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# 4-H Clover Connections

February 2023

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR 4-H YOUTH EDUCATOR HEATHER VONDIELINGEN



**Dear 4-H Families,**

Welcome to our 2nd electronic version of the Jackson County 4-H Clover Connections Newsletter! We hope you are enjoying the new, interactive and colorful newsletter that you can access at your fingertips. The link will always be the same: <https://jackson4-hnews.com>

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.

While we have a target enrollment date of January 15th, you can still enroll if you have not done that yet. Enroll TODAY so you receive timely information, announcements, and updates!

**4-H Project Updates:**

Here is the link to our 2023 4-H Handbook: <https://bit.ly/JacksonCounty4-HHandbook2023> . We will be linking to all State 4-H Policies and Procedures within our Handbook so you always have access to the way Indiana 4-H is guided and supported by Purdue University. 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?



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.

Diaper Sizes Needed

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



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

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Handbook

4-H Mission: The Indiana 4-H Youth Development mission is to provide real-life educational opportunities that develop young people who positively impact their community and world.  
4-H Vision: Indiana 4-H Youth Development strives to be the premier community-based program empowering young people to reach their full potential.

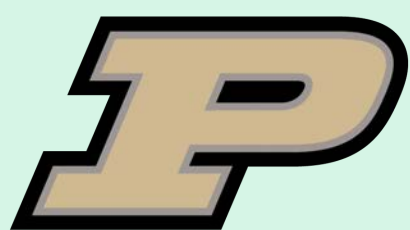


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## HANDBOOK CHANGES

The Handbook can be viewed by visiting: <https://bit.ly/JacksonCounty4-HHandbook2023> or click the handbook photo!

- State Project changes were minimal this year. You can visit <https://bit.ly/INStateProjects> to see all State Project exhibit guidelines.
- Name Change: Sewing for Fun is now "Seams Fun". Mini 4-H "Models" has been changed to "Construction and Architectural Replica".
- Beef Project: 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. See handbook for more details
- Poultry Project: A Commercial Class has been added. See handbook for more details
- Horse Project: An Open Walk/Trot Class has been added.
- Rabbit Project: Will follow ARBA guidelines, see handbook for all details.
- Rabbit & Poultry: The 4-H Livestock and Auction Committee and Jackson County 4-H Council approved these two species to be sold in the 4-H Livestock Auction, as long as there is a market for the animals. STAY TUNED for specific information if you are enrolled in one of these projects!



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## Awesome 4-H'ers of the Month



Pedro & Jared  
Achievers 4-H Club



Juntos 4-H students Pedro and Jared attended a Farm Credit Mid-America Conference to share about the impact the "Grow Towers" have had to them and how that impact can help them make a difference in our community. Continue being awesome Pedro and Jared!

Approved adult 4-H Volunteers and 4-H Club Leaders can nominate a 4-H Member to be the Awesome 4-H'er of the Month. To nominate an Awesome 4-H'er email Brooklynn Rennekamp at [brennek@purdue.edu](mailto:brennek@purdue.edu).

Performing Arts Judging



Friday  
March 3, 2023



Visit <https://bit.ly/INPerformingArts> or follow the QR Code for information about what types of performance acts can be entered.

Be sure you are signed up for the event in: Online

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



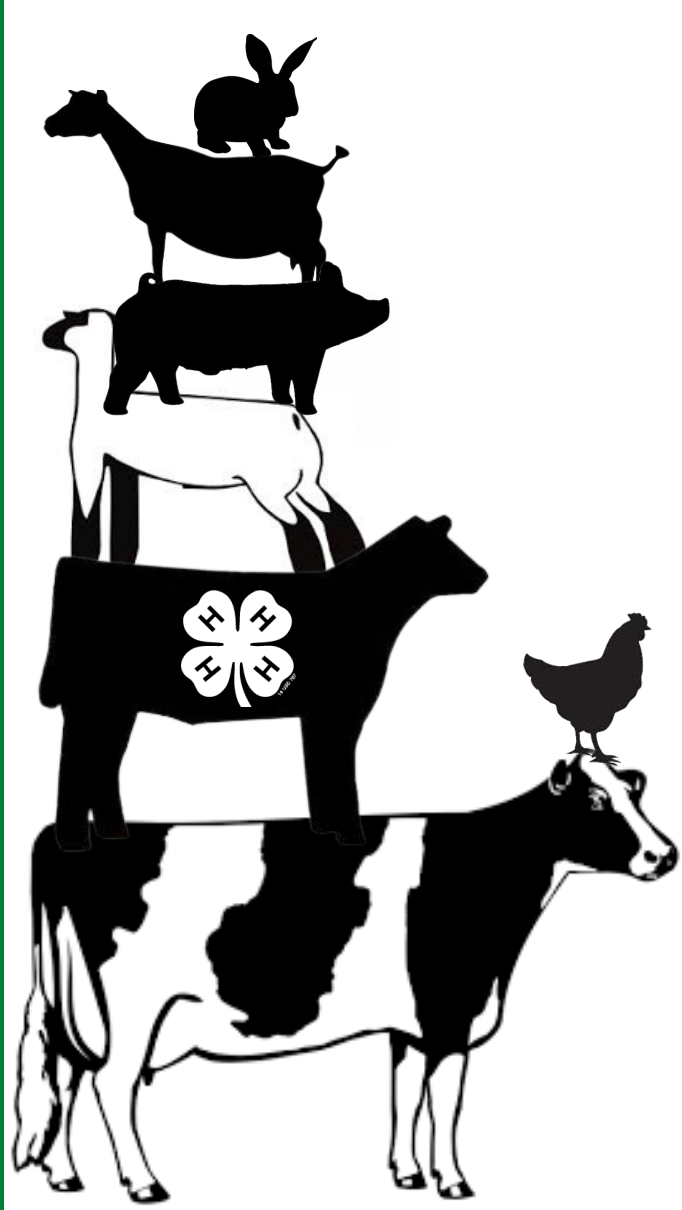
## 4-H Club Leader Retreat

TOOK PLACE ON 01/24/23 AT KAY'S KAFE WHERE LAWRENCE COUNTY 4-H EDUCATOR LESLEY LODMELL WAS THE GUEST SPEAKER. CLUB LEADERS LEARNED HOW 4-H MEETINGS CAN BE FUN! THERE WAS A CHOCOLATE TASTING AND EVERYONE RECEIVED A CLUB LEADER KIT, SPECIAL THANKS TO PREMIER COMPANIES AND 4-H COUNCIL FOR PROVIDING THESE KITS TO EVERY CLUB!

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# L I V E S T O C K



## 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



THANKS TO OUR LIVESTOCK AND AUCTION  
COMMITTEE, TAGS ARE PROVIDED FREE OF  
CHARGE TO 4-H MEMBERS.



# 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!

A MESSAGE FROM BOAH:



## Access to Animal Medications: Plan Ahead for Changes Coming this Summer

By Debbie Boyd, DVM; Indiana State Board of Animal Health

Changes are coming to the way certain antibiotics will be available to animal owners by June 11, 2023. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has been taking steps to improve the judicious use of antibiotics in humans and animals. For animal owners, the next step is outlined in Guidance for Industry (GFI) #263. This document requires drug companies to change the labels on over-the-counter medically important antibiotics (MIA) to prescription status. The FDA has been working toward the goal of having all medically important antibiotics for animals fall under the oversight of veterinarians. In 2017, FDA required MIAs in feed to have a veterinary feed directive (VFD) and all antibiotics administered via water have prescription labels.

Not all drugs and not even all antibiotics will be affected by this rule change—only MIAs. Medically important antibiotics are those classes of antibiotics that are important for treating human disease. However, the most common over-the-counter antibiotics such as penicillin, tetracyclines, and sulfas fall in the medically important category and will no longer be available without a prescription. GFI #263 affects MIAs for livestock, equine, and small animals.

Dewormers, some coccidiostats, and some less common and non-MIA antibiotics will not have a label change.

Antibiotics you have on-hand after they are no longer available to buy without a prescription may be used legally. However, stocking up on these products is not recommended they may expire before they can be used. The best idea is to work with your veterinarian and have a plan in place for when animals may need antibiotics. If you don't currently have a regular veterinarian, now is a good time to reach out to one before an emergency occurs. Veterinarians are not obligated to write prescriptions or see animals, particularly after hours, if they are not regular clients. A valid veterinary client patient relationship (VCPR) is required for veterinarians to write prescriptions. To establish a valid VCPR, be prepared to have an annual visit from the veterinarian in order to have access to emergency visits and prescriptions. This federal rule change does not mean a veterinarian needs to see every animal every time it is sick. However, how you and your veterinarian will handle sick animals, prescriptions, and emergency situations is a conversation that should be completed in advance.

# Junior Leaders

INDIANA 4-H



JUNIOR LEADERS MADE A \$750.00 DONATION TO THE SWEET CHEEKS DIAPER PANTRY IN DECEMBER! HERE THEY ARE PRESENTING THEIR CHECK!



**February Meeting**  
Thursday, February 16, 2023  
7-8:30 p.m.

**Kay's Kafe**  
**214 S Sugar St. Suite 1**  
**Brownstown, IN**  
There will be a chocolate tasting!  
You will NOT want to miss this meeting!

**Chairperson** - Jasmine McCormick  
**Citizenship Report** - Jasmine McCormick  
**Recreation** - Taylor Smith  
**Health & Safety** - Anna Obermeyer  
**Refreshments** - Food & Drinks at Kay's Kafe



**Special notes:**  
**Unpaid Dues \$2.75**  
**Sign up to help at Livestock ID Days**



**UPDATE**

**MIGHTY MINIS Update!**

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

**MS. BROOKLYNN WILL SEE YOU AGAIN SOON!**

**SEE  
YOU  
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# RECENT WORKSHOPS



## SCRAPBOOKING WORKSHOP

The scrapbooking workshop took place in January. It was open to all grades 3-12.

There were 2 - 4-H'ers that came to learn all about the guidelines for the scrapbooking project. They worked on scrapbook pages to complete their projects for the 2023 Jackson County Fair.

Thank you to 4-H'er Kelsey Schneider for preparing a presentation and leading this workshop. Also, shout out to Kim Schneider for volunteering to help at this workshop and bring supplies to share with new 4-H'ers in this project!



# WORKSHOPS TO WATCH FOR

You're invited!

## 4-H Cake Decorating Workshop



Thursday, February 23rd  
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

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

4-H Members in Grades 3-5 are invited to join this 4-H Cake Decorating Workshop!

All materials will be provided.  
Limited to the first 10 to register.  
Register by using your 4-H Online Profile.  
<http://v2.4honline.com/>



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**SIGN UP NOW!**

click here!



You're invited!

## 4-H Cake Decorating Workshop



Thursday, March 30th  
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

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

4-H Members in Grades 6-8 are invited to join this 4-H Cake Decorating Workshop!

All materials will be provided.  
Limited to the first 10 to register.  
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<http://v2.4honline.com/>



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# Juntos

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## 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 IN JACKSON COUNTY

Formal partnership between Purdue University and Seymour Community School Corporation. Cohorts will be added each fall and students will be supported until they graduate high school.



Juntos 4-H students Pedro and Jared attended a Farm Credit Mid-America Conference to share about the impact the "Grow Towers" have had to them and how that impact can help them make a difference in our community.



## Juntos 4-H Club Officers

*(Left to right)*

President: Pedro Baltazar

Vice President: Ashley Olmos-Fernandez

Secretary: Sharon Juarez Villatoro

Treasurer: Jaylynn Hernandez Rodriguez

Reporter: Brandon Martinez Salas

**HEATHER VONDIELINGEN**  
**JUNTOS 4-H ADVISOR AND**  
**INTERIM STATEWIDE JUNTOS 4-H COORDINATOR**

**BROOKLYNN RENNEKAMP**  
**JUNTOS 4-H PROGRAM ASSISTANT**

**IVETH VASQUEZ,**  
**JUNTOS 4-H SITE COORDINATOR**

**EDWIN FLORES**  
**JUNTOS 4-H SUCCESS COACH**

# Area and State Happenings

## 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 Scholarships - applications due January 25 to County Extension Office. <a href="https://bit.ly/4hscholarship">bit.ly/4hscholarship</a>	Day at the Statehouse - date TBA, Indianapolis, grades 7-12; participants tour the state house, meet representatives, and serve as student pages. <a href="https://purdue.ag/4hstatehouse">purdue.ag/4hstatehouse</a>
National 4-H Conference - April 14-19, Washington, D.C.; grades 9-12 completed; application due December 1. <a href="https://purdue.ag/national4hconference">purdue.ag/national4hconference</a>	Career Development Events - competitive events throughout the year that allow youth to showcase their knowledge on 15 different subject areas. <a href="https://purdue.ag/4hcde">purdue.ag/4hcde</a>
4-H Academy @ Purdue - Wed, June 7 - Fri, June 9, Purdue University, grades 9-12 completed; 15 career exploration workshops available. Registration deadline May 15. <a href="https://bit.ly/in4hacademy">bit.ly/in4hacademy</a>	State 4-H Junior Leader Conference - Tues, June 13 - Fri, June 16, DePauw University, grades 9-12 completed; registration due May 15. Facebook: @4HSJLC <a href="https://purdue.ag/4hsjlc">purdue.ag/4hsjlc</a>
State 4-H Band & Chorus - Sat, June 24 - Mon, June 26, Purdue University; perform during 4-H Round-Up; grades 9-12 completed, registration deadline May 1. <a href="https://bit.ly/inband4h">bit.ly/inband4h</a> <a href="https://bit.ly/in4hchorus">bit.ly/in4hchorus</a>	Citizenship Washington Focus - dates TBA, Washington, D.C.; grades 9-12 completed, registration deadline March 15. <a href="https://purdue.ag/4hcwf">purdue.ag/4hcwf</a>
4-H Round-Up - Mon, June 26 - Wed, June 28, Purdue University, grades 7-9 completed, registration deadline June 1. <a href="https://bit.ly/in4hroundup">bit.ly/in4hroundup</a>	Communications Events at the Indiana State Fair - demonstration, informative 4-H presentation, professional persuasive presentation, public speaking. <a href="https://purdue.ag/4hcommunications">purdue.ag/4hcommunications</a>
State Fair Exhibit Hall Workers - end of July through completion of IN State Fair; workers must be at least 14 years old at time of work, college students are welcome to apply; application due April 15. <a href="https://purdue.ag/in4hehw">purdue.ag/in4hehw</a>	National 4-H Dairy Conference - Sun, October 1 - Thurs, October 5, University of Wisconsin-Madison; grades 9-12 completed. <a href="https://purdue.ag/national4hdairy">purdue.ag/national4hdairy</a>
Indiana 4-H Leadership Summit 2023 - Saturday, October 21; youth grades 8-12 & adult volunteers; educational breakout sessions & scholarship & volunteer award recognition. <a href="https://purdue.ag/in4hsummit">purdue.ag/in4hsummit</a>	<b>Please contact your local Extension Office for county-specific application, selection, &amp; registration information.</b>  In addition to the opportunities listed here, Indiana 4-H offers one-day programs focused on specific subject areas, additional programs related to the Indiana State Fair, opportunities for trained Teen Teachers, and more throughout the year. Learn more at <a href="https://bit.ly/in4hstateprograms">bit.ly/in4hstateprograms</a>
National 4-H Youth Congress 2023 - Fri, Nov 24 - Tues, Nov 28, Atlanta, Georgia; grades 9+, application due May 1. <a href="https://purdue.ag/national4hcongress">purdue.ag/national4hcongress</a>	

Check out photos of past events at [bit.ly/photosin4h](https://bit.ly/photosin4h)

## Junior Pork Day at Purdue Saturday, March 4, 2023



### Program Agenda

8:30 - 9:00	Registration - Fee \$5.00 - Land O' Lakes, Inc. Center Lobby (New Animal Sciences Meats Lab), Purdue University, 720 Clinic Drive (off Harrison St.), West Lafayette, IN 47907		
9:00	Welcome - Dr. John Blanton, Animal Sciences Dept. Head - Purina Pavilion		
9:15	Group 1 <u>Live Animal Evaluation</u>	Group 2 <u>Carcass Evaluation</u>	Group 3 <u>Hands On Activities</u>
	How to judge prospect pigs, market hogs and gilts	Evaluating pork cuts & carcasses	Ear notching and animal ID
	Evaluate 3 classes of swine	Evaluate 3 meats classes	What's in your Pig's diet?
10:15	Groups Rotate		
11:15	Groups Rotate		
12:15	Lunch -Pork, chips, fruit, ice cream - Purina Pavilion		
1:00	Afternoon Rotations (35-minute sessions - 5 min to walk) -		
	Group 1 - Making great Brats		
	Group 2 - Pig Jeopardy		
	Group 3 - Preparing for Show Day and Swine Showmanship		
1:40	Groups Rotate		
2:20	Groups Rotate		
3:00	Announcements followed by contest awards - Purina Pavilion		

This program is being supported by the Indiana Swine Breed Associations, Indiana Pork Producers Assoc., NSR, NJSA, and the Purdue University Animal Sciences and 4-H Departments. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Dr. Brian Richert - Extension Swine Specialist at 765-494-4837, [brichert@purdue.edu](mailto:brichert@purdue.edu) or Courtney Stierwalt - 4-H Extension Specialist at [dickerso@purdue.edu](mailto:dickerso@purdue.edu)

\*\*Masks may be required - depending on current COVID status \*\*

# *Calendar of Upcoming Events!*

**Sat Feb 4** - Judges and Leaders Clinic

**Tues Feb 7** - 4-H Day at the Statehouse

**Thur Feb 16** - Junior Leaders

**Thur Feb 16** - Sweet Cheeks Diaper Challenge Deadline

**Mon Feb 20** - Jackson County Extension office Closed for Presidents' Day

**Thur Feb 23** - Cake Decorating Workshop Grades 3-5

**Fri March 3** - Performing Arts- Judging and Performance

**Tue March 7** - Livestock and Auction Meeting

**Thur March 16** - 4-H Council Meeting

**Thur March 30** - Cake Decorating Workshop Grades 6-8

**Sat April 22** - Beef, Dairy Beef and Feeder ID Day

**Wed April 26** - Flower Basket Pick Up

**Thur May 4** - Sheep and Goat ID Day

**Sat May 6** - Sheep and Goat ID Day

**June 2 - 4** - Area 2 4-H Camp





We received \$5,685.00  
in donations to the  
Jackson County 4-H Endowment  
for Giving Tuesday! A special  
Thank you to all donors.

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