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HAMILTON COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

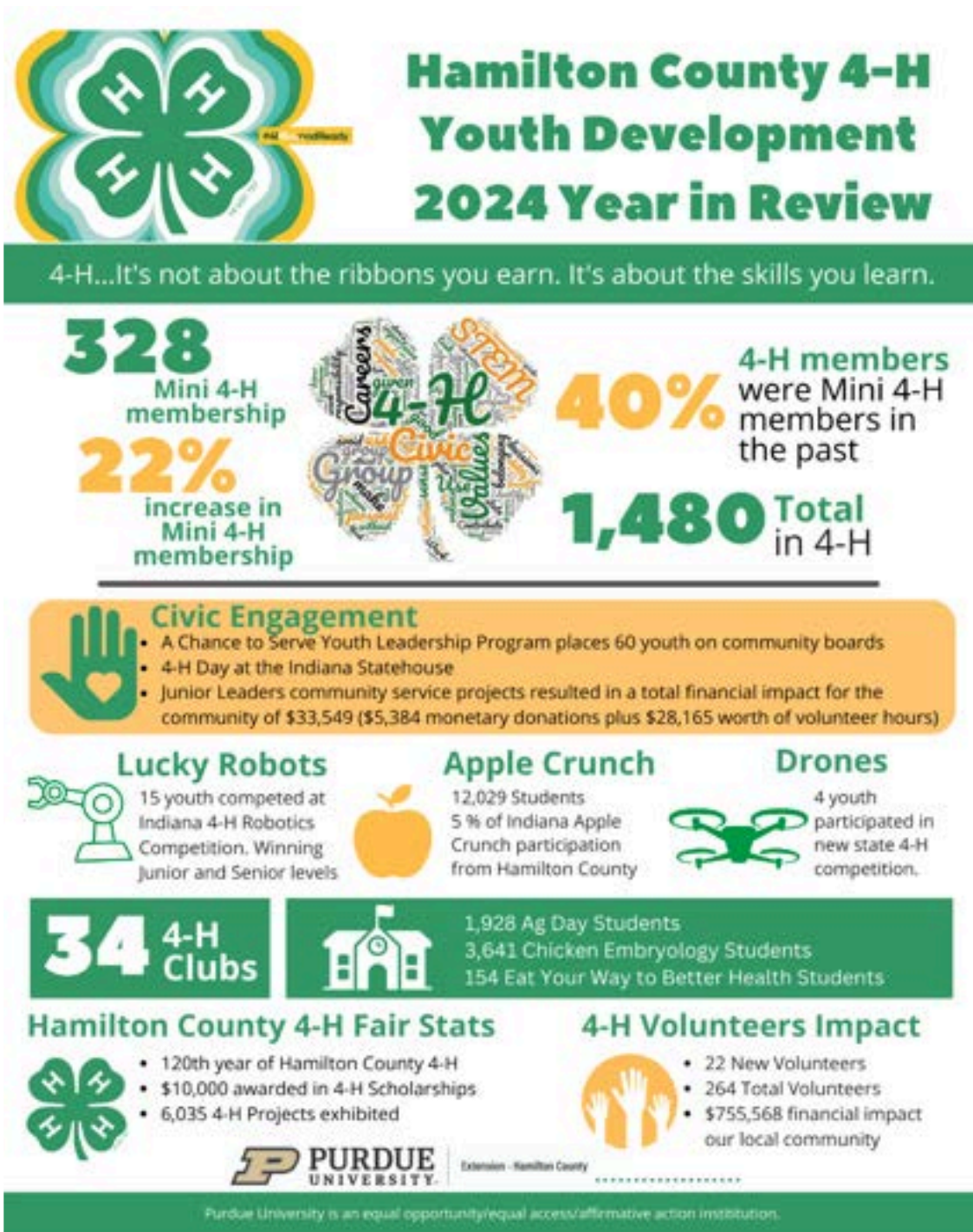
September 2024

Can you believe it? We're wrapping up an awesome 2024 and getting ready to jump into a brand-new 4-H year on October 1st! Now's the perfect time to hit the pause button, reflect on all the amazing things you have done throughout the 2024 4-H year, and celebrate your hard-earned achievements. Whether it was trying something new, meeting new friends, or crushing your project goals, take a moment to feel proud! Don't forget to record those accomplishments on your "My Record of Achievement". An electronic document can be found under forms [here](#), or a hard copy can be picked up at the Extension Office.

The adventure doesn't stop here - 2025 is just around the corner, full of fresh goals, new opportunities, and more fun! Let's gear up for another incredible year of learning, growing, and making memories!



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4-H Fair Photos

Thanks to our generous sponsors, 2024 4-H Fair photos may be downloaded at no cost to 4-H Families this year from the Simplicity Creative [website](#).

If you have not collected your 4-H exhibits from the Hamilton County or Indiana State Fair, please do so ASAP. The Extension Office cannot store your exhibits indefinitely and will dispose of any unclaimed exhibits on **Friday, September 13.**



2024 Indiana State Fair Results

Outstanding Recognition

Aerospace Sweepstakes - Grace Macky
Demonstration Celebration of Champions - Sophia Beeson
Informative 4-H Presentation Celebration of Champions - Briley Zeller
Llama, Alpaca Crafts Sweepstakes - Amelia Wiggins
Public Speaking Celebration of Champions - Sophia Beeson
Rabbit Ambassador Top 5 Award - Landon Glunt
Rabbit Ambassador Top 5 Award - Emily Kipp
Tractor Operator Skills Celebration of Champions - Grady Piel

Merit Awards

Arts and Crafts, General - Elizabeth Sweeney
Beekeeping, Single Honey Product – Sophia Hulen
Beekeeping, Two Honey Products - Elizabeth Miller
Cake Decorating - Elizabeth Miller
Cat Poster or Display - Caroline Herrington
Child Development - Kendall Manges
Construction and Architectural Replica - Grace Macky
Electric - Saoirse McGrath
Electric - Lucas Cabral
Electric - Timothy Wallwork

Floriculture - Ansley Mendenhall
Floriculture - Makalyn Davis
Floriculture - Ava Willis
Floriculture - Alyssa Tarver
Floriculture - Addison Huff
Floriculture - Olivia Gustitus
Floriculture - Sophia Beeson
Foods, Baked - Annora Weingarten
Foods, Baked - Mckinley Stalbaum
Foods, Baked – Keighan Johnson
Foods, Baked - Avery Sloneker
Foods, Preserved - Penelope Vanderpool
Foods, Preserved - Julianne Vanderpool
Foods, Preserved - Colton Baber
Foods, Preserved - Felicity Lehman
Foods, Preserved - Evelyn Vanderpool
Foods, Preserved - Caroline Herrington
Foods, Preserved - Mackenna Cleek
Forestry - Brady Bryant
Geology - Ryan Howard
Health - Isabella Spierdowis
Home Environment - Jeremiah Marshall
Home Environment - Sabriya Rearick
Home Environment - Caroline Herrington
Home Environment - Cassandra Spidel
Llama, Alpaca Craft - Ethan Schaefer
Llama, Alpaca Crafts - Alaina Dicken
Llama, Alpaca Poster or Display - Ethan Schaefer
Llama, Alpaca Poster or Display - Ada Bishop
Llama, Alpaca Poster or Display - Mackenzie Schaefer
Needle Craft - Abigail Montemer
Photography - Ainsley Herrington
Photography - Addyson Langreck
Photography - Kaylee Roberts
Poultry Poster or Display - Olivia York
Poultry Poster or Display - Isaac Denault
Public Speaking - Lucy Kaufman
Rabbit Ambassador - Meredith Robinson
Sewing Construction, Non-Wearable - Evelyn Vanderpool
Sewing Construction, Non-Wearable - Lauren Happel

Sewing Construction, Non-Wearable - Eleanor Henry

Sewing Construction, Wearable - Elle McMurray

Sewing Construction, Wearable - Melanie Clinebelle

Sewing Construction, Wearable - Aubrey Johnson

Sewing Construction, Wearable - Brooke Cunningham

Sewing Construction, Wearable - Eleanor Henry

Sport Fishing - Cole Burkman

Weather and Climate Science - Cooper Jaeger

Wildlife - Annora Weingarten

Wildlife - Allison York

Woodworking - Isaac Dale

Woodworking - Marcos Cabral

Woodworking - Emerson Bisagni

Activities & Opportunities



National 4-H Week is October 7-12, 2024

Indiana is proud to celebrate the doers of our community who will become the leaders of our nation. Show your 4-H pride by sporting 4-H shirts, clovers, and green on National 4-H Spirit Day: Wednesday, October 9. Share photos of how you are an inspired doer in your community with the hashtag #4Hweek and tag us at @HamiltonCo4H on Instagram and @HamiltonCountyIN4H on Facebook.

A Halloween-themed poster for a carnival event. The background is dark purple with silhouettes of bare trees and flying bats. In the top left is a large yellow full moon. In the top right is a stack of three glowing jack-o'-lanterns. The main title is in large, bold, orange letters. Below it is an orange banner with white text. The word 'FREE!' is in large, bold, white letters with an orange outline. Below that is white text specifying the age group and adult supervision requirement. To the right, 'COSTUMES ENCOURAGED!' is written in white, slanted letters. At the bottom left is a cluster of glowing jack-o'-lanterns. The date and time are in large white letters, with the number '1' in orange. The location is in white letters. At the bottom is the Purdue University logo and name, with 'Extension - Hamilton County' in smaller text to the right.

**HALLOWEEN
CARNIVAL
HAUNTED HOUSE
& HAYRIDE**

HOSTED BY THE HAMILTON COUNTY 4-H JUNIOR LEADERS

FREE!

**FOR KIDS 10 YEARS OF AGE AND UNDER
*MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT**

COSTUMES ENCOURAGED!

OCTOBER 1 6-7:30 PM

HAMILTON COUNTY 4-H FAIRGROUNDS

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Please Join Us!

Register your 4-H Club for the Great Lakes Great Apple Crunch

What is the Crunch? A celebration of [National Farm to School Month!](#) Please help Indiana celebrate by purchasing, supporting, and crunching into locally and regionally grown apples at NOON on Thursday, October 10, 2024 (or any day in October). Incorporate educational activities and videos into your Crunch day! Registered Crunch participants will receive a link to the 2024 Indiana Crunch Guide with all the info they need!

When: Thursday, October 10, OR any day during National Farm to School Month, October!

Who: ANYONE! There is no Crunch too small. K-12 schools, early care and education sites, hospitals, colleges and universities, farms, state and local agencies, 4-H Clubs, non-profit organizations, local businesses, groups, and even households can register to Crunch!

Where: Anyone across Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, and Ohio can register to Crunch in 2024! Crunch from the apple orchard, a Zoom call, the community garden, home, or any safe and creative place!

How: Register your Indiana crunch [here](#) to add to the Crunch count, get free stickers (while supplies last), score the scoop on purchasing and serving local apples, and receive the Crunch Guide.

Share: Be ready to take photos and videos of the **loud** Crunch and share them

on social media on the day of your Crunch using hashtags: #InFoodDay, #INapplecrunch, #F2Smonth

Questions? Contact Laura Dodds @ LjDodds@purdue.edu





A black poster with purple and orange text. At the top, 'SPOOKY' is in large purple letters with green checkmarks above the 'o's, and 'SCIENCE' is in orange below it. To the left, an orange starburst says 'Grades 3-7'. To the right, a small orange spider hangs from a string. Below this, a green horizontal bar separates the title from the date: 'THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24' in white, '9 AM-3 PM' in white, and 'HAMILTON COUNTY 4-H FAIRGROUNDS' in white. Another green bar follows. The text 'Make **slime**, concoct **spooky** science experiments, and create **pumpkin** crafts!' is in white. Below this, 'INTERESTED?' is in white with an arrow pointing to a QR code. To the left of the QR code is a beaker with green liquid and bubbles, and the text 'LIMITED SPACE!' in white. The QR code is labeled 'SCAN ME' in white. Below the QR code is the URL 'OR GO TO: HTTPS://BIT.LY/3ZCD1QI'. At the bottom left is the Purdue University logo, and at the bottom right is 'Extension - Hamilton County'.

Grades 3-7

SPOOKY SCIENCE

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9 AM-3 PM
HAMILTON COUNTY 4-H FAIRGROUNDS

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Thank You Notes

It's not too late to send thank you notes to your award sponsors. Showing appreciation to our donors is extremely important to ensure their continued support of 4-H.



Hamilton County 4-H Council Makes a Positive Impact

4-H Council's nomination committee is working on securing the candidates for the upcoming 4-H Council election. Current township openings are Clay, Fall Creek, Jackson, Noblesville, Washington, and Wayne. In 2019, Hamilton County 4-H Council updated their by-laws to add at-large 4-H Council member positions if township representatives are not able to be secured.

Hamilton County 4-H Council Responsibilities:


- To evaluate the 4-H Program and make appropriate recommendations.
- To determine policy and operating procedures for the 4-H Program.
- To secure, maintain, and improve adequate facilities for the 4-H Program.
- To plan, prepare for, direct, and supervise the 4-H Fair.

If you are in a current township that has an open position or would like to submit your name for an at large position, please contact Kathleen Bohde at bohde@purdue.edu and she will pass your information on to the nomination committee.

Reminder 4-H Club Leaders and 4-H Volunteers


In an effort to plan for the 2025 4-H Program, we would like to know your intentions of returning, or not, to assist as a 4-H Volunteer.

4-H Club leaders and at-large volunteers should complete this [form](#)
4-H Project leaders should complete the following [form](#)




4-H INCLEMENT WEATHER REMINDER

In case of inclement weather, meeting cancellations will be recorded on the Extension Office voicemail after 4:30 p.m. and posted on social media.



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Important Dates

September

- Area Six Livestock Skillathon - September 11

October

- 2025 4-H Enrollment Begins - October 1
- Halloween Carnival Haunted House and Hayride - October 1
- National 4-H Week - October 6-12
- 4-H Handbook Cover Design Contest Deadline - October 18
- Spooky Science Day Camp - October 24

Looking Ahead

- Hamilton County 4-H Fair 2025: July 17-21 | 2025 Livestock Auction: July, 22
 - Purdue Extension Office Closures:
 - November 5 for Election Day
 - November 11 for Veteran's Day
 - November 28-29 for Thanksgiving
 - December 24 @ 12:00 p.m. - December 27 for the holidays
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