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## PROFILE IN BRIEF

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### Long arm of the law Lew Langham



Lew  
Langham

During his 25-year career with the Michigan State Police, Lew Langham served as liaison to the U.S. Secret Service, providing protection to Presidents Bill Clinton and George W. Bush, Vice Presidents Al Gore and Dick Cheney, former President Gerald Ford, and Hillary Clinton.

Now an assistant professor teaching Trial Skills, Criminal Procedure and Evidence at his alma mater Cooley Law School, Langham started as a uniformed road trooper in the MSP, moving up through the department as a Detective Specialist in the Criminal Investigation Division, Narcotics Section; Detective Sergeant, Southeastern Criminal Investigation Division, Diversion Unit; Detective Lieutenant, Oakland County Narcotics Enforcement Team; and Detective Lieutenant, Tobacco Products Tax Fraud Team.

"As a young man, I always knew I wanted to become a law enforcement officer," he says. "After years of testifying in court as a government witness and sometimes expert witness responding to questions from both prosecution and defense attorneys, my passion for the law grew and I decided to enter Cooley's weekend and evening program while I continued to work at MSP."

After graduation, Langham — who holds an associate's degree in criminal justice from Lansing Community College, bachelor's degree from Wayne State University, and Master of Liberal Studies in Interdisciplinary Technology, with honors, from Eastern Michigan University — was offered a position as an assistant attorney general under then-Attorney General Jennifer Granholm; but declined since he had not completed enough years for retirement with the MSP. After retiring, he went into private practice in Southfield, where he handled a variety of legal matters including criminal defense, estate planning, and divorce.

Not long after hanging out his own shingle, the Detroit native was offered a position as assistant public defender with the Washtenaw County Public Defenders office in Ann Arbor.

"I received the best criminal defense training one could possibly ask for," he says. "As time allows, I still continue to work at the Public Defender's Office as a pro bono attorney handling misdemeanor and felony trials."

Granholm's office called again; and Langham served as deputy legal counsel and policy advisor on legal issues related to criminal justice, prisons, homeland security, and civil rights. He also served as a liaison between the governor and various interest groups, and advised the governor on all policy or departmental issues related to the Michigan State Police, Department of Corrections, Homeland Security, Military & Veterans Affairs, and Civil Rights.

"Never a dull moment," he says. "Fast paced, and meetings with the governor where everyone's legal and professional opinions were welcomed."

Langham left the governor's office in 2007, to teach Trial Skills at Cooley Law School.

Discussions range from 4th Amendment search and seizure issues to Crawford v. Washington and 6th Amendment discussions related to the confrontation clause, and testimonial v. non-testimonial evidence.

"Watching students challenge themselves trying to connect all the legal dots, and later, observing their proficiency and understanding of the subject matter is extremely satisfying, to both me and my students," he says.

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## Remembering Eve

### Law student's promise was cut down in shooting

BY STEVE THORPE  
Detroit Legal News

Even a brief life can cast a long shadow. Eve August was only 24 when she was shot and killed during a 1982 attack on the Detroit law office where she worked as a summer intern. This Saturday she will be remembered by family, friends, legal professionals who worked on the case and academics involved in the scholarship that bears her name. They will share memories of a young law student whose life was cut short before she could realize her seemingly limitless potential.

At 11:15 a.m. on June 11, 1982, a disgruntled insurance salesman named Robert Harrington launched an attack on the law offices of Edward Bell and Lester Hudson in the Buhl Building in downtown Detroit. Harrington was armed with a shotgun, pistol and a jar of gasoline as he demanded a check he hadn't received. When he didn't like the reply, he started shooting, beginning a 90-minute rampage that left Eve August dead and dozens injured from gunfire or the fire that followed. Harrington was eventually sentenced to life in prison.

Judge Timothy Kenny, who will participate in the memorial, was a young attorney when the attack occurred and ended up prosecuting the case.

"I remember standing in front of the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice. It was a beautiful, sunny summer day," Kenny says. "You could see the smoke billowing up from the Buhl Building. At the time, I was a prosecutor and was assigned to a special felony murder squad. I remember getting a page from the unit I worked for saying that they had been assigned to the case. I was told it was at Ed Bell's law firm and that at least one person had been killed. My work on the case (as prosecutor) began at that moment."

That "one person" was Eve August, who had the misfortune to be in the line of fire when Harrington erupted. She had nothing to do with his dispute with the law firm.

Eve's younger brother, Lou, remembers receiving the shocking news

"I was working at IBM in Florida," he says. "A friend who worked at a downtown Detroit law firm called me and said, 'Something's happened at the firm where your sister is working.' She had no idea that Eve had died. I immediately called my father at his office and he said he had also heard something had happened and that he was headed there. I left my office for lunch, having no idea what was going on. When I returned, an IBM HR person was standing in the foyer and handed me an airline ticket for Detroit. I'll always remember IBM because of what they did for me."

Their younger brother Alex August was only 14 at the time and was playing tennis when a neighbor located him and told him he needed to return home immediately.

"Based on the alarm in her voice I knew something terrible had happened, but what she was about to tell me was so much worse than I could have ever imagined," he says. "I was stunned to hear the news of my sister's death, and was in shock on the car ride home with her. Reality began to set in once I got home when my father immediately hugged me like he had never hugged me before and began crying. There was a loss and sense of devastation in my family like I had never felt before or since."



Eve August was a 24-year-old law student at Detroit College of Law and interning at a law office in the Buhl Building 30 years ago when she was shot and killed by an angry client. Family and friends will remember Eve at a special memorial Saturday at the site of the tragedy.

There was nobody to lean on since we were all experiencing the same devastating grief and loss."

Both brothers remember Eve fondly — her fierce, fearless and competitive side as well as her gentle one.

"Eve was a little more than a year older than I was," says Lou. "As her younger brother, she was the center of my life. Who I was seemed very dependent on who she was. We played together as children and fought together as siblings. You would almost think it was your older brother. She was on both the high school tennis and ski teams. I remember, at a ski resort, Eve going fearlessly down a steep slope called 'Big Risky' while I stared at it and said 'Whoa!'"

Alex, being so much younger, tended to see more of the nurturing side of Eve.

"Eve was 10 years older than me and therefore spent a lot of time watching me as I was growing up," he says. "Due to our age difference she was another mother figure in many ways. I always felt that Eve (and my brother Louis) genuinely enjoyed spending time with me and, of course, as a wide-eyed younger brother, I loved spending time with them. In addition to the love and sense of inclusion I always felt from Eve, I will always remember

my sister's determination. She lived at home during her law school years at (Detroit College of Law), so I was able to witness the tremendous efforts she put forth toward her legal education. Eve had a strong sense of justice and purpose coupled with great compassion for others. Becoming an attorney provided her the best path to make a difference in this world and we all believe she would have."

Lou also remembers Eve's drive and commitment, once she had decided on a course of action.

"Eve was always very driven and focused," he says. "She also had a strong work ethic. I remember nights in our house with my parents tutoring her and her never giving up on things that were hard to understand."

And her decision on a law career came at an earlier age than those sorts of plans come to most of us.

"I would say Eve was probably 13 when she decided on the law as a career," Lou says. "Eve also became an aggressive debater. She was on the school debate team and went to the state finals. My sister was always incredible verbally. I never stood a chance in any kind of argument. My father and Eve, from my earliest memory, would debate and argue about everything. My father shared with me recently his

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## Memorial closes circle

BY STEVE THORPE  
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The threads that came together to create a memorial for Eve August at first seem unlikely and one coincidence in particular is nothing short of amazing.

Even 30 years later, it troubled her brother Lou that nothing marked the place where Eve died and that no gathering had occurred there to honor her.

"As horrific and high-profile as the incident had been, nothing was ever done for a memorial," he says. "There was no wreath or plaque or any kind of remembrance at all. It was as though nothing had ever happened there."

Over the years, Lou had tracked mentions of his sister in print and, eventually, on the Web.

"Occasionally I do an Internet search for my sister's name," Lou says. "I saw that the Buhl Bar was planning on naming a drink after Eve. I thought that was fine and I went down to talk to them. Since I was already at the Buhl Building, I went up to the 8th floor. None of this was planned. I knocked on the door of the suite and told them my name was Lou August. The people there immediately made the connection to the incident. Of all the people somehow involved in the tragedy, no one had been back to the office."

The unplanned visit led to conversations with the principal of the firm, who showed intense interest.

"When I first talked to (law firm principal) David Ottenwess, he didn't know much about it," Lou says. "I was able to point out where everything had happened, based on photos I had seen at the time. I ended up bringing my mother back and, after a couple meetings, we all decided that this was something that needed to be done."

The August family is grateful for everything that Ottenwess and his staff have done to make the memorial happen.

"David Ottenwess has been incredible and has made his facility and staff available for us," Lou says.

Ottenwess, in turn, heaps praise on a long-time employee who he says has been the field general in assembling the many pieces.

"Bonnie Zaidel, my office manager, has been putting this all together from our end," he says. "She's been working with Lou, she's been working with building management, and has worked tirelessly to make it happen."

In the biggest coincidence of all in a long story filled with them, good and bad, Ottenwess had, in fact, heard the name Eve August before. As a low-income kid from Flint, he had been able to attend law school because he was a recipient of ... the Eve August Scholarship

"I paid my way through law school and worked to help pay for it," Ottenwess says. "But that (Eve August) scholarship really made an impact on my life. I was very happy to receive it and I'm very grateful for that help."

"Because I wasn't living in Michigan when the attack occurred, I didn't even have a memory of the news accounts. I was

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## DAILY BRIEFS

### Committee to Re-elect Judge Wendy Baxter to host fundraiser



Judge Wendy Marie  
Baxter

The Committee to Re-elect Judge Wendy Marie Baxter is hosting a campaign reception June 14 at the Fountain Bistro, 800 Woodward in Campus Martius Park. Judge Baxter is currently serving in the Civil Division of the Wayne County Third Circuit Court.

Baxter began her judicial career as a 36th District Court judge before being appointed by the governor to Recorder's Court. During her years in the Criminal Division, Baxter was a member of the Criminal Jury Instruction Committee. Baxter is a past president of the Association of Black Judges of Michigan and served in the State Bar Representative Assembly. She has also been on the Alumnae Board of Directors of Eastern Michigan University,

the Board of Directors of the Womens Fund for Justice, The State Bar of Michigan Fellows and taught for the Michigan Judicial Institute and the National Judicial College.

For ticket information contact [reelectjudgebaxter@gmail.com](mailto:reelectjudgebaxter@gmail.com) or write to the committee address at 3280 W. Outer Drive, Detroit, MI 48221. The fax number is 313 341-8237.

### State Supreme Court justices concerned about hacking law

PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) — The Michigan Supreme Court won't intervene in an Oakland County case of a man charged with getting access to his estranged wife's email.

But conservative and liberal justices believe lawmakers should consider fine-tuning the law.

Leon Walker was charged with a computer crime after his then-wife accused him of going through her email. He suspected infidelity.

In an order last week, the Supreme Court said it wouldn't step in before Walker's trial. Justice Marilyn Kelly wanted to hear the appeal, saying she doubts the hacking law was aimed at a case such as Walker's.

Justices Robert Young Jr. and Stephen Markman urged lawmakers to revisit the hacking law. They say it seems to cover an "extremely broad range of conduct."

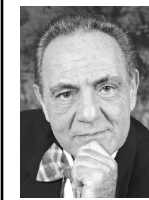
### Legal Aid and Defender to hold charity golf outing June 15

Legal Aid and Defender Association, Inc. will hold its 14th annual charity golf outing on Friday, June 15 at the Links of Novi. The outing is open to the public. Registration is at 7 a.m., the shotgun start at 8:30.

Donations are \$125 for single players and \$400 for foursomes. They include 18 holes of golf, continental breakfast, lunch and awards banquet. For details, see [http://www.ladadetroit.org/golfouting\\_2012.php](http://www.ladadetroit.org/golfouting_2012.php).

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## Taking Stock

MALCOLM BERKO

### Illinois bonds and Walmart

**Dear Mr. Berko:**  
I bought 600 shares of Walmart Stores in 2006 at \$45, intending to hold it forever because I always believed it was such a fine and upstanding company. Now Walmart is involved in a terrible bribery scandal in Mexico. I've lost faith in the company and worry that this may hurt its future growth. These executives should be jailed. My broker also agrees and strongly urges me to sell because the scandal could expose other illegal activities and because he says 2012 is the last year that long term capital gains will be taxed at the low 15 percent rate. I would like to hear your thinking before I sell my shares of this company that once held my trust. My broker also wants me to use this money to buy \$25,000 of Illinois tax-free municipal bonds for \$28,500 that will yield 3.1 percent for 10 years. That is a good yield, but I am concerned about the safety of this bond even though he says it is A+ rated by Standard & Poor's. He says the bond has little risk because it's guaranteed by the entire State of Illinois. Please tell me what I should do here too.

RP in Joliet, Ill.

**Dear PR:**

Everything in Mexico is corrupt, even the Church. Just ask Carlos "Pudge" Slim, the world's wealthiest man, who is Mexican born, Mexican bred and when he dies, he'll be Mexican dead. Pudge owns Mexico's largest corporations, America Movil, Grupo Carso and Telemex, and they didn't rise to prominence and power being a "goody two-shoes!" In fact, Pudge was recently fined \$1 billion because America Movil was a bad Mexican citizen. The fine wasn't contested but rather casually accepted as a cost of doing business. And 1.5 percent of the combined trillion plus dollars in revenues generated by those companies is budgeted annually for bribing judges, politicians, unions, contractors, government bureaucrats, bankers, civil servants, police, the army and executives at Mexico's many large and small industries. However, if every corrupt businessman in Mexico was put in jail, there would be nobody left to lock the gates. So get off your high horse, be realistic and look in your own backyard. Illinois may be the most corrupt state in the nation, but corruption

in Congress exceeds the corruption in Mexico by orders of magnitude, though our politicians are more polished at it. So keep your Walmart (WMT-\$58). At least it's not involved in drugs, assassination, prostitution or arms trafficking. WMT will be taken to a Mexican court, publicly slapped on its wrist and charged a multi-million dollar fine, and it will continue on its merry way. Its revenues and earnings will continue to grow 7 percent a year and its current \$1.59 dividend (yielding 2.7 percent) will probably grow 4-fold in the next decade. And that disingenuous broker urging you to sell WMT is a bootlicker and a ponce, though correct in telling you that 2012 is the last year for long term capital gains to be taxed at 15 percent.

Those 10-year Illinois bonds were recently issued with a 3.625 percent coupon at \$1,000 per bond, so 25 bonds would cost a buyer \$25,000. And they can still be bought at \$25,000, not \$28,500. But change brokers: this sycophant should petition the court to have himself legally declared a cockroach. Furthermore, those bonds are not rated "A+" but "A-," and S&P, whom I wouldn't trust to feed my goldfish, may rate them BBB+. Considering Illinois's precarious financial position, even a BBB+ rating is too generous, especially when a Moody's man privately told me they should be rated Ba3, five grades below S&P's BBB+. The state's financial problems are so grave that only Puerto Rico's tax-free bonds have a higher yield. Illinois has over \$9 billion in unpaid debt, and its pension fund only has 45 percent of the money needed to cover its liabilities by the end of 2012. That's when the fit may really hit the shan. The state's financial difficulties should continue to worsen. The legislature isn't worried about default, because it believes Congress will rush to the rescue and indemnify the bondholders. There's no reason to own those bonds but good reason to keep your WMT.

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## ECONOMY

### Economic outlook worsens after jobs report Reduced forecasts show hiring may not grow

By Christopher S. Rugaber  
AP Economics Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The faltering U.S. job market has prompted economists to take a much dimmer view of the country's growth prospects. That's a shift from just a few weeks ago, when many were upgrading their forecasts.

Friday's surprisingly bleak jobs report for May followed a spate of disappointing data. Manufacturing activity slowed, an index of home sales fell and consumer confidence tumbled. Mounting troubles in Europe and elsewhere have heightened economists' concerns.

"The latest economic data have been decisively disappointing," Michael Feroli, an economist at JPMorgan Chase, wrote in a client note.

JPMorgan Chase sharply reduced its growth forecast for the July-September quarter to a 2 percent annual rate, down from 3 percent. It cited the weaker U.S. hiring and a likely drop in U.S. exports related to slower growth overseas.

And JPMorgan Chase now forecasts growth of 2.1 percent for 2012, down from 2.3 percent. Julia Coronado, an economist at BNP Paribas in New York, said she now expects growth of 2.2 percent this year, down from her previous forecast of 2.4 percent. She also revised down her estimate of growth in the April-June quarter to a 2.2 percent annual rate, from a 2.5 percent rate.

"We keep hoping that we're going to turn a corner and move into a stronger phase of recovery, and the door keeps getting slammed shut," Coronado said.

Forecasting firm Macroeconomic Advisers and Swiss bank UBS have also marked down their expectations since Friday's jobs report.

As a general rule, it takes about 2.5 percent growth to generate enough hiring to keep up with population growth and prevent the unemployment rate from rising. The reduced forecasts suggest that hiring may not strengthen much this year.

After months of fitful expansion since the recession ended three years ago, many analysts had expected the economy to begin strengthening steadily.

Last month, the National Association of Business Economics said its latest survey of economists found rising expectations for job gains and housing construction. And in April, the Federal Reserve raised its forecast for growth this year to nearly 2.7 percent, from a January estimate of 2.5 percent.

Now, it looks as if the recovery is stumbling again.

The biggest blow was Friday's jobs report. It said employers added only 69,000 jobs in May, the fewest in a year. The government also said far fewer jobs were added in the previous two months than first thought — 11,000 fewer in March and 38,000 fewer in April. And the unemployment rate rose to 8.2 percent from 8.1 percent, the first increase since last June.

Less hiring means fewer Americans have money to spend. That holds down consumer spending, which drives about 70 percent of the economy and helps fuel job growth. And a rising unemployment rate tends to reduce confidence. That can further shrink spending.

Even at stronger levels of hiring, Americans' incomes had been already growing only weakly. They increased 0.2 percent in April, the government said last week, the slowest pace in five months.

Other reports last week showed that more people sought unemployment benefits, a sign that hiring could remain sluggish. Construction spending rose, but by less than many economists had forecast. And the government said the economy expanded at an anemic 1.9 percent annual rate in the first three months of 2012. That's down from 3 percent in the fourth quarter.

The run of bleak reports extended into Monday. Companies cut their orders to factories for a second straight month, the government said. And a gauge of business investment plans fell.

On top of that, Europe's financial crisis is

worsening. Worries are growing that in elections later this month, Greek voters will reject the terms of a bailout and lead the country to drop the euro. That could ignite financial chaos and perhaps force larger economies among the 17 countries that use the euro, such as Spain and Italy, to abandon the currency, too.

The resulting crisis would slow U.S. exports, about 20 percent of which go to Europe. Fear about a collapse of the euro has contributed to a nearly 10 percent drop in the S&P 500 stock index since April 2. Falling stock prices tend to damage consumer confidence and reduce spending.

Key developing countries, such as China, India and Brazil, are also reporting weaker growth. Those countries are big markets for U.S. heavy machinery. U.S. farmers also export corn, soybeans and other grains to China.

"You've got deterioration on all fronts at this point," said Scott Anderson, an economist at Wells Fargo Securities.

Anderson said Wells Fargo will likely reduce its forecasts for U.S. growth.

Still, some trends remain positive for the U.S. economy. Gas prices have been falling, which puts more money in Americans' pockets. With mortgage rates at record lows, more Americans are buying homes. Builders have increased spending on construction. Auto sales are up.

Maurry Harris, chief U.S. economist at UBS, said the weak May jobs report shows businesses are nervous about the economic outlook. Yet consumers remain willing to spend. Their spending rose 0.3 percent in April, above the 0.2 percent rise in March. That qualifies as a bright spot in last week's reports. Harris expects consumer spending to keep rising and to reinvigorate business activity by fall.

Jack Kleinhenz, chief economist at the National Retail Federation, the nation's largest retail trade group, says he's sticking with the group's annual retail sales growth forecast of 3.4 percent for now.

"I'm concerned, but I am not ready to put up a red flag on everything," Kleinhenz said.

## ECONOMY

### Service companies expanded in May Up .2 points

By Martin Crutsinger  
AP Economics Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. service companies, which employ roughly 90 percent of the work force, grew at a slightly faster pace in May, marking the 29th straight month of expansion.

The Institute for Supply Management said Tuesday that its index of non-manufacturing activity edged up to 53.7 last month from an April reading of 53.5.

The May reading was slightly below the long-run average for the index of 53.9. A reading above 50 indicates expansion.

Economists were happy to see that the new orders component of the index rose in May because that is a good sign that demand will be solid in coming months. But there was concern that the employment component, while remaining in expansion territory, slipped to the lowest reading since November.

Jennifer Lee, senior economist at BMO Capital Markets, noted that only 13 of 18 industries reported growth in May, the smallest total since the number stood at 12 in January.

But she said it was a relief that the non-manufacturing part of the economy "didn't take as much of a hit" as manufacturing appeared to take this spring with orders to U.S. factories falling in March and April.

The ISM survey covers all sectors outside of manufacturing. That includes retail, construction, financial services, health care and hotels.

It reached the highest point in 12 months in February, when it was 57.3.

The ISM's manufacturing index, released last week, showed that manufacturing grew more slowly in May, hampered by weaker hiring and declining production. But in a hopeful sign, new manufacturing orders hit a 13-month high.

The service sector includes low-paying positions in retail and restaurants. But it also has higher-paying jobs in professions such as information technology, accounting and financial services.

The government reported Friday that the overall economy added just 69,000 jobs in May, the smallest number in a year, while the unemployment rate edged up from 8.1 percent to 8.2 percent. The dismal report on jobs heightened fears that the economy is struggling. Economists are concerned that the economy could hit a soft patch this year just as it did in 2010 and 2011.

## EVE:

### In addition to sports, August enjoyed performing in ballets

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memory of the first time he realized Eve had him licked."

Eve also had a political side and her undergraduate degree at U-M was in political science. She was very active in the Democratic Party and at the age of 18 was a delegate at the national convention in 1980.

But it was never all work and no play for Eve. In addition to sports, both brothers remember her love of dance and how it evolved into professional involvement with that art.

"We grew up back in the disco era and Eve had a big passion for dance," says Lou. "We were both attending U-M and by that time we each had our own sets of friends. But we would frequently cross paths at the dance clubs around Detroit and Ann Arbor. She just loved to dance. Eve took dance a lot more seriously than I did and ended up in ballet. I guess you could say she was a professional ballerina because when the famous large ballet troupes would come to town, they would always hire local dancers for some of the parts because they didn't travel with the entire group. She got a lot of those roles."

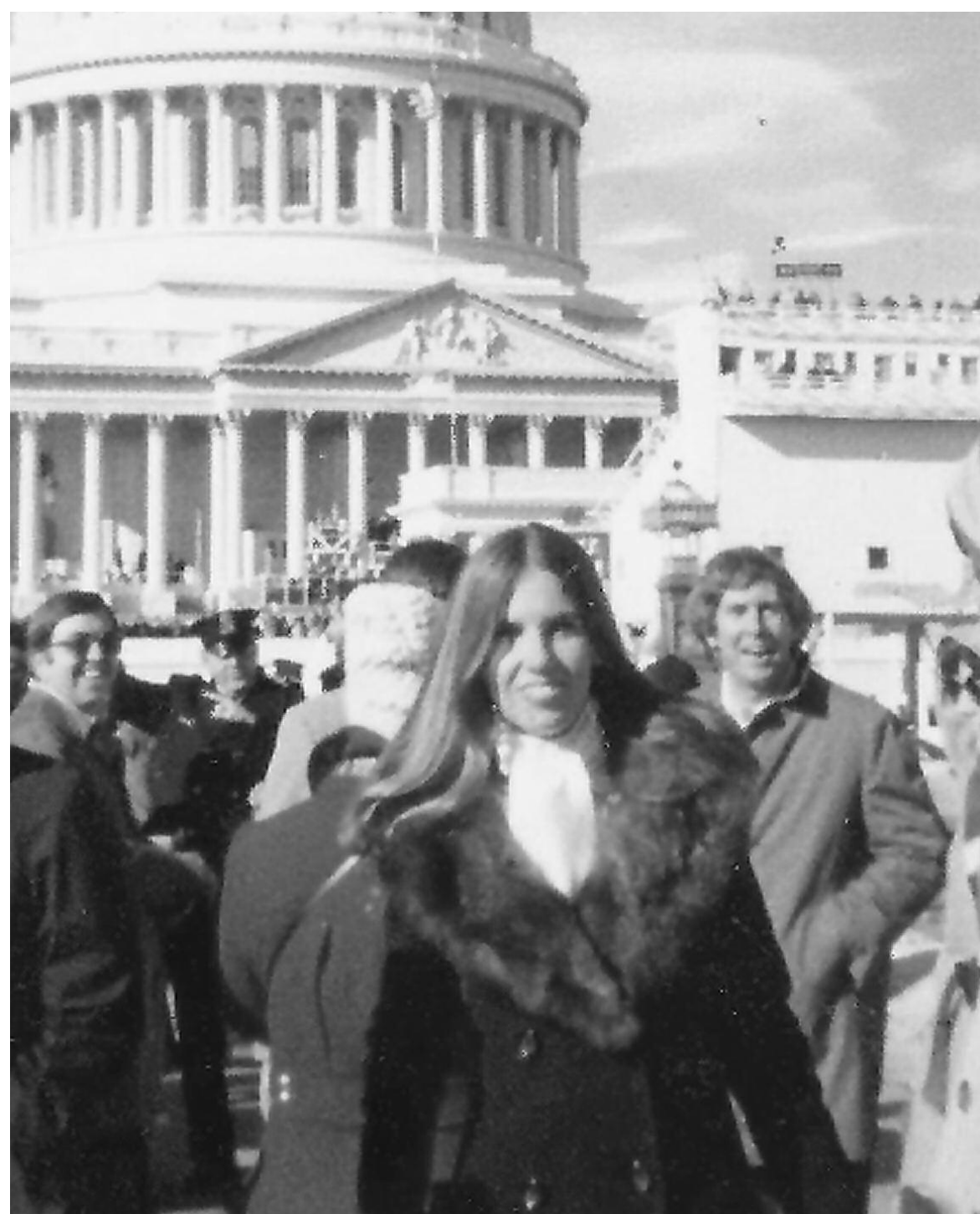
Alex remembers Eve dancing in the Nutcracker Ballet with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra in 1979. But, for a young boy like Alex, not everything about her dance preparation was pleasant.

"I remember her tirelessly practicing in her room at home, listening to that annoying music (from the point of view of a 10 year old), wearing those uncomfortable looking toe shoes and practicing her Plie'," he jokes.

Judge Kenny got to know quite a bit about Eve during the murder investigation and was impressed by what he found.

"I never had the pleasure of meeting Eve August," he says. "Everything I learned about her during the course of the case led me to conclude that she was a warm and caring individual. Eve was also very bright and had an unlimited future ahead of her."

The family is looking forward to the formal memorial event and the opportunity to share their remembrances of Eve. But they



Interested in politics, Eve August was active in the Democratic Party and at the age of 18 was a delegate at the national convention.

have kept her vividly alive in their own memories since the day she died.

"I think about her every day," says Lou. "Soon after her death, everything in my life changed. I ended up quitting my job. I found myself searching for what I wanted to do and where I wanted to go. The pain was staggering. There was an unimaginable void. As a young man in my early 20s, I

just wanted it to go away. It took me years to realize that it doesn't ever go away."

Despite that pain, the family tends not to focus on the tragedy of Eve's death, but prefers to remember the good times spent with the daughter or sister they loved.

"Surprisingly, I have not dwelled on the 'wrong place wrong time' aspect of her death or

harbored hatred toward her assailant," Alex says. "Eve was such a warm, kind, open hearted, loving, determined, inspired, optimistic young woman. Her loss, to me, far overshadowed anything else I could possibly feel about the circumstances of her death. To this day, I still feel that same great sense of loss and love for and from my sister. She was an incredible person."

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so happy to receive the scholarship, but didn't look at 'the story behind the story.'"

Ottenwess found himself surprisingly moved by his encounter with Eve's story and her family.

"When I first met with Lou, it was an emotional moment for both of us and I wasn't sure at the time why I felt those feelings," Ottenwess says. "He described his sister and what a great person she was. I told him that I had won the Eve August Scholarship and he was surprised and delighted. I was grateful that (my firm) was in a position to help preserve her memory. It feels like completing a circle."