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Charles Sargent came to Purdue University in 1961 from Wisconsin. For 27 years he was a dedicated extension teacher and problem-solver, working on a wide range of public policy issues. He enjoyed analyzing complex problems and developing useful information for community and state decision makers. His interests included land-use planning, water-resource policies, community economic development, and rural health issues. His first few years at Purdue were spent in farm management extension.

He helped to organize both the national and state Community Development Societies (CDS and ICDS) and the Indiana Planning Association (IPA). He served as state president for three different professional associations and received the Earle F. Franke Award from IPA in 1981. He was a visiting professor at the University of Minnesota in 1970. In Wisconsin he served as a county extension agent, veterans' farm trainer, and agriculture teacher.

He and his wife, Lois, are parents of four children and plan to continue their active participation in community and church affairs.

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