



Alan C. Thiel '71

Exceptional Service

How has former college jock Alan Thiel served Carleton? In almost every way an alum can. From such grassroots activities as alumni admissions work to a leadership position as Alumni Board president, Thiel has nearly done it all

For over 20 years, Thiel has been a first-rate Alumni Admissions Representative. He's spent countless hours representing Carleton at college fairs, talking to prospective students on the phone, conducting interviews and meeting with prospectives and their parents. During his Alumni Board tenure, from 1993-99, Thiel played a key role in creating the proposal to establish the Alumni Admissions Board.

As Alumni Board president during 1997-98, Thiel helped make the transition to the new Alumni Council, skillfully guiding the planning process. From 1995-97, Thiel served as the alumni representative to the College Council.

Thiel has also been a Career Explorations host numerous times, sharing his perspective on the legal profession with Carleton undergraduates. In addition, he has chaired committees for his 20th, 25th, and 30th reunions.

Currently, Thiel is an assistant class agent and has also served as an Alumni Annual fund leadership solicitor. He is a Heywood Society member, as well as a frequent attendee at Carleton Club events.

Thiel, an English major, went on to earn a J.D. degree at William Mitchell College of Law in 1976. He is a partner at Thiel, Campbell, Gunderson, and in 2000 was on the list of "Minnesota Super Lawyers" published by *Minnesota Law and Politics* magazine. While at Carleton, Thiel was a varsity football player and swimmer who also played rugby, Rotblatt and ice hockey. His athletic achievements were recognized with the Frederic Warnecke Swimming Award, the James Lippert Memorial Football Award and the Warren Beson Memorial Award.

Thiel and his wife, Jean Watson Thiel '74, live in Minneapolis, Minn., and have two sons.

Thiel's Carleton connections include his brothers, John Thiel '65 and Robert Thiel '67, and his mother-in-law, Naurine (Northrup) Watson '44.