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Happy fall! With fall brings a new year of enrollment! 4-H online is officially open. Please remember to register ASAP if you are planning to attend club meetings and other events in the next few months. We want to make sure you are covered through our insurance. Also, good news for volunteers: the annual training will now be good for 2 years! When you re-enroll, things might look a little different. If you have questions please reach out. More information is enclosed in the newsletter.

We have some fun events coming up. If you are in grades 6-12, our junior leaders will be throwing a fall themed party with snacks, games, pumpkin painting, and much more! Join us on October 29th at the Extension Office from 6:30 to 8 pm. Check out the next page for other fun workshops happening in the next few months.

As we enter a new year, we are working on our website and rules book. As you work on your projects, feel free to continue using the previous years rules. Most of the changes will occur with the live animal projects.

Please reach out if you have questions. It is not too soon to start working on your projects!

Thank you, Rebecca and Stephenie



# UPCOMING 4-H PROGRAMS

## Multi-session Programs

### Grow Your Green Thumb:

Oct. 2, 9, 16, and 23

4-5 pm at Johnnie Mae Farm

Join us for fun free youth activities centered around stem and agriculture.

Grow your own plant, cook a recipe, and much more! Participants will receive a coupon for produce at the end of each session. **Must email [rcclay@purdue.edu](mailto:rcclay@purdue.edu) if you intend to come**

### Junior Leaders:

Oct. 29 6:30-8 pm at Extension Office

Youth in grades 6-12 meet the last Tuesday of the month and complete team building and leadership activities.

The October meeting will be a Fall themed open house with snacks, games, crafts, and more. Costumes optional.

## Mini's - Stars and Space

Nov. 7 from 6-7pm @ Extension Office

Youth in grades K-2 join us as we learn about stars through hands on activities and make your own constellation.



### **All programs require registration.**

*If you need accommodations to participate in a program, more information on specific programs, or to register: email [rcclay@purdue.edu](mailto:rcclay@purdue.edu) or call 260-481-6826*

**Please remember to register for all programs.**

**We need a maximum of 10 participants to hold these events.**

**Call the office 260-481-6826 or email:**

**[rcclay@purdue.edu](mailto:rcclay@purdue.edu) or [wooten6@purdue.edu](mailto:wooten6@purdue.edu)**

## Up Coming Programs for Youth through December 2024

### Cupcake Creations:

Oct. 7 from 6-7 pm @New Haven Community Center

Unleash your inner creativity in this workshop where youth will learn basic piping techniques to transform basic cupcakes into works of art.

**Cost \$4**

Registration required: [Newhaven.in.gov](http://Newhaven.in.gov)

### Pie Perfection: The Ultimate Pie-Baking Class:

Nov. 21 from 6-8pm @Extension Office

Craft your own homemade pie through step-by-step instructions. By the end of the workshop, you'll leave with a tasty and visually stunning pie and pie dish.

**Cost \$10**

### Gingerbread Cookie Creations:

Dec. 11 from 6-8@Extension Office

Create festive, handcrafted gingerbread creations while learning the science behind baking the perfect cooking.

**Cost \$5**

### Gift Wrapping Basics:

Dec. 12 from 6-7:30pm@Extension Office

Master the art of gift wrapping to turn every present into a beautifully wrapped masterpiece.

**Cost \$3**

## LOCATION ADDRESSES

Extension Office:  
4001 Crescent Ave  
Fort Wayne, IN 46805

Johnnie Mae Farm  
2518 Winter Street  
Fort Wayne, IN 46803

New Haven Community Center  
7500 IN-930  
Fort Wayne, IN 46803

# News for 4-H Volunteers

Volunteer enrollment for the 2024-2025 year opens October 1. As you know, Purdue has made the Volunteer trainings mandatory to work with 4-H youth. There are 3 required trainings, Orientation, Program Staff Training for Youth Protection Policies and Increasing Cultural Awareness and Equity in Extension Programs. New in 2024-2025 your trainings will be good for 2 years. 4-H online will track this.

These trainings will be available in 4-H Online at this link, <https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/get-involved/membership-join-a-club.html> beginning October 1st. We are asking that everyone who wishes to be a 4-H Volunteer complete this training by January 1, 2025. We be offering an in-person training on October 9, at the Extension office starting at 6pm. The trainings will take approximately 1 hour to complete. Please bring your computer/ipad/phone that you use to access 4-H Online so you can complete the enrollment.

Along with your training, you must sign a Role Agreement, which is now a part of your re-enrollment process on 4-H online. If you have questions, please reach out. This will give us a better idea of the capacity of volunteers. Our goal is to unite the 4-H Volunteers so that we can share ideas and information with every youth, club, and adult volunteer involved with Allen County 4-H. We understand that everyone's time is valuable, but our main goal is keeping our 4-H Youth safe, so please complete these enrollments/trainings as soon as possible if you plan on holding events or workshops with youth.

Allen County 4-H would not function if it wasn't for the many volunteers that run club meetings, work booths and tables at fairs or help with fair related events and check-in.

Below you will find volunteers that are celebrating their 20, 25, 30, 35 and 40 years.

20 Years - David Kelsey, Cheryl Mudrack, Ashlee Robbins

25 Years - Steven Clark, Mari Huelsenbeck, Donald Rodenbeck, Judy Rodenbeck, Amber Stewart-Ali

30 Years - Lisa Beaupre, Amy McLemore, Jerry Ott

35 Years - Pamela Ott, and Marilou Linnemeier

40 Years - Mary Smith

Thank you to all Volunteers for your years of service and all you do for Allen County 4-H!



We will be holding a Volunteer training on October 9 at 6:30 at the Extension Office.

Please bring your computer or phone and your log in credentials for 4-H Online.

Please call the office to register.



# 4-H Youth Information



Sign up for Dog Club!  
Workshop will begin  
February 24, 2025.

Classes are held Mondays @ 6:30 pm at the Allen County Fairgrounds. Your dog must be at least 3 months old and neutered or spayed.

Completed paperwork needs to be turned into the Extension Office by Friday, February 14, 2025.

If you are interested, please call the office at 260-481-6826.

We still have a few openings left for the First Annual 4-H Maker's Market!

The market is open to active 4-H members.

The market will be held on Saturday, December 14 from 9 to 1.

We will be sending out flyers for you to distribute to your friends and family! We want a to get the word out!

If you have a craft that you make and would like to sell or any questions, please call the office 260-481-6826 or email Rebecca at [rcclay@purdue.edu](mailto:rcclay@purdue.edu).



Congratulations to  
Holly Howard  
for winning the area  
Showman of Showmen contest at the  
DeKalb County Fair.

We have an addition  
to the State Fair Awards!  
Aren Maloy received an orange  
ribbon for his Soil & Water  
Science project at the  
2024 State Fair.  
Congratulation Aren!



Find your Story—Genealogy project

Join us on January 22, 2025 6:30 pm at the Allen County Library-Main Branch to learn about how to research your family tree for the Genealogy project. We will be meeting with a Genealogy team member who will show us how to begin or complete your research.

More information will follow in the next months.

# MARK YOUR CALENDAR



## October 2024

- 1- 4-H Board Meeting 7pm@CEO (Rule change meeting)
- 1- 4-H Online open for Volunteer training and enrollment!
- 2-Grow Your Green Thumb 4-5pm@JMF
- 4, 11, 18, 27-Archery Noon—2pm@FG
- 7-Cupcake Creations 6-7pm@New Haven Community Center (registration required through New Haven)
- 9- Volunteer Signup/Training Session 6pm@CEO
- 15- Horse & Pony Leaders Meeting 7pm@CEO
- 29-JR Leaders Meeting 6:30-8pm@CEO

## November 2024

- 1-4-H Board Meeting 7pm (location TBD)
- 7-Stars and Space for Minis 6-7pm@CEO
- 19-Jr. Leaders Meeting 6:30-8pm@CEO
- 21- Pie Perfection: The Ultimate Pie baking class 6-8pm@CEO
- 27-29-Thanksgiving Holiday, Office Closed

## December 2024

- 11-Gingerbread Cookies 6-8pm@CEO
- 12-Gift Wrapping Basic 6-7:30pm@CEO
- 14- 4-H First Annual Maker's Market 9am-1pm@CEO
- 18- Candles, Cards, and Candy STEAM workshop 6-8 pm @CEO
- 24-25 Christmas Holiday, Office Closed

CEO - County Extension Office

JMF-Johnny Mae Fanny 2518 Winter St. Fort Wayne, IN 46803

New Haven Community Center 7500 IN-930 E, Fort Wayne, IN 46803

## January 2025

- 1-New Year's Day-Office Closed
- 22- "Dig Up Your Family Tree" Genealogy project 6:30 pm @Allen County Public Library-Main

## OPEN ENROLLMENT

FOR 4-H MEMBERS

AND VOLUNTEERS

BEGINS OCTOBER 1ST.

Don't forget to complete!

your training by January 2025!

## SAVE THE DATE!!

## Allen County 4-H Fair

### June 17-22, 2025

