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Still loving being out here in the Pacific Northwest. Such a blessing to be living so close to our sons and their families. And so wonderful to have mountains and water to see every day.

We will be celebrating our 50th wedding anniversary by driving around the sights of the Southwest. Wow, does that number make me feel old!

Pete is still doing a little consulting work and writing a book. I'm doing some quilting and working on some renovations. Me and a miter saw, who would have thought?

We also do a lot of work in our son's big garden on our property. We grow berries and lots of vegetables. We inherited many bearing fruit trees, and our neighbors are happy to receive plums, cherries and apples. In this climate, it seems like there's always some outdoor work to be done!

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I retired October 31, 2025 - still not into that new path of my life...It will take time.

My niece, Emily Margevich is getting married. She and her fiancé are Opera Singers and have a busy schedule traveling the country with performances, so that is our big family news.

Mike is doing OK - Waiting for spring to arrive. We will be married 50 years this July, WOW!

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I was blessed to see so many alums during our last reunion, and I plan to attend this year as well! I believe **Marcia Omahen Weedman** and **Rebecca Rice** will be there as well to support the Golden Jubilee alums.

I continue to teach online classes remotely for National Louis University and Southern New Hampshire University on the undergraduate and graduate level in career development, Human Resources and Organizational Behavior. I also serve

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as SME (subject matter expert) where I update curriculum as well as develop new courses.

I'm finding AI very interesting as do my students. I continue to serve as an active member of our local HR organization and recently was elected to serve term on the SMWC Alumni Board of Directors. Looking forward to ramp up engagement with alumni in the Evansville, Indiana and surrounding areas! Let's get re-involved!

Please reach out anytime via Facebook and/or LinkedIn! Blessings to the great class of '74!

Deborah Coughlin Morrin / dmorrin@kaseorioncfo.com

I am great, retired November 30, 2024, and LOVED my first year of retirement, although it did take a little adjusting. I distracted myself by visiting friends and family, and in June started volunteering at the local shelter, walking dogs three mornings a week. SO MUCH FUN! Really good for mental and physical health, lost 20 pounds and got much more fit. I highly recommend it for health and happiness. Also, on a non-profit board that provides certification credentials for safety professionals; a really nice group of people. Just got on a condo board as treasurer, which I am sure I will live to regret.

Living in a nice condo in Wilmette – Mallinckrodt – build originally in 1913 as a convent and Catholic girls' schools. I feel like I am living in Le Fer Hall again, no kidding. It even looks like it from the outside – yellow brick and the same vintage. Google it you will see what I mean: 1041 Ridge, Wilmette. Although nicer, I have to admit it.

Two book clubs; cousins book club 4x a year and Mallinckrodt has a robust monthly book club and occasionally I go to the book club at Wilmette library.

I am the primary caregiver/guardian for my ex-husband, Jim, who went into memory care in January 2025 after five years in assisted living. He is slowly declining with dementia; my personal diagnosis is Lewy Body dementia, but all the doctors will say is dementia. I handle all of his financial and health care affairs. He is in the best possible place for him so that is a comfort. I see him twice a week or so, then errands and occasionally he is in hospital.

My cousin, who is like a sister, lives 10 minutes away and I spend time with her kids and grandkids who are a hoot! One of my other cousins is in Sarasota and comes to visit several times a year as does her brother.

Even though I never had kids I feel like I have all these 30-something “surrogate” children – my sister is estranged from her three adult children, and I am very happy to be able to step in to encourage, support and have fun with them and their families in her absence, which they seem to enjoy. My cousin’s adult children in their 50’s and teenage grandchildren are so fun. My good friend from my dietetic internship that I did the year after SMWC graduation has a daughter in Chicago, another “surrogate” daughter for me, who just had a baby last year. It is wonderful and so gratifying to see all these young people growing, thriving and finding success in their professional and personal lives.

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So many babies in the past year! Is everyone else experiencing that?

I have been seeing Jim Maloney, retired Chicago Police Lieutenant; former founder and head of financial crimes unit; for five and a half years now. He has a huge family of five brothers and sisters with spouses and 15 nieces and nephews with their spouses and now they are starting to have kids. His brother (retired Chicago Fire) was just hired as Fire Chief for Niles, Illinois. Jim Maloney is a wonderful person and I am lucky to have found him. His family is great.

We have a North Side Parade Irish breakfast at Jim Maloney's house on Sunday March 15 with about 40 people to watch as the parade goes right past his front door. This will be our fifth year hosting a breakfast to coincide with the parade. We serve a traditional Irish breakfast. Who knows what constitutes an Irish breakfast? I did not know before I met Maloney and I am 77% Irish. Truthfully it is a little awful; heavy on the cholesterol; eggs, sausages, bacon, baked beans, tomatoes cooked in butter, potatoes soaked in butter, and so on. Yes there is more. I will tell you I am a little tired of it, but the family won't hear of changing it to something simple like corned beef and cabbage. And it is very fun.

The days go by; the sun shines some days and some days the clouds converge to give us snow or rain. Life is great over here. I am grateful to be alive and to have survived the corporate battlefields. My friend from Kraft published a book "Shards in Her Hair" by Cindie Jamieson which is quite good if anyone is interested.

The cold weather was a blip, but I bundled up and got outside and kept walking dogs! Short walks of course they can't take it either when the wind chill is 20 below zero. It is truly the best thing I have done in my life, I think. See picture attached from January. Two hats, three pairs of pants, two wool scarves, and on and on. Fortunately, the sun was out that day and many other days.

Warm good wishes to all of you, and may your days be filled with happiness, health and joy.

Colleen Dominik Schultz / colleenschultz6@icloud.com

Hi there-

My year has been a medical year. From spinal fusion, shoulder replacement, and my husband's spinal fusion surgery. We have just been recuperating. Then on New Year's Eve, I went to the emergency room and had emergency gallbladder removal surgery. My hope for this year is to stay out of the hospital. My oldest grandchild

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is graduating from eighth grade and will be in high school in September. Where has the time gone? I keep busy by being on the social commission for our community. It's fun to plan monthly events for my neighbors.

Anne Corcoran Reed / gypsy652@yahoo.com

Still taking deep water aerobics classes and PT for strength and balance due to a bad back. Meet my high school and nurse friends once a month each for dinner. Spend a lot of time with my grandchildren. My daughter and family are moving to the country in Bardstown, Kentucky, so many short road trips in the near future!

Mary Clare Fox Dibb

Greetings from Wisconsin. Phil and I are doing well. We enjoyed a family trip to Manitowish Waters in northern Wisconsin, last June. Hiking, biking, golfing, go carting, game playing, horseback riding, antiquing, pontoon boating and good eating were part of the adventure. We took our oldest grandson on a trip for his eighth grade graduation. We enjoyed the Wright Patterson Air Force Museum, Corvette Museum, Bowling Green, Kentucky, Arcade Games, Fort Knox, Civil War Battle Grounds, a visit to a Buc-ee's and a stop at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College! Volunteer work continues to be part of our lives.

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Frank and I continue to be blessed with good health, outside of some aches and pains reminding us that a lot of mileage has taken place on our bodies. The park across the street from our home, our yard, and our garden provide us with many opportunities for exercise. We celebrated our 50th Anniversary in August.

We participated in a mission trip to Mexico City in September 2025. It was organized by Hope of the Poor. It was definitely a very humbling and joyous experience. The fall and winter were full of family visits with my sister, **Therese Minich Gavin '79** and her family, our daughters Martha Vanharen and Katie Zolvinski and their human and pet families.

After a brief stay in Florida with Therese and Larry, we are home mumbling about the continuation of "lake effect snow." It is February, which does mean it still is winter!

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Our church family, Holy Family Parish in LaPorte, continues to nurture us spiritually and provide us with opportunities for service. Thanks so much for this connection! Blessings!

Lynn Moore Delehanty / deledude2@gmail.com

Lynn Moore Delehanty is now the Cookie Lady for Jack and Luke's school and teams. She's decorated baseball, dinosaur, polar bear/mitten sets, Valentine conversation hearts, Halloween Boo cookies, and first communion airbrushed wooden crosses this year. On their way up to Indiana, Tim and she stopped on the east coast for Hank's christening. To make it more enjoyable for their summer guests, they updated the kitchen and bathrooms. To pickleball and beach time, Lynn added Mahjong as a new activity, and Tim started competing in master's swimming again.

Patricia "Pat" Lyman Darnell / pittyd41@gmail.com

Lots went on in 2025, starting with my daughters. They're all in wonderful shape.

My eldest daughter, Emily is a paralegal for an immigration attorney, and decided to go back to law school, so she is working full-time as a paralegal and going to law school part-time. She just finished her first semester and is in the middle of her second semester and going strong.

Libby (middle daughter) is working for an IT company. She was promoted in her job this year and is doing great. Ellie (youngest daughter) has been working for a financial company for three years. She just got promoted and is now their trader of securities. So far, she loves it. She also just took one of her first licensing tests and is studying for her second one.

Since my girls are all in a wonderful place in their lives, I decided it was time for mommy to go to her happy place and that is Florida. I moved to Florida (where Alan and I used to live in October), and I've been having just the best time. It was a great time for mommy to start living life and I most certainly am.

Trudy Ayer Mickey / tmickeyhouse@gmail.com

Stan went to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina again this year to play golf with his buddies. Unfortunately, the weather hasn't been so good there or here in Terre Haute. I stayed here so I could make some doctor appointments. Besides, I don't like the 14-hour trip!

This has been a rough year for me. I had a detached retina in November. That took two visits to the retina specialist and about 2000 laser stabs to attach the retina to the back of my eye, I have no idea how it happened or how it could happen again. I really hope it never happens again. The laser was painful. Now I have to have cataracts removed. But the worst for me this year is that I have cardiac artery disease. So my doctor is sending me to the Cleveland Clinic to meet with a specialist there. Waiting to hear from the Clinic to call and tell me when and where. Fortunately, both of my boys live near the clinic.

They both said I could stay at their homes for as long as it takes. So now I will be back in Ohio for a few weeks while they try to open a vessel in the bottom left side of my heart. Hopefully, it will all go well and I'll get some time to be with my grandkids there.

As for my family, my daughter **Catherine Mickey Saunders '98**, Vice President for Advancement at SMWC, resigned her position effective on February 20, 2026. So, until she gets a new job, she will help me get through the surgery. Her son Sammy will graduate from Wabash this May. Emma is still in Utah working at Park City ski slopes. Libby is playing volleyball and is a Junior.

Jeff had a big promotion and travels the world these days. Ashley is 24 and a nurse at the cancer hospital in Columbus. Kelsey is a Junior at Penn State. She's on the Lionettes dance team and majoring in Bioengineering and Nolan is a freshman at Youngstown State and has started his own landscaping business. His boys (Fitz, 4, and Remy, 3) are so cute. They go to daycare three days a week.

Other than that, things are going fine down here in Terre Haute, Indiana. Hope all is well with all of you!

Carol Elledge Eads / caroljeads@gmail.com

Things are well in Paris, Illinois. I went to a fellow retired teacher's daughter's wedding in November in Franklin, Tennessee. It was at an old rock quarry that

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had been turned into an events center. Really nice and very unusual. I do not miss driving in the traffic. It makes me appreciate my hometown's easier traffic.

I have two more weddings in the fall of 2026. My granddaughter is getting married in Fargo, North Dakota in September, and my great niece is getting married in October in Bloomington, Indiana. In March of 2025, I signed up for social security through my late husband's record. This was possible because of the Fairness Act. I hope all teachers take advantage of this.

I am still meeting retired elementary teachers for breakfast every Tuesday morning from 8:30-11:30. Also, I have pizza twice a month with two different retired elementary teacher groups...and my high school class of '70 gets together every three weeks at a restaurant. Luckily, I have not gained any weight! Every 3-4 months, I have a Google meeting with a few fellow Woodsies {El. Ed. teachers}. It is always fun to catch up on the latest. I hope everyone is well and ready to put this winter behind us.

Marie Stein Giancattarino / marielgcat@gmail.com

Anthony and I are doing well. We live in the Philadelphia area - we moved back about nine years ago after retiring. We celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary in May with Mass and a lovely dinner with our family and friends.

Our three grown children are well and are doing great work. We often say we want to be like them when we grow up. Anthony and I continue our volunteer work and help out with our grandchildren. We are Eucharistic Ministers, help out at the Senior Home, and are involved in our local community events. We meet up with Anthony's Company classmates from USNA for an annual bike ride. This year we are going to Mackinac Island.

We are so busy, we often wonder how we had time to work. Do take care.

Cheryl Erazmus Freeman / Soomantha@gmail.com

I have been on the SMWC Alumni Board for six years and my term ends this summer. I have enjoyed my time on the board and it is time to turn my board membership over to a new generation.

Dave and I have continued our cruising (we have gone on 34 cruises so far). We went to Ireland, Iceland and Greenland last summer. It was a beautiful trip, and I was impressed by the beauty and the friendliness of the people.

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Our sons (Daniel and Adam) and daughters-in-laws (Stephanie and Erika) are doing well in their jobs and lead very busy lives. Our grandson, Brodie, 17, is a junior at Basha High School and plays varsity football. His team went to the state championship and won! So fun to watch him play in a state championship. Our granddaughter, Sloane, almost 15, is a dancer on a competition team. She also dances a solo dance and came in first place for her individual dance at the Regional competition, competing against 150 dancers. So proud of all of them.

Dave and I continue to do volunteering at the local hospital, Church, school, food pantry, picking citrus in our community for St. Mary's food bank (our group picked 100 tons last year). I enjoy playing mahjong, bocce ball, hand, foot and toe, various board and card games and knitting baby hats for the local hospital so every baby born gets a baby hat. I am looking forward to the summer as I raise monarchs from eggs or caterpillars and release them when they become butterflies. I tag them and track their flight to Mexico. Life is good!

Mary Jo Thornley Cox / Jothornleycox@hotmail.com

Hello, all! Life has so many twists and turns. I recently took a leave of absence from my work with Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (amazing children's faith formation) to be with my husband, Jody. He was diagnosed with terminal liver cancer, so we went into action. We downsized big time from our house of 25 years in Gladstone, Missouri, to a 55+ apartment building in Kansas City, Missouri. Our realtor daughter, Anna, handled the sale, and we're in the process of closing after putting our house on the market only two weeks ago!

We haven't had the chance to do much in terms of socializing at the new place as we've been steeped in moving and resettling but look forward to many enjoyable events and activities. We're now within a mile of Anna and her husband, which makes it easier for us to see our granddaughter. She's 14, so not too interested in hanging out with her Granda and G-Jo, but she's on a swim team, and we attend all of her meets and help with getting her to and from practices. We're hoping for the 2028 or 2032 Olympics! She's quite good.

We're also happy to be closer to our church in Liberty, Missouri. Our son Jackson lives in Minnesota's Twin Cities, so we've been hearing the true stories of what's going on there.

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Jody and I hope to take in some travel, definitely heading to Washington, D.C. to visit the grave of our son Sam, who's buried in Arlington National Cemetery. We hope to stop by Terre Haute to see **Anne Thiemann Baugh**. Other travel may take us to the West Coast. We had a great train trip in western Canada last May, starting in Vancouver, BC, going to Jasper, then Banff and ending in Calgary. What a beautiful country!

My sisters came to Kansas City from Madison, Wisconsin, and Columbia, Missouri, to help with our move. Along with our New York sister (who just had a knee replacement), we share a weekly Zoom call and also have an annual trip. Last year's was to Chicago, and we had a great time there, though the transportation system was somewhat daunting. We went on an architecture tour and even saw some filming of "Chicago PD." Looking forward to many more trips with my three sisters!

It's good to hear what our classmates are doing. We ask for your prayers for Jody's comfort and healing. We celebrate our 47th wedding anniversary on St. Patrick's Day!

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Happy to report that all is good here. We are both still working (I am part-time now), traveling, volunteering and enjoying our four "kids" and now seven grandsons. Total mayhem but fun. Great hearing from all of you. Take good care.