Excellence in 4-H Club Trogramming, Adult Linda Bauknecht, Marion County

"In 4-H we pledge our hands to larger service. Someone who truly exemplifies this principle is Linda." Linda Bauknecht is a leader for the Beech Grove Club, Jr. Leader Club, and the Marion County Artistic Chefs Foods Club. In addition to her leadership roles, she spends time serving on committees, supervising the Arts and Crafts Building, and organizes projects. Her selfless devotion has lead her to be selected as the 2018 Excellence in 4-H Club Programming Adult winner.

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Excellence in 4-H Animal Science Programming, Adult

Dawn Moos, Hamilton County

Dawn Moos' involvement in the 4-H Dog project has made her beyond deserving of the Excellence in 4-H Animal Science Programming award. Not only does she devote her time as the Hamilton County Dog Project Leader, but she has also served the Indiana State Fair Dog Show Committee Board as President. Many share about the impact Dawn has made. According to one recommendation, she "fosters a sense of belonging" and "improves both the clarity of the content and the engagement of new 4-H'ers."

Excellence in 4-H Animal Science Programming, Youth

Michael Claycamp, Jackson County

Michael Claycamp could be found doing a wide variety of projects and activities throughout his 4-H career. He has participated in 27 different projects during his time in 4-H. In addition to project completion, he has been highly involved in the Teens as Teachers Animal Biosecurity workshop, Entrepreneurship Academy, and countless more leadership experiences. It was shared that, "4-H has changed his perspective of the world, and the world's perspective of him." This was definitely seen throughout Michael's application, making him a excellent recipient of this award.

Salute to Excellence Outstanding Lifetime Volunteer

Pam Clements, Clinton County

Pam Clements is Indiana's winner of the 2018 National 4-H Council Salute to Excellence Outstanding Lifetime Volunteer Award. Pam has shown the dedication to achieve this award through her 25+ years of 4-H volunteer service in Clinton County. Her nominator shares that "Whether it is helping members with 4-H projects or if it is showing kids how to take care of sheep, Pam is there making the best better." She is an instrumental part of hosting Lamb Camp in the county. During this time there are showmanship, feed, and nutrition clinics to further help educate the youth enrolled in the sheep project. In addition to this, she leads one of the largest clubs in Clinton County with 80+ 4-H members. Outside of 4-H, her dedication to service includes the role of board member for the Kirk's Crossing Festival and Secretary for the Clinton County Antique Machinery Club. In addition to her impressive resume, you can find her volunteering for Clinton Central High School's Ag Advisory Board and volunteering for the FFA chapter in various capacities.

Excellence in Youth Adult Partnerships, Team

Brandon Hess, Susan Hess, Garrett Hess, Noah Ackerman, Caleb Armstrong, Daviess County

This group has made significant contributions to Daviess County 4-H. Brandon and Susan Hess devote their time as Leaders of the Blue Ribbon Wranglers 4-H Club. In addition, Brandon has served as the Chairman of both the 4-H Association and the Sheep Committee. Susan helps with project check in, takes photos, and is always assisting wherever needed. Garrett Hess not only exhibits positional leadership as the Jr. Leader Club Treasurer, but also is willing to mentor younger members and assist in various capacities. Noah Ackerman is on the 4-H Association Board of Directors, is a member of the STEM team, and helps within his club. Caleb Armstrong is a relatively new member to the Jr. Leader club, but already demonstrates a great deal of leadership. He helps work the 4-H show and assists in the Lemon Shake-Up stand. Garrett, Noah, and Caleb worked together developing a plan to remodel the 4-H Food Stand. With the help of Brandon and Susan Hess, the group worked to help execute this idea. The project was the result of around 40 hours of planning and \$450.00. This team combined their strengths to make them a prime example of Excellence in Youth Adult Partnerships.

Excellence in 4-H Citizenship Trogramming, Adult

Becky Daily, Hendricks County

Becky Daily established a club that focused on inclusivity. Becky developed the Discovery 4-H Club, a county-wide club that welcomed those from both traditional and non-traditional schools. She takes "the concept of inclusion to heart when it comes to her 4-H club." We see this as she works to reach a wide variety of people and creating innovative activities for her club. She also devotes time to community service and helping all club members succeed. Becky's commitment to inclusivity and her club shows her Excellence in 4-H Citizenship Programming.

Excellence in 4-H Citizenship Programing, Youth

Rebekah Pryor, Warrick County

Rebekah "has been a great asset to the 4-H program by being a great role model and always being willing to help others in any way she can." This is reflected in her 4-H activities. Rebekah shows a heart of service as she donated 80 pounds of Thanksgiving food alongside her county Junior Leaders. She devotes time to donating personal care items to the Albion Fellows Bacon Center. In addition, she served as a Group Advisor and Delegate Coordinator for the Indiana State Fair Youth Leadership Conference and has devoted time to serving as a Warrick County 4-H Ambassador.

Excellence in 4-H Healthy Living Programming, Adult

Harriet Armstrong, Bartholomew County

Harriet did not allow the fact that her children are no longer in 4-H keep her from staying involved. She serves as her county's Health and Human Sciences Extension Educator. Each year she organizes "Fair Fit" activities in conjunction with their county far. Each year the activities look a little different, but past activities have included free Zumba and organized scavenger hunts to explore healthy foods available at the fair. She also works to incorporate healthy living in her 4-H club, the Totally Awesome 4-H Club, by encouraging healthy snacks or healthy living-based activities.

Excellence in 4-H Healthy Living Programming, Youth

Brooke Wilson, Porter County

Brooke Wilson has an evident passion for healthy living. Her application shares, "Brooke has committed to sharing healthy living information with her peers, and the adults." Not only is she a huge asset to her county, but she has also helped coordinate the Healthy Living portion of the Teens as Teacher Conference. Her commitment continued as she attended the National 4-H Healthy Living Summit. Brooke is a prime example of pledging our health to better living.

Excellence in 4-H Science Programming, Adult Shelby Kiefer, Marshall County

Shelby Kiefer accepted the New Projects Committee challenge to help develop and launch a robotics project for the 2018 4-H year. To help with this endeavor, she coordinated 2 workshops per month. The workshops were open to 4-H members and their parents, and helped both groups learn about the robotics sector of science. Shelby is also an active leader and volunteer for the Tippecanoe Lucky Clovers 4-H Club. One nominator shares that "she shows compassion and kindness" and "makes a positive impact in all she does." Her positive impact in science makes her a great example of Excellence in Science Programming.

Excellence in 4-H Science Programming, Youth Rosalyn Kowal, Marion County

Rosalyn Kowal has an undeniable love for science. She has completed several science-based projects in Garden Education, which received special merit at the Indiana State Fair. Even with a strong personal success story, she takes time to share her love of science and mentor younger 4-H members. Rosalyn is Jr. Leader President and used that as a gateway to influence science-based programming within their meetings. Further, she has educated her community by presenting State Fair Education stations and at the University of Indianapolis Women in STEM Day. She "often cited her involvement in 4-H as what sparked her interest in pursuing her education and a future career in a STEM Field."