



## The Chadron State Foundation Today January, 2022

From the desk of:  
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### 2022!

Greetings and Happy New Year from The Chadron State Foundation. At CSC we typically think of our new year as the start of the academic year in August. Late summer turns to fall and by the calendar new year, winter has arrived in all its northwest Nebraska glory. Despite snow and wind now, we are excited about the possibilities 2022 brings. The opening of the Math Science Center of Innovative Learning is scheduled for this fall and we can't wait to share it with you. Many of you helped CSC make this project a reality. Many of you also helped the students pictured above at the December commencement reach this moment of achievement in their life.



Thank you for supporting the life of Chadron State College.

### Math Science Center of Innovative Learning



**Chadron State College and the Foundation** are committed to ensuring the Math Science project can meet the requirements for STEM education at CSC. This \$32.1 million renovation and new construction will drastically change the landscape of not only the Chadron State campus, but for generations of future Eagles. The fifty-year-old facility has also been renamed the **Math Science Center of Innovative Learning** as part of its transformation. A major component of funding comes from the state

of Nebraska however private support is required to make this project a reality. **Thank you to Clayton Brown** for contributing to this project. For information on how you can help move this project forward, contact the Foundation at 308-432-6366.

**Mays Encourages Graduates to Find Careers They Love...** CSC Grounds Supervisor Lucinda Mays delivered the commencement address. More than 200 graduates were honored and were advised by Mays that figuring out their future careers may take time, patience, and trial and error.

**Join Us for Range Day...** The Upper Niobrara White Natural Resources District (UNWNRD) will partner with Chadron State College and the C.F. Coffee Family Foundation to host the sixth annual Range Day at the CSC Student Center Tuesday, Jan. 12.



**CSC's Labyrinth Featured in International Index...** The Chadron State College labyrinth is featured in a recently published online index of Permanent and Landscaped Labyrinths in Universities and Colleges. A print version of the index, researched and created by Jan Sellers of Labyrinth Pathways, is also available. CSC Art Professor Mary Donahue and her students worked with retired Instructional Designer Elizabeth Ledbetter, Grounds Supervisor Lucinda Mays, and others to plan, design and construct the labyrinth west of C-Hill.

**A Big (Good) Deal...** Chadron State College is expanding on the Nebraska State College Tuition Guarantee program to include out-of-state students, providing Pell eligible new freshmen and transfer students opportunities to complete their degrees tuition-free. Please help us get the word out across the country about this opportunity to bring more students to the good life.

**Eagle Athletics...** Winter sports are in full stride. For all the latest from CSC Athletics go to [chadroneagles.com](http://chadroneagles.com)

**The Farm Credit Services...** Thank you to Farm Credit Services for expanding your scholarship program at CSC for 2022.

**Thank You...** **Nedra Kayner** of Green Valley, Arizona for starting the Ernest C. Johnson Endowed Scholarship; **Valerie and Savannah Worth, Pat, Tim, Dan and Michael Spiers** for creating the Walt & Lola Spiers Education Endowment; **Calvin Augustine and Sandra Cross** with **Augustine Cattle** of South Dakota for creating the Alfred P. Augustine and Elizabeth J. "Betty" Augustine endowed scholarships.

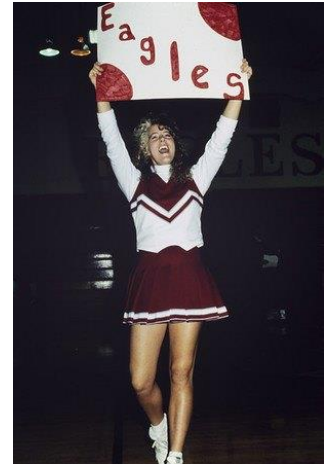
**Thank You...** **Jacob Rissler** for creating the Rissler Wyoming Business Student Annual Scholarship and **Martin and Monika Fleming** of Tarboro, North Carolina, for creating the Martin & Monika Fleming Wrestling Annual Scholarship to support men's and women's wrestling.

**A Bit of History: 1932, Edna Work...** Edna Work Hall opened at a cost of approximately \$100,000 and the American Association of Teachers College gave Nebraska State at Chadron its highest rank.

## 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. This is the intro excerpt from a much longer story...

The 'Phantom' Story Finally Revealed by Cliff Reisig. *"The last light had gone out of the western sky. It was a moonless night in late September. John pulled the old Chevy to a stop next to the Waterworks Building, just west of 'C' Hill. The four of us got out in silence, took the shovels from the trunk, and started picking our way through the bushes and ravines toward the 'C'. An hour later the 'C' was covered with a fresh layer of dirt.*



*"We started to slip away when we all heard the voices. Someone was nearby, and coming closer! "Run," I said under my breath. How had I gotten into this mess? What was I doing running through the dark, jumping gullies like a madman? It was a story that began on a lazy day earlier that month..."*

## 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.

Richard and Gwenlyn Brown met at CSC in 1974. After graduating and teaching for three years at Chadron High School, Richard attended optometry school in Bloomington, Indiana. Gwenlyn immediately began a career in education, serving most of her 30-year career as Director of Guidance and Counseling for Grand Island Senior High. Both Richard and Gwenlyn loved CSC and felt it provided them with a strong foundation for further education. Ruth Mencia of Grand Island is a recent recipient of the scholarship majoring in social work and business administration.

*"Thank you for considering me for this scholarship. Aside from being a first-generation student, I've faced multiple barriers trying to deter me from my successes - being a woman, and being Hispanic and Latina. Because of people like you, you've helped enable my dreams further. For that, I thank you."*

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.



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