

# EXTENSION BOARD ANNUAL MEETING



Harrison County Extension would like to thank our community sponsors, partner organizations, volunteers, Extension Board members, advisory committees, 4-H Council, extension-based organizations, county officials, and the community at-large for the continued support, hard work, and dedication to Purdue Extension's mission. The ongoing contributions and efforts of these individuals and organizations make all of our high-impact, research-based educational opportunities possible.

The Annual Meeting had a full house of over 50 attendees! Thank you all for coming!



## GRAZING TABLE

Thank you to Blackman Farms for sponsoring the grazing table and beverages!

Guests got to graze a table of various fruits, vegetables, deli meats and cheeses, crackers, and dips. All items were strategically chosen to provide healthy options for our guests to enjoy!







## Agriculture & Natural Resources Educator Report and Presentation

ANR Educator, Ariel Camm, started in May 2023, with programming starting in November. Direct County and Area Impacts with Harrison County ANR Involved:

- Adult Direct Contacts- 326
- Youth Direct Contacts- 650
- Indirect Contacts- 181
- Learner Minutes Direct- 1,990
- Learner Minutes Indirect- 510
- Client Consultations- 114

For her educational presentation, Ariel organized an interactive trivia game about cattle breeds and cuts of meat.

## HEALTH & HUMAN SCIENCES/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT EDUCATOR REPORT

HHS/CD Educator, Tara Beckman, was on maternity leave from December 2023- February 2024.

Direct County and Area Impacts with Harrison County HHS/CD Involved:

- Adult Direct Contacts- 734
- Youth Direct Contacts- 931
- Indirect Contacts- 146
- Learner Minutes Direct- 8040
- Learner Minutes Indirect- 486



# We're Hiring

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### Extension Educator 4-H Youth Development

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## 4-H & Youth Development

We are looking for a 4-H & Youth Development Educator. Apply for Harrison County 4-H Youth Development Educator position here:

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### Impact Report:

- Mini 4-H Enrollments: 96
- Traditional 4-H Enrollments: 309
- 4-H Volunteers: 171
- County Projects: 26
- State Projects: 40



## NUTRITION EDUCATION REPORT

NEPA Cindy Finerfrock serves 3 counties: Harrison, Floyd & Clark

In 2023 the Purdue Nutrition Education Program Evaluation and Reporting System tracked her impact:

- Direct Ed Reach at 173
- Indirect Ed Reach at 644
- Completed Survey Responses at 251
- 6 of her 15 Program Activities served Harrison County Community Partners
- 50% of her Indirect Activities served Harrison County
- 100% of her additional Community Partnership Programs were in Harrison County



## COMMUNITY WELLNESS REPORT

Katie Davidson is the Community Wellness Coordinator for Harrison, Floyd, and Clark Counties. Katie helps make the healthy choice the easy choice. She collaborates with community partners on broader community change that involves policy, system, and environmental changes.

Policy, Systems, and Environment Change Initiatives with Harrison County CWC Involved: 4

Grant dollars secured for Harrison County Initiatives due to CWC involvement: \$6,000



## HHS, NEPA, AND CWC PRESENTATION

Tara Beckman, Katie Davidson, and Cindy Finerfrock joined forces and did their educational presentation together, focusing on "Eating Smart and Moving More," which included MyPlate guidelines and a short segment of intentional movement by attendees.

Guests participated in "This or That: Food Edition", a low impact standing chair exercise with modifications for those limited in physical mobility. The purpose was to stretch, think through food choice offered on our Grazing Table, and oxygenate our brains while sitting through the evening's presentations.





## ABOVE & BEYOND AWARD

The Above and Beyond Award recognizes someone who volunteers their time towards Purdue Extension Harrison County, participates and gives back in a variety of ways, and simply, goes Above and Beyond to make a positive impact in our community.

Michele and Randal Clifton have volunteered with 4-H for 16 years each, with over 30 combined years as Harrison County 4-H volunteers. They are dedicated Shooting Sports Instructors as well as Super Shooters 4-H Club Leaders. They are organized, dedicated, highly-qualified individuals who have built a team of approximately 15 adult volunteers providing top-quality instruction.



## OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD

The Outstanding Service Award recognizes someone who volunteers their time towards Purdue Extension Harrison County. This award is given to an individual, organization, or business not employed at Purdue for outstanding service or contributions to extension programs, services, or practices.

Kyle Nix's commitment and contributions to the Harrison County community reflect his ideals to make the world and our local community a better place. If there is room for improvement or growth at Harrison County Extension, or in the community at large, Kyle Nix is always willing to step in and do the work that it takes to solve problems and effect change. Harrison County truly is a better place, thanks to Kyle's contributions.



## FRIEND OF EXTENSION AWARD

Recognizes someone in our community that has a long-standing, deeply-devoted, relationship with Purdue Extension Harrison County and its many initiatives. Karen Schwartz is actively involved in Harrison County Master Gardeners, the Blue River All-Stars 4-H Club, Extension Homemakers Blue River Hills Club, and acts as president of the Historical Society.

Karen is a dedicated, passionate, and dynamic individual who personifies the spirit and mission of Harrison County Purdue Extension.

Thank YOU for your continuing support!





## 10 YEARS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD

We awarded our Office Manager, Mary Eve, with a surprise award to recognize her 10 years of Outstanding Service and Dedication to all of Extension. Mary is often referred to the “fairy” in the office because of how she can magically and swiftly make things possible. She has made such an impact on everyone she has come in contact with and we appreciate everything she does for Purdue Extension-Harrison County.



## Thank you to all of our Award Recipients!

Thank you to everyone who has supported Purdue Extension and everything we do to be Indiana’s educational partner for life! We couldn’t do the things we do without everyone’s support! Congratulations!

## EXTENSION BOARD ELECTION RESULTS

Each County Extension Program in Indiana is supported by the work of a County Extension Board, which provides guidance on the overall direction of programming and also advocacy for the work of Extension within the community.

We’d like to recognize and congratulate our new Extension Board members for Harrison County Purdue Extension.

- Wanda Phillips
- Jake Blackman
- Kendra Davis
- Nathan McClure
- Debbie Schweitzer
- Ken Tingler
- Ron Byerley
- Nicole Boone
- Pam Bennett Martin
- Kathy Eschbacher Timberlake
- Kyle Nix
- Maryland L. Austin
- Lisa Uhl



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*Congratulations*