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Dan Vastag, Sr. inducted into the York County Soccer Hall of Fame Class of 2023

Announced today by the YCSHOF Board, Dan Vastag's selection for induction into the York County Soccer Hall of Fame Class of 2023. The York County Soccer Hall of Fame will hold its annual dinner and induction ceremony August 31, 2023.

Dan Vastag Sr, a native of Budapest Hungary, came to the United States in 1956. Vastag a former Hungarian professional soccer player (Ferencvarosi TC), came to this country because of the Hungarian Revolution and eventually made his way to Lenoir-Rhyne College. Ultimately, his love and desire to share the game of soccer found its way to the fields and youth of York County. Dan Vastag is truly one of the pioneers of soccer in York County.

In 1959, Vastag left Lenoir-Rhyne and moved to Charlotte, NC with his new wife to start a family and career in the textile industry. Not long after, he found his way to Rock Hill where he teamed up with Ian Davidson and Jim Cassada to help start a men's amateur soccer league. Vastag was also instrumental in helping to bring youth soccer to Christopher Circle park and later to St. Anne's school where he coached. Vastag is even credited with helping to introduce soccer to Northwestern High School, where his son would later play.

In addition to his love of soccer, Vastag continued to be an accomplished golfer, painter, wood carver, and father.

The York County Soccer Hall of Fame will hold its annual dinner and induction ceremony Thursday, August 31, 2023 at the Courtyard Marriott (Kingsley) in Ft. Mill, SC. Tickets are \$55 per person and can be purchased online at www.yorkcountysoccerhof.com Get your tickets today as past years have sold out. The Ceremony will begin at 6:00 PM with a cocktail social (cash bar) followed by dinner at 6:45 PM with induction speeches and teams of distinction beginning at 7:30 PM.

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