CHUCK JURGENS: North High School, Class of 1959

How did Chuck Jurgens come to Colorado?

Simple, I was born in Denver at St. Anthony's Hospital. That makes me a native.

My mother was born in Denver. Some say she was born at home, others say at some hospital in central Denver. My Dad was born in Denver, at home. That makes me a second generation native.

My maternal grandmother was born in Pueblo, Colorado, the daughter of a railroad worker. Where my maternal grandfather came from starts an old fashioned Irish debate about Irish counties and when. The same debate continues about rest of the Irish on my mother's side.

I grew up in the house that my great grandfather is said to have built on 38th Ave.

My paternal grandmother was born in Denver, another off spring of a railroad worker. My paternal grandfather was born in New York. The rest of the Jurgens and Duerr lines all came from Germany.

Still, all in all, I claim to be a three generation Denver and Colorado native.