



Special points of interest:

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# Soak Up the Childhood Moments

Parents, it's incredibly easy to slide from one dance rehearsal, band practice, athletic practice, club meeting, therapy session, orthodontic appointment, sleepover, etc. to the next as our kids run in and out of the house and hop in and out of our vehicles. I don't know about you, but I'm realizing my days are becoming numbered with my oldest. She's a sophomore and likely college-bound which means I only have three more Christmas holidays to celebrate with her before she turns into an adult. Aye-yi-yi! How is it possible that those little newborns we proudly bring home race into mature young people? While I could get frustrated with myself for working too much, not being present at home enough, or wasting too many days on other obligations, I'm going to do my best to soak up what's left and cherish it. Whether you have a kindergartner starting Mini 4-H this year or a 2024 graduate, I hope you'll consider the clock, and lovingly enjoy the time you have while they're still under your roof. You have an amazing influence on them, for better or for worse, so make the days and weeks count for something meaningful!



Jar 1: 936 marbles represent the number of weeks from birth to graduation.

Jar 2: weeks left after entering kindergarten

Jar 3: weeks left after getting a driver's license

Photo: <https://www.facebook.com/JLKids>

Tami 🍀

## A look ahead at important dates:

**December 20**—Sweet Treats: Holiday Candy Making Workshop

**December 22-27**—Extension Office closed for Christmas Holiday

**January 1**—Extension Office closed for New Year's Holiday

**January 8**—Quality Livestock Care Certification Class, Hamilton Town Hall

**January 9**—Purdue CARET Legislative Luncheon, Indianapolis

**January 15**—Extension Office closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

**January 18**—New Member Workshop

**January 21**—Young Ladies in Agriculture Forum, Purdue Fort Wayne

**January 22**—Extension Board Meeting

**January 23**—Barn Quilt Creation Series Begins

**January 24**—"Biology is a Hoot!" Workshop

**February (all month)**—"We Go Together Like Peanut Butter and Jelly" Food Drive by the Steuben County 4-H Jr. Leaders

**February 1**—4-H Camp Counselor Applications Due

**February 10**—Beekeeping for Beginners Begins

**February 13**—Indiana 4-H Day at the Statehouse

**February 14**—Canvas Painting Workshop

**February 12**—Quality Livestock Care Certification Class, Extension Office

**February 19**—Quality Livestock Care Certification Class, Angola Library + Record Sheet Replacement Workshop!

**February 19**—SafeSitter Course

**February 21**—4-H Youth Development Expansion and Review Luncheon

**March 7**—Quality Livestock Care Certification Class, Extension Office

**March 13-17**—Ignite by 4-H Summit

**April 4**—Quality Livestock Care Certification Class, Extension Office

**April 24**—Purdue Day of Giving

**May 15**—Animal ID Due in 4HOnline

**May 31**—4-H Record Sheets Due

**June 4**—Add/Drop Due; FairEntry Due; QLC/YQCA Due

**June 5-7**—4-H Camp, Epworth Forest

**June 12-14**—4-H Academy @ Purdue

**June 21-27**—2024 Steuben County 4-H Fair

**August 2-18**—Indiana State Fair (closed Mondays)



## Club, Committee, and Board Happenings

**4-H Bit and Bridle**—The club will meet January 8th at 7 pm in the Community Center.

**4-H Explorers**—The club will meet January 9th, 1:30-3 pm, in the Community Center.

**Flint Arrows**—Amelia Swander is planning to lead your club! The first meeting will be January 7th at 1 pm at the Salem Center Volunteer Fire Station. Please plan to meet Amelia and welcome her as your new leader!

**Fremont Ready Willing and Able**—The club will meet January 21st at 4 pm at the Perry's Home (315 E. Feather Valley Rd.).

**Hamilton Fighting 4-H'ers**—If you know an individual who would make a great 4-H club leader, please contact Tamil! The club will not meet again until a leader is secured.

**Lucky Ducks**—The next club meeting will be December 5th at 6:30 pm in the Community Center's Board Room.

**Orland Creative Kids**—Great news! Jennifer Holden and Kim Gardner are planning to lead your club in 2024! The club will meet January 14th at 4 pm at the Orland Community Center.

**Otsego Go-Getters**—The club will meet January 21st at 4pm at Stoy Farms.

**The Conquerors**—The club will meet January 14th at 3:30 pm at the Heifner's Home (507 Fox Lake Rd.).

**Tiny Clovers Mini 4-H**—The club will not meet again until next year, likely in January.

**Jr. Leaders**— On December 19th we will shop for those in need, 5:30-8 pm. Plan on drop-off at

Walmart at 5:30 pm with pick-up at the Extension Office at 8 pm.

Parents who are able to help transport between sites are appreciated! The Jr. Leader Treasury will cover the cost of the gifts, but we invite you to bring an item to share for our annual Taco Bar. Sign up at <https://bit.ly/JLTacoBar2023>.

**4-H Fair Board**—Plan to meet John Pinter, grant consultant, on December 4th, 6-6:45 pm in the Board Room. The next meeting will be December 11th at 7 pm in the Board Room. Auction rule changes will be voted on at this meeting.

**Awards Committee**—Please plan to meet December 11th at 6 pm in the Board Room.

### Newsletter Deadline

Please submit information you would like placed in the next newsletter by the 20th of the month.

### This is Us

Steuben County 4-H is committed to creating a diverse, equitable, and accessible environment for all members, past, present, and future.

### Special Accommodations

If you are in need of special accommodations for any and all 4-H or Purdue Extension programs and events, please call the Extension Office to give reasonable notices of the accommodations needed.

## Laptop/Water Bottle Stickers

6"x9" high-quality stickers sheets will be available for purchase at cost (\$2 each) in our office on December 15th! It may be a last minute stocking stuffer, but it's a good one! We're picking them up on On December 14th while we're on campus. Call ahead or stop by before Christmas!



# ≡ Welcome ≡



**WE'RE SO EXCITED TO WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS! JOIN US JANUARY 18TH FOR OUR NEW MEMBER WORKSHOP. NEW AND SORT-OF-NEW (2ND AND 3RD YEAR) MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILY ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND. BRING YOUR QUESTIONS!**



# December 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
3	4 4-H Fair Board Meet and Greet with John Pinter 6-6:45 pm, Board Room	5 Lucky Ducks 6:30 pm, Board Room	6	7	8	9
10	11 Awards Committee 6 pm, Board Room 4-H Fair Board 7 pm, Board Room	12 Sweet Treats Registration Closes	13	14	15	16
17	18	19 Jr Leaders, 5:30-8 pm, Walmart and Kitchen	20 Sweet Treats Workshop 6-8 pm, Extension Office	21	22 Extension Office Closed	23
24	25 Extension Office Closed	26 Extension Office Closed	27 Extension Office Closed	28	29	30
31	January 1 Barn Quilt Creation Workshop Registration Closes	2	3	4	5	6

## Green Record Books

Green record books and graded record sheets will be returned to you upon enrollment for the 2023-2024 program year. If upperclassmen need them for scholarships, feel free to ask! Otherwise, plan on receiving all of your old materials after enrollment. Enrollment is open at [v2.4honline.com](http://v2.4honline.com).

## 2023 4-H Fair Photos are Posted!

View the 2023 4-H Fair photos by visiting [choicephotography.webmate.me/gallery](http://choicephotography.webmate.me/gallery). Choose 2023 Steuben County 4-H Fair.  
Password: [steuben4h2023](http://steuben4h2023)

## 4-H Camp Counselors

It's early, but we love 4-H Camp so much that we don't want to keep you in the dark...4-H Camp Counselor applications are ready! They aren't due until February 1st, but why not show your excitement and apply early for the best week of the year! Applications can be found at: <https://bit.ly/4HCampCounselorApplication>



### Northeast Indiana 4-H Camp

June 5-7, 2024 - Epworth Forest

### Camp Counselors Needed

Applications are available  
and due on/before  
February 1 to your  
County Extension Office

<https://bit.ly/4HCampCounselorApplication>

## 4-H Club Finances

Club Leaders, 4-H Club Financial Report forms will be mailed to the primary club leader this month. **All clubs** must complete the form with beginning and ending balances for 2023 no later than February 1st. Only one club is up for audit based on the five year schedule and/or a change in leadership, which requires additional information to be submitted: Flint Arrows. Thank you for attention to this important matter that protects you as a volunteer!

## Required Volunteer Video Series

So that we can include you in the operation of our 4-H events and activities and the decisions related to the 4-H Program, we are inviting you to complete the 4-H Volunteer re-enrollment process at [v2.4honline.com](http://v2.4honline.com). After you have updated your profile, you will have the opportunity to complete three trainings. These can be completed on your laptop or similar device.

The topics are:

- 4-H Program Leader Welcome Message
- Orientation to Indiana 4-H Youth Development
- 4-H Volunteer Youth Protection Training

Why require some of your time? You are working with our most valued resource--our youth--and the videos will broaden your skills so that you will be better prepared to work with them. We are trusted with other people's kids, not just our own. Upon completion of all three trainings, you will be eligible to be placed in a 4-H Volunteer role in Steuben County.

## Indiana 4-H and Community Foundation Scholarships

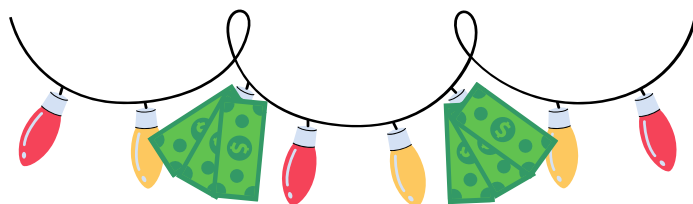
Youth in grades 10-12 can apply for Indiana 4-H scholarships, due January 25th. Consider working on them now before we get too close to the holidays! See them on the next page.

The Steuben County Community Foundation houses a handful of 4-H scholarships:

- Leon Huss Memorial Scholarship
- Doris and Kermit Rensch 4-H Scholarship
- Steven "Chad" Shively Memorial Scholarship
- Greg Shively Memorial Scholarship

Visit [steubenfoundation.org/scholarships](http://steubenfoundation.org/scholarships) to see requirements and apply.

Need help with your 4-H scholarship applications? Reach out to Tami at [mosier@purdue.edu](mailto:mosier@purdue.edu), the sooner the better!





# 2024 SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

## Senior Year Scholarship

Available to 4-H members in their senior year of high school

## Club Scholarship

Available to 4-H members entering Purdue University majoring in the College of Agriculture or select majors in the College of Health and Human Sciences

## Purdue Horticulture & Landscape Architecture Scholarship

Available to a 4-H member majoring in horticulture or landscape architecture at Purdue University and studied plant science in 4-H.

## Accomplishment Scholarship

Available to 4-H members in grades 10-12 of high school and the year immediately following high school graduation. The purpose of the 4-H Accomplishment Scholarship is to recognize youth who have excelled in life skills development through their 4-H activities and involvement.

**Categories:** Animal Science—Meat and Milk Production; Animal Science—Companion and Small Animal Production; Citizenship; Communications; Engineering and Technological Science; Healthy Living, Food and Nutrition Science; Leadership Development; and Plant and Environmental Science. Three additional categories are reserved for applicants demonstrating life skills development in more than one of the previously listed categories. Those are Premier Achievement, Premier Citizenship, and Premier Leadership.

**Eligibility:** Applicants must be in grade 10, 11, 12, or their first year immediately following 4-H enrollment eligibility at the time applications are due. While an applicant does not have to be a current 4-H member, they must demonstrate multiple years of involvement in Indiana's 4-H Youth Development Program.

Youth who have previously been awarded a \$1,000 accomplishment scholarship are only eligible to compete in the Premier Achievement, Premier Citizenship, and Premier Leadership categories. Youth who have previously been awarded a \$2,000 scholarship are no longer eligible to compete in any category.

**Awards:** A minimum of thirty \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to youth based on their demonstration of life skills development in these eight categories: Animal Science—Meat and Milk Production; Animal Science—Companion and Small Animal Production; Citizenship; Communications; Engineering and Technological Science; Healthy Living, Food, and Nutrition Science; Leadership Development; and Plant and Environmental Science.

A minimum of one \$2,000 scholarship will be awarded in each of these categories: Premier Achievement; Premier Citizenship; and Premier Leadership.

Visit [bit.ly/4hscholarship](https://bit.ly/4hscholarship) to download applications.

Applications due to County 4-H Educator January 25.

Contact your county's Purdue Extension Office to learn more.

**\$166,725 AWARDED IN 2023**

# Welcome New Volunteers!

Join us in welcoming these new volunteers to the Steuben County 4-H program! Our program would not be as successful without individuals willing to share their time and talents!

- Trenton Knox, 4-H Beef Superintendent
- Becky Knox, 4-H Pork Stand Committee Member
- Karen Martin, 4-H Floriculture Superintendent
- Jena Stuckey, 4-H Fair Board Member
- Jennifer Holden, Orland Creative Kids 4-H Club Leader
- Kim Gardner, Orland Creative Kids 4-H Club Leader
- Amelia Swander, Flint Arrows 4-H Club Leader



What will you say 'yes' to 4-H to help develop young people? Volunteer as a club or project leader, to run a workshop in a topic you are knowledgeable in, or just to help out where needed! Tami will need some help with upcoming STEAM workshops. Call 668-1000 Ext. 1400 to lend a hand!



While many volunteers stay with us for years, when a volunteer signs on, they are only making a one year commitment that can be renewed or declined each year. Some volunteers don't even volunteer for a year...they volunteer in an "episodic" role where they help with a one-time project or a few weeks max. The volunteer year aligns with the youth program year, so each fall/winter, we ask volunteers to re-enroll in 4-H. If you haven't given 4-H volunteerism a try, consider these opportunities below. If after a year (or your episodic experience), you decide the role isn't for you, that's okay!

## Club Leader Vacancies

- Hamilton Fighting 4-H'ers

## Project Vacancies

- Aerospace
- Air Rifle, training held in April or September
- Arts and Crafts Co-Superintendent
- Cat
- Crops
- Foods, Alternative Cooking
- Garden
- Genealogy
- Geology
- Sportfishing
- Vet Science
- Video Gaming and Computer Coding
- Woodworking

## Fair Schedule & Open 4-H Fair Dinners

The Programs and Publicity Committee is hard at work on the 2024 4-H Fair Schedule. We hope to have a draft to you soon! We will likely have some openings for hosting dinners at the fair. The group hosting the meal can use the Lions Building for free and collect all their meal proceeds. Organizations outside of 4-H are welcome and appreciated, too! Contact us if you know a group that would be interested.



## 2023-2024 APPROVED Rule Changes

A summary of the accepted 2023-2024 rule changes are shared below. A draft Fair Book and full rules are posted at [www.bit.ly/4hlandingpage](http://www.bit.ly/4hlandingpage).

**Please note:** In addition, some rules and requirements may change in the Fair Book at the request of greater entities, such as the Indiana Board of Animal Health and the Indiana 4-H Staff. Simply reviewing rule changes posted in the newsletter is not sufficient. Each 4-H member is responsible for reading rules that pertain to them when the 2024 Fair Books are posted. \*NOTE: We did not get to the Auction section. Voting will be 12/11.

### **GENERAL**

Share the web link to Indiana 4-H Policies and Procedures.

Update record sheet submission deadline.

Add statement about program fees to outline the cost of each type of member and state that the fees are non-refundable.

Add statement that the Extension Office will not haul fragile items to the state fair (in addition to the already stated large items).

### **MINI 4-H**

Update two Mini 4-H project titles/descriptions, but no change to the actual projects/exhibits.

### **ANIMAL EDUCATION**

Update number of exhibits so kids can represent more than one of the five animal posters offered at the state fair as all five are collapsed into one project at the county level.

### **PHOTOGRAPHY**

Clarify the number of exhibits eligible.

### **SCRAPBOOKING**

Reduce the number of required pages and update the binding statement.

### **GENERAL ANIMAL GUIDELINES**

Reduce extraneous rules that are common sense things and not really rules and/or get rid of rules that we are not actively enforcing.

Allow any Indiana 4-H member to help fit an animal for show.

Update pen/stall cleaning rule to read \$25 per pen/stall.

Delete early release of livestock for Indiana State Fair rule.

### **BEEF**

Update ID day protocols.

Reduce extraneous rules that are common sense things and not really rules and/or get rid of rules that we are not actively enforcing.

Drop vaccination requirements.

Split the Steuben County Born and Raised class into separate Breeding and Market classes.

### **CAT**

Update kitten/cat ages.

### **DAIRY**

Move two rules. No change in wording...just moving them up in the project guidelines.

**DAIRY BEEF**

Update ID day protocols.

Reduce extraneous rules that are common sense things and not really rules and/or get rid of rules that we are not actively enforcing.

Drop vaccination requirements.

**DAIRY FEEDER STEERS, BEEF FEEDER, STARTED CALF**

Combine Dairy Feeders, Beef Feeders, and Started Calves into one project, now called “Feeder Calf.”

Add a crossbred class.

Top weight at livestock check-in proposed for 600 lbs.

Update ID day protocols.

Drop vaccination requirements.

**GOATS**

Add tattooing option for LaMancha goats.

Make milk out contest information more generic.

As a rule of thumb, adopt State Fair birthdates for does.

**HORSE AND PONY**

Change club sponsored award requirements.

**POULTRY**

Reduce extraneous rules that are common sense things and not really rules and/or get rid of rules that we are not actively enforcing.

Update birth/hatch dates.

Combine exhibition goose and exhibition turkey into one class.

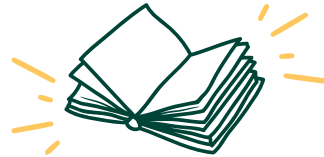
**SHEEP**

Adopt State Fair birthdates.

**SWINE**

Adopt State Fair birthdates.

## 2023-2024 4-H FAIR BOOK UPDATES



Voting for approval or disapproval of the Auction suggestions will take place on Monday, December 11, 2023 at 7 pm as a part of the regular business meeting of the 4-H Fair Board. All those who submitted a rule change, or a like minded representative, must be present for the rule change to be considered. 4-H Fair Board meetings are open to the public, and we encourage you to attend if you have thoughts or opinions on the rule changes.

**AUCTION - Suggestions only at this time; to be voted on at the December 4-H Fair Board Meeting**

Combine market rabbits (fryers, roasters, and stewers) into one sale category.

Sell only one animal through the livestock auction rather than two. Move to a premium sale (no floor price) where all animals are deemed “Keep by Exhibitor” and go home with the exhibitor rather than on a market truck or with the buyer.

Add “Back a 4-Her” work readiness program. Youth would choose only 1 support-type event...Back a 4-Her or the livestock auction, not both.



## Important Dates for 2024:

May 15, 2024

Animal ID Due (v2.4honline.com)

May 31, 2024

Record Sheets Due

(drop off at the Extension Office or email)

June 4, 2024

Project Add/Drop Due (by phone or email)

Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care (or online YQCA)

Certification Due

FairEntry Selections Due

(steubencountyindiana.fairentry.com)

June 21-27, 2024

Steuben County 4-H Fair

August 2-August 18, 2024

Indiana State Fair

**State Fair Livestock Schedules are out!** Find there here:

<https://www.indianastatefair.com/p/state-fair/competitions--contests/livestock-show-schedule>

## Record Sheet Replacement

### Workshops

**Wildlife:** January 24, 6-8 pm, Extension Office, “Biology is a Hoot,” RSVP at [bit.ly/biologysteam](http://bit.ly/biologysteam), \$10 supply fee

**Beekeeping:** One or all of the “Beekeeping for Beginners” classes, February 10, 17, and 24, Angola Parks Commons Hall, RSVP at [bit.ly/BeginnerBees2024](http://bit.ly/BeginnerBees2024)

**Any Specie (choose ONE to replace):** February 19, 12-1 pm, Angola Library (basement), “Market Animals and Mammary Systems,” no RSVP needed, will follow the QLC certification class. Bring a snack or lunch, if attending both.

**Fine Arts:** February 14, 6-7:30 pm, Extension Office, RSVP at [bit.ly/canvassteam24](http://bit.ly/canvassteam24), \$15 supply fee

**Electric:** March 4, 6-8 pm, Extension Office, RSVP at [bit.ly/electric24](http://bit.ly/electric24), supply fee TBD

**Woodworking:** April 16, 6-8 pm, Extension Office, RSVP at [bit.ly/woodworkingsteam24](http://bit.ly/woodworkingsteam24), \$10 supply fee

**Health:** May 2, 6-8 pm, Extension Office, RSVP at [bit.ly/firstiadsteam](http://bit.ly/firstiadsteam), \$10 supply fee

## Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Program, Required for Many

Those exhibiting **cattle, goats, poultry, rabbits, sheep, and swine** must complete an annual animal care certification. In-person Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care sessions cost \$3 per person. Online national Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) certificates (\$12) will also be accepted. Please send Tami a copy of your online certificate upon completion. Youth are welcome to attend one of the courses below OR you may complete YQCA online. Both will be honored and accepted at the Steuben County 4-H Fair as well as the Indiana State Fair. RSVP for in-person Steuben County certifications at <https://2023SteubenQLC.4honline.com>. If you are unable to take the certification course in Steuben County and do not wish to take the YQCA training online, you may attend in any county. Classes in other counties (LaGrange and DeKalb) can be viewed in the Events tab in 4HOnline as they become available.



**INDIANA 4-H QUALITY LIVESTOCK CARE**  
in Steuben County  
<https://2023steubenqlc.4honline.com>

MON. JAN. 8 9:30 AM Hamilton Town Hall	MON. FEB. 12 5:30 PM Extension Office	MON. FEB. 19 10 AM Angola Library, Lower Level	THUR. MARCH 7 5:30 PM Extension Office	THUR. APRIL 4 5:30 PM Extension Office
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## Two Birds, One Stone!

There is no school at MSD and Fremont on 2/19, so join Tami for QLC certification **PLUS** knock out one record sheet by attending an all species workshop at the Carnegie Public Library of Steuben County! Pick the ONE species of our choice. Bring a snack or pack a lunch.

# SWEET TREATS

A kid-friendly holiday cooking experience!

- Location: Steuben Community Center, 317 S. Wayne St., Angola
- Date & Time: December 20, 2023 6-8 p.m.
- Best suited for youth in Grades 3 & up
- Cost: \$10
- Registration closes December 12th
- Register: <https://bit.ly/sweettreats23>



**PURDUE UNIVERSITY** Extension - 4-H Youth Development  
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# Biology is a Hoot!



Take flight as we explore the biology behind owls. Join us for a night of owl investigation as we discover what makes owls so unique and physically investigate what owls have eaten.

- Location: Steuben Community Center, 317 S. Wayne St., Angola
- Date & Time: January 24, 2024 6-8 p.m.
- Best suited for youth in Grades 3 & up
- Cost: \$10
- Registration closes: January 17, 2024
- Register: <https://bit.ly/biologysteam>



**PURDUE UNIVERSITY** Extension - 4-H Youth Development  
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# Barn Quilt CREATION WORKSHOP

Create your own colorful, geometric 2' x 2' masterpiece to hang on a barn, a home, or a business. Boards, primer, tape, brushes, and up to 4 paint colors will be available for participants.

First priority goes to youth participants.

Please register on/before January 1: online at: [bit.ly/BarnQuiltCreationWorkshop](https://bit.ly/BarnQuiltCreationWorkshop) with \$40 and your favorite 3 paint chips

**Tuesday, January 23, 5:30-7:30 pm (2 hours)**

**Tuesday, January 30, 5:30-7 pm (1.5 hours)**

**Tuesday, February 6, 5:30-7 pm (1.5 hours)**

**Tuesday, February 13, 5:30-7 pm (1.5 hours)**

**Steuben Community Center  
317 S. Wayne St., Ste 1A, Angola**

Color choices will be honored to the best of our ability, but are not guaranteed as participants will share colors to reduce the overall cost of the program. Purdue University is an equal opportunity/equal access/affirmative action institution.



Winter Break - Work on Static Projects

January 15 - Enroll at [v2.4honline.com](https://v2.4honline.com)

January 18 - New Member Workshop

January 25 - Submit 4-H Scholarships

February 1 - Submit 4-H Camp Counselor App



## The 4-H Fair is June 21-27. What will your July look like?



- Family vacation?
- Visiting other county fairs?
- Getting ready for school?
- Travel sports?



Our family doesn't know what our plans are yet, but we're hoping to make the most of it!

## INDIANA 4-H NEEDS YOU TO BE A BROADBAND INFLUENCER

**What is an Indiana 4-H Broadband Influencer?**

- 1 Checks your internet speed 
- 2 Validates it on the FCC website 
- 3 Share what they've done with others
- 4 Reports work in the Broadband Influencers event in 4-H Online

Once you have completed all 4, you will receive your Broadband Influencer Pin and be eligible to win an iPad!

**Why should I be an Indiana 4-H Broadband Influencer?**

There are a lot of different ways to connect to the internet. Some of them are very fast, and some of them are very slow. We would like everyone in the state of Indiana to be able to use the internet at fast speeds. While it might help you play games and watch videos more easily, it also can help people who are looking for jobs or trying to communicate, do business, or do schoolwork.

The FCC, or Federal Communication Commission, can't help everyone get fast internet unless they know all the places the internet is installed and how fast it is in each location.

**I have more questions!**

For more information contact your county extension 4-H educator OR email: [state4hleader@purdue.edu](mailto:state4hleader@purdue.edu)

Indiana 4-H Broadband Influencers will be asked to write a short essay about their experience. The Broadband Influencer Program is a Purdue Broadband Team initiative.

## BEEKEEPING FOR BEGINNERS

**9 AM-12 PM** COST OF THE ENTIRE SERIES: \$10/ADULT; FREE TO ALL YOUTH

Experience beekeeping, and learn how to get started with this condensed 3-part series held at the Angola's Commons Hall, 501 S John St, Angola, IN 46703

**Youth and Adult Registration:**  
Visit <https://bit.ly/BeginnerBees2024>




**FEBRUARY 10**  
HISTORY OF BEEKEEPING  
WHY KEEP BEES?  
BEE VOCABULARY  
BEEKEEPING EQUIPMENT  
HIVE INHABITANTS  
BEEKEEPING OVERVIEW

**FEBRUARY 17**  
HIVE INSTALLATION  
SPRING MANAGEMENT  
HIVE CHECKS  
WHAT IS NORMAL?  
PESTS AND DISEASES  
SUMMER MANAGEMENT  
SWARMS & SUPERS

**FEBRUARY 24**  
LATE SUMMER, FALL, AND WINTER MANAGEMENT  
HONEY HARVESTING  
HONEY AND BEE PRODUCTS  
MARKETING  
QUESTIONS AND REVIEW

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**4-H Motto:** To make the best better.

**4-H Slogan:** Learning by doing.

**Indiana 4-H Mission:** To provide real-life educational opportunities that develop young people who will have a positive impact in their communities and the world.

**Indiana 4-H Vision:** Indiana 4-H Youth Development strives to be the premier, community-based program empowering young people to reach their full potential.

4-H is America's largest youth development organization—empowering nearly six million young people with the skills to lead for a lifetime. In 4-H, we believe in the power of young people. We see that every child has valuable strengths and real influence to improve the world around us.

### In Other Extension News:

- Pesticide Application Recertification Program (PARP): December 12, 1-3 pm at the Ashley Masonic Lodge, No. 614. RSVP to the Extension Office
- Donuts with Dana, a WITS workout for brain health; offered at the YMCA, Fremont Library, and Heirtage Club, dates vary; call to learn about the next workout!
- SIMPLE Finance Classes: Resuming in January...the last Wednesday of the month, 5-5:45 pm, Extension Office; Budgeting tips and tricks, understanding credit scores, smart saving strategies; \$3 per person
- Grow and Gather Winter Bird Wreaths: January 25, 3-4 pm, Extension Office; \$5 per class. RSVP by calling the Extension Office
- Ag Women Engage Conference: February 22, Grand Wayne Convention Center



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## Don't Miss the Sign-up!

- **Indiana 4-H Broadband Influencer** - anytime in December! See page 11.
- **Sweet Treats: Holiday Candy Making Workshop** - December 20th in the Extension Kitchen. \$10. Register by 12/13.
- **Barn Quilt Creation Workshop series** - January 23 and 30, and February 6 and 13, beginning at 5:30 pm in the Extension Kitchen. \$40. Register by 1/1.
- **4-H Enrollment** - enroll on/before January 15th so you don't miss out on opportunities!
- **Biology is a Hoot!** - January 24th, Extension Office, \$10. Register by 1/17.
- **Beekeeping for Beginners** - February 10, 17, and 24, 9am-Noon, Commons Hall; free for youth!; Register in advance.

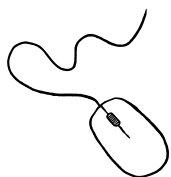


Give the gift of 4-H life skills this holiday season!

Enroll at [v2.4honline.com](http://v2.4honline.com) now through January 15th!

Grades 3-12: \$20 annually

Mini 4-H, Grades K-2: \$5

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