

DR. KENNETH "KEN" W. REISCH

BIO-DATA

Currently - Retired as Associate Dean and Professor Emeritus,  
College of Food, Agricultural and Environmental  
Sciences, The Ohio State University

Native of Connecticut - Wife Janice, four children and ten  
grandchildren.

Education: BSc in Landscape Design, University of Conn. - 1952  
MSc and PhD in Landscape Horticulture, OSU - 1953 & 56

Employment: - Instructor through Professor in the Dept. of  
Horticulture, Ohio State Univ. and Ohio Agr. Research  
and Development Center 1953-72  
- Associate Dean for Academic Programs, College of  
Agriculture, OSU 1972-88  
- Director, Academic Programs in Agriculture and  
Natural Resources, National Assn. of State  
Universities and Land Grant Colleges (NASULGC), Wash.  
D.C. - 1990-91  
- Advisor - The Chadwick Arboretum, OSU - 1997-98

**Professional Service:**

- Ohio Nurserymen's Assn. - Part-time Executive Dir.  
and Editor - 1961-73
- Nursery-Assn. Executives (Second VP, 1970-71)
- All American Rose Selections Judge, 1965-73
- Ohio Agricultural Council - Extensive involvement
- North Central Computer Institute (Wisc.) - Board of  
Directors
- Joint Council on Food and Agr. Sci., USDA 1987-89
- NC Region Dean's and Dir. of Resident Instruction -  
Secretary 1975-76, Chairman 1976-77
- Resident Instruction Section and Res. Instr. Comm.  
on Org. and Policy (RICOP), NASULGC - Secretary,  
Chm. Elect and Chm. - 1983-86
- Chair of several RICOP Committees - Budget - 1980-83  
and the PACE-80 Natl. Agribusiness Symposium - 1980
- Director of the USDA Higher Education Project on  
Student recruiting - 1983-88
- Society of American Foresters - Comm. on  
Accreditation - 1991-93

**Publications:**

- Numerous scientific and technical articles in the  
Landscape Horticulture-nursery field and articles  
relating to higher education in the food, agriculture  
and natural resources sciences plus two text books on  
landscape plants

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**Professional and Scientific Memberships:**

- Sigma Xi, Phi Kappa Phi, Gamma Sigma Delta, Alpha Zeta, Pi Alpha Xi, Alpha Phi Omega; International Plant Propagator's Society (Sec.- Treas., 1957-60); Amer. Soc. for Hort. Sci. (Grades and Standards Comm., 1959-60); Columbus Landscape Assn.; Amer. Assn. of Nurserymen (Grades & Standards Comm. 1960-61, HRI Research Advisory Group, 1975-95.)

**Awards and Honors:**

- Several, including FFA State and National Honorary Farmer; Leadership to students at Ohio State; Ohio Nurserymen's Distinguished Contribution Award; Ohio Chapter, International Shade Tree Conference Award of Merit; USDA, Division of Agriculture- NASULGC, Joint Council, and Ohio Attorney General Certificates of Recognition and Appreciation; "K.W. Reisch Excellence in Teaching Endowment" established at Ohio State by friends.

**Civic Activities:**

- City of Columbus Street Tree<sup>Sub</sup> Commission - 1981-present, Chair 1981-86; City of Worthington Arbor Advisory Committee - 1989-present, Chair 1995-present; Ascension Lutheran Church - Member since 1952, Deacon, Church Council Secretary and Committee Chair, Sunday School Superintendent, Choir member; The Chadwick Arboretum, Ohio State - Instrumental in establishment and member and Treasurer of initial Board.