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Indiana State Fair Announces 2022 4-H Grand Drive, presented by Farm Credit Mid-America Grand and Reserve Champions

Sunday, August 7, 2022 - The Indiana State Fair 4-H Grand Drive is the Super Bowl of the livestock show season for 4-H exhibitors from across Indiana. After tight competitions, several of the exhibitors were crowned Grand and Reserve Champions Sunday evening during the 2022 Indiana State Fair Grand Drive, presented by Farm Credit Mid-America. During the event, 4-H members showed livestock of various species, weights, and classes on the prestigious dirt in the Indiana Farmers Coliseum. Categories included Dairy Steer, Meat Goat Wether, Meat Goat Wether Dam, Market Lamb, Market Barrow, Beef Heifer, and Beef Steer.

The Grand Champions for each species are as follows:

- Grand Champion Dairy Steer: Austin Hesters, Class 6, LaPorte County
- Grand Champion Meat Goat Wether: Colton Kephart, Heavyweight, Johnson County
- Grand Champion Meat Goat Wether Dam: Maxwell Scamihorn, Middleweight, Vigo County
- Grand Champion Market Lamb: Harper Henney, Natural Color, Steuben County
- Grand Champion Rabbit Meat Pen: Logan Walter, Huntington County
- Grand Champion Market Barrow: Emily Myers, Duroc, Jasper County
- Grand Champion Beef Heifer: Houston Ferree, Angus, Sullivan County
- Grand Champion Beef Steer: Ashlyn Kelley, Chi, Howard County

Reserve Champion (2nd place) was awarded to the following:

- Reserve Champion Dairy Steer: Kley Beer, Class 5, Adams County
- Reserve Champion Meat Goat Wether: Spencer Goettemoeller, Lightweight, Randolph County
- Reserve Champion Meat Goat Wether Dam: Parker Miller, Heavyweight, Boone County
- Reserve Champion Market Lamb: Caleb Lechlitner, Hampshire, Kosciusko County
- Reserve Champion Market Barrow: Riley Rodibaugh, Crossbred, Jasper County
- Reserve Champion Beef Heifer: Spencer Goettemoeller, Mainetainer, Randolph County
- Reserve Champion Beef Steer: Hogan Hendrickson, Crossbred, Randolph County

Approximately \$150,000 was raised by the Indiana State Fair Foundation, the Indiana State Fair's non-profit organization, to provide monetary awards for the winners of tonight's competition. Top placing 4-H members will be recognized for their hard work at the Celebration of Champions event, held in September at the Indiana State Fairgrounds. The Celebration of Champions provides an opportunity to recognize and celebrate the achievement, scholarship, and hard work of these 4-H exhibitors. To learn more about donation opportunities available with the Indiana State Fair Foundation, visit www.IndianaStateFairFoundation.com.

The Great Indiana State Fair

The Indiana State Fair is the state's largest multi-day event celebrating the Hoosier spirit and agricultural heritage. These 18 days bring all communities together to celebrate all things Indiana and promote it to hundreds of thousands of people across the state, and beyond. Nationally recognized for offering great entertainment, showcasing youth and interactive agriculture educational programs, premiere facilities and a variety of unique, fun foods, the Indiana State Fair has been an annual attraction for generations of Hoosiers since 1852. This year's Indiana State Fair will take place July 29th – August 21st (closed Mondays & Tuesdays). For information, visit www.indianastatefair.com.