



McPherson County News

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TEN YEARS AGO
MARCH 19, 2009

The Tryon Volunteer Fire Department was called to the Gene and Kim Simonton residence located northeast of Tryon early Sunday morning, March 15, at approximately 1:00 a.m. The house was a complete loss and the cause of the fire is under investigation. Mrs. Simonton said that she and her husband were only able to grab an armload of things as the smoke was getting too bad.

McPherson County High School girls and boys track team members for 2009 were: Alecia Paxton, Molly Hinkle, Samantha Kramer, Mara Seifer, Kate Seifer, Tasha Miller, Ashley Bessmer, Dillon Daigger, Riggin Harper, Gabe Ryland, Eric Trumbull, Wadim Leontiev, Tyrell Fisher, Chris Burch and Jake Sowders.

McPherson County Junior High boys and girls track team members were: Dane Daigger, Emily Kramer, Ashley Starr, Kandace Ward, McKenna Bessmer, Cailyn Bessmer, Taylor Thompson, Ty Waits, Timothy Miller, Levi Brott, Austin Starr, Alex Hinkle, Jesse Paxton, Ty Sailors and Clay Seifer.

McPherson County basketball players named to the Sandhills All-Conference team were: Girls - Ashley Bessmer and Tasha Miller. Boys - Tyrel Fisher.

Mathew Dale was this week's MCHS Senior Spotlight.

TWENTY YEARS AGO
MARCH 18, 1999

Nancy Neal, daughter of Steve and Sharon Neal of North Platte and the granddaughter of Doris and LaVerne Neal of Tryon and Erma and Gary Baker of North Platte attended the National Young Leaders Conference in Washington D.C. February 9-14.

Wayne McNutt was this week's Senior Spotlight.

Harvey Neal and Patricia Underwood were united in marriage, March 6, 1999, at the Wesleyan Church in Tryon.

Kory Baker, who is in the fourth grade at the Hershey School, placed third in the 65-weight group in the Federation Wrestling held March 6, 1999 in Madrid. Kory is the son of Jim and Clyta West and is the grandson of Dorothy Kramer.

Mark and Landon Trumbull visited Dorothy Kramer Wednesday evening, March 10, while Derek Uhrmacher was attending Joy Club.

Dewayne Melvin, who underwent surgery at Great Plains Regional Medical Center at North Platte on March 9, is reported to be coming along well.

THIRTY YEARS AGO
MARCH 23, 1989

Two members of the

McPherson County High School Speech Team qualified for the State Meet this year. They included Ellen Gosnell, Interpretation of Prose; and Melissa Power, Interpretation of Poetry.

Dustin Wilke, son of Dallas and Marg Willkie, won the championship trophy at the annual McPherson County Spelling Contest held March 17 at Tryon. Others in the championship contest were Dawna Arensdorf, Jason Munson and Kelly Long.

FORTY YEARS AGO
MARCH 29, 1979

Lorna Dobbins, Cindy and Trudy, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Orval Miller of Ogallala, returned home from Detroit where they had gone to attend the wedding of Dwight Miller and Nancy Buhr on March 24, 1979.

Crystal Pettit, a sixth grade student, received her championship trophy for her efforts at the McPherson County spelling contest. Other first place winners from each grade in the oral championship were Craig Neal, Kerri Moore, Staci Pettit, Mark Trumbull and Nadean Daigger, from grades 3 through 8.

FIFTY YEARS AGO
MARCH 27, 1969

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Neal received word March 12 that their son, Doug, was critically ill with meningitis in Madigan Army Base Hospital in Fort Lewis Washington. Mrs. Archie Neal, Mrs. Leland Rodewald and Ray Kemp left by plane to go out there.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Neal of Kearney were parents of a new son Mark Evan born March 20, 1969. He is the first grandson of Mr. and Mrs. LaVerne Neal of Tryon and Mr. and Mrs. Percy Cross of Arthur.

Mr. and Mrs. O.E. Black have sold the Tryon Telephone Co. to Northeastern Telephone Co. in Blair. Northeastern telephone would install a dial telephone system, but it would take about two years to get the system in operation.

McPherson County High School band members and instructor Mrs. Jean Hora, represented the high school at the Hi-Line Conference band clinic at Stapleton. Sponsoring cars for the clinic were Mrs. Lucille Kemp, Mrs. Audrey Bierma, Bob Masters, Mrs. Hora, and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Bassett.

SIXTY YEARS AGO
MARCH 19, 1959

Mrs. Warren Winters and Mrs. George Kahoe were members of the committee in charge of the W.S.C.S. Bake Sale in North Platte.

The ice cream social held by the Tryon Rebekah Lodge Sunday evening was a big success.

The American Legion Auxiliary will sponsor Miss Evelyn Cash as a delegate to Girls State from

McPherson County. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Cash.

SEVENTY YEARS AGO
MARCH 24, 1949

Homer Gibbs has been staying at the Arthur Moore home in Tryon. He will move into his new home about the first of May.

Mrs. Orval Black gave a birthday party March 18 for their little daughter, Jerry. Her little guests were Rosie Cook, Gary Schmidt, Shirley Hunn, Jeroldine Harvey, Douglas and Bruce McIntosh, Danny and Diane Traphagen and Patricia Ann Patton.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cotton and children have moved out to the ranch after spending the winter in Tryon. The Bill Griffith family moved into the house vacated by the Cotton family.

Quite a number of folks from the Flats community attended the funeral services for Mrs. Phila Dikeman at North Platte Sunday.

A baby girl was born March 18, 1949, to Mrs. Joan Helberg and the late Don Helberg at Memorial Hospital in North Platte. The baby has been named Mary Jo. This is the first grandchild of Mr. and Mrs. Mart Mathers of Flats and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Helberg of North Platte.

Miss Henrietta Huffman is one of the employees at the new Sears Store in North Platte as is Miss Anna Arensdorf. Henrietta is in the ready to wear department.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Lutes of Stapleton, are the parents of a baby boy, born March 20, 1949.

EIGHTY YEARS AGO
MARCH 23, 1939

David David moved some household goods to the Bennie Harrison farm on the Platte bottom Tuesday for Mr. and Mrs. Chet Allen. Chet will work at the Harrison farm this year.

A new Norge bottled gas stove will be installed at the Elzie Hatch home this week by the Bender Store. This type of stove is proving quite popular in this part of the county.

The George Downing family is moving into the property vacated Monday by the Nate Bassett family. The Downings formerly lived in the Kahoe property.

NINETY YEARS AGO
MARCH 21, 1929

Mr. John Dahlin of Tryon was in Flats Tuesday. He was on his way to work on the new Church at Calora, Nebraska.

T.J. Neal and family were guests at Loren Neal's Sunday.

Bobbie Shimmin hauled

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J.R. Trumbull

Over The Hills

is an equal and opposite malfunction.

* To err is human . . . To blame your computer for your mistakes is even more human, it is downright natural.

* If at first you do not succeed, blame your computer.

* A complex system that does not work is invariably found to have evolved from a simpler system that worked perfectly.

* The number one cause of computer problems? Computer solutions offered by family members. And if I may add - The best line I have heard when trying to explain to new computer users why something is happening that you don't understand is: "I think you have a problem with the interface between the chair and the keyboard."

Computing Salving

Forgiveness means
Your old files are deleted,
You are being reprogrammed,
And your system rebooted.

Your new anti-virus
Is Jesus the Lord
And the price is far greater
Than you alone could afford.

The great cost was paid
By Christ on the Cross
And, better than Bill Gates,
God is the Top Boss!

Satan would say
That God is obsolete
But without God
No one is complete.

God is bigger
Than mega or gigabytes.
There's no end to his RAM
And His memory exceeds light.

But He can delete
The vilest of sin.
Just call on His name
And let Him come in.

With His Great Plan
You get the ultimate upgrade-
A future in Heaven
That's not open to trade.

So click right on Jesus
His site is never down.
Check out His program
And go for that crown.

It's not hard to download,
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And study those pages!

Be prepared for a battle
With the vilest of worms
But with God on your side,
It's all on His terms.

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