

Career Dreams
(Through the Years)

At five, an insurance salesman
(my father was my hero)

At nine, an NFL punter
(the Dolphins were my new heroes,
and their punter saw lots of action)

At 16, NFL broadcaster
(I "outgrew" punter,
crept closer to professional observer)

At 19, journalist
(where my experience was)
At 22, sports media relations
(where my experience was)

At 24, business media relations
At 24 and six months, journalist
At 24 and seven months, soccer referee
At 24 and eight months, junior college instructor

At 25, middle school teacher
first, teaching the struggling readers,
then, "working up" to "regular" readers,
after which, promoted to "the gifted"
and that meant...

At 26, professional student
(still middle school teacher,
but in school again
for certification in gifted)

At 28, marathoner
(back out of school,
new time-consuming hobby needed –
still middle school teacher)

At 31, Boston marathoner
(still middle school teacher,
although the hobby moved the
career to the backseat)

At 32, teacher, again
(what's next???)