



# McPherson County News

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TEN YEARS AGO  
AUGUST 5, 2010

The 2010 McPherson County Fair days are Monday, August 9 – Saturday, August 14. Prepare for some 4-H fun with Static Entries and the livestock show.

Opal Votaw, 93, of North Platte, NE, died Wednesday, July 28, 2010, at Great Plains Regional Medical Center in North Platte. Opal was born June 5, 1917, to Dr. Scott and Ethel Thompson Wisner near Tryon.

Lifetime Arthur County rancher Harian D. Anderberg, 77, died July 28, 2010 at their Ogallala residence after a courageous battle with cancer.

Laura B. Blue, 85, passed away Wednesday, July 18, 2010 at Great Plains Regional Medical Center.

Zetha Henderickson Warren, 100-plus years, passed away May 7, 2010, at Sombrero Care Home in Los Alamos, New Mexico. She was born in a sod house south of Seneca on July 31, 1909.

The Trumbull Homestead Ranch reports 25.69" of moisture from January 1 – July 31, 2010, plus another .25 of rain in the early morning hours of 8/2/10 for a total of 26.21" year to date.

TWENTY YEARS AGO  
AUGUST 10, 2000

Megan Suchy, age 12, of Tryon, was Reserve All-Around Winner in the Girls 11-14 age division at the Arthur Junior Rodeo, July 23. She is the daughter of Melvin and Karen Suchy. She was second in poles, fifth in breakaway roping, fifth in barrels and fifth in goat tying.

Mrs. Jack Cotton of Tryon, accompanied Bill, Reva and Rebecca Coulter of North Platte to Tampa, Florida July 16th where they boarded the ship "Sensation." The ship had 2500 passengers and 200 or more workers. They visited the island, Grand Cayman, Cozumel, Mexico and New Orleans.

The McPherson County Fair at Tryon was well underway with a number of events still scheduled to be held. The final event would be a dance Saturday, August 12, outside

the fire hall. The band would set up inside and everyone would be able to enjoy an evening dancing under the stars to the sound of the "No Budget Band."

THIRTY YEARS AGO  
AUGUST 9, 1990

Rusty and Rita Correll, Shelly and Taylor Lovitt, and Trudy Dobbins attended graduation ceremonies at Kearney State College Friday where Deanne Correll received her Masters of Science in School Counseling. Others attending were Brad Jenkins of Omaha, Merri Korshoz and Karen Pokorny of Fremont, friends of Deanne.

A group of McPherson County 4-H'ers have been learning about clowning around as a 4-H activity. A workshop was held with professional help from Mr. Colin Taylor of North Platte teaching the 4-H'ers the basics of pantomime, exercises, techniques, and skits. Members of the group have participated in both the Nebraska Land Days and the McPherson County Centennial parade, dispensing candy and good cheer. Two of the clowns, Mitzi Pettit and Dawna Arensdorf, participated in the 4-H presentation contest with presentations on applying clown make-up and on pantomime. Others enrolled in the clowning project were Dana and Darla Arensdorf, Bandy Arensdorf, Jay Powers, John and Lori Gregg, and LaDonna Connell from the Skywriters Club, and Brandi Steel and Gina Fisher from the Goldringers Club.

FORTY YEARS AGO  
AUGUST 7, 1980

Ernie Schmidt arrived home last week on leave from Ft. Benning Georgia. He plans to leave August 11th for Charleston, South Carolina, and has a port call for the 13th of August for Schweinfurt, Germany, 120 miles east of Frankfurt.

The third annual Great Turtle Race will be held Saturday, August 16th at the McPherson County Fair after the Silver Dollar raves. If you have a turtle you want to race call Teri

Watkins at 587-2337.

Mr. and Mrs. Hartward Connell, Arlen and LaDonna and Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Connell drove to Mitchell, Sunday and visited Mr. and Mrs. Hi Fisher and granddaughter, Danelle Rossman of Anaheim, California. Mrs. Alice Bassett accompanied them as far as Scottsbluff and spent the day with her daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Kirkpatrick, Clancy and Dylan.

FIFTY YEARS AGO  
AUGUST 6, 1970

Joyce (Black) Wilkins called home Tuesday morning saying their home and personal things were all lost in a hurricane which hit Corpus Christi, Texas. They and Susan Kinsman were in a shelter along with the rest of the people from the base. The Wilkins' new camper pickup was saved, this being the only thing saved. Their daughter, Brenda, was visiting her grandparents in Houston, Texas, and had what clothes she had taken with her. Some of the relatives from her are leaving Wednesday or Thursday to go after the children, until they can get their things cleaned up or something squared away.

Shara McNutt is enjoying a two-week vacation from her duties at the First National Bank in North Platte. She and Pat left Friday morning to visit the Dick Schmidt family in Fort Morgan and spend two or three days in the Colorado mountains.

SIXTY YEARS AGO  
AUGUST 11, 1960

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## Tryon Blood Drive, Aug. 28

Starting now and for a limited time, the American Red Cross is testing all blood, platelet and plasma donations for COVID-19 antibodies, providing donors insight into whether they have been exposed to this coronavirus. At the same time, there continues to be an urgent need for blood donations as hospitals resume surgeries and treatments that require blood products.

The Tryon Community blood drive will be Friday, August 28 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Fair Building. To schedule an appointment, call Elaine Miller at 308-587-2446 or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and use sponsor code "tryonne".

Antibody testing will indicate if the donor's immune system has produced antibodies to this coronavirus, regardless of whether they developed symptoms. Donations will be tested using samples pulled at the time of donation and sent to a testing laboratory where they will also undergo routine infectious disease testing. A positive antibody test result does not confirm infection or immunity.

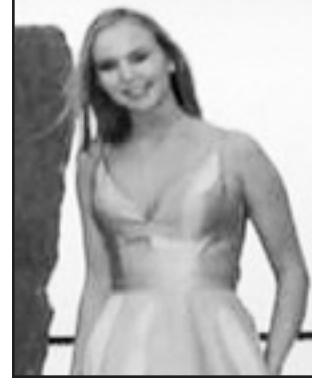
COVID-19 antibody test results will be available within 7-10 days in the Red Cross Blood Donor App or donor portal at [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org). The test has been authorized for emergency use by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

"As an organization dedicated to helping others, the Red Cross is pleased to provide more information about COVID-19 to our valued donors," said Dr. Erin Goodhue, executive medical director of direct patient care with the Red Cross Biomedical Services. "If you are feeling healthy and well, please schedule an appointment to not only help saves lives but also learn about your potential exposure to COVID-19."

The Red Cross is not testing donors to diagnose illness, referred to as a diagnostic test.

Donation appointments can be made by downloading the free Blood Donor App, visiting [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org), calling 1-800-RedCross (1-800-735-2767) or enabling the Blood Donor Skill on an Alexa Echo device.

## Three reasons to be extra-proud grandparents



Addison Starr



Meagan Compton



Jency Starr

Eldon and Kathy Starr of Stapleton, have three reasons to be extra proud with three granddaughters graduating this year.

Addison Starr, daughter of Scott and Bobbi Starr, graduated from Arnold Public Schools one year early and expects to continue an advanced learning program at Cleveland School of Chiropractic Medicine in Kansas City. The advanced program (taking 30 hours of class a week) to complete her bachelors of human sciences in about one year

Jency Starr, daughter of Kevin and Raelyn Starr, graduated Valedictorian from McPherson County High School with one full year of college under her belt.

Meagan Compton, daughter of Tim and Tonya (Starr) Compton, graduated with a 4.3 GPA in a class of 220 from the prestigious Mullen Catholic High School in Denver, Colorado. She was a highly recruited athlete with swimming being her forte. Meagan has chosen to study law at Creighton University in Lincoln, where she will major in Pre-Med and minor in Spanish.

## McPherson County

AUGUST 5-8  
2020



WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5

9:00 a.m.....Clean Up!  
All 4-H families are encouraged to help

4-H Entries Will Be Taken At Scheduled Times For Families At The McPherson County Fair Building following clean up.

Please Note: Due To COVID-19 guidelines, social distancing will be observed.  
This year's fair is open only to 4-H'ers & FFA. Families only will be permitted at events.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 6

Judges will be judging 4-H entries brought in by participants.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7

8:00 a.m.....	4-H Horse Show
2:00 - 3:00 p.m.....	Enter Rabbits & Poultry
3:00 p.m.....	Rabbit & Companion Animal Show
3:15 p.m.....	Companion Animals
3:30 p.m.....	Rabbits
4:00 p.m.....	Poultry

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

7:00 a.m.....	Weigh Market Animals
8:30 a.m.....	4-H Livestock Show
Swine Showmanship • Swine • Beef Showmanship	
Dairy Showmanship • Dairy • Stocker-Feeder Heifers • Stocker-Feeder Steers	
Breeding Beef • Market Beef Heifer • Market Beef Steers • Sheep Showmanship	
Sheep Goat Showmanship • Goats	
2:00 p.m.....	Round Robin Showmanship @ Livestock Ring
3:00 p.m.....	4-H Livestock Sale

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