

HALL OF ACHIEVEMENT

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Edward J. Bedrick

Class of 1972

Ed moved to Copiague from New York City in the fall of 1969 as a sophomore. Eventually he adjusted to the quiet small-town life on Long Island. By his junior year, he was actively involved in Student Council and the boys soccer team. Ed was fortunate to make several good friends in Copiague, which made high school very enjoyable, as he struggled with coming of age during a turbulent time in our nation's history. Ed has fond memories of several teachers at the high school, notably Mrs. D'Alessandro and Mrs. Dowd.

After graduating in 1972, Ed studied mathematics and statistics at the State University of New York at Buffalo where he earned highest honors. In 1976, he enrolled at the University of Minnesota, where he earned a PhD in Statistics. Ed settled in Albuquerque and began a faculty position at the University of New Mexico. At UNM, he was instrumental in the expansion of the academic programs in statistics as well as the creation of several new courses of study. He has mentored many students and directed the research of 14 PhD students. Ed has been actively involved in research, primarily in developing mathematical models for the analysis of biomedical studies, including methods to quantify the risk of developing cancer and methods to identify optimal treatment strategies for dialysis patients. Presently he is a Professor of Biostatistics and Director of Biostatistics and Bioinformatics for the UNM Cancer Center.

During Ed's career, he served two terms as Associate Editor of the American Statistician, was elected as President of the Western North American Region of the International Biometric Society, and served as an advisor to the National Institutes of Health's grant program for biostatistics research. Ed has lectured at several prestigious institutions. Ed's proudest accomplishment is being selected as a Fellow of the American Statistical Association in 2002 in recognition of his research, teaching and service contributions.

Ed resides with his wife, Chris Stidley in the foothills of the Sandia Mountains in Albuquerque. Their daughter, Bronwyn, is an honor student at Washington University in St. Louis.

"Follow your dreams but do not forget your roots."