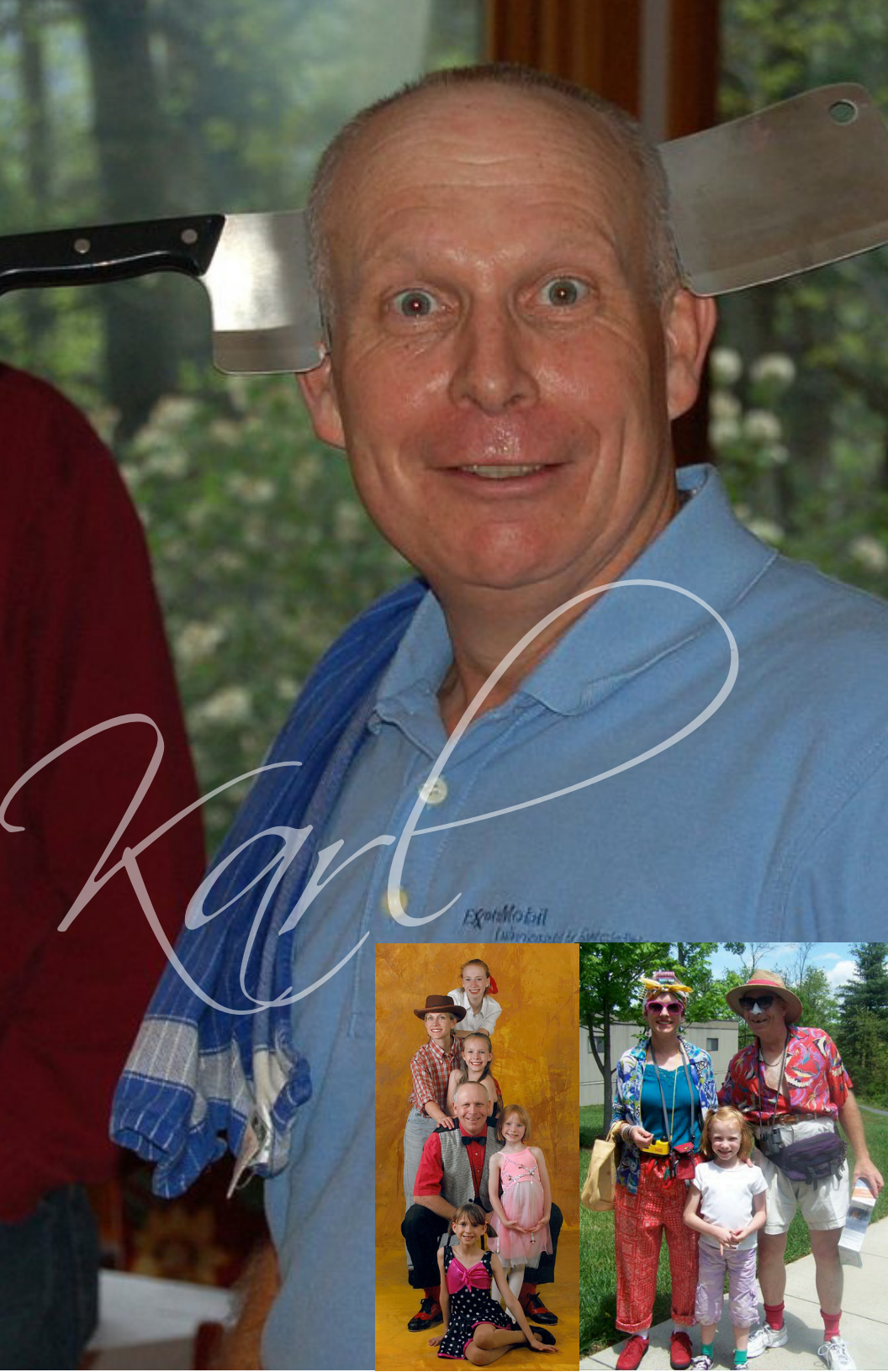


Karl Koon



Your alias:

"Kooooon"

Family (married, divorced, etc; children, grandchildren; ages):

Married to McKenzie Gibson in 1986. Met on an Asheville School Mountaineer Summer Travel Camp and Pop and Willie Lee (Pop's first wife) helped match us up. Four daughters, Kelly (15), Katherine (12), Karel (10) and Kerry (6)

Anything you would like to share about your family:

Close family who loves doing things together... Camping, Traveling, Dancing, Cooking, Fishing
Pets ... a Border Collie and a German Shepherd, cat, guinea pig

Your profession/vocation/occupation:

Third generation in the family business of petroleum distribution and real estate

College, reform school; major(s); degree(s):

Washington & Lee University in Lexington, VA
BS in Natural Sciences (Math, Engineering, Physics and Geology) - cum laude BA in Geology - magna cum laude

Military service (include service with foreign legions or mercenaries):

Commissioned 2 LT through ROTC at college. Trained as a Combat Engineer
Completed 8 years in Army Reserve attaining rank of Captain

Your avocations (civic, social, political, charitable):

A B Tech Community College Foundation Board
Asheville School Alumni Association
Asheville Planning & Zoning Commission, Buncombe County Planning Board, WNC Air Quality Agency
Council of Independent Business Owners Board Member

Your hobbies, interests:

Gourmet cooking, tap dancing, Crossfit workouts, camping/hiking, gardening, woodworking, working around the house on projects

Your greatest contribution to the betterment of mankind:

Raising daughters with strong Christian values that are learning to think for themselves and make decisions based upon facts and moral character traits

What has your time and education at Asheville School meant to you:

After all the themes we had to write, I am not afraid to write letters or prepare documents; Solid foundation of education and study habits that made college seem easy
Love of being outdoors and all things Mountaineering

What are your most vivid memories of Asheville School:

JV Baseball team beating Christ School with a daring bunt and squeeze play in the final inning
Third Form Camping trip (rock thru tent, roadkill bobcat)
Senior LeConte Trip where 4 of us went up 2 days early and bushwacked all over the mountain
JV Basketball team under Coach Bromley
Nerf basketball games in day student dorm room in Lawrence