



## *The Walter F. Snyder Award for 1989*

*Presented to*  
**BOYD T. MARSH**

Some people have a record of accomplishment so substantial that professional recognition is the 'rule,' not the exception. Boyd T. Marsh is one such person. His contribution to environmental and health concerns can be seen in the programs and publications which have grown from his wisdom. For his achievements in the fields of environmental education, administration, and research, we are pleased to honor Boyd T. Marsh with the 1989 Walter F. Snyder Award.

Mr. Marsh has been a Diplomat of the American Academy of Sanitarians since 1974. He received the US EPA Region V 1974 Environmental Quality Award for his contributions to the Cleveland Department of Public Health and Welfare during his tenure as the Deputy Commissioner for Environmental Health. He was awarded a Certificate of Recognition by Cleveland Mayor Ralph Perk in 1977, and was honored again in 1977 with a listing in the First Edition of Who's Who in Health Care.

Mr. Marsh was selected Outstanding Sanitarian in 1979 and Outstanding Environmentalist in 1980, by the Ohio Environmental Health Association. Active at the national level, he served as the 1981-82 president of the National Environmental Health Association; and, in 1985 as chairman of the national Conference of Local Environmental Health Administrators. In 1985, he also was appointed to the Health and Industry Council of the National Automatic Merchandising Association, and has served on the Crumrine Award Committee of the Single Service Institute since 1984. He also serves on the Council of Public Health Consultants of the National Sanitation Foundation.

Add to these prestigious honors the energy Mr. Marsh spends on education and community services, such as the Summit County Board of Mental Retardation, and his dynamism becomes clear.

He has been a leader in developing invaluable programs, such as the Federal urban rodent control, and childhood lead poison prevention programs. He was also instrumental in raising state grant funds for radiological health research, home accident control, and food service manager certification programs in Ohio. Community development block grants and CETA manpower funds were other projects he directed.

In fact, since his environmental career began in 1966, Mr. Marsh has acquired and dispersed more than three million dollars worth of corporate and grant funds leading to the development of programs and products to help harmonize people with ever-changing technologies, and the environment.

From toy safety to pest control, from food and water systems evaluations to environmental forecasting, Mr. Marsh is fully committed to serving community needs.

Boyd Marsh received a Bachelor of Science degree in biology from Bowling Green State University in 1961, and subsequently earned a Master of Arts degree in economics.

While serving as a 1st Lieutenant/Radar and Electronics Officer in the US Air Force from 1962 to 1965, Boyd began to study education--first at Trenton State College, and a year later at Loyola University.

In 1965, he had an opportunity to test his professorial ability teaching physical science in Geauga County, Ohio. And, in 1967 he completed additional studies at the University of Akron in biology and urban studies.

Mr. Marsh began his environmental career in 1966 as Summit County (Ohio) Health Department staff sanitarian. In 1968, he was promoted to district sanitarian; and within one year, became the Ohio Health Department's rodent control specialist.

In 1969, he became supervisor of environmental health training and evaluation at the Cleveland Department of Public Health and Welfare. By 1972, he assumed the role of deputy commissioner. There, at the Cleveland Department of Public Health and Welfare, he co-authored the Environmental Education Curriculum guide as well as several professional journals. Three years later, he became commissioner, a position he held until 1980.

Today, Boyd Marsh lives in the town he worked in as a youth. As director of the Division of Environmental Health for the Summit County General Health District, he supervises the professional, laboratory, field and clerical staff. He is accountable for million dollar budgets, the creation and communication of legislation on noise control and solid waste collection, and the list goes on.

Boyd Marsh is truly a man of wisdom and accomplishment. The National Sanitation Foundation and the National Environmental Health Association take pleasure in honoring Boyd T. Marsh for his outstanding contributions to environmental health by presenting to him the 1989 Walter F. Snyder Award for Achieving Environmental Quality.

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