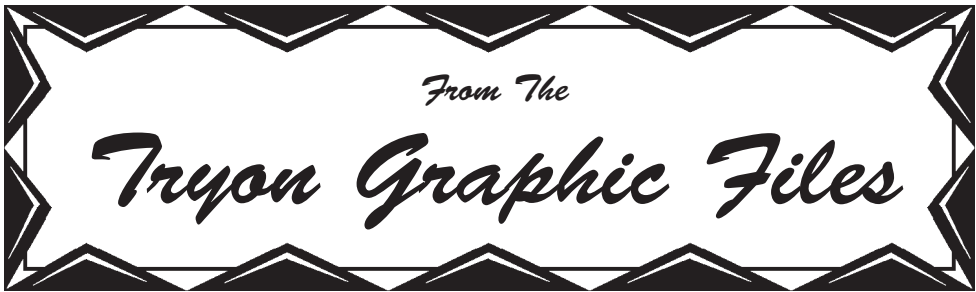




McPherson County News

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TEN YEARS AGO
APRIL 12, 2007
The 2007 MCHS Prom was held recently. Senior class members pictured were: Whitney Trumbull, Bret Daly, Margo McNutt, Alek Janeczek, Talia Miller, Dave Christopher, Natasha Carr, Matt Fiechter, Taylor Lovitt, Kasey Dailey and Anna Licking.
Deaths: Melvin Dikeman, age 90, died April 8, 2007.

The Rural Field Day was held April 16 with students in Kindergarten through sixth grade participating.

TWENTY YEARS AGO
APRIL 24, 1997
Susan Fox and Rich Linegar from the Wildwood Tree Farm of Gothenburg and Susan Stickney and Jack Cotton from the McPherson County Tree Board planted some new trees at the Miller Park in Tryon for Arbor Day.

A North Platte man, Jon W. Wilhite, age 36, was killed in an accident late Tuesday night, April 15, when the southbound vehicle he was driving went off a curve at the foot of Russell Hill on Highway 97 in Tryon.

Sarah Jayne Schultheiss is in the Senior Spotlight this week.

THIRTY YEARS AGO
APRIL 23, 1987

Cindy Dobbins, daughter of Ron and Lorna Dobbins of Tryon, was one of 18 University of Nebraska at Lincoln members who attended the National Collegiate 4-H Conference at Ohio State University.

A large crowd attended the sale of the household goods and real estate of Leo Cash in Tryon, Saturday.

Mike Waits and Betty Daigger were in the Senior Spotlight this week.

FORTY YEARS AGO
APRIL 21, 1977

Janelle Snyder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Snyder of Sutherland, has been chosen as the Girls State Delegate by the American Legion Auxiliary of Tryon. Named alternate was Teana Bullington.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Higgins of Halsey, were announcing the engagement of their daughter, Melanie Diane to Charles Emory Daly, son of Mrs. Evelyn Daly and the late Emory Daly. A June wedding is being planned.

McPherson County High School took second in its division April 15 at the Scholastic Contest at Chadron State College. Winners from Tryon were Scott Brouwer and Rex Kemp.

Aunt Bea's Senior Meals Lunch Menu

Monday, April 24 - Polish sausage, sauerkraut, scalloped potatoes and green beans.

Tuesday, April 25 - Grilled chicken breast, mashed potatoes and corn.

Wednesday, April 26 - Barbecue sandwich, baked beans and French fries.

Thursday, April 27 - Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes and peas.

Friday, April 28 - Fish sandwich, Au Gratin potatoes and beets.

Monday, May 1 - Ham steak, baked sweet potato and hominy

FIFTY YEARS AGO
APRIL 20, 1967

Tom Kemp and Lloyd Connell put down a well for Don Neal on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Seifer and Dean attended the senior class play in Sutherland Friday evening. Their daughter Connie is a member of the senior class there.

The Mart Mather's, Taft Haddy's and Tom Ellis's attended the 40th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Shepherd in Sutherland Sunday.

SIXTY YEARS AGO
APRIL 25, 1957

A trip to Colorado beginning Saturday and ending on Tuesday has been scheduled for the senior class. They plan to see the ice capades during the trip. Those who plan to take cars are Harold Neal, Andrew Carroll and Mrs. Nellie Miller.

Mr. Andrew Carroll, teacher and coach at Tryon, received a bad cut on his right hand Monday from a broken window glass which boke while he was attempting to close a window of the high school building.

Rev. B.D. Hunn came home Monday and left again Tuesday morning for his evangelistic work.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Power and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Jameson were sponsors for the high school roller skating party at North Platte Tuesday night.

SEVENTY YEARS AGO
APRIL 24, 1947

On April 20, 1947, Miss Evelyn Thompson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Thompson of Flats, and Mr. Robert Shimmin, son of R.A. Shimmin of Tron, were united in marriage at Center Valley Church near Flats.

Miss Evelyn Carrell and Ted Correll of Tryon, received diplomas from the University of Nebraska School of Agriculture at Curtis, on April 24. Miss Joan Mathers of Flats also received a diploma.

Don Abel of Lena, underwent a major operation in a hospital in North Platte last week. Bud Pinkerton is carrying the Lena mail for Don at present.

EIGHTY YEARS AGO
APRIL 22, 1937

A dust storm all day Monday was climaxed that evening by an April shower that brought a trace of moisture and brought down tons of mud which smeared things up generally.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Wade and small son expected to leave this week for Logan County where they will make their home. Mr. Wade is employed on the Platt farm where about 600 acres of corn will be farmed this season.

NINETY YEARS AGO
APRIL 21, 1927

A total of 69 seventh and eighth grade students took examinations in McPherson County this spring. Mona Melvin was the student coming the longest distance. The following earned the highest grades: June Stoddard, bookkeeping; Mona Melvin, mental arithmetic; Dorothy Miller, physiology; Helen Van Meter, bookkeeping; Marjorie Faulkner, reading and mental arithmetic.

Miss Ella Baker and Mr. Elmer Hagle of Rydal, Kansas were united in marriage April 6 at the Baptist parsonage at Belville, Kansas. The groom is well known and respected, having grown up in this community.

Let's go find some eggs!



MCPHERSON COUNTY SCHOOL PHOTOS

Some of the egg hunters are pictured above. L-r: Nevaeh White, Devanee Connell and Asa Starr, count their finds and see what goodies were included inside them.

The McPherson County High School freshmen class held their annual Easter Egg Hunt for the Tryon area Pre-Kindergarten through fifth graders. This is their annual community service project, and is overseen by sponsor, Mrs. Lisa Vasa.

The students hid dozens of eggs in the Tryon Park and the youngsters had fun finding the hidden eggs checking out all of the goodies inside.

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The Easter Bunny was tricky and even hid eggs in the trees as Leyton Connell found out.

Coffman is new librarian at Sutherland

Amy Coffman is the new librarian at the Maxine White Public Library in Sutherland. Amy and her husband, Will, live north of Tin Camp, where he ranches. They have three girls, Megan, age 14, Josie, age 12, and Hazel, age 19 months.

Amy was elementary librarian at Tryon Schools. She also worked at Hershey Public Schools as a para-educator. She served as a substitute librarian and discovered how much she enjoyed being a librarian.

Originally from North Platte, Amy attended college at Mid-Plains, Chadron and Kearney, where she studied early education.

The library in Sutherland has many new books, free Wi-Fi, DVD movies, audio books and more.



SUTHERLAND COURIER-TIMES PHOTO

Amy Coffman at her post as the new Sutherland Librarian.



Over The Hills

By J.R. Trumbull

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The Devil was riding
Down the trail one day,
Checking things over
And lookin' for strays.

He spied a young one
Just wandering around.
Thought to himself,
"Another stray I have found."

Lost and uncertain,
Strayed from the herd
But in the back of its mind
Stood the Holy Word!

The Devil's persuasive
When he gets on a roll
And he knows that flattery
Can take a huge toll.

"You're a fine looking critter,
One I'd cherish to own.
Why don't you come with me
To a wonderful new home?"

The young one looked at him
As caution filled his thoughts,
"I don't think I'd better,
Ma taught me to do as I ought."

Devil tried to beguile the young one
With lush green pastures and fun.
He painted pretty word pictures
Of all that could be done.

"Just try it a bit,
Why there's nothing else better
To add age and maturity
To a growing young critter."

As the young thing
Turned to walk away,
The Devil seen something
That ruined his day.

For there on its side
For everyone to view
Was the brand of the Master
Obscured by muck and goo.

"Ma's calling me now,"
The young one replied.
"She's reminding me
What I learned at her side."

"So, off with you stranger,
Go elsewhere to look
"Cause I'm going home
To study that Book."

A seed deeply planted
Should someday emerge.
Make sure that the young ones
Know God's Holy Word.

J.R. Trumbull
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