



McPherson County News

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TEN YEARS AGO
APRIL 16, 2009
Taken from the McPherson County News:

Joan Farmer displayed her mother, Pauline Johnson Paxton's Valentine collection at the Craftique Club meeting.

The freshmen class of McPherson County High School sponsored an Easter egg hunt at the MCHS football field.

McPherson County Schools rounded up Kindergartners. Pictured were Zachary Harbur, Tanner Harbur, T.J. Bessmer, Cash Kemp and Katelyn Metcalf.

TWENTY YEARS AGO
APRIL 22, 1999

Mickie McNutt was awarded a Nebraska State Scholarship at Chadron State College.

Coach Jennifer Moore reported the girl's track team was improving every week. Micki McNutt placed second in the 100-meter hurdles and third in the 300 hurdles.

Coach Alan Miller reported the boys team placed sixth at Sutherland with the 3200 meter runners of Wayne McNutt, Luke Connell, and Levi Arensdorf, placing first, second and third in that order.

Army National Guard Pvt. Dustin A. Wilkie graduated from basic military training at Fort Leonard Wood, Waynesville, Missouri.

Aaron Schroder was featured in this week's MCHS Senior Spotlight.

THIRTY YEARS AGO
APRIL 20, 1989

Thirty-five people gathered at the Wesleyan Church to hear the Davenports in concert. Rev. John I. Neal said he was pleased with the good turnout.

Shawn Bellew and Sophia Masters were McPherson County Farm Bureau's representatives to the Nebraska Farm Bureau Youth Citizenship and Safety Seminar.

Graveside services were held at Miller Cemetery for Nellie E. Swayze, a sister of Susie Bond and Olive Neal.

LaVerne Neal underwent surgery at the Western Nebraska General Hospital at Scottsbluff for an obstruction in one of the arteries in his neck.

FORTY YEARS AGO
APRIL 19, 1979

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Thornburg would host an open house for her mother, Grace Snyder, who would be celebrating her 97th birthday April 23.

Allyson Hogue, a freshman from Wyoming State College accompanied Janelle Snyder home to visit with Allyson's brother, Jim, who is employed on the Pettit ranch.

Mrs. Maude Wade who had been staying at Mitchell moved to Driftwood Manor on West 4th Street in North Platte.

The Jack and Art Daly families were Easter Sunday guests in the Ron Paxton home to observe Dana's birthday.

FIFTY YEARS AGO
APRIL 17, 1969

Kathy Arensdorf, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Arensdorf, was the top speller in the county spelling bee. She would represent the county in the Midwest Spelling Bee in Omaha. She attended District 5 and her teacher was Ron Fisher.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Bassett had sold The Tryon Graphic to Mr. and Mrs. Don Nicholson who would be taking over operation of the paper on

May 1, 1969. The Bassetts have run the newspaper since purchasing it from Art and Audrey French in 1960.

Mrs. Jim Pinkerton, Mrs. Hans Johnson, Mrs. Art Daly and Mrs. Jim Snyder drove to Lincoln for a hearing on bills coming up in the Legislature pertaining to school re-districting.

SIXTY YEARS AGO
APRIL 23, 1959

Don and Rose Dobbins were to be honored with a farewell party at the high school auditorium in Tryon.

The Hi-Flyers 4-H Club met at the Marvin Munson home to reorganize. Officers elected were Terry Jameson, president; Tommy Jameson, vice-president; Lorna Miller, secretary and treasurer; and June Paxton, news reporter.

Dennis Shimmin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Shimmin, was selected as a member of the touring band at Kearney State Teachers College.

A bridal shower for Miss Charlene Wood and Larry Cash was set for April 30, 1959, at the Ringgold Store basement.

A family dinner was held in honor of Ralph Arensdorf who was home on leave.

SEVENTY YEARS AGO
APRIL 21, 1949

Funeral services were held April 18, 1949, at the Tryon High School Auditorium for James William Neal, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Neal, who gave his life in the Southwest Pacific in action against our enemy. He was 20 years old, and had enlisted in the U.S. Navy on August 4, 1945. Survivors included his parents, three brothers, Donald, Harold and John; two sisters, Mrs. Mabel Hatch and Wilma, at home.

Johnnie Babb left for California. His parents took him to North Platte to take the bus.

The community was shocked by the passing of Mr. Court Cash, sr.

Births: Mr. and Mrs. Orvin Gilmore of Hemet, CA, were the parents of twins, Lois Marie and Louis Alan, born April 1; Mr. and Mrs. Roger Shimmin were the parents of a baby boy born April 14.

EIGHTY YEARS AGO
APRIL 20, 1939

Several people from the rural communities brought their children to town to take examinations. Among them were Earl Miller, John Dancer, Mrs. Bird Huffman, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Connell, and Mr. and Mrs. Bud Wright.

The seniors of McPherson County High School were scheduled to present their play, "Mystery at World's End." Characters were to be played by George Masters, Maxine Clifford, Don Hatch, Eileen Babb, Ramon Garska, Dale Holman, Hazel Pinkerton, Glen Newberry, Gloria Hatch, Ruby Lamb and Bill Patton.

The rain and snow over the weekend made the North Platte road impassable. Cars and trucks were being re-routed from the cemetery to the

Miller Cemetery Annual Meeting Public Notice

The Miller Cemetery Association will hold their annual meeting on Wed., April 24, 2019 at 8:00 p.m. at the McPherson County Courthouse in Tryon. Publish: April 18, 2019

Coolidge place. More topsoil was being hauled on a portion of the road and if wet weather continues, it may be weeks before the road is fit for traffic.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Platt expect to move sometime soon to the Vienna Heldenbrand property. Mrs. Heldenbrand would occupy rooms in the I.C. Heldenbrand home.

NINETY YEARS AGO
APRIL 18, 1929

Everett Crouse was putting stucco on the Barta Garage building. The new coat of gray looks much better than the red tile and improves the building. The Barta Garage building was a fine building for a place no larger than Tryon and added greatly to the appearance of Main Street.

Claudie Heldenbrand

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Commissioners' Proceedings

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Attorney Fees	1,191.87
MIPS	
Data Processing	825.23
MWC Acquisition Co	
Dumpster Lids	437.76
Brett Nason	
Mileage	136.88
NE Assoc Cnty	
Treasurers	
Workshop	125.00
NE Property	
Tax Division	
Assessor Training ..	685.00
Neal Oil & Auto	
Heating/Fuel	635.00
Nebraska Medicine	
Physical	144.26
Donald Nicholson	
Retirement	11.00
Staples	
Supplies	75.36
Stapleton Enterprise	
Publishing/	
Supplies	110.44
US Bank	
Supplies	149.97
Viaero	
Telephone	80.25
Village of Stapleton	
Trash Disposal	2,480.00
ROAD	
Payroll	
Salaries	9,776.50
Ameritas	
County Share	
Retirement	592.42
Beveridge Inc.	
Concrete	308.00
Blue Cross	County
Share	
Insurance	2,059.36
Croell Inc	
Gravel/Rock	7,452.16
Fastenal	
Supplies	66.15
Galaway Field Repair	
Grader Repair	2,592.50
Great Plains Comm	
Telephone	102.32
Inland Truck Parts Co	
Repairs	459.56
IRS	County Share
SS/Med	738.77
McPherson Co.	
Inheritance	
Grader/Pickup	2,789.40
Neal Oil	
Heating/Fuel	3,788.15
NMC	
Tires & Repairs	839.15
Powerplan	
Equipment &	
Repairs	140.44
TC Engineering	
Hwy. Supt.	
Contract	750.00
FAIR	
Dry Creek Western Wear	
Fair Expense	547.98
Ideal Linen	
Building Supplies	30.88
There being no further	
business, the Board	
adjourned to meet again	
at 9:00 AM on May 8, 2019.	
This meeting will be	
held in the McPherson	
County Courthouse and	
will be open to the	
public.	
ATTEST: Katherine E.	
Hoberg, McPherson	
County Clerk	
John E. Bryant,	
McPherson County	
Board Chairman	
Publish: April 18, 2019	

Over The Hills

J.R. Trumbull



Quote: "Never let the things you want make you forget the things you have." - Unknown

Things to always remember: Tomorrow is a new day, Making mistakes is part of life. Saying "NO" is okay. Not everyone has to like you. Beauty and strength come from within. Another thing to remember is God does not give us happiness. He supplies the ingredients & leaves us to do the mixing!!!! Happiness isn't getting what you want all the time. It's about enjoying and loving what you have and being grateful for it. A head full of knowledge isn't worth much if you don't have a heart full of love, ears that are willing to listen, and hands that are willing to help.

We, in this area, have a lot to be thankful for as we go into this Easter weekend. Yes, we did have a long, cold winter, but it could have been a lot worse. We were blessed to be in the "eye" of the bomb cyclone that hit this area. There were some washed out roads and a little flooding, but nothing like what other

parts of the state got and the blizzard stayed west of us.

I can just see some of you reading this and thinking - "What?" You need to remember that I started to write this BEFORE this last blizzard. There were a lot of prayers going out that the force of the storm be reduced. My cousins and friends down in west Texas must have sent that tongue of dry air up this way which took some of

the bite out of the amount of snowfall. Anyone who has the benefit of good windbreaks has been very thankful for them this year.

Another thing I have been blessed to see is how people in agriculture or from ag backgrounds, as well as other folks, have reached out to help those in need following the first bomb cyclone this year. We may be "Cowboy Simple" but it gets done and done the right way.

Cowboy Simple

It's "Cowboy Simple" some folks say
That just means it's done the cowboy way.
Plain and easy with no fuss or frills,
Work everlasting as the hills.
Done to last "til the ending day
For it was done the Cowboy Way!

"Cowboy Simple", do you understand
That this is the philosophy of the hills of sand?
We live our lives the Cowboy Way
In work or dealings from day to day.
It isn't easy to live this life
But the joys far outweigh the grief or strife.

It's "Cowboy Simple", God's Holy Word
The story of our gracious Savior and Lord.
The words of salvation all so true
Prophecy, Psalms, comfort all through.
Words of wisdom and admonition
Can bring us all to a saved condition.

And when we've ridden that final trail
I hope that our legacy will entail
The stories of the Savior that we've told
And that our witness was bold
For it was "Cowboy Simple" and you understood
That we lived and believed every word!

J.R. Trumbull
1 August 1995

Rural Field Day Schedule of Events

The annual McPherson County Rural Field Day will be held on Wednesday, April 24 at McPherson County High School.

All students will participate in all three field events and all four running events. Students will be able to use their PE shoes that are at the school, and then they will be sent home with them following the days activities.

Following is a list of events with the approximate start times:

Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten and First Grades:
12:30 p.m. Javelin Throw, Hop, Skip, Jump, Frisbee Throw. Boys and girls will be combined
Second and Third Grades:
Will follow in the same

order with boys and girls combined.

Fourth and Fifth Grades:
Will follow with the high jump, softball throw and long jump. Boys and girls will be combined.

Sixth Grade Boys:
Long jump, shot and high jump.

Running Events
The running events will begin at approximately 2:15 p.m. with the Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten and First grades doing the 30 yard sack race, 40 yard dash and 50 yard dash.

The Second and Third grade will follow with the 40 yard sack race, 40 yard dash and 50 yard dash.

The Fourth and Fifth grade will compete in the 50 yard sack race, 50 yard dash and 100 yard dash.

The Sixth grade will

have the 50 yard dash, 100 yard dash and 200 Meter dash.

Relays will follow for the Pre-Kindergarten through second grades and third through sixth grades.

The assigned colors for classes are Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, First, Green; Second and Third, Red; Fourth and Fifth, Yellow; Sixth, Blue. Please have your child wear these colors of shirts to help with class locations.

Any home-schooled students in the district or Pre-Kindergarten students, please have your entries to Miss Melvin by April 18.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Miss Melvin at the school, 508-587-2262.

Easter Egg Hunt

Miller Park - Tryon

THURSDAY, APRIL 18

3:30 P.M.

Pre-Kindergarten through 6th Graders Welcome!

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