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After graduation from Cretin, I spent 2 years at St. John's and then to U of M -BA in 1967 and JD in 1972. I met my wife, Jan, who was a nursing student at St. Mary's Hospital in Minneapolis, my junior year at the U and we married in first year of law school.

We had 2 children during law school (Roger Jr. died at birth) and moved to Albert Lea where number 3 was born and then up to St. Cloud where our last child was born in 1979.

We moved to St. Cloud in 1973, where I joined a law firm and remained in place until retiring from Neils, Franz & Chirhart, P.A. this June 1st, 2013.

We moved to "The Farm," 12 Acres on the Mississippi, in Clear Lake Township, Sherburne County, in 1996; and have enjoyed God's gifts here in particular and hope to be able to do so long into retirement.

Our kids have grown in age, wisdom and favor, and we plan on visiting them and our grandchildren in Colorado, Wisconsin and Montana as often as we can in the coming years.

Looking forward to seeing all in September.



Trent A. Niemeyer

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After graduation from Cretin, went to St. Thomas College. I graduated in 1967 with a business degree and was awarded National Honor Society membership.

Owned and operated an art gallery in St. Paul until 1970.

Employed as Special Projects Man for president and the ten top managers at Economics Laboratory in 1973 and '74. I obtained an M.B.A. degree from the University of Minnesota, 1972-1974.

I worked at 3M Company in marketing and sales, 1974-1978 and at Guardian Safety Equipment Co. in New Jersey in sales and providing industrial hygiene services to Exxon, DuPont, American Cyanamid, etc., 1978-1981. Specialized in providing respiratory protection against hazardous chemicals.

Returned to St. Paul and opened consulting company to do special projects for presidents of small companies. Simultaneously, did medical research at the University of Minnesota Medical School. Obtained 3 patents and 3 design award/grants.

In 1986, started Filcon Corporation to manufacture and market new respirator designs. In mid-1987, initial financing killed in stock market crash. 1988-1990, raised seed money for second venture. 1994, unable to complete financing due to illegal competitor threats against my investors. Suspended operations temporarily, subject to legal action.

1994-1997, took care of seriously-ill mother. Had no personal life.

1998-forward, did consulting jobs and temporary projects. Last 6 years, worked for Questar Assessment, Inc. scoring high-school and grade-school tests. Presently working on legal issues for restarting respirator company.

Engaged twice but never married





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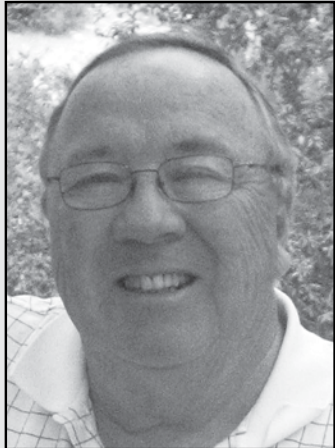
After Cretin, I attended the University of Minnesota. In 1970, I married Connie Lemmons, (St. Joe's girl). We have two children, Jeffrey, age 37 and Jill, age 35. We have one granddaughter, Stella June who is 8 years old and is our pride and joy.

I have been retired since March of 2004 after spending 35 plus years in the S&L and banking industry, finishing my career as a V.P. with Wells Fargo Bank.

We sold our home of 30+ years on Lake Minnetonka and have opted for a more causal lifestyle in a place called Carefree Country Club in Big Lake, Minnesota, where we live during the summer months, playing golf and enjoying time with our family and friends. We are now Florida residents and spending our winters in Fort Myers, Florida.

We love to travel and have a lot of places still on our bucket list. I volunteer at the Edison & Ford Winter Estates in Fort Myers during the winter months leading the Boat Tour of the Caloosahatchee River, and also assisting the curators with the Behind the Scenes Tours. I belong to several sports car clubs here and in Florida and enjoy participating in their events.

Life is good!



Stephen F. O'Connell

After graduation from Cretin, I went to the University of Minnesota for two years.

I then enlisted in the Navy for a little over two years and served in Vietnam.

I owned O'Connell's Restaurant on Grand Avenue for twenty years and now live in the Fort Lauderdale / Miami, Florida area.

I'm now in the pizza business.

My daughter Jackie lives in Indianapolis.

I like to golf, swim and spend time at the beach.

Everything is an adventure.





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When I think of the years at Cretin High School, I think of the people memories first and foremost. Starting with my friends from grade school at St. Mark's extended with friendships that were made at Cretin. These friendships are from the formative years and always can be reignited in a moment at reunions and other gatherings. Unfortunately these friendships were difficult to maintain as I left the Twin Cities after graduating with an Aeronautical Engineering degree from the University of Minnesota. After five years as an Air Force pilot and with a MBA from the W. P. Cary School at Arizona State, I took on a corporate business career, carting my wife and two sons to the corners of the US and to Asia.

Things were not that bad as I am still married to Barbara and sons David and Brian have loving families. And we have four grandchildren now. Currently Barbara and I make our permanent home in Paradise Valley, Arizona, between Phoenix and Scottsdale. The desert is a great lifestyle location especially if one enjoys golf as I do. I am still working, currently as CEO of SED International, an Atlanta-based distributor of technology products and accessories. Makes for a long commute and not enough free time for other activities.

I look forward to seeing all my class of '63 classmates in September.



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50 years is a big number! I can't believe it has been that long since graduating from Cretin! I most remember the quality of the education I received from the Christian Brothers and the discipline that was instilled along the way. Those served as a foundation going forward and are still relevant to me today.

I attended Marquette University attaining a degree in Business Administration with majors in Marketing and Human Resources. Upon graduation I embarked on a 35 year sales and management career which included Christmas tree franchising, the ski industry and the transportation industry. I endured 35 years of travel, 2-4 weeks a month and have accrued my share of frequent flier miles.

While working in the transportation industry I met my wife of 30 years, Jeanne. She was a recognized pioneer in her field of transportation and travelled extensively as well. She has 2 sons, Jeff and Mike, and we have 3 grandchildren scattered across the country so our time with them is generally limited.

We split our time between homes in San Clemente, near the ocean, and Rancho Mirage, in the desert, depending on the weather and related activities. I stay busy managing our rental properties in several beach cities and doing home improvement or remodel projects around the house.

My hobbies or interests include skiing, sailing, golf, gardening, working on my collector cars and working out at the gym 4-5 days a week. Because of our extensive travel history, our idea of a vacation is to just stay at home, to the amazement of our friends, gaze out at the ocean and eat peanut butter sandwiches, oh, and maybe have a cocktail or two! I hope to be able to attend our 50th reunion and look forward to renewing friendships with all of you.





Gary L. Pates

After four years at the University of St. Thomas ~ graduated with a degree in Business while playing football and ice hockey.

Entered the Air Force after graduation, spent one year in pilot training, one year flying in Vietnam and three years flying international transports.

Then began a career as an airline pilot. Spent 32 years flying for Pacific Southwest Airlines and USAirways. Mandatory retirement 2005. Filling retirement with cycling, snow skiing and volunteer projects.

Married 39 years to Gaynor, one daughter Erin and grandchild, Peter. Living in Rancho Santa Fe, California.



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Went on to play hockey at Bemidji State.

Taught at Brady and Hastings High Schools.

Joined the Kitchen and Bath Industry in '86.

Still married to the same mother of our two daughters

Have four wonderful grandchildren.

Watched our oldest grandson beat Cretin in football, hockey and golf.





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Being paddled my freshman year by Brother Josephus, with his taped, and drilled, "for maximum velocity" goalie hockey stick, for reading J. D. Salinger's classic, *Catcher in the Rye*, seemed terribly wrong, and set the tone for my career in the law. That book was on the Index, a mortal sin, and then whack came Brother's rapid fire justice.

I graduated from Marquette University with a political science major, and was accepted for Rutgers 1968 law school class. I was drafted for the Vietnam War, and instead of law, I did three years alternate service as a Vista Volunteer in San Jose, and Boston as a community organizer, activist, dealing with housing, mental health and legal aide issues to the poor.

In 1971, I lived in Chile for one year as free lance journalist, for the Boston Phoenix, looking for the "new man" while covering the Salvador Allende administration.

In 1972, I returned to St. Paul, as an analyst-investigator for the Minnesota Attorney General's Organized Crime Unit. From 1975 to 2000, I was as a special agent for the MN Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, specializing in white collar crime investigations. I retired in 2000 and became a licensed private investigator, as Diprima Investigations. This year marks my 41st year of continuous felony and fraud investigations.

Married to Ploy, two sons Dylan, Cretin Class of 1993, and Damian, and two daughters Boodsara and Mooknipha, still in high school. Travel to Asia, Europe and the Americas. My hobbies are chasing information, gourmet food from my wife and a daily walk to the Roseville public library for a good read; this keeps me active.



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After Cretin High School, I attended the US Naval Academy and did graduate studies at the JFK Kennedy School, Harvard University and the NATO Defense College.

During my 31 year career in the Navy, I qualified as a pilot, served three combat tours in Vietnam, was commander of a number of aviation squadrons and units as well as commander of a major shore installation and several senior positions within the Navy Department and international security agencies.

Over the past 20 years, I have been chief executive of several business associations, as well as a regional spontaneous volunteer emergency disaster response and recovery agency and statewide environmental program. Currently, I am CEO of Azores TV, a for profit bilingual Portuguese ethnic broadcast company.

I live in San Jose, California, am divorced; have four children and five grandchildren, all of whom live in Silicon Valley and the San Francisco Bay area. My oldest grandson is a US Marine.

I spend a lot of my personal and family time at Lake Tahoe. My hobbies are travel, cycling, skiing and flying. I am also a progressive political activist.





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My favorite memory is of three professional people at Cretin H. S. during my four years there. The first is Brother Bernard, who taught Biology, sophomore year. Friends and I called him "Bugsy B" and formed a social club in his name. A second teacher was Brother Josephus, who kept us in line with his infamous three check system. That same day after school, Brother was waiting with his paddle (a sawed off goalie stick) and he administered one, two, or three swats on our unprotected behind, depending on which three check occasion we were seeing him for (first, second or third time.) The third teacher was Brother Martin, who taught Latin, and unfortunately made a habit of tripping off the elevated desk platform as he was teaching.

My senior year in addition to doing some tennis and wrestling, I was the social editor of the Cretinite.

My college experiences included a BA in English from St. John's University and an MA in Reading Education from the University of St. Thomas. I took 44 additional graduate credits, mostly in special education coursework and Middle School licensure. During my teaching career I taught in four Minnesota school districts at five different schools. I retired from teaching in 2001 from School District 199 in Inver Grove Heights, MN. This June, I finished my tenth year of teaching at Woodbury H. S. as a re-employed English and reading teacher. I will go back next year for my forty-seventh year of teaching.

I have been married twice, the first time for fifteen years and the second for going on thirty years. Together, my wife Susan and I have five children and four grandchildren, ranging in age from newborn to three. As a couple we enjoy traveling, reading and just relaxing at home.



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Graduated from St. Thomas College in '67. Retired from 3M in 2007 and moved "UP NORTH".

Have had a home in Saskatchewan Canada for 40 years and enjoy hunting there every fall for a month. Have been escaping Minnesota winters for the past 14 years for 2 weeks in Ixtapa, Mexico. Was married for 20 years and then divorced. Have two great kids and have two great grandchildren who enjoy coming up to the lake to stay with grandpa.

Have many great memories of Cretin and all the outstanding fellow classmates I had in the four years there. I'll never forget Brother "Joe" and his weightlifting room in the "tower", Ale & Quail Gang and Jim, Lucy and Max.





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I went on to get a B.A. from St. Thomas College in 1967.

Spent 1968-69 in Central Highlands of Vietnam as a Combat Medic with the 4th Infantry Division.

In 1972, I met my future wife, Mary, on the Coasta del Sol in Southern Spain. We've been married 40 years with five grown children, three boys and two girls.

I've lived in Mendota Heights almost my entire life. After the Service, I started selling real estate. In 1978, I started my own company, Dave Ross Real Estate, and am still active today, after 43 years.

Active in sports, bee keeping, avid fisherman. Many father – son ventures to Ontario in the summer and ice fishing at Lake Winnipeg, Manitoba in the winter.

We've spent lots of time at our lake place in Wisconsin over the last 40 years. Still a big fan of stuffed peppers.



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I married my wonderful wife Kathleen in 1965. We produced a son and four daughters. Currently we have five grandchildren. I retired from the Minnesota Department of correction as a Corrections Officer II.

After getting out of prison, I worked at Sun Country Airlines ... until the week of 9/11.





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I retired from 3M in 2004, after working there for 37 years. At the time of my retirement, I was working as a Technical Service Rep. for the Tape Division and visited just about every major city in the USA .

I had purchased a cabin near Nisswa in 1990, on Clark Lake, and began to spend many hours there with my wife and all eight of our grandchildren. (We are "In the book" so if you are in the area, give us a call.)

We continue to maintain our home in the Tangletown area of Macalester Groveland, as well. We have three children, and all three reside in the twin cities.

Hunting and fishing remain as my method of relaxing. The grandkids keep me amused, while the hunting and fishing keep me sane. My wife (Nee Carol McCourtney) and I still enjoy the friendships of numerous high school friends, and frequently have parties with these people both at our home and cabin. St. Pat's Day, New Years, and Christmas are just a few of the traditional/annual gatherings. Life just wouldn't be the same without these opportunities to laugh at our pasts.



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I graduated from St. Thomas College in 1967 with a BA Degree and then joined the Marine Corps, serving from 1967 – 1971, in Viet Nam 1968 – 1969. Married to Susan Bonneville from 1969 to 1999 and have three children from that union: Jennie, Pat, and Dan. Married 2001 to Pamela Forcier and gained two additional children, David and Paul. Susan died 2004.

After serving in the Marine Corps, I worked for Ramsey County Welfare Computer Department from 1971 – 1973; then Norwest Bank from 1973 – 1986; then Burlington Northern Railroad from 1986 – 1995; then Target from 1995 – 1998; then IBM from 1998 – 2012. I retired June 1, 2012.

The attached picture was taken this year in Rome, Italy on a vacation with Pamela.





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Married Ann Schmidt in Marystown, MN August 26, 1977. Have 3 children, Susie, Rita and Sarah and eight grandchildren.

Worked as a social worker in Freeborn County 1970-2007 and now retired. Interests include history, Catholic reform, right-to-work, Freeborn County Republicans, libraries, biking, American Legion and AZ Cloverleaf Lions.

Experienced as a teacher, author, consultant, counselor, administrator and lecturer.



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About me: University of Minnesota grad, BS, MBA. I worked for Intel for 14 years before founding an internet marketing agency. After running OakTree Digital for 20 years, I sold the agency last January and am now developing software products that enable voters who are blind, have vision impairments or are physically disabled to vote independently and at home. Our products have been used in over 15 elections in Oregon since 2008. I also enjoy kicking 40-somethings butt on a 3.5 tennis team.

About my family: Best decision of my life was to propose to my wife Mary, Tom Mahlum's sister. We have a son and two daughters who have taken us on amazing life adventures during their childhood, in school, in scouting (Kevin is an Eagle Scout), collegiate Division I water polo (both Sara and Emily) and now into their adulthood. They continue to be our life's best accomplishments.

Both Mary and I are well into our "encore careers" as she recently went back to school to become a paralegal hoping to work on elder issues (you know, working with old people!). We moved to Oregon 25 years ago and, while we miss friends and family back in the Twin Cities, we love being Oregonians. Wishing everyone from the Class of '63 the best!





James M. Schubert

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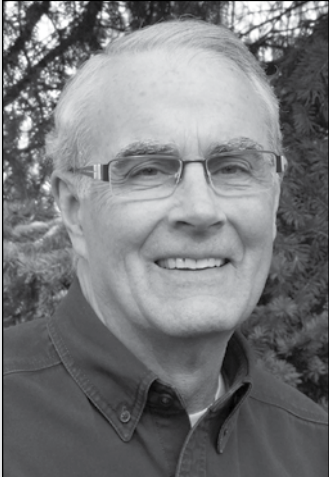
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Graduation from Creton was followed by a rather abrupt departure for the Christian Brothers novitiate at St. Mary's. After about five months there, I reverted to my original plan and enrolled at St. John's. With the help of a few summer sessions at the U of M, I was able to graduate with my class in 1967 with a BA in English and a teaching certificate.

I was a teaching assistant at South Dakota State U and received a MA in English from there in 1969. I taught freshman English at the U of Wisconsin, Platteville for two years, followed by a year as a volunteer counselor with a group home for delinquent boys in St. Louis. In 1972 I took a job with the Colorado Department of Education, State Library as the supervisor of the Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. I received a MA in library science in 1977 from the U of Denver. I held various management positions with the State Library, and retired from there in 2002 as the Deputy Director.

I married my wife, Cheryl, in 1974. She is from upstate NY and is also a librarian. We have three children, Nick, Scott, and Caroline.

I was a volunteer tutor for GED students for six years after I retired. We've been fortunate to live in a city and state that we really enjoy. Since two of my brothers live in the TC area, we travel there about once a year. My son, Scott, has recently relocated to Rochester, MN, for at least the next three years, so we will likely be in MN more often.



Tom Troskey and Tim Quigley chauffeuring Homecoming Queen Candidate Mary McKasy , OLP.
(How do you get a job like that?)



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After Cretin I attended St. Thomas College and upon graduation went into the USAF. I was trained as a meteorologist at the University of Texas, volunteered for Viet Nam, spent several years in Japan, and came back to the U.S. to attend graduate school at Colorado State, earning an MS in Biochemistry. Subsequently worked as a scientist at the USAF School of Epidemiology, and then transferred to the USAF Global Weather Central, where I spent three years as a systems analyst.

In 1977 I left the Air Force (active duty), and went into the Reserves. After a combined total of 23 years I eventually retired in 2005.

When I left active duty I went to work for Sperry Univac, and left them to join MCI in 1985. I had a good career in sales management, survived the World-Com purchase and subsequent bankruptcy and was happy when the company was purchased by Verizon.

Retired from Verizon in 2008, started my own consulting company and recently signed on with Zayo, a company with an extensive fiber optic network, to help them develop their business in Minnesota.

Two of my best friends in high school were Mike Ryan and Dick Stoffel, both of which have died. They are a constant reminder of how precious life is and why we should enjoy the moment and the friends we have made over the years.

I have a wonderful wife that has been a superb mother. We have 4 children ranging in age from 26 to 14, the youngest about to become a freshman at CDH. I also have twins that are 42 from a previous marriage, and two granddaughters.

Extra Credit:

It is sobering to think it has been 50 years, and we have lost some classmates. Initially I was inclined not to respond, since what I and others have done is relatively insignificant to the fact we have lived, loved, and are still alive.

My biggest accomplishment was to raise a family. My second good feeling is that I kept in touch with some classmates that I was close to, like Mike Ryan, Bob O'Malley, and Tom Troskey.

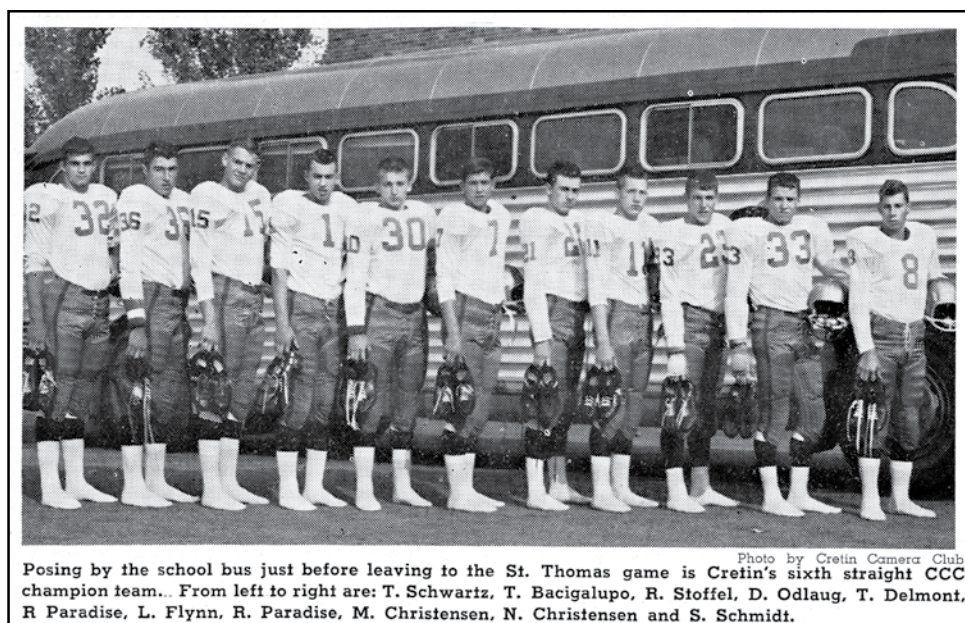


Photo by Cretin Camera Club
Posing by the school bus just before leaving to the St. Thomas game is Cretin's sixth straight CCC champion team... From left to right are: T. Schwartz, T. Bacigalupo, R. Stoffel, D. Odlaug, T. Delmont, R Paradise, L. Flynn, R. Paradise, M. Christensen, N. Christensen and S. Schmidt.



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After Cretin I attended the U of M intending to major in journalism. Had some GPA issues and was asked to sit out a semester in spring of '65. Got a letter from Uncle Sam a couple of weeks later. Didn't care for the rice paddies of SE Asia so enlisted in the Air Force. Because of 4 years of Latin, thank you Brother Josephus, they sent me to Russian language school for 9 months at the University of Indiana. Spent 18 months in Berlin as a radio intercept operator. Also spent one year in remote duty in eastern Turkey which made up my mind to leave the military.

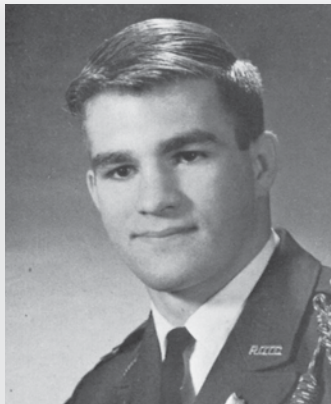
Returned home to Faribault and met my wife-to-be in a bar watching the Vikings play the Jets on TV. We have been married for 43 years and have two wonderful daughters and one super granddaughter.

Spent 35 years as a teacher/administrator at Elk River High School. Retired seven years ago and spent the first few years wintering in Fountain Hills, AZ. Spent 27 years as an assistant FB coach, 8 years as Girls Golf coach and 17 years as the junior high schools Athletic Director. I've been a member of Elk River Golf Club for over 40 years and served as President, General Manager and currently as Executive Secretary. We are a golfing family and still play together today. If you get to Elk River and there is no snow on the ground you can probably find me at the golf course.

Extra Credit

Started to smoke in the yearbook office with Barrett, Glarner and Bill Jack. Took me 25 years to quit. Thank you Brother Phillip.

Last 8 years of my time at Elk River High School my principal was Jim Voight '64. He was diagnosed with cancer while principal and passed away 5 years ago.



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After graduating from West Point in 1967, I served in the US Army for 35 years. I married my high school sweetheart Sandy Helin and we have four wonderful children, eleven amazing grandchildren and number twelve on the way.

During my 35 years of service, I served all over the world- Vietnam, Germany, Korea and numerous army posts in the United States. I commanded the Fourth Infantry Division, Fort Carson Colorado, III Corps, Fort Hood, Texas, United States Forces Command, Atlanta, Georgia and I retired in 2002 after serving as Commander United Nations Command, Combined Forces Command and US Forces Korea.

I was proud to serve our country and to have the opportunity to focus on our outstanding soldiers.

We are profoundly grateful to God for our health and the good life we enjoy living in a rural area outside of San Antonio. I work as a consultant with several companies that serve our defense industry.

I am looking forward to the 50th reunion of our great class of '63.





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After earning my Bachelor and Graduate degrees from the University of St. Thomas, I taught middle school students, and then served for forty years as a principal in both the Archdiocesan Schools of Minneapolis and St. Paul and the Moundsview Public Schools. As Adjunct Professor at St. Mary's University, Minneapolis, I taught graduate classes in their Education Leadership Program.

Through a Fulbright Memorial Scholarship, I had the opportunity to study the education system in Japan. I have worked with the U.S. Department of Education's "Schools of Excellence Program", Washington, D.C. and acquired a federal World Language Grant for District 621. I also served as a charter board member of The Urban Leadership Academy, University of Minnesota.

My wife, Kathy, and I have been married for 40 years and have a daughter and two sons (all Cretin Derham Hall graduates). We love being actively involved with our four grandchildren here in St Paul and Seattle.

I have had a rewarding career, wonderful family and am thoroughly enjoying retirement . My interests include genealogy research, travel and gardening at home and at our lake place in Wisconsin.



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Graduated from St. Cloud State College with a bachelor's degree in Social Studies Education. Taught seventh and eighth grade social studies 1970-71 at Maternity of Mary School in St. Paul. 1971-76 taught fifth grade at St. Peter's Catholic School in Forest Lake. 1976-78 went to graduate school at the University of Wisconsin River Falls for a Master's degree in School Counseling. 1978-84 was a school counselor at Isanti Middle School. 1984-2010 was a school counselor at Centennial Middle School in Circle Pines/Lino Lakes until I retired in 2010.

From 2005 - 2009 was in Deaconate Formation and was ordained a Deacon in the Catholic Church in September, 2009. I was assigned as a Deacon to St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Oak Grove, Minnesota.

This has truly been a blessing. I was married in 1971 and divorced in 1989. One child, a daughter who is the love of my life, who just had my first grandchild in January, 2013. What a miracle the birth of life is!

Special interests include running outside all year, Sprint triathlons and volunteering my time at various organizations. I have made two trips to Rome and central and southern Italy-- truly a blessed experience. I have also been to Medjugore in Croatia, the site of an apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Memories of Cretin include: the wonderful Catholic education, Brother Josephus and his infamous three check system for discipline. The mixers, Prom, Officer's Ball, and many good friends.





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After Cretin, I was in the group that went to St. Mary's in Winona to become a Christian Brother. I left after 6 months, back to the real world.

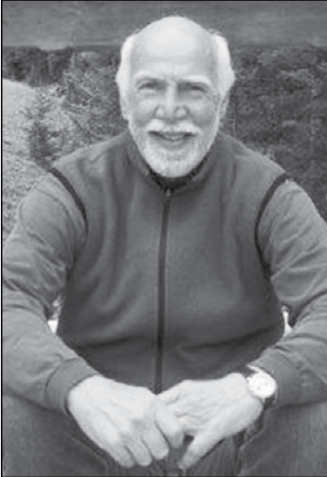
I held a variety of jobs: meat-packing plant, chemical plant, over the road trucker, pipeline worker in Northern MN. Until I enlisted in the US Marine Corps and from 1966-1969 traveled to San Diego, SE Asia and North Carolina.

Then back to school at UW River Falls for 3 years before I decided to attend St. Paul TVI to become an electrician. After 35 years in the field, I retired in 2007.

I have done some traveling to Alaska, Costa Rica and other warm weather spots.

I never married (couldn't find someone to put up with me for an extended period of time) and live in St. Paul. For my 50 years itch, I took sailing lessons and had a boat on White Bear Lake for 12 years.

Now that my long-term girlfriend, Sue Marschall (Derham-Hall' 68) retired, our next travel plans are to see all 57 National Parks. We have managed to visit 19 so far.



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I attended Lewis University and received a degree in business after graduation from Cretin.

I have been in the commercial real estate development business for 40 years. Currently I own Michael Development; building, managing and owning apartment buildings and shopping centers.

No plans for retirement at this point.

I'm married and have three children all living in the twin city area. We have a cabin in northern Minnesota where we spend time hunting, fishing and just enjoying our time with family.





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Employed for 21 years at Gould, Inc., first as an Engineering Product Manager and ending as a Marketing Product Manager. U.S. Patent for battery design.

Currently enjoying my time at Ramy Turf Products, a small wholesale distribution business in St Paul. And I have no retirement plans at present.

Married and divorced. I have 2 daughters and 2 grandchildren. Both of my grandchildren will be attending C-DH in the fall of 2013.

I currently reside with my wife, Kim Anderson, in an old family home on St. Paul's West End. Spend my leisure time cooking, gardening and restoring the original Trenter homestead.

In 2003, I became a living organ donor, donating my kidney to my best friend. Please encourage your children and grandchildren to sign up as organ donors. It is a very gratifying donation and experience.



Thomas E. Troskey
Tom

I have been one lucky guy. My wife Linda (1967 Derham grad) and I met when we were both working for the Gillette Co. and married in 1970. We are blessed with a son Steve (2002 CDH grad) and a daughter Anne (1996 CDH grad). We have 3 year old twin grandsons and enjoy them often. After working for Gillette for 4 years I was with Greif Brothers Corp. for 2 years. I then joined Hoerner Waldorf/RockTenn company and remained there for 37 years until retiring in 2011.

At RockTenn my responsibilities were to develop, expand and manage the paper recycling division of the company. There was hardly a day that I didn't look forward to going to work.

Over the years I have been fortunate to be involved with a number of business and volunteer organizations. On the business side; board member and past president of the Midway Chamber of Commerce, Chairman of the American Paper and Forest Association's Paper Recycling Committee. On the volunteer side; 25 year Board member at Keystone Community Services, coached youth sports for 15 years and currently teach reading to elementary children at a St. Paul school. Over the past 30 years staying connected with Cretin (CDH) as a parent and as a member of the Cretin alumni board has been very enjoyable.

I still play a little golf, go to the gym 3-4 times a week where racquetball, pickleball, and socializing fill the time. Reading business histories is high on my list of interests. Linda and I also enjoy time at the lake throughout the year. Like I said....I have been one lucky guy.

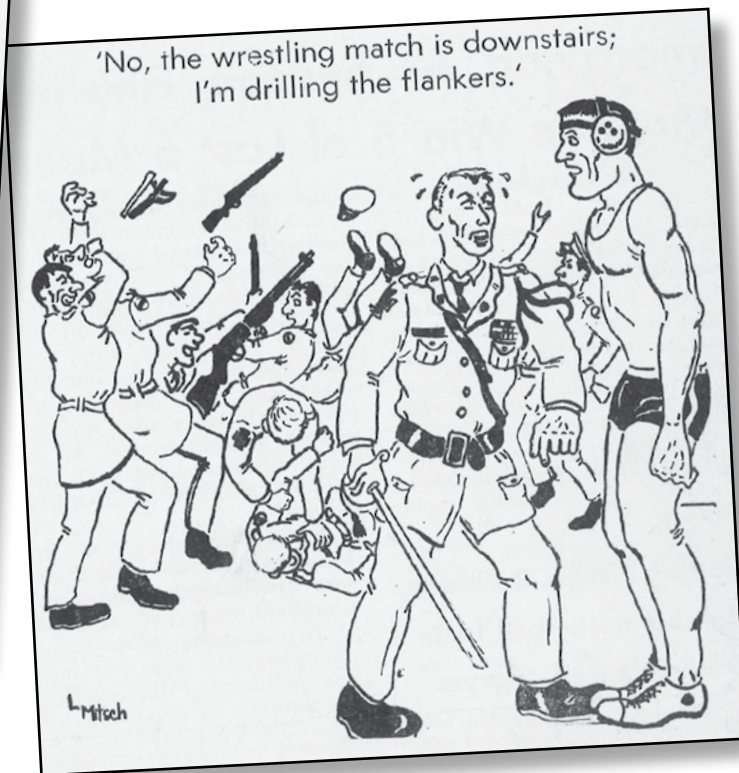
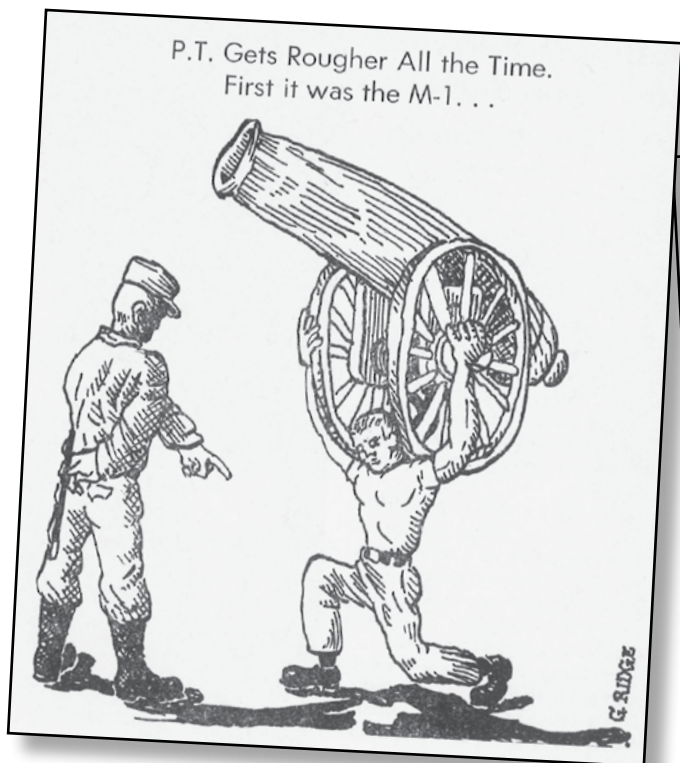




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Jim Trenter
turning on the charm



Cartoons by Greg Ridge and Len Mitsch, *Courtesy of Joe M. McGrath*



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I am almost fully retired and currently living in the Kansas City area. I am looking for a more fun area to reside in with fishing and hunting. I also am looking for a car that was popular in our high school years to restore.

Currently I spend part of the year here in KC, part in Tucson, AZ mostly the winter months because there are grandkids there with a visit to San Diego, CA same reason and the last in Minnesota fishing. Sort of feel like a nomad. But I do enjoy the retirement and taking it easy. Wishing the best to all the members of the graduating class from Cretin 1963.



Anthony C. Tuk

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After graduating from Cretin attended the U of M and graduated in Chemical Engineering. Following graduation began work for Monsanto, which turned out to be a 35 year assignment. After many projects, some moves and lots of airplane flights retired 12 years ago and have been enjoying the good life at the beach in North Carolina.

Married the girl I began dating 50 years ago this year and she stuck with me, our 46th year of marriage. We have two children and five grandchildren, two of whom are in college. Time has definitely passed quickly. Been blessed.





Jonathan D. Steele

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NOTE: Grateful thanks to organizers of Cretin's '63 reunion class for their diligence in providing this opportunity to learn each other's stories. So many interesting & varied lives initiated in close physical proximity.

My time at Cretin must have exhausted Captain Leuer with the sheer volume of repetitive paperwork orders to "remove from roles & rosters Jonathan D. Steele from rank of..."

Following Cretin, I attended Nazareth Hall, St. Paul Seminary-St. Thomas University, becoming more mature, involved and educated in US civil rights movement (Selma) and North/South Vietnam issues than theology.

Earning a BA in '67, I joined the Peace Corps specifically to avoid Vietnam – spending 2 yrs. in Brazil vaccinating cows, converting tires to sandals, & projecting Disney's animated health films in Portuguese.

When MN Draft board forwarded draft-evasion notices via the U.S. Embassy in Rio. Quickly jumping onto the 'conscientious objector' trolley, I found that 3 brothers actively serving in the Navy and an emotional father-son confrontation brought full stop to my well-laid plans. Conclusion: In 1969, I arrived in Quantico, Va. Marine Corps OCS, followed by Cherry Point, N.C. Huey flight 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, deployment to...yep....Vietnam. These men were the best of the best - ever, involved in the most absurd war - ever. Unlike 58,479 brothers & sisters, I survived, departing USMC active duty as Captain. Wadaya know, Captain Leuer....

Next: MBA, Thunderbird graduate school. In 2001, I married upscale to the loveliest Cheryl Ann. Today, 2 daughters, 4 grand kids. Three brothers and a sister are thriving well.

My working career includes multi-family development, ad agency mgmt.; launching PacTel Cellular for LA Olympics; HP, Encad, Epson int'l channel mgmt.; NPO development & lately CEO, PACSESS North America.

Cheryl earned her MFA in 2012, following a dozen years as Executive Director, American Institute of Architecture (AIA) - surprising me with her vision of owning a small community bookstore, with original author readings & wine tastings.

Because life is a process of compromise and adventure, we departed Orange County, CA in 2012 for Snohomish, WA –"invested" in the local bookstore, Snohomish Bookshop, which she operates with her daughter (When you visit the Pacific Northwest, please come to Snohomish, just outside Seattle, indie bookstores need support). I look forward to learning your stories & reacquainting with your lives moving forward.

FYI: LinkedIn contact:www.linkedin.com/jondsteele/

Unashamed nonprofit pitch: Classmates interested in a relevant mission: www.HopePartnerships.org. I'm doing pro-bono development for this NPO whose mission is ensuring Family Medicine doctors are trained in Kabul, Afghanistan. Health stats for Afghan are among the worst in the world – maternal mortality ratio is the highest in the world. Funding issue to continue training by US doctors volunteering time in Kabul. For more info, please contact me: jonathansteele7@gmail.com. Thanks.



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Married Mary Doerrer (OLP 66) 11/22/1968. Two daughters: Andrea and Gina. Three grand daughters, Allie 18, Kate Munson 16 and Sarah 12. Kate is a sophomore at CDH - fourth generation.

Enjoy golfing, fishing and racquetball. Spend winters in Maui and Ft. Myers. Will always remember Prof Berg dancing classes and Brother Joe's checks and paddle, mixers and proms.



Frank E. Villaume III

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After graduating from St. Thomas College and William Mitchell College of Law, I became a lawyer. For more than 30 years I served as assistant city attorney for the City of St. Paul. Most of my career was as a trial lawyer defending the City and its employees in state and federal courts in some of its most complex and challenging litigation.

When I retired in 2006, the City Council declared May 31 to be Frank E. Villaume III day in St. Paul in appreciation of my accomplishments.

I then began my second career as a part-time unemployment law judge for the State of Minnesota where I currently conduct hearings on eligibility for unemployment benefits.

I married the lovely Mary Jo Borsheim Conway in 1975. For most of our marriage we have lived about one mile west of the Cretin campus.

Our son Frank E. Villaume IV is a lieutenant commander in the U.S. Navy and an emergency medicine doctor, stationed at Camp Pendleton, California. He and his wife, Dr. Lourdes Gomez Villauffie, are expecting their first child in November.

I enjoy trying to stay fit, working in the yard, reading and traveling. We are thrilled about becoming grandparents.

I continue to be friends with Jack Hansen, John Hoogesteger and Lanny Kurysh.





Robert J. Wilharber

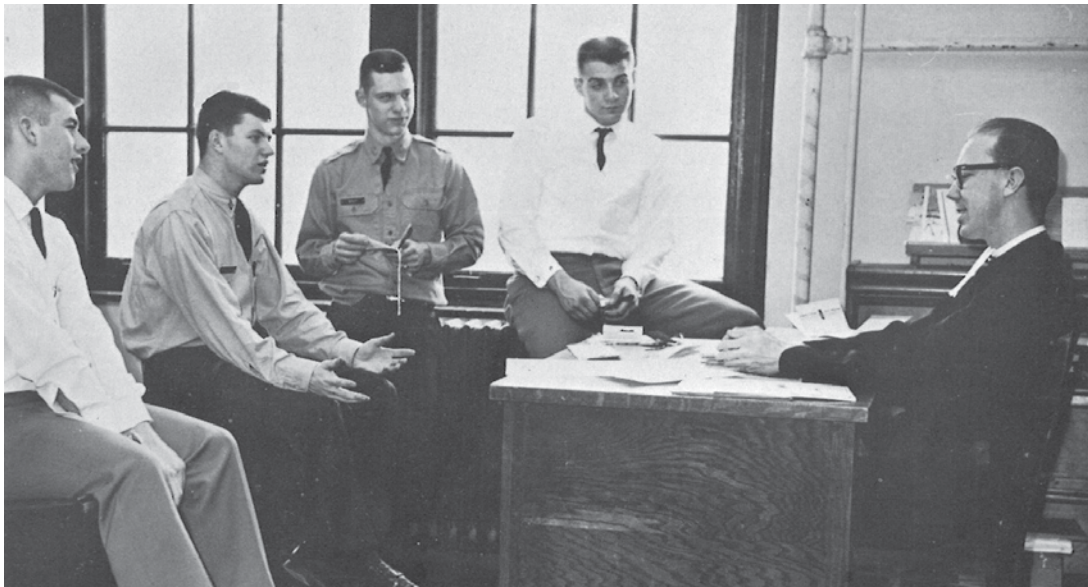
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After Cretin I joined the National Guard. I attended graphic arts school and worked in the printing industry until I retired at age 58. I have 5 children and 2 grandchildren.

Looking forward to seeing everyone!



J.V. McGrath, Mitsch, Quigley, Stoffel and Brother L. Richard