

A MESSAGE FROM SUPERINTENDENT MICHELE STARKEY AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MATT JONES

Welcome to the first edition of the Logansport High School Alumni Association Newsletter—a new way to **celebrate** our past, **connect** our present, and **build** our future. This quarterly newsletter will feature alumni achievements, reunions, school updates, and opportunities to stay engaged with Berry Nation.

Our alumni are at the heart of the proud tradition of Logansport High School. We hope this newsletter keeps you connected—no matter where life has taken you—and inspires you to share your own Berry story.

We're also excited to share that the LHS Alumni Association has officially joined **360Alumni**, a dynamic online platform built to help Berries stay connected. Whether you're networking with classmates, sharing life updates, planning reunions, or looking for ways to give back, 360Alumni makes it easy to stay involved. It's free! Join today at logansportberries.360alumni.com and be part of the growing Berry network.

Thank you for your continued support—and Go Berries!



Michele Starkey Superintendent, LCSC, '87



Matt Jones Executive Director, '91

CELEBRATING THE PAST.

CONNECTING THE PRESENT.

BUILDING THE FUTURE.

Vision

To connect and support all who are passionate about Logansport Community Schools.

Mission

To build a lifelong global Berry network focused on tradition, communication, education, and development of the Logansport Community School Corporation.

Founded in 2019, the Logansport High School Alumni Association is a nonprofit organization proud to champion excellence in our schools. Over the past three years, we've awarded more than \$20,000 in grants to support staff and student initiatives—funding classroom projects, programs, clubs, and enrichment opportunities that help Berries thrive in and out of the classroom. None of this would be possible without the generous support of our alumni and community.



Logansport High School Alumni Association grant recipients recognized at a home basketball game.





JON-MYCKLE PRICE, '98

Jon-Myckle Price (Class of 1998) serves as **President of the Logansport High School** Alumni Association, leading efforts to connect past and present Berries, preserve our school's legacy, and strengthen alumni engagement.

Professionally, Jon-Myckle is **President of** Security Federal Savings Bank, where he has helped individuals and businesses navigate their financial futures since 2008. His commitment to service extends beyond his career—he serves on the Logansport Memorial Hospital Board, the Cass County Humane Society Board, and the **Logansport Redevelopment Commission.**

During his time at LHS, Jon-Myckle was a **student** leader and standout athlete, still holding the school record in the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:01.29. He went on to earn a degree in **Economics from Wabash College.**

Jon-Myckle lives in Logansport with his wife, Amy, and their daughter, Kinzie. His leadership and dedication to the Berry community make him a true example of Berry Pride in Action.



REUNIONS

September 13, 2025- Class of 1975 Details: Beth Slusser —

bslusser1@comcast.net

721-0484

September 13, 2025- Class of 2000 Details: Brooke (Bailey) Seufert brookeseufert@gmail.com

September 20, 2025- Class of 1980 Details: Luann Hamilton — text 574-

October 3-4, 2025- Class of 1960

Details: Connie Schirm Barnes — 219-671-6792

October 11, 2025- Class of 1965 Details: Nikki Reid — 574-753-4444

June 27, 2026- Class of 1966

Details: Beth Perrone Schwanke eamartin1@comcast.net

Summer, 2026- Class of 2006

Updates are posted in the Class <u>Facebook Group</u>, or you can email Andy Muehlhausen at andymule@gmail.com.

If you'd like to share reunion details, contact **Matt Jones** at jonesm@lcsc.k12.in.us or call 574-721-1804.

Until 1955, LHS football was known as the "Red Devils." On October 4, 1955, at a Berry Bowl assembly, "L" Club president Bob David announced the vote to unify all Logansport teams under one name: the Berries.





HONORING OUR HEROES

Logansport High School proudly honors the service and sacrifice of its alumni through the **Military Wall of Honor**—a permanent tribute now featuring over **1,000 names** of LHS graduates who have served or are currently serving in the **United States Armed Forces**.

Located in the main hallway of LHS, the wall serves as a powerful reminder of the **patriotism**, **courage**, **and selflessness** of those who answered the call.

"Our goal is to ensure the contributions of our alumni in uniform are forever honored," said then-Principal Matt Jones.

Alumni, families, and community members are encouraged to submit names through the **online portal**, including branch of service, years served, and graduation year or last year of attendance. New names are added throughout the year.

The wall was officially dedicated on **Memorial Day, May 27, 2024**, in a moving ceremony attended by veterans, students, and community members. Special thanks go to **Lenny Corso ('64)**, a proud Army Green Beret; the **Classes of 1964 and 1967**; the **family of Marine Cpl. Humberto Sanchez**; and the **LHS Alumni Association** for their vision and support in bringing this tribute to life.

To view the wall or submit a name, visit the LHS Military Wall of Honor.





SAVE THE DATES

September 12, 2025 Homecoming

Show your Berry Pride as **Berry Football takes on Benton Central at 7:00 PM!** Come cheer on the
Berries and celebrate this proud
Homecoming tradition.

Before kickoff, join the **Block Party**—sponsored by the Alumni
Association and Berry Boosters—
from **4:00–6:30 PM in McCord's parking lot**. Enjoy food trucks,
music, and fun for all ages as we kick
off the night in true Berry style.



February 28, 2026 Alumni Gala

We're celebrating LHS and **Felix the Cat's 100th birthday**—honoring Indiana's oldest high school mascot—with an unforgettable evening!

Join us February 28, 2026, from 7-10 PM at the Vibrant Event Center for live music, guest speakers, a silent auction, VIP perks, and more as we celebrate Berry pride. Stay tuned for ticket info and how you can be part of this historic night!

The LHS Tattler yearbooks are online! Click below to start browsing:





Hard at Work: In 1907, *The Tattler* staff put pen to paper for the very first edition, capturing the spirit of LHS for generations to come.

The First Graduates

High school classes in Logansport began in 1863 at the New Seminary, a three-story stone building located at 13th and Broadway, under the direction of Professor Joseph Baldwin. The first recorded Logansport High School graduation took place on June 1, 1871, at the Mesodian Opera House. The inaugural graduating class consisted of three students: Ann Covalt, Sallie Horn, and Sadie Clendenning. At the time, Sheridan Cox served as Superintendent, while his wife, Bessie Cox, was the principal.

The event was largely student-led, with Miss Horn presenting an essay titled *The Seven Wonders of the World* and performing a piano solo before joining her music teacher for a duet. Miss Covalt delivered a dissertation titled *The Last Decade*, which included a discussion on the construction of the transcontinental railroad, while Miss Clendenning gave the "Valedictory Address."



The **1871 commencement** marked the beginning of a long tradition of academic excellence at Logansport High School, setting the foundation for generations of graduates to come.



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ြွှော် Where's Abe?



When alumni who graduated before 1974 visit the current campus, they often ask, "Where's Abe?" For decades, a statue of Abraham Lincoln stood proudly in the main corridor of the old LHS, greeting students at the Broadway entrance.

The idea originated from **Professor** Willis Richardson's 1923 history classes, where students worked to raise the **\$150** needed—a significant sum at the time—by staging The Importance of Being Earnest and selling Eskimo Pies during basketball season. Standing 7 feet, 6 inches tall and crafted from **marble-colored plaster** by the **P.P. Caprosis Studio in Boston**, the statue was presented to the school on March 19, 1923, during a morning auditorium ceremony. The Logansport Pharos Tribune called it a "magnificent statue" that graced the halls of LHS.

Over a century later, Abe still stands tall, now watching over students from his home in the **Berry Bean Coffee Shop**—a lasting testament to the vision and dedication of the **Class of 1923**.





Full Circle: **Jo Elaine Brown-Chenard, Class of 1964**, recreates her Tattler photo during the **60th reunion**—celebrating six decades of LHS memories!

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