

Ohio



John T. Mount

Vice President, Dean & Professor Emeritus - The Ohio State University

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Major 4-H Efforts: Principal leadership for the 1952 4-H 50th Anniversary celebration in Springfield and the U.S. commemorative stamp. Helped establish the Ohio 4-H Foundation and served as board member & officer 1951-52 and 1984-92. Serving on the Ohio 4-H Campaign for Excellence Steering Committee which has raised over \$12.6 million to build a 4-H Center on campus. First project director of the 4-H International Farm Youth Exchange (IFYE) in Ohio in 1950.

Significant Honors: Ohio 4-H Hall of Fame, 1984. Ohio 4-H Buckeye Clover Service Award, 1977. John T. Mount Hall on OSU campus. OSU Distinguished Service Award, 1993. OSU Distinguished Alumni Award, 1987.

John Mount had the principal leadership responsibility for planning and executing the 50th Anniversary celebration of the founding of 4-H in Springfield, OH and the issuance of the 4-H 50th Anniversary commemorative U.S. postage stamp in 1952. He helped establish the Ohio 4-H Foundation, one of the first private 4-H foundations, and served as a board member & officer 1951-52 and 1984-92. He is currently serving on the Steering Committee for the Ohio 4-H Campaign for Excellence which has raised over \$12.6 million to build a new 4-H Center on the OSU campus.

Mount directed the first State 4-H Leadership Camps beginning in 1946 and provided leadership for establishing 4-H Camp Palmer and A.B. Graham 4-H Camp. John was the first project director of the 4-H International Farm Youth Exchange (IFYE) in Ohio in 1950. He provided leadership for the first university courses for professionals on 4-H, volunteerism, and committee methods (predecessors to "Extension Summer Schools and establishing the first Ohio Soil & Water Conservation Districts. He helped to establish the Peace Corps and early program models which helped expand 4-H and Extension worldwide.

"I see a very bright future for 4-H as it engages youth from all parts of our state, nation, and world. Of all the very important and significant youth programs in our country, 4-H is without equal in terms of the emphasis placed on education. The opportunities 4-H provides for youth to develop a discipline of learning through projects, through service learning, and through servant leadership are and will continue to be of utmost importance."



John & Carroll Mount as 2004 OSU Homecoming Grand Marshals with Collegiate 4-H'ers



John Mount with a Taiwan 2003 Study Tour group.



John Mount with OSU Mount Scholar/4-H member, and Carol Stuckey Mount, advisor for the Mount Scholars