McClellan House, the eastern most point of the Crescent, was constructed in 1987 by the architectural firm Short and Ford of Princeton, New Jersey. The house was a gift from trustee Bert A. Getz '55 and his wife, Sandy. McClellan House was used as a Fifth Form girls house in 1987-1988, but has housed Third and Fourth Form girls since 1988. It was named after Bruce H'12 '57 '60 and Mary Elizabeth McClellan H'50 '52 '57 '59 '65 '79 GP'10, the former Head Master and his wife.

BRUCE AND MARY ELIZABETH MCCLELLAN

Bruce McClellan H'12 '57 '60 served as the second-longest Head Master of the Lawrenceville School, from 1959 to 1986. The McClellans were great proponents of both integration and co-education, planting the seeds for the diverse student body Lawrenceville boasts today. Born in 1924 in Spring Grove, Pennsylvania, McClellan studied at Deerfield Academy and attended Williams College, graduating cum laude. He served as a pilot in the United States Air Force during World War II, and earned the Distinguished Flying Cross before being discharged in 1945.

McClellan studied at Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar before joining the English faculty of Lawrenceville in 1950. By 1959, he was made Head Master, and he and his wife, Mary Elizabeth McClellan H'50 '52 '57 '59 '65 '79 GP'10, raised their three children, Ann, William, and Robert on campus. He was a past president of the Headmasters Association, The American Association of Rhodes Scholars, and the secretary of the New Jersey Committee for the Selection of Rhodes Scholars. Upon his retirement, the McClellans moved to Dublin, New Hampshire, to focus on conservation issues. Bruce McClellan passed away in 2008.

McCLELLAN HOUSE FLAG

The McClellan House flag bears a golden thistle upon a field of royal purple. The thistle is the national flower of Scotland, a nod to the McClellan’s Scottish ancestry, symbolizing beauty, hardiness, and perseverance. The House colors, purple and gold, are a tribute to Head Master McClellan’s alma mater, Williams College, from which he graduated cum laude in 1946 with highest honors in English.
McClellan House Life

McClellan was awarded the Dresdner Cup in 1996–97 and has won the Chivers Cup four times since its establishment in 1988. The "McSisters" begin the year with a Candle Lighting Ceremony that takes place on the Ropes Course after sunset on a warm night in September, symbolizing the close sisterhood of the House. They are also hosts of the Valentine's Day McLovin' Dance (featuring slogans like "Kiss This Thistle") and the annual SEGA fundraising dinner, a formal sit down dinner benefiting the SEGA Girls Secondary School in Tanzania.

McClellan boasts a number of notable housemasters, including Leita V. Hamill H’65 ’88 ’99 P’96 ’99, former English faculty and trustee, and Lawrence L. Hlavacek Jr. H ’95 P’06 ’08, History Master and son of former Lawreneville coach turned Head of the Garrison Forest School.

Notable "McSisters" include ceramic artist Meredith McCord ’92, BBC correspondent Manoush Zomorodi ’91, and Tiffany Kuehner ’03, Chair of the not-for-profit Hope for Haiti.

LEFT: 'This Is Your Life," by artist Lee Tetzeli, was commissioned by the Trustees of the Lawrenceville School to honor the McCells upon their retirement in 1986. It features locations and moments relevant to the McCells' tenure here in Lawrenceville.

"We're McWomen of McClellan and we're here to say, Stanley, Stephens, Carter, Kirby, today is not your day! We're McFabulous, McLovin', and we're hot just like an oven, We know just what we're doin', and we're basically a shoe-in M-C-C-H-O-U-S-E M-C-C-H-O-U-S-E McCLELLAN!!! M-C-C-H-O-U-S-E M-C-C-H-O-U-S-E McCLELLAN!!! M-C-C-H-O-U-S-E McCLELLAN!!! All you other girls can just kissle our thistle!"

McClellan House Cheers

"Gold Power, Purple Pride
We're gonna make you run and hide!"
(Repeat, starting softly, building in power and vigor with each repetition)