

ALLEN COUNTY 4-H

NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2023

Happy Autumn. October brings the changing of seasons, leaf color, and the new 4-H enrollment year. In 2023 it also brings some changes in our office. Jean Kendall is retiring Oct. 20 after 34 years as our administrative assistant for 4-H Youth Development. While we work to fill her position, you can reach out to Kristen Householder (knhouseh@purdue.edu) with questions. Kristen is our program assistant working with our volunteer groups. I am also filling in as the 4-H educator while Rebecca is on leave.

James Wolff, County Extension Director

4-H ENROLLMENT OPEN

It is once again time for 4-H members and volunteers to enroll in 4-H via 4-H Online. Visit <https://v2.4honline.com/> to renew your membership for 2024.



4-H Members: Enrollment is open through May 15, 2024. We encourage members to enroll early to ensure they continue getting updates on all the activities they can participate in. Those wishing to enroll in livestock should complete enrollment sooner to ensure they receive information about weigh-in or tag-in days that start as early as February. We encourage online payment for faster processing of enrollment

4-H Volunteers: Enrollment is open and we encourage timely completion of required trainings to ensure the safety of our youth. completion of 4-H Online is required before you can continue to work with youth in 4-H activities.

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ALLEN COUNTY 4-H CLUBS ANNUAL MEETING



The Allen County 4-H Clubs Board is hosting its Annual Meeting on Dec. 5 at 7 pm in the Purdue Fort Wayne Classic Ballroom. This meeting serves to honor our volunteers for their service and elect new board members to the board. The Annual Meeting will include a meal again this year. Please RSVP by the end of the day on Nov. 21 at <https://bit.ly/3QaSsLc> or by calling 260-481-6826.

If you wish to run for a seat on the board, please contact Kristen or James for an application. Applications, including volunteer enrollment, must be completed and returned to the Extension Office by end of day on Nov. 21.

ALLEN COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS WORK DAYS



The Allen County Fairgrounds will be hosting work days to help keep the fairgrounds in working condition. They are currently focusing on bleacher installment at the pull strip. The following are times volunteers can assist:

- Saturday, Oct. 21 from 9 am to noon (or later)
- Saturday, Oct. 28 from 9 am to noon (or later)

Specific questions about the work days should be directed to the Allen County Fairgrounds at 260-449-4444

ALLEN COUNTY 4-H RESOURCES



The Purdue Extension - Allen County website (puext.in/allen) is a great place to find resources. On our main page, if you scroll below "Meet the Staff" are links to all our office resources including a page for 4-H. You can go directly there through this link, <https://extension.purdue.edu/county/allen/allen-4h.html>. I recommend bookmarking this page as it has the newsletter for the last year, links to project information and rules for all projects, and other forms you may need for your 4-H participation. We are currently in the process of updating broken links and putting new rule changes up.