



Christian Anderson

Chairman of the Board
Valparaiso Lakes Area Conservancy District

I am a lifelong resident of Porter County, as were my parents.

I graduated from Chesterton High School. I received my associate degree from Vincennes University, my bachelor's degree from Valparaiso University, and my master's degree from Valparaiso University.

I served two years in the Navy during Viet Nam and was honorably discharged.

I served on the Porter County Council for eight years, as well as being President of the Council for several years being elected at large, representing the entire county. One of my proudest moments while serving on the Council was the acquisition of Sunset Hill Farm for a County Park.

I was also involved in residential construction with my dad. My family and I started Magnificent Obsession, an old-fashioned ice cream parlor and restaurant in a 1870's building we restored.

For a year I served as a purchasing agent for the State of Indiana, Department of Administration. I reviewed contracts and purchased items after making sure all specifications have been met. I left this job when my dad acquired Alzheimer's.

I served on the Board of Directors of the Indiana Lakes Management Society for several years as well as being the Treasurer. I also serve as Treasurer for the Valparaiso Chain of Lakes Watershed Group and Burlington Beach Homeowners Association.

For approximately fourteen years I was Community Manager of Shorewood Forest which included maintaining beautiful Louise Lake.

I finally thought about retirement, but that was not for me, I have worked for seven years at the Burlington Beach Family Express, which has been an awesome experience. Getting to know and visit so many individuals is the best part of the job.

I currently serve as Chairperson of the Valparaiso Lakes Area Conservancy District. A job which involves me and other board members controlling erosion and sediment damage to our beautiful Chain of Lakes and the surrounding area, which is of the utmost importance to us all.