

The Black & Gold



McCune Eagles

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All-Alumni Dinner

Saturday, September 23

Alumni are invited to dinner Saturday, September 23, 2017, 5:30 p.m. at the McCune Community Center. Dinner will be served at 6:00.

Jim Frazier will be Master of Ceremonies. Five \$10 door prizes will be awarded.

Price of the dinner: \$12.50 per person.

The Menu: Smoked Brisket; Rigatoni with Meat Sauce; Party Potatoes; Green Bean Casserole; Garden Salad; Rolls & Butter; Cherry Cheesecake.

Make your reservations for the dinner by

September 15, 2017.

Contact: Kathy Stewart: kstewie@hotmail.com or telephone 620.632.4992, or use the order form on page 7, and purchase dinner tickets along with your tickets for the drawing. A special "thank you" to all who help set up for the banquet.

Special Honors

The All-Alumni meeting will be Saturday, September 23 at 2:00. The 50 year class of 1967 will be the special honored guests at the meeting and at the banquet.

If you graduated from McCune High School between 1898 - 1966 and have not yet received a 50 year McCune Eagle pin, see Richard Parsons at the reunion on September 23, 2017.

About the McCune Alumni Website

Please check the website for the latest information about meetings and the McCune Fall Festival

www.mccunealumni.com

JOIN THE STEERING COMMITTEE

Who are the members of the steering committee?

How do they become members?

The only two requirements for being a steering committee member are:

- 1) You must have earned a McCune School diploma.
- 2) You must have a genuine interest in doing good things for the McCune community.

The Committee meets five times a year. Lately we've been meeting at Chicken Mary's near Frontenac with about 15 - 20 people. Spouses and friends are welcome to attend with you. We have a great time

Buy Your Tickets To Win \$100

The Alumni Association has donated \$100 to be awarded to a lucky ticket holder. There will also be a second prize of \$50.00 and a third Prize of \$25.00

Tickets sell for \$1.00 each or six for \$5.00. You can order tickets by mail. Use the form on page 7 or, you can buy them on homecoming weekend.

The drawing will be held at the Alumni Reunion on Saturday afternoon, September 23.

You do NOT need to be present to win any of these prizes. All proceeds go to the Alumni Fund.

2017 Scholarships Awarded

Fourteen graduating seniors, from three different high schools, reside in the former McCune #57 school district. All were contacted and given information about the McCune Alumni scholarships. Five of the students applied. The Alumni Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce the recipients:

\$1,000 Alumni Scholarships

Each will receive \$1000



Caylee Egbert
Dalton Lindbloom
Morgan Michael
Aaron Sterling
Kyra Stewart

\$1000 Science and Technology Scholarship

Aaron Sterling

\$16,000 Herman and Ailene Parsons

Educational Scholarship

\$16,000 to be divided equally among:

Caylee Egbert
Dalton Lindbloom
Morgan Michael
Aaron Sterling
Kyra Stewart

Thank you to all alumni who contribute through donations and memorials and to our single anonymous alumnus who funds the science and technology scholarship; and to the Herman and Ailene Parsons family.

Thank you to the Alumni scholarship committee: Warren McGown, chair, Frank Page, Carolyn Michael, and Sharon Leonard.

Top T.V. Shows of 1967

- The Andy Griffith show*
- The Lucy Show* •*Green Acres*
- Gomer Pyle, U.S.M.C.*
- Gunsmoke* •*Family Affair* •*Bonanza*
- The Red Skelton Show* •*The Dean Martin Show*
- The Jackie Gleason Show*
- Bewitched* •*The Beverly Hillbillies*
- The Ed Sullivan Show* •*The Virginian*

Memorials Given in 2016-2017



\$100 Or More

In Memory of Venus Hobson

~Alan and Linda Hobson

Memorials will be listed on the certificates awarded to the 2017 scholarship recipients.

Donations in 2016-2017

\$100 Or More

Merle Allen
Will Davidson
Carol Sue Clarke Duesi
Paul & Karolyn Johnson
Joe & Bev Smith
Ada Viets
Kenny Wright

\$200 Or More

Carl Davidson
Harold Millard
McCune PTO
Mark Smith

The Association thanks all of these donors who have given so generously to the alumni funds.

Top Movies of 1967

A Man for All Seasons
The Graduate
Bonnie and Clyde
The Dirty Dozen
You Only Live Twice
The Jungle Book
Casino Royale
Valley of the Dolls
To Sir With Love
Camelot
Throughly Modern Millie
Guess Who's Coming to Dinner

1967 was the peak year for Baby Boomers

The World Population in 1967 was 3.48 Billion People.

The Way It Was in '67

•*High Boots and Turtlenecks were the fashion.* • *Cher, Brigitte Bardot, Ursula Andress and Warren Beatty were the hot stars.* •*Julia Roberts, Nicole Kidman, Will Ferrell, Pamela Anderson and Kurt Cobain were born.* •*A gallon of gas was 33 cents.* •*A new car cost \$2,700.* •*Average household income was \$7,200.* •*Lyndon Johnson was president.* •*Protests against the Vietnam War escalated in New York and San Francisco. Race Riots flared in several large cities. The St. Louis Cardinals were the World Series Champs.*

From the Class of 1967

I know it doesn't seem possible, but the class of 1967 will be celebrating its 50th anniversary at the 2017 McCune Fall Festival. There's been a lot of water under the bridge, and in some cases the bridge has completely washed out, but none the less, here we are. I used to be amazed listening to all the advances in technology and what not that my grandparents would talk about happening in their lifetimes, and I won't say that our generation has them beat but we've certainly added our share. On the other hand, the things we cherish the most haven't really changed that much.

So, I'm really looking forward to seeing all my classmates again this fall to catch up and share stories. Some of us may even remember some funny stuff to talk about from good 'ole MRHS.

Right now the plan is to have a table set up at the bean feed Friday evening Sept. 22 at 5:00 at the McCune park for reminiscing, and then a short ride down Main in the Saturday morning parade. Saturday afternoon at the alumni meeting in the gym we'll be presented our 50 year pins. We also have a table reserved at the Banquet Saturday evening for dinner. It's all no pressure and a lot of fun, and some good food (especially the beans)....

I'll be sending my classmates a letter with more details and my contact information.

Looking forward to seeing everyone.

Robert Alvord, President, Class of 1967

News Headlines of 1967

Rolling Stone Magazine debuts

John Lennon buys a psychedelic Rolls-Royce

Elvis Presley marries Priscilla

Dr. Christiaan Barnard, 1st successful heart transplant

World's 1st ATM available for use in Britain

First handheld calculator announced

First football Super Bowl-Packers vs. K.C. Chiefs

25th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution enacted

Thurgood Marshall 1st African-American US Supreme Court Justice.

50 Years

The Class of 1967



Robert Alvord

Gary Baldwin

Tom Barton

David Billington (deceased 20 Feb 2009)

Catherine Boor Warring

Ronald Burk

Philip Comer

Peggy Getman Mercer

Linda Himebaugh Barton

Carolyn Huff Barr

Mavis Markley (unknown)

Delores Matthews Hollenbeck

Connie McCaslin Weber

Sheila McColm Markley

David McQuire (unknown)

Judith Michael Harper

Jim Mishler (deceased 20 Dec 2009)

Larry Montee

Richard Nunn

Mike Nutt (deceased 27 Oct 2003)

Richard Shouse

Alvin Thomas, Jr. (deceased 21 Feb 2013)

Rosemary Ulbrich Simon

Wynonia Ware Henson (deceased 5 Aug 1983)

Songs of 1967

To Sir With Love by Lulu • Ode to Billie Joe by Bobbie Gentry • Windy by The Association • I'm a Believer by The Monkees • Light My Fire by the Doors. • Happy Together by the Turtles • Can't Take My Eyes off You by Frankie Valli • Kind of a Drag by the Buckingham's • All You Need is Love by The Beatles • My Cup Runneth Over by Ed Ames • Penny Lane by The Beatles • The Beat Goes On by Sonny and Cher • San Francisco (Be Sure to Wear Flowers in Your Hair) by Scott McKenzie • Dedicated to the One I Love by the Mamas and the Papas • This is My Song by Petula Clark • Georgy Girl by The Seekers • Alfie by Dion Warwick • Your Love Keeps Lifting Me Higher and Higher by Jackie Wilson

Yearbook Project 2017

McCune History Department

~by Roy Parsons, alumni historian

On May 18 of this year, I received a telephone call from Oklahoma Correctional Industries in Lexington, Oklahoma. They made us an offer that I did not believe we should refuse. They offered to scan all of our school yearbooks and put them on CD's (compact discs) all for free. The shipping to and from would also be free. The fellow stated that their facility had completed the scanning project in the state of Oklahoma and were reaching out to Kansas for more work.

At their April meeting the McCune Alumni Association approved of sending their part of the yearbooks to have them scanned and the McCune History Department added the rest. The OCI sent a list of references and a couple of them were called to see how the yearbooks were treated as some of our older ones are very fragile. The references said they received their yearbooks back in the same condition that they were sent. Our yearbooks were sent by Fed-Ex on May 27 and were estimated to be completed by the middle of July.

When we receive the Yearbook CD's, we will transfer them to the library website as soon as time allows. This will allow you to view the yearbooks on your home computer, mobile devices, etc. The library website is mccune.mykansalibrary.org

I talked with the supervisor in charge of the project again on June 21 to ask how they were doing on the project. He said they were on schedule and in the Quality Control stage at that time. He also said that we sent them at the right time because they are having a budget cut and will only be doing 1950 to 1989 yearbooks for free.

McCune High School yearbooks sent to be scanned to CD are: Alpha MHS 1920; Black & Gold 1922 thru 1928; McRuhiscan 1936 thru 1938; Gold & Black 1941; The Eagle 1943, 1945 thru 1979.

Other yearbooks sent to be scanned are: Mineral High School/Min-Hi-Cho 1926, 1927; The Crusader 1934, 1952, 1953; Crawford County High School/The Crawford 1920, 1921, 1922, 1927, 1928.

I believe that this is a worthwhile project and will be very beneficial to anyone looking for their ancestors in the McCune area and also to graduates who may not have access to the paper yearbooks. The McCune History Department is happy to be a part of this task and hopes everyone who may be looking for information might find it.

A Class Act

There's going to be a class reunion
And I can't wait to go,
After nearly fifty years,
I wonder who I'll know.

Everyone will have changed,
I guess, for better or worse,
And we'll all pretend that we don't care.
Growing old is not such a curse.

The darkest hair may now be white,
The sharpest minds burned out,
And the only way to be sure you're heard
Is to get up close – and shout!

Oh there'll be laughing and
Eating and drinking
And telling each other old jokes.
I can't wait to go, even though,
I don't have much in common
with those elderly folks.

by Gwynn J. Dickinson (adapted)

Subscribe to McCune Library Newsletter

Once a month the staff and volunteers at the library put out a newsletter. Anyone can subscribe to the newsletter. However, the subscription fee **MUST** be sent to the library.

The Alumni Association cannot accept checks or money for the library newsletter. So, send \$6.00 once a year to:

McCune Osage Township Library
PO Box 73 509 6th St.
McCune, KS 66753

MRHS Class of 1947

Robert Allen

Joan Baker Davis (deceased 2015)

James Bennet (deceased 1997)

Joy Mae Darland Rudnick

Ernest Merle Depue (deceased 1998)

James R. Geary (deceased 2017)

Herbert Hickman

Merle Long (deceased 2005)

Phyllis Martin Nutt (deceased 2013)

Geneieve McGown Ringer (deceased 2011)

Lois L. McMillan Blake (deceased 2009)

Arlene Mohler Parman (deceased 1996)

Madelyn Morrison Moyer (deceased 1983)

Ila Jo Mustard Martin (deceased 2012)

Allan Murdock (deceased)

Geraldine Neher Long

Clayton Nutt (deceased 1992)

Clayton Painter

Donna Parsons Cox

Lyle Parsons (deceased 2011)

Clayton Riggs

Marie Scott Cochran (deceased 1994)

Eloise Smith Page (deceased 2004)

Loretta Stewart Cortner

Marialice Stotts Morrow (deceased 1994)

Richard White (deceased 2013)

Leslie L. Williams (deceased 2009)

Carl Willson (deceased 1988)

MRHS Class of 1957

Judy Baker Ware

Allan Baldwin

Orville Gardenhire

Alan Hobson

Charlotte Kernick McColm

Ella Lahey York (deceased 2013)

Leona Long Glavin

Larry Long (deceased 2015)

Eugene McColm

Frank Metcalf (deceased 2000)

Jessie Moore Gartner

Bonnie Rentfro Wheeler (deceased 2016)

Darrald Rose (deceased 1989)

Joyce Sartin Rose

Donald Spangler

Jeanette Wheatley Bolden (deceased 2016)

Linda Wilson Dingus

Norma Jean Wright Burns (deceased 2016)

Top Songs of 1957

• *I Never Felt More Like Singing the Blues* by Guy Mitchell • *Young Love* by Sonny James • *Don't Forbid Me* by Pat Boone • *Party Doll* by Buddy Knox • *All Shook Up* by Elvis • *Round and Round* by Perry Como • *Love Letters in the Sand* by Pat Boone • *Let Me Be Your Teddy Bear* by Elvis Presley • *Diana* by Paul Anka • *Tammy* by Debbie Reynolds • *Honeycomb* by Jimmie Rogers

Top Songs of 1947

• *The Old Lamp-Lighter* by Sammy Kaye • *Open the Door* Richard by Count Basie • *Heartaches* by Ted Weems • *Peg o' My Heart* by The Harmonicats • *Smoke! Smoke! Smoke! That Cigarette* by Tex Williams • *Near You* by Francis Craig • *Ballerina* by Vaughn Monroe • *I Love You For Sentimental Reasons* by the King Cole

Trio

McCune Class of 1977

John Autem (unknown)

Amy Bennett Hibbitts

Sheldon Bicknell

Ginger Bunn Harris

David Buzard

Dale Coonrod

Bambi Crumpacker Holderread

Melinda Dixon Nutt

Terri Green (deceased 2016)

Charles Hazen (unknown)

Kathy Hey Shaffer

Carol Hiller Cisper

Craig Jones

Debbie Lovelady Endicott

Arthur Maffai

Victorria McColm Poteat

Renda Satzler

Judy Shouse Buttler (unknown)

Wanda Jo Ulery Jurgensen

Top Songs of 1977

• *Tonight's the Night* by Rod Stewart
• *Torn Between Two Lovers* by Mary MacGregor • *New Kid in Town* by Eagles • *Evergreen* by Barbra Streisand • *Rich Girl* by Daryl Hall and John Oates • *Dancing Queen* by ABBA • *Southern Nights* by Glen Campbell • *You Light Up My Life* by Debby Boone • *How Deep Is Your Love* by the Bee Gees

Black and Gold! Black and Gold!

Emblem of glory, Black and Gold!

Black and Gold, we salute you each day
with a cheer;

Striving new honors to record ev'ry year.

Inspire us to victory, Uphold our defeat:

We will proudly sing, let our voices ring!

MHS our pride and glory—

Black and Gold!

~Helen Carol Walker, MHS '25

Take a look at the Veteran's Memorial at the McCune Cemetery. This is an impressive tribute to the McCune community veterans.

After the Parade!

Join Us!

Beginning at about 1:00, come to the gym to visit, and meet old friends

McCune School Building Leased.

According to Stephanie Potter, reporter for the Pittsburg Morning Sun, the McCune elementary school has been leased from the USD#247 school district by the Southeast Kansas Education Center at Greenbush. The building will be used for "Project Alternative."

Beginning in August 2017, students with behavioral disorders, emotional issues, low incidence scaled autism and down syndrome will attend day programs at the McCune School.

The program will serve 6th through 12th graders, and in a year be expanded to offer services to Kindergarten through fourth grade.

The students will be taught using an individualized education program.

McCune mayor, Tosh Kluber, has been assured the building will be available to the McCune community for Fall Festival, church services, and other community events.

People will be working there again. Children will be learning there again. The school will be doing what the community built it to do.

Dig out those McCune Letter Sweaters and Letter Jackets and wear them to the Homecoming festivities in September—even if they're a bit moth eaten or a little too tight!

McCune Grade School Class of 1987

Tim Covell
Dawn Hammer (unknown)
Michelle Hartman (unknown)
Marlo Hiller (unknown)
Donna Howell Jacobs
Ryan Huff
Jay Lewis (unknown)
Stacy Markley
Gary McKinzie (unknown)
Laura Proehl Lewis
Eric Rion (unknown)

Oh, we love the halls of Ivy that surround us here today,
And we will not forget though we be far, far, far away.
One day a hush will fall;
The footsteps of us all
Will echo down the hall and disappear.

McCune Grade School Class of 1997

Jacob Bennett
Brandon Brummett
Austin Dalrymple
Aften Fowler (unknown)
Holly Fox Franklin
Jesse Gath (unknown)
Travis Goff
Trista Hallett
Adreane Jacquinet
Andrea Johnston
Crystal Marshall
Mark Morgan (unknown)
Victoria O'Toole Murphy
Angie Parsons
Erin Pender
Anthony Ritchal
Anna Stephens
Megan Stephens
Jeffrey Tilton (unknown)
Amy Turner (unknown)
Randy Vandorn (unknown)
Katrina Vaughn

McCune Grade School Class of 2007

Steven Brisbin
Jeremy Clark
Caitlin Dunnick
Elana Easterly
Shane Farriester (unknown)
Chaney Fox
Mitch Galindo
Kelsey Garcia (unknown)
Jessica Hibdon
Natasha Hunter (unknown)
Howard Maynard, Jr.
Erin Mays
Zackery Musgrove (unknown)
Seth Owens (unknown)
Colton Phelps
Jessie Pool
Tyler Robin
Ashley Stein
Andy Trayer
T.J. Woods
Devon York

2017 Seniors Living in McCune District #57

Aundria Baker
Caylee Egbert
Tyler Kester
Kegan Leftwich
Dalton Lindbloom
Morgan Michael
Ashley Ray
Bryan Siu
Ricky Smith
Rebeca Span
Aaron Sterling
Kyra Stewart
Clayton Wilkins
Beau Zimmerman

Five of these senior applied for Alumni Scholarships. Several of these seniors are grandchildren of McCune high school graduates.

Did You Know?

- There are 2408 names in the McCune Alumni Database
- That the status of 271 of those alumni is unknown?
- That 966 alumni and staff are listed as deceased?
- That the Association was begun in 1989 by the class of 1939?
- There were 33 on the class roll for the class of 1939?
- As of September 2016, only five of the class of 1939 are believed to be living?
- As of July 2017, seventeen alumni are known to have passed away this year?
- In 2016, addresses were invalid for 31 more alumni?
- In 2016, 21 Alumni passed away?

Presidents of the Association

Frankie Dunnick 1989 - 1991

Mary Ann Gemmell Simpson 1991- 1994

Roland Dalrymple 1994 - 1997

Sheila Johnston Hensley Johnson 1997 - 2000

Evelina Stewart Wright 2000 - 2003

David Han 2003 - 2006

Paul Troop 2006 - 2009

Frank Page 2009 - 2012

Carolyn Stewart Michael 2012 - 2015

Richard Parsons 2015 - present

Scholarships Awarded Through the Years

The first scholarships from the Alumni Association were awarded to five students in 1992. Each senior received \$200. Ten years later, in 2002, eleven seniors were awarded \$300 each.

The first Science and Technology scholarship was awarded in 1999. It was and continues to be endowed by a single anonymous alum.

In 2008, the Parsons Educational Scholarship was added from the legacy of two McCune graduates, Herman Parsons and his wife Ailene McGown Parsons.

By September 2017, the Alumni through it's donations and its memorials will have bestowed 214 scholarships to McCune area high school seniors in the total amount of \$314,820.

Check out the

McCune Memorial Park when you're in town. To contribute, contact: The City of McCune 620.632.4299 or mail to Box 87: McCune, KS 66753

Order Blank

Remember: We are now a tax-exempt organization and all checks must be made to the McCune Alumni Association INC.

**Please clip and mail with your check to:
Kathy Stewart • Box 122 • McCune, KS 66753
by September 15, 2017.**

Please help Kathy by sending one of your return address labels (if you have some) for EACH ticket you purchase.

Name:

Address:

Phone/email:

Tickets For \$100:

Six for \$5.00 or \$1.00 each _____ = \$ _____

Reservations for the Alumni Dinner :

Cost per person = \$12.50 X _____ dinners = \$ _____

Alumni Donation (\$10.00) _____ = \$ _____

Total = \$ _____

Donate Your Memorabilia

After the final days at the McCune Grade School, the Alumni Association acquired the pictures, trophies, placques and all historical items in the building. These are on indefinite loan to the McCune Osage Township Library.

Other items at the library include pictures from the Country Schools, and McCune School yearbooks. Donations are appreciated. If you don't know what to do with those old photos, scrapbooks or collections dealing with the McCune area, talk to Roy Parsons. You can reach him at the library.

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Log on to the McCune Alumni Website at:
mccunealumni.com
We'll keep you posted on coming events.
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Please Note:

If we are to continue our custom of awarding scholarships to McCune kids, we need your donations- \$10.00 per alum is suggested. Send your donations to Kathy Stewart.

Why not consider a memorial donation in honor of a loved one, or as a class legacy? Contact Kathy or Warren McGown.

Address Changed? Addition to a class list? Something for the 2018 newsletter? Update for the web page?

*Contact Sharon Leonard:
295 W 570 Avenue•Girard KS 66743
620.724.8531
email: aleonard@ckt.net*

We need articles for the newsletter. Why not write about your years at McCune High, or about the town.

*Tell about your prom, your favorite teacher, your sporting seasons and events. Or, tell us what you've been doing since graduation, or, write good things about a McCune friend or classmate.
Send your items to Sharon Leonard.*

McCune Fall Festival September 22-24, 2017

- September 22, Friday evening after 5:00:
Bean Feed; McCune Memorial Park.
Bring your own lawn chair, dish and spoon, and money for cornbread and pie.
- September 23, Saturday morning:
Grand parade. Main street, 10:30 a.m.
(Bicycle and pet parade held before)
- After the parade:
 - September 23, Saturday afternoon 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.
All-Alumni and guests meeting
McCune School gym. Doors open about 1:00 p.m.
 - September 23, Saturday evening:
All-alumni & guests dinner- \$12.50 per person
McCune Community Center: 5:30, eat at 6:00.
 - September 24, Sunday morning:
Community Church Service: 11:00
Demolition Derby-after lunch -rodeo grounds.