

## Alabama

### Ann Barr - State 4-H Program Leader for Girls, 1951-1984



Hometown: Auburn, Alabama  
Nominated by: Alabama  
Cooperative Extension System  
Year Inducted: 2002

#### 4-H Efforts:

Began career as an assistant home demonstration agent in Talladega County. State 4-H Leader for Girls from 1951 until retirement in 1984. Served on 4-H Congress committees 33 times and as chair six times (1951-85). Worked from 1984-94 with National 4-H Council and National 4-H Congress.

#### Honors:

Her alma mater, The University of Montevallo near Birmingham, named her an Outstanding Alumnae. At her retirement, a 4-H Scholarship Fund for young people in Alabama was established in her honor.

Ann Barr was indeed the “spirit” of Alabama 4-H, but her commitment to 4-H went far beyond the state's borders. Barr served the Alabama Cooperative Extension System for 43 years, retiring in 1984. Her 33-year tenure as State 4-H Leader for Girls was crucial in the progress of modern Alabama 4-H, especially the areas of leadership development and citizenship.

Nationally, Barr chaired 4-H Congress and contributed significantly to a wide array of programs and activities. For two decades she was the greatest single motivational force in Alabama 4-H - impacting, at all levels, more than 1,000,000 young lives.

"I never wanted anything for myself, just for the boys and girls."

A few days after Ann Barr's retirement, a 4-H Scholarship fund was established in her honor. The above quote was her response. That was the typical Ann Barr. She preferred to stay in the background.



John Lemly Morrison - Former President, Dairy Fresh Corporation

4-H Efforts:

Alabama 4-H Foundation Board Member, Chairman 1964-1991. The Alabama Cooperative Extension System recognizes that the Alabama 4-H Youth Development Center exists today largely because of Lem Morrison's personal commitment and leadership.

Honors:

Mr. Morrison was presented with the National Epsilon Sigma Phi Award in 1978. He also loved and supported Auburn University, and one of his proudest moments was when the university conferred upon him the honorary doctorate of science degree in 1983.

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"When I visited Russia in 1958, I looked into the eyes of the children there and saw despair. That image burned into my consciousness, and I promised myself then that when I got back to America I was going to do everything in my power to see that our own youth had every opportunity to grow and develop into responsible citizens and leaders. I knew, through the experience of my own children, that 4-H was an organization that could have a major impact in achieving that goal."

As a noted business and agricultural leader, John Lemly (Lem) Morrison worked tirelessly and effectively on behalf of Alabama's young people. Morrison is widely recognized in Alabama 4-H as the guiding force in the development of the Alabama 4-H Youth Development Center. When the Alabama 4-H Foundation was organized in 1956, Mr. Morrison directed the initial \$1 million fund drive for the Center, now the premier youth development facility in the state. He was appointed chairman of the 4-H Foundation Board in 1964 and served until September 1991. His 27-year service on the Alabama 4-H Club Foundation was a period of unparalleled growth and accomplishment.



Thomas M. Campbell, Sr. - County Agent for Macon County  
and Extension Field Agent (Tuskegee), 1906-1953

Through study, hard work and perseverance, Thomas Campbell earned his degree at Tuskegee Institute. On November 12, 1906, he was appointed Negro County Agent for Macon County, Alabama, thus becoming America's first black Cooperative Extension Agent. After 12 years in Macon County, he was appointed Field Agent in Extension Work, USDA, located at Tuskegee Institute. He served as a leader in "Negro Extension" work in this capacity in seven states until he retired in 1953, after 47 years of extension work.

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Thomas M. Campbell's name deserves to be written in large letters in our nation's Extension history. He was America's first black Cooperative Extension agent, named to that position in Macon Co., Alabama, in November, 1906. After 12 years in his county post, he was appointed field agent in Extension work for the USDA and was housed at Tuskegee University. He served as a leader in "Negro Extension" in seven states, retiring in 1953.

A well-known writer and author, Mr. Campbell help lay the groundwork for a modern Extension service which serves all Americans. His book, "The Movable School Goes to the Negro Farmer," reflected the scope of his life and the depth of his mind.