



RECOGNIZED DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI (through 2023)

Arranged in Alphabetic Order

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| Sabrina M. Alkire Humanitarian <i>Central 1986</i> | Private Equity Firm, Founder <i>Central 1973</i> | <i>Urbana 1997</i> |
| Matthew Allender Zoo & Wildlife Veterinarian <i>Central 1996</i> | Toi Dennis Women's Shelter Founder <i>Centennial 1994</i> | Avra Jain Real Estate Developer, Film Producer <i>Central 1979</i> |
| Scott Anderson Civic Leader <i>Central 1977</i> | Jennifer Lewis Dillavou Higher Education & Alumni Relations <i>Centennial 1977</i> | Anna Jain Bakst Fashion Industry Leader <i>Central 1979</i> |
| J. Steven Beckett Lawyer <i>Urbana 1966</i> | Lisa Gaye Dixon Actress/Theater Professor <i>Centennial 1982</i> | Janelle Johnson Landscape Architect <i>Central 1998</i> |
| Bonnie Blair Olympian <i>Centennial 1982</i> | Roger Ebert Journalist <i>Urbana 1960</i> | Tim Johnson US Representative <i>Urbana 1964</i> |
| Cecil Bridgewater Trumpeter <i>Champaign Central 1960</i> | Deborah Frank Feinen Community Leader <i>Centennial 1985</i> | Susan Kroll CNN Correspondent <i>Urbana 1984</i> |
| Herbert D. Burnett Community Leader <i>Urbana 1982</i> | Bill Geist CBS Journalist <i>Champaign Central 1963</i> | Chung Hun Lee Associate Judge <i>Urbana 1969</i> |
| James B. Busey IV Admiral <i>Urbana 1952</i> | Grace Gipson Mentor & Scholar <i>Centennial 1999</i> | Nancy Thies Marshall Olympian <i>Urbana 1975</i> |
| Archie Clemins Admiral <i>Urbana 1961</i> | Frederick Green Judge <i>Urbana 1941</i> | Dianne Messina Stanley TV & Film Writer <i>Champaign Central 1966</i> |
| Eleanor Nelson Conrad Public Servant <i>Central 1942</i> | Sue Grey Community Leader <i>Centennial 1979</i> | Charles Middleton Career F.B.I. Agent <i>Urbana 1963</i> |
| Kent Dauten | Erika Harold Lawyer/Miss America | Nichole Millage Paralympian <i>Centennial 1995</i> |

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| Robert Mock Jr. University President <i>Urbana 1984</i> | Elliott Douglass Rodgers Executive/Army Captain <i>Central 1993</i> | Bhavia Wagner Humanitarian & Environmentalist <i>Urbana 1974</i> |
| Christopher A. Moyer Architect/Missionary <i>Urbana 1957</i> | Dr. Kendrith Rowland Cancer Physician/Researcher <i>Urbana 1972</i> | David Foster Wallace Author <i>Urbana 1980</i> |
| John David Mooney Artist/Sculptor <i>Champaign Central 1959</i> | George Shapland Corporate Leader <i>Central 1949</i> | Emily Stipes Watts Educator <i>Champaign Central 1954</i> |
| David Neuman Media Executive, Producer, Entrepreneur <i>Centennial 1978</i> | William Smith Social Justice & Equity Ambassador <i>Champaign Central 1960</i> | Meg Weinbaum Zucker Lawyer, Writer, Advocate <i>Urbana 1987</i> |
| Kristina Olson Professor of Psychology <i>Urbana 1999</i> | Stephen Van Arsdell Corporate Leader <i>Urbana 1968</i> | Jim Wicks Consumer Experience Designer <i>Central 1981</i> |

Recognized Local Business Community Impact Honorees

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| Aladdin Electric Mike Armstrong <i>Urbana 1964</i> Troy Armstrong <i>Urbana 1986</i> Brian Madsen <i>Urbana 1991</i> | Ben Manns <i>Urbana 1999</i> | <i>Urbana 1972</i> |
| Art Mart Courtney Ballard McKay <i>Urbana 1987</i> Brian McKay <i>Centennial 1992</i> | Campus Sportswear Tom Coleman <i>Centennial 1979</i> | Reynolds Towing Susan Jepsen <i>Urbana 1977</i> Greg Reynolds <i>Urbana 1979</i> |
| Atkins Group Spencer Atkins <i>Central 1987</i> | CarX Parham Parastaran <i>Central 1989</i> | Smile Politely Seth Fein <i>Urbana 1997</i> |
| Berns, Clancy & Assoc. Ed Clancy <i>Urbana 1961</i> | Kirby & Turner Masonry Marty Kirby <i>Urbana 1974</i> | Tatman Family, LLC. Paul Tatman <i>Urbana 1958</i> |
| Bunny's Tavern Spherion, Inc. Cynthia J. Nelson <i>Central 1986</i> | McDonalds Scott Miller <i>Centennial 2002</i> | Williams Memorial Seon Williams <i>Urbana 1987</i> |
| | Ragle Dental Labs Jerry Ragle | |

Recognized Local Heros

Nicole Bridges
Central 1999

Thomas Brown
Urbana 1970

Marc Changnon
Central 1970

Tori Exum
Centennial 1994

Kanittha Fay

Greg Garland
Centennial 1972

Erin Grace
Urbana 2002

Amariah Hays
Central 2002

John Hecker
Central 1969

Betsy Hendrick
Champaign 1957

Carol Scharlau
Urbana 1960