

# ZANESVILLE ALUMNI NEWS

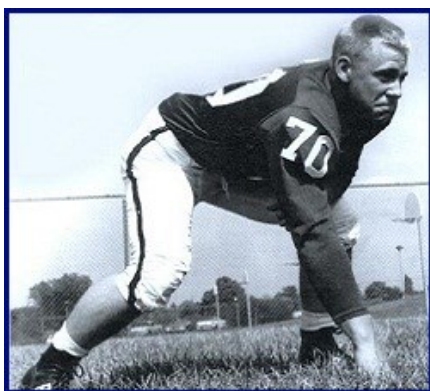


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## JOHN D. SULSBERGER MEMORIAL STADIUM



John D. Sulsberger—Photo from ZHS Quarterback Club Website.

**J**ohn Sulsberger was a young man who seemed to have everything going for him.

He was handsome, intelligent, friendly and athletically gifted. An All-Ohio football selection as an offensive lineman, in 1963, he was the only Zanesville Blue Devil selected to play in an all-star game. He was a defensive tackle for the Blue Devils and was named to the All-Central Ohio League offensive and defensive teams.

Sulsberger was considered the finest offensive lineman and later received a scholarship to play football for Woody Hayes at Ohio State University.

In those days, college freshmen could not play on the varsity team, but they had their own coach and schedule. Several games into the season, Sulsberger seemed to lack energy and drive. The medical staff discovered he was suffering from cancer.

According to a December 21, 1963 article in the Times Recorder, "The former Zanesville High School football star was first hospitalized at Good Samaritan and subsequently underwent surgery at University Hospital in Columbus. He was released from University December 10."

As late as the December 10, some were optimistic he could make a full recovery. A caption in the TR for that day stated: "John Sulsberger, All-Ohio guard from Zanesville, confers with Ohio State Coach Woody Hayes while his father, Dr. J. Diehl Sulsberger looks on. Sulsberger was awarded a sweater and numeral for his performance with the Buckeye freshmen team over the last season. Despite a six-week stay in University Hospital recovering from an operation, Sulsberger was credited by freshmen coach Glenn "Tiger" Ellison as being the outstanding lineman on the first year squad. Sulsberger will be one of the top candidates next season for the offensive guard job vacated by the graduation of Tom Jenkins."

Just 11 days later, the TR reported the tragic news: "John Diehl Sulsberger, 18, son of Dr. and Mrs. J. Diehl Sulsberger of Dresden road, died at 10:45 a.m. Friday (Dec. 20th) in Good Samaritan Hospital where he had been a patient since Dec. 12. Death was attributed to cancer."

The Sulsbergers, along with more than 400 community donors, made possible the construction of an on-campus stadium as a memorial to him. The Dunzweiler Construction company was paid \$216,925 to complete the project.

On Nov. 8, 1964, the TR's Sherry Dinan announced the stadium dedication was set: "The John D. Sulsberger Memorial Stadium, a monument to one of Zanesville High School's finest athletes, will be dedicated Friday night when the Blue Devils football team plays Newark."



Standing room only at John D. Sulsberger Memorial Stadium on October 11, 1969. (Photo: Times Recorder file photo)

"More than 8,000 fans — the largest crowd to see a football game here in many years — are expected to be on hand for the ceremonies and game."

Another article in that day's paper revealed the main speaker at the dedication: "Woody Hayes, Ohio State University grid coach, will give the main address at the dedication. ...

"Woody's selection for the dedicatory address is of special interest to anyone glancing at a souvenir program of the dedication of the Municipal Stadium Sept. 20, 1940. On that occasion Woody was coach for New Philadelphia, a team that bowed to the Blue Devils 26 to 13."

On the

13th Hayes spoke to an overflow crowd: "You are to be congratulated for this fine stadium and what it represents. Be sure to respect it and appreciate this grand structure. ... John Sulsberger could have paid his way through school, but I insisted he come to Ohio State on a football scholarship for just one reason: he earned it.

George Vlrebome, the Zanesville football coach, hoped that, "All the athletes who use the new stadium might become as upright in their way of life as was John Sulsberger."

After the dedication, the Blue Devils took on arch-rival Newark. Both teams entered the contest with 8-1 season marks and 3-1 Central Ohio League records. Newark won the contest by a score of 6-0.



Ohio State football coach Woody Hayes speaks at the opening ceremonies for John D. Sulsberger Memorial Stadium on November 13, 1964. (Photo: Times Recorder file photo)



Workers lay the foundation for John D. Sulsberger Memorial Stadium on July 19, 1964. (Photo: Times Recorder file photo)



Construction workers work on John D. Sulsberger Memorial Stadium on August 16, 1964. (Photo: Times Recorder file photo)



Sulsberger Memorial Stadium under construction on November 8, 1964. (Photo: Times Recorder file photo)



John D. Sulsberger Memorial Stadium on January 27, 1970. (Photo: Times Recorder file photo)



Blue Devils fans know the legend — John Sulsberger once pointed out to his football teammates where a nice stadium could be built on the ZHS campus — and that's exactly where one was built following his tragic death in 1963. On Aug. 28, 2009, prior to the Blue Devils' game with Newark, a special donor recognition area was dedicated and it includes a life-sized statue of John Sulsberger, created by local sculptor Alan Cottrill.

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### Useful Links

#### Take the time and browse through these websites:

- ◆ [www.zanesville.k12.oh.us](http://www.zanesville.k12.oh.us)  
Helpful information about Zanesville City Schools including but not limited to academics and athletics
- ◆ [www.zhsqbclub.com](http://www.zhsqbclub.com)  
Information about the ZHS Quarterback Club, videos, history and photos of the building of the John D. Sulsberger Stadium



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## MR. MARTIN TO BE HONORED JUNE 14TH

The entire Zanesville City Schools staff and the public is invited to a celebration Sunday, June 14, to honor Terry Martin for his 42 years of commitment to educating the children of Zanesville. The event will be from 1 to 3:00 p.m. in the Zanesville High School Cafetorium. Mr. Martin, who is a ZHS alumnus (Class of 1969), has served as a teacher, coach, principal, and district-level administrator—the last nine as superintendent—over more than four decades in education. He will be leaving the district at the end of July.

# 2015 Alumni Homecoming Dinner

Once again, the Zanesville Alumni Association is planning an alumni dinner at ZHS on Friday, September 18, 2015 prior to the Homecoming Football Game. Our opponent that evening will be Tri-Valley. Our alumni dinner usually have over 200 alumni, families, and friends attending. Several ZHS classes have used this as an opportunity for a mini-reunion. The ZAA has committed to having this Alumni Dinner every fall on the night of the Homecoming Game. Besides enjoying a good meal of lasagna, salad, bread stick, dessert and beverage, football game tickets will be offered at a discount price. Those in attendance may go to the stadium to watch the game or stay in the cafetorium and watch through the large window overlooking the football field or view on the large screen. Tickets for the dinner are \$10.00 per person and are available for purchase at General Graphics on Dresden Road from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm daily or from alumni members starting in mid-July. You may also phone the Alumni office at 740-588-5563 or email us [zaa@zanesville.k12.oh.us](mailto:zaa@zanesville.k12.oh.us) for ticket information and purchase. We hope to see many take advantage of this evening - enjoying a meal, the game and time catching up with fellow alumni, family, and friends.



## ZAA DISCOUNT CARD FUNDRAISER

Now available are the new Zanesville Alumni Association 2015-2016 Discount Cards for the cost of \$10. A large portion of the proceeds will go to the ZAA Scholarship Fund where this year we again awarded \$1,000 scholarships to four deserving graduating seniors. These cards are good through May 2016. Keep in

mind these make great gifts for anyone and could be used as door prizes at reunions. The card is shown here with the discounts being offered as well as the many sponsors of our card. We are most grateful to all, discount businesses and sponsors, who are participating this year and are helping us continue to recognize some very deserving ZHS graduates. These cards are available for purchase at General Graphics on Dresden Road from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm daily. You may also contact Dave Moody at 454-0447 or the alumni office at 740-588-5563 and arrangements will be made to get them to you.

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## ALUMNI UPDATE

Wanting to keep up to date with fellow ZHS alumni, we are including the form below for you. We have received a response as you will see below but would love to hear from many more of you. So whether you live here in Zanesville, in the vicinity, in Ohio or out of state, we would like to feature our alumni and keep everyone informed about fellow classmates. So please take a few minutes to fill out the form and send it back to us. Each newsletter will feature some ZHS alums as we receive info from you.

Name (include maiden) \_\_\_\_\_

Class of \_\_\_\_\_ City, State where you live now \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse, Children if applicable \_\_\_\_\_

Higher education if applicable \_\_\_\_\_

Work info \_\_\_\_\_

Any other interesting info \_\_\_\_\_

Return info to: Zanesville Alumni Association Newsletter  
ZCS Administrative Center  
160 N. 4th St.  
Zanesville, OH 43701



Please remember to update your address, phone and email information as it changes throughout the years so that we can keep track of you for alumni and class reunion mailings.



### In the Next Newsletter Edition

- ◆ Details and new location of our new Alumni Office
- ◆ 2015 ZAA Scholarship Winners
- ◆ 2015 ZCS Hall of Fame Inductees
- ◆ 2015 Alumni Homecoming Dinner
- ◆ 2015 Reunion Highlights



## Upcoming Class Reunions for 2015



**Class of 1950:** Contact Janet Crooks at 740-453-3859. Monthly meetings only.

**Class of 1952:** The class of 1952 is planning their 63rd Class Reunion for July 18, 2015. A tour of ZHS will take place at 4:00 pm with dinner at 5:00 pm in the ZHS Cafetorium. Contact Bonnie Gorsky at 740-754-1564 for further information.

**Class of 1955:** The class of 1955 is planning their 60th Class Reunion the weekend of October 2nd and 3rd. On Friday evening, there will be a casual get-together at the Vista View Party House with pizza and a cash bar. Saturday anyone from the class can play 18 holes of golf with a cart both for free to 3 PM. Saturday night a buffet will be provided by Bill's BBQ. The Sole Legacy Group will provide dinner and later dancing music. Contact persons: Bill Factor at 740-453-1556 or Gwen Curry Downing at 740-453-1955.

**Class of 1960:** The class of 1960 is planning their 55th Class Reunion for Friday, August 14 and Saturday, August 15. The VFW will be the revenue for both evenings beginning at 6:00 PM each evening. A tour of ZHS on Saturday morning is being arranged. Call Donna Schaum Meyer at 452-3871 or Anne Baker England at 453-5325 for further information.

**Class of 1965:** The class of 1965 is planning their 50th Class Reunion for Friday, August 28th. The class will have an informal gathering at Bryan's Place and later attending the ZHS vs. Newark football game as a group. On Saturday, August 29th a golf outing will take place in the morning and socializing, a cookout, and dancing will be at Zanesville Country Club. Call Candice Bailey Hoover at 454-7870 for more information.

**Class of 1970:** The class of 1970 is planning their 45th Class Reunion for Saturday, July 25th at the VFW. Festivities begin with the social hour from 5:00-6:30 PM. Dinner will follow and dancing will begin at 8:00 PM. Classmate Craig Gossman's band will provide entertainment. Contact Loren Mautz at 740-452-8018, Ron McGee at 740-683-1970 or Lynn Trout Stalder at 740-704-1301 for further information.

**Class of 1975:** The class of 1975 is having their 40th class reunion on Saturday, August 8, 2015 at 5:30 PM at the Zanesville Country Club. Entertainment will be provided by the band HB7 from 9:00—12:00 midnight. Reservations may be sent to Sue Robb Summers at 3260 Hilltop Road, Zanesville, OH. Contact Sue Summers at 740-453-9992.

**Class of 1980:** The class of 1980 is planning their 35th Class Reunion for the weekend of September 4th and 5th. On Friday, an informal gathering will be at Weasel Boy Brewing Company at 7:00 pm. On Saturday their reunion will be at the Zanesville County Club with cocktails from 6-7 and dinner and dancing from 7-11 pm. For more information email Kristi Gibson Biermann at [kristi.biermann@aol.com](mailto:kristi.biermann@aol.com) or call her at 330-801-2928.

**Class of 1985:** The class of 1985 is planning their 30th Class Reunion for August 29th. The reunion will be at the VFW on Putnam Avenue. Contact Kathy Clapper at [kclapper@zanesville.k12.oh.us](mailto:kclapper@zanesville.k12.oh.us) for more information.

**Class of 1990:** Information is not available at the time of printing.

**Class of 1995:** The class of 1995 is planning an evening of fun and sharing great memories on July 11, 2015 at EagleSticks Golf Club. Social hour begins at 5:00 PM and dinner at 6:00 PM. Entertainment will follow dinner. Reservations for individuals can be made by emailing [info@eaglesticks.com](mailto:info@eaglesticks.com). A tour of ZHS will be conducted on Saturday morning. Email Heidi King Smith at [shedaisy43701@yahoo.com](mailto:shedaisy43701@yahoo.com) or phone her at 740-624-8393 or by calling Tom Evans at 740-319-2269.

**Class of 2000:** The class of 2000 is planning their 15th Class Reunion for August 29th at Bryan's Place from 6-10 pm. The class will be attending the Zanesville vs Newark football game on Friday, August 28th. Contact Alli Bennett Doyle or Eric Davy for more information.

**Class of 2005:** The ZHS Class of 2005 will be holding it's 10 year class reunion on Saturday, August 8, 2015 from 6:00 –10:00 pm at Bryan's Place. They are holding a class raffle. Half of the proceeds will be placed in a fund for future class reunions and the other half will go to the American Cancer Society in memory of classmate Michael Engle, who passed away on October 17, 2014. Contact Kelli Jones at 545 South Samuel Drive, Zanesville, Ohio for more information.

## Monthly Class Togethers — Classmates, Spouses, & Guests

- Class of 1948** - Golden Corral - 2nd Monday at noon  
**Class of 1949** - Cracker Barrel - 2nd Monday at 11:00 am  
**Class of 1951** - Golden Corral on the 1st Wednesday at 11:30 am  
**Class of 1952** - Honey Baked Ham on the 4th Tuesday at 9:00 am  
**Class of 1955** - Golden Corral on the 2nd Tuesday at 11:30 am  
**Class of 1957** - Golden Corral on the 2nd Monday at 11:30 am  
**Class of 1958** - Pizza Cottage on the 3rd Monday at xxxx  
**Class of 1960** - Honey Baked Ham on the 2nd Thursday at Noon  
**Class of 1964** - Tee Jay's on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 9:00 am  
**Class of 1965** - Cracker Barrel on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 9:00 am  
**Class of 1966** - Adornetto's on the 3rd Tuesday at 6:00 pm

## Alumni Giving

The Alumni Association gratefully acknowledges this Contribution to the Scholarship Fund since our last newsletter:

## In Memory and Honor Of:

**Dayle Bailey**, Class of 1937, by Candice Bailey Hoover,  
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May we publish, not the amount, but your name and the person (s) in whose memory/honor you are contributing?

☐ Yes ☐ No



The ZAA Alumni is going to be moving its office in the next few weeks. Further details will be published in the next ZAA newsletter.

You may continue to correspond with us through email at [zaa@zanesville.k12.oh.us](mailto:zaa@zanesville.k12.oh.us) or at 160 North 4th Street, Zanesville, Ohio 43701.



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