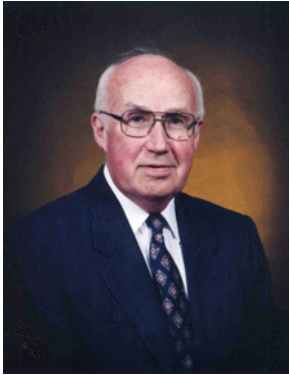


Ohio 2004



James Marquand
Assistant State 4-H Leader

Hometown: Coshocton, Ohio
Nominated by: Ohio 4-H
Year Inducted: 2004

Jim Marquand was a distinguished Ohio Extension faculty member from 1953-1982, beginning as Tuscarawas Co. 4-H agent. He later served as area agent and then Assistant State 4-H Leader and state specialist for 11 years. He made a major positive impact in 4-H curriculum, recognition, and resource development. Jim authored the first 4-H small animal curriculum materials. He originated the “Old McDonald's Farm” and interview judging concepts now used at many fairs. Jim was the first 4-H Agent ever elected President of the Ohio Extension Agent's Association, earned National Distinguished Service awards from NAE4-HA and NACAA, and was a leader in Epsilon Sigma Phi honorary extension fraternity, and Ohio Extension Professors Association.

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Jim was nominated for a 1978 USDA Honor Award for his work in 4-H literature. He developed the process of pilot-testing new 4-H project ideas and provided leadership for piloting 61 new projects. One project, Mrs. G. Arden's Green Scene, was awarded a top rating by the American Association of Agricultural College Editors. Jim strengthened the camping program at the county and state level, establishing the Jim Marquand Scholarship to support 4-H members to attend 4-H camp. Since his retirement in the early 1980's, Jim has continued as a volunteer to provide leadership, inspiration, and hard work for 4-H international programs, a multitude of 4-H fund-raising campaigns, and expanding 4-H Small Animal programs. He and his family have been lead contributors in campaigns to support many 4-H efforts.

The following poem by one of his 4-H volunteers sums up how people view Jim and his character.

Jim was someone who was always at hand...
With a smile, and a word of good cheer.
He's someone who's thoughtful and loving and kind...
And who just grows increasingly dear.
James was happy, when there was a need...
For his time and his efforts and care.
He was anxious to help, whenever he could...
He was eager to give and to share.

- Mildred Cronebaugh, 53 year 4-H Volunteer



Jim Marquand with Ohio State's mascot Brutus Buckeye.



Jim Marquand offers helpful hints on 4-H club advising to new advisors.



Jim Marquand introduces new 4-H curriculum to 4-H volunteers.