23 - Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes and peas.

Friday, March 24 - Fish

sandwich, Au Gratin potatoes and beet.

#### Notable Quotes

Time  
Like a petal in the wind  
Flows softly by  
As old lives are taken  
New ones begin  
A continual chain  
Which lasts throughout eternity

Every life but a minute in time

But each of equal importance

CINDY CHENEY, "Time"

The logo for Ogallala Livestock Auction Market, featuring the word "Ogallala" in a stylized script font.

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## Nursing instructor to be honored for excellence in teaching

Lana Albrecht-Watson has been named as an Excellence in Teaching recipient by the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development (NISOD).

The Tryon woman is a nurse educator and the nursing clinical coordinator for both the registered nurse and licensed practical nursing programs at Mid-Plains Community College. She was nominated for the award by her peers.

"Lana's reputation and experience in the classroom made our selection very easy," said Dr. Jody Tomanek, MPCC area vice president of academic affairs. "Lana is not only outstanding when it comes to teaching, but her work with the nursing student organization and the number of community activities they do is commendable as well. The college is extremely proud to have Lana recognized for her efforts."

The Excellence Award honors teachers who have demonstrated an outstanding commitment and contribution to their students and colleagues.

"I'm very proud to receive the award," said Albrecht-Watson. "I really do have a passion for teaching. It's exciting for me to watch students learning, having fun and reaching goals they wanted to reach."

Albrecht-Watson has been a full-time instructor at the college for six years. She is an alum of MPCC's nursing program - having entered it in 1995, right out of high school.

"It was an honor to be asked to come back and teach at the place where I got my start," said Albrecht-Watson. "The whole reason I teach is because I want to have good nurses when I need them, or when my family or friends need them. At MPCC, I get the satisfaction of knowing we are sending an excellent, well-prepared group of nurses into the workforce."

That's part of why pinning day is the most exciting for her. It's also the most difficult.

"The nursing students become like family," said Albrecht-Watson. "I get to be kind of like their mother. It's fun to build that rapport with them and watch them grow, but it's always hard to say good-bye."

Her efforts will be recognized during NISOD's International Conference on Teaching and Leadership Excellence on May 28, in Austin, Texas. There, she will be treated to a red carpet experience and presented with a specially cast, pewter medallion.



COURTESY PHOTO

Lana Albrecht-Watson teaches nursing students Shea Simons, of North Platte, and Adrienne McDaniel, of Curtis, how to monitor irregularities in a fetal heartbeat Monday at Mid-Plains Community College. Albrecht-Watson will receive an Excellence in Teaching award in May.

A black and white portrait of J.R. Trumbull, a man with glasses and a mustache, wearing a suit and tie.

Over  
The Hills

By J.R. Trumbull

Quote: Be thankful for what you have. You will end up having more. If you concentrate on what you don't have, you will never have enough." - Unknown

Be thankful for the little things for they may indeed be the big things when you look back on your life. I am thankful to be living out here in God's cattle country. I am also thankful that nothing has blown away and that I haven't had to prepare to evacuate or face the horrific losses that so many are burdened with in other states. So many things to be thankful for such as good friends, memories, freedom, having been brought up by loving & caring parents... the list goes on. I can look back now and see that I need to be very thankful for the way certain things have happened in my life. No matter how bad it looked, there was always something good to focus on. There were people I met or experiences that have helped build my life. Life may throw stones at you. You can either choose to be bruised and buried by those stones of misadventure or you can use them to build a firm foundation and walls of defense and security. If one thing had been different, it might have changed everything else. Be thankful for each day. God is in control, remember that and let Him be in control. He is the Boss, you aren't. Willing and useful servants turn to the Boss for instruction and advice.

I do a lot of internet browsing and enjoy social networking. This was one piece of advice that fits well with being thankful.

"The four agreements: 1. Be Impeccable With Your Words. Speak with integrity. Say only what you mean. Avoid gossiping about others. Use the power of your word in the direction of truth and love. 2. Don't Take Anything Personally. Nothing others do is because of you. What others say and do is a projection of their own reality, their own dream. 3. Don't Make Assumptions. Communicate

as clearly as you can to avoid misunderstandings, sadness and drama. With just this one agreement, you can completely transform your life. 4. Always Do Your best. Your best is going to change from moment to moment; it will be different when you are healthy as opposed to sick. Simply do your best and you will avoid self-judgment, self-abuse and regret." - Don Miguel Ruiz

### WORDS OF WISDOM

If I could only remember  
All the wisdom spoke to me  
While Dad was here on earth,  
A modern-day Solomon I'd be.

Time has a way of erasing things  
You think you never will forget  
And you are left with partial memories  
With worlds of wishes and regret.

Now, just how did he do this?  
This I often query  
As the trial and error method  
Leaves me frustrated and weary.

It may have taken longer  
But it was done just right  
With fences straight  
And gates snug and tight.

How to judge a cow  
By the expression in her eye.  
Which to keep for the herd  
And which to pass on by.

Making do with this or that,  
Sacrifice for the lasting good,  
Doing what you had to do  
Sometimes just to prove you could.

Fight the good fight  
And finish the race  
Travel through life with God  
And let Him set the pace.

J.R. Trumbull  
21 October 2014

The logo of the University of Nebraska, featuring the word "Nebraska" in a stylized font.

NEBRASKA COLLEGE OF  
TECHNICAL AGRICULTURE

**POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT**  
**Assistant Professor**  
**Agriculture Production Systems**

Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture in Curtis, NE, is seeking candidates for a 9-month, non-tenure leading faculty position in Agriculture Production Systems (APS) starting August 21, 2017. Review of applications will begin on March 27, 2017, and continue until a suitable candidate is identified or the search is closed.

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