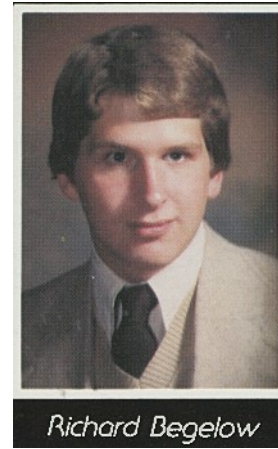


Richard Stanley Bigelow was born 15 June 1965, New York. He graduated in 1983 from Okemos High School. According to the Lansing State Journal, Tuesday, September 28, 1982, Richard was "one of 41 seniors from 21 area high schools selected as a semi-finalist for scholarships to be awarded through the National Merit Scholarship program in 1983."



Lansing State Journal, March 18, 1980

Top orators chosen

Richard Bigelow of Okemos and Mary Baur of Waverly high schools won the annual oratorical contest of the Optimist Club International recently. They are to participate in regional competition in Grand Rapids next month.

Dan Kaser and Jon English, both of Waverly West Junior High, won second and third place in the boys' division. Brenda Kooistra of Waverly East and Diane Rodriguez of Waverly West won second and third place in the girls' division.

Other participants included Craig Ramsdell and Sonya Laurence of East Lansing; Danton Cole, Peter Bosanic, Juenne Balluff of Waverly East Junior High; and Lynne Russell, Kinawa Middle School.

Another Great Performance

Mollie Emily Ball
 Giles Andrew Roth
 Mrs. Boyle Lisa Schwartz
 Christopher Wren ... Will Carlson
 Sgr. Trotter Richard Bigelow
 Miss Casewell Elisabeth Miley
 Major Mercalf Todd Johnson
 Paravicini Bramlett Hamilton

Stage Manager ... Paige Joseph
 Costuming Head ... Elise Wallach
 Lighting Head ... Jeff Williams
 STAGE CREW LIGHTING CREW

S. Barcheski
 P. Davidson
 D. Kurtz
 J. Marttila
 T. Pickell
 J. Rosenberg

B. Stevens
 B. Bitz
 G. Burgess
 D. Kurtz
 S. Stewart

Forensics

The Forensics Team is divided into six categories, each person competing in one specific category. The categories are serious interpretation — **Julie Mermelstein**, Humorous Interpretation — **Scott Brooks**, Radio Broadcasting — **Alex Yen** (District Winner), Informative Speaking — **Brian West** (C.M.U. Tournament first place winner), Story Telling — **Kathy Chen** and **Heidi Schramm**, and Duo Interpretation — **Lisa Schwartz** and **Richard Bigelow** (District winners).



The Few, The Proud, The Quiz Bowl Team

*The Quiz Bowl team consisting of **Lora Wildenthal**, Captain, **Peter Graham**, **Steve Creswell**, **Jeff Welser**, **Richard Bigelow** and **Eugene Tsai** under the organization of **Scott Purvis**, achieved a record of 2 and 1 for the year. They were successful against Highland Park, which forfeited and Carman High School with a score of 335-170. A close contest with last year's runner-up, Bloomfield Hills Andover ended in defeat with a score of 150-170. A valiant effort by the total team who deserve congratulations for the year's competition.*



Richard died 22 January 2010, Las Vegas, Clark County, Nevada.

Notification of Richard's death was provided by retired Social Studies teacher, [Steve Thomas](#). Thank you for "looking after" your students.