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Past, Present, Future

**On The Cover: (1958)** The Quill and Scroll International Honorary Society for High School Journalists, poses for this 1958 year book photo. Among the members is former Miss Nebraska Joan Sipes Roe ('58). **(202)** These young Discoverers get a close-up look at a Columbus Fire and Rescue truck during their visit to Summer School this July.

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A Columbus High School student uses a miter saw to cut a piece of metal for a project during CHS SkillsUSA coach Ben Loeffelholz's class earlier this year.

## SkillsUSA Scholarship seeks to match \$4,000 raised by students



Columbus High School students Fisher Cyza and Blake Ramaekers took first place in Mechatronics at the National Skills USA competition this summer.

In honor of the 25th anniversary of the Andy J. Neuhaus VICA Leadership Scholarship and the retirement of longtime instructor and SkillsUSA sponsor Mr. Tracy Dodson, the CPS Foundation is working with the SkillsUSA students to keep this award alive.

In order to do so and ensure that this scholarship is available for many years to come we have set a goal to raise \$4,000 to match funds raised by the students.

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# Shine a Spotlight: CHS Academic Hall of Fame wants your nominations

The Columbus Public Schools Foundation is pleased to announce that we are accepting nominations for the academic hall of fame that will be displayed at Columbus High School.

“Columbus Public Schools has a strong and proud history of distinguished students who have walked the halls of our schools,” Superintendent Troy Loeffelholz said. “This Academic Hall of Fame should be about showcasing the academic and creative accomplishments of past and present Discoverers. It is time for the academic successes of our students to be recognized.”

Following a donation by the Raimondo Family in memory of their mother Jeanne Raimondo, Foundation Director Nicole Anderson brought the idea of an Academic Hall of Fame to Loeffelholz and CHS Principal Dave Hiebner.

“This is a big project which started with an idea and a question from an alum during the Class of 1969 50th reunion tour of CHS,” Anderson said.

“The question of ‘why don’t we have an academic hall of fame?’ was a great question and inspired great conversations. I’m excited to see this project reach the stage of accepting nominations.”

“There have been many great accomplishments by our students and alumni over the years. Whether they graduated six years ago or sixty years ago this is to serve as a recognition of their talent,” Loeffelholz said.



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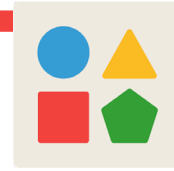
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## Community Partnerships Make Kramer Child Development Center A Reality

Since the beginning of 2020, the CPS Foundation has been on a journey to help address the child care needs within the Columbus community.

"With help from our partners and several grants, we are nearing completion on the Kramer Child Development Center," CPS Foundation Director Nicole Anderson said.

Without our partners our vision of providing purposeful play to support the development of children would not have been possible.

Our goals with this child development center is not simply to provide child care, but an environment that supports and prepares children for preschool and kindergarten. In addition a partnership with Columbus High School and Central Community College

will allow the development of the future workforce.

As part of this partnership Sandy (Schaefer) Voss, Class of 1988 who is serving as the center's Assistant Coordinator will be working with the two schools to develop dual credit opportunities for the students. Our hope is that they will continue on to complete a degree in Early Childhood Education.

Currently, Jeni Snyder the Coordinator of the Kramer Child Development Center is accepting registrations from families as well as applications from potential employees.

All steps to be ready to open as soon as we receive our license approval from DHHS.



**Left:** Sandy Voss, ('88) KCDC Assistant Coordinator, and CPS Foundation Director Nicole Anderson assemble cribs at the Kramer Child Development Center.



**Below:** The entrance to Kramer Child Development Center sits nearly finished.

**Right:** An employee cleans the main hallway of the Kramer Education Center, which also houses CPS' Kramer Preschool.



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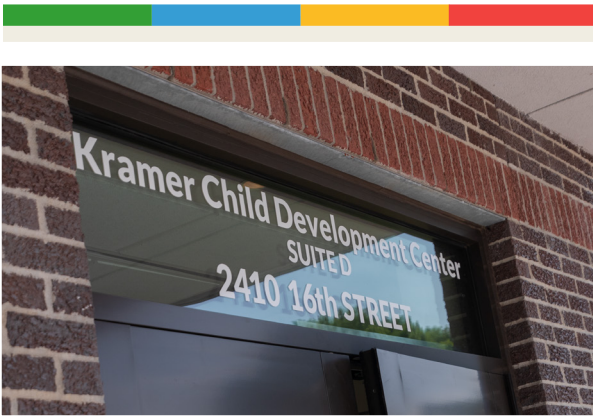
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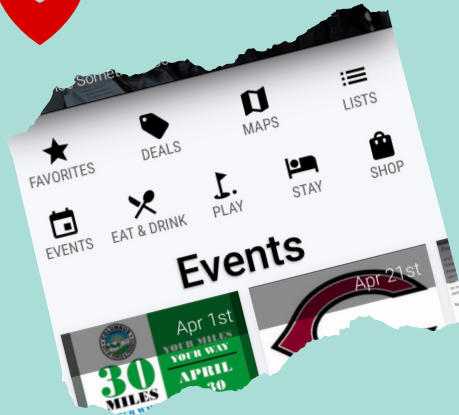
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*Amy (Busted) Blaser*  
CHS Class of 1988



### *Joan Sipes Roe*

For Joan, the idea of walking in front of hundreds of people in her bathing suit was terrifying. But she knew the woman who won Miss Nebraska received a college scholarship, which she needed.

So, she decided to give it a try — and she won the title!

The year before she was named Miss Nebraska, Joan graduated from Columbus High School in 1958. She was very involved in music and was an accomplished pianist, accompanying many of the groups at the school. “The music teacher there was spectacular,” she said. “He taught me a lot about accompanying.”

During the Miss Columbus, Miss Nebraska and Miss America pageants, Joan played piano as her talent.

She said she had an especially good experience at the Miss America pageant, where she spent several days competing and getting to know her fellow contestants.

“I got a kick out of finding out what all the gals liked to do,” she said. “It was really a very good experience for me.”

# *Alumni remember their reign as Miss Nebraska*

## Jodi Miller Holen

At Columbus High School, Jodi was one of those students who was always going-going-going.

Between getting good grades, cheerleading, acting in the school musicals, and running her own dance studio, Jodi didn't have a lot of free time — and that was the way she liked it.

"High school was where I started developing time management skills, which I use to this day," she said.

Although she didn't compete in the Miss Nebraska pageant until she was midway through college, Jodi was quite familiar with the pageant circuit.

She had provided extra entertainment as a dancer for the Miss Columbus pageant when she was in high school, and through that gig, had gotten to know some of the people involved with the pageant.

So, when she decided to compete herself in the Miss Omaha pageant (she

was a student at University of Nebraska Omaha), it wasn't a total stretch. Dancing was her talent, of course, and her skills as a dancer were what pushed her over the edge to win Miss Nebraska.

Jodi loved the experience.

"The interview skills that I learned when I was competing really helped prepare me for the rest of my life," she said. "And I loved the opportunity to meet so many women from across the country and have the chance to perform so much."

The scholarship was a big plus, too — Jodi graduated from college debt-free. She now lives in Omaha with her husband and works as the general manager for the Alzheimer's division at a biotechnology company.

"I had some great experiences in Columbus," she said. "For me, it was the perfect-sized town. There were enough opportunities, but it wasn't so big that your parents were afraid for you."

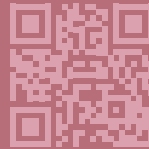


*"I had some great experiences in Columbus. For me, it was the perfect-sized town."*

# heir aska



Amanda Soltero ('10) needed to be crowned Miss Nebraska USA was to be herself. Download the Winter 2014 Anchor Magazine to read her story!



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**1935**

Bettie Sharp Eggli \*

**1936**

Eleanor Van Berg Loshbaugh \*

**1937**

Arthur Garbers \*

Jean Fricke Ashby \*

**1938**

Jean Vanberg Chase  
Bernice Brock Hegi \*  
Martha Boehm Kusek

**1939**

Laird Loomis \*  
Robert P Loshbaugh \*  
Veral Ellen Gertsch Martin Weller \*  
Duane M Ernst \*

**1940**

Frances Behlen Brakel \*  
Dorothy M Yonkie Folden \*  
Walter Matzen \*  
Julian Meyer \*  
Ryland (Rip) Nantkes \*

**1942**

Norm Loseke \*  
Bill Smith

**1943**

Calvin Gloor \*  
Karl Mueller  
Helen Whiting Gerber \*  
Walt Lips \*

**1944**

Mimi Hahn Mueller \*  
Pat Heynen Gloor \*  
Walter Kiuntke \*  
Donald Smith

**1945**

Edward Babka \*  
Clarence Brunkhorst  
Carroll Devlin \*  
Nan Bernstein Klassen \*

**1946**

Tom Bernstein \*  
Charles "Bud" Boettcher  
Delores Cattau Ebel \*  
Robert Osborn \*  
Homer Rothleitner \*

**1947**

William (Bill) Haney  
Robert Jaeggi \*  
Jean Johannes Johnston-Mills \*  
Jon R. O'Neal, MD

**1948**

Edward (Skip) Gass \*  
Bernice Gates Gegenbach \*  
Delores Glasner Irwin  
Wayne A. Schild  
Rudy Winkelman

**1949**

Larry Blaser  
Vernon Feye \*  
Marilyn Hunkins Gentry \*  
Dorothy Held Glaser  
Roland Kløver  
Charles Walden \*  
Roberta Nielsen Saalfeld

ES Bud Van Berg \*

**1950**

Ronald Saalfeld \*  
Ethel (Genie) Clark Ingold \*  
Wilma Schild Kilgore  
Donna Olson Morlock \*  
Adrienne Ellefson Rogers

**1951**

Dr. Robert Quick \*  
Carole Smith Quick  
Marvin Trofholz  
Arlene Finely Van Berg \*

**1952**

Sandy Davis Trofholz  
Charles Johansen  
Gerald Mueller  
Dwayne Smith  
Karen Norton Cook \*  
David Kraus  
Donald Rice  
James Schultz  
Virginia Van Berg Smith  
Harold Dey

**1953**

James Ernst  
Sandy Briswalter Ernst  
Gerald Karlin  
Gary Nantkes \*  
Janice Nantkes  
Harlan Petter \*  
Kathy Gerhold Marr  
James Murphy  
Janice Mueller Nelson  
Kenneth D. Peterson \*  
Robert L. Pope  
Donald M. Schupbach \*  
Charles Speice  
Ronald Tschauner  
Judd Wagner  
Louis (Lou) Welch

**1954**

John Ellefson \*  
Jeanette Fickel Blaser  
Richard Cuddeford \*  
Frederic Krebs  
Robert W. (Bob) Mead  
Ardis Levine Sperber  
Marlene Schild Syas

**1955**

Mary Ann Dietrich Johansen  
Ed Nielsen \*  
Loretta Williams Meistrell  
Barbara Boyd Park  
Jeanie Frey Randall  
Edward D. (Ed) Riggins  
Byron Speice  
Terry Gaver

**1956**

Delores Klug Mueller  
Jolaine Loseke Nielsen \*  
Helen Korte Campbell  
Wanda Schild Eihausen  
Douglas M. Groteluschen \*  
Vard Johnson  
Barbara Lundin Mitlyng \*  
Larry Novicki  
Ronald D. Rice

**1957**

Nadene Loseke Karlin  
James Lohr  
Kathryn Ericksen Lohr  
Sylvia Rodehorst Hermone  
Ron Lambert  
Mary Kløver Lauber  
S Kay Becher Rockwell  
Richard (Dick) Whitcomb  
Jane Ellefson  
Mary Brewer Hull  
Dennis Novicki \*  
Lois Muhle Novicki

**1958**

David Kuper  
John Schutz  
Julie Floyd Schutz  
Robert M. Duranski  
Larry Ray Krumland \*  
Sharon Welch Lehr  
Mike Liddy  
Jane Evans Novicki  
Joan Sipes Roe  
Jack Pittman

**1959**

Deanna Osborn Augustin  
Geri Austin  
Howard (Steve) Ellenburg  
Tom Ernst \*  
Sylvia Wilke Faller  
Leonard (Len) Fleischer  
Mary Coffey Frauendorfer  
Kay Swanson Genereux \*  
Betty Kaspersen Hegi  
David E. Hollman  
Mary Ann Behlen Hruska  
Con M. Keating  
Ron Salak  
Richard L. (Stoney) Stone \*  
Arnold Stuthman  
Margaret Corn Trew  
Ralph Grotelueschen

**1960**

Richard Goc  
Ted Otte  
Sheila Nelson Backes  
Gayleen Oppliger Hingst  
Gary Hoge  
Darlene A. Ebel Jansen  
James Jura  
David Kathka  
John F. Lohr  
Joe Matejka  
William K Mcauliff  
Joan Marr Nichols  
Jerry Norris  
John (Jack) Odgaard  
Larry Schmidt  
Donn (Toad) Trotter  
Keith Van Velkinburgh  
Paula Jean Arndt Verdoorn  
Elizabeth Barrett Liakos  
Nancy Salak Pittman

**1961**

Steve Ahl \*  
Bob Ahrens \*



Karlyn Kuper Carson  
 Mary McErney Goc \*  
 Jean Pittman Cederburg  
 Janice Feye-Stukas  
 Bernard Hay  
 Joanne Smith Jonas \*  
 Gerald Whitcomb  
 Diane Swan Amenta  
 Jeanette Hake Volker

**1962**

Ken Gigstad\*  
 John Nelson  
 Gary Lee Burmood \*  
 Cecil Bykerk  
 Diane Ericksen Hembry  
 Glenda Loseke Kleinkauf  
 Sharon Aerni Otte  
 Jean C. Groteluschen Schmidt  
 Alice Settgast-Janssen  
 Susan Hake Kreifel

**1963**

Kay Asche Nelson \*  
 Karen Rice Gigstad \*  
 Lawrence Hake  
 Gerald Luckey  
 Kent W Behlen  
 Sandra Ottsen Davis  
 William Doan  
 Matthew (Bud) Fleischer  
 Janet Kummetz Hansen  
 Kathryn Varner Overturf  
 Mark Schild  
 Susan Wurdeman  
 Gayle Janssen  
 Jeanetta Swanson Janssen

**1964**

Bonnie Hay Luckey  
 James Hellbusch  
 John Kennedy  
 Bonnie Knight Kennedy  
 Marvin Mueller  
 Joseph Augustine \*  
 Dan Dunne  
 Thomas Holub  
 Rita Zulkoski Moeller  
 Russell Muller  
 Jim McGrew  
 LaVae Meyer Lindley

**1965**

Chris Loshbaugh Bock  
 Gary Bock  
 James Oppliger \*  
 Ronald Taylor  
 Mickey Brazeal  
 Henry E. Clausen  
 David L. Ernst \*  
 Gary Gruenhagen  
 David P. Heiser  
 Dennis C. Hirschbrunner  
 Mary A. Holy Kuhlmann \*  
 Kathy Kuska Mueller  
 Janice May  
 Tom Petsch  
 Edward R. Riley  
 John Neater \*

**1966**

Bruce Channer  
 William Fleischer  
 John Anderson \*  
 Mark S. Anderson  
 Connie Elliott Hellbusch  
 Bev Kudron

**1967**

Lynn Turner Behlen  
 Roger Nyffeler

Sheryl Cattau Channer  
 David Oppliger  
 Sue Bullock Oppliger  
 Deta Coover Robb  
 Ken Robb  
 Rita Mikkelson Ingold  
 Tom Hagel  
 Don Oppliger \*  
 Emily Cameron Shattil  
 Gary Uphoff

**1968**

Maureen Daniels Taylor  
 Dennis Behlen  
 Bill Ingold \*  
 Peg Potter Nyffeler  
 Charice Rumbaugh Nyffeler  
 Larry Nyffeler  
 Steve Anderson  
 John Ballew  
 Ann Loomis Burns \*  
 Steve Ferris  
 Michael Floyd  
 Robert C. Jones  
 Robert Lohr  
 Janice Groteluschen Oeltjen  
 Donald Sieh  
 Connie Welch Sylvester  
 John Zocholl  
 Theodora "Tedi" Lund  
 Nancy Graus Gilley  
 Michael Roth  
 Frank Higgins  
 Sam Augustine

**1969**

Tom Deyke  
 Karen Blessen  
 Don Brouse  
 Sue Folsom Brouse  
 Greg Warner  
 Judy Bock Warner  
 Yenni Gembol Fuglei  
 Lester Hake  
 Nancy Hegi-Cuba  
 John Jacobsen  
 Thomas M. Obrist  
 Sharon Peppler  
 Marcia M. Hake Schlender  
 Mary Sims  
 Jamie Johnson Snyder  
 Sharon Johnston Noyd  
 Linda Gilmore Slycord  
 Terry Trofholz

**1970**

Brian Nelson  
 David Athey  
 Brad Berlin  
 Michael Brown  
 Virginia Curry  
 Peggy Dankert  
 Joann Eickhoff-Shemek  
 Steven W. Eymann  
 Danny Gernstein  
 Daryl Henry  
 Terri Drozd Hoesly  
 Mike Jacobs  
 David Kincaid  
 Greg Kluck  
 Yvonne Mihulka-Poole  
 Gary Osborn  
 Thomas J. Rich  
 Jim Schaefer  
 Janelle Krumland Shepherd  
 Ronald Walters  
 Tom Murphy \*  
 Debbie Rabourn Trofholz

Russ Tschauner  
 Daniel Bernt  
 Roy Orr

**1971**

Tom Bernstein  
 Kimberly Ball  
 Greg Gersib  
 Neil Klutman  
 Patricia A. Caffrey Mcquillan  
 Jennifer Allen Mills  
 Robyn Gembol Ryan  
 Jolene Hellbusch Scalzo  
 Jon Abegglen  
 William Haney  
 Jay Jackson  
 Jeri Furby

**1972**

Dana Bailey  
 Sue Anderson Bernstein  
 Richard Kant  
 Kelly Bembry-Hennings  
 Susan Dixon Bowman  
 Roger Brown  
 Randall Cheloha  
 Judy A. Ernst  
 Thomas Folsom  
 Thomas M. Heiser  
 Daniel W. Miller  
 Barbara Tank Nelson  
 Jennifer Gonka Peterson  
 Michael J. Robak  
 Kelly George Shada  
 Mary Farnham Freilino  
 Patricia Orr  
 Mark Joseph

**1973**

Gary Abel  
 Nancy Winkle Bailey  
 Cindy Palmblade Kant  
 Sue Shively Anderson  
 Mike Berlin  
 Kurt Micek  
 Brenda Collins Onstead  
 Kay Grassmeyer Sprunk  
 Cheryl Brandenburgh

**1974**

Gayle Massman Oppliger  
 Ann Bremer Ernst  
 Ronald Ernst  
 Marsha Hopp Joseph  
 Rick Joseph  
 Bradley R. Busler  
 Mary Nosal Chen  
 John A Curry  
 Brian Miller  
 Rex Porter

**1975**

Lindsay E. Ball  
 Jane Hopp Beltz  
 Michael J. Burrows  
 Mike Goos  
 Katherine Gerber Hash  
 Chuck Walgren  
 Steve Graus  
 Scott Mueller  
 Ronald Kay

**1976**

Janice (Jan) Uden Bostelman  
 Larry Leach  
 Robert (Bob) Markham  
 Mark Redrow  
 Kyla J. George Reising

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1976 (cont)

Ann Ewert Richards  
 Alan Dale Robertson  
 Lauren Beck-Kosiba

1977

Loren Goedeken  
 Michelle Bellum Goedeken  
 Dan Berlin  
 Richard P. Haney  
 Mark Morris  
 Duane Olsufka  
 James E. Schwartz  
 Mike Schermer  
 Becky Willman-Gragg  
 Sue Walgren Foreman  
 Daniel Walker

1978

Jim Whetstone  
 Randy J Eihausen  
 Mark Jilek  
 Donna Brandt Liss  
 Kathy Curran Maca  
 Trish Hopp Ross  
 Kim Joiner Sevening  
 Bob Shively  
 Alan Siemek  
 Jean Haney Junker  
 Larry Labens  
 Julie Mihulka Labens

1979

Cindy Aerni  
 Leslie Nielsen Hitchner  
 Karen Koppel  
 Luke P. Lemke  
 Kenneth E. Robinson  
 Julie Plugge Prochaska-Phares  
 Marilyn Bernt Busboom

1980

Kathi Miles Horsley  
 Lynn Strehle Sjuts  
 Alan Haney  
 Carol Latham  
 Laura (Lee) Roebuck

1981

Ralph Castner  
 Dana Ernst  
 Teresa Osterhoudt Filsinger  
 Jeff Johnson  
 Brad W. Loseke

Todd Robinson  
 Bob Shepherd  
 Steven Zaura  
 Kent Kinzer

1982

Mark Bellum  
 Christine Nielsen Hancock  
 Craig Walgren

1983

Julie Zuroski  
 Kevin Zuroski

1984

Amy Jo Anderson Thalken  
 Craig Thalken  
 Cindy Hinze Conkling  
 Janet Arnold Keating  
 Thomas (Tom) Nelson

1985

Beth Schupbach Buehler  
 Anna Castner Wightman

1986

Chris Blaser  
 Kip Anderson  
 Kerry Belitz  
 Robert Cruise  
 Jodi Miller Holen  
 Linda Raimondo Myers-Bock  
 Steve Sobota  
 Rob Zulkoski  
 John Fallick

1987

Jason Parker  
 Jeannie Ernst  
 Elizabeth (Lisa) Staroscik Wilke  
 Joan Hembd Dorr  
 Jean Hembd

1988

Donette Brase Vis  
 Amy Busteed Blaser  
 Russ Eihausen  
 Shelly Nielsen Schmidt

1989

Craig Andreasen  
 Becky Kuncl Andreasen  
 Greg Hutcheson  
 Jon Bellum  
 Chad M Johannes

1990

Julie Insinger Hutcheson  
 Brent Griffith  
 Aaron Hoefling

Eric Mueller  
 Misty Siebler Mueller  
 Abbie Tessendorf

1991

James Kennedy  
 Jason Morris  
 Brandi Fehringer  
 J Steven Lovci

1992

Alicia Young Fults  
 Michael Roth

1993

Todd Moss  
 Becky Chinn Coulter  
 Chris Mulligan  
 Shannon Vavra

1995

Doan M Workley

1996

Tasha Henninger Moss

1997

Joshua Svoboda

1998

Jeremy Frazer  
 Lindsay Berlin Ogle

1999

Nicole Gilmore Anderson  
 Brandy Wood Samuelson  
 Miranda Christiansen

2000

Jennifer Johannes-Hascall  
 Jennifer Hast Fjell

2001

John S. Lohr

2005

Morgan Pillen Kapels

2006

Derek T. Bopp

2018

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View current Lifetime & Annual members online at:  
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## Time to mark you calendars! Upcoming CHS Reunions

**1956** - Meets at 10 a.m. the first Wed. of every month at Stack & Steak for morning coffee. All classmates welcome.

**1958** - Class lunch the first Wednesday of every month at noon at Maximus. All classmates and spouses welcome.

**1959** - Meets the second Thursday quarterly (January, April, July and October) at Stack n' Steak at 11:30 a.m. for lunch and conversation. Classmates and spouses are welcome.

**1966** - Meets the 2nd Wednesday of every other month (always on odd months) at the Pizza Ranch at 11:30 a.m.

### Let us help you plan your reunion

#### What we can do for you:

- Class list and mailing labels
- Discount mailing rates
- Tours of CHS and CMS
- Tips on planning reunions

**Contact:** Jen Augustin  
 402-563-7000 ext. 13033  
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Class of 1983 Reunion

**1968 - 55 Year Reunion**  
 August 25th - Izaak Walton; August 26th - Tour of High School & Dinner at VFW.  
 Questions: Diane Schwank at 402-910-1539 or Steve Anderson at 402-563-1347.

**1998 - 25 Year Reunion**  
 August 25-26th, 2023. For more information, please contact Lynae Kudron Morales at [lynae79@gmail.com](mailto:lynae79@gmail.com).

**1963 - 60th Class Reunion**  
 September 23, 2023 begin @ VFW. To provide any contact information or for event information please contact Kay Sinclair Ferris: 402-564-5847; [rferris@neb.rr.com](mailto:rferris@neb.rr.com)

**1973 - 50th Class Reunion**  
 Friday, September 29, 2023 at the Eagles and Saturday, September 30, 2023 at Friedhof Building. Invitations will be sent in June 2023. Questions? Please contact Ardis Bruckner at 402-276-3689.

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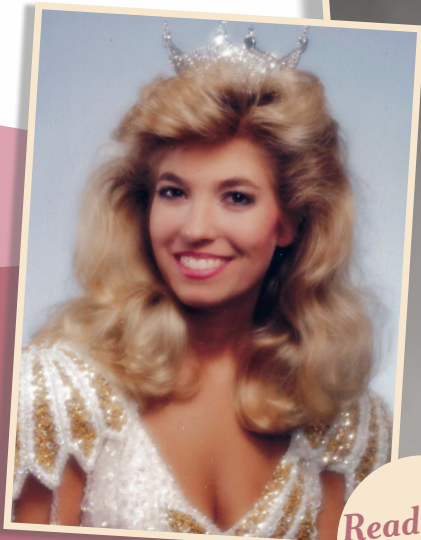
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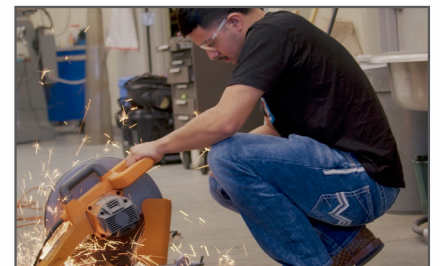
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# Alumni remember their reign as Miss Nebraska

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