

Alumni Service Award: Dave Mizer, class of 1972



The University High School Alumni Association honors David L. Mizer, class of 1972, for his dedication and commitment to his alma mater and the U-High athletics programs.

For nearly three decades, Mizer has volunteered with the U-High basketball program. Since 1992, he has served as the public address announcer, scorekeeper, and statistician for the varsity boys' basketball program. He held the same role for the varsity girls' basketball program from 2001-2004.

In 1991, he served as a volunteer assistant freshman coach under Lester Hampton. He began his involvement in 1983, when he served as a volunteer assistant varsity basketball coach under coaches Bob Morris and Chuck Gault. He has also served as co-chair of his class reunion committee. He also emceed the retirement banquet for long-time coach, Robert Metcalf.

Prior to graduating from U-High in 1972, he was part of the 1972 Pantagraph Intercity All-Star baseball team, and was a member of the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame Inductee with the 1970-71 basketball team. He is also a recipient of the Erik Hubbard Inspiration Award.

In addition to supporting the U-High basketball program, Mizer is a fixture in local athletics. He has chaired the committee for the Bloomington-Normal Holiday Classic and the State Farm Holiday Classic tournaments. He has served on the board of directors of the Redbird Swim Club, McLean County Aquatics, and Bloomington-Normal Girls Softball Association. He has coached BNGSA travel teams, as well as served as a U.S. Swimming Association Official for the Illinois Junior Olympics.

Mizer graduated from Illinois State University majoring in art and minoring in business administration. He currently owns and operates Creative Insurance Concepts and Consulting Service, LLC, in Bloomington. Mizer is married to Debra Mizer, and has two daughters and two grandchildren.