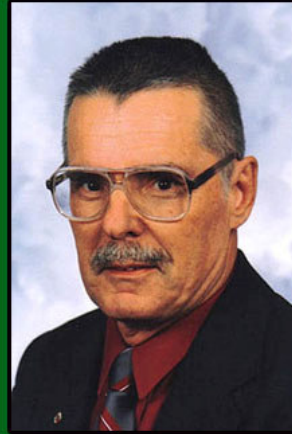


# Jerry Dorscheid

Gerald (Jerry) retired in January 1996 from the Bureau of Engineering after 33 years of employment. He graduated from the Platteville Engineering School with a B.S. in mining engineering in 1959 when the school was called the Wisconsin Institute of Technology. Upon graduating and marrying Margaret, he took his first job in an underground copper mine in Arizona.



After three years they returned to Wisconsin and he started with the WCD's Bureau of Engineering in January 1963. The Bureau of Engineering performed the design and construction management function for the WCD, which is now the DNR. Jerry worked on a variety of projects including water systems, sewer systems, toilet buildings, park entrance visitor stations, ranger stations, administrative facilities, recreational trail tunnel repairs, and bridge inspections. Two unique projects were the pheasant facility at Poynette and the bat gates over entries to an underground mine just east of Horicon.



After retirement from the DNR, Jerry kept active by working with a consultant, inspecting bridges for the DNR. One special project he worked on was the engineering of the refordification of the DNR Badger Trails 1,300 foot long railroad tunnel. The tunnel is located between Belleville and Monticello. Jerry often rides through the tunnel while participating in a retirees Biking and Bowling group rides. He has been known to give an impromptu tour of the tunnel to other riders they meet along the way.

He is also a supervisor on the Iowa County Board and a member of the Board of the Lower Wisconsin Riverway. During the year of 2000, Jerry was also the president of ARC.



*Jerry is an avid outdoorsman, biker and loves to hunt and fish. He recently completed a 6 day rafting trip down the Colorado River in the Grand Canyon with his daughter, Sue. They put in at Lee's Ferry and walked out from Phantom Ranch to the Grand Canyon Village.*



*Jerry and Margaret reside near Arena, and have four married children and seven grandchildren. In May of 2009, they will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary.*



