



## The Chadron State Foundation Today

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From the desk of:  
Ben Watson  
Chief Executive Officer

### An Earned Retirement

In early November, Chadron State President Randy Rhine announced his retirement effective June 30, 2023. During his 10 years as president of the institution, Dr. Rhine has seen remarkable growth and improvements at Chadron State College. In a letter announcing to the Chadron State Community announcing his intention to retire President Rhine said, "Together we have achieved a great deal for Chadron State, and I am incredibly proud to see the positive changes that have occurred. I am leaving Chadron State at a time when the institution is poised to move into the future with new energy and opportunity. I cannot thank the faculty and staff of this wonderful institution enough for your efforts that make us a leader in higher education and service to our region and beyond." You have been an integral part of the progress at Chadron State during Dr. Rhine's tenure and beyond. Thank you for creating opportunities and supporting the life of Chadron State College.



**ConnectCSC...** The Chadron State Alumni Association is proud to partner with Chadron State College and PeopleGrove to introduce ConnectCSC. ConnectCSC is built on the PeopleGrove platform to connect you to alumni and students. Help create and grow meaningful relationships by sharing your time and talent. Alumni/Student mentoring programs are set to roll out next semester. Sign up at [csc.edu/connect](https://csc.edu/connect)

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**Selecting a New President...** The Nebraska State College System will conduct a national search for Chadron State College's 12th President. The NSCS has retained Academic Search, Inc., to assist in the search for the next president and the search has already begun.

**Executive Search Committee...** NSCS Chancellor Paul Turman will be joined by NSCS Board of Trustee members John Chaney, Bob Engles and Marjean Terrell. Rounding out the Executive Search Committee will be Jay Lemons and Jennifer Kookan of Academic Search, Inc.

**Search Advisory Committee...** The following groups will be represented on the advisory committee. Alumni, Daniel Reynaga and Gabrielle Michna. Foundation Board, John Smith and Rob Bila. Students, Olivia Bryant and Alexandra Waxler. CSC Administration, Jim Powell and Kari Gaswick. CSC Staff, Emily Hansen and Julie Hasz. CSC Directors, Ted Tewahade and Alex Helmbrecht. CSC Faculty, Tracy Nobiling, Rachele Rider and Cassandra Ritzen.

**Search Timeline...** Mid-November to Mid-December - Pre-search preparation and search launch. Early December to early February - Recruitment and Application Review. Mid-February to Mid-March - Interviews and due diligence. Early April - Finalist campus visits. Summer 2023 - New president begins.

**Eagle Athletics...**Keep up on all the action by going to [www.chadroneagles.com](http://www.chadroneagles.com)

**60 Minutes...** Curtis Moffat BA'95, MSOM '20, was recently featured in a CBS 60 Minutes story. Curtis has spent his career in corrections and is currently the warden at the Wyoming Honor Farm. The story is titled "The Wyoming Honor Farm: Where prisoners learn to train wild horses." Click [here](#) for the story.

**Congratulations...** To a pair of alumni and current Chadron Public Schools employees. Michael Sandstrom BS '13, MA '17, was selected as the 2022 Outstanding Teacher for the Third District by the Nebraska State Council for the Social Studies. Loni Watson BS '08, MEd '13, MAE '17, was recently awarded the Nebraska State College System Counseling Excellence Award for her work at Chadron High School.

**Congratulations...** Professor of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation Dr. Dawn Brammer BS '93, MS '98, was recognized Nov. 6 in Lincoln by the Society of Health and Physical Educators (SHAPE) Nebraska leadership council as the recipient of the 2022 SHAPE Nebraska Honor Award.

**December Performances...** The music department has several performances scheduled in December. The Holiday Concert will be held on December 8 and the Guitar Ensemble will play on December 9.

**A Bit of History: 1992...** For the seventh consecutive year, an enrollment record was set. The new total was 3,693. Fall 2022 enrollment did not approach that number but did increase 2.6% to 2,317 students.

**Thank you...** To **Dr. Robert Penor** for establishing the Stuart Penor Vocal Music Memorial Endowment supporting students in majoring in or participating in vocal performances. To **Deborah Meter** for establishing the Reinhold A. and Esther E. Meter Memorial Endowment to support a sophomore or above majoring in education or agribusiness. Thank you for creating opportunities for generations of students at CSC.

**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. **Free airfare has been extended to January 31, 2023 join the over 30 Alumni who have already signed up!**

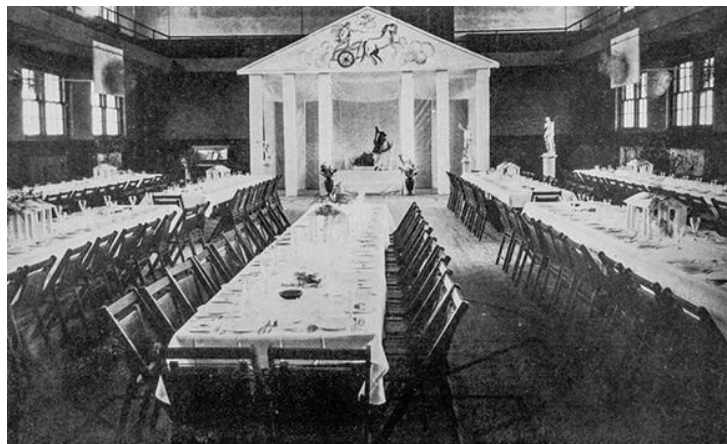


The full brochure is available on the alumni website: [www.csc.edu/alumni/get-involved/alumni-travel/](http://www.csc.edu/alumni/get-involved/alumni-travel/) or contact Karen Pope for more information.

*"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 "No One Questioned His Calls" by Dr. Lawrence Lindahl.

"Dr. Fred B. Harrington, head of psychology and education at Chadron State...in 1930, was a mystery to the

students. To me, he was a wonderful friend and we had many good times with him and his wife, Ruby. He liked to play pinochle and chess...He also sang in the city choir organized and directed by Dr. T.R. Scholz, a Chadron dentist.

"Harrington enjoyed baseball and gave one of the most interesting talks on the sport at a college assembly...He did not play the sport himself...but he liked to umpire. During the '30s, softball became popular in Chadron...Harrington umpired most of the games. When he called 'S-T-R-I-K-E three' you knew you were out and no one ever questioned his calls."

From President Randy Rhine. "Words are inadequate to describe how wonderful this journey has been since I moved to Chadron in 2005. Together we have achieved a great deal for Chadron State, and I am incredibly proud to see numerous positive changes that have occurred.

"The support the institution receives from our alumni and the community of Chadron is nothing short of exceptional. I have been amazed again and again at the generosity and constant support the college receives. One of the aspects of this position I will miss the most is getting to know our alums and listening to their stories."



**Please consider making Chadron State a part of your year-end philanthropy and Happy Holidays from Chadron State College.**

### 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 Chasteen Family Endowment** was established in 2000 by Harry and JoLynn (Chasteen) Love to support students attending Chadron State with a demonstrated financial need. Cassandra Wulff of Laramie, Wyoming, is a physical education and health major and a recent

recipient of the scholarship.

"Thank you so very much for your financial gift to make it possible to attend Chadron State this year. I am super excited, and a bit nervous, to start my college career. Your gift means so much to me and I am grateful for your generosity. This will be a new adventure for me and your scholarship has helped make this possible."

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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