

National 4-H Hall of Fame 2014 Pennsylvania



Anna 'Mickey' Peters
4-H Leader, Centre County

Home: Pennsylvania Furnace, PA

Nominated by: Pennsylvania 4-H

Major 4-H Accomplishments:

PA 4-H club member; 4-H leader over 51 years. Member of Keystone Society and the PA 4-H Development Council. Chaired 4-H Endowment Fund campaign with value of \$318,000. Helped host Northeast Regional Leader Forums, 1991 & 2004. Member and secretary, PA Council of Cooperative Extension Associations (PCCEA). **Honors:** National 4-H Salute to Excellence Award, 1986. Coble Award for Outstanding PA Beef Leader, 1991. Epsilon Sigma Phi Friend of Extension, 1996. Centre Co. Council of Human Services Extension Volunteer, 2002. Penn State Stockmen's Club Booster Award, 2004. Presidential Volunteer Service Award, 2005. Grange Fair Volunteer of the Year, 2006. PA Fair Assn. Ambassador of the Year & Zone Person of the Year, 2013.

Biography:

Anna "Mickey" Peters was raised on a family farm in central PA, the youngest of six children. She joined 4-H at a young age, as her mother was a 4-H leader. With her late husband, Clarence, she organized beef, rifle, wildlife, and community clubs, working with over 500 members over 51 years as a 4-H leader. Her five children have served as volunteers. Mickey is a member of Keystone Society and the PA 4-H Development Council. She chaired a 4-H Endowment Fund charter campaign that has a value of \$318,000 and returns over \$12,000 annually to the county. Mickey helped to host the Northeast Regional Leader Forums in 1991 and 2004. She has been a member and secretary of the PA Council of Cooperative Extension Associations (PCCEA).

Beyond 4-H, Mickey is active in church, Grange, and community organizations. She has served on the Grange Fair committee as beef chair and overall livestock superintendent for 18 years. An organizer of the junior livestock sale, the sale has grown to an annual gross of \$288,000. She was elected as a Ferguson Township Supervisor serving from 1992-99 and was vice chair for four years. She was recently recognized for her service to the Board of Centre County Farm Land Trust. Besides her 4-H and community work, Mickey worked for Penn State University, retiring in 1991 from her position as Administrative Aide in the Dept. of Finance in the College of Business Administration.

Quote:

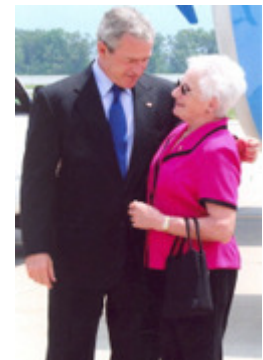
What a privilege to be involved with the 4-H Program!! I trust that I have helped and encouraged young individuals with their 4-H experiences and opportunities. I did my best to provide guidance, educational resources, and life skills development in the projects, and club activities. I encouraged doing demonstrations and speeches and having older members helping younger members. I especially enjoyed seeing them grow in confidence and work to their full potential. I believe in the future of the 4-H Program, and I am very grateful to be a part of it - I TREASURE THE MEMORIES!!



Mickey presenting a Grand Champion banner to one of the many beef exhibitors she has mentored over the years.



State College business owner Galen Dreibelbis donates one of the first checks to the Centre County 4-H Endowment that Mickey helped to create.



Mickey greets President George W. Bush as he arrived to present her the Presidential Volunteer Service Award in 2005.