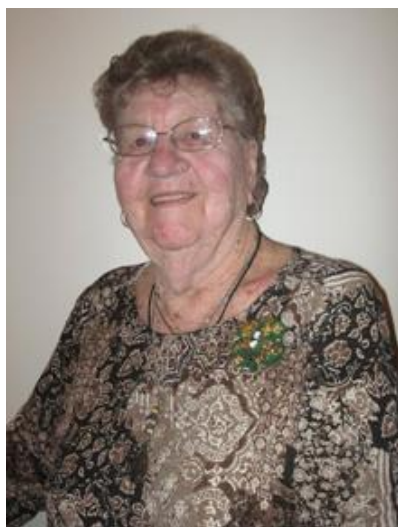


National 4-H Hall of Fame 2019

New Jersey



Frances Hagel
4-H Volunteer Leader

Home: Cologne, NJ

Nominated by: New Jersey 4-H

Major 4-H Accomplishments:

Atlantic County volunteer 4-H for 67 years as leader of the Cologne Busy Bees teaching sewing, cooking, canning, freezing, crocheting, and food & nutrition and community service. Served on the State Advisory Council 13 years, the State Fashion Show planning committee 20 years and NJ Ag Fair Association 10 years. Chaperone for many camps and events.

Honors: 2017-Emerald Clover of Excellence; Proclamation from Atlantic Co. that December 9th is Frances Hagel Day for 65 years of Volunteering in 4-H. 2013-Adult Character Award Recipient. 2005-New Jersey Salute to Excellence Award. 1992-Community Development Award. 1982-Volunteer of the Year Award

Biography:

Fran has served Atlantic County New Jersey 4-H for 67 years as leader of the Cologne Busy Bees, "Making the Best Better" by expecting members to participate in all aspects of 4-H, including community service, Adopt-A-Road, Adopt-A-Family, Veteran Home visits, and volunteering for local fire company's dinner. At age 93 she hosts weekly meetings at her home to teach 4-H members sewing, cooking, canning, freezing, crocheting, and food & nutrition. At the state level, she drove a bus to 4-H summer camp 5 years, chaperoned summer camp 5 years, attended weekend clean-ups at 4-H camp 10 years. She served on the State Advisory Council 13 years, on the State Fashion Show planning committee 20 years, NJ Ag Fair Association 10 years.

Fran attended the Northeast Regional Leaders' Forum 10 years, served on the hosting committee for NJ and made the "Jersey Fresh" costumes for Atlantic County volunteers. She helped organize Public Presentations, Favorite Food Show, and 4-H Open House among many other events. She is active in Atlantic County Leaders and Fair Associations and Ways and means committee (both 67 year), Family Consumer Science committee, Scholarship committee, 4-H Fair committee chicken barbeque, baby parade, and helping in the treasurer's office. She was chaperone at State Cookoff 10 years and Teen Expo 10 years. She hosted a chaperone through 4-H Japanese Exchange Program 2 years.

Quote:

Looking back at 67 years as a volunteer leader - what wonderful rewarding years. I have taught numerous youth (too many to remember) life/basic skills to help prepare them for their future. My motto has been "you can do anything you want to do if you want to do it" and "where there's a WILL there's a way!"



Making Christmas Projects for Nursing Home (1969)



Club members learning basic sewing skills (2019).



Club making Lap Robes for Veterans (2009).