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EAGLE NEWS June 2023



They did not win the competition, but they did win "Best Dressed" once again at the 2023 Golf Fore Eagles on June 5 at the Field Club of Omaha. Pictured left to right: Matt Scanlan ('92), Luke Wilwerding ('92), Joshua Bahr ('92), and Mark Thylin ('92).



Dear Supporter,
Happy Summer!

I am excited to share with you that this year's Golf Fore Eagles outing was sold out! We had sunny skies, a full silent auction, and lots of eagles. Thank you for continuing to support Central High School!

This year, we have two wonderful educators who are retiring from Central High School: Amy Andrews Ed.D. and Cathy Andrus. Eagle excellence is built from the dedication and expertise of our faculty, and we would like to express our genuine gratitude to both of them for their many years of service to Central High School.

There are numerous announcements about [class reunions](#) planned for 2023. If you have a reunion this year, make sure you [update your record](#) on our website so that your physical invitation and event communications will be mailed to the correct address. This pertains especially to recent graduates as we often have parental addresses instead of graduate addresses.

As always, thank you for helping perpetuate 164 years - and counting - of tradition and excellence! Go Eagles!

Sincerely,

Michelle Roberts

Michele Roberts, Executive Director

A Hole In One Day of Fun!



More than 150 golfers joined us at Field Club of Omaha on June 5 for our 21st edition of Golf Fore Eagles! Thank you to our sponsors for their continued support as well as our golfers who made this a special day raising more than \$40,000 for Central High School! Our honoree this year was Dr. Rusty Crossman, CHS 1966. We hope to see you at next year's golf outing on Monday, June 3, 2024! Congratulations to these flight winners:

1st Flight

1st Place (Seventeen Under Par): Tony Driscoll ('03), Johnny Farrell ('93), Davis Garner, Steve Hogan ('04)

2nd Place (Fifteen Under Par): Justin Erspamer, Jed Ortmeier ('97), Jamie Stogdill ('96), Paul Swirzinski ('96)

2nd Flight

1st Place (Six Under Par): Ben Darling ('95), Matt Darling ('99), Patrick Fay, Greg Mancewicz

2nd Place (Five Under Par): Joe Adams, Cale Dillenburg, Drew Dillenburg, Jason Spretis

3rd Flight

1st Place (Four Under Par): Connor Boetel, Matt Gilreath, Thomas Pivovar, Jace Schwartz

2nd Place (Four Under Par): Steve King, Teri Loneman, Zach Wigginton, Gary Zoucha

Co-Ed Flight

1st Place (Fourteen Under Par): Brad Jezewski ('79), Emily Jezewski ('15), Jack Jezewski, Jeff Jezewski ('82)

2nd Place (Nine Under Par): Kelly Faiman, Sam Hardy, Jeff Wiles, Vicki Wiles

Hole Prize Winners:

Hole #1: Longest Putt Made: Emily Jezewski ('15)
Hole #2: Closest 2nd Shot: Robert Harris ('85)
Hole #3: Longest Drive in Fairway: Cole Schulte ('02)
Hole #4: Closest Tee Shot: Erik Hoiekvam ('88)
Hole #5: Longest Putt Made by Woman Only: Angela Capellupo Thorn ('02)
Hole #6: Closest Tee Shot: Norbert Schuerman
Hole #7: Closest 3rd Shot: Kurt Krajicek
Hole #8: Closest 2nd Shot: Brian Lundin ('85)
Hole #9: Closest Tee Shot: J.D. Guinn ('91)
Hole #10: Closest 2nd Shot: Robert Franzese ('92)
Hole #11: Longest Drive in the Fairway: Jed Ortmeyer ('97)
Hole #12: Closest Tee Shot: Jerry Sweet
Hole #13: Longest Putt Made: Connor Boetel
Hole #15: Closest 2nd Shot: Steve Hogan ('04)
Hole #16: Closest Tee Shot: Brian Walter ('95)
Hole #17: Closest Tee Shot: Cale Dillenburg
Hole #18: Closest 2nd Shot: John Farrell ('93)
Mega Putt Winner: Ron Cisar ('65)

New Episode of Eagle Tales - Listen Now

A new episode of Eagle Tales has been published! Eagle Tales is a podcast from the Central High School Foundation that highlights the amazing things that alumni have achieved since graduating from Central.



Episode 14 of Eagle Tales features an interview with 1999 alumnus **Jason Spicoli**. Jason is a radio host and disc jockey for Omaha's Sweet 98.5 FM radio station.

You can subscribe to Eagle Tales on [Spotify](#), [Apple Podcasts](#), or wherever you listen to your podcasts!

[Listen to Eagle Tales](#)

Sams & Briggs Mid Summer Classic

We are thrilled to announce the upcoming 2nd annual Sams & Briggs Mid Summer Classic, set to take place at UNO's Tal Anderson Field on Thursday, June 29th at 8 pm! This event holds special significance as it serves as a memorial game in honor of Trevon Sams from Omaha Central and Briggs O'Neill from Omaha North.



The goal of this annual event is to commemorate the lives of these two remarkable individuals while providing an opportunity for the players from both programs to showcase their skills at Tal Anderson Field. In addition to the excitement on the field, the proceeds generated from the event will be dedicated to supporting the game itself and contributing to future scholarships for the participating players of both schools.

Make sure to mark your calendars for Thursday, June 29th at 8pm

and join us at UNO's Tal Anderson Field for the second Annual Sams & Briggs Mid Summer Classic. Let us come together to celebrate the lives of Trevon Sams and Briggs O'Neill while cheering on our Eagles and helping shape their future. We can't wait to see you there!

Basketball Team Claims Crown at Tournament



The Boy's Basketball Team has had a busy summer of travel, tournaments, and competitions across the Midwest.

Earlier this month, the Eagles captured the title of the Bryan basketball tournament. Central was victorious over Millard West, Lincoln North Star, Bryan, and Lincoln Southwest.

Last week, the Eagles won 4 games in Kansas City to continue their summer momentum. Head coach Bruce Chubick believes these tournaments are providing a great opportunity for incoming team members a chance to gel with the existing roster.

Best of luck to all of our Eagle student-athletes this summer!

Join Generation "C"

The Latest News from "The Nest" at Chatting at the C



Chatting at The C, run by current Central High School teacher Ben Boeckman, is a podcast for Omaha Central Eagle Nation! The goal is to share the groundbreaking things that happen at Central High and to get to know people in the Eagle family. Ben interviews different people, from the legends of Central to new teachers just getting their start. You can find their episodes on [Spotify](#), [YouTube](#), and [Apple Podcasts](#)!

Episode 24 of the podcast features a conversation with history teacher Scott Wilson.

Listen to Chatting at the C

Harry Gaylor Recognized With Award



Former Central teacher Harry Gaylor was recognized with the Elaine Stuhr Leadership and Advocacy Award at the 2023 Nebraska Excellence in Career and Technical Education Awards in Kearney earlier this month.

Gaylor, a 2022 Central High School Hall of Fame Inductee, spent 36 years teaching at Central and leading the school's award-winning DECA program. Gaylor retired in 2020 and has received other recognitions including the Alice Buffett Outstanding Teacher Award in 1995, Ak-Sar-Ben's Ike Friedman Leadership Award in 1993, and Central's Teacher of the Year in 2004.

The Elaine Stuhr Leadership and Advocacy Award recognizes an individual who has made significant advancement in their mission to enhance lifelong learning, earning and living skills, and knowledge.

[Honor an Eagle with a Tribute Gift](#)

Alumni Spotlight: Grace Rock



2023 alumna Grace Rock was recently selected to perform at New York's Carnegie Hall in July as part of NYO Jazz. Grace, who plays the trombone, was one of 22 extraordinary young jazz musicians ages 16-19 selected for this special program following a comprehensive and highly competitive audition process. NYO Jazz participants have the opportunity to train with some of America's most celebrated jazz artists who will lead in-depth training workshops and masterclasses before culminating in a performance at Carnegie Hall.

Grace will be attending the University of Nebraska Omaha pursuing a degree in music performance.

[Nominate an Alum For the Spotlight](#)

The 2022-2023 Generation "C" Chairs

The Central High School Foundation is proud to announce Charles "Chuck" Dickerson III, CHS 1959, and his wife, Judie, as the 2022-2023 Generation "C" Chairs.

Chuck Dickerson is part of a Central High School legacy dating back to 1900. Chuck was raised in Omaha and describes himself as a "dyed-in-the-wool Midwesterner." He graduated from Central in 1959 and attended Penn State University for his undergraduate degree. After graduating from Penn State in 1963, Chuck served as a navigator and in communications and cryptology



aboard the light cruiser *USS Springfield*, the flagship of the Sixth Fleet. He served on active duty for two years and in the reserves for another five before resigning his Navy commission in 1970. Following his time in the military, Chuck attended graduate school at the University of Wisconsin. Following graduation, he took a job with AT&T, where he worked for more than thirty years before retiring as a division technical manager in 1997.

His wife, Judie, is an alumna of the University of Iowa. She is a fourth-generation college graduate whose great grandfather was the first Black lawyer to pass the Illinois state bar in 1869. Together, the couple has two daughters, two granddaughters, and one grandson. In his retirement, Chuck started a company that assisted in the installation of an undersea internet cable from New York City to London. In addition, he taught at County College of Morris in Randolph, New Jersey, where Judie was working, and later became an adjunct instructor at Fairleigh Dickinson University. Today, he and Judie volunteer for several nonprofit organizations, are active in the Episcopal Church, and are philanthropic supporters of multiple educational institutions including the University of Iowa, Penn State University, and the Central High School Foundation.

Chuck and Judie have been very involved with Central High School. During the unveiling of the Central High School Arts and Library Addition, the Dickerson, Myers, and Wright families honored their Eagle lineage with a Legacy paver donned with fourteen names of family members who had graduated from Central dating back to 1900. They recently endowed a scholarship for a graduating Eagle to continue their education. This award, named the Dickerson/Fletcher/McWilliams Scholarship, highlights the several generations of family members who have graduated from Central High School.

[Join Generation "C" Today](#)

[Join the 1859 Society Today](#)



What is Your Legacy?

Named for the year of Central's founding, the 1859 Society honors donors who have included The Central High School Foundation in their estate plans. By arranging for such deferred gifts, alumni, parents, and friends of CHS play a vital role in securing the future of Omaha's oldest educational institution. Combining financial planning, estate planning, and tax planning enables donors to prepare gifts of significance often with tax and financial rewards. If you are interested in joining the 1859 Society and making a planned gift, contact Michele Roberts at the CHSF Office at 402-556-1996 or michele@chsfomaha.org.

[Click Here for the 1859 Society Brochure](#)

Share Your Memories From Your Time at Central



Did you know that the Central High School Foundation collects the memories of our alumni to paint a full, bright picture of life at Central for future generations? In fact, you can read all of the memories others have submitted on our [website](#)!

We would love to hear from you!

Submit your memory to the Central High School Foundation!
You can also share photos of your time at Central, which will be entered into
our archives!

[Submit Your Memory](#)

2023 Class Reunion Schedule



**Old friends reunited back at the Nest last year during the Class of
1991's class reunion!**

Upcoming Reunion Schedule

Class of 1960 80th Birthday Celebration

August 4-6, 2023

[Contact Dick Zacharia](#)

[Class of 1963](#)

September 8-9, 2023

[Contact Lyle Karre](#)

[Class of 1968](#)

September 8-9, 2023

[Contact Pam Weiss Friedlander](#)

[Contact Joanne Wagner Givens](#)

Class of 1970

POSTPONED

July 25-26, 2025

[Class of 1973](#)

October 13-14, 2023

omahacentral73reunion50.myevent.com

Class of 1974

May 31 – June 3, 2024

[Shelli McCall-Vodicka](#)

[Class of 1978](#)

45 Year Class Reunion

August 11-12, 2023

Contact [Sally Vrbanac Rehmeier](#) (402-670-8986)

[Reunion Website](#)

[Class of 1983](#)

September 29 – 30, 2023

Email Contact: centralclassof83@yahoo.com

Facebook Page: [Omaha Central Class of '83](#)

[Reunion Website](#)

[Class of 1993](#)

September 1-2, 2023

[Reunion Website](#)

[Class of 2003](#)

September 29-30, 2023

Details TBD

[Class of 2013](#)

September 29-30, 2023

[Mecca Slaughter](#)

402-981-7351

If you are the reunion organizer for your class and haven't finalized a date for your class reunion or would like to look at postponing or cancelling it, please [contact Erika Buffington at events@chsfomaha.org](mailto:events@chsfomaha.org) or call 402-556-1996.

[View Reunion Schedule](#)

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