

# Concordia Teachers College Class of 1966 Directory & Memories

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# **Ginny (Albers) Bergant**



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Other Educaton:	Additional hours at Michigan State University
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Taught ½ year at Immanuel, Elmhurst, Ill Taught 2 years at Redeemer, Saginaw, MI Taught from 1968-2010 at Bethlehem, Saginaw
Marital Status & Spouse Name	David F. Bergant – Class of '66. Died March 9, 2002, complications of the "flu".
Family Members	Daughter Melissa. Three granddaughters: Clare (18); Cammi (14); Cossi (11)
Interests/Hobbies	Love volunteering and teaching Bible Class at area senior residence; avid reader.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Getting married in 1966, "losing" Dave in 2002, and battling breast cancer in 2004.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Set me on my career path – taught for 45 years – would do it all again! Also, that is where I met Dave, my soul mate!
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	I had many great ones – Marvin Bartell stands out!

# Rebekah (Baehr) Leder

From 1966 Yearbook: Newfane, New York Sequence: Music-Education Assigned to: Redeemer, Westfield, New Jersey

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Other Education:	University of Buffalo – MA plus 30 hours
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Taught a total of 35 years in Westfield, NJ, Alaska, Lockport, NY and Barker, NY. Pre-K through 2 and remedial math
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Widowed twice
Family Members	Son Andrew and children Caleb (17), Grace (14), and Ada (4); Daughter Sarah and children Spencer (22) and Chauncey (17). Total: 5 grandchildren
Interests/Hobbies	Travel, reading, music, grandchildren's sports events
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	I always treasured bringing children to know Jesus, especially through music.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	They enriched it, giving me a solid teaching career.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Prof. Steven Schmidt, my supervising teacher, while student teaching.

# **Randy Banwart**

From 1966 Yearbook: Elgin, Illinois Interned: Sharpsburg, Pennsylvania

Sequence: - English and American Literature Assigned to - Bethany, Chicago, Illinois



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Other Education:	Attended Florida-Atlantic University
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Taught 42 years in Lutheran Schools. Then went into semi- retirement with my wife Sindy to Beech Mountain, SC, where we now work the summer season at Beech Mountain Country Club and then retire during the winter season.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	I have been married for 42 years to Sindy (not a graduate of CTC)
Family Members	We have two children – Travis our son and Tiffany our daughter. We also have 1 grandson – Marshall
Interests/Hobbies	I continue to read incessantly (I taught English and Literature in Middle School.) and enjoy watching good movies – especially when we are snowed in during the winter season
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	When I married my wife and forever friend – Sindy. And when I realized how much I loved teaching 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade in a Christian school.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Those years showed me how important Jesus is to me, and how wonderful it was and is to have such great Christian classmates and friends.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Wangerin influenced me the most. He was such a strong Christian, and he really knew how to share his faith which I have always tried to emulate – especially to my students when I was teaching.

# Ted Bartell

Interned: Peace, Detroit, Michigan

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Other Education:	Ph.D. Sociology, The University of Michigan, 1974	
	M.A., Sociology, Southern Illinois University, 1969	
Career(s) since time at	I had a long career conducting policy research and evaluation studies at the federal,	
Concordia	state, regional, and local levels. I have worked in government as well as for	
	independent contractors. My research has included work in education, health, and	
	criminal justice. I have also taught research and evaluation courses at the	
	university level. I served as an elected board member of a large urban/suburban	
	school district in northern California. In 2006, I retired as Director of Research and	
	evaluation for the Los Angeles Unified School District. Since retiring, I have been	
	doing some research consulting and doctoral dissertation advising.	
Marital Status &	Married to Carol Mandeville Bartell for 49 years. I was the first student at	
Spouse Name	Concordia to receive permission to marry before graduation. Carol had graduated	
	early and was already teaching. We married on Easter Sunday.	
Family Members	3 children: Kent (born 1970), Scott (born 1973), and Kristin (born 1976). Kent and	
	his wife, Stacey, have two children: Sydney (1996), and Eric (1998). Kristin and her	
	husband Loren have three girls: Kaia (2009), Avrie (2011), and Sabrine (2014).	
Interests/Hobbies	I enjoy hiking, reading, and traveling. We atttend many music and theater events	
	in the greater Los Angeles area. I am active in my church. Most recently, I have	
	become involved in Guardian Angels, an interdenominational group formed to	
	monitor immigration hearings for unaccompanied minors.	
What was a significant	In 2002, I received special recognition with a Lifetime Achievement Award from the	
moment in your life's	California Educational Research Association.	
story?		
How did your years at	My undergraduate education at Concordia was strong enough to enable me to get	
CTC impact your life?	fellowship support at a top ranked university for graduate studies in my chosen	
	field of Sociology.	
What CTC professor(s)		
most influenced you	Walter Bouman introduced me to a wide range of Lutheran theologians. Vic	
and helped shape	Streufert inspired a commitment to contemporary urban issues and the role of the	
your life?	church in a diverse society.	

# Karen (Baumgart) Reigles

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Career(s) since time at Concordia	1966-1970 Immanuel, Brookfield, WI. 1987-1999 St. Peter Immanuel, Milwaukee, WI. 1999-2006 Elm Grove, WI Lutheran, 2006-2012 "Uncle Sam" No Child Left
	Behind. 2000-2009 My own gift shop. 2010-present – Antique Dealer at 3 antique malls
Marital Status &	Married to James Reigles (Class of 1966) in 1966.
Spouse Name	
Family Members	Sons – David Allen Reigles (married to Tammy Pritzlaff) and William Scott Reigles; 4 granddaughters.
Interests/Hobbies	Sewing, quilting, crochet, antiques, reading, & travel.
What was a significant	Meeting my husband James in 1960 at Cleveland Lutheran East. Attending,
moment in your life's	graduating, and having my three sisters Lorelle, Marlene, and Valerie follow me at
story?	CTC.

# Lynn (Beening) Steiner

From 1966 Yearbook: Oak Lawn, Illinois Sequence: - Math/Science Assigned to: St. Paul, Addison, IL

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Career(s) since time at Concordia	2 ½ years teaching at St. Paul, Addison, Illinois; Substitute teacher in Bellwood School District 88, Sales Associate at Carson Pirie Scott
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Widow; Doug died in 2012.
Family Members	Sons – Glen (Monica); David (Genie), and John (Donna). Six grandchildren: Kelsey, Collin, Kirstein, Kyle, Shelby, and Jackson
Interests/Hobbies	Reading and crosswords.

### **James Beilke**

From 1966 Yearbook: Merrill, WI Sequence: Geography Interned: Merrill, Wisconsin Assigned to – Lutheran School Association, Decatur, IL

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Other Education:	Illinois State University, Normal, Illinois
Career(s) since time at Concordia	1966-1970 Lutheran School Association, Decatur, IL- Elementary and Upper grades. 1970-1982 Merrill Area Public Schools, Merrill, WI – Upper elementary. 1982-1988 – self-employed (farm). 1988- 2010 – USPS, Merrill/Marathon County Highway Department. Retired in 2010.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Phyllis, June 17, 1967.
Family Members	Two sons: Michael (Patti) and Daniel (Jennifer). Five grandchildren: Mitchell, Kaitlyn, Marissa, Logan, and Natasha.
Interests/Hobbies	Carpentry, mechanics, farming
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	My marriage and the birth of two boys
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Taught me patience and perseverance.

# Dee (Belinsky) Glander

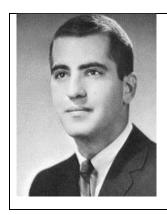
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	Webster University, St. Louis, MO MAT Language Arts
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Pilgrim Lutheran (ungraded classroom), Baltimore, MD; Grace Chapel, St. Louis, MO; Lusher Elementary School, Florissant, MO; Zion Developmental Learning Center, Deerfield Beach, FL - Founder, Director & Teacher; Director of Virginia Wingard Christian Learning Center, Columbia, SC; Merriwether Elementary School, North Augusta, SC
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Jim Glander for 47 years
Family Members	Three daughters – Kathi (Henry), Jeanene (Jorgen) & Jodi (Mike). Six granddaughters: Lydia, Jessica, Mikala, Madison, Hannah & Bria.
Interests/Hobbies	Reading/Leading devotions at local Nursing home; volunteering with the Lydia Project (serving women dealing with any type of cancer); Traveling to Europe, The Holy Land, Central America, Alaska, and British West Indies; working with children.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	The most significant moment in my life's story was meeting and eventually marrying Jim Glander who has been my encourager, caregiver, and spiritual leader.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	My years at CTC impacted my future life greatly as it was there I was taught how to teach not only academics, but how to share the love of Christ with my students whether I was a part of a Lutheran school or a public school.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	The professor who influenced and helped shape my life the most was Dr. Ralph Schultz, the music director at Concordia, Bronxville. He encouraged me to join the Capella Touring Choir during my sophomore year – that expereince gave me confidence to use my musical gifts to eventually direct children's choirs, musicals, and now an adult choir.

# **Richard Benedum**

From 1966 Yearbook: Wauwatosa, WI Sequence: Music Literature Interned: Hammond, Indiana Assigned to - Concordia College, Portland



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Other Education:	Doctor of Musical Arts (DMA), University of Oregon, 1973
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Professor, University of Dayton (OH), 1973-2006
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Julane Rodgers Benedum
Family Members	None
Interests/Hobbies	Reading, cooking, travel
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	<ul> <li>I've been privileged and honored to teach 15 4-week summer seminars for American humanities, music, and other teachers, K-12, held in Vienna, Austria, studying the music of Mozart and applying it to humanities teaching. These seminars were sponsored by grants from the National Endowment for the Humanities, and have been the most rewarding teaching experiences of my career.</li> <li>As a performing musician, the concerts I conducted during my 27 years as artistic director-conductor of the Dayton Bach Society, a professional-level chorus I founded, were highlights.</li> </ul>
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	The music courses that I took were a very solid preparation for my subsequent graduate studies.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Professors Richard Hillert and Carl Schalk

# **Dottie (Berndt) Felten**

From 1966 Yearbook: Grand Rapids, MI Sequence: Sociology Assigned to – Messiah, Fairview Park, Ohio



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Career(s) since time at Concordia	Taught in Lutheran Schools from 1966-2007 (with a 10-year span devoted rather to our growing family in the 70's).
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to John C. Felten (Class of '63)
Family Members	Four children. Scott and Mark are both graduates of Concordia, Ann Arbor, in 1993 and 1996 respectively. Our twins, Terri and Daniel both graduated from CURF in 1999. All three boys are teaching in Lutheran Schools in Ohio or Michigan. We also have 11 grandchidren.
Interests/Hobbies	Travel, reading, gardening and keeping up with my husband who still competes in basketball at the Masters and Senior Games competition.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Birth of each child and grandchild – God is so good – everyday!
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	So thankful for its influence and training for not only my professional life, but especially for the years spent growing up with fellow Christians with common values and goals. Priceless! Such a gift of friends for a lifetime!!
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	CTC professors who influenced Surely they all had an impactI so fondly remember Max Culver and Coaches Brockberg and Faszholz.

# **Yvonne (Borkey) Rentner**

From 1966 Yearbook: Templeton, California Sequence: Sociology Assigned to – Messiah, St. Louis, Missouri



Other Education:	Contra Costa College, San Pablo, CA – Associate in Science Degree in Nursing
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Elementary teacher – 1 <sup>st</sup> ., 3 <sup>rd</sup> .,4 <sup>th</sup> .grades; Adult ESC teacher; Registered Nurse, Volunteer teacher in 5 <sup>th</sup> . – 12 <sup>th</sup> . grades in Aszod, Hungary
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Ronald Rentner
Family Members	Ron and I have 3 children and 10 grandchildren
Interests/Hobbies	Working with refugees; Music – playing piano and organ; Tent campiing with family; Seeing Roman ruins
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Being an observer in U.N. refugee camps in Honduras for Guatemalans and Salvadorians in 1982.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	I received the education and inspiration I needed to teach in schools in MO, IL, NV,CA, Guatemala and Hungary. I learned to play organ and have used this skill in churches in MO, IL, NV, CA, and Copenhagen, Denmark.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Herbert Gotsch and Dr. Walter Bouman

# **Christine (Bormann) Kirchenberg**

From 1966 Yearbook: Petersburg, MI Sequence: History

Graduate Studies



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Career(s) since time at Concordia	Lutheran teacher at all levels: Walther Lutheran High School, Early Childhood Education and elementary school teacher at St. John, Forest Park and St. John's, LaGrange, IL. Have also taught several college courses.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Ralph Kirchenberg
Family Members	Lynn – daughter, married and living in Seattle, WA
	Eric – unmarried, living in St. Petersburg, FL
Interests/Hobbies	Choir, volunteering at former school, health issues, travel, involved in Direct Sales selling ViVi, a quality line of beautiful and well-priced jewelry for the past 14 years (www.bevivi.com/chriskirchenberg)
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	The day I decided to come to Concordia – sight unseen !
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	They influenced my entire career, enabled me to meet my husband, and make the best and most lasting friends in my life!
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Rudy Heinze

# **Richard Calhoun**

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Other Education:	DePaul University – M.S. in Physics (1969)
	Indiana University – PhD in Mathematical Physics
Career(s) since time at Concordia	41 years full time and 1 year part time teaching mathematics and
	physics at Concordia, River Forest.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Mary Susan Hopkings, July 29, 1967
Family Members	Sons: Daniel and Nathan Daughter: Melissa
	Grandchildren: William, Molly, Emma, Thomas, Kelly
Interests/Hobbies	1- Traveling with my wife
	2- Seeing our children and grandchildren
	3- Volunteering at Harmony Food Pantry and at church
What was a significant moment in	Coming to CTC after turning down a full scholarship to play football
your life's story?	at Valparaiso University. At CTC, I found my wife and my vocation.
How did your years at CTC impact	Those years showed me how important Jesus is to me, and how
your life?	wonderful it was and is to have such great Christian classmates and friends.
What CTC professor(s) most	Professor Lange directed me to make mathematics and physics
influenced you and helped shape	courses at De Paul University.
your life?	

# Kathleen (Carr) O'Connor

From 1966 Yearbook: Merced, CA Sequence: Curriculum & Instruction

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Other Education:	California Teaching Credential through Cal-Poly, Pomona. <i>Reading</i> <i>Recovery</i> credential through Santa Clara U.
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Taught 3 years at First Lutheran, Monrovia, CA; 7 years at Blandford Elementary in Rowland Heights, CA; 29 years at Parker Whitney Elementary in Rocklin, CA. Retired- 2006. In retirement, worked as substitute teacher, reading intervention teacher and coordinator and board member of Sight Word Busters.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Rod (Robert) O'Connor for almost 48 years
Family Members	Tim O'Connor (46) – works for the city of Rocklin, CA – wife, Sara, 2 chldren, Maddie (11) and Molly (3). Darrin O'Connor (45) – teacher in Roseville, CA – wife, Julie, son, Jack (10). Sean O'Connor (35) – nurse in Sacramento, CA – wife, Kellie – daughter, Ruby (7).
Interests/Hobbies	Grandchildren, crafts, gardening, attempts at quilting, heavily involved in Sunday School (Godly Play), nurturing friendships
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	I can't point to one significant moment, but without a doubt the many people and relationships in my life have significantly influenced my story. OK, so some of my friends (Concordia friends too) are just plain crazy and I love it.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	I believe I would be a different person had I gone to a state college rather than CTC. I think CTC enhanced a foundation of values that I will always carry with me.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Not going to name one professor, but overall I learned that perhaps my God was too small. My mind was opened to the idea that God is so much more than my Sunday School ideas. As I continue to grow in faith, my life continues to be shaped by those professors who encouraged a faith of openness.

# Diane (Christian) Boehm

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Career(s) since time at Concordia	College/University writing instructor: IL, MN, IN, MI; Founding Director, University Writing Program, Saginaw Valley State University, MI – 1995-2013
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Husband Jerry died November 30, 2015
Family Members	Three chldren: JJ (Saginaw, MI), Lisa (Libertyville, IL), Joel (Austin, TX); two grandchildren, Christian and Caroline (Saginaw, MI).
Interests/Hobbies	Gardening (volunteer at Chicago Botanical Garden), travel
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	A recent significant moment in my life was having the SVSU Writing Center named the Diane Boehm Writing Center in 2014 (see above photo)
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	CTC gave me an excellent preparation for both my personal and professional life; we truly received a broad liberal arts education (ranging from physics to organ, in my case) and a servant attitude that has been a blessing to me in all phases of my life.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Without a doubt, Merle Radke was the most influential professor in my life; he was my instructor for multiple courses, but he was also a mentor who helped me prepare for graduate school, hired me to teach at CTC for several years, and has been a lifelong role model of professional excellence.

# John Chu

From 1966 Yearbook: Kowloon, Hong Kong Sequence: Music Graduate Studies



Other Education:	Concordia College BA -1966 MA-1967; The Chinese University of Hong Kong, MBA, 1974; Southern Illinois U. – Phd Candidate, Secondary Education Administration; Princeton University – Advance Executives Program - 1982
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Called Teaching Minister: The Lutheran Church, HK Synod – 1968-Present Found Principal & Supt: Four Lutheran Schools – all in Hong Kong Dean – Christian Education Dept, Concordia Seminary between 1970-2000 Senior Executive/Chief Executive – Bank of America in various countries – 1974- 1993 Group Chief Investment Officer – AIG & AIA Group 1993-2016 Chariman, AIA Person & Trustee – 2007-Present Adjunct Professor, The Chinese U. of Hong Kong – 2004-Present Adjunct Professor, Concordia Seminary, Hong Kong -2000-Present Currently serves as volunteer minister (non-salary) of Nathan Road Lutheran Church in Hong Kong
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Carol
Family Members	Paul (son) and Leanne (daughter-in-law), Carolyn (daughter) and Khoo Ken-Min (son-in-law), Isabel, Katherine, and Vesper (granddaughters)
Interests/Hobbies	Classical music, golfing, teaching
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Managing an investment portfolio of US \$170 billion for AIA Group amid the 2008 Global Financial Crisis. God guided me through.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	The dedication of CTC's professors and teachers, and the love and inclusive attitudes of fellow students have inspired me to be a servant for a purpose in ministry or vocation under God's grace and mercy.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	All of them contributed to shaping my professional skills and Christian work ethics which have centered on faith in God. My four years of experience under the Pillars of Addison Hall has transformed me as a Christian and as God's instrument of love.

# **Robert Collin**

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Career(s) since time at Concordia	Lutheran Schools (elementary), Peace Corp – Zaire, at Universite Naçional du Zaire; English as second language in Chicago; and 3 universities in Seoul, Korea (including 4 years at Luther University in Yong Iu, South Korea.
Interests/Hobbies	Gardening, photography, travel
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	It was a good safe place to "grow up"; transition from high school to real world and greater independence from family.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	In various ways, Walter Bouman, Roger Uitti, and Clarence Drews

# **Jeffrey Daley**

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Sequence: History

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Other Education:	MA – Concordia – 1971; PhD – University of Texas, Austin, 1998
Career(s) since time at Concordia	1966-68- Ashburn Lutheran Church – Chicago – Founded school 1968-77, 1978-81, 2002-2008 - Luther High North Chicago – teacher, coach, asst. principal, principal 1977-78 Concordia University – RF – Asst Prof of Educaton 1991-2000 Concordia University – Austin, TX – Dir. Seconday Ed. 2000-02 Valparaiso University – Chair of Education Dept.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married 52 years to Sharon (nee Slavicek) who also attended R.F.
Family Members	Four children – Timothy, Philip, Jennifer, Susan. All four attended River Forest – 2 graduated from RF while the other two from Concordia, Austin, TX
Interests/Hobbies	Teaching, reading, sports, watching 10 grandkids grow up
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Blessed with many, especially speaking at 2009 graduation at Concordia as "Alumnus of the Year".
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	In many ways as my life seemed to revolve around that campus – first with the education received, meeting my wife there, taking courses after the BA and MA, as well as conferences there, meeting former students wherever I went around the country, my kids all attending RF, and the friends made there with whom I am still in contact.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Tjiernagel, History Professor

### Barbara (Davis) Grosch

#### From 1966 Yearbook: Detroit, MI Sequence: Sociology Assigned to: Concordia, Kirkwood, MO



Other Education:	M.Ed. from Xavier University (Cincinnati) in Montessori Education;
	Adminsitrative Credential from Simpson University, Redding, CA
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Elementary teacher; Director of a refugee ministry;
	Community College Adjunct facult in Early Childhood Ed,
	Adminstrator – school and Even Start Family Literacy Program
	Started and administered five preschool programs
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Bob Grosch since 1967
Family Members	Son: Mark (45) married to Heather
	Daughter: Amy (43) married to Nick
	Grandchildren: Bella (18), Ethan (10), Kristin (8) Clara (7), and
	Thomas (5).
Interests/Hobbies	Hiking, camping, sewing, quilting, hospital volunteer, Director of
	Mended Hearts program at our hosptial; refugee outreach and
	ministry for 28 years.
What was a significant moment in	My work with refugees following the Vietnam War forever changed my life and
your life's story?	enriched my understanding and compassion for those who have no home due to war. My heart surgery in 2009 made me appreciate each day and want to give
	back to those who had to deal with the same experience. My
	children/grandchildren/family are a continued blessing and sign of God's grace in my life.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	I learned how to study and appreciated the support of classmates who were smart and willing to help others along the way. I met my husband
	during those years which impacted my life in an amazing way. Began the journey of trying to discern God's will for my life.
What CTC professor(s) most	Natalie Jenne: she opened my heart, ears, and mind to the beauty
influenced you and helped shape your life?	of classical music and the gifted composers who brought the music to life.
your me:	Dr. Gehrke: he brought the Old Testament to life in such a unique
	way, and was the embodiment of Christian love & compassion

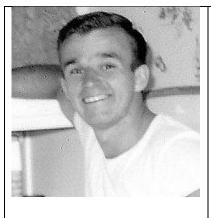
# Chris (Davis) Rakow

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Other Education:	College of DuPage, National Lewis Univeristy
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Immanuel Lutheran – Palatine, IL- 1 <sup>st</sup> . grade – 1 year Trinity Lutheran – Wahiawa, Hawaii- 6 <sup>th</sup> . grade – 3 years Production Editor, Laidlaw Bros. – River Forest, IL – 3 years Trinity Ev. Lutheran School, West Chicago, IL -Daycare & Aftrschl,– 17 years Our Savior, Carol Stream, IL Lighthouse Afterschool Program – 3 years
	Glenbard North High School, Little Panther Playschool, In-House Child Development Lab for FACS students – 19 years (last 3 years were concurrent)
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married James (Jim) Rakow, Lead Operator CH2M
Family Members	Son: Major Michael Rakow, Clinical Psychologist, US Army, San Antonio, TX – wife Julie (Alexandra-10),(Isabella-6). Son: John Rakow, Social Services & Artist – wife Mandy, Ass't to Director of
	Performing Arts, College of DuPage, Glen Ellyn, IL, (Esther -5). Daughter: Beth (Rakow) Valdez, Floral Designer, event production, customer decorating installation – husband Ryan, steel worker.
Interests/Hobbies	Grandchildren, Bible study, art, nature, tutoring, history, writing, reading
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	At age 13, sermon of a visiting missionary from Africa set the course for my life. As guest speaker on Sunday in my NY church, he spoke passionately of the lostness of people he worked with and how they needed to hear the good news of Jesus Christ. Moved by that message, I spoke to pastor as I left church and met with him the following Saturday to act on how to become a missionary. Four years later I was a student at CTC with the goal of becoming a teacher and possibly a missionary.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	I came from a good public school that gave me a good education and values, but the atmosphere at CTC was entirely different. I felt so blessed to be on a Christian campus where the students cared about each other and had similar goals that extended beyond the college years, and the foundation was love love for God.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Lucht's classes, where I learned to understand human behavior. Dr. Tjnernagel, who knew his subject (world history) SO well, that at the start of the class, he would put his extensive note binder on the podium, lecture continuously without looking at the notes, and walk by occasionally to turn the page. I wanted to know my subjects that well!

#### **James Dewar**



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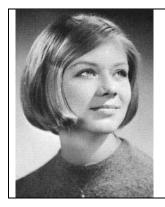
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Other Education:	Attended Concordia from 1962 – 1965;
	Graduated from Augustana, Rock Island, IL BA -1966
	University of Wisconsin, Madison, M.A1968
	Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS, Phd - 1974
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Employed in the Atomic Energy Commission in 1972
	<ul> <li>Department later became Department of Energy</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Transferred to the DOE's Office of Intelligence</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Several diplomatic missions to Vienna, London, Paris, Bonn,</li> </ul>
	Rome, and Zurich
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Engaged
Interests/Hobbies	Published two books on the History of Nuclear Rocketry;
	Volunteer Fire Department and Ambulance Corp for 30 years
What was a significant moment in	Without a doubt, it came in January, 1999 when my doctor called
your life's story?	and said my tests came back positive. I had cancer. Surgery several
	days later followed by radiation – waiting for for another year to
	see if the cancer returned. It didn't.
How did your years at CTC impact	I spend 8 years on-campus as an undergraduate and graduate at
your life?	four different colleges or universities, the first three of which at
	Concordia.I remain close to the CTC guys – but have lost touch with
	the others. My years at CTC were quite all right!!
What CTC professor(s) most	I remember two professors fondly, Ralph Gehrke and Robert Busse.
influenced you and helped shape	I loved Gehrke's sincerity and love for the Old Testament. Hours
your life?	after JFK's assassination, when other professors were cancelling
	classes, he began his with a short prayer that closed with a quote
	from Jeremiah 22:10 "Weep not for the dead king." Then
	proceeded with his lecture to the rest of class. Busse was a piano
	teacher and was kind to and tolerant of clods like me who liked
	piano, but came to it too late in life when there were too many
	other distraction that interfered with practicing. Collectively, I
	learned from all and what I learned was a love of books and learning
	which all helped me to have a questioning/skeptical mind.

# Lisa (Diebenow) Downing

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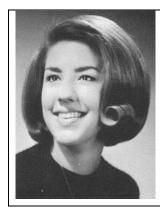
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Other Education:	Concordia, Bronxville 62-64 A.A. State University at Albany, NY – M.A. 1978-82
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Teaching, Lutheran elementary schools and Schenectady City public schools 1987-2006
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Reverend Arthur Downing
Family Members	Rebecca, 46 years old Michael, 44 years old
Interests/Hobbies	Quilting, knitting, sewing, jewelry making, bead weaving, wire work
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Meeting my husband, love at first sight; still going strong after 50 years
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	They helped me to become more serious about my future profession
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Professor Wilkie was a wonderful story teller Professor Schmidt made me think

# Gayle (Dieck) Friebus

From 1966 Yearbook: Queens Village, NY Sequence: Math/Science Assigned to: St. Peter, Arlington Heights, IL



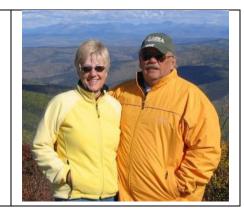
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Other Education:	Illinois Institute of Technology – Computer Science
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Information Technology – from Programmer to Analyst to Project Manager, then Manager, and Asst. Vice President; Sales Executive and Sales Manager for IT Consulting firm.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Divorced and now Domestic Partner with Arthur Sargent
Family Members	Sons: David (42) and Mark (40). Grandsons: Sullivan (19), Isaac (1). Art's sons: Matt (41) and Andrew (39). Grandchildren: Matt's – Lexi (6), Anthony (4). Andrew's – Drew (6) and Abby (3)
Interests/Hobbies	Reading, Sewing, Swimming, Golf
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	My significant moment came within the first hour of my first computer class. I realized what my passion was going to be. This changed the course of my life significantly.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	CTC gave me a good base education and since I was far from my home in NY, I learned to be responsible for myself and learned that there was life west of the Hudson River ! More importantly, CTC gave my great friends for life.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Professor Stephen Schmidt – actually got to know him more after graduation. He was our pastor for our house church and baptized my children. His strong belief in salvation and his humbleness in accepting God's grace and forgiveness stayed with me.

# **Rosemarie (Doering) Reichard**

From 1966 Yearbook: San Francisco, CA Sequence: Youth Leadership



Other Education:	San Jose State U., CA – Life Standard Elementary Teaching Credential
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Teacher- Lutheran Schools in both LCMS and ELCA. Grades K-8 for twelve years; Substitute Teacher K-12 Santa Clara Valley County for ten years; ESL Teacher – Sunnyvale/Cupertino Adult Ed. , Fremenon Union High School District – all levels for 26+ years.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married for 48 years to Bill Reichard, retired from United Airlines
Family Members	Daughter- Laura, and Son-in-law Dean Leonard, Grandsons- Griffin (12) and Austin (10); Son – Glenn, and Daughter-in-law Cara Schindler.
Interests/Hobbies	Traveling, Reading, Music, CA History, Scrap-booking, Creating Photobooks, Digital Photography, Computer, interior Decorating, Gardening, SF Giants, Sports, Cupertino Federated Women's Club, Volunteering at Church and in the Community
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Marrying my husband Bill, traveling all over the world, sharing the message of Jesus to others, especially my students, family, and grandkids.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Teaching has become my life long experience. I love teaching students, ages 5 to 90 !
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	I can't think of any one in particular, but three people who had a strong influence on my educational career were Verna Rahdert, Helen Hilst, and Ray Fricke. They all inspired me to make learning a fun experience while still encouraging my students to learn the material presented.

# Carolyn (Dommer) Gordon

From 1966 Yearbook: Biloxi, MS Sequence: Psychological Sequence: Psychological

Sequence: Psychology Assigned to: Good Shepherd, Irving, Texas



Other Education:	Concordia College, Austin, TX – 1961-1963
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Teacher: Good Shepherd Lutheran School, Irving, Texas from 1966- 1971. Then teacher Irving Public Schools 1987-2007
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Howard M. Gordon
Family Members	Son: Brian and wife Analisa Fink and their daughter Bethany. Daughter: Kathryn & husband Raymond Martinez and their daughter Isabella. Stepson: Howard Mitchell Gordon and his son Mitchell Stepdaughter: Karen & husband Shane and their son Nathan and daughter Crystal.
Interests/Hobbies	Reading, Walking, Facebook Volunteering at granddaughter's school Traveling
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Cancer survivor
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Strengthened my faith

### **Rodney A. Eckert**

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Other Education:	1961-62 University of Wisconsin 1962-64 Concordia Teachers College 1964-65 Intership at Zion Lutheran School/Dallas, TX 1965-66 Concordia Teachers College 1967-72 University of Maryland and Concordia MA 1993 Graduate Certificate in Gerontology Southern Illinois
Career(s) since time at Concordia	1966-81 Calvary, Silver Springs MD 1981-87 Zion, Walton IA 1988-95 St. John, Red Bud IL 1995-07 St. Paul's, Harlingen TX
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married in 1967 to Dorothea (Fuchs) Eckert
Family Members	Andrew (and Jamie nee Smith), Children Avery and Erin Richard (and Heather nee Kane) Daughter Rose Jennifer (and Richard Gott) Children Graham, Miranda, Nick Michelle (and Benjamin Eckert)
Interests/Hobbies	Work as Stephen Ministry Leader Elder at St. Paul, Harlingen TX Volunteer with Chaplains Valley Baptist Hospital Reading, Playing cards, Volunteer work at St. Paul's
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	I was blessed to marry a Concordia classmate a year after grdauting. I spent 15 years at my first call – Calvary, Silver Springs MD. Accepting that firs tcall and being installed was a very special day.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Concordia was mainly for teacher trianingthe 60s and professors and classmates boht fostered a sense of mission and service to the church.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	There were many including HH Gross, Dr. Maurer, Dr. W. Wangerin, Dr. M Radke, Dr. Al Zimer, etc.

# Annette (Egger) Rupprecht

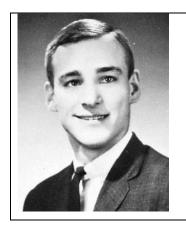
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Other Education:	Attended Concordia, Portland, Oregon; Portland State College M.A. – Concordia, Seward, NE
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Teacher 25 years in parochial and public schools – classroom K-6; Art & Music Director & Theater Programs – K-8 <sup>th</sup> . grades
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Robert J. Rupprecht – married 1967-2013; deceased December 25, 2013.
Family Members	Christine Winberg, David Rupprecht, John Rupprecht, Mark Rupprecht. 7 grandchildren.
Interests/Hobbies	Music/Art/Piano/Choirs; Bible Studies: King of Kings Church, Omaha, NE
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	My aunt and uncle paid my college & I didn't find out until after my Masters classes @ Seward. God Bless them ! Robert and I opened the parochial Hong Kong International School in Repulse Bay, Hong Kong.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	A Christian education; met my husband there. He was a teacher and later a pastor – LCMS – in Minnesota for 10 years
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Music/Piano/Choirs/Classroom professors. All of my professors helped shape my life.

# **Carl Eisman**

From 1966 Yearbook:New Albany, INSequence: Physical EducationInterned:Euclid, OHAssigned to: Hillcrest School, Jos, Nigeria, Africa



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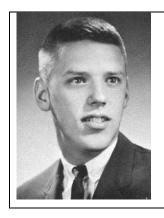
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Other Education:	Concordia University, Wisconsin – M.S. Educational Administration	
Career(s) since time at Concordia	1966-68 Board for Missions, Jos, Nigeria (Teacher/Coach) 1969-76 Our Savior Lutheran HS, Bronx, NY (Teacher/Coach) 1976-90 Baltimore Lutheran HS (Teacher/coach/Admin) 1990-2009 Martin Luther HS, Greendale, WI (Principal)	
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Lynn Molin – graduate from CTC in 1969 (Elementary Ed)	
Family Members	Timothy EismanALL ATTENDED CTC/CUCLisa EismanWendy MorganAmy WeissmuellerImage: Compare the second	
Interests/Hobbies	Visiting kids and grand kids; Reading historical fiction/political spy thrillers; researching topics of interest; home handyman projects	
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Serving as a missionary teacher in Nigeria during the time of their civil war	
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Profs, students and staff members were more like a family. The CTC community affirmed, encouraged, validated, and equipped me for serving the church at large, especially wihtin the LCMS	
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Harold Brockberg – my coach, teacher, and mentor. He was a role model of the highest quality. A man of integrity.	

### **Gene Ewald**

From 1966 Yearbook: St. Louis, MO Sequence: Religion Assigned to: Calvary, Havertown, PA



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Other Education:	University of Michigan – Ann Arbor
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Served in Lutheran Schools since graduation except one year of managing a KFC store. Taught mostly middle school until moving to administration (29 years in administration)
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Charlotte
Family Members	Four children (Krista, Brian, Sean, Seth) and 10 grandchildren
Interests/Hobbies	Gardening/lawn work. Grow great berries of many kinds !
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Marriage, Children, 2008 Pacific SW District Administrator of the Year, Working with some great educators, serving all over the country in multiple cultures (Philadelphia, Pittsburgh,South Floridas, Alabama, Arizona). Retiring to North Carolina.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	I learned much information and was given the gift of being taught to keep an open mind enhancing my ability to work in a variety of settings and with a variety of people with different styles and gifts.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Ralph Gehrke and Stephen Schmidt both helped me understand that differing opinions, values, and beliefs need to be valued and listened to while maintaining faith and biblical understanding without taking yourself too seriously. (Be sure to laugh).

# Margene (Farmer) Watkins

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Career(s) since time at Concordia	Elementary teaching – 4 years at Salem Lutheran in Jacksonville, IL and 31 years in Public School District 117
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married 50 years on June 18, 2016 to Jack Watkins
Family Members	One son – Kevin and two grandchldren, Kelsey (25) and Jordan (22 – a senior in college)
Interests/Hobbies	Reading, shopping, and volunteering
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	In 1970, I lost a baby – gave up my Lutheran teaching job – had to go to public schools. I loved all my teaching years but always missed Salem.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	It made me a stronger and wiser Christian no matter where I taught.

### **Bob Federwitz**

Interned: Trinity, Utica, Michigan

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Other Education:	1975 – M.Ed. – Trenton State College, Trenton, NJ (Now known as the College of New Jersey)
Career(s) since time at Concordia	A lifelong career – ministry in LCMS and ELCA Lutheran Schools; Regional Director of Lutheran Schools in Southern California and Hawaii – ELCA; National Director for Schools - ELCA
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married for 50 years in June to Ellie Stumpf
Family Members	3 adult chldren living in the Philadelphia area; 9 grandchildren
Interests/Hobbies	Reading; Playing golf; Watching NFL Football; Movies
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	My life changed when I trained for and became an Effectivenes Training Instructor in 1975. I taught PET – Parent Effectiveness Training TET – Teacher Effectiveness Training YET – Youth Effectiveness Training
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Having grown up on a dairy farm in Wisconsin, I learned to love the big city of Chicago. I met Ellie – she was a fresh new life for me, a quite-shy farmer kid! Campus life was exciting. Daily Chapel. CIT.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Walt Bouman – he opened my eyes to a life of faith – enlivened my spirit Dr. Stephen Schmidt was a great influence

# **Dorothea (Fuchs) Eckert**

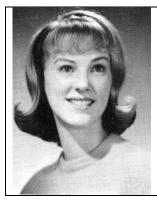
From 1966 Yearbook: Jackson Heights, NYSequence: PsychologyInterned: Dundee, ILAssigned to: Our Savior, Arlington, Virginia

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Other Education:	BA 1966, MA 1996
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Teaching three years before children Substitute teaching 1970-1995 Teaching at St. Paul, Harlingen TX 1995-2009 Volunteer librarian since retiring
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Rodney A Eckert (1966) since July 8, 1967
Family Members	Andrew (and Jamie nee Smith), Children Aery and Erin Richard (and Heather nee Kane) Daughter Rose Jennifer (and Richard Gott) Children Graham, Miranda, Nick Michelle (and Benjamin Eckert)
Interests/Hobbies	Reading, sewing, knitting, water aerobics, travel, family
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Met my spouse
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Wayne Lucht, Gary Bertsl

# **Carolyn (Fischer) Gast**

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Other Education:	M.A. – Elementary Education Teaching of Reading
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Teacher – Trinity Lutheran School, Utica, MI
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married – Frederick J. Gast
Family Members	Scott Gast (son) and Cheryl Bullaro (daughter) – husband Jim. Two grandsons: Jimmy and Jake Bullaro
Interests/Hobbies	Traveling, volunteering at church, spending time with my family
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	My "call" at graduation has been my ministry at Trinity, Utica, where I met my husband and raised our family.

# **Beverly (Fletke) Otten**

Interned: St. Matthew, Manhattan, NY



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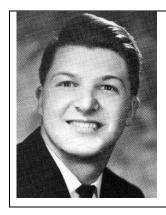
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Other Education:	Master of Education, 1975
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Career(s) since time at Concordia	Lutheran Elementary Teacher, 4 years
	Middle/High School Special Ed. Teacher, 6 years
	Learning Disabilties Teacher Consultant, 15 years
	Supervisor of Special Education/ Director of Child Study Team,
	Northern Valley Regional High School, 5 years
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Reinhard Otten for 40 years (now deceased)
Family Members	Two sons: Eric and Kenneth Otten
Interests/Hobbies	Reading, volunteer tutoring, sewing, gardening, and travel. Director of Zion Lutheran Bell Choir.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	The deaths of significant loved ones continue to affect my approach to life. Life is unpredictable and we must make every effort to make sure those whom we value and love are aware of our feelings. Each day is a gift with blesing reflected in joy and service.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	My years at CTC not only prepared me very well for my life in education, but, more importantly, for my life in Christ. Although I spend most of my educational career in public education, I found I was ofen able to share my faith with students and staff.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	I look fondly back on the time spent with Steve Schmidt. His approach to education included an understanding of the psychological needs of children.

# **Gary Geier**

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Other Education:	Concordia College, Milwaukee, WI A.A. degree
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Elementary School Teaching – Grades 3 thru 6 Sunday School and Confirmation Class Instructor Business Office and Mail Service, Concordia College, WI
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Laurelei for 48 years
Interests/Hobbies	Meteorology, Puzzles, Geography
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Getting married to my lovely wife Lourelei.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Made my teaching great and marvelous over the years
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Herbert H. Gross

# Elaine (Geldner) Kennelly

Interned: St. Mark, Houston, TX

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Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married for Tom Kennelly, June 17, 1967
Family Members	Adopted two boys – Nathan and Matthew. Nathan lives in Denver and is engaged to Kayla King. Matthew is enjoying the presence of Jesus as he got to Heaven ahead of us.
Interests/Hobbies	Revolved around business and homes – Owned a large Hallmark Gold Crown Store in Wisconsin and started Keller Williams Realty in Alabama – 2003. Also, writing Christian devotional books has been a joy for me in retirement.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	More of a progressive achievement as it took years, but God was able to sew up the gaping hole in my heart after the suicide death of our son. Our little family was able to stay in tact and Tom and I are now able to minister to others who are struggling with "gaping holes".
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	I still have very close friends from CTC who are an important part of my life. What a safe environment it was for us college kids. What a great education we received. How my faith grew and I became closer to God. Yes, Concordia had a great impact on my life for all eternity. It doesn't get any better than that!
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	President Koehneke was my all-time favorite. He was our President, yet he knew our names, talked to us in the hallways, invited us into his home. He loved us, and I knew that. What a rare gift in a college president.

# **Ruth (Gensch) Feldscher**

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Sequence: Music Education



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Other Education:	Post-graduate work in Theology and Church Music at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Taught middle grades for three years. Church musician for 50 years (Minister of Music at my husband's congregation for 41 of those years). Piano teacher and accompanist. Data entry clerk at a title company.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married since 1970 to Rev. Daniel R. Feldscher
Family Members	Son Timothy and Daughter Rebekah (Eric Smith) Four (adorable!) Smith grandchildren: Ben, Ethan, Jasmine, Carter
Interests/Hobbies	Music; reading; fishing, Sudoku; clerical work as volunteer in Hospice Alliance offices; play piano at nursing home facilities for services and programs
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	The most significant moment in my life was, without a doubt, my Baptism. It changed my eternal destiny. After that would come my marriage to my husband Dan and the arrival of our two children, Tim and Becky.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	The classes I took in areas of Music Ed and Church Music, the four years of organ instruction I received, the choirs in which I sang under the direction of dedicated, talented professors had a tremendous impacts on my life as a church musician.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	I was especially influenced by the members of the music faculty. If Charles Ore hadn't been so kind and patient with me right at the beginning, I probably would never have become an organist.

#### Tom Giordano

Interned: St. Paul, Chicago Heights (2 years)

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Other Education:	I took classes at Fresno Pacific College in 1986 and completed my graduate work at Cardinal Stritch College in Milwaukee in 1991, with a Masters in Reading/Lang. Arts
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Teacher/organist at St. Paul's in Chicago Hghts., IL 1968-77 Substitute teaching and organ 1977-80 Teacher/organists at Emmanuel in Fresno. CA 1980-86 Teach/organist at First Immanuel, Cedarburg, WI 1986-2007
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Lois (Bartell) Giordano in 1970
Family Members	Son, Jonathon Giordano – Graduated from Concordia, RF and has taught theology, algebra, and coached volleyball since 1995 at Metro East Luth. H.S. in Edwardsville, IL
Interests/Hobbies	In semi-retirement, I am still doing hymn planning and playing organ part- time at First Immanuel and also at Mt. Calvary in Estes Park, CO where we spend a little over half the year. We enjoy walking mountain trails and driving through awesome scenery.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	When Holy Cross (Detroit) grade school principal, Mr. Truman Leuthauser, called me into his office after school and told me that he felt I had the gifts for becoming a Lutheran School teacher, and therefore I should HIGHLY consider doing so. This was as close to the voice of God as you could get.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	I truly felt that I received an excellent and well-rounded education in multiple subjects. This allowed me to teach in a variety of grade levels and circumstances. The unforgettable worship experiences at CTC were an inspiration for serving as music director and organist. Those still influence me a great deal.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Although there were many, I would have to say Dr. Thomas Gieschen. His humility and dedication to Lutheran ministry – particularly in worship was such a great example for shaping my own ministry. I still carry that with

me today.

## **Jim Glander**

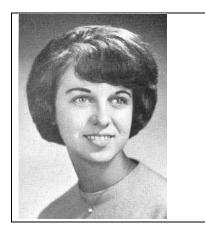
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Other Education:	Webster University, St. Louis, MO – M.A.T. Social Science '73 Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary, Columbia, SC – Master of Divinity, 1977
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Taught in Florissant, MO – Atonement Luth1967-1980 Taught in Deerfield Beach, Fl – Zion Luth. – 1980-1993 Pastor of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, North Augusta, SC – 1997- 2013 when retiring. Now doing interim work at Mt. Pleasant, Saluda, SC
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Dee and I have been married for 46 years – Dierdre Ann Glander (Belinsky)
Family Members	Three daughters: Kathi married to Henry Stogner – they have 2 girls; Jeanene married to Jorgen Waldermo – they have 2 girls; and Jodi married to Mike Jones – they have 2 girls.
Interests/Hobbies	I have always enjoyed gardening, raising fresh organic vegetables. I also enjoy doing all the yard work.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	The teaching ministry is a joy. I began teaching full time, serving as the Christian Education Director for another church and developing a youth program for that church.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	I am so pleased that I took advantage of interning for a year because it was that experience that solidified my desire to teach.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	It was the Social Studies teacher, Dr. Gross

# **Shirley (Goecker) Hoese**

From 1966 Yearbook: Seymour, INSequence: GuidanceInterned: Bach, MIAssigned: St. John, Sebewaing, MI



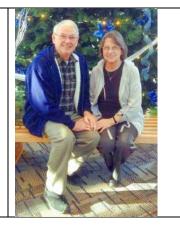
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Career(s) since time at Concordia	Lutheran School Teacher – 3 years Pre-school Lutheran School Teacher-Aide 1991-2009
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Marry to Rev. Terry E. Hoese, ordained in 1979
Family Members	Four children: Brad, Dana, Todd and Tara – all married and have blessed us with 10 grandchildren
Interests/Hobbies	Spending time with family; Teaching Ladies Bible Studies; reading the Bible and Lutheran theology; attending church-related workshops, conferences, etc.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Meeting my husband
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	I can't measure the impact that CTC had on my life and faith. It was great. It added much to my ability and knowledge to teach in my various vocations. It brought about one of the most significant moments in my life, that of meeting my husband.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Professor Walter Wangerin and my counselor, Ralph Reinke

#### **Barton Gray**



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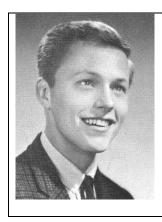
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Other Education:	Concordia Theological Seminary, Springfield, IL M.Div. 1970
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Pastor of LCMS congregations in South Dakota (1970-75), Missouri (1975-1991), and in Michigan (1991-2003) and interim pastor in NE Michigan (2004-2009).
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Laura
Family Members	Children: Paul, Sarah Schlicker, Tomothy, John, and Joel. Grandchldren Lisa and Janelle Gray; Nick, Eric and Margaret Schlicker; Jared, Julia and Jackie Gray; Thomas and Mason Gray.
Interests/Hobbies	Teaching Bible studies, advocating for families affected by mental illness in our LCMS congregations, playing golf and walking
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Our wedding and completing work at Concordia Teachers College and the seminary in 1970.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	They helped me grow spiritually and learn the skills I needed as a husband, father, and servant of God's Word
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Wilbert Rosin, who encouraged me to enroll at the seminary after graduating from Concordia Teachers College

#### **David Grotelueschen**

In 1966 Yearbook: Elgin, IL Interned: Murray, UT Sequence: Geography Assigned to: St. Paul, Indianapolis, IN



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Other Education:	Indiana-Purdue University
Career(s) since time at Concordia	40+ years as teacher, principal at Lutheran Memorial, Indianapolis, IN; principal, teacher, and coach at Zion Lutheran, New Palestine, IN; and athletic director, coach, guidance counselor, and religion teacher at Lutheran High School of Indianapolis,IN. Congregation Service Assistant in District – LCMS.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Judy (b) Groteleuschen, 1966
Family Members	Son Mike (married to Krista Lisch) with son Joshua (seminary student) and daughter Kayla (Valparaiso); Daughter Erin Dunwell (married to Joel) with daughter Taylor (Benedictine U.) and son Jackson (Waubonsie High School)
Interests/Hobbies	Golf, reading, travel, family, B.S. leader, guitar
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Experiences as an intern teacher at Christ Lutheran, Murray, Utah
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Great impact as I met my future wife
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Clarence Drews was an influence as he helped me pursue an interest in geography

# Ruth (Gruetzner) Jungman

In 1966 Yearbook: Pasadena, TX Sequence: Music Assigned to: Concordia College, River Forest, IL



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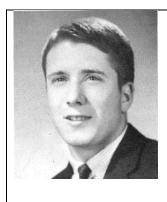
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Other Education:	M. Music – University of Texas at Austin
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Music Teacher, San Antonio ISD, NorthEast ISD Technology Specialists/Teacher: Alamo Heights ISD Instructor, Dept of Computer Science, Trinity University, San Antonio
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married: Mark Jungman
Family Members	Son: Gideon Daughter: Magdalena Son: Mateo Son: Joshua
Interests/Hobbies	Music, technology

#### **Robert Gugel**

In 1966 Yearbook: Fort Wayne, IN Sequence: History Assigned to: Tabor, Chicago



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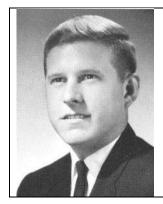
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Other Education:	M.A. – Pepperdine University
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Educator & Real Estate Tycoon
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Terry Bradford-Gugel
Family Members	Children – Grandchildren: Valerie – Micah, Jacob, Andrew David – Sam, Elita Jonathan – Gabriella, Naomi Steven – Miles, Kayla, Oliver Matthew – Barton, Mason, Camden
Interests/Hobbies	Writing for Trip Advisor, "El Visatante", a Newspaper distributed throughout Panama; Producing YouTube Videos; Coaching Men's Flag Football Team.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Imparted Christian values that I've held on to even as those values are under attack.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Coach Connie Aumann

# **Richard Hakala**

From 1966 Yearbook: Marlboro, New HampshireSequence: Music EducationInterned: Manchester, MOAssigned to: Trinity, Manchester, MO



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Other Education:	Masters of Education – Elementary Administration University of Missouri
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Teacher – Gr. 3-4, Trinity Luth., Chesterfield, MO Teacher – Gr. 6, Parkway School Dist. Chesterfield, MO Principal- Henry Elementary School, Ballwin, MO Int. Principal – Atonement Lutheran, Florrissant, MO Church Admin Trinity Lutheran, Chesterfield, MO
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Peggy Hakala (47 years)
Family Members	Genevieve Ness (David) – sons Tyler & Ethan Eric Hakala (Angie)- daughters Brianne & Natalie Heidi Miller nee Hakala -(Brad) – son Landon
Interests/Hobbies	Church organist, handbells, woodworking, stained glass
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Adopting our first child.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Be a Christian example in teaching and daily life. Get tired <u>in</u> service and not tired <u>of</u> service to the Lord !
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Carl Schalk, great musician, have played and directed much of his music. Kind and gentle man.

#### **James Handrich**

From 1966 Yearbook: Wauwatosa, WISequence: HumanitiesInterned: Staten Island, NYAssigned: St. Matthew, New York, NY

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Other Education:	Lehman College, City University of NY, M.S. – Education
	Columbia University, NY – Klingenstein Fellow – MA Admin.
Career(s) since time at Concordia	St. Matthew Luth. School – NY, Teacher 1966-1972
	Our Savior Luth. School, Bronx, NY – Teacher, Principal, K-12, 1972-1983
	Hong Kong International School – Elementary Principal (K-6), 1983-1990; High
	School Principal, 1990-2004; Head of School Office, 2004-2007
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Single
Family Members	Jane Handdrich, 98-year-old Mother and former Lutheran teacher lives with
	me. I am her primary caregiver.
Interests/Hobbies	Wheat Ridge Ministries, Bd. of Dir., 2012-current; Center for Urban Education
	Ministries, Bd. of Dir., 2008-current; Collier County Public School, Advisor to
	Bd. Chair, 2009-current; Faith Lutheran Church, Naples, Board of Outreach
	and Mission, 2009-current; lap swimming; Yankee & Packer fan; travel – Asia,
	Africa, Europe, Australia, US (South America – not yet).
What was a significant moment in	My calls as a Lutheran Educator to New York & Hong Kong challenged my
your life's story?	perspective, enlarged my world-view and increased my understanding of
	mission and ministry.
How did your years at CTC impact	I appreciated the strength and varieties of worship at Concordia and Grace
your life?	Lutheran; helped me to be open to diverse worship experiences in the Bronx
	and in Asia. Leadership opportunities at CTC (College Union, Dorm Counselor)
	were a good foundation for my work as a principal and as a high school
	counselor. European Study Tour, 1966, gave me both the experience and
	desire to travel and live in other parts of the world. My understanding of
	vocation and the Call, primarily from classes at Concordia, prepared me well
	and with confidence for the diverse challenges in my teaching ministry. My
	growth area right now is my current call as a primary caregiver. I could use
	some CTC classmate wisdom on that !
What CTC professor(s) most	Prof. William Lehman. I majored in philosophy and inter-disciplinary
influenced you and helped shape	American Studies at Concordia. I had him for six class and he really taught me
your life?	how to think.

### **Norman Hellmers**

From 1966 Yearbook: New Orleans, LA Sequence: Psychology Graduate Studies Interned: Royal Oak, MI

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Other Education:	University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA (1966-1971)
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Career(s) since time at Concordia	Nebraska Game and Parks Commission (1968-1971)
	Writer/Photographer for NEBRASKAland magazine
	National Park Service (1972-2003)
	Park Ranger (10 years) and Park Superintendent (21 years)
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Patricia O'Brien Hellmers on May 29, 1966 (two days after
	graduation). Pat is a Registered Nurse. On May 29, 2016, we
	celebrated our 50 <sup>th</sup> . Wedding anniversary.
Family Members	Daughter: Dr. Jennifer Bjornstad, Associate Prof. of German,
	Valparaiso U., Married to Harlan Bjornstad. One grandson, Soren.
	Son: Jeffrey Hellmers, Fifth Grade Teacher, Valparaiso Community
	Schools.
Interests/Hobbies	Traveling (U.S. and Europe), family history (including creating websites
	and self-publishing books), photography, supporting environmental
	causes.
What was a significant moment in	During my intern year at Royal Oak, Michigan (1964-65) I attended a
your life's story?	weekend Lutheran young people's retreat at Clear Lake Camp (near
	Battle Creek) where I met my future wife, Pat. This was Februay 19,
	1965. We were married on May 29 <sup>th</sup> .,1966.
How did your years at CTC impact	Although I didn't become a Lutheran teacher, CTC gave me a well-
your life?	rounded education that has stood me in good stead all of my life. My
	memories of CTC – especially of my bright and talented classmates –
	are all wonderful beyond words.
What CTC professor(s) most	Dr. Wayne Lucht came to CTC in 1963. He was an excellent teacher,
influenced you and helped shape	who treated us as colleagues in our common pursuit of knowledge. His
your life?	letter of recommendation to the University of Iowa helped me obtain a
	graduate assistantship in communications, a turning point in my life.

# Rosie (Hinck) Braun

From 1966 Yearbook: Minneapolis, MN Sequence: English and American Literature Assigned: St. John, Chester, IL

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Other Education:	Have taken additional courses in Reading Techniques, Learning Styles, and Personality indicators but no other degrees other than "MA" 5 times (heh- heh)
Career(s) since time at Concordia	<ul> <li>Taught elementary school in IL, then in MI, helped establish a Lutheran school in</li> <li>Wayne, MI that started as a two-room school, where I would take each grade out for</li> <li>individual attention. Each year another teacher was added and then I did part time</li> <li>as a reading specialist, and 5-6<sup>th</sup> grade afternoon teacher to relieve the principal. In</li> <li>Minnesota, I began work at Concordia U., St. Paul, as a secretary to Humanities and</li> <li>ended up being the Director of Advising and teaching a Reading for Thinking class.</li> <li>Who would have thought? Working there enabled us to send all 5 of our children</li> <li>there; each graduated as a Counselor/registrar; FBI Special Supervisory Agent;</li> <li>Lutheran School teacher; Lawyer; &amp; Chemist/computer analyst respectively.</li> </ul>
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Rev. Alan J Braun in 1967 – so almost 50 years.
Family Members	5 children: Rebekah married to Rev. Dr. Tim Berner with three sons; Andrew, married to Melanie Brown with three children; Joanna married to Tom Hall & three children; Susanna, married to Stephen Pizinger with two children; and Deborah. So that's 11 grandchildren ! Blessed
Interests/Hobbies	Love reading, and still volunteer at the public library where I also take books to a local nursing home for residents. Directed a handbell choir for over 30 years. Learning to knit & play bridge in my old age.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	There are so many moments that have occurred where I knew it was all in God's hands but one of the biggest was when we thought our youngest daughter would be born with many handicaps and it was suggested we terminate the pregnancy. We didn't and she was born perfectly healthy – even ending up being the HS valedictorian.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Made so many good friends, developed leaderhip skills by belonging to many organizations, esp. the College Union. Loved throwing parties there and still enjoy that. Probably – no absolutely – should have studied more, but I did learn to enjoy learning.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	So many were influential, but to name a few: Dean Halter, Merle Radtke, Kenneth Heinitz, and Walter Bouman. Here again, it wasn't the class as much as the life lesson of thinking long term, putting faith in ALL of your life's events, putting & using whatever talents God gives us into His hands and He blesses !

#### **James Hitzeman**

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Other Education:	B.S. in Education, Indiana State University. Graduate studies at Ball State University and University of Saint Francis
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Taught and coached at South Adams High School in Berne, IN for three years. Since then, Educational Sales and Management, most recently a College Specialist at Herff Jones. Retired in 2014.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married Lynn Wunderlich on August 19, 1967.
Family Members	Karin Lynn Hitzemann 1972-1984 (deceased) Janna Marie Hitzeman 1974
Interests/Hobbies	Working college grad fairs part-time, volunteer work (GriefShare), reading, sports fan (Colts, IU), golf, physical fitness, walking Maggie (our Golden Retriever).

### Larry Hoffschneider

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From 1966 Yearbook: Waco, NE Sequence: Geography

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Assigned to: St. Paul, Beatrice, NE

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Other Education:	M.Ed. from Concordia, Seward, NE
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Served in Lutheran Education 1966-2013 as teacher and principal in Beatrice, NE (2 years); Indianapolis, IN (17 years); Lakewood, OH (13 years); Dallas, TX (8 years); and Fort Worth, TX (until retirement)
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Nancy
Family Members	Steven – born in 1969 – graduated from Concordia, Seward, principal Faith Lutheran School, Eustis, FL Mindy – born in 1972 – graduated from Concordia, RF, teaches at Concordia Lutheran High School in Fort Wayne, IN. Her husband is principal of St. John Lutheran in Kendallville, IN. Three boys – oldest a junior at Concordia High School and twins are eighth graders at St. John.
Interests/Hobbies	Woodworking, yard work, Lutheran School Accreditation, traveling, seeing grandkids, and being part of their lives during the school year.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Births of my children and grandchildren. Death of my first wife in 1974 and subsequent marriage to Nancy.

# Susie (Hopkins) Calhoun

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Other Education:	M.Ed. – National Louis
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Taught 29 years at Grace Lutheran School, River Forest, IL
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Richard Calhoun for 48 years.
Family Members	Three children: Daniel Robert – married Denise Melissa Marie – married Chris Kindelah (3 children) Nathan James – married Stephanie (2 children)
Interests/Hobbies	Geology and sewing. Spend most time on various committees at church – Grace Lutheran in River Forest
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	When our children were born and then the births of our grandchildren.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	In my situation, provided lifelong friends and very good preparation for my teaching career. We still have faculty over every year that live in the area.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Stephen Schmidt – he was also a member at Grace and from time to time, would check in with me to make sure I was focused on the important things in my life – spreading the Gospel.

# Dawn (Irvin) O'Connor

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Other Education:	Strich University – ongoing education classes
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Early Childhood and elementary teacher for 35+ years
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Rev. Bryan O'Connor
Family Members	Daughter: Katie (1972) Son: John (1987) Grandson: Daniel (1996)
Interests/Hobbies	Retired volunteer teacher, reading, LWML, flower & altar guild work
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Birth of our son when age 43 !!! Moving to Fort Wayne Seminary & becoming a Lutheran Pastor's wife.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Knowing so many wonderful Lutheran pastors and teachers through the years
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	I loved Professor Prinz (history) and Professor Gehrke (religion)

## Sandra (Jensen) Wetzstein

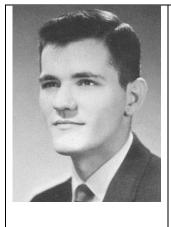
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	Panama 1985
Career(s) since time at Concordia	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> . grades, St. Paul's, West Point, NE
	ESL – US Information Service, Belem, Para, Brazil
	1 <sup>st</sup> . grade, St. Mary's, Balboa, Panama
	2 <sup>nd</sup> .,3 <sup>rd</sup> ,4 <sup>th</sup> .6 <sup>th</sup> . grades, Howard Air Force Base, Panama
	Instituto Biblico, Balboa, Panama
	6 <sup>th</sup> . grade Math, Curundu Middle School, Panama
	6 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> .grades, Algebra & Health, St. Charles, MO
	6 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> . grades Algebra, Soc. Studies, Spanish, Shepherd of the Hills,
	Centennial, CO
	9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> . grades, Spanish, Pre-Algebra, Parker, CO
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Widowed – 1998
	Reverend Merrell W. Wetzstein
Family Members	Daughter:Raechel (Paul J. Pfotenhauer) – Micah, Kaleb, Eli
	Son: Joel (Jodie Roy) – Avery, Kaiden, Makena
	Daughter: Rebecca (Troy Rushmore) – Seth, Nathan, Aaron
Interests/Hobbies	Reading and walking
What was a significant moment in	Going overseas for the first time to do our language training in Sao
your life's story?	Paulo, Brazil, and realizing that my life was going to be totally different
	from what I had ever imagined. I loved it !
How did your years at CTC impact	Those years allowed me to pursue my dream of being a teacher. I still
your life?	love spending time with kids

### **Dave Jording**

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Other Education:	M.A. – Concordia, River Forest, 1974
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Teacher grades 5-8 Elementary school adminstrator Parish Administrator South Wisconsin District Regional Superintendent
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married in 1966 to Joan
Family Members	Two children Five grandchildren
Interests/Hobbies	Golf Fishing
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Can you believe I am thankful for those mandatory piano lessons! I'm reasonably proficient for personal enjoyment.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	I particularly enjoyed classes with Dr. Norman Young and Professor Besch.

## **Michael Kelly**

From 1966 Yearbook: Jacksonville, FL Sequence: Religion Assigned to: Gospel, Milwaukee, WI



Other Education:	College of New Jersey, M.Ed 1973
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Lutheran School for 3 years. Public schools for 35 years.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married (50 years) Irma Scheibert
Family Members	Wife, Irma 2 Sons 2 Daughters-in-law 4 Grandsons Steve and family – Philadelphia Johnathan and family – San Francisco
Interests/Hobbies	Community Choir Volunteer work with food banks, the homeless, and the former incarcerated Reading Documentaries and independent films
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Marrying Irma, becoming a father, becoming a grandfather
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Completely life changing in terms of direction setting. Having said this, there has been a lot of growth and change in the 50 years since CTC.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Without question, Walt Bouman. We remained in touch and were close until his death a few year back. Perhaps not too distant second would be Ralph Gehrke.

#### **Stuart Kern**

From 1966 Yearbook: Vassar, MI Sequence: Geography Assigned to: Immanuel, Saginaw, MI

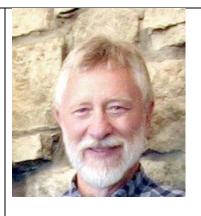


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Other Education:	University of Michigan
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Teacher
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to my high school sweetheart, Kathy (Kionka) Kern
Family Members	Son: Eric Kern Daughter: Melissa Sullivan Grandchildren: Tim, Ella, & Katelyn Sullivan
Interests/Hobbies	Travel: USA & Europe Private Pilot
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Marrying the only girl I ever loved !!
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	The strong friendships I made that continue to this day. Christian friends are friends for eternity.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Herbert H. Gross

# Linda (Klein) Klein

From 1966 Yearbook: Bethpage, NY Sequence: Art Assigned to: Concordia, Rockford, IL

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Career(s) since time at Concordia	Called to Concordia Lutheran Church and School in 1966. Taught Pre-K & K, 3 + 4, 7 + 8 grades. Taught Art at Rockford Lutheran High 2 years. Retired in 1999.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married Donald Klein, CTC, Class of 1965
Family Members	1 daughter: Lisa, 2 grandchildren 1 son: Chris, 3 grandchildren
Interests/Hobbies	Drawing, painting, needlework, poetry, gardening, Bible Study
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Brain surgery 1989- The evidence of God's love was so powerful I'd do it again. Well maybe not
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Certainly God wove my experience at CTC throughout all my other life experiences to make me who I am today. I I'd describe my experiences there as a diving board which equipped me for real life. It was also an incubator keeping me safe until I hatched.

# **Harley Kopitske**

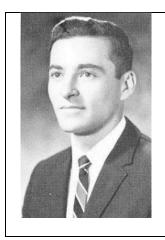


	Jeffrey (died at age 35), Daughter-in-law- Jessica.
Interests/Hobbies	Golf, Motorcycling; travel; R-V-ing; Continued Assistant Pastoral privilege to visit and commune shut-ins – two congregations.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Departed the USA to serve in Papua, New Guinea in 1960 with Donna and Vicki Jo (1 ¾ yrs old) and Philip (6 mos. old).
How did your years at CTC impact	In residence, 1965-66 (Bloomingdale daily commute) as husband and

your life?	father of 3 in bi-cultural challenges with Beatlemania.
What CTC professor(s) most	Dr. Gehrke's dual position on Isaiah. Suffering servant passages were
influenced you and helped shape	more difficult to handle than my R.F. modern math
your life?	instructor.

#### **James Kracht**

Interned: St. John, Northbrook, IL



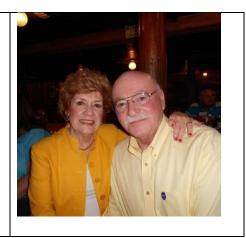
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Career(s) since time at Concordia	Concordia Teachers College, River Forest, IL 1971-1974 Texas A&M University, College Station, TX 1974-1978 Illinois State University, 1978-1980 Texas A&M University, College Station, TX 1978-2015
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married, Erin Briggs Kracht
Family Members	Lillian Anderton, stepdaughter, Celeste King, stepdaughter, Jonathan Kracht, son, Charles Kracht, son. Seven grandchildren.
Interests/Hobbies	Reading, traveling, gardening
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	My years at CTC helped shape my continuing interests in theology, literature, and music thanks to some wonderful professors such as Drs. Ralph Gehrke, Karl Sorenson, Carl Schalk, and Julia Hennig.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Herbert Gross was a great inspiraton and his guidance helped make my graduate work and career in geography and education a reality.

## **Richard Kremer**

From 1966 Yearbook: Bridgeview, IL Sequence: Music Theory Assigned to: Luther High School South, Chicago

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Career(s) since time at Concordia	Luther South – Chicago
	Luther South – Houston
	Clear Creek HS – League City, TX
	Panera Bread – League City, TX
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married 50 years to Lenore Gronseth Kremer
Family Members	Jennifer Goins (47
	Paul Kremer (45)
	Phillip Kremer (41)
Interests/Hobbies	
	Music & Theater – Acting / Directing
What was a significant moment in	Marming Longro on June 25, 1066
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Marrying Lenore on June 25, 1966
How did your years at CTC impact	
your life?	Deeper faith in Father God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit
What CTC professor(s) most	
influenced you and helped shape your life?	Band Director – Harold Rohlfing

#### James Krikau

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Other Education:	M.A. – Education & Administration – Concordia, RF - 1974	
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Lutheran School Teacher/Principal – 1966-1977 Director of Personnel – GTW RR – 1977-1990 Director of Quality Management – GTW Railroad – 1990-1995 Management Consultant – 1995-2000 Director Global Quality – MSX Corporation – 2000-2005 Process Improvement Consultant to various manufacturers and service industries in the U.S 2005-2010	
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Paula Rietschel on July 22, 1967	
Family Members	Son: Timothy (Jeanette) – 1969 Son: Paul (Dusty) – 1973 Daughter: Elise – 1977 Two grandchildren: Miless – 2007 and Eleanor – 2009	
Interests/Hobbies	Reading history and non-fiction; biking; teaching adult Bible studies; volunteering at hospital in cardiac cath lab, hospice, and visiting patients; traveling – especially with Road Scholar programs	
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Marrying Paula, for sure. The birth of our three children and two grandchildren. The variety of career opportunities that I was able to pursue and enjoy.	
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Generated lifelong friends along with significantly impacting my maturation process – which was at the "low end of the scale" for many of my undergraduate years.	
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Karl Robert, for arousing my thirst to learn and Dr. Ken Heinitz for passionate and thought-provoking instruction.	

#### Walter Krone

#### From 1966 Yearbook: Elyria, OH Sequence: Sociology Assigned to: Ebenezer, Milwaukee, WI

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Career(s) since time at Concordia	Lutheran school Principal, Teacher, Coach, Athletic Director, Organist, Choir Director for 46 years at Ebenezer, Milwaukee, WI; Mt. Calvary, Detroit; and Guardian, Dearborn, MI	
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Shiley nee Miller, Graduate of Concordia, Seward in 1969	
Family Members	Son- Daniel, wife Dr. Mindy, with children Grady (6) and Bella (4); Son – Dr. Timothy Daughter – Rachel	
Interests/Hobbies	Substitute Organist at various Suburban Detroit Lutheran churches; Minister of Visitation at Guardian Lutheran, Part-time; Volleyball and Basketball referree; Golf; Bowling; Gardening	
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Marrying my Wonderful Wife in 1972 and God's Blessing my Ministry for 46 Fantastic years!	
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	CTC prepared me for the ministry – I always wanted to serve God.	
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	<ol> <li>Herbert Gotsch – I would never have become a functional Lutheran organist without his support and guidance;</li> <li>Thomas Faszholtz – helped mold me to the coach, Athletic Director and Administrator I came to be.</li> </ol>	

# Lois (Kruckenberg) Rearick

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Other Education:	Concordia Teachers College, Seward, NE Oakland University, Rochester, MI
Career(s) since time at Concordia	8 years full-time teaching: Zion, Pierce, NE for 3 years and Trinity, Utica, MI for 5 years. 20 years substitute teacher
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married 42 years to Wesley Rearick
Family Members	Daughter: Beth in Itasca, IL Daughter: Rebecaa in Fremont, CA Son: Paul in Ankeny, IA Daughter: Rachel in Jackson, MI Seven grandchildren
Interests/Hobbies	Michigan State football and men's basketball, travel, Bible study, reading, counted cross-stitch
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Deciding to quit my job as a legal secretary after having attended business school; to go to CTC to become a teacher instead.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	My years at CTC broadened my horizons and helped me become the person I am today.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Gross. I always loved geography, and Dr. Gross was the best.

# Norma (Krueger) Blank

From 1966 Yearbook: Chicago, IL Sequence: Curriculum-Instruction Interned: Belleville, IL Assigned to: Our Redeemer, Oakland, CA

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Career(s) since time at Concordia	Lutheran School Teacher – Interned at Zion, Belleville, IL; three years at Redeemer, Oakland, CA, and 28 years at Calvary, San Lorenzo, CA. Retired since 2006.	
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Henry Blank 8 days after graduating from CTC – 50 years ago on June 4 <sup>th</sup> ., 1966.	
Family Members	Son – Jonathan & wife Traci Blank (Hannah,Olivia) Son – Daniel & wife Vicki Blank (Simeon, Annika, Josiah) Son – Stephen & wife Emily Blank (Heidi, Smantha, Henry) Son – Timothy & wife Sue Blank (Rachel) (Jonathan, Stephen, and Emily Blank all graduated from Concordia, River Forest).	
Interests/Hobbies	Traveling to see our sons and their familes who are spread out in the country from Washington State to Florida; cooking and planning for their family visits; enjoy short trips with my husband in beautiful California- oceans, mountains, wine country; we are both active in our church – I teach Sunday School and belong to a prayer quilt group.	
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	My marriage to such a loving man.	
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	It was at CTC that so many wonderful Christian friendships developed which gave more confidence in dealing with people and helped so much in teaching. Even though most of my classmates and friends graduated in 1965, we returning Interns ended up having a bond which made us have a very close, special and fun relationship during our Senior Year. It was at CTC that I got more venturesome in eating different foods since there were not a lot of food choices offered when we went to college as there are now.	
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Probably Paul Groteleuschen who was my speech teacher – we had a very small class. He taught us so very well how to organize our thoughts and deliver our speeches. I think it was in that class that I became more confident and comfortable speaking in front of people.	

## John Kuerschner

From 1966 Yearbook: Morristown, MN Sequence: Math-Science Interned: Milwaukee, WI Assigned to: First Immanuel, Cedarburg, WI

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Career(s) since time at Concordia	Interned at St. Peter's, Milwaukee, 1964-65; Teacher, Immanuel,	
	Cedaburg, WI, 1966-86; Proctor & Gamble sales, 1986-91; Milwaukee	
	Public Schools & Cedarburg Mayor, 1991-98; Principal Christ	
	Community L.S., Naples, FL, 1998-2006. Retired in 2006.	
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Shirley Ann (Schimelpfenig) Kuerschner – 50 years on June	
	26, 2016. Blessed with four children.	
Family Members	Son: Michael (deceased in 2001 at 33 years (Patti Curren);	
	Son: Kevn (Laura Raebel), Grafton, WI	
	Son:Nathan (Melissa Nemetz),, Belgium, WI	
	Daughter: Kathryn Patterson (Lenny), Wauconda, IL	
	Four grandchildren.	
Interests/Hobbies	Family; Congregation worship assistant; visiting elderly and infirm;	
	weekly Bible study; yardwork	
What was a significant moment in	Marrying Shirley and birth of 4 children. Years of success as teacher	
your life's story?	and basketball coach at First Immanuel. Three-term Mayor of	
	Cedarburg 1991-98. Ministry reentry with call to be principal at Christ	
	Community LS in Naples, FL	
How did your years at CTC impact	I worked part-time at Walgreen's to earn tuition and found my courses	
your life?	and people associations at CTC to be contributive to a well prepared	
	skill set and faith walk upon graduation.	
What CTC professor(s) most	In my graduate studies, Rev. Dr. Walter Wangerin was instrumental in	
influenced you and helped shape	articulating, imparting, and building upon my use of Law and Gospel in	
your life?	teaching and living the Faith.	

#### **Gerald Kuker**

Interned: Trinity, Hicksville, NY

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Other Education:	Masters in Church Music – CUC 1981
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Always a Lutheran School Teacher and Minister of Music
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Sara S (Pitzner) Kuker
Family Members	Daughter: Shannon Tadevich (Bob) – Joshua, Sara & Meagan Daughter: Stephanie Butcher (Rob) - Jordan
Interests/Hobbies	Music, art, decorating, travel
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	There have been so many that it is hard to pinpoint one. I would say every time I hear how my teaching or ministry had a lasting impact on the spiritual life of a student or someone else, I am touched and give thanks to God for working through me.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	I always knew I wanted to be a Lutheran elementary school teacher but my experiences in the music department and musical organizations really shaped my desire to be a music director.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Thomas Gieschen was a real mentor and encourager as well as a living example of ministry and servanthood.

#### Lavonne (Kuker) Warner

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Other Education:	
	Various classes taken at local universities
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Elementary classroom teacher, learning disabilities tutor, home and private tutor, bookkeeper, office adminstrator, most recently at a chldren's charity before retiring.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Dave Warner, 46 years.
Family Members	Two sons, Matthew and Erin, both married. Four grandchildren: Sean, Megan, Kaitlyn, and Ethan – ages 11-14 years.
Interests/Hobbies	I love spending time with family. I also love being outdoors, doing gardening work,golfing, and taking walks. I enjoy doing volunteer work, reading, playing bridge, and Mah jongg.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	I experienced a real sense of fulfillment after I quit working for pay, and began volunteering my time for the benefit of others, making many wonderful friends along the way.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	It broadened my horizons. Coming from a rural community, access to the big city was exciting. My degree in education was my stepping stone to places unknown. My experience teaching in a Lutheran School was very rewarding.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Herbert Gross

#### Helmut Kuschmann

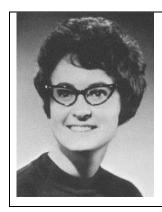
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Other Education:	
	MAT – Saginaw Valley State University
Career(s) since time at Concordia	
	Lutheran School Teacher
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Margie Linder Kuschmann
Family Members	
	Daughter: Marianne Volkert (R.F., '89)
	Son: Matthew (d. 2014)
	Daughter: Katherine Poole
Interests/Hobbies	
	Travel, bowling, golf
How did your years at CTC impact	
your life?	Met my wife – led me to a rewarding career

# Linda (Laraba) Fay

From 1966 Yearbook: Manchester, New Hampshire Sequence: Guidance Assigned to: Redeemer, Glendale, Long Island, New York



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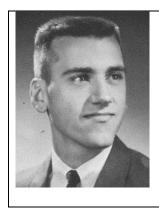
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Other Education:	Concordia, Bronxville, New York – A.A.
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Taught at:
	Redeemer, Glendale, NY – 5 years
	Good Shepherd, Plainview, NY – 11 years
	Trinity, Hicksville, NY – 11 years
	Redeemer, Stuart, FL – 5 years
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Harold Fay, retired from U.S. Marshall's service, for 50 years
Family Members	
	Daughter: Randi, a court reporter in Florida, and is blessed with four children
	Son: Scott works for Long Island R.R. and still lives in Long Island
Interests/Hobbies	Traveling; going on nature walks and going to the gym

## **Ronald Lehman**

From 1966 Yearbook: Detroit, MI Sequence: Guidance Assigned to: Triune God, Brooklyn Center, MN

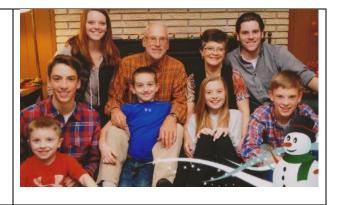


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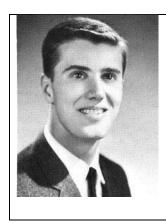


Other Education:	M.A. – Elementary Guidance & Counseling, Northeastern University - 1971
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Director Christian Education/Youth Director at Triune God, Brooklyn Center, MN. Elementary school teacher in Des Plaines, IL public schools. Elementary teacher in Mounds View Public Schools, St. Paul, MN. School Social Worker K- 12 in Mounds View Public Schools.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married my high school sweetheart, Patricia (Twelker) in 1966. Pat trained at Lutheran Hospital in St. Louis MO, and became a reigstered nurse.
Family Members	Son Rich, born 12/11/67, is a CPA married to Lori Baxter and lives in Brooklyn Park, MN. Twin children Max (19) is a freshman at U. of Minnesota, Duluth, and Emma (19) is a freshman at U. of Wisconsin, Eau Claire. Daughter Jenn Lehman, born 9/23/70 is an elementary teacher and Mom, married to Kevin Tews and lives in Olathe, KS. They have three kids at home – Carter (17), Camden (15), Lillie (12). In 1982, we took in Teeshan Harrington as a foster son at age 12. He has become our son and is married to Jill Kloetzke, they have two boys Liam (10) and Jace (7). Tee works as a prison guard and serves in the National Guard, currently in Egypt on his 5 <sup>th</sup> . deployment.
Interests/Hobbies	Outdoor activity. Lots of fishing and boating. We currently have a cabin we live at during the summers in Lake of the Woods, Ontario. It's an island retreat that is off the grid.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Too many God-Incidences to remember have happened with having a Cursillo (Via De Cristo) strenghtening me in my faith as life changing. Having stumbled into owning an island that we live at demonstrates to me how God leads me and protects me daily. For about 10 years, I have had Parkinsons and through this disease I watch God leading me and protecting me.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	My young life was challenged to be either for God or I was against Him. I learned through profs and fellow students how to live "all in" for God. CTC provided me with a nurturing and protected small environment to grow in faith as well as skills and knowledge while being located in the hectic and diverse Chicago environment.

## **Ralph Lenz**

From 1966 Yearbook: Flint, MI Sequence: Geography

**Graduate Studies** 



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Other Education:	MA – Eastern Michigan University
	PhD in Geography – Rutgers University
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Taught geography 1 yr at U. of Louisiana-Lafayette (then U. of Southwestern
	Louisiana); Taught geography at Wittenberg University, 1976-2015
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Mimien Rachmat
Family Members	Son: Devon Airlangga Lenz
Interests/Hobbies	Southeast Asia; Detroit Tigers; watching Wittenberg football, fast pitch
	softball,etc played old men's softball until age 65.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	For my 1 <sup>st</sup> . sabbatical in 1983, I received a Fulbright grant to study squatter settlements in Madras, which I chose because of its really great beach. But shortly before departure the Indian government denied permission, so I had no project. I was a theoretical/quantitative geographer – my dissertation was on point patterns – and we had a bit of disdain for regional geographers, whom we thought lacked analytical tools. At Wittenberg, though, there was a demand for regional classes, and since no one here including me knew anything about Southeast Asia, I got a small course development grant and set off to gather info. It was a game changer. Culture and the arts in Java and Bali turned out to be extraordinarily sophisticated, the physical landscapes with rice terraces along slopes of volcanoes are the most beautiful in the world, and partly because women in the region maintain high levels of independence, people there are very outgoing. Ever since 1983, my research has been mainly about Southeast Asia, and I suppose I would be regarded as a specialist on the region.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	I discovered geography as a discipline.
What CTC professor(s) most	1. Ralph D. Gehrke
influenced you and helped shape your life?	2. Karl Robert, Clarence Drews, Herbert Gross

## Diane (Lohmeyer) Peterman

From 1966 Yearbook: Independence, MO Sequence: Psychology Assigned to: St. Paul, (Norwood Park), Chicago, IL



Other Education:	Memphis University and Fontbonne College in St. Louis
Career(s) since time at Concordia	My first 15 years after graduation, I enjoyed the career of a full time Mom. My teaching career began in 1981 and included 10 yrs. in Pre-K, and 15 years in elementary Lutheran Schools.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Chuck Peterman and we are celebrating our 50 <sup>th</sup> anniversary this summer.
Family Members	Chuck and I were blessed with 5 children, 4 boys and 1 girl. They are all married and have given us 10 grandchildren with one on the way.
Interests/Hobbies	Now that we are retired, we travel to see our kids, who live in MN, OK, and TN. We have also been privileged to see lots of the US including Hawaii and Alaska. I enjoy sewing and entertaining.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	My life's story moment is when I realized that all of the overwhelming blessings that I have ever enjoyed and continue to received from my Heavenly Father are a result of His Grace. There is simply nothing that I have done to deserve such a wonderful lifebut because of His love I am beyong blessed.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	As I meet more and more peoople who have come to know the Lord later in life,I realize what a privilege it was to always be surrounded by God's body of believers at CTCother students, and professors. The religion courses, nightly devotions, things I often took for granted, gave me an unbelievable resource of spiritual food that has helped me on life's journey.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Professor David Stein, Speech Class. My favorite class! He encouraged me in the art of public speaking, which has been something I have enjoyed and found useful in all areas of life.

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Other Education:	MAT – Saginaw Valley State University
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Lutheran School Teacher
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Helmut Kuschmann
Family Members	Daughter: Marianne Volkert
	Son: Matthew (d. 2014)
	Daughter: Katherine Poole
Interests/Hobbies	Reading, travel, bowling, golf, puzzles, volunteering
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Led to a life of church work, which shaped our entire lives
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape	Tjiernagle – encouraged my love of history which I taught for 30 years
your life?	Reverend Wilkie – encouraged my love of Jesus and married us

### Janet (Luehring) Reabe

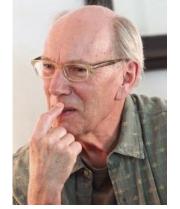
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Other Education:	BA – Concordia – 1966 (finished in Feb., 1966; particpated in graduation ceremony in May)
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Taught 2 <sup>nd</sup> . grade for 3 years – St.John's Lutheran School, West Bend, WI. Retired in 1969 to become full time Mom. Owned family craft business – Lace & Lumber
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Harley A. Reabe for 50 years
Family Members	Two sons: Todd (environmental coordinator) and Scott (neuro- radiologist). One grandson – Austin (17) and two granddaughters – Nina (10 ½) and Josie (9).
Interests/Hobbies	Politics, political activism, reading about current issues; spending time with grandkids, flower gardening, collecting antiques, love music, enjoys cottage/farm geteaway.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Marriage to my husband and birth of sons and grandchildren. Political volunteerism – county chair of Republican Party. In 1996, helped to created a new non-denominational congregation (Cedar Springs) near West Bend, WI. Took several Celebrate Recovery classes which were extremely helpful and life changing!
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	They were very intense, a mind-bending experience. I appreciate having had the opportunity to receive in-depth doctrinal/theological training which has served me well throughout my life. I also appreciated being immersed in a rich musical environment – I miss that.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	In my graduate studies, Rev. Dr. Walter Wangerin was instrumental in articulating, imparting, and building upon my use of Law and Gospel in teaching and living the Faith.

#### **David Mahler**

Interned: First Evangelical, Sharpsburg, PA

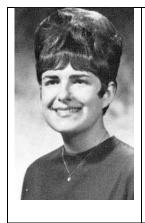




Other Education:	Vandercook College of Music
	University of Portland
	California Institute of the Arts, MFA, 1972
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Various institutional teaching positions, but mostly working
	independently as a composer and performer. I also teach piano
	privately, and work with children and music in various ways.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Julie Hanify
Family Members	Aviva DeLancey, my daughter, is parent with her husband Brian to Livia (6) and Henry (1).
Interests/Hobbies	I love to read and write, from fiction to non-fiction to poetry. My drawings are the work of someone who was never told not to draw. I'm a walker and bicyclist. Food and wine are passions (meals are what we have the most of), and Julie's love of gardening fuels my food interest. For fourteen seasons, until I was 61, I played and managed serious senior league hardball that included a trip to the national senior baseball world series in Phoenix. Alas, my playing days seem past. I'm still an enthusiastic ice skater.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	My daily love affair with my wife.
How did your years at CTC impact	I received a strong foundation in religion, music, and education.
your life?	Though my post CTC life differed in many respects from life at
	Concordia, I frequently built on the platform of my work there.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	More than one Martin Koehneke, president, instilled a sense of Gospel driven gladness in my life. Richard Hillert provided lifelong fundamentals in music arranging and composing, as well as an enthusiasm for eclectic music making. Charles Ore and Carl Waldschmidt brought my love of singing into focus. Merle Radtke and Henry Letterman led life-changing explorations in English literature. Steve Schmidt radicalized my sense of what the Gospel
	means. The problem with naming names is that you leave some out.

## **Carol (Mandeville) Bartell**

Interned: Bethlehem, Roseville, MI



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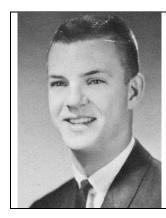
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Other Education:	B.A. – Elementary Ed/Music History & Lit., CTC, RF – 1967
	M.A. – Early Childhood Ed., U. of Michigan – 1972
	Ed.D - Educational Administration, Virginia Tech - 1985
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Taught elementary and secondary levels for 11 years
	Worked at: Univeristy of Iowa (faculty member); U. of the Pacific (faculty
	member); California Lutheran U. (faculty member and Dean); California State
	U. (Dean); CSU, Pomona (interim Dean); CSU Northridge (Doctoral Program
	Director); CSU Stanislaus (Interim Dean). Worked at the California
	Commission on Teacher Credentialing in a State Policy role. Continue to
	consult with universities on issues of program development and
	accreditation.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Ted Bartell for 49 years. Will celebrate our 50 <sup>th</sup> . anniversary
	in Hawaii with our children and grandchildren.
Family Members	3 children: Kent (b.1970), Scott (b.1973), and Kristin (b. 1976). Kent and his
	wife, Stacey have two chldren: Sydney (1996) and Eric (1998). Kristin and her
	husband Loren have three girls: Kaia (2009), Avrie (2011), and Sabrine (2014.
Interests/Hobbies	Reading, travel, working in my herb garden and cooking with the results;
	visiting grandchildren who live in Utah and Michigan. Also enjoy wine tasting
	trips up the central coast of CA. Still enjoy classical music and attend many
	concerts as well as live theater in LA area. Sing in my church choir at
	Ascension Lutheran Church in Thousand Oaks. Knit blankets for baptisms and
	serve on the steering committee for Great Music at Ascension. Volunteer as
	Director of Educational Outreach for Kingman Shakespeare Company.
What was a significant moment in	Received Distinguished Educator Award from the California Council on
your life's story?	Teacher Education. Honorary Doctor of Laws awarded by Concordia, Chicago
	in 2011.
How did your years at CTC impact	Instilled in me a love of learning and a commitment to a life of service.
your life?	Ŭ
What CTC professor(s) most	Walter Bouman – who broadened and enriched my understanding of
influenced you and helped shape	Lutheran theology and invited us into his home for small group
your life?	discussions. All my music professors (Geischen, Bunjes, Schalk, Ore,
	Hillert, and Hildner) who encouraged my love of music that has
	continued to enrich my life today.

#### **Mike McGhee**

#### From 1966 Yearbook: Affton, Missouri Sequence: Math-Science Interned: Austin, TX Assigned to: St. John, Defiance, OH



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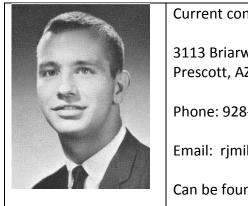
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Other Education:	M.A. – Concordia, RF – 1973 Bowling Green State University Northwest State Community College
Career(s) since time at Concordia	I spent my entire teaching career at St. John Lutheran School, Defiance, OH. During that time, I taught grades 3-4, 5-6, 7-8. I was athletic director, and coached flag football, softball, basketball, and soccer.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Janice McGhee
Family Members	3 sons: Micah Thomas, Kevin Patrick, and Travis William 2 grandchldren: Davis Michael McGhee and Jaleen Grace McGhee.
Interests/Hobbies	Sports. I still can play a little golf. Editing and making home movie projects.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Baptism Wedding Birth of our children and grandchildren
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	The Christian atmosphere and activities that helped me to become a lifelong teacher and helper at church
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	There were several, but a few that come to mind were Dr. Gross, Coach Aumann, Professor Streufert, and Professor Domrose.

### **Richard Miller**

From 1966 Yearbook: Orange, CA Major: Physical Education Assigned to: St. Jacobi, Jennings, Missouri



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Other Education:	M.A. – Northern Illinois University Northwestern University – Prep courses leading to Athletic Training Certification
Career(s) since time at Concordia	St. Jacobi Lutheran School, Jennings, MO – Grades 5-6 (3 yrs) Luther High School North – Chicago, IL – Teacher & Coach; Certified Athletic Trainer (37 years)
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Single
Interests/Hobbies	Travel, photography, Red Cross Volunteering, singing
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Harold Brockberg and Tom Faszholz

## Carole (Monje) Reiner

From 1966 Yearbook: Memphis TN Sequence: Geography Assigned to: Hope, Austin, TX



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Other Education:	M.Ed. – Azusa Pacific University
	California State U. at Fullerton, CA
Career(s) since time at Concordia	I taught at Hope Lutheran School, Austin, TX
	St. John's Lutheran School, Orange, CA
	Took a 12 year baby break to begin a Mom career!
	Fullerton School District, Fullerton, CA
	Placentia/Yorba Linda Unified School District, CA
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Very happily married to Stan Reiner since 1972. Prior to retirement, he
	worked in the Engineering Dept. at the city of Fullerton.
Family Members	Son, Mark, a resident of Ojai, CA and owner of Cycle the Sierra. Son,
	Steve, an attorney who lives in Petaluma, CA with wife, Meno, and kids
	Jonah (7) and Ayla (5).
Interests/Hobbies	Love to read and enjoy the outdoors traveling in the U.S. and
	internationally. We also have great times in our travel trailer and use it
	often. Avid collector of rocks and minerals. I also play guitar for kids
	and am a member of the Philharmonic Society of Orange Couny who
	provide high quality musical experiences for kids in Orange County.
What was a significant moment in	My first teaching assignment in Austin, TX. It was a small church and
your life's story?	school, who were very accepting and open to new ideas.
How did your years at CTC impact	It laid the foundation for life-long positive teaching experiences.
your life?	
What CTC professor(s) most	Dr. Herbert Gross peaked my interest in geography, nature, different
influenced you and helped shape	cultures, customs and diversity. He was a brilliant instructor !
your life?	
your life's story? How did your years at CTC impact your life? What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape	<ul> <li>provide high quality musical experiences for kids in Orange County.</li> <li>My first teaching assignment in Austin, TX. It was a small church and school, who were very accepting and open to new ideas.</li> <li>It laid the foundation for life-long positive teaching experiences.</li> <li>Dr. Herbert Gross peaked my interest in geography, nature, different</li> </ul>

## Marcy (Muellner) Reginelli

From 1966 Yearbook: Milwaukee, WI Sequence: Art Assigned to: Lutheran High School, Denver, Colorado



Other Education:	University of Denver University of Hawaii (attended both for additional post-graduate courses)
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Fine Arts Department Chair & Visual Arts Instructor
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Divorced
Family Members	1 son – Michael Reginelli (lives in New York City – graphic designer)
Interests/Hobbies	Being oma (Grandma), painting (watercolors), dancing hula, sewing reading, volunteer docent @ Washington Place (Hawaiian royalty historic residence), church volunteer, going to the beach
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	My first call and moving to Hawaii
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	It gave me the inspiration and tools for my lifetime career.

## Mary (Natonick) Nordeen

From 1966 Yearbook: East Paterson, NJ Sequence: Religion Interned: Bay City, MI Assigned to: Graduate Studies



Other Education:	Concordia Bronxville, NY – AA degree
	Concordia River Forest, IL – BA degree -1966 Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO – 1968
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Lutheran teacher and administrator for 40 years: Zion, Bay City, MI Good Shepherd, Plainview, NY St. Mark's, Brooklyn, NY
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married for 46 years to Rev. Paul E. Nordeen
Interests/Hobbies	In retirement, volunteering for AARP in their Smart Driver course
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Experiencing both the bombing of the World Trade Towers in the 1990's as well as the fall of the towers on 9/11.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Helped me to be responsible and independent. Prepared me to be a good teacher and administrator.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Walter Bouman was the most influential.

#### **Sharon Nobis**

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Other Education:	Arizona State University
Career(s) since time at Concordia	1963-1967: Teacher at Calvary, Lincoln Park, MI 1967-2005: Christ Church Lutheran, Phoenix, AZ 1980-Present: Part time in real estate
Family Members	Four brothers: Glenn (d.2015); Lloyd (Frankenmuth, MI); Dale (Ft. Wayne, IN); and Keith (Scottsdale, AZ)
Interests/Hobbies	Golf, tennis, hiking, traveling, community service. Working with Habitat for Humanity.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Many rewards have come from teaching, especially watching former students given Christian nurturing in their own homes. The experience of having a former 2 <sup>nd</sup> . grader become my principal at Christ Lutheran for the last 7 years.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Gave me a love and background for teaching. Teaching is truly a gift and there are many rewards.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Student teaching at Bethlehem – supervisors Judy Eifert.

## Sally (Norrgran) Knight

From 1966 Yearbook: Lansing, IL Sequence: Social Science & Physical Education Assigned to: Concordia Institute, Bronxville, New York

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Other Education:	U. Southern California U. Hong Kong U. Missouri – St. Louis, M.A. St. Louis University, Ph.D.
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Teacher/counselor, administrator (principal/superintendent of schools), college prof.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Widow – married to Jerry Knight for 30 years (d. 2013)
Family Members	One daughter; one son; one step-daughter; one step-son
Interests/Hobbies	Sewing- creating things – photography-outdoor activities-travel, volunteer work with AARP (free tax service)
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Living in Hong Kong/ having children/travel/receiving my Ph.D./ helping people
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Provided a good education and a great beginning to a wonderful career and journey of helping kids and people
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Walter Bouman and Coach Faszholz

## Janet (Nuechterlein) Winfield

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Other Education:	Central Michigan University – post grad classes in education Alpena Community College – Medical transcription, etc.
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Called to Immanuel Lutheran School in Alpena. Taught full time from 1966-68, then part time – sub teaching there and also Alpena Public Schools. Medical Secretary from 1994-2005. Now retired
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married Roger Winfield on May 14, 1966 in Alpena at home church. Two weeks later, "walked" at graduation although I completed courses after Winter Quarter.
Family Members	Children: Kathryn Jean – deceased in infancy – 1968 Kurt Roger – (b.1970) – wife Kristen, grandchildren Judson and Nicole Kyle Ford – deceased infant - 1972
Interests/Hobbies	Reading, took up golf at age 70, travel – especially to Denver where son lives, and volunteering at church – especially LWML and Grief/Share Ministry
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Marriage and family. Breast cancer in 2004. God's eternal love in Baptism – and beyond.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	New friends, choir events and singing in many different ways, as well as joy of teaching and learning new things.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Cannot single out just one. So enjoyed Dr. Charles Ore in choir

#### **Lester Oldenburg**

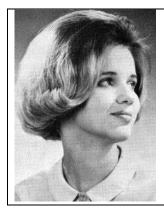
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Other Education:	M.S. Education – Northern Illinois University
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Teaching grades 3-8; mostly 8 <sup>th</sup> . grade Language Arts in Berkeley Illinois District #87
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married
Family Members	Two sisters: Midge and Marty
Interests/Hobbies	Spending time at lake home
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Having a summer home in Wisconsin
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	A good education.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Professor Drews

## Stella (Olson) Rainey

From 1966 Yearbook: Tuscaloosa, AL Sequence: History Assigned to: Grace, Huntsville, AL



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Other Education:	
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	M.S. – Interior Design University of Alabama
Career(s) since time at Concordia	
	School teacher – 4 years
	Owner/manager "The Little Gallery" (custom framing)
Marital Status & Spouse Name	
	Widow
Family Members	
	Rosalie (Fred) – children Fred III, Katherine, and Andrew
	Elizabeth (Stan) – children Sigrid and Thomas
Interests/Hobbies	
	Duplicate Bridge
	Foreign and Domestic Travel
What was a significant moment in	Completing 2 year study LCMS-SD, Lay Ministry Certification Program
your life's story?	
How did your years at CTC impact	Oh, let me count the ways
your life?	
What CTC professor(s) most	
influenced you and helped shape	Dr. Rosin
your life?	

#### **Charles Ophardt**

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Other Education:	Ph.D. – Southern Illinois University – 1970
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Professor of Chemistry at Elmhurst College 1970-2007
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Joann (Post)
Family Members	Son: Peter, wife Holly, children Allison (13), Callen (10), Olivia (8)
Interests/Hobbies	Photography, gardening, reading
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	There were many moments in a long college teaching career when I realized that my calling was to impart the love of learning to my students. I saw many go on to successful careers and earn PhD's.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	CTC gave me a good Lutheran theological training such that I was very active in our church on various boards. I taught Adult Bible Class every Sunday for 30+ years.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Charles Englund, Chemistry, motivated me to think about teaching at the college level and that I would be able to earn a PhD.

#### Karen Ott

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Career(s) since time at Concordia	Taught 44 years at St. John Lutheran Church in Fraser, MI, serving grades 2-5 in those years.
Interests/Hobbies	Reading, bike riding, choir, handbells, travel
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Teaching an academically challenged student to read and grow in learning.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Helped my faith grow stronger, made my commitment to Lutheran education important.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Herbert Gross

### Sandra (Petersen) Tietje

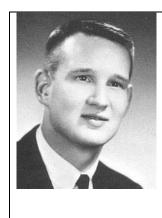
From 1966 Yearbook: Leland, MI Sequence: Guidance Assigned to: St. Peter's, Reedsburg, WI



Career(s) since time at Concordia	From 1966-1976, I taught 1 <sup>st</sup> . or 4 <sup>th</sup> . grade in Wisconsin and South Carolina. In 1970, we moved back to my hometown of Leland, MI where I was the dining room manager at the BlueBird Restaurant for 43 years, retiring in 2013.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Kenneth Tietje
Family Members	Daughter: Stephanie Son: Christopher (wife Cindy) Grandson: Cody
Interests/Hobbies	Cooking, baking, gardening, walking, rock hunting, and watching sunsets on Lake Michigan.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	When my parents had me baptized on November 19,1944 and God gave me his gift of Faith. That all began at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Leland where I was also confirmed, married, and continue to be blessed by serving others along with my husband and children.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	I met my husband Ken the second day on campus at the CTC transfer picnic and I thank God for the plans he had for us !
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	In my graduate studies, Rev. Dr. Walter Wangerin was instrumental in articulating, imparting, and building upon my use of Law and Gospel in teaching and living the Faith.

#### **Tom Phillips**

From 1966 Yearbook: Detroit, MI Assigned to: Graduate Studies Sequence: English and American Literature

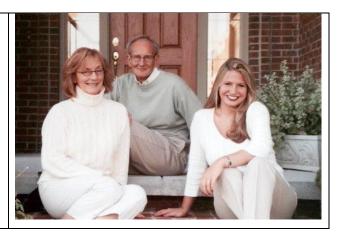


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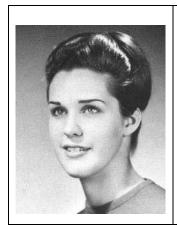
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M.A. – Michigan State University
J.D. – University of Detroit Law School
Assistant Attorney General – State of Michigan 1974-1978
Associate, Partner, Of Counsel – Miller, Canfield Paddock & Stone (1978- Present).
Married to Deborah J. Phillips
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Daughter: Allison J. Phillips
Reading, traveling, exercise
The most significant moment was meeting and marrying my wife,
Debby, and sharing 44 years together
Hopefully it grounded me morally and ethically
Dr. Ken Heinitz during college
Dr. Martin Koehneke when I worked at CTC for 3 years

## Ruth (Pickelman) Ruppert

Sequence: Psychology Assigned to: Immanuel, Dundee, IL



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Career(s) since time at Concordia	Immanuel Lutheran School, Dundee, IL - 1 year 2 <sup>nd</sup> .Grade
	Concordia Lutheran School – 2 years 2 <sup>nd</sup> . Grade
	Redeemer Lutheran Pre School – 2 years
	Concordia Lutheran School – 24 years Kindergarten
	In retirement, have worked as a substitute and teacher aide in the
	primary grades.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Thomas Ruppert.
Family Members	Daughter: Lyn Stennett (46), Teacher at St. John Lutheran School,
	Seward, NE. Husband Greg is estimator for a construction company in
	Lincoln, NE; 2 children , Joel (17) and Gretchen (14).
	Daughter: Kari Murphy, Physical Therapist in Sports Medicine, Tacoma,
	WA. (deceaseed 2010 – cancer); daughter Brianna (17)
Interests/Hobbies	Grandchildren, gardening, baking, traveling, teacher aiding and
	tutoring, watching the Warriors play and cheering former student
	Shaun Livingston.
What was a significant moment in	There have been many significant moments in my life, some joyous and
your life's story?	some heartbreaking. Sharing Kari's cancer journey for five years was
	significant in many ways. I learned that God never leaves us or
	forsakes us. He helps me trust Him and His will only with my life as I
	live to serve Him.
How did your years at CTC impact	Having come from the public school system, it was a privilege to attend
your life?	Christian colleges. It was refreshing to develop relationships with
	others who were seeking similar goals in Christian Education. There
	was a great unity and oneness that I had not experienced previously. It
	was great to acquire lifelong friendships.

## Sharon (Pieper) Voight

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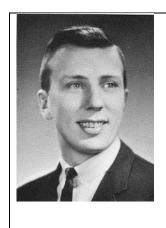
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Other Education:	
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	American Conservatory of Music
Career(s) since time at Concordia	
	Teacher, Music Director (Choirs, Handbells, etc.), Organist Current Member: Board of Directors, Northern Illinois District
Marital Status & Spouse Name	
	Married: Spouse Donald Voight
Interests/Hobbies	
	Music, Travel, Reading, Biking, Cubs Baseball, Renovating house in Wisconsin.
What was a significant moment in	
your life's story?	I have more than one ! Call Night, Installation First Year Teaching, our wedding, retirement after 45 years of teaching, enjoying all the travel opportunities
How did your years at CTC impact	
your life?	I am thankful for the excellent training which well prepared me for my teaching career and service as organist & choir director.
What CTC professor(s) most	There were a number of them, conceively there in the Music
influenced you and helped shape your life?	There were a number of them, especially those in the Music Department.

### **Arnold Piering**

From 1966 Yearbook: Bay City, Michigan Sequence: Physical Education Interned: Joliet, IL Assigned to: Trinity, Lansing, MI



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Other Education:	M.A. – Education – CTC – 1972
	M.A. – Religion (colloquy) Concordia Theological Sem – 1995
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Teacher at Trinity, Lansing, IL 1966-1972
	Teacher at Emmanuel-St.Michaels, Ft. Wayne, IN 1972-1995
	Pastor at Emmanuel, Ft. Wayne, IN 1995-2008
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Katherine nee Krudop, July 9, 1998
Family Members	Children: 7
	Grandchildren: 13
	Great grandchildren: 14
Interests/Hobbies	Spending summers at our Lake Cottage in Indiana; playing golf;
	volunteering in various activities at church
What was a significant moment in	When my wife Katherine and I were married; my ordination in August,
your life's story?	1995; my graduation from CTC-RF in 1966; my retirement in November, 2008.
How did your years at CTC impact	It prepared me for 29 years of teaching in the Lutheran schools. I made
your life?	many good friendships that have lasted a lifetime. Also gave me a strong foundation in Lutheran doctrine.
What CTC professor(s) most	I especially remember Dr. Merle Radtke and Dr. Herbert Gross. They
influenced you and helped shape your life?	both were very personable and knowledgeable.

## **Betty (Place) Armbrust**

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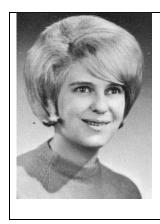
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Other Education:	M.S. in Education from Herbert H. Lehman College of City University of
	New York, September 1, 1972
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Spent five years (including '65-'66 internship) teaching grades 3-6 in Lutheran schools (Long Island and NYC). Taught vocal music in several MI districts from 1980-2008. Substitute teacher 2008-13 in CO.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Horst Armbrust, August 16, 1969
Family Members	Son: Brian, 11-24-72 Daugter: Nicole, 6-8-74 Daughter: Andrea, 10-27-76
Interests/Hobbies	Choral singing, playing piano and organ, needlework, knitting, quilting, traveling
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Viewing a recruitment film from CTC River Forest when I was in fifth grade. After seeing it, I made my decision to become a Lutheran teacher and to attend Concordia, River Forest.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	They strengthened my faith and encouraged my independence. They also confirmed my commitment to elementary education.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	My advisor and organ professor, Herbert Gotsch. He often had me play for chapel services when someone else bailed out as he thought I wasn't nervous !

## Patricia (Polzin) Schumacher

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Career(s) since time at Concordia	
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Family Members	3 children:
	Michael (Michelle)
	<ul> <li>Amy (Nigel)</li> </ul>
	Laura (Chris)
	8 grandchildren
Interests/Hobbies	Decorating/Interior Design/Sports; grandchildren, bridge
What was a significant moment in	
your life's story?	Meeting husband at Concordia
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Made lifelong friends; met husband; provided stimulus to lifelong commitment to church
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Professor Rast

## Joann (Post) Ophardt

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Other Education:	M.S. – Special Education, National Louis University
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Career(s) since time at Concordia	Immanuel Lutheran School, Murphysboro, IL
	Public School, DuQuion, IL
	Pre-School, Elmhurst, IL
	Trinity Lutheran School, Lombard, IL
	Lombard District 44 – Special Education – 20 years
	Reading and Writing Consultant – 5 years
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Charles Ophardt
Family Members	Son: Peter, wife Holly, chilidren Allison (13), Callen (10, and Olivia (8)
Interests/Hobbies	Reading, knitting, cooking
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Many significant moments happened when I could see the spark in a child's eye when they learned something new.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	CTC had a lasting impact in my life by increasing my faith to the extent that I was able to be active in my church with teaching Sunday School and Bible Classes. It also gave me a life long desire to help other people.

## Elaine (Priebe) Olguin

From 1966 Yearbook: Tracy, California Sequence: History Assigned to: St. John, Covina, California

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Other Education:	Modesto Junior College, Modesto CA
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	College of Idaho
	Northwest Nazarene University
	Boise State University
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Elementary School Teacher – 4 1/2 years in Southern CA, 25 years at Zion
	Lutheran in Nampa, ID, 6 years in Nampa Public Schools and 7 years at Victory
	Charter School.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Robert (Bob) Olguin in 1970. Bob worked for the corporate office
	of Albertsons in Boise until his retirement. Retirement has not yet led to a
	divorce – yet !!
Family Members	Son- Thomas, works for Kaiser Permanente in Portland
,	Daughter – Leah (Vern), athletic trainer soon to relocate to Portland
	Son – Matthew (Maria) served in Peace Corps and now works for NGO in
	Portland area
	Grandchildren: Keoni and Kamea
Interests/Hobbies	Grandchildren and family, reading, traveling (much of it recently to Portland
	and the Oregon coast), attending Portland Timber soccer games (season
	ticket holders).
What was a significant moment in	In 1995, I had renal failure caused by IGA Nephropathy and began dialysis. In
your life's story?	1996, I was blessed to receive a kidney transplant! The cadaver donor had
your me o occi y.	been a school teacher and I was fortunate to meet the family. It was truly an
	unselfish and loving gift to a stranger.
How did your years at CTC impact	The years at Concordia helped make me the wife, mother, teacher, and
your life?	person that I am today. The years in the classroom tested all my knowledge
your me.	and skills learned at that time. Friendships made during those years have
	continued to this day.
What CTC professor(s) most	Teachers, Professors ??? Classes ??? Oh, wait I did have those at Concordia.
influenced you and helped shape	However, I am unable to single out one person. It was the sum total of
,	professors and Christian campus life that shaped me into the person I am
your life?	today.

### **Edgar Rehmer**

Interned: St. Paul, Janesville, WI

Other Education:	M.S. in Educational Adminstration – Northern Illinois U1972
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Trinity, West Chicago, IL - teacher Immanuel, Okawville, IL – teacher and principal St. John's, Algonquin, II – teacher and principal St. Martin, Clintonville, WI – teacher and principal
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Alice nee Burmester – died of cancer in 1996 Maureen
Family Members	Daughters: Susan Scott, Rhoda McInerney, Carla Nellis, Heidi Brautigan, and Kelly O'Malley. Stepson's: Scott Grall and Andrew Grall Stepdaughter: Jill Quinjana
Interests/Hobbies	Weaving "rag rugs"
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Finding out I passed exams for my Masters degree and then receiving a call that same evening to be teacher/principal at Immanuel, Okawville
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	It prepared me for a successful teaching career
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Herbert Gross

#### **James Reigles**

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Career(s) since time at Concordia	1966-75 Milwaukee Lutheran High School 1975-2008 Martin Luther High School, Greendale, WI
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Karen (Baumgart) CTC '66
Family Members	William Scott – son David Allan – son, married to Tammy Pritzlaf (both graduates of Concordia, Wisconsin) 4 granddaughters
Interests/Hobbies	Congregational offices and Bible classes, reading fiction, history, ethics
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	My mother's sacrifice to send me to Lutheran grade school and high school; my marriage to Karen Baumgart, 50 years in June, 2016
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	I found more joy and satisfaction in being a Lutheran teacher than I believe I ever could have in any secular job. Concordia provided the education and sense of mission necessary.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	I admired every English professor and tried to take from each an aspect of my subsequent teaching style. Harold Brockberg, my football coach shaped my belief that sports is a means to the end – self disciplined commitment, qualities applicable to all aspects of life.

## Helen (Reschke) Balkie

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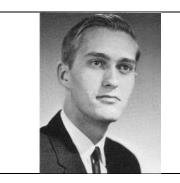
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Career(s) since time at Concordia	Teacher – K,1,5,6, Middle School – Language Arts Stay-at-home mother till children were school age
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married, Alfred Balkie
Family Members	Bryan, Joseph, and Elizabeth Balkie
Interests/Hobbies	Writing poetry and special church services; directing the Operation Christmas Child Project for our small church – about 40 members. The Lord used us last year to fill 1,796 boxes ! It is exciting to see God work among us and through us. We are blessed to be a part of his miracle.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	In 1996, my family was involved in a head-on automobile accident. I broke my back which ended my teaching career; however, it resulted in my Operation Christmas Child ministry. I have been blessed.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	The excellent training and education I received at CTC equipped me for my teaching ministry and service in the kingdom; relational an life skills acquired while living as a member of the CTC community schooled me in the art of living; the Spiritual life that permeated CTC nourished my faith, challenging and encouraging its growth and development – this faith has been my life's support.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	I know it says one, but I'm including two: Walter Wangerin and Ralph Gehrke. Through their words and actions, their support and caring, both of these men lived lives that shone brightly with the presence and love of Christ. They richly blessed me, and I desire to follow in their footsteps.

#### **Michael Riemer**

From 1966 Yearbook: New Orleans, LASequence: PsychologyInterned: Saginaw, MIAssigned to: Grace, Mobile, AL



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Other Education:	I received my Master of Arts Degree from George Peabody College at Vanderbilt University in 1976. I was working on a PhD in Educational Leadership at the University of New Orleans, completing all courses and the pre-dissertation and exam, lacking just that final dissertation. An then Katrina hit, and my life's goals changed. Maybe someday
Career(s) since time at Concordia	I had a wonderful career in parochial, public, military and independent schools. I taught in Mobile, Mt. Prospect, Atlanta, Regesburg, Germany (2 yrs), Brampton, England (3 yrs) – and returned to my hometown New Orleans for years as a teacher and adminstrator at St. Paul Lutheran School, St. George's Episcopal School, and my final stint (15 yrs) as Dean of Students at Isidore Newman School.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	I am married to Lynne Dietz Riemer, and we recently celebrated our 26 <sup>th</sup> . anniversary.
Family Members	I have two daughters and Lynne has two daughters and one son. They have given us eight grandchildren.
Interests/Hobbies	I love movies and the theater. I love to travel and hope to do so now that I am retired. I am an avid Saints fan, and I enjoy following most sports (except baseball & soccer). I follow Wimbleton and the Tour de France religiously each summer.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	<ul> <li>When I became principal at St. Paul-First English Lutheran School, a school I attended as a student; I have served there as teacher and principal, as well as parent and trustee.</li> <li>I was diagnosed with an aggressive form of cancer in 2007 and was given 18-21 months. Obviously, the doctors were wrong; I am my oconolgist's number one outlier! Why me? I have no idea, but I am grateful to God for my years in remission and full health.</li> </ul>
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	My years at CTC taught me to value servant leadership and the camaraderie that teachers and schools enjoy. Although I taught slightly more of my 50 years in public or independent schools, I always used my CTC Christian values and training in ways I disciplined students and worked with families and faculty.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Ralph Gehrke was a brilliant scholar and student of the Bible; his classes were an inspiration. I remember being invited to his house on campus for a meal; quite an honor. His course on The Book of Psalms was simply beautiful. Dr. Wayne Lucht was a true mentor and excellent teacher. He was the reason I concentrated in psychology. Over the years, he has remained a role model and I was thrilled to see him a few years ago.

## Paula (Rietschel) Krikau

From 1966 Yearbook: Chicago, IL Sequence: History Assigned to: St. John, Mt. Prospect, IL



Career(s) since time at Concordia	Lutheran School Teacher – 1966 to 1969 Mom Career – 1967-1979 JCPenny's for 21 years – District Market Trainer for 11 stores and retiring as Senior Department Manager
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Jim Krikau (49 years)
Family Members	Son: Tim (1969), spouse Jeanette Son: Paul (1973), spouse Dusty Daughter: Elise (1977) Grandchildren: Miles (2007) and Eleanor (2009)
Interests/Hobbies	Genealogy – telling my family's story through journaling, photos and papercrafting; educational travel with Road Scholars, reading, interior decorating, voluntering at local hospital, volunteering with Assistance League of Southeast Michigan (provides school clothes to elementary and middle school children in need).
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Marriage to Jim Krikau – he is my best friend. He encouraged me to be more that I thought I could be in my quest for a meaningful career – challenging discrimination of women and age in the workplace.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	CTC provided me with a superior liberal arts education that I appreciated more as I traveled through life's experiences.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Prof. Merle Radke taught me the appreciation of good literature. I can still identify the components of a well-written book. Prof. Andrew Prinz and Prof. Rudy Heinze brought history to life and provided me a deeper understanding of people and events that shaped our world.

## Joann (Riley) Dietel

From 1966 Yearbook: Antigo, WI Sequence: Music Education Assigned to: St. James, Lafayette, IN

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Career(s) since time at Concordia	St. James Lutheran School, Grades Kdg., 2,3, & 4 from 1966-1976 and 1986 – 2008 (retired). Also organist, cherub choir, director of Christmas program and spring musicals.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Thomas A. Dietel, Class of '67
Family Members	Daughter: Melissa Son: Christopher Son: Timothy Grandchildren: Grant (13), Luke (9), Megan (5), Ethan (5)
Interests/Hobbies	Music/choir; reading; pickleball; shuffleboard; mahjongg
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Traveling to Europe – Germany, England & France Travel to China for 45 <sup>th</sup> . Wedding Anniversary
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Religious education and music education have been very prevalent in my life, stemming from the guidance at Concordia.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Ralph Gehrke was a very knowledgeable and extremely kind professor, who set a great example for students by his wisdom.

## Pat (Ringger) Ellis

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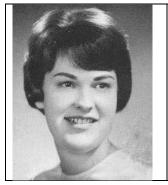
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Other Education:	Attended St. Paul's, Concordia, MO
	The MOM degree probably was the degree that taught me the most
	about life! and love!
Career(s) since time at Concordia	1966-1969 taught 2 <sup>nd</sup> . grade at St. Matthew Lutheran School in Manhattan,
	NY and served as substitute organist; 1975-2008 worked for the Internal
	Revenue Service – retired in 2008 after years as an Appeals Officer
Marital Status & Spouse Name	1967-1977 Married to Ed Winkelmann – had 4 children – Ed died in
	2009
	1978-Present – Married to Nat B Ellis
Family Members	Son: Eddie – born in 1968; died in 2007
	Daughter: Dr. Julie Jeter married to Dr. Paul Jeter (2 children)
	Daughter: Dr. Susie Weatherall married to Dr. Jeff Weatherall (4 chldren
	Daughter: Mrs. Rosie Turner married to Mr. Terry Turner (4 children)
Interests/Hobbies	Travel – to all 50 states – Mexico, Canada, Scotland, France, England,
	Austria, Switzerland, Germany, Australia, Bahamas, Cambodia, and
	others Singing, playing the piano/organ for church services – etc.
What was a significant moment in	Representing my crisis pregnancy center for Lutherans for Life at the World
your life's story?	Congress of Families in Geneva, Switzerland Raising four children, especially
	educators on how to work with autistic children including son Eddie.
How did your years at CTC impact	CTC gave me a firm foundation in Biblical principles for living and loving God's
your life?	people – in my home and my church and the world I was privileged to help
	start a Lutheran Church in Cambodia and teach Sunday School children and
	teachers for many years.
What CTC professor(s) most	Dr. Carl Schalk, Dr. Charles Ore and Dr. Thomas Gieschen – all loved the Lord
influenced you and helped shape	Jesus and our Lutheran heritage of music which they have passed on to
your life?	hundreds of students I was privileged to be one of them.

## Ardell (Runge) Hauss

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Other Education:	Wayne State University, Detroit
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Career(s) since time at Concordia	1966-71 – taught at St. Peter Lutheran School in Eastpointe, MI
	1980-2015 – owned and operated Tiffany-Young and Hauss Funeral
	Home in Armada, MI with my husband, who was a Mortuary Science
	Licensee and founded, owned and operated Hauss Funeral Home in
	Macomb Twp.,MI from 1987-2015
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married Thomas E. Hauss in 1970; widowed in 2012
Family Members	Son: Thomas (Paula) and their daughter Katie (3);
	Son: Joel (Kerrie) and children Alexis (12) and Jaxson (3);
	Daughter: Rachelle (Jason) Blake and sons Kyle (3) and Jake (8 mos.)
Interests/Hobbies	For many years, I took on many different roles in the children's ministry at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Armada, but especially enjoyed teaching God's word through music. Since my retirement from the funeral industry in 2015, I have been enjoying my time with our grandchildren and their activities.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	There was no single moment but certainly marrying a funeral director changed the path in my teaching career. My husband and I were given the opportunity to minister to the families in the communities we served.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Concordia laid the foundation for discipling in the classroom, raising our children and our work in the church, business and community.
What CTC professor(s) most	I can't really say one professor most influenced me. I do feel the entire
influenced you and helped shape	atmosphere of my four years at Concordia was indeed an influence in
your life?	my life. The support from professors and fellow classmates was
	amazing.

## Carolyn (Sachtleben) Meier

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Career(s) since time at Concordia	Elementary teacher in Muskegon, MI 1966-67
	Zion Lutheran, Bethalto 1967- 1968
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married Earl Meier in 1967. His career was also in education –
	elementary principal and assistant superintendent
Family Members	Two adult children that were adopted as infants – Brian and Michael
Interests/Hobbies	I volunteer at church activities, hospital front desk and usher at UIS
	Springfield for concerts. I play in the bell choir and sing in vocal choir
	at church
What was a significant moment in	Significant in our life was the adoption of our two infant sons.
your life's story?	
How did your years at CTC impact	Two years at CTC prepared me well for elementary teaching. The
your life?	Christ-centered curriculum was important as I faced obstacles and joys
	in my life.
What CTC professor(s) most	In my graduate studies, Rev. Dr. Walter Wangerin was instrumental in
influenced you and helped shape	articulating, imparting, and building upon my use of Law and Gospel in
your life?	teaching and living the Faith.

#### **Roger Sachtleben**

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Other Education:	M.A. – Concordia, River Forest – 1975 Northwest Missouri State U. – additional hours beyond Master's
Career(s) since time at Concordia	23 years as teacher, administrator, athletic director in Lutheran schools; 16 years as teacher in Ferguson-Florissant school district
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married for 48 years to Joyce Helmkamp, class of '67
Family Members	Matthew and wife Kelly plus three children; Kerri and husband Brad plus four children, three of which are the same age Michael and wife Carrie plus two children
Interests/Hobbies	Model railroading, play golf as often as possible, travel, anything that allows me to enjoy God's wonderful out of doors
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Watching God's hand in bringing Joyce and I together, my first teaching assignment, and the birth of my children
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Helped me realize that God was in control and that he would not forsake me
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Andrew Prinz – he helped me in American Civilization studies so I could continue playing baseball in my freshman year - used him many times as an example to my students while teaching.

## Sharron (Salat) Schademann

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Other Education:	Various colleges and university classes for 90+ credits above B.A.
Career(s) since time at Concordia	10 years teaching in Lutheran Schools, then 28 years in Park Ridge Public schools before my retirement in 2004. Loved every minute of teaching!
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Divorced
Family Members	Son: Matt (43) – a professional photographer and recently gone into real estate
Interests/Hobbies	I spend a lot of time working with my LWML Zone – going to rallies and conventions and serving on the Executive Board. Also very active in church groups. I do subbing in my old disstrict too. My love of travel has taken me to many European countries, plus New Zealand and Australia. I have visited all 50 states in the U.S.A. Going to many White Sox games is fun as well as spending several days a week at the Fitness Center.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Being a Christian and baptized/confirmed into Christ are my most significant moments in my life. Receiving my teaching degree and first call to St. Andrews are very high on my list. Many long friendships were developed at St. Andrews. Special significant moment was the birth of my son, Matt.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	My years at Concordia gave me the purpose of my life and this is teaching and helping others. Concordia gave me this focus that remains with me even after retirement.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Professor David Stein was my very first professor freshman year. My first class was speech. Prof. Stein's class gave me confidence to speak in front of others, whether it be children or adults.

# Karen (Sasser) Wrye

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Other Education:	AA degree from Concordia College, Portland in 1964 BA degree from CTC, River Forest in 1966 Med from University of Portland in 1987
Career(s) since time at Concordia	I taught in Lutheran school in California, Illinois, Minnesota and Oregon. The majority of my teaching ministry (26 years) was spent at Trinity Lutheran School in Portland, OR. While teaching at Trinity, I also served as adjunct professor in early childhood education at Concordia University, Portland for 12 years. In 2007 I retired from Trinity. For the last 9 years I have worked part time for the Northwest District LCMS as an Early Childhood Consultant. This summer I will leave that position and begin "full retirement"
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Richard Wrye. We began dating while students at Concordia and will celebrate our 49 <sup>th</sup> . Anniversary this summer.
Family Members	We have two sons, Tim and Matt. They and their families live in Tacoma, WA, where they stayed after attending Pacific Lutheran University. We have four grandchildren: Abigael, Jonah, Lillian, and Logan. It is nice that they are only a couple of hours away from us.

# Irma (Scheibert) Kelly

From 1966 Yearbook: Chicago, IL Sequence: Sociology Assigned to: Holy Ghost, Milwaukee, WI



Other Education:	B.S. Health Information Mgmt – Temple University, Philadelphia, PA
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Teacher (1966-1971) Milwaukee and Philadelphia
	Mom and homemaker (1971-1980)
	Information Manager in healthcare settings (1980-1997)
	Owner: Kelly PC Training & Consulting (1997-Retirement)
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married my best friend, Michael Kelly (RF '66). Because our wedding
	day was two days after graduation, we will be celebrating our 50 <sup>th</sup> .
	anniversary this year also—Looking back from the perspective of 50
	years, I am moved by the grace and blessings.
Family Members	Son: Stephen Michael (b.1971) Philadelphia. Married and daddy of two
	boys. Son: Jonathan Michael (b. 1974) San Francisco. Also married and
	daddy of two boys.
Interests/Hobbies	Good food. Good conversation. Good books. The great outdoors. I
	remember Martin Marty saying for our baccalaureate address that the
	antidote to the routine of "buttoning and unbuttoning" of life was to
	keep learning. All of the above help me to do that.
What was a significant moment in	Really, I cannot name one "significant moment" in my life's story. But
your life's story?	looking back over these 50 years, I just see Grace upon Grace as a
	constant, like a gentle refreshing spring rain. It was RF that unlocked
	the door for me to bask in the Grace and to continue to grow.
	Although I didn't remain in the career for which RF prepared me, RF
	cracked th edoor open to so much more. And the pivotal person in
	that was Dr. Walter Bouman, who remained a lifelong friend and as he
	continued to learn and grow, shared it. Even as he was preparing to
	pass beyond this life, in his final sermon, he reminded us that: "The
	gospel is good news, it is the announcement that something good and
	absolutely decisive for the universe has happened. The Christian good
	news is simply: Jesus is risen! That is good news because it means that
	death no longer has the power over him. Jesus, not death, will have
	the last word. But the resurrection of Jesus was not personal
	vindication. He has become the first fruits of all that sleep. He will
	reign until he has put all things under his feet. The last enemy to be
	destroyed is death. And then God will be everything to everyone."
	That freedom and love has shaped my life. I am most grateful.

#### John Schendel

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Other Education:	M.A. – Concordia R.F, 1971
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Elisa VanDiejen in 1969. Sorry – mixed marriage – as Lis is a Seward graduate !!!
Family Members	Daughter: Ellen – Doctorate – College Assoc. Dean Daughter: Sarah – Lutheran School Teacher 15 years Son: Master Degree in Education – Lowes Management
Interests/Hobbies	Sub teaching, helping adults and children with special needs, singing in a 70 voice chorale
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	River Forest; Father's death at age 52 years and God opening a new direction in my life
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Learned about how great my God is and Jesus' love for me. Helped me develop friendships and skills for helping people.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Wangerin, Dr. Bouman, Stephen Schmidt
Other CTC Memories	Caring instructors; "Get methods from the world but motivation from the Holy Spirit"; Comeback Inn; Bus rides to Lenten services; Riverside shuttles; lunch provided with fresh hot dogs and greasy fries in a greasy brown bag; chapel services;dorm devotions;Petersons Ice Cream; "See you in the C.U."; choirs, student teaching; dancing at bar on North Avenue; mansion of River Forest; Koehneke family; Kuschmann haircuts;call night; Ma Schoepke; organ practice rooms; Art class when Kennedy was shot.

#### **Kenneth Schilf**

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Other Education:	M.A. – Concordia, River Forest – 1969
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Teacher; Athletic Director; Principal; Director of Christian Education; TV Ministry's Executive Director
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Sally nee Strussenberg (Class of '67) since August 5, 1967
Family Members	Eric, Kristen, Dana (all married with 2 children each) Amy – deceased
Interests/Hobbies	Officiating basketball & baseball on high school and college level; reading; yard work; all Chicago sports; golfing
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Marrying Sally and having 4 children; being inducted into Halls of Fame of the American Youth Baseball as umpire & the Lutheran Basketball Association of America; Lutheran Ministries Media naming a room in my honor.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	It gave me a firm foundation in knowledge and my faith in Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Herbert Gross helped me in understanding and world views from a Christian perspective

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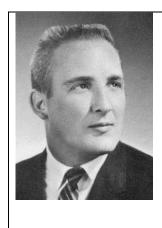
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Career(s) since time at Concordia	Taught elementary/secondary for 5 years; Sales/General Agent/ Retired as regional director – American National Insurance
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Patricia (nee Polzin) Schumacher for 48 years
Family Members	3 children: Michael (Michelle); Amy (Nigel); and Laura (Chris). 8 grandchildren
Interests/Hobbies	Reading/golf/ Cardinal baseball
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Meeting wife
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Larry Rast let me graduate without passing 5 quarters of piano !!

## **David Seifferlein**

From 1966 Yearbook: East Detroit, MI Assigned to: Bethesda, Pine Lawn, MO Sequence: Math-Science



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Career(s) since time at Concordia	Bethesda Lutheran, Pine Lawn, MO 1 year St. Matthew Lutheran, Walled Lake, MI 4 years Eau Claire Public Schools, Eau Claire, MI – 39 years Was an assistant principal for 1 year at Eau Claire, and then I got smart and returned to the classroom.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Sandy nee Morris
Family Members	7 children: Missy, Brian, Kristen, Katie,Brent,Brad and Melanie. They have blessed us with 11 grandchildren. Our biggest joy in life is when the entire gang gets together.
Interests/Hobbies	Now that I am retired, I ride my bike and play a lot of golf during the warmer months. During the colder months, I try to spend 1.5 hours a day at the gym. I have dabbled in writing. The church and traveling to visit family are high on my list of interests.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	No significant moment outside of saying,"I do."
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	CTC obviously made a teacher out of me.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Three profs that influenced me were Walter Vahl, Gordon Besch, and Ralph Gehrke.

#### **Donald Sellke**

From 1966 Yearbook: Des Plaines, IL Sequence: Mathematics Assigned to: Concordia College, Oakland, CA



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Career(s) since time at Concordia	High School Math Teacher, CA Concordia College, Oakland Elementary Classroom Teacher – St. Philip, Chicago Principal, Zion, Hinsdale, IL Professor of Education, Concordia, St. Paul, MN
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Colleen Kelly in 1973
Family Members	Kristen Emily (Nick, Aidan, Neve, Eva) Alex (Kelly,Tate)
Interests/Hobbies	Tall ships, nautical fiction and non-fiction about tall ships, music from "The Great American Songbook", cribbage
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	There were three: 1) my baptism, 2) my marriage, 3) my tenure at Concordia, St. Paul
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	I've spent my entire life, including my career, in the LCMS
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Harold Brockberg

## Judy (Severance) Grotelueschen

Assigned to: Trinity, Indianapolis, IN



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Career(s) since time at Concordia	
	20+ years as teacher, cheerleading coach at Trinity Lutheran, Indianapolis and Zion Lutheran, New Palestine, IN
	Early Childhood consultant and Congregation Service Asst for LCMS – In
	District
Marital Status & Spouse Name	
	Married to David Grotelueschen in 1966
Family Members	Son Mike (married to Krista Lisch) with son Joshua (seminary student) and daughter Kayla (Valparaiso); Daughter Erin Dunwell (married to Joel) with daughter Taylor (Benedictine U.) and son Jackson (Waubonsie High School)
Interests/Hobbies	Golf, travel, gardening, shopping, Bible Study leader, very active in church
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Surviving breast cancer over 20 years !
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Concordia guided me in my faith walk with the Lord. I also met my future husband and life long friends.
What CTC professor(s) most	Darlene Fahrenkrog instilled the love of art and then using it as an art
influenced you and helped shape your life?	minor.

## Marnie (Siehr) Smith

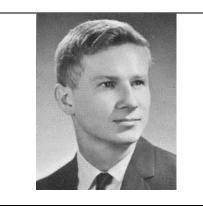
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Career(s) since time at Concordia	Taught 27 years in Lutheran schools in WI, MN, IN and IL. Started and
	directed a preschool for 10 years; the other 17 were spent in middle
	and upper levels. Now I sub teach for the Etiquette School of Chicago.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married David Smith (RF '66) shortly after graduation. We taught together
	for 30 years in Shawano, WI, where we had our three children. In his fifties,
	David went back to seminary and became a pastor. He served as pastor for
	10 years before his sudden death in 2008. He was serving St. John's,
	LaGrange, IL at the time, where I still attend.
Family Members	Three daughters, all of whom live in the Chicago area: Julie Wilkins,
	Sara Chizzo, and Angela Young. Angela went to RF and married the son
	of our classmate, Brian Young (RF '66). I have nine grandchildren,
	ranging in age from 7 to 18. God is good!
Interests/Hobbies	David and I enjoyed being in choirs together as well as appearing in 8
	musicals and revues. In his memory, I direct a "Family Theater" at our
	church each August. I love reading, ushering at plays and concerts in
	the Chicago area, and especially attending sporting and musical events
	with the grandkids!
What was a significant moment in	The day I married David Smith. Life with this faith-filled, joyful and
your life's story?	outrageous man was incredible for 42 years.
How did your years at CTC impact	They prepared me for a satisfying career teaching Jesus' lambs and
your life?	sheep from PreK to eighth grade. My faith grew in this wonderful
	atmosphere of dedication to Christian Education. I met my soulmate
	there and developed friendships which I still have to this day.
What CTC professor(s) most	Professor Steve Schmidt was there for me at a time that I needed help
influenced you and helped shape	through a family crisis. Dr. Merl Radtke was and is a role model for me.
your life?	He showed me how effective, knowledgeable, and funny teachers can
,	impact students. Recently visited this wonderful man.

#### Gene T. Smith

From 1966 Yearbook: Addison, ILSequence: English and American LiteratureInterned: Dundee, ILAssigned to: Peace, Chicago, IL



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Other Education:	M.S. – Concordia, R.F – 1973 MLIS – Indiana U 1986
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Taught at Peace Lutheran, Chicago for 6 years Taught at Holy Cross, Ft. Wayne for 17 years Last 6 years at Holy Cross – directed "Worship for Shut-ins" TV Program Did library & AV work at Concordia University, WI from 1990 to retirement in 2006
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married Carolyn Hassebrock, R.F. – 1965)

# **Carol (Sprehe) Liston**

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Other Education:	Barry Univesity, North Miami, FL
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Taught at: Trinity Lansing, IL/ Trinity, Ft. Lauderdale, FL/ Calvary, San Lorenzo, CA – total 36 years. Music Director: 50 years and still going. Band, choirs, handbells, writing, arranging, etc.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to James M Liston
Family Members	6 chldren- Michael Liston, Paul Liston, Nathan Piering, Benjamin Piering, Rachel Piering, and Aaron Piering. 8 grandchildren.
Interests/Hobbies	Besides music, swimming, canoeing, hiking, traveling, scheduling and hosting family get-togethers.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Surviving brain surgery in 1986 – acoustic neuroma. Learning to adjust to life without hearing in left ear was a challenge.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Great education! It has kept me grounded through life!
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Gieschen. He pushed me, challenged me, and I was blessed that he kept me as an organ student for 3 years.

## John Strege

From 1966 Yearbook: Fond du Lac, WI Sequence: Music Theory – Music Literature Assigned to: Graduate Studies



Other Education:	M.Music – Syracuse University, 1968 Attended The Gernal Theological Seminary in NYC for studies in theology and music (1971-72) Honorary Doctor of Music, Nashotah Theological Sem. – 2004
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Music Faculty, Concordia College, Portland, OR 1968-70 Canon Director of Music – Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, Portland,OR (1973-2010) In addition to the full-time position at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, I am also organist at Temple Beth Israel, Portland, OR (1983-)
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married Mr. Kevin Walsh at Grace Episcopal Church, Portland, on September 8, 2014, our 33 <sup>rd</sup> . anniversary.
Interests/Hobbies	In addition to my work as Organist-Choirmaster I have continued to regularly perform on piano as accompanist to some of the most well- respected singers in the Pacific Northwest. While at Syracuse University, I worked in the studio of the prominent American soprano Helen Boatwright. I am now on the Board for Friends of Chamber Music, a Portland 76 year old organization that yearly presents the world's most celebrated string quartets and vocalists.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Carl Waldschmidt. His love of music and choral conducting ability influenced my love of choral music and helped shape my own conducting skills. While I was his accompanist for three years at Concordia, he demonstrated patience and took a personal interest in my musical development.

## Mag (Streufert) Karsel

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Other Education:	Attended Concordia, Austin, TX for 2 years
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Taught for 29 years in grade levels 1,2,3,4 and5. Was also a music teacher in elementary schools as well as a P.E. teacher
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Art Karsel for 49 years
Family Members	Two Children: Arthur Karsel III and Amy Karsel Rogers. Five grandchildren- Hayley, Alexa, Charlotte, Cole, and Hayden.
Interests/Hobbies	Travel; spending time with my family; loved my teaching years
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	My marriage to Art – the birth of my two children – my grandchildren's lives
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	It was a stepping stone to what I wanted to be – a Christian Teacher
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Lois Klatt – tough coach – excellent instructor – fair to all players

# **Eleanor (Stumpf) Federwitz**

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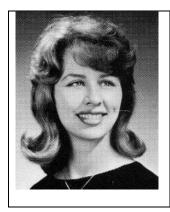
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Other Education:	
	Master of Education, Arcadia University (formerly Beaver College) , Philadelphia, PA
Career(s) since time at Concordia	I was blessed to serve as a teacher in Lutheran Schools of LCMS and ELCA for all of my career. I worked in schools in MI, WI, PA, CA and IL.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married for 50 years to Bob (Robert) Federwitz
Family Members	We have 3 grown children who have families of their own. We have 9 grandchildren.
Interests/Hobbies	I love my volunteer job as a preschool story lady at a local library. I enjoy reading and seeing good movies. Sewing is an interest of mine as well.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	The birth of each of my children was significant in my life. I had the privilege and challenge of being a "stay-at-home" Mom for the preschool years with my children.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	My years at CTC have shaped the rest of my life. I was well prepared for service in our Lutheran Schools and understand my work as a calling. I value the legacy of our preparation as Lutheran School Teachers.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Walt Bouman was very importatn in my spiritual development. Dr. Stephen Schmidt was an influence as well. I loved all my classes that dealt with education and children's literature.

## Marilyn (Tedrahn) Tyler

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Other Education:	M.A. in Religion, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago M.A. in English, University of NC at Greensboro.
Career(s) since time at Concordia	
	I was a teacher
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Warren Tyler (Class of '67), who died in 1996.
Family Members	Two children and six grandchildren.

# **Esther (Tetz) Yeats**

From 1966 Yearbook: Alpine, New York Sequence: French Assigned to: Lutheran High School, Baltimore, MD

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Other Education:	Took courses at 9 other colleges and universities including two summers at universities in France.
Career(s) since time at Concordia	I have taught in New York, Iowa and Nebraska. I taught for a total of 38 years: 9 in elementary and 29 in junior high. For 25 of those 29, I taught all subjects (except music) to combined 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> . grade classes.
Family Members	One son and daughter-in-law: Karl Yeats and Maria. Two beautiful and smart twin grandchildren – Francesco and Alexandra Yeats. Two surviving siblings: Carol Fagnan and David Tetz. 17 nieces and nephews.
Interests/Hobbies	Reading, sewing, swimming and spending 8-9 months yearly near my son's famly in Florida. The other 3-4 months yearly in Nebraska.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	The birth of my son. Nothing else reaffirmed God's power so clearly.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	I think I was quite well-prepared to teach many subjects.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Bouman. He taught religion, doctrine and theology.

# Bette (Thompson) Krenzke

From 1966 Yearbook: Elgin, IL Assigned to: Bethlehem, Fort Wayne, IN Sequence: Geography



Other Education:	M.S. in Education, Indiana U. at Fort Wayne, 1978
	Ed.D. – Ball State University, 1981
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Started teaching in Lutheran elementary schools in Ft. Wayne, IN and
	Royal Oak, MI; taught at the university level at Hanover College,
	Indiana University Southeast and Concordia University, River Forest;
	founded and taught at Concordia International School, Shanghai,
	China.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married Timothy Krenzke on December 23, 1966; we will celebrate our
	50 <sup>th</sup> . wedding anniversary by taking a Danube River Cruise through the
	Christmas markets in Budapest, Bratislava, Vienna, Passau, and Prague.
Family Members	No children; my brother, Bill Thompson ('68), and my sister, Shirley
	Thompson ('71), all attended RF and graduated and married spouses that they met there
Interests/Hobbies	Reading, genealogy, gardening, traveling
What was a significant moment in	Quitting our tenured, full-professor jobs at CUC to start and
your life's story?	international school in Shanghai, China
How did your years at CTC impact	It strengthened my faith journey and provided me with a broad liberal
your life?	arts foundation that has made me competitive throughout my life and
	career
What CTC professor(s) most	Two profs had a tremendous impact on my undergraduate education
influenced you and helped shape	and on my university career because of their knowledge and exemplary
your life?	life's model: Merle Radtke and Kenneth Heinitz; Ralph Gehrke and
	Stephen Schmidt helped me grow in faith; Martin Koehneke, David
	Stein and Clarence Drews all helped me grow as a person; Darlene
	Fahrenkrog has inspired me over the years with her creativity and

friendship.

#### **Dennis Vierk**

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Other Education:	M.A. – Concordia, RF, 1970
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Career(s) since time at Concordia	I taught 4 <sup>th</sup> . & 5 <sup>th</sup> . grade for my first two years, and was a principal for the next 38 years. I served as principal in Portage, WI, Monroeville, IN,
	Collinsville, IL, and Janesville, WI
Marital Status & Spouse Name	I've been happily married to my childhood sweatheart for the last 50
	years. Her name is Dianne.
Family Members	We have two daughters and a son. Each of our children have two
	children of their own, so we we have six grandchildren.
Interests/Hobbies	I spend my time playing softball, golfing, fishing, swimming, hunting,
	and traveling. We spend the winter in Florida and rest of the year in Wisconsin.
What was a significant moment in	CALL NIGHT – That was the night my future wife and I found out where
your life's story?	we were going to begin our life together. We were placed in Portage, WI, and began our ministry and married life there.
How did your years at CTC impact	Without that education, I would not have been able to fulfill my
your life?	lifelong (at least since 6 <sup>th</sup> . grade) dream of being a Lutheran school teacher.
What CTC professor(s) most	I do not remember any professor in that role, or getting "close" with
influenced you and helped shape your life?	any of my professors. My life was influenced most by the teacher I had in 4 <sup>th</sup> ., 5 <sup>th</sup> .,& 6 <sup>th</sup> . grade, Mr. Arthur Bathje. I wanted to be just like Mr.
	Bathje.

## **Shirley Vradenburgh**

From 1966 Yearbook: Seattle, WA Sequence: Social Science-Mathematics



Other Education:	M.A. – Indiana State University, Terre Haute – 1976 Additional graduate studies – Indiana University, Bloomington, IN
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Teaching Ministry in Lutheran Schools in St. Louis & Seattle; currently Registrar/College Counselor at Seattle Lutheran High School
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Single
Interests/Hobbies	Nursing Home Volunteer Travel Photography- for school, church & nursing home events, plus travel
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	<ul> <li>2 travel experiences:</li> <li>1- 1969 summer trip around the world with CTC choir, alumni, faculty &amp; friends;</li> <li>2- 2015 summer trip to South Africa, Zimbabwe, Botswana &amp; Zambia</li> </ul>
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Prepared me for many years of service in the Lutheran teaching ministry
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Rudolf Heinze

#### **Paul Wackenhuth**

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Other Education:	M.A. in Education, Concrdia, RF – 1975
Career(s) since time at Concordia	After six years as a 5 <sup>th</sup> . grade teacher and DCE in Lutheran congregations, I spent several years as a pipefitter in the railroad industry, and several more in customer service in wholesale office furniture. At this point, I found my calling as a drafter where I worked for eighteen years, mostly in the electrical power industry. Concurrent with these jobs, I have been serving as Minister of Music for forty-six years, the last forty at Savior Divine Lutheran Church in Palos Hills, Illinois
Marital Status & Spouse Name	I have been happily married to Sandra (nee Wendt, '70) since 1969.
Family Members	Andrea and husband Scott, Timothy and wife Rhiana, and Laura and husband Joel. We also have been blessed with 10 grandchildren.
Interests/Hobbies	Church music, classical music, following professional baseball and basketball (especially Chicago teams), and singing in the West Suburban Symphony Chorus.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Meeting and marrying my wife, of course. But also awesome was being present for the births of our three chldren.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	CTC is where God brought me to find my wife, and where I was lead toward a ministry of church music.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	I'd have to call that one a tie, with Professors Paul Bunjes and Carl Schalk both inspiring and preparing me to become an organist and church musician.

# Kathy (Walle) Eggold

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Sequence: Sociology

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Other Education:	Southwest Missouri State; Saint Francis University, Ft. Wayne; IPFW, Fort Wayne. M.S. – Mental Health Counseling
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Taught grades 3 – high school for 10 years Director of Education & Assimilation – 5 years Counselor & Founder of Cross Connections Counseling – 20 years
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Thomas E. Eggold for 47 years. Met Tom at CTC in my senior year.
Family Members	3 sons: Thomas Andrew, wife Sonja – 2 children Joshua Michael, wife Bridget – 2 children Daniel Aaron, wife Lindsey – 4 children
Interests/Hobbies	Art – teaching art to children; painting watercolor & acrylics myself; Bible study leader & Stephen Ministry leader.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Founding Cross Connecting Counseling in Ft. Wayne, IN –over 50 churches (Biblical Counseling Center)
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	My years at CTC greatly prepared me to use my teaching skills in the classroom and in various programs of adult education in the church. Mostly it grew my faith in Christ Jesus.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Vic Streufert, sociology professor D. Fahrenkrog, art professor

# Alice (Wilson) Bruening

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Other Education:	M.A. – Liberal Arts, University of Richmond, Richmond, VA
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Teacher in Forest Park, IL, started the nursery school in Hamburg, NJ, part-time teaching in Richmond, VA. Left teaching to work at the University of Richmond: Asst. to Dean (Robins School of Business), Asst. to the VP for Advancement. Worked at CUC for 2 years in the development department.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to W. Philip Bruening – Grace Lutheran, River Forest (Asst. Pastor), Hamburg, NJ and for 30 years pastor at Trinity, Richmond, VA. Since retirement, he now serves as an intentional interim pastor at St. John's, LaGrange, IL.
Family Members	Two boys: Michael is an Assoc. Professor of History at University of Missouri School of Technology (formerly School of Mines) in Rolla, MO – married with 3 stepchildren. Mark owns a software company that works primarily with Microsoft. Married with 3 small children and lives in Atlanta, GA
Interests/Hobbies	Spent a lot of my life in the area of church music (choir director and part-time organist) and it still is an interest – but not a participant any longer. I was privileged to be elected to several terms as a Regent on the Board of Regents of Concordia, New York, which was a wonderful experience. We moved from the Richmond area 5 years ago primarily to be closer to family. I have enjoyed renewing friendships with some CUC professors through Grace Church, and especially a renewed friendship with college classmates.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	I know it says one, but I'm including two: Walter Wangerin and Ralph Gehrke. Through their words and actions, their support and caring, both of these men lived lives that shone brightly with the presence and love of Christ. They richly blessed me, and I desire to follow in their footsteps.

# Rita (Wood) Morrill

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Career(s) since time at Concordia	Taught 1 <sup>st</sup> . grade and preschool at Zion Lutheran, Bay City, MI after graduation.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	
	Married to Lee Morrill
Family Members	3 children: Katie, Tim and Stephen.
Interests/Hobbies	We spend our time in retirement doing volunteer work and visiting our children and grandchildren in northern Michigan, northern Illinois, and Las Vegas, Nevada.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	I especially remember the family-like atmosphere of Concordia's campus and how close you felt to your fellow students and also professors.
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Evening devotions in the dorm, chapel services, and evening devotions on the Quad steps bring back some very fond memories.

### **Henry Wischmeier**

Sequence: Youth Leadership

From 1996 Yearbook: Seymour, Indiana Assigned to: St. Peter, Vincennes, Indiana

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Career(s) since time at Concordia	Right out of the shoot – Teacher/Principal for 2 years in a two-room school, all 8 grades in Vincennes, IN Next call was to Columbus, IN to teach 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> grades then moved to Jr. High Dept. for next 40 years Finished 50 years in Christian Education with the last being Director of Early Childhood Minsitry at St. Paul, Columbus IN Taught first class at Trinity Lutheran High School, Seymour, IN Farmed along with teaching LEA Elementary Teacher of the Year 2007
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Lois – we just celebrated 50 years of marital bliss this summer!
Family Members	Susan BA '94 – husband is VP at Concordia Publishing House Louis - farming full time Lori – Purdue grad, works for Eli Lilly
Interests/Hobbies	I enjoy [classical] music, photography, spending time with family, international and domestic travel. We have been to all 50 states and all 7 continents. Also subbing at the organ.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	I feel blessed by God in so many ways that it is hard to pick a "moment"
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	It clarified and solidified my desire to be a teacher and a church musician. I have good memories of classes and activities at CTC.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Tom Gieschen, with his vast store of knowledge and his gentle and caring way of leading and influencing me.

## **Richard Wrye**



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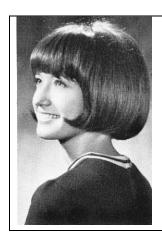
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Other Education:	California Concordia College
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	CTC, RF – MA Ed 1968
	M.M – University of Portland, OR – 1984
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Lutheran High School, Mayer, MN (1968-72)
	Lutheran High School, Portland, OR (1972-99)
	Marceau & Associates Pipe Organ Builders, Portland Oregon (2000-08)
	Cantor, St. Michael's Lutheran Church, Portland, OR (1975-2009)
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Karen Sasser (Class of '66) for 49 years!
Family Members	Two sons, Tim and Matt.
	Four grandkids, Abigael, Jonah, Lillian, and Logan
Interests/Hobbies	I enjoy [classical] music, photography, spending time with family,
	international and domestic travel. We have been to all 50 states and
	all 7 continents. Also subbing at the organ.
What was a significant moment in	I feel blessed by God in so many ways that it is hard to pick a
your life's story?	"moment"
How did your years at CTC impact	It clarified and solidified my desire to be a teacher and a church
your life?	musician. I have good memories of classes and activities at CTC.
What CTC professor(s) most	Tom Gieschen, with his vast store of knowledge and his gentle and
influenced you and helped shape your life?	caring way of leading and influencing me.

# Lynn (Wunderlich) Hitzeman



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Other Education:	Continued education courses: Indiana University and Indiana Wesleyan University
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Taught elementary grades 1,2,3,& 4; worked with hearing impaired class; worked with learning disabled class; worked in home décor/design.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married Jim Hitzeman in 1967 (going on 49 years this August)
Family Members	Two daughters: Karin Lynn Hitzeman (b. 1972; d.1984) Janna Marie Hitzeman (b. 1974)
Interests/Hobbies	I enjoy painting (watercolor & acrylic); reading; gardening; hiking & walking, floral and interior design; concerts; plays; and friends.
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	<ul> <li>#1 – the unexpected death of our oldest daughter at age 11 rocked our immediate &amp; extended family to the core. Years later that was the influence that led Jim and me to facilitate GriefShare at our church for many years.</li> <li>#2 –In 2014, Jim was diagnosed with renal cell carcinoma (Stage 4). This has been a scary time, but God has surrounded us with loving people (family, friends, pastors, doctors and nurses) and a multitude of people who pray for us faithfully. We thank God for these people and for answering their (and our) prayers! Jim is not dying from cancer, but both of us are learning to <u>live</u> with it!</li> </ul>
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	The excellent training and education I received at CTC equipped me for my teaching ministry and service in the kingdom; relational and life skills acquired while living as a member of the CTC community schooled me in the art of living; the Spiritual life that permeated CTC nourished my faith, challenging and encouraging its growth and development – this faith has been my life's support.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	I was impacted by many professors. I particularly enjoyed all the art classes, literature classes, and student teaching.

# Kay (Yagow) Jacobson

From 1966 Yearbook: Beason, ILSequence: Curriculum and InstructionInterned: St. Lorenz Lutheran School, Frankenmuth, MIAssigned to: St. John, Elgin, IL



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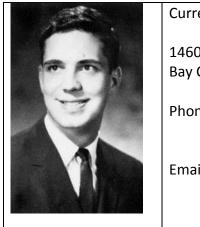
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Other Education:	M.Ed. – National Louis University, Evanston, IL – 1995
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Lutheran Educator – St. John's Lutheran School, Elgin, IL for 36 years;
	Sylvan Learning Center The Villages FI – 5 years
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to James (Jim) Jacobson, December 23, 1967
Family Members	Daughter: Kimberly (Jacobson) Bimler, graduated from CU in 1990,
	Son-in-law Kurt Bimler attended CU 1987-1991. Grandson Timothy
	Bimler, South Elgin High School IL, graduate in 2016 will be attending
	Valparaiso University.
Interests/Hobbies	Volunteer work at Trinity Lutheran Church, Summerfield, FL and in the
	vicinity of the Villages, FL / Golf, Fitness, Line Dancing,
	Reading, Needlework and driving everywhere in our golf cart.
What was a significant moment in	My marriage to Jim in 1967 and the birth of our daughter in 1968 were
your life's story?	very significant, but being named "Who's Who Among American
	Teachers" in 1992 because one of my former students nominated me
	was very humbling. Becoming a grandmother in 1997 was also very
	special.
How did your years at CTC impact	The training I received at CTC plus the summer classes and workshops
your life?	sponsored by the college helped me to become the teacher that I am.
,	The professors had a way of helping others learn how to love learning
	and how to teach others to do the same.
What CTC professor(s) most	Dr. Herbert Gross made me think about life. Dr. Merle Radtke instilled in me
influenced you and helped shape	a love for writing. Dr. Gordon Besch gave me the tools for loving to teach
your life?	science. Dr. Elfrieda Miller taught me that if a chld can't read all other
,	education will be difficult. Dr. Affeldt was very compassionate and guded me
	after my first advisor had told me to leave after my first quarter because I
	would never be able to make it as a teacher. Thanks to Dr. Senske and Dr.
	Reinke aloing with Mrs. Lois Lohmann, my supervising teacher, my education
	classes were very meaningful and productive.

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Career(s) since time at Concordia	Teacher – Trinity Lutheran School, St. Joseph, MI – 1967-76 (9 years); Principal and teacher – Immanuel Lutheran School, Bay City, MI – 1976- 2008 (32 years) Retired in mid-2008 – now filling many volunteer service roles associated with Immanuell Lutheran Church and School and with Lutheran churches and schools in Michigan.
Marital Status & Spouse Name	In 1971, married Bonnie Loppnow (Concordia RF, '69), and fellow teacher at Trinity, St. Joseph, MI. We praise god for many blessings in our marriage spanning the course of the past 45 years.
Family Members	Our older son, Eric (41), is married to Angela. Both are graduates of Concordia, Chicago. They and their three daughters – Megan (14), Jenna (11) and Erin (7) – live in the Chicago area. Eric is a Lutheran School Teacher and Angie plans to return to teach in a Lutheran school. Our second son, Adam (38) is married to Beth. Both are graduates of Calvin College in Grand Rapids. Adam and Beth live in the Detroit area with their two sons, Jacob (10) and Evan (8). Adam is an urban planner, and Beth is a Christian school teacher.
Interests/Hobbies	Bonnie's and my interests include spending treasured time with our chldren, and grandchildren. We are also blessed with many opportunities for volunteer service roles, primarily associated with church and Christian education.

# Judith (Zahn) Jones

From 1966 Yearbook: Manitowoc, WISequence: History-Social StudiesInterned: Waconia, MNAssigned to: Trinity, Elkhart, IN



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Other Education:	U. of Hawaii, Valparaiso U. (classes only) Purdue University – BS (education) in 1974
Career(s) since time at Concordia	Trinity Lutheran, Elkhart, IN DOD Overseas Dependents Schools (Philipines, Japan, Okinawa) S.C. Beaufort Marine Base Public schools in San Antonio and area – 22 years before retiring in 1999
Marital Status & Spouse Name	I am widowed. Was married to James R. Neill (divorced) then Dennis L. Jones (d. 2007)
Family Members	Daughter Diedre Neill, Stepchildren Karen Matlock, Mark and Mike Jones, Mary Lisa Williams. Six stepgrandchildren.
Interests/Hobbies	Love to read, play cards, travel – but my primary interest is in serving my church in a variety of ways
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Of course the birth of my daughter !
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	Wow! In so many ways but especially sparking an interest in the study of the Bible.
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Dr. Neelak Tjernagel I typed his book for publication "Henry VIII and the Lutherans" as a part-time job. I so admired him!

# Joyce (Zickler) Schulz

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Other Education:	Northern Illinois University – Ed.S. – Career Counseling
Career(s) since time at Concordia	First and Fourth Grade Teacher; High School Counselor/Career Counselor
Marital Status & Spouse Name	Married to Carl J. Schulz
Family Members	Daughters: Jeanne, Joanna, Jamie Sons-in-law: Mike, Dan Grandchildren: Makayla, Seriah, Nathan, Tyler, Riley & Annie
Interests/Hobbies	<ul> <li>Exploring the National Parks and Botanical Gardens</li> <li>Reading authors like Jim Harrison, Anne Patchett, Jonathan Franzen</li> <li>Zumba</li> </ul>
What was a significant moment in your life's story?	Life and service took on a new dimension when I became a counselor at Wheeling High School
How did your years at CTC impact your life?	What a kick off! I wanted to be a missionary (until I learned about the deprivations!). Then I understood that we're all missionaries!
What CTC professor(s) most influenced you and helped shape your life?	Bill Lehman and Darlene Fahrenkrog made me think, and opened my eyes to beauty and philosophy.