

The Tempels

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accomplished clinician, educator, administrator and dental scientist.

From 1975 to 1979, he served on the Board of Scientific Counselors to the National Institute of Dental Research. He has published numerous professional articles and has served as a mentor for several dental educational programs. He is a Diplomat of the American Board of Periodontology and was a Fellow of the American College of Dentists. He is a retired member of the American Dental Association, The American Academy of Periodontology, is a lifetime member of the Army War College Association and a member of the Association of the United States Army. He is a lifetime member of the Pierre Fouchard Academy. In 1981, he was awarded the "A" designator, the Surgeon General's highest award for professional achievement.

In all of his pursuits his best friend, most trusted aide and partner, Elaine, was at his side every step of the way. If you want to make Elaine's eyes light up, mention her three children and seven grandchildren. (See photo to the right with six. Their newest baby, Ella Rose is in lower right inset). Their two sons are presently following in the footsteps of their father as dental surgeons and career military officers.

Their oldest, Thomas Robert, Jr. (Rob), is a lieutenant colonel presently commanding a dental unit in Iraq. He also is dental consultant for all coalition dentists. He will be promoted to full colonel in September. Next is Major Carl Gardner Tempel who is Assistant Chief of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at Walter Reed Army Medical Center. He returned from a tour in Afghanistan in March, 2003. He, too, is scheduled for promotion to lieutenant colonel.

Their daughter, Kimberly Lynn Tempel Boosinger is pursuing a career you don't much see these days - full time mother and homemaker. The photo shows the entire family assembled in Williamsburg for a reunion last August.

As you might expect of a dental surgeon,

Tom is a superb carver and woodworker. His pride is evident in his workshop that he calls, "Cedar Knoll, Artistry in Wood." When they built their home, the property contained four large, dead, weathered and twisted 179-year-old cedar trees. As a lover of wood, Tom took the dead trees to a saw mill where they were cut to make a gorgeous fireplace mantel and many cedar boards for future use. Where we mortals see dead trees or driftwood, Tom sees



The Tempel family - Kathy, Allison and Rob, Tom and Elaine, Carl, Matthew, Rita and Michael, Tom, Meghan, Haley, Kim, Tommy and Ella (insert). A proud tradition of military service.

sanderlings, cormorants, ducks, butterflies, wrens and dolphins.

Although active in the Carteret County Arts and Crafts Coalition, one of Tom's regrets is that his whirlwind schedule leaves him little time for his carvings these days but if you are lucky enough to visit him, ask him to show you some of his unbelievable artistry in wood. I couldn't believe the delicacy of the feathers he so meticulously reproduced on his sea birds. The same can be said of the flies he loves to create for saltwater fly fishing. Not only are they beautiful to look at but the fish really go for them. What are his favorites? Tom will

proudly point to the oak and dogwood altar crosses he was inspired to make for All Saints Episcopal Church in Morehead City.

While Tom loves woodcarving and fly-making, basically solitary pursuits, he never forgets that most things in life are accomplished by people working together. Knowing the value of teamwork, he says, makes a good leader, a position he has found himself in in most of his endeavors.

Tom sums up his philosophy of leadership in two sentences: "A good leader knows the mission and accomplishes all objectives by bringing out the very best in each member of the team. The focus is on the team effort, not the chain of command above."

The teams Tom and Elaine have led over the years have accomplished great things.

Ed. Note: This is the first in a series of biographical profiles of PKS people who have performed and continue to perform outstanding service as volunteers.

Volunteer Activities, Tom Tempel

Construction Captain to build Shevans Park, Morehead City, 1977
 Chairman Ocean Park, 1998-99
 Block Captain, then Area Coordinator PKS, 1998-02
 Tour Guide at Fort Macon, 1998 and continuing
 Chairman, Task Force to create Mobile Dental Clinic
 Juried Member of Carteret County Arts and Crafts Coalition
 Member Core Sound Waterfront Museum;
 Carteret County Historical Society
 Member, Carteret County Board of Health
 Current Chairman, CC Board of Health
 Board of Directors of Beacon Health Partners
 Past President, current Member BOD of Cape Lookout Fly Fishers
 Chairman, Bogue Banks Country Club LRPC, 2001-2002
 Member, Planning Board of PKS
 Member, PKD Disaster Relief Comm.
 Charter Member of All Saints Episcopal Church

Volunteer Activities, Elaine Tempel

Eight years and Continuing Chairman of the Carteret County Mayors' Comm. For Persons with Disabilities
 Member of the PKS Land Use Comm.
 Precinct Election Judge for PKS
 Past PKS Women's Club Secretary
 Past PKS Women's Club Vice President
 Two Years as President of Women's Club
 Treasurer, Bogue Banks Investment Club
 PKA Director for Architectural Control, 2 years
 Advisory Committee for the NC Aquarium at PKS for 3 year term.
 Charter Member of All Saints Episcopal Church

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