# Hendricks County 4-H Clover Connection



Ending One Year...Looking Forward to Another Welcome by Ashley Alexander - 4-H Educator

September ends the "4-H Year" for our office. We close out 4Honline, clean up files, and make sure that we are good to start on October 1st with a new 4-H Year.

As I think back to the last year, I am sincerely thankful and grateful for all of our 4-H families in Hendricks County! I have been in the Extension Office for 6 1/2 years now with various roles, and I have met so many families. A lot of those families have become friends.

I challenge you all to think back on your 4-H year and see what you are thankful for from the previous year. If you are a 4-H member, be sure to thank mom, dad, grandma, grandpa or whomever helped you get to where you are today! It is important to thank all those who have helped you along the way!

As we begin a new year next month, I challenge you all to think about some goals that you want to work toward in 2025. You are the only one that can make the decision on what goals you want to achieve. Those around you will be your biggest "cheerleaders" to get you where you want to be.

Remember that!

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#### **Extension Office Info**

The Office will be closed Monday, September 2nd in observance of Labor Day

#### **Contact Us**

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https//v2.4honline.com

#### 4-H Opportunities

#### Jr. Leaders



The Jr. Leader Kick Off will be on: Tuesday, October 8th at 6 p.m. at the Cartlidge Barn at the Fairgrounds. (Time subject to change.)

Want to be a Jr. Leader Officer? Apply Here: https://hendricksco4h.com/25JrLeaderOfficerApp Applications Due September 13th!



Want more Jr. Leader information? Visit our website

Junior Leaders is a great opportunity to learn teamwork, leadership skills, work with younger 4-Hers, assist our Educator with programs, and get involved with other like-minded members!

Fairboard Update!

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## HENDRICKS COUNTY 4-H FAIRBOARD DIRECTORS NOTIFICATION & ELECTION AT ANNUAL MEETING – September 23, 2024

The annual meeting of the Hendricks County 4-H and Agricultural Fair Association, Inc., will be Monday, September 23, 2024, starting at 6:30 pm at the 4-H Fairgrounds Conference Center in Danville, Indiana. The purpose of the meeting will be to elect directors to represent specified geographic areas on the Hendricks County 4-H Fair Board. Directors will be elected from the following townships and district for a three-year term: Clay Township, Union Township, Eel River Township, Guilford Township, and District Two: Middle, Union, Center, and Liberty Townships.

Hendricks County residents in these respective townships or district, eighteen years old or over and interested in being nominated for one of these positions, must submit their intentions in writing to the Hendricks County 4–H & Agricultural Fair Association, 1900

East Main Street, P.O. Box 7, Danville, Indiana, 46122, or email spatterson@4hcomplex.org by 4:00 pm on Friday, September 6, 2024. The letter must specify the position requested for nomination. Any questions should be directed to the Hendricks County 4-H Fair Association, Inc., at 317-718-6153.

All Hendricks County residents, eighteen years old or over, are eligible to cast a ballot in this election on September 23, 2024, at 6:30 pm.

Bruce Hazelgrove Secretary Hendricks Co. 4-H & Agricultural Fair Asso. Dave Frazee Nominating Committee Chairman Hendricks Co. 4-H & Agricultural Fair Asso.

#### **4-H Information**

#### **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!!

#### **4-H Awards**

We have project awards, achievement awards and volunteer appreciation gifts from both county and state fair in the Extension Office. Please get these ASAP as we will be discarding projects/ribbons/etc. very soon!! If you are an award recipient please be sure to write a thank you note to your award sponsor!!

## Fall Project Update Meeting for Leaders

Project Leaders/Advisors are invited to meet with Youth Council and Fairboard members on **September 30th** to discuss rule updates as well as any fair-related needs in preparation for 2025. More information coming soon!!

#### Mini 4-H

Thank you to all of the Mini 4-H members who participated in our program this year!

We had 184 approved members!
We are looking to update a few projects
for Mini 4-H in the coming years. If you
have feedback, please let us know!



## Club and Project Leaders Needed!

Are you interested in helping with a
4-H Club or leading 4-H project workshops
throughout the year? We have numerous
clubs and projects that need additional
adult volunteer help! Needs range from
club leaders to co-leaders to extra sets of
hands to help with meetings and
workshops. Contact the Extension Office
for more information!



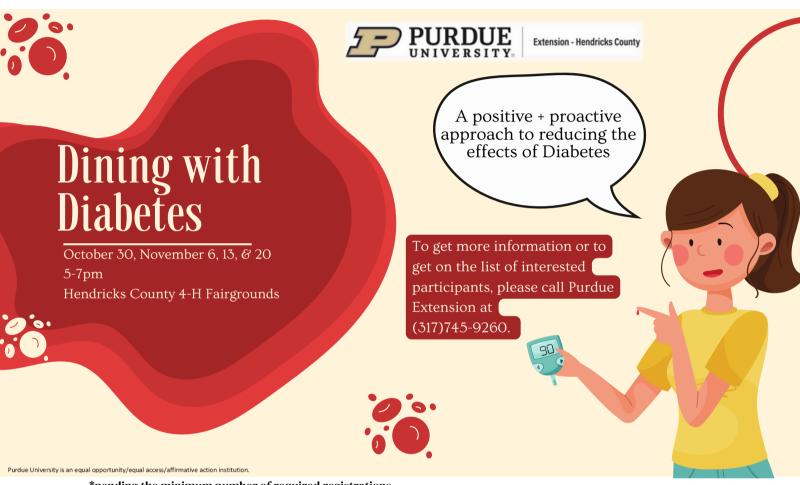
#### **HHS UPDATE**



#### **Pressure Canner Testing**



We are in the season of canning, so if you are in need of maintenance testing for your Presto canner, Amanda can conduct that testing here in the office. The cost is \$5 and we request that you give us at least 1 business day to get the tests completed. Contact the Extension Office with any questions.



\*pending the minimum number of required registrations

#### Monday evenings from 5-6pm at Ellis Park in Danville, IN

Participants who attend a minimum of 9 weeks will receive a fitness tracker courtesy of IU Health West Hospital.

### Get Walkin'!

Are you looking to make a change in your lifestyle?
Need some motivation or support?

Get WalkIN' is a **FREE** walking initiative being offered through Purdue Extension in Hendricks County. Limit 20 people for In-person program. A few openings are still available!

For more information call Purdue Extension at 317-745-9260



















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PURDUE EXTENSION
MASTER GARDENER PROGRAM

**Hendricks County Master Gardeners Present** 

Oh My Gourd It's Fall"

We cordially invite all members and guests to this informative fun-filled day.



#### Our Speakers

**Keynote Speaker- Melinda Myers-** Garden Renovations; Downsizing & Small Space Gardening

Helen Morlock- Spring Bling- Unique Spring Bulbs & Colorful Plants to Make Your Garden Shine

Phillip Moorhead- The Wonderful World of Gourds
Ruth Moorhead- The Wonderful World of Gourds
John Thieme- Creepy, Crawly, Critters
Scott Cochran- Water Features in the Garden

#### Important Information

**When: October 12, 2024** 

Time: 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

**Location:** Hendricks County 4-H

Fairgrounds & Conference Complex-

1900 E. Main St, Danville, IN 46122

Cost: \$40.00

Please register online: hendricksgardeners.com by

September 23rd

#### Contact Us

If you require reasonable
accommodations to participate in
the program, or have dietary
restrictions please contact the
Purdue Extension Hendricks County
office by phone 317-745-9260 or
email hendrices@purdue.edu.



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Youth under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult to participate.

Purdue University is an equal opportunity/equal access/affirmative action institution. 8/2024

#### **Calendar of Events**

This year's 4-H
Open House will
be NOVEMBER
10th 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!!

More details coming soon!

#### **4-H Open Enrollment**

Enrollment for the 2025 4-H year will begin October 1, 2024.

After October 1st, youth and volunteers will be able to enroll in 4-H Online at: https://v2.4honline.com

#### INVITE YOUR FRIENDS!

#### **September and October Dates**

September 2 - OFFICE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY

September 12- Discovery Club Meeting; Fairgrounds @ 6:30 p.m. September 23 - 4-H Fairboard Annual Meeting; Fairgrounds @ 6 p.m. September 30 - Project Update Meeting; Fairgrounds @ 6 p.m.

October 7 - 4-H Fairboard Meeting; Fairgrounds @ 7 p.m. October 8- Jr. Leader Kick Off Meeting; Fairgrounds @ 6 p.m. October 28 - Youth Council Meeting; Fairgrounds @ 7 p.m.

We want your feedback!

Please follow the link to take a quick survey let us know which parts of the Fair this year went well and what could use some improvement!

https://hendricksco4h.com/2024survey



September 23rd at 7 p.m.



#### **4-H Adult Leaders**

September 11th 7 p.m. Fairgrounds



#### 4-H Fairboard

No Fairboard meetinig this month!

