Did you know

January 28, 2014
McHenry, the person

- Captain Harrison Cummins “Mick” McHenry (1890-1918)
- Old West High School
- Drake University Law School
- Paternal Grandfather was first Mayor of Des Moines
- Maternal Uncle Albert B. Cummins Governor of Iowa and U.S. Senator
Military Service

- Enlisted in Iowa national Guard 168th Infantry
- Sent to France as part of the Rainbow Division commanded by Gen. Douglas McArthur
- Killed March 5, 1918 during a German artillery bombardment
- First Iowa officer to be killed in World War I
Captain McHenry’s photo and letter to his mother from the front lines were utilized in this war bond ad.
McHenry Park, Early Land Use

Map showing historical locations of coal mines near the park.
Early map of Highland park showing “Zoo Hill” at the park’s location
1888 cartoon showing the Belt Line railway connecting 2nd and Locust to Highland Park a newly incorporated suburb through McHenry Park.
McHenry Park History

Acquired 1916 and 1918
Proposed designs for McHenry Park dated May 2, 1934
McHenry Park, the park

- 1012 Oak Park Ave.
- Historic Name, Frase Park (H.B. Frase Commission of Parks and Public Buildings)
- 19.4 acres
McHenry Park, the features

- 3 Open Air Shelters
- Restroom Building
- Spray Ground
- Historical Sign
Thank You