Hendricks County 4-H Clover Connection



Volume 9 Issue 11 | November 2023

Family, Friends, and Fun!

In the coming months, the weather may change, but we still have a lot to look forward to! Our **4-H Open House** is this month! This is the big event of the fall that introduces our community to what 4-H is and all that we have to offer! For more information, check out page 03! Be sure to tell your friends and family about the event!

This month we also turn our minds to being Thankful. We are thankful for all our families, friends, and the fun that we have with you all.

Exciting changes are happening in the Extension Office! We would like to welcome: our new 4-H Educator, Ashley Alexander, our new ANR Administrative Assistant, Kristyn Horning; and our new HHS Educator, Amanda Feutz. These 3 ladies are so excited to help "Make the Best Better" in Hendricks County. See page 06 for introductions of each of these new additions to our office! Please give them a warm welcome when you stop in the office!

Volunteers are essential to a successful 4-H program. If you are interested in volunteering, contact the Extension Office ASAP! There are several other opportunities and programs coming up for our 4-H members too! Learn more about them on page 03 and 04.

I hope you and your family have a great month! I look forward to seeing everyone at our 4-H Open House!

Ashley Alexander- 4-H Extension Educator

In This Issue

4-H Opportunities Pages 02 and 03

Club Information & Volunteer and Board Information Page 03 and 04

HHS & ANR Updates Page 05

Calendar of Events Page 05

Office Updates Page 06

Extension Office Info

Office will be CLOSED on November 7th for Election Day and November 10th in observance of Veterans Day.

Contact Us



Purdue Extension — Hendricks County 1900 E. Main St. P.O. Box 7 Danville, IN 46122 317-745-9260 Open 8 a.m.—4 p.m.

Monday—Friday https://hendricksco4h.com/HCGS https://v2.4honline.com

You Tube

4-H OPPORTUNITIES

Junior Leaders

Jr. Leader Kick Off

The Jr. Leaders had a great Kick Off at the Memories Wedding and Event Center on October 30th!

If you would still like to sign up for Jr. Leaders, it is not too late! Add Jr. Leaders to your project list to get more information!



2024 Jr. Leader Meeting Dates:

Monday, December 11th
Tuesday, January 16th
Thursday, February 15th
March TBD
Monday, April 15th
Tuesday, May 14th
Tuesday, June 4th
Thursday, June 20th
All Meetings 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Jr. Leaders is open to youth in 7th-12th grade who are interested in taking more of a leadership role in the 4-H Program! We meet monthly and do monthly community service projects. Be sure to sign up for "Junior Leaders" on 4-HOnline when enrolling in projects!

Poinsettia Pick Up

Pick up will be on Monday, Nov. 27th from 12 noon to 4 p.m. and from 6 to 7 p.m.

We have SOME extra flowers for purchase! If you would like to inquire about what colors we will have extras of, please call the office at 317-745-9260.

Payment is due at the time of pick up. Cash or check (made out to Hendricks County 4-H Youth Council). Please contact the office ASAP if you cannot pick up your flowers on Monday, November 27th!

Sew Savvy SPARK Program

New to sewing or want to learn how to sew?
The **Sew Savvy SPARK Program** is for you! In partnership with the Hendricks County Chapter of the American Sewing Guild, youth will learn basic sewing skills by completing various small projects during hands-on workshops. This program is **not** specific to the 4-H Sewing Project so anyone in grades 3-12 with any level of sewing skills can participate!

Upcoming workshops:

Tuesday, November 14th from 6-8 p.m.
Tuesday, December 12th from 6-8 p.m.
Tuesday, January 9th from 6-8 p.m.
Tuesday, February 13th from 6-8 p.m.
Tuesday, March 12th from 6-8 p.m.
Tuesday, April 9th from 6-8 p.m.
ALL workshops take place at the
Hendricks County 4-H Fairgrounds

4-H Open Enrollment

4-H Enrollment is OPEN for the 2023-2024 year!!

Youth and adult volunteers are now able to re-enroll in 4-H Online (https://v2.4honline.com).

Please use your current log-in information to re-enroll for this next year.

Reach out to the Extension Office if you need assistance of any kind!

2023 4-H Open House

This year's 4-H Open House will be **NOVEMBER 12th** from 3-5 pm at the Hendricks County 4-H Fairgrounds!

Join us to learn more about the 4-H program, projects available, and how the WHOLE family can get involved!!

We will be collecting non-perishable food items and personal hygiene items to keep our Blessing Box stocked. We hope you will help us be a place where people may come to get the everyday things they need to live!

MINI 4-H

Hendricks County Mini 4-H is for those kids in Grades 1 or 2 as of January 2024. The Mini 4-H members meet once a month from February to May from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. (unless stated otherwise).

You can sign up your Mini 4-Her at: v2.4honline.com (they can be on the same account as regular 4-H members).

Please choose "Hendricks County Mini 4-H" as your primary club so you can get all the details of meetings and more!

Mini 4-H Clover Corner

Mini 4-Hers! Keep a lookout in your mailbox in November and December for a special Mini 4-H Newsletter called the "Clover Corner"! This will have important Mini 4-H Dates, information, and activities!

CLUB INFORMATION & VOLUNTEER/BOARD INFORMATION



"Inactive" 4-H Clubs

We have 3 clubs that will be going inactive for the 2023-2024 year. Amo Aces, Clever Clovers, and Hoosier 4-Hers are disbanded as of now. Members of these clubs will need to select a new club. For a full list of clubs, please visit our google site at:

https://hendricksco4h.com/HCGS

Open House Help Needed!

We are looking for volunteers and leaders who can help out at the 2023 4-H Open House! We have opportinities for all! If you can help, please sign up here:

https://hendricksco4h.com/2023OpenHouse

Your help is essential in making the Open



Making the Best Better, Learning Together!

The Hendricks County 4-H Adult
Leader Board would like to invite all
Club and Project Volunteers to
participate in a Zoom Training Series.
This month's training will be on
Thursday, November 2nd beginning
at 7 p.m. We will discuss Ice Breaker
and Community Service Ideas! Come
and join us! Check your email for link.



Blessing Box

We are looking for clubs and groups to help us stock our box. You can bring **NON-PERISHABLE FOOD OR TOILETRY ITEMS AT ANY TIME!** If the blessing box is full, please bring your items into the Extension Office and we will fill the box at a later time.









We appreciate and thank each and every person, family, club, or group that has donated to our Blessing Box!! We continue to need even more help keeping the box stocked. We have many more visitors taking advantage of the Blessing Box during this time of year.

ANR UPDATE

Turf & Lawn Care Professionals Clinic

Friday, November 10, 2023 10AM-3:30PM RSVP required by November 6

https://purdue.link/Turf&LawnClinic

Or call the Boone County Extension Office at 765-482-0750
Cost: \$40 per person (cash or check only payable Purdue University)
Lunch will be provided

Know Your Numbers, Know Your

Options is a four-week discussion-based workshop to connect women and subject-matter experts.

As they work through important discussions in the areas of keeping financial records and interpreting results, women will find many opportunities for questions, sharing, and connecting with the presenters and other participants.



HHS UPDATE

Holiday Fest

Come shop LOTS of local craft vendors and purchase homemade cookies!

Friday, December 1st 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. HC 4-H Fairgrounds



IMPORTANT 4-H DATES







November 6 - 4-H Fairboard Meeting; Fairgrounds @ 7 p.m.

November 7 - OFFICE CLOSED FOR ELECTION DAY

November 9 - Discovery Club Meeting; Fairgrounds @ $6:30 \ p.m.$

November 10 - OFFICE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF VETERANS DAY

November 12 - 4-H Open House; Fairgrounds @ 3-5 p.m.

November 23 - OFFICE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF THANKSGIVING

November 24 - OFFICE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF THANKSGIVING

November 27 - Poinsettias arrive for pickup at the HC 4-H Fairgrounds 4-H Youth Council Meeting; Fairgrounds @ 7 p.m.

December 4 - 4-H Fairboard Meeting; Fairgrounds @ 7 p.m.

December 25 - OFFICE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF CHRISTMAS

December 26 - OFFICE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF CHRISTMAS

4-H Youth Council

Monday, November 27th @ 7 p.m.

4-H Adult Leaders

November 2 @ 7 p.m.

Zoom series "Better Together"

Link coming soon



4-H Fairboard

Monday, November 6th @ 7 p.m.



Welcome, Ashley!

Welcome to our new 4-H Educator, Ashley Alexander! Ashley is no stranger to Hendricks County 4-H! She has been the 4-H Administrative Assistant and the Program Assistant over the last 6 years in the Hendricks County Office. In her spare time, she likes to travel and ride ATVs with her husband, Michael. She is excited to meet new 4-H Members!



Welcome, Kristyn!

Welcome to our new ANR Administrative Assistant, Kristyn Horning! Kristyn is from Clayton, Indiana and graduated from Cascade High School in 2017. She continued her education at IUPUI and graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Tourism, Events, and Sports Management in 2021. During her free time, she loves exploring town festivals, local restaurants, and going on walks with her family's very sweet (but sassy) mini-Australian Shepard, Roxi Rue. She is looking forward to working with and getting to know those in the office and surrounding area!!



Welcome, Amanda!

Welcome to our new HHS Educator, Amanda Feutz (pronounced "Fights")! She is a 2021 graduate of the College of Health and Human Services at Indiana State University, graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in Nutrition with a concentration in Dietetics. While in college, she had the opportunity to work with Purdue Extension in both Hendricks County and Greene County during her Community Nutrition internship (full circle moment). Her time studying and working alongside Purdue Extension Dietitians and Wellness Coordinators furthered her passion

to support the community through overall health and wellness. In her professional history she has worked in a clinical setting, working with and supporting the geriatric population as well as working in Private Practice counseling individuals with Eating Disorders/Disordered Eating. In her spare time, she loves to be active outside with her husband, Drew, and their golden retriever, Gus. They love to travel and their favorite destinations they have been to are Banff, Canada; Sedona, Arizona; and Kauai, Hawaii. They also enjoy trying new and local restaurants/breweries. She is excited to be a part of Purdue Extension and connect and serve the Hendricks County community!

