



# McPherson County News

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## Graphic Files

## Over The Hills

### From The Tryon Graphic Archives

TEN YEARS AGO  
OCTOBER 21, 2010  
McPherson County High School Homecoming royalty was pictured. They were: freshman attendants, Jesse Paxton and Caitlyn Bessmer; sophomore attendants, Austin Starr and Frankie Lewis; junior attendants, Sam Ascherl and Alecia Paxton; King, Gabe Ryland and Queen, Ashley Bessmer.

Homecoming was held McPherson County High School. Parade Highlights pictures and spirit day pictures were featured in this issue.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

OCTOBER 26, 2000

Twenty-four players turned out for the annual Rebekah Card Party, Saturday night October 21, with six tables of ten point pitch formed. High scorers were won by Lois Correll for the women, and LaVerne Neal for the men. Rebekah members served sandwiches, pickles, potato chips, cake and coffee.

Clara Daly, Linda Paxton, Dorothy Kramer and Dora Valentine went on their annual mystery tour October 14-16, touring places of interest at Dodge City and Abilene, Kansas.

Dell Schultheiss is taking his basic training with the U.S. National Guards at Fort Jackson, South Carolina.

THIRTY YEARS AGO

NOVEMBER 1, 1990

Rev. John and Olive Neal visited in the Louis Lutes home Tuesday, October 16. The Neals visited Anna Pinkerton at the hospital in North Platte, called on Ethel Pinkerton and Steve Allen at North Platte Care Center, then stopped by Margie Smith's where they enjoyed seeing Margie's daughter and husband, Naomi and Tony Bartoni from Illinois.

The Oregon Trails Conference Vocal Clinic was held Monday, October 22, at the MCHS gymnasium in Tryon. The clinic was directed by Leland Finey.

Visitors of Eva Haddy during the past week were Jack Connell, Audrey French, Annabel Bullington, Ethel Pinkerton, Lois Correll, Mike Williamson, Les Anway, Mac and Lois Connell, Millard and Edith Smolik, Mable Cash, Lowell and Butch Pyzer and Dale Arensdorf.

FORTY YEARS AGO

OCTOBER 23, 1980

Three McPherson County High School students were taken to Ogalala Saturday, October 10, by their music instructor, Jean Hora, to audition for the All-State Choir and Band, Marsha Bullington and Hannah Doyle auditioned for chorus and Deb Waits for band. Tryon's music department was later notified that Hannah, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Doyle, qualified for the All-State Choir.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Black of Tryon, both observed their birthdays on Friday, October 17. A birthday party was held in their honor Sunday afternoon, October 19.

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FIFTY YEARS AGO

OCTOBER 22, 1970

Susan Kinsman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kinsman of Arthur, was chosen "Sailor of the Month" for October. She is stationed at Corpus Christi, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kemp, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Dobbins, Mr. and Mrs. John Dahlin, Mrs. T.W. Haddy, Mrs. Tom Ellis and Renee were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Les Bay at Stapleton after bowling.

Ron Dobbins, Sam Connell, Louis Siegel, Dan Connell Jr., David McIntyre and Von Paxton worked on the new additions at the Hall Church Friday evening.

Don and Betty Lange of North Platte, spent Sunday, October 11, in the home of her parents, the L.H. Babbs, and visited with her aunt, Mrs. Mae Blaylock.

SIXTY YEARS AGO

OCTOBER 27, 1960

Those helping Grandma Lydia Neal celebrate her 91st birthday at the home of Billie and Donna Neal

October 19th were, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Smith and boys, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Neal and Roger, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Neal and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Neal and Gary, Mr. and Mrs. Chart Nicholson and children. Mabel Ellis baked the birthday cake. Mrs. Neal's two daughters, Mrs. Claris Shimmin of Illinois and Mrs. Marie Miller of Hemet, California, called her that evening.

On Sunday, Mr. George Winters and Mike visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Sowders where Mrs. Winters is awaiting the arrival of the new grandchildren.

Mrs. Janis Nielsen and son and Mrs. Joanne Jennings of North Platte, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Andre of Gandy, Rev. Edward Holub, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Griffith and daughters, and Mrs. Art French and children, all of Stapleton, were among those who attended the Church Festival in Tryon on Saturday.

SEVENTY YEARS AGO

NOVEMBER 2, 1950

Governor Val Peterson will be the principal speaker at Tryon, November 9th when the 12-mile stretch of the new gravel road west of Tryon will be dedicated in a noon ceremony. While the new road by no means completes the work between Tryon and Arthur, it's a good start. Owner and publisher of *The Tryon Graphic* in 1950, Hugh M. Priest, said that it took a good automobile and a cast iron stomach to drive the old road which was nothing more than a sandhill trail for the many years it existed. All ladies clubs and individuals of the Tryon community were invited to attend and bring food to serve with the barbecue to be held Thursday, November 9th, for the dedication.

EIGHTY YEARS AGO

OCTOBER 24, 1940

Sixty two men and women, all residents of McPherson County, at some time between 1890 and December 31, 1899, registered and received the official "old timers" badge at the County's Jubilee Celebration here



Quote: "Success in life comes when you simply refuse to give up, With goals so strong that obstacles, failure, and loss only act as Motivation."

Anonymous

It's that time of year and most of us are fighting sandburs. No matter how careful I am, I seem to pick them up especially on pantlegs and shoes. The cats are great about bringing them in too. I really hate stepping on a stray bur when barefooted. One little sticker off the bur hurts like crazy until I get it extracted. There has to be something good about sandburs. I guess it must

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be a lesson in dealing with irritation. It could also be a lesson in dealing with obstacles, failure, and loss since they are so resilient. The bur can lay buried for years and do nothing until the soil is disturbed or a dry season like this year hits. They flourish under adversity! I have even seen them on the beaches of the panhandle of Florida and Alabama so they are also quite adaptable. Take a lesson from the lowly sandbur.

### BURRED

Been outside working,  
I ease down in my chair  
And get back up quickly –  
A sandbur bit me in the rear!

You'd think these nasty critters  
Would be flattened by winter's snow  
But they rise to meet spring's season  
Even buried far below.

They must be part of the curse  
Adam and Eve brought on the earth.  
Along with the pesky mosquito  
There are few things worse!

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13 April 2011

## Financial Assistance Available for Landlord Relief

Funding continues to be available through a Community CARES Grant from the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) for direct statewide landlord assistance. WCNDN is working to distribute the financial assistance to qualified landlords. Eligible landlords are those who have documented financial loss due to the COVID-19 pandemic and lease to low-to-moderate income tenants. Both criteria must be met in order for the landlord to participate.

CARES financial assistance may be allocated to landlords in one of two forms, or in a combination of both. Regardless, landlords are only eligible for up to \$10,000 in the form of a straight grant (no personal cash match or payback is necessary). Landlords may apply for up to \$2,500 in direct financial assistance to recoup lost rent or utility payments due to tenant's inability to provide a full payment after their employment was compromised as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Otherwise, landlords may apply for up to \$10,000 for minor rental unit rehabilitation. If both forms of aid are needed, it is possible to apply for up to \$2,500 in direct assistance and request additional funding for minor unit repairs, not to exceed \$10,000 total. Funding is available on a per-landlord basis, not per-unit. For example, landlords cannot apply for multiple \$10,000 grants to address

several units; only one rental unit per landlord can be assisted with this program. A unit is defined as a rental property that is tied to one address.

For more information, and to obtain a copy of the program application, please contact West Central Nebraska Development District at 308-284-6077 or by email to [asauer@west-central-nebraska.com](mailto:asauer@west-central-nebraska.com).

### Tryon Red Cross Bloodmobile

**Friday, November 6, 2020**

**McPherson Co. Fairbuilding - Tryon**  
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**For appointment please contact**  
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### Upcoming Sale Dates

Weigh-Ups @ 9:00 A.M. • Calves Sell @ 1:00 P.M.

**October 20: Calf Special**

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**November 3: Regular Sale**

**November 10: Calf Special**

**November 17: Calf Special**

**Nov. 24: Bred Cow Special**

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## Be a Proud

## Poll Worker

**Nebraska General Election**

**November 3, 2020**

**Who can apply?** If you are 16 years old or older. If you are 18 years or older you must be a registered voter in the county.

**Poll Workers are paid.** Service organizations are able to contract with a county election office. Non-profit organizations are paid directly for their volunteer's time, and can use the funds as they wish for their charitable projects. Virtual training will be available online or by television.

**Every polling site will receive kits to protect poll workers. Social distancing standards will apply.**

**To Apply Contact your County Clerk or Election Commissioner**

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