

**MEMORIAL RESOLUTION OF THE FACULTY
OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON**

ON THE DEATH OF PROFESSOR EMERITUS DONALD GEORGE SCHINK

Donald George Schink died on Friday, May 12, 2000 in Madison, Wisconsin. He was born December 6, 1928 in DePere, Wisconsin, the son of Myron H. and Pauline (Penn) Schink. His education included a Bachelor of Science in agriculture in 1950 and a master's degree in 1967 in adult education, both from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

His life work revolved around the development of youth, recreational resources and the Wisconsin Idea. His early work focused on youth and he was appointed as 4-H Club agent (now known as youth development agents) in Waushara, Marquette, Kewaunee, Adams and Jefferson counties from 1950 to 1965. During that time he also served as president of the National and State 4-H Club Agents Association moving that organization forward; an organization that remains active to this day thanks to his leadership.

In March of 1966 he joined the faculty in the Department of Agricultural and Extension Education (later becoming part of the inter-college Department of Continuing and Vocational Education) in the College of Agriculture at the University of Wisconsin. In addition, he held a concurrent appointment in the Extension Recreation Resources Center as a business specialist. Through individual consultations and his many publications, he provided hundreds of small recreation-oriented businesses with assistance as they struggled with feasibility studies, marketing studies, developing business plans, financing and refinancing their enterprises. He served as the center's director for nine years until his retirement in 1986. As a result of his tireless work on behalf of the recreation and tourism industry, he received countless awards for his outstanding service to Wisconsin and the nation.

Don was also involved in community and recreational resources development outside of work and was an active contributor to the Fort Atkinson Chamber of Commerce, including both the Development Council and the Tourism Committee. On his retirement he founded Chartwell Business Planning, thus continuing his work advancing business and industry in Wisconsin.

Don is survived by his wife Donna of Fort Atkinson; a son Jim Schink of Longmont, Colorado; a daughter Lynn (Glenn) Erickson of Littleton, Colorado; a daughter Carol (Mike) Murphy of West Bend; a son Michael Schink of Lakewood, Colorado; a daughter Sarah (Brian) Voller of Arvada, Colorado; a daughter Wendy (Robin Weber) Schink of San Diego, California, eight grandchildren and two brothers Robert (Vina) Schink of Cuba City, Wisconsin and Paul (Charlotte) of DePere, Wisconsin.

Don Schink devoted his life to the State of Wisconsin, its youth and its recreational resources. Those recreational resources that we enjoy today owe some small part of their success to the pioneering work of Professor Emeritus Donald George Schink and his 37 years of service to the University of Wisconsin-Madison and the Cooperative Extension Service.

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