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As a songwriter, he has had songs recorded by Crystal Gayle, T. G. Sheppard, Marie Osmond, Johnny Lee, Gus Hardin, David Slater and others. One of his most recent accomplishments was being admitted to the Fulbright Specialist Program and selected to complete a short teaching assignment in the Leisure Management Program at the University of Applied Arts and Sciences of Southern Switzerland in Lugano, Switzerland.

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