

AUGUST 2020



A Note from Dean Veil

Dear Alumni and Friends of CoJMC,

Students are back on campus and the fall semester is officially underway! This semester is a little different with an array of class formats and everyone in masks, but you can still feel the energy and excitement of starting a new year throughout Andersen Hall. I am proud of our dedicated faculty and staff who have put in an incredible amount of time and effort planning and preparing for this fall.

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NEWS



UNL PRSSA receives Star Chapter award

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln's Public Relations Student Society of America Chapter received the [2020 Star Chapter Award from PRSSA National](#). This award is distributed to chapters who exhibit a commitment to leadership and growth.



Expanded emergency support for students

Thanks to alumni and donors' generous contributions, the College of Journalism and Mass Communications has [expanded emergency funding options for students](#). Students can apply for emergency funding for "life interruptions." These interruptions might include a car breaking down, a laptop repair or replacement or an unexpected medical bill.

Students receive seven Nebraska Broadcasters Association awards



Eight CoJMC students recently [received college division awards](#) at the 2020 Virtual Nebraska Broadcasters Association (NBA) Pinnacle Awards.



Professor Emeritus Bud Pagel receives the Nebraska Alumni Association's Doc Elliott Award

This year's recipient of the Nebraska Alumni Association's Doc Elliott award is [Professor Emeritus Alfred "Bud" Pagel](#), whose career at the university has spanned 28 years in the College of Journalism and Mass Communications.



UNL's Climate Change Nebraska project launches in-depth website

Climate Change Nebraska, a yearlong student depth-reporting project at UNL, announced the unveiling of a powerful, dynamic website on climate change in Nebraska: [Climate Change 2020 - What Could It Mean for Nebraska?](#)



Trina Creighton facilitates conversation about race with students, faculty and staff

[Trina Creighton](#) is a broadcast journalist turned college professor. She began her broadcast career at one of the first black-owned and operated community radio stations in the country, KBBG Radio in Waterloo, Iowa.



Masters graduate spurs "Feed the E.R." campaign in California

Betsy Totten started with \$1500 and a small Facebook group to which they invited friends from the area to help get food for the hospital that's one mile away from her home. As more people joined the group, the team had to grow as well, and [they're now able to feed three hospitals in the Humboldt area.](#)



Alumni Spotlight: Christopher Galen, '85

Grad Year: 1985

Major: Broadcasting

Current Position: Senior Vice President for Member Services & Strategic Initiatives, National Milk Producers Federation

Current Location: Arlington, Va.



Alumni Spotlight: Elizabeth Rembert '19

Grad Year: 2019

Major: Journalism

Current Position: Agriculture Reporter at Bloomberg News

Current Location: Lincoln



In Memoriam

The College of Journalism and Mass Communications honors the lives of the members of our CoJMC family who have recently passed away.

- [Julie Schmit-Albin, '79](#)
- [Bill Eddy, '68](#)
- [Mary Jane McCullough Meehan '54](#)



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