2017 – YEAR IN REVIEW

- Platinum Governor’s Award Winner for School Health and Wellness (A, top right)
- Environmental Leadership Program – Gold Award for voluntarily going beyond compliance with state and federal regulations and being committed to continual environmental improvement.
- Green Box Summer Arts Camp
- Spirit of the Mustang Award Winners:
  - Manitou Springs Elementary – Julie Meier
  - Ute Pass Elementary – Jacob Sampson
  - Manitou Springs Middle School – Denise Stageman
- Manitou Springs High School – Terrance Batson
- Manitou Springs School District – Stuart Cross
- Manitou Springs School District – Mark Gillis
- Manni Award Winners:
  - Steve Wood, George Rykovich, Nancy Fortuin, Rachel Buller, Kathleen Morrow, Chi Ito, Mark Gillis, Kelly Snyder, Monique Heiniger, and Natalie Johnson
- Updated bleachers in the high school gym and new stadium lights

MANITOU SPRINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL

- Middle School State Robotics Team – Rising Star Award 2017 (B, below)
- Middle School Volleyball – 2017 Undefeated League Champions
- Manitou Monsters Mountain Bike Team is in the second year of the program (C, right)

2017 Manitou MTB Team

MANITOU SPRINGS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- Due to a flood over the summer, the library was renovated with new furniture, shelves and books. The MSEs PAC helped with the funding.
- 4th Grades’ epic summit of Pikes Peak turned out to be an absolutely beautiful day! (D, right)
- In music in 2017: This was our inaugural year for the 3rd grade Interdisciplinary Violin Program, and students enjoyed performing “The Orchestra Rocks” with the Colorado Springs Philharmonic in February. 5th graders rehearsed and performed a musical version of Shakespeare’s “A Midsummer Night’s Dream.” 1st graders sang and danced with their audience “Come and Sing Together,” a folksong from Hungary, and “Sirida,” from Zimbabwe.

UTE PASS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- This fall, students have been taking on the complicated project of building and wiring a 3D printer. (E, left)
- Ute Pass developed a partnership with local and statewide groups of Trout Unlimited. They are the only elementary school in the state raising trout. (F, right)

MANITOU SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL

- 2017 Valedictorian - Amelia McKenzie
- 2017 Gold Medal winners for Academic Excellence:
  - Mathematics – Gunnar Margraardt
  - Science – Amelia McKenzie
  - Social Studies – Molly Arndt
  - English – Lily Reavis
  - World Language – Molly Arndt
  - Visual Arts – Bryon Baca
  - Band – Max Hevom
  - PE/Health – Cole Stienknecht
- Won AP District Honor Roll for expanding Advanced Placement opportunities to students. Four students scored a 5 on an AP exam. This is the highest score you can receive.
  - AP Calculus AB – Gunnar Margraardt
  - AP Language & Composition – Alena Akse
  - AP Language & Composition – Tyler Jungbauer
  - AP Language & Composition – Aubrey Hall
- Tea Santos won the Best Documentary Award from the Pikes Peak Art Council

MSHS ATHLETICS

- 2017 Girls Swim – Team finished 6th place in State
- 2017 Wrestling – Julian Sanchez finished 4th place in State
- 2017 Basketball – Boys and Girls played in State Quarterfinals
- 2017 Baseball – Tri Peaks League West Division Champions
- 2017 Girls Soccer – Region 2 Champions
- 2017 All-State Awards
  - Girls Swimming – Emily Dolloff-Holt, Sydney Dolloff-Holt, Lilly Patterson, Coco Stevens
  - Boys Basketball – Lucas Rodholm, Daryn Adamscheck
  - Girls Basketball – Shelby Megyeri
  - Girls Soccer – Brooklynn Mack, Mo Heiniger
  - Football – Cole Stienknecht

Pop Quiz Answer

A. 1893 — The first graduating class of Manitou Springs High School was in 1893.

No Homework. Look for the next Pop Quiz in the Jan. 11, 2018 issue — enjoy Winter Break!

REMINDER! SCHOOLS WILL BE CLOSED DEC. 21–JAN. 5 FOR WINTER BREAK