



The Chadron State Foundation Today

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Memorial Day

May began with the first in-person commencement held on campus since December of 2019. On Saturday, May 5 graduates from the class of 2020 joined the class of 2021 at the Chicoine Center. The commissioning of ROTC graduates at commencement is a special part of the ceremony. Three Army ROTC cadets were commissioned as second Lieutenants and will begin their military service upon receiving their degrees and orders.



May closed with Memorial Day and a time to remember those who sacrificed their lives for their country. A very special thank you to all of the former Eagles who serve or served in the military and those who gave their lives for our country. May their families be comforted on this national holiday.

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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 all donors who have contributed to this project** for your support and leadership. For information on how you can help move this project forward contact the Foundation at 308-432-6366.

Commencement Speakers... Both Chadron State college commencement speakers, Dr. Richard Koza '73, MS '80, MBA '93, and Dr. Merlin Butler '75, shared insights based on their experiences with CSC students earnings master's and bachelor's graduates degrees.

Butler said the unprecedented environment of the COVID-19 pandemic will likely add to making the event memorable. “Other graduates in the past faced great concerns, too: polio outbreaks, world war, financial collapse, global flu, cold war and Middle East crisis and conflicts. In spite of those external events, or perhaps heightened by them, those graduates will always remember their graduation day. As will you. It is an important milestone on your life’s journey,” Butler said.



“Be a continuous learner. Learning should never stop. One of my early memories is being in Boy Scouts. Our motto was ‘Be Prepared.’ That is a very powerful statement. Are you ready to perform any task in any situation? Being prepared sets the stage for your day and your life,” Koza said.

CSC Golf Classic Returns... The CSC Golf Classic Don Beebe Tournament returned over Memorial Day weekend after a COVID hiatus last year. This annual fundraiser provides critical support to Eagle athletic programs. 36 teams teed it up with the Simons, Simons, Simons, and Dotson team shooting a two-day score of 122 to win the Championship Flight.

New Education Honor Society Established... Associate Professor of Education Dr. Robin Brierly and a group of education majors have established a chapter of Kappa Delta Pi, an international honor society in Education. The CSC chapter name is Alpha Kappa Kappa.

CSC Alumnus Presents to UK Conference... Rachel Mitchell '20, recently presented "In the Wake of Red Power Movement" via Zoom for the University of Warwick conference. She spoke about her favorite Native American author, Heid E. Erdrich, and her poetry collection "National Monuments."

Eagle Athletics... Longjumper Naishaun Jernigan recently placed third at the NCAA Division II Outdoor Track and Field Championships in Allendale, MI. For all Eagle Athletics news go to chadroneagles.com

Remembering Dr. Allen Alderman... Dr. Allen Alderman attended CSC on the GI Bill after leaving the US Army in the late 40's. After medical school he returned to practice medicine in Chadron and delivered over 3,000 babies. Dr. Alderman was also very involved with the Chadron State Foundation, serving on its Board to continue to grow the institution and maintain its excellence.

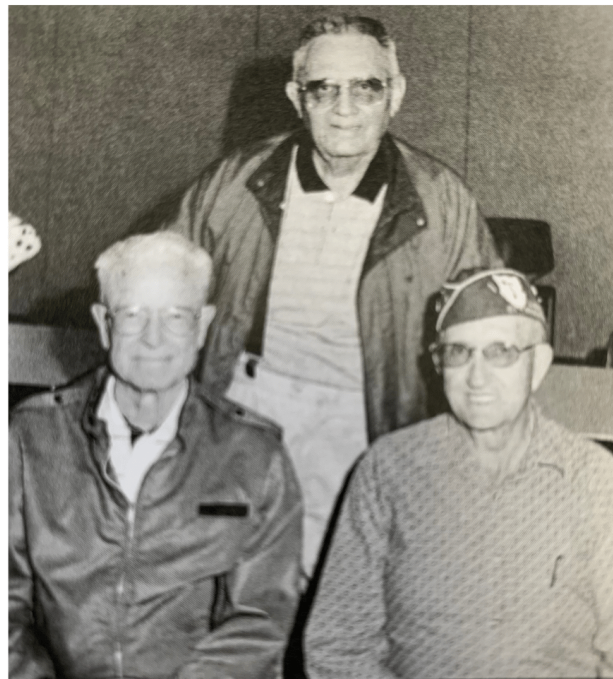
New VP for Enrollment Management... Dr. Tami Selby has been named Chadron State College's Vice President for Enrollment Management. "I'm really excited about this opportunity, as well as the decision Chadron State College's leadership has made to prioritize this position and enrollment," Selby said. "We are here to help the students succeed and CSC has that level of commitment and understanding. When I was on campus for my interview, I saw an engaged and vibrant campus and I'm thrilled to be an Eagle."

A Bit of History: 1971... The Industrial Education-Home Economics Building, later renamed the Donald Burkhiser Technology Center, opened. It cost \$1.4 million. Burkhiser is now the home of the Business Academy and Family & Consumer Science programs.

Say That Again

Say That Again, Stories Told By Speakers at Chadron State College is a recent publication by CSC news reporter Con Marshall. The 45-page publication is a summary of over 30 presentations across 35 years. If you are interested in obtaining a full copy of the work or the story please contact Con at 308-432-6478. The Chadron State Foundation Today will include snippets from the full publication.

Dawes County farm boys Marle Smith, Charles Anderson, and Gordon Pinney were all prisoners in World War II and spoke to an audience in October 2001.



It's been 56 years since he was a prisoner of war, but Charles Anderson said he still jumps out of bed when he hears a noise at night. He survived the atrocities while more than 400,000 Americans who served in World War II didn't. He weighed just 85 pounds when he was liberated by British forces, 350 days after he had been captured. Anderson had been a tailgunner on a B-17 that was shot down during a raid over Berlin in spring of 1944. After he was liberated, he was sent to the Lucky Strike transportation camp in France. After the war, Anderson returned to ranch near Oral, South Dakota.

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.

Ashley Jackson of Mitchell was one of ten recipients of the Elizabeth & Bertha Braddock Scholarship. Ashley is majoring in music education. The Braddock sisters attended Chadron State College and taught throughout most of their lives. They were the daughters of a pioneer ranch family who specialized in purebred Hereford cattle. The scholarship was provided by the sisters because of their love and interest in education.



"Thank you for awarding me the Elizabeth and Bertha Braddock scholarship. It is an honor to be given an award in honor of two sisters who were so passionate about education and teaching."

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.

Chadron State Crowdfunding

We are Chadron State College. We are Eagles. Together we can soar higher. The Chadron State Crowdfunding platform will provide an opportunity for you to help the next generation take flight. Please follow the Foundation on social media as we proudly roll out CS Crowdfunding in June 2021 and give you a new opportunity to make an impact at CSC.

You can join other students, faculty, staff, and alumni in supporting projects and activities by making gifts through the CS Crowdfunding platform. And because the platform is managed by the Foundation, all campaigns are screened and verified, guaranteeing your contributions will support the intended purpose.



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