05's and 10's IN A NUTSHELL
OLD GREER COUNTY TEXAS AND
MANGUM PUBLIC SCHOOL HISTORY

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1835 Texas organized a temporary government and captured San Antonio. Santa Anna in turn marched on San Antonio and captured the Alamo. Later he ordered more than 330 Texas prisoners to be shot at Goliad. General Sam Houston, with battle cries of "Remember the Alamo" and "Goliad" crushed Santa Anna in the Battle of San Jacinto; thus Texas was guaranteed its independence. From this Battle, a soldier A. S. Mangum, was granted land for his service. Being quite elderly by then, he sent his friend, Mr. Henry Sweet, to Old Greer County to survey his property. Mr. Sweet named the plot, Mangum, Texas.

1840 The Republic of Texas was led by President Mirabeau B. Lamar and V-President David G. Burnet. Lamar was at odds with the Indian tribes and was considering taking land clear to the Pacific Ocean. There was a census showing 70,000 inhabitants at this time. The Republic was bordered by the nation of Mexico to the southwest, the Gulf of Mexico to the southeast, the two states of Louisiana and Arkansas to the east and northeast and the US territories encompassing the current states of Oklahoma, Kansas, Colorado, Wyoming and New Mexico. The citizens of the Republic were known as Texians.

1845 Texas became the 28th state in the Union. All diplomatic relations stopped with Mexico. How did this matter to Oklahoma when there was no state of Oklahoma? It would become Oklahoma Territory in 1896 after many legal proceedings and would become the State of Oklahoma for many brave pioneers moving westward.

1850 Pioneers were pushing the frontier westward and organizing new counties. Northeast Texas and the region East of Waco and Ft. Worth attracted the largest number of settlers. Mangum's most productive citizens and pioneers made this journey known today as Highway 287 running through Vernon and on to Amarillo, Texas. Turning north at Vernon brought the settlers through Doan's Crossing and what is today, Altus, once known as Frazier or Frazer, of Old Greer County Texas.

1855 Indian reservations are opening on the Brazos River near Ft. Belknap (today's city of Ft. Worth area) for small non-Comanche bands including Tonkawa's. Ft. Lancaster was established near the Pecos River. Texas is linked to the United States by telegraph from New Orleans and Marshall, Texas. Westward expansion is on its way to Greer County, Texas.
1860  Texas votes with other southern states for John C. Breckenridge for U.S. president in the election won by Abraham Lincoln. Lt. Col. Robert E. Lee of the 2nd Cavalry is deployed to Brownsville, Texas, to end cross border raids by Texans and Mexicans. Texas Rangers under "Sul" Ross, along with the 2nd Cavalry, attack a Comanche camp on the Pease River (near today's Vernon, Texas). Cynthia Ann Parker who was kidnapped in 1836 and was now the mother of the future Comanche warrior, Quanah Parker, was recovered from the Indians.

1865  The last battle of the Civil War was fought at Palmito Hill, near the mouth of the Rio Grande on May 13, 1865. The Civil War had ended April 9, 1865, but the Texas soldiers didn't know it. Texas had been seceded from the Union since 1861 and was joined with the Confederate States of America. Many settlers were looking to move westward into Texas.

1870  Congress readmitted Texas to the Union on March 30, 1870. Buffalo hunters began moving onto the plains brought here by the expanding railroads and growing market for hides and meat back east. Within ten years, the buffalo herds had been reduced to an endangered species. The buffalo was also the main source of food and clothing for the Indian and the hides provided shelter.

1875  Lt. Col. William Shafter leads an expedition of "buffalo soldiers" ----10th Cavalry, 24th and 25th infantry----Tonkawa scouts and Bullis's Seminole-Negro scouts, through west Texas and south eastern New Mexico. This 2500 mile expedition temporarily sweeps the plains clear of Apaches, and Shafter's reports and maps open the region to white settlement.

1880  Indian tribes and cattlemen were beginning to occupy the Texas Panhandle and the western plains. Railroads were crossing Texas thus ending cattle drives and aiding settlement. During this time Greer County, Texas, had two capitals: Quanah and then Mobeetie. Greer County, Texas, was a land of buffalo hunters and single white men venturing West. Trainloads of white families were entering via Waco and Ft. Worth, Texas.

1885  Mangum, Texas, was the County Seat, The Sweet and Crouch families were living here; Dean Yokum was the Sheriff; Jarrett Todd was County Judge; J. M. Berryman was County Treasurer, L. A. Smith was County Clerk and John A. Oliphant was County Attorney. Three Indian tribes lived just east, across the Red River, with agency headquarters at old Ft. Sill: Kiowas and Chief Lone Wolf; Comanches with Chief Quanah Parker and the Apaches with Chief Geronimo. North, across the Red River were the Cheyennes, Arapahos and Wichitas. When the tribes came to Mangum, they camped out in teepees and wigwams on what is today the "courthouse square".

1890  J. E. Taylor formed a number of districts and promoted educational interest in County school. Several one-room schools were built and the 'pupils' were moved out of half-dugouts. County school population doubled under Mr. Taylor's two terms
Parents were desperate to have schools. A new 2-story building made from river rock carried from the river beds south of Mangum became the first two-story school on property which stood behind today's Mangum High School. It became structurally unsound in time and a person could put an arm through the holes in the outside walls. Students were still attending school in this building in 1905 as the "new grand public high school building was about to open in Fall of 1905".

The Greer County News was published at the little town of Frazier or Frazer, Greer County, Texas. It was an early settlement and was located near the present City of Altus. At one time the Mangum office had a copy of the July 18, 1890, paper

1895 Pictured in the 1938 MHS Yearbook, the first graduating class of Mangum, Texas, is shown. These students started school in 1887, in a dug-out on the SW corner of the Square, moved into a one-room wooden structure, and progressed into the first 'rock' school building. These students were: Nona Byers, John R. Crouch, Coanthe Pierson, Lo Fletcher, Lula Crouch, Louis Crabtree and Smith Pierson.

Residents were becoming restless trying to serve two factions of government. Bills had been introduced into Congress both leading to the admission of Oklahoma Territory and Indian Territory as one state. In 1896, Greer County, Texas, became Oklahoma Territory. People were living in half-dug outs and hoping to improve their plight with education; Greer County schools became noted for having outstanding schools and their students had no trouble entering any colleges.

1900 The Rock Island Railroad came to Mangum. Go to the Old Greer County Museum for more on this history. Long time Mangum teacher, Miss Nina Davis, of Vernon, Texas, began a 43-year tenure in the Mangum schools. She was born in Midlothian, Texas, in 1877. There is recorded history of at least one student who finished all the schooling Mangum offered at this time: W. O Dodson whose first teacher was O. P. Elliot. Dodson became a doctor a few years later.

1905 The first new school building opened in the Fall to the excitement of the community with much fanfare and 'open house' jubilation. It stood where today's Middle School now stands. It had a large auditorium on the third floor and a large cavern gym/all purpose room built on the West side. Tennis courts stood on the SW corner of the block. There are people living in Mangum today who actually attended school in this original school building as it would become the Junior High building about 1920. Talk to Jack Givens, Joe Head or Jim C. Hall, local residents in their mid-nineties, about their memories. Mr. Givens remembers the auditorium on the third floor and an incident that happened. There are two 103 year old grad who can also describe this building right down to "playing jacks" on the front steps and "pulling a string" to flush the commodes located in the basement. The building became structurally unstable probably due to the large auditorium being on the third level. Some of the 'old timers' report that that top floor was removed and re-construction on both ends of the building gives us today's street to street classrooms on one level. It is a valuable piece of school history still today. Three graduates listed in the 1905 class were: Linnie Lockerd, Stella Naudain (Mrs. T. H. White) and Gene Curry.
The Willow Book  By the 1910 census, the average value of an acre of farm land in Greer County had increased to $25.60, tripling since 1900. Oats and corn were the biggest crops but cotton was 63% of the value of all crops grown.

Mangum City Officials were: Charles Thacker, Mayor; F. C. Switzer, D. J. Doyle, Giles Farriss, James McKibben, H. M. Ferguson, T. S. DeArman and T. N. Slaten, Councilmen.

Mangum Alumni Association formed March 29, 1910. This was the first year for the MHS Alumni Association with Peyton Brown as President. Seniors graduating from 11 years of schooling were: Bessie Bowmen, Carleton Brown, Leon Brown, Tilla Brown, Treacy Campbell, Victor Castle, Monroe Cheek, Norma Clay , H. T. Crittenden, Eula Davis, Daphnie Dodson-Jacobs, Irene Hickerson, Jim Hunter, Wade Johnson, Stonewall Lack, Clara Maloy, Queen Melton, Mary Nolan, Will Owens, Katherine Powers, Lele Rude, Mamie Rogers, Rae Shadden, Vera Steele, Sara Turvey, Elba Wetsel, May Wilson, Nell Wilson Reeves.

Superintendent of Schools was Mr. A. W. Duff and serving as high school Principal was Mr. James Gordon Ward. Honor Students were Norma Clay-Hughes and Leon Brown. Marion and Gertrude Dodson were the Class Parents.

F. M. Caldwell was Superintendent of schools and James Gordon Ward was high school Principal. Graduating seniors with 12 years of schooling: Curtis H. Bass, Raymond Boyle, Opal Caddel (Mrs. J. Elmer Castle), Vera Caddel (Mrs. Henry Miller), Fred Cook, Thelma Dodson-Pickerall, Clara Fritsche (Mrs. Border Polk), Travis Healy, Lava Hoover-Wright, Zeno Howard, Alice Hunter Eismiger, Vonnie Johnson (Mrs. J. P. Jackson), Jackson Arthur Lovett, Emma McCrory , Cora McCutcheon-Ford, Windsor Oakes, Emma Simpson, Cornelius Terry, Bessie Watts-Stroube, Jessie Watts, Lee Wilson-Lovett and Bertha Yarberry-Kendrick. Honor Students were Cora McCutcheon and Clara Fritsche. Class Parents were Judge and Mrs. G. A. Brown.

Alumni Association officers were: Dr. R. L. Holt, President; Queen Melton, V-P, Norma Lee Pace, Secretary, and Reynaud Stroube, Treasurer.

The 2nd new school building opened on Pennsylvania Avenue (stood where today's 'new' gym stands); it faced the East and had a very large cavernous gym/all purpose room/library on the West end. Construction costs: $153,000. There was a flight of stairs above the offices which held two classrooms and gave access to a large balcony surrounding the auditorium which was situated in the center of the building. Many years of plays and concerts were enjoyed in that marvelous old auditorium. Unfortunately, this building burned February 8, 1962, during the noon hour; no one was injured. A faulty wiring problem was declared as the cause of the fire. The fire was on a Friday, and all the students were back in class on Monday in the Old Edison which was standing unused.

Officers of the 1920 Class were: President, Pete Tomme; Vice-President, Morton Heatley; Sergeant-At-Arms, Austin Holland; Secretary, Alma Hughes and Treasurer was Polly Cowan. Honor Students were: Frank Gentry and John Hughes. Class Parents were: Mr. and Mrs. William W. Merritt. Wallace Emerson was Superintendent of Schools; Melvin E. Bowman was the high school Principal.

Alumni Association officers were Paul Hughes, President, and Grace Richardson Thompson serving as V-President; both were MHS 1917 graduates.

**1925** In the local paper, Ms. Nell Powers-Stultz and Mr. Carroll Elliott covered several schools including Centralvue, JayBuckle, White Flat, Hester, Brinkman, Dean, Wild Cat and City View. The Mangum Star reported that there were 6,062 school aged children with Mangum being the largest at 1,332 students. Granite was second with 463 students. The Lake Creek school was prominent and with 8 teachers and 368 students enrolled, it was the third largest school. The Willow and Ocina communities had strong ties to Lake Creek.

There was no yearbook for the 1925 Mangum high school graduating class which had about 50 graduates. Dr. Charles B. Overby (MHS 1934 Grad) was County Superintendent of the schools. Mr. J. W. Rackley was Superintendent but died during the year 1925. Mr. G. M. Smith was the high school Principal. Honor Students were: Tiny Harris and C. C. Tillman. Class Parents were Frank and Lena Shearer.

Alumni Association officers were: President, Lydia Pace-Griffin, (1919 MHS) and Secretary was Margaret Shields-Boyd, (1914 MHS). Her daughter, Louise Boyd Price-Mathews is a MHS 1953 Grad and lives in Mangum today.

**1930** The first NEW stand alone GYM was in use for graduations, alumni gatherings, basketball games, etc. It still stands today on Pennsylvania Avenue facing West. It is used as storage and practice for sports. The balcony has been removed due to structural precautions.

Superintendent of schools was Mr. Wade Shumate (1926 - 1933 tenure) and Principal was Mr. Homer Reese. The 1930 MHS class graduated 22 girls and 12 boys. Valedictorian was Rheda Taylor and Dorothy Winchester served as Salutatorian. Class Parents were Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Talley. Note: There were NO yearbooks until 1938 and 1939 classes. History is by newspapers or word of mouth passed through generations of classmates.

Alumni Association officers were: President, Edgar H. Pace (1924 MHS); V-P: H. Eldon Pickard, (1930 MHS); Secretary/Treasurer was Anna Fritsche, (1929 MHS). The BiGhumni started in 1930. These attendees were the spouses of the MHS graduates.

**1935** The year began with the sad news of the death of Dr. McGregor who was a hero of World War I. He was serving as a surgeon in Mangum at the time of his death. He was killed accidentally in an auto accident near Bowie, Texas. Two sons, Harrison and Robert were MHS graduates with the Classes of 1939 and 1943.

Black Sunday, April 14, 1935, brought a huge dust cloud so dense people could not see their hands in front of their face. Winds were recorded at 45 miles per hour and the visibility was zero. This class started school in a drought and ended in May with a flood. Seven inches of rain washed out bridges around the county.

Superintendent of Schools was Mr. Homer S. Reese, who moved up from Principal of the high school. This Historian has not found a recorded Principal in 1935. Officers of the class were: President, James Witcher; J. B. Hollis, Vice President; Ruby Cochran, Secretary-Treasurer; Lenore Arnett and Jack Veach were Yell Leaders. Duralle Roberts and Elaine Jackson were scholastic leaders. Class Parents
were: Lee and Louella Caffey. **Alumni Association officers were:** Otto Armstrong, (1922 Grad) and Mildred Barlee Harris, (1924 Grad).

One grad, **Olga Shadid Hawkins** is still living in Altus today and sent in her dues last year. She'll be celebrating her **80th class anniversary** this year, making her one of the most senior members in the Association.

**1940** Greer County dropped to 14,500 from over 20,000 population in the 1930's. The Mangum seniors numbered an impressive 75 count. Today, several of these students are still living and two still attend the Banquet: Jack Givens, Mangum, and Virgil Smith, OKC, are regulars on alumni weekend. Ms. Fleeta Taylor Lynch, Woodlands, TX, writes this Historian and visited Mangum about three years ago. Lorena Sewell Hughes moved from Mangum to be near her children (address unknown); Juanita Owens Breskin, Ft. Worth, TX, brother of John Owens, Willow, is doing well in assisted living and likes to hear about the Alumni Association. James Stroup, Oregon, sent this Historian his 50th reunion book of history on this class. (see article)

There were no **Yearbooks** in the 1940's. History was recorded in newspapers and classmates compiling history notebooks of their class reunions. **Superintendent** of schools was Mr. Elmer Fraker and Miss Tom Johnson was the high school Principal. **Class Officers** were: Elton Atkinson, President and A. D. Hogue was V-President. Vince A. Busby served as Secretary and Treasurer. **Valedictorian** was Miss Bobby Miller and **Salutatorian** was Henrietta Krouse. **Honor Students** were Eugene Hadlock and Ruby Nelson. **Class Parents** were Revis and Johnnie Ponder. **Alumni Officers were: Lacy S. Noble, (1929 Grad) and John Hayes Moore, (1929 Grad).**

**1945** This MHS class was small consisting of about 32 seniors. Superintendent of schools was Mr. Elmer Fraker and Miss Tom Johnson was high school **Principal.** **Class Officers** were: President, Bill Greer and V-President, Bill Caffey. **Claud Goad** was Valedictorian and **Bill Greer** was Salutatorian. In 2015, both Mr. Goad and Mr. Greer are deceased. **Class Parents** were: **John and Thirza Palmer.** (see article)

**Alumni Association officers** were: Eula Wells Lovett-Bryan (1933 MHS) and Roberta Graham, (1925 MHS), who became a long-time Edison teacher. This Historian has been doing e-mail with **George Whitener** who has helped with history of this class that had no Yearbook. Also, thanks to Bill and Jacque Starr and Louise Mathews for input.

**1950** This MHS class numbered about 55 seniors. Superintendent of schools was Mr. B. F. Johnson and Mr. Ray Hogan was high school **Principal.** **Class Officers** were: Paul Goode, President; H. C. Anglin, V-President, and Linda Lanford, Secretary. June McArthur was **Valedictorian** and Gwen Hannah was **Salutatorian.** **Class Parents** were Ed and Violet Grigsby. (see article) Linda is known today as Linda Foraker, long time owner of Mildred's Flowers.
Leading the **Alumni Association** were: Alzie Worthen, President (1935 Grad) and Robert "Bob' Overton (1943 Grad), served as V-President. One of these classmates, **Jim Scivally**, would later become Mangum City Manager and was inducted into the Mangum Education Foundation Hall of Fame in 2014. Mr. Scivally passed away in 2014.

1955  There were only two yearbooks published in the 1950's: 1950 and 1952. **Allen A. Aaron** was superintendent of schools and **Ray Hogan** was high school Principal. This senior class numbered 37 grads: 22 girls and 15 boys. **Norvel Ray** was President and **Don Coffman**, V-President; **Pat Winn** served as Secretary and **Marilyn Savage** served as Treasurer. Lida Sue Niel, Marilyn Savage, Sunya Sanger and Pat Winn were all **Valedictorians**. **Class Parents** were: Dr. Tom and Mary Ella Wainwright among with little brother, Tommy Wainwright (1956 MHS Grad).

**Alumni Association** officers were: President, Rita Powell-McKenzie (1943 MHS) and V-President, Oleta Kelly-Moss (1946 Grad).

**This class is celebrating its 60th reunion this year.** Jackie Duncan-Clement and Marilyn Savage-Weese are working on a news article. (see article)

1960   **This graduating class numbered 44 seniors.** They had no yearbook. A quote from the *Mangum Star* says: “The 1960 class is possibly the most talented ever to leave Mangum high school. There is a native courtesy and charm that sets the class of 1960 apart.” Indeed when looking through old newspapers, there are some outstanding careers among these Mangum grads.

**Superintendent of schools** was: Mr. Herman Bottom and Mr. Ray Hogan was Principal. **Class Officers** were: President: Robert Weiss, William Rosebure, V-President, Margaret Winters, Secretary, and Nancy Van Vacter, Treasurer. **Honor Students** were: Margaret Winters, Bobbie Crain and Robbie Snipes. **Class Parents** were: W. T. and Glennie Snipes. **Alumni Association leaders were:** George Snipes (1925 Grad) and Clyde Smith (1941 Grad).

1965   In other words, one did not have to take initiation in order to be a member of the Association. **Miss Roberta Graham,** long time 5th grade teacher, was named Teacher of the Year by the Greer County O.E.A. She had two sisters, also teachers and MHS grads: Maurine Graham Woods, (1922) and Sue Donna Graham Thompson, (1928).

The **1965 Class** had 75 graduates but no Yearbook nor did they have a Senior Trip. **School Leaders** were Mr. Herman Bottom, Superintendent, and Mr. Ray Hogan, Principal. Ann Harlan, Elizabeth Stock and Carol Pankhurst were **Honor Students.** Graduate, **Sandy Mathis,** was hired to teach in Edison beginning Fall 1969. There are still active members of this class today who attend the yearly events.

1970   The new 703-seat auditorium and modern field house/gym held open house on May 22, 1970, allowing returning alumni to see the changes. This gym has served well for many functions in Mangum the past 45 years. The older alumni still refer to this facility as the "new gym" and the "old gym" stands across the street as a historical reminder.

**Leading the schools** were: Superintendent, Mr. Virgil Francis and Mr. Ray Hogan, Principal. The 1970 class numbered 59 graduates. Class Officers were: **Joe Griffis**, President; **James Blondell**, V-President;
Celia Blake, Secretary, and Vicky Martin, Treasurer. Honor Students were: Susan Brignon, Gary Davidson, Linda Lenaburg and Nancy Tinsley. Class Parents were Jerry and Velma White.

Alumni Officers were: James P. Garrett, President, (1939 MHS) and J. Elmer Castle, V-President, (MHS 1917). Serving as Secretary was Doris Avery-Nelson, (1949 MHS) and Treasurer, Marie Swoboda, 1923 MHS). Retired Attorney, Garrett lives in Oklahoma City today and Ms. Nelson lives in Mangum. Her grand daughter, Lauren Nelson, was crowned Miss America in 2007, the year that Oklahoma turned 100 years old. This spurred lots of excitement in Mangum as you can well imagine.

1975 Dr. Fred Sellers (Illinois native) retired from practice. He was invited to visit Mangum by his sister-in-law, Mrs. W. P. Smiley, of Mangum. He arrived in October of 1945 following his discharge from the Air Force. When he arrived, there was no hospital or clinical facilities. The Granite physician, Dr. Russell Lewis maintained his own hospital at Granite. When Dr. Lewis broke his leg, Dr. Sellers took over for him for 30 days; that visit lasted 30 years. Dr. Sellers bought the building on the corner of Louis Tittle Avenue and East Lincoln and converted it into his office and a small hospital until the Baptist Convention reopened the old Border Hospital on June 6, 1949. In 1967, as Chief of Staff, Dr. Sellers was operating in the all-new Mangum City Hospital north of town. In 1962, work was completed on the Medical Center, located north of the original clinic on Louis Tittle. He and his wife were half owners of Mangum Nursing Center which opened in May 1963. His advice: "Make sure your physician is a God-fearing Christian and you will have the right guy on your side when you are sick."

August 1975 Mangum was named an Official Bicentennial Community. T. L. Heatly was manager of the Chamber of Commerce at that time.

The 1975 MHS class numbered about 58 students. Superintendent of Schools was Mr. Travis Slaton and Mr. Floyd Gibson was the Principal. Elizabeth Moon, Patty Opperude and Patricia Toole were Honor Students. Class Parents were Larry and Tavia Parsons.

1980 Sixty-eight members of this class answered to Superintendent, Mr. Bob Garton and Mr. Lainial Gilbert, Principal, assisted by V-Principal and Counselor, Don Sparks. Class Officers were: Starla Snow; Melissa Price, V-President; Sarah Givens, Secretary-Treasurer, and Scott Tate, Reporter. Class Parents were Steve and Donna York and little brother, Todd. Michelle Nippert, Rose Mary Pineda and Vicki Gordon were Honor Students.

Alumni Association officers were: Victor Wickershamm, (1923); V-President, Joe McGuffin, (1965); Secretary, Louise Boyd-Price, (1953) and Treasurer was Laverne Wallace-Lanford, (1948).

1985 Ike Rude, an inductee into the National Cowboy Hall of Fame, died January 31. He was a World Champion Professional Cowboy. When he was 62, he won the steer roping championship at Cheyenne, Wyoming, in 1956. Ike Rude Boulevard is named for him; it runs north and south into the Stadium and Rodeo arena in Mangum.

Superintendent of Schools was: Mr. Jack Herron, Jr., and Mr. Bob Travis was the high school Principal. Mr. E. W. Clement was Director of Federal Programs. Class Officers for the 1985 class were: President, Tim Leckie; V-President, David Tipton; Denise Dillanunty, Secretary, and Terry Hamon, Treasurer.
Stacey Hamilton, Nina McGuffin, Melissa Gable, David Tipton and Karen Price were **Honor Students**. The **1985 Class Parents** were Reid and Pam Simmons.

**Alumni Association officers** were: President, Sharon Patton-Callen (1970 MHS); V-President, Judy Tidmore, (1962 MHS); Secretary Doris Avery-Nelson (1949 MHS) and Laverne Wallace-Lanford, (1948 MHS). The **Changing Times Band** played for the 5th straight year at the Banquet.

**1990** The graduating seniors numbered **41**. **Class officers** were: Ginger Sauseda, President; V-President, Greg Christian; Secretary, Robin Pence; and Treasurer was Greg Wynn. **Honor Students** were: Ney Stover, Dustin Lively and Kelly Diehl. **Class Parents were**: Dale and Cindy Smith Clayton. **Tobi Gay** was selected as cheerleader for the S. W. Oklahoma Senior Football Bowl; **Ney Stover** and **Tyler Gable** were selected to play in the game. **Two state titles** came for State Powerlifting Champs and Track Team Winners. The **Academic Team** won Regionals.

**Leading the schools were**: **Superintendent, Mr. Gary Tyler**; **High school Principal, Bob Travis, and Don Sparks, Assistant Principal. Director of Federal Programs** was Roberta Williams.

**Alumni Association** officers were: Perry Klepper (1958 Grad), President, and Don D. Smith (1958 Grad) served as Vice-President. **Mayor of Mangum** was Margaret Jo Gray Carder, MHS 1939 graduate.

**1995** The **Quartz Mountain Lodge** burned March 2, 1995. On July 20, 1995, The Mangum Star reported that the old 'Opry House', which was damaged in an August 1994 storm, was going to be razed. The American Legion built a new facility in the exact spot which has served this community well for several years.

The MHS graduating class numbered 47 students. **Superintendent of schools** was: Mr. Gary Tyler and Principal was Mr. Jim Ed Bull. **Class Officers** were: President: David Wayne Fite; Heath Layne Stehr, V-President; and Chad Allen Heathco, Treasurer. **Honor students** were Temple Ford, Jason Carper, Richelle Hamilton Laura Lester and Heath Stehr. **Class Parents** were: Dane and Pam Polk and Tammy Stehr.

Serving as **Alumni Association** leaders was a family affair: President was Carolyn Weaver Hooley (1968 Grad) and Cheryl Hooley Jenkins (1989 Grad), was V-President.

**2000**. The **Mangum Brick Company** was recognized at the Chamber of Commerce Banquet as the "Business of the Century". Owners were MHS Grads, Jewett Scott Jr., (1949 Grad) and Twila Arms Scott, (1951 MHS Grad).

The Class of 2000 had 54 graduates. **Superintendent of schools** was Mr. Mike Southall and Principal was Mr. Kory Reimer. **Honor Students were**: Tyler Horton, Katie Bowen, Jeremy
Deurmyer, Jackie Powell, Amber Bull and Jason Levi. **Class Parents were again:** Dane and Pam Polk and Tammy Stehr

"Ónce a Tiger, Always a Tiger" was the theme for the Alumni Association Banquet. Leading this group were: President: Jim Scivally; V-President, Dale Clayton; Secretary, Paula Banister, and Treasurer was Mary Jane Scott. This was the last year the Banquet was held in the High School Gym.

**2005** The Mangum Brick Company was honored by the State Department of Labor with a one-year federal OSHA inspection exemption for "a safe plant and safe work environment for Mangum Brick". Rep. Purcy Walker D-Elk City, presented the citation to Jewett Scott Jr. (MHS 1949 Grad), President of Mangum Brick. Mayor Robert Zinn and Chamber of Commerce President, Ralph Bauer were also present.

Blackhawk Healthcare took over the operation of Mangum's hospital on October 1. Well-known MHS 1985 graduate, Jeff Roach, returned and performed along side Roy Lee Scott and the Triple K Band, and outstanding performing MHS sophomore, Sarah Yates, to raise money for the Mangum City Hospital. Claude Smith (1941 MHS) won the personalized guitar at the drawing.

The Senior class had 43 grads. **Superintendent of schools** was Mr. Mike Southall and first time high school Principal was Mr. Micky Lively, a MHS Grad. **Class Officers** were: President, Kelli Kyle; V-President, Maggie Rader; Secretary, Allison Scott and Reporter was Amanda Knight. **Honor Students were:** Maggie Rader, Kelli Marie Myle, Allison Scott, Carina Gamino and Anthony Cox. **Class Parents** were Curtis and Kayla Bogart. **Alumni Association officers were:** Jodie Denton, 1952, President and Jim Scivally, 1950, was V-President.

**2010** The ice storm of January 28, 2010, cost the city over $265,000. Mayor Maxine Wade-Thomason (MHS Grad 1964), was serving the community and making sure the workers were housed and fed by volunteers. She was chosen "Mayor of the Year" state wide during her term in office.

The 2010 Senior class graduated 43 students. Serving as **Superintendent was Mr. Micky Lively (MHS 1993)** (first time MHS grad has been in this position) and replacing him as high school **Principal** was **Mr. Travis Reese**. Mangum schools hire their own as shown throughout their more than 125 year history. **Class President was** Kolby Miller; V-President was Jarred Stockton; Kylie Pitts was Secretary and Michael Adams was Reporter. Serving as **Valedictorian** was Kolby Miller followed by Savannah Miller-Dunn, as **Salutatorian**, Erica Cowan, Mason Toole, Janelle Heatly-Lowe, Hollie Hand and Deanna Pineda were all **Honor Students.** **Class Parents** shared duties: Mike and Dana Wendt and Kade; also, Heath and Becki Stockton and Madison.
Saddest note: All the trees were removed from the courthouse square yard due to storm damage. They were planted about 1908 after Statehood in 1907.

Granite Consolidated Alumni Association celebrated 50 years with classmates and family. Brinkman Consecutive School Association celebrated 88 years at the First United Methodist Church, Mangum.

Russell Pierson (Class of 1929) watched his daughter, LaNese Pierson-Craft win the Ms. Senior Oklahoma pageant. Mr. Pierson was 98 years old when he escorted his daughter for the event.

Note: Mr. Pierson passed away 31 March 2015, at 103 year of age.