



Duncan L. Niederauer

Duncan Niederauer attended South Country Day School, Bay Shore Junior High School and Bay Shore High School. He played trumpet in the Jazz band, and played tennis throughout his high school years for what he remembers as one of the best high school tennis teams in the country, thanks to the great coaching of two other Bay Shore High School Hall of Famers, Allan and King VanNostrand. After school was all about finding excuses to go to Leggio's for the best ham, mozzarella and pepperoni hero on the planet. Duncan's parents, William Niederauer, who immigrated to the U.S. from Germany in 1928, and Doris Eckenrode, both attended BSHS as well (graduating in 1942), as did his sister Tracy, who graduated in 1981. He and his parents all had Cliff LaPlatney (another BSHS Hall of Famer) for Chemistry, 35 years apart!

After graduating from BSHS in 1977, Duncan was awarded a BA in Economics from Colgate University, where he had the opportunity to deliver the commencement address to the graduating class of 2013 earlier this year. After two years managing restaurants in Atlanta, GA, Duncan went to Emory University as a Woodruff Fellow and graduated with an MBA in 1985. He spent 22 years at Goldman Sachs, including a stint in Tokyo from 1992-1995, and he joined the NYSE as its President in 2007. He became the CEO later that year, a position he has held since then.

Much of Duncan's philosophy in life has been to take the road less traveled and to leave every situation better than he found it. He has made it a priority to give back in both his professional and personal life. He sits on the boards of the Medal of Honor Foundation, Operation Hope and the Committee to Encourage Corporate Philanthropy, among others. He was instrumental in driving the JOBS Act legislation, which he believed would help small companies and Main Street and he is a tireless advocate for our country's servicemen and women. He and his wife Alison co-chaired the Newmark School's "Destination of Promise" campaign, which resulted in the opening of a state of the art special needs school for 200 children in New Jersey in 2013.

Duncan and Alison reside in Far Hills, NJ, and have three children. Amanda, 27, is in her third year at Fordham Law School; Liam, 16, attends the Newmark School in Scotch Plains, NJ; and Eva, 13, attends Far Hills Country Day School in Far Hills, NJ. The family's favorite places away from home are Vail, Colorado and Tuscany, Italy.

