

Alumni Service: R. Casey Lartz, class of 1975

As the first U-High Alumni Association Board President, Casey Lartz set in motion the beginning of a successful alumni program. Casey's leadership and enthusiasm set the bar high for future presidents.

While attending U-High, Casey earned the honor of Valedictorian and received the David Gibson Award. He earned his Bachelor of Science in Accounting from the University of Illinois in 1979 and his Master in Business Administration from the University of Texas in 1980.

Under Casey's leadership, the board's accomplishments were numerous: a top-quality newsletter; a growing database; reunion promotion and assistance; an organizational framework complete with constitution and brochure; an inspiring awards program; strengthened communication between school, university, and community; and a successful homecoming program.

Casey's association with U-High didn't end there. In 2000 he organized the first ever multi-school reunion. The 1975 graduating classes from Normal Community High School, Central Catholic High School, and Bloomington High School joined University High School alumni at Bone Student Center to celebrate their 25th Class Reunion.

In 1983 Casey became the third generation to work at Casey's Garden Shop and is currently Vice-President. Casey's Garden Shop continues to employ U-High alumni and students.

Casey and his wife Maribeth continue to be involved in the Laboratory Schools, cheering daughter Caitlin, a U-High junior. Casey also volunteers for the U-High girls' swim team. Metcalf daughters, Caroline and Mary Claire, insure Casey's continued involvement with U-High for many years.