



Omaha Business Hall of Fame Members

2011

- Richard R. Bell Chairman and CEO, HDR
- Dan Gordman (1912-1993)..... Founder, Richman Gordman Half Price Stores, Inc.
- George F. Haddix
- John P. Schlegel, S.J..... President, Creighton University
- Wallace Roger Weitz Founder and President, Weitz Funds
- Lyn Wallin Ziegenbein Executive Director, Peter Kiewit Foundation

2010

- Erastus A. Benson (1854-1932) Founder, E.A. Benson and Son Realtors
- Pennie Z. Davis (1917-2002) President, Greater Omaha Packing Co., Inc.
- Samuel D. Mercer..... Founder, Mercer Management Company
- Joseph H. Moglia Chairman, TD Ameritrade
- Theodore (Ted) M. Seldin..... Chairman, The Seldin Company
- Janice D. Stoney..... Executive Vice President (retired), U S WEST

2009

- Robert D. Bates Former insurance executive, Lincoln Financial Group,
Business advisor and community volunteer
- Deryl F. Hamann Senior Counsel, Baird Holm LLP
- Frank L. Hayes President/Managing Director, Hayes & Associates, LLC
- Clarence L. Landen (1898-1980) Executive Vice President and Founder of Securities Acceptance Corp.
and CEO and Founder of Central National Insurance Company
- Harold M. Maurer, M.D. Chancellor, University of Nebraska Medical Center
- Michael Simmonds Chairman, Simmonds Restaurant Management
- Pamela Watanabe-Gerdes Founder and former CEO, Tender Hearts Treasures, Ltd.

2008

- Tal Anderson Chairman, Performance Auto
- Anne Stuart Batchelder..... Community Volunteer and Philanthropist
- Clifton B. Batchelder (1990-2001)..... Chairman of the Board, United States Checkbook Company
- Edward H. Harriman (1848-1909)..... Chairman of the Board and President, Union Pacific Railroad
- William McBain Kizer..... Chairman Emeritus, Central States Indemnity
- Edward Fred Owen (1916-1990)..... Chairman, Owen Industries
- Arthur B. Pittman, D.V.M. (1915-1990)..... Veterinarian

2007

Chip DavisPresident and CEO, American Gramophone, and composer, Mannheim Steamroller
Kathleen C. Dodge..... Chairman and President, NEI Global Relocation
N.P. Dodge, Jr.President and Chairman of the Board, NP Dodge Co.
Henry Doorly (1879-1961)..... Publisher, Omaha World-Herald
Richard D. Holland Advertising executive and philanthropist
A.F. Jacobson (1905-1990).....President, Northwestern Bell Telephone Company

2006

Edward Creighton (1820-1874)..... Pioneer businessman and founder, Creighton University
Richard K. Davidson Chairman, Union Pacific Corporation
William A. Fitzgerald..... Chairman and CEO (retired), Commercial Federal Bank
Michael R. McCarthy Chairman, McCarthy Group, Inc.
Alan D. Simon..... Chairman of the Board, Omaha Steaks
Frederick J. Simon.....Executive Vice President, Omaha Steaks
Stephen H. Simon (1939-2006)..... Vice President and General Manager, Omaha Steaks
Gilbert C. Swanson (1906-1968) Co-owner, C.A. Swanson & Sons
W. Clarke Swanson (1908-1961)..... Co-owner, C.A. Swanson & Sons

2005

Jack W. Baker Chairman, President and CEO, PDM, Inc.
Charles F. HeiderPresident, Charles Heider Company
Gilbert Hitchcock (1859-1934)Founder, Omaha World-Herald
Harry A. Koch, Jr. Chairman (retired), The Harry A. Koch Co.
Robert J. Kutak (1932-1983) Co-Founder, Kutak Rock LLP
John NelsonChairman, SilverStone Group, Inc.

2004

Hal Daub Partner, Blackwell Sanders Peper Martin LLP
Bruce R. Lauritzen Chairman, First National Bank of Omaha
Lee G. Simmons D.V.M.....Director, Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo
David L. Sokol Chairman and CEO, MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company
Robert H. Storz (1899-1992)Chairman of the Board and President, Storz Broadcasting Company

2003

C.R. "Bob" Bell Former President, Greater Omaha Chamber
Fr. Edward Flanagan (1886-1948) Founder, Boys Town
Stanley How Designer and Chairman Emeritus, ASD Stanley J. How Architects, Inc.
Kenneth Stinson Chairman and CEO, Peter Kiewit Sons', Inc.
J. Wendell Thomas (1900-1974)..... Founder, Thomas Funeral Home
Benjamin Wiesman..... Chairman, Wiesman Development

2002

John D. Diesing.....Vice President/Secretary, J.L. Brandeis and Sons, Inc.,
and Chairman, College World Series of Omaha, Inc.
Howard L. Hawks..... Chairman and CEO, Tenaska, Inc.
Harlan J. Noddle Chairman, Noddle Development
Joseph Kirshenbaum..... President, Noddle Development
Amos T. Pearl (1909-1973)..... Founder, Frontier Bag Company, Inc.
Alberta F. Pearl (1913-1987)..... Founder, Frontier Bag Company, Inc.
John W. (Jack) Weekly.....Chairman of the Board and CEO, Mutual of Omaha Companies

2004

Perry E. "Bill" Esping (1935–1998)..... Founder, First Data Resources
John Gottschalk Chairman and President, Omaha World-Herald Company
Wayne L. Ryan, Ph.D. Chairman and CEO, Streck Laboratories, Inc.
Maurice M. Udes Founder, Builders Supply Co., Inc.
John A. Wiebe.....Chairman of the Board, Wiebe Enterprises, Inc.

2000

Eugene C. Eppley (1884–1958)..... President, Eppley Hotels Company
John C. KenefickPresident and CEO, Union Pacific Railroad
Byron Reed (1829–1891)Pioneer in real estate development
J. Joe Ricketts Founder and Chairman, Ameritrade Holding Corporation
Phillip G. Schragar..... Founder, Chairman and CEO, The Pacesetter Corporation
Harley D. Schragar President, The Pacesetter Corporation

1999

Milton R. Abrahams.....Founder, Abrahams Kaslow & Cassman
Dr. C.C. Criss (1879–1952)Founder and Chairman of the Board, Mutual of Omaha
Mrs. Mabel L. Criss (1881-1978).....First female officer and Director of Personnel and Planning, Mutual of Omaha
Fred H. Hawkins Chairman, Hawkins Construction Company
William A. Paxton, Sr. (1837-1907).....Early leader in banking, real estate, business development and stockyards
Charles D. Peebler, Jr. President, True North Communications, Inc.
Michael B. YanneyChairman and CEO, America First Companies

1998

N.P. "Phil" Dodge Chairman Emeritus, NP Dodge Company
Vinod GuptaChairman and CEO, American Business Information
George Joslyn (1848-1916) Past President, Western Newspaper Union
Lester Simon (1907-1974)Past President, Omaha Steaks International
Roy SmithPresident, Old Mill Toyota

1997

Harold W. AndersenCEO (retired), the World-Herald Company
George Brandeis (1896-1948) President, J.L. Brandeis and Sons
William F. FitzgeraldChairman (retired), Commercial Federal Savings and Loan
Harry G. Watanabe (1904-1988) Founder, The Oriental Trading Company
Clarence L. Werner..... CEO, Werner Enterprises, Inc.

1996

Mildred Brown (1913-1989) Founder, The Omaha Star
Ike Friedman (1924-1991)President and CEO, Borsheims
John R. Lauritzen..... Chairman Emeritus, First National Bank of Omaha
Joseph Cullen Root (1844-1913).....Founder and President, Woodmen of the World Life Insurance Society
Willis A. StraussPast President, CEO and Chairman, InterNorth, Inc.

1995

Abe Baker..... Founder, Baker's Supermarkets
Leo A. Daly, Jr. (1917-1981).....Chairman and President, Leo A Daly Company
Joseph Hopkins Millard (1836-1922) Pioneer banker and financier
John J. MulhallFounder, Mulhall's Nurseries
Walter Scott, Jr.....Chairman and President, Peter Kiewit Sons', Inc.

1994

Charles W. Durham Chairman, Durham Resources, Inc.
Samuel M. Greenberg (1909-1988).....Co-owner Philips Department Store
Charles M. "Mike" Harper Chairman and CEO: RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp., ConAgra Inc.
Herman Kountze (1833-1906) Pioneer Omaha banker and financier
Allan G. Lozier Chairman of the Board, Lozier Corporation

1993

Rose Blumkin.....Founder, Nebraska Furniture Mart
Warren Buffett..... Chairman, Berkshire Hathaway
John A. Creighton (1831-1907)..... Leading figure in banking, civic, and educational affairs
Robert Daugherty Chairman of the Board, Valmont Industries
Peter Kiewit (1900-1979)..... Founder, Peter Kiewit Sons', Inc.
V.J. Skutt.....Former Chairman of the Board, Mutual of Omaha Companies