

# Eagle News

September 2016



CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL  
FOUNDATION  
*Tradition of Excellence*

## Central High School 2016 HALL OF FAME

Thursday, October 6, 2016  
Omaha Central High School

William Baird CHS 1930  
Pamela Bartling Buffett CHS 1960  
Rick Chudacoff CHS 1967  
Dr. E. Terence Foster CHS 1959  
Donald T. Fox CHS 1947  
Robert Goldstein CHS 1955  
Aubray Woods Orduna CHS 1965  
Lloyd Roitstein CHS 1964  
Benjamin Wiesman CHS 1949  
Clarence Wigington CHS 1902

[Click here](#) to register for the 2016 Hall of Fame!

### FROM THE DESK OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

## Dear Supporter,

A new school year started a few weeks ago and we are excited to see what new and wonderful things our Eagles will accomplish this academic year!

The 2016 [Hall of Fame](#) week is approaching fast, and we have a full week of activities planned to celebrate and honor those who have been selected for Central's 18th Hall of Fame class. The Hall of Fame ceremony will be held on Thursday, October 6, 2016, at Central High School. [Click here to register for the Hall of Fame](#) ceremony dinner and presentation. The following day, on Friday, October 7, we will be having the next edition of our [Alumni Luncheon Series: Passing Periods](#). Dr. Rusty Crossman, CHS 1966 and Merrilee Moshier Miller, CHS 1966 will be our next guest speakers. It will be an experience you won't want to miss!



We are in the midst of class reunion season! [Like us on Facebook](#) to receive pictures and recaps of class reunions that happen this fall.

Lastly, I'd like to send out a big thank you to everyone who attended the [Generation "C"](#) Tailgate last Friday! We had an excellent turnout of alumni and friends of Central who came out to cheer on the Eagles against North Platte! Central won a thriller against the Bulldogs, 31-28.

As always, thank you for helping perpetuate 157 years - and counting - of tradition and excellence!  
Go Eagles!

Sincerely,

*Michelle Roberts*

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Executive Director

## 2016 Hall of Fame Inductees



The [18th Annual CHS Hall of Fame](#) will held Thursday, October 6, 2016, at Central High School! The CHS Alumni Association is proud to induct ten individuals whose paths from the halls of Central High School led them to the highest levels of achievement in business and community service. RSVP now to come celebrate this special day with your fellow Eagles! Inductees are selected by the Central High School Alumni Association and the program is presented by the Central High School Foundation.

The dinner will be held at 6:30 pm in the Courtyard and the ceremony will take place at 7:30 pm in the Central High Auditorium. Registration is \$50 per person, \$400 for a table of eight and \$500 for a table of ten. Please contact the Foundation office at 402-556-1996 with any questions, or [click here to register](#) online.

## Generation "C" Tailgate



The Central High School Foundation held its annual Generation "C" tailgate on Friday, September 16, 2016. Eagle fans gathered before the football game against the North Platte Bulldogs to socialize and hear an update from the Foundation Board President Matt Aden, CHS 1974.

Generation "C" is the official support group recognized by Central High School. Gifts to this Annual Giving Campaign allow the Foundation to provide for the emerging needs and challenges of Central High School. These unrestricted funds give the Foundation the flexibility to meet the greatest needs of Central, while allowing you to support your favorite school!

While membership provides essential support for the Foundation, it also gives alumni various ways to stay connected. Members also receive exclusive benefits - from reserved parking at athletic contests, to front row seating at the Road Show, to special incentives.

For more information about how you can join Generation "C" visit our website by clicking [here!](#)

## Passing Periods is Back!



### The Bell has Rung!

Eagles all across Omaha are brushing shoulders for a quick hello during the Central High School Foundation's [Alumni Luncheon Series: 'Passing Periods,'](#) and we hope to bump into you there! For \$15, you can enjoy a great meal, catch up with friends you haven't seen since first period, talk with teachers that you haven't seen since homeroom, and listen to our exclusive lineup of guest speakers.

Our Next Luncheon Date is:

**Friday, October 7, 2016**  
11:30 am - 1:00 pm  
Field Club of Omaha

3615 Woolworth Avenue  
Omaha, NE 68105

**Guest Speakers:**

Dr. Rusty Crossman, CHS 1966

Merrilee Moshier Miller, CHS 1966

To register online, please register and pay using the online registration link below. You will receive a confirmation upon completion of your online registration and payment.

To register by mail, please mail your registration and check to:

Central High School Foundation

1823 Harney Street, Suite 203

Omaha, NE 68102-1913

Please register by Monday, October 3, 2016. If you have any questions please contact Brittany Gunn at 402-556-1996 or [brittany@chsfomaha.org](mailto:brittany@chsfomaha.org).

[Click here to register!](#)

## Class of 1966 Reunion



On August 26th and 27th, the Class of 1966 celebrated their 50 year reunion. On Friday night, classmates could golf at the Field Club of Omaha in the afternoon before spending a fun evening socializing at the Field Club. On Saturday morning, the class toured Central and capped the reunion weekend with an outing at the Happy Hollow Country Club. This picture is courtesy of Cindy Hadsell, CHS 1966.

## Making the Cut - Christopher Reed, CHS 2010



Photo courtesy of the Florida Times-Union.

Former Eagle football player Christopher Reed is living a lifelong dream of playing in the National Football League. Chris graduated from Central in 2010 and attended Minnesota State University in Mankato to continue his football career. The Jacksonville Jaguars signed him as a rookie free agent in May 2015, and he remains an important part of this year's team. [Read this terrific article from Dirk Chatelain at the Omaha World-Herald](#) about Chris' path to the NFL. Congratulations, Chris!

## Check Your Mailbox! The 2016 Annual Report is On The Way!



This year's annual report highlights our annual events, class reunions, and contributors. You don't want to miss an excellent story about Peter Hoagland, CHS 1959. To read an electronic version of this year's annual report as well as annual reports from previous years, [click here!](#)

If you did not receive a copy of the annual report in the mail, contact the Foundation office at 402-556-1996 and we would be happy to send one to you! Please [update your record](#) so we have your current contact information.

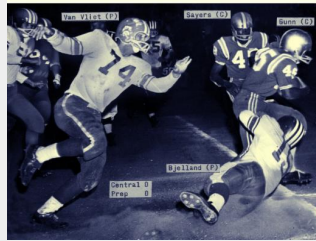
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JOHN DECHANT foreword by GALE SAYERS

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In October 1960, Omaha Central and Creighton Prep met for what many Nebraskans consider the greatest high school football game ever played. *Scoreless* retells the details of this legendary game, the buildup to it, and the story behind the teams and their renowned coaches and players. It is the tale of one of the most remarkable football games in Nebraska high school sports history.

Written by John Dechant, *Scoreless* features a foreword by Gale Sayers, CHS 1961. [Click here](#) to purchase your copy of *Scoreless* today from the University of Nebraska Press!

John will also be doing a book signing at the Bookworm on Saturday, October 8 at 1 p.m.

## 2016-17 Generation C Chair Announced - Bob Batt, CHS 1966

Although he graduated in 1966, Robert Batt has never lost his Eagle Spirit, and his passion for Central High School is as strong today as it was when he was running through the halls to get to class. While at Central, he was an active member of JROTC and involved himself in the French and Math clubs. Beyond graduation, he has demonstrated a long-lasting commitment not only to Central High School, but the Omaha community.

Bob is a well-recognized business man in Omaha, having served as the company spokesperson and Executive Vice President of Nebraska Furniture Mart, a Midwest institution in the furniture, appliances, and electronics business. In addition, he has been a mentor to many young people in Omaha and a supporter of civic causes such as purchasing video cameras for police cruisers. He also served on the Omaha Personnel Board, and supported initiatives and collaborative efforts at UNO, his alma mater. He is currently a member of the Boys Town Advisory Board and a regular donor to The Heart Ministry Center. At the state level, he is Chairman of the State Liquor Commission and has served on other state service committees. Nationally, he served on the U.S. Concert Committee for Yellowstone to help raise funds to restore fire-ravaged Yellowstone National Park.

For his community service, civic efforts, and university support, Bob has received plenty of recognition. UNO presented him with its Citation for Alumni Achievement and with a Distinguished Alumni Award. The Omaha Press Club also selected him as a "Face on the Barroom Floor." He credits his success and sense of responsibility to his community to the foundational education he received at Central High School. Generations of the Batt family have attended Central, such as his sister Ellie Batt, CHS 1970, who sits on the Central High School Foundation Board of Directors. In this way, the Eagle Spirit is not just a result of his time spent at Central High School; it is a family tradition.



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To learn more about Generation "C" and to join today, [click here!](#)

# 2016-17 Drama Department Schedule

You won't want to miss out on the great things CHS Performing Arts has planned for this year!

<b>OMAHA</b>	Nov. 4 - 5 2016	 <p>RODGERS + HAMMERSTEIN'S <b>CINDERELLA</b></p>
<b>CENTRAL</b>	December 2016	 <p>The <b>OPS ONE ACT PLAY</b> Festival</p>
<b>DRAMA</b>	Dec. 15 2016	 <p><i>Improv</i> <b>NIGHT</b></p>
<b>2016</b>	Dec. 19 2016	 <p><i>Honors</i> <b>DRAMA ONE ACT</b> <i>Play</i></p>
<b>TO</b>	Dec. 21 2016	 <p> INTERNATIONAL THESPIAN SOCIETY Showcase</p>
<b>2017</b>	Feb. 10-11 2017	 <p> 103RD ANNUAL <b>ROAD SHOW</b></p>
<b>SEASON</b>	Spring 2017	 <p><b>AROUND THE WORLD IN 8 PLAYS</b> <small>By Neil Patrick Harris</small> TOURING PRODUCTION</p>
	April 28-29 2017	 <p><b>TRUE TALE OF ROBIN HOOD</b> SPRING PLAY</p>

Class Reunions

### Class of 1961

September 23-24, 2016

Contact: Dick Zacharia at 402-290-6696

or [dickzacharia@gmail.com](mailto:dickzacharia@gmail.com) for more information.

### Class of 1971

October 7, 2016

Contact: Linda Niebauer at 303-724-9767

or [Linda.Niebauer@ucdenver.edu](mailto:Linda.Niebauer@ucdenver.edu) for more information.

### Class of 1981

September 30-October 1, 2016

Contact: Robert Atherton at 402-740-6786

or [Athertonrobert8@gmail.com](mailto:Athertonrobert8@gmail.com) for more information.



Class of 1974 Reunion

## Support While You Shop

Are you shopping for back to school supplies on Amazon? Be sure to shop using the link below to support the Central High School Foundation while you shop! 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases will be donated to the Central High School Foundation. Happy shopping!



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## TAGGing Just Got Easier!



**New for 2016:** You can now TAGG your purchase by taking a picture of the receipt rather than taking a picture of a QR code! That way if you forget to TAGG your purchase before leaving the restaurant, you can take a picture of your receipt after getting home!

Omaha Central High School Foundation has partnered with TAGG (Together A Greater Good), an Omaha start-up, to provide an easy and free way to support the Foundation. TAGG offers a smartphone app that, when used at 120 participating local businesses, the business will donate 5% of your purchase, any day any time! The app, available on iPhone and Android devices, is free to download and easy to set up.

Here's how to get started:

- 1) Go to the App Store or Google Play and download the free app 'Together a Greater Good' to your iPhone or Android device.
- 2) When it's time to pay at a participating business, click the orange 'TAGG My Purchase' button on the app and tell the cashier that you want to 'TAGG' your purchase.
- 3) On your phone, enter in the total pre-tax amount of your purchase and click 'Next.'
- 4) When you go to TAGG a purchase, you will now have the option to take a picture of your receipt (instead of asking a cashier for a QR code to scan). We ask that you do this within 7 days of purchase.
- 5) On your phone, select Central High School Foundation from the list of organizations.



## Like Us on Facebook!

Are you on Facebook? [Like our Facebook page](#) to be connected to other Central alumni, staff, parents and supporters, all while receiving the latest news.

We are continuing to grow our social network! When we reach our 2,500 fan milestone, we will award a great prize from the Central High School Alumni Store. Winners will be pulled from our Facebook Fans!



## Connect With Us on Instagram!



Are you on Instagram? Follow the Central High School Foundation [@CHSFOmaha](#) for historical pictures of Central and its students. Instagram is a photo-sharing social media platform that is available for free for any smartphone. We want to be an active part of your network, so connect with us today to get started.

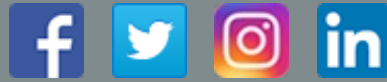
## Stay in the Loop and Update Your Record!

Haven't received information from us in a while? It might be because we don't have your new mailing address or email! Look for your name on our ['Lost Alumni'](#) list, then [fill out the form](#) to update us on how to get in touch with you!

All alumni who have graduated in the past 10 years are strongly encouraged to visit our website to [update their record](#), especially if they have not received updates and mailing from the Central High School Foundation at their own address. For many of our younger alumni, we send mail to the home they lived in upon graduating from Central.

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