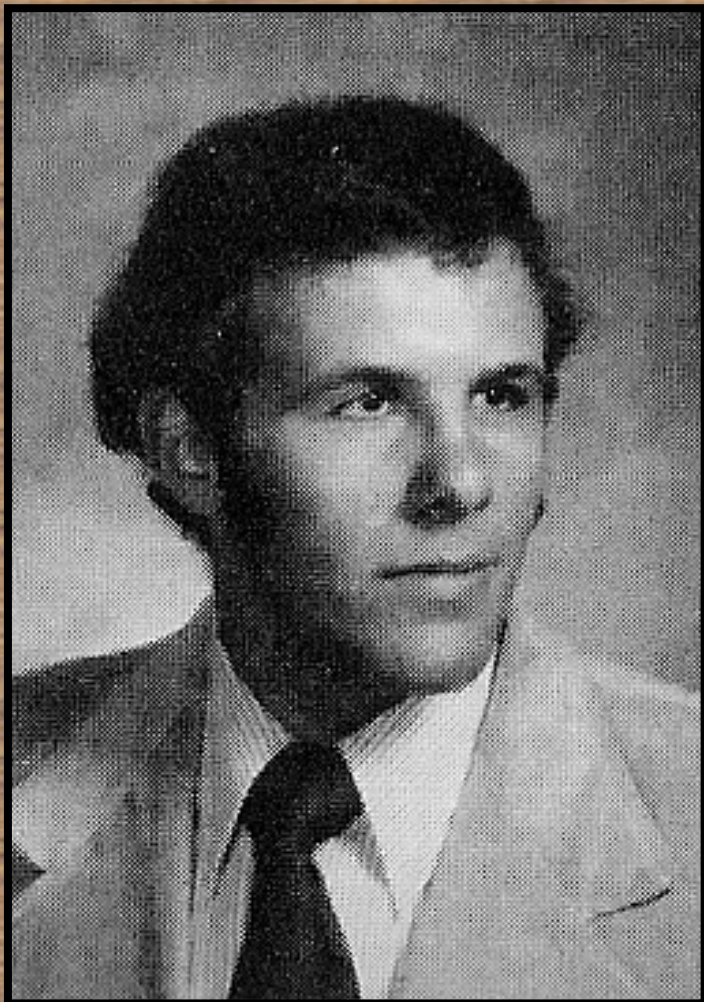


## ST. THOMAS MORE HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI HALL OF FAME



### Jim Podewils (TM '73)

Jim has arguably done more for STM than any other alum (living or deceased) in the school's history. As a member of the Board of Directors for seven years and two years as Board Chair, Jim played an integral role in shaping STM policy and procedures, and helped secure major gifts during the 2000 Capital Campaign. His leadership and vision helped secure the future of this great school, and the contacts and leaders from the community and local government that he has brought in to help the school continue to be vital supporters to this day. Jim has given very graciously to STM financially, has served on several committees, and continues to be a vocal supporter of our mission in his community on an everyday basis.

Upon graduating from Thomas More High School in 1973, Jim enrolled at Marquette University where he majored in Business Administration. While in college he took a job in 1974 as a teller at Continental Savings Bank. Little did Jim know that would be the only company he would ever work for. Jim, after graduating from Marquette in 1977, devoted himself to work and advancing professionally. He systematically climbed the corporate ladder due to his hard work, innovation, determination, and outside the box thinking. Currently, Jim serves as the President and CEO of Continental Savings Bank, and he leads with the same innovation and vision that has served him well for so many years.

Outside of STM, Jim has volunteered on dozens of professional, community, and church committees and is a very strong advocate of community service. Jim lives God's words and teachings on a daily basis, and we are truly proud of the man he has become.



Inducted – September 19, 2008