

Utah



James Taney
Utah 4-H Adult Volunteer Leader

Home: Taylorsville, UT

Inducted: 2005

4-H Efforts and Significant Honors:

Served as a volunteer club leader, advisory council member, Western Region Leaders Forum committee member, State 4-H Ambassador advisor, Teen Council advisor, State and County Fair judge and fund raising chairman. Coordinated over a dozen regional and national trips for Utah 4-H members. Helped coordinate 1 Million Pennies for Utah 4-H drive, Salt Lake county Quarters for 4-H drive and helped with the fund drive for Utah's donation to National 4-H Council for sponsoring 3 bedrooms and Utah Lounge area at National 4-H Center. Recently Utah's nominee for the National 4-H Salute to Excellence.

Jim's professional career was at Primary Children's Hospital building braces for kids with handicaps. Jim is a "people person". He loves people and they love and respect him. Jim and his wife Connie started in a family club then expanded to include boys clubs in outdoor 4-H experiences from 1965-2005. Jim has served as a volunteer club leader, advisory council member, Western Region Leaders Forum committee member, State 4-H Ambassador advisor, Teen Council advisor, State and County Fair judge and fund raising chairman, as well as a Boy Scout leader for the past 24 years. Jim has helped coordinate fund raising efforts for Utah 4-H and Utah room sponsorships at the National 4-H Center.

Jim has coordinated seven trips with the 4-Hers to the Lake Tahoe Western Region Teen Conference, two exchange trips to Southern California, a bus trip to National 4-H Center, three trips to Montana Ambassador training, two trips to the Montana Teen Leadership Camp, and a trip to the Nevada Ambassador training. Jim loves to travel and loves to cook. He is the chef and caterer for numerous 4-H camps, retreats, activities and sponsored programs. Jim and his wife Connie are county chairmen of the Taylorsville-Bennion Heritage Center Restoration Project, an old donated dairy farm that they are restoring with other volunteers. He has helped to raise over \$20,000 for the Center fund.

"Kids are incredible! 4-H and Boy Scouts have given me the opportunity to serve the youth of America."



Jim works with 4-H youth.



Jim and 4-H teens ready to travel.