

LABETTE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

Alumni Newsletter

Labette County High School Alumni Association

Altamont, Kansas

Spring 2016

Alumni Banquet

Saturday, May 14, 2016

6:00 p.m.

School Cafeteria

Menu:

Smothered Steak
Scalloped Potatoes
Green Beans, Coleslaw, Hot Rolls,
Chocolate & Lemon Mousse,
Coffee, and Tea

\$9.00 per Ticket

Purchase your tickets by May 1st
from the following locations:

Labette Bank	Parsons Altamont Oswego
Ace Hardware	Parsons

**Tickets Purchased after May 1st will be
\$12.00**

No Tickets sold at door--
must be reserved!

Tickets may also be obtained by
sending to:

Janie Stice

5175 CR 5800

Cherryvale, KS 67335

Email: jatvstice@hotmail.com

We will have your ticket available for
you at the cafeteria door the night of the
banquet. **Make checks payable to:**
LCHS Alumni Association

2015-2016 LCHS Alumni Officers

President: Chris Kastler, Class of 1979
620-423-9767

ckastler@usd506.org

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620-330-0048

jatvstice@hotmail.com

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Class of 1958
620-795-4469

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Treasurer: Majorie Falcon, Class of 1966
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Would you like to help out your Alumni
Officers? Let us hear from you!

Scholarships Presented at the 2015 Alumni Banquet

LCHS Alumni Associations - a 4 Year Scholarship, \$2,000.....M. Rhianne Taylor
The Homer & Marchie Phillips Family Scholarship, \$1,000.....Lauren Lay
Jessie "Louise" Schneickert (Class of 1938)Bridget Nash & Haley Nally
Memorial Scholarship, 2 at \$500

Arthur P. Adamson (Class of 1936) Scholarship, \$500.....Abigail Callahan
The Angola United Methodist Church Scholarship, \$500.....Patricia Stevenson
In Memory of Mabel (Utley) Layton '25 and.....Jessica Wallis
Wintress (Woolland) Jack ' 28, \$500

Danny Parlett (Class of 1965) Memorial Scholarship, \$500.....Ashton Newell
The Raymond & Donna Kline famliy Scholarship, \$500.....Siera Smith
Class of 1959, \$400.....Kalee Swayze
Marvin Foster Cave '31 and Mary Louise (Cave '35).....Kirsta Dutton
Allen Memorial Scholarship, \$450

Class of 1952, \$300.....Zach Stewart
Quincy E. Hicks (Class of 1956) Memorial.....Alexandra Coffey
Scholarship, \$250

Jim Crumpton (Class of 1963) Memorial Scholarship, \$250.....Will Owens
Natalie Neal-Lattimore Scholarship, \$250.....Alexis Brown
Scott Williams Memorial Scholarship, \$250.....Jake Mattox
Class of 1966 Memorial Scholarship, \$250.....Bryce Thompson
The Gene and Daisy (Mourning) White.....Destiny Evans and Josh Gray
Class of '57, Scholarship, 2 at \$250 each

David M. Graham (Class of 1963) Memorial Scholarship, \$250..Nathan George
Class of 1944, \$250.....Deja Wilson
Music Scholarship in Memory of Imogene.....Emily Harrison
North and Alma Lee Shell, \$200

Class of 1958, \$200.....Janel Baker
Gary L. Stice (Class of 1972) Memorial MusicEmily McCoach
Scholarship, \$150

Class of 1955, \$150.....Logan Gegg
Class of 1953/54, 4 at \$1,000.....Trey Dodsworth & Bridget Nash &
M. Rhianne Taylor & Meredith Ann Taylor

Class of 1979, \$250.....Emily McCoach
Class of 1972, \$250.....Brittany McConnell
Class of 1962, \$250.....Zachary Wayne Wolgamott
Corner Store (in Memory of Imogene Rankins),....Bryce Thomas & Jerred Moore
3 at \$250 & Josh Gray



Principal's Message

From the Desk of Shane Holtzman

LCCHS Alumni:

As the 124th year of educating America's finest on this site in Altamont, Kansas, comes to a close, Labette County High School remains a special place to attend school and work. A place where "Everyone is Someone" as Mr. "Slick" Norris, the 10th Principal at LCCHS, was heard to say to students as they walked these hallowed halls, and we continue to emphasize that ideal today. Labette County is a school with a great learning environment where teachers and staff truly care about kids, and our parents and surrounding communities support the school and are committed to seeing it remain a special place.

I am truly humbled by the opportunities I have been afforded here, both as a student and as a professional. Our mission here at Labette County: to combine high academic standards side-by-side and in conjunction with top-notch Vocational opportunities / to combine the proud tradition of the past with a vision towards the future college and career opportunities / to encourage and develop relationships that move students towards becoming successful, respectful, and responsible citizens, and moral decision makers. This mission has not changed much since the formation of LCCHS as referenced by the "Educational Philosophy" contained in the LCCHS catalog of 1948-49 which states "The student must be taught industry, respect for ...property, ...the rights of other people, ...and themselves. The secondary school is to help build a foundation for a better life."

It continues to amaze me how many people care about this school and are willing to give so much of themselves to it. Our most recent example of this occurred this year with a new gym floor being installed in Harrison Gymnasium to replace the original floor which was opened in 1958. The entire cost of this project was funded through private donations from the community and alumni! New state-of-the-art bleachers were installed as well on the north side of the floor to replace the original wooden bleachers. The new floor is beautiful and looks great in this grand old building. There's no better gym and atmosphere for a high school basketball game in Kansas than Harrison Gymnasium.

Our theme for this school year for students and staff has been "Be A Grizzly". We are proud of being part of Labette County High School and want to carry on the great tradition started by those who have gone before us. In a concerted effort for today's Grizzlies to be fully aware of the wonderful opportunities that are contained in an education at LCCHS, we have brought back several former students to share their Grizzly experience and story. To date our guest speakers this school year have been: Justin McKee (Class of 1987), Brook Drumm (Class of 1989), and Lindsey Odaffer (Carter) (Class of 2001). They shared with all of our students how the opportunities afforded to them at LCCHS helped them become the successful citizens they are today.

I look forward to seeing and visiting with you at the Alumni Banquet in May and being surrounded by all of that "Grizzly Pride" once again.

Shane Holtzman (Class of 1988)
Principal
Labette County High School

From Your President

Chris Kastler, Class of 1979

It is time once again to reflect on the achievements of the past and look forward to those of the future for the Labette County School District. We cherish a rich tradition of excellence in providing a quality education for every student that passes through our hallways. To that end, we have wonderful alumni that are passionate about making a difference for our young people and give faithfully to the Alumni Association. Every year you support us with donations to sustain our scholarship fund, to fund our operating and mailing cost, as well providing the Sunshine Fund, which pays some expenses for students who cannot afford them.

It is my pleasure to serve as President of our Alumni Association—I know USD 506 has made a meaningful impact on my life, and I would bet you would say the same. Your contributions help keep our Grizzly tradition of excellence strong and proud. At times it seems as though everyone is asking for your hard-earned dollar, but in order to sustain and improve the quality of our schools there are specific needs that must be met.

This is our opportunity to give back. In the past, special alumni have donated large sums of money and we have used those donations in various ways. If you would like a list of the district needs or any other project or program that needs funded, please let us know. We would be happy to provide you with the opportunity to make a difference.

Remember, Alumni can make a difference. Thanks for all that you do!

Chris Kastler—Class of 1979

The 506 Foundation, Inc.

The Purpose:

We are a 501©(3) nonprofit organization whose mission is to foster excellence in education by funding programs that enhance the capabilities of USD 506 schools to stimulate students' academic achievement and enrich the learning environment.

The Goal:

We shall engage in programs and activities benefiting the education of the youth in Labette County, Kansas, and to endow funds to enhance the quality of education provided by USD 506.

The Objective:

We will concentrate on building an endowment and serving as a repository for memorial and honorary contribution, as well as distributing grants for specific educational projects not ordinarily provided for in the school district budget.

An avenue for you to invest in the education of future generations has been established in The 506 Foundation. There are several ways to contribute. One can write a check to the foundation, include the foundation in your will, buy a life insurance policy naming the foundation as the beneficiary, establish a trust naming the foundation as the beneficiary, or donate property, stock, or real estate to the foundation. Each of these actions will benefit the youth of USD 506 and may provide tax advantages to you at the same time. The object of this program is to build an endowment and establish a repository for memorial and honorary contributions, as well as distribute grants for specific educational projects not ordinarily provided for in the school district budget.

There are 2 types of funds:

*Non-Designated Funds...*the most desirable and flexible. It empowers the Board of Directors of The 506 Foundation to make grants to the important needs in USD 506, and to meet emerging needs as they arise.

*Designated Funds...*a field of interest fund in the area of your greatest personal concern, such as academic areas, vocational programs, building improvements, or equipment. Consultation with The 506 Foundation, in advance to ensure program availability, is requested on designated gifts. An individual, a family, a corporation, or an organization may establish a fund. Memorials will be accepted.

The Board of Directors consist of nine members serving staggered three year terms; four from USD 506 Board of Education and Faculty, three from the community served by USD 506, and two from the LCHS Alumni Association. The annual meeting is held the 3rd Tuesday in July at 12:01 pm at the USD 506 Board Office.

The current Board of Directors are L. D. Curran (Community), Susan Dodsworth (School), Marjorie Falcon (Alumni), Rich Falkenstien (Alumni), Chris Kastler (School), Samantha Hestand (School), Crystal Witty (School), Roy Thompson (Community), and Bill Wyckoff (Community).

This past year we received \$121,476.00 for Designated Funds as follows: *Scholarships* - Brett Carlson-Spanish, Corner Store, Phillip Markley Memorial, Albert Nash Memorial, Richard Shields, Class of 1972, Harold Weltmer Memorial, Milan & Betty Wiley Memorial, Post Grad, Christine & L. D. Curran, Class of 1951, Louise & F. L. Norris, Class of 1962, LCTA, Tongier-Drama, Rita Meeks Memorial, Arthur Adamson Memorial, Charles Harry Kastler, Class of 53/54, Class of 1979, Homer & Marcie Phillips Family, Quincy Hicks Memorial, Raymond & Donna Kline Family, Louise Schneickert Memorial, Class of 1958, Corrin Weil Memorial, Ronnie Allison Memorial, Mark Piper Memorial, Dale Sexton Memorial, Jack/Layton, ESM, Class of 1952, Gary Stice Memorial, Mike Geifer Memorial, Bill Carson Memorial, Dale Johnston Memorial, Johnnie Henry Memorial, Richard Falkenstien Memorial, Jason Simpson Memorial. Other: LCHS Gym Floor, LC Alumni General Funds, LC Alumni Sunshine Fund, LC Alumni Scholarship Fund, and the LC Alumni Museum Fund.

\$484.15 was received in Non-Designated Funds.

Total contribution for 2015 was \$121,960.15!

From the Treasurer Marjorie Falcon, Class of '66

2016 Treasure's Report as of Jan. 2016:

Museum fund: \$181.93
Scholarship fund: \$8,083.42
Sunshine fund: \$13,740.77
General fund: \$702.87
Checking account \$ 1,539.15
Total: \$ 24,248.14

Our biggest expense is the newsletter:

Sun Graphics (printed 4,804; folded & wafer sealed): \$915.00
Sun Graphics Mail Prep of 4,604 and delivery to Post Office: \$ 1,275.00
Emailed approximately 2,500 **at no cost!**
Total cost: \$2,190.00

But, we have received \$9,835.00 since the mailing. As you can see, our General Fund is very low and although the Foundation pays half of the newsletter expense, we need your help! Also, if you have an email address, please send to me,

Marjorie Eichhorn Falcon (mfalcon28@gmail.com).

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The Alumni Association would like to thank Dusty Brownwell, Class of 2017, and Courtland Stephens, Class of 2017, of the LCHS Business Department for designing the newsletter and also Sun Graphics for printing, folding and sealing the newsletter.

Reunion Announcements:

Class of 1948: will gather Friday, May 13, 2016, at the Altamont Senior Center Multi-purpose Building, and again on Saturday, May 14, 2016, in the school's Little Theatre. Please contact Arlene Blevins Landrith, 620/423-4446 for more information. The classes of 1947 and 1949 are invited to join them.

Class of 1951: will gather at 4 pm in Room 104 the day of the banquet, May 14, 2016, to celebrate their 65th Reunion. For more information, contact Luvonne Wile Hucke at 620-328-4631.

Class of 1952 will meet Friday June 10, 2016 at the Grizzly Den (old Corner Store). We will begin at 10:30 a.m. and lunch will be ordered from their menu. Call Virginia 620 784-5667 or Larry 620 784-5558.

1953/1954 GRADUATES: Reminder! Your reunion reservations must be returned to Kae Phillips on or before April 16, 2016. If you have any questions, please call her at (620) 421-0939 or (620) 778-6726.

Class of '61: 05-13-16 and 05-14-16. The Class of '61 will be receiving Reunion plans in the mail in the near future. Contacts are Judy Vitt (620-423-2038), Thelma Wertz (620-421-3450), and Dee Waggoner (620-820-9097). Need address or phone number for: Clayton Wayne Cullen, Barbara VanBuskirk, Lester Eugene Dilly, and Donna Lou Maxson.

Class of 1966: 50th Class Reunion: May 13 & 14, 2016. Letters are in the mail but if you did not receive one, either snail mail or the internet, please contact Margi Eichhorn Falcon, 620/423-1473 (phone) or mfalcon@centurylink.net (email).

Class of 1971: will have a 45th reunion on May 13 & 14, 2016 (Fri and Sat.) We will have a potluck dinner at 6pm on May 13 at the school Cafeteria. Bring your favorite food or snack. On May 14 meeting in the Music/Science building at 2pm, we have a school tour at 4pm starting in the Cafeteria, followed by the Alumni Banquet at 6pm. Please plan to attend and join your fellow classmates for a great reunion. Contact Ray Stice at 620-330-2157 or email jatvstice@hotmail.com.

"It is that time of year again and your help is needed. If you know of someone that does not get the newsletter by mail or by e-mail, please let me know. I have a new e-mail : dsfun345@hotmail.com or alumni.data.506@gmail.com. We have a lot of alumni that has no address in order to send them a newsletter. If you would like a list of alumni for your class reunion e-mail me. All that I ask is for you to send a updated list back to me.

Donna George-Strickland, Data keeper
Class of 1958

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Contribution Form

Please note- the LC Alumni Association is NOT 501(c)(3).
For contributions to be used for tax purposes, write your check to
The 506 Foundation, Inc. and make a notation on your check "LC Alumni."

Please select on of the following:

- Scholarship _____
 General Fund Sunshine Fund 506 Foundation

Make checks payable to: The 506 Foundation, Inc.

Mail to: P.O. Box 382, Altamont, KS 67330



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