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4-H Clover Connections

January 2023



YOUR 4-H YOUTH EDUCATOR HEATHER VONDIELINGEN
A MESSAGE FROM



**Dear 4-H Families,
Don't forget to re-enroll by January 15th!**

Happy New Year 4-H members, families, and volunteers! Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to re-enroll in 4-H Online for the 2023 Program year. You can re-enroll online at <https://v2.4honline.com/> using the same email and password as previous years, or stop by our office anytime Monday—Friday from 8:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m. for enrollment assistance and to pay your yearly program fees. Program fees are \$20 for grades 3-12 and \$5 for grades K-2.

Please make every effort to enroll online by January 15th. Doing so allows you to receive timely information, announcements, and updates!

4-H Project Updates: We will be sharing the link to our updated 2023 Handbook sometime in January! All youth will receive a link to our County 4-H Handbook when they receive their project books in late winter/early spring from club leaders. The link will also be emailed and published in future newsletters. Thank you to our Handbook Committee who spent time reviewing and updating our county projects: Shannan Silver, Kari Smith, Julie Stahl, and Kim Underwood.

It is exciting to see 4-H Clubs meeting and thriving! Thank you to our 4-H Volunteers and Club Leaders for providing these opportunities for Jackson County 4-H Youth. There are a lot of upcoming opportunities at the county, area, and state level. Be sure to check out those opportunities and reach out if you have any questions!

With 4-H Spirit,

Heather VonDielingen, 4-H Youth Development Extension Educator
County Extension Director



WHAT'S NEW IN JACKSON COUNTY 4-H?



Hanging Flower Baskets

WE ARE TAKING ORDERS FOR HANGING BASKETS WITH PROCEEDS BEING SPLIT BETWEEN 4-H CLUBS AND THE JACKSON COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL TO SUPPORT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING.

ORDERS NEED TO BE RETURNED TO THE EXTENSION OFFICE BY JANUARY 31, 2023.

4-H FAMILIES (NOT INDIVIDUAL CUSTOMERS) WILL NEED TO PICK UP ALL ORDERS (CHECKS MADE TO JACKSON COUNTY 4-H) AT DARLAGE GREENHOUSE ON: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26TH - THIS WILL BE DONE SIMILAR TO LAST YEAR, WE WILL HAVE A TIME ASSIGNED TO MEMBERS FOR PICK-UP. MORE DETAILS TO COME!

FLOWERS NOT PICKED UP AND PAID FOR WILL BE CANCELLED. QUESTIONS ABOUT THE ANNUAL FUNDRAISER? CONTACT THE EXTENSION OFFICE 812-358-6101 FOLLOW THIS LINK TO GET AN ORDER FORM *click here!*

OR COME IN OR CALL THE OFFICE FOR A PRINTED COPY.

2022-2023

Jackson County
Handbook



HANDBOOK CHANGES

The Handbook will be released in early 2023.

- State Project changes were minimal this year. You can visit <https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/> to see all State Project exhibit guidelines.
- Name Change: Sewing for Fun is now "Seams Fun"
- Beef Project: Be on the lookout for more information when the handbook is released. The most important change is: There will be an "All Other Breeds" class for any breed (not identified in the handbook) represented by less than 2 animals in their breed for steers and heifer classes.



LET THE CHALLENGE BEGIN WHILE WE HELP SUPPORT A GREAT CAUSE!



Sweet Cheeks Mission is to compliment local social service agencies to provide free diapers and wipes to families in Jackson County while raising awareness for basic survival needs for babies and toddlers.

- Each 4-H Club will be encouraged to collect diapers and wipes from now until Feb 16th.
- The Club that brings in the MOST diapers and wipes to the Extension Office will win a Pizza Party provided by the Junior Leaders.

Diaper Sizes Needed

- Preemie
- Newborn - Size 7
- Pull Ups Size 2T - 5T
- Baby Wipes (64 count + per individual package)



If you are in the Performing Arts Project, you should have received information about the Performing Arts contest coming up in March of 2023. If you are not in the project and are interested in joining, contact the Extension Office to add the project to your 4-H Online Profile!



VOLUNTEER CORNER



Judges & Leaders Clinic Opportunity for Jackson County 4-H Volunteers funded by 4-H Council!

Livestock & Auction Committee

The Livestock & Auction Committee will meet at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 12th at The Courthouse in the Old Courtroom. If you are on a Livestock Committee, make plans to attend the meeting.

4-H Council

4-H Council will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 19th at the Community Foundation of Jackson County in Seymour.

How to Register for events and a link to register!



4-H Club Leader Retreat

Guest Presenter: Lesley Lodmell
Lawrence County 4-H Educator

4-H Meetings can be FUN!
Learn how to incorporate:

- Business
- Education
- Recreation

into every club meeting!
Additional resources will be shared on how to make 4-H Club meetings FUN!

Join us for a chocolate tasting:
Learn how 4-H Club Meetings should be like good chocolate! We will have different types of chocolate for you to taste but feel free to bring your favorite to share with others!

MEET US AT KAY'S KAFE
214 S Sugar St. Ste 1
Brownstown, IN 47220

Tuesday, January 24th at 6:30 pm
Dinner will be provided!

Please sign up for this event in your 4-H Online profile badge:
Friday, January 20th.
Call the Extension Office at 812-358-6101 if you need assistance registering for the event.

Each Club Will receive a Club Kit sponsored by 4-H Council and

Judges & Leaders' Clinic

SOUTHEAST INDIANA

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2023
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

JACKSON COUNTY LEARNING CENTER
323 DUPONT DR, SEYMOUR, IN 47274

Cost: \$40 (Includes lunch and materials)
Registration due by January 25th in your 4-H Online profile.

If you do not have a 4-H Online profile, contact your local Purdue Extension Office.

Purdue Extension is offering a hands-on opportunity for Southeast Indiana Judges and Leaders to enhance or develop their skills to be a Judge or Volunteer for Indiana 4-H. This clinic is ideal for returned and beginning Judges and Leaders. Topics will include:

- Working with Today's Families
- Practice Your Judging Skills
- Learn How to Work with Various Youth Abilities
- How to Have Successful 4-H Club Meetings
- 4-H Policies and Procedures Overview
- Empowering Youth to Take the Lead
- 4-H Club Social Media 101
- Learning about New Foods Guidelines and the Consumer Decision Making Contest
- Learn How to Make Judging an Educational Experience Beyond the Fair

Topics will cover both Livestock and Exhibit Hall Projects. Judges will be placed on a Preferred Judges List for Southeast Indiana 4-H.

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LIVESTOCK



**INDIANA 4-H ANIMAL ID REQUIREMENTS
FOR 2023**
IN JACKSON COUNTY, WE FOLLOW ALL
STATE 4-H REQUIREMENTS FOR ANIMAL ID.

[CLICK THE CLOVER TO SEE INDIANA 4-H ANIMAL ID
REQUIREMENTS FOR 2023](#)



LIVESTOCK ID DAYS:



Beef, Dairy Beef, and
Feeder Steer ID Day

Saturday, April 22 - 7:30- 11



Goat and Sheep
ID Day

Thursday, May 4 - 6-8 pm
Saturday, May 6 - 8-10 am



Swine ID Day

There will not be an ID day
in 2023. Watch for more
information on how to ID
Swine in 2023!

Junior Leaders

INDIANA 4-H



At their December meeting, Junior Leaders learned all about the Sweet Cheeks Diaper Pantry located and serving Jackson County! They voted to donate \$750 to the pantry. They also have a challenge for YOU... See the County section for more information!



JUNIOR LEADERS ALLOCATED \$250.00 FOR THE SERTOMA ANGEL TREE PROJECT. JUNIOR LEADER OFFICERS WERE ABLE TO PURCHASE CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR SIX CHILDREN.

January Meeting
Thursday, January 12, 2023
7-8:30 p.m.

Jackson County Jail
150 IN-250
Brownstown, IN

Chairperson - Anna Obermeyer
Citizenship Report - Macy Casner
Recreation - Bryan Brewer

Special notes:
Unpaid Dues \$2.50
Hanging Basket Orders Due



Extension - 4-H Youth Development



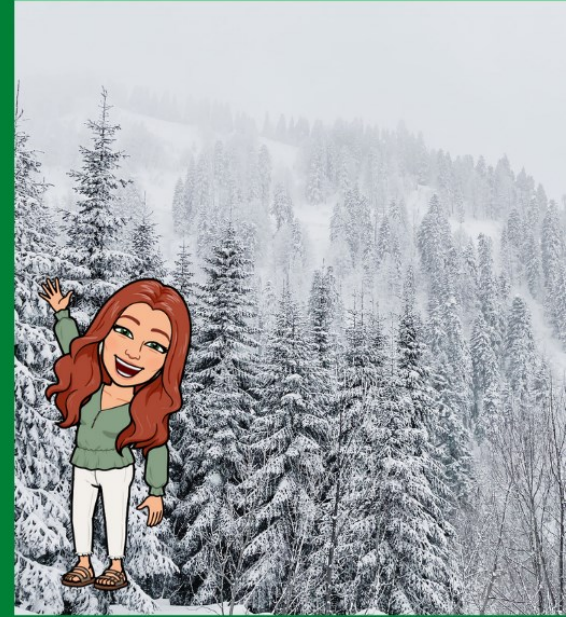
Junior Leaders sent 10 shoe boxes filled with gifts and necessities to less fortunate kids through Operation Christmas Child!

UPDATE

MIGHTY MINIS Update!

A MONTHLY CLUB MEETING WILL NOT BE HELD IN JANUARY OR FEBRUARY. BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR INFORMATION ABOUT MINI 4-H EXPERIENCES COMING SOON!

MS. BROOKLYNN WILL SEE YOU AGAIN SOON!



RECENT WORKSHOPS

COOKIE DECORATING WORKSHOP

The Cookie Decorating Workshop held in November was open for Mini 4-H'ers grades K-2.

4 Mini 4-H'ers came to enjoy this experience. They had so much fun and got to fill their tummies with cookies!

Thank you to Kim Underwood for volunteering to help at this workshop!



BAKING WORKSHOP

The baking workshop took place in November. The first session was open to Grades 3-6 and the second session was open to Grades 7-12

There were 8 4-H'ers in the older group that learned to make pumpkin bread and cookies. The younger group had 6 4-H'ers that made dinner rolls, pizza crust, and apple pies from scratch.

Thank you to Kari Smith for helping coordinate and lead this workshop. Also, shout out to Vera Reichenbacher for volunteering to help at this workshop!

GIFT WRAPPING WORKSHOP

The Giftwrapping workshop took place on December 7th.

2 4-H'ers learned how to wrap presents to be prepared for them to be judged. Being sure things were "square" and lines were matching was a key to successful gift wrapping.

Thank you to Kim and Kelsey Schneider for volunteering to share your expertise in Gift Wrapping!



WORKSHOPS TO WATCH FOR

How to Register for events and a link to register!



4-H Scrapbook Workshop

with 4-H Volunteer Kim Schneider & 4-H Member Kelsey Schneider



Purdue Extension Jackson County
111 S. Main St Suite 10
Brownstown, IN 47220

Wednesday, January 11th

6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

This 4-H Scrapbook Workshop is a great opportunity to store your 2022 memories! Bring your scrapbook and materials to learn how to preserve your memories. Some materials will be provided.

This workshop is open to 4-H Members in Grades 3-12. Register by using your 4-H Online Profile. <http://v2.4honline.com/>

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Juntos

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JUNTOS 4-H IN JACKSON COUNTY

We have been working with our Juntos 4-H youth on an aeroponic grow tower project! Thanks to our Ag Educator, Richard Beckort for leading these efforts and to Seymour High School Agriculture Department for their partnership with this project.

Learn more about the Aeroponic Grow Tower project by viewing this video:
<https://bit.ly/Juntos4-HGrowTower>

THE JUNTOS 4-H PROGRAM

Juntos means "Together" in Spanish. The Juntos program works to unite community partners to provide Latino youth (8th - 12th grade) and their parents with the knowledge, skills, and resources to prevent youth from dropping out and to encourage families to work together to gain access to fulfilling careers and higher education.

JUNTOS 4-H GRADUATION



Our 3rd Cohort for Juntos 4-H Families celebrated with a Graduation that took place on Monday, November 7th



OUR MISSION

The Mission of the Juntos 4-H Program is to help students achieve high school graduation and attend higher education.

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Area and State Happenings

INDIANA 4-H 2023 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE NOW DUE JAN. 25

LEARN MORE AT bit.ly/4hscholarship



Thinking about your next step after high school? Visit bit.ly/4hscholarship to explore scholarship opportunities made possible by the Indiana 4-H Foundation. Remember, your 4-H Online account must be active to submit an application!

Click the clover to apply!



SAVE THE DATE FOR THE AREA 2 4-H CAMP!

REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE SENT TO ALL 3RD-8TH GRADE 4-H MEMBERS IN THE SPRING. ADD JUNE 2-4, 2023 TO YOUR CALENDAR IF THIS IS AN EXPERIENCE THAT INTERESTS YOUR CHILD. IT IS A GREAT TIME!

4-H CAMP COUNSELOR APPLICATIONS

Please apply by February 1, 2023
Click the photo to the right for more information about being a Camp Counselor and to apply.

I ♻️ 4-H CAMP



Join Indiana 4-H'ers in 7th-12th grade on February 7 on a trip to the Indiana Statehouse!

They will learn about their state government through a day full of civic engagement & leadership opportunities.

Participants will tour the state house, meet representatives, and have the opportunity to serve as student pages!

The \$15 registration fee is being covered thanks to generous Trip Donors. If youth ride on the Area 2 bus the could potentially be a small bus fee. Register for the bus at <https://bit.ly/StateHouse23> or scan the QR code on the flyer.

How to Register for events and a link to register!

Click here for Event Registration Instructions

[Instructions](#)

4-H is SNOW Much Fun!
Area 2 4-H invites 3rd and 4th grade 4-H members for a day of 4-H fun and snow tubing!

Join us for hands-on activities in science, civic engagement, and healthy living in the morning and snow tubing at Peck Peaks in the afternoon.

\$40.00 per child. Register through your 4-H Online Profile before Monday, January 16th.

Monday, January 16th
Registration: 9:00a.m.-9:30a.m. at Orange County Community Center 1075 N Sandy Hook Drive Peck, IN 47454
Pick up: 9:30 p.m. at Peck Peaks 2796 W County Rd 25 S Peck, IN 47454



<p>4-H Scholarship Applications - Due January 25th, 2023 bit.ly/4hscholarship</p>	<p>2023 4-H Online - April 15th, 2023 bit.ly/4honline</p>
<p>4-H Leadership Training - June 2-4, 2023 bit.ly/4hleadership</p>	<p>4-H Online - Due January 25th, 2023 bit.ly/4honline</p>
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Check out photos of past events at bit.ly/4hphotos

A Special Message from Extension Homemakers



Happy New Year greetings! Are you in an extension homemakers group here in Jackson County? We have several clubs going, you can also start your own! Think of it as 4-H for adults. We are all homemakers, even if we live by ourselves. And I believe we can seek to do better every day. One way to have help with this is to plug into the Purdue University Extension educational materials. Most clubs have a monthly educational part of their meeting. I am a member of Kum Join Us. We meet eleven months a year, if the weather is good, and we converse about our families, events, and learn. We say the pledge of allegiance and the homemakers club creed, which is:
 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.

Michelle Roberts, our current statewide president's theme is "Scatter Kindness". Our county's members have been challenged to make and give out 1,000 hearts. We were able to pass out probably close to one hundred at the Immanuel Craft Show. Our bake sale raised \$700 for a student scholarship.

Please join us! If you have more questions, you can contact Molly Marshall at the Extension Office, or please contact me, Ruth Ann Hendrix 812.707.1452.

May 2023 be your best year yet!

 Thanks Ruth Ann



We received donations to the Jackson County 4-H Endowment for Giving Tuesday! Watch for the final Giving Tuesday totals in the February 4-H Clover Connections!



Sign Up Now



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