



CREATE YOUR OWN  
**SUNSHINE**  
AND BE HAPPY!

**KOSCIUSKO COUNTY  
EXTENSION HOMEMAKERS  
2024-2025**

Tell each of the following how they bring you sunshine:

- Each lady in your club
- Each of your family members
- People in other clubs you are involved in
- People in your church or small group

Create a mindset of positivity and thankfulness.

Make a list of the things you are thankful for every day:

- Food
- Water: to shower or drink
- A vehicle
- Financial support
- Legs and arms!
- Your eyesight
- Your hearing or hearing aids
- Being able to walk
- First responders/EMS/Police
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- Keep going, what else!



This year's theme was a combination of ideas from Rural Neighbors and Tippecanoe Township Clubs, with DeeAnna Muraski creating the graphic design.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands; one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

## **IEHA MISSION STATEMENT**

The mission of Indiana Extension Homemakers is to strengthen families through continuing education, leadership development, and volunteer community support.

## **EXTENSION HOMEMAKER'S CREED**

We believe in the present and its opportunities...in the future and its promises...in everything that makes life large and lovely. In the divine joy of living and helping others and so we endeavor to pass on to others that which has benefited us, striving to go onward and upward, reaching the pinnacle of economic perfection in improving, enlarging and endearing the greatest institution in the world, the home.

A contest for a creed was sponsored in 1930 by the State Association. From the 60 entries submitted, the Association chose the one written by Mrs. C.W. Horne of Hendricks County. In writing the creed, Mrs. Horne voiced the sentiment of every member of the Extension Homemakers clubs with the hope that this valuable work would go on forever.

## **CLUB COLLECT by Mary Stewart**

Keep us O Lord from pettiness; let us be large in thought, in word and deed. Let us be done with fault-finding and leave off self-seeking. May we put away all pretense and meet each other face to face, without self-pity and without prejudice. May we never be hasty in judgment and always generous. Let us take time for all things; make us grow calm, serene and gentle. Teach us to put into action our better impulses straight forward and unafraid. Grant that we may realize that it is the little things that create differences; that in the big things of life we are one. And may we strive to touch and know the great human heart common to us all, and O Lord God let us not forget to be kind.

"The Collect was written in 1904 as a personal prayer for the day and without any organization in mind. I was entering my first job out of college. It was offered for publication under the title, "A Collect for Club Women". I felt that a woman working together with wide interest for large ends was a new thing under the sun and that perhaps they had need for special petition and meditation of their own." – Mary Stewart (1941)

**STATE EXTENSION HOMEMAKERS CLUB SONG**  
**“AMERICA, THE BEAUTIFUL”**

Oh beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain, for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain. America! America! God shed His grace on thee, and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.

Oh beautiful for pilgrim feet, whose stern impassioned stress, a thoroughfare for freedom beat across the wilderness. America! America! God mend thine ev'ry flaw, confirm thy soul with self-control thy liberty in law.

**EXTENSION HOMEMAKER'S CLUB PRAYER**  
**(SUNG TO THE TUNE “HE LEADETH ME”)**

Dear Lord, with thankful hearts we come, for family, and friends and home; and for the sunshine and the rain that ripens fields of golden grain. Lord of the harvest bless us still, we are submissive to thy will; what e'er our harvests are to be, our hope and trust are still in Thee. - Amen

Mrs. Calvin Perdue, President 1928-29, appealed to her father Thomas Sample for assistance with the prayer during the depression years when farmers and their wives were struggling so bravely – it was with this thought that Mr. Sample composed the prayer. A dopted at the 1936 annual meeting.



**IEHA FLOWER AND COLORS**

FLOWER: Yellow carnation

COLORS: Royal blue and gold

The official IEHA flower and colors were adopted by the State Board in June of 1997.

**IEHA LOGO**

The IEHA Logo depicts the Extension Homemaker organization. The three figures depict endless family members: adult and child. The letters IEHA and the association's acronym, form the design. They indicate the influence of IEHA extends beyond the perimeter of the design and even beyond the home and family to the surrounding community.



## Local Club Officers

President \_\_\_\_\_

Vice President \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

Treasurer \_\_\_\_\_

## Leaders

Health and Safety \_\_\_\_\_

Publicity \_\_\_\_\_

Garden Leader \_\_\_\_\_

Education Representative \_\_\_\_\_

International Representative \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteer Community Support \_\_\_\_\_

## CANCELLATIONS

If Warsaw Schools are closed due to weather, lessons and Council meetings will be cancelled. Listen to WRSW for updates and check this news link: <https://www.newsnowwarsaw.com/event-delays/>

## Special Committees

**THANK YOU** to all who generously gave of their time and efforts in representing individual clubs in the Kosciusko County Extension Homemakers Association and the Purdue Extension Service programs on the various county committees. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

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**EXTENSION STAFF**

**Shannon Shepherd** ..... **HHS Educator**  
**Emily Kresca** ..... **Ag/ANR Educator**  
**Andrew Farrell** ..... **4H Educator/CED**  
**Caroline Arnett** ..... **Community Wellness Coordinator**  
**Rozlyn Bishop** ..... **Program Assistant**  
**Tami Graff** ..... **4H/Youth Secretary**  
**Crissy Osmialowski** ..... **HHS and ANR Secretary**

Purdue Extension delivers practical, research-based information that transforms lives and livelihoods.

<b>COUNTY EXTENSION HOMEMAKER OFFICERS</b> <b>2024 - 2025</b>			
TITLE	ADDRESS	PHONE	EMAIL
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Currently vacant	<b>Volunteering is a beautiful thing! We need YOU!</b>		
<b>Secretary</b>			
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## PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL

President's Council meets at 1:15 PM and no lunch is provided.

### PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL: PLEDGE AND CREED

<b>2024</b>	July	Tippecanoe Township	<b>2025</b>	Jan	Atwood Home Study
	Sept	Chit Chat		Mar	Knitting Together
	Nov	Herscher Club		Apr	Better Homes

### PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL: THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

<b>2024</b>	July	Rural Neighbors	<b>2025</b>	Jan	M & M's
	Sept	Chit Chat		Mar	Knitting Together
	Nov	Better Homes		Apr	Hersher Club

### HIGHLIGHT MAILERS: FIRST TUES OF MONTH

<b>2024</b>	Aug	Atwood Home Study	<b>2025</b>	Feb	Better Homes
	Oct	Chit Chat		Apr	M & M's
	Dec	Knitting Together		Jun	Tippecanoe Township



I CREATE SUNSHINE IN MY CLUB BY:

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I CREATE SUNSHINE IN MY COMMUNITY BY:

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I CREATE SUNSHINE IN MY FAMILY BY:

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## CALENDAR 2024 - 2025

MONTH	DAY	EVENT
July	06	Entry Day for Kos County Fair (8 am – 11:30 am)
July	07-13	Kosciusko County Fair
July	13	Open Class Exhibits Released (9 am – 1 pm)
July	16-18	NVON Conference
July	24	Presidents' Council
Aug	02-18	Indiana State Fair
Aug	28	LESSON: Milk Alternatives by Shannon Shepherd
Sept	09-10	Camp Elko at Camp Mack
Sept	25	LESSON: Cleaning the Kitchen by Karen Richey
Sept	25	Presidents' Council
Oct	TBA	Past County Presidents' Luncheon
Oct	16	Fall Michigan City District Meeting – Porter County
Oct	21-26	Indiana Extension Homemakers Association (IEHA) Week
Oct	23	Reverse Mortgage by Shannon Shepherd
Oct	23-24	Focus Day & State Board Meeting
Oct	26	IEHA Make a Difference Day
Nov	TBA	Holiday Program
Nov	20	LESSON: Effective Communication by Emily Christ
Nov	20	Presidents' Council
Jan	22	LESSON: Mediterranean Diet Part 1 by Karen Richey
Jan	22	Presidents' Council
Feb	26	LESSON: Mediterranean Diet Part 2 by Karen Richey
Mar	TBA	Annual Kosciusko County Extension Dinner
Mar	26	LESSON: Vitamin Wisdom for Vital Aging by Chrissie Lai
Mar	26	Presidents' Council, list of elected officers due
Apr	15-16	Ag Days
Apr	15	Spring Michigan City District Meeting – St Joseph County
Apr	23	LESSON: Small Container Gardening by Emily Kresca
Apr	TBA	4-H Fish Fry / Bake Sale
May	01	Club Dues Deadline (payable to County Treasurer)
May	TBA	Spring Fling
May	28	LESSON: Keeping Track of Your Medical Information by Annetta Jones
May	28	Presidents' Council <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Incoming and Outgoing Officers</li> <li>- New program books handed out</li> </ul>
June	TBA	Home and Family Conference



**County Lessons** are available in person and handouts are only available to individuals who attended the lesson.

Online Lessons

The following lessons are available online at

<http://www.ieha-families.org>

Safe Disposal of Unneeded Medications

Let's Get Outside

Health of Your Home - Lead & Radon

Alphabet Soup: Making Sense of Vitamin & Mineral Supplement

Hydrating for Your Health

Fall Free: A Lesson on Fall Prevention

Portion Control

Sleep and Health

Take Time for Your Health

De-Stress in the Garden

Gluten Free – The Gluten Basics

Reminiscence Writing

Stress & Self Care

Planning for Unexpected Life Events

The Value of Friendships

Mindfulness

Effective Team Time

As the Band Marches On

Everyday Gardening for Everyone

Life Skills 101

Affordable Fun With the Family

Life Made Simple

Leave Your Excuses at the Door

Preserving Your Story

EveryBODY Needs to Move

How to Stay Safe in Today's World

Teamwork

Get Online With Technology

Your Image is Showing

First Things First – How to Prioritize

Meeting in Progress

Congratulations You've Been Elected

**AND MANY MORE** Educational Resources...

## 2024-25 COUNTY COMMITTEES

### Achievement Night

See Spring Fling, events combined now

### Auditing Committee

Knitting Together/Bev Earnhart

### Camp Elko Retreat – at Camp Mack, Milford IN

September 9-10, 2024

### Cultural Arts

Knitting Together

### Fundraising Committee

Chit Chat

Ruth Dilling

Rita Irwin

### Historian

Jan Godshalk

### Holiday Program

Program - Eleanor Watkins

Craft – Carol Droke

Breakfast/morning snack – Tippecanoe Township

Lunch – Atwood Home Study and Herscher Extension Homemakers

### Public Relations

Alice Keirn

### Spring Fling

Atwood Home Study, Herscher Extension Homemakers, Rural Neighbors

### Volunteer Community Support

Atwood Home Study

### **MAKE ME LAUGH** – 9am Registration

Chair – Tena Jakubowicz (Elkhart)

Vice Chair – Beth Wells (Kosc)

Secretary – Hill Cohen (Elkhart)

Treasurer – Beverly Earnhart (Kosc)

Asst. Treas – Eleanor Watkins (Kosc)

Members-at-Large – Peggy Beck (Kosc),

Deb Howard (Marshall), Jeanine Martin

(Elkhart), Peggy Parzygnot (Kosc), JoAnn

Woolett (St. Joe), Julie Popenfoose

(Kosc)

**KOSCIUSKO COUNTY FAIR  
OPEN CLASS**

**Date:** July 7-13, 2024

**Location:** Home & Family Arts Building – County Fairgrounds

**OPEN CLASS DEPARTMENT**

<b>Sue Martin 574-202-0938</b>	<b>Building Director</b>
Robin Shafer 574-453-1187	Assistant Building Director

**CO-SUPERINTENDENTS OF OPEN CLASS**

Kathrine Dwyer Rae Hillard	Agriculture
Marvene Johnson Cyndy Light	Crafts
Peggy Parzygnot	Fine Arts
Dawn Harris Robin Hoffer	Food Preservation
Janice Bolin Judy Egolf	Foods
Teresa Landis Deb Schroeder	Garden Flowers and Plants
Amy Thompson Kendra Thompson	Herbs
Julie Popenfoose Shirley Stevens	Needlework
Laurie Renier	Photography
Jan Godshalk Marsha Miller	Sewing

**FOOD COMMITTEES**

Morning Snack	M & M's
Lunch	Atwood Home Study

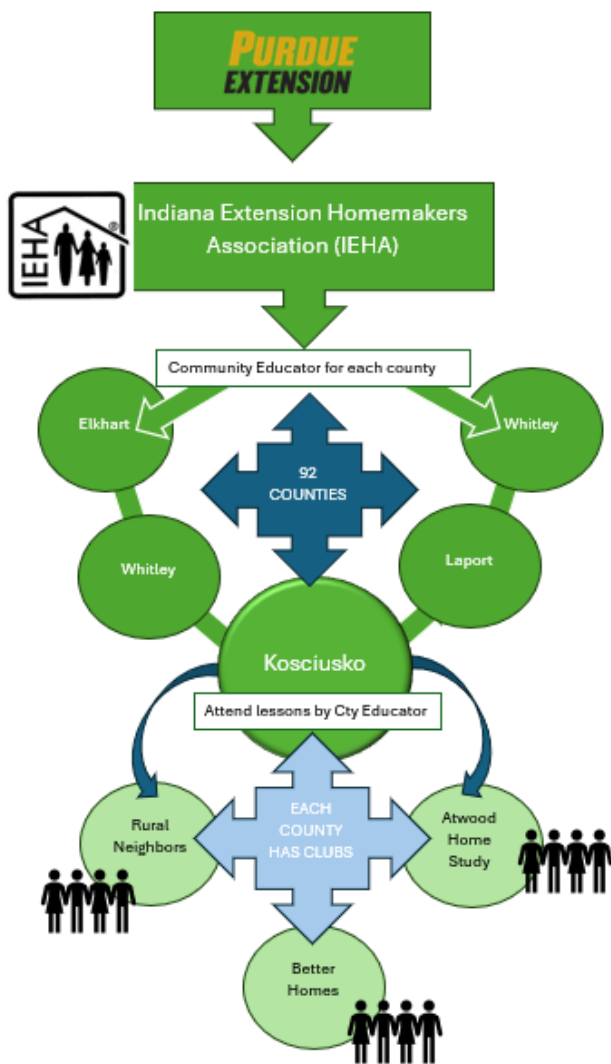
## WHAT IS EXTENSION?

The Health and Human Sciences program is a section of the Extension Service. It is sponsored by Purdue University, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and Kosciusko County.

This education program is FREE! We urge others to participate in the health and human sciences activities on good nutrition, child development, family relations, home management, time management, use of money and more.

Membership in Indiana Extension Homemakers Association (IEHA) includes membership in The Associated Country Women of the World (ACWW), Country Women's Council USA (CWC), and National Volunteer Outreach Network, Inc. (NVON).

We help reach other homemakers in our community and interest them in becoming Extension Homemaker club members. All homemakers are welcome. Membership is open continuously.



## CWC and ACWW

The Country Women's Council of the USA (CWC)'s objective is to unite into a cooperative, working organization, the societies affiliated with the Associated Country Women of the World (ACWW). The rural and urban members represent varied races, nationalities, and creeds. They believe that communication based on friendship and understanding will advance peace and progress. They believe that the quality of life is improved for all people through the following:



- The relief of poverty
- The advancement of education
- The relief of sickness and the protection/preservation of health.
  - Meet for discussion on matters pertaining to ACWW
  - Recommend on policies and activities, always considering the international character of ACWW
  - Further these objectives in the ACWW constitution.



The ACWW is one of the largest international development organizations for rural women, working with 420 member societies and affiliates in **82 countries worldwide**.

This network allows us to engage at the local, national, and international level with the aim of achieving these goals:

- **TO RAISE** the standard of living for rural women and their families through education, training, and community development programs.
- **TO PROVIDE** practical support to our members and help them set up income-generating schemes.
- **TO SUPPORT** educational opportunities for women and girls and help eliminate gender discrimination.
- **TO GIVE** rural women a voice at an international level through our links with UN agencies and bodies.

Each society is autonomous and may take individual action as it desires.

## i-LEaD – Indiana Leadership and Development

The i-LEaD program is designed for the new, emerging leader who wishes to grow in his/her confidence and leadership skills. The program has three levels and the levels must be taken in succession.

**LEVEL I – Personal Leadership.** Focuses on the individual. Participants will develop an understanding of leadership, assess their own skills, and develop a personal philosophy of leadership.

**LEVEL II – Interpersonal Leadership.** Focuses on the you and me. Participants focus on the development of communication skills, team building, and group decision-making and trust.

**LEVEL III – Group Leadership.** Focuses on community. Participants grow in their ability to become leaders by studying effective boards and committees and how to develop.

I-LEaD is an individual leadership development program. You need not be a member of a team to attend or any previous training. The objective is to have you grow in your leadership ability.

For more information, visit the IEHA website at [www.ieha-families.org](http://www.ieha-families.org) or contact Ellen King at 574-857-5505 or email [eaking@rtcol.com](mailto:eaking@rtcol.com)

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National Volunteer Outreach Network, Inc. was formed in 1995. NVON is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes. NVON brings together members who are willing:

- To work with the ACWW
- To promote friendship and understanding in the world
- To promote sharing between member states
- To promote well-being of individuals and families
  - Bring better understanding of the relationship of home, community, state, nation, and the world
  - To speak for and further interest of member organizations engaged in service to families and communities
  - To coordinate and disseminate information on the ACWW and CWC
  - To distribute Land Grant College and University research-based information.



For more information, visit the NVON website at [www.nvon.org](http://www.nvon.org)

## **EDUCATION FOCUS GROUP**

*Objectives:* Encourage counties to develop lessons on diversity exercise, dietary and medical information and technology. Counties should also demonstrate and encourage “hands-on” projects and heritage skills.

## **LEADERSHIP FOCUS GROUP**

*Objectives:* Develop leadership skills of members, keep members informed of legislative issues, encourage contact with elected officials and promote resolutions passed at ACWW.

## **VOLUNTEER COMMUNITY SUPPORT FOCUS GROUP**

*Objectives:* To promote Extension Homemakers involvement in local, county, district, and state projects that impact family life and support community.

## **PCARET**

PCARET stands for Purdue Council for Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching and represents the grass root needs and concerns of the people of Indiana. Its members are advocates for land-grant agricultural programs in research, extension, and teaching with county officials, state legislators, and decision-makers.

## **I.E.H.A. STATE AND OTHER OFFICERS**

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**ACWW USA AREA PRESIDENT:** Bonnie Teeples / [usa@acww.org.uk](mailto:usa@acww.org.uk)  
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**IEHA STATE THEME:** Discover the Magic of IEHA (2024-2025)

**IEHA WEBSITE:** [www.ieha-families.org](http://www.ieha-families.org)

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Hostess \_\_\_\_\_ Co-Hostess \_\_\_\_\_

Pledge to the American Flag/Homemaker's Creed

Thought for the Day \_\_\_\_\_

Committee Reports: (page 1)

Lesson \_\_\_\_\_ Leader \_\_\_\_\_

Business:

Secretary's Report:

Roll Call: **What is something that brings you happiness? (sewing, your dog) and WHY do(es) they/it make you happy?**

Treasurer's Report:

Other:

Closing/Club Collect:

Notes to remember \_\_\_\_\_

**Dates to Remember:**

Jul 06: Entry Day for Kos Cty Fair (8 am – 11:30 am)

Jul 07-13: Kosciusko County Fair

Jul 13: Open Class Exhibits Released / 9 am – 1 pm

Jul 16-18: NVON Conference, Asheville NC

Jul 24: Presidents' Council





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Business:

Secretary's Report:

Roll Call: **What does it mean to you to "create your own sunshine?"**

Treasurer's Report:

Other:

Closing/Club Collect:

Notes to remember \_\_\_\_\_

**Dates to Remember:**

Aug 01: Highlights Mailer – Atwood Home Study

Aug 02-18: Indiana State Fair

Aug 28: Milk Alternatives lesson



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Lesson \_\_\_\_\_ Leader \_\_\_\_\_

Business:

Secretary's Report:

Roll Call: **What is the happiest memory of your life – and you have to say something someone else has NOT already said! Lol!!**

Treasurer's Report:

Other:

Closing/Club Collect:

Notes to remember \_\_\_\_\_

**Dates to Remember:**

- Sep 09-10: Camp Elko – Camp Mack
- Sep 18: Newsletter items due
- Sep 25: Cleaning the Kitchen lesson
- Sep 25: Presidents' Council
- Sep 27: Highlights Mailers – Herscher Ext



**OCTOBER 2024**

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Business:

Secretary's Report:

Roll Call: **Where is your happy place? (a field, a busy coffee shop, reading...)**

Treasurer's Report:

Other:

Closing/Club Collect:

Notes to remember \_\_\_\_\_

**Dates to Remember:**

Oct TBA: Past County Presidents' Luncheon

Oct 16: Fall Michigan City District Meeting –  
Porter County

Oct 21-26: IEHA Week

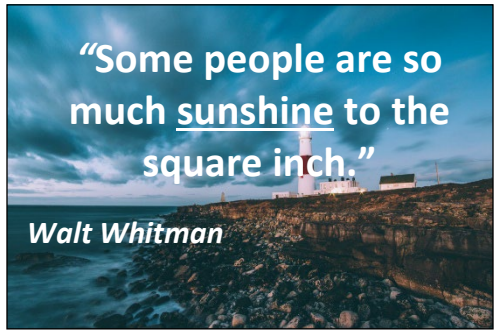
Oct 23: Reverse Mortgage lesson

Oct 23-24: Focus Day & State Board Meeting

Oct 26: IEHA Make a Difference Day



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Lesson \_\_\_\_\_ Leader \_\_\_\_\_

Business:

Secretary's Report:

Roll Call: **Who in your family is sunshine? Who is a friend who is sunshine? Who is a celebrity (singer/athlete/actor/author) that exemplifies sunshine to you?**

Treasurer's Report:

Other:

Closing/Club Collect:

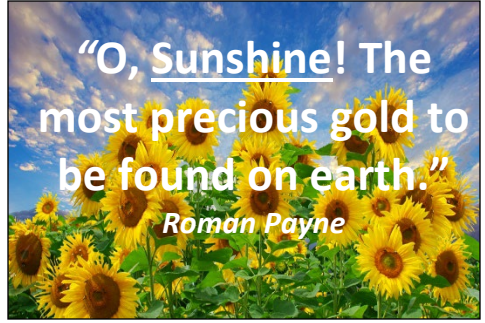
Notes to remember \_\_\_\_\_

**Dates to Remember:**

- Nov TBA: Holiday Program
- Nov 13: Newsletter items due
- Nov 20: Effective Communication lesson
- Nov 20: Presidents' Council
- Nov 22: Highlights Mailer – Knitting Together



DECEMBER 2024						
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Committee Reports: (page 1)

Lesson \_\_\_\_\_ Leader \_\_\_\_\_

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Secretary's Report:

Roll Call: **Would you rather have sunshine or \$1 billion dollars and cloudy days the rest of your life?:**

Treasurer's Report:

Other:

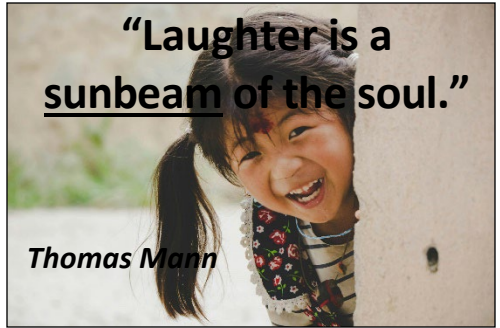
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Secretary's Report:

Roll Call: **What do you do that brings others happiness? What do you do that brings your family happiness?**

Treasurer's Report:

Other:

Closing/Club Collect:

Notes to remember \_\_\_\_\_

**Dates to Remember:**

Jan 22: Newsletter items due

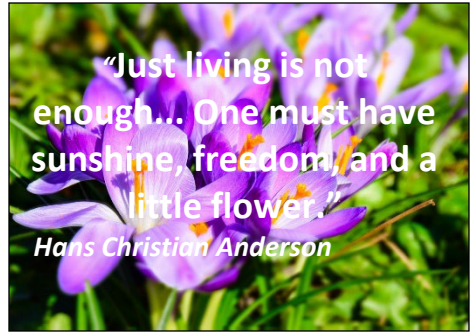
Jan 29: Mediterranean Diet lesson, Part 1

Jan 29: Presidents' Council

Jan 31: Highlights Mailer – Better Homes



FEBRUARY 2025						
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Committee Reports: (page 1)

Lesson \_\_\_\_\_ Leader \_\_\_\_\_

Business:

Secretary's Report:

Roll Call: **Tell a funny story of something you did when a child or a child-at-heart.**

Treasurer's Report:

Other:

Closing/Club Collect:

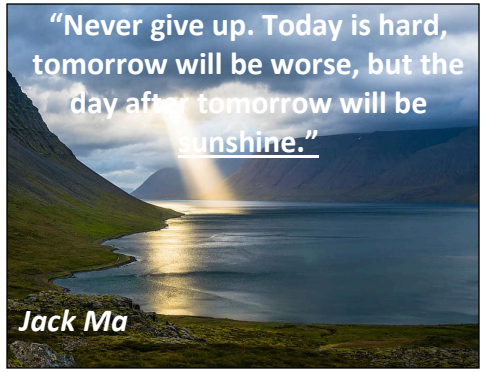
Notes to remember \_\_\_\_\_

**Dates to Remember:**

Feb 26: Mediterranean Diet lesson, Part 2



MARCH 2025						
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Hostess \_\_\_\_\_ Co-Hostess \_\_\_\_\_

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Business:

Secretary's Report:

Roll Call: **If you got \$1.00 for every time you laughed in your life – would you now be a billionaire, middle class – or in poverty?**

Treasurer's Report:

Other:

Closing/Club Collect:

Notes to remember \_\_\_\_\_

**Dates to Remember:**

Mar TBA: Annual Kosciusko County Extension Dinner

Mar 19: Newsletter items due

Mar 26: Vitamin Wisdom for Vital Aging lesson

Mar 26: Presidents' Council, list of elected officers due

March 28: Highlights Mailers – M & M's





APRIL 2025						
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Business:

Secretary's Report:

Roll Call: **What is a tangible item (something you can touch/hold) that means sunshine to you? Why?**

Treasurer's Report:

Other:

Closing/Club Collect:

Notes to remember \_\_\_\_\_

**Dates to Remember:**

Apr 15 & 16: Ag Days

Apr 15: Spring Michigan City District Meeting –  
St Joseph County

Apr 23: Small Container Gardening lesson

TBD: 4-H Fish Fry / Bake Sale



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Business:

Secretary's Report:

Roll Call: **What friend brings sunshine to your life? Talk about a time they made you laugh – what happened to make you laugh?**

Treasurer's Report:

Other:

Closing/Club Collect:

Notes to remember \_\_\_\_\_

**Dates to Remember:**

May TBA: Spring Fling

May 01: Dues deadline – Payable to the County Treasurer

May 21: Newsletter items due

May 28: Keeping Track of Your Medical Information lesson

May 28: Presidents' Council – Incoming and Outgoing Officers

May 30: Highlights Mailers – Chit-Chat



JUNE 2025						
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Hostess \_\_\_\_\_ Co-Hostess \_\_\_\_\_

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Lesson \_\_\_\_\_ Leader \_\_\_\_\_

Business:

Secretary's Report:

Roll Call: **How do you turn something negative into a positive (ex: dishwasher is not working so.... Let's go out to eat!)**

Treasurer's Report:

Other:

Closing/Club Collect:

Notes to remember \_\_\_\_\_

**Dates to Remember:**

Jun TBA: Home & Family Conference



## 2024-2025 Extension Homemakers Clubs

CLUB NAME/PRESIDENT	YEAR ORGANIZED	MEETING DATE AND TIME
<b>ATWOOD HOME STUDY</b>	<b>1942</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Tues 6:30pm</b>
Dawn Harris 6131 W 200 S Warsaw, IN 46580	574-371-5776 Dawn4harris@hotmail.com	
<b>BETTER HOMES</b>	<b>1944</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Mon 2:00pm</b>
Eleanor Watkins 7668 Apple Road Bourbon, IN 46504	574-646-3293 574-354-7361 Cell	
<b>CHIT CHAT</b>	<b>1963</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Tues 7:00pm</b>
Ann Kline 1224 W 200 S Warsaw, IN 46580	574-265-6348 klinetruckingexc@comcast.net	
<b>CLUNETTE CROSSROADS</b>	<b>1981</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Thurs 7:00pm</b>
Louise Powell 5643 N 500 W Warsaw, IN 46582	574-551-2228 Louisepowell162@gmail.com	
<b>HAPPY HOMEMAKERS</b>	<b>1946</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Tue 7:00pm</b>
Geneva Veasey 7432 S 100 E Claypool, IN 46510	574-566-2217 wood2sew@frontier.com	
<b>HERSCHER EXT. HOMEMAKERS</b>	<b>1958</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Wed 5:30 pm</b>
Marsha Miller 9120 W 125 N Etna Green, IN 46524	574-858-2104 574-265-6562 Cell Marshamiller65@gmail.com	
<b>KNITTING TOGETHER</b>	<b>1989</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Fri 1:00pm</b>
Janet (Jan) Godshalk 1803 Fisher Avenue Warsaw, IN 46580	574-527-2470 fjgodsh@embarqmail.com	

<b>CLUB NAME/PRESIDENT</b>	<b>YEAR ORGANIZED</b>	<b>MEETING DATE AND TIME</b>
<b>KOS. CO. EXT. CHORUS</b>	<b>1940</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Mon 7:00pm</b>
Geneva Veasey 7432 S 100 E Claypool, IN 46510	574-566-2217 Wood2sew@frontier.com	
<b>M &amp; M's</b>	<b>1949</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Mon 7:00pm</b>
Alice Keirn 1104 South Buffalo Street Warsaw, IN 46580	574-371-5711 Amkeirn@centurylink.net	
<b>RURAL NEIGHBORS</b>	<b>1960</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Wed 1:00pm</b>
Julia Frush 418 N Lake Street Warsaw, IN 46580	574-267-8619 574-371-5546 Mobile jerryfrush@hotmail.com	
<b>TIPPECANOE TOWNSHIP</b>	<b>1919</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs 11:00am</b>
Robin Shafer 44 EMS B61B Warsaw, IN 46582	574-834-4624 mshafer@gmail.com	
<b>CLUBS FROM OLDEST TO NEWEST</b>	<b>MID-MORNING MEETING CLUBS</b>	
1919 Tippecanoe Township 1940 Kos Co. Ext. Chorus 1942 Atwood Home Study 1944 Better Homes 1946 Happy Homemakers 1949 M & M's 1958 Herscher Ext. Homemakers 1960 Rural Neighbors 1963 Chit Chat 1981 Clunette Crossroads 1989 Knitting Together	Tippecanoe Township	
	<b>AFTERNOON MEETING CLUBS</b>	
	Better Homes Knitting Together Rural Neighbors	
	<b>EVENING MEETING CLUBS</b>	
	Atwood Home Study Chit Chat Clunette Crossroads Happy Homemakers Herscher Ext Homemakers Kos Co Ext Chorus M & M's	

## PAST COUNTY PRESIDENTS

Pride in Our Past, Faith in our Future!

Mrs. J.E. (Orpha) Baer, Leesburg (dec. 1962).....	1926-1936
Mrs. O.B. Clase, Warsaw (dec. 1980).....	1937-1938
Mrs. Perry Hoover, Milford (dec. 1981).....	1939
Mrs. Virgil (Blanche) Doran, Burket (dec. 1981).....	1940-1941
Mrs. John Pfahler Bradenton, FL.....	1942-1943
Mrs. Alice Jones, Claypool (dec. 1985).....	1944-1945
Mrs. Earl West (dec. 1977).....	1946-1947
Mrs. Clarence Tinkey, Claypool (dec. 1969).....	1948
Mrs. Joe (Clover) Paxton, Warsaw (dec. 2004).....	1949
Mrs. Elmer Longyear, Claypool (dec. 2011).....	1950
Mrs. Everett (Lillie) Rookstool, Claypool (dec. 2004).....	1951
Mrs. John Gebert, Pierceton (dec. 1981).....	1952
Mrs. Lawrence Rife, Warsaw (dec. 1970).....	1953
Mrs. William (Marguerite) Frush, Warsaw (dec. 1970).....	1954
Mrs. Chris (Ida) Kammerer, Leesburg (dec. 1982).....	1955
Mrs. Gordon Brubaker, Warsaw.....	1956
Mrs. Kip (Mary) Sullivan, Leesburg (dec. 2012).....	1957
Mrs. Gene (Betty) Sarber, Mentone.....	1958
Mrs. Dean (Iola) Brown, Warsaw.....	1959
Mrs. Raymond (Everil) Helser, Warsaw (dec. 2009).....	1960
Mrs. Francis (Mary) Reece, Claypool (dec. 2003).....	1961
Mrs. Jacob Tusing, Leesburg (dec. 2009).....	1962
Mrs. Dale (Cleota) Cauffman, Warsaw.....	1963
Mrs. Amer Koontz, Sidney (dec. 1985).....	1964
Mrs. Weldon (Marilyn) R. Kincaide, Warsaw.....	1965
Mrs. Richard (Junita) Allen, Leesburg, (dec. 2017).....	1966
Mrs. Martin (Lorene) Stookey, Warsaw (dec. 2016).....	1967
Mrs. Donald (Juanita) Boggs, Leesburg (dec. 2017).....	1968
Mrs. Victor (Mary) Hillery, Warsaw.....	1969
Mrs. Fred (Maxine) Kuhn, Warsaw (dec. 1985).....	1970-1971
Mrs. Michael (Sonya) Creighton, Warsaw.....	1971-1972
Mrs. Charles Stone, Syracuse.....	1972-1973
Mrs. Elmer (Catherine) Hanes, Warsaw (dec. 2015).....	1973-1974
Mrs. Charles (Mary) Smoker, Warsaw (dec. 2003).....	1974-1975
Mrs. Herschel (Helen) Albert, Leesburg (dec. 2009).....	1975-1976

Mrs. Lloyd (Donna) Hively, Pierceton (dec. 2011).....	1976-1977
Mrs. William (Carol) Landrigan, Warsaw (dec. 1994).....	1977-1978
Mrs. Loretta Veenstra (Rensberger), Warsaw .....	1978-1979
Mrs. Frank (Dorothy) Kurth, Leesburg (dec. 2011).....	1979-1980
Mrs. Barbara Williamson, Pierceton (dec. 2011).....	1980-1981
Mrs. Murvel (Mary Lou) Whitehead, Warsaw .....	1981-1982
Mrs. Judy Cutler, Warsaw (dec. 2002).....	1982-1983
Mrs. Everett Schooley, Warsaw (dec. 2011).....	1983-1984
Mrs. Catherine Bause, Leesburg (dec. 2000).....	1984-1985
Mrs. Robert (Kay) Tusing, Leesburg.....	1985-1986
Mrs. Charles Long, Syracuse (dec. 2009).....	1986-1987
Mrs. Doris Slaymaker, Warsaw (dec. 2015).....	1987-1988
Mrs. Louis (Louise) Nichols, Warsaw (dec. 2023).....	1988-1989
Mrs. Mike (Carol) Baker, Warsaw.....	1989-1990
Mrs. Robert (Carlyn) Cox, Leesburg (dec. 2012).....	1990-1991
Mrs. Jessie (Doris) Hackworth (dec. 2012).....	1991-1992
Mrs. Richard (Betty) Hinton (dec. 2018).....	1992-1993
Mrs. Joe (Gerry) Pickett (dec. 2021).....	1993-1994
Mrs. James (Babs) Rutherford .....	1994-1995
Mrs. Richard (Cynthia) Roderick .....	1995-1996
Mrs. Harold (Kay) Eller .....	1996-1997
Ms. Ruth Menzie (dec. 2010).....	1997-1998
Mrs. Gerald (Jeanne) Weirick (dec. 2019) .....	1998-1999
Mrs. John (Mary Beth) Camden.....	1999-2000
Mrs. Joyce Phaneuf (dec. 2009) .....	2000-2001
Mrs. James (Sandy) Wise.....	2001-2002
Mrs. Darla McCammon.....	2002-2003
Mrs. Diane Wagley (dec. 2008).....	2003-2004
Mrs. Peggy Parzygnot.....	2004-2005
Mrs. Jerry (Julia) Frush.....	2005-2006
Mrs. Kent (Nancy) Adams (dec. 2021).....	2006-2007
Mrs. William (Kay) Farrar (dec. 2017) .....	2007-2008
Mrs. Louis (Louise) Nichols (dec. 2023).....	2008-2009
Mrs. Betty Bowen.....	2009-2010
Mrs. Julie Popenfoose.....	2010-2011
Mrs. Doris Ann Slaymaker (dec. 2015).....	2011-2012
Mrs. Ralph (Deanna) Myers (dec. 2017).....	2012-2013
Mrs. Peggy Parzygnot.....	2013-2014

Mrs. Rita Irwin.....	2014-2015
Mrs. Jerry (Julia) Frush.....	2015-2017
Mrs. Steve (Marvene) Johnson.....	2017-2018
Mrs. James (Judy) Egolf.....	2018-2019
Mrs. Kevin (Carol) Edmonds (dec. 2020).....	2019-2020
Mrs. Brian (Sue) Martin.....	2020-2023
Mrs. James (Judy) Egolf.....	2023-2024
Mrs. James (Judy) Egolf and Miss DeeAnna Muraski (first co-pres!)....	2024-2025

**BONUS QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR CLUB!**



- Where did you go to school? Herscher Club
- What are some personal updates about you? ChitChat
- What is your favorite flower? Tippecanoe Township
- Was your mother an extension member? What club? Knitting Together
- Choose an ancestor and give a story. M & M's
- Best childhood gift. Better Homes
- Tell something interesting about yourself. Atwood Home Study
- Do you like amusement parks? Where have you been? Herscher Club
- Do you still eat corned beef & cabbage on New Years? Tippecanoe Township
- Tell us a memory from an extension club event you attended. Knitting Together
- Tell some changes you have seen in club since you joined. M & M's
- What is the sweetest thing someone has done for you? Better Homes
- Would you rather build a snowman or sand castle? Rural Neighbors
- Fill in the blank: What is your favorite \_\_\_\_\_ and why? Atwood Home Study
- What do you like to do outside? Herscher Club
- What was your favorite vacation? As a child and as an adult Tippecanoe Township
- Make a statement using your three initials M & M's
- Who was your most memorable teacher? Better Homes
- What is your favorite book (besides the Bible!)? Why Rural Neighbors
- What would you keep in a survival kit? Herscher Club
- What kind of winter activities did you do as a kid? Do you still do them? Tippecanoe Township
- Share a recipe for a dish everyone asks you to make again and again M & M's
- Have you ever met a celebrity? Who and where? Better Homes
- What is your favorite dish at Thanksgiving? Rural Neighbors
- What is your favorite memory of your mother or father? Better Homes
- What character from a book would you like to be? Rural Neighbors



# CONSTITUTION OF KOSCIUSKO COUNTY EXTENSION HOMEMAKERS

(Revised January 2022)

## ARTICLE I

### Name

The name of this organization shall be the Kosciusko County Extension Homemakers Association, affiliated with Purdue Extension Service.

## ARTICLE II

### Objectives

The objectives are to promote the study and teaching of Health and Human Sciences in the home, the public school, and the community, through continuing education; to encourage 4-H club work for youth; to provide volunteer support for any home or community betterment project; and to promote leadership development.

## ARTICLE III

### Membership

Membership in this organization is open to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, or disability.

## ARTICLE IV

### Dues

The county dues shall be established by the Executive Board, due and payable on a date designated by the Executive Board. This date will be in the program book. Members belonging to more than one club will pay county and state dues only once. Local club dues will be paid to each club.

Anyone joining an Extension Homemaker club from July 1 – December 31 pays full dues. Anyone joining after December 31 will pay half dues for the remainder of the club year. Dues are not refundable.

## ARTICLE V

### Officers

Section 1 – Anyone making application for a county office must have served as a local club president except Secretary, Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer, which must have served in that role at the local club level.

Section 2 – Officers of this association shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, and Past President. They shall be elected by April 1st, but shall not take office until July 1st.

Section 3 – The Executive Board shall consist of all officers as listed in Section 2. They shall attend all President's Council meetings; assist in organizing new clubs; act on matters of an emergency nature; with the newly elected officers, decide on the budget; decide on county membership dues; set up goals for the new year; and review officer and committee duties.

Section 4 – The President's Council shall consist of the Executive Board and the local club presidents.

Section 5 – The President (or proxy) of each club shall have one vote.

Section 6 – Any eligible members of the Kosciusko County Extension Homemakers Association may be elected to serve, not to exceed two (2) years in the same county office.

Section 7 – If vacancies occur in the Executive board, replacements shall be made by the Executive Board.

## **ARTICLE VI Duties of Officers**

Section 1 – The President shall preside at all Council and Executive meetings; appoint all committee chairmen; and have general supervision of all matters pertaining to the interests of this association.

Section 2 – The Vice President shall perform all the duties of the President in her absence, and help out assist whenever possible to prepare for the following year.

Section 3 – The Secretary shall keep a record of the minutes for each meeting, and read the minutes when requested. The Secretary shall conduct correspondence as directed by the President.

Section 4 – The Treasurer shall keep a roll of the association membership and be custodian of all association funds and shall pay all bills authorized by the budget. Additional expenditures not in the budget need to be voted on by the Executive Board. The books shall be audited once each year by the audit committee.

Section 5 – The Assistant Treasurer shall chair the Fundraising committee and assist the Treasurer in any way possible.

Section 6 – Recommendations of duties for officers and committee chairmen in the Association will be on file in the Purdue Extension Office and in the County President's files.

## **ARTICLE VII Meetings**

There shall be no less than four meeting dates set by the Executive Board for the President's Council. The Executive Board will meet as needed.

## **ARTICLE VIII Committees**

Section 1 – The county president and the Extension Educator, Health and Human Sciences, are ex-officio members of all committees.

Section 2 – Standing committees will get recommendations for activities from the state and local officers. Ad Hoc committees may be appointed by the President as necessary with prior approval by the Executive Board.

**ARTICLE IX  
Dissolution**

Kosciusko County Extension Homemakers will, in the case of dissolution, assign all assets to a Kosciusko County charity.

**ARTICLE X  
Amendments**

This constitution may be amended by a majority vote of the President's Council present at any regular meeting and must be in the minutes of the previous meeting.

**BY-LAWS**

**ARTICLE I  
Quorum**

A majority of the Executive Board and the President's Council members present shall constitute a quorum.

**ARTICLE II  
Rules of Order**

The business of the Association shall be conducted under the revised Robert's Rules of Order.

Officer \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Officer \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



## COINS FOR FRIENDSHIP

Coins for Friendship is a voluntary contribution made of local clubs. The funds are used to promote better understanding, good-will, and friendship among the women of the world. Donations are shared between the state IEHA and the ACWW and CWC for their ongoing projects. Funds retained in the state are used for the Exchange Homemaker Program, as well as donations to the International Peace Gardens, Elsie Zimmer Memorial Fund, and the international meetings. Funds forwarded to ACWW and CWC are joined by funds from other countries and are used to help support grants given by the United Nations for field work in developing countries or informing member societies of help available through these grants. They help ACWW members speak for rural women and homemakers at UN meetings or arrange seminars in literacy, nutrition, and child care in developing nations. These funds are used around the world for projects that provide skill training for women, fight disease and malnutrition, and provide safe water. For more information, visit the ACWW website at [www.ACWW.org.uk](http://www.ACWW.org.uk).

“Coins for Friendship” donations are due to IEHA State Treasurer by June 15<sup>th</sup>. The County Treasurer needs to receive these donations, along with the dues, by May 1<sup>st</sup>. The donations are divided as follows:

60% to General Funds

25% ACWW and CWC

15% to Scholarship & Exchange Homemaker Fund

## **NICKELS FOR LEADERSHIP – helps Indiana clubs!**

Nickels for Leadership is a voluntary contribution and is used for leadership workshops for our Indiana members.

District and regional workshops are planned for any interested IEHA member. Extension Homemakers are very generous with scholarships for others, and Nickels for Leadership provides leadership training and self-enrichment for county officers and members. This contribution will benefit our organization by offering the members continuing training. This is a voluntary contribution and may be sent to the county treasurer along with your dues each year.

## **History of Indiana Extension Homemakers**

### **ADOPTED BY INDIANA LEGISLATURE**

**MARCH 11,1963**

In 1910, Purdue University gave leadership to organize home economics extension in Indiana. Families were contacted through Farmer's Institutes. Women's auxiliaries grew out of this movement and from this, the home economics clubs developed. Leaders in the counties initiated classes for farm women. In 1919, there were 10 classes. These groups later became known as home economic clubs and now are known as extension homemakers.

In 1913, the women leaders from various counties in attendance at a conference at Purdue University voted to organize a State Home Economics Association for the purpose of encouraging more co-educational groups for homemakers and to promote the teaching of "domestic science" in the local schools.

By 1927, a total of 389 extension clubs with a total of 10,142 members were established. The Indiana Extension service is the largest organized program of its kind in the nation. It is sponsored by Purdue University and Kosciusko County.

Currently, extension consumer and family science programs, activities and events (including those in club leader training, special events, and activities) are provided to all clientele and on a non-discriminatory basis without regard to race, color, or national origin, sex, or handicap.

### **Organizational Structure of Indiana Homemakers Clubs**

Local Members belong to local Extension Homemaker Clubs. Members are represented by County Extension Homemaker Councils in 10 Districts which includes our Michigan City District, made up of Elkhart, Kosciusko, Lake, LaPorte, Marshall, Porter, Starke, and St. Joseph counties.

Ten districts make up the Indiana Extension Homemakers Association (IEHA). IEHA joins other states in the National Volunteer Outreach Network (NVON) with membership in the Associated Country Women of the World (ACWW) and Country Women's Council (CWC).

Kosciusko County belongs to the Michigan City District whose current District Representative is Michelle Blough.

**INDIANA'S OFFICIAL STATE POEM**  
**Adopted by State Legislature (March 11, 1963)**

**By Arthur Franklin Mapes, Kendallville**

**God crowned her hills with beauty, Gave her lakes and winding  
streams, Then He edged them all with woodlands As the settings for  
our dreams.**

**Lovely are her moonlit rivers, Shadowed by the sycamore,  
Where the fragrant winds of summer play along the willowed shores.**

**I must roam those wooded hillsides, I must heed the native call,  
For a pagan voice within me Seems to answer to it all.**

**I must walk where squirrels scamper Down a rustic old rail fence,  
Where a choir of birds is singing In the woodland, green and dense.**

**I must learn more of my homeland For it's paradise to me,  
There's no place I'd rather be.**

## **Indiana is a garden**

**Where the seeds of peace have grown, Where each tree, and vine,  
and flower Has a beauty all it's own.**

**Lovely are the fields and meadows, That reach out to hills that rise,  
Where the dreamy Wabash River Wanders on...through paradise.**