

# November 2023 Newsletter

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**4-H ONLINE**  
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1st and January 15th!  
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# Calendar of Events



## NOVEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
5 4:00 Pierceville Haypals Meeting 5:00 4-H Pioneers Meeting	6 6:45 Busy Bees Meeting 7:00 Country Kids Meeting	7 <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> 6:30PM Ripley Wranglers Meeting	8	9	10 <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	11
12 2:00 Naopleon Country Club Meeting	13 7:00 Faithful Workers Meeting 7:00 Morris Shamrocks Meeting	14	15 6:00PM Junior Leader Meeting	16	17	18
19 1:00 Dream Seekers Meeting	20 7:00 Hopewell Cloverbees Meeting	21	22	23 <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> 	24 <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	25
26	27 6:30 Annual Meeting	28	29	30	-	-

Can you find the four H's hidden in the newsletter?



HEAD



HEART



HANDS



HEALTH

# Ripley County 4-H Newsletter



## 4-H Club Meeting Information

### **BUSY BEES**

Date & Time: 1st Monday of the month at 6:45PM  
Location: St. Paul's Crossroads Lutheran Church  
Leaders: Rose Nuhring,\* 812-934-6124,  
Tammy Sidell, 812-934-4086

### **COUNTRY CRITTERS**

Date & Time: 1st Monday of the month at 7:00PM  
Location: Monica Hansen Home  
Leaders: Monica Hansen,\* 812-756-0200

### **COUNTRY KIDS**

Date & Time: 1st Monday of the month at 7:00PM  
Location: Coonhunters  
Leaders: Clay Nuhring, 812-212-1462  
Chad Grote, 812-621-3631  
Josh Nuhring, 812-363-4788

### **DREAM SEEKERS**

Date & Time: 3rd Sunday of the month at 1:00PM  
Location: Lauren Wagner Home  
Leaders: Lauren Wagner,\* 812-756-2062  
Janine Gesell, 812-756-1645  
Amanda Hoff, 317-666-2120

### **FAITHFUL WORKERS**

Date & Time: 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00PM  
Location: Sunman Community Building  
Leaders: Kevin & Wanda Luers,\* 812-363-6384  
Marcy Moster, 812-212-4843  
Derek & Bethany Luers, 812-212-5948

### **4-H PIONEERS**

Date & Time: 1st Sunday of the month at 5:00PM  
Location: Batesville area  
Leaders: Brenna Sarringhaus,\* 812-212-2331  
Brooke Stafford,\* 812-363-5608

### **HOPEWELL CLOVERBEES**

Date & Time: 3rd Monday of the month at 7:00PM  
Location: Hopewell Baptist Church  
Leaders: Darren & Sheena Speer,\* 812-756-1862  
Gloria Comer  
Karen Osborne, 812-689-5406

### **JUNIOR LEADERS**

Date & Time: 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6:00PM  
Location: Ripley County Extension office  
Leaders: Monica Hansen, 812-756-0200  
Baylee Dwenger, 812-689-6511

### **MORRIS SHAMROCKS**

Date & Time: 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00PM  
Location: St. Anthony Catholic Church  
Leaders: Michelle Hoff,\* 812-933-1526  
Pat Moster, 812-934-3791  
Liz Stenger, 812-934-5313  
Rick Bauman, 812-623-3075

### **NAPOLEON 4-H COUNTRY CLUB**

Date & Time: 2nd Sunday of the month at 2:00PM  
Location: Napoleon Community Building  
Leaders: Brandy Meyer,\* 812-852-4303  
Ralph Meyer, 812- 871-2154  
Rebecca Brandt, 812-621-0863

### **PIERCEVILLE HAYPALS**

Date & Time: 1st Sunday of the month at 4:00PM  
Location: Delaware Fire Dept.  
Leaders: Marlene Riehle,\* 812-212-4325  
Kris Bushhorn, 812-621-8601  
Chelsa Dwenger, 812-621-7734

### **RIPLEY COUNTY 4-H LONE WOLVES**

Location: (Independent and Mini 4-H)  
Leaders: Call the Extension Office @ 812-689-6511

### **RIPLEY WRANGLERS**

Date & Time: 1st Tuesday of the month at 6:30PM  
Location: Ripley County Fairgrounds  
Leaders: Monica Hansen, 812-756-0200  
Greg Bonfer, 812-621-1015

**Contact a Leader for more Club information!**

\*Primary Club Leader





# Ripley County 4-H Newsletter



Come and recognize our volunteers!

**1st Year:** Larry Comley, Bryer Franklin, Allie Hickey, Alexandra Johnson, Jessica Menchhofer, Andrea Nuhring, Joshua Nuhring, Majestica Placke, Abbey Sarringhaus, Scott Stenger, David Witte

**5th Year:** Andy Comer, Lacy Engelking, Randy Kramer, Daren Sarringhaus, Darren Speer, Mark Struewing, Natasha Struewing

**10th Year:** Angel Frommeyer, Kathy Hartman, Michael Luers

**15th Year:** Allan Thompson, Mike Weber

**20th Year:** Brandy Meyer

**25th Year:** Mark Rohls, Scott Rohls, Michelle Hoff

## Becoming a New Volunteer

Ripley County 4-H is always welcoming new volunteers! If you have any question or are interested in starting the process of becoming a new volunteer, please contact the Extension Office. The 4-H program would not be such a success without the help of all our wonderful 4-H volunteers!



# Ripley County 4-H Newsletter



## New 4-H Projects

### Leadership

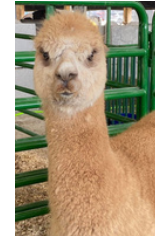
This project allows the opportunity to learn life skills that are important to be effective leaders of themselves and of groups. For this project, create a posters, notebooks or display over a leadership topic.

If you are interested in community service, law or politics this may be a project for you!



### Llama & Alpaca Craft

Express your creativity with llama or alpaca fiber! Exhibit any art or craft using llama or alpaca fiber. If this project interests you but you don't have access to fiber, contact the office and we can get help get you some!



If you would like the exhibit guidelines for one of these projects, contact the office or find them on the Purdue Extension website!

## Ripley County Extension Board

There are open positions on the Ripley County Extension board for Washington and Shelby Townships. If you are interested in this position or have questions please contact Dave Osborne.

## Auction Checks

Auction checks are available to be picked up and need picked up by **December 1st**. Please make sure you write a thank you to all buyers and sponsors before you pick up your check. Addresses for buyers will be listed with your check.



## State Fair & Exhibit Hall Projects

This is your **last chance** to pick up any remaining projects at the extension office. If you do not do so they will be thrown away.



# Ripley County 4-H Newsletter



## 4-H Club Spotlight!

The Ripley Wranglers wore green at their October 4-H club meeting to celebrate National 4-H week! They are starting their Poinsettia Fundraiser and taking nominations for their club officers.



Would your 4-H Club like to be the next one highlighted in the newsletter for events that are going on? Tell us about them! We would love to recognize our amazing 4-H Clubs and members! Email [bsarring@purdue.edu](mailto:bsarring@purdue.edu)

## Ripley County Community Foundation

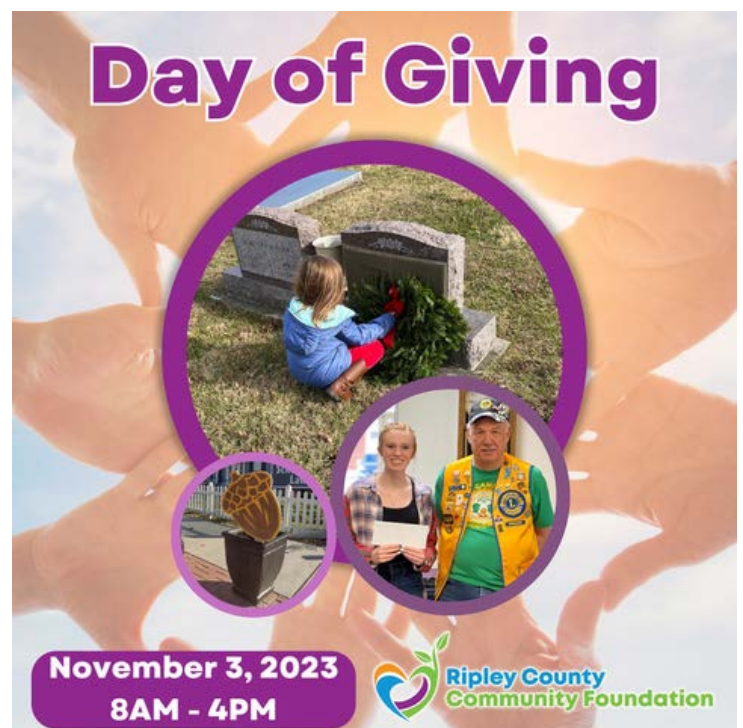
The Ripley County Community Foundation is having a Day of Giving on **November 3rd**. All donations are eligible to receive a 50% match!

Donate a gift to 4-H through the Ripley County Community Foundation. Our fund is the *Ripley County 4-H Corporation Fund #282*. Questions, about how to donate, please contact the community foundation by calling, 812-933-1098.

How to donate:

**Online** at [rccfonline.org/donate/](http://rccfonline.org/donate/)

**In-person** at: 13 E George Street, Suite B, Batesville, IN 47006





# Ripley County 4-H Newsletter



Area 1- Southeastern Indiana

## 4-H Volunteer Conference



**February 24, 2024 Hopewell Baptist Church 2319 N County Rd 850 W, Holton, IN**

Area 1 4-H Extension Educators aim to enhance the 4-H experience by bringing together volunteers from multiple counties to share best practices and learn from each other. This event is of no charge to 4-H volunteers and includes lunch, door prizes and 4-H curriculum resources. Registration is collected on 4-H Online.

### Schedule of Events

**10 am**  
Thrive Session

**12 noon**  
Catered Lunch

**11 am**  
First Session

**1 pm**  
Second Session

Choose a topic relevant to your role.

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**Registration Required on 4-H Online Events by February 19th [v2.4honline.com](http://v2.4honline.com)**

**First Session Options**

#### 4-H Camps & Trips

Explore the opportunities in our area and at Purdue for youth to learn on a higher level. Discuss cost offsetting & recruitment.

#### Back to Basics: Club Recreation

Play games you can bring back to your club meetings.

#### 4-H Electric Project

Specialists discuss how to judge and have a strong project based learning experience.

**Second Session Options**

#### Back to Basics: Club Structure

Discuss program planning for club leaders, using social media, resources given by extension and more.

#### Livestock Leader Panel

Discuss hosting Animal Science Workshops members want to attend, planning shows and best practices from fellow volunteers.


#### 4-H Tractor Project

Explore the new tractor project curriculum, discuss the area contest and meet with area tractor project leaders.

**This event is free to all 4-H Volunteers Call (812) 265-8919 or email [copelanb@purdue.edu](mailto:copelanb@purdue.edu) with questions**



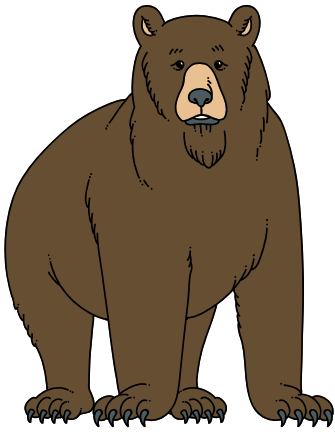
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Extension - 4-H Youth Development 

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## The Bear Song



Repeat after me song:

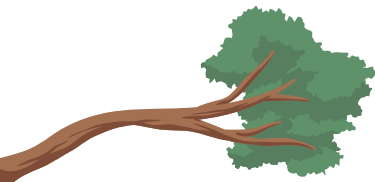
The other day  
I met a bear  
Out in the woods  
Away out there  
He looked at me  
I looked at him  
He sized up me  
I sized up him  
He said to me



Why don't you run  
I see you ain't  
Got any gun  
And so I ran  
Away from there  
But right behind me  
Was that bear  
And then I see  
Ahead of me  
A great big tree  
Oh, glory me  
And so I jumped  
Into the air



But I missed that branch  
Away up there  
Now don't you fret  
And don't you frown  
I caught that branch  
On the way back down  
That's all there is  
There ain't no more  
Unless I see  
That bear once more



## Health & Safety Tip

### **Brush & Floss Your Teeth**

#### **Why?**

Oral hygiene is important because we need our teeth to eat food.

#### **When?**

You should brush your teeth twice a day and floss at least once a day. Try to visit the dentist for a check up every 6 months.

#### **How?**

Start by adding tooth paste to your tooth brush. Place your brush into your mouth at a 45 degree angle to your gums. Then gently move your brush back and forth over each tooth. Be sure to cover the outer surface, inner surface, and the chewing surface of the teeth.

*Source: Community Safety Net  
Health Safety Smart Choices for Life!*





# Ripley County 4-H Newsletter



Ripley Wranglers

## RIPLEY WRANGLERS 2023-2024 CLUB CALENDAR

*Updates will be added throughout the year to our calendar.  
Watch Facebook, Remind and come to meetings to get the latest info!*

**November 7, 2023**- CLUB MEETING at Boy Scout Building 6:30pm  
*FINAL date for Officer Nominations, Poinsettia Sale and Christmas Party Info, Fair Show Bill Recommendations, Ribbon/Medallion Debate.*

*Demonstrations:* Starla Hardesty, Kylie Jones and Chesney Placke

**November 15th, 2023**- Turn in Poinsettia Fundraiser Paperwork and Money to the Extension Office or meet Sarah at the Booth from 6-7:30pm.

**December 2, 2023**- CLUB MEETING AND CHRISTMAS PARTY!

*AT THE YOUNGS: 1312 E. Cty. Rd. 1300 N., Batesville, IN 47006.*

*Meeting Starts at 2pm with the party after! Approve Fair Show Bill, approve ribbons/medallions and Officer Elections. Bring a \$10 wrapped gift for a gift exchange and an appetizer to share. Demonstrations: Macy Young and Addison Young*

**January 2, 2024**- CLUB MEETING: Boy Scout Building Explanation of Folders and Paperwork *Demonstrations:* Tinley Enneking, Teagan Enneking, Shelley Hoffrogge, Bella Shaver, Ashtyn Peelman and Hadley Carfield

**January 2024** Bowl-A-Thon Date to Come!

**February 6, 2024**- CLUB MEETING: Boy Scout Building *Demonstrations:* Shelley Hoffrogge and Hank Dickman

**March 5, 2024**- CLUB MEETING: Boy Scout Building *Demonstrations:* Rylee Mitchell, Mackenzie Sparks and Adalyn Placke

**April 2, 2024**- CLUB MEETING Vaccine Clinic TBD *Demonstrations*

**May 7, 2024**- CLUB MEETING *Work Detail, Stall Set Up, 1<sup>st</sup> of 3 Safety Meetings, Spring Spectacular Prep and Sign Up Demonstrations:*

**June 4, 2024**- CLUB MEETING 2<sup>nd</sup> of 3 Safety Meetings, Area 1 4-H Prep *Demonstrations:*

**July 2, 2024**- CLUB MEETING Pre-Fair Meeting: ENCOURAGED to ATTEND! Stall Reservations, Stall Fees AND Completed Class Entries DUE! Last of 3 Safety Meetings, Fair Week Prep and Job Duty Sign Up.

*Demonstrations:*

**July 19**- Move into Fairgrounds with your Horse 6-9pm.

**July 21- 29**- Horse Shows Times Differ and will be posted at a later date

**July 22-30, 2023**- Ripley County 4-H Fair!

Feel free to reach out with any questions to the Club Superintendents/  
Leaders: Monica Hansen (812)756.0200 and Greg Bonfer (812)621.1015.

# Ripley County 4-H Newsletter



## Shooting Sports

Please note the October Shooting Sports meeting has been cancelled! Please refer to the updated schedule.



# Ripley County Shooting Sports



## Gun & Archery 2023-24

Date	Location	Time	
Aug. 13, 2023	Sunman Fish & Game	2:00-4:00 PM	Archery & Guns
Sept. 17, 2023	Sunman Fish & Game	2:00-4:00 PM	Archery & Guns
Oct.	No Meeting	NA	
Nov.	No Meeting	NA	
Dec.	No Meeting	NA	
Jan. 14, 2024	Sunman Fish & Game	2:00-4:00 PM	Archery & Guns
Feb. 11, 2024	Sunman Fish & Game	2:00-4:00 PM	Archery & Guns
Mar. 10, 2024	Sunman Fish & Game	2:00-4:00 PM	Archery & Guns
Apr. 14, 2024	Sunman Fish & Game	2:00-4:00 PM	Archery & Guns
May 12, 2024	Sunman Fish & Game	2:00-4:00 PM	Archery & Guns
Jun. 2, 2024	Sunman Fish & Game	2:00-4:00 PM	Archery & Guns

*Contest and Family Fun Day: July 13th, 2024*

*Time: Noon-4pm @ Coon Hunters Lodge*

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## INDIANA 4-H NEEDS YOU TO BE A



**BROADBAND  
INFLUENCER**

### What is an Indiana 4-H Broadband Influencer?

**1**

Checks your internet speed

[pcrd.purdue.edu/speedtest](http://pcrd.purdue.edu/speedtest)



**2**

Validates it on the FCC website

[broadbandmap.fcc.gov](http://broadbandmap.fcc.gov)



**3**

Share what they've done with others

**4**

Reports work in the Broadband Influencers event in 4-H Online



Once you have completed all 4, you will receive your Broadband Influencer Pin and be eligible to win an iPad\*!

### Why should I be an Indiana 4-H Broadband Influencer?

There are a lot of different ways to connect to the internet. Some of them are *very* fast, and some of them are *very* slow. We would like everyone in the state of Indiana to be able to use the internet at fast speeds. While it might help you play games and watch videos more easily, it also can help people who are looking for jobs or trying to communicate, do business, or do schoolwork.

The FCC, or Federal Communication Commission, can't help everyone get fast internet unless they know all the places the internet is installed and how fast it is in each location.

### I have more questions!



For more information contact your county extension 4-H educator OR email:

[state4hleader@purdue.edu](mailto:state4hleader@purdue.edu)



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\*Indiana 4-H Broadband Influencers will be asked to write a short essay about their experience. The Broadband Influencer Program is a Purdue Broadband Team initiative.