

IASCOE INSIDER

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NATIONAL CONVENTION

Who is ready to Have a Ball in Indiana?

Calling all those who are ready to learn more about our great association, their jobs, benefits and so much more! 2021 National Convention Registration is open and ready for you! You can register online or print a form off and mail it in with a check. Check out the link below to find out more about the convention and register.

<https://www.visitfortwayne.com/meetings/upcoming-meetings/nascoe-2021-convention/>

How can you help with the 2021 National Convention?

If you would like to join in on helping with the convention, there are multiple ways you can do so. If you haven't signed up yet, you can still volunteer. If you want to help but won't be able to attend we are still in need of items for welcome bags, door prizes, and auction items. During the convention there will be both a silent and live auction for scholarship funds. The silent auction will be set up during the convention, giving attendees the chance to bid on items to take home and remember Indiana. The live auction will take place Friday evening, before Mason Dixon Line takes the stage with live music. There is no item too small for donation! IASCOE encourages you to get together with coworkers or friends and brainstorm ideas. While IASCOE would love to see items that represent Indiana, all items are welcome.

To get more information or let IASCOE know you are wishing to donate contact nasconationalconvention@gmail.com

Never been to a NASCOE Convention?


The NASCOE

Convention Cash Club

Can help with a \$500 Stipend!
Members who have never attended a
NASCOE Convention can enter.

Visit nascoe.org/publicity for more information

**Submission Deadline is
June 15, 2021!**



A New Face at the State Office!

We have all heard about the new Administrative Officer, Josh Oren but below you can get to know him a little better. Josh is from Indianapolis and is new to the IN FSA team. He previously worked for the National Appeals Division (NAD). He and his wife Kim love to travel and search out good food! They also enjoy going to live events to watch sports, theatre, concerts and more. Josh and Kim have two cats named Alvin and Luna. His favorite thing about FSA is how welcoming everyone has been. He is looking forward to doing his part to help IN FSA continue to provide outstanding service to Hoosier farmers, ranchers, and agricultural producers.



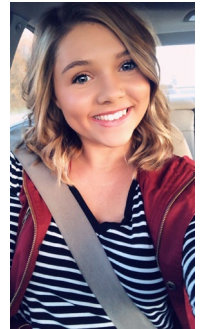
Pictured above are Josh and Kim exploring the wild side of Aruba!

New Employees

Another new face, Allen County Office welcomed Megan Archer in October of 2020. Megan is newly married and loves doing life with her hubby Jared and daughter. Megan studied at Middle Tennessee State University. She is originally from Auburn, IN. She lived in Nashville, TN and now resides in Fort Wayne, IN. She enjoys crafting, family movie nights, and anything outdoors! If you have time welcome Megan to the FSA team!



Welcome to FSA, Sarah Hines! Sarah started with the Whitley County FSA in September. She's currently planning a wedding with her Fiancé Landon for the Winter of 2021. Sarah graduated from Ivy Tech and completed her Associates degree in Agriculture in December of 2020. She grew up on a farm in North Manchester, loves riding horses and snowboarding in the winter! If you have time send Sarah Hines a welcome message.



Help FSA welcome Brooke Mears to Carroll County in District 1! Brooke is new to FSA and is Carroll County's CRP and Price Support PT. She is excited to familiarize herself with the programs and build her relationships with Carroll County's producer and coworkers in other counties. Brooke also is enjoying getting to know the awesome staff in Delphi! Whether it be running equipment or taking care of hogs, Brooke loves to spend her time helping out on her family's farm. In her spare time, you may find her mushroom hunting, gardening, reading a good book or partaking in a BBQ with family and friends. She is excited to join FSA and said it has been a dream job and she feels very blessed to be a part of such a wonderful department! Please help us welcome Brooke Mears to our IN FSA Family!



Mother Daughter Act

Two new employees in Indiana aren't just coworkers but mother and daughter! Allen County's Kalin Johnson and her mom Virginia Greiner, who works in the Rush/ Shelby County Office, share their experience as not just family but coworkers now.

Welcome Virginia Greiner as a new Rush/Shelby County PT. Virginia spent time in Wayne County as a temporary employee before being hired full time in Rush/Shelby. She is from Fayette County and loves spending time with her family, friends, and boer goats. You can catch her watching a beautiful sunset. She likes how FSA often times "thinks outside the box" to get tasks completed.

Welcome Kalin Johnson who is a part of the Allen County FSA team. Kalin is from Connersville and now resides in Warren Indiana. She started in Allen County in December 2019 where she genuinely loves being able to work with the producer each day. She is excited to have a career where she gets to learn something new everyday and continues to get to know people within the agency. In Kalin's free time you may catch her playing with her corgis or in the pig barn. She enjoys traveling to pig shows too!

Spotlights

Lindsey Hostetler (PT in Ripley County) along with her husband and sons welcomed a new bundle of joy. Little Miss Kwincy Jane arrived in March.



Amber Faust (PT In LaGrange County) with her husband Mike and two daughters welcomed a new addition. Sweet Lilah Sally was welcomed in March.



Kelsey Eisert (PT in Decatur County) and her husband welcomed a sweet baby boy. Mr. Henry Oliver arrived in April.



Membership Awards

Sick Leave Award Recipients

1000 Hour Award

- Kathy Harris
- Glenda Saylor
- Sharon Bult

1500 Hour Award

- Lisa Hollars

2500 Hour Award

- Barb Ward



Next up for the spotlight section is not another baby but someone who another employee wanted to recognize. Ms. Karen Koors has been with the agency for 15+ years and is a great asset to the Decatur County FSA. Karen is known as a fantastic employee who is always doing her best to help the producers in her county. Thank you for your great work Karen!

If there is a new employee to be shared or something you would like to see in next month's newsletter please contact Lauren Shank at Lauren.Shank@usda.gov.

IASCOE has a new Legislative Committee Chair! Everyone welcome Jacob Taylor (PT in Allen County) as the new Legislative Committee Chair.