Jean Woloshuk



Jean Woloshuk's commitment to the youth of West Virginia started in 1977 when she joined the WVU Extension Service as an agent in Wetzel County. In 1980, she became an agent in Monongalia County and in 1989 she became the 4-H Events Coordinator and Extension Associate Professor, Division of Family and Youth Programs. In this position, she continued her years of work with 4-H in the implementation of statewide events, including livestock, dairy, poultry and land judging contests among others. She served as a liaison with the WVU College of Agriculture and Forestry and the State Department of Agriculture as well as other commodity groups. Woloshuk continued with Extension becoming a tenured Professor and Adjunct Professor in the Division of Resource Management at the Davis College.

Throughout the years, she has been a tireless advocate for lifelong learning and dedicated to the improvement of the quality of life of those she serves. She worked for many years with the state dairy show and judging event, the State Fair of WV youth events, Beef Expo Judging Contest, State 4-H Livestock Judging Event, State 4-H Horse Judging event and many more. Her efforts have provided both formal and informal learning opportunities to thousands of youth, parents and adult learners. She introduced the Skillathon events for all 4-H animal special projects. She also developed the State 4-H Shooting Sports programs that has opened up opportunities for youth and adult volunteers interested in this area.

She has procured more than a million dollars in funds for youth development events, activities and programs. She was among a handful of Extension professionals and animal care advocates who fought for realistic husbandry practices relating to lamb's tail length for the show ring.

Woloshuk is a Cum Laude graduate from WVU and holds a bachelors and masters' degree in agriculture as well as her Ed.D. in curriculum and instruction with a minor in agricultural education. She is a 4-H All Star, Gamma Sigma Delta inductee, has Honorary State FFA and American Farmer Degrees, received the Extension Outstanding Performance Award for Team Program Excellence – 4-H Shooting Sports Program, Inductee in the WV 4-H Hall of Fame, a WVDA Woman in Agriculture and was named a WVU Distinguished Alumni in 2012.

Woloshuk retired in 2014 with 38 years of dedicated service.