

JOSEPH HENRY SCHERRER DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS

JOE SCHERRER WAS IDENTIFIED AS A LEADER BY HIS PEERS AND TEACHERS. HE WAS THE VALEDICTORIAN OF HERCULANEUM'S CLASS OF 1985, STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT, AND ON THE 1983 STATE CROSS COUNTRY TEAM.

JOE COLLECTED MANY OF THE SCHOLARSHIPS AT THE SENIOR AWARDS CEREMONY. MOST NOTABLE OF THOSE BEING ROTC SCHOLARSHIPS FROM THE ARMY, NAVY, AND AIR FORCE, SEMO'S PRESIDENT'S SCHOLARSHIP AND THE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY ENGINEERING SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP.

JOE BEGAN HIS AIR FORCE CAREER AT WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY WHERE HE WAS A DISTINGUISHED GRADUATE OF THE AIR FORCE RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS PROGRAM IN 1989. HE ALSO HAS A MASTER OF SCIENCE FROM BOSTON UNIVERSITY, MASTER OF SCIENCE FROM THE AIR FORCE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, AND MASTER OF ARTS DEGREES FROM BOTH THE AIR AND NAVAL WAR COLLEGES.

HE WENT ON TO SERVE AS A COLONEL IN THE AIR FORCE AND PARTICIPATED IN SEVERAL THEATER OPERATIONS. HIS NATURAL LEADERSHIP SKILLS LED HIM THROUGH SEVERAL COMMANDING POSITIONS AND IMPORTANT STAFF ASSIGNMENTS INCLUDING THE PENTAGON'S JOINT STAFF.

AFTER A VERY DISTINGUISHED 24-YEAR CAREER IN THE AIR FORCE, JOE RETIRED AND RETURNED TO MISSOURI WITH HIS WIFE, DINA, AND CONTINUES TO BE A POSITIVE INFLUENCE IN HIS COMMUNITY. HE IS PURSUING A DOCTORATE THROUGH WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY WHERE HE CONTINUES TO SERVE AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE MCKELVEY SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING. HE IS ALSO AN EXECUTIVE AND LEADERSHIP COACH AND BUSINESS GROWTH STRATEGIST AND AUTHOR OF *"THE LEADERSHIP FORGE: 50 FIRE-TESTED INSIGHTS TO SOLVE YOUR TOUGHEST PROBLEMS, CARE FOR YOUR PEOPLE, AND GET GREAT RESULTS."*