

Decatur County's Success Stories

\$15,000 GENERATED TO FURTHER AGRICULTURE EFFORTS

The Decatur County Agricultural Community participated along with the Decatur County Community Foundation and Purdue Extension to celebrate agriculture. In addition, 292 tickets were sold at the Ag Day Breakfast along with 49 sponsorships to raise an endowment fund of over \$15,000 to help support agricultural programming in the community. This fund will provide a resource and legacy for residents of Decatur County.

EXTENSION HOMEMAKERS EXPAND COMMUNITY SERVICE

The Decatur County Extension Homemakers expanded their community service efforts in 2007 by addressing a need of the local hospital, Decatur County Memorial Hospital. The hospital's physical therapy department was in need of an item that could be used with a walker to assist patients in carrying personal belongings during the time the walker was being used. The Extension Homemakers designed a pattern for a walker pouch that fulfilled the need and began to produce walker pouches for the hospital. To date over 50 pouches have been given to the hospital and another 50 are near completion.

4-H AND FFA MEMBERS LEARN VALUABLE INFORMATION ABOUT LIVESTOCK JUDGING

Over 100 4-H and FFA members throughout Indiana participated in the 2008 Livestock Judging Workshop. A need for this program was established after observing the oral reason qualities at the Livestock Career Development Event. The youth increased their knowledge about how to evaluate livestock and give oral reasons. The youth that attended the workshop reported that they found the workshop to be beneficial and would help them when they participated in future livestock judging contests as well as their 4-H/FFA livestock project.

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