

LABETTE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL Alumni Newsletter

LABETTE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, ALTAMONT, KANSAS

SPRING 2013



Alumni Banquet
Saturday, May 11, 2013
6:00 p.m.



School Cafeteria

Menu:

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

\$9.00 per Ticket

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

Labette Bank	Parsons Altamont Oswego
Coffeyville	Coffeyville Feed Store
Edna	The Woodshed
Parsons	Ace Hardware

Tickets purchased after May 1st will be \$12.00.

No Tickets sold at the door--must be reserved!

Tickets may also be obtained by sending to:

Marjorie Falcon
PO Box 382

Altamont, KS 67330

Email: mfalcon@altamontks.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.

2012-2013 LCHS Alumni Officers

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

ckastler@usd506.org

Vice Pres. - Ron Allison, Class of 1966
417-782-2419

bubba_a52@hotmail.com

Secretary - Donna Strickland, Class of 1958
620-795-4469

dstrickland@labettecounty.com

Treasurer - Marjorie Falcon, Class of 1966
620-784-5961

mfalcon@altamontks.com

Would you be willing to help out
your Alumni officers?
Let us hear from you!

If you have questions concerning how your money is
spent, please contact one of the officers.

Suggestions are always welcomed.



Scholarships Presented at the 2012 Alumni Banquet

LCHS Alumni Association - a 4-Year Scholarship, \$2000.00 (payable each
semester for \$250.00)

Samantha Bohannon

The Homer & Marchie Phillips Family Scholarship - \$1000.00

Makayla Clark

Arthur P. Adamson (Class of 1936) Scholarship - \$500.00

Brittnee Lynn Albertson

Duane (Class of 1951) and Lois Testerman Memorial Scholarship - \$500.00

Michael Banowetz

Laura Huneycutt Kuykendall (Class of 1984) Memorial Scholarship - \$500.00

Jennifer Nelson '11

Leslie "Buddy" Sutherland (Class of 1961) Scholarship - \$500.00

Seth Trimmell

Jessie "Louise" Schneickert (Class of 1938) Memorial Scholarship - 2 @ \$500.00

Colby Sale and Connor Traxson

Class of 1959 - \$400.00

Brenda Lewellen

The Raymond & Donna Kline Family Scholarship - \$400.00

Jerica Wilson

The Angola United Methodist Church Scholarship - \$300.00

Jaclyn Stevenson

Class of 1957 - \$300.00

Tiffani Sexton

Jim Crumpton (Class of 1963) Memorial Scholarship - \$250.00

Kaysha Julich

Quincy E. Hicks (Class of 1956) Memorial Scholarship - \$255.00

Alexandrea Maffei

Scott Williams Memorial Scholarship - \$250.00

Allie Reynolds

Natalie Neal-Lattimore Scholarship - \$250.00

Kayla Kabrey

Class of 1966 Memorial Scholarship - \$250.00

Samantha Blair

The Gene and Daisy (Mourning) White (Class of '57) Scholarship - 2 @ \$250.00 ea.

Bethany Baker and Bethany Acridge

Dona (Lutz) Froebe (Class of 1958) Memorial Scholarship - \$225.00

Katie Anderson

Music Scholarships in Memory of Imogene North & Alma Lee Shell - \$250.00

Kaitlin Harrison

Marvin Foster (Class of 1931) and Mary Louise Cave (Class of 1935) Allen Memorial Scholarship - \$200.00

Elyse Merritt

Class of 1958 - \$200.00

Tonie Yanez

Gary L. Stice (Class of 1972) Memorial Music Scholarship - \$150.00

Alex Dodsworth

Class of 1955 - \$150.00

Kaitlin Phillips-Blagg

Class of 1953/1954 - 3 @ \$1000.00 ea.

Bryce Baker, Michael Banowetz, and Jaclyn Stevenson

Class of 1979 - 2 @ \$250.00 ea.

Tiffani Sexton and Coleton Traxson

Fred W. Cunningham Memorial Scholarship established

Fred Cunningham 92, a 1936 graduate of LCCHS passed from this life July 21, 2011. Mr. Cunningham had a long and fruitful life.

Mr. Cunningham served his country during WW II in the Pacific Theater as a member of the US Navy from 1942 through 1945. After the war, he started his own business, Cunningham Building Specialties Inc. in the City of Industry, California and served as company owner and president for over 30 years.

He was very proud and appreciative of the education that he received at LCCHS and maintained contact with his 'old High School' throughout his life. Many years he contributed through the LCCHS Alumni for a scholarship in his and his sisters name. He often wrote of his high school memories and spoke to the wonderful teachers that he had at LCCHS.

In his will, Mr. Cunningham made provisions for a donation of \$100,000 to the USD 506 Foundation to be designated as the "Fred W. Cunningham Memorial Scholarship" which will be offered each year for years to come. The first of these annual scholarships will be awarded to a member of the LCHS 2013 Graduating Class.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

FROM THE DESK OF MARTY ANDERSON

FROM YOUR TREASURER

MARJORIE FALCON, CLASS OF 1966

Balances as of December 31, 2012: Checkbook \$5,601.45 (Banquet fund); Museum Fund \$200.00; Scholarship Fund \$4,740.31; Sunshine Fund \$9,621.56; General Funds \$855.68. Grand total of \$21,019.00.

We mailed out 6,357 newsletters in March 2012. 808 were returned for undeliverable! Reason it is so important that we hear from you or if you know someone who isn't getting a newsletter to let Donna Strickland know. Total cost for this annual newsletter is \$2,281.04. And again, if each alumni sent in \$5.00, that would be \$31,785.00. Wow! Wouldn't that be nice, and then maybe we could give each senior who applies an Alumni scholarship, and pad the General Funds so that we can help out with those "extras" around the high school campus.

Approximately 360 people were served at the banquet including 30 scholarship recipients and their parents. This year, the Class of 2013 will be graduating at 10:00 a.m. on the day of the banquet. We hope these graduates will take time out from their graduation celebrations to join us at the banquet.

Good news! We finally have a "Grizzly Alumni Museum." It is located in the administration building, just east of the Little Theater. Not a big room but it's a start. It will be open the day of the banquet so hope you will stop by to browse at the many items that have been donated.

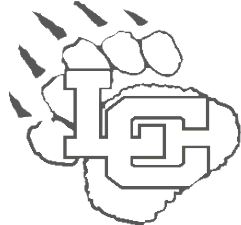
Please continue to support your LC Alumni Association, your school and its students. We have an awesome association and I am so proud to be a part of it. Hope you are, too! Go Grizzlies!!!

All Alumni!

Have you registered on
classmates.com?
www.classmates.com

Also, check us out on
www.usd506.org
Click on Alumni under
the Community tab to
find our newsletter.

The new L.C.H.S. logo!



L.C.H.S. Alumni,

It's hard to believe that it is time once again to share with our alumni. Par for the course, we have had and will have a lot going on here at L.C. Our students and faculty are working hard to be successful.

Fall 2012, our Cross Country Team qualified as a team to compete at state. They had an amazing year and we were all proud of their accomplishments. Our Tennis, Football and Volleyball teams competed hard every week and were also extremely successful. This winter all of our athletic programs are experiencing success.

Our Vocational (CTE) programs continue to grind out success on local, state and national competition levels. Last summer we had large numbers competing at FBLA, Health Careers and SKILLSUSA National Competitions. We had a student place 1st nationally in SKILLSUSA and a team place 2nd and 5th Nationally in FFA.

In January one of our students was in a terrible car accident. Students, Staff, Community members and Community organizations chipped in to help his family during this extremely difficult time. Our Alumni association chipped in to help the family and gave one of the first checks to the family.

I can talk for hours regarding our students past and present successes, the great teachers and the wonderful facilities. However, what makes this school truly special is the sense of brotherhood, family, or kin. For once you walk these halls, you belong to this family for life. This is demonstrated through the generous donations of our Alumni through scholarships, school projects, service projects, and helping students in need of financial support.

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Chris Kastler, Class of 1979

Alumni, you can make a difference.

It has been my pleasure to serve as the President of our Alumni Association for these past 10 years. Because of the meaningful impact USD 506 schools have made in my life, I feel a sense of pride and I want to give back to the school that means so much to me. As I reflect on the achievements of the past and look forward to those of the future for the Labette County School District, I can see that the rich heritage of excellence, pride, and hard work still remains in our schools today. 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 and to facilitate our operating and mailing cost. This is your opportunity to give back. Your contributions, no matter how big or small, help keep our Grizzly tradition of excellence strong and proud.

In the past, especially generous alumni have donated large sums of money and we have used those donations in various ways. Donations by the Hosney family were put to good use to upgrade the sound system in Harrison Auditorium. The Gearhiser family contributed generously to the foundation allowing us to provide educational mini-grants each year. A few years ago, an anonymous donation was given in honor of Jerry Beran to buy equipment for our Vocational Agriculture Department. Recently, alumnus raised money to replace the old countertops in the Harrison Auditorium lobby. The finished space looks great and is appreciated by Harrison Auditorium patrons.

Although we have been very blessed by generous alumni in the past, our work as an association is not finished. There are many more needs currently awaiting donations and sponsors:

- New stage curtains in Harrison Auditorium
- New floor in Harrison Gymnasium
- Upgrade A/C in schools including Harrison complex
- Additional tennis courts (Did you know we have more students out for tennis than any other school in our league?)
- Scholarships
- Library books
- Technology upgrades
- Monies toward educational mini-grants.

If you would like a detailed list of the district needs or any other specific information about a 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—Proud member of the Class of 1979

THE 506 FOUNDATION, INC.

The Purpose: We are a 501(c)(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. Contributors are recognized via the following gift giving clubs:

Corporate Club	\$10,000 and higher
Foundation Club	\$5,000 to \$9,999
Directors' Club	\$1,000 to \$4,999
Scholars' Club	\$500 to \$999
Grizzly Club	\$100 to \$499
Cub Club	\$50 to \$99

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 \$169,005.10 in contributions for the following: *Brett Carlson, Haley Hilderbrand, Phillip Markley, Albert Nash, Kara Shaffer, Betty Wiley, Rita Meeks, Harry Kastler, Gavin Carson, Lyle Phillips, Homer & Marcie Phillips, Raymond Kline, Louise Schneickert, Andrew Harpstrite, Wayne Reel Jr., Dora Boore, Fred Cunningham, Briar Palmer, Bernita Sparks, Jessica Pierce, Fern Monroe – all memorial scholarships. Other scholarships:* *Class of 1972, Post Grad, L.D. & Christine Curran, LCTA, Class of 1951, Arthur Adamson, Class of 1953/1954, Class of 1979, Class of 1958, LCHS Drama Club (Tongier), Altamont Grade Playground Equipment, LC Alumni funds (Sunshine, Scholarship & Museum).* \$3,199.56 was received in Non-Designated Funds!

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The Alumni Association would like to thank Elizabeth Carter, Class of 2013, of Grizzly Graphics at LCCHS Business Dept. for designing and printing the newsletter and also Sun Graphics for folding and sealing the newsletter.

REUNION ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Class of '51/'52: The classes of 1951 AND 1952 will meet June 14, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. in the Altamont Senior Center (main street). Some good visiting on menu, along with finger foods. For more information call Rose at (316) 524-6136 or (316) 641-8172 or Virginia at (620) 784-5667

Class of '58: Committee met and started working on our 55th reunion. If you have a new email address since the 50th reunion, please send it to Carole Phillips Strathe at nannycarole@ckt.net, or Larry and Nancy Kudrick Gregory at larnan1@yahoo.com, or Sharon Conley Giefer at sharongiefer@yahoo.com. We will be emailing more information at a later date, so if you don't have email and your home address has changed please send the changes to any of the following as soon as you can.

Carole Strathe----709 3rd St., McCune, Ks. 66753, 620-632-5220
Sharon Giefer----2920 Briggs, Parsons, Ks. 67357, 620-421-4910
Nancy Gregory----116 15000 Rd., Cherryvale, Ks. 67335, 620-336-2015

Class of '74: Will have their 40th reunion in May 2014. We have several people that we still need updated addresses on. Please call or email Janie Stice at 620-330-0048 or jatvstice@hotmail.com with information. Put class of 74 in the subject line. The following are some that we need. Carl Corser, Rosa Kirk, John Newman, Glenda (Pitner) Brooks, Linda Pitner, Mike Shields, Jeff Vance, Dan Veenstra, If interested in helping or just want to come the next planning meeting is April 13, 1 pm at Janie's house.

Have a lot of lost alumni that I do not have an address for. If you know of a person that is a graduate of LCCHS or LCCHS, please ask them if they get a newsletter, and, if not, send me their name and address. Some have moved and some have married, or changed name for different reasons.

If you need a list for a class reunion, I can send you a list of what I have. There is no charge for the list; all I ask is that you send me an updated list after you have sent your letters out, this helps me a lot also.

Donna Strickland,
Data Keeper, Class of 1958
dstrickland@labettecounty.com

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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 one 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

Name _____ Class of _____
Address _____ Comments _____
Email Address _____

**Booster Club
Golf Scramble:**

Interested in the Annual LC
Alumni Golf Tournament?

It will be held in September.

Contact Kristen Clemens at
(620) 778-1485
or Stacey Leech at
(620) 778-3176
for more information.