



GARY W. MOORE

Extraordinary Science Educator
Class of 1948 (ZHS 1956-1990)



A champion of the scientific method which formed a basis of his excellent lectures and laboratory experiences, Gary W. Moore was a soft spoken, highly respected wizard of his educating specialties; Science, Chemistry, Physics, and later Computers. Many students were mystified by his round, wire rimmed spectacles and unique, yet sometimes “old fashioned” mannerisms. Those students who got to know him in his advanced academic classes praised his authenticity and wisdom. He was affectionately known and feared as, “Gary God” in the naïve parlance of the high school hallways and due to the challenges of his homework assignments, lab report requirements, strict classroom discipline, and rigorous curriculum. One had to be prepared for his classes as Mr. Moore had a point system and called on any student randomly to check if reading assignments had been completed and understood.

Gary Moore was born December 12, 1930 in Boone County to Paul W. and Charlotte Opal Miller Moore, and attended Zionsville Schools graduating Class of 1948 where his Chemistry and Physics teacher was Mr. Oliver Warner. Mr. Moore was an honorably discharged veteran of the United States Army and obtained his BS degree from Indiana State University and his MS degree from Butler. He was a math and science teacher for 36 years having taught two years in the Wabash school district before his 34 year legacy career at Zionsville Community High School from which he retired in 1990. Mr. Moore passed away at the age of 82 on October 16, 2013. He is survived by his beloved wife, Beverly June Harmon Moore to whom he was married for 60 years; his three sons, Walter H. Moore, Joseph P. Moore and Daniel D. Moore. He has four grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Mr. Moore is interred at Salem Cemetery, Zionsville.

Mr. Moore was a member of the Indiana Retired Teachers Association, former member of the Zionsville Jaycees, and was active in Cub Scout Pack/Boy Scout Troop #358 in Zionsville where he served for some time as an adult leader and advancement chairman. He had two sons achieve the rank of Eagle Scout. Mr. Moore was also a faculty sponsor of the National Honor Society at Zionsville High School and served with the legendary Miss Dorothy Roby in this capacity. Miss Roby was also his high school Latin teacher.

As a serious and stern teacher and mentor, Mr. Moore is praised by numerous students who found the discipline and encouragement needed to advance to college and university studies in all fields, not just the sciences. His chemistry and physics courses for juniors and seniors were known to be the hardest and most challenging academic path courses in the school and these classes were often only attended by the few most academically inclined students who could keep up with the advanced application of mathematic principles and the abstract thinking necessary to comprehend the laws of physics and the nuances of chemical reactions. Some of the most notable moments in Mr. Moore’s course work included almost “magical” demonstrations of observing a wire being attracted to a magnet when current is passed through it, seeing steam light a match, calculating acceleration due to gravity, watching water boil at room temperature, and pin hole photography. Even more fascinating were the “aha” moments and knowledge gained when the magic was explained, the mind enlightened, and practical knowledge of the workings of the world around applied.

If you ever did anything wrong, like forgetting your slide rule or violating a laboratory safety procedure, Mr. Moore would softly chide you with his famous softly spoken cliché, “Consider yourself yelled at.” Mr. Moore made a comfortable place for nerds and geeks to explore their idiosyncrasies. His religion was science and it was contagious. He will always be remembered as the eccentric, spiritual science guru that so many loved and appreciated as we learned to live in our questions and think outside the box.

Nominated by Rex D. Burrus, BSEE, Class of 1974.



LYNN A. JONES

Talented Band Director
(ZHS 1969-1998)



One can hardly resist drawing parallels between the movie, *Mr. Holland's Opus*, and the character of Zionsville Community School's highly respected and loved band director, Mr. Lynn A. Jones. The accolades used to describe Mr. Jones, as he was known to most, include phrases such as; second Father, personal hero, superb musician, dedicated educator, favorite and amazing teacher, role model, musically gifted, confidence builder, and patient and profoundly impacting mentor. What Mr. Jones didn't have in stature, he made up for with the size of his heart. Although humble, kind, witty, and jovial, Mr. Jones was also a defining symbol of cool. He could make a coke bottle whistle like a song bird and always erased black boards with both hands ambidextrously. He could play any and most all instruments with finesse of which many of his students were envious. He could compose and arrange music, build a marching band show, and choreograph routines out of inspiration and thin air. Mr. Jones was an accomplished percussionist and refined many a drummer into higher evolved percussionists. He was also a fluent and avid pianist and was at home with virtually any musical genre.

Lynn A. Jones passed away on December 20, 2008 at the age of 72. He was born in Frankfort, Indiana on September 12, 1936 to Lewis A. and Mabel (Mink) Jones. Lynn is survived by his wife of 53 years, Marilyn Jean (Godby), his high school sweetheart, soul mate, and clarinet and saxophone player in many of his combo endeavors. Also surviving are daughters, Susie Browning and Debbie Peterson, four grandchildren and 1 great grandchild. Mr. Jones was laid to rest at Zionsville Cemetery. Mr. Jones attended Indiana University and received his Bachelors and Masters degrees in Music Education from Butler University. As an educator, he taught forty years as band director including Danville, Indiana, Fairborn, Ohio, and his last 29 years at Zionsville schools. He retired in 1998. He was a member of Orchard Park Presbyterian Church and Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia. He was church pianist at Hobbs Christian Church for 8 years and a member of the Boone County Chapter of the Indiana Retired Teachers Association.

It has been said if you have a deep undying passion for something, you have a "Jones" for it. Mr. Jones had a "Jones" for music in any and all ways that sound, music, and performance manifested. From his start at Zionsville schools, he was able to revitalize and grow every aspect of musical interests. He developed a competitive marching band which performed at contests, football games, and parades, a beautifully melodic concert band with several concert performances each school year, a pep band for basketball games and pep rallies, the Brass Eagle jazz band, the Eaglettes drill team and many more endeavors and traditions featuring travel, concert going, solo and ensemble contests, and appreciation of professional performing artists. Yet, the most significant of all talents was Mr. Jones's compassion and dedication to each and every student including private lessons, leadership development, mentoring, and character building. All of which were done in an environment of trust and integrity. Mr. Jones's impact on the lifelong love and learning of music plus the nurturing ways in which he loved his extended musical family are immeasurable. One could wonder with so much dedication and personal investment in Zionsville's music programs if his own family felt neglected, but his family was a part of all the musical families that the much admired band director built. Thanks to them for their sacrifice and the honor and privilege to have been a friend of the Maestro that Lynn Jones truly was and is.

Anyone who has experienced and endured the rehearsals of a beginning band knows the cacophony that ensues and sounds like the wailings of a sick moose. For this reason alone, many believe that there is a special place in Heaven for band directors. Many of Maestro Lynn Jones's students can hardly wait for the opportunity to play *America the Beautiful* in his band again in the hereafter.



JOHN R. JOHNSON
EDUCATOR, SCHOOL PRINCIPAL and CLASS SPONSOR



"Mr. Johnson is fresh out of college, looks cool with his tapered pants- narrow tie and sport coat, speaks eloquently and has been married a year", whispered through the halls of ZHS.

He was formally educated at Indiana Central College now University of Indianapolis and earned his Bachelors of Arts, with Social Studies as his major and a minor in English in 1958; Butler University, Masters of Science in 1964 in Secondary

School Administration. He had also earned an additional 30 hours beyond his Master's Degree.

Mr. Johnson began his teaching career at Zionsville in 1958-59 school year, as newlyweds of 1 year to wife Suzy. He was our Class Sponsor of the Class of 1961 and other classes over the years. His first years at Zionsville he taught U.S. History, World History and English 7. Some other school activities over the decades ranged from being a Guidance Counselor, faculty Student Council representative, freshman boys basketball coach when Jim Rosenstihl was ZHS Head Coach. "He was always respected by the players and students as a fair hand disciplinary and a pretty good ballplayer in his right." "He was very cordial, cool looking and articulate person." "He had a way to motivate a student to learn and made it fun to do so!" In 1976 he became Principal of the Zionsville Middle School after serving as Assistant Principal with the late Principal Bob Gossman. Mr. Johnson served as Principal until his retirement on July 1, 1993. After more than 24 years of educational administrative service for a total of 34 years of professional educational service to our community. Mr. Johnson considers Mr. Oliver Warner, former Zionsville High School Principal and Assistant Superintendent and our first recipient of Zionsville Alumni Association Soaring Eagle in 1985 to be his mentor and friend.

As our class sponsor for class of 1961 he helped guide us in the right direction. He and his wife Suzy have regularly attended our reunions over the past five decades. Having Suzy in attendance was like having an extra sponsor along with other official school sponsor, Mrs. Lou Born. Suzy worked at the Indiana High School Athletic Association for 18 years.

They have been very active members in the Zionsville Christian Church where he is an elder. He really loves the game of golf, Notre Dame Football along with his friend the late Jack Frayman, was a past member of the Zionsville Lions Club and assisted with their many projects over his years of his active club membership. They retired to his hometown of Frankfort, Indiana 13 years ago but frequently revisit Zionsville. Mr. Johnson the son of Asa and Lora Johnson of Frankfort and was born on May 5, 1935. He works out at the Frankfort YMCA five months of the year and plays golf 4-5 days a week. They are proud parents of two sons, Tom and Mark, who are both graduates of Zionsville High School classes of 1984 and 1988 respectively. Tom coaches' boys' basketball and teaches math at Wheeler High School in northern Indiana and Mark resides in Lawrence and employed at Roche Diagnostics. The Johnson's have six male grandchildren and is interesting no girls born into the Johnson family since 1900!

Compiled and Nominated by David Harris and Ralph Stacy



H. DAVID HARRIS
Commercial Airline Pilot
And Outstanding ZHS Class President



In 1961, David Harris graduated from Eagle Township High School –now Zionsville Community High School, serving as President for his class of 52 graduates walking across the stage at its 73rd Annual Commencement Exercise. Born September 7th of 1943 to Pauline and Howard Harris, the family pulled up stakes from Indianapolis and moved to Zionsville.

Dave entered the Zionsville school system in Miss Vonda Kouns sixth grade class.

The oldest of four children, Dave's brothers, Paul and Jim, and sister Christine would all enter and graduate as Zionsville Eagles. For Dave's class, as was the norm, they adopted this class motto: "The Door to Success Is Labeled Push". Some 50 years later – in May 2, 2011, he crafted a letter to his classmates prior to the landmark reunion, which included these words:

"Anyway, push we did! Nobody told us that the things behind the door might be terrifying and sad as well as wonderful and exciting. Hopefully what you found was rewarding and pleasant. We remain a class of achievers; with many exciting accomplishments coming to our classmates. Let us get together and spend this time to share those experiences with one another and be thankful that we can be together again."

After he flew the AERIE, David's postsecondary education led him to Purdue University where he earned a degree in Applied Science/Aircraft Maintenance Technology from the School of Aviation Technology graduating in June of 1963. The year preceding his graduation, Dave attained his private pilot's license. During his graduation year, he was elected Captain of the Purdue flying team. The election proved worthy, winning the National Intercollegiate Flying Association spot landing contest at Oklahoma State University. Prior to graduation as a Boilermaker, he was also inducted into Alpha Eta Rho National Aviation Fraternity and earned an FAA Airframe and Powerplant Mechanic's License.

The year, 1964 proved to be a landmark year; Dave married Kathy VanMeter (ZHS "64") and was provisionally hired by United Air Lines providing he obtain a Commercial pilot's license prior to reporting for training in Denver May 1965. From the span of his career he went from Flight Engineer to Copilot to Captain on propeller-based DC-6 and Viscounts all the way to the largest commercial passenger planes, the Boeing 777 and the 747-400.

After fulfilling a career with exciting moments - some more than others, Dave retired from flying in 2003 after 38 years as a commercial airline pilot. That gave him more time to spend with Kathy, children Jill (Avon, IN.) and John (Homewood, IL.) their spouses Michael and Laura, and grandchildren, Ian 17, Cooper 16, Nina 15, Colin 14, Tucker 10 and Graham 7.

- In April 2006 he and Kathy were honored by Purdue with the new University Academic Advisors Office named in their honor.
- From 2004 to 2010, they owned a special events company.
- Currently a board member and president of the Osthoff Resort in Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin – a town they fell in love with when Dave drove small formula and sports cars for 20 years.

Dave's busy nature has best served the ZHS as a co-organizer of multiple Class of 1961 Reunions. The Zionsville experience remains strong and continues to be some of the best times in his life!

Compiled and Nominated by Ralph W. Stacy

JEFFREY H. THOMASSON, MBA, CFP®
CEO & Managing Director, Oxford Financial Group, Ltd.
Philanthropist



Jeff Thomasson graduated from Zionsville Community High School in the Class of 1976 and was the President of his class. He was born in 1958. Jeff grew up in Zionsville with his parents Jerry and Toni Thomasson, and came from a humble family and upbringing here in Zionsville. After college he moved to Indianapolis where he began his business career and lives today.

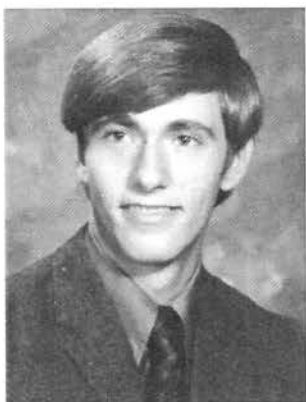
In 1981, Jeff founded Oxford Financial Group, Ltd. in Indianapolis. Oxford is the nation's leading independent, fee-only, wealth management firm handling over \$19 billion in assets for business owners, physicians, institutions and others of affluence throughout the Midwest and in 37 states. Oxford has offices in five Midwestern states, 20 partners and approximately 140 colleagues that work with clients who find themselves in need of multi-generational estate planning or investment consulting.

Jeff serves as CEO, Managing Director and a member of Oxford's Board of Directors. He is primarily focused on the continued success of the firm and its clientele, both qualitatively and quantitatively. A significant amount of his time and expertise is also devoted to the coordination and overall strategic direction of the firm. He is equally committed to serving individual family client's comprehensive financial and investment planning needs and has been doing so for over 30 years. One of Jeff's most important professional desires is to allow for private and independent ownership of Oxford indefinitely for the benefit of clients and the Oxford family.

Upon completing his undergraduate degree from Ball State, he attended the Indiana University Graduate School of Business graduating in May of 1981, where he specialized in investments and taxation and was named the Outstanding MBA. He obtained the Certified Financial Planner (CFP®) designation through postgraduate study in the fields of investment, insurance, retirement and estate planning. In 2000, he received the Indiana University Kelley School of Business Distinguished Entrepreneur Award.

Jeff enjoys his involvement with charitable organizations, as well as being a member of the Young Presidents' Organization, World Presidents' Organization, and Chief Executives' Organization. Today, he is on the boards of Ontario Systems in Muncie, Indiana, Parkway Company in Cincinnati, Ohio, Pay Link Payment Plans of Chicago, Illinois, and numerous family foundations. He has previously served on the boards of the Leadership Network of Dallas, Texas, Union Federal Bank, Indiana Bancshares, Waterfield Mortgage Corporation, Flight Options, Syndicate Systems, The Hudson Institute, Park Tudor School, Indiana Repertory Theatre, and the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra.

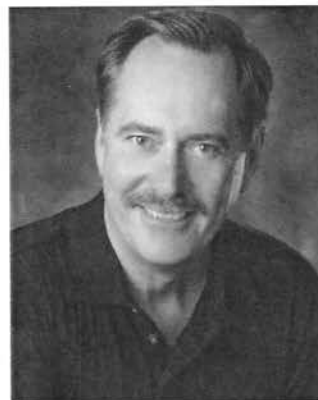
Jeff is actively involved in a number of private foundations. Through the Thomasson Foundation, he and his family have awarded hundreds of scholarships to deserving students who are children of missionary families around the world, in addition to an entrepreneurial scholarship for a graduating Zionsville High School student each year in honor of his mentors, Lloyd and Jane Taylor, through the Boone County Community Foundation. He and his wife, Benita, have two children. Brittany is a physicians' assistant and is married to Luke Pittman. Luke recently completed his MBA/MD degree and is in his residency at Community Hospital. They have a daughter that is two and another addition to their family arriving soon. Elliott graduated from the University of Pennsylvania and works for a large investment banking firm in New York City.



JAMES L. HAINES, O.D.

Outstanding Local Optometrist and Community Servant

Dr. Jim Haines graduated from Zionsville Community High School in the Class of 1972 and was Class President of the 84th Annual Commencement Exercise with 102 graduates with the Class Motto, "We are the Time, the Place, and the Content of the Future".



"Following undergraduate studies at Purdue University, Dr. Haines received a B.S. in Optometry and later his Doctor of Optometry in 1978 from Indiana University School of Optometry in Bloomington. He completed externships at the VA Hospital in Cleveland and Bethesda Naval Hospital in Maryland. He served as a medical service corps officer in the United States Navy where he spent two years assigned to Pearl Harbor Naval Regional Medical Center and served as director of the optometry clinic at Kaneohe Marine Corp Air Station in Hawaii. Following his active duty military service he returned to Zionsville to begin private practice in 1980" and today, "Zionsville Eyecare" has been a long-time financial supporter and contributor of Zionsville Community High School athletic and arts programs.

Dr. Haines has enjoyed being involved in many local community service activities including serving as board president and capital campaign chairman for the Boys & Girls Club of Zionsville as well as president of the Zionsville Optimist Club and Zionsville Christian Church. He was very instrumental in the founding of the Zionsville Alumni Association and past chairman of the ZHS, 3-Year All Class Reunions, the annual "Hit the Bricks" charity run, cofounder; and the area phone book recycling program. "Zionsville Eyecare has also been a long-time financial supporter and contributor to Zionsville Community High School athletic and arts programs." Jim has served on the board of directors of Boone County Senior Services Foundation, Sullivan Munce Cultural Center, Zionsville Chamber of Commerce and the Zionsville Pathway Advisory Committee. In 2006, co-leader of the successful Smoke Free Zionsville town ordinance and 2008 helped to organize and participated in two Zionsville based Honor Flights for WWII veterans. In 1999 he received the Zionsville Lions Club "Pride of Zionsville Award" for his help to those in the community who need prescription glasses. He is a recipient of the Zionsville Town Crier Award from The Greater Zionsville Chamber of Commerce which recognizes individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the Town of Zionsville.

Dr. Haines is a lifetime member of Volunteer Optometric Services for Humanity (VOSH) and has traveled with their missions to Honduras, 2012 and Cuba, 1999. He is a 35 year member of the American Optometric Association and served as president of the Central Indiana Optometric society and the Indiana Optometric Association in 2004 and was chairman of the IOOA membership and convention committees. Jim, in 2013, was conferred with Optometrist of the Year by Indiana Optometry for "contributions to the profession, but also the visual welfare of the public, and service to the community at large".

Jim and his wife, Julia, reside in rural Zionsville and have two grown children, Lora and Jack; and a granddaughter. He enjoys being a member of the Zionsville Christian Church, traveling, running, IU sports, Indy Car racing, attended his 51st- 500 in May and producing homemade maple syrup at their Maple Hill Farm each winter. I am sure his parents the late Keith and Virginia Haines are real proud of their son who was born on February 5, 1954 and moved from Speedway to Zionsville when Jim was 9 years old.

Compiled and Nominated by Ralph W. Stacy



RALPH W. STACY



Ralph W. Stacy graduated from Zionsville High School in 1961 and attended Indiana University before being drafted into the U.S. Army where he was stationed at Ft. Knox, Ft. Dix and Wurzburg, Germany with the 3rd Infantry Division.

He married Janice LaBolt in 1967 and they lived in Germany for a year and traveled to many countries while in Europe. They recently celebrated their 47th wedding anniversary.

After returning from the Army, Ralph obtained his degree from the University of Indianapolis with a B.S. in Business Administration with a minor in Economics. On Dec. 18, 1972 he and Jan started their business in Zionsville: Stacy LaBolts Fine Ladies Apparel. They retired from the business after 35 years in August 2008.

Ralph and Jan raised 3 children who are all ZCHS graduates: Ralph '90, Lora '94 and Ryan in 2000. They are the proud grandparents of 4 red-haired, blue-eyed grandchildren.

Ralph's life has revolved around his family and his community service work, which is impressive. In 1973 the Stacy's co-founded Zionsville's Christmas in the Village which has become a popular fixture in the community after 40-plus years. He served on the Board of Directors of Boone County State Bank for over a decade, a member of the Lincoln Park Advisory Committee, a recipient of the Jaycee Distinguished Service Award in 1979, chairman of the Zionsville Party in 1979, Board Member and Past President of the Greater Zionsville Chamber of Commerce and awarded the Town Crier Award in 1981 as well as Brick in our Foundation distinction in 2002.

In 1983 he served as a member of the Zionsville Citizens Advisory Committee for the Master Development Plan and in 1985 was a member of the Pathway Task Force. During this time Ralph served as chairman of the Zionsville Board of Zoning Appeals and Vice-President of the Zionsville Plan Commission. He had the opportunity to serve as Director of Alcohol and Drug Abuse, Inc., became a lifetime member of the Zionsville Historical Society and current chairman of Century Structures Committee, past board member of the Patrick Henry Sullivan Foundation, Main Street Re-bricking Committee, co-chair of the Zionsville Sister Cities Committee and member of Boone County Cancer Society.

Ralph has been active with scouting, becoming an Eagle Scout in 1961 after receiving the Silver Beaver Award in 1961 and continues to be a supporter of Crossroads of America Council and Boy Scouts of America Heritage Society.

The Zionsville Lions Club has been a major part of Ralph's life with over 42 years as a member and he serves on their Board of Directors. He has been awarded the Melvin Jones and W.P. Jones Fellowship in 2003 and 2005. In 2002 he was a facilitator of the Zionsville Sesquicentennial Celebration.

In 1998 Ralph was elected eagle Township Trustee and served two terms as a member of the Eagle Township Board. He was one of several people named "Distinguished Hoosier" by Governor Mitch Daniels for work on the Eagle-Union Township Reorganization. His public service continues today as a trustee for the Zionsville Alumni Association and Board Member of the Maplelawn Farmstead.

Ralph is proud to have served in clubs and on boards which hopefully will make a difference in the future. In their spare time Ralph and Jan enjoy traveling, especially to Europe and Hilton Head, S.C. as well as spending time at their 1832 log cabin in Decatur County.