



# McPherson County News

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**TEN YEARS AGO**  
**FEBRUARY 14, 2013**

SMC senior basketball players honored at Parent's Night were: Jamie Main, Austin Starr, Torie Opela, Levi Eberle, Nikki Abby and Remington Cutler. Senior wrestler honored was Levi Peterson.

SMC Cyclones qualified six wrestlers for the NSAA Class D Wrestling Championships. They were: Colt Lewis, Isaac Ascherl, John Sonnenfeld, Clay Seifer, Levi Peterson and Justin Cosler.

A "Movie Night" was being planned Saturday, February 23 at the McPherson County Fair Building in Tryon. Two movies, "Set Apart" and "Courageous" were going to be viewed.

**TWENTY YEARS AGO**  
**FEBRUARY 13, 2003**

Two cousins from McPherson County, Specialist Katrina Fisher, daughter of Kent and Kathleen Fisher and Private 1st Class Del Schultheiss, son of Shannon Fisher of Tryon and John Schultheiss of Kearney, left February 10th with their National Guard Unit for Ft. McCoy, Wisconsin.

Two accidents occurred on slick highways in McPherson County on Saturday night, February 8th. David Swanson of Lincoln, was involved in one accident and the second accident involved Kevin Bokoskie of Tryon, east of the Junction of Highways 92 & 97, east of Tryon.

Lloyd Connell has returned to his home at Tryon, after staying in the hospital and later at Centennial nursing home in North Platte.

Funeral services were held for Robert Earl Wolfenden, 64, of North Platte, who passed away February 7, 2003.

**THIRTY YEARS AGO**  
**FEBRUARY 18, 1993**

Some nice weather in the earlier part of February helped melt much of the snow received during prior months. But the area has since been hit by two major snowstorms, which left approximately 14 inches of snow in the Tryon and Stapleton areas.

Deaths: Paul Seifer, 63, of Sutherland, February 17; Marie Pullen, 88, formerly of Paxton, February 9; Archie Kramer, 89, formerly of Arthur County, February 10.

An uninhabited mobile home was completely destroyed in a fire at the LeRoy Hodges farm located near the Logan-Lincoln County line.

The McPherson County ambulance was called to the McPherson County High School in Tryon Friday, February 12, during the Tryon vs. Mullen basketball game, when one of Tryon's players, Heidi Brouwer, became ill.

**FORTY YEARS AGO**  
**FEBRUARY 17, 1983**

Larry Hardesty of Greencastle, Indiana, received his PhD in library and information science from Indiana University in December.

The Tryon Volunteer Fire Dept. was called to the Orval Black home Monday evening, February 7, when a shop behind the house caught fire.

Deaths: Ila Black, 67, of Tryon, February 13; Maude Wade, 90, longtime resident of McPherson County, January 30; Marie Day, 70, of Madrid, February 15.

Dusty Paxton, Judd Nicholson and Dandee Connell were pictured observing the "week the heart came to school," sponsored by the American Heart Association.

**FIFTY YEARS AGO**  
**FEBRUARY 15, 1973**

William (Mike) James Musser, 73, a retired Tryon Rancher, died Sunday evening, February 11, in a Mullen hospital.

McPherson County students taking part in the Spelling Bee last Saturday on television were Shane Storer, Shelly Correll and Kim Arensdorf.

Locals having high bowling scorers were Ted Correll, Harold Arensdorf, Paul Hunn, Art French, Eva Haddy, Audrey French and Geneva Neal.

**SIXTY YEARS AGO**  
**FEBRUARY 21, 1963**

Congratulations to Errol Waits, fifth grade son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Waits of Tryon, who was third in the KNOPTV spelling contest on Saturday. His teacher is Mrs. Karen Hunn of Tryon.

The teacher and pupils of Dist. 6 invited the mothers to school for a Valentine party Thursday afternoon. Those attending were Mary McNutt, Hollis Snyder and Eva Connell.

Mr. and Mrs. Worth Haney are driving a new Chevrolet which they purchased in Mullen.

**SEVENTY YEARS AGO**  
**FEBRUARY 12, 1953**

The first senior being highlighted in this issue was Duane Neal. He was active in sports, school plays and was president of his class. His pet peeve was women and his favorite movie star was Gabby Hayes.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Paul of North Platte are the proud parents of a daughter born Tuesday morning.

Jessie Shimmin became ill and entered Memorial Hospital Sunday afternoon.

Well the weather man has finally decided we will have a little winter for a change. We got a little snow here Monday not enough to bother the roads. We have had such nice weather I guess we can stand a little cold and bad weather.

The movie "Ticket to Tomahawk" was showing at the Tryon Theatre.

**EIGHTY YEARS AGO**  
**FEBRUARY 18, 1943**

High winds here on Friday of last week climaxed a spell of windy weather which most farmers say has done considerable damage to the country's rye crop.

Lumber has been hauled here for an addition on the Lisle Pyzer home. Work will start some time this spring.

Mrs. Grace Waits has been ill the past two weeks and recently was taken to North Platte to consult a doctor.

Fay Danker, Ringgold: As I am able to buy what I want in East now will offer my farm for sale for short time, 800 acres stock and grain, very productive, close to highway. Wagon scales, plenty of improvements, irrigated garden, a choice home. \$7,000.00, \$2,000 cash, 5% on balance.

**NINETY YEARS AGO**  
**FEBRUARY 16, 1933**

Mr. and Mrs. Orlo Warren are the proud parents of a fine new baby boy born to them at the Atterbury home in North Platte last Thursday.

High School students making the honor roll included, Rose Lamb, Blanche Bassett, Melba Newberry, Eva Bassett, Doris Warren, Anna Farrow, Don Dobbins, Ray Dobbins and Lawrence Callander.

A number of Tryon people drove to Hershey last evening to take in the basketball game being played between the local team and Star.

A merry crowd gathered at the Ebners Saturday night and played games and had a weiner roast at midnight. Paul Bassett has rented the old Thune Place.

### Senior Lunch Menu At Prairie Hills Cafe, Tryon

Monday, February 20 - BBQ riblet sandwich, French fries, carrots, apple sauce

Tuesday, February 21 - Fish sandwich, Au gratin potatoes, lettuce salad, pineapple

Wednesday, February 22 - Meat loaf, baked potato, carrots, peaches, bread



J.R. Trumbull

Quote: "This is how humility and grace go hand in hand. Humility empties the heart of dirt, grace fills it with holiness and blessings. It takes humility to admit when you are wrong and grace to lift your head from shame. Humility puts others first, grace overlooks on days you fail. Humility and grace are like conjoined twins- one can't survive without the other. If you are in need of grace, start with humility and grace won't be far behind." Anonymous

Words of wisdom from Rob Hill Sr. "Nothing protects the heart like patience. Don't get your hopes up too fast. Don't let your fears speak too loud. Don't give your doubts too much time. Not everybody is built to handle the rough times. Don't be surprised when you fall off with certain people. Few people understand what it means to really be there for somebody. And that's the roughest part about being on a journey, you realize the main ones that said they'll ride, are the first ones to fall off. People make promises when the

sun is shining and excuses when the storm comes. That's why I'm always thankful for the rain...it washes away the unnecessary. The reality is, you could be amazing, genuine, and sincere, but still be overlooked. Because honestly, people don't want something real anymore, they just

want reasons to complain and excuses to avoid. Having a good thing is so hard because meeting a strong person is so rare. So I've learned to respect when people run from me. I realize my kind of love ain't for everybody. I'm at peace with that." Be real, be genuine, be strong!

### WISHES AND WANTS

Wishes and wants vs. have too's and needs, Comes down to separating grain from the weeds.

It can break up a community once strong When people think that the other side is wrong.

Compromising isn't easy no matter the case, Having your way doesn't always mean first base.

Sacrificing the geese that lay the golden eggs Can end up with all struggling on their last legs.

Bigger may not be better when in the plan You have bankrupted the folks on the land.

You can import problems along with numbers And end up with nothing but lots of fumlbers.

I don't know the answer, I wish that I did. Sometimes you must search for something that's hid.

Examine all sides of the coin in the toss, Make sure that you haven't lost win in the loss.

J.R. Trumbull  
12 Mar 2015

## McPherson County receives scrap tire grant

Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy Director Jim Macy has announced the awarding of \$7,733,191.25 in grants to support 140 projects across the state. These grants will help fund litter and waste reduction projects, recycling programs, and pay costs for scrap tire cleanups and collections for household hazardous waste, electronic waste, and pharmaceuticals.

"There were many outstanding applications submitted to NDEE this year," Macy said. "These grants will assist many important local efforts to promote litter and waste

reduction and help handle the costs of proper disposal of many materials, such as household hazardous waste and scrap tires."

McPherson County received a grant from the Scrap Tire Waste Reduction & Recycling Incentive Fund. They received \$51,216.00 to help with the clean-up of 150 tons.

Waste Reduction and Recycling Incentive funds are generated by a fee on solid waste disposed in landfills, an annual retail business sales fee, and a fee assessed on the sale of new tires. Grants are provided to local integrated waste management projects and can include recycling systems, household hazardous waste collections, and composting.

Also included in the Waste Reduction and Recycling Incentive program are Scrap Tire funds, which are generated from a \$1 fee on new tires purchased in Nebraska. In 2023, 68 grants totaling \$2,499,498.10 were awarded. These grants will fund 50 scrap tire cleanup events across Nebraska. Enough fund-

ing was awarded to cleanup up 6,775 tons of scrap tires. Funds will also be used to partially reimburse the cost of many products made from recycled scrap tires, such as artificial turf football, soccer, baseball and softball fields, athletic running tracks, and playground surfacing.

Public education programs educate citizens on litter reduction and recycling through a variety of school and community activities. Clean-up grants provide funding for Nebraska residents of all ages who pick up litter and debris along Nebraska's highways, waterways, recreation lands, urban areas, and other public use areas within the state.

Recycling programs provide an alternative to the disposal of solid waste in Nebraska's landfills.

Priority is given to programs that promote markets for recycled materials or purchasing products made from recycled materials.

Grant applications for 2024 will be available in early July 2023.

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