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An Interview with John Duffy

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John Duffy has been an Elgin Community College Trustee since 1975. This interview details the history of Elgin Community College from 1949-2013. John Duffy was interviewed on the date listed below as part of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library's *Education is Key-Community College* Oral History project.

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Interviewer: Philip Pogue ALPL Volunteer

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Biographical Information Overview of Interview: John Duffy was born in Whittemore, Iowa in 1934, and graduated from Presentation Academy High School in Whittemore in 1952. He earned a BA degree from Loras College in 1956 and a MS in Education from Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska. Mr. Duffy taught at the junior high and high school level at Presentation and at Clear Lake (Iowa) High School. He served as a teaching assistant at the University of Iowa. In 1965, he began teaching at Larkin High School in Elgin, Illinois. There he taught English and Latin for thirty-four years. While at Larkin he served as President of the Elgin Teachers Association. In 1975 Mr. Duffy was elected to the Elgin Community College Board of Trustees. He still serves in that capacity and was elected three times as the chairman. Mr. Duffy also has served on the American Association of Community College Board, as an Association of Community College Trustee, and with the Illinois College Trustees Association.

Subject Headings/Key Words: History of Elgin Community College; programs at Elgin Community College; meeting the needs of diverse learners; Elgin Community College and the Fine Arts; construction of a new college.

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