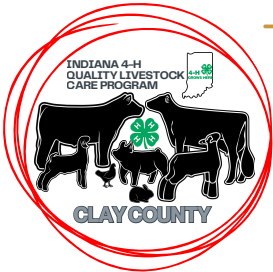


FAIR SCHEDULE INSIDE!



INDIANA 4-H QUALITY LIVESTOCK CARE

FINAL TRAINING IS ON JUNE 30TH @ 6:00 PM IN THE EXHIBIT HALL. PLEASE CALL THE EXTENSION OFFICE TO RSVP YOUR SPOT.

All Livestock Exhibitors (Cattle, Poultry, Sheep, Goats, Swine & Rabbit) **MUST** complete the Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care (QLC) training in order to unload their animals at fair.

If you are not able to attend the last in-person training, the YQCA online program will fill the requirement for the quality care training. This can be done at yqcaprogram.org. If you complete it online, you **MUST** provide your certificate to the Extension Office (email aevinger@purdue.edu) or bring it in during office hours Monday-Friday 8 am to 4 pm). **THE DEADLINE TO COMPLETE THIS IS JULY 1st!**



Extension - Clay County

Contact Us!
812-448-9041
korniak@purdue.edu
aevinger@purdue.edu

Find us on **Clay County 4-H**
County Website:
<https://bit.ly/41gF7DU>

Important Dates to Remember:

FAIR ENTRY DEADLINE:
JULY 1

STATE FAIR DEADLINE:
JULY 1

2026 CLAY COUNTY 4-H FAIR:
JULY 18-24

2026 INDIANA STATE FAIR:
AUGUST 7 - 23



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COUNTY 4-H NEWS



FAIR ENTRY IS NOW OPEN UNTIL JULY 1st!

All 4-H members (including Minis) should go online to <http://claycountyindiana.fairentry.com/> and enter details for each project they wish to bring to the Fair. This includes livestock and non-livestock projects. The information entered will be used to create judging sheets, fair results, show programs, etc.

For livestock members, you will select which classes you wish to participate in. You may need to go through this multiple times if you plan to show several different animals or if you plan to show the same animal in multiple classes. Detailed instructions for FairEntry are listed below. If you need help in completing entries, please contact or come to the Extension Office for assistance.

1. Go to <http://claycountyindiana.fairentry.com>
2. Select "Sign in with your 4-H Online account" (green box)
3. Enter your login email address and password from 4Honline. If you do not remember your password select "I forgot my password" and a temporary one will be emailed to you.
4. Click the "Login box". This will take you to the Welcome screen, where you select "Begin registration".
5. Choose register an exhibitor and click on "individual".
6. Choose the dot next to the name of the 4-H member you would like to register and click continue. **DO NOT CREATE AN EXHIBITOR FROM SCRATCH!**
7. Answer any required questions (not everyone will have required questions) and review your information. Then the click continue button.
8. Next, click on "Continue to Entries" button.
9. Click "Add an Entry" box to right of name.
10. Click on "Select" button next to the Department you would like to enter. State Gardening contains gardening. State Projects contains all projects that go to state fair and tractor driving, demonstrations, fashion revue. If it is County Only project or event, it is under County Only.
11. Mini 4-H and animals are under the individual departments.
12. Click the "Select" button next to the Class you would like to enter. (Check the Clay County Terms and Conditions 4-H Handbook for exhibit descriptions, requirements and rules.)
13. Review your selection, then click create entry or continue.
14. Enter a description of your exhibit and then click continue.
15. Enter the 4-H Club that goes with project.
16. If this is an animal project, you will have to select an animal. Choose from existing animals if cattle, horse, sheep, goats, rabbits or swine. Cats, dogs, and pet animals will select enter a NEW ANIMAL RECORD.
17. After you have completed all of your entries, you will enter the payment section. THERE IS NO CHARGE, select continue.

Once you are sure all your entries are entered CLICK THE SUBMIT button. You will receive a THANKS! message once you submit. *You will not be able to add any more entries until the submitted ones are approved in the office.* You will also receive an email from Fair Entry letting you know if your entry is approved or rejected by the county staff. If it is rejected, a reason will be listed and you will be able to login and fix the problem. Please contact the Extension Office at 812-448-9041 if you have problems with this process.





COUNTY 4-H NEWS



WHEN DO I BRING MY PROJECTS IN FOR JUDGING?

Wednesday, July 15th 5:00-8:00pm

- Collections
- Construction Toys - Legos
- Consumer Clothing Notebooks
- Creative Writing
- Create-a-Mix
- Crops
- Electric
- Farm Scene
- Fashion Revue
- Foods - Baked
- Food Preservation
- Gardening
- Genealogy
- Livestock Posters (Beef, Dairy, Goat, Horse, Llama, Poultry, Rabbit, Sheep & Swine)
- Microwaving
- Mini 4-H
- Scrapbook
- Sewing - Non Wearable & Wearable
- Strawberries
- Welding



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Thursday, July 16th 5:00-8:00pm

- Aerospace
- Archery Poster
- ATV Safety Poster
- Basic Crafts
- Beekeeping
- Cake Decorating
- Cat Poster
- Child Development
- Computer
- Cupcakes
- Do Your Own Thing
- Dog Poster
- Entomology
- Fine Art
- Firearms Poster
- Floriculture
- Forestry
- Geology
- Gift Wrapping
- Health
- Home Environment
- Models
- Mini 4-H
- Needlecraft
- Photography
- Recycling
- Small Engines
- Soil and Water
- Sportfishing
- Tractor Poster
- Vet Science
- Weather
- Wildlife
- Woodworking

Mini 4-H projects can be checked in on either day!

Livestock Check-In

We will again be offering a 2 day check-in for all barns (besides rabbits).

- Friday July 17 - 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM
- **All rabbits will need to be checked by the end of Friday**
- Saturday, July 16 - 7:00 AM to 9:00 AM



PROJECT SUPERINTENDENTS & EXHIBIT HALL VOLUNTEERS

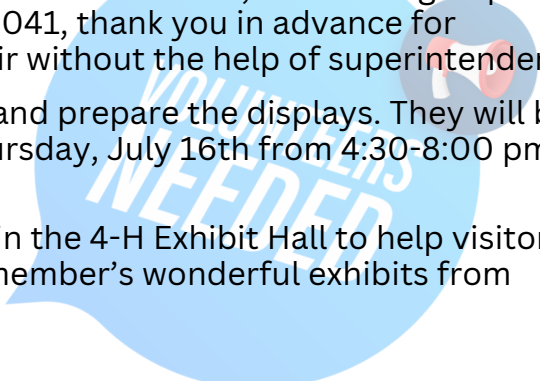
The fair takes a huge amount of volunteer manpower to make it successful so, if you could spare a couple of hours to help out it would be greatly appreciated. To volunteer, visit the Sign Up Genius links below or call the extension office at 812-448-9041, thank you in advance for helping! We could not process all of the projects for the Fair without the help of superintendents.

Superintendents help check-in projects, assist the judges, and prepare the displays. They will be needed Wednesday, July 15th from 4:30-8:00 pm and Thursday, July 16th from 4:30-8:00 pm.

Project Superintendents - <https://tinyurl.com/j6s98ek2>

We are also in need of volunteers to work two hours shifts in the 4-H Exhibit Hall to help visitors find an exhibit they are searching for and to keep our 4-H member's wonderful exhibits from getting damaged from curious hands.

Exhibit Hall Volunteers - <https://tinyurl.com/wreseh85>





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2026 Fair T-Shirts

Fair shirts are ready to be ordered!

Adult and youth sizes are available to order. The deadline to order by is **July 6th**. Pick up will be in the exhibit hall starting when projects are turned in on Wednesday July 15th. There will be a table set up near the council office where you can pick them up.

THERE WILL BE NO LATE ORDERS THIS YEAR!

Visit the link below to order yours today!

<https://tinyurl.com/2f8kz297>



View available awards here

Support 

CLAY COUNTY 4-H FAIR!

BECOME AN AWARD/BANNER SPONSOR!

Your support goes directly to our 4-H members and will help recognize the hard work, dedication, and achievements of Clay County 4-H members!

	VINYL BANNERS <i>Range Between</i>	\$8-\$26 EACH
	FELT BANNERS <i>Range Between</i>	\$17-\$37 EACH
	ACRYLIC CUTOUTS <i>Range Between</i>	\$17-\$28 EACH

FOR QUESTIONS OR TO RECEIVE A LIST OF AVAILABLE AWARDS, PLEASE CONTACT:

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 **2026 CLAY COUNTY 4-H FAIR**

 **CLAY COUNTY 4-H FAIR GRAND CHAMPION MARKET LAMB 2026**

 **THANK YOU TO OUR Award Sponsor!**

 **RESERVE CHAMPION SHOWMANSHIP 2026**

♥ Thank you for supporting Clay County 4-H! ♥



COUNTY 4-H NEWS



Working on your posters yet?

GET YOUR STATE APPROVED POSTER BOARD AND SLEEVES AT THE EXTENSION OFFICE!

We have foam core poster boards available for \$3 and clear plastic covers for \$1. The covers work like envelopes with a self-adhesive seal for easy use.

Reminder: All posters, notebooks, and displays must include a reference list showing where information was sourced—this could include websites, books, interviews, etc. Attach the list to the back of your poster or display include it as the last page of a notebook, or make it part of your visible display. Judges will not deduct points based on how it's formatted. Be sure to review your project's specific requirements at extension.purdue.edu/clay or stop by the Extension Office.



Congratulations to our 2026 4-H Seniors!

Addy Murphy - 10 Year Member
Aiden Boyce - 10 Year Member
Aidrik Loughmiller - 10 Year Member
Brenna Stallcop - 10 Year Member
Bryce Boller - 10 Year Member
Claire Siples - 10 Year Member
Emma Hyatt - 10 Year Member
Hallie Vitz - 10 Year Member
Hannah Harrison - 10 Year Member
Justin Dickehut - 10 Year Member
Kambryn Rhodes - 10 Year Member

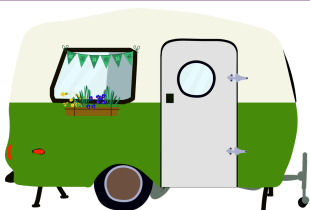


Katie Boone - 10 Year Member
Keagan Ryan
Kylon Ryan
Lydia Grant - 10 Year Member
Olivia Shidler - 10 Year Member
Paul Wegner - 10 Year Member
Sean Dugan
Tessa Stagg - 10 Year Member
Trinity Nuckols - 10 Year Member
Tucker Hughes

2026 CLAY COUNTY 4-H LIVESTOCK AUCTION

On Friday evening, July 18th at 6:30pm we will be having a live animal livestock auction in the show arena. Exhibitors in rabbit, poultry, sheep, meat goat, swine, beef and dairy will have the opportunity to designate an eligible market animal to auction off. We encourage you to reach out to community members and businesses to come out and support the auction by purchasing yours or other members animals.

All Clay County 4-H Seniors, 4-H members participating in the auction & registered bidders, will receive 1 free meal ticket sponsored by First Farmer's Bank & Trust. The auction meal will start at 5:00pm in the Hospitality Building.



Camper spots still available for fair!

Visit the website to see what's available & book today!!

<https://parkwith.us/camps/clay-county-fairgrounds>

Scan to view the Open Class rule book:



Clay County Open Class

2026

Entry Date & Time:
July 15 & 16, 2026
from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
at the Clay County 4-H Fairgrounds

Sponsored by Clay County Farm Bureau

Clay County Open Class Dates and Guidelines are now available! Please stop by the Extension Office for a printed copy or visit our [website](#) to view.

This event is open to any adult or youth (including 4-H members) who are current residents of Clay County. Projects can be turned in at the fair July 15th or 16th in the Exhibit Hall from 5:00-8:00 pm.

BOOK TO BARN

JULY 21 & 23 2026 @ 10:00 AM
Meet at the Hospitality Building

NOW TAKING RSVPS!

Have a 5-7 year old who loves **animals, crafts and stories?**

Join us during the Clay County 4-H Fair for a **FREE** fun-filled Book to Barn experience!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- An adult must attend with child
- Register by calling 812-448-9041
- There is a maximum of 12 kids per session

EACH SESSION INCLUDES:

- Themed Story Time
- Hands-On Craft
- Barn Tour
- Animal Visit

Sponsored by: Clay County Farm Bureau

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THE MARY LOU DIETZ MEMORIAL FLOWER SHOW

Clay County Fair

Tuesday July 21, 2026

Drop-off at the north entrance of the Schopmeyer Ag Building

View rules here



2026 Clay County Fair Schedule

Saturday, June 20				
Time Begin	Time End	Event	Location	Coordinator
2:00 PM		Princess & Duchess Pageant	Exhibit Hall	Krista Dayhoff
7:00 PM		Fair Queen Pageant	Exhibit Hall	Krista Dayhoff
Sunday, June 28				
Time Begin	Time End	Event	Location	Coordinator
2:00 PM		Rabbit Ambassador Contest	Schopmeyer Ag Building	Melissa Orman
Wednesday, July 8				
Time Begin	Time End	Event	Location	Coordinator
5:00 PM	7:00 PM	Fairgrounds & Exhibit Hall Set Up	Exhibit Hall	All 4-H Clubs/Ext. Office
Saturday, July 11				
9:00 AM		Tractor Driving Contest	Nicoson Farms	Dwight Ludwig
1:00 PM		Public Speaking Contest	Clay Co. Comm. Theater	Marah Loughmiller
Monday, July 13				
Time Begin	Time End	Event	Location	Coordinator
4:00 PM		Dog Obedience Show	Show Arena	Derik Tipton
Tuesday, July 14				
Time Begin	Time End	Event	Location	Coordinator
6:00 PM		Dog Agility Show	Show Arena	Derik Tipton
Wednesday, July 15				
Time Begin	Time End	Event	Location	Coordinator
5:00 PM	8:00 PM	Entry & Judging for Sewing, Consumer Clothing, Fashion Revue, Foods, Food Preservation, Create-a-Mix, Microwaving, Legos, Farm Scene, Gardening, Strawberries, Crops, Electric, Livestock Posters Floriculture, Genealogy, Collections, Scrapbook, and Welding (*Mini 4-H can check in on this day or the next)	Exhibit Hall	Extension Office
5:00 PM	8:00 PM	Open Class Projects Due	Exhibit Hall	Olivia Morgan
Thursday, July 16				
Time Begin	Time End	Event	Location	Coordinator
5:00 PM	8:00 PM	Open Class Projects Due	Exhibit Hall	Olivia Morgan
5:00 PM	8:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Entry and Judging (All Other Exhibit Hall Projects and Mini 4-H Projects)	Exhibit Hall	Extension Office
12:00 PM	9:00 PM	Camper Arrival	Camp Ground	Bryce Schopmeyer
Friday, July 17				
Time Begin	Time End	Event	Location	Coordinator
9:00 AM		Open Class Project Judging	Exhibit Hall	Extension Office
12:00 PM	9:00 PM	Camper Arrival	Camp Ground	Bryce Schopmeyer
5:00 PM		Mandatory Livestock Superintendent Meeting	Hospitality Building	Extension Office
6:00 PM	8:00 PM	4-H Rabbit Check-in	Rabbit/Poultry Barn	Melissa Orman
6:00 PM	9:00 PM	Livestock Check In	Barns	Extension Office
Saturday, July 18 - Sponsored by: The Wabash Valley Community Foundation				
Time Begin	Time End	Event	Location	Coordinator
6:00 AM	8:00 AM	Livestock Check In	Barns	Extension Office
9:00 AM		Opening Ceremony	Flagpole	Extension Office
9:30 AM	9:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Open	Exhibit Hall	Extension Office
9:30 AM	9:00 PM	Silent Auction open	Exhibit Hall	4-H Council
10:00 AM		Rabbit Show - Sponsored By:	Show Arena	Melissa Orman
Immediately following the Rabbit Show		Mini 4-H Livestock Shows (Except for Horses and Dogs)	Show Arena	Extension Office
1:00 PM	9:00 PM	Schopmeyer Ag Building Open	Schopmeyer Ag Building	4-H Council
2:00 PM		Horse Contesting - Sponsored By:	Horse Arena	Jesse Johnson/Kasey Bowles
4:00 PM	8:00 PM	Food Truck Meal	Hospitality Building	Kevin Shonk
6:00 PM		Archery Shoot	Archery Area	Daniel Wisley
6:00 PM		Survivor Night (Mud Games)	East of Cattle Barn	Dustin Stevenson
6:00 PM		Mini 4-H Dog Show and 4-H Dog Club Agility Demonstration	Show Arena	Derik Tipton
Sunday, July 19 - Sponsored by:				
Time Begin	Time End	Event	Location	Coordinator
7:30 AM	11:00 AM	Biscuits and Gravy Breakfast by Town and Country Christian Mens Group	Hospitality Building	Shelby Hofmann
9:00 AM		Church Service by Jim Ringo from Town and Country Christian Mens Group	Hospitality Building	Shelby Hofmann
9:00 AM		Western Horse Show - Sponsored By:	Horse Arena	Jesse Johnson/Kasey Bowles
12:00 PM		Pygmy & Meat Goat Show - Sponsored By:	Show Arena	Jessica Steward and Amy Stagg
Immediately following Western Showmanship		Mini 4-H Horse Show	Horse Arena	Extension Office
9:00 PM	9:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Open	Exhibit Hall	Extension Office
9:00 PM	9:00 PM	Silent Auction open	Exhibit Hall	4-H Council
1:00 PM	9:00 PM	Schopmeyer Ag Building Open	Schopmeyer Ag Building	4-H Council
2:00 PM		Poultry Show - Sponsored By:	Poultry/Rabbit Barn	Tipton/Muston/Coley
2:00 PM	7:00 PM	Meal - Bowling Greene Community Church Chicken Noodle Dinner	Hospitality Building	Shelby Hofmann
2:30 PM		Little Miss and Mister Pageant	Hospitality Building	Brittany Duncan and Krista Dayhoff
6:00 PM		Fashion Revue (JUDGING IS WED, JULY 15)	Farm Bureau Free Stage	Extension Office
7:00 PM		Color Run Registration	Schopmeyer Ag Building	Bryce and Maria Schopmeyer
7:30 PM		Color Run Sponsored By: The Farm & Co. Dirtworx	Schopmeyer Ag Building	Bryce and Maria Schopmeyer
8:00 PM		Slip n Slide	Extension Office	Activities Committee
9:00 PM		King and Prince Pageant	Show Arena	Brittany Duncan
Monday, July 20 - Sponsored by:				
Time Begin	Time End	Event	Location	Coordinator
9:00 AM		English Horse Show - Sponsored By:	Horse Arena	Jesse Johnson/Kasey Bowles
10:00 AM	9:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Open	Exhibit Hall	Extension Office
10:00 AM	9:00 PM	Silent Auction Open	Exhibit Hall	4-H Council
10:00 AM		Starter Calf, Heifer & Steer Show - Sponsored By:	Exhibit Hall	Ross Hyatt/Deedra Arvin
Immediately following the Beef Show		Oldtimers Beef Showmanship	Show Arena	Ross Hyatt/Deedra Arvin
2:00 PM		Rabbit BBQ Contest	Hospitality Building	Melissa Orman
1:00 PM	9:00 PM	Schopmeyer Ag Building Open	Schopmeyer Ag Building	4-H Council
4:00 PM	8:00 PM	4-H Council Pork Chop Meal	Hospitality Building	4-H Council
4:30 PM		Pedal Tractor Pull Registration (Pull at 5:00)	Hospitality Building	Jr. Leaders
7:00 PM		Kickball - Fun Activity	Horse Arena	Dustin Stevenson

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Tuesday, July 21 - Sponsored by:				
Time Begin	Time End	Event	Location	Coordinator
9:00 AM		Sheep Show - Sponsored By:	Show Arena	Laura VanHorn
10:00 AM	9:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Open	Exhibit Hall	Extension Office
10:00 AM	9:00 PM	Silent Auction Open	Exhibit Hall	4-H Council
10:00 AM	11:00 AM	Book To Barn	Hospitality Building	Extension Office
10:00 AM	12:30 PM	Check in for the Mary Lou Dietz Memorial Flower Show	Schopmeyer Ag Building-North	Stephanie Schopmeyer
1:00 PM		Mary Lou Dietz Memorial Flower Show	Schopmeyer Ag Building	Stephanie Schopmeyer
1:00 PM	9:00 PM	Schopmeyer Ag Building Open	Schopmeyer Ag Building	4-H Council
4:00 PM	8:00 PM	Meal - 4-H Council "Jonah Fish Fry" Sponsored by:	Hospitality Building	Shelby Hofmann
4:00 PM		Dairy Show - Sponsored By:	Show Arena	Deedra Arvin
Immediately following the Dairy Show		Oldtimers Dairy Showmanship	Show Arena	Ross Hyatt/Deedra Arvin
8:30 PM		Musical Chairs- Fun Activity	Show Arena	Dustin Stevenson
Wednesday, July 22 - Sponsored by:				
Time Begin	Time End	Event	Location	Coordinator
10:00 AM	8:00 PM	Silent Auction open - Last Day!	Exhibit Hall	4-H Council
10:00 AM	9:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Open	Exhibit Hall	Extension Office
10:00 AM		Royal Tea Party	Hospitality Building	Brittany Duncan
11:00 AM	1:00 PM	Livestock Skill-a-Thon - Sponsored By :	Hospitality Building	Extension Office
1:00 PM		Swine Show - Sponsored By: Keystone Cooperative	Show Arena	Adam Evinger & Madison McDonald
1:00 PM	9:00 PM	Schopmeyer Ag Building Open	Schopmeyer Ag Building	4-H Council
4:00 PM	7:30 PM	BBQ Cook Off	Hospitality Building	Jonell Jones
7:00 PM	10:00 PM	Line Dancing	Hospitality Building	4-H Council
8:30 PM		Dodge Ball Tournament Sponsored By:	Show Arena	Dustin Stevenson
Thursday, July 23 - Sponsored by:				
Time Begin	Time End	Event	Location	Coordinator
9:00 AM		Dairy Goat Show - Sponsored By:	Show Arena	Jessica Steward and Amy Stagg
10:00 AM	9:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Open	Exhibit Hall	Extension Office
10:00 AM	11:00 AM	Book To Barn	Hospitality Building	Extension Office
3:30 PM		Round Robin Participant meeting	Hospitality Building	Tiffany Ludwig
4:00 PM	8:00 PM	Clay Co Paegent Meal	Hospitality Building	Brittany Duncan
1:00 PM	9:00 PM	Schopmeyer Ag Building Open	Schopmeyer Ag Building	4-H Council
5:30 PM		4-H Member Senior Recognition Program	Show Arena	Extension Office
7:00 PM		Round Robin Showmanship - Sponsored By:	Show Arena	Tiffany Ludwig
9:00 PM		Livestock Released	Barns	Extension Office
Friday, July 24 - Sponsored by:				
Time Begin	Time End	Event	Location	Coordinator
10:00 AM		Rocket Shoot	Horse Arena	Extension Office
1:00 PM		Cat Show	Exhibit Hall	Extension Office
2:00 PM		Pet Animal Show	Exhibit Hall	Extension Office
4:30 PM		Auction Buyers Meal Sponsored By:	Hospitality Building	Shelby Hofmann
6:30 PM		Livestock Auction	Show Arena	Shelby Hofmann/Megan Stevenson
7:00 PM	9:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Projects Released	Exhibit Hall	Extension Office
Saturday, July 25				
8:00 AM	10:00 AM	Exhibit Hall Projects Released	Exhibit Hall	Extension Office
8:00 AM	12:00 PM	Fairgrounds Clean Up	Fairgrounds	All 4-H Clubs & Exhibitors
Wednesday, August 26th				
6:00 PM		Annual Fair Review Meeting	Schopmeyer Ag Building	4-H Council
Wednesday, October 7				
Time Begin	Time End	Event	Location	Coordinator
6:00 PM		Clay County 4-H Awards Program	Exhibit Hall	Extension Office

STATE FAIR FOOD DRIVE

Throughout the fair this year we will be holding a food drive at the Extension Office. All proceeds will be donated to the Clay County Emergency Food Pantry.

If you bring in 10 nonperishable items or \$10.00, you will receive one State Fair ticket. This ticket will be good for the entry of one person into the Indiana State Fair.

The Indiana State Fair will be held August 7th - 23rd (closed Mondays) at the Indiana State Fairgrounds in Indianapolis.

