# Eagle News

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# CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL FOUNDATION

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Rock the Nest Trivia Night Returns on March 26!

### FROM THE DESK OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

# Dear Supporter,

It is February, the time of year for grand gestures, and we are preparing for a few of our own!

We are excited about the return of the <u>CHS Alumni Luncheon Series:</u> <u>Passing Periods.</u> The first one of 2017 will be held on Tuesday, March 7, from 11:30-1:00 p.m. at Field Club of Omaha. The guest speaker for the event will be Ms. Rita Ryan! We hope you take this opportunity to reconnect with old classmates and teachers, and make it a new tradition over your lunch hour!



Rock the Nest Trivia Night is also taking place in March! Join us on Sunday, March 26, for an evening of food, drinks, and trivia! Registration is now open, and we would love to see you there! However if you are unable to attend, you can still purchase raffle tickets for the event. You do not have to be in attendance to win a raffle prize. There are lots of great packages to choose from, including Green Day concert tickets and flowers for a year! Check out the information below.

Congratulations is in order for our past and present Eagles making us proud! Congratulations to Harry Friedman, CHS 1964, for being honored with the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences Lifetime Achievement Award. Also, congratulations to CHS seniors Lucy Cordes and Miles Kay for being named candidates for the US Presidential Scholars Program. We realize that the egg doesn't roll far from the nest when the parents of both students attended Central! Lucy is the daughter of Henry Cordes and Susan Stiles, CHS 1981, and Miles is the son of Charles, CHS 1988, and Laurie Anderson, CHS 1990, Kay. Congratulations to all!

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

Sincerely,

Michele Roberts

Michele Roberts Executive Director

# Rock the Nest Registration is Now Open



2016 Rock the Nest Trivia Night

Registration is now open for the 2017 Rock the Nest "Trivia Night." Mark your calendar to attend this fun interactive event on Sunday, March 26, 2017, at the Scoular Ballroom.

Start rounding up your team now: former classmates, neighbors, coworkers or really anyone who is just plain ole fun, add "watch Jeopardy!" to your to-do list, and get ready for an evening full of fun, prizes, dinner, and some "very special guests"...

### Click here to join the fun!

Rock the Nest "Trivia Night" is an interactive trivia contest played in teams of eight. Teams will take part in six rounds of ten questions each, with fun categories ranging from movies to history and everything in between. There will be something for everyone. The fun doesn't stop

there, however. There will be plenty of chances to win prizes, through a raffle and trivia winnings, and dinner will be provided.

### Rock the Nest Raffle Prizes Announced

To purchase raffle tickets in advance, please call us at 402-556-1996. Raffle tickets are \$10 each or \$25 for three tickets \*\*\*Need not be present to win\*\*



### Grand Prize: Trip to Florida

One Week at Surfside Resort in Destin, Florida and 2 round trip airline tickets

Donated by: Matt, CHS 1974, and Sherri Aden

Retail Value: \$4,000.00



### Par Fore the Course

Overnight stay at a four bedroom cottage 2 rounds of golf for a foursome dinner and

breakfast at ArborLinks

Donated by: Mike & Susan Lebens, CHS 1970, and ArborLinks

Retail Value: \$2,800.00



### Antarctic Ice Patrol

"Antarctic I ce Patrol" painting number 74/1,500 signed by Thomas Mangelsen

Donated by: Matthew, CHS 1999, and Lizzy Darling

Retail Value: \$1,000.00



### Night Out on the Town

One night stay at the Magnolia Hotel and a \$150 gift card to the Flatiron Café

Donated by: Magnolia Hotel and Steven, CHS 1975, & Kathleen Jamrozy

Retail Value: \$349.00



#### Pinnacle Bank Championship

2 All Session/All Day Tickets to the Pinnade Bank Championship with access to the viewing

boxes and VIP hospitality July 20-23, 2017, at Indian Creek Golf Course

Donated by: Web.com Tour Retail Value: \$1,000.00



### Saddle Up!

4 Jumping Grand Prix Tickets with VIP Access to the FEI World Cup on Saturday, April 1,

2017, at 7:00 P.M. at CenturyLink Center Omaha

Donated by: FEI World Cup Retail Value: \$1,200.00



#### Time of Your Life

2 Club seat tickets to the Green Day concert on August 12, 2017, at CenturyLink Center

Omaha

Donated by: Fraser Stryker PC LLO

Retail Value: \$185.00



#### License to Drive

Teen Driver Education Course and Central High School Reserved Parking Spot

Donated by: Nebraska Safety Council and Central High School

Retail Value: \$365



### Holiday Blooms

Beautiful holiday centerpieces for Easter 2017, Mother's Day 2017, Fourth of July 2017, Thanksgiving 2017, Winter Holiday 2017, and Valentine's Day 2018 (Omaha Metro Area Delivery)

Donated by: Stems

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Retail Value: \$1,000.00



### Kansas City Speedway

4 Grandstand Tickets to the May 13, 2017, GoBowling.com 400 Monster Energy NASCAR

Cup Series Race Donated by: Coca-Cola Retail Value: \$500.00



### Eagle Pride

An autographed print of CHS by Judith Welk and a copy of Scoreless: Omaha Central, Creighton Prep, and Nebraska's Greatest High School Football Game autographed by Gale Sayers, CHS 1961

Donated by: Judith Welk and Gale Sayers ('61)

Retail Value: \$300.00



### ™ Student Success

3 MT Test Prep for ACT in Omaha and Central High School Letterman Jacket Donated by: Robert & Molly Atherton ('81) and Jostens/School Traditions

Retail Value: \$385.00

\*All raffle tickets are automatically eligible for the Grand Prize Raffle.

# Passing Periods: CHS Alumni Luncheon Series



Eagles all across Omaha are brushing shoulders for a guick hello during the Central High School

The Bell has Rung!

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:

Tuesday, March 7, 2017 11:30 am - 1:00 pm Field Club of Omaha 3615 Woolworth Avenue Omaha, NE 68105

Guest Speaker:

Ms. Rita Ryan Latin teacher at CHS from 1971-2013

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 Friday, March 3, 2017. If you have any questions please contact Brittany Gunn at 402-556-1996 or <a href="mailto:brittany@chsfomaha.org">brittany@chsfomaha.org</a>.

Click here to register!

# Two Presidential Scholars Program Candidates from CHS

Congratulations to Miles Kay and Lucy Cordes for being named candidates for the U.S. Presidential Scholars Program! Out of 3.5 million graduating seniors, Miles and Lucy are among 4,000 candidates remaining.

The U.S. Presidential Scholars Program was established in 1964 by Executive Order of the President to recognize some of our nation's most distinguished graduating seniors for their accomplishments in many areas: academic success, leadership, and service to school and community. Annually, up to 161 U.S. Presidential Scholars are chosen from among that year's senior class.

A distinguished panel of educators will review these submissions and select 800 semifinalists in



Lucy Cordes and Miles Kay, CHS 2017

early April, and the U.S. Department of Education will announce the Scholars in May. Scholars will be invited to Washington, DC, for several days in June to receive the Presidential Scholars Medallion at a recognition ceremony and to participate in events and activities.

Miles is the son of Charles, CHS 1988, and Laurie Anderson, CHS 1990, Kay while Lucy is the daughter of Henry Cordes and Susan Stiles, CHS 1981. Congratulations, Miles and Lucy!

# Eagle to Receive Lifetime Achievement Award



Harry Friedman, CHS

The National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences (NATAS) announced last weekthat Central's very own Harry Friedman, CHS 1964, will be honored with a Lifetime Achievement Award. Friedman, who was inducted into the CHS Hall of Fame in 2004, is the producer of hit television shows "Jeopardy" and "Wheel of Fortune." Friedman will be honored on Friday, April 28th at the Daytime Creative Arts Emmy Awards in Pasadena, CA. Click below to read his biography and career achievements. Congratulations, Harry! Click here to read the press release from NATAS.

# Eagle Leads Plan to Renovate and Open Dundee Theater

Congratulations to Film Streams Executive Director and Founder Rachel Jacobson, CHS 1996, on her new project - renovating the Dundee Theater! Built in 1925 originally for stage productions, the historic Dundee Theater has been closed since 2013. Film Streams hopes to complete renovation and open by 2018. Click here to read an article from Omaha Magazine about Rachel's plans for the theater. Go Eagles!



Photo courtesy of Bill Sitzmann

### Mark Your Calendars

Your favorite events are back! Plans are well underway for our spring events, and you won't want to miss out on all the fun! These are great opportunities to reconnect with your high school classmates, have fun, and raise money for your alma mater. We hope to see you there!



### Passing Periods: CHS Alumni Luncheon

Tuesday, March 7, 2017 Field Club of Omaha 11:30 am - 1:00 pm Guest Speaker: Rita Ryan



### Rock the Nest Trivia Night!

Sunday, March 26, 2017 Scoular Ballroom 5:30 - 9:00 PM



### **CHS Golf Outing**

Monday, June 5, 2017 Field Club of Omaha Morning Flight: 7:30 am Afternoon Flight: 12:30 pm

# **Upcoming Class Reunions**

Class of 1957
August 18-19, 2017
Contact Shelley Stern - Hstern5@cox.net

Class of 1962
August 25-26, 2017
Contact Beth Sargent - beth.sargent@cox.net
402-598-5253

Class of 1967
August 18-19, 2017
Contact Howard Borden- Hbordenomaha@gmail.com

Cell: 402-578-4162 or 402-556-0577 Debbie Schwertley - <u>Dschwertley@aol.com</u>

Cell: 402-669-1209



Class of 1981 Reunion

### Class of 1987

September 29-30, 2017

Contact Joe Fogarty - <a href="mailto:gauntboy@gmail.com">gauntboy@gmail.com</a> // 206-856-6469

### Class of 1997

August 4-7, 2017

Contact Quiana Mitchem - <u>CentralClassof97Reunion@gmail.com</u>

#### Class of 2007

September 22-23, 2017

Contact Jane Hartig - <a href="mailto:omahacentral2007@gmail.com">omahacentral2007@gmail.com</a> // 402-680-7857

Or Class President Mark Arehart // 402-216-5305

Class of 1952, 1972, 1977, 1982, 1992, 2002 - Dates To Be Determined

### 2018 Reunion Schedule

Class of 1958

October 12-14, 2018

Contact: Jackie Jepsen McLellan

402-491-3692 Jmdellan8@cox.net If you have not set up your class reunion for 2017, contact <u>Brittany Gunn</u> at the Central High School Foundation to get started at 402-556-1996. The Foundation has a plethora of resources to help make your class reunion the very best possible. This list will continue to be updated as more reunions are scheduled, but here are the four classes that have secured dates so far.

# Eagle Athletes Sign Letters of Intent



Congratulations to our Eagles who signed letters of intent on February 1!

Kailey Meyer - Nebraska Wesleyan (Softball)

Makensey Pankers - Butler County Community College (Softball)

Jordan Flowers - University of Central Missouri (Football)

Justice Hilding - Midland University (Football)

# Join Generation C Today!

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 dass. While at Central, he was an active member of JROTC and involved himself in the French and Math dubs. 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



Photo by Laurie and Charles Photographs

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.

To learn more about Generation "C" and to join today, dick here!

# Together a Greater Good



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 <u>App Store</u> or <u>Google Play</u> 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, dick 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 dick '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.

To learn more about TAGG, check out their website. Happy shopping!

## Like Us on Facebook!

Are you on Facebook? <u>Like our Facebook page</u> 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!

# Follow Us on Instagram!



Are you on Instagram? Follow the Central High School Foundation <u>@CHSFOmaha</u> 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.

# Ring in the New Year by Updating 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 <u>'Lost Alumni'</u> list, then <u>fill out the form</u> 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 <u>update their record</u>, 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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