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JACK ZANE DEDICATION

The Maryland basketball staff dedicates its 2000-01 media guide to the devoted service and longtime commitment of Jack Zane, Executive Director of the Walk of Fame and History, of Maryland's new Comcast Center.



Zane, whose tenure as student and staffer at Maryland began in the mid-1950s, has filled numerous roles within the Terrapin athletic department and has touched many lives during his 46 years of dedication. Most notable in Zane's career has been his over-30 years in the Maryland sports information office. He is an active historian and walking archivist for the university's athletic department, thus proving a perfect fit to oversee administrative efforts with the new arena's walk of fame, to be unveiled in 2002-03.

His years as sports information director were marked by friendly service to staff, coaches, athletes and media, alike. He is still an active member of the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) and was inducted into the organization's Hall of Fame after serving as its president in 1986. He received CoSIDA's Lifetime Achievement Award at its 2000 summer convention in St. Louis.

Zane was the assistant sports information director at Maryland from 1960-62, and the SID from 1969-86. During that time he helped publicize numerous All-America athletes including Randy White, Boomer Esiason, Buck Williams, Tom McMillen, Len Elmore and Tom Brown. He worked directly with 11 Terrapin football bowl teams and seven men's basketball teams that participated in the NCAA Tournament. Zane was also the sports information director for the 1975 Terrapin men's lacrosse team that won the NCAA championship.

Zane was promoted to assistant athletic director in 1981. He began his career in sports information as a Maryland student-un-

der the legendary Joe F. Blair in 1958. Upon his graduation in 1960 he was named as the first full-time assistant SID in school history. He was the SID at George Washington University from 1963-69.

He was the first executive sports editor of the *Diamond-Back*, the school newspaper, and was a member of the Sigma Delta Chi journalism fraternity as an undergraduate student. He graduated from Maryland in 1960 with a bachelor's degree in journalism.

Zane, who has been a member of CoSIDA since 1960, was a member of the NCAA public relations committee for six years and was also a six-year member of the NCAA public relations/promotions committee. He was inducted into the University of Maryland Athletic Hall of Fame in 1986.

He has served the department of athletics at Maryland as director of ticket operations since 1986 and began his new assignment this past July.