The Richard M. Mader Memorial at Brush High School was re-dedicated in 1998. Originally hung in January, 1971, the memorial plaque contains the names of seven Brush High School graduates who lost their lives in Vietnam.

Richard M. Mader Memorial

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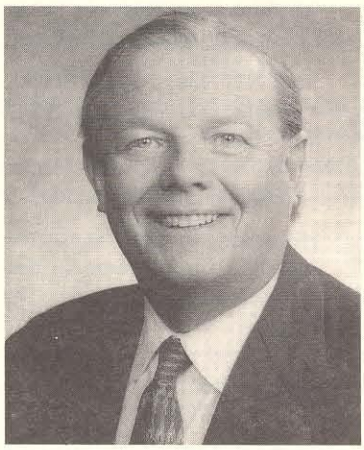
Bank President Robert W. Gillespie, Class of 1962

In 1995, Robert W. Gillespie was added to the Charles F. Brush High School Alumni Association's Hall of Fame.



After graduation from Brush High School, Robert Gillespie embarked on a path leading to the position of chief executive officer and president of KeyCorp, the former Society National Bank Corporation.

He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics at Ohio Wesleyan University and is a graduate of the Harvard University Graduate School of Business Advanced Management Program. While completing graduate studies at Case Western Reserve University, where he received his Master of Business Administration, he worked part-time at Society Bank.

Upon graduation, Robert Gillespie joined the bank on a full-time basis, beginning as a credit analyst. He worked his way up to serving as executive vice president, then vice chairman and chief operating officer of Society National Bank. He served as president from the time of the merger of KeyCorp and Society Corporation in March 1994 until May 1997. He has been chief executive officer since September, 1995 and was elected chairman in September, 1996.

In addition to his career in banking, Mr. Gillespie has been active in a number of civic organizations. He has served on the boards of trustees of The Cleveland Museum of Art, the United Way, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland Initiative for Education, the Greater Cleveland Roundtable, Cleveland Tomorrow, Musical Arts Association, and the Greater Cleveland Growth Association. He is also vice president of the Bankers' Roundtable and is a member of the Board of Directors of the American Bankers Association. Every year, he adds more responsibilities and organizations to an already hectic life.

His teenage years were spent on South Belvoir Boulevard. Robert Gillespie, his wife, Ann, and their two children live in Gates Mills, Ohio.

Astronaut Carl E. Walz, Class of 1973

In 1995, the Charles F. Brush High School Alumni Association named Astronaut Carl E. Walz to the Alumni Hall of Fame. Lieutenant Colonel, USAF and NASA Astronaut, Carl Walz graduated from Brush High School in 1973. He had also attended Memorial Junior High School.

He dreamed of being an astronaut ever since he watched the lunar landing on television in the living room of his South Euclid home in 1969.

"I was inspired to become an astronaut because of the example of Ohio astronauts like John Glenn and Neil Armstrong," he said.

At Brush High School, Walz was involved in football, wrestling, and vocal music. He was also a member of the "Blue Moons" singing group, playing keyboards and performing vocals. His interest in science and his decision to select physics as a college major were strongly influenced by Mr. Al Eich, his physics teacher at Brush.

Walz went on to earn a Bachelor of Science degree in Physics from Kent State University in 1977, graduating Summa Cum Laude. In 1979, he graduated from John Carroll University with a Master of Science in solid state physics.

Commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Air Force, he was assigned to McClellan Air Force Base in California. He worked as a Radiochemical Project Officer, responsible for the analysis of radioactive samples from the Atomic Energy Detection System at the 1155th Technical Operations Squadron.

In 1983, Walz was a Flight Test Engineer at the USAF Test Pilot School at Edwards Air Force Base in California. From 1984 to 1987, he was assigned as a Flight Test Engineer to the F-16 Combined Test Force.

He logged over 250 flight test hours in the F-16. He later served as a Flight Test Manager at Detachment 3, Air Force Flight Test Center.

In 1990, Carl Walz was selected by NASA and, in 1991, became an astronaut. A veteran of three space flights, Walz logged over 833 hours (34.5 days) in space.

From September 12-22, 1993, he made his first space flight, serving as a Mission Specialist. The crew of five aboard space shuttle *Discovery* deployed the U.S. Advanced Communications Technology Satellite (ACTS), and the Shuttle Pallet Satellite (SPAS) with NASA and German scientific experiments aboard. Walz also participated in a seven-hour space walk to evaluate tools for the Hubble Space Telescope servicing mission. Following 158 orbits of the earth, the mission concluded with the first night landing at the Kennedy Space Center.

His second journey into space was from July 8-23,1994, as the Orbital Flight Engineer. One of a crew of seven aboard the space shuttle Columbia, he flew the second International Microgravity Laboratory spacelab module. During the 15-day flight, the crew conducted more than 80 experiments focusing on materials and life sciences research on microgravity. Walz carried a quilt made by students from Greenview Upper Elementary School on the mission. He also carried the official flag of South Euclid which was later presented to the mayor with a commemorative plaque. The flag went to Brush High School for display. This mission completed 236 orbits of the earth, traveling 6.1 million miles and setting a new flight duration record for the Shuttle program.

From September 16-26, 1996, Walz was a Mission Specialist aboard the shuttle *Atlantis*. The shuttle, with its six-member crew, docked with the Russian space station *Mir*. They delivered food, water, U.S. scientific experiments, and Russian equipment. They also exchanged crew members. Astronaut John Blaha was brought to *Mir* while Shannon Lucid was being returned to earth. During the mission, the *Atlantis-Mir* complex set a record for docked mass in space. It was also the first flight of the double Spacelab module.

Carl Walz hopes to help build the International Space Station. In the meantime, he is prepared for participation in more shuttle flights. He is the husband of Pamela J. Glady (originally from Lyndhurst and the granddaughter of late South Euclid Mayor George Urban). They have two children and live in Texas. Walz also enjoys sports, plays the piano, and is the lead singer (with other astronauts) in the "Max q" rock and roll band. The band's name comes from an instrument panel measure for aerodynamic pressure.

The South Euclid-Lyndhurst School District
Chronology

1803 Ohio became a state.

1809 Euclid Township was incorporated.

1828 Euclid Township was divided into nine school districts. South Euclid was number seven at the time.

1843 Land was purchased by the Board of Education at the intersection of Richmond and Mayfield roads.

1845 A school was built in District 2 at the intersection of Mayfield and Green roads.

1866 The Little Red Schoolhouse was built in District 4 at the intersection of Mayfield and Richmond roads.

1877 A one-room schoolhouse was built at Green and Bluestone roads.

1894 First high school was built at North Street in Euclid.

1900 Euclid Township boasted of having eleven, one-room schools.

1903 Euclid Village was incorporated.

1912 South Euclid built a high school at the site of the present Key Bank parking lot on Green Road. "Higher education" was defined as the 9th and 10th grades.

1913 George H. Knappenberger was named superintendent of schools.

1916 The first class graduated from South Euclid High School. The PTA was established.

1917 South Euclid Village became incorporated. District 4 School at Richmond and Mayfield was closed.

1918 Richmond Road School re-opened as Euclidville Village School.

1920 Euclidville was renamed Lyndhurst. O.J. Korb was named superintendent of schools, replacing George Knappenberger. Victory Park School was built.

1924 The Little Red Schoolhouse was moved 100 yards south. A new Lyndhurst Village School was built at the intersection of Richmond and Mayfield roads. The County School Board ordered the merger of South Euclid and Lyndhurst School Districts.

1927 A single high school for both communities, Brush High School was opened.

1928 A PTA was formed at Brush High School.

1929 Part of Richmond Heights was included in the South Euclid-Lyndhurst School District.

1939 C.R. Dustin replaced O.J. Korb as superintendent of schools.

1949 Memorial and Rowland schools were built.

1950 Bolton School was built.

1952 Anderson School was built.

1953 Adrian School was built.

Robert Timmons was named superintendent of schools.

1954 Lowden School was built.

Sunview School was built.

1955 Southlyn School was built.

1958 Alan Shankland was named superintendent of schools.

Greenview Junior High School was opened.

1959 Ridgebury and Greenview schools were built.

The Education Research Council of Greater Cleveland was formed to update teaching methods.

1960 The first foreign language laboratory was established at Brush High School.

1966 Co-Op, Vo-Ed work/study courses began at Brush High School.

Dr. Marvin Maire was named superintendent of schools.

1967 The Head Start program began.

1968 The first computers were used for math instruction.

The Superintendents Advisory Council was established with 12 members.

1970 The first decline in enrollment was recorded.

A new report card was issued with failing grades abolished. New levels rated a student at "outstanding, satisfactory, or needs improvement."

1971 The first computer was installed for administrative records.

1972 The Richmond Road School was closed.

1976 Bruce Holderbaum was named superintendent of schools.

Brush students were entered into the Guinness Book of World Records for "longest continuous soccer game."

1977 Cuyahoga Community College leased space at Brush High School for classes.

A brown- bag lunch program began for elementary school students. Brush High School celebrated its 50th birthday.

1978 Dr. Henry Kurdziel became superintendent of schools.

All district buildings were renovated to make them handicapped-accessible.

1980 A five-year plan was outlined. Victory Park School was closed.

1981 The school board's administrative offices were moved to the renovated Richmond Road School building.

Greenview School was closed.

1982 Anderson School was closed.

1983 Bolton School was closed.

The Victory Park property was sold to Acme grocery.

1984 Anderson, Greenview, and Bolton buildings were leased to nonpublic institutions.

1985 The Brush baseball team were runners-up in the state championship.

1986 Dr. Lawrence L. Marazza was named superintendent of schools.

1989 Enrollment was up for the first time in twenty years.

1990 Greenview School was re-opened as an upper elementary school.

1993 Project LITE was initiated. Classrooms were connected via computer to outside sources for instruction.

1997 The district was developing a plan to accommodate an expected increased enrollment over the next five years.

1998 William J. Zelei became superintendent of schools.

Memorial Junior High School observed its 50th anniversary.

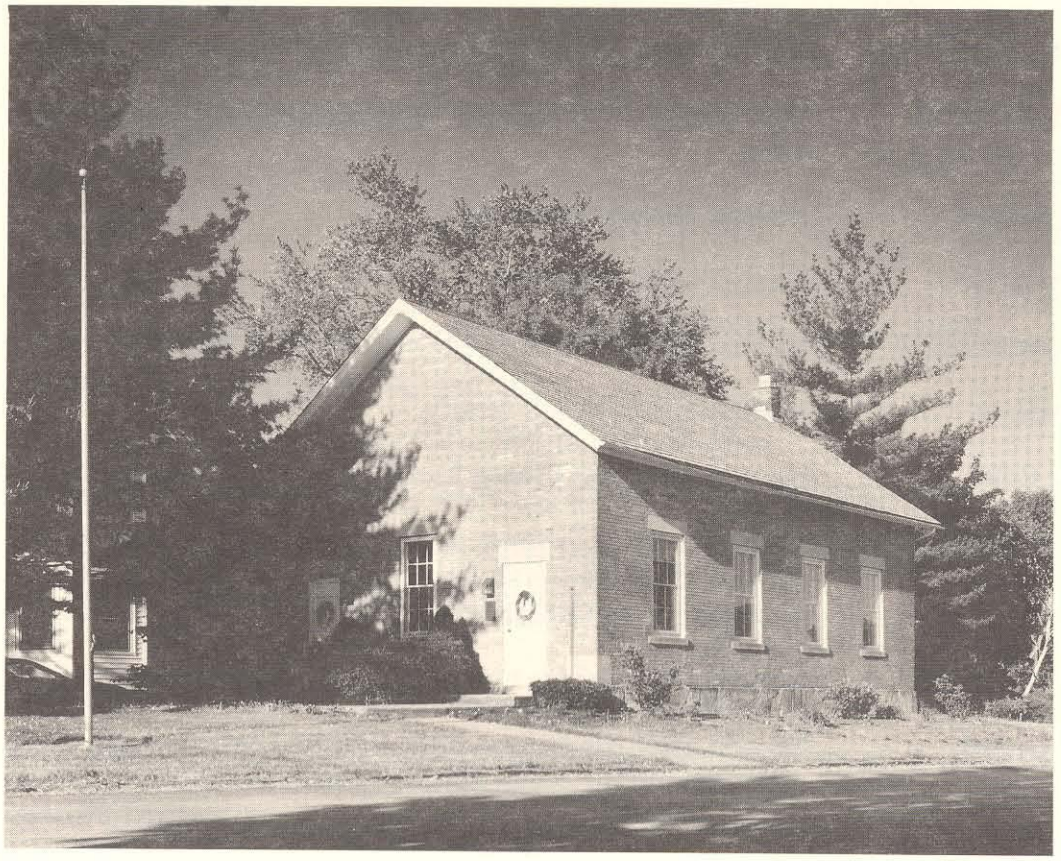
The school district narrowly passed a 6.9 mill operating levy.

Contracts were awarded for the new Korb Field project.

The school system acquired the land and building housing the First Church of Christ Scientist on Mayfield Road next to Brush High School. The property is to be used for additional student parking and possible expansion of the high school.

1999 Construction of Korb Field began.

The Early Childhood Learning Center opened at Rowland Elementary School.



Did You Know? . . .
Origins of Some Street Names in South Euclid

Green Road	Because there was always grass growing in the middle of it. Was originally called Telling Road, after the Telling Dairy family.
Anderson Road	Was formerly called Whigham Road, after the Whigham family who had farm property on it. Anderson Road was named after Barney Anderson, another prominent farmer.
Telhurst Road	Was influenced by the Telling family.
Ardendale	Named after Dr. Justin B. Rowland's son, Arden. Dr. Rowland had developed the street.
McFarland Road	Was named for the farm of Duncan McFarland.
Ammon Road	Named after a family who owned farm property there.
Bluestone Road	Was named because of the bluestone quarries that were in that area.
Liberty Road	Named during World War I.
Victory Drive	Named after World War I.
Rainbow Road	Named for its access to the old Rainbow Hospital.
Dill Avenue	Named after the Dill family.
Prasse Road	Named after the Prasse family, owners of the Prasse Basket Factory.
Dorsh Road	Named after the Dorsh family who once owned a cherry orchard at Mayfield and Dorsh roads.
Urban Drive	Named after George Urban, former mayor of South Euclid.
Beaconwood	Named after the beacon light that had been located there for airplanes flying to the Cleveland Airport, which was located at the south end of the street. It was formerly called Wood Road, but residents agreed to change its name when mail deliveries became confused with Wood Road in Cleveland Heights.
Ruple Road	Named after property owner, M. Ruple.

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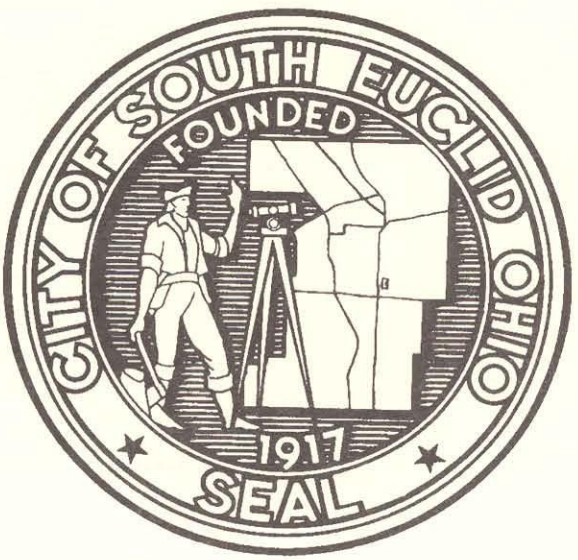

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