

# National 4-H Hall of Fame 2017 Kentucky



## **Anna B. Lucas**

**Extension Program Specialist for 4-H**

Home: Waynesburg, KY      Nominated by: Kentucky 4-H

### **Major 4-H Accomplishments:**

4-H member at the Highland Grade School and through high school. Hired by UK as agent doing adult and 4-H programs. After completing a master's degree, she served as Asst. Professor of 4-H at UT. Returned to UK for 25 years as coordinator for 4-H staff development and educational resources for 4-H clubs, citizenship, and food-nutrition.

**Honors:** KY: Human Environmental Sciences Hall of Fame and Centennial Laureate, 4-H Distinguished Leadership Award, 4-H Agents Distinguished Service Award, Epsilon Sigma Phi Meritorious Award, Epsilon Sigma Phi Award for Food-Nutrition Program, College of Agriculture Specialist Assn. Outstanding Specialist. National Assn. of Extension 4-H Agents Distinguished Service Award.

### **Biography:**

Anna began 4-H membership at the Highland Grade School and continued through high school. She graduated from the University of Kentucky and was employed by UK as an agent doing adult and 4-H programs. Attendance at the Extension summer school introduced her to University of Tennessee graduate program. After completing a master's degree, she served as Asst. Professor of 4-H at UT. Main accomplishments include a grant for a teen communication conference and giving leadership to the organization of Tenn. 4-H Alumni, which still flourishes today. She returned to the University of Kentucky and for 25 years. She was the coordinator for 4-H staff development and educational resources for 4-H clubs, citizenship, and food-nutrition.

A highlight of Anne's food-nutrition program was working with the nutrition specialist to receive a grant to sponsor awards, audio materials and literature for a breads project. The resources were shared nationwide. She co-authored Kentucky's 4-H History. She served as the State 4-H Leader and was president of Human Environmental Sciences, Gamma Sigma Delta, Epsilon Sigma Phi and the Specialist Association. Following retirement she served for ten years as the coordinator for Kentucky's 4-H participation in CHARACTER COUNTS!® She is a member of The Kentucky 4-H Foundation, The Scovell Society, The Presidents Club and The Society of 1865.

### **Quote:**

Nothing can beat over 50 years of involvement in a program so people oriented. Seeing youth and adults mature and challenging me to also develop my knowledge and skills. The 4-H citizenship and leadership programs instill an attitude of sharing and caring that is so important to our democracy.