

Oregon – 2007



Duane Johnson
Professor Emeritus, Extension Agent,
State Specialist and State 4-H Program Leader

4-H Efforts: A 13 year Iowa 4-H member. Joined the Oregon 4-H program in 1959; served as county 4-H agent, state specialist and 10 years as State 4-H Program Leader. Provided leadership for curriculum development in Animal Science and Horticulture. Active on National 4-H Japanese Exchange Committee, National 4-H Congress and the National 4-H Recognition Committee. Presently serving as national ESP President-elect. Lent expertise on youth development to the Oregon State University Task Force on Youth Initiatives and served on the board of directors for the Oregon Fairs Association, the Pacific International Livestock Exposition and the Oregon 4-H Foundation.

Duane grew up in Iowa and was a 4-H member for 13 years. He joined the Oregon 4-H program the week after his graduation from Iowa State University in 1959 and worked for 4-H until his retirement in 1999. During his career, he served as a county 4-H agent, state specialist and State 4-H Program Leader. Duane provided leadership for curriculum development in Animal Science and Horticulture and helped author/co-author over 125 publications used in Oregon. He was instrumental in establishing state 4-H Development Committees to advise and guide

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the 4-H program and implemented the first Community Coordinator program utilizing volunteers in middle management roles.

As an ex-officio member of the Oregon 4-H Foundation, Duane guided them to focus on fund development. Duane worked with and chaired the National 4-H Japanese Exchange Committee, National 4-H Congress and the National 4-H Recognition Committee. He helped to reactivate the Gamma Chapter of Epsilon Sigma Phi (ESP) and is presently serving as national ESP President-elect. He was an ESP representative on the arrangements committee for the first Extension Galaxy Conference. He was Recognition Program Chair for NAE4-HA for three years, and as State 4-H Program Leader supported hosting the 1983 NAE4-HA Conference in Portland.



Duane joins other past Oregon State 4-H Leaders.



Duane's current favorite pastime is golfing.