

Man... this has been one weird day. It seems like 1985 was just yesterday, because for us... it was. What follows is the true story of how the McCarty Brothers traveled through time and made the world safe for life, liberty, and the pursuit of happy hour.

# BACK TO THE MCFUTURE

**McCarty Party 2015**

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COMPRESSION

For years, the government had used popular culture to provide bits and pieces of what was coming. And while good guys might wear white, the McCarty boys were visited by the men in black shortly after the first McCarty Party.

We were told that we had been “volunteered” to pioneer a new technology with chronological ramifications. Our orders were to keep hosting a McCarty Party annually and wait for further instructions. It would be another three years before those instructions arrived.

It was August 1985 when a clunky wireless telephone was delivered by our government handlers. We assumed their new technology was just another form of communication with a monthly bill. (We were naïve.) Dale said, “But we just graduated. We can’t pay for that. We can barely pay attention.”

“Shut up kid”, they said. “That telephone is your future. And the world’s destiny.”

“I’m not destiny’s child”, Mike objected (mostly because he didn’t have the voice for it).

“Your mission briefing is contained in these VHS video tapes”, our handlers said as they pointed to a pile of movies and TV shows.

Surprisingly (for government employees) they couldn't have provided a better blueprint. Rocky Horror taught us about the *Time Warp*. Doctor Who's TARDIS and Bill and Ted's phone booth were both great examples of time travel with telephones. But when Marty McFly used a FLUX capacitor and a DeLorean to travel forward and backwards in time by 30 year increments, our path was certain. (And on a side note, our research also yielded that *Bay Watch* was simply excellent slow motion television.)

Just to be clear, there are no aliens (or Terminators) in our future... only time travelers. And it all began yesterday (or in 1985, depending upon your frame of reference). The FLUX capacitor is real, but it isn't part of a car... which was disappointing. Actually, it's part of a cell phone. Apparently, Apple had been sitting on the technology until they could make it look cool. We are (were) the beta test. So for us, it is (was) suddenly "welcome to 2015".

We set the phone to July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015 and were time ported to the future (present). Of course, imagine our Future Shock when we arrived at the right time and right place (the McCarty family farm), but there was no McCarty Party. Dad was a little mystified by the appearance of our younger selves... but he explained to us that the party had changed location years before. He also told us a little something about the past thirty years.

Dale was now married to Dolly. (Dolly? Who the hell is Dolly?) They lived south of Dayton. (Where the hell is Bellbrook?) McCarty Party was now mostly folks from Harrigans. (What the hell is a Harrigans?) And the party music had mostly been replaced by music videos. (Well, at least MTV was still playing music videos, right?)

Mike had a son attending Ohio State. (How the hell did he reproduce?) Ohio State had won another National Championship in football (so at least something made sense!). The Rolling Stones were on their fourth farewell tour. (What the HELL is Keith Richards made out of?)

Perhaps the most surprising thing is that TJ no longer worked at NASA... but had become Santa Claus. (What the hell is going on [here](#)?) And finally, something called "the Internet" had transformed the planet (and apparently the McCarty Party invitation).

Needless to say it took us a while, and a couple of beers, to get our bearings. The future (now) had some good things and some bad things. (What is up with this Macarena crap? Bruce Jenner did what?) But after we found our temporal footing, we were able to move through time to see what we'd missed and what was yet to come. Naturally we focused on McCarty Party as the barometer of everything that was good and bad in the world. Here is what we found:

### ***The McCarty Parties Review of Futures Past***

So a lot has transpired since 1985. The beer consumed at the party grew steadily until its pinnacle in 1996 – [Ale University](#) (40 kegs ordered; 33 consumed), but the quality of the

invitations (with the exception of 2006's [McCardi Code](#)) had plummeted. We did however appreciate 2008's [Pub Scouts of America](#) adding the Underwear Underground to the traditional list of McCarty Party activities.

Great logos included 1986 – [USA for Alcohol: Drinks Across America](#), 1991 - [Decade of Decadence](#), and 2009 – [Fantasyfest Midwest](#) (which spawned the body painting craze). And if 1999 was the [Mrs. McCarty Pageant](#), why would it take more than a decade until 2010's [Hell Freezes Over?](#)

And then there was 2002 – [The Beer Berets](#). What kind of sweet hell was that? Was that even an invitation? Possibly the low point in the storied history of McCarty Party.

### ***The History of Future McCarty Parties***

And a lot will change after 2015. In 2031 – [A Party Looks at 50](#), the McCarty Party is finally made a national holiday by President (and former head of the NSA) Mike Gran. (This is initially considered controversial after being only 12 years removed from the nuclear incident at 2019's [Bellbrook Yacht Club](#). We told Kevin not to wear that kilt.)

One party to look forward to is 2040 – [McCarty Key](#) (also known as Perry and Judy's second wedding anniversary), where the private island is finally put to use. A digital version of AC returned that year as both Marketing Director and Master of Ceremonies. It is also the year that Royal Payne (JP's 3<sup>rd</sup> son) set the new McCarty Party golf record at -2. And somehow Dale still won taking the bras off the Debutantes (pretty sure there were performance enhancing drugs, and perhaps bionic limbs, in play).

Oh, and 2081 – [The McCarty Party Centennial](#) was still fun (the first one on Mars), but it was mostly just clones and our great-grand kids. Walt Disney attended... we're pretty sure we all saw that coming. Martinis (used in our logos for years) are finally served, as the thought of "Martians and Martinis" always makes us laugh (kind of like Bugs Bunny in a dress or Billy Baker in a nunnery, or vice versa).

The last one we'll mention is 2125 – [Glip Snort](#) (as we've always said, trust us... it will make sense at the time). At this party, through the teachings of the Brothers McCarty, universal peace is established. Also, we finally entered the Matrix (and it only took us 143 McCarty Parties and about 1,100 liver transplants to get there). Man, were we tired (and drunk).

### ***In Conclusion***

Well that's enough of a glimpse forward. We certainly don't want to upset the space-time continuum (unless it involves Heather Locklear). So it's back to 1985 for us. Back to the safety of the Reagan presidency and Goebel's beer. Wish us luck. It will be Deja vu, all over again.

# The Mike Gran Memorial

## (and/or the Twenty-ninth Annual McCarty Party Golf Classic)

They say truth is stranger than fiction, but Granny settling into a domestic lifestyle? Who would ever have thought that we would witness an end of an era and a legend (in his own mind)? A mere 25 years ago (his first McCarty Party), it seemed that all those cold beers, beautiful ladies, and good times would never end.

Sure, many (impaired) women wanted him. Men (okay, mostly street people) envied him. Poorly-raised children tried to emulate him (please kids, do NOT try this at home). But now, as his time grows short, it seems difficult to do anything but pity him. Or more importantly, to pity any woman who would have him. But what kind of woman would have such a man? Let's review the choices:

### 1) The "Nice" Girl:

***"Tickets to the Vikings' game? Oh Darling, you shouldn't have!"***

*Also known as:* What a gal, precious, one of the boys, main squeeze

*Advantages:* Cheerful, agreeable, kindly

*Disadvantages:* May wise up someday

### 2) Vaguely Dissatisfied:

***"I just can't decide. Should I change my career goals or my hair color?"***

*Also known as:* The Great Frustration, Worrywart, Aw c'mon Honey

*Advantages:* Easily soothed

*Disadvantages:* Even more easily perturbed

### 3) Huffy:

***"I see nothing humorous in those silly movies you keep snickering at."***

*Also known as:* Fun Control Officer (FCO), Cold fish, Chilly proposition, Ice Princess

*Advantages:* Your friends will feel sorry for you

*Disadvantages:* You will soon have no friends

### 4) Woman from Venus:

***"I believe this interpretive dance will explain how I feel about our relationship."***

*Also known as:* Space Ranger, Loony Toon, Bad News, Spooky, Clinton campaigner

*Advantages:* Entertaining (up to a point)

*Disadvantages:* Gets to that point quite quickly

### 5) Ms. Dream Girl:

***"I am utterly content with you just the way you are, my handsome genius of a boyfriend. I think we must make love like crazed weasels now."***

*Also known as:* Ms. Right (Now), Goddess, Knockout, Sweetheart, Gorgeous

*Advantages:* Funny, intelligent, uninhibited

*Disadvantages:* Will generally have nothing to do with his type

Which one is it? You tell us. When? How about during his memorial golf outing (in remembrance of when he still had a life) on Saturday July 18<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm. If you would like to be a participant in this historic event, please remember to be of the male persuasion and arrive Camp McCarty by 12:30pm. Details can be found below. McCarty Party "Rules of Golf", as prescribed by the beer bunnies, will be enforced.

## Summary Information

Below we have provided all of the vital information for McCarty Party 2015... although we believe that the invitation is best viewed online in all of its colorful and technologically enhanced goodness at <http://www.mccarty.net>.

<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.mccarty.net">http://www.mccarty.net</a>
<b>Theme:</b>	Back to the McFuture: Part 34
<b>When:</b>	6:00pm Saturday July 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2015
<b>Where:</b>	Camp McCarty
<b>Food:</b>	Cork & Bottle (or as we like to call it, The Pork Chop Wagon)
<b>Social McMedia:</b>	Send old (and new) party photos to <a href="mailto:photos@mccarty.net">photos@mccarty.net</a> (details below)
<b>Golf:</b>	1:30pm Saturday July 18 <sup>th</sup> (Yes golfers, <b>Saturday</b> . Arrive at Camp McCarty <i>before</i> 12:30pm.)

Let us know what questions and suggestions you might have and we'll do our best to ignore them. Call us. Email us. Facebook us. Focus.

## Irrelevant Information

**Rain Date:** Sure. But you can bring a date if it's sunny too (an oldie, but a goodie). Remember, in case of natural disasters (hurricanes, earthquakes, mudslides, firestorms, Hillary being elected) we will still have a party and drink beer. We do, however, expect a strong beer front to move across the area. We believe as the storm surges you will be able to notice some Bud Lightnings on the horizon. Most importantly, remember that you are still responsible for your own companionship.

**Other Stuff:** We provide beer, entertainment, and a guaranteed good time (okay, not a *money-back* guarantee, but we are pretty sincere about this). If you want anything else, bring it along. (Please, no dogs, fireworks, nuclear weapons, anyone under the legal drinking age, guns, or butter. We have enough to worry about.)

**Please accept this invitation as our yearlong greeting card. Therefore:**

Happy Birthday, Congratulations, Merry Christmas, Happy New Year, Get Well Soon, Thinking of You, Please Do Not Bend, Spindle or Mutilate, Have a Nice Day, Don't Slap Pandas.

## Detailed Information

### Twelve Things You Need to Know about McCarty Party 2015, before you get here

**1) Parking:** All parking will be down in the parking area/island. Let us know if you need directions to Camp McCarty. And last call is for quitters.

**2) Food:** A wise man once said, “A man drinks like that and he don’t eat... he gonna die”. Which is why we thought food might be a good idea. Do you like pork chop sandwiches? We do too. Cork & Bottle (The Pork Chop Wagon) will be back again. So bring your hunger and an extra few dollars. And while I appreciate that women don’t understand that there is “no need for you to bring anything” (because they still do), ladies if you must, please confine it to useful staples like jello shots. But really, no need for you to bring anything.

**3) T-shirts:** Want a McCarty Party T-shirt? Then win one of our time-honored events like Stupid Beer Tricks, the Lager Relays, Taking the Bras off the Debutantes, Beer Drinking for Time and Distance, or the Lip Sync/Video Contest. You can’t buy T-shirts... you have to earn them.

**4) Golf:** If you are a man and plan to play golf with us on Saturday (or just ride around in a golf cart and drink beer) you must let us know. If you are good (as beer is), you have already done this. If you are a weasel (as the French still are), we await your call or email. For safety reasons we are providing transportation to and from the golf course. Rendezvous point is Camp McCarty before 12:30pm on Saturday. Tee times begin at 1:30pm at Majestic Springs Golf Club between Waynesville and Wilmington. Plan to spend \$50 for 9 holes and a cart (\$25 for golf and \$25 for transportation and beer, as we have to buy beer from the course). FYI – our beer bunnies are happy to accept your tips (hint, hint). Course details can be found at: <http://www.majesticsprings.com>.

**5) Charity:** While McCarty Party is a free party (other than the food wagon, as mentioned above), it is also a charity event. A charitable donation of \$10 (or more, or whatever you’d normally spend on a Saturday night out at the bars) would be appreciated. This year our beneficiary is the American Cancer Society. Our friend Danna is beating this terrible disease and our friend Bonita has already beaten it. Please help keep that winning streak going. Your donations are deeply appreciated.

**6) Underwear Underground:** Several interested parties have wondered aloud, “Will there be an Underwear Underground again this year?” Really? In our continuing quest to stay irrelevant in these politically incorrect times, the “underwear only” policy will once again be observed in the Pub after midnight. A fully clothed version of the party will continue in all the other areas of Camp McCarty. Incidentally, underwear is defined as an undergarment worn next to the skin (like boxers, knickers, panties, and the like) used to preserve the wearer's modesty, as well as for erotic effect. We like to think of it as being naked beneath our clothes. As we would encourage everyone to participate, we’d also encourage you to plan ahead. Those proclaiming that they are “going commando” will be required to prove their claim.

**7) Body Painting:** For those ladies for whom the Underwear Underground is not risqué enough, we will again have a professional body painter, Face Painting by Tuesday, available from 9pm till midnight. For examples, go to <http://facepaintingbytuesday.com/bodypaint.html> or <http://canvasalive.com/bodypainting.htm> or <http://www.tiotibodypainting.com>. Please try to keep your designs simple, so we can get as many folks (ladies) painted as possible. If demand warrants, an amateur division can be made available after midnight.

**8) Law Enforcement:** For those of you who will be arriving after dark or leaving before daybreak, don't be alarmed by the law enforcement officers at the end of the driveway and/or down in the parking area. They work for us and are there to prevent under-age, would-be drinkers from crashing the party... and over-age, over-served patrons from driving when they shouldn't. In short, they are here to help keep people and property safe... so plan accordingly!

**9) Intoxication Stations:** Party guidelines are important. Knowing when and where to imbibe or otherwise participate is critical to the smooth functioning of any social gathering. And much like a spoonful of sugar makes the medicine go down, a nip of spirituous liquor makes the process that much more enjoyable. Nothing painful, just some fun to kick-off your McCarty Party experience.

**10) Social McMedia:** Memories are stored in photographs (also known as evidence). And a camp photo is a wonderful way to reflect back on all of the fun and frivolity. Traditional Social Media has a few drawbacks (like living on the Internet forever). Instead, we are unveiling Social McMedia. Just email your fun McCarty Party photos, both from prior years and during this year's party, to [photos@mccarty.net](mailto:photos@mccarty.net). They will be curated for appropriateness (as no one wants to see Kevin's junk again), and those photos deemed inoffensive will be shown around the camp grounds throughout the party. Never to be shared with the Internet-only types. Because what happens at McCarty Party stays at McCarty Party. So there.

**11) Facilities (Bathrooms):** You may not be aware of it, but alcohol is a diuretic (i.e. it makes you pee a lot). As we have learned in the past, the hard way, our well and septic system can't keep up with the demands of a McCarty Party. So again this year we'll have shiny clean porta-potties for the ladies and plenty of trees for the gentlemen to address their calls to nature. Thank you for your continued support in this instantaneous recycling (of fluids) back to mother earth.

**12) More Information:** For more information on these and other hot topics, please go to: <http://www.mccarty.net> and click on the "Questions and Answers" area at the bottom of the homepage.

**Dear Alcohol,  
We had a deal where you would  
make me funnier, smarter and a  
better dancer...**

**I saw the video.**

**We need to talk...**

**McCarty Party. Where the weird turn pro.**

## Schedule of Events

1:30 p.m.	The McCarty Party Golf Classic (arrive before 12:30pm)
6:00 p.m.	Intoxication Station Indoctrination
6:30 p.m.	Stupid Beer Tricks
7:00 p.m.	The Lager Relays
7:30 p.m.	Taking the Bras off the Debutantes
8:00 p.m.	Beer Drinking for Time and Distance
8:30 p.m.	Lip Sync/Video Contest***
9:00 p.m.	Body Painting begins
12:00 a.m.	The Midnight Special (by the shine of the moon)
12:05 a.m.	The Underwear Underground (downstairs in the Pub)
2:45 a.m.	Quarter till Three
6:24 a.m.	Tequila Sunrise (formerly known as "Vodka & Cocopuffs")

*\*\*\* If you wish to compete in the Lip Sync/Video competition, you must provide us with an MP3 of the song you will be lip-syncing or the MPEG video you'd like to submit... either via email or on a USB thumb drive. Yes, this is a modification of a time-honored event, but create a good video and you can compete forever. Remember: this is a competition, not an exhibition... so please, no wagering.*

## Contact Info

If you have never been to Camp McCarty (which wouldn't make much sense, but we suppose it is possible) please drop a note and we will email you a map. Or call and you will be mocked in person.

And always remember that famous quote by Dean Martin, "I feel sorry for people who don't drink. Because, when they wake up, that's the best they're gonna feel all day." Now those are words to live by. See you on the other side.

*Dale & Mike*

McCarty Party 2015  
(a.k.a. McCarty Party XXXIV)

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July 18th, 2015 6:00pm  
Camp McCarty

**Save the Planet! It's still the only one with beer... so far.**