

Minnesota



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Major 4-H Efforts: Wisconsin 4-H member 8 years. Extension positions in Minnesota, New York and USDA as 4-H Interim Deputy Administrator in 1992. State and national program committees included ECOP 4-H Subcommittee, National 4-H Foundation and National 4-H Council Boards of Trustees, and National 4-H Program Outcomes Committee.

Significant 4-H Honors: I Dare You and Key Club leadership awards as a member; NAE4-HA & FL Distinguished Service Awards 1996; Award of Merit, NY State AE4-HA 2000; NAE4-HA & FL Air Force Recruiting Award 2001; FL 4-H Hall of Fame 2002; UMN College of Human Ecology Legacy Society Award 2002.

During a 40-year Extension career, Sue Fisher provided program leadership in Expressive Arts, Programs for Younger Children, 4-H Expanded Food and Nutrition, Camping and Environmental Education, International, Communications, and Program Planning and Management. With her leadership, 4-H was enhanced through application of youth development research, 4-H participation included a growing number of diverse youth from both urban and rural areas, and the 4-H experience was enriched through expanded public/private program partnerships. In retirement, service to youth through 4-H has continued with 4-H positions at the University of Minnesota and National 4-H Council and as a Trustee of the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation.

“Through 4-H, we create environments for positive youth development; these environments include exciting learning experiences and critically important relationships with caring adults. Working with so many capable, caring and committed teen and adult volunteers and professional 4-H Youth Development staff has been a privilege and an honor.”



Recognizing a Minnesota 4-H photography member.



Raising friends and funds for 4-H with Florida 4-H members and the Florida Commissioner of Agriculture.



Conferencing with 4-H staff from the South Pacific Territories to expand 4-H youth participation.