

DECEMBER 2023 NEWSLETTER

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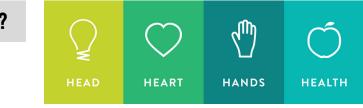
Calendar of Events



DECEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
-			-		1	2 2:00 Ripley Wranglers Meeting
3 5:00 4-H Pioneers Meeting	4 6:45 Busy Bees Meeting 7:00 Country Kids Meeting	5	6	7	8	9 3:00 Jr. Leader Meeting
10 4:00 Pierceville Haypals Meeting 2:00 Naopleon Country Club Meeting	11 7:00 Faithful Workers Meeting 7:00 Morris Shamrocks Meeting	12	13	14	15	16
17 1:00 Dream Seekers Meeting	18 7:30 Fair Board Meeting	19	20	21	22	23
24 31	25 OFFICE CLOSED	26 OFFICE CLOSED	27	28	29	30

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



Club Meeting Resources:

Song, 5 Little Snowmen

Five little snowmen standing in a row, Each with a hat and a big red bow, Out came the sun and it stayed all day, And one little snowman melted away.

Four little snowmen standing in a row, Each with a hat and a big red bow, Out came the sun and it stayed all day, And one little snowman melted away.

Three little snowmen standing in a row, Each with a hat and a big red bow, Out came the sun and it stayed all day, And one little snowman melted away.

Two little snowmen standing in a row, Each with a hat and a big red bow, Out came the sun and it stayed all day, And one little snowman melted away.

One little snowman standing all alone, He had a hat and a big red bow, Out came the sun and it stayed all day, And the one little snowman melted away.

Now all the little snowmen melted away



Food for Thought

"You have to be authentic, you have to be true, and you have to believe in your heart." – Howard Schultz.



Health & Safety Tip

<u>Sleep</u>

Why?

Sleep is important for our bodies recovery from day to day. Sleep helps our muscles to rest and recover. Sleep even helps with our memory by encoding the things we learned during the day.

When?

You should get plenty of sleep each night. The CDC recommends that youth ages 6-12 get 9-12 hours of sleep and teens ages 13-18 get 8-10 hours of sleep.

How to get better sleep?

- 1. Make sure your bedroom is a sleep friendly environment. Having a cool, quiet, dark room can help.
- 2. Limit your screen time before bed. Phones, tablets, and TV's omit rays of light which make it hard for our brains to start the sleep process. Try turning off your devices and hour before going to bed.
- 3. Stick to a sleep schedule so that your internal clock will help regulate your sleep.
- 4. Get plenty of exercise and physical activity throughout the day.

 Source: Community Safety Net Health Safety

 Smart Choices for Life!





Scholarships

All 4-H members who are currently in grades 10-12 are eligible to apply for Indiana 4-H Scholarships sponsored by the Indiana 4-H Foundation. Ripley County 4-H members who apply for the state **Senior Year Scholarship** or **Accomplishment Scholarship** will automatically be submitted for one of six county scholarships too. Information about

Scholarships can be found on the state 4-H website, by contacting the Extension Office or by attending one of the 4-H Scholarship Help Sessions.
Scholarships are Due Thursday, January 25, 2023.



Senior Year Scholarship

Available to 4-H members in their senior year of high school

Club Scholarship

Available to 4-H members entering Purdue University majoring in the College of Agriculture or select majors in the College of Health and Human Sciences

Purdue Horticulture & Landscape Architecture Scholarship

Available to a 4-H member majoring in horticulture or landscape architecture at Purdue University and studied plant science in 4-H.

Accomplishment Scholarship

Available to 4-H members in grades 10-12 of high school and the year immediately following high school graduation. The purpose of the 4-H Accomplishment Scholarship is to recognize youth who have excelled in life skills development through their 4-H activities and involvement.

Categories: Animal Science—Meat and Milk Production; Animal Science—Companion and Small Animal Production; Citizenship; Communications; Engineering and Technological Science; Healthy Living, Food and Nutrition Science; Leadership Development; and Plant and Environmental Science. Three additional categories are reserved for applicants demonstrating life skills development in more than one of the previously listed categories. Those are Premier Achievement, Premier Citizenship, and Premier Leadership.

Eligibility: Applicants must be in grade 10, 11, 12, or their first year immediately following 4-H enrollment eligibility at the time applications are due. While an applicant does not have to be a current 4-H member, they must demonstrate multiple years of involvement in Indiana's 4-H Youth Development Program.

Youth who have previously been awarded a \$1,000 accomplishment scholarship are only eligible to compete in the Premier Achievement, Premier Citizenship, and Premier Leadership categories. Youth who have previously been awarded a \$2,000 scholarship are no longer eligible to compete in any category.

Awards: A minimum of thirty \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to youth based on their demonstration of life skills development in these eight categories: Animal Science—Meat and Milk Production; Animal Science—Companion and Small Animal Production; Citizenship; Communications; Engineering and Technological Science; Healthy Living, Food, and Nutrition Science; Leadership Development; and Plant and Environmental Science.

A minimum of one \$2,000 scholarship will be awarded in each of these categories: Premier Achievement; Premier Citizenship; and Premier Leadership.







4-H Scholarship Help Sessions



Scholarships due Thursday, January 25, 2023

Friday, December 29, 2023 9:00AM-11:00AM Wednesday, January 3, 2024 Noon-5:00PM Thursday, January 4, 2024 Noon -5:00PM

All sessions will be at the Ripley County Extension Office. You may come and go as you please. Use this time to ask questions, work on your scholarships, or get assistance with polishing and editing. Please bring a laptop or computer with you, or contact the extension office 24 hours before the session you are attending and we will provide a laptop.

Questions, contact:

Baylee Dwenger | bdwenger@purdue.edu | 812-689-6511

Can't make an in person session, watch this 4-H Scholarship Workshop Video:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=yLBXQsKHWRg





4-H Annual Dinner

Ripley County had their Annual Meeting with volunteers and 4-H families November 27th. Volunteers were recognized and 4-H members talked about multiple activities and trips they took this past year that are available to 4-Hers. Thank you to all who attended to honor those who help make the Ripley County 4-H program the success that it is.



Sophie Riehle and Lloyd Darringer talk about their experiences at Southeastern Indiana 4-H Camp.

Macy Young, Callie Comer and Rylee Mitchell told how they enjoyed meeting others 4-Hers and making new friends at State Junior Leader Conference



Are you interested in learning about what 4-H activities are offered? Go to our website under "4-H Camps and Trips" or call the Extension Office with questions!

Volunteers recognized for their years of service in 4-H:

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

Chris & Mary Schmaltz

Legacy Award: Given to individuals who exemplify the leadership, values and principles of the 4-H program.



Trent Linville - Airwave Networks, LLC

Friend of 4-H Award: Given to an individual who work to promote the Ripley County 4-H Program, but is not a member of the Purdue Volunteer program.



Youth Leadership Award:
Presented to an
outstanding youth
leader, through active
participation in their club
& county organization.



Pat Moster

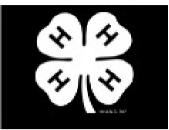
Adult Leadership Award: Given to an individual who work diligently within the 4-H Program to promote and provide leadership for the Ripley County 4-H members.



Pictured with Pat are 6 of her children, all who were 10 year Ripley County 4-H Members. L to R: Sebastian, Eric, Bernie, Pat, Regina, Stephanie and Vince.

Area 1- Southeastern Indiana

4-H Volunteer Conference



February 24, 2024

Hopewell Baptist Church 2319 N County Rd 850 W,

> Holton, IN 10am -2pm



This event is free to all 4-H Volunteers Lunch, Door Prizes, Resources are Included

Call (812) 265-8919 with questions about the event Registration appreciated before Feb 19

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





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, 1st of 3 Safety

Meetings, Spring Spectacular Prep and Sign Up Demonstrations:

June 4, 2024 - CLUB MEETING 2nd of 3 Safety Meetings, Area 1 4-H Prep Demonstations:

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.





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

Shooting Sports Leaders

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812-852-2178
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Bill Jordan
Marksmanship
317-525-1102
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Join us as we kick-off our Forces of Nature SPARK Club! We will be taking a deeper dive into the Wildlife and Soil & Water Conservation 4-H Projects. Come to the Goose Pond FWA property to learn about and see a restored wetland, migratory birds, and the flora/fauna of this unique Hoosier property!

January 17th - Virtual Session 7pm-8:30pm January 20th - Goose Pond Fish & Wildlife Area 10am-3pm

February

Join us at IU's Geology Learning Lab! One part each museum, lab, and classroom, you can compare thousands of rocks, minerals, and fossils, create art, and participate in interactive activities. 450 million years of Hoosier history will be at our fingertips as we explore Geology, Weather & Climate Science, and more!

February 21st - Virtual Session 7pm-8:30pm February 24th - Indiana University Geology Lab 10am-3pm

March

Join us as we learn more about Forestry and Weather & Climate Science! We will use tools to help with tree identification, learn about producing maple syrup, the role of slopes in microclimates and even learn about sandstone geology at Turkey Run State Park. We will also discuss career opportunities in both of these fields of study.

March 13th - Virtual Session 7pm-8:30pm March 16th - Turkey Run State Park 10am-3pm

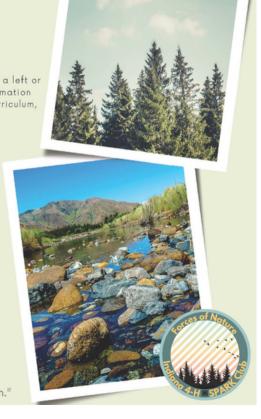
Exploration of benthic macroinvertebrates like what is the significance of a left or right handed snail for water quality? Local limestone geology and soil formation will be discussed. From the Indiana 4-H soil and water science project curriculum, we will conduct the clod comparison activity and learn about soil health.

April 3rd - Virtual Session 7pm-8:30pm April 6th - DePauw Nature Park 10am-3pm

Lots of Ways to Participate!!

- Go all in! Attend all 4 virtual sessions and all 4 in-person sessions
- Attend whatever sessions that fit into your schedule!
- Busy, but still crave the knowledge? All virtual sessions will be recorded & you can watch them at your leisure

FORCESOFNATURE.4HONLINE.COM







WORKSHOP

90 minute FREE workshop at Indiana State Fairgrounds

7TH-12TH GRADERS





vour name

(here)

The Activities

- *Explore microscopy
- *Learn about egg grading
- *Discover biosecurity
- *Run disease diagnostics



REGISTER NOW

Only 25 spots

DECEMBER 2-2023 10:00 AM



2024 Indiana 4-H Dog Volunteers Workshop

Saturday, March 2, 2024 Hendricks Co. 4-H Fairgrounds & Conference Complex

Join us for the Annual 4-H Dog Volunteer Workshop! We are excited to present a new list of classes and speakers this year to provide an enriching experience for both new and seasoned 4-H Dog Project Volunteers, Judges, and Trainers. This workshop offers a unique opportunity for volunteers and judges to enhance their skills and network with each other statewide. If you are a 4-H youth member in grade 8 or above with a passion for volunteerism or judging, you are welcome to attend! However, you must be accompanied by an adult. Register now and enjoy a day of fun, including a pizza lunch, a resource folder, and much more. Pitch in desserts are welcome!

Agenda

- Registration: 9-9:50 AM EST
- Welcome: 9:50- 10:00 AM EST
- Class Rotation 1: 10:00-10:50 AM EST
- Class Rotation 2: 11:00- 11:50 AM EST
- Lunch & ISF 4-H Dog Advisory Committee Meeting: 11:50-12:40 AM EST
- Indiana 4-H Rules Review: 12:40-12:50 PM EST
- Class Rotation 3: 1:00-1:50 PM EST
- Class Rotation 4: 2:00-2:50 PM EST
- Safe Travels Home: 3:00 PM EST

Topics Covered

- Using your Body Language when Training Dogs
- Teaching Retrieve
- Agility Rules Explained
- Teetering on the Edge
- · Rule Book- What's not there!
- · Designing a Drill Team Routine
- Showmanship Piece by Piece
- Showmanship Mock Show
- Therapy Dogs and 4-H Club Community Service
- Making your 4-H Club Thrive
- Drill Team Roundtable

Registration due by February 23, 2024

Cost: \$15 per participant. Payment due at the workshop, cash or check accepted.

Register: 24DogVolWS.4honline.com or 4-H Online in the Events Tab at v2.4honline.com

For additional questions or help registering contact Purdue Extension-Jefferson County at (812) 265 8919.









Indiana 4-H Needs You to Be a **Broadband Influencer!**

What is an Indiana 4-H Broadband Influencer?



Checks your internet speed pcrd.purdue.edu/speedtest



Validates it on the FCC website broadbandmap.fcc.gov







Share what they've done with others



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.

*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.



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

I have more questions!

state4hleader@purdue.edu









Ripley County Community Foundation

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/

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



Ripley County HHS Newsletter



Quick Tips to Beat QQ HOLDAY STRESS

Southeastern Indiana Purdue Extension Educators present a short series of educational videos to help you beat holiday stress. Join the Facebook Group where videos will be posted weekly beginning November 22.

Join the group by scanning the QR Code or following this link:

www.facebook.com/groups/3210414579252234/



November

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FOOD SAFETY
IN THE
KITCHEN

November

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INFLATION
& SAVING
MONEY

December

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FITTING IN EXERCISE DURING THE HUSTLE & BUSTLE December

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LOW FAT DELICIOUS DESSERTS December

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MENTAL HEALTH: BEATING THE HOLIDAY BLUES December

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QUICK WAYS TO SAVE 100 CALORIES



HELP KEEP KIDS WARM THIS HOLIDAY SEASON BY DONATING NEW SOCKS!

ACCEPTING DONATIONS NOVEMBER
20TH-DECEMBER 23RD AT THE
MEMORIAL BUILDING











GIBSON THEATRE, BATESVILLE

MOVIES START AT 2PM



SATURDAY DEC. 2ND



SATURDAY DEC. 9TH



SATURDAY DEC. 16TH

CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE!











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Your health is our priority

Make your voice heard. Help us know what you and your household need to be healthy to help us support your well-being.





http://bit.ly/3tTKSvJ

Complete this survey for a chance to win a **\$25** Amazon or Walmart gift card

Survey open from November 1 – December 15, 2023





This survey is administered by the Indiana Department of Health

Ripley County ANR Newsletter





Extension







Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Technology Program

Interested in becoming a Commercial Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) remote pilot or already flying without the required Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Certification?

You're in luck! The Purdue Cooperative Extension Service is piloting a UAV Signature Program teaching individuals UAV technology legal requirements, FAA Part 107 Remote Pilot Knowledge Test preparation, and useful UAV applications.

Every participant will get hands-on experience flying manual and planned UAV flights.

Course topics are listed below:

- UAV Introduction
- Camera Settings
- Sensors and Artificial Intelligence
- FAA Part 107 Test Preparation
- Flight Plans & Record Keeping
- Free Flight Instructions
- Planned Flight Instructions
- Use of third party applications/processing software
- Data management
- Image Quality & Troubleshooting
- Emergency Preparation



Location

Batesville Fire Department 115 E Catherine Street Batesville, IN 47006

Date(s) & Time

February 15, 2024 8:00 am - 4:00 pm EST February 16, 2024 8:00 am - 4:00 pm EST

Cost

\$200 per person

Registration Required by February 1.

To Register Call 812-689-6511 or email:

osbornda@purdue.edu

Please direct your questions to:

David Osborne osbornda@purdue.edu 812-689-6511

Purdue University Cooperative Extension Service is an equal access/equal opportunity institution. If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in this program, prior to the meeting, contact David Osborne at (812)689-6511.

ANR Educators in Drone Program X PARMITTON last Bryan Overstreet Andrew Westfall Central Austin Pearson XX X Justin Curley Phil Cax Scott Gabbaro Southwest X Dave Osbarne Southeast Miranda Edge

Ripley County ANR Newsletter





Pesticide Recertification Program At Southeast Purdue Ag Center

4425 East 350 North Butlerville, IN 47223

Wednesday, December 20, 2023 1-3 PM

<u>Topics</u>

1-2 PM - Fred Whitford, Purdue Extension -

Oil and grease for equipment—are you servicing your equipment correctly?

2-3 PM - David Osborne, Jeff Hermesch - Purdue Extension -

Right Place, Right Product, Right Rate, Right Time: Managing all aspects of the pesticide application.

2023 PESTICIDE REGULATORY UPDATE

Private Applicators wishing to receive recertification credit must bring their PA number to the meeting

Fee is sponsored by Indiana Corn and Soybean Checkoff.

Questions to: David Osborne - 812-689-6511



Are you a Private or commercial applicator and still need your credits before the ends of the year? Check out these recertification opportunities!



Extension RIPLEY COUNTY

All Category Commercial Applicator CCH Program

Wednesday, December 20, 2023 8 AM – 12 PM

Southeast Purdue Ag Center

4425 East 350 North Butlerville, IN 47223

Topics

8:00 - 10:00 AM - Dave Osborne and Jeff Hermesch - Purdue Extension

Right Place, Right Product, Right Rate, Right Time: Managing all aspects of the pesticide application.

2023 PESTICIDE REGULATORY UPDATE

10:00 - 12:00 AM - Fred Whitford - Purdue Pesticide Programs

Oil and grease for equipment—are you servicing your equipment correctly? Railroad tracks and utility wires—nothing to get tangled with.

4 CCH's applied for ALL Commercial Categories (TBD)

Applicators wishing to receive recertification credits must RSVP by emailing names to osbornda@purdue.edu or calling 812-689-6511 space limited to first 60 reservations.

Cost for Program is \$40 (checks payable to Ripley County CES Fund). Pay at the door.

Questions To:

Dave Osborne - Purdue Extension-Ripley County (812) 689-6511

Commercial Applicators be sure to RSVP - spots are limited.



