



# Dedication and Grand Opening

Mari Sandoz  
High Plains  
Heritage Center

Chadron State College

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## DEDICATION AND GRAND OPENING PROGRAM

<i>Welcome</i>	Thomas L. Krepel, President Chadron State College Ron Hull, President Mari Sandoz Heritage Society
<i>Invocation</i>	Joe American Horse Sons of the Oglala
<i>Greetings</i>	Sheryl Lindau, Chair, Board of Trustees Nebraska State College System
<i>Presentation of Rising Star Award</i>	Lee-Ellen Matzke Nebraskaland Foundation
<i>Unveiling of Statue</i>	L.H. "Rick" Kolkman, President First National Bank North Platte George Lundeen, Sculptor Steve DeBoer, President/Branch Manager First National Bank North Platte
<i>Readings and Remarks</i>	Dick Cavett
<i>Ribbon Cutting followed by Grand Opening Tours</i>	Students, Mari Sandoz Elementary School Millard (NE) Public Schools Chelsey Ashby, Alex Duling, Jamie Duling, Jake Faust, Michaela Flott, Coralee Ginavan, Marin Hartfield, Amanda Hillebran, Justin Hillebran, Kelsey Klostermeyer, Brandon Loecker, Jessica McBride, Patrick McBride, Daniel Ray, Brittany Schave, Ian Thackray, Dustin Vosika, and Olivia Wyatt

## LUNCHEON PROGRAM

*By Prior Reservation . . . . .* Student Center, 11:30 a.m.

<i>Welcome and Introductions</i>	Thomas L. Krepel
<i>Speakers</i>	Ron Hull Dick Cavett John Gottschalk

## Mari Sandoz High Plains Heritage Center Project Campaign

The buildings being dedicated today symbolize the profound impact of philanthropy. Due to the generosity and vision of the following contributors, Chadron State College is positioned to expand its mission of instructional, applied research, and public service programming and, in partnership with the Mari Sandoz Heritage Society, to encourage the preservation and appreciation of High Plains culture and history. We are truly grateful.

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Lincoln, NE

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The campaign also initiated the establishment of permanent endowments, investment earnings from which will provide ongoing support of the Mari Sandoz High Plains Heritage Center and its endeavors. The Sandoz Center Endowment serves as the general depository for many gifts earmarked *for endowment*. Also, donor-named endowments have been created through gifts of \$10,000 or more. Some benefactors designate their funds to assist the Center wherever the need is greatest each year. Others provide support for areas of special interest, such as: exhibits, library archives, educational outreach, programs, publications, seminars, the arboretum, or internships. New named endowments can be established through outright, pledged, or deferred gift arrangements, and contributions can be added to any of the funds listed below.

Through these philanthropic arrangements, donors can perpetuate a family name and memorialize or honor a loved one, friend, or colleague. With their foresight and generosity, a reliable stream of annual income will help create in the Center an environment where a passion for discovering and sharing the cultural and environmental heritage of the High Plains can thrive.

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## **Other Components of the Campaign**

Funding continues to be sought to support development of the exhibits, the library archives, the campus-wide arboretum, and the hiking-biking Heritage Trail. Following the development of a comprehensive plan for development of a 350-participant conference center to be linked to the Center by the Atrium, the campaign goal for Phase II of the Project will be announced.

## FOR INFORMATION

**contact:**

*about providing items and/or archival materials for the collections, serving as a volunteer, or to inquire about hours the Center is open to the public . . .*

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*about making a contribution in support of campaign objectives, or to discuss establishment of a donor-named endowment . . .*

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