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Over The Hills

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TEN YEARS AGO
SEPTEMBER 8, 2011
New students at MCS were: Michelle Hunter, Joshua Olson, Juan Reeves, Wiley Munson, Haley Munson, Blake Wilcox and Kayla Goss. Mark Wilson was hired as the new Spanish, music and theatre teacher at MCHS.

TWENTY YEARS AGO
SEPTEMBER 6, 2001
Thirty-three students were enrolled at MCHS for the school year. Senior class students were: Tyler Abel, Levi Arensdorf, Wyatt Arensdorf, Jacob Christopher, Hannah Clinebell, Adam Johnson, Kayla Kemp, Wacey Krull, Eric Mumm, Randi Munson and Rawnie Munson. The first football game of the season was against Herndon, Kansas. The Longhorns won 40-6 with Wyatt Arensdorf completing 10 of 19 passes for 171 yards and two touchdowns.

Class officers at MCHS were senior president, Tyler Abel; junior president, Heather Dowell; sophomore president, Amanda Albrecht; freshman president, Michael Connick.

Hollis Snyder was honored for her 90th birthday.

David Thelen completed his summer teaching internship.

THIRTY YEARS AGO
SEPTEMBER 5, 1991
The Tryon Roping Club sponsored a roping during the McPherson County Fair bringing in sixty-two teams. Jared Storer and Trent Neal won the fast time in the first-go.

Trevor Neal went overseas to attend Yosei University in Seoul Korea to study Korean language and culture. The football team opened up their first game of the season at Venango, September 6. Seniors were Rusty Moore, Dusty Paxton, Travis Kemp, Doug Newport, Bill Munson and Magnus

Sjolander. The first game of the volleyball season was held at Stapleton September 6. Seniors were Gina Streiff, Lori Gregg, Holee Coffman and Melissa Fisher. Pat Vinton was named "Cattleman of the Year." Dan Powers and Trent Neal had the fast time in the first go at the jackpot roping held at the Tryon arena on July 27.

FORTY YEARS AGO
SEPTEMBER 3, 1981
Trapping, hunting and running season were set for six species: mink, muskrat, opossum, raccoon, bobcat, and beavers. The open class horse show in Tryon on August 21, brought in over one hundred horses. The all-around horse was named Leader shown by Lisa Johnson. Runner-up was Shea owned by Sam Connell. Both were residents of Tryon.

President Reagan had signed into law that a change to the food stamp rule would take effect October 1. They were aiming at saving 1.7 million dollars. The Military Selective Service Act started making the names of registrants and the tentative local board assignments available to the public. The Mullen Hospital had received a grant to help them with some projects. Nebraska Stock Growers sent President Reagan a letter of concern over high interest rates on stock feed.

FFA range judging competitions had been set for September. Almost 1,200 kids and adults were allowed to enter the contests. **FIFTY YEARS AGO**
SEPTEMBER 2, 1971
MCHS had sixty-one students enrolled for the school year. Seniors were: William G. Connell, Randy C. Fisher, Edith E. Haney, Monty D. Kemp, Dale M. Lake, Connie A. Lutes, Chester M. McNutt, Joy L. Moriarty, Monte D. Nicholson, and Douglas E.

Schmidt. Larry Lundford was resigning from Secretary-Manager of the Cattle Association.

Susan Jean Rothwell and Roy D. Johnson were married on August 22. Helping Hand Club met at the Bob Dykes home with fourteen members and two visitors present.

The Home Builders Club met at the home of Mrs. Wes Sharp, August 26. There were nine members present.

SIXTY YEARS AGO
SEPTEMBER 7, 1961
MCHS seniors went to North Platte to sell ads for their annuals. The first football game was at Maxwell on September 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Benedict of Tryon were the parents of a baby girl. The MCHS Improvement Club had a welcoming picnic for the teachers August 30. A total of 103 people attended.

The Sunshine Extension Club met at Ruby Huffman's home with eight members and county chairman, Katie Augustine in attendance.

SEVENTY YEARS AGO
SEPTEMBER 6, 1951
Mr. and Mrs. John L. Neal of Tryon had a baby boy. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Quick of Stapleton had a baby girl.

At the Tryon Theatre they had "Hit Parade" showing.

MCHS had forty-six students registered for school. Seniors were: Joanne Black, Doris Johnson, Rose Hunn, Richard Kemp, Robert Neal, Velma Newberry, Roberta Pettit, Audrey Priest, and Hazel Thompson.

The first game that MCHS played was against Stapleton to introduce football to the town.

Mr. and Mrs. H.B. Smith celebrated their silver wedding anniversary on September 2.

District 60 had three students enrolled for school.

EIGHTY YEARS AGO
SEPTEMBER 4, 1941
MCHS had forty-four students enrolled for the school year.

There were fifteen boys out for softball and basketball.

This was the first year the school had consumer science. Mr. Tyler was the teacher.

Some schools in the state like Maxwell didn't start on the scheduled date due to a shortage of staff.

Ben Empfield of Stapleton died of encephalitis or the sleeping sickness.

Mike David sold his store to his daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. T.W. Haddy.

Nebraska fixed a three week pheasant season, the longest one so far. **NINETY YEARS AGO**
SEPTEMBER 3, 1931

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Quote: "May we think of freedom not as the right to do as we please, but as the opportunity to do what is right."

Peter Marshall

One has to wonder how much longer we will have what freedom we have left. Looking around the world, we still probably have more freedom than most of the world does, but those freedoms are slipping away daily. We the people are the ones who need to stand up and put a halt to the erosion of our rights and freedoms. Freedom isn't free and it can be taken away all too easily.

What is the Meaning of Freedom (I found this in a Google search)

The simplest definition of freedom is the state of being free. Freedom is a state of mind in which one is completely free.

Freedom means not confined or restrained in any manner. One can enjoy freedom in almost all aspects. Freedom can be observed in political, social and other areas of life.

Freedom leads to happiness and liberty. This liberty and happiness can also be observed in our various fundamental rights. This includes right to freedom of expression, freedom of fundamental rights, freedom of speech, etc.

Both society and people enjoy freedom.

A free society is free from external control.

There is an absence of foreign dominion.

The people of a free society enjoy a free opportunity.

One can use the power to act at one's own will.

Importance of Freedom Mentioned below are points that exhibit the importance of freedom:-

1. Happiness and Satisfaction: Freedom is di-

rectly related to a person's happiness and satisfaction. When a person acts with freedom, he feels satisfied. He does not feel being pressurized by anything. He acts according to his will.

2. Protection of Human rights: Freedom protects the human rights. It is the born right of every human to express, speak and choose according to his wish.

3. Enhanced creativity and productivity: It is a fact that when one works with freedom, he or she gets more creative! Freedom removes any sort of constraints. Thus, the creativity and productivity of people get improved.

4. Enhanced self-esteem and better morale: Enjoying freedom helps perceive a conscious feeling of the inner self.

5. Better standard of living: Standard of living involves various things. It includes wealth, comfort, various materialistic goods, etc. Being free, a person can choose to work according to his own preference.

6. Protection of Human rights: Therefore, various countries around the world have given place to fundamental rights. Fundamental rights of any country let the people enjoy freedom in various areas.

7. Enhanced creativity and productivity: It is a fact that when one works with freedom, he or she gets more creative! Freedom removes any sort of constraints. Thus, the creativity and productivity of people get improved.

8. Enhanced self-esteem and better morale: E Freedom in speech, expression and work naturally increase the self-esteem of an individual. Hence, a person enjoying freedom gets a better morale!

9. Better standard of living: Working with a free, satisfied and happy mind leads to a bright career. This, in turn, means a bright future with a better standard of living.

So, be free and enjoy the freedom! However, always remember that freedom should be enjoyed in a justified manner!

FREEDOM ISN'T FREE

Do you ever stop to think
When you do just what you want
That you are exercising freedom
And freedom's not for flaunt.

It costs to have that freedom—
No, freedom isn't free!
It may mean some sacrifice
Like taxes or service for you and me.

It may mean military service
Whether here or over there,
It may take some time and effort
Supporting candidates who care.

You may have to speak out
When you see things that aren't right
Because true freedom takes some doing
And it's everybody's fight.

Study the real U.S. Constitution,
Not just what's interpreted by law
And compare it to the Bible,
Our forefathers knew what they saw.

Freedom's not a freebie,
It has to be well earned,
Maintaining it takes teamwork
So teach others what you've learned.

Apathy defeats freedom
Don't bury your head in the sand
You still have rights as an American
So take a "freedom" stand!

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Senior Lunch Menu At Prairie Hills Cafe, Tryon

Thursday, September 9 - Chili burger, French fries, pickles, fruit cocktail

Friday, September 10 - Chicken fried steak, hash-browns or French fries, lettuce salad, dinner roll, apple sauce

Monday, September 13 - French dip, lettuce salad, green beans, pears

Tuesday, September 14 - Chicken drummies, mashed potatoes/gravy, peas, dinner roll, fruit cocktail

Wednesday, September 15 - Baked ham, sweet potatoes, hominy, corn bread, mandarin oranges

Thursday, September 16 - Asian chicken with rice, mixed vegetables, dinner roll, apple sauce

Friday, September 17 - Closed

Monday, September 20 - Barbeque riblet sandwich, potato salad or lettuce salad, potato chips, mandarin oranges

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Between the Lines

Dean Thompson

You are probably counting the days until I come up with something new to write about. I'd kinda like to think of something that would surprise me too! Here it is Saturday night at just a few minutes after seven, mountain time. If you asked me, which I kinda hope you don't, I would tell you that this bunch of words has to be sent to the paper at Arthur within twenty four hours. So don't ask

me. Because it ain't gonna happen...yaah, I know it ain't that good, but you get what you get. You are used to getting a bunch of repetition? Because it says in the book of Ecclesiastes, that's part of the Bible some "recommended reading." Read as far as you are inclined and if it says (disputable) "there is nothing new under the sun" that was

just the words of an old 'preacher' and we can turn to Jesus words in Revelation and read, "Behold I make all things new." Take your pick. Read both of those passages and you won't need to look at my few words this week. I talked to my daughter

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