

W. Mack Lyon's Name Sake



Warren McLachlin “Mack” Lyon

August 13, 1911 ~ July 14, 2004

Warren McLachlin Lyon, or “Mack” as he was known to his friends, moved to Moapa Valley with his family in October of 1914, when he was 3 years old. Mack was educated in Overton where he was active in music and theater and graduated from Moapa Valley High School as valedictorian.

Much of his early years were spent helping his parents with the family business. His father was in the drug and mercantile business and later acquired Moapa Valley Telephone Company.

Mack Lyon was actively involved in numerous civic, Scout, school and church leadership responsibilities in the community; he was a member of the Overton Water District Board, several times he served as president of the Moapa Valley Chamber of Commerce, and was the President and General Manager of the Moapa Valley Telephone Company from 1938 to 1975.

On September 8, 1992 the Clark County School District Board of School Trustees voted to rename the Moapa Valley High School facility in Overton the W. Mack Lyon Middle School, effective August of 1993.

Mack Lyon has had an influence on the lives of many people in the lower valley from the young Cub Scouts to the aged senior citizen. His life represents the ideals taught to all students who attend Lyon Middle School; Honesty, Integrity, Quest for Knowledge, and service to others.