

## **Peterick Programming**

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Cover Letter

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I have been programming and exploring the limits of computers since the late seventies. My first computer was the Tandy COCO II with 64K of Ram wow what fun, I quickly learned basic and mastered its skills.

My high school had a tie in to MECC, Minnesota Educational Computing Consortium, and we programmed on a teletypewriter in BASIC and FORTRAN. I worked with a number of keen individuals and my senior year of high school I took a class at SCSU with Dr. Cron, PhD and Dr. Stanley Lewis, PhD.

When I left high school, with not too many honors, I was offered a position at the University of Wisconsin Green Bay Programming Services under Dr. David Jowett, PhD. At the University of Wisconsin – Green Bay as a programmer and my quest was set for life.

Dr. Jowett was a statistician and partly wrote Minitab in Berkeley.

I loved programming that was all we did ate and slept for the year I was there. However, I forgot to go to classes....So I came back home and not knowing what to do I went into the United States Air Force..."To Grow Up"...I did...I saw the world and experienced many cultures and ideas and as soon as I got out I immediately started to amass my education. I started at North Hennepin Community College and was hired by Dr. Dennis Stukonburg the financial aid administrator to work with an System 36 BASIC and APPLE IIE and running DBASE III+ cross comparison on an database based on an SPSS crosstab analysis of student loan hit accounts then we would feed the information into an real primitive ("this is real old –1992") automated caller.

After I graduated from there I ended up in Colorado and was recruited by Colorado Christian University. I loved it, the air, the mountains, and the people— fantastic. I was hired as a programmer by Bank Line MidAmerican on an IBM RISC 6000 in PICK Basic. They were basically a bank processing company six banks, so very small by all regards, with MICOM data Stat-multiplexors. I made a number of firm relationships there Connie Richardson was my boss and my mentor and an excellent Boss.

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When they closed up doors, I was hired by Vecta Bank where I was hired as a programmer/operator. This was stress—talk about going from the bath into the bath water they had about 25 branches and at least once an month it would require an 18+ hour day.

From there I left for more soothing pastures to College America a Private for Profit programming school in Colorado. I loved teaching. I loved teaching the students something new. I was always an instructor that wanted to push the outside of the envelope, my students appreciated that. When we began we only taught C++ when I left we were teaching the full scenario of c#,C++,VB,Assembler,Java and the sky was the limit.

I would like to open the “stage” and make the students become the players of life.

By then my Master’s in Computer Information Systems had been completed, I needed money.

I got an offer from TeleTech an CTI firm in Denver, it stands for, Computer Telephony Integration—basically means making the phone and the computer one—ever see “Three Days of the Condor when Robert Redford is at the ‘Switch’ and messing around with the call” that is all true except that it is all on an computer; anywhere!

It was a good offer, really good.... I got Genesys certified a CTI certification also Rational Rose certified an UML, Uniform Modeling Language Cert too. After all the cert’s I went around the world and installed the systems. It was a blast!

I worked there for about five years then I got a call from a recruiter in Dallas, I did not think it could be topped—until I heard about BMC Software.

I was flown down “private” they had their own gym their own cafeteria, volleyball court, basketball court. Sauna.

I met with Lloyd McBride and we immediately hit off he was an Apache Pilot in the Guard and he made me an great offer that I could not turn down; next week I was there putting in six day 50 hour weeks and loving it.

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After about five years of that we had the .com bust and I got layed off and my father, in Minnesota suggested I recoup my losses and stay with him thinking the worst of it 9-11. So I lived on my small disability that I got while I was in the military, my father passed away 10-07-2007.

So, that's it gentlemen and ladies. With that I humbly submit this to you, as always if you have any questions please free to ask.

Warmest Regards,



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