

MECCA SCHOOL – MECCA, INDIANA Listing of Graduates



The original Mecca School was constructed in 1901 at a cost of \$9,600 by J.T. Boxwell of Bloomington, IN. The school is located in the small town of Mecca in Wabash Township, Parke County, Indiana. Additions to the school including more classrooms and a gymnasium were made to the school in later years.

In the early part of the 1900's each township within Parke County had its own school which typically housed grades 1 through 12. Over the years after the township schools were abandoned, the buildings fell into disrepair with many of the facilities being demolished.

The Mecca school is somewhat unique in that the facility is owned by the town of Mecca and operated and maintained by a non-profit corporation called the "Mecca ARABS (**A**lliance **R**epresenting **A** **B**uilding **S**avior). The ARABS acronym was derived from the fact that during its "heyday" the mascot for the school and its athletic teams was the "Mecca ARABS".

The building is listed on the registry of historic landmarks. The facility is well maintained and is used as a community center by a variety of groups within the community.

FOREWARD

Contained in the pages that follow is a listing of high school graduates from Mecca High School, Mecca, IN from 1912 to 1963. Although Mecca School remained open as an elementary school after 1963, the last high school graduating class was in 1963.

In Part 1 of this document, graduates are listed alphabetically by last name. Part 2 consists of a listing by graduation year. Where available, women's married names may also be listed.

The information in these lists was originally compiled by Hazel Sanders who was an elementary teacher for many years at Mecca school.

Any errors or omissions in these listing is unintentional.

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