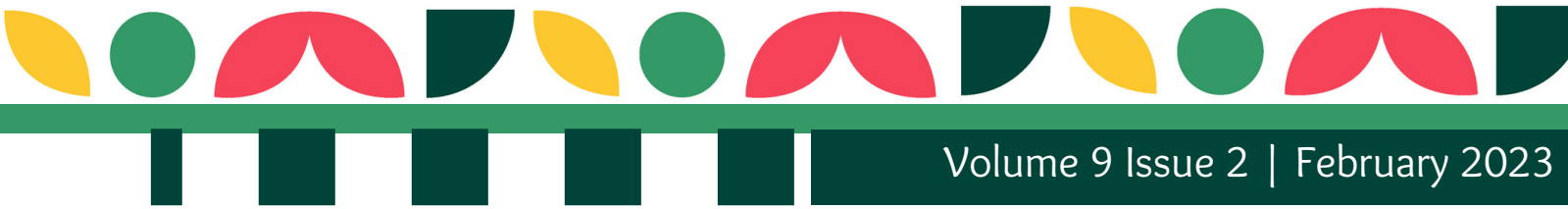




Hendricks County 4-H Clover Connection



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Welcome by Kati Sweet - 4-H Educator

We have so many reasons to love 4-H, but this month has some extra special ones in store!

We love 4-H because...

- 1. We have so many projects!** The 2023 4-H Handbook is now available which shares all of the project exhibit guidelines for Fair. Digital and hard copies available.
- 2. There are so many trips to plan for this summer!** Summer Trip information will be coming out this month! Our 4-H Youth Council has set aside funds to offset the cost of these amazing trips to allow our members to attend at a reasonable price! Check your mail and email for more details coming soon!
- 3. Our flowers are awesome!** Flower sale details will be sent out this month. This is our biggest fundraiser for the county 4-H Program. Plus, clubs get 10% of their sales AND members can earn 4-H CoAlliance Cafe Bucks to spend at the fair! The flowers are from a local grower (also a 4-H family) and are beautiful! We encourage everyone to sell even a few to help out our program. See attached flyer for details and be on the look out for order forms in the mail and email.
- 4. We have new, fun programs!** We are planning some great programs for Spring Break. Check out page 03 for more details!
- 5. We have some stylish clothing.** The Jr. Leaders have taken over the sales of Hendricks County 4-H apparel! Check out page 04 to learn about this year's design and clothing options!!
- 6. Our 4-H Members and Families are the BEST!!!** The biggest reason we love 4-H is because of our 4-H members and families! Thank you for being you and being a part of our program! Added bonus - there is still time to enroll!!! Visit v2.4honline.com to enroll today!

Happy February! Looking forward to a great month!

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Extension Office Info

The Fairgrounds Complex Center has completed ALL flooring projects. We have had many compliments on the new floor throughout the facility. We also appreciate the work that both companies did!!

Extension Office CLOSED on:
Monday, February 20th
Friday, April 7th

Contact Us

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 Monday—Friday
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<https://v2.4honline.com>



4-H OPPORTUNITIES



Next Junior Leaders Meeting:
Wednesday, February 15th
6:30-8 p.m.

Hendricks County Fairgrounds

*We are encouraging in-person participation, but we understand it may not be an option for some. You may request a Zoom link by emailing hendrces@purdue.edu.

Junior Leaders

Be sure you have signed up for the Jr. Leaders Project on 4-HOnline! In order to keep getting information about the Jr. Leaders project, you will need to sign up on 4-HOnline. It's not too late to sign up!

Mark your calendar for the next few meetings:

- Wednesday, February 15th @ Hendricks County Fairgrounds
- Monday, March 13 @ **Brownsburg Bowling**
- Tuesday, April 11 @ Hendricks County Fairgrounds

Congratulations to our new officers!

Lucas Preyss - Community Service Director
Piper Crooks - Jr. Leader Fairboard Representative
Asher Dean - Jr. Leader Fairboard Representative

Junior
Leaders
INDIANA 4-H



**Junior Leaders is open to ALL YOUTH in grades 7-12 who are interested in taking on more of a leadership role within the community. We meet monthly to conduct business, participate in community service, and build leadership skills.

Mark Your Calendar for 4-H Summer Trips

4-H Trips are back for Summer 2023! More details will be sent soon, but you can save the dates for any trips you are interested in attending:

- **4-H Academy** - 9th-12th grade - June 7-9
- **State Jr. Leader Conference** - 9th-12th grade - June 13-16
- **4-H Camp** - 3rd-6th grade - June 14-16
(Camp Counselors are 9th-12th grade)
- **4-H Band** - 9th-12th grade - June 24-26
- **4-H Chorus** - 9th-12th grade - June 24-26
- **4-H Round Up** - 7th-9th grade - June 26-28
- **Citizenship Washington Focus** - July 1-7

Find More Information HERE: <https://bit.ly/3L1YI3b>



4-H CAMP COUNSELORS NEEDED!

We are looking for several 4-H Camp Counselors this year! If you are in **9th-12th grade** (as of January 1, 2023) and would like to help with 4-H Camp, now is your chance!! Applications are available on the Purdue Extension - Hendricks County website <https://hendricksco4h.com/20234Hcamp>. All applications are due by Friday, March 3rd at 4 p.m. You can email, mail, or drop off your application.

Camp Counselors have four trainings to help prepare them for their time at camp. All trainings are held at the Boone County 4-H Fairgrounds with Boone, Tipton, and Montgomery Counties also there. These are the three other counties we camp with during our time at Shakamak. Transportation is not provided to trainings but is provided to 4-H Camp.

Camp Counselor Training dates are:

April 27th - 7-9 p.m.

May 16th - 7-9 p.m.

May 25th - 7-9 p.m.

June 9th - 5-8 p.m.



Counselors are expected to attend at least three of the sessions. 4-H Camp is June 14th-16th. If you have questions or need assistance applying, please contact the Extension Office at 317-745-9260 or email hendrces@purdue.edu. Thank you!

SPRING BREAK SPARK PROGRAMS COMING SOON!

All of these programs are open to **4-H AND non-4-H youth** in the grades mentioned! Bring a friend and join the fun! *Registration will open on 4HOnline soon!*

Chef University

We will once again be offering Chef University. Participants will prepare recipes designed to help them learn new cooking techniques, science skills, and nutrition lessons. Recipes are based on food items from around the world! There will be a fun "Chopped"-style event at the end of Day 2.

Cost will be \$45. Grades 3-5.

Session 1: March 30 & 31 from 8am-12noon

Session 2: March 30 & 31 from 1-4pm



Get Experience in Mindfulness (GEM)



Get Experience in Mindfulness (GEM) places an emphasis on stress management taught through practical and interactive mindfulness-based activities. It is a fun, interactive program designed to help youth develop a better understanding in all seven areas of wellness. Youth will leave with several items that will help them continue to practice mindfulness at home!

Cost is \$25

Grades 7-12

Tuesday, March 28 and Wednesday, March 29

Time is 9 am-12 noon on both days

Explorers of the Deep STEM Days

Ocean exploration and research are important tools that help scientists, policy makers, communities and individuals prepare for and adapt to changing ocean conditions. During these two days, participants will do several activities related to oceans and exploring underwater.

Cost is \$25

Grades 3-12

Tuesday, March 28 and Wednesday, March 29

Time is 1-4 pm on both days



ATTENTION SENIORS

Local Scholarships are still available! You can find links to these scholarships on our website:

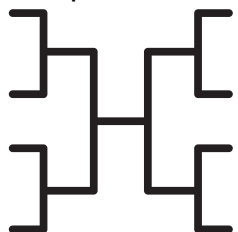
<https://hendricksco4h.com/2023Scholarship>

Local Scholarships are due on March 15th, 2023!

Local Scholarships: Pork Producers, Sheep Club, Swine Club, Beef Club, Beef Club Continuing Education, Hampton Memorial Livestock Scholarship, Hampton Cascade Scholarship, Extension Homemakers Scholarship, Master Gardeners Scholarship

2023 Clover Craziness

Clover Craziness is BACK! Beginning March 1st, 2023, we will begin our match-ups to see who will be crowned the 2023 Clover Craziness Champion! Clover Craziness is our version of "March Madness". Each project is represented and all vie for the title of Clover Craziness Champion!



Can anyone surpass Fashion Revue, or will they take the championship for the 5th year in a row???



4-H T-SHIRTS

Jr. Leaders have taken over the Hendricks County 4-H T-shirts for 2023! This will be a fundraiser for Jr. Leaders to help them with community service projects, scholarships, and their completion trip.

There will be four options:

- **T-shirts - Dark Heather Grey and Sapphire.** Available in Youth sizes S-L and Adult sizes S-4XL. Cost: \$10 (plus a \$2 upcharge for sizes 2XL and up).
- **Long Sleeve T-shirts - Sapphire.** Available in Youth sizes S-L and Adult sizes S-4XL. Cost: \$15 (plus a \$2 upcharge for sizes 2XL and up).
- **Hooded Sweatshirts - Dark Heather Grey.** Available in Adult sizes S-4XL. Cost: \$25 (plus a \$2 upcharge for sizes 2XL and up).
- **Full-zip Hooded Sweatshirts - Dark Heather Grey.** Available in Adult sizes S-4XL. Cost: \$30 (plus a \$2 upcharge for sizes 2XL and up).



Design for T-shirts and Long Sleeves



Design for Hoodie and Full-zip hoodie

Link to order is: Hendricks4H.spiritsale.com (Or scan the QR Code)

Orders due by: **March 17th**

CLUB INFORMATION

Handbook Update:

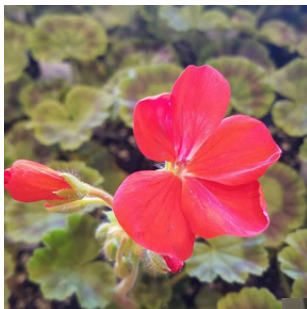
4-H HANDBOOKS ARE NOW
AVAILABLE!!

The handbook holds all of the guidelines and rules to 4-H Projects including what manual work needs to be done for each project, exhibit guidelines, and additional rules related to projects.

Both hard copies and digital copies are available. Digital copies are also divided out into each project online, so you don't have to download the entire book if not needed. Hard copies are on a first come, first given basis as there are limited quantities.

4-H FLOWER SALE IS HERE!

We will once again be offering flowers to sell to the community! We will be offering Red and Hot Pink Seed Geraniums for \$2.00 each and Purple and White Petunias for \$5 each. Please give your total flower count to your club leader by March 17th!



Look for information coming in the mail soon!

Pick up is the first week of May!

See the attached flyer for more info!



Club and Project Leaders Needed!

Are you interested in helping with a 4-H Club or leading 4-H project workshops throughout the year? We have numerous clubs and projects that need additional adult volunteer help! Needs range from club leaders to co-leaders to extra sets of hands to help with meetings and workshops. Fill out this survey:

<https://bit.ly/3y6OYxM> or contact the Extension Office to see how you can help!

Some clubs/projects looking for help are: Astronomy, Cat, Small Engines, & Wildlife.



Mini 4-H

The first Mini 4-H Meeting of the year is this month!

February 22nd at 6:30 p.m.
Hendricks Co. 4-H Fairgrounds

The theme for this meeting is STEM which means all of our activities will related to that areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math!

We look forward to having you!

Mark your calendar for the next couple meetings as well:

- March 16th - 6:30-7:30 p.m.
*Location TBD
Theme: Career Exploration
- April 18th - 6:30-7:30 p.m.
*At the Hendricks County Fairgrounds
Theme: Civic Engagement & Agriculture

VOLUNTEER & BOARD INFORMATION

Adventures in Volunteering

Save the Date for the Volunteer Training. This is open to new, current, and potential volunteers looking to become a 4-H volunteer or a refresher on volunteer procedure. Breakout sessions will include: Club Leaders, Project Leaders/Advisors, and General Volunteers.

Tuesday, February 7th

6:30 p.m.

Hendricks County Fairgrounds

Register at:

<https://hendricksco4h.com/2023VolTraining>



BLESSING BOX

We are always looking for volunteers to help keep our blessing box filled!

We are looking for clubs and groups to help us stock our box. Below is a link to sign up for a 2 week slot where you would be responsible for filling the box. WE NEED YOUR HELP!



Please contact the office if you have any questions:

<https://bit.ly/BlessingBox2023>

NOW HIRING:

4-H Summer Assistants

Our office is looking for 2 individuals to join our office for a summer full of fun! We are once again hiring 4-H Summer Assistants to experience Extension and 4-H for a summer! See link below for description and application!

Applications due: March 3rd

<https://hendricksco4h.com/2023SummerAssistants>



MARK YOUR CALENDAR...

Volunteer Training

February 7
6:30 p.m.

Spring Break Programs

March 28-31
More details coming

Livestock Tag-in

May 9-10
More details coming

RT2 Book of the Month

Be sure to *READ* February's Book:

The Little Hen Makes a Pizza by P Sturges

TASTE... Hen decides to make a pizza and finds she is lacking a lot of ingredients. When she asks her animal friends to help her, she finds none of them are willing to assist. See what she does to create a nice pizza. Maybe you can make a pizza today! *TOUCH...* There are lots of ingredients used to make a pizza. Can you identify which ones are hard, soft, and/or squishy? If we did not have farmers growing our food, we could not make pizza.



To become a member of the RT2 Book Club, call the Hendricks County Extension Office at 317-745-9260.

Talk N Take

What is a "Talk N Take"? It is a short, engaging, educational program offered by Beth Switzer, MS, RDN with Purdue Extension in Hendricks County. In one hour, we will talk about a topic and you will create something to take home. Four different sessions will be offered in the upcoming months at the Hendricks County Fairgrounds located at 1900 E Main Street, Danville, Indiana.

Join us for two engaging sessions in February. The first session "Stop the Bleed" will be offered free of charge on February 7th at 3:00 pm. This session will deliver emergency training and cover when to utilize bleeding control techniques such as direct pressure, wound packing and tourniquet usage.

The second session "Social Events and Charcuterie Boards" will be offered Thursday, February 16th at 11:00 am. We will discuss how to protect your health while still maintaining a social life, and we will put together trending party feature - a charcuterie board. There is a \$10 fee for supplies for the Charcuterie Board session, payable prior to the event in the Extension Office – cash or check only. Limited Food Options for the board will be provided, you are welcome to bring your favorite charcuterie item to share.

So sufficient supplies can be available, please register for Stop the Bleed by February 3rd and register for the Charcuterie Board session by Friday, February 10th. You can register by calling the Hendricks County Extension Office at 317-745-9260 or online at <https://hendricksco4h.com/TalkNTake>

Upcoming Talk N Take Sessions:

Feb 7 @ 3 pm: Stop the Bleed

Feb 16 @ 11:00 am: Social Events and

Lowering Risks of diseases - FLU and COVID - Charcuterie Boards



IMPORTANT 4-H DATES

February and March Dates

February 6 - Fairboard Meeting; Fairgrounds- 7 p.m.

February 7 - New Volunteer Training; Fairgrounds- 6:30 p.m.

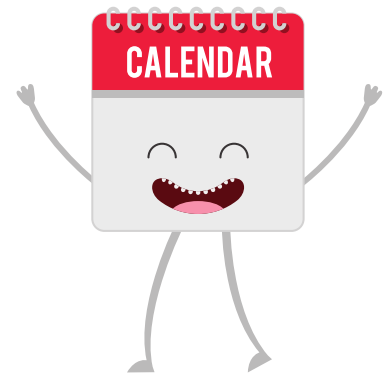
February 20 - Extension Office CLOSED!

February 27 - Youth Council Meeting; Fairgrounds- 7 p.m.

March 6 - Fairboard Meeting; Fairgrounds- 7 p.m.

March 27 - Youth Council Meeting; Fairgrounds- 7 p.m.

March 28-31 - Spring Break Programs; Fairgrounds- Varies by program



4-H Youth Council

Monday, February 27th
@ 7 p.m.



4-H Adult Leaders

Adult Leaders Meeting and
Volunteer Training on **Tuesday**,
February 7th at 6:30 p.m.



4-H Fairboard

Monday, February 6th
@ 7 p.m.



Club/Project Meetings in FEBRUARY

- 6 - Beef Club Meeting; Fairgrounds @ 6:30 p.m.
- 6 - Dog Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 6 p.m.
- 7 - Hippology Class; Fairgrounds @ 6:30 p.m.
- 8 - Swine Club Meeting; Fairgrounds @ 6 p.m.
- 9 - Discovery Club; Fairgrounds @ 6:30 p.m.
- 9 - Amo Aces Meeting; Amo Community Bldg @ 7 p.m.
- 9 - Washington Winners Meeting; Fairgrounds @ 6:30 p.m.
- 12 - Goat Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 4 p.m.
- 13 - Bridle Bunch Meeting; Fairgrounds @ 6:30 p.m.
- 13 - Dog Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 6 p.m.
- 14 - Hippology Class; Fairgrounds @ 6:30 p.m.
- 15 - Jr. Leaders Meeting; Fairgrounds @ 6:30 p.m.
- 16 - Robotics Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 6 p.m.
- 16 - Llama/Alpaca Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 6 p.m.
- 20 - Gifted 4-Hers Meeting; Fairgrounds @ 6:30 p.m.
- 20 - Dog Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 6 p.m.
- 20 - Poultry Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 7 p.m.
- 21 - Sheep Club Meeting; Fairgrounds @ 6:30 p.m.
- 21 - Hippology Class; Fairgrounds @ 6:30 p.m.
- 22 - Mini 4-H Meeting; Fairgrounds @ 6:30 p.m.
- 23 - Rabbit Club Meeting; Fairgrounds @ 6:30 p.m.
- 27 - Dog Workshop; Fairgrounds @ 6 p.m.
- 28 - Hippology Class; Fairgrounds @ 6:30 p.m.

Bad Weather Policy

NOTE: As the weather is constantly changing, we want you to know that SAFETY is the number one concern of Purdue Extension—Hendricks County and Hendricks County 4-H. Therefore, should inclement weather happen, please pay close attention to our website and social media accounts for cancellations. If schools have been canceled for the day, MOST LIKELY 4-H related events will be canceled as well for that day. When bad weather happens, please make sure that you only attend meetings where you are comfortable getting to and from the meetings. Again, we want you to stay SAFE while driving this winter!

Purchasing

Flowers:

You may purchase flowers by ordering them through your local Hendricks County 4-H Members or by calling [317-745-9260](tel:317-745-9260) or email [hendrces@purdue.edu](mailto:hendrcces@purdue.edu).



Pictured:

Above: Red Seed Geraniums
Below: Purple and White Petunias



2023 4-H FLOWER SALE

**Orders DUE March 17*
to Club Leaders!**

*OR before. Check with Club leader for final date.

Club Order Pick Up will be May 3rd, 4th, or 5th depending on date selected by club. Club leader will confirm date & time.



Drive-Thru Open Sales will be Saturday, May 6th from 8-10am.

Limited quantities available at open sales.

Prices:

Red or Hot Pink Seed Geraniums
\$2.00 each or \$36.00/flat of 18

Purple or White Wave Petunias
\$5.00 per Plant or \$75/flat of 15

All proceeds go to local 4-H Clubs for activities and to the Hendricks County 4-H Youth Council to support county 4-H programming, sending youth on 4-H trips, awards, and more.

Adventures in Volunteering



HENDRICKS COUNTY

4-H VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Open to New, Current, and Potential Volunteers

Breakout Adventures include:

- Club Leaders
- Project Leaders/Advisors
- General Volunteers

Tuesday, February 7th

Starting at 6:30 p.m.

Hendricks Co. Fairgrounds

Register at: <https://hendricksco4h.com/2023VolTraining>

Contact the Purdue Extension - Hendricks County with any questions by phone at 317-745-9260 or emailing hendrces@purdue.edu