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**ALUMNI**

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INDUCTION CEREMONY

SATURDAY,  
MARCH 26, 2022



UNIVERSITY OF  
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Alumni Association

## UNC ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The University of Northern Colorado Alumni Association is a growing, global network of UNC Bears. Founded in 1965, the UNC Alumni Association welcomes all graduates, continuing students, parents and friends. Our goal is to ensure that alumni and students — Bears of all generations — are actively engaged in their university.

Today, the alumni association is a non-dues based program open to all alumni and students. Administered by the Office of Alumni Relations with the advice and support of the volunteer Alumni Board.

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## THE HONORED ALUMNI AWARDS

Thousands of alumni call the University of Northern Colorado home. Their support for and ongoing involvement in the university are a point of pride for the UNC Alumni Association, and among this global network a distinguished group of graduates exemplify the standards and qualities to which all Bears aspire.

They are UNC's Honored Alumni.

The Honored Alumni Awards highlight some of the most distinguished alumni and friends of the University of Northern Colorado. The honorees are examples of what it means to have a UNC education, and their personal and professional achievement give us a reason to celebrate our whole community.

### **DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE DESERVING OF AN HONORED ALUMNI AWARD?**

To nominate alumni and friends for future selection, please visit [unco.edu/alumni](https://unco.edu/alumni) or contact the UNC Alumni Association. Nominations open in the fall.

## **HONORED ALUMNI INDUCTION CEREMONY MARCH 26, 2022**

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### **MASTER OF CEREMONIES**

Mekialaya White 'o8  
*Anchor, CBS4 Denver*

### **WELCOME**

Andy Feinstein  
*President, University of Northern Colorado*

### **PRESENTATION OF 2022 AWARDS**

Robby Aguilar '03  
Natalie Lindeberg '06  
John '84 and Angela '89 Schmidt  
Tom Severtson '70, '71  
Armando Silva '10

### **SPECIAL ALUMNI RECOGNITION**

2020 and 2021 Honored Alumni Inductees

### **CLOSING AND HONOREE PHOTOS**

By Inductee Class

## ROBBY AGUILAR '03

### Finance

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Following his lifelong desire to own a business, **Robby Aguilar** opened a Berry Blendz location in west Greeley in June 2020. He found quick success, and he set his sights on downtown Greeley with a desire to be close to the university he loves. The second Berry Blendz location, adjacent to the University of Northern Colorado campus, opened in July 2021.



Aguilar is known for being hard-working and positive. He thrives on supporting the people around him and helping others grow, and his passion for his community and his alma mater shows in everything he does.

As a local business owner, Aguilar is a member of Bear Biz — a university program that partners with local businesses to create a home for UNC students in the local community.

He has offered career advice to students through multiple channels, drawing on his experience as an entrepreneur for the annual Entrepreneurial Challenge hosted by the Kenneth W. Monfort College of Business and a virtual Entrepreneurship Alumni Career Panel hosted by Alumni Relations.

His hometown has also benefited from Aguilar's generosity. He has been a board member for United Way of Weld County, served meals at the local cold weather homeless shelter, volunteered at the annual Weld County Project Connect, and built homes through Habitat for Humanity.

## NATALIE LINDEBERG '06

### Special Education

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**Natalie Lindeberg** is a well-known figure among members of Lambda Theta Nu, Inc. Since graduating, Lindeberg has maintained close connections to the César Chávez Cultural Center and Lambda Theta Nu's Kappa Chapter at the University of Northern Colorado, and she has channeled her passion for these groups to keep others connected as well.



Lindeberg has presented at the annual Latina Youth Leadership Conference, which she helped organize as a student, and attended or planned many events through the Chávez Center. She has supported the conference and sorority philanthropically, and for several years has organized a drive for Lambda alumnae to help current students pay their sorority dues so the students could remain active in the organization.

At the national level, Lindeberg has been a member of the National Association of Lambda Alumnae and was elected to serve on the National Board of Directors as the Directora of Alumnae Relations. Lindeberg was selected to the Order of the Roses in recognition of her exceptional service to and support of the organization.

A special education teacher, Lindeberg has influenced and intervened for students from kindergarten through eighth grade. Her next step is to complete her master's degree in Developmental Disabilities from Columbia University so she can work with a broader group of individuals with disabilities, including adults.

## JOHN '84 AND ANGELA '89 SCHMIDT

Finance, Speech Communications

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**John** and **Angela Schmidt** believe in the spirit of reciprocity, a philosophy that recognizes their success is a blessing they choose to pay forward. The value of reciprocity is embodied in their family of four, in their philanthropic and business pursuits, and importantly in their commitment to empowering the success of Colorado's student athletes.



Angela, who serves as the family CEO, manages their philanthropic and community investments, which include generous support for various Colorado nonprofits and a personal commitment to supporting the success of student athletes at Regis High School in Denver and the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley, where the couple met. John, who serves as the chair of the Regis Board of Trustees, is a tech and financial entrepreneur currently serving as Co-CEO of WeFi Technology Group and managing partner of Jam Capital LLC.

Their collective impact at UNC rises from more than \$2 million in philanthropic gifts, including the lead gift to fund UNC's new Empower Center. UNC's first 100% donor-funded campus building will be a new strength and training center for Bear student-athletes. John and Angela chose the name "Empower Center" because they hope the new facility will empower student athletes to succeed — and will help them apply the confidence and achievements they gain through their UNC experience to succeed throughout life.

John and Angela's support for UNC extends well beyond athletics to many areas of campus. They generously fund student scholarships, sponsor and host events to bring awareness to UNC priorities and opportunities, serve on university boards and councils, and encourage the hiring of fellow Bears in finance and investment careers.

## TOM SEVERTSON '70, '71

### K-12 Physical Education

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The accomplishments on **Tom Severtson's** resume reveal a baseball mastermind.

Severtson coached high school and amateur baseball in Colorado, leading his teams to multiple championships and taking many trips to tournament finals. He coached several players who were drafted into Major League Baseball, some with long careers. He was also a scout for the Cincinnati Reds for 15 years.



For all this personal talent, Severtson focused his career on supporting his players and students. He helped student athletes see their potential through his own examples and personal advice, and he gave them the confidence to face whatever challenges may come to them — on or off the field.

Former players credit Severtson for bringing out the best in his team by setting high standards and instilling discipline in them as players and people. Fellow coaches recognize his excellent mentorship and player development.

Pride in his alma mater and enthusiasm for the baseball program led Severtson to become an active ambassador for the university to his students, bringing some to campus and motivating many to enroll.

Severtson's career success has been recognized through induction into the Colorado Softball Hall of Fame, East High Athletic Hall of Fame, Colorado Dugout Club's Hall of Fame, and Colorado High School Baseball Umpires Hall of Fame.

## ARMANDO SILVA '10

### Visual Arts

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Artist **Armando Silva** has left his mark on Northern Colorado and across the state in a larger-than-life way. His murals can be seen on buildings throughout downtown Greeley, adding an artistic touch to the area's business revitalization.



Silva's talents are also showcased across the University of Northern Colorado. Early in his career as a professional artist, he painted a mural of a bear on a large empty wall in the Campus Recreation Center. More recently he participated in celebrating the 35th anniversary of the César Chávez Cultural Center by creating a mural in the Campus Commons titled "Somos Porque Eres" (We Are Because You Are) that features longtime center director and fellow Honored Alumni recipient Patricia Escobar '07,'11.

Silva is committed to giving back to the community and has partnered with numerous museums, community centers, non-profits, and schools. He served as an Artist-in-Residence at the Children's Museum of Denver at Marsico Campus where his piece Corazon is permanently displayed on the outside of the building.

Silva is well known among the faculty of the College of Performing and Visual Arts, and he was featured as an alumni success story through Bears Go Big. He has been recognized with the Governor's Creative Leadership award from Colorado Creative Industries and the EY Next Wave Leadership Award from the Colorado Business Committee for the Arts.



# HONORED ALUMNI *Past Honorees*

## **2021**

Steven Maurice '72  
Larry L. Miller '61  
Dr. Bj Stone '72, '80, '02  
Brandon Torrez '99, '02  
Nancy Wendirad '05

## **2020**

Bill Benson '76  
Anissa Guzman '93, '01  
Gary Loo '64  
Jose Martinez III '07  
Rico Wint '09

## **2019**

Kathleen Dunemn '71  
Darlene LeDoux '78  
Jim & Janet Listen  
Matt Schuman '86  
Julie Zalikowski '75

## **2018**

CJ Archibeque '93, '02  
Trish Escobar '07, '11  
Paula F. Sherlock '71  
Tony Tolbert '97, '08  
Monika Vischer '89  
David L. Wood & Carol B. Wood

## **2017**

Jim Alexander '69  
Timothy K. Bradley '80  
Fritz J. Erickson '84, '87  
Bob Heiny  
Bruce Pearson '69

## **2016**

Minseok An '93  
Daniel J. Carey '72, '75  
Robert A. Clark '60  
Pia Dounglomchunt '74, '75, '81  
Bob & Bonnie Phelps

## **2015**

Brad Inhulsen '12  
Mike & Marilyn Loustalet  
Dick Monfort '76  
Dennis Morimoto '65, '66  
Jong Shyong Shyu '84, '88

## **2013**

Steve Baker '86  
Hank & Nan Brown  
Richard Kilmer '60  
James Kawika Riley '05  
Ronna L. Sanchez '80, '82, '88, '00

## **2012**

Fernie Baca Hayes '61  
Theo Holland '61  
Autumn Hurlbert '02  
Wayne Melanson '75  
Bob & Betty Tointon

## **2011**

David Pierce Beaver '72  
Andrew Boian '94  
Steve Eastin '70  
Michael Hutchinson '79  
Joseph Martin '82

## **2010**

Laura Adams '78  
S. Cato Crews '97  
Kenneth Evans '55, '56  
Dana Landry '94  
Mark Nuccio '85  
Masoud Shirazi '74, '75  
Sumate Yamnoon '81, '84

## **2009**

Allan "Gene" Aiken  
Brian M. Davidson '99  
Tim Jorstad '75  
Frank and Betty Ottesen  
Sharon Lee Parker '77  
Randy Watkins '99  
Aléna Watters '03  
Randy Zila '80, '96

## **2008**

Edwin "Buddy" Baker  
John Beel  
Tom and Nona Gordon  
John L. Mendoza '61, '69  
Rhoda Rogers '88  
Michael Shonka '69  
Patrick Varney '99

## **2007**

Kathleen Bickford Berzock '87  
Cynthia Evans '73  
Glenn McDonald  
Joe Tennesen  
James Valdez '69  
Mark Wallace '79

## **2006**

Rodger Bybee '66, '69  
Kenneth Cook '80, '84  
Cheryl DeConde Johnson '76, '82  
Steve Forness '63, '64  
Miles Ishigaki '78  
David Newton '64  
Gerald Shadwick

## **2005**

Dr. Alton Barbour '56  
Bruce Broderius '66  
Delores (Lori) Daniel '72  
Greg Germann '78  
Joe Glenn  
April-Joy Gutierrez '88  
Larry Roots '74  
David Warble '73

## **2004**

Gregory J. Anton '87  
Duane Banks '65  
Jon Crane '71  
William Hairston '73  
Henrietta Holsman Fore '75  
Marlene Politzer '52

## **2003**

Linda S. Akers '86  
W. Keith Christy '63, '67  
Jay K. Hackett '72  
Noreen Heer Nicol '77  
Sam Schauerman '51, '52  
C. Daniel Sprick '78

## **2002**

Robert Ackerman '75  
David L. Hartenbach '81  
James Lyke '68  
John A. Mosbo '69  
Stanley Shimada '61, '63  
George E. Swafford '59

## **2001**

Scott Fredrickson '89  
John W. Haefeli '86  
Thomas M. Howerton '64, '71  
Chen-ku Hwang '82  
Jerry V. Krause '65, '67  
Alice C. Leal '68, '76  
Carlos Leal '64, '71  
Charles R. McNerney '61, '62  
Jack A. Murphy '67, '94  
L. Wayne Wells '49

## **2000**

Donald Bailey '76  
James Cantrell '65  
Jongrak Krainam '75, '80  
John G. Newman '81  
Ann O'Brien-Gonzales '97  
George Sage '55, '57  
Norma Saiter '69, '70  
Jean Schober Morrell '94  
Donald Waldrip '61  
Cheryl Wenzinger '72

## **1999**

Marti Alter '74  
David Deforest-Stalls '78  
Lowell Graham '70, '71  
Karel King Hill '67  
Freddie Litton '73  
Jack Magruder '66  
Sue McCarroll '75  
Michael McGovern '83  
Lorraine "Lori" Garcia Sadler '67  
Joseph Velardo '48

## **1998**

Paul D. Beal '52  
Ellen Brilliant '94

Walter Katnich '50  
Frank Lakin '55, '57  
Peter Lemon '81  
Harold Love '63  
Frances Omori '71, '72  
Charles Putnik '72

### **1997**

Alex F. Chappell '77  
Sugree Charoensook '81, '85  
Larry D. Dunkle '65  
Marie Louise Anderson Greenwood '35  
Vicki Heisler '74  
William (Michael) Kleine '70  
James E. Loehr '66, '68  
Wesley Howard Sargent '69

### **1996**

Judith Knecht Babbitt '62  
David E. Carter '76  
Steven John Dietz '80  
Joan Bailey Morley '52  
Lydia Miller Ruyle '72  
Peter William Zehna '50, '51

### **1995**

Bernice Bass de Martinez '70, '72  
Elena J. Batman '87  
Barbara Coloroso '70, '72  
Walter M. Francis '71, '73  
Robert Heinich '48, '49  
Jerry Kiefer '70

Michael C. Tormey '72, '77  
Neil Westergaard '75  
Lloyd M. Yonemura '72

### **1994**

Neil D. Argo Jr. '79  
Robert L. Blasi '56  
Lucile Maxfield Bogue '34  
Daniel A. Frantz '79  
Kent W. Glassman '87  
Raymond J. Kruse '41  
Ronald J. Newton '61  
John D. Pacheco '74, '79

### **1993**

Thomas Hernandez '59  
Reuben Al Isberg '35  
Scott Manley '69, '70, '77  
Mary Golda Ross '39  
Michael Weiker '62, '65  
William "Bill" H. Welsh, Jr. '35

### **1992**

James Shigeo Alegre '59  
Maw-Fa Chien '73  
Ralph Willis Levy '48, '49  
Christine Louise Lucero '81  
Carol Schneider Mutter '67  
Barbara Ennis Pigford '53

### **1991**

Betty Twist Aylin '39  
James R. Burress '76  
Alan D. Clark '64

Norman Heimgartner '68  
Louise Johnson '71  
Richard D. Olson '76  
William E. Rapp '64  
Charles L. Rutherford '49, '55, '67  
George Umberson '67

### **1990**

Henry Amicarella '37, '38  
Tamra Hayden-Rice '85  
Charles A. Lindly '57, '61  
Don Meyer '67, '68  
Janelle Haworth Munn '48  
Sherry Ann Ramsey '82, '82  
Anthony M. Rossi '49  
John H. Schrant '44  
Patricia Bennett Taylor '69  
Lawrence Von Bamford '80

### **1988**

LaMar Steen '51  
George E. Ayers '63, '65  
Janet Brooks-Gerloff '72  
Ying-Hau Chen '73, '75  
Leslie S. Franklin '62  
Gordon T. Maddux '53  
Jon R. Runge '76  
Marian Stoskopf '59  
Marjorie Wilson West '62  
James E. Miller '55

### **1987**

Anan Attachoo '75  
Andrea Slack Doray '77  
Martha Epp '40, '43  
Pete Mirich '50, '61  
Patricia Ward Rubano '74, '80  
Roland M. Smith '69  
Gloria Velasquez Trevino '78  
Philip Wilson '68  
Catherine Yoder '74

### **1986**

Sylvia Adams '83  
Idris K. Boltz '36  
Alice Amen Heinz '59  
Ruby Miller  
Dorothy J. Porter '67  
Don Robinson '58  
J. Joseph Stevens '65  
David P. Wacker '75

### **1985**

Glen Alps '40  
Barbara Sue Davis '74  
Patrick Haggerty '51, '53  
Mildred Hansen '27  
Maureen Hogg '77  
Larry T. Schultz '55, '65  
Sharon Seery '70  
Knutte Skinner '51  
Maynard Stamper '34, '38  
Virginia Anderson Webb '56

### **1984**

John C. Duran '73  
Rupert M. Goodbrod  
Walter O. Green '55, '56  
Richard H. Jones '34, '37  
William P. Kenney '78  
Lian-Wen Mao '70  
Greg L. Riddoch '68

### **1983**

J. Michael Barrett '68  
Robert Benton '56  
Mary Camblin Reed '60  
Donald S. Groves '67, '70, '82  
Louis Ingelhart '42, '47  
Gaylord Morrison  
Dorothy Strubel '34  
Mildred Ying '50

### **1982**

Mildred "Mim" Tesdahl Ballou '60  
Harold M. Browning '36, '43  
Lonis C. "Pete" Butler '31, '35  
Hollis F. Fait '46, '48  
Michael Homyak '60  
Courtlyn Hotchkiss '46, '54  
James M. Kadlecek '85  
Betty J. Kolstoe '57, '69  
Donald C. Roush '59  
Joseph L. Shoemaker '42, '51

### **1981**

Irv Brown '57  
Margaret Anne Campbell '38  
Julianne F. Haefeli '54  
Stephen J. Havill '69  
LeRoy Kerns '48  
Samuel Martinez '57, '61  
Martha Spann Poole '60  
Margaret Bottinelli Troxel '39, '41

### **1980**

Gerry Flanigan '66  
Clara Funderburk '63  
Jacqueline I. Haines '55  
William H. Hill '52, '53, '55  
Charles F. Howard Jr. '54, '58  
Dean Krakel '50  
Victor R. Nottingham '52

### **1979**

Martin Candelaria  
Glenna Dannels '47  
Gilbert J. Hause '52  
John U. Michaelis '36  
Lily Rosqueta-Rosales '57  
J.C. Tim Scates '66  
Andra Schmidt Bookman '70  
Poonsang Sutabutra '65

### **1978**

Said Atiah Abo Ali '75  
R. Rix Blakey '47  
John E. Bothell '26, '36  
George A. Cavender '28, '33

Richard B. Feaster '51, '54  
Julianne F. Haefeli '54  
A. Dallas Martin Jr. '65, '69, '71  
B. Corlee Munson '48  
Arthur L. Ohanian '48, '67  
Virginia L. Sears '28  
Christine A. Tanner '69  
Joseph C. Weber '66

### **1977**

Raymond V. Biondo '60  
Irene Pixler Dunstan '32, '37  
Kun-Huei Huang '71  
Arno H. Luker '49  
Robert W. Noffsinger '43  
Stephanie Mueller Riley '61  
Gerald D. Schmidt '60  
Elva Stealy Steinmark '32  
Robert L. Wendel '59, '60, '67  
Wellington Webb '64, '71

### **1976**

Tilman M. Bishop '55, '56  
Spurgeon Q. Bryant Sr. '54  
Chunghoon Choy '69  
Donald L. Garrity '50  
Carl E. Hansen '63, '65, '68  
Edward Kelly '66  
Samuel Martinez '57, '61  
Frank A. Slack '39  
Donnis Thompson '67

### **1975**

Fritz S. Brennecke '36  
Frederick Haehnlen '65  
Helen Fung Khoo '57  
Ralph King '39, '40  
Jack J. Meakins '51, '55  
James E. Perdue '41  
Roland Rautenstrauss '43  
Ruth Rich '49  
Ernest B. Scott '50

### **1974**

Charles O. Douglas '59, '65  
Richard G. Hause '54, '55, '66  
Jeanette Lacey '39  
John J. Mirich '58, '61  
Edwin J. Pittcock '65  
Eleanor M. Wagoner '60  
Wayman Walker '41

### **1973**

Ernest Andrade '62, '71, '82  
A. Irene Armitstead '45  
Carl H. Gustafson '51  
Donald Blaine Herdman '51  
Dorothy Clayton McKenzie '32  
Tedde Kast Scharf '73, '74

### **1972**

Edwin G. Alexander '47  
William E. Davis '58  
Audrey V. Dempsey '29, '32, '50  
Hal W. Hamm '28, '30

Charles J. Mackey '35  
James A. Michener '37

### **1971**

Samuel G. Gates '45, '47  
Hazel L. Munson '32, '60  
Hazel E. Petrocco '48  
James Wailes '41, '49

### **1970**

Earl Lester Cole '43  
Guy Davis '41  
M. Frances Dougherty '35, '40  
Lafayette W. Green '34, '36  
Fred Harcleroad '39, '42  
Eugene Herrington '26  
Ubol Reangsuwan '56, '59

### **1969**

Eldon E. Baker '59  
William F. Hartman '38, '52  
J. Osborne Johnson '28, '38  
John C. Johnson '28, '38  
Charles Romine '54  
Wilma Scott '42

### **1968**

Dorothy Jean Corsberg '46, '52  
Warren Monfort  
Robert Timothy '41  
Carl Wilkerson '51, '57

### **1967**

Laurene Edmundson '40  
Ted Long '24, '27  
Charles Lott Jr. '42  
Clyde Morganti '41

### **1966**

Ervin French '42, '46  
John A. Rosales '75  
Helen Jo Shaeffer '54

### **1965**

Marvin Foote '40  
Henry Lujan '54  
Phyllis Roop '54  
Warren W. Wiggins

### **1964**

Lucy P. Blaisdell '26  
Eugene R. Gullette '38  
Mildred E. Jobe '29  
William L. McDivitt '56  
Anna C. Petteys '43

### **1963**

Edward J. Flint '29, '38, '54  
Jack Pollock '49, '57  
Margaret Wood '69

### **1962**

Thomas B. Doherty '38, '42  
John Taylor Eastlick '39  
Mary Louise Flood '17, '27  
Edward John Getsch '40

### **1961**

Lloyd E. Gaskill '35  
Walter Humphrey '31  
Emma Lou Purvis '38  
Ewald Turner '49

### **1960**

Harold Ferguson '35, '42  
Chester O'Hanlon '35, '41  
Altha Stogsdill '46  
Bill Welsh '34

### **1959**

Myron Willett '30, '39  
Elbie L. Gann '43  
Mary Hinds '50  
Frederick H. Good '33

### **1958**

Wilford Woody '26, '27  
Gilbert Funk '41  
Louise Cronbaugh '38, '39  
Elmer F. Bennett '38

### **1957**

Harry W. Charlesworth '26, '28  
Ann P. Oleson '57, '61  
Robert H. Johnson

### **1956**

George Irvin '35, '39  
Geneva Keirnes '35  
Thomas J. Murphy '36, '46

### **1955**

Elmer Burkhard '36, '44, '70  
Julia Braun '25, '31

### **1954**

John T. Roberts '29, '30  
Hazel Dalbey

### **1953**

Harold Threlkeld  
Janet Grauberger '37

### **1952**

Margaret McGroarty '22, '27  
Robert James

### **1951**

Lloyd A. Garrison '26, '32  
Grace Finley '17, '27

### **1950**

Jean Hunt Goudy '36, '39  
Leo Butler '67

### **1949**

Jennie Tyler '14  
James Reiva

### **1948**

Irene Conboy '16  
Louis H. Braun '30, '31

### **1947**

Marguerite Jucham '31, '32  
Philip Kirton

*Thank You*

## **2022 HONORED ALUMNI SELECTION COMMITTEE**

Each year a committee of alumni volunteers reads each nomination and selects a new class of honorees to induct as Honored Alumni during a ceremony that pays tribute to their personal and professional accomplishments and dedication to the university. The committee is comprised of alumni board members and past honorees.



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