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November 1, 1987,

I opened  
up  
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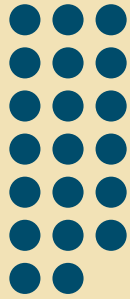
office.

# I had

*4 employees,*



*about 20 projects,*



*and was writing my 3rd book.*



*I had a wife,*



*both parents,*



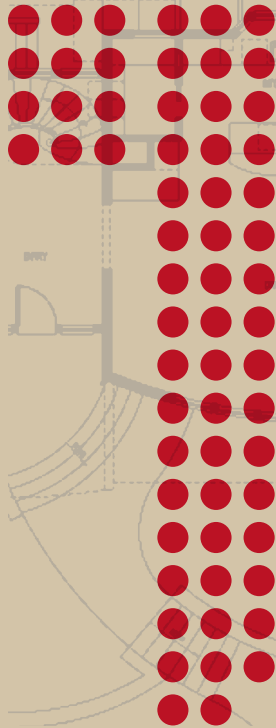
*and no children.*



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# 20 years later, I have

*a dozen people who work with me*



*on about 50 projects.*

*I'm working on the 7th (and 8th) book(s)*

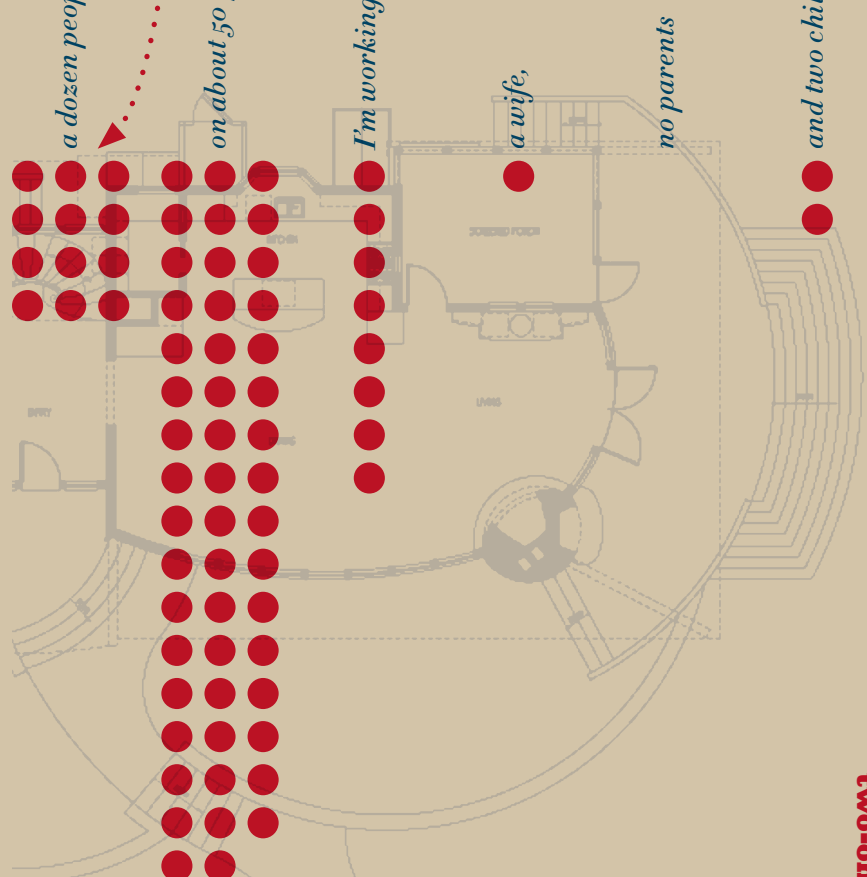


*a wife,*



*no parents*

*and two children.*



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# *The single abiding*

*CONSTANT OF MY PROFESSIONAL LIFE HAS BEEN THE*

*INVIGORATING AND GENEROUS CLIENTS I HAVE*

*HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF WORKING*

*WITH EVERY DAY.*

*ABOUT FOUR*

*HUNDRED FAMILIES, ABOUT*

*FIFTY NOT-FOR-PROFIT INSTITUTIONS, THE*

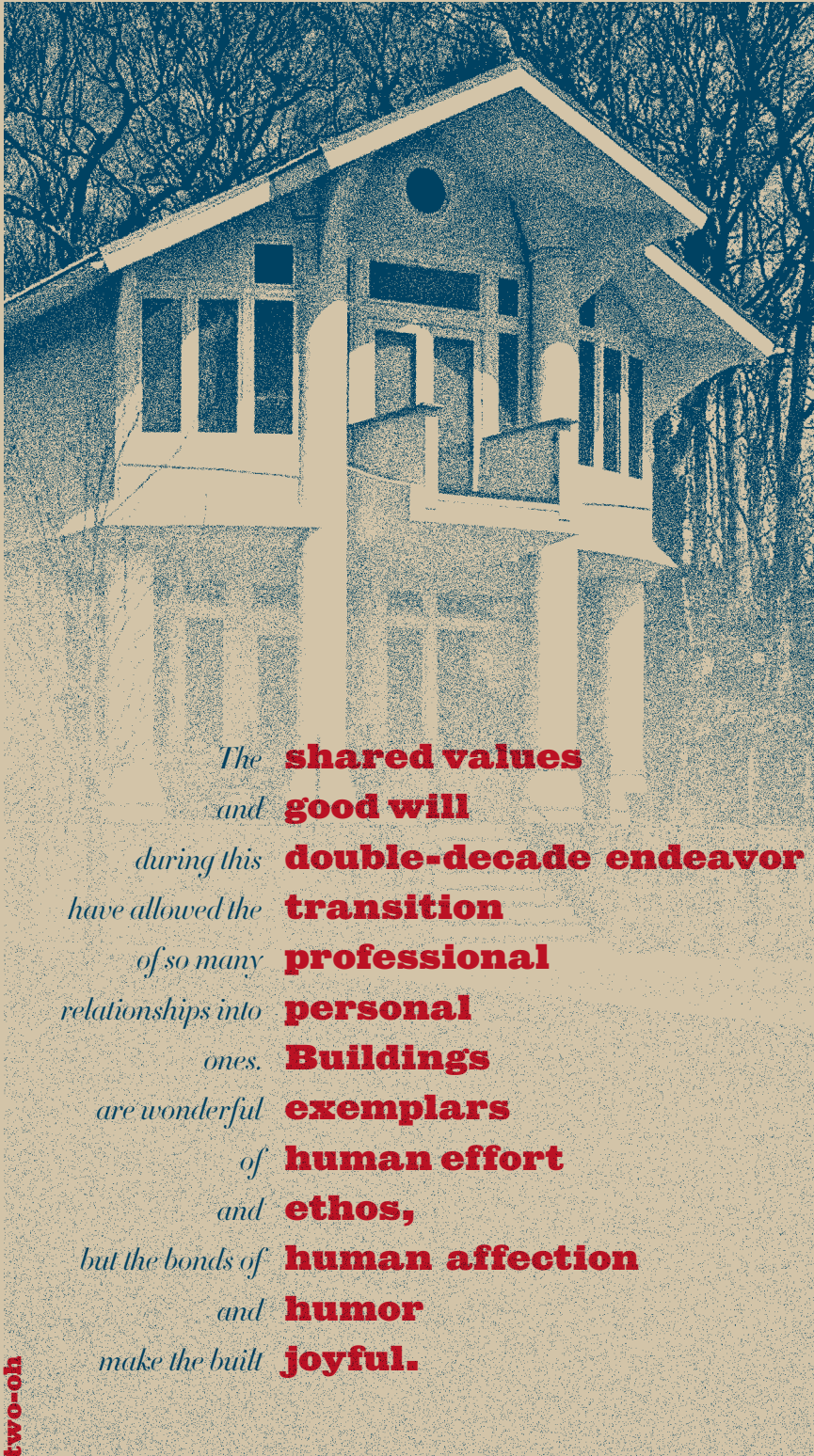
*OCCASIONAL BUSINESS ALONG WITH INSIGHTFUL*

*EDITORS, COMMITTED BUILDERS, AND ARTISANS OF*

*EVERY STRIPE HAVE GIVEN ME A WELLSPRING OF HUMAN*

# **Inspiration**

**It would seem that only Liz and I are the constants in this, but that's decidedly not true.**

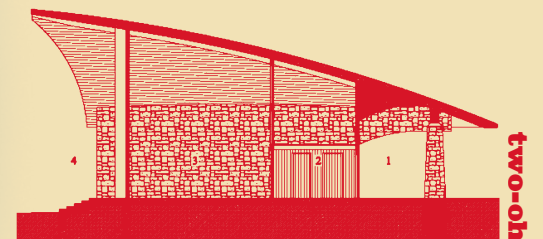


*The* **shared values**  
*and* **good will**  
*during this* **double-decade endeavor**  
*have allowed the* **transition**  
*of so many* **professional**  
*relationships into* **personal**  
*ones.* **Buildings**  
*are wonderful* **exemplars**  
*of* **human effort**  
*and* **ethos,**  
*but the bonds of* **human affection**  
*and* **humor**  
*make the built* **joyful.**

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# LONGER BETTER

I realized I couldn't do anything other than what I am doing (it's either a "sick fever" or a pathetic addiction) but the fact that I've been blessed with so many wonderful people to walk through this time with (you among them) has revealed an unexpected and giddy truth that the things I value have joined with people I respect, trust and often like to make the last 20 years exciting, invigorating, and exhausting in their fulfillment.



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**THANK YOU.** *A truly inadequate word, but all I've got.*

1987 - 2007  
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