

# IAAE-Purdue

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## Fun Ag Fact:

“Honey bees visit 50-100 flowers during one honey collecting trip.”

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### Lebanon Leadership Invitational

By: Grace Klopfenstein



On January 17th, College of Agriculture students and IAAE-Purdue members gathered at the Creighton Hall, the new Animal Science building. The Hot Chocolate Social, sponsored by Ag Council, is an event where clubs and organizations

can interact with students while enjoying a cup of hot chocolate! Officers were able to serve cinnamon to whoever showed interest in our booth.

### Ag Alumni Fish Fry

By: Miranda Meyer

The time-honored annual Purdue Ag Fish Fry was another smashing success and a great way to kick off 2018. Purdue students from various clubs and committees got up early to voyage down to the State Fair Grounds to arrive hours before the guests. To set up, prepare the tables and make sure everything was in



check. We soon found out there were people in attendance from not only all over Indiana but all over the nation. Catherine Bertini, Rockefeller Foundation Fellow and Distinguished Fellow at the Chicago Council on Global Affairs, was the featured speaker. Bertini is known as a leader of international organizations, educating women and girls, advocating for agricultural development, organizational leadership and change management, and promoting options for women in leadership. It was a great experience for Purdue students, to be able to sit in on a such a historic event, mingle with alumni and distinguished guests, and to hear the concerns of the nation.

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## Upcoming Events:

- **Spring Break**  
March 12<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>
- **Community Service Event**  
March 19<sup>th</sup>
- **Easter April 1<sup>st</sup>**
- **Spring Fling April 8<sup>th</sup>**
- **Ag Week April 9<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>**
- **IAAE-Purdue Banquet April 14<sup>th</sup>**
- **Spring Fest April 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>**
- **Collegiate Exchange April 21<sup>st</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>**

## Lebanon Leadership Invitational

By: Grace Klopfenstein

Seventeen members of IAAE-Purdue traveled to Lebanon High School to help with the Lebanon Leadership Invitational on February 24<sup>th</sup>. We had the opportunity to judge and learn from a variety of events including Essay, Creed Speaking, Leadership Ambassador and many more. It was a great learning experience for both members and students who participated!

## 240 Speaker: Aleesa Dickerson

By: Grace Klopfenstein

Aleesa Dickerson from Hauser Junior and Senior High School talked to the students of 240 on February 27<sup>th</sup>. After college, she worked on a hog farm before teaching in a classroom. Mrs. Dickerson referred to Hope, Indiana as the center for an agricultural education program. The community members and high school students and staff are extremely supportive of the Hope FFA Chapter. She talked about the process of preparing students that are running for state office and their chapters' aquaponics system. IAAE-Purdue thanks Mrs. Dickerson for her time, advice, and tips on being a supportive agricultural educator.

## Teacher Spotlight: Clinton Bullock

By: Abby Strahla

- 1.) **Where do you teach and how long have you been teaching?**  
I teach at Beech Grove High School and this is my 7<sup>th</sup> year.
- 2.) **What is your favorite thing about being an Ag teacher?**  
Being able to interact with students in an applied science.
- 3.) **What has been your biggest accomplishment with your FFA program?**  
Having several students compete in Agriscience Fair at the National level.
- 4.) **What made you want to teach?**  
Enjoy seeing students grow academically and socially.
- 5.) **What advice would you give to a future teacher?**  
If you are passionate about what you teach, students will be passionate about what they learn.
- 6.) **How is it different teaching in an urban vs rural school district?**  
Teaching in an urban district is significantly different...I feel more rewarded. We focus more on the science and connect Ag to everyday life.
- 7.) **What would you like to say to this year's graduating class of agriculture education students?**  
Ask senior teachers for suggestions, opinions and help! They have all been there. Early on I did not ask other teachers for help enough!

## New Officer Introductions

By: Leah Hefty



**President:** Bailey Crowder

**Year:** Senior

**Hometown:** French Lick, IN

**Why AgEd:** "I hope to develop a passion for agriculture in future generations."

**Fun Fact:** "My favorite band is Led Zepplin."



**Vice President:** Joshua Calhoun

**Year:** Junior

**Hometown:** Hope, IN

**Why AgEd:** "Allows me to teach others about an industry I am passionate about, so that the future of agriculture will continue and those without background can gain valuable experience."

**Fun Fact:** "I am obsessed with BBQ sauce!"



**Vice President of Public Relations:** Logan Glassburn

**Year:** Freshman

**Hometown:** Earl Park, IN

**Why AgEd:** "Simply put, I want to be a life changer. If I could choose just one goal that I want to achieve in my career it would be to wake up every day knowing that I have been given the opportunity to change someone's life. I want to be able to go to bed each night knowing that what I do does matter. I want to give students the same opportunity I had to learn, grow, compete, achieve, fail, and achieve again. We all can personally attest to Ag Teachers and their power to be world changers."

**Fun Fact:** "I was born on the 4th of July and I love AMERICA"



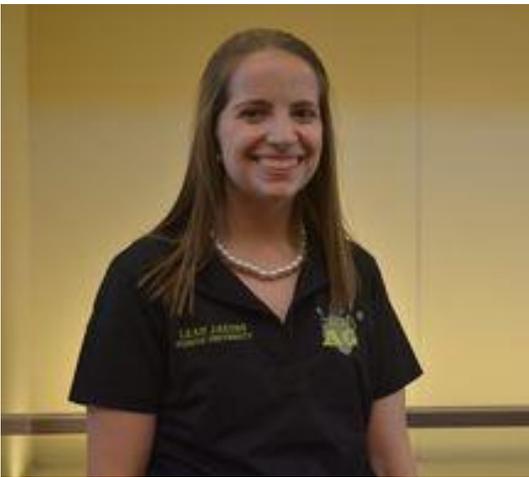
**Vice President of Fundraising & Marketing:** Luke Snyder

**Year:** Freshman

**Hometown:** Bremen, IN

**Why AgEd:** "I never thought I would be a teacher, but I love teaching the importance of agriculture, as this is what I did throughout my life with 4-H and FFA activities. I chose Agriculture Education to someday give students the same opportunities and experiences that will change and build their knowledge of agriculture."

**Fun Fact:** "I did an imitation of Tom Hanks as "Forrest Gump" in an attempt to raise money for my local FFA chapter. "



**Vice President of Campus Relations:** Leah Jacobs

**Year:** Sophomore

**Hometown:** Shirley, Indiana

**Why she chose AgEd:** "My dad was my Agriculture teacher so for the longest time, I didn't think I wanted to do that same thing, but coaching an FFA Quiz bowl team helped me realize that seeing students learn and grow was my passion as well!"

**Fun Fact:** "My favorite drink is white milk!"



**Secretary:** Courtney Kelley

**Year:** Sophomore

**Hometown:** Salem, IN

**Why AgEd:** "I like how open opportunities are with an AgEd degree."

**Fun Fact:** "I wrote grants for about \$50,000 and received that money for my home high school"



**Treasurer:** Damion Watters

**Year:** Sophomore

**Hometown:** Bluffton, IN

**Why AgEd:** "I chose Agriculture Education because I want younger generations to know all of the amazing things that happen in agriculture and that they can not only be a part of that but also influence it!"

**Fun Fact:** "I race stock cars during the summer in Montpelier, Indiana!"



**Reporter:** Grace Klopfenstein

**Year:** Freshman

**Hometown:** North Liberty, IN

**Why AgEd:** "The agriculture classroom was the place where I could strive during my high school career while continuing my passion of agriculture. I want to bridge the gap between consumers and farmers and give the agricultural industry educated consumers. "

**Fun Fact:** "Potatoes are my favorite food."

## Purdue Day of Giving



Mark your calendars for the upcoming Purdue Day of Giving! On April 25<sup>th</sup>, Purdue will be hosting its annual single-day online fundraising event. IAAE-Purdue will be participating in this fundraiser and asking for donations to help with activities and events to improve our club.



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