

DR. CHARLES A. AND JASON C. REHER MEMORIAL FUND

University of Wyoming Anthropology Department



Dr. Charles A. Reher

Charles “Chuck” grew up in Pine Bluffs, Wyoming. He earned his BA and MA (1970, 1971) at the University of Wyoming. He was the very first graduate student in the Anthropology Department. After receiving his PhD from the University of New Mexico, he and his family returned to Laramie in 1976 when he accepted a position at the University of Wyoming. His passion had always been Plains Tribal Groups. His entire teaching career was at UW until his retirement in 2014. He remained Professor Emeritus and was actively involved with graduate students until 2022. Some of his proudest accomplishments while at UW were Director of Archaeological Field School Program, Developer and Director of the Anthropology Museum and Dendrochronology Lab. He was on the Anthropology Department Graduate Student Program Committee. In 2000, he received the Excellence in Advising Award and the Top Professor in 2006. Education and guidance of students was very important to him, he went above and beyond his entire career, a career he truly loved.

When losing their son in 2006, Chuck and his wife, Sandy, started a scholarship fund in his name. When Chuck joined his son in 2024, his wife and daughter changed the name to include him, continuing his legacy for teaching and supporting students on their educational journey.



Jason C. Reher

Jason C. Reher, beloved son of Dr. Charles A. and Sandra Reher, loved working on archaeological digs with his father and traveling the United States and England with his mother and sister. He went from playing in archaeology site backdirt piles with his trucks, to taking field classes, to professional employment on site excavations. He loved skiing, and for at least one day in 1986 he was the best cross-country skier in Wyoming when he won the Governor's Cup race. He could make stone tools, catch big trout, bowl a perfect 300, and install and maintain whole computer systems (a degree in Electrical Engineering, systems manager for a large ski area and hotel resort complex, or in charge of a whole region for a large computer firm.) He was charismatic and kind and loved his cats. He is greatly missed by all who knew him. His family memorial is at: www.jasonreher.com.

The Fund

Established in December 2011, the Dr. Charles A. And Jason C. Reher Memorial Fund (formerly Jason C. Reher Memorial Fund) supports undergraduate and graduate students studying Wyoming archaeology in the UW Department of Anthropology. It may be used for fellowship awards, support for archaeological research activities (stipends, travel, equipment, supplies), and educational activities related to archaeological research (public programs, museum projects, coordination with Native American tribes). Preference is given to research activities conducted in the eastern part of Wyoming that involve more recent time periods ("post -Paleoindian").



Giving

The University of Wyoming and its Department of Anthropology look forward to the impact this fund will have on students and the faculty and programs that support them.

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