



## Keith Alper

Green Trails • Central Junior  
Central High ('80)

Keith Alper is the cofounder, executive producer and CEO of Creative Producers Group (CPG) and Companies ([www.getcreative.com](http://www.getcreative.com)). CPG is a marketing communications company that produces strategic events, meetings, entertainment, video and internet solutions for national and international clients. CPG clients include BMW, H&R Block, Wal-Mart, Coke, American Airlines and more.

Alper and CPG subsidiary Premier Productions served as executive producers for RiverSplash, the St. Louis 2004 concerts and multimedia events to commemorate the 100-year anniversary of the 1904 World's Fair. Other CPG companies include Creativeworks and Showworks. He co-founded the company at the age of 18, after having been partly inspired by his time in the A/V department and theatre at Central Junior and Senior High.

Alper and CPG have won over 200 international and national industry awards, including the New York Festivals, Tellys, ACE and Addys. Alper has been named a Top 100 Multimedia Producer by A/V Video and Multimedia Producer magazine multiple times and has been featured in The Wall Street Journal, The New York Times, Fortune and Inc. Magazine. He was also named to the St. Louis Business Journal's list of 40 business leaders under the age of 40.

In addition to his professional accomplishments, Alper has been very active in entrepreneurship and business groups. He was the founding president of the St. Louis chapter of the Young Entrepreneurs Organization, an international organization for young (under 39) owners of businesses with a minimum of \$1 million in annual sales. In 18 months he helped build the chapter to the largest in the YEO network. He later became the president of YEO International, with a worldwide membership of 5,000. He is president-elect of the Young Presidents' Organization (YPO), an organization similar to YEO but for presidents of larger companies and under the age of 49.

Alper has served on the board of directors of various businesses and non-profit groups, including the St. Louis County Enterprise Centers, SIU-Edwardsville School of Business, Civic Entrepreneurs Organization, KWMU-NPR radio, St. Louis Film Festival, YPO, The Korte Company and Enterprise Bank.

Alper is a 1980 graduate of Central High and a 1984 graduate of Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville. At SIU, he majored in TV/radio/film with a minor in lighting design.

He lives in Chesterfield, Mo.



## Jeff Altman

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After graduating from college, Jeff Altman reached a high level of success in the restaurant business, but found the industry hours were not family friendly. He then entered the mortgage business, where he has achieved great success as a partner with Westcal Mortgage. He is in the top five percent of mortgage brokers worldwide.

In addition to noting his professional accomplishments, Altman's nomination for the Hall of Fame was highlighted by the hard work he still does for the Parkway School District and its students. In 1994, Altman's best friend from high school, Kurt Schoor, died of heart disease. Altman was devastated by the loss of his close friend, but two years later thought of a way to make Schoor's memory live on and to help others in the process.

Altman and the Alumni Association established the Kurt Schoor Memorial Fund in 1997, which has awarded thousands of dollars over the years to deserving Parkway students. His dedication and hard work have made the fund a success. He personally writes the letters and solicits all donations for the fund, often from companies in California who know nothing of Parkway, but believe that because Altman is involved it must be a great cause.

Altman flies back to St. Louis every year to hand out the awards that honor his great friend. The Kurt Schoor Memorial Fund has not only been a benefit to Parkway students, but also to Kurt's family, who have embraced the program. Through the years, Schoor's parents have gone from being spectators at the ceremony to active participants. Schoor's father, Gerry, and his brother, Mark, have helped Altman present students with these wonderful awards. His mother, Marge, enjoys visiting with the students and their families at the reception.

"Parkway graduates - we are proud of our past and confident of our future" is how Altman expresses his sentiment for Parkway and the education its students receive. He lives this quote to the fullest, as evidenced by his business accomplishments and hard work for others.

Altman is a 1979 graduate of Central High and a graduate of Western University. He is an honorary member of the Parkway Alumni Association Board of Directors.

He lives in Anaheim, Calif.





## Robert Arnold, M.D.

North Junior • North High ('76)

Dr. Robert Arnold is a board-certified internist at the University of Pittsburgh's Department of Medicine in the Division of General Internal Medicine. He is the director of Palliative Care Service at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center and is a faculty member of the University of Pittsburgh Center for Bioethics and Health Law.

As a faculty scholar on the Project on Death in America, Arnold is teaching physicians how to communicate with patients and their families concerning end-of-life issues. In doing so, he follows the example he saw as a student: "I learned from the teachers at Parkway the true meaning of mentoring, a lesson I have tried to emulate in my career. The teachers were the best, both at teaching their subjects and about life!"

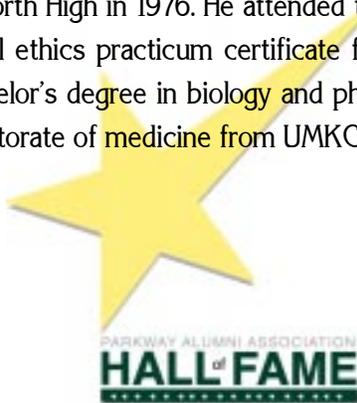
His clinical activities focus on providing palliative care in a tertiary care hospital and in providing primary care to HIV-positive inpatients. He is a leader in the fields of medical ethics, doctor-patient communications and end-of-life issues.

Arnold's research interests include advance directives and decisions to forgo life-sustaining treatment, autonomy in decision-making, organ procurement, and integrating clinical ethics into internal medicine residency education. He serves on the ethics committee of the Society of General Internal Medicine and has held leadership positions with groups which include the American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine and the American Society of Bioethics and Humanities.

Arnold is the author of over 70 articles on teaching clinical ethics, the role of ethics committees and more. He has served as a reviewer for the American Journal of Medicine, the Journal of the American Medical Association, and many other publications. He has served on the editorial board of the Journal of General Internal Medicine and Journal of Palliative Medicine. He is also the author of many books and book chapters.

Arnold graduated from North High in 1976. He attended the University of Tennessee in Memphis and received his medical ethics practicum certificate from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. He received a bachelor's degree in biology and philosophy from the University of Missouri-Kansas City, and his doctorate of medicine from UMKC's school of medicine.

He lives in Pittsburgh, Pa.





## Gary Barnett

Parkway Junior-Senior High ('64)

Gary Barnett is the head football coach at the University of Colorado in Boulder. At Colorado, he has won one Big 12 Conference title and two Big 12 North Division championships. In 2001 and 2002, his Colorado teams compiled a 14-2 record in conference games, one of the best two-year records in league history. He has coached the Buffaloes in the Fiesta, Alamo and Insight.com bowl games. Barnett also served as an assistant coach at Colorado under Bill McCartney from 1984-91.

In 1992, Barnett became head coach at Northwestern University. As coach of the Wildcats, he led the team to an outright Big Ten Conference championship in 1995 and a shared championship in 1996. He took the team to their first bowl game in 47 years when the 1995 team played USC in the Rose Bowl. The 1996 team played in the Citrus Bowl, marking the first time ever that Northwestern teams went to back-to-back bowl games. The winning seasons in 1995 and 1996 matched the school's total number of winning seasons for the previous 31 seasons.

Barnett was named the Big Ten Coach of the Year in both winning seasons. He won 18 citations as the Big Ten and/or national coach of the year in 1995. Northwestern was honored with the 1998 American Football Coaches Association Outstanding Academic Award, as the Wildcats had the nation's highest graduation rate.

He got his start in coaching at his alma mater, Mizzou. After lettering as a senior at wide receiver, he worked as a graduate assistant under coach Al Onofrio. He then moved to Colorado to become an assistant and later became head coach at Air Academy High School. His next head coaching position was at Ft. Lewis College in Colorado, but later joined Bill McCartney's coaching staff at the University of Colorado.

Barnett graduated from Parkway High in 1964. He received his bachelor's degree in social studies in 1969 and his master's degree in education in 1971, both from the University of Missouri-Columbia.





## Philip Bierman, M.D.

Central High ('73)

Dr. Philip Jay Bierman is a member of the bone marrow transplant team at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha. He is also an associate professor of medicine in oncology and hematology and director of the oncology fellowship program, overseeing the training of young oncologists.

He is board certified in internal medicine, oncology and hematology. His research focuses on lymphoma, autologous transplantation and allogenic transplantation.

Bierman has coauthored more than 120 research papers and contributed to more than 35 books on oncology, hematology and marrow and stem cell transplantation. Widely recognized by his peers, Bierman has been an invited presenter at hundreds of national and international symposia. Through his papers, presentations and training, Bierman has shared his knowledge with doctors worldwide, touching the lives of patients across the globe.

Bierman serves as a reviewer for numerous research journals including Clinical Lymphoma, Journal of Clinical Oncology, Annals of Internal Medicine and Blood and Leukemia. He is a member of the American Society of Clinical Oncology, the American Society for Blood & Marrow Transplantation, the American Association for Advancement of Science and other organizations.

Bierman graduated from Central High in 1973. He received his undergraduate and medical degrees from the University of Missouri-Kansas City. He completed an internal medicine residency and an oncology fellowship at the University of Nebraska Medical Center. He also completed a hematology fellowship at the City of Hope National Medical Center in Duarte, Calif.





## Sarah (Werner) Bullock

Barretts • South Junior • South High ('93)

As a Special Agent for the United States Secret Service, Sarah (Werner) Bullock has worked in support of the President and Vice President, and has served as the lead advance agent for 22 foreign head of state and government visits to the Washington, D.C. area. Since joining the Secret Service in 1998, she has participated in a number of significant investigations and historical events. As a criminal investigator, she participated in the D.C. Sniper Task Force investigation in October 2002.

Bullock has been recognized for her outstanding work on a joint investigative financial fraud case involving a high-profile identity theft, which resulted in the arrest of five individuals, and for her work as a case agent on an investigation, which led to the arrest of a suspect wanted for several murders in the Washington, D.C., area. She has been recognized by the Secret Service for her exceptional effort for the protection of foreign dignitaries during the United Nations General Assembly. She served as the lead advance agent for the state funeral services for former President Ronald Reagan at the Washington National Cathedral.

Bullock also provided critical support to the Secret Service following the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. Immediately following the attacks, she was assigned protective duties in close proximity to the White House and other significant locations in the Washington area. She was also involved in the Secret Service investigative efforts stemming from the attacks.

Regarding her Parkway education, Bullock says, "I have often looked back and been thankful that I was a Parkway grad. In so many instances I have experienced the benefits of the resources, networks and diversity that defines the Parkway School District."

Bullock is a 1993 graduate of South High. She received a bachelor of science in human development and family studies from the University of Missouri-Columbia in 1997. In 1998, she graduated from American University with a master of science in justice, law and society.





## Teri (Steller) Clemens

South Junior • West High ('74)

Teri (Steller) Clemens was the head coach of the Washington University women's volleyball team for 14 years. During that time, her teams won seven NCAA national championships and she was named the National Coach of the Year six times.

Clemens is the all-time most winning NCAA volleyball coach in the nation with a winning percentage of .894 throughout her career. She stands above both men's and women's coaches on all levels with this winning percentage.

In 2000, Clemens was selected as one of the top 100 St. Louis sports personalities of the century and she has been named three times as the St. Louis female Sports Personality of the Year. She has been inducted into the Truman State University Athletics and Washington University Athletics halls of fame. This December, Clemens will be inducted into the Volleyball Hall of Fame in California.

Many of Clemens' athletes have also achieved great success through her guidance. She has produced nine NCAA National Players of the Year, 35 All American players and nine Academic All Americans.

Today, Clemens' activities include motivational speaking at business, civic, athletic, entertainment and educational events, including graduation ceremonies. Her speaking engagements have taken her to 35 states.

Clemens is the author of "Get With it Girls! Life is Competition," which is in its second printing. The book educates girls on how to be a winner, not just how to win. She is also the co-author of "Competitive Excellence" and "The Coaching Volleyball Bible," as well as numerous articles in educational and entertainment magazines.

Clemens graduated from West High in 1974 and attended Northeast Missouri State University (now Truman State University).

She resides in O'Fallon, Mo.

*Jan: It would be great if we could credit who named Teri as St. Louis female "Sports Personality of the Year and one of the top 100 in St. Louis..."*





## Dan Deschamp, Ph.D.

Parkway Junior-Senior High ('63)

Dan Deschamp is an assistant professor at Maryville University, but most of his career has been spent in public education, with many years in Parkway.

He began his career at West High, where he taught language arts and was selected as Teacher of the Year. During his time at West, he also coached three sports, served as activities director and as an assistant principal. In 1981, he became the principal of West High. In 1984, Deschamp's experience in Parkway moved

him to the administration building, where he served as an area superintendent.

The next year he moved to the Rockwood School District where he served as principal of Lafayette and Marquette High schools, and still serves as a consultant. One of his career highlights was opening Marquette as the first principal and having responsibility for program and facility design, construction supervision, staff recruitment and selection, and more. He also planned, supervised construction and opened the replacement facility for Lafayette High School.

Professional highlights for Deschamp include receiving the initial National Secondary School Recognition Award and serving as a site visitor for that program. He was presented with the Distinguished Service Award from the Missouri Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association. He has also received the ROSE award for excellence in Rockwood and served as a panelist for President Reagan's national forum on excellence in education. While in Parkway, he created and introduced school-based management to the district.

Deschamp graduated from Parkway High in 1963. He graduated from Westminster College with a bachelor's degree in 1967, from the University of Missouri-St. Louis with a master's degree in education in 1972 and from St. Louis University with a doctorate in 1980.

He lives in Chesterfield, Mo.





## Gary Doss, D.O.

West High ('70)

Dr. Gary Doss is an orthopedic surgeon with Orthopedic Associates in Port Huron, Mich. and has practiced medicine in that area since 1983. He is certified by the American Osteopathic Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons and has served as the president of his local medical society.

High school athletics is one of Doss' passions. He played football at West High and Northeast Missouri and now uses his talents to the benefit of his local teams. For 20 years he has worked with the local medical society to provide free athletic screenings for approximately 1,200 students a year. Doss also donates his time as team physician for two

local high school football teams, having not missed a home game since 1983. He takes time to speak to athletes about safety and has purchased football helmets for a local team.

The community and his peers have shown appreciation to Doss for all that he does. He received the "Friend of Kids" award from the Port Huron Area School District and the Community Service Award for St. Clair County from the Michigan State Medical Society. Doss has also been honored with the St. Louis Hospital Association Humanitarian Award and by the Times Herald Community Service program.

Doss' involvement in football led him to the development and direction of a football camp for seventh-, eighth- and ninth-graders in the local school district. The camp's aim is to help players prepare for high school. More than 100 student athletes from the surrounding area attend the camp. His enthusiasm for football shows when he states, "There are 48 minutes of football, and a lifetime to remember them!"

Doss graduated from West High in 1970. He received a bachelor of science degree in biology from Northeast Missouri State University and a doctor of osteopathy degree from the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine. He completed his residency in orthopedic surgery at Normandy Osteopathic Hospitals.

He lives in Fort Gratiot, Mich.





## Brad Edelman

McKelvey • North Junior  
North High ('78)

Brad Edelman played in the NFL for the New Orleans Saints for nine seasons. He played center on the offensive line and was elected to the NFL Pro Bowl. He was drafted out of the University of Missouri, where he was an All-American in 1981. He was also named to the All-

Century team, the All-Big 8 team and was a Lombardi Award nominee while at Mizzou.

After retiring from the Saints, Edelman spent several years traveling and pursuing an acting and musical career. He appeared in numerous television commercials, television shows and theater productions. He became captivated by photography and began perfecting his craft, eventually moving back to the French Quarter to open his own studio. He currently fields freelance commissions for the worlds of fine art and entertainment, including music, film, stage, fashion and corporate photography. He can often be found on the streets of New Orleans, working on his fine art photography series, "Textures."

In "Textures," Edelman transforms magnified elements like car rust or cracked cement into highly elevated abstract art reprints. His first major showing of "Textures" was critically acclaimed. His work can be seen at [www.edelmanphoto.com](http://www.edelmanphoto.com).

Edelman has had success in other fields as well. He has sung the national anthem in the Louisiana Superdome before Saints' games and studied voice in Los Angeles and New Orleans. He operates Edelman Enterprises, which incorporates all business aspects of his work in the creative arts, including the licensing and marketing of intellectual properties.

His interests in the community include work with the Special Olympics, the United Way, the March of Dimes, Cystic Fibrosis and the American Cancer Society. Edelman has traveled the country speaking to major corporations and was the United Way Speaker's Bureau Chairman.

Edelman graduated from North High in 1978 and is a 1982 graduate of the University of Missouri-Columbia.

He resides in New Orleans.





## Mark Fauser

Central High ('79)

Mark Fauser has truly achieved his dream of success in Hollywood. His credits are many and impressive. He co-wrote the film "Waking Up in Reno," which starred Billy Bob Thornton, Charlize Theron, Patrick Swayze and Penelope Cruz. Fauser also co-wrote the Showtime original movie "The Right to Remain Silent," a critically acclaimed film starring Lea Thompson, Robert Loggia, Carl Reiner and Judge Reinhold.

Fauser's proudest moment was when he wrote, directed and starred in his first feature film, "It's All About You." The low-budget independent feature stars John DiAquino, Sally Kirkland, Dom Deluise and Fauser. It is based on Fauser's play that ran for one year at the Tamarind Theater in Los Angeles.

With his writing partner, Fauser has worked on scripts for Columbia, Universal, Paramount and Dimension Films. His writing career took flight when he was a student at the University of Missouri, where he wrote, produced and directed variety shows which featured two unknown talents, Sheryl Crow and Brad Pitt.

Among Fauser's acting credits are roles on the television shows "JAG," "Coach," "Evening Shade," "Quantum Leap," and many others. He has starred in over 40 different stage plays, including "Little Shop of Horrors" and "Brighton Beach" at the Burt Reynolds Jupiter Theatre. He also appeared at the Kennedy Center Theatre in the world premiere of "Eleven Zulu," which won more American College Theatre Festival awards than any other play. His theater and film experiences have given him opportunities to work with many talents, including Jimmy Stewart, Ossie Davis and Carol Burnett.

Fauser graduated from Central High in 1979 and attended the University of Missouri-Columbia. He resides in Marion, Ind.





## Stuart Fraser

River Bend • Central Junior • Central High ('79)

Stuart A. Fraser is the vice chairman and a partner of Cantor Fitzgerald, LP. While overseeing the firm's Governmental Securities Brokerage business, he is credited with the highly successful transition of GSB from a traditional "open-outcry" environment to the firm's new automated Cantor Fitzgerald Trading System.

In May 1999, Fraser was awarded a United States patent for his Automated Auction Protocol Processor, which has become the engine for eSpeed, Inc., a subsidiary of Cantor Fitzgerald.

Cantor Fitzgerald lost many employees and friends during the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks on the World Trade Center, where its office was located. The Cantor Fitzgerald Relief Fund was established on Sept. 14, 2001. Fraser serves as a director of the relief fund, the goal of which is to provide direct assistance to those who lost loved ones in the tragedy. Since its establishment, Cantor Fitzgerald and the Cantor Fitzgerald Relief Fund have provided approximately \$120 million in financial support for the families and loved ones of the 658 victims. One-hundred percent of the money donated to the Cantor Fitzgerald Relief Fund is disbursed directly to the families and loved ones.

In 2002, the University of Missouri's school of arts and sciences named Fraser as Most Distinguished Alumni. His philanthropic efforts include the strategic planning board for the University of Missouri, the board of directors of The Keewaydin Foundation, and Harlem RBI, a nonprofit organization that supports underprivileged children. Fraser has also been very generous in his support of the Alumni Association's Kurt Schoor Memorial Fund, which was established by fellow Central '79 grad and Hall of Fame inductee Jeff Altman to honor their good friend and classmate.

Fraser graduated from Central High in 1979 and from the University of Missouri-Columbia in 1983.

He resides in Armonk, N.Y.





## Paul Glastris

Pierremont • Clayton Woods • West Junior  
West High ('77)

Paul D. Glastris is the editor in chief of the *The Washington Monthly* and a senior fellow at the Western Policy Center in Washington, D.C. *The Washington Monthly* gives the inside scoop on what's really happening in Washington and what can be done about it. *The New York Times* called *The Washington Monthly* "a must read." It is read by notable figures such as Bill Clinton, Warren Buffet and Gary Trudeau.

Glastris has written several articles for the publication, including "How the Democrats Could Have Won," "Why Can't Democrats Get Tough?" and "Now Do You Believe We Need a Draft?"

Before joining *The Washington Monthly*, Glastris was a special assistant and senior speechwriter to President Bill Clinton. He wrote over 200 speeches for the president on subjects which included education, health care and the national budget. He co-wrote the President's address to the Democratic Convention in Los Angeles in 2000 and contributed to his 1999 and 2000 State of the Union addresses.

Glastris also created the president's DC Reads this Summer program, which put over 1,000 federal employees into Washington, D.C., public schools as volunteer reading tutors.

Glastris spent 10 years as a correspondent and editor at *U.S. News and World Report* before joining the White House. As bureau chief in Berlin, Germany, he covered the former Yugoslavia during the final months of the Bosnian War and wrote stories from Germany, Russia, Greece and Turkey. Prior to that, he covered the Midwest during two presidential campaigns, the Mississippi River floods of 1993 and the rise of the Michigan Militia.

Glastris graduated from West High in 1977. He attended Northwestern University, graduating with a bachelor's degree in 1981 and a master's degree in 1982.

He lives in Bethesda, Md.





## William Glastris, Jr.

Pierremont • Clayton Woods • West Junior  
West High ('78)

William V. Glastris, Jr., co-founded Prospect Partners, LLC, one of the leading small company buyout firms in the country. Prospect Partners is a private equity firm located in Chicago. It has attracted top US investors, including Goldman, Sachs & Co., General Motors Investment Management Corporation and the Sears Pension Fund.

Glastris is currently the chairman of six Prospect Partners portfolio companies, including Marine Accessories Corporation, Gourmand Specialty Foods, Inc., and First Texas Products Company. Since 1998, Prospect Partners has grown through the acquisition of 36 companies into 16 platform investments. Glastris and his partners closed Prospect Partners Fund II in 2004, bringing their capital under management to \$270 million.

Prior to forming Prospect Partners, Glastris was a partner at LaSalle Capital Group, a lower middle market leveraged buyout firm in Chicago. He and his partners began LaSalle with essentially no capital and acquired 22 companies over seven years. Glastris originated and completed nine acquisitions with management partners as a principal and as a personal investor.

Glastris began his career in private equity with Golder, Thoma & Cressey, a large private equity investment firm managing over \$400 million in three funds and specializing in consolidating fragmented industries. In six years at Golder, he originated seven portfolio company investments for the firm.

Glastris is a 1978 graduate of West High. He graduated from Northwestern University with a bachelor's degree in economics in 1982 and from Northwestern's Kellogg School of Management with an MBA in 1984. He is a frequent speaker at industry events and is active in charitable and university organizations.

He lives in Winnetka, Ill.





## Lieutenant Eric Greitens, Ph.D.

McKelvey • East Junior  
North High ('92)

Lt. Eric Greitens of the US Navy has worked as a humanitarian volunteer, documentary photographer and a researcher in Croatia, Rwanda, Zaire, the Gaza Strip, Albania, Cambodia, (Chiapas) Mexico, Bolivia and India. His award-winning docu-

mentary photographs were featured in the book "Community Strategies for Healing," and his published photographs and writings have clarified for millions of people across the globe the sad plight of children in these poverty-stricken and war-torn areas.

Greitens also served as a United States Navy SEAL officer during the war on terrorism. He served as the commander of a Mark V Detachment, responsible for leading two Special Operations craft and 20 men in the conduct of operations against known terrorists. He also deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, where he conducted operations to support the capture of terrorist leadership. His next assignment will be as the Task Unit Commander for all Naval Special Warfare Boat Forces in CENTCOM.

While at Duke University, Greitens was the chairman and founder of the Mayor's University Advisory Council for the mayor of Durham, NC. He was chairman of the Duke University Honor Council and served as the editor-in-chief for an academic journal. He graduated *summa cum laude* and was named to the USA Today All-USA academic first team.

His athletic achievements include a gold medal at the BUSA National Boxing Championships and qualification for the Boston Marathon as a member of the US Navy's Regional Marathon Team. He is currently completing his first novel, "Boxing Alone."

Greitens is a 1992 graduate of North High. He was an Angier B. Duke Scholar at Duke University, where he graduated with a degree in ethics and public policy.

Selected as a Rhodes and Truman Scholar, he attended the University of Oxford from 1996 through 2000. There he earned a master's degree in development studies in 1998, and a doctorate in politics in 2000. His research was driven by his humanitarian work in war zones, and his thesis, "Children First," investigated the ways in which international humanitarian organizations can best serve war-affected children.





## Susan Hamra, Esq.

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Susan E. Hamra established the Hamra Law Firm, LLC, in 1989 and maintains the practice today. The firm concentrates on estate planning, probate, family law and small business. She has extensive mediation and *guardian ad litem* training. Nominated by Chesterfield Mayor Nancy Greenwood, Hamra was approved by the city council as its prosecuting attorney. She served in that position from 1998-2001, concurrent with her law practice. She was also appointed investigator for the Bar Association of Metro St. Louis fee dispute committee.

Hamra has contributed her knowledge and skills to advance Chesterfield and the St. Louis community in the areas of racial and ethnic equality, social justice, economic development, and women's and children's rights. She currently serves as the representative to the Metropolitan Congregations United, working for race relations and improvement in living conditions in the St. Louis area. The needy in the St. Louis community have benefited from Hamra's time as vice chair and chair of the Metro Ministry Board of Directors and as chair of several of their committees.

She keeps children as a priority and contributed her skills as an active member of the Cardinal Glennon Hospital Board of Planned Giving. Hamra has served as a lecturer in estate planning for various civic and community groups, including retired teacher associations, adult education programs, churches, women's groups and financial services corporations. She has held various leadership positions in her church as well as the Creve Coeur Kiwanis Club.

Hamra graduated from Central High in 1974. She graduated from the University of Missouri-Columbia with a bachelor of arts in linguistics in 1978 and with a law degree in 1982.





## Cordia (Barton) Harrington

Central High ('71)

Cordia (Barton) Harrington is the CEO of Tennessee Bun Co., which ships buns to over 40 states and several countries throughout Central and South America. The company's customers include restaurants such as McDonald's and Chili's. The Tennessee Bun Co. expanded in the late '90s when Harrington opened a second plant, the Nashville Bun Co. She also opened a distribution arm, Bun Lady Transport.

In 1981, Harrington started her first business with her entire life savings, which was approximately \$600. She opened her own real estate firm, which grew successfully as she helped families improve their lives through the purchase of their own home. One home sale changed Harrington's life. The home buyer asked if she had ever considered becoming a McDonald's franchisee. Harrington was interested and pursued the opportunity.

In 1989 she bought the first of her three McDonald's units. Although she was a franchise owner, Harrington did not have an easy time becoming one of the company's suppliers. But the bun plants that had been serving the Tennessee-Kentucky region were nearing capacity, so Harrington knew that a great opportunity existed. After a three-year process and more than 30 interviews, Harrington became a McDonald's bun supplier to that region. She was selected as McDonald's first female dedicated supplier and built the most highly automated bakery in the world, baking over 1,000 buns per minute.

Harrington was interviewed in her bakery by Tom Brokaw for "NBC Nightly News" in 2003. In 2002, she was selected as one of The Nashville Post's "Business Women of the Year."

Harrington graduated from Central High in 1971 and is a 1975 graduate of the University of Arkansas. She attended the Kansai Gaidai in Osaka, Japan, as an exchange student. In 1989, she graduated from McDonald's Hamburger University.

She resides in Franklin, Tenn.





## Kevin Hart

Hanna Woods • Sorrento Springs  
South Junior • South High ('85)

Kevin T. Hart is a vice president at Cap Gemini Ernst & Young, one of the world's largest management consulting firms. He is an executive leader with 15 years of successful accomplishments in consulting and industry, with an emphasis on the telecommunications and energy sectors.

He has led numerous successful strategic and technological client engagements and project implementations for a broad range of domestic and international clients, including AT&T Wireless, Comcast, Nextel and SBC. His work has been recognized in the industry, winning the Telestrategies OSS Systems Integrator of the Year Award and the Telestrategies BSS Systems Integrator Award for five straight years. In 2004, he won the Billing and OSS Operational Excellence Award, a telecommunications industry honor.

He was appointed to the board of directors for the Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions, the premier standards development organization for the communications industry. He also hosted the first ever Communications Solutions Summit with participants from industry-leading analysts and clients.

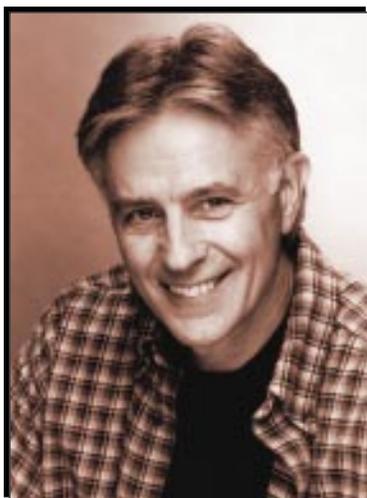
Hart's community has also benefited from his hard work - he served as founder and chairman of The Golden Apple Award for outstanding teachers in the Houston Independent School District. He personally raised and donated thousands of dollars to recognize outstanding high school teachers. In this program he worked with Dr. Rod Paige, secretary of education.

Other philanthropic activities include serving as a planning committee member for the first-ever Susan G. Komen Swim for the Cure, raising \$20,000 for the breast cancer foundation. He also served as a consultant and fund-raiser for Junior Achievement of Southeast Texas.

Hart graduated from South High in 1985. He graduated from the University of Tulsa with a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering in 1989 and from the University of Notre Dame with an MBA in 1993.

He lives in University Park, Texas.





## Joel Higgins

Parkway High ('62)

Joel Higgins is a long-time star of stage and screen and may be best known for his role as Edward Stratton III in the long-running NBC television series "Silver Spoons." Other television credits include starring roles in "Have Faith," "Best of the West" and "Search for Tomorrow." He has guest-starred in several series, including "Home Improvement," "Jag" and "Crossing Jordan."

He got his start when he and several friends wrote a musical called "The Green Apple Nasties," which Higgins sold to a producer while he was waiting tables. The show went on the road for over two years. During the tour, Higgins was asked by a producer to appear in a local production of "Guys and Dolls." He appeared as Sky Masterson during a 17-week Midwest tour. In 1975 Higgins won a Theatre World Award for his role as James in the Broadway version of "Shenandoah."

Throughout his career, his roles have included Curly in "Oklahoma," Stone in "City of Angels," and Sebastian in "Music Is." He has appeared in eight productions at St. Louis' Muny Opera, including "The Music Man," "Showboat," "Damn Yankees," and "Kiss Me, Kate," and has appeared in venues across the country.

Higgins most recently co-wrote the lyrics and music for and directed the premiere production of "Johnny Guitar, The Musical" at the Century Center Theater for the Performing Arts in New York. The production garnered four Drama Desk Award nominations, including Best Lyrics and Music and Best Musical, two Drama League Award nominations, two Lucille Lortel Award nominations and won the Outer Critics Circle Award as Best Off-Broadway Musical of the 2003-2004 season.

He has written or co-written over two hundred successful commercial jingles and several television theme songs, including jingles for Kool-Aid and M&Ms and the theme song for Lucille Ball's comeback series, "Life With Lucy."

Higgins has fond memories of many of his Parkway teachers who had a great influence on his life. "I'm always grateful that I knew people like Ms. Doyle who staged all of our plays, musicals and talent shows and the late Ms. Gerry Galloway who directed the chorus, band and many other music programs. They willingly and wholeheartedly provided the guidance, instruction and most importantly, the opportunities to perform that nourished the creative spirit in so many of us."

Higgins is a 1962 graduate of Parkway High School and a graduate of Michigan State University. He lives in Dobbs Ferry, NY.



## David Holtzman, M.D.

Weber • East Junior • Central High ('79)

Dr. David M. Holtzman is the chairman of the neurology department at Washington University's School of Medicine, which has 92 faculty members and is one of the top two government-funded departments in the United States doing neurology research.

Additionally, he is the Charlotte and Paul Hagemann and the Andrew and Gretchen Jones professor of neurology at the Washington University School of Medicine and the neurologist in chief at Barnes Jewish Hospital. He is also a professor of molecular biology and pharmacology.

His research focuses on the underlying mechanisms that lead to Alzheimer's disease in an effort to improve diagnosis and treatment. In addition to seeing patients in the Alzheimer's Disease Research Center and the Memory Diagnostic Center, Holtzman leads a research team working with animal models of Alzheimer's. The group has been instrumental in showing how dangerous amounts of a certain protein begin to accumulate in the brain many years before symptoms arise.

In collaboration with colleagues at Eli Lilly and Co., his laboratory work has found a novel potential way to both diagnose and treat Alzheimer's disease. Holtzman also investigates the opposite end of the lifespan spectrum, focusing on brain damage before, during and immediately after birth.

Holtzman has published over 100 scientific articles and has received several awards, including the 2003 MetLife award for research on Alzheimer's disease, as well as the Potamkin Prize, which is the top international award for Alzheimer's disease research.

Before coming to Washington University as an assistant professor of neurology in 1984, Holtzman served as an assistant professor at the University of California-San Francisco. He began his career there during a medical internship and residency following his graduation from Northwestern.

Holtzman graduated from Central High in 1979. He received his bachelor's degree in medical education in 1983 and his medical degree in 1985 from Northwestern University.

He lives in St. Louis, Mo.





## Shannon Knox

River Bend • Central Junior  
Central High ('80)

Shannon Knox is a partner with Veracity Capital Partners, a real estate development and investment firm. She is responsible for investor relations and community outreach and is accountable for the overall investor strategy and client satisfaction. Veracity has found a passion and niche for developing housing and commerce in low income and underserved communities.

From 1990 through 2003, Knox was employed by Cap Gemini Ernst & Young. Throughout her career there, she was recognized for her leadership, commitment and contributions. As a partner with the firm, she enthusiastically accepted leadership positions, including chairing the United Way campaign for the company from 1995 through 2002.

Knox was chosen to be in the Leadership 150 Program, a leadership development program where 150 out of 10,000 people were identified as "high leadership potentials" and selected to participate in leadership development. In addition, she was selected to act as a formal mentor and leader for consultants in the United States through the Cap Gemini Ernst & Young Leadership and Mentoring Program.

Philanthropic interests for Knox include work with the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, where she volunteered to help launch the inaugural "Swim for the Cure" event. She is a weekly after-school program leader at the West Dallas Community School and has served as a high school mentor at Carter High School. Knox has also served as a camp counselor for high-risk kids at Kids Across America. She is a board member for the University of Texas College of Business Administration.

Knox is a 1980 graduate of Central High. She graduated from the University of Missouri in 1984 with a bachelor's of science in marketing and a bachelor's of science in communications.

She lives in Dallas, Texas.





## Brian Krolicki

West Junior • West High ('79)

In 1998, Brian K. Krolicki was elected as the 19th treasurer of the state of Nevada, and was re-elected to that position in 2002. He has used his position and influence to significantly contribute to the economic and financial strength of the state. His stewardship of the state's finances has maintained the state's bond ratings through difficult economic times, saving the state and its taxpayers millions of dollars.

Krolicki has been recognized for his leadership skills by being unanimously elected by his colleagues to serve as president of the National Association of State Treasurers (NAST). In that position, he leveraged a collective \$1.1 trillion in state funds to ensure that reforms of our nation's capital markets protected the "mom and pop" investor, as well as institutional investors.

In 2003, Krolicki rang the opening bell of the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) and testified before the NYSE committee on corporate governance. He is the founder and chairman of the NAST committee on corporate governance. The Association of Public Treasurers of the U.S. and Canada awarded Krolicki a certification of excellence award in 2002 for the investment policies of the Nevada General Portfolio and the Nevada Local Government Investment Pool. He was recognized as a Toll Fellow in 2001, a designation that recognizes the best and brightest of the nation's leaders from all three branches of state government.

Krolicki serves on the board of directors of the American Cancer Society's southwestern U.S. division and the Nevada Desert Research Institute.

Krolicki graduated from West High in 1979. He has a bachelor of arts in international relations from Stanford University and attended the Kellogg Graduate School of Business at Northwestern University.

He resides in Carson City, Nev.





## Deanna Kuhlmann-Leavitt

River Bend • Central Junior • Central High ('84)

Deanna Kuhlmann-Leavitt is president and design director of Kuhlmann-Leavitt, Inc., a multifaceted, woman-owned studio which specializes in the highest quality design for print, new media and graphics for the built environment. The company's national client list includes a wide range of industries and institutions such as Citigroup Private Bank, Formica Corporation, Eddie Bauer, SMART Papers, Contemporary Art Museum St. Louis and The Scholarship Foundation of St. Louis.

Kuhlmann-Leavitt's work consistently receives awards in national and international competitions including the American Institute of Graphic Arts, the American Institute of Architects, Art Directors' Clubs from New York to Los Angeles, the Society of Environmental Graphic Design and the New York Type Directors Club to name a few. Her work has been recognized in many major publications on design and was recently featured in the May/June 2004 issue of *Communication Arts*, an international design magazine. She frequently lectures on design and has been privileged to serve as a juror for graphic design competitions in the United States and Canada.

Eager to share her expertise with the St. Louis philanthropic community, Kuhlmann-Leavitt regularly donates professional services and guidance. She offers paid internships and counsels students (and sometimes their parents) on design career options. She is a former design show chair of the St. Louis chapter of the American Institute of Graphic Arts.

One Central High teacher was particularly inspiring to Kuhlmann-Leavitt. "I was fortunate to attend Parkway Central High during Lauren Davis' tenure in the Art Department," she says. "Her combination of passion, knowledge and quick wit was a powerful guide to students with raw talent and open minds. The success of her alumni is proof of her wide impact."

Kuhlmann-Leavitt graduated from Central High in 1984. In 1989 she received a bachelor of arts degree in graphics/packaging from the prestigious Art Center College of Design, Pasadena, Calif.

She lived and worked in southern California until 1995, when she returned to the St. Louis area and now lives with her husband Robert Leavitt (Central High '84) and their two children.





## Brad Lander

Weber • East Junior • North High ('87)

Brad Lander is the director of the Pratt Institute Center for Community and Environmental Development, a leading university based center supporting community development. The PICCED supports low-and-moderate-income communities to combat poverty and discrimination through sustainable development and seeks to equip these communities with the resources they need to plan and implement comprehensive community development strategies.

community development strategies.

From 1992 to 2003, Lander served as the executive director of the Fifth Avenue Committee, a nationally recognized non-profit community development organization in Brooklyn. Under his leadership, Fifth Avenue Committee developed three hundred units of affordable housing, created innovative job training programs that helped hundreds of low-income people get good jobs, helped recently released prisoners reenter society and worked with social service organizations to develop supportive housing for neighborhood residents with special needs.

In 1999, Lander was awarded Rolling Stone Magazine's Do Something Brick Award, an award that honors outstanding young leaders under 30 who are building better communities, brick by brick. New York Magazine recognized Lander for outstanding public service in 2000 with a public service award that goes to 10 outstanding New Yorkers each year. He also has received awards from the Ford Foundation, the Fannie Mae Foundation and the University of Chicago.

Lander has been influenced by many in Parkway, including his mother, who has served as a counselor at Claymont Elementary for over 20 years. Regarding his own experience, he says, "So many of my teachers and principals – at Weber, East Junior, and North High – instilled in me a sense that it was important both to learn and to take action, to apply one's learning and one's gifts to try to make the world a little better. I am grateful for their teaching and their example, and also for this great honor."

In his 1987 graduation speech at North High, Lander urged his classmates to "get involved" by caring, committing and acting. Since then, Lander has been a voice for justice and has enabled neighborhood voices for affordable housing and fair economic development to be heard loud and clear within and beyond the boundaries of New York City.

Lander graduated from North High in 1987. He received a bachelor's degree from the University of Chicago and has master's degrees in social anthropology from University College, London, and in city and regional planning from the Pratt Institute in New York.

He resides in Brooklyn, N.Y. with his wife and two children.



## Mark Lincoln

Ross • North Junior • North High ('76)

Mark J. Lincoln is the founder of Thirdsigma Corporation, an investment and consulting firm focused on growing businesses and commercial real estate. His clients include Tower Tee in Affton and shopping centers and office buildings in Chesterfield, Ellisville and Hazelwood.

Prior to founding Thirdsigma, Lincoln was a financial analyst and principal at Donelan, Phelps & Company/Clarkson Group, a real estate and business investment firm.

Throughout Lincoln's career, he has been involved directly and indirectly as an investor in over 50 businesses and as an educator and advisor to many more. These roles have helped entrepreneurs succeed and create jobs and community development. Lincoln co-founded the St. Louis chapter of the Young Entrepreneurs Organization, a peer-to-peer network for learning. He served as the treasurer for YEO International and as the president of the World Entrepreneurs Organization. Lincoln has also been actively involved with the Civic Entrepreneurs Organization and as a board member of the Thomas Jefferson School.

The Parkway community owes great thanks to Lincoln for founding the Parkway Alumni Association in 1991. He and several North '76 classmates planned out the organization after their 15-year reunion. Lincoln envisioned an association that was more than just a social organization, but one that gave back to the Parkway community. The association's mission statement epitomizes Lincoln's commitment to giving back to the community, "To encourage communication among alumni and to foster programs which serve and support the Parkway community."

Lincoln served as the first association president and now serves on the honorary board. He received the Superintendent's Award in 1994 for his volunteer work for the betterment of the district.

Lincoln graduated from North High in 1976. He received his bachelor's degree in 1979 and his MBA in 1980, both from Washington University.

He lives in Ladue, Mo.





## Richard Lindroth, Ph.D.

South Junior • West High ('73)

Richard L. Lindroth is a professor in the Departments of Entomology and Zoology, the Molecular and Environmental Toxicology Center, and the Institute for Environmental Studies at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He teaches and mentors students, and conducts research in diverse areas of ecology.

Lindroth is world-renowned for his scientific research in global environmental change and chemical ecology. His research has advanced our understanding of the consequences of elevated atmospheric carbon dioxide, a key factor in global warming, for forest ecosystems. His work has been featured in *National Geographic Today* and David Suzuki's "The Nature of Things."

He has served as graduate advisor for 12 doctoral students and 11 postdoctoral students. He is the author of over 100 scientific articles and book chapters, and a contributing author to key scientific reports on global environmental change.

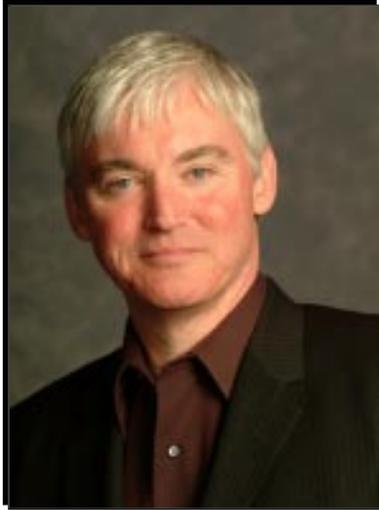
Lindroth has also served on the editorial boards of *Oecologia* and *Biochemical Systematics and Ecology*, and is a peer reviewer for numerous other journals. In 1997, he received an international Fulbright Senior Scholar award for research in New Zealand to study the ecological consequences of enhanced UV radiation (due to the ozone hole). He also has received the Pound (1994) and Rommes (1996) awards for research excellence at the University of Wisconsin, the AgResearch Research Fellowship from the Grasslands Research Centre (Palmerston North, New Zealand) and a National Science Foundation Postdoctoral Research Fellowship in Environmental Biology.

Lindroth has been awarded numerous research grants from agencies including the National Science Foundation, the U.S. Department of Energy, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture. He and a group of scientists received a \$5 million award from the National Science Foundation to conduct research within the NSF's Frontiers in Integrative Biological Research. He also has served on multiple science panels for the National Science Foundation and the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Regarding his years in Parkway, Lindroth says, "My education at Parkway West played a key role in preparing me for college and, thereafter, a career in academia. Dr. Herb Joerling so pounded into our heads the mathematics of basic physics that university-level physics was a breeze. My English courses at West gave me an appreciation for literature that was unmatched by any course in college. Due to my Parkway experience, it never crossed my mind that I could not succeed in a career of science and academia."

Lindroth earned his bachelor of science degree in wildlife biology from Iowa State University and a doctorate in ecology from the University of Illinois.

He resides in Madison, Wis.



## John McCluggage

South Junior • West High ('78)

John McCluggage is the associate artistic director of the San Jose Repertory Theatre and is the founder of the Red Ladder Theatre Company. Red Ladder is dedicated to improving the lives of at-risk and marginalized youth and adults throughout Silicon Valley. The company uses improvisation techniques to encourage creative thinking and problem solving, life skills that are vital for the disenfranchised people it serves.

McCluggage's efforts have grown Red Ladder from serving 113 individuals during its first season to a peak of 2,700 individuals in recent seasons. Homeless students, autistic children, seniors and prisoners are among the groups with whom Red Ladder works. The group's professional actors work in small groups with the individuals to create scenes and characters. They are challenged with how to present an idea verbally and non-verbally, and once the goals and solutions are set, they perform their improvised skit for the other attendees. The techniques improve the performers' ability to communicate and give them a great deal of satisfaction.

During the 1999-2000 season, Red Ladder was honored as a semi-finalist in the President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities, the National Endowment of the Arts, and the National Endowment for the Humanities' Coming-Up-Taller awards.

McCluggage was selected to participate in the US/UK Exploratory Learning Partnership. Selected in 2001 as a semi-finalist in the Ford Foundation's Leadership for a Changing World Award, he has directed, assistant directed and performed off-Broadway and at regional theaters across the country, including The Repertory Theater of St. Louis.

McCluggage graduated from West High in 1978. He graduated with bachelor's degrees in English and theatre from Illinois College and with a master's degree in fine arts from Webster University.

He lives in San Jose, Cal.





## Nan McCurdy

Central Junior • Central High ('73)

Nan McCurdy has spent most of her adult life working with the people of Nicaragua. She is the founder of Casa Baltimore-Limay, a people-to-people sistering relationship between Baltimore and San Juan de Limay, Nicaragua. She and her husband Phil moved to Limay in

1985 to facilitate delegation visits by people from Baltimore and to work in community development projects.

With her husband, McCurdy founded the Benjamin Linder Center in Managua in 1988, named after the young electrical engineer who brought electricity to a Nicaraguan town and was assassinated in 1987. McCurdy also assisted in the establishment of the Foundation for Nicaraguan War Victims in 1990.

Phil passed away in 1991, but McCurdy continued her mission and stayed in Nicaragua with their two small children. McCurdy's tireless work has impacted many in great need of help. She worked with a leprosy-infected village to improve diets, develop fertilizer projects to raise income and food production, bring dignity and better health to women and much more. She is a founder of the Women and Community, San Francisco Libre, which empowers impoverished women through education, a health program and a domestic violence prevention program.

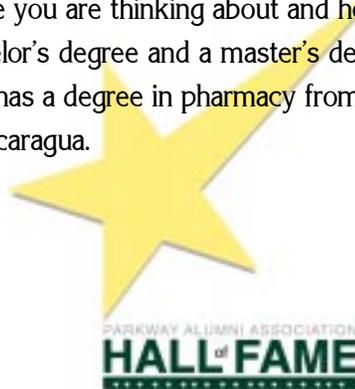
After Hurricane Mitch and the resulting floods, McCurdy and her husband Miguel used flat-bottomed boats to rescue people from trees and rooftops. Her connections with the United Methodist Church allowed her to direct a building program, providing one-room concrete block houses for the town.

Continuing her work to inform people of the difficulties in Nicaragua, McCurdy has had articles published in *The Other Side*, *New World Outlook* and *Christian Social Action*. She is a radio journalist on *Free Speech Radio News*, a half-hour news program about the Central American people.

McCurdy's advice to Parkway's students of today is this: "Get to know people who are different from you. Learn about the world. Travel, especially to the exploited world. Get involved in some kind of volunteer work where you are thinking about and helping others."

McCurdy earned a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in biology from the University of Missouri-St. Louis. She also has a degree in pharmacy from the St. Louis College of Pharmacy.

She lives in Managua, Nicaragua.





## Charles McElroy

Weber • Fern Ridge Elementary • Green Trails  
Central Junior • Central High ('74)

Charles McElroy is a senior vice president of operations for Charter Communication's Southeast division, with responsibility for all Charter operations in that division. The division encompasses 1.3 million customers in six states, including Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, South Carolina and western North Carolina. He joined Charter in his current capacity in March 2003. He has 25 years' experience in the telecommunications industry.

Before joining Charter, McElroy served as vice president and general manager of Cox Business Services, a unit of Cox Communications, Inc., where he oversaw the operation that provides voice, data and video services to commercial customers. He was recruited to Cox to pioneer and build a communications business over that company's cable network from SBC Communications, where he held various operations, strategic planning, marketing, and financial performance positions from 1978 to 1994.

In 1997, McElroy was named one of the top 20 most influential rising executives in the cable industry by Cable World magazine. He is an advisory board member of the Philadelphia-based venture capital firm EnerTech Capital Partners.

McElroy has also taken on leadership roles in giving back to his community. He was the chairman and president of the United Cerebral Palsy Association of St. Louis and was a JC Penney Award finalist for the nation's most outstanding volunteer. He has also taken leadership roles in his church and youth athletics.

The Mid-America Music Association awarded him with the Outstanding Performer Award for his performance on the organ and Dale Carnegie Communications named him most outstanding speaker. He wrote a children's book titled "The Secret of the Sad Kingdom" and has composed more than 50 original songs.

Regarding his years in Parkway, McElroy says, "Parkway provided me a solid foundation upon which I matured into an adult. During my 11 years in the Parkway school system, I received an outstanding education and preparation for college, I experienced many thrilling moments in athletics and music, and I was privileged to have countless memories with the many wonderful people I met, several of whom I remain close friends with to this day. I consider myself fortunate to be a graduate from Parkway and I'm extremely honored being selected in the charter class for Parkway's Hall of Fame."

McElroy is a 1974 graduate of Central High. He has a bachelor of science degree in industrial engineering from the University of Missouri-Columbia and an MBA from Washington University. He lives in Alpharetta, Ga.



## William Nelson, M.D., Ph.D.

Ross • Mason Ridge • South Junior  
East Junior • West High ('76)

Dr. William Nelson is the leader of the prostate cancer research team, the Genitourinary Oncology Program and the Anti-Cancer Drug Development Program at the Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center at Johns Hopkins University. He is a full professor in six academic departments, a first in the history of Johns Hopkins. He is board certified in medicine and medical oncology. He is recognized nationally and internationally as one of the world's leading cancer researchers.

Nelson discovered the most common acquired gene defect in prostate cancer cells, leading to publications, patents, a new diagnostic test and new hints as to how prostate cancer may be prevented. He was a key member of a team that completed some of the first clinical trials of "gene therapy" for cancer in humans. In this role, Nelson takes care of patients with cancer and undertakes cancer research.

Nelson has published more than 100 articles, reviews and book chapters related to his cancer research. He serves on the editorial board of four journals and is a peer reviewer for numerous other journals. He holds several patents associated with cancer research and has lectured, by invitation, across the United States and Canada.

Additionally, Nelson is a member of the board of directors of the American Association of Cancer Research, the largest organization of cancer researchers in the world. He is also a member of the American Society of Microbiology, the Scientific Advisory Board of the CaP CURE Foundation and was formerly a board member of the National Coalition of Cancer Research.

Nelson graduated from West High in 1976 and from Yale University with a degree in chemistry in 1980. He earned both his M.D. and Ph.D. from Johns Hopkins University in 1987. He also completed his residency and fellowship at Johns Hopkins.

He lives in Ruxton, Md.





## Brigadier General Mark O'Neill

Weber • North Junior • Central High ('73)

Brigadier General Mark O'Neill, United States Army, serves as an assistant division commander with the Army's 3rd Infantry Division.

O'Neill has commanded at the platoon, company, battalion and brigade levels, and served as a division chief of staff, deploying over the years with America's Army during Operations Uphold Democracy in Haiti, Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan, and Iraqi Freedom in Iraq.

O'Neill has studied at the Defense Language Institute, the British Defense Language School in Hong Kong, and at Beijing University in the People's Republic of China where he served as an attache in the American embassy. He has twice served on the Army General Staff in the Pentagon and is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.

Parkway juniors and seniors benefited from O'Neill's experiences when he spoke to them about military service, the Military Academy and the army as a way of life. He is an active volunteer, donating time to his sons' Boy Scout and Cub Scout groups.

About his years in Parkway, O'Neill says, "Parkway opened doors to the outside world for me. The teachers sparked my interest in the adventures that the world held for those who pursue knowledge and maintain curiosity about the world. My friends taught me that an individual, with help from others, can make a difference in that world."

O'Neill graduated from North High in 1973. He has a bachelor of science degree from the United States Military Academy at West Point, a master's degree in national security affairs from the Naval Postgraduate School and is a graduate of the U.S. Army War College.

He is stationed at Hunter Army Airfield outside of Savannah, Ga., with his wife, Lori (Central '75), and their two sons.





## Deborah Pasch

Fern Ridge Elementary • Ross  
Central Junior  
North Junior • Central High ('72)

Deborah Lynn Pasch is the chief nursing officer at the CJW Medical Center in Richmond, Va.

She was brought to the medical center with the mission of changing a troubled environment with high turnover and low nursing staff morale. While at CJW, Pasch has developed and established programs to transform culture, initiated longterm recruitment and retention programs and designed units on two campuses to enhance revenue and respond to patient needs.

Previously, Pasch served as the chief operating officer and chief nursing officer of the UCLA-Santa Monica Medical Center and as vice president of patient care services for the St. Louis Regional Medical Center. She has also worked in leadership positions at BJC Health Systems, Group Health Plan and Washington University.

Pasch is passionate about solving the nursing shortage in our country and has traveled to several countries to recruit nurses. Her efforts have helped lead to an increased enrollment in nursing schools, as she has worked with organizations to increase funding and look for creative ways to bring more people back into the nursing profession. She spends much of her personal time in this endeavor and has worked with state nursing organizations in Missouri, California and Virginia.

Other activities and honors in Pasch's career include serving on the advisory board of the nursing department at John Tyler Community College and as vice president of the Dorothy Mae Johnson Foundation. She is also a member of the American College of Healthcare Executives and the Delta Epsilon Sigma National Scholastic Honor Society.

Pasch graduated from Central High in 1972. She received a bachelor of science degree in nursing from Maryville University in 1990 and an MBA from Washington University in 1992.

She lives in Midlothian, Va.





## Pamela (Horstmann) Patsley

Weber • Ross • North Junior • North High ('75)

Pamela (Horstmann) Patsley is a senior executive vice president of First Data Corporation and president of First Data International. She has executive management responsibility for all global activities within the card issuing and merchant services businesses of First Data outside of the United States. She is responsible for leading and consolidating First Data's expansion into key international markets which today represents a \$1 billion revenue business for First Data.

Previously, Patsley was president of First Data Merchant Services and, in this role, was instrumental in the growth of the merchant segment. As a founding director of Paymentech, Patsley guided the company's initial public offering on the New York Stock Exchange. As CEO, she led the company through 15 years of double-digit growth resulting from new business and strategic acquisitions until the public shares were purchased by First Data in 1999.

Patsley began her payment industry career as a founding officer of First USA, Inc. when it was established in 1985 and was chief financial officer of the parent company from 1987 to 1994. She worked at KPMG Peat Marwick from 1979 - 1985 in both the St. Louis and Dallas offices.

Patsley serves on the board of directors of Texas Instruments, Inc., Adolph Coors Company, and Pegasus Solutions, Inc. She is a member of the Young Presidents' Organization and is involved in several civic organizations. She also previously served six years on the board of the business school at the University of Missouri-Columbia.

Regarding her years in Parkway, Patsley says, "The 13 years I spent at Parkway have so many happy memories for me. Whether it be the classes I took or the extra-curricular activities I participated in, I derived enjoyment and fulfillment from all aspects of my education there. Mr. Siefert's accounting classes undoubtedly fired the interest in business that has been the backbone of my career. On a more personal note, I treasure the close friends I made at Parkway and who are still part of my life today."

Patsley is a 1975 graduate of North High and a 1979 graduate of the University of Missouri-Columbia with a bachelor's in accounting. After spending two years in Paris, France, she moved back to the U.S. and now lives in Dallas, Texas.



## Stone Phillips

Claymont • West Junior • West High ('73)

Stone Phillips is the principal anchor of the award-winning news magazine "Dateline NBC." He also has served as a substitute anchor on "NBC Nightly News with Tom Brokaw" and "Today," and as a substitute moderator on "Meet the Press."

Phillips began his career in 1978 at WXIA-TV in Atlanta, where he worked as a reporter and broadcast producer. He later moved to ABC, first as a general assignment correspondent for "World News Tonight" and then as a correspondent for ABC News' "20/20."

Over the years, Phillips has interviewed a number of news makers, including President George Bush, Boris Yeltsin, Jeffrey Dahmer, Jack Kevorkian, Bernhard Goetz and Michael Jordan. He interviewed former Montgomery County Police Chief Charles Moose about the D.C. area sniper shootings, as well as the nine rescued Pennsylvania coal miners.

Phillips's 10 years as a television correspondent took him to hot spots across the globe, including war-torn Beirut in 1982, India after Indira Ghandi's assassination, the Soviet Union, Yugoslavia and the refugee camps of Hong Kong. In one of his more dangerous assignments, he allowed himself to be blindfolded by Colombian drug traffickers as they led him to a cocaine kitchen hidden in the hills of Bogota.

The honors he has received include numerous Emmy awards for his interviewing skills and news coverage. He received the Society of Professional Journalists' Sigma Chi Delta Award for Public Service, the Investigative Reporters and Editor's Gold Medal, the Robert F. Kennedy Journalism Award and three National Headliner awards. His work has also earned him distinctions from the Overseas Press Club of America, the National Society of Black Journalists, the American Medical Association and the American Psychological Association.

Regarding his years in Parkway, Phillips says, "One great teacher is often all it takes to light the fire of learning in a student. For me at Parkway, it was a bonfire, lit by so many inspiring teachers, it's just impossible to name them all. Think freely, act responsibly, and never be afraid to ask a question, that's what Parkway taught me."

Phillips graduated from West High in 1973 and majored in philosophy at Yale University. He lives in New York.





## Susan Puhl, Ph.D.

West High ('72)

Susan Puhl is an associate professor of kinesiology at California Polytechnic State University in San Luis Obispo. She is an instructor in physiology of exercise, testing and exercise prescription, electrocardiography and other courses. Her research emphasis is the metabolic cost of physical activity and response to unmonitored and home-based exercise. Puhl is also extensively involved in curriculum/program development and university and department committees.

Previously, Puhl was an associate professor of physical education at the State University of New York at Cortland, where she was the coordinator of the adult physical fitness undergraduate concentration and also spent time in instruction and research. She has also worked at Pennsylvania State, Lock Haven and Southeast Missouri State universities.

Her consulting and advisory experience includes work with Pacific Gas & Electric, the Journal of Physical Education, Recreation and Dance, the American Running and Fitness Association and the Orthopedics Surgeon Group.

Puhl has made professional presentations of invited papers to groups in Williamsburg, Va.; Seoul, Korea; Glasgow, Scotland; and more. Additionally, she has conducted international workshops in Taiwan, Greece and Portugal. More than 20 of Puhl's manuscripts have been published, many in *Medicine and Science in Sport and Exercise*. She is editor of two books, "Body Fluid Balance in Exercise and Sport" and "The ACSM Fitness Book." She has also reviewed manuscripts for a variety of journals and book publishers. Puhl has completed a number of research projects, including many for NordicTrack, Inc.

She holds leadership positions with and is currently a member of the American College of Sports Medicine, the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation & Dance and other organizations.

Her career path was influenced by her years in Parkway. "The crazy activities that the physical education staff were always offering stimulated my interest in pursuing a career in health-related physical activity," she says. "The early morning girls team practices helped me learn the value of both team play and individual effort that provides the basis for every successful career."

Puhl graduated from West High in 1972. She received a bachelor's degree in physical education/health and a master's degree in teaching from Southeast Missouri State University. In 1986 she received her doctorate in exercise physiology from The Pennsylvania State University.

She lives in Grover Beach, California.



## Major General Bentley Rayburn

Mason Ridge • South Junior  
Central Junior • Central High ('71)

Major General Bentley B. Rayburn is commandant of Air War College and vice commander of Air University at Maxwell Air Force Base. His current duties include directing and evaluating the postgraduate level programs of the U.S. Air Force's senior professional military educational institution. The curriculum is focused on military strategy and the employment of air and space power and the program is geared to improve the Air Force's contribution to national security. The program has an added urgency due to the current war on terrorism.

Rayburn has been in this position since August of 2001. Military awards Rayburn has received are many, including the Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters and the Air Medal with two oak leaf clusters. He has also been honored with the Aerial Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster and the Air Force Commendation Medal.

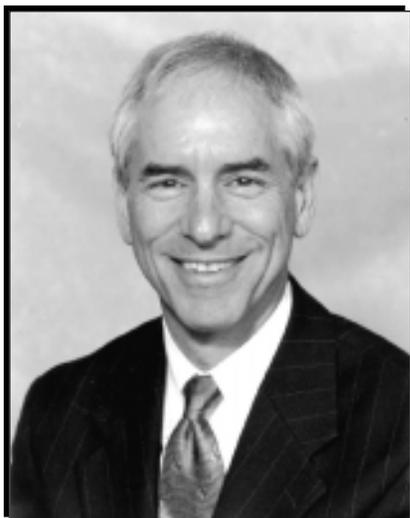
Rayburn is rated as a command pilot and has over 3,000 flight hours. He has been stationed in locations which include Saudi Arabia and South Korea. He has also participated in the Department of State Senior Seminar in Washington, D.C.

In 1990, the U.S. Jaycees named Rayburn one of their 10 Outstanding Young Americans.

Rayburn graduated from Central High in 1971. He earned a bachelor's degree in mathematics and basic sciences from the U.S. Air Force Academy and a master's degree in government from Georgetown University. He is an honor graduate of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College in Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

He is stationed at Maxwell Air Force Base in Alabama.





## Jacob Reby, Esq.

Mason Ridge  
Parkway Junior-Senior High ('64)

Jake Reby is an attorney with the firm Lewis, Rice & Fingersh, L.C. His practice areas are real estate, corporate and banking.

He has practiced law in St. Louis for 32 years and was recently elected to the American College of Real Estate Lawyers. He presented a keynote address to this group before his induction for the work he did to revitalize a shuttered steel plant, which was reopened and modernized, bringing new jobs

to an Illinois city that had suffered great economic loss.

Reby's book, "Banking and Lending Institution Forms," is the primary source used on a national basis for banking and lending law information. It has sold more copies than any other bank forms book and is currently in its 11th printing.

In 2003 he was inducted into the Outstanding Lawyers of America Society and he was recently inducted as a fellow in the American College of Mortgage Attorneys.

He has also made a significant impact on the St. Louis art community. In the early 1980s, he helped establish a single artist museum. That activity led to his active participation and tenure as president of the Laumeier Sculpture Park. He is a founding member of the St. Louis Art Fair, the number one ranked art fair in the country, also having spun off the highly successful St. Louis Jazz Festival. He is currently serving as chairman of both the art fair and the jazz festival.

Reby has held leadership positions with groups including the Clayton Chamber of Commerce, AMC Cancer Research Center Foundation, the Clayton Athletic Association, the Jewish Federation of St. Louis, the Missouri Epilepsy Federation and Temple Emanuel. He is a founding member of the Clayton Child Care Center, a nationally recognized day care center.

Reby graduated from Parkway High in 1964. He received his bachelor's degree in accounting from Washington University in 1968 and his J.D. from St. Louis University in 1970. He received his LL.M. in corporate law from New York University in 1971.

He lives in St. Louis, Mo.





# Steve Savard

Mason Ridge • Ross  
North Junior • North High ('82)

Steve Savard is the sports director at KMOV Channel 4, St. Louis' CBS affiliate. He anchors the station's nightly sportscasts Sunday through Thursday and hosts "Sports Sunday" at 10:30 p.m. Sunday nights. He is also the radio play-by-play announcer of the St. Louis Rams on KLOU 103.3 and the Rams Radio Network.

While at Northwest Missouri State, Savard was named All-MIAA linebacker twice and led the team in tackles for three consecutive years. He had a short NFL career with the Dallas Cowboys, but was forced to quit playing due to injury.

After leaving football, he began his broadcasting career in Billings, Mont. He also worked in El Paso, Texas, and Hartford, Conn., before coming to Channel 4.

Savard has won six Emmy awards, including best sportscaster honors in 1999, 2001 and 2003. In 2003, he earned a first-place Missouri Broadcasters Association sports award for a special program, "The Cardinals: A Team to Remember." In 2000 and 2001 he helped the Rams earn Air Awards for the best sports play-by-play in St. Louis. He wrote the foreword to the book "How 'Bout Them Rams: A Guide to Rams Football History."

Community involvement includes service as the honorary chairperson for the Alzheimer's Association Memory Walk and the St. Louis Crisis Nursery golf tournament. Savard also serves on the board of directors for the Tom Lombardo chapter of the National Football Foundation and the College Hall of Fame.

For Savard, attending Parkway was a very positive experience. "I remember debating whether to stay at Parkway North or attend a private high school beginning in ninth grade," he says. "I made the decision to stay in Parkway and I've never regretted it. The education I received prepared me for college and my coaches prepared me for success on the football field. Denny Staub in football and Bob Robben in baseball were great mentors. And, I had great friends and teammates. Parkway was the right choice for me."

Savard graduated from North High in 1982. He graduated from Northwest Missouri State University with degrees in English and journalism in 1986.

He lives in Chesterfield, Mo.



## Ken Schrader

Manchester • Barretts  
South Junior • West High ('73)

Ken Schrader is the driver of car number 49 in the NASCAR Nextel Cup (formerly the Winston Cup) Series. He drives for BAM Racing and is sponsored by Schwan's Home Service.

Schrader has four wins to his credit in the NASCAR Winston Cup ranks. He took first place at Talladega in 1988, at Charlotte in 1989, at Atlanta in 1991 and at Dover in 1991.

He also has 64 top-five and 176 top-10 finishes.

Other highlights from Schrader's long career of racing include starting in the pole position at the Daytona 500 in 1988, 1989 and 1990. In 1985, he was named the Winston Cup Series Rookie of the Year. He has also driven in recent years in the NASCAR Busch Series and Craftsman Truck Series.

In 1987, Schrader formed Schrader Racing, for which he has won 19 races in a variety of series. He has also won countless dirt-track races at smaller venues. The Schrader Racing team has won 17 races with other drivers behind the wheel. Schrader is also the co-promoter of I-55 Raceway in Pevely.

Schrader began his career racing open wheel cars, winning the USAC Silver Crown Championship in 1982 and taking first place in the USAC Sprint Car division in 1983. His success in open wheel racing did not diminish his dreams of becoming a stock car racer, an opportunity that he received in 1984.

In 1984, Schrader rented Fords to race from Elmo Langley, but ran out of money after competing in only three races. However, Langley was so impressed by Schrader's ability and care for the cars that he allowed him to race in two additional races. He continued to pursue his dream by contacting Winston Cup owner Junie Donlavey, who took a chance on the young driver. In 1985, Schrader won his Rookie of the Year honor.

Schrader graduated from West High in 1973.

He lives in Concord, N.C.





## Rosa Serra, Ph.D.

South Junior • South High ('82)

Rosa A. Serra is an associate professor with tenure of cell biology at the University of Alabama-Birmingham. She is a member of the cell and molecular biology graduate program and an associate member of the UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center, UAB Arthritis and Musculoskeletal Disease Center, UAB Cell Adhesion and other programs. Previous to her current position, Serra was an assistant professor at the University of Cincinnati and a research assistant professor at

Vanderbilt University.

Serra has received numerous grant awards from the National Institutes of Health and has served as an advisor to graduate students in cell biology, pathology, molecular and cellular physiology and more. Her major research interest is determining the mechanism of TGF-beta action in complex organ systems, which will help understand how signals from several cell types within an organ are coordinated to regulate normal development. An understanding of these types of normal signaling cascades will provide a basis for continued advances in detecting, preventing and treating both neoplastic and degenerative diseases.

Serra has served as a reviewer for numerous journals and is the author of many published abstracts and manuscripts. She is a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the Society for Developmental Biology, the American Society for Cell Biology and the American Society for Bone and Mineral Research.

She lectured at the 1997 International Conference on Biotechnology in Havana, Cuba, and has been invited to lecture at various other national and international conferences.

Serra graduated from South High in 1982. She received a bachelor's degree in biology from St. Louis University and a doctorate in cell and molecular biology from Penn State University. She has received post-doctoral training in the department of cell biology at Vanderbilt University.

She lives in Birmingham, Ala.





## David Silvestri

Green Trails • Central Junior  
Central High ('85)

David Silvestri was drafted by the Houston Astros in the second round of baseball's 1988 amateur draft. He played for eight seasons in the major leagues with the Yankees, Expos, Rangers, Devil Rays and Angels.

After his major league playing career, Silvestri coached in baseball's minor leagues for three seasons. His greatest baseball highlight, however, is winning a gold medal in the 1988 Summer Olympics in Seoul, South Korea. As the starting short-stop on the Olympic team, Silvestri played alongside such future major league stars as Jim Abbot, Andy Benes, Tino Martinez and Robin Ventura. The team played a 48-game pre-Olympic schedule and then traveled to Seoul to win the gold medal that had eluded the team in 1984.

In its first game, the U.S. team beat host Korea 5-3. The team then went on to rout Australia by a 12-2 margin and clinched the top spot in its division. The Americans finished preliminary round play by dropping an 8-7 verdict to Canada, but still headed into a semifinal match-up with Puerto Rico. The USA easily downed Puerto Rico 7-2 to set up a rematch of the 1984 final gold-medal game against Japan.

Silvestri played a role in the Americans' gold medal victory over Japan. He had an RBI single and Tino Martinez hit two home runs as the USA beat Japan 5-3 to win the gold medal. The victory was a complete game for pitcher Jim Abbot. The USA did not win another gold medal in baseball until 2000.

Silvestri graduated from Central High in 1985. He attended the University of Missouri-Columbia. He resides in Chesterfield, Mo.





## Jeffrey Spiegel

Mason Ridge • West High ('73)

Jeffrey Spiegel is the superintendent of schools in the Ferguson-Florissant School District. He began in the position on July 1, 2004.

Prior to becoming superintendent, Spiegel was the district's area executive director for secondary education, an educational level that he served in various capacities since 1976. His responsibilities included supervision of the instructional program for grades 7-12, which consisted of three high schools, three middle schools, the alternative education program and

special education.

He has also previously served the district as executive director of student support services, administrator of the Student Support Center, dean of students at McCluer North High School and as a mathematics teacher at the alternative program for at-risk youth. As a teacher, he pioneered a program that focuses on helping marginal students.

Honors Spiegel has received include the Certificate of Appreciation from the National Peer Helping Association and the Distinguished Service Award from the Ferguson-Florissant School District. He was named a fellow by the Educational Policy Fellowship Program and was awarded the Certificate of Merit by Mothers Against Drunk Driving.

Earlier in his career, Spiegel received the Award of Merit for his work on the school district's interracial advisory committee and was named as the district's "Outstanding Teacher."

He is a member of the National Association of Secondary School Principals, the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development and the National School Boards Association.

Spiegel graduated from West High in 1973. He has a bachelor's degree in education/secondary mathematics and a master's degree in education/secondary counseling from the University of Missouri-St. Louis. He did doctoral work at St. Louis University and completed a degree in school administration at Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville in 1996. He received his superintendent certification from Lindenwood University in 2003.

He lives in the St. Louis area.





## Anne Steffens

Manchester • South Junior • West High ('85)

Anne Steffens is the education reporter for KMOV Channel 4, St. Louis' CBS affiliate. She has held that position since 1999, having joined the station in 1996. Her reporting broke a national story involving audiotapes from the "Railroad Killer," which resulted in legislation that closed the loopholes in the way Missouri does background checks for teachers. Her reports on public school day care also resulted in the introduction of local legislation.

Honors Steffens has received include five Emmys, including four for her work in the field of education. She has been recognized by the Missouri Broadcasters' Association, the Illinois Associated Press and National Press Photographer's Association. She has been quoted in several education magazines.

Before coming to Channel 4, Steffens worked in television in South Bend, Ind. and Jefferson City, Mo. She worked in radio news in Columbia, Mo., and Detroit Lakes, Minn. She also reported for MissouriNet in Jefferson City.

In 2003, Steffens was the keynote speaker for Emerson's Excellence in Education event, which awarded nearly 100 teachers for excellence in their fields. She takes time to speak to school classes about communication in the community and reads to children's groups. She has also spoken to superintendents' groups and guest lectured at the University of Missouri-Columbia.

Steffens has participated in charity events for organizations including St. Vincent's Home, Judevine Center for Autism, St. Louis Children's Home and the St. Louis Variety Club. She also volunteers twice a week at the St. Louis Crisis Center.

Steffens graduated from West High in 1985. She graduated from Augustana College in 1989, majoring in English and French. She is a candidate for a master's degree in broadcast journalism from the University of Missouri-Columbia.

She lives in St. Louis, Mo.





## Jyl Steinback

North Junior • Central High ('72)

Jyl (Levy) Steinback is a nationally recognized advocate of healthy eating who is committed to the mission of helping others get healthy. She is the author of 12 cookbooks, including "Recipes for Fat Free Living (1&2)," "Recipes for Fat Free Desserts," "Supermarket Gourmet," "Cook Once, Eat for a Week," and her newest cookbook, "The Busy Mom's Make It Quick Cookbook," by Meredith Publishing. Her cookbooks have sold over 2 million copies. She has also produced multiple exercise programs.

Two simple rules drive Steinback- "move your body" and "eat what you love while balancing your meals with healthy nutrition using moderation and portion control." It is her contention that many of the diseases associated with high fat and cholesterol diets may be prevented as our children mature into adults if they are educated on proper nutrition and exercise and follow some regular exercise routine.

National television appearances for Steinback include "CBS This Morning," "Leeza," HGTV's "Smart Solutions," "Our Home" and "Crook & Chase." She has appeared on QVC over two dozen times and has done radio interviews on healthy living nationwide. Ladies' Home Journal labeled Steinback "America's Healthiest Mom" and First for Women magazine identified her as a "weight loss expert." She is a feature writer for Healthy Cooking Quick & Light, First For Women, Senior Times, eDiet.com and Wedding Magazine. She provides a weekly healthy recipe to [www.successfulmom.com](http://www.successfulmom.com) and can be found at her website, [www.americashealthiestmom.com](http://www.americashealthiestmom.com).

Steinback is a speaker for the Arizona chapter of the American Heart Association, the Arizona Heart Institute and the Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. She also volunteers her time speaking to schools and organizations about healthy living.

Regarding her years in Parkway, Steinback says, "My experience at Parkway taught me many life lessons that I now practice today as a mom, a business women and friend. It taught me the 'never give up attitude' - to reach higher, work harder, and to strive for what I want and believe I am capable of achieving and always do what I love most - enjoy life to the fullest and help everyone that walks in my path."

Steinback graduated from Central High in 1972 and is a 1976 graduate of Arizona State University.

She lives in Scottsdale, Ariz.



## Kyle Steinman, M.D.

Green Trails • Central Junior  
Central High ('92)

Dr. Kyle Steinman is a fellow in child neurology at the University of California-San Francisco.

Steinman has used his knowledge and abilities to help various groups of people. He traveled with Witness for Peace, a medical relief delegation, to Honduras after Hurricane Mitch. There, he provided medical care to the people of the impoverished communities and taught preventative health care measures. He has also volunteered his time with a number of children's groups, at different times acting as a companion for a chronically ill three-year-old girl, supervising activities at a camp for deaf children, and teaching cognitive and social skills to a child with autism via behavior-modification techniques.

Other activities include participating in the medical care of 3,500 bicyclists and crew in a week-long ride raising money for organizations serving people with HIV/AIDS. He led a neuroscience study group while at UCLA and assisted in teaching beginning-level Spanish to medical students. He has also coordinated a shadowing program for first- and second-year neurology students and coordinated a group that gave medical students exposure to the world of pediatrics.

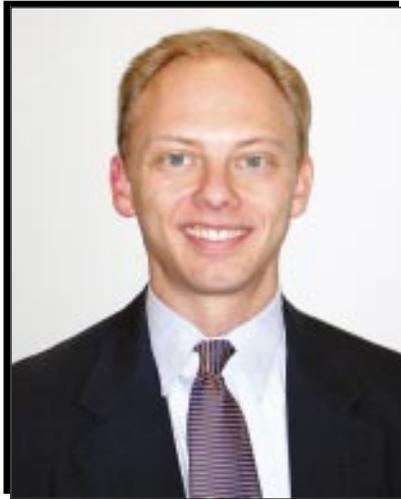
Steinman did his residency in pediatrics at Children's Hospital Oakland in Oakland, Calif. He has received a number of honors as he has pursued his education, including acceptance into UCLA's Alpha Omega Alpha honor medical society and earning letters of distinction in clinical psychiatry, psychopathology, genetics and biomathematics at UCLA. He was a short-term training program research fellow at UCLA and received a research grant for undergraduate research while at Stanford.

Before entering medical school, Steinman worked at Scientific Learning during its first year in business, helping in the development of Fast ForWord®, a neuroscience-based computer software product used therapeutically for children with language-based learning disorders.

Steinman graduated from Central High in 1992. He received a bachelor's degree in psychology with honors from Stanford University and his medical degree from the University of California-Los Angeles School of Medicine.

He lives in San Francisco, Calif.





## Bryan Tramont, Esq.

Sorrento Springs • South High ('86)

Bryan Tramont is the chief of staff for Federal Communications Commission Chairman Michael Powell. In that role, he helps prioritize and manage the agency's policy and management direction. He directs the political and press aspects of policy development and helping manage an agency with over 2,000 employees, a \$350 million budget and 11 field offices.

Before assuming this position, Tramont served as the chairman's senior legal advisor, advising him generally on the FCC agenda issues, specifically wireless, international, technology and consumer issues. He served in the same position for commissioners Kathleen Abernathy and Harold Furchtgott-Roth.

Tramont also currently serves on the executive committee of the Federal Communications Bar Association and has been awarded the organization's Distinguished Service Award. He is an adjunct professor of law at the Catholic University of America Law School's Communications Law Institute.

He has volunteered much of his time to mentoring programs and donates regular hours to his church's soup kitchen.

Prior to joining the FCC, Tramont was an attorney with the law firm of Wiley Rein and Fielding. There, he worked in telecommunications regulation and appellate litigation. Previous experience also includes serving as a clerk for the Hon. Duane Benton on the Missouri Supreme Court and working with Missouri Congressman Jack Buechner. Tramont also served on the staff and board of directors of a national nonprofit, Youth Service America, dedicated to fostering an ethic of service in America's young people.

While at George Washington University, Tramont received the Distinguished Scholar Award from the Columbian College of Arts and Sciences. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and president of the GWU College Republicans and the university's chapter of Alpha Phi Omega, a national service fraternity.

Regarding his selection for the Hall of Fame, Tramont says, "It is a tremendous honor to be selected for the Parkway Hall of Fame. Selection to the Hall is far more a reflection of the experiences and education I received at Parkway than any personal accomplishment. The staff and my fellow students at Sorrento Springs and Parkway South created a supportive and generous learning community that formed the foundation of who I am."

Tramont graduated from South High in 1986. He graduated summa cum laude from George Washington University with a degree in political science and obtained his law degree from Yale Law School, where he served as editor of the Yale Law & Policy Review.

He lives in Washington, D.C.



## Brad Warner, M.D.

North High ('76)

Dr. Brad Warner is an attending surgeon in the division of pediatric surgery at the Children's Hospital Medical Center in Cincinnati and in the department of surgery in the University of Cincinnati Hospital. He is the director of the Extracorporeal Life Support Service in the division of pediatric surgery and the program director for the pediatric surgery fellowship at the Children's Hospital Medical Center. He is also a professor of surgery at the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine.

In 2003-2004, Warner served as the president of the Society of University Surgeons. He has also served in leadership positions in the American Academy of Pediatrics, Surgical Section, the American College of Surgeons, the American Pediatric Surgical Association and other organizations. He is board certified by the American Board of Surgery in general surgery, pediatric surgery, and surgical critical care.

Warner has contributed over 130 articles to journals, including the Journal of Pediatric Surgery, American Journal of Physiology and the American Journal of Surgery. He has written numerous book chapters and commentaries on various topics and has served on several editorial boards.

In addition to a busy clinical practice caring for patients, Warner is the principle investigator on two NIH grants. He also runs a very productive basic science laboratory. In his research lab, he has trained and mentored multiple surgery residents and postdoctoral students. He has shared his talents as a visiting professor at places such as the Children's Hospital of Michigan, Harvard University, Johns Hopkins University, University of Pittsburgh, and the University of Calgary, to name only a few. He has made numerous invited speeches and presentations in both the U.S. and in Canada.

Warner is most proud of his family. His wife, Barbara, is an outstanding neonatologist. They have two wonderful children, Lauren and Emily.

Warner says of Parkway: "I have very fond memories of my time at Parkway North. The most influential aspects for me were my classmates - my best friend Greg Wirt - and the friendships I still hold very dear, one of which is with Andrea Cohen. A wonderful group of diverse and strong students."

Warner is a 1976 graduate of North High. He received his medical degree from the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Medicine in 1982. He completed his residency in surgery at the University of Cincinnati Hospital and his fellowship in pediatric surgery at the Children's Hospital Medical Center in Cincinnati.

He and his family live in Cincinnati, Ohio.



## Donald Whitney

South Junior • West High ('73)

Donald Whitney is the president and CEO of Corporate Sports Unlimited, Inc., founder and president of the US 10K Classic and the World Children's Center. Corporate Sports Unlimited offers complete design, consulting and management services to executive health clubs and spas in the finest office parks, resorts and hotels in the country. In Atlanta, Corporate Sports Unlimited manages 17 Executive Health Clubs with over 35,000 members. In addition, Corporate Events and Meetings, a division of Corporate Sports Unlimited, produces over 250 team building events each year and serves over 700,000 people annually.

The US 10K Classic is an international road race event for runners, inline skaters (National Championship), professional cyclists and wheelchair athletes that is held each Labor Day weekend in Atlanta. The race celebrated its 11th year in 2004 with more than 11,000 athletes from 48 countries and 42 states. Since the event's inception, more than \$1 million has been donated to nonprofit community organizations benefiting children in need ([www.us10k.org](http://www.us10k.org)).

A portion of the proceeds from the US 10K Classic goes to the development of the World Children's Center. The World Children's Center is a planned community for homeless, orphaned and neglected children from Georgia, the United States and the world. Through Whitney's vision and hard work, the World Children's Center will become a reality, with groundbreaking scheduled for the Fall 2005.

The center will consist of more than 100 homes with two surrogate house parents and up to six children in each home. The center will also feature education programs and facilities, a pediatric clinic, recreational facilities, several parks and playgrounds, a worship center and a food bank to serve the center and those in need in the surrounding communities. In addition, a multipurpose performing arts center with more than 3,000 seats will be built for concerts and events to bring awareness and funds to the center and children in need ([worldchildrenscenter.org](http://worldchildrenscenter.org)).

Whitney is married to Cathy and has twin boys, Brian and Kevin.

He graduated from West High in 1973 and received his bachelor's degree from Arizona State University in 1977.

He and his family live in Smyrna, Ga.





## Commander John Winkler

Weber • East Junior • Central High ('81)

John K. Winkler is a captain with Southwest Airlines, but the majority of his career has been spent serving his country. Honors he has received include the Meritorious Service Medal, the Joint Service Achievement Medal and the Navy Achievement Medal. In 1999 he was selected as the 1999 Atlantic Fleet Airborne Early Warning Reserve "Hawkeye of the Year."

In recent years, Winkler has been an integral part of a Naval reserve squadron based in Atlanta. The primary mission of the VAW-77 Night Wolves is to support the nation's war on drugs. Winkler devoted himself to building this squadron from the ground up, serving in various leadership positions and finally as commanding officer.

When Winkler took command of the squadron in 2002, the United States had no airborne early warning drug interdiction presence in Central or South America. Upon directive from the highest levels of government, he quickly mobilized his squadron and established bases of operations in El Salvador and Colombia. During his 18 months of command, his squadron was responsible for stopping over four million pounds of drugs destined for the US. The VAW-77 is the most deployed squadron in the Navy, averaging 150 days away from home a year.

Winkler originally began his service when he was inducted into the U.S. Navy as a midshipman at the Naval Academy. After graduation he went to flight training and was designated a naval aviator, flying E-2C Hawkeye Airborne Early Warning aircraft. He served through multiple deployments all over the world on the USS Nimitz and the USS Constellation. He held many positions, including aircraft commander, assistant operations officer and legal officer.

Winkler graduated from Central High in 1981. He graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1985 with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering and from the U.S. Naval War College in 1999.

He lives in St. Louis, Mo.





## Pete Wittmann

Mason Ridge • Parkway Junior High  
Parkway Senior High ('67)

Pete Wittmann was a founding investor and a significant contributor to one of the fastest growing companies the U.S. has ever seen – Excel Communications. The company was founded in 1988 when Wittmann's best friend Kenny Troutt called him and told him he needed all his money and that they were going to be mega-rich.

Wittmann took his life savings of \$20,000 and combined it with the \$20,000 he borrowed on credit (at 18 percent interest) and did as he was ordered. Excel grew to approximately \$2 billion in revenues in 1997, along with over four million customers and one million independent representatives. Wittmann provided behind-the-scenes support for the company, especially as a morale builder for the independent representatives. He also served as an advisor to Troutt, the company's founder.

Wittmann's success in business has allowed him to support the things that mean the most to him. In 2003, he made the largest private donation in the history of Southern Illinois University. The gift was made to the athletic department and paid for the creation of a spacious new high-tech training facility for intercollegiate student athletes. The building is known as the Troutt-Wittmann Center, bearing the names of Kenny and Pete. The two were teammates on the Southern Illinois Salukis' football team in the late '60s and went on to become roommates, fraternity brothers and business partners in Excel.

Wittmann is also very loyal to Parkway. He serves as a member of the Parkway Alumni Association's Honorary Board of Directors. He credits coach Jack Wells for instilling in him a sense of perseverance. And, of course, bigger than life, is former principal Al Burr.

"I loved Al Burr," he says. "He was able to relate to me and the other students. I always felt privileged when he devoted time to me."

Wittmann is a regular supporter of his church and various community organizations, including the Alzheimer's Foundation, the Red Cross, the Shriners, cancer research and more.

Wittmann graduated from Parkway High in 1967 and from Southern Illinois University-Carbondale in 1971.

He lives in Dallas, Texas.





## Ryan Young

Shenandoah Valley • Central Junior  
Central High ('94)

Ryan Young was selected by the New York Jets in the seventh round of the 1999 NFL Draft from Kansas State University, where he attended on a full athletic scholarship. He has been a starting offensive lineman in the NFL for six seasons for the Jets, the Houston Texans and the Dallas Cowboys.

Young was the second pick of the Houston Texans in the new franchise's 2002 expansion draft. He has started 55 of the 68 games he has played in his NFL career.

While attending Kansas State, Young received a great number of honors. In 1998 he was named a Big Twelve Conference All American and in 1996, 1997 and 1998 he was named to the all-conference team. Young was a member of Kansas State's highly successful bowl teams during this time, playing in the Alamo, Fiesta and Cotton bowls.

Young attended Parkway schools as a participant in the Voluntary Transfer Program, and the character and volunteerism he showed in his high school days has lived on. At every stop in his football career, he has pitched in to give back to his community. While in college, he served as a mentor for the local Boys and Girls Club. When he played for the New York Jets after college, he was active with the Davis Center of Autism and the Make-a-Wish Foundation. As a member of the Houston Texans, Young was again a mentor with the Boys and Girls Club and worked with terminally ill children at a local hospital.

Young graduated from Central High in 1994. He graduated from Kansas State University with a bachelor's degree in communications in 1999.

He lives in Dallas, Texas.

