

# Extension Homemakers

## Who we are:

The mission of the Indiana Extension Homemakers is to strengthen families through continuing education, leadership development, and volunteer community support. We believe in the present and its opportunities, in the future and its promises, in everything that makes life large and lovely, in the divine joy of living and helping others, and so we endeavor to pass on to others that which has benefited us, striving to go onward and upward, reaching the pinnacle of economic perfection, in improving, enlarging and endearing the greatest institution in the world – The Home.

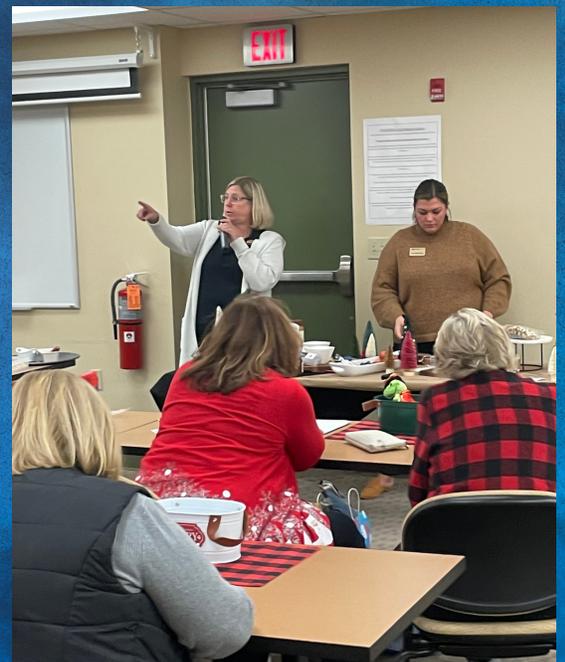
## Pocket Hearts

Pocket Hearts are meant to scatter kindness everywhere! It's a simple gesture of kindness that can be placed anywhere and everywhere or even sent in the mail. How about making a basketful of hearts and dropping them off at your dentist office to be placed for patients to pick up, or tape one to a vending machine! The idea is that they will reach people that are outside of our norm of who we currently do outreach to! But wait...there's more! Remember I said it would bring awareness to IEHA? That's where the #IEHA Way comes into play. Attached to these Pocket Hearts will be a tag. On the front it will explain what a Pocket Heart is and on the backside it will tell them who it is from – US!!! It will ask them to post a picture of their Pocket Heart and where they got it and to tag #IEHA on the post.



## Holiday Workshop

The Harrison County IEHA had their Holiday Workshop at the Extension Office and what a great event it was! It was nice to have such a great turnout with 56 in total. Each club did a creative 15 minute demonstration on how to make a specific food or craft. The various clubs also brought wonderfully prepared items for lunch, and supported one another through purchases so that each club can better carry out the mission of the Extension Homemakers. Harrison County is participating in the statewide IEHA Scatter Kindness campaign and everyone got take-home kits to make IEHA Pocket Hearts. Everyone had such a fun time getting together and we are already thinking about next year!



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## Annual Cherry Pie Contest

The Harrison County Extension Homemakers host an annual Pie Contest and Auction during the Fair. Anyone can bring their homemade pie to be judged. After judging, the pies will be auctioned with the proceeds going to the Harrison County Extension Homemakers. Most of the auction funds are given as scholarships in the spring. We sincerely appreciate everyone's support and participation toward this annual endeavor.



## Harrison County Fair: Homemakers Hall

Are you a crafter who wants to show off your talents? Do you have a green thumb? Or maybe you enjoy baking or preserving food. Bring all your goodies to enter in the Fair!

All residents are welcome to enter their fruits, flowers, needlework, crafts, canned goods, baked goods, and any number of almost 400 items. Exhibitors must be non-professional and residents of Harrison County or a member of the Harrison County Extension Homemakers. Are there rules? What can I enter? How can I earn free Fair passes? Contact the Harrison County Purdue Extension office or call 812-738-4236 for more information.



## Cookie Walk

Harrison County Extension Homemakers had a successful Cookie Walk event at Historic Downtown Corydon this past holiday weekend as part of Light Up Corydon. This annual event raised over \$500 as Harrison County Extension Homemakers Association continues to build on its rich heritage by working to strengthen Indiana homes and families.



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## International Day

International Day 2023- Water World, will be hosted by Blue River Hills Extension Homemakers. It will be held on September 12th (registration @ 9:30am, program starts at 10:00am and ends at 12:00pm). It will be held at the Harrison County Extension Office. We will learn about waters of the world with a focus on Blue River, Waterfront Botanical Gardens near the Ohio River in Louisville, as well as the importance of water in our lives, and other aspects of water in our world. Attendees are invited to bring gently used shoes suitable for resale to donate to the Water Step Program



## Repair Affair of Harrison County

Harrison County IEHA members had a busy week last week as their Harrison County clubs prepared and delivered 39 Baker's Dozen bags of homemade cookies. These cookies went directly to Repair Affair of Harrison County and their volunteers for their repair event this past weekend!

Photographed are: Elaine Fischer of the Hoosier Heritage Club & Loretta Whitlow of the New Middletown Club packaging fresh cookies before being donated.

## First Books for Kids Program

Friday evening, IEHA members spent their evening at the Corydon Farmers Market, Indiana hosting the First Books For Kids program. This program is sponsored by the county's IEHA organization, is aimed at kids 3, 4, and 5 years old, and focus on promoting early literacy development. Members were able to interact with and give books to 45 families and kids that evening!

Photographed are: Elaine Fischer of the Hoosier Heritage Club, Carolyn Beanblossom a Mauckport Club member and past President, and some little market visitors picking out their books.

