



The Chadron State Foundation Today Feb, 2023

From the desk of:
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Chief Executive Officer

Here and There

The Alumni and Foundation office wrapped up January by visiting alumni and friends in Arizona. Did you know there are over 850 alumni living in the state? It has always been a popular retirement destination, yet there are many young alumni living there as well. It was our first time making the trip since the world changed in January of 2020. The Alumni office will be hosting several other gatherings this spring. We'd love to see you when we're in your neck of the woods. Alumni gatherings are not fundraising events and give you a chance to connect to other Eagles in your area. Hope to see you soon. Thank you for supporting the life of Chadron State College.



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Mentors Needed... ConnectCSC is powered by our alumni, join today and sign up for the mentorship program for the spring semester. Current students are seeking alumni to connect with through online mentoring and you can make a real difference.



William Ellsworth Artis was an African-American sculptor, whose favorite medium was clay. Born in North Carolina, he moved to New York City as a teen. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. Artis taught at CSC from 1956 to 1966 as a Professor of Ceramics.

Honoring MLK... The theme of the free, public events celebrating Martin Luther King Jr. in January was Because of You-We Are Here. The annual MLK Walk started downtown ending at the Lindeken Clock Tour. Actor John Ivey performed a one-man play, directed and produced by Ira Knight. Events continued

throughout the week and also featured sports marketer DeAndre Barthwell, BS 2019 of Las Vegas, Nevada.

Eagle Athletics...Keep up on all the action by going to www.chadron eagles.com

Interim Dean for Professional Studies and Applied Sciences... Dr. Grant Sasse has been named the Interim Dean for Professional Studies and Applied Sciences (PSAS). Sasse, an associate professor, has been teaching graduate-level Clinical Mental Health Counseling courses at CSC since August 2021. He earned his doctorate in Counselor Education and Supervision from the University of Wyoming in 2014. In 2007, Sasse transferred to CSC after two years at the University of St. Thomas in Minneapolis. He graduated with a bachelor's in Psychology at CSC.

Maintenance Funding... During its January 12 meeting, the Nebraska State College System Board of Trustees approved \$2 million for Chadron State College water and sewer system upgrades and \$100,000 for emergency repair and eventual replacement of the Burkhiser Complex's roof.

Sandoz Exhibit... Travels with Mari is an exhibit in the Mari Sandoz High Plains Heritage Center from January 9 through May 12. It features photographs from Sandoz's trips across the U.S. from the 1940s to 1960s. In addition to photos, exhibit artifacts include suitcases, a hat box, purses, perfume bottles, and clothing.

Spring Enrollment... Similar to last year, Chadron State College's spring enrollment has increased from the previous spring. As of January 23, CSC's 10-day enrollment in the 2023 spring semester is 2,197 students, compared to 2,102 students in 2022.

February Performances... The music department has several performances scheduled for February. February 4, guest artist recital Rob Purny, accompanied by Bobby Pace. Nationally known saxophonist Bobby Watson, February 6. High Plains Band and Choir Festival, February 7. Dr. Brooks Hafey will continue the Keyboard Through the Ages series on February 12. Guest artists flutist Rachel Bergman will perform on February 26, accompanied by Hafey.

A Bit of History: 1933... Ninety-years ago The North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools accredited the college as a liberal arts school as well as a teacher college.

2023 Alumni Travel Opportunity

The Chadron State College alumni travel program invites you to join fellow alumni and friends on the Jewels of the Rhine River Cruise, departing June 17, 2023. The adventure begins in Amsterdam and includes the Netherlands, Germany, France, and Switzerland. You'll experience architecture, history, world culture, delicious food and wine, and great company.

Deadlines are quickly approaching!

The full brochure is available on the alumni website: www.csc.edu/alumni/get-involved/alumni-travel/ or contact the alumni office for more information.



"The Danube River Cruise with old and new friends was an amazing experience providing a variety of options and activity levels to choose from. This was our first cruise and we thoroughly enjoyed visiting and viewing each of the countries from the comfort of the ship and shore excursions, free time to explore the sites and visit with people, and reconnecting and sharing our experiences in the evenings over dinner. A well organized and wonderfully hosted trip by the CSC Alumni Office!"

-Ann Burk, 2022 alumni traveler

Recollections



Recollections are excerpts of stories submitted to the College for the 75th Anniversary book written by Con Marshall. If you are interested in reading the full story please contact the Alumni office. The following is an excerpt entitled "CSC Received National Awards" by Dr. Harold Koch.

"The 11 plus years I spent at (CSC) were some of the most enjoyable days of my professional life, plus the fact that they were very productive. When I arrived in July of 1964...new life was being pumped into the college, student enrollment was gaining rapidly and new energetic faculty...were being brought on board. Each day was an exciting experience and new ideas were being implemented regularly. Working as a team, the Education and Psychology Division completely revised the approach to offering the professional semester, and staff members and students were enthusiastic about the new approach and material being provided.

It was very rewarding to see these well-prepared young professionals being introduced into the teaching profession. The climax of this effort was the recognition of (CSC's) Teacher Education program by the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education in 1968 for having one of the top-10 teacher-education programs in the United States. Competing with Chadron were many large and prestigious universities."

In Their Words

Scholarships make education attainable and allow recipients to focus on their studies at Chadron State College. In Their Words demonstrates the impact scholarships make in students' lives.

The **Vern and Francis Chicoine Endowment** was established in the early 90's by Bern and Francis Chicoine. The Chicoine name is very familiar to CSC. The couple

were involved with ranching in Dawes County for many years and are longtime supporters. They received the Distinguished Service Award in 1993. Carson Means, of Norfolk, is a psychology major and a recent recipient of the scholarship.



"Thank you for awarding me the Chicoine Endowed Scholarship. My family and I recently visited the campus and were so impressed by the warm welcome we received. The pride of the students, your guides, and office staff we met, was evident in their demeanor and the way they spoke of Chadron State College. I want to be a part of that pride."

Giving to The Chadron State Foundation creates opportunities and enables positive outcomes wherever they may be. As new students come to campus, hundreds of opportunities enable CSC attendees to broaden their horizons. Your gifts help to support the entire educational experience.

A blue banner with white text and graphics. The text reads: "This winter, sleigh bells won't be the only thing ringing..." followed by a paragraph: "A Chadron State student will be calling to hear about your college experiences and to discuss how you can make a difference in the lives of current students. Consider a gift to fund scholarships and campus services that give students the tools to reach their full potential." and "CSC Phonathon, February 6-23, 2023". There are several white snowflake graphics on the left side of the banner.

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