

# LaGrange County

# 4-H NEWS!



*Enrollment is still open!*

If you have not enrolled in 4-H yet, you can enroll now!  
All project **MUST** be enter into 4-H Online by May 15th.

As always, if you have any questions, concerns or comments feel free to reach out to me at 499-6334 or email at [bgilger@purdue.edu](mailto:bgilger@purdue.edu). I enjoy hearing from everyone of you!

*Brittany*

## *Upcoming Dates:*

### *March*

- 4: Electric Steam Workshop 6 pm- 8 pm
- 12: Springfield Sidewinders Meeting 7:00 pm - Prairie Heights High School - North Door
- 12: 4-H Association Meeting 7:00 pm - Fairgrounds
- 19: Topeka Happy Workers Meeting 6:30 pm - New Life Fellowship
- 28: Junior Leaders Meeting - 6:00 p.m. County Office Building

### *April*

- 9: Springfield Sidewinders Meeting 7:00 pm - Prairie Heights High School - North Door
- 16: Topeka Happy Workers Meeting 6:30 pm - New Life Fellowship
- 16: Wood Working Steam Event - 6 pm-8 pm
- 17: Preparing for Fair -6:30 pm - Community Building - Fairgrounds
- 20: Dairy Beef Weigh-In 8:00am - 9:00am - Fairgrounds
- 22: QLC Training 6:30pm - 7:30pm - Community Building-Fairgrounds
- 26: Junior Leaders Meeting- 6:00 County Office Building
- 27: Dairy Goat Tagging Day 9:00am - 10:00pm - Fairgrounds

### *May*

- 4: Sheep ID Day 8:00am - 9:00am - Fairgrounds
- 7: QLC Training 6:30pm - 7:30pm - Community Building Fairgrounds
- 11: Meat Goat ID Day 11:00 am - 12:00pm - Fairgrounds
- 14:QLC Training 5:30pm - 6:30pm - Community Building Fairgrounds
- 23:QLC Training 6:00pm - 7:00pm - Community Building Fairgrounds



# IMPORTANT INFORMATION



## Northeast Indiana 4-H **CAMP**

Save the Date!  
June 5-7, 2024  
Epworth Forest

Open to Grades 3-6

Registration  
opening in March!



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Make sure to **SAVE THE DATE** for 4-H Camp! Camp registration will open in March! We cannot wait to see all of the 3rd - 6th graders there!



## LaGrange County Extension Board Youth Members!

Purdue Extension- LaGrange is looking for Juniors who would like to serve on the Extension Board.

Members must be able to attend the majority of the Extension Board meetings/events and be able to give youth input to discussions!

If interested you can find the application here,  
<https://bit.ly/LaGrangeIN4H>

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## Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care



April 22  
6:30-7:30 PM

May 7  
6:30-7:30 PM

LaGrange County  
All trainings will be in the Community Building  
at the LaGrange 4-H Fairgrounds  
\$3 per Participant

May 23  
6:00-7:00 PM

May 14  
5:30-6:30 PM

Anyone showing a  
rabbit, poultry, sheep,  
swine, goat, or cattle  
must complete either  
QLC or YQCA training  
before June 24.

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Go ahead and get one of these dates saved for your Quality Livestock Training. **Those showing cattle, swine, goats, sheep, rabbits and poultry will need to have their Quality Assurance training (QLC or YQCA) done by June 24, 2024.** Please note that this date has been moved up from previous years. Registration will open January 1, 2024.



SAVE THE DATE  
4-H MINI CAMP  
JUNE 13, 2024



*MORE INFORMATION TO COME*

4-H Mini Camp is a Day of Fun for your Mini 4-Her!!  
Be watching to register, space is limited!

**SAVE THE DATES!**  
**LAGRANGE COUNTY 4-H FAIR**

**JULY 6-13, 2024!**



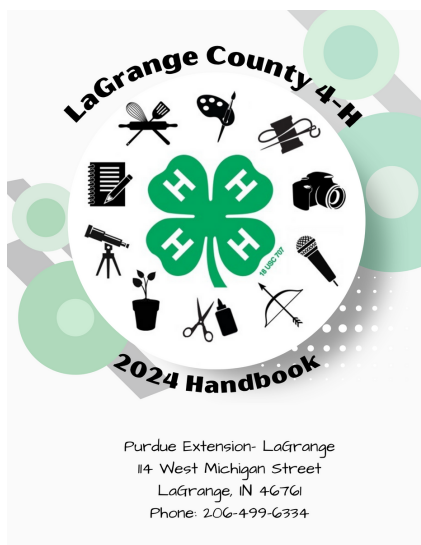


# IMPORTANT INFORMATION



THE 2024 4-H HANDBOOKS ARE COMPLETED AND CAN BE PURCHASED AT THE OFFICE OR ACCESSED ONLINE AT PURDUE EXTENSION LAGRANGE, UNDER 4-H.

**\*THESE HANDBOOKS CONTAIN ANY RULE CHANGES TO ANIMAL OR STATIC PROJECTS FOR THE 2024 FAIR!!**



## New 4-H Member Informational meetings

### Preparing for Fair

April 17, 2024

6:30 p.m.

Community Building at Fairgrounds


Not sure what to expect for the fair or how to prepare.

This is the meeting for you!




## Electric STEAM

Unleash your inner engineer as we create a clock radio using beginner-friendly electric techniques.



- Location: LaGrange County Fairgrounds
- Date & Time: March 4, 2024 6-8 p.m.
- Best suited for youth in Grades 3 & up
- Cost: \$30
- Registration closes: February 26, 2024
- Register: <https://bit.ly/electric24>



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## Woodworking Workshop

Learn from the experts! The Northeast Indiana Woodworkers Association is joining Purdue Extension for a unique workshop where youth can handcraft a step stool.



- Location: LaGrange 4-H Fairgrounds
- Date & Time: April 16, 2024 6-8 p.m.
- Best suited for youth in Grades 3 & up
- Cost:
- Registration closes: March 27
- Register: <https://bit.ly/woodworkingsteam24>



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# TOPS!

TOPS IN 4-H IS OPEN TO ANY 10TH-12TH GRADER DO YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES TO BE

A TOPS IN 4-H CANDIDATE?

MORE INFORMATION COMING SOON!!

## SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Are you a 2024 graduate?

Turn in a baby and senior picture, along with your future plans, favorite 4-H moment, and advice for younger members to Stacy at the Extension office so we can celebrate you!

[shanaway@purdue.edu](mailto:shanaway@purdue.edu)



# IMPORTANT INFORMATION




**Dairy Goat Identification Day**

Saturday  
April 27, 2024

9:00 - 10:00 AM  
at the Fairgrounds

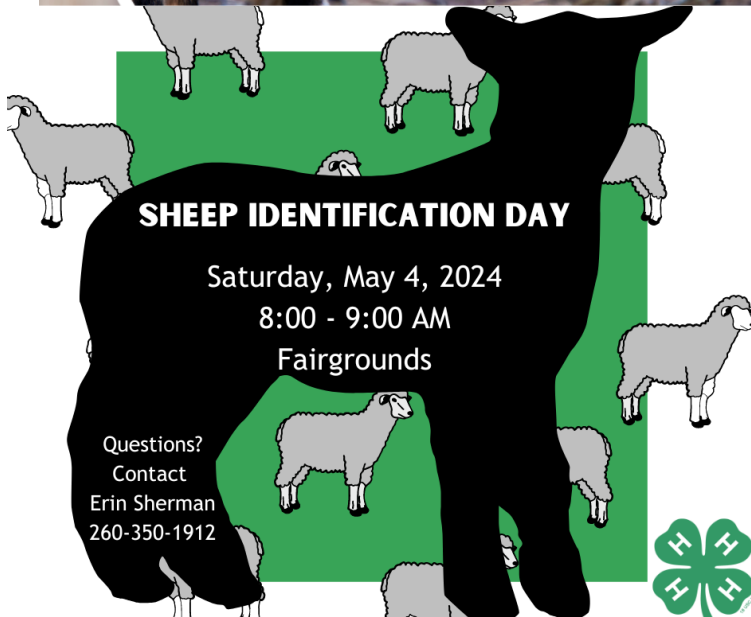
If you have any questions  
contact the Dairy Goat Committee  
lagrangecountygoats@gmail.com  
or  
Jeff Anders 260-350-1740  
or visit our Facebook page




QUESTIONS? CONTACT  
CURTIS SHERMAN  
260-463-6702

**BEEF IDENTIFICATION DAY**  
WEIGH-IN & TAGGING


**SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2024**  
8:00 - 9:00 AM  
AT THE  
**LAGRANGE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS**



**SHEEP IDENTIFICATION DAY**

Saturday, May 4, 2024  
8:00 - 9:00 AM  
Fairgrounds

Questions?  
Contact  
Erin Sherman  
260-350-1912




**DAIRY BEEF IDENTIFICATION DAY**  
WEIGH-IN AND TAGGING

Saturday, April 20, 2024  
8:00 - 9:00 AM

This is for Dairy Beef Steers  
and Started Calves

Questions? Contact  
Roy Howe  
260-499-1888




**Meat Goat Identification Day**

Saturday, May 11, 2024  
11:00-12:00  
at the  
Fairgrounds

Questions? Contact  
Glen Miller  
574-361-9076







**INFORMATIONAL GOAT MEETING**

THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2024  
6:30PM  
COMMUNITY BUILDING - FAIRGROUNDS

Questions?  
Contact the Goat Committee  
or  
Jeff Anders  
260-350-1740







# 4-H Online vs. FairEntry



When do we need to use them?  
Why do we use them both?

## 4-H Online

## FairEntry

### Who?

- Parents/ Families
- ALL 4-H Members
- ALL Program Volunteers
- Specialty Groups

### Who?

- 4-H Fair Exhibitors
- Superintendents
- Fair Judges
- Check-in Volunteers
- Media Outlets for Fair Results

### What?

- Animal Identification
- Selecting project areas to explore.
- 4-H Trips and other events
- 4-H Scholarships Application
- Club rosters for 4-H Leaders

### What?

- Preparation for county fair
- County Fair Project Labels
- State Fair Qualifying Entries
- Livestock Show Bills
- Organization of Fair Results

### When?

From start to end of the program year: October through September.

### When?

Fair Season: Typically May through August

### Where?

<https://v2.4honline.com/>

### Where?

Direct link provided by county office  
or  
<https://fairentry.com/Public/FindYourFair>

### Why?

- To express interest in the 4-H Program
- Improved communication between County and State and 4-H Families

### Why?

- Prepare for county and state fair
- Get accurate numbers for project display purposes, and stall assignments



Extension - 4-H Youth Development



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**ANIMAL ID DEADLINE: MAY 15**

*THIS INCLUDES STATIC PROJECTS*

**FAIRENTRY DEADLINE: JUNE 24**

**QLC / YQCA : JUNE 24**

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION: NOT COMPLETING FAIRENTRY BY JUNE 24, 2024 WILL RESULT IN NO HIGHER THAN A BLUE RIBBON FOR STATIC PROJECTS AND BEING PLACED IN AN EXHIBITION ONLY CLASS (WILL NOT RECEIVE A PLACING) WITH LIVESTOCK PROJECTS.**

# Club Meetings

## **Dog Club**

Meetings will start at the first of the year.

FB Page-LaGrange County 4-H Dog Club.

Contact Sharrita 260-336-4211 to be added to the club app and you will get club updates.

## **Junior Leaders**

Last Thursday of the Month

February 29- 6:00 p.m.

County Office Building  
Commissioners Room

## **Livestock Club**

Curtis Sherman 260-463-6702

Have you ever thought about judging livestock? This is the club for you! Contact Curtis for more information.

## **Shooting Sports**

More information about meetings to come.

## **Stroh Straight Shooters**

February 22, 2024 6:30 pm

Barb Howe's House

Barb Howe 260-499-1571

More information to come.

## **Springfield Sidewinders & Panther Pack**

Debbie Lewis 260-367-1316

February 6, 2024, 7 pm

March 12, 2024, 7pm

April 19, 2024, 7pm

May 14, 2024, 7pm

June 11, 2024 POOL PARTY!

Prairie Heights High School - North Door

## **Stroh Sunny Spotlighters**

They meet the first Tuesday of every Month

Stroh Church of Christ. Door 5

Jeff and LeAnn Anders

260- 350-1535

260-350-1740

## **Horse & Pony**

FB: LaGrange Co. Horse & Pony

[lagrangehorseandpony.org](http://lagrangehorseandpony.org)

## **Topeka Happy Workers**

Sally Hall 260-350-0856

New Life Fellowship, SR 5 6:30 pm

1/23/24      4/16/24

2/20/24      5/21/24

3/19/24      6/18/24

## **Wolcottville Can Bees**

Currently not meeting. We will need an adult volunteer to step into a Club Leader role to continue this club. Please contact [Bgilger@purdue.edu](mailto:Bgilger@purdue.edu) if interested.