

CSN: Salute to 50 Years Unveils Time Capsule

Join us to celebrate five decades of impact on Southern Nevada

August 31, 2021 – The College of Southern Nevada continues its 50th anniversary celebration next week when officials will open a time capsule on the North Las Vegas Campus that’s been locked away since Southern Nevada’s population barely topped a quarter million people.

CSN: Salute to 50 Years will celebrate the college’s successes through the years, and its impact on the community and generations of students throughout Southern Nevada.

“It’s incredible when you realize how long 50 years is, and how much good CSN has done for our community in that time,” said CSN President Dr. Federico Zaragoza. “By putting students first, we’ve really been putting our entire community first. Thousands of students entrust CSN every semester with their education and their future. We have a great responsibility to them, and to the next generation of students. The first 50 years has only been the beginning as we strive to empower our students and communities to achieve, succeed and prosper.”

CSN began as Clark County Community College, offering classes in a small building in downtown Las Vegas in 1971, but moved to brand-new facilities at Pecos Road and Cheyenne Avenue in North Las Vegas three years later. A time capsule was placed inside the wall of that original North Las Vegas Campus building — and to this day, it remains unopened. No one’s sure what’s inside.

The college, renamed the College of Southern Nevada in 2007 to reflect its growing offerings, including several bachelor’s degrees, continues its impact on the region. In addition to a \$1.1 billion economic impact, more than 1 million people can call CSN their alma mater. More than 50,000 students call the college home every year, studying everything from Anthropology to Welding as they prepare for successful careers.

The public is invited to join the festivities at 6 p.m. Tuesday, September 7, when the time capsule’s contents are finally revealed in honor of the college’s 50 years in Southern Nevada.

The celebration will include cheerleaders, a band, special guests and dignitaries, and, best of all — placement of a new time capsule for the next generation of college leaders, stakeholders and students to unveil.

What: CSN: Salute to 50 Years

When: 6 p.m. Tuesday, September 7

Where: CSN North Las Vegas Campus, June Whitley Student Lounge (inside the main building), 3200 East Cheyenne Avenue

About CSN: The College of Southern Nevada empowers our students and communities to achieve, succeed, and prosper. Founded in 1971, CSN is a nationally recognized student success leader specializing in two-year degrees and a select number of bachelor’s degrees in specialized fields. Connect with the state’s largest and most diverse higher education institution on our [Newsroom blog](#), via our [press releases](#), or by following us on social media.

