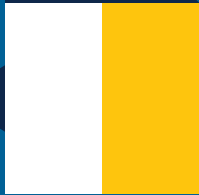
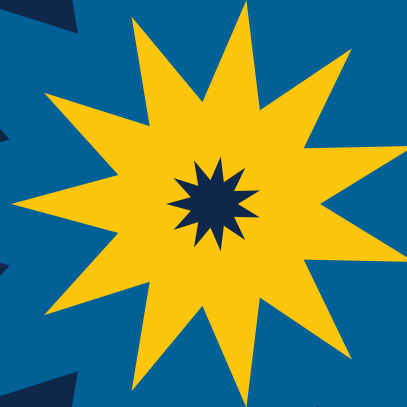




# CLASS OF 1973



**DREXEL UNIVERSITY MEMORY BOOK**



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*Entries are alphabetized by maiden name, if applicable.*



# DREXEL UNIVERSITY



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## Walter (Sonny) Bajkowski

BS Business Administration 1973

An Honorable Mention All-America in 1972. Finished his career with 158 points. Ranked fourth all-time at Drexel with 99 assists in just three seasons. Graduated as Drexel's career leader in assists and points. Still holds record for assists in a game, set on March 25, 1972, when he had nine against Morgan State. Captain on the 1972 team that went 11-3 overall and 8-1 in the MAC, becoming the second winningest team ever at Drexel. Named the 1972 MAC Player of the Year and First Team All-Star. Led the MAC and was second in the country in scoring in 1972.

A Second Team All-Central Atlantic selection in 1971 and a First Team pick in 1972. Competed in the USILA North/South All-Star Game. Featured in the Philadelphia Bulletin's top 100 People in Sport. Was named to the Drexel Lacrosse 75th Anniversary team.

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# Robert Bender

BS Business Administration 1973

Robert B. Bender, B.S., M.B.A., M.P.D.T. Considered by many to be an industrial marketing guru, the founder and president of the R.B. Bender Group, has 48 years of experience in industrial marketing and sales, with an extensive knowledge of machinery, materials and manufacturing techniques. He has worked for Borg-Warner & Sumitomo Heavy Industries, and sold industrial products to General Motors, Ford, Bethlehem Steel, U.S. Steel, Lever Brothers, National Grid, Amtrak, New York City Department of Environmental Protection, and Long Island Railroad. He is known for creative problem solving at all corporate levels, including executive, engineering, maintenance, and purchasing.

Has advanced degrees from Drexel University, Hofstra University, and Morse Institute of Technology. President of The Association for Facilities Engineering, New York, Long Island Chapter since 2007.

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## James Hopkins

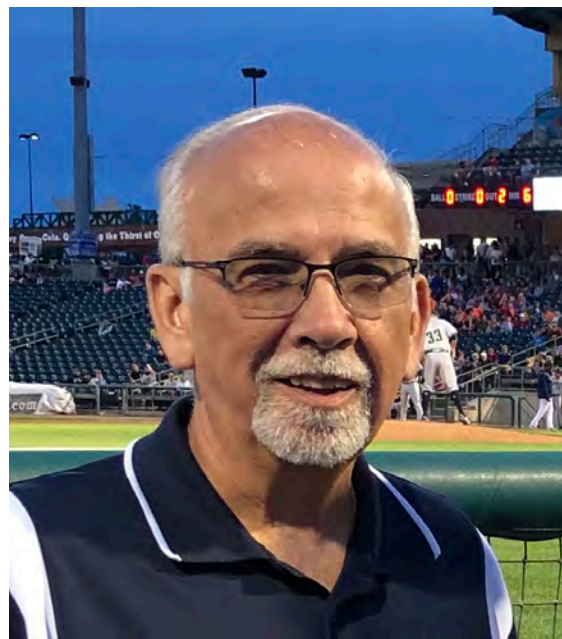
BS Civil Engineering 1973, MS 1981

Drexel was a very important part of my life. The engineering co-op program provided a basis for me that still continues over 50 years later. ROTC contributed an equal importance, learning leadership and people skills.

Hard to believe we were the last class of mandatory freshman participation. Also, that we were the first class to include a woman at our commissioning with the late Mary Ellen Conroy, who was part of the Army CJ program as women were not yet allowed in ROTC. We've seen upper classmates deploy to Vietnam and end before we graduated.

I met my wife in the Army as she was also a CJ graduate. We are true Army as one of my sons was appointed to West Point and the other received an ROTC scholarship to Notre Dame. Years later, he was assigned to the 103 EN BN and I visited the Drexel Armory before the recent transformation. I also have a daughter who is a Drexel graduate! In the last few years I have been in contact with DVAN and current staff who have helped to make contacts and show me how much has changed physically. However, the Drexel spirit and unique energy it nurtures remains. We are looking to develop a get together for those whose company we thrived upon in ROTC and Scabbard & Blade, the Army Honor Fraternity, so reach out if interested.

Thanks,  
Jim Hopkins



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# Min Wichelhaus-Hsu

MS Mathematics 1973

As a shy foreign student in Drexel University in 1973, life exploration was limited in the campus and surrounding area. What I remembered the most was sitting on the stairs of the Main building, watching all the activities that happened there, and admiring the beauty of the sculpture, The Winged Victory of Samothrace. Years later, I visited Victoire de Samothrace at the Louvre in Paris. It was absolutely impressive.

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# John Kane

BS Business Administration 1973

Two weeks after graduation, I joined the Philadelphia Police Department.

I suffered a brain injury on April 13, 1980. After over 11 years, I started a new career with Liberty Resources Inc. working with the disabled population. I retired in the summer of 2010.

I then worked for myself for a couple of years.

In my non-working life, I have been a Mummer. Starting in 1982, I had the title of Coordinator and Director of the Philadelphia Mummer's Fancy Brigades. In 2002, I was inducted to Mummers Hall of Fame.

I have been married to Dianne since December 9, 1972, and have two sons, Brian and Mark, and three grandchildren.

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## Denise Lavorgna Berg

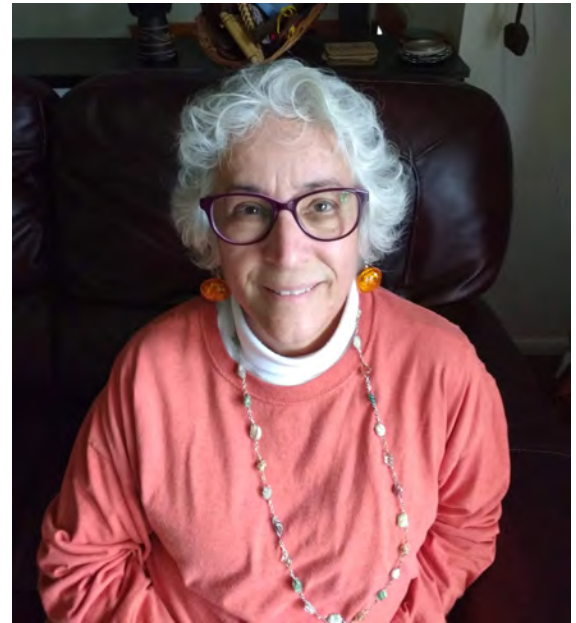
BS Business for Women 1973

I used my Drexel degree to get a job working as a Computer Specialist for 17 years. Next, I stayed home to raise my sons and help my aging mother and aunts. I returned to the workforce using skills in music that my parents provided for me and gave private music lessons in my community for over 20 years. It was fun to work with computers, but it did not compare with the joy I had working with my little music students.

I am now retired and spend most of my time with my husband, dog, and grandkids, and I'm doing a lot of volunteering to help people with serious mental illnesses and their families. I am active in my church, too, which is my greatest joy.

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# Alison Manns

BS Architecture 1973

Married 59 years. Two sons and five grandkids.  
Retired in 2013.

NCARB certified, RA in Pennsylvania, Delaware,  
Virginia, Maryland and Massachusetts.

Past Master member of Temple 11  
A.F. and A.M. 46 years.

Lifetime member of Ancient and  
Honorable Order of Turtles.

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## Peter Mastrovito

BS Electrical Engineering 1973

Drexel University (formerly Institute of Technology) was my path to my engineering degree and a co-op opportunity that led to 17 years as an engineer at The Western Union Telegraph Co. As that business was in decline, I left for a VP of Telecom opportunity with Meritor Financial Group (the parent company of PSFS). Several years later, the entire IT organization was outsourced to EDS (Ross Perot's company at the time). I supported GM and many of the local banks (Large Financial Institutions) in the Mid-Atlantic area.

The next 25 years offered numerous positions of increasing responsibilities and leadership. And once again, I changed companies without actually looking for a new opportunity as the result of the acquisition of EDS by HP. I spent the last ten years of my career supporting the DoD (Dept of Defense), Navy, and Marine Corps, managing a portion of the NMCI Intranet. I took an early out when the contract was ending, and while those 40 plus years were a great ride, I never looked back, only forward to retirement.

Some memorable moments; "INDIVIDUAL CHARGES" in our lectures, DIODE and VACUUM TUBE theory. Had a fun experience making a movie (we called OTT) for Humanities and playing Pinochle at lunch



every opportunity. We were a gang of four and two are gone now. Louis Rua and Robert Nealis both passed away. We continued to meet every few months for the next 40 plus years with Robert DiLoreto and myself. Just a couple of the friendships that developed and grew from our Drexel experiences.

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## Dennis Murawski

BS Electrical Engineering 1973, MS 1976

Arriving at Drexel in 1968, it was still known as Drexel Institute of Technology, but the changeover to Drexel University was already starting. I commuted for all five years, which allowed me to work part time and concentrate on grades, resulting in my induction into Beta Kappa Nu, Tau Beta Pi, and Phi Kappa Phi, where I was an officer during my senior year.

My first electrical engineering job after graduation was at Applied Information Industries (All) in Moorestown, NJ, where I worked on a Time Division Multiplexed hospital communication system and early voice response systems. Since there was a tuition reimbursement program, I started my master's work immediately in the evenings, and graduated from Drexel in 1976 with an MSEE. After a couple of years, I moved to Metrologic for a year before becoming the first microprocessor engineer at Okidata in Mt. Laurel, NJ. At Okidata, I met two men who would later start Craden Peripherals Corporation, a dot matrix printer company, where I became a minority owner with them in 1982.

In 1979, I married the love of my life, Pam. Even though I met her when I was 12, and she moved to western PA a few years later, our lives kept crossing paths until we realized we belonged together. We were blessed with four children and now have 14 grandchildren with number 15 due in August.

I spent 25 years coaching my children in soccer and am very active in my Catholic parish community in multiple capacities. For the last six years, I have been heavily involved with turning Holy Cross High School in Delran, NJ into an independent Catholic school — now Holy Cross Preparatory Academy.



Today, I enjoy reading, building wood furniture, remodeling my house, and helping my children remodel theirs. We travel both domestically and internationally as often as we can.

Even after 50 years, Drexel still holds a special place in my heart and life. The impact of a Drexel education on my life has been immense and continues today.

Drexel — thank you for making my life better!

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## Peter Murdoch

BS Business Administration 1973

Of course, my main memory is Theta Chi and all of the friends I made as well as other Greek organizations, especially Sigma Pi and Phi Sigma Sigma.

On the academic side I hope current students value the co-op opportunities. During one co-op assignment, I was a buyer for the town of West Hartford, which led to a career in purchasing and supply chain management, retiring in 2017 as the supply chain manager for Umicore Thin Film Products.

From a social side, who could forget Cavanaugh's, The Jail House and making runs to Pat's at 2 a.m.?

As it has been said by others:  
"Life has been very good to me!"

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## John Nacchio

BS Business Administration 1973, MBA 1977

From DIT to DU! Drexel was such a great choice for a South Philly guy with dreams like captivation with Star Trek exploring space and thoughts of being a NASA astronaut to journey to the moon in 1969. Engineering drew me to the Drexel campus, but business sciences became my major and my lifelong career. I worked extra hard in my studies to catch up with other students having had to navigate through a Philadelphia public school education, but I successfully made the Dean's list every year!!

I commuted by bus and subway to its hallowed halls encased in uniform architecture of orange brick, enjoyed lunch in the vendatorium (vending machine room for commuters) and enjoyed the social mixers at the DAC (Drexel Activities Center). I learned to say "Illregardless" in Drexel talk, was spiritually uplifted at the Neumann Center and often inspired by (Saint) Katherine Drexel's life story. I started out ambitiously in the five-year Co-op program at Drexel with two co-ops, but doubled down with course credits in the summers and graduated BS bus admin in four years (1969-1973). Later earned a Drexel MBA at night (1977)

As a native Philadelphian I readily found employment in Philly. The 1973 economy was slow; I had several applications in the works after graduation. Out of nowhere I got a stellar offer from the City of Philadelphia for a team developing an innovative government budget and productivity program. They were seeking the "Best and the Brightest"! I got the job! I served there for two years. The City again made me an offer I could not refuse, so government became my career. I served for 36 years in various



leadership positions, leading six major divisions within the Office of the Director of Finance's Departmental cluster. I worked with—and for—some amazing public figure icons and impacted directly and indirectly the lives of millions of citizens of Philadelphia. Professionally I had progressed up the career ladder from budget analyst and other titles to the epic appointment by the mayor as the city treasurer of Philadelphia.

My favorite Drexel talk by professors is the ageless question "Is business an ART or a SCIENCE?" For me it was magic. Drexel University, you have been a pivotal foundation for my life and career.

Thank you!



## David Rehrer

BS Chemical Engineering 1973

David and Patricia were married with a son, Hank, when he enrolled at Drexel as a chemical engineering student. Patricia's support and encouragement were a strong motivator during his five years at Drexel. The Co-op program not only provided financial assistance, but also practical work experience. David was chosen as the outstanding graduate in the chemical engineering Class of 1973.

Upon graduation and after reviewing 20 job offers, Dave selected a position as a plant engineer at Exxon Chemical in Linden, NJ at \$12000/year.

Dave's family moved to NJ in 1973 and added a beautiful daughter Denise (now Harper) and bought their first house in Westfield in 1976. In Westfield, Dave quickly became active with his children by coaching soccer, basketball and baseball. Dave also served as president of his church, Jaycees president, and Scoutmaster.

During his 9 years with Exxon Chemical, David earned three patents in the fuel additive markets as energy prices quadrupled.

Dave also completed an MBA in finance and international business from NYU Stern School in 1980.

A career change with the Westfield office of Merrill Lynch in 1983 provided the opportunity to build his own business by diligently working to build strong client relationships based on trust and personalized service.

In 1998, David completed the requirements as a CFP (Certified Financial Planner). He has also participated in professional peer exchanges in China, India, Australia and South Africa.

Dave's son Hank Rehrer, also a Drexel marketing graduate of 1992, joined Dave's team at Merrill Lynch in 2001. The Rehrer Group has been



delivering financial advice and wealth management services to corporate executive, business owners and non-profit organizations for 40 years—Website: [https://fa.ml.com/new-jersey/westfield/rehrer\\_group](https://fa.ml.com/new-jersey/westfield/rehrer_group).

Over the past 26 years, Dave and his family have also enjoyed their home in Spring Lake, NJ with their three grandchildren, Grace Rehrer, Aidan Harper and Autumn Harper. Dave also enjoys golf as a member as Metetedeconk and Eligo, an international golf club. Their favorite vacation travel destination is Bermuda.

David attributes much of his success and work ethic to the discipline learned in his undergraduate curriculum at Drexel and the love, support and encouragement of his wife Patricia.

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## Mark Schwartz

BS/MS Electrical Engineering 1973,  
MS Information Systems 1998

Born in Philadelphia, I graduated Northeast High School and Drexel. I was in the Honors Program in electrical engineering, getting my bachelor and master's degrees in five years. Enjoyed all my math, science and business courses and my engineering courses with Dr. Bruce Eisenstein. I was a co-op at Frankford Arsenal and FAA-NAFEC Atlantic City.

Worked at Naval Air Development Center/NAWC in Warminster until they closed in 1996. Captain of bowling team that won championship once. Used gov't grant to attend Drexel again for a master's in information systems in 1998. Then worked 10 years at Philadelphia City Planning Commission until retirement.

Married to a Temple grad since 1975, who taught in Philly schools for 35 years.



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## Cash Sutton

BS Electrical Engineering 1973

Cash Sutton III, P.E., F.I.A.E. is a licensed electrical engineer in the state of California who graduated from Drexel University Evening College in 1973. He is president and CEO of Sutton Enterprises, an electrical engineering consulting firm and an affiliate marketing distribution group; a licensed insurance agent in California; and an adjunct professor at Los Angeles Trade Tech College where he teaches classes in applied science. Most of his experience has been associated with the design, construction, startup and maintenance of electrical power systems. His management skills have been developed because of meeting the demands of his job responsibilities and organization affiliations.

Cash is grateful for the ability to matriculate through the Drexel Evening College program and to have received mentoring from Dr. Murray Miller, who insisted that every student write a research paper on their chosen field of study. That paper helped him to narrow his focus in electrical engineering associated with power generation and distribution that he continues to enjoy today.

He is also grateful for that drafting class that made it possible for him to get his first technical job as a detailer and tracer at the ITE Circuit Breaker Company in 1966 earning \$76 per week. When he graduated from Drexel in 1973, he had a few years of experience and his engineer-in-training license that uniquely qualified him for an exciting career that he continues to pursue.



Cash has enjoyed many friendships with Drexel alumni over the years and was happy to serve in numerous offices of the Drexel Alumni Club of Greater Los Angeles. He has also had the pleasure of being mentored by a former assistant vice president of Drexel, Dr. Louis Murdock.

One half a century is a long time, and Cash has witnessed many changes, especially in technology. Who would have expected in 1966, that a black boy from North Philadelphia would be able to talk about his experience and appreciation of Drexel University in 2023!

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## Al M. Valentine

BS Electrical Engineering 1973

I came to Drexel via a formal program with an HBCU, Lincoln University in Pennsylvania. There, I studied under the great Dr. Herman Branson and Professor Frankowsky. Armed with knowledge of advanced mathematical techniques (digital Fourier transforms), it was a perfect match for my first co-op at what was the Naval Air Development Center in Willow Grove. There, I developed software during the day that we flew at night—with me strapped in the back of a P3-C Navy jet. It was Agile before Agile was cool.

After completing my BSEE I designed cameras at Kodak. I was part of the team that created the digital camera and photo sharing apps—what would be called a smartphone today. I also designed professional products like the X-ray viewer (nee PACS). I then went on to sell technology and run my own SCRUM consulting shop.

Now I give back and create opportunities for people who look like me to excel in math and science.



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## Charles R. Young

BS Mathematics 1973

Drexel did a great job of preparing me for my master's degree from Ohio State University, and ultimately my 31-year career at Unisys. Back at Drexel, aside from being Student Math Department head and a sports reporter for the Drexel Triangle, I was captain of the DU swim team, awarded the Commander John Miller Memorial Swimming Award, and was an assistant coach in my fifth (red-shirt) year. I still swim two miles every day and have remained in contact with some former DU swimmers. I have "memories" consisting of articles, some of which I wrote for the DU Triangle newspaper, describing the DU swim team's successes of 1973 and preceding years.

I branched out from DU, Unisys, etc., and became a semi-professional singer and performer (studying voice privately for 20 years) as well as the director of musicals at Chestnut Hill College for 15 years, now retired. I'm happily married to Fran for 50 years, living in the Philadelphia suburbs, now spending winters in Florida.



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## *Friends We'll Miss*

*This list represents 1973 graduates of Drexel University who our records indicate have passed away as of April 2023. They are remembered fondly by their classmates, families and friends.*

### **A**

Barry Applebaum  
James Ash  
Nathaniel Atkins

### **B**

Ruth Baldwin  
Catherine Baran Boss  
Margaret Barker  
Clayton Barley  
James Barnett  
Joseph Barriero  
Dorothy Bechert

Donald Becker

Marian Behlert

John Benham

Irma Benner Schlaak

Frank Berry

John Billingham

James Bingham

Paul Blauch

Howard Blume

Christopher Bonelli

Steve Bowser

Harvey Bradlow

John Brady

James Brennan

Eugene Brown

Paul Browne

Linda Byrd Trauger

### **C**

Winifred Cadbury Beer

G. Cadwell

Anthony Canna

Vincent Carboni

Thomas Carey

Hatim Carim

Ellen Castellan Dotterer

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Michael Caviston

George Chain

Vernon Cheatham

Andrew Ciszek

Oleh Ciuk

Diane Clark Juergensen

Kathryn Conrad Chizik

Mary Conroy

James Convey

Stephen Corey

Henry Corr

Robert Coyle

Michael Crowley

## D

Daniel Dalton

Stephen Davenport

Joseph Deal

John Degnan

Nicholas Delsordo

Thomas DiBattista

Vincent DiNenna

Carlo DiPeppe

Edward Domino

Edward Donnelly

Robert Dormer

Eugene Durkee

Herbert Dutton

Diane Dwyer Farny

Ernest Dyson

## E

Steven Ehmry

Richard Eppinger

David Erb

Elwood Erkert

Barbara Errickson Boyajian

Joseph Esposito

Joseph Everhart

## F

Fred Falco

Barbara Farrow

Patricia Faust

Gerald Flederbach

Sydney Fluck

Virginia Ford

Carlton Frew

Andrew Fritz

Thomas Frost

## G

William Gallagher

Dorothy Gallo

Robert Gardner

James Gaul

Carl Gause

Elizabeth Gaw

Barry Gehret

Albert Geiger

William Geisdorf

Robert Gittler

Michael Glancy

Neal Goldsborough

Frederick Goodson

Philip Gorman

Rosemary Gould

Robert Gray

Francis Greene

Valerie Grimaldi Pena

Judith Grossman Soffer

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## H

Bruce Haggerty  
James Haley  
George Hallermeier  
Raymond Hallman  
John Hammond  
Clyde Harbison  
Grayson Heberley  
Robert Hendrickson  
Thomas Henley  
H. Herman  
Mary Herndon Ravdin  
Catherine Heslin  
Ramon Hevia  
Robert Hice  
Larry Hiestand  
Timothy Higgins  
William Hines  
James Hoffner  
Yale Hoffstein  
Earl Hoopes  
Philip Howley  
Wen-Ying Hsiang

Richard Huder  
Dalton Hunkins  
Christopher Hunt

## J

Alex Jankowski  
Ann Jordan Laeuchli

## K

Suzanne Kallish  
John Kamykoski  
David Kane  
Leon Kazmierczak  
Jeanette Keane  
Thomas Kelley  
Allen Kerpan  
Charles Keys  
Julia Kiessling  
Robert Killough  
Gloria Kishi  
Edward Klaus  
Stanford Klingler  
William Knecht  
Robert Knestaut  
Zola Kobus

Joy Kramer Hays

Barbara Kraus Kleeman  
Kenneth Kryszczun

## L

Douglas Laatsch  
Kathleen Lamb  
Paul Lang  
Paul Langner  
Wayne Leinauer  
Mark Levin  
Ira Liedman  
Joseph Long  
Charles Lundgren

## M

JoEllen MacKin-DeMarco  
Daniel Malcolm  
Michael Matusko  
Frank May  
Niel Mazurek  
Wilburn McConnell  
Maryjac McCullen Reed  
Margarita McCusker  
William McDonald

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James McDonnell

Francis McGee

Walter McGugan

Philip McKeaney

Mary McKenna

Wilford McNeill

Katherine Mead

Dennis Metzfield

Thomas Michael

Patricia Michael Cooper

Robert Miller

Fredric Moerlins

Kenneth Mone

John Moore

Robert Moore

Joseph Morgan

Robert Morrow

James Mukoyama

William Murray

John Murray

Dennis Murray

Lawrence Murray

Bohdan Mysko

## N

Roy Neale

Robert Nealis

Brian Nixon

## O

Cornelius O'Brien

Robert Ogg

Maureen O'Keefe Aptowicz

George O'Neill

Denis Orlando

## P

Richard Padova

George Pappas

James Parker

Grace Parker

Bernard Pasqualini

Leonard Petlev

Gary Pfeiffer

Frank Piotrowski

John Politis

Carol Pyle

## Q

John Quinlan

## R

Paul Radick

Lawrence Ralston

Edmund Raspa

James Read

Douglas Reed

Sandra Rittenhouse Graham

Kenneth Roberts

Barbara Robinson Stevens

Michael Rose

Leslie Ross

## S

Hossein Saatchi

Leonard Salesky

Ronald Sarzynski

Paul Scheifele

Teresa Schleich

Darlene Schrader

William Schwarze

Irving Shapiro

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Ira Silin  
Robert Simpson  
Ruth Sinclair MacRae  
Linda Smazil Pilsits  
William Smith  
Gerald Smith  
Herbert Smoyer  
Fred Soistmann  
Edward Sowinski  
Paul Stiefel  
Judith Stonehill  
Rolf Struempfler  
Richard Styer  
Gerald Sunberg  
Karin Sundstedt Kuenstler  
Francena Supple Sullivan  
M. Sutton

## T

Chai Tan  
Mary Taxis Behm  
James Taylor  
Leroy Thumlert  
Arthur Torelli

## V

James Valentine  
Frank Valla  
Edward Vallorani  
Angelo Varisano  
Shankerlal Vyas

## W

Kenneth Walp  
Shirley Warych Rosen  
David Weaver  
Raymond Weaver  
Melvin Weinstock  
Katherine Welsh  
Robert Wendel  
Robert Wetherall

Richard White  
Robert White  
Brian White  
Robert Widdowson  
Ray Winslow  
Pearl Woolfolk Sprigg  
Sue Worland Torelli

## Y

Steven Yocklovich

## Z

Frank Zimnoch  
Eric Zirkel  
Vincent Zmuida  
Robert Zoelle



# 1973 IN THE NEWS

## January

- Roe v. Wade, 410 U.S. 113, was a landmark decision of the U.S. Supreme Court in which the Court ruled that the Constitution of the United States conferred the right to choose to have an abortion
- Super Bowl VII — Miami Dolphins defeat the Washington Redskins to go 19-0 on the season
- Vietnam War: Citing progress in peace negotiations, President Richard Nixon announces the suspension of offensive action in North Vietnam
- President Nixon and Vice President Agnew are sworn in for their second term

## February

- President Nixon decided to devalue the dollar. Negotiations with Japan and Germany ensued, and the dollar was officially devalued on February 12, 1973 by 11 1/9 per cent
- The Stooges release their 3rd album “Raw Power”
- Philadelphia 76ers lose their 20th NBA game in a row
- Outfielder Monte Irvin is elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame by the Special Committee on the Negro Leagues; fourth inductee through the committee

## March

- Pink Floyd release their album “Dark Side of the Moon”, since sold over 45 million copies
- Future US senator John McCain is released after spending over five years in a North Vietnamese prisoner of war camp
- Montreal Canadiens’ left wing Frank Mahovlich becomes 5th NHL player to score 500 goals
- 45th Academy Awards: “The Godfather”, Marlon Brando & Liza Minnelli win; Brando declines the Oscar for Best Actor to protest Hollywood’s portrayal of Native Americans in film, in a speech by activist Sacheen Littlefeather

## April

- Boston Bruins center Phil Esposito wins his third consecutive NHL scoring title with 130 points from 55 goals and 75 assists in the 78-game season
- 1st mobile phone call is made in downtown Manhattan, NYC by Motorola employee Martin Cooper to the Bell Labs headquarters in New Jersey
- World Trade Center, then the world’s tallest building, opens in New York (110 stories). Later destroyed in 9/11 terrorist attacks

# 1973 IN THE NEWS

- Over 6000 Mk. 82 500 pound bombs detonate over 18 hrs in a railyard in northern California. 5500 structures damaged, town of Antelope destroyed, with every building reduced to foundations. Leads to Transportation Safety Act (1974)

## May

- Longest baseball game in Philadelphia's Veterans Stadium, Phillies beat Braves 5-4 in 20 innings
- Ernie Banks fills in for Cubs manager Whitey Lockman who is ejected during the game, technically becoming baseball's 1st African American manager
- US Supreme court approves equal rights to females in military
- Stevie Wonder releases the music single "You Are The Sunshine Of My Life", goes to #1 and wins him a Grammy Award for Best Male Pop Vocal Performance

## June

- NASA launches Radio Astronomy Explorer 49 into lunar orbit
- US President Richard Nixon administration imposes 60-day economy-wide price freeze, superseding Special Rule No. 1 for oil companies
- Dolly Parton records her song "I Will Always Love You" (later a huge hit for Whitney Houston) for RCA in Nashville

- Black Sports Hall of Fame forms: Paul Robeson, Elgin Baylor, Jesse Owens, Jim Brown, Wilma Rudolph, Joe Louis and Althea Gibson elected

## July

- Tom Bradley becomes the 38th Mayor of Los Angeles, the first (and only) African-American to hold that position
- Wimbledon Women's Tennis: Billie Jean King beats Chris Evert 6-0, 7-5 for her 10th career Grand Slam singles title
- USSR launches Mars 4 for fly-by (2600 km) of red planet
- US President Richard Nixon refuses to release Watergate tapes of conversations in the White House relevant to the Watergate investigation

## August

- A U.S. Air Force B-52 bomber mistakenly bombed a Cambodian Navy base at Neak Luong, killing more than 137 Cambodian servicemen and their families
- Struggling ABA club Virginia Squires trades star forward Julius Erving to New York Nets for George Carter and cash
- Atlanta Braves pitcher Phil Niekro no-hits San Diego Padres, 9-0; first no-hitter for franchise in Atlanta
- Tamla/Motown Records releases "Let's Get It On", the 13th studio album by Marvin Gaye

# 1973 IN THE NEWS

## September

- US Open Women's Tennis, Forest Hills, NY: Margaret Court wins her 24th and final Grand Slam singles title; beats fellow Australian Evonne Goolagong Cawley 7-6, 5-7, 6-2
- Rebecca Ann King (23), Miss Colorado, crowned 46th Miss America
- Muhammad Ali defeats Ken Norton
- Henry Kissinger sworn in as America's 1st Jewish Secretary of State, succeeds William Rogers

## October

- US Vice President Spiro Agnew resigns after pleading no contest to allegations of tax fraud
- Country music artist Dolly Parton releases her single "Jolene"
- Queen Elizabeth II opens the Sydney Opera House
- John Lennon sues US government to admit FBI is tapping his phone, they deny doing so

## November

- NJ becomes 1st state to allow girls into little league
- Columbia Records releases "Piano Man", singer-songwriter Billy Joel's second studio album
- Oakland A's Reggie Jackson wins AL MVP unanimously
- New York stock market takes sharpest drop in 19 years

## December

- Gerald Ford sworn-in as first unelected Vice President, succeeds Spiro Agnew who resigned over corruption allegations
- O.J. Simpson becomes 1st NFL running back to rush for 2,000 yards in a season
- District of Columbia Home Rule Act is passed, allowing residents of Washington, D.C. to elect their own local government
- "The Sting" directed by George Roy Hill, starring Paul Newman and Robert Redford, with music inspired by Scott Joplin, premieres in Los Angeles and New York (Best Picture 1974)



# Billboard Top 10 Hot Songs of 1973

- 1 "Tie a Yellow Ribbon  
Round the Ole Oak Tree"  
*by Tony Orlando and Dawn*
- 2 "Bad, Bad Leroy Brown"  
*by Jim Croce*
- 3 "Killing Me Softly with His Song"  
*by Roberta Flack*
- 4 "Let's Get It On"  
*by Marvin Gaye*
- 5 "My Love"  
*by Paul McCartney & Wings*
- 6 "Why Me"  
*by Kris Kristofferson*
- 7 "Crocodile Rock"  
*by Elton John*
- 8 "Will It Go Round in Circles"  
*by Billy Preston*
- 9 "You're So Vain"  
*by Carly Simon*
- 10 "Touch Me in the Morning"  
*by Diana Ross*

# Living Costs

A new house \$32,500

Annual income \$12,900

Monthly rent \$191

A new car \$3,200

Cost of a gallon of gas 40 cents

United States postage stamp 8 cents

Movie ticket \$1.76

Dozen eggs 69 cents

Gallon of milk \$1.40

# Academy Awards

Best Actor  
**Marlon Brando**  
"The Godfather"

Best Actor in a Supporting Role  
**Joel Grey**  
"Cabaret"

Best Actress  
**Liza Minnelli for**  
"Cabaret"

Best Actress in a Supporting Role  
**Eileen Heckart**  
"Butterflies are Free"

Best Picture  
"The Godfather"

Best Director  
**Bob Fosse**  
"Cabaret"

