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Making the Best Better

As we end another successful year of 4-H programs and embrace a fresh beginning, we are once again proud of the remarkable growth we've achieved in the past year. Our 4-H community witnessed an unbelievable 25% increase in membership during 2023. The cause, of course, is the unwavering dedication of our incredible volunteer leaders, the steadfast support of our community, and the resilience of our families. We are excited to share and grow the mission of positive youth development in Harrison County. The generosity of the 4-H Council assures us of a future that promises to surpass all growth expectations.

In the spirit of fostering this growth, we invite you to share our 4-H Council's generosity statement with your schools, community, and friends. The Harrison County 4-H Council wholeheartedly embraces the essential element of generosity in 4-H's positive youth development framework. They are here to help. If your child requires assistance with funding for 4-H programs or state-level 4-H program fees, we encourage you to reach out to our 4-H Educator, Rebecca Wilkins.

In this new program year, look for after-school partnerships with programs around the county, new email polls to get feedback about workshop topics, and fantastic opportunities during times when our school systems share days off. Find "save the date" information in this issue for our 4-H Vet Camp and 4-H Electric Camp. And be sure to watch for more information about upcoming events like the Junior Leader Retreat and other Area events coming soon via email. Enrollment for the new program year begins October 1. Instructions on re-enrollment are included.

Thank you for joining Purdue Extension in creating #opportunities for all.

Rebecca Wilkins

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Office Closings:

- September 4th- Labor Day
- October 9th- Columbus Day

Office Hours:

- 8:00am-4:30pm
- Monday -Friday

Accommodations:

If you are in need of accommodations to attend a program, please contact Rebecca Wilkins at wilkin33@purdue.edu at least 1 week prior to the event.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION!

Rest of 2023 Important Dates:

1-September:

- Point Sheets Due
- Above and Beyond t-shirt design contest deadline

5-4-H Fairgrounds Improvement Meeting

12-Livestock Skill-A-Thon Area 2 Contest

13-Adventures In Painting

- Painting and Pastries

15-Blue River All Stars 4-H Club: Carnival for Cancer

17-4-H Dog Show

18-WaterStep Shoe Donations due

21-Share Your 4-H Story is due

25-Junior Leaders Meeting

26-Ag Days

27-Ag Days

- Mini 4-H Graduation

October:

1- 2023-2024 4-H Open Enrollment Begins

- Member of the Year Award Application Due
- Citizenship Award Application Due

2- RSVP deadline for the 4-H Awards Banquet

- Bio to run for 4-H Council Due

12- Vet Camp

13- RSVP to Dennis Flock for Fall Trail Ride

16- Silent Auction Donations Deadline

24- 4-H Awards Banquet

November:

7- Electric Camp

8- Mini 4-H Bountiful Breakfast 1

15- Mini 4-H Bountiful Breakfast 2

December:

2- Saturday with Santa

Share your 4-H Story

Calling All 4-H Writers and Photographers!

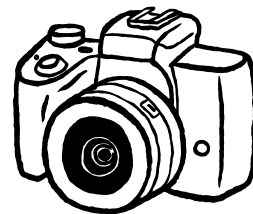
It is once again time to submit your 4-H stories, memories, and experiences for the annual Corydon Democrat 4-H newspaper insert.

Share your 4-H story with our Harrison County community. Write an informational article about your favorite 4-H project. Share a vignette about your favorite 4-H memory. Share a photo of a proud learning moment. Tell everyone about how 4-H has helped you develop life-skills and friends. Encourage youth throughout our community to join 4-H this year.

Please send your electronic submissions to wilkin33@purdue.edu.

You will receive a by-line and photo credit for your work.

Please submit no later than Thursday, September 21st.



Fairgrounds Improvement Meeting

On Tuesday, September 5th at 5:30 pm at the Fairgrounds (Meet at Exhibit Hall), we will do a complete walkthrough of ALL 4-H areas, including exhibit hall, barns, show arenas, livestock facilities, bathrooms, etc. We will discuss painting and repairs, infrastructure, electric, PA system, waterlines/plumbing, gates/pens, etc.

If you noticed anything at the 4-H fair that looked like it could use a little attention and TLC, come to this meeting so that it can be addressed. If you are unable to attend, please email your concerns to Kathy Timberlake at kathyeschbachertimberlake@hotmail.com

2024 Fowl Play Poultry Club Meeting Schedule

Fowl Play Poultry Club meets every 4th Thursday of each month at 6:00pm at the Extension Office. Meetings will start in January.

We encourage new members, ALL are welcome!

- January 25th
- February 22nd
- March 28th
- April 25th
- May 23rd



IMPORTANT INFORMATION!

4-H Awards Banquet:

This year's 4-H Awards Banquet and Annual 4-H Council elections will be held on Tuesday, October 24. The doors to the Talmage Windell Agricultural Building at the Fairgrounds will open at 5:00 pm. The program will begin at 6:00 pm. 4-H Council is sponsoring a complimentary meal. Dinner will again be catered by the Schnitzelbank Restaurant. YUM! Reservations are required to receive a dinner ticket and partake in the meal. The deadline to RSVP for dinner is Monday October 2. Call the Extension office at 812-738-4236 to make your reservation.



The Silent Auction is back this year! We encourage clubs, businesses, and individuals to donate items, gift certificates, baskets, etc. Please bring items to the Extension office by 4:30pm on Monday, October 16.

Are you an approved Harrison County 4-H Volunteer? Wanting to help or get more involved with the 4-H program? Why not run for a position on the 4-H Council! To get your name on the ballot, please send a brief bio to Mary Eve at feve@purdue.edu or drop it by the Extension Office at 247 Atwood St, Corydon. Deadline to submit your bio is Monday, October 2.

Lucky Horseshoes 4-H Club Fall Trail Ride:

October 20th, 21st, 22nd at O'Bannon Woods Horseman's Hideaway

Schedule:

Friday: Arrive at 7:00pm for a pitch-in dinner. Fried chicken and paper products will be provided. Bring 1-2 side dishes and your own drinks!

Saturday: Trail rides begin at 10:00am (advanced riders will start at 10:00, beginners will start at 10:15).

Hot dog roast in the evening around 6:00pm. Hot dogs, buns, and condiments will be provided. Bring your own drinks!

Sunday: Short ride in the morning (time will be determined) and then head home.

All Horse and Pony families welcome!



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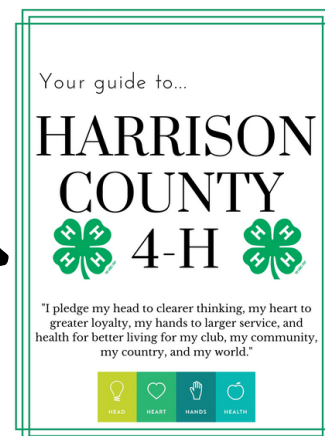
- Please make your reservations with O'Bannon Woods Horseman's Hideaway at 866-622-6746 **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE** to ensure you get a spot.
- Please also call or text Dennis Flock at 812-972-2126 to RSVP by October 13th.

2023-2024 4-H OPEN ENROLLMENT:

- The 2023-2024 4-H enrollment year begins October 1st 2023.
- Sign up through 4-H Online: v2.4HOnline.com
- Adults can become an Approved 4-H Volunteer!
- Call the Extension Office with any questions: 812-738-4236

New to 4-H or know someone who may be interested? Check out our New Member Guide with additional information about how to get involved in 4-H!

<https://extension.purdue.edu/county/harrison/4hstorage/new-4-h-member-guide-packet.pdf>



IMPORTANT INFORMATION!

Extension Homemakers Shoe Donations:

The Extension Homemakers are taking donations for gently used shoes for an organization called WaterStep.

By donating your new and gently used shoes to WaterStep, you'll help fund safe drinking water projects all over the world – projects that help to save hundreds of thousands of lives each year. In addition to funding water projects, donated shoes keep hundreds of tons of waste out of our landfills. We accept gently used shoes that are free of mold/mildew. Athletic shoes are preferred, but we will accept all styles of shoes. Shoes are sold to an exporter and funds received help bring clean water to those in need.

Please bring donations to the Extension Office by September 18th. Thank you!



Member of the Year Award:

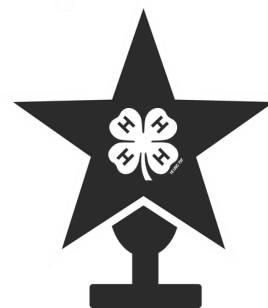
Due October 1st

All traditional 4-H'ers in grades 3-12 are invited to apply for the Member of the Year Award! Build your resume and write a cover letter. Bring those to the Extension Office by October 1st by 4:30pm.

Don't know how to build a resume or write a cover letter? Feel free to reach out to 4-H Educator, Rebecca Wilkins, for some advice and help!

See instructions in this link:

<https://extension.purdue.edu/county/harrison/4hstorage/member-of-the-year-award-information.pdf>



Citizenship Award:

Due October 1st

All traditional 4-H'ers in grades 3-12 are invited to apply for the Citizenship Award. Please have applications turned in to the Extension Office by October 1st at 4:30pm.

View application here: <https://extension.purdue.edu/county/harrison/4hstorage/2023-citizenship-award-application.pdf>



Club Leaders Meeting:

Due October 3rd

Club Leaders and Club Assistants, please plan to attend the 2023 4-H Club Leader Meeting on October 3rd at 6:00pm in the Clover Room. Any Purdue project updates and news for the upcoming program year will be shared, as well as a review of financial and insurance procedures. If you have any questions, please submit those to Rebecca (wilkin33@purdue.edu) ahead of time and they will be included in the Q&A.



4-H Club Leaders:

Do you want your announcements in the newsletter?

If you want your club announcement in the next 4-H CloverPrint Newsletter, please contact Jocelyn Faith at faith2@purdue.edu or Rebecca Wilkins at wilkin33@purdue.edu, or call the Extension Office at 812-738-4236.



THIS YEAR'S ENROLLMENT

4-H ONLINE: STEP BY STEP ENROLLMENT GUIDE

Creating A New Account:

DO NOT ENROLL UNTIL OCTOBER 1ST!

1. Go to v2.4HOnline.com.
2. Click "Don't have an account?" if you have never enrolled in 4-H before using 4-H Online.
3. Select Indiana from the drop-down menu (select Indiana 4-H Youth Development).
4. Choose your county from the drop-down menu.
5. Complete your family's information.
6. Click the Create Account button.
7. Enter your family's address information.
8. Click the Verify button.
9. If you create a new account and an existing account is found, click the Confirm button and continue to Logging in with an existing 4-H Online account.

If you are returning to 4-H, your member record will be listed on the Family Member List. Click "Enroll Now" under 4-H. If you are a new member and your name is not yet listed, click "Add Member" and follow the steps for "Adding a New Family Member," then continue to Step 1 below.

1. Select the member's Grade and click Next.
2. Select to Confirm that you would like to enroll as a Club Member.
3. Click the Select Clubs button.
4. Select the County in which your Club is located.
5. Click Add next to the Club you would like to join.
6. Repeat steps 1-3 to add all of the Clubs in which you would like to participate.
7. If you have enrolled in more than one club, be sure the Primary club is marked correctly. If not, click the Change to Primary button to mark a different Club as your Primary Club.
8. Click the trash can icon to remove a Club from the list.
9. Once all of your Clubs are added, click Next at the bottom of the screen.
10. Click Select Projects.
11. Select the Club with which you want your project to be associated.
12. Click the Add button next to the project you want to add to the member's enrollment.
13. Repeat steps 10-12 for each project in which you would like to participate.
14. Click the trash can icon to remove any projects.
15. Click the Next button once all the member's projects have been added.
16. Click "Show Questions"
17. Complete the enrollment questions. Some of the questions will be completed for you based on what you entered when you created your record.
18. Complete the Health form fields and Consents.
19. Click the Next button at the bottom of the screen when you are done.
20. Complete the Consents
21. Click the Next button at the bottom of the page when you are finished.
22. If applicable, review the fees for the member.
23. Review the enrollment information.
24. Once you have verified that the clubs and projects are listed correctly, click the Submit button.

You will receive an email to let you know your enrollment has been submitted. You will receive another email when your County Extension office has approved your enrollment. You may view the enrollment status on the Member List. Any enrollments that have fees to be paid by credit card will process when the County Extension Office approves the enrollment. Should the transaction be declined, you will receive an email notification. It will include a link to login so that you may add another card or change your payment method.

THIS YEAR'S ENROLLMENT



4 Steps of the 4-H Volunteer Process



1. Fill out an Application

Pick up your application at the Extension Office, via email, or

https://extension.purdue.edu/county/harrison/4-H_HomePage.html.

You will submit an application and information for three references. Once paperwork is turned in, we can complete a limited background check. (Only required for the first year)



2. Create 4-H Online Account

Once you have completed the application, you will create a profile on www.V2.4honline.com

*Use this to recommit as a volunteer annually.



3. Complete Youth Training

Once your 4-H Online profile is created, you will then complete the 4 training videos located in the training section.

*Must renew trainings annually.



4. Meet with Extension Educator

After you have submitted your application to the Extension Office, contact Rebecca Wilkins (wilkin33@purdue.edu) to schedule an interview with the 4-H educator where you will discuss Adult Behavioral Expectations of volunteers.

PROCESS COMPLETE!



Congratulations! You have completed all of the required steps needed to becoming an approved 4-H Volunteer. Your dedication to become a volunteer is greatly appreciated. Your first task is to connect with a volunteer opportunity whether that be as a committee member, general volunteer, a SPARK club volunteer, or a 4-H Council Member. Your overall goal is to improve and support the lives in Harrison County youth to **"Make the Best Better"**.

THIS YEAR'S ENROLLMENT

Junior Leaders:

Junior Leaders must be in grade 7 or above as of 2023-24 school year.

As a 4-H Junior Leader, you will be able to:

- Help older and younger 4-H members develop leadership skills and abilities by assuming responsibilities for your own program.
- Achieve a broad understanding of the meaning of leadership and the qualities of a leader.
- Understand and practice ethical character.
- Participate in team building.
- Encourage involvement by every individual.
- Develop follow-through and responsibility.
- Improve written, verbal and interpersonal communication skills.
- Gain self-confidence and self-respect.
- Practice and acquire leadership skills.
- Think critically and problem-solve.
- Develop and practice empathy for others.
- Understand and develop a sense of belonging with others and your community.
- Develop and improve your resume for college and work applications after high school.
- Discover career pathways and get involved in your community through service-learning opportunities.

ALL YOUTH IN GRADES 7-12 AND THEIR GUARDIANS ARE INVITED TO OUR MEETING:
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH
7PM AT THE EXTENSION OFFICE

We will make a plan of action for the upcoming program year, discuss volunteer opportunities, and how to make this year wonderful for these youth. I would love to include more field trip type opportunities for this group this year. We may also discuss a giant Junior Leader trip to a place where a mouse lives if we have enough participation this year.

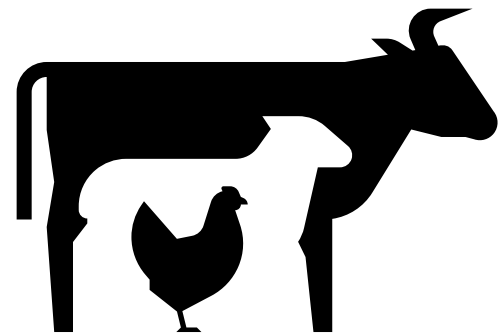
Livestock-Skill-A-Thon Career Development Event:

Livestock-Skill-A-Thon is a Career Development Event (CDE) where youth can share their knowledge of breeds, equipment, retail, and so much more!

The Area 2 contest is September 12th.

If any Harrison County 4-H members would like to take part in this event, 3rd-8th graders are eligible for Junior Teams.

For more information about Livestock Skill-A-Thon, reach out to Rebecca Wilkins at wilkin33@purdue.edu.



See the link below for State information:

<https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/get-involved/state-programs/career-development-events/livestock-skillathon-cde.html>

THIS YEAR'S ENROLLMENT

What is Mini 4-H?

Mini 4-H is a noncompetitive 4-H program for youth in grades K-2. Mini 4-H is designed to introduce you and your child to the 4-H program and is an excellent way for children to learn by doing and to exhibit projects at the fair. Mini 4-H members also have the opportunity to attend club meetings, workshops, and a summer day camp just for Mini 4-H'ers.

The noncompetitive learning environment for Mini 4-H includes:

1. Planned learning activities in which children are invited to be active and explore materials and ideas without the pressure of completing a specific product or exhibit.
2. Low adult/leader to child ratio that allows time for adults/leaders to provide individual positive encouragement and assistance.
3. Simple, interesting activities that are fun.
4. Encouragement of children to participate in a group activity by sharing and or displaying their activity projects.
5. Rewards are identical ribbons of the same color for everyone.

There is no limit to the number of projects youth can sign up for, however, try not to overwhelm a child with too many projects.



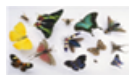
BICYCLE: Learn bicycle safety, all about road signs and the parts of your bicycle.



CRAFTS: Do you like to paint, draw, play with clay and use your hands to create crafty things? This is the project for you!



COLLECTIONS: Learn about collecting. Tell us what you like to collect and why. Bring your collection to the Fair!



CREATIVE WRITING: Do you like to tell stories about your adventures? Learn how to add more excitement to your stories!



CUPCAKE: Make frosting and create pretty little cake creations that look good enough to eat!



DINOSAURS: Do you know how big a dinosaur was? How about what they ate? Learn about your favorite dinosaur by taking this project.



ENTOMOLOGY: Learn about ants, butterflies, bees and other creepy crawlies.



FARM ANIMALS: Cows, pigs, horses, chickens; all your favorite farm animals are featured in this project!



FOODS: Make your own trail mix, cook no-bake cookies and bake with biscuits! Learn how to make great treats your family will love.



FORESTRY: Learn about different trees and what makes them special.



GARDENING: Growing a vegetable garden does not have to be boring. You can plant hot and spicy peppers or cool cucumbers! Grow something you've never eaten before.



GENEALOGY: Learn about your family through old stories, pictures, and records. Become an Ancestor Detector!



HORSE & PONY: What kind of horse do you have? Learn about different breeds of horses, some safety rules and to care for your horse.



HORSELESS HORSE & PONY: For horse lovers who don't have horses. You too can learn about caring for horses, horse breeds and other fun facts.



MODELS: Models are small versions of the things around us. Use snap together parts, Legos, toothpicks or many other things to build miniature cars, buildings, bridges or anything you can think of.



MY PET & ME: Have fun with Fido, Fifi, or whatever you named your pet. Watch and learn what your pet can do.



PHOTOGRAPHY: Learn the Do's and Don'ts of taking pictures and how to get that perfect shot. Learn about close-ups, landscapes, portraits, and more!



PLANTS & FLOWERS: Learn about what plants and flowers need to grow both outside and in the house. Help make our planet pretty!



SEWING: Want to learn how to sew? Take the first steps with this project!



SPACE: Be an Astronaut in training! Learn about the Sun, Stars and Space flight.



TREES: Trees come in many shapes and sizes, just like people. Learn how trees grow, how old a tree is and how to tell the name of a tree just from its leaves.



WHALES & DOLPHINS: How do whales & dolphins breath? What is sonar? What is the biggest whale? You'll learn all this and more with this project.



WILDLIFE: Observe birds, chipmunks, squirrels and the other creatures that live in the woods.



WOODCRAFT: Have you been wanting to build with wood. Projects in this manual include popsicle stick art, building bookends and finally making a place to keep your tools.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Blue River All Stars 4-H Club: Carnival for Cancer

September 15th

Please join the Blue River All Stars 4-H Club and Blue River Hills Extension Homemakers for a night of food, fun, and fellowship to support a great cause!

When: Friday, September 15th, 2023

Where: Fountain Church- Located off Harrison Springs Rd.

Time: 5:00pm

Chili Supper, Silent and Live Auction, Carnival Games, Cake Walk, Sweet Shop & more!

For more information, directions, or to donate items, contact:

Karen Schwartz at 812-736-2373 or karengleitz@hotmail.com.

Proceeds donated to American Cancer Society will be matched by Betty Goldman Endowment at the Harrison County Community Foundation.

See you there!



Harrison County 4-H Dog Show

September 17th

Let's raise the woof at the 2023 Harrison County 4-H Dog Show on September 17th at 2:00pm. The dog show will take place at the Windell Ag Building at the fairgrounds. Please read over the 4-H Handbook Dog Section, on page 155, regarding exhibition terms and conditions, instruction/training, suggested attire, identification guidelines, classes, and class descriptions. Reach out to the superintendent, Theresa Stilger, 812-972-0984 for any further questions!



Mini 4-H Graduation

September 27th

Join the us for the Mini 4-H Graduation ceremony for any Mini's moving to traditional 4-H (3rd grade as of 2023-24 school year). Graduation will take place at the Extension Office on September 27th, 2023 @ 6:00 pm. Please RSVP with graduate name and number of guests by calling 812-738-4236 or emailing Miss Mary at feve@purdue.edu.



UPCOMING EVENTS

3rd Grade Ag Days

September 26th & 27th

Purdue Extension of Harrison County and Harrison County Farm Bureau will be hosting our annual Agriculture Days event this fall on September 26th and 27th, 2023. All third graders throughout Harrison County are invited to participate in Ag Day.

Since 2016, Ag Day has positively impacted over 4,000 youth in our county and allowed them to make connections between agriculture and their daily lives. This is an opportunity to educate our youth about the connection between rural areas and urban areas, farm-to-table foods, science, technology, and engineering.

Keep an eye out for additional information from your 3rd grade teachers. If you know of home schooled families, please connect them to our office.



Vet Camp

October 12th

Harrison County 3rd-5th graders are invited to explore the vast world of veterinary care on October 12th from 9:00am-3:00pm! Learn first aid, how to give injections, dissection and more!

Vet Camp will take place at the Harrison County Fairgrounds.

Space is limited, so RSVP at 812-738-4236 today!



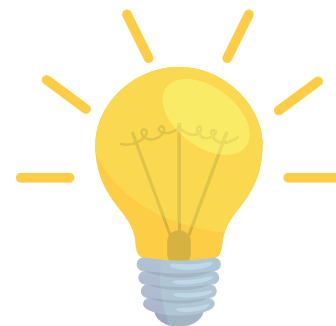
Electric Camp

November 7th

All 3rd-5th graders are invited to participate in Electric Camp on November 7th, 2023 from 9:00am-3:00pm at the Windell Ag Building.

Youth will learn about simple circuits, complete circuits, and more basic electric skills. Call 812-738-4236 to reserve your spot.

More details to come!



Mini 4-H Saturday With Santa

December 2nd

Ho Ho Ho! Santa Claus is coming to town on December 2nd from 10:00am-Noon at the Extension Office for all youth in grades K-2nd.

Class size is limited and RSVP is required, so please call the Extension Office at 812-738-4236 or email Miss Mary at feve@purdue.edu.



AWARDS & RECOGNITION

2023 Horse and Pony Completion Show

4-H Horse & Pony Completion show went off without a hitch! The horses, ponies, and riders were chomping at the bit to exhibit their horsemanship and riding skills they've been practicing all year. Riders competed over the span of 3 days:

- 1st day was Contesting
- 2nd day was Saddle Type, Gaited, and Western Type
- 3rd day was Hunter Type and Mini 4-H Show.

Congratulations to all of the 4-H contestants who exhibited all of their hard work with their beautiful horses and ponies!



Cat Show

4-H'ers weren't kitten around at the 2023 4-H Cat Show. Exhibitors did a paw-some job showing off their best felines. Grand Champion Cat went to Fletcher Abner with "Apollo". Reserve Grand Champion Cat went to Kacie Hearnin with "Farrah". Olivia Abner won Premier Showman. Congratulations to all who participated!



SUCCESSFUL EVENTS & PROGRAMS

Food Preparation Demonstration Contest

Participants in the Food Preparation Demonstration showed how to prepare recipes/food items in front of a judge at the Extension Office. Congratulations to all of the participants and well done!



Nature Camp

The two-day 2023 Nature Camp took place on July 17th and 18th at Patoka Lake. All of our youth had a blast with hands-on experience while learning about wildlife, trees, water quality, habitats, and healthy living.

We ended our time with a boat ride on Patoka Lake. Thank you to the Patoka Lake Marina for your support!



SUCCESSFUL EVENTS & PROGRAMS

Mini 4-H Day Camp

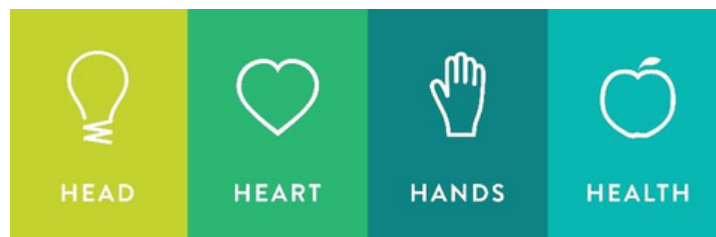
This year's theme was Hawaiian Luau! We had an absolute blast with our minis with a day full of fun crafts and activities! We had a couple of special guests including Indiana DNR who brought some turtles for the kids! Our second guest was a...chicken! (Fun fact: Did you know that Hawaii has wild chickens?!) Our amazing volunteer AJ took on the role as our chicken and did fantastic! Thank you to all of our wonderful volunteers and staff!



Blue River All Stars Blankets

Members of the Blue River All Stars 4-H Club show off lap blankets made jointly with the Blue River Hills Extension Homemakers for Harrison County Veterans. This project is funded through a grant from the Harrison County Community Foundation Youth Philanthropy Council. Great job everyone!





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4-H Youth Development Newsletter

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