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*The Central High School Foundation Presents:*

## ZERO HOUR: MASTERCLASS SERIES

### Roman Culture and Entertainment

Taught By: Brian Tyrey

Class of 2010 and CHS Latin Teacher

Saturday, August 1, 2020  
10 a.m. - 11 a.m. CST

Sign up for Zero Hour MasterClass Series by registering below!



CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL  
FOUNDATION

# EAGLE NEWS

July 2020



#### Dear Supporters:

I hope this letter finds you and your loved ones healthy, and we hope you're enjoying your summer!

Our Golf Outing is right around the corner, on September 21, 2020! This Fall we will have one shot gun start teeing off at 10:00 a.m. at Field Club of Omaha. Our honorees are Vicki Wiles and Harry Gaylor. [You can join us by clicking here to register online!](#) All sponsorships at this event will also be honored and recognized at the 2021 CHS Golf Outing on Monday, June 7, 2021.

Our 2020-2021 Generation "C" Campaign Chairs have been announced, and we are excited to recognize the work of four frontline workers during the COVID-19 pandemic. You can read their full bios below! Generation "C," our annual giving campaign, emphasizes the bond we share as graduates of Omaha's original high school. Generation "C" members play a critical role in helping the Central High School Foundation provide all of our current Eagles access to an array of experiential learning activities that supplement Central's unmatched college preparatory curriculum. We know that the Central educational experience prepares students for the challenges of everyday life beyond high school, which is important during times such as these that require great problem-solving skills, teamwork, and innovative thinking. We also know that the support of our entire Eagle community — alumni, friends, businesses, parents, staff and students — is needed to keep our school as a beacon of hope for our community. We are asking you to [join us as a Generation "C" member](#), so together, we can continue to maintain and enhance the Central experience for every one of our current and future Eagles.

The first essay in our new limited series, "The Flight Toward Equality," has been published! This essay was written by the noted Civil Rights activist and 1953 graduate, Dr. Rodney S. Wead. Now more than ever, we believe in the transformative power of quality public education to bring about lasting equality, inclusivity, and equity for all young people, especially for our Central High School students. Therefore, with this new 5-part collaborative essay series, we will be using the voices of our diverse alumni to help us see through the eyes of one another. [You can click here to read Dr. Wead's powerful essay.](#)

Finally, we are pleased to announce two upcoming virtual events: [Zero Hour MasterClass Series](#) and [Affinity Reunions](#)! Do you remember trying to squeeze an extra class into your schedule when you were a student at Central? And the only hour you had available was Zero Hour? Well, even after graduation, Zero Hour is still available for you to fill with fun, unique "extra-curricular" learning! Our first ZeroHour Class is titled "Roman Culture and Entertainment" and will be taught by Brian Tyrey, a 2010 graduate and Latin Teacher at Central High School! Mark your calendars for this event on August 1, 2020 and [click here to register](#)! Additionally, Affinity Reunions bring together Alumni based on their involvement in a particular activity or student organization rather than by graduating class. Our first Affinity Reunion will be for anyone who was involved in the Road Show! Also hosted online, this reunion will be August 11th! [You can click here to register now!](#)

### **Once an Eagle, Always an Eagle!**

Michele Roberts

Executive Director

## **Register Today for the 2020 Golf Outing!**



### **The 2020 Golf Outing has a New Date!**

**Monday, September 21, 2020**

**Field Club of Omaha**

- Four person Texas Scramble
- Shotgun Start
- Open to women and men
- Golfers of all abilities are welcome
- Entries will be dated upon receipt and honored on a "first come, first served basis."

Shotgun Start: 10AM

The Awards Banquet and Prizes will begin immediately following the conclusion of the golf outing.

- This year's honorees are Vicki Wiles and Harry Gaylor

Cost is \$150 per golfer and includes:

- 18 holes of golf, cart and driving range
- Lunch and Dinner for all players
- Commemorative gift
- Chance to win a new car (hole-in-one)
- 2 Mulligans
- Mega Putt
- Hitting from the Purple Tees

All registration fees are due by September 1. After September 1, unpaid teams may be replaced by a team on the waiting list. Click the button below to register for the 2020 Golf Outing Online!

[Click Here to Register for the 2020 Golf Outing](#)

## Announcing the 2020-2021 Generation "C" Chairs: Eagle Frontline Workers of the COVID-19 Pandemic



As Central High School alumni and Frontline Workers during this pandemic, we are honored to be the 2020 Generation "C" membership co-chairs. During these challenging times, we know our work is crucial for protecting our community, and that the exceptional education we received at Central prepared us to make an impact. We also know that the exceptional education Central continues to provide will produce a new generation of health care workers, public safety officers, and community leaders ready to take on future challenges like COVID-19. We hope you consider joining Generation "C" today to support Central High School!



**Jean Ogborn, M.D.**

Class of 1975

**Dr. Jean Ogborn**, Class of 1975, is faculty at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, and is an Attending Physician in Pediatric Emergency Medicine at the JHH Children's Center. She has been serving the needs of her patients in Baltimore during the COVID-19 pandemic. She has served as the Fellowship Director for Pediatric Emergency Medicine, and as the Medical Director for the Pediatric Emergency Department. She has served on the JHU Medical School admissions committee, and as the Course Director for the first year medical student course entitled "Physician and Society." She is also actively working as the Epic (electronic health record) physician champion for Pediatric Emergency Medicine. Her research has included the care of care of children with asthma, pediatric trauma care, and medical education. She is married to Tom Brantigan and has one adult daughter, two adult stepchildren, and is "Jama" to a delightful 5 year old boy. She divides her time between Baltimore, MD (where she loves to sail and lives aboard the family sailboat) and Folsom, CA, where she enjoys her family and the delights of Northern California. She plans to retire at the end of 2020.



**Dr. Angela Felton-Coleman**

Class of 1989

**Dr. Angela Felton-Coleman** is a Nurse Practitioner in the Children's Hospital & Medical Center Emergency Department and the Nebraska Medicine Immediate Care Clinics, and has been assisting the community during COVID-19. She graduated from Central High School in 1989, received her Bachelor's of Science in Nursing from Clarkson College in 2006, Master's of Science in Nursing from the College of Saint Mary in 2012, post-Master's Family Nurse Practitioner certification in 2015, and recently graduated from the Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing Executive Doctor of Nursing Practice Program in May 2020. She is a Director on the Clarkson College Alumni Board and the Vice President of the Omaha Chapter of the National Black Nurses Association. She is also a proud member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated. Angela attends and volunteers at numerous community events, including the Black Family Health and Wellness Fair as well as Nebraska AIDS Project, and is committed to the health and well-being of her patients as well as her community. Angela is married to Ronald Coleman, a 1990 Central graduate, and is a mother of 4, two girls and two boys.



**Thomas Byrne**

Class of 2004

**Thomas Byrne** is a Police Officer for the Blair Police Department, as well as a Military Police Officer in the Nebraska Army National Guard. He has been serving his community during COVID-19 in both professional capacities. He graduated from Omaha Central High School in 2004 and earned his Bachelor's of Science in Criminology from University of Nebraska Omaha in 2009. He enlisted in the United States Army in 2010 and served six years on active duty in Georgia and Washington as a field artilleryman. He was then deployed to Iraq in 2011. He served in Guam in 2014 before returning to Nebraska in 2016. In his free time he volunteers with the local Boy Scout troop. He is married to Sarah (Beck) Byrne, a 2006 Central graduate, and together they have three children.



**Robert Wesley**

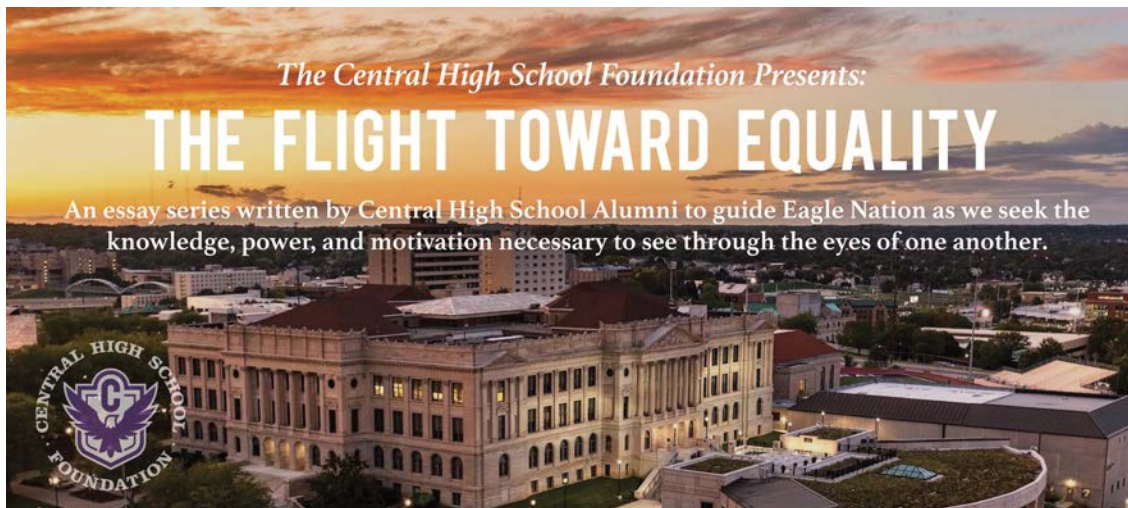
Class of 2005

**Robert Wesley** is a Firefighter with the Omaha Fire Department. He was serving his community during the pandemic until he contracted COVID-19 and took two weeks off to recover. Fully healed, he was eager to get back to his commitment to helping others. After graduating from Central in 2005, he attended the University of Nebraska at Omaha where he earned his Bachelor's of Public Administration and Bachelor's in Speech Communications. Robert worked for the Boys and Girls Club of the Midlands, Omni Behavioral Health, and the Douglas County Youth Center before

becoming the Director of Education for the Boys and Girls Club at Mount View Elementary. His career took a turn when he was offered the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to become a firefighter. "I just felt like with that position I could serve the community in a really impactful way," Robert said. Robert is married to KeOnna (Williams) Wesley, a 2004 Central graduate, in February 2020. Their wedding took place on the outside steps of Central High School. They and their 5-year-old daughter, Kali, are excitedly expecting a baby late this year.

[Click Here to Join Generation "C"](#)

**"Our Flight Toward Equality" Essay Series: *Look Backward at History to Move Forward in Progress* by Dr. Rodney S. Wead (CHS 1953)**



We are excited to announce the publication of the first essay in our new limited series, "The Flight Toward Equality." This essay is written by the noted Civil Rights activist and 1953 graduate, Dr. Rodney S. Wead.

Now more than ever, we believe in the transformative power of quality public education to bring about lasting equality, inclusivity, and equity for all young people, especially for our Central High School students. As an organization who understands the value of public education, we came to the conclusion that we should respond to the challenges of our time with the same values that drive us daily: a respect for collaborative knowledge, an investment in teamwork, and a commitment to community learning.

Therefore, with this 5-part collaborative essay series, we will be using the voices of our diverse alumni to help us derive the knowledge, power, and motivation necessary to see through the eyes of one another.

Happy reading! Happy learning. Together.



[Click Here to Read Dr. Wead's Essay](#)

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Saturday, August 1, 2020

Ticket: \$5

Location: Online (Zoom)

10:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M. CST

[Click Here to Register](#)

**Announcing 2020 Affinity Reunions**

**THE CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL FOUNDATION PRESENTS:**



**Affinity Reunions**

Affinity reunions bring together alumni based on their involvement in a particular activity or student organization rather than by graduating class. These virtual reunions will be hosted on Zoom!

Due to COVID-19, 2020 reunions have been cancelled. In response, this Fall we will be hosting Central Affinity Reunions. Affinity reunions bring together Alumni based on their involvement in a particular activity or student organization rather than by graduating class. These fun virtual reunions will be hosted on Zoom, will be free to participate, and will be hosted on the second Tuesday of the month for the remainder of the calendar year from 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. CST!

**Upcoming Central Affinity Reunions:**

**Roadshow Cast & Crew Affinity Reunion**

August 11, 2020

7:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. CST

**O-Club and Letterman's Club Affinity Reunion**

September 8, 2020

7:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. CST

**JROTC Affinity Reunion**

October 13, 2020

7:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. CST

**DECA Affinity Reunion**

November 10, 2020

7:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. CST

**Journalism (*O-Book* and *The Register*) Affinity Reunion**

December 8, 2020

7:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. CST

[Click Here to Register](#)

**2020 Students of the Year Announced!**



## Carly Flynn

### Student of the Year Scholarship

Carly said, "I will be attending the University of Pennsylvania to study bioengineering. I'm excited to get involved in research and take more specialized classes to discover what pathway of bioengineering I want to pursue in the future. I first heard about bioengineering during a research project junior year in my AP chemistry class. The field immediately interested me because it is ever growing and will definitely have an impact on the future of the medical field and human health. At Central, I was involved in Student Council, Senior Class Officers, National Honor Society, and Math Competition Team, as well as Varsity Softball and Lacrosse. I am thankful for the opportunities I have had to represent Central as a student and athlete! My involvement in these extracurriculars allowed me to grow as a leader and member of my community."



## Grant Goding

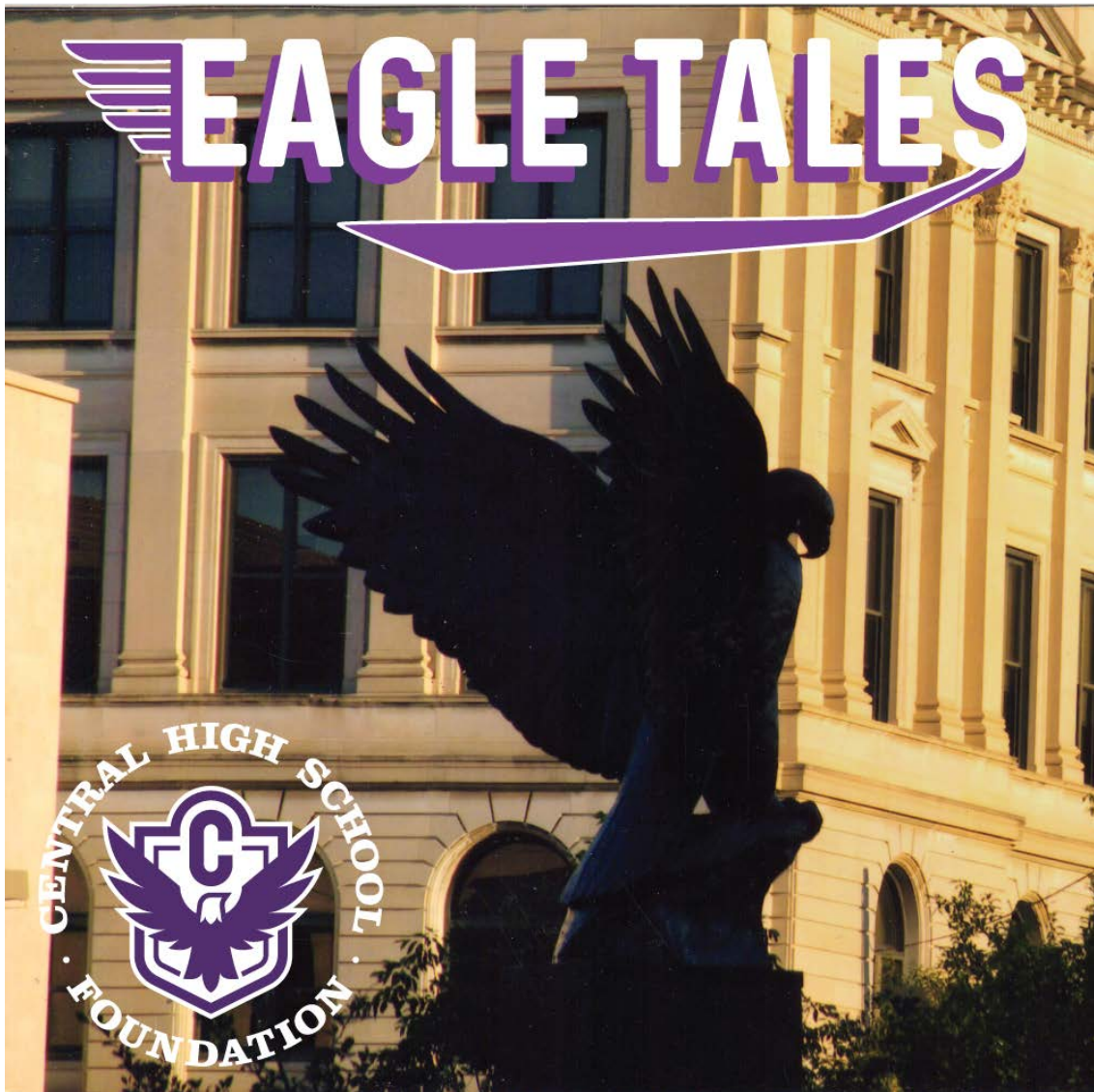
### Student of the Year Scholarship

Grant said, "I will be going to Georgia Tech to study Mechanical Engineering. I hope to conduct research at a University or work on ground-breaking technology for a large firm. My math and science teachers throughout my education have been my inspiration to pursue engineering. I was involved in Science Olympiad at Central and it taught me leadership skills along with responsibilities of getting your work done for the team."

**Eagle Nation, your support for the Central High School Foundation makes these scholarships possible! You can donate to the scholarship fund by clicking the button below!**

[Donate to the CHSF Scholarship Fund](#)

[Check Out the Latest Episode of "Eagle Tales"](#)



The latest episode of our podcast, "Eagle Tales," is out now! In this episode, Central Boys Basketball Head Coach Eric Behrens (CHS 1992) sits down with two of his players, Tra-Deon Hollins (CHS 2013) and Faisun Germany (CHS 2021), to talk about Central High School's basketball tradition of excellence. The episode is hosted by Josh Bucy. To listen, click the button below!

[Listen to "Eagle Tales" Now](#)

[CHSF Covid-19 Emergency Fund](#)

# THE CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL FOUNDATION EMERGENCY FUND



CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL  
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Since the start of the pandemic, The Central High School Foundation has been working hard to fundraise, and quickly distribute support to Eagle families in need. The Central High School Foundation Emergency Fund supports Central students and staff by securing needed resources during this pandemic. In addition, the emergency fund is also used to support current students and staff who have immediate financial needs.

**We are happy to report over the past few weeks we have impacted over 60 families to date, with the help of 151 donors, by dispersing funds to help with food support, hygiene items, clothing, computer repair and internet access for remote learning, utilities, school supplies and living expenses!**

We are so truly moved by the response from Eagle Nation, who have quickly banded together to support one another!

#### **HOW YOU CAN HELP:**

Those who wish to contribute to the Central High School Foundation Emergency

Fund can donate on our website (the link below). Any amount can be given and all donations are tax deductible. Our community's needs continue to rise, and so now - more than ever - we need your continued support!

[Donate to the CHSF Emergency Fund](#)

[Join the 1859 Society Today](#)



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 techniques, planned giving enables donors to make gifts of significance often with tax and financial rewards. If you're 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](mailto:michele@chsfomaha.org).

[Click Here for the 1895 Society Brochure](#)

**Alumni Shoutout: Letha Pugh, CHS 1990, featured on Tan France's online show "Boost My Business"**



Letha Pugh, Class of 1990, and her team at Bake Me Happy (in Columbus, Ohio) were featured on Tan France's online show "Boost My Business." Now, during this challenging time of COVID-19, they are taking what they learned and thriving!

Congratulations to Letha! To watch the news story of her success, click the button below:

[Watch Video from NBC4i](#)

[Resume Support During Covid-19](#)

# THE CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL FOUNDATION RESUME SUPPORT



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We want our Eagle community to know that we are with you during this unprecedented time. We realize that the economic fallout of COVID-19 may have affected some of our Eagles, and now they may face the task of looking for new jobs. The Central High School Foundation has teamed up with Central High School teachers that have offered to assist by providing feedback on resumes and cover letters!

If you would like to participate in this opportunity, please contact Michele Roberts, Executive Director, at [michele@chsfomaha.org](mailto:michele@chsfomaha.org), and she will connect you to a reviewer.

**Alumni Shoutout: Rachel Shukert, CHS 1998, Produces "The Baby-Sitter's Club" for Netflix**



We see you, Rachel Shukert (Class of 1998), out there making more moves with Netflix! Congratulations to her for producing the new hit "The Baby-Sitter's Club"! The motivation for the show came from her childhood love of the book series.

From an article about the show from the LA Times:

"Rachel Shukert, a producer and writer known for her work on "GLOW" and "Supergirl," received the first book as a birthday present. Scanning the description on the back cover, Shukert, then in elementary school, wasn't all that intrigued. But

one afternoon she finally cracked open “The Ghost at Dawn’s House,” book No. 9 in the series, clutching the ends of its peach-toned cover with the same steady grip of a kid today clinging to a tablet. She was hooked.

An entire shelf inside her bubblegum-pink room at her family home in Omaha, Neb., was eventually jammed with the recognizable rainbow block of spines. During recess at Friedel Jewish Academy, on a knoll out of ear shot of the school, she and her friends would talk about the book series, trade copies and sometimes pretend to be the characters..."

Read the whole article by clicking the button below!

[Read the LA Times Article](#)

## 2020 Class Reunion Schedule



**"It was so great to reconnect with old friends, and to have a good excuse to see those with whom we still have contact. Everyone had the looks of a 30 year old with the wisdom of a 60 year old!"**

- A 1994 Graduate

Many of our reunions have been postponed or cancelled for 2020. Please look below for an update and a person of contact for your reunion. If you have any questions, please reach out to the Central High School Foundation. In the meantime, please join us for one of our upcoming [Affinity Reunions!](#)

**Class of 1950**

No reunion

**Class of 1955**

No reunion

**Class of 1960**

**POSTPONED - Rescheduled for October 22-23, 2021**

Steve and Judie Olson, JoAnn Kratky

402-333-4080 (JoAnn)

[solson@fraserstryker.com](mailto:solson@fraserstryker.com)

**Class of 1965**

**CANCELLED**

Gary Green

[www.central65.org](http://www.central65.org)

402-681-6336

[GaryGreenCHS@gmail.com](mailto:GaryGreenCHS@gmail.com)

**Class of 1970**

**POSTPONED - Will be Rescheduled in 2021**

Cheryl Marks Willis and Karen Smith Buckley

402-493-1373

[cgwillis@cox.net](mailto:cgwillis@cox.net)

[Join the 1970 Facebook Group](#)

**Class of 1975**

Date TBD

Suzanne Tarver Vincent

(414) 852-8862

[tarverharris@msn.com](mailto:tarverharris@msn.com)

**Class of 1980**

**CANCELLED - Will be Rescheduled in 2021**

Grant Gier

(847) 772-0069

[ggier@comcast.net](mailto:ggier@comcast.net)

[Join the 1980 Facebook Group](#)

**Class of 1985**

POSTPONED - Will be Rescheduled for Fall 2021

[LaConda Scott McKinney](#)

402-517-7138

[Take the reunion survey](#)

**Class of 1990**

POSTPONED - Will be Rescheduled in 2021

[Ben Rouch](#)

402-598-2669

[Join the 1990 Facebook Group](#)

**Class of 1995**

CANCELLED

**Class of 2000**

POSTPONED - Will be Rescheduled in 2021

[Jonathan "Jono" Croskey](#)

402-598-4498

**Class of 2005**

CANCELLED - Will host a school tour in Fall 2020

Michael Smith

402-979-0068

**Class of 2010**

POSTPONED - Will be Rescheduled for March 2021

[Sierra Hogan](#)

402-740-0379

[2010centralhigh@gmail.com](mailto:2010centralhigh@gmail.com)

**Class of 2015**

No reunion

If you are the reunion organizer for your class and 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. We are actively working on virtual reunion templates as a resource for our Reunion Chairs.

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If you're buying Back to School supplies or books on Amazon, make sure you click on the link below first! We have partnered with AmazonSmile so that you can support the Central High School Foundation while you shop.

AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices, and shopping features as [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com). The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the Central High School Foundation! Click below to get started shopping.



Hy-Vee, is now on TAGG! More specifically, all 17 stores in Omaha, Council Bluffs, Fremont and Plattsmouth will happily donate 1% of your purchases to the Central High School Foundation when you scan a picture of your whole receipt on the free Together A Greater Good mobile app. Exclusions include gift cards, postage, pharmacy, money orders, prepaid debit cards, lottery and money transfers

The Central High School Foundation has partnered with TAGG (Together A Greater Good) to provide an easy and free way to support the Foundation. The app, available on [iPhone](#) and [Android](#) devices, is free to download and easy to set up.

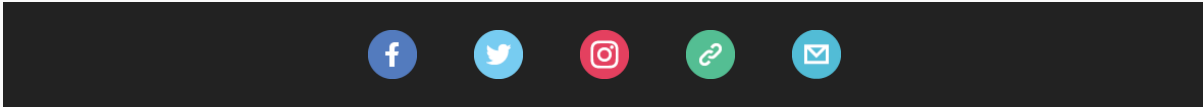
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