

Newsletter

April 2023

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News



1st Annual Spring Fling

On Tuesday March 21st we held our first SPRING FLING. Over 100 community members braved the cold to come out and learn more about Purdue Extension Dubois County. Each of our Educators had activities for children as well as resources for adults.

Community Educators

OUR MISSION

We deliver practical, research-based information that enhances lives and livelihoods.

OUR VISION

We will be a leader in providing relevant, high-impact educational programs that transform the lives and livelihoods of individuals and communities.

Our specialists and educators connect Dubois County communities to world-class Purdue University research and a nationwide network of experts in agriculture, community, environment, family, food, and youth.

Purdue Extension Dubois County improves lives and livelihoods by delivering tested and trusted educational resources. We offer programming in Agriculture and Natural Resources, Health and Human Sciences, Economic and Community Development and 4-H Youth Development.



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HHS

Health and
Human
Sciences



Family

Money

Food and Nutrition

Healthy Communities

How Can HHS Help You?

I created a quick survey to gather input about future programs that people would enjoy seeing. Please follow this link. bit.ly/HHSsurvey23



If you're seeking a presenter for your group or organization in regards to food, nutrition or other wellness topics, reach out. Chances are we can help!

Contact

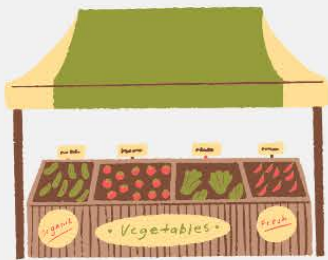
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SAVE THE DATE

DUBOIS COUNTY LOCAL FOODS EXPO



AUG 22, 2023

**INCLUDING A
POP-UP FARMERS MARKET**

&

SPEAKERS

**DR. JAMES FARMER, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, SCHOOL OF
PUBLIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AT INDIANA
UNIVERSITY**

**DR. JULIA VALLIANT, ASSISTANT RESEARCH SCIENTIST,
SUSTAINABLE FOOD SYSTEMS SCIENCE AT INDIANA
UNIVERSITY**

**FEATURING A LOCALLY
SOURCED MEAL PREPARED
BY CHEF PHIL BARTH**



Dubois County 2023 Workshops

Preserve It Now... Enjoy It Later with Canning



**Boiling
Water
Bath**

**June 23, 2023
6:00-8:00 PM**

**Pressure
Canning**

**July 7, 2023
6:00-8:00 PM**

**Dubois County Fairgrounds
Clover Pavilion Office**
[4157 S State Road 162,
Huntingburg, IN 47542](https://www.duboiscountyfairgrounds.com/4157-S-State-Road-162-Huntingburg-IN-47542)

**COST \$30
REGISTRATION OPENING SOON**

Grab a friend and come learn about safe home food preservation featuring either Boiling Water Bath Canning or Pressure Canning. Learn the scientific reasons why we have our list of do's and don't; when they apply; and how to follow them to safely preserve your favorite summer produce. Each attendee will leave with product that we preserve in class together.

For questions or more information:

Call 812-482-1782

Email cebrewer@purdue.edu

Or Visit <https://extension.purdue.edu/county/dubois/>

Neighborhood Planting Project

FREE TREE GIVEAWAY



Thursday April 6th 4:00–7:00PM
Market Street Park Huntingburg, IN

Available trees:

American Plum, Black Cherry, Black Gum, Black Chokeberry, Chickapin Oak, Eastern Redbud, Elderberry, Hazelnut, Grey Dogwood, Persimmon, Shagbark Hickory, Washington Hawthorne.
(WHILE SUPPLIES LAST)



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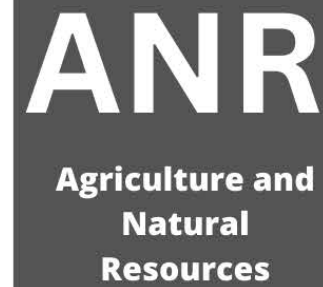


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RURAL ENGAGEMENT





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Agriculture and Natural Resource Extension (ANR) Educators serve as research based, unbiased information source for county and state constituents on a variety of topics including: crops, ag business, livestock, natural resource, horticulture, small farms, urban ag, pesticide use, and land conservation. In partnership with Purdue University subject matter experts, ANR Extension Educators can provide relevant and proven best management practices to address many clients' situational needs.

Private Pesticide Applicator Rules Changed for 2023

There were some recent revisions to the Indiana pesticide rules that affect applicators, particularly those who apply Restricted Use Pesticides (RUPs). These revisions have been in process since 2018, and became a part of the rules in January 2023.

One change involves record keeping. As previously required, **all applicators** (both private and commercial) using RUPs and all commercial applicators using any pesticide at schools or golf courses or for termite control must keep records of those applications for at least two years. The required record keeping items remain largely unchanged, with the notable addition of a start and stop time for each application.

The biggest change, however, is that **only fully certified applicators** (private and commercial) are now allowed to apply Restricted Use Pesticides (RUPs). The previous rule was that RUPs could be applied by anyone who was supervised by a private or commercial fully licensed applicator.

Since the changes were announced, there have been several conversations with local farm families. In all these cases, the father holds a Private Applicator's license, but the son has been doing most of the RUP applications under the father's supervision, as was permitted by the old rules. Under the new rule, the son would need to get his own license if the son is to continue to apply RUPs. Likewise, hired help will now be required to be licensed if they have previously been doing RUP applications under the supervision of a license holder.

So, how do you obtain a Private Applicator license? The most popular way to take the exam has been to obtain the training manual for the CORE exam (PPP-13), study the manual at home, and then take the exam at the Ivy Tech Community College in Evansville (other testing locations available at <https://tinyurl.com/5kb6898w> or ph. 877-533-2900). The test is administered by the Metro Institute, and Ivy Tech merely provides the supervision during the exam.

To prepare for the exam, the study manual can be purchased for \$40 plus shipping at <https://tinyurl.com/yrxswt5> or by calling 765-494-6794. Manuals are available in English and Spanish.

Once you receive a manual, go on-line to <https://tinyurl.com/5yy5xay6> or call 1-877-533-2900 to schedule an appointment to take the exam. Leave a message and let them know when the best time is to reach you. Everyone taking the exam must show a government-issued photo ID. Contact the Indiana State Chemist at 756-494-1492 for alternative identification, if needed. A person is allowed three attempts to take the exam in 12 months' time. There is a \$55 fee for use of facilities through Ivy Tech.



The University of Kentucky College of Agriculture, Food and Environment is leading a series of webinars on various aspects of raising poultry. You can find the webinar information at the website below.

<https://news.ca.uky.edu/article/uk-leads-series-webinars-backyard-poultry-owners>

Spring Garden Calendar

April

Flowers, Vegetables, and Small Fruits

- Plant cool-season vegetables and flowers as soon as the ground has dried enough to work.
- Harden off transplants before planting outdoors by gradually exposing the young plants to outdoor conditions of wind, brighter sunlight, and lower moisture.
- Plant or transplant asparagus, rhubarb, and small fruit plants such as strawberries and brambles. Divide rhubarb and replant, if last year's planting produced seedstalks. Plant sections of certified, disease-free potato "seed" tubers.
- Remove winter mulch from strawberry beds as soon as new growth begins, but keep the mulch nearby to protect against frost and freezes and to help keep weeds under control.
- Remove weak, diseased, or damaged canes from raspberry plants before new growth begins. Remove old fruiting canes (if not removed last year), and shorten remaining canes if necessary.
- Prune grape vines to remove dead or weakened limbs, and repair support trellises as needed.



Lawns, Tree Fruits, Landscape Plants, and Woody Ornamentals

- Seed bare spots.
- Apply pre-emergence herbicides to control crabgrass (April 1-20 Southern Indiana). The herbicide siduron is the only crabgrass preventer that can be used on newly lawns.
- Bare-root stock should be planted before new top growth begins. Balled-and-burlapped and container stock can be planted later in spring.
- Remove and destroy overwintering bagworms from landscape trees and shrubs.
- Follow home orchard spray schedule to control insects and diseases. While trees are in bloom, use a pesticide containing fungicide only and no insecticide and thereby avoid injury to bees. Read and follow all label directions

Indoor Plants and Activities

- Pot-up roots of tuberous begonias and caladiums in April for transplanting to the garden later.
- Prune, repot, and clean houseplants as needed.
- Start seeds of warm-season crops for transplanting later to the garden (late March for Southern Indiana).

By Rosie Lerner & Michael Dana, Purdue Pub. HO-91-W

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SOUTHERN EXPOSURE

Southern Indiana's Land of Bluffs, Bayous, and Barrens

Our country's national parks are magnificent, but did you know you can see some of the same natural features for which they are famous right here in Indiana?

It's true, our state is home to amazing rock formations, awe-inspiring waterfalls, forests teeming with brilliantly colored wildflowers, and swamplands reminiscent of the Everglades. Come see for yourself at this FREE event with guest speaker **Michael Homoya**, former Indiana DNR Ecologist and Author of popular Midwest flora field guides.



Thursday April 13, 2023

Black Box Theatre

At the Thyen-Clark Cultural Center
(100 3rd Ave Jasper, IN)
Enter Through Door 11

6:30pm - Book Signing

7:00 - 8:00 pm - Presentation

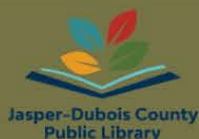
Ask About our
Guided Nature
Hike!

Limited Space,
RSVP Required

1:00 pm - Hemlock
Cliffs, Hoosier NF

For More Info Contact:

812-482-1171 x3, duboisswcd@gmail.com



Extension - Forestry
and Natural Resources



Access to Animal Medications: Plan Ahead for Coming Changes

Changes are coming to the way certain antibiotics will be available to animal owners by June 11, 2023. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has been taking steps to improve the judicious use of antibiotics in humans and animals. For animal owners, the next step is outlined in Guidance for Industry (GFI) #263. This document requires drug companies to change the labels on over-the-counter medically important antibiotics (MIA) to prescription status. The FDA has been working toward the goal of having all medically important antibiotics for animals fall under the oversight of veterinarians. In 2017, FDA required MIAs in feed to have a veterinary feed directive (VFD) and all antibiotics administered via water have prescription labels.

Not all drugs, and not even all antibiotics, will be affected by this rule change - only MIAs. Medically important antibiotics are those classes of antibiotics that are important for treating human disease. However, the most common over-the-counter antibiotics such as penicillin, tetracyclines, and sulfas fall in the medically important category and will no longer be available without a prescription. GFI #263 affects MIAs for livestock, equine, and small animals.

De-wormers, some coccidiostats, and some less common and non-MIA antibiotics will not have a label change.

Antibiotics you have on-hand after they are no longer available to buy without a prescription may be used legally. However, stocking up on these products is not recommended as they may expire before they can be used. The

best idea is to work with your veterinarian and have a plan in place for when animals may need antibiotics. If you don't currently have a regular veterinarian, now is a good time to reach out to one before an emergency occurs. Veterinarians are not obligated to write prescriptions or see animals, particularly after hours, if they are not regular clients. A valid veterinary client patient relationship (VCPR) is required for veterinarians to write prescriptions. To establish a valid VCPR, be prepared to have an annual visit from the veterinarian in order to have access to emergency visits and prescriptions. This federal rule change does not mean a veterinarian needs to see every animal every time it is sick. However, how you and your veterinarian will handle sick animals, prescriptions, and emergency situations is a conversation that should be completed in advance.

Source: Debbie Boyd, DVM; Indiana State Board of Animal Health



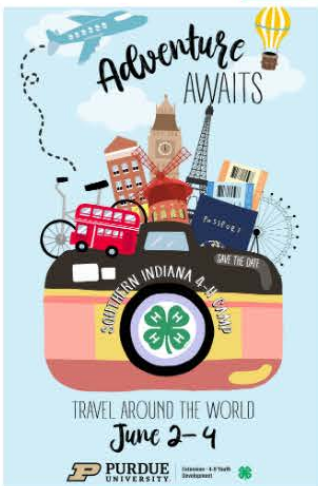
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As we move into April and May, please know that Purdue Extension – Dubois County office is here to support you. I have knowledgeable staff in the office and they are fully capable of answering any 4-H questions. Know that the information given from the other staff would be the same if you were to talk to me.

Please READ the newsletter. It has all sorts of information that will answer majority of your questions. We will still send information through mail, just not as much and not as often. Like everyone else, our office is on a budget and we are trying to send out information more regularly but in a manner that is more cost effective.

Thank you,
Lauren Fenneman



4-H Camp

Country Lake Christian Retreat <https://www.countrylake.org/>

Grades 3-8

June 2-4, 2023

Cost: \$195 – Includes accommodations, meals, snacks, activity supplies, and 4-H Camp t-shirt.

If cost is a barrier for your child to attend camp, please call Purdue Extension – Dubois County office at 812-482-1782 and talk to Lauren about options.

Other counties may have a different price depending on funding.

Become A Preservation Pro

- Space is limited! First come, first serve!
- Wednesday, May 31st 10 am – 4 pm ET
- Vanderburgh 4-H Center Boonville
- \$70/ Lunch provided
 - Register in 4-H Online and submit payment by cash or check to Purdue Extension- Dubois County. Your spot is not reserved until payment is received.

BECOME A PRESERVATION PRO

FOOD PRESERVATION WORKSHOP
Wednesday, May 31
9 AM – 3 PM CT / 10 AM – 4 PM ET
Vanderburgh 4-H Center
Banquet Hall, 201 E Boonville New
Harmony, Evansville
For youth in grades 3-12
Cost: \$70
Lunch provided

Space is limited! First come, first serve!

Register in 4-H Online at v2.4honline.com by May 19. You do not have to be a 4-H member to participate. Contact Purdue Extension – Vanderburgh Co. at (812) 867-4935 with questions.

Join us to learn freezing, drying, boiling water bath canning, jams/jelly, pickling, and more! We will be covering levels A-C of the 4-H Foods manual. Leave with completed 4-H preserved foods project and a copy of the University of Georgia's "So Easy to Preserve" book.

Purdue University is an equal opportunity institution. If you have a disability, please call us at (812) 867-1022.

4-H FAQs



BUILDING A FOUNDATION

FOR A LIFETIME

4-H FAIR

July 17-21, 2023

Keep up to date at the website

<https://bit.ly/DC4HFAIR23>

Dubois county 4-H Sweepstakes Program

You could win \$100 and your choice of a 4-H blanket or Backpack!

How do you sign up?

1. 4-H youth who enter at least 5 static entries in the fair are eligible.
2. Select your favorite 5 entries and submit a Sweepstakes Form during project check in.
3. The top 3 youth will be select based on scores from the 5 entries they submitted.
4. Points will be given according to placing and state fair selection.
5. Winners will be announced at the Fair Awards night.

DUBOIS COUNTY 4-H

VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS

&

PERFORMING ARTS

SHOWCASE

FRIDAY | 28 APRIL | 6:30 PM

Jasper Library | Black Box Theater

4-H Youth in Grades 3-12 to showcase their talents and passion about specific topics this event.

Verbal Communications includes Public Speaking, Demonstrations, Informative 4-H Presentation, and Professional Persuasive Presentation.

All verbal communication participants will be able to showcase at Dubois County 4-H Fair and winners will move on to present at the Indiana State Fair.

Performing Arts includes skits or sketches, vocal, instrumental, bands, dance gymnastics, puppetry, magic, and other entertainment appropriate for family audiences.

Performing Arts Winners will move on to an area contest with the possibility to be selected to perform at State 4-H Trips and Indiana State Fair.

Register @ <https://forms.gle/SXnaRWk7go1dn1kJ8>

Registration Deadline is

April 7th

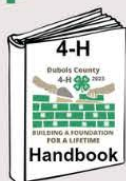


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4-H

**T-shirt & Handbook
Pick-up**



**April 19th 4-6 pm in
the Clover Pavilion**

- **What is the difference between 4-H Handbook and 4-H manuals?** 4-H Handbook provides resources about the 4-H program in Dubois County and the general exhibit guidelines for each project area. 4-H manuals are resources on the specific topic for a specific age group that leads them through activities and questions that get the youth thinking more about the topic area. It also helps them think of items they can cover as an exhibit for the 4-H Fair.
- **Do projects require manuals?** SOME of them do! Only cats and dogs need to complete a manual and turn in at check in of 4-H Fair. Other projects have manuals as a resource to create the exhibit.
- **If I need a manual, how do I get a manual?** If the project does not require a manual, all the libraries have a copy of them. You can go there to check them out and return them after done using. Our office also has a lending library to borrow 4-H manuals and return within three weeks. If you are signed up for Cats or Dogs and do not have a manual, please contact our office.
- **Does your office have 4-H project supplies?** It depends. If your exhibit requires a poster, we have the hard backing foam core and plastic sleeves for purchase. We do have limited amount of electric project kits available for purchase. We do not have any supplies available for purchase for arts and crafts.
- **What if we don't have a computer at home?** Please contact our office so we can work with you. We have computers available for you to use. If you cannot come during office hours, please contact Lauren at lhaase@purdue.edu or 812-482-1782 and we can make arrangements for you to come in and use the computers after hours. We will have computers available at the fairgrounds on Saturday, May 6th from 7 AM until 9 AM. You will be able to enter animal information and add or drop project areas. 4-H Online is somewhat mobile friendly but if something is not working correctly, please try using a tablet or computer.

4-H Animals

Animal Tag Request

- Beef and Swine members can order tags via Google Form at <https://forms.gle/DXs9aLYTaY4sKiBY7>
Please allow up to 72 hours for us to get your tags organized. Each exhibitor will have to submit a separate form.
- Sheep and Goats will wait until after May 6th tagging to use the Google Form.

Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care

To exhibit Beef, Dairy, Goats, Poultry, Rabbits, Sheep, and Swine

Sign up in 4-H Online

- April 21st – 6:30 pm
- May 18th – 6:00 pm
- May 23rd – 6:30 pm
- June 7th – 6:30 pm
- July 5th – 6:00 pm



4-H Graduating Members

Congratulations on nearing the end of your 4-H Career! We want to celebrate you. Please complete form by June 1st bit.ly/4HSenior23

4-H Volunteer Corner

Save the Date for following meetings: You have spoken! 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm

April 19, 2023 – 6:30 pm Clover Pavilion

June 21, 2023 – 6:30 pm Clover Pavilion

Activity – Sportfishing: Tying Useful Knots – Have the youth practice tying useful knots. The Highlight Book of “Things To Do” have instructions on how to tie and what the knots would be useful for on page 24.

Role Call – Community Service that I want to do with the 4-H club

Community Service Idea – Help to serve a meal for the community. This can be done either through event or community-based organization. Please call and see how your club can best help them.

More Activity Resources – Project manuals for the different project types offer many different activities to do with clubs. At the end the youth can report on a poster and exhibit the project learned at club at the 4-H Fair.



Purdue Extension – Dubois County 4-H website has a lot of the resources you need for your 4-H experience. Please take time to go bookmark this page and learn to navigate the website.

Upcoming Dates

- **April 3rd** - Junior Leader Meeting, 7 pm, Clover Pavilion
- **April 19th** - 4-H Handbook and T-shirt Pickup, 4-6 pm, Clover Pavilion
- **April 19th** - Adult Leader Meeting, 6:30 pm, Clover Pavilion
- **April 21st** - Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Training, 6:30 pm, clover Pavilion
- **April 28th** - Dubois County 4-H Verbal Communications and Performing Arts Showcase, 6:00 pm, Black Box Theatre
- **May 6th** - Sheep and Goat Animal Tagging, 7-9 am, Sheep and Goat Barn
- **May 7th** - Swine Barn Setup Only
- **May 8th** - Junior Leader Meeting, 7 pm, Dairy Barn
- **May 10th** - Q&A after office hours and able to come into the office, 6-8 pm, Purdue Extension Dubois County office
- **May 12th** - Area 3 Performing Arts Contest, 6:30 pm, North Posey High School Auditorium
- **May 15th** - Animal ID Deadline, v2.4honline.com
- **May 18th** - Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Training, 6:00 pm, Clover Pavilion
- **May 23rd** - Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Training, 6:30 pm, Clover Pavilion
- **June 3rd** - Sheep, Goat, and Cattle Barn Setup
- **June 7th** - Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Training, 6:30 pm, Clover Pavilion
- **June 12th** - Junior Leader Meeting, 7 pm, Clover Pavilion
- **June 15th** - Dubois County Tractor Operator Contest, 5:30 pm, Clover Pavilion
- **June 22nd** - Mini 4-H Summer Break Camp, 9-12 or 1-4 pm, Clover Pavilion
- **June 24th** - Area 3 Tractor Operator Contest, Knox County Fairgrounds, Bicknell, IN
- **June 29th** - Q&A after office hours and able to come into the office, 6-8 pm, Purdue Extension Dubois County office

July 17-21, 2023 Dubois County 4-H Fair

All Trips and Career Development Events

State 4-H Junior Leader Conference

DePauw University

Grades 9-12

Leadership development

June 13-16, 2023

4-H Academy
Purdue University
Grades 9-12
June 7-9, 2023



4-H Round-Up

Purdue University

Grades 7-9

June 26-28, 2023

4-H Band/Chorus
Purdue University
Grades 9-12
June 24-26, 2023

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