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Brothers, it is I, Francis, here again to recognize our classmates who have dedicated their careers in the service of others. In this week's installment we honor two classmates who have committed their adult lives to help keep their communities safe.



Mike Bachman
Retired Chief Magistrate for the Hamilton County Common Pleas Court
Cincinnati, OH

Mike has dedicated his entire career to the pursuit of justice for the aggrieved. He was Chief Magistrate for the Common Pleas Court for 12 twelve years until his retirement in 2018. Prior to Chief Magistrate, Mike was the Principal Litigator and Assistant Ohio Attorney General serving in the Capital Crimes Section where he traveled to smaller counties in the state to try death penalty cases. Both before and after his time as Assistant Attorney General, Mike served in the Hamilton County Prosecutor's office. While still in law school Mike was a Constable (law clerk) for Judge Williams R. Matthews in the Hamilton County Common Pleas Court.

With all this important work, you might think Mike has been all work and no play. Think again, you might see him at a Xavier basketball game or providing trivia to local watering holes. In 2016 Mike was a contestant on the Price is Right with Jim Carey. This came as no surprise to those who have known Mike from his earlier years when he spent countless days and nights consuming Funk and Wagnall or Encyclopedia Britannica.

Mike lives with his wife Joy and have raised three adult children.

Thank you Mike, for defending justice and the aggrieved in Hamilton County, throughout the State of Ohio and for showing us that even though we can have a big job, we can still have fun. Give Mike a shout out at our class blog, [ST. XAVIER CLASS OF 1976](#).



Phil Maechling
Associate Director of Research Computing, Statewide California Earthquake Center
Los Angeles, CA

Born in California, Phil returned to his boyhood home after double Jesuit graduations at St. X and Xavier University to dedicate his career developing computer models which study and predict seismic activity. He has spent most of his career at the University of Southern California's Statewide California Earthquake Center and prior to this he was at Caltech. Phil has developed open-source seismological and engineering software used in ground motion modeling and simulations in the pursuit of performing large-scale seismic hazard calculations. As a prolific researcher, he has authored a multitude of scholarly publications.

Phil lives in Long Beach, CA with his wife, Nady, where they raised three, now adult children

Thank you Phil, for your life-long service protecting the large west coast populations/ populations around the world from the devastation of seismic disturbances. California also thanks you for keeping Lex Luther at bay and making Nevada beach front property. Give Phil a shout out at our class blog, [ST. XAVIER CLASS OF 1976](#). If you'd like to read more about Phil's life's works and accomplishments, please follow the links below.

[Home Page - Philip James Maechling](#)

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(P.S. COMING SOON ..Don't forget to go the class blog page, [ST. XAVIER CLASS OF 1976](#), to see the results of last week's Cars of Classmates quiz.)

Godspeed,

Francis

I am sending this email to you and other members of the St. Xavier High School Class of 1976 in full brotherhood with the St. Xavier High School Class of 1976 reunion committee. We are sending these emails in preparation for our 50th reunion May 28-30. Although my fellow Jesuits have graciously named the high school to honor my service to the Lord, this email, as well as all other emails and communications from the reunion committee in no way speak for or are on behalf of St. Xavier High School in Cincinnati. My reunion committee brethren have obtained your contact information from members of the St. Xavier High School Class of 1976, who want to help spread the good news of the 50th reunion. We will not share your contact information with anyone including St. Xavier High School without your permission. If any of our communications offend, annoy, bore, or invade your sense of privacy and you'd like me to remove you from our email distribution list, please let me know by replying back to me.

AMDG, Francis Xavier