

## Planned Giving Advisory Board



### Special Thanks to the Planned Giving Advisory Board!

Members of the Planned Giving Advisory Board attended the fall meeting on September 30, 2009. Pictured L-R: Jayne Corley, estate planning attorney, The Corley Law Firm; Charles Disbrow, member, Ranken Board of Trustees; Angela Pearson, CTFA, vice president - trust relationship manager, Private Client Group, US Bank; Stan Shoun, Ranken president; Bill Comfort, financial representative, Maher, Rosenheim & Comfort, L.L.C. and John Malesevich, investment representative, Edward Jones. Not pictured: Doug Mueller, CPA/PFS, partner, Anders Minkler & Diehl LLP.

The Planned Giving Advisory Board provides advice in the area of wills and bequests, gift annuities, life insurance gifts and other deferred giving opportunities for alumni and friends of the College.

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# LEGACY SOCIETY

## NEWSLETTER

### Member Spotlight | Bill Fennewald

Bill Fennewald was born and raised in Martinsburg, Missouri, a small farming community (population 320) located in central Missouri near New Florence. His high school graduating class had 27 students and four of them attended Ranken.

From 1963 to 1965, there were a total of eight students from the community high school who attended Ranken.

"That's quite a few from this small community. There weren't a lot of options back then. You could join the military, enroll at the Rolla School of Mines or attend Ranken," said Fennewald.

He attended a Career Day at nearby Vandalia High School and it was there that he met Mr. Robert Garrett, Ranken's school director.

"I liked what he had to say," Fennewald said. "So I decided to take a drive to campus and see for myself.

**"I got a lot of good from going to Ranken so we decided to give back..."**

Mr. Garrett gave me a tour and I knew Ranken was where I wanted to go. It cost \$2,200 for two years including room and board and that wasn't bad all things considered."

Fennewald had an interest in ham radios so he decided to enroll in the Electrical program. His instructors made such an impression that he

remembers all of their names to this day.

"Mr. Ruel was a very smart, charismatic person. He would do anything for his students including helping you find a job. I liked going to a small school; it was a lot of fun and I got to know my classmates really well," recalls Fennewald.

After graduation from the Industrial Electricity and Electronics program in 1965, Fennewald returned to Martinsburg to work for his father at the N. Fennewald Pump Service Company. His

father started the company in 1946 and Fennewald bought it from him in 1989.

"We operate within a 60 mile radius of Martinsburg and sell, service and install pumps, large and small," said Fennewald.

A few years ago his son-in-law, Brad, joined the company and they now run it together.

"We spend a lot of time outdoors, and after doing this all my life, I could never work in an office or factory."

Fennewald is also very active in the community. He served for 10 years on the board of directors of Audrain Medical Center, the local hospital. Two of those years he served as chairman.

"I spent more time in meetings there than I did at



Photo: Sue and Bill Fennewald, Legacy Society members since 2005, receive their certificate of appreciation at an appreciation luncheon.

## Member Spotlight (cont.)

### BILL FENNEWALD



Photo: Bill Fennewald (left) is pictured with Tony Pisciotta, director of planned giving, at N. Fennewald Pump Service Company, in Martinsburg, Missouri.

1969. Together they have one daughter and three grandchildren. Sue spent her career teaching at a school in Mexico, Missouri and now she volunteers at the local literacy council. In their spare time, Bill and Sue enjoy traveling, volunteering at events such as the local car shows, and of course, spending time with their family. Never too old to stop learning, Fennewald

my own job, but I learned a lot and came to appreciate what a great job they do for our community," he said. Fennewald is also active in the Knights of Columbus and is a volunteer for Community Betterment.

Fennewald and his wife, Sue, were married in

completed his bachelor's degree at Lincoln University in Jefferson City, Missouri in 2003 - forty years after graduating from high school.

Bill and Sue joined Ranken's Legacy Society four years ago.

"I got a lot of good from going to Ranken so we decided to give back to the College. We have designated a small percentage of our estate to go to Ranken. I realized what a valuable education that I received and wanted to help others. I know there are young people who could benefit from a Ranken education, much like I did, and this is a good way of helping them," said Fennewald.

"The Legacy Society is a worthwhile organization that recognizes donors for contributions from their estates. If Ranken played a role in your success, like it did for me, I encourage you to help out. Your gift could mean the difference to a young person wanting to attend Ranken."

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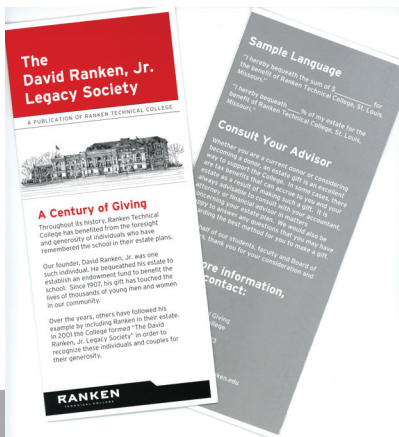
## 2009 Golden Graduates

'Golden Graduates' (those who graduated in 1959 or earlier) of Ranken Technical College were honored at the 2009 commencement exercise held on May 16, 2009. Twenty-one Ranken alums celebrated their 50 year golden anniversary. Golden Graduates were recognized at a dinner and social event and were presented with a diploma during the commencement exercise.



Photo: 2009 Golden Graduates, seated in front row (L-R): Lawrence Stivers, Glenn Brod, Junior Daves, Harry Tourville, Melvin Scharf and Edward Boyd. Seated in middle row (L-R): George Bakker, Tony Margherio, Robert Stewart (Class President 1959), Charles Pick, Morris Grattendick, Albert Katzenberger, Earl Sandweg and Joseph Horvath. Standing in back row (L-R): Richard Lurk, William Hutchinson, Joseph Moehrle, James Gard, Edward Miller, Allen Miller and Russell Lay.

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## David Ranken, Jr. Legacy Society

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