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**TEN YEARS AGO
AUGUST 9, 2012**

Alyssa Waits, 13 of Tryon, and her 18-year-old quarter horse mare, Vermillion Flower were the champions in the Junior Western Pleasure class at the 2012 Fonner Park State 4-H Horse competition in Grand Island. Alyssa is a member of the Cody Mavericks 4-H Club and is the daughter of Steve and Vickie Waits of Tryon.

Fire departments from a large area responded to mutual aid calls Thursday evening, August 2, when numerous fires were started by sharp lightning in several fire districts of the Sandhills area, including Hershey, Paxton, Lake McConaughy and west McPherson County. Donna Daly reported that a fire destroyed about 800 to 900 acres of grassland at their ranch when a fire started about one half mile north of Highway 92 on the McNutt ranch and traveled north to their ranch. Firemen managed to get this fire stopped about one half mile south of the Daly home, saving their house and buildings.

**TWENTY YEARS AGO
AUGUST 15, 2002**

Megan Morgan was pictured with her chocolate chip cookies and a double-crust fruit pie that she received top purples on in a 4-H cooking project at the McPherson County Fair.

Marnin and Jennifer Pyzer of Middletown, California are the parents of a baby boy. Jared Dale was born July 31, 2002, in Santa Rosa California.

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 189 won Best of Show with their fair booth. The booth featured the slogan "Soar To New Heights."

Tasha Miller, age 10, daughter of Alan and Kristi Miller, took top honors with her tie-dyed T-shirt. Whitney Trumbull, age 13, daughter of Rick and Rosanne Trumbull, also received a top purple for a dress she made.

Eric Trumbull, age 9, son of Rick and Rosanne Trumbull, won top purple for a project in rocketry and Amanda Morgan, age 13, daughter of John and Sue Morgan, took a top purple with her collection of petunias for a floriculture display.

**THIRTY YEARS AGO
AUGUST 13, 1992**

Bandy and Levi Arensdorf won the Junior Division of the McPherson County Presentation Contest with their team demonstration entitled "Team Roping." Winning the senior division was Mitzi Pettit. Her demonstration, Origami," is State Fair eligible. Darla

Arensdorf and Marjorie Arias Porras received blues.

While attending a Wesleyan Camp Meeting at Atkins last week, Rev. John I. Neal of Tryon, was awarded a certificate and plaque for serving for 36 years as a pastor of Wesleyan churches in Nebraska. Rev. Neal is currently pastoring the Wesleyan Church at Tryon.

The Tryon firemen team consisting of Lyn Pyzer, Rick Hamilton, Edd Black and Alan Miller took second place honors in the water fight competition recently. The North Platte Volunteer Firemen held the competition in the Wal-Mart parking lot in North Platte.

**FORTY YEARS AGO
AUGUST 12, 1982**

Services were held Monday August 2, 1982 for Clyde D. Wilson, who passed away July 29, 1982 at Burwell. Mr. Wilson resided for many years near Ringgold.

Two grass fires were reported last week north of Ringgold, both of which started from lightning in that area. The fire, which burned about an acre, was on land belonging to Laura Munson. It occurred at about 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 3. The next day another fire was sighted in that area west of the school house on land belonging to Von Paxton. About an acre of ground was burned.

The Tryon Rebekah Lodge met Monday night, August 2, at the Lodge Hall with nine members present. Eva Haddy, Noble Grand, opened the meeting and conducted a short business meeting. A dessert lunch was served by Lottie Herbaugh of Stapleton. Those attending were Mildred Ready, Edith Barner, and Olive Jenkins, all of Stapleton; Vivian Winters, Jack Cotton, Hazel Haase and Helen Waits, all of Tryon.

**FIFTY YEARS AGO
AUGUST 10, 1972**

Larry and Wilma Smith are the proud parents of a baby girl, born Wednesday, August 2, 1972. They named the little miss Lynn LaVon.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Lutes, Connie and Karen, Mrs. Polly Siegel and Luci and Mr. and Mrs. Von Paxton went to Sutherland Thursday to meet Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sammon and children and help them get settled in the Rev. Ernest Nelson house in Sutherland where they will reside during their furlough from Paraguay.

Sunday callers in the Malcolm Connell home were Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Connell and Sharlene, Edith Ellen Haney, Dan Connell and Mr. and Mrs. Dannie Connell and fam-

ily.

Mrs. Dickson was surprised when Mr. and Mrs. Guy Ruby, Enid Hardesty, Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Fowler, Mr. Lee Waits, and Leora, Vernon and Pauline and children of North Platte, Elnora and Terry Neal and boys were present to celebrate Mrs. Dickson's birthday. Ice cream and cake was served.

**SIXTY YEARS AGO
AUGUST 9, 1962**

The Helping Hand Club met with Mr. and Mrs. George Musser on August 1, 1962 with 20 members, three visitors and their families enjoying the fried chicken dinner.

The Friendly Workers Club met August 3 with Maude Wade at her home in Tryon.

One hundred twenty-five relatives registered at the Miller-Harvey reunion in Cody Park Sunday. Attending from here: Mrs. Clara Munson, Marvin Munsons, Veva Munson, Ilene Hornback and children, A.E. Millers, Al Millers, Wayne and Orval Millers.

**SEVENTY YEARS AGO
AUGUST 7, 1952**

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Correll are the proud parents of a baby boy. The gentleman was born August 4, 1952 at Memorial Hospital and has been named Gerald Eugene.

Ann Holloway, a past resident of Tryon for 30 years and of the Dalles and Dufur, Oregon area for the past eight years, died Sunday morning July 20, after a sudden illness at the home of her daughter in the Dalles. She was 69 years old.

A surprise birthday was held August 4 at the Taft Haddy home for Mrs. Lester Patton. Mabel Ellis baked and decorated the cake. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ellis and Tommy, Lynell and Renee, Mr. and Mrs. John Dahlin and Lester and Patricia Patton.

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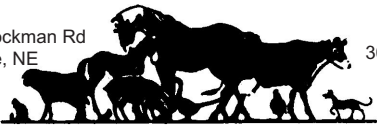
Quote: "Cherish things while you still have them, and not when they are gone...Life can only be understood backwards, but it must be lived forward."

It's that time of year - fair and rodeo season. Several of our area counties have already had their fairs, parades, barbecues, etc. and others are yet to come. There's a different atmosphere to the celebrations out here in range country. At least it seems that way to me. We aren't as commercialized or standardized as some of the bigger events elsewhere. Things have changed over the years though. I can remember Sunday afternoon rodeos and then a Grand Ole Opry show on Sunday evening. Minnie Pearl, Hawkshaw Hawkins, String Bean, Grandpa Jones, and many others. Later there was the thrill of Art Daly as the announcer of the rodeo and Art Daly and the Buckaroos playing for the dance to follow. There was always a carnival of some sort but in younger years, the thrill was the penny bags of popcorn that Mr. and Mrs. Richards would have for the little kids. Fair exhibits and all of the work that went into getting them ready. 4-H and all that was entailed with

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that effort. Many memories over the years.

The theme of the parade this year features volunteers. If you don't like the way something is being done, volunteer to help it be better the next time.

Events like fairs and rodeos don't get done without volunteers. Remember to thank those who do volunteer and don't be afraid to volunteer yourself if you are able to do so.

RANCH COUNTRY SALUTE

Things are different here in ranch country
In many ways we see
And the essence of this difference
Begins with you and me.

There's a sea of shining foreheads
When Old Glory passes by
As we stand and guys remove cover,
We watch our flag on high.

There's a flag draped saddle
In respect for those gone on
And a respectful silence-
The Anthem in harmonizing song.

The Cowboy's Prayer is spoken
In honor to Our God
And blessing asked upon all
For our roots are deep in sod.

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