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Rick forgave his parents for making him take piano lessons when a friend's "rock band" needed a keyboard player. He later joined a slightly bigger band with trombone in hand, leading to a lifelong love of music. He believes in the power of music to open hearts, enrich lives and build community.

As corporate affairs manager for Intel in Washington, Rick worked with school districts and community organizations to support science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) education programs that engage and motivate students. Prior to joining Intel, Rick spent 20 years in broadcast journalism, working for radio and television stations in Washington, Oregon and Idaho.

He lives in Gig Harbor with his wife, Sue Barrett, and a pesky cat named Piccolo.