



# McPherson County News

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### TEN YEARS AGO NOVEMBER 15, 2007

An issue of concern to patrons of the McPherson County School district was the declining enrollment and the impact it plays on Tryon. The topic was discussed at a "brainstorming" meeting held November 5 in Tryon. Almost 60 business owners, teachers, parents and other concerned citizens united to discuss what could be done.

Sherry Seifer won second place for her Holiday Habanero Glaze in the desserts category and third place for her Blazin' Hot Habanero jelly in the jelly category for the 2008 Chili Pepper Magazine 'Fiery Food Challenge' in Fort Worth, Texas.

Peter Pavlovic and Tui Borowicz, the two foreign exchange students at MCHS, were out on a nice sunny day touching up the lettering with fresh paint on the MCHS welcome sign for their shop project.

Munson's Market, Inc. was offering lunch specials every Tuesday and Thursday.

Meka Melvin, Tasha Miller and Jalyn Starr were named to the first team 2007 Sandhills Conference all-conference volleyball team.

Deaths: Mona Wickersheim died October 26; Ray E. Henry died November 4.

### TWENTY YEARS AGO NOVEMBER 13, 1997

A truck load of cattle overturned on a county road east of the Bob Stevenson residence northwest of Tryon. Four head of the cattle which belonged to Moore Ranch were killed outright and several more had to be destroyed.

A Men's Night Out would be held at Hall Church with R.P. Smith, "The Cowboy Poet," featured.

Tara Connell and Tyler Neal gave their Girl's & Boy's State reports prior to the card party at Tryon, Saturday night.

Deaths: Audrey McClintock, 86, died November 4; Lila B. Beckius, 65, died November 8.

New Arrival: Billy and Lori Munson of Ellsworth Air Force Base, South Dakota, were the parents of a baby girl, Ashley Nicole.

### THIRTY YEARS AGO NOVEMBER 12, 1987

Judy Dailey was accompanied by the Thomas County Clerk and the Grant County Clerk to Lincoln where they attended the state mandated annual assessor's school for the entire week.

If you took your deer to Arthur Processing you had a chance to win a free deer rifle.

Big Springs edged past Tryon, 14-12, in a hard-fought contest in first round action of the Class D-3 football playoffs held on the Trojan field.

### FORTY YEARS AGO NOVEMBER 17, 1977

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Hagan of Grant, were announcing the engagement of their daughter, Judy, to Gary Connell.

Willing Workers Club met with Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Waits at the Lodge Hall on October 15.

Mary McNutt and daughter, Shara Smyth, of North Platte, were weekend guests of Pearl McNutt and Wilda and Dick Schmidt in Fort Morgan. They stopped in Denver on Saturday and returned home Sunday evening.

Sanford and Peggy Neal returned to the Archie Neal home Sunday evening after their wedding trip.

### FIFTY YEARS AGO NOVEMBER 9, 1967

Mrs. Mary Haney and Mrs. Paul Embree, both of Mullen, collided in a

head-on two car accident on top of a hill on the Hank Halsted road in Hooker County. Jerry Tucker of Tryon also rolled his pickup at the Riley Pinkerton ranch.

Susan and Gary Jameson would be honored at a wedding shower in the Helping Hand Club House.

We received our first snowfall of the season November 1, beginning with light rain and accumulating to 5 or 6 inches of snow.

Happy Helpers Club met with Donna Neal at the Chart Nicholson home with six members present.

Births: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cotton, Jr. of Boston were the parents of a new baby girl, born November 1.

### SIXTY YEARS AGO NOVEMBER 14, 1957

A Hereford steer would be exhibited by Daryl Starr at the 58th annual International Livestock exposition in the International Amphitheatre. The steer, Red, was named grand champion of the Logan County show and won its class in the big steer show at Ak-Sar-Ben in Omaha.

The results of the recent election for the Reorganization Committee of McPherson County were released by County Superintendent Helen Waits. Those elected were Commissioner District 1, Von Paxton, Don Bertran, and Steve Augustine; Number 2, Jerold Harvey, Cleo Connell, LaVerne Neal; and Number 3, John Streiff, Walter Daly and Riley Pinkerton.

The Don Pettit family now owned a new 1957 Buick car.

Births: Mr. and Mrs. Gene Masters were the parents of a baby boy, Clark Richard; Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Ahlquist were

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## McPherson Co. High School FFA Attends National Convention

During the volleyball parent's night on October 13, the Tryon Eclipse Committee presented a check for \$2,000 to the McPherson County FFA chapter to be used for attendance to the National FFA Convention. Members of the McPherson County FFA Chapter were recognized for their assistance to the eclipse committee by helping with the setup and clean-up before and after the eclipse.

Elnora Neal, treasurer of the eclipse committee, also presented eclipse water bottles to Abby Goosey, Caleb Goosey, Hollianna Watson, Theresa Ascherl, Jared Schultis, Aubrey Schultis, Jackson Starr, Kevin Starr, Ralyn Starr, Joyce Snyder, and Cathy Ascherl. The Chapter would like to send out a special thanks to the members of the committee for their generous support.

On October 25, Abigail Goosey, Mason Ward, Nick Gifford and Mr. Nielson traveled to the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, IN.

During the convention the members attended student leadership workshops, the national career fair, and convention sessions with keynote speakers.

Also at the career fair there were over 300 college booths that students could visit to learn about the college. Peyton Barner a UNL student and graduate member of the McPherson County Chapter, joined the group on Friday.

On Saturday, Peyton Barner became the first member of our chapter to receive the coveted American Degree. Less than one half of a percent of the national membership will attain this degree within a year.

On November 3 & 4, ten members attended the Pathway to Careers (P2C) at the Nebraska State Fairgrounds in Grand Island. Members were given presentations about various businesses of agriculture. Those fields included, future agriculture, media and communications, agronomy, power structure and technology, natural resources, banking, nursery and landscape, and food science.

Students are currently preparing for Leadership Development Events which will be held in North Platte at MPCC and the Sandhills Convention Center.



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FFA Advisor, Mr. Nielson pictured with Peyton Barner, receiving his American Degree.

## Pearman receives NEAFCS Distinguished Service Award

Sue Pearman, University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension Educator in the Central Sandhills Area, has been named the 2017 recipient of the National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (NEAFCS) Distinguished Service Award.

Sue was recognized for the honor at the national meeting held the week of October 16-19, 2017, in Omaha, NE. This award was given to Sue in recognition of her outstanding contributions to the University of Nebraska-Lincoln for the past 17 years.

The Distinguished Service Award is the highest award presented by the NEAFCS. The award recognizes members for leadership, educational program efforts and professional development, said Andrea Nisley, member of the NEAFCS Awards Committee.

Sue serves Nebraska Extension as 4-H and Positive Youth Development Educator. She is Past-President of NEAFCS - Nebraska affiliate and a member of the Medicare Education Team.



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## Over The Hills

By J.R. Trumbull



How does this all fit together? We are all different, we are individuals, we have a free will, and things go much better when we rely on God for guidance and take time to heed that "still, small voice" within each of us. Enjoy life as best you can under whatever circumstances and do what you can to make each day better for others.

may not be in the best of shape, but that's all right with me. Someday neither this body, nor a house will I need. My God awaits me there in the sky, while I may have trouble running today, someday I will fly." - Mountain Wisdom

Quote: "Your belief determines your action and your action determines your results, but first you have to believe."

Mark Victor Hansen There is always some truth behind "just kidding, knowledge behind "I don't know", emotion behind "I don't care", and pain behind "It's okay." Pay close attention to how people feel. Often a smiling face will cover mental, physical, or spiritual pain. Pray that you will be granted discernment and a compassionate heart.

The 12th Annual Cattlestock Cowboy Poetry Gathering is history now. As usual, it was a time of fun, friends, and extended family. It's always an interesting time. The poets all have a little different approach or twist to their work and the musicians are also unique in how their music portrays life. It's not a big deal if you lose your place, flub a line, or even have to start all over again. The fact that you can do so and still be comfortable says a lot for the crowd and the general atmosphere of the Gathering.

"My body, like my home

Elton Trueblood

### WE AREN'T PROMISED

We aren't promised tomorrow  
Or even the rest of today.  
We don't know the future  
Or God's plans as they lay  
The foundation unknown  
As it builds day by day.

Though it be meant for evil  
God uses it for His gain  
And we are all parts and pieces  
Of an eternal game.  
Not one of chance  
But for Heavenly claim.

Satan was defeated  
That day on the cross  
Though he won't admit it,  
He lost that big toss.  
The final day is coming,  
Jesus says "God is Boss".

No, we aren't promised tomorrow  
For life on this earth  
But we're granted life eternal  
Through the dear Savior's birth.  
Just accept Him and serve Him  
For His promise holds worth!

J.R. Trumbull  
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### Aunt Bea's Senior Meals Lunch Menu

Monday, November 20 - Polish sausage, sauerkraut, scalloped potatoes and green beans  
Tuesday, November 21 - Grilled chicken breast, mashed potatoes and corn

Wednesday, November 22 - Barbecue beef sandwich, baked beans and French fries  
Thursday, November 23 - Closed Thanksgiving  
Friday, November 24 - Closed Thanksgiving



## Medicare Part D Prescription Coverage

## Open Enrollment

October 15 to December 7

You should review your prescriptions and your plan annually!

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