



McPherson County News

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TEN YEARS AGO
MAY 22, 2008

Area competitors took part in the Arthur and Burwell High School Rodeos. Stapleton cow-girls, Charlie Opela placed second in the breakaway at Arthur; Shaely Needs was third, and Brittany Kramer, fifth. Charlie Opela won the barrel racing at Burwell Rodeo #1.

Pastor Linda Parson would be the guest speaker at the Memorial Day program at Miller Cemetery.

Spring commencement ceremonies were held at North Platte and McCook Community Colleges. Those receiving diplomas from Tryon were Joseph Beyer Jr., Taylor Hall, Alison Sowders, and Alek Janecsek.

Tryon Volunteer Firemen assisted at a house fire in Stapleton when a home owned by Steve and Carla Allen was totally destroyed by fire and a garage fire at the residence of Tony and Kendra Cutler, west of Stapleton.

TWENTY YEARS AGO
MAY 21, 1998

A one vehicle accident west of Tryon claimed the life of Brandon Blake, 17, of Tryon.

Mitzi Darlene Klimek received a Bachelor of Science in Human Resources & Family Sciences. She graduated with distinction during commencement exercises at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Ashley Kramer was the girls all-around winner at the Lewellen High School Rodeo.

Pastor Terry Jarbo would be speaking at the Memorial Day program at Miller Cemetery.

Jeff Moore would be among students receiving Bachelor of Science degrees in business administration from Nebraska Wesleyan University.

The Ringgold Free Methodist Church was sponsoring a lock-in for kids through 6th grade. Lorene Corbett was organizing games, chapel time, story hour, snacks and breakfast.

THIRTY YEARS AGO
MAY 19, 1988

MCHS seniors on the fourth nine weeks honor roll were Jean Masters, Mike Daly, Trudy Dob-

bins, Dana Paxton, Tonya Starr, and Scott Starr, and those listed on the second semester honor roll were Jean Masters, Craig Neal, Clint Pettit, Jacquie Snyder, and Scott Starr.

Angie Jameson qualified for state by finishing second in the high jump at the district track meet held at Sutherland. Dawn Streiff, a freshman, qualified in the 100 and 200 meter dashes.

Casey Connell won the high jump at 5' 10" at the district meet in Sutherland. He and Craig Connell, who finished second in the 3200 meter run, would be competing at the state meet.

Billy Munson was the first place winner in the essay contest sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary of Tryon.

FORTY YEARS AGO
MAY 25, 1978

Kelvin Sharp, a junior at Chadron State College, was listed as the nation's leader in team roping in the latest National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association standings.

Donna White and Larry Campbell were wed May 4 in North Platte.

Births: Mr. and Mrs. Ron Samuelson of Brule were the parents of a baby boy, Matthew Shane.

Receiving degrees or diplomas from Tryon during commencement exercises at Mid-Plains Community College were Dwight Pinkerton and Mrs. Winifred Wilson. Stapleton students receiving degrees were Susan Hughes, Janet Sorensen, Kelly Grauerholz, and Randal R. Willard.

Teana Bullington would play a piano solo and Ernestine Lutes would read a poem at the annual Memorial Day program at Miller Cemetery.

Doug Schmidt was pictured as one of the top scholars in animal science at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. He received a certificate during the UNL Block and Bridle Club's annual honors banquet.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Haney would observe their 40th wedding anniversary on May 28.

FIFTY YEARS AGO
MAY 23, 1968

Mrs. Robert (Esther) Engle, the former Esther Upton, was killed in a car-

train accident near her home. She was a sister of Mrs. Nina Kugler.

Clara Munson won first prize, Vicki Miller, second, and Susan Kinsman, third in the annual Poppy Poster contest.

There were 13 in the graduating 8th grade class and they were honored in the high school auditorium. They were Monty Kemp and Monte Nicholson, District 4; Mart McNutt and Gary Connell, District 6; Shirla Kemp, District 7; Connie Lutes, District 9; Joy Moriarty, District 15; Dale Lake and Edith Haney, District 25; Stanton Wilcox, District 29; and Randy Fisher, Beverly Kugler and Doug Schmidt, District 59.

Duane Schmidt and Terry Pettit were named to the A Honor roll for the past six weeks at McPherson County High School. They were both seniors.

In spite of a very high absence rate, there were 10 with perfect high school attendance. They were Lynelle Ellis, Terry Pettit, Jim Neal, Renee Ellis, Gayle Neal, Donna Stoddard, Errol Waits, Gary Correll, Debbie Arensdorf and Gary Miller.

Duane Schmidt received the valedictorian trophy, and Sheryl Connell, the salutatorian trophy. Duane received a Regents Scholarship for placing in the Regents Scholarship contest at the University of Nebraska.

SIXTY YEARS AGO
MAY 22, 1958

Donna Jean Stoddard, 7, sustained a serious leg injury when she was run over by a tractor. Donna had been driving the tractor and failed to take it out of gear before getting off.

The Class of 1952 graduates from MCHS held a picnic at Cody Park with seven of the class of 10 attending. Those present were Mrs. Velma Apple-garth, Mrs. Rose Barner, Mrs. Doris Fischer, Mrs. Bernice Carlsen, Mrs. Audrey French, Mrs. Joanne Jennings, and Richard Kemp. Those unable to attend were Robert Neal, Roberta Pettit and Hazel Yates.

A gas explosion totally destroyed the Jack Neal

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30th Annual C Bar C Junior Rodeo Bible Camp is May 31

The 30th annual C Bar C Junior Rodeo Bible Camp will commence Thursday, May 31, this year.

Campers ages 8 - 12 will gather their families, their horses, and their gear, and head to the C Bar C Ranch north of Ringgold.

Hosts Mike and Tina Connell and the Crew will be there to welcome all.

For three days the Camp will be alive with rodeo, singing, chapel services, and outdoor meals. The Dismal River will provide fun and refreshment after the days' activities.

Family and friends are welcome to join any and all of the days' meals, activities, and fellowship. Come for a blessing!

For more information contact Mike & Tina Connell, 38419 Connell Lane, Stapleton, (308) 636-6294, call or text cbarc99@gmail.com email; rodeo-biblecamp.yolasite.com, web site

McPherson Co. Election Results

The race for McPherson County Sheriff was decided in the Primary Election conducted Tuesday, May 15, in McPherson County.

McPherson County had a 45% voter turnout. With a total number of 361 registered voters, 161 cast their ballots at the polls or through early voting.

Blaine and Arthur counties experienced turnout of better than 70 percent. Five counties, Douglas, Scotts Bluff, Nance, Thurston and Dakota, had voter turnout in the teens. In terms of voter breakdown by percentages from the primary: 23 percent of counties had above 50 percent voter turnout, 24 percent of counties had above 40 percent turnout and 52 percent of counties had better than 30 percent voter turnout.

Statewide turnout fell below 25 percent based on preliminary totals.

Complete McPherson County election results:

Senate		
Jack Heidel (R).....	11	
Dennis Frank		
Macek (R).....	4	
Deb Fischer (R).....	83	
Jeffrey Lynn		
Stein (R).....	5	
Todd F. Watson (R).....	31	
Jane Raybould (D).....	6	
Frank B. Svoboda (D)	5	
Larry Marvin (D).....	1	
Chris Janicek (D).....	1	
State Ticket Governor		
Krystal Gabel (R).....	26	
Pete Ricketts (R).....	110	
Vanessa Gayle		
Ward (D).....	3	
Tyler A. Davis (D).....	1	
Bob Krist (D)	7	
SECRETARY OF STATE		
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Over The Hills

J.R. Trumbull



Quote: "I wish the bald eagle had not been chosen as the representative of our country. He is a bird of bad moral character...the turkey is in comparison a much more respectable bird."

Benjamin Franklin

A turkey with its tail all fanned out is pretty impressive and I do enjoy watching them. I have even caught myself gobbling at them to see if they will answer. People who come to visit find that I have alarm-turkeys along with alarm-cats so sleeping in is not an option. A turkey would look strange on top of a flag pole while the eagle looks rather majestic up there. At least they didn't choose the passenger pigeon or our national bird would be extinct.

Memorial Day is almost upon us once again. There are a few things that we need to always remember. 1. The past cannot be changed. We can learn from it, but we can't undo it. 2. Opinions don't define your reality. 3. Everyone's journey is different. We don't know

the obstacles or detours that others may have had to make. 4. Things usually get better with time. Look for the positive. 5. Overthinking is not a good idea. It can make you sad when you should be happy or at least content. 6. Judgments are a confession of your character most of the time. Do you know the whole picture? 7. Happiness is found within. You can choose to be happy and content whatever your circumstances. 8. Positive thoughts will help create positive things. 9. Smiles are contagious. If you don't believe that, just try

smiling at everyone you see on the street or in a store. 10. Kindness is free. You can be kind without any monetary expenditure. 11. You only fail if you quit. Sometimes failure has to be accepted as a part of life. You have to learn when to cut your losses. 12. What goes around usually comes around. It may not be according to your timing, but it does happen. Try to keep these in mind as you visit with old friends and new and as you remember the memories of those who have passed on to the other side.

VISITING

I was walking through the graves today,
Visiting with old friends,
Thinking of the memories
And the joys that never end.

Someone asked "Do they talk back"?
Some with a breeze whisper in my ear,
Others with stories oft told,
And others through a tear.

As long as memories & stories linger,
Sandhillers never truly die.
They are a part of each life they touched
Until we meet them in the sky.

So, I will continue visiting my friends
As I walk among the graves
Taking time to think of them
And the memories they gave.

J.R. Trumbull 31 May 2016

Memorial Day Program

Miller Cemetery

MONDAY

May 28, 2018

2:00 P.M.

"Star Spangled Banner"

Invocation

Specials

Cemetery Report

Address - Pastor Eric Mockaitis

Closing Prayer

"God Bless America"

Posting of the Colors & Gun Salute

By American Legion

Playing of "Taps"

Specials Are Welcome!

Military graves are decorated by the American Legion Auxiliary prior to the program.

Tryon Red Cross Bloodmobile GIVE BLOOD

Friday, June 1, 2018

McPherson Co. Fair Building - Tryon

8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

For appointment please contact Elaine Miller - 308-587-2446

Walk-Ins Are Welcome & Needed!