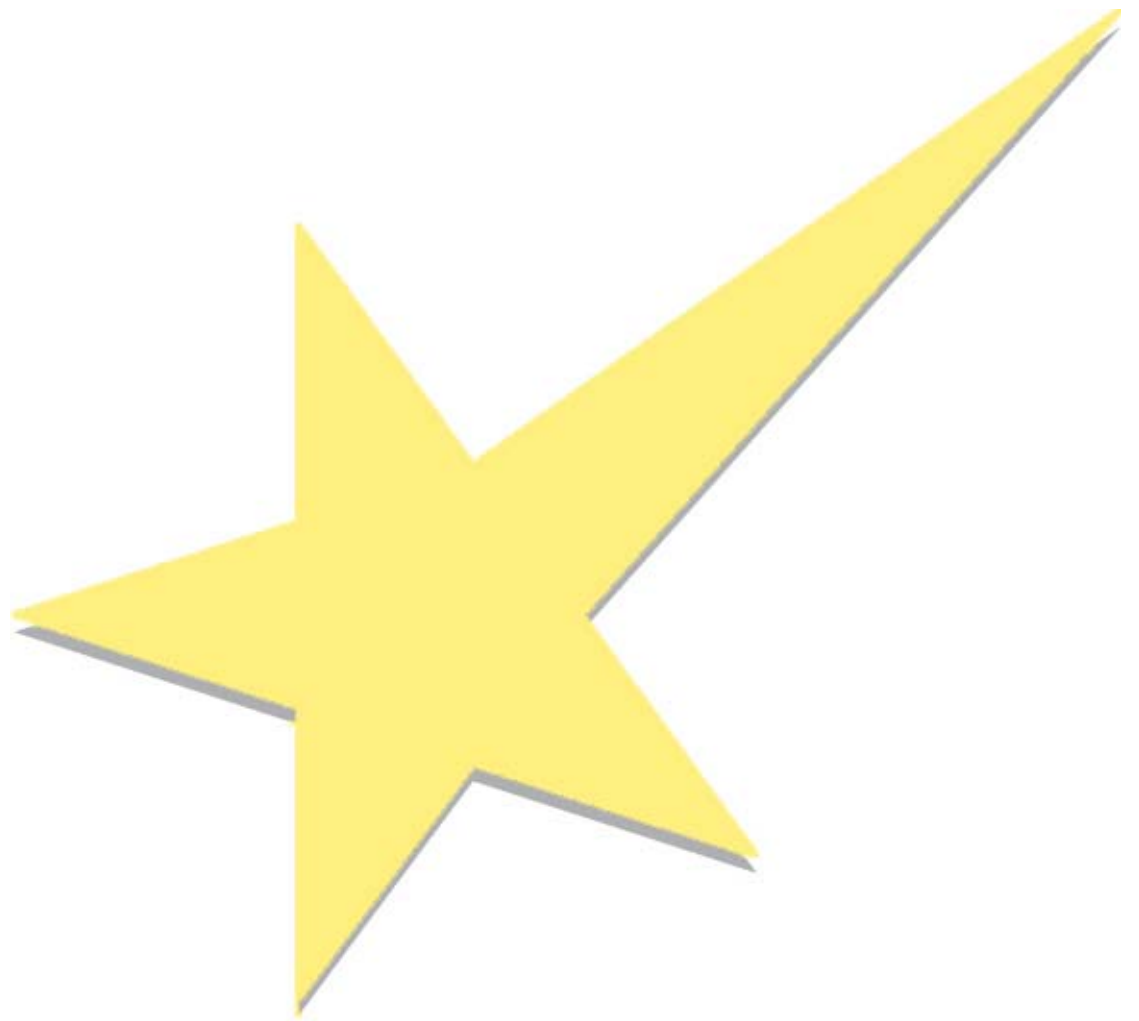


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2008 Hall of Fame Celebration



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**Parkway Alumni Association
Hall of Fame Celebration
November 15, 2008**

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| 5:30 p.m. | Reception |
| 6:30 p.m. | Dinner |
| 7:15 p.m. | Welcome
Wally Flick
<i>President, Parkway Alumni Association</i>
Alumni Association Video
Presentation of the Albert Awards |
| 7:30 p.m. | Opening Remarks
Stone Phillips, Master of Ceremonies,
<i>West graduate and Hall of Fame member</i> |
| 7:45 p.m. | Keynote Speech
Dr. Albert Burr
<i>Former principal: Parkway Junior High,
Parkway High, Parkway West High</i> |
| 8:00 p.m. | Presentation of Inductees

Concluding Remarks |





Dr. Albert Burr, Keynote Speaker

Al Burr arrived in St. Louis County in 1957 to teach mathematics and help open Parkway's first secondary school, Parkway Jr./Sr. High School. He became Parkway's first assistant principal, first junior high principal, first director of Parkway Adult Education and first director of the Parkway Summer School. Dr. Burr served as principal of Parkway Junior High School, Parkway High School and Parkway West High School over a 20-year span.

Dr. Burr was named one of the 60 most exemplary principals in the United States in a study by the National Association of Secondary School Principals. In 1990, he was recognized as one of the nation's 100 most outstanding school executives.

He served as national chairman of the National Honor Society, as a member of the board of directors of the National Merit Scholarship Program, and chaired 19 North Central Association evaluation teams. He was president of both the Missouri State High School Activities Association and the National Federation of State High School Activities. Dr. Burr received the highest awards presented by the Missouri Association of Secondary School Principals and the Missouri State Department of Education, the Robert Howe Award and the Missouri Pioneer in Education Award, respectively. On July 8, 2000, Dr. Burr was inducted into the National High School Sports Hall of Fame.

Most of all, Dr. Burr is an educator who loves kids and has unlimited respect for them. He is perhaps best characterized by the fact that for 30 years he memorized homemade flash cards that matched the names and faces of his incoming freshmen and new students so that on the first day of school, he could greet every student by name. As his schools often had over 2,300 students, this was quite an accomplishment.

Since retiring from the principalship in 1991, Dr. Burr has conducted educational and leadership seminars and keynoted conferences throughout the United States, Canada, Bermuda and the Virgin Islands.

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The Albert Awards

Many professions have awards to honor those who aspire to be the best in their fields. Most notable, perhaps, is the entertainment industry where Oscar, Emmy, and Tony are all but household words. In the field of education, the federal government annually bestows the Sallie Mae Award on first-year teachers across the country.

Closer to home, the Parkway Alumni Association has announced the Albert Award, named in honor of Dr. Al Burr, a retired teacher, coach, and long-distinguished principal in the district. The award is sponsored by the Parkway Alumni Association and funded by the Al Burr Make-A-Difference Fund for the purpose of recognizing those teachers who are inspiring others at the very earliest stages of their careers.

Throughout his half century in education, Al Burr has motivated countless educators by both his professional practice and his public speaking. The Parkway Alumni Association wants that tradition to continue and to flourish!



Sasha (Paul) Walchli [North '99] (with flowers) received accolades from Laura Teal (left), Katie Moran (third), Principal Lynn Pott (far right) and Dan Guariglia [West '76] (back).

•Sasha Walchli, Henry Elementary

To her students, Sasha Walchli is like a special book that takes them on a journey, building their confidence and helping them learn.

In “Charlotte’s Web,” Wilbur gains confidence from the powerful words that Charlotte writes about him. Walchli also focuses on the positive in each of her students, coaxing them to achieve in spite of what they perceive as roadblocks to success. Staying after school to provide additional help to struggling readers, visiting homes to talk to parents about helpful strategies, and noticing when students seem unhappy or unwell, she provides what is needed in order for all of them to learn and feel good about being at school. She also demonstrates her genuine caring for them by attending baseball games or parties when she’s invited.

Upbeat, caring and smart, Walchli is an untiring and inspiring leader. To understand the reading processing system of a child, she participated in a year-long study, working both before and after school with a student. The knowledge she gained has become a valuable resource for other Parkway and Missouri teachers, who visit her classroom to learn from her experience and acquired expertise.

Walchli also has a passion for math and science. She participates on the district’s Math Curriculum Committee, and has piloted two math series in her classroom. She is the science night facilitator at Henry, and has mentored four teachers there.

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With her passion for children, Walchli has the heart and desire to make a difference for Parkway students. As Charlotte would say, she’s “TERRIFIC!”



At Southwest Middle, Principal Chelsea Watson [South '88] (left) and nominator Sally Stoddard (right) surprise Jill Loyet [South '03] with the announcement.

•Jill Loyet, Southwest Middle

A second-year teacher, Jill Loyet was selected for the Albert Award because she represents the future of the teaching profession.

At Southwest Middle, she is active in curriculum development, participates on professional committees, sponsors the student council and helps with other clubs and activities. She tailors her instruction to the needs of her students using technology and interactive instruction. As a leader on her eighth-grade team, she develops and organizes activities, field trips and projects such as determining high school placement of students.

Outside the school (literally), Loyet has helped supervise the beautification of Southwest's grounds by soliciting donations and enlisting staff and student volunteers to plant flowers and a natural prairie habitat.

Loyet's leadership role as a member of the Southwest faculty was confirmed this year when her cohorts

nominated her for building teacher of the year. Her teaching aptitude, leadership capabilities and professional ambitions define her potential to excel as a master teacher.



Jean Nalbandian (left) and Principal Gary Mazzola [West '76] congratulate Melanie Autry [South '00] (center), on being selected for an Albert Award.

•Melanie Autry, South High

A whirlwind of enthusiasm, knowledge, professionalism and concern for kids—that is Melanie Autry, and her clear mission is to make kids successful in communication arts.

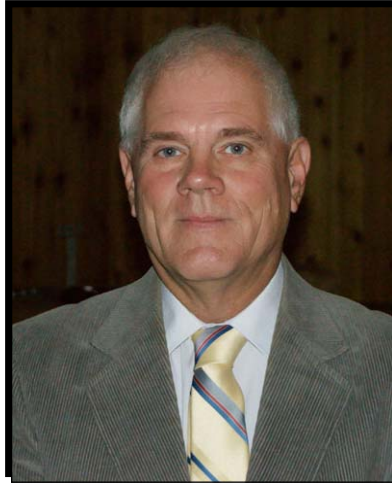
As a first-year teacher at South, she easily blends skill strands, activities, MAP terms and standards into meaningful and effective lessons for her students. She has committed herself to the challenging Freshman Literacy Program in order to learn about and implement strategies to strengthen reading skills, especially in struggling readers. This is no small feat for any teacher, and quite impressive for a new kid on the block. She also uses her background and education in young adult literature to engage students in informal book chats and literary reviews.

Autry's classroom is a cheerful array of books, posters, resources, projects and fun! It has gained her a

reputation as host of The Breakfast Club, which is an assortment of kids who hang out in her room before school just because they like being there.

She has served with excellence on the Renaissance Committee and the Literary Magazine Club, assisted with the publication of an award-winning magazine, planned awards assemblies and programs, and helped coach the impressive South High Speech and Debate Team. She's happy to share her tech savvy with colleagues, who all speak of her fondly and with respect.

With Autry representing the future of Parkway teaching, the district can look forward to smart, happy, resilient students and an enriched staff!



Charles A. Barthold

South Junior • Parkway High • West High '69

On June 13, 1976, photojournalist Charles A. Barthold filmed a tornado that destroyed the town of Jordan, Iowa. The footage was unique in that it showed one powerful tornado passing by, as well as the spawning of another. The film, along with independent documentation on the ground, proved that anti-cyclonic storms can occur in the northern hemisphere.

Barthold's footage proved to be scientifically important and earned him the prestigious George Foster Peabody Broadcasting Award in 1976, just three years after he graduated from Iowa State University.

Since then, Barthold has continued to report on people and events by using the same forthrightness and sound news judgement that he demonstrated that day in an Iowa cornfield, 100 yards away from a powerful F5 tornado. Another F5 tornado did not occur in Iowa until 2008.

Barthold began his career in journalism in 1973 at WHO-AM, FM, TV in Des Moines, first as a part-time jack-of-all-trades, and later going full-time as a news photographer with reporting duties. He was later named chief news photographer. At the Des Moines station, he produced, photographed and edited several notable productions, such as "The Jordan Tornado: One Year Later," which includes an extensive interview with Dr. Theodore Fujita, creator of the Fujita scale that meteorologists use to determine the intensity of tornadoes. Other productions on which he worked include "The Friendship Force: Des Moines – Dublin" and "The San Francisco Zephyr: A Train About to Die."

Since 1979, he has covered the news as a photojournalist at KARE-TV in Minneapolis. In 2004-05, he won an Upper Midwest Regional Emmy for his work on the "KARE 11 News at 5" program. He also photographed the documentary, "Mission of Mercy," in which he followed a medical team to the Thailand-Cambodian border where refugees were awaiting aid.

Barthold has earned many other awards, including honors from the National Press Photographers Association for spot news (Region 5 Regional Quarterly Television News Clip Contest, third quarter; first place). He also was runner-up for the association's Region 5 Photographer of the Year award (1977). During the mid-1980s, he served as a regional chairman and later national chairman of the National Press Photographers Association's Regional Quarterly Television News Clip Contest. He received the Morris Berman Citation for service to the NPPA's TV Clip Contest.

Since 1976, Barthold has volunteered many hours of service at Iowa State University, both as an advisor to KPGY-FM and as a guest lecturer at the Greenlee School of Journalism and Communications.

Barthold also has volunteered at the Minnesota Transportation Museum since 1995, including serving for two years as chairman of the board of trustees. From 2004-2006, he was a board member of the Northwest Iowa Railway Historical Society. Since 2005, he has held the position of merchandising manager for the Minnesota Streetcar Museum. He is restoring his own private rail car, The Aristocrat, which was built in 1946.

In 1973, Barthold graduated from Iowa State University with a B.S. in journalism and communications, as well as a B.S. in speech (telecommunicative arts).

Andrew Brown, M.D. West High '82



Dr. Andrew Brown has devoted much of his medical career to the U.S. Air Force. He deployed to Saudi Arabia in 1999 and to Afghanistan in 2005 in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. During these deployments, he flew over 20 missions as a flight surgeon and performed over 150 combat surgeries as an orthopedic surgeon. He received many awards for his contributions and conduct during those tours of duty.

Now a lieutenant colonel and surgeon in the Air Force Reserve, he serves as an independent contractor having filled critical needs at Ft. Belvoir, Va., as well as Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo. His civilian service to the military during this time has included caring for military members stationed at Arlington National Cemetery, serving as an instructor for the Army's Primary Care Sports Medicine Fellowship and serving as an instructor at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences.

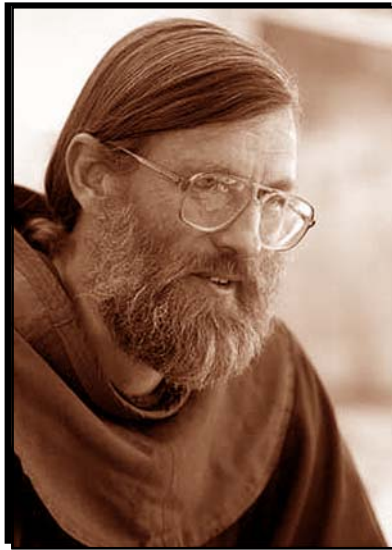
In 1983, Brown began his medical career as a research assistant for the National Institutes of Health. He received a Pew Medical Fellowship in 1989 at Rockefeller University in New York—one of the first Pew Medical Fellowships ever granted from the Midwest. He later was a team physician for the Denver Public Schools, varsity athletics at the University of Colorado, the University of Denver, the University of Iowa, the Colorado Foxes, the Tucson Sidewinders and the Chicago White Sox.

Brown has held membership in many professional organizations, including The American Medical Association, The Missouri State Medical Society, Orthopedics Overseas, The American Association for the Advancement of Science, The New York Academy of Science, the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons and the American Orthopedic Society for Sports Medicine. He is the author of many publications and has made numerous presentations on genetics as it relates to obesity, surgical techniques and sports injuries. He is board certified in orthopedic surgery, specializing in arthroscopic surgery and fracture care.

Brown earned his B.A. in molecular, cellular and developmental biology at the University of Colorado in 1986. While in college, Brown volunteered his time in the emergency room, with the nonprofit organization Kids' Friends, and to children in need as a guardian ad litem in the Boulder County courts.

He received his M.D. in 1991 at the University of Missouri-Columbia, where he received the Department of Surgery Award for the Outstanding Senior. He later completed an internship at the University of Colorado's Health Sciences Center/Department of Surgery in 1991-92, as well as his residency in the Department of Orthopedic Surgery from 1992-96. In 1998, he completed a sports medicine fellowship at the University of Iowa as well as a research program sponsored by the National Institutes of Health. He is a past recipient of the American Orthopedic Society for Sports Medicine's Young Investigator Award for his research in knee injuries.

Brown enjoys music, playing guitar and traveling. He resides in Denver, Colo.



Br. David Buer, ofm West High '71

In his vocation as a Franciscan brother, David Buer has helped provide shelter, food and other assistance through his work as an outspoken and steadfast advocate for the homeless and others in need of care.

In Tuscon, Ariz., Buer coordinates two homeless projects. The St. Francis Cooling Center operates during the summer months, and the Franciscan Ministries Soup Patrol operates during the winter. He also is a volunteer with the Samaritans, who make daily humanitarian patrols in the desert around Tucson, offering food, water and medical care to migrants.

Buer has spent much of his life working on behalf of others, taking leadership of projects that make the hardships of the needy more bearable. From 1977 to 1989, except for one year in Quincy, Ill., and one year on a Catholic farm in West Virginia, Buer lived in Chicago working with and living in community with Franciscan friars and volunteers. During these years, he co-founded the 100-bed REST Shelter in 1979 and the 250-bed Franciscan House of Mary and Joseph Shelter in 1983. He also volunteered at the St. Francis Center Soup Kitchen, now known as the Marquard Center.

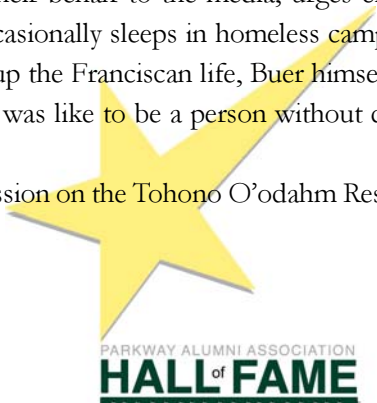
In 1989, he moved to a Franciscan community in inner-city Las Vegas and began his formation process toward becoming a Franciscan brother. He managed the Catholic Charities' winter shelter that averaged 400 men each night. Over the next few years, he lived in various formation houses, including those in Oregon, California and Guatemala before making his Solemn Vows in 1996.

In 1997, he co-founded Poverello House in Las Vegas. The facility offers daytime hospitality to the homeless; a second one was established in Henderson, Nev., in 2002.

The Las Vegas City Council named Buer "Citizen of the Month" in 2000. Two years later, he received the Award of Merit from the Southern Nevada Homeless Coalition, and the Las Vegas mayor and city council signed and presented him with a proclamation in honor and appreciation of his work in and around the city.

In addition to his work directly with the homeless, Buer works with the justice system and city governments to be sure the homeless and poor are not mistreated. An advocate who doesn't let politics get in the way of compassion, he speaks on their behalf to the media, urges city governments to commit to more summer and winter shelters, and occasionally sleeps in homeless camps to know and report on the conditions that exist there. Before taking up the Franciscan life, Buer himself was homeless for a few months in California, where he learned what it was like to be a person without dependable shelter, meals or medical care.

Buer lives at the San Xavier Mission on the Tohono O'odahm Reservation, just south of Tuscon, Ariz. The mission is over 200 years old.





August A. Busch IV West High '82

August A. Busch IV is president and chief executive officer of Anheuser-Busch Cos., an \$18 billion international corporation and brewer of the world's largest-selling beers.

Anheuser-Busch is one of the largest theme park operators in the United States, owning the Sea World and Busch Gardens parks, among others. The corporation also is one of the largest U.S. manufacturers and recyclers of aluminum beverage containers in the world. Finally, the corporation has interests in malt production, rice milling, label printing, bottle production, transportation services and real estate development.

Busch was named president and chief executive officer in December 2006. Since 2002, he has served as president of Anheuser-Busch, Inc., the U.S. brewing arm of the corporation, which commands a nearly 50 percent share of U.S. beer sales. He continues to oversee the U.S. beer company.

In 1985, Busch began his Anheuser-Busch career as a brewing division intern and later worked in numerous departments, including brewing, operations, marketing and business planning. Before he was named president in 2002, he served as vice president of brand management and later vice president of marketing for the company's 40-brand portfolio.

Busch serves on the board of directors and strategy committee for Anheuser-Busch Cos., Inc., and is chairman of the Anheuser-Busch, Inc., Board of Directors. He is a board member of FedEx Corp. and Grupo Modelo, S.A.B. de C.V.

Busch is chairman of the Beer Institute industry trade association and is on the boards of the Muscular Dystrophy Association, Education is Freedom, Loyola Academy in St. Louis and the BackStoppers of St. Louis. He is a member of the Advisory Board of the American Paralysis Association, the General Henry Hugh Shelton Leadership Initiative at North Carolina State University, the Board of Fellows of Claremont University Center and Graduate School, and the Board of Governors of Cardinal Glennon Hospital in St. Louis.

Busch earned a bachelor's degree in finance in 1987 and a master's degree in business administration in 2000 from St. Louis University, as well as a degree in international brewing from the International Brewing Institute in Berlin, Germany, in 1988.

He and his wife, Kate, reside in St. Louis, Mo.





Jeffrey S. Copeland, Ph.D. Central High '71

Students at every level in the U.S. since the 1970s have benefited from the writing, editing or teaching expertise of Jeffrey Copeland, Ph.D.

A respected education author and professor at the University of Northern Iowa, he is department head and a professor of English education in the Department of English Language and Literature. During his career, he has prepared more than 2,000 language arts teachers and taught thousands of other students.

In 2006, Copeland saw publication of his nonfiction book, “Inman’s War: A Soldier’s Story of Life in a Colored Battalion in WWII,” which was nominated for five national awards. He was interviewed on National Public Radio and has traveled to Europe for publicity events. The book tells the story of an African-American couple from St. Louis during WWII, their struggle to remain a couple in spite of a school board policy requiring all female teachers to remain unmarried, and the African-American experience in the military during that period. The book is being adapted for film.

Copeland has written more than 20 other books, most of which are textbooks for use in grades K-12, as well as the college level. He also has written many articles and two book chapters, primarily on language arts education.

In 2000, Copeland was recognized as Administrator of the Year by the Association of Educational Office Personnel. Sigma Tau Delta, a UNI chapter of the National English Honor Society, named him English Professor of the Year in both 1994 and 1995.

Copeland is a member of several professional organizations, including the National Council of Teachers of English, the International Reading Association, the Assembly on Literature of Adolescents and the Iowa Council of Teachers of English.

Before arriving at Northern Iowa State to teach in 1995, Copeland was an instructor at the University of Missouri-Columbia, where he also was assistant director of the Missouri Writing Project. He also was an English teacher in the Ottumwa Community School District in Iowa, an instructor at Arkansas State University and a reading/writing specialist for the Douglas Elementary School in Columbia, Mo.

With fond memories of his years in Parkway, Copeland says, “My education at Parkway Central was a true Renaissance education. This knowledge base allowed me to leave high school feeling I was prepared to take on anything the world presented.”

Copeland received his B.S. degree in education in 1975 at the University of Missouri-Columbia. He later earned his M.S. in English in 1976 at Arkansas State University, and his Ph.D. in curriculum and instruction (English education) in 1981 at the University of Missouri-Columbia. His areas of specialization are elementary and secondary English education, general curriculum and instruction, reading education/children’s literature and elementary and secondary school supervision.

Richard T. Coughlin, Ph.D.

Claymont • South Junior • West High '73



With six patents to his name, Richard Coughlin, Ph.D., is a pioneer in the field of biomedical research.

His past research into disease-causing bacteria attracted millions of dollars of National Institutes of Health (NIH) funding. One of the largest amounts Coughlin received to conduct his research was a \$1.2 million grant to develop vaccines for HIV-1. Although no HIV-1 vaccine has worked in clinical trials, he is optimistic that one will work some day. He also has worked on vaccines that combat Lyme disease, pneumonia and mycobacteria. His six patents are for identification methods for bacteria and for vaccines that prevent infection.

Beginning his professional career in 1984, Coughlin held several research and management positions for companies that include Centocor, Cambridge Biotech Corp. and ImmuCell Corp., all in the Northeast. At Aquila Biopharmaceuticals Corp., where he was senior director of immunology, he isolated a new human pathogen, *granulocytic Ehrlichia*. Collaborating with the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta, he developed a test for this new disease the same year it was identified to cause human illness. In 1995, he co-founded Genesis Biologics, Inc., in Worcester, Mass., a company focused upon retroviral diagnostics.

In 2004, Coughlin co-founded Sequela, located in Scarborough, Maine. The company develops diagnostic tests for people with high blood pressure and is largely supported by the NIH. He is Sequela's chief scientific officer and president.

In addition to his own research, Coughlin is active in reviewing the research of others. He is a reviewer on a NIH bioengineering and nanotechnology study section, a tech board member and reviewer for the Maine Technology Institute, and a member of the Scientific Advisory Board of Molecular Targeting Technologies, Inc.

Coughlin has authored scores of publications on immunology and disease prevention. He also has been an expert lecturer at many conferences, both in the U.S. and abroad.

In addition to the foundation provided by Principal Al Burr and his staff, Coughlin remembers two classes in particular that prepared him for his future. "Although Mr. Jerling's science class seems to have prepared me best for my profession," he says, "my debate training under Mr. Schaffer was at least as important."

Coughlin received his B.S. in physics and math at Purdue University in 1977. He earned his Ph.D. in biophysics at Michigan State University in 1982. From 1982-84, he received post-doctoral training in the Department of Atherosclerosis and Lipoprotein Research at Baylor College of Medicine. He also has taken management training at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, as well as the Sloan School of Management at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Coughlin lives with his wife, Sharon, in Falmouth, Maine. He has four children.



Kimberly Cook Davis, Esq. South '92

Kimberly Cook Davis, Esq., is a commercial attorney for U.S. Steel Corp. in Dallas.

Prior to her move to Dallas, she served as general counsel for Clayco, Inc., a large construction and design firm in St. Louis, Mo.

At Clayco, she drafted, negotiated, and reviewed contracts totaling more than \$5 billion and managed over \$50 million worth of construction and insurance-related claims.

Davis also was involved in the practice of contract, construction and employment law, as well as establishing and implementing diversity initiatives at Clayco. Under her direction, the company's diversity program received awards for excellence in diversity efforts, mentorship programs, and significantly increasing minority subcontractor participation.

Davis began her career as entry-level counsel for the May Department Stores Company where she practiced in real estate, labor, corporate, litigation and operations.

In 2007, the *St. Louis Business Journal* named Davis as one of St. Louis' 25 Most Influential Business Women and one of the city's Top 40 Under 40 Professionals. In addition, she was identified as a "Distinguished Business Leader" by *Who's Who in Black St. Louis* in 2006. *The St. Louis American* newspaper featured her in an article entitled "Nailing Down the Legal Side of Big Construction."

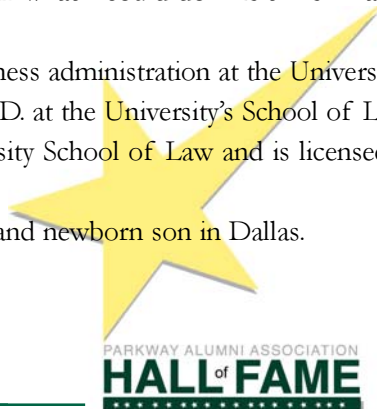
While in St. Louis, she volunteered countless hours in Parkway and Pattonville School Districts, serving as a role model and mentor for students and worked with teachers who wanted to gain better perspective on racism and how it impacts students. Additionally, she was a truancy court judge, a guardian ad litem, president of Youth on the Move-New Sunny Mount Missionary Baptist Church, vice president of the board of directors of St. Martin's Child Center, board member of the Herbert Hoover Boys and Girls Club, a volunteer at the Ronald McDonald House, and election day roving attorney.

She is a focused, committed and self-motivated person who remains appreciative of teachers at South High, South Middle and Barretts Elementary who encouraged her to try new things. Her school experience made her less afraid of failure and more inclined to stretch her horizons.

"Parkway gave me an opportunity to think globally about what I wanted to be," she says. "I always felt that there were no limitations on what I could do. I felt like I had been prepared to think outside the box."

Davis earned her B.A. in business administration at the University of Missouri-Columbia in 1997 on full academic scholarship, and her J.D. at the University's School of Law in 2001. She was trained as a civil mediator at the Washington University School of Law and is licensed to practice law in the state of Missouri.

Davis lives with her husband and newborn son in Dallas.



Steve Dinan West '72

Steve Dinan's career in the fast lane of automotive innovation took off as soon as he graduated from high school.

With a strong desire to succeed, Dinan became involved in automobile tuning—the art of increasing not just performance, but the car's interaction with the driver and passengers, the road and the environment, as well as its presentation and dynamic impact. He focused on BMW autos, introduced to the U.S. in the 1970s, and established Dinan Engineering in 1979 primarily as a BMW tuning operation.

Dinan has a cooperative relationship with BMW, which has officially sanctioned his company to modify and present their cars through its dealers. The cars are modified to his specifications at BMW dealers and maintain their factory warranty after they are sold.

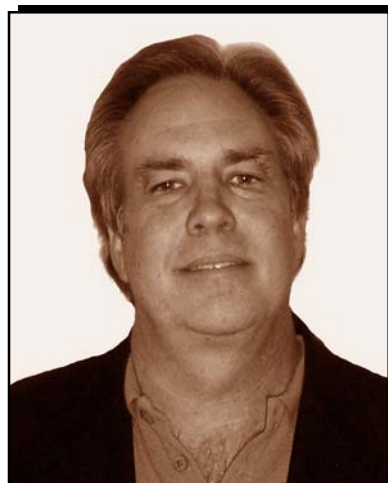
He has achieved success through personal attention to detail and overall dedication to perfection. His tuning work primarily involves engine, suspension and drive-train. His operation analyzes new BMW vehicles to find where they may be substantively improved. It then produces high performance parts that replace or supplement factory parts. Dinan himself drives the resulting autos, carefully tuning their responses and integration until they form an integrated, harmonious whole.

His business has expanded to numerous outlets to meet demand. There are 140 Dinan sales locations in the U.S., with 100 of those authorized BMW dealers. Approximately 5,000 Dinan BMW autos are sold per year.

In addition to being a world-renowned tuner, Dinan is a winning race car engineer and driver. He has provided engines and engineering for various well-known teams. In May 2008, a Dinan-powered car won the 2008 Monterey Grand Prix at Laguna Seca in the Grand Am Rolex Sports Car Series for Daytona Prototypes.

Dinan has given presentations on engine modification to the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

He and his wife, Jan, live in Morgan Hill, Calif.





Suzy (Zucker) Esstman

Ross • North Junior • North High '81

With her boundless enthusiasm and talent for leading and inspiring others, Suzy (Zucker) Esstman was a catalyst for improving her community. Her sense of humor, warmth and zest for life are remembered with fondness and appreciation by all who knew her.

Esstman's leadership skills flourished at the University of Missouri-Columbia, where she served as president of the University's Student Foundation in 1983-84, and was voted one of the Top Ten Women of Mizzou. As a senior, she was tapped as a member of the prestigious Mystical Seven, honoring good deeds, selfless leadership and service to the campus and community. She also was elected to the Golden

Key National Honor Society and the leadership organization Omicron Delta Kappa. She was a member of Delta Gamma Sorority.

After graduating from Mizzou in 1985 with a degree in business, Esstman became a sales executive at Proctor and Gamble, where she displayed a talent for making clients feel like friends. She received significant recognition for her leadership, collaboration and impressive selling skills. Her progression through several levels of management led her to Nashville, where she met her husband, Don.

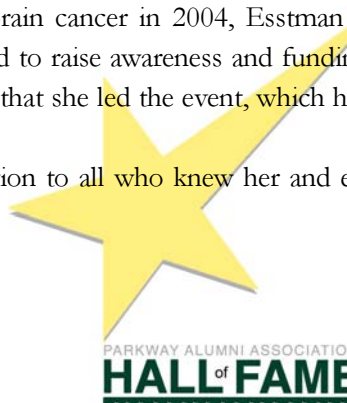
Esstman left P&G in 1995 to become a stay-at-home mom for her children— Andrew, Joe and Laurel— and to focus on contributing to charitable organizations and the community at large. She organized events for children with limited vision and was selected to serve on the Board of Directors at the Delta Gamma Center. At Parkway's Green Trails Elementary School, she was active in the PTO and initiated the Pop Open a Book summer reading program. She also made many contributions to events and programs benefiting the American Cancer Society, Family Resource Center and both United Hebrew and Central Reform Congregations.

In 1997, Esstman chaired the opening festivities for the Jewish Community Center in Chesterfield, which was attended by more than 3,000 people. She was instrumental in establishing the Helene Mirowitz Department of Jewish Community Life, which provides parenting programs and family events at the JCC.

Esstman became the youngest person ever to be elected to the JCC Executive Committee. The JCC recognized her with the organization's highest honor for service to the community, the Richard S. Weiss Award, and also the JCC Emerging Leader Award.

After being diagnosed with brain cancer in 2004, Esstman and her friends founded "Walking on Sunshine," an annual event designed to raise awareness and funding for brain tumor research. More than \$60,000 was raised in the two years that she led the event, which has since been dedicated to her memory. She passed away on July 8, 2007.

Suzy Esstman was an inspiration to all who knew her and encouraged each of us to live life to its fullest!





Charles R. Gillam, D.M.D. West High '78

In a career that has combined military service and medicine, Dr. Bob Gillam has used his knowledge and skills as a dentist to help people in remote areas of the world. Now a lieutenant colonel in the Army Reserve Dental Corps, he has spent over 20 years in active and Reserve military service.

After completing his first year in college, Gillam was awarded a scholarship in the Reserve Officers Training Corps. After graduation, he was commissioned as an officer in the United States Army. He served as a chemical officer for five years before leaving active duty to attend flight school as a Reserve officer and to pursue dental school.

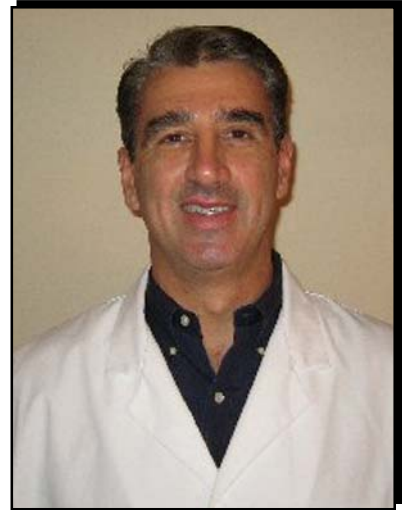
In 1991, while still in dental school, his Reserve unit—the 7th Battalion, 158th Aviation Regiment at Scott Air Force Base—was activated and he was sent to Kuwait, Iraq and Saudi Arabia to participate in Desert Storm/Desert Shield. At that time, he was a captain, a Blackhawk helicopter pilot and commander of the Headquarters Company. He was awarded the Bronze Star for Meritorious Achievement during Desert Storm/Desert Shield for service rendered December 1990-June 1991. In 1991, he was selected as the 102d ARCOM Aviator of the Year. During 1992-1993, he was the aide de camp for the Commanding General of the 102d Army Reserve Command in St. Louis, Mo.

From 1996-2001, Gillam worked for the Public Health Service/Indian Health Service in the Dental Corps, serving American Indians and Alaskan Natives. He lived and worked on the Red Lake Indian Reservation in northern Minnesota until 1998, when he became the director of the dental clinic at Samuel Simmonds Memorial Hospital in Barrow. From 2001-2004, he was a contract general dentist at the South East Alaska Regional Health Clinic in Juneau, providing dental care to isolated villages, such as Wainwright, Point Hope and Kaktovik (ANWAR). He was twice presented the Isolated Hardship Award by the Public Health Service/Indian Health Service.

In 2005, Gillam was recalled to active duty at Camp Atterbury, Ind., where he provided dental services to soldiers traveling to and from Iraq and Afghanistan during Operation Noble Eagle. He also spent two weeks in Bulgan, Mongolia, with a medical team to provide health care to people in isolated villages.

Gillam graduated with a B.A. in biology at Westminster College in Fulton, Mo., in 1982. He received his doctorate in 1995 at Southern Illinois University School of Dental Medicine. For his scholarship and service to public health, he was presented with the Award of Excellence from the American Student Dental Association, the American Association of Public Health Dentistry Community Dentistry Award, and the Dental Public Health Award.

Gillam moved to Florida in 2005, where he practices dentistry in Jacksonville. He and his wife, Patricia, live there with their daughters—Mallory, Shelby and Charlie Mae.





Bruce Harry, M.D. Central High '68

As one of the nation's leading forensic psychiatrists, Dr. Bruce Harry evaluates mentally disordered offenders for the judicial and correctional systems at both the state and federal levels. He also teaches students of psychiatry and the law at the University of Missouri-Columbia.

At Mizzou, Harry is an associate professor of psychiatry and director of the Psychiatry and Law Division of the Department of Psychiatry at the university's School of Medicine. He also is an adjunct associate professor of law at the university's School of Law, where he teaches classes on the death penalty and on mental disabilities and the law. He has held numerous other positions at the university's School of Medicine, as well as the Health Sciences Center.

At Fulton State Hospital, Harry is the interim clinical director and serves as the medical director for the Biggs Forensic Center, Missouri's only maximum-security hospital for the psychiatric treatment of violent mentally ill men and women. He treats numerous patients, supervises the other physicians, oversees the clinical programs, and is chairman of the Forensic Review Committee. Other positions he has held at Fulton include president of the medical staff and chairman of the Ethics and Research committees.

In addition to his work in Missouri, Harry was an instructor in psychiatry at Harvard Medical School (1981-82). He also has given lectures at the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Training Academy in Quantico, Va., and occasionally collaborates with its Behavioral Sciences Unit for purposes of research, education, training and criminal investigative analysis. His professional interests lie specifically in sexual homicides and serial killers.

Harry maintains licensure to practice medicine in Missouri, and national professional certifications with the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology (in both general and forensic psychiatry), and the American Board of Forensic Psychiatry. He actively contributes to professional organizations, including the American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law, the American College of Psychiatrists, the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, the International Homicide Investigators Association, and the International Criminal Investigative Analysis Fellowship.

Harry has received numerous awards and honors during his academic career, including: the Residents' Award for Teaching Excellence in the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Missouri's School of Medicine; the Graduate Interdisciplinary Faculty Award for Excellence from the Sinclair School of Nursing, University of Missouri (2006); and, Doctor of the Year at Fulton State Hospital (2004-05). In 1996, the American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law presented him with their Outstanding Service Award. In 2003, he became a Distinguished Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association.

Harry earned an A.B. degree in mathematics in 1972 and an M.D. degree in 1977, both from the University of Missouri. He completed his residency training in psychiatry in 1981 also at the University of Missouri Health Sciences Center, where he was chief resident in psychiatry (1979-1980) and a fellow in child and adolescent psychiatry (1980-1981).

He has been married to Kathleen (Kate) for 35 years. Together, they have four wonderful children.

John Kelly

Fern Ridge • North Junior • North High '78



National Hockey League fans are familiar with the voice of John Kelly, who for many years has provided play-by-play announcing for the St. Louis Blues.

Kelly began his career calling American Hockey League games on the radio for the St. Catharines Saints and the Adirondack Red Wings. In 1988, he became the NHL's radio announcer for the New York Rangers. For three seasons, 1989-92, he provided play-by-play for both radio and television simulcasts for the St. Louis Blues. He then joined the Tampa Bay Lightning expansion team for three seasons before moving his microphone to Denver, where he announced games on FSN Rocky Mountain for the Colorado Avalanche. After the Avalanche won the Stanley Cup in 1996 and 2001, he emceed the celebrations to an audience of more than 100,000 fans in downtown Denver. He returned to St. Louis in 2005 to again announce games for the Blues on the Fox Sports Midwest network and KPLR-TV.

During the 1997-98 NHL season, Kelly provided national broadcasts for Fox Sports. Additionally, he was privileged to broadcast play-off games for the Outdoor Life Network (now Versus Network). He obtained his realtor's license while the NHL was on strike in 2004-05.

A native Canadian, John is the son of the late Dan Kelly, who announced games for the St. Louis Blues for 21 years. His younger brother, Dan, also is a professional hockey announcer.

Kelly assists numerous not-for-profit organizations, including the Dan Kelly Memorial Golf Tournament, which has raised thousands of dollars for the American Cancer Society and the St. Louis Blues Fourteen Fund. He has helped other organizations by emceeding events, playing charity tournaments, donating tickets, autographing hockey memorabilia, and modeling in a fashion show with his daughter.

A graduate of Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville, Kelly graduated with a B.S. degree in mass communications in 1983.

He and his wife, Jennifer, have three children.





Robert Kinberg, Esq. Central High '66

Robert Kinberg is an intellectual property law attorney in Washington, D.C., and represents clients all over the globe.

As a senior attorney in the Patent Prosecution Practice Group at Venable LLP, Kinberg counsels clients in patents, trademarks, copyrights, trade secrets and unfair competition. As a law specialist in the area of patents, he represents the interests of clients around the world in diverse technology fields that include high-tech electronics, industrial machinery, consumer products and biotechnology. During his career, Kinberg has obtained over 2,000 patents for his clients, and has developed a network of international patent attorneys from the United States, Europe, Asia the Far and Middle East. He has been a partner at Venable since 1998 and headed the Patent Prosecution Group for five years.

Kinberg began his law career as an examiner with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. He was later promoted to patent agent for the Navy and Air Force departments. His government service concluded with a six-year term at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, where he was a patent attorney in the Office of General Counsel.

At NASA, Kinberg assisted the Justice Department in defending one of the largest patent infringement suits ever brought against the U.S. government (Hughes Aircraft vs. U.S.). He co-counseled one of the largest Board of Contract Appeals cases ever brought against NASA, involving the tracking and data relay satellites that the space shuttles use to communicate with ground-based operations while in orbit. The general counsel honored him by assigning him as counsel to a prestigious Satellite Failure Review Board to investigate the failure of an important satellite.

In 1982, Kinberg took a position at a boutique patent law firm in Washington, D.C., where he honed his legal skills, made partner after four years and became intimately involved in the management of the firm.

Former Principal Al Burr remembers Kinberg as president of the student body who had a talent for communicating with others. “He connected the student body into a oneness of purpose,” Burr says. “He managed to take the high road with all of his leadership decisions. His goal was to gain more freedom for students by having students become more responsible, and he achieved it.”

Kinberg earned his B.S. in electrical engineering at Washington University in 1970. He received his J.D. degree in 1975 at George Washington University National Law Center in Washington, D.C.

Kinberg is married to Sharon R. Wilkes and lives in Chevy Chase, Md. He has two grown children, three grandsons, and two step-daughters. He has maintained an active involvement in his community as a Boy Scout leader, Boy’s Club basketball coach and president of a community swim and tennis club.

Keith A. Kleiner

Central High '96



Keith Kleiner began his career as an early employee at Google where he was responsible for managing the deployment and configuration of all of Google's thousands of servers worldwide as the manager of hardware operations. He also was responsible for many of the critical daily operational duties of the search engine's Web site during the company's formative years. In 2005, he left Google to pursue a series of other interests.

Today, Kleiner is a chemistry and physics teacher at Aragon High School (aragonphysics.org) in San Mateo, Calif. After leaving Google, he spent several months as a substitute science and math teacher in the Los Angeles area, where he taught at more than 15 schools through the Teachers on Reserve program.

Kleiner also is founder and investment manager for the Haymar Fund, a hedge fund that invests in U.S. equities. Established in January 2007, Kleiner set a goal for the fund eventually to exceed \$100 million.

In July 2008, Kleiner launched Singularity Hub (singularity.com), a website that focuses on the latest developments in cutting edge fields such as genetics, nanotechnology and artificial intelligence. The singularity, according to Kleiner, is the point in mankind's future when man will transcend current intellectual and biological limitations and initiate an intelligence and information explosion beyond imagination.

In 2006, Keith and his wife, Mariela, launched The Giving Challenge (thegivingchallenge.com), a charitable cause which was featured on the Oprah Winfrey Show. Participants in The Giving Challenge have one week to give away \$1,000 to better the lives of others. The Kleiners ask that participants videotape the process, which is then posted on the website to inspire viewers to improve the lives of others in creative and significant ways.

Kleiner graduated in 2000 from the University of Missouri-Columbia with a B.S. in computer science (*magna cum laude*) and a B.S. in chemistry (with honors). While still in school, he founded and was president of the Mizzou Linux Users Group, one of the main communities for Linux enthusiasts in the Midwest. He also spent one semester studying abroad at University College London.





Monica (Hutchingson) Kleinman, M.D.

Henry • South Junior • West High '80

Dr. Monica (Hutchingson) Kleinman is the clinical director of the Medical-Surgical Intensive Care Unit and the Critical Care Transport Team at Children's Hospital Boston. She is recognized internationally as an authority on pediatric critical care and transport.

During her career, Kleinman has helped develop guidelines and training programs for pediatric resuscitation. In 1984, she became involved with the American Heart Association's Pediatric Life Support program, rising through the ranks of the organization to become chair of the organization's National Pediatric Subcommittee in 2007. In this position, she participated in the development of an updated version of the Pediatric Advanced Life Support course and was an editor for

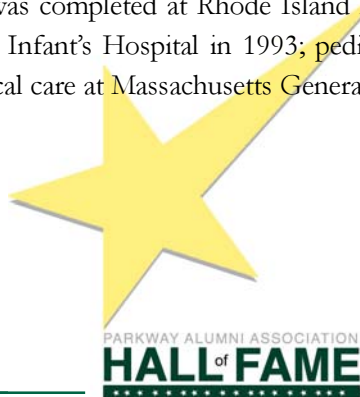
the course manuals. She also was appointed as the Pediatric Task Force co-chair for the International Liaison Committee on Resuscitation, a multinational consortium that is responsible for the development of a consensus on resuscitation science every five years.

In 2006, the American Academy of Pediatrics enlisted Kleinman to serve as an associate editor for the organization's *Guidelines for Air and Ground Transport of Neonatal and Pediatric Patients*. Transport medicine is a specialty that deals with the care of critically ill or injured children who require transfer from community hospitals to specialized pediatric centers.

In addition to her work in pediatric life support, Kleinman is on the board of directors of The Progeria Research Foundation. The foundation is dedicated to finding a cure for progeria, a rare and fatal genetic condition that causes children to age prematurely and die of heart disease or stroke at an average age of 13. Kleinman is co-investigator for the first clinical trial of drug therapy for children with the condition.

Kleinman has received many awards for her excellence as a teacher and as a physician. In 2000, she received the Charles A. Janeway Award from the Department of Medicine at Children's Hospital Boston. In 1996, she received the Faculty Teaching Award from the Department of Pediatrics at Rhode Island Hospital. As a resident, she won several awards for teaching from the Brown University Medical School and Rhode Island Hospital.

Kleinman attended Brown University, where she earned her B.S. in biology (magna cum laude) in 1984. She later graduated from Brown Medical School with her doctorate in medicine in 1987. The first step of her post-graduate training was completed at Rhode Island Hospital in 1990, followed by fellowships in neonatology at Women & Infant's Hospital in 1993; pediatric critical care at Yale-New Haven Hospital in 1994; and pediatric critical care at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston in 1995.





Capt. Kevin Little West High '73

Capt. Kevin Little was the U.S. defense and naval attaché in Madrid, Spain, until completing more than 30 years of military service in October 2008. He served as the senior military advisor to the U.S. ambassador to Spain, and he was the senior military representative for the U.S. Department of Defense in Spain. His outstanding diplomatic and professional skills, dedication to the mission, and unparalleled initiative have resulted in contributions of major significance to the U.S. military and defense policy objectives.



For over 20 years, Little was an operational naval aviator flying three different tactical jet aircraft and deploying on aircraft carriers around the world. In the U.S., he was qualified in the A-7 Corsair II and the FA-18 Hornet. He flew the Super Etendard jet on French aircraft carriers during one two-year period as an exchange pilot with the French Navy, where he became fluent in the French language. He was assigned for two years to Washington, D.C., as the Navy jet assignments officer and as a naval aide de camp for a three-star admiral at the Pentagon. In 1995, as the commanding officer, his FA-18 Hornet squadron was selected as the number one squadron (Estocin Award) over all 25 operational Navy Hornet squadrons in the U.S. Navy.



The past 10 years of his career have been a mixture of education and international relations, with a concentration on political and military affairs. He coordinated over 500 ship visits to 27 Spanish/French ports. In mid-2007, while in Spain, he developed and implemented a strategy for U.S. Navy ships to return to Spanish ports outside of Rota Naval Air Station following a 14-month hiatus due to political force protection issues. He also was the team leader in bilateral interactions between the U.S. and Spanish navies, which was critical to protecting deployments during Operation Enduring Freedom.

Between military assignments to Bahrain, France and Spain, he earned a master's degree and was a military professor for two years. In addition to teaching duties, he wrote graduate-level curriculum for international students, provided lectures at two military Latin American/Caribbean Military College conferences and was the editor for a case study textbook.

Little earned his B.S. degree in biology at Drake University in 1977 (magna cum laude), and later earned his M.S. degree in national security strategy at the U.S. Naval War College. Before his exchanged duty to France, he attended the Defense Language Institute in Monterey, Calif. He is fluent in both French and Spanish.

Little and his wife, Marie-Noelle, live in La Garde, France. Their children, Justine and Wesley, are students in the United States.



William R. Milnes, Jr. Parkway High '64

With an eye on the people who need help the most, Bill Milnes serves with compassion and distinction as president and CEO of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Vermont and The Vermont Health Plan, its affiliate HMO, and chairman of Comprehensive Benefit Administrators.

Milnes was awarded the Blue Cross and Blue Shield National Association's Turnaround Award in 2003 for completing a financial recovery of the virtually bankrupt BCBSVT Company he joined as CEO in 1998. Under his leadership, BCBS of Vermont and The Vermont Health Plan have been designated by *U.S. News & World Reports* as among the top 50 health plans in the United States in both 2006 and 2007. Preserved under his guidance as a strong, independent company, BCBSVT has become a leader and a model of how businesses can support their communities and improve the lives of the people they serve.

For example, BCBSVT annually purchases all of the influenza vaccine that is distributed at no cost to the state's most vulnerable populations, such as the elderly and people with serious medical conditions. It also maintains five community advisory boards to identify and direct health education, promotion and improvement activities in towns and cities across the state. The company also was named among the Best Places to Work in Vermont in 2006 and 2007. In 2008, the company received the Governor's Award for Performance Excellence from the Vermont Council for Quality Improvement.

In 2006, Milnes helped raise one million dollars to establish a charitable foundation, The Vermont Caring for Children Foundation and now serves as chairman of the foundation. It raises and distributes money annually for community-based programs specifically focused on improving the health of the state's children. In recognition of its extensive and sometimes groundbreaking work in community health improvement, BCBSVT received the prestigious Community Leadership Award from America's Health Insurance Plans, the commercial insurance industry's largest trade association.

Former West Principal Al Burr remembers Milnes as an effective and unique leader as a student. "The thing that set him apart from others was the way he always looked out for the underdog," Burr says. "Even then, Bill had a remarkable relationship with other students who needed help of one kind or another. Now sitting at the top of the corporate chain, Bill is still looking out for people in need."

Milnes previously held senior executive positions with several BCBS plans, including Anthem in 1995-98 as senior vice president; Community Mutual Insurance Company in 1985-95 as executive vice president of corporate services and CFO; Hospital Care Corp in 1982-85 as corporate senior vice president and CFO; and, the St. Louis Blue Cross Plan in 1974-82 as vice president of finance. Early in his career, he worked with Monsanto and the Chrysler Corp. From 1968-70, he served in the U.S. Marine Corps.

A graduate of the University of Missouri-Columbia, he received a bachelor's degree in accounting and business administration in 1968, and later earned an M.B.A. in finance in 1971. He also attended the Health Care Institute of Michigan and the management development program of the Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania. He received his C.P.A. in Missouri in 1980.



Janis (Wall) Misuraca

Ross • North Junior • North High '76

Jan (Wall) Misuraca is the executive director, driving force and chief enthusiast of the Parkway Alumni Association. With leadership, intelligence and her heart in community service, she has nurtured the alumni association since its inception in 1992, helping it grow into a multi-dimensional keystone of the Parkway School District.

Prepared with many years of involvement in the Parkway schools as both a student and a parent volunteer, Misuraca brought a wealth of knowledge and nonprofit experience to the executive director position. Under her guidance, the organization has become the hub of alumni involvement for more than 65,000 graduates, as well as a rich resource of knowledge, financial support and encouragement for Parkway teachers and students. She has successfully established a credible and respected presence for the alumni association, enabling mutually beneficial programs for the association and the school district.

During her tenure at the helm of the organization, Misuraca has been instrumental in developing and implementing programs which reward the goals and achievements of Parkway students, graduates and teachers. Programs such as Granting Dreams, the Parkway Alumni Hall of Fame, and the Al Burr Make-A-Difference Fund create both fundraising and friend-raising opportunities for the association. These programs thrive due to her leadership, enthusiasm and ability to bring the best out of the people who are working with her.

Dr. Al Burr, a member of the PAA's Honorary Board, has seen Misuraca's commitment to the association in action. "Jan possesses all of the characteristics of an outstanding leader," he says. "Jan is trustworthy, bright, energetic, passionate, organized and persuasive," he says. "As a leader, she always takes the high road. Everything she does is of the highest quality, whether it is a publication, a fundraiser, a celebration or a strategy."

Misuraca is a local and national presenter on the benefits of establishing alumni associations, and has given guidance to many school districts as they built their alumni groups. In addition to her work with alumni, she is active in many charitable organizations, her favorite one being the St. Louis Ronald McDonald House, where she was a board member during its formative years.

Although Misuraca has received many recognitions and awards for community service, the one she has valued the most is being named a Pillar of Parkway in 2003. The award was a true reflection of her desire to build relationships for the benefit of the entire community.

Misuraca earned her B.S. in business administration at the University of Missouri-St. Louis in 1980. She continues to expand her knowledge by pursuing her master's degree in nonprofit management at Washington University in St. Louis.

She resides in St. Louis with her husband, Vince. They have two children, Margaret and Vincenzo, who are both Parkway graduates.





Aaron Roodman, Ph.D.

Pierremont • South Junior • West '81

Aaron Roodman is an associate professor of particle physics and astrophysics at Stanford University, where he studies elementary particles at the Stanford Linear Accelerator Center. He is recognized by the international scientific community as an authority on matter-antimatter asymmetries in fundamental particles.

With a consortium of over 550 scientists from around the world, called the BABAR collaboration, Roodman searches for answers to the question: where did all the antimatter in the universe go? His research has been focused on finding differences between matter and antimatter that may explain why the universe is made up of matter, not antimatter, and why the universe has any matter at all.

Roodman's research has yielded many discoveries, including the discovery of a new kind of matter-antimatter asymmetry in decays of the K-meson, the first observation of a matter-antimatter asymmetry in the B-meson, and the observation of the very rare decay of a B-meson to two pi-zero mesons.

He is a frequent presenter at seminars and colloquia for physicists around the world, giving talks in Korea, Taiwan, Russia, Japan, France, Switzerland and Italy as well as across the U.S. He has been interviewed by *The New York Times* on the blind analysis method, and with collaborators has published over four hundred journal papers in particle physics.

In 1985, Roodman earned a B.S. degree (with honors) in physics from the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena, Calif. His graduate studies were conducted at the University of Chicago, where he received his Ph.D. in 1991. After post-doctoral work at the University of Chicago's Enrico Fermi Institute, he moved to Stanford in 1998.

He is grateful for the excellent education he received at Parkway schools, and wishes to thank the many dedicated teachers he had at Pierremont Elementary, South Jr. High and West Sr. High.

In addition to his career at Stanford, Roodman coaches for his daughter's soccer team. He, his wife Eva, and their three daughters reside in Stanford, Calif.





Mark V. Sauer, M.D.

South Junior • West High '73

Since 1995, Dr. Mark Sauer has been chief of reproductive endocrinology and vice chairman of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Columbia University Medical Center in New York. He was appointed to the level of tenured professor at Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons the same year.

Since 1997, he has distinguished himself by building one of the largest in vitro fertilization programs in the country, performing over 1,500 cycles of IVF per year. He also has focused on ways to assist men who are infected with HIV in having healthy children without fear of infecting their spouses or children.

Sauer is best known for his groundbreaking work in establishing pregnancies in women following natural menopause. While an associate professor at the University of Southern California (USC), he headed the egg donation program that established the first pregnancies in women who were in their 40s, 50s and 60s. His work was published in the renowned *New England Journal of Medicine*, *the Journal of the American Medical Association* and *Lancet*. He was credited as being a pioneer in reproductive research and has been interviewed by *Time*, *Newsweek*, *The New York Times* and *People*, as well as television programs such as “Dateline,” “Charlie Rose,” “20/20,” “Nightline,” “The CBS Sunday Morning Show,” “Good Morning America,” “Today” and others.

As a researcher, teacher and clinician, Sauer has trained hundreds of young physicians in reproductive medicine. He has published hundreds of peer-reviewed medical publications, made hundreds of presentations at medical meetings throughout the world, authored 40 medical textbook chapters, written two medical textbooks and delivered over 200 speeches at medical centers and conferences. He also has served as a board examiner for both obstetrics and gynecology and the subspecialty of reproductive endocrinology for the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Sauer graduated Phi Beta Kappa with an A.B. degree in biology from Washington University in 1976. He attended medical school at the University of Illinois in Chicago, where he was elected into the honorary society Alpha Omega Alpha, and graduated with honors in 1980. His residency in obstetrics and gynecology and his specialty training also were completed there. He completed his subspecialty training in reproductive endocrinology at the University of California in Los Angeles, Harbor/UCLA Medical Center.

Sauer and his wife, Lynda, have four children.





Paul Schankman

River Bend • Central Junior • Central High '78

Voted “most talented” as a high school senior, Paul Schankman has established himself as a news reporter with integrity in St. Louis.

Schankman produces special projects for “FOX 2 News at 9.” Among his many on-location assignments have been the Oklahoma City bombing, a space shuttle launch, two political conventions and the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, 2001, in New York City, where he was the first St. Louis reporter to begin broadcasting live. Also, at the tender age of 19, he covered President Ronald Reagan’s first inauguration for two local radio stations.

Schankman also hosts the program “State of the Arts” on the Higher Education Channel in St. Louis, and has hosted radio programs at KTRS-AM. Prior to joining FOX 2, he was a weekend anchor and reporter at the CBS TV/radio station in Rock Island, Ill.

In addition to his accomplishments in the studio, Schankman is involved in several community activities. He is an announcer at the city’s MUNY Opera, as well as a voting member of St. Louis’ Walk of Fame.

Schankman has won numerous awards, including the Edward R. Murrow Award for writing, 17 regional Emmy awards, a bronze medal at the International Radio and Television Festival, the Unity Award from Lincoln University, and Dartmouth College’s Champion-Tuck Award for economic reporting. He also has received recognition from the St. Louis Association of Black Journalists.

A newsman with a sense of humor, Schankman recalls that his brush with an angry llama that pushed him into a creek will probably live on for many years, as it has been shown on television blooper shows all over the world.

At Central High, Schankman remembers the teachers who prepared him for his career as a newsman on camera. “Leroy Walters had me read news headlines to the class every morning in social studies class, and Carole Clary, who was my journalism teacher, appointed me editor of the paper my senior year,” he says. “Also, my drama teacher, Betty Pfaff, always told us to ‘be nice to the crew—you can’t act in the dark.’”

Schankman earned his B.S. degree in mass communications at SIU-Edwardsville in 1982. He graduated with honors and later received the Alumni Achievement Award.



Kristina Schmidt

Central Junior • Central High '84

Sports have provided Kris Schmidt with great opportunities throughout her life. From earning a scholarship to college, to playing on championship softball teams, to helping her develop the skills required for a successful career in the United States Secret Service, sports have played a role.

In 1995, Schmidt began her career in the Secret Service at the Kansas City field office. She was assigned to a Joint Financial Crimes Task Force, where she investigated counterfeiting, bank fraud and credit card fraud. After being transferred to Springfield, Mo., she worked with the police department and the sheriff's department to develop a similar task force.

While in Missouri, Schmidt worked a variety of dignitary protection assignments which included the president and vice president of the United States, former presidents, presidential candidates and foreign heads of state. In 2000, she was transferred to the Presidential Protective Division in Washington, D.C. Schmidt was assigned to protect both President Bill Clinton and President George W. Bush and their families. Her career has taken her across the U.S. and to foreign countries that include Russia, China, Israel, Peru, New Zealand and South Africa. She now is assigned to the Chicago field office as an assistant to the special agent in charge.

Schmidt was an important component of Central's state championship softball team in 1981. With the help of coach Don Rothermich, she earned an athletic scholarship to play for the University of Missouri (1985-88), where she set the school season records for hits (77), batting average (.410) and putouts. She also established career marks for hits (212), batting average (.350) and slugging percentage (.438). She was a three-time All Big Eight selection who twice earned All Midwest honors, and was an All American athlete in 1986.

After graduation, Schmidt became a probation and parole officer in Columbia, Mo. In 1989, she returned to Mizzou to become an assistant coach for the softball team and to work on her master's degree. She helped coach the Tigers in one of their most successful seasons, finishing fifth in the nation in 1992.

Schmidt continued her playing career and won Amateur Softball Association National Championships with the Ballwin Saints (1990) and the Raybestos Brakettes (1991 & 1992). She also played for the U.S. National Softball Team and won gold medals at the Pan American games in Santiago, Cuba (1991) and at the International Cup in Beijing, China (1992).

Schmidt graduated with a bachelor's degree in social work from the University of Missouri in 1988. She earned her master's degree in social work in 1991. In 1999, she was inducted into the University of Missouri Sports Hall of Fame for her outstanding athletic and academic career.





William Thompson

South Junior • West Junior • West High '73

Bill Thompson is a co-founder and managing director of the Real Estate Private Fund Group of Credit Suisse (formerly DLJ). The group is the largest real estate private fund placement agency business in the world.

Thompson's company has offices in London, New York, Chicago and San Francisco, and affiliate offices in Sydney, Hong Kong, Tokyo and Dubai. In 2007, he and his partners were named by *Private Equity Real Estate Magazine* as one of the most influential players in the real estate private equity business. The group has raised over \$35 billion for over 70 real estate investment firms worldwide since it was formed in 2000.

He and his team have raised real estate funds ranging in size from \$100 million to \$3 billion for public and private real estate investment firms, including Blackstone, Essex, Camden, Soros/Grove, Rockpoint, Praedium, Credit Lyonnais Asia and Credit Suisse. Investors in these funds include public and private pension plans, endowments and foundations, institutional international investors and high-net-worth investors.

For Thompson, success is the product of something very basic.

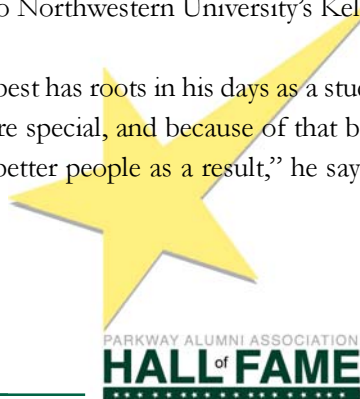
"Honesty comes first and is absolute for me and the people who represent our company," he says. "Also, we work hard to be sure that every business deal is a win-win for everyone involved. Our biggest concern is that we do the best job possible representing our investors."

Prior to co-founding Credit Suisse, Thompson was a managing director at Robertson Stephens, a San Francisco-based investment bank. He and his partners formed the Private Fund Group, which raised venture capital and real estate funds. He began his real estate career with what is now Jones Lang LaSalle as an acquisitions officer. As a managing director of LaSalle Advisors, he oversaw global fundraising for the company's investment advisory business. Thompson began his business career as a marketing representative for the IBM Corp.

With Al Burr as his principal, Thompson set his goals high. "He always had a way of making you feel special," he says. "Because of that, you actually tried your hardest to be his projection of what you could be, which always made you a better person, whether you got there or not. I'm still trying to reach his expectation of what I could be."

Thompson earned his B.S. in business administration and German at Vanderbilt University in 1977, graduating cum laude. He went on to Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management to earn his M.B.A. in 1982.

His commitment to doing his best has roots in his days as a student at West High. "Parkway had a way of making kids believe that they were special, and because of that belief, we often reached higher than we otherwise would have and became better people as a result," he says.



Jill (Harlan) Youse

Claymont • West Junior • West High '96



When Jill (Harlan) Youse set out to help infants who had been orphaned by HIV/AIDS in South Africa, she created a way for mothers across the United States to help in a way that only a mother can – by providing donor breast milk. In areas where poverty and disease claim the lives of millions of babies each year, donor breast milk can be the difference between life and death.

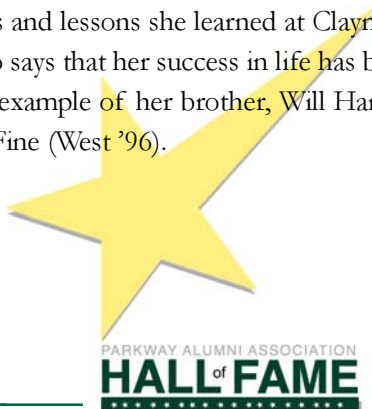
In 2006, Youse pioneered the revolutionary, nonprofit International Breast Milk Project (breastmilkproject.org), whose mission is to create awareness of the need for donor human milk, mobilize donors and provide donor human milk to infants in need. In just two years, the International Breast Milk Project has grown to become one of the leading milk banks worldwide, helping moms with extra breast milk become overnight philanthropists. Over 1,000 moms from across the U.S. have donated their milk. International Breast Milk Project has provided over 119,000 ounces (approximately 29,000 bottles, or 937 gallons) of safe, pasteurized donor milk to infants in Africa and over 250,000 ounces of donor milk to Prolacta Bioscience for processing for a human milk fortifier for critically ill infants in the United States. In addition, the organization has granted over \$140,000 for health care development and milk banks in Africa.

In November 2007, International Breast Milk Project earned the Charities Review Council seal of approval for organizational governance, transparency and financial accountability. In June 2008, Social Venture Partners recognized Youse for her social entrepreneurship and innovation.

Youse has been featured in numerous media, including “The Oprah Winfrey Show,” “ABC World News,” “Good Morning America,” *Time.com*, *Foreign Policy Magazine*, *The New York Daily News* and National Public Radio. She was selected as an Action Hero by *Women’s Health Magazine* in 2006, and was named “Person of the Week” by ABC World News in 2007.

Youse earned her B.A. in communication at Truman State University in 2001. Youse and her husband, Dr. Jeremy Youse, a dermatology resident at Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn., are the proud parents of two daughters, two dogs and a three-legged cat. International Breast Milk Project was inspired by Youse’s maternal grandmother, Mildred Early, who encouraged her to breastfeed and donated funding to help start the organization.

Youse says that the friendships and lessons she learned at Claymont Elementary School are the ones she constantly goes back to. She also says that her success in life has been made possible by the love of her parents, Bill and Elaine Harlan, the example of her brother, Will Harlan (West '92) and the humor of her best friend since second grade, Liz Fine (West '96).



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