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Where are you now?

My family and I now live in Northern Virginia, and I am a venture capitalist at Syncom Venture Partners. Syncom celebrated their 32nd year anniversary and we recently closed on our 5th fund. We invest in start-up and early- stage companies in the Media & Communications area. ( including new media, internet, gaming, and wireless applications & services)

What did you do after Carnegie Mellon?

After graduation from CMU, I worked as systems engineer for GE and IBM. Thanks to CMU & specifically the Electrical & Computer Engineering course work, I was well prepared to design, build, and test state-of-the-art Digital Communications Systems. I had a opportunity to design, build, and test an advanced under-ice navigation/sonar system on board a Fast Attack Nuclear Submarine. After almost 8 years working with software, engineering, and business development teams, I decided to get an MBA vs. a PHD in Engineering. After earning a MBA from Stanford (’93), I moved back east to work at IBM in the corporate treasury & capital market area, in Armonk, NY. I fell in love with the Bay Area while at Stanford. However, it was nice to be back on the east coast – closer to family, etc. I lived in White Plains, NY… about 30 mins. from NYC. ( or otherwise known as Upstate NY )

I had an opportunity to work with our investment banks to implement a number of capital market transactions, including bonds, swaps, equity/options, & acquisitions. One of my first projects was to create a new & improved corporate treasury “dashboard” – the capital market report for the executive team, including Lou Gerstner (CEO) and Jerry York (CFO). This report was hand delivered to the executive team each day. Although it was fun to chat with Lou & Jerry, I decided to add a few new stats & key trends, and automate the delivery.

I then moved even closer to home (Northern VA) to a “smaller” company (~250 people) CDA Investment Technologies and then to MCI ‘s corporate headquarters, and the UUNET Internet division. It was fun to finally work at a “real internet” company were employees could wear jeans and bring their pets to work. It was a wild ride on the MCI/UUNET/Worldcom/MCI/Verizon roller coaster.

However, working as a venture capitalist in the media and communications area has been the most fun and gives me an opportunity to work with very smart people with BHAGs (Big Hair Audacious Goals) at start-up and early-stage companies. I am looking forward to our 25th year reunion and re-connecting with the CMU class of 1984.

What do you do for fun? We love to travel & the beach, love to ski, and about 50% of the family also enjoys football, basketball & golf.

Favorite CMU Memories: Friends, SPIRIT, NSBE, D-Force Intramurals, Spring Carnival, Alumni Events