

#### HAMILTON COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

# **April 2025**

#### Spring is in the air - and so is 4-H fun!

April is here bringing blooming flowers, warmer days, and plenty of 4-H excitement! As you enjoy Spring Break, it's the perfect time to dive into your 4-H projects -whether you're capturing memories through Photography to put in a Scrapbook, getting creative with Arts and Crafts, Reading a new book, planning a staycation with Travelogue or preparing for a delicious family meal of Beef or Chicken Barbecue. 4-H is helping us learn by doing in our everyday life. Our office is open during Spring Break to pick up project manuals, 4-H Handbooks, and project supplies like electric kits and foam poster board backing the right size.

This month, we're also celebrating **National Volunteer Week April 20-26, 2025** by recognizing the incredible 4-H volunteers who make our programs possible. 264 4-H Volunteers had a \$755,568 financial impact our local community last year. Take a moment to thank a volunteer who has made a difference in your 4-H journey, and let's keep the springtime spirit going as we explore, create, and grow together!

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## **Announcements**

# VOLUNTEER WEEK SERVICE BINGO

Challenge: Make a BINGO or go for a card blackout!

Write a thank you to your first club leader

Bring a special snack to a 4-H volunteer

Make a sign thanking a 4-H volunteer Write a letter to the editor on the importance of volunteering

Make a sign thanking a 4-H volunteer

Learn about all the ways someone can volunteer in Illinois 4-H

Read a story abut a 4-H volunteer Ask a radio station to run a volunteer week thank you PSA Think of a plan to welcome new 4-H volunteers

Write a thank you to your current club leader

Think about a plan for a volunteer appreciation event Find out more about the Illinois 4-H Hall of Fame program FREE SPACE

Decorate a volunteer's yard with a thank you sign Plan a volunteer project to complete in the next month

Make or bring dinner for a volunteer Pick a bouquet of flowers to bring to a volunteer Make a care package for a community volunteer Surprise a volunteer with their favorite coffee or beverage

Learn about 10 ways to volunteer in your community

Share with someone you know how they can volunteer in 4-H

Find out a leader's birthday and plan a birthday card campaign Plan a volunteer project to complete in the next year

Write a thank you note to a community volunteer

Tie dye a tshirt or bag 4-H green for a volunteer



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Get ready to **dive into adventure** at this year's **Under the Sea** 4-H Camp at Shakamak State Park. This three-day, two-night camp offers a unique opportunity for 4-H'ers to explore the great outdoors with roasting marshmallows, boating, crafts, and more!

**Dates:** June 2–4, 2025

Eligibility: Open to all 4-H members currently in grades 3 through 6

Cost: \$125 per camper

Location: Shakamak State Park, Jasonville, Indiana

Register now at <a href="https://bit.ly/4butXI5">https://bit.ly/4butXI5</a>.



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As we dive into a new 4-H year, project leaders are scheduling workshops for 2025. Child Development, Clogging, and Mini Horse & Pony are starting this month. Be sure to check our <u>4-H Workshops webpage</u> for updates. More workshops are added weekly. You can also view upcoming club meetings, workshops, and other important 4-H meetings for the month on our <u>4-H Events Google Calendar</u>.



## **Attention Project & Club Leaders!**

- We are so thankful for the support of our volunteers and cannot wait for this new 4-H season! Please contact Lisa Hanni at <a href="mailto:lahanni@purdue.edu">lahanni@purdue.edu</a> or 317-776-0854 with your scheduling write up, dates, and questions.
- Hamilton County 4-H is still searching for a new project leader for Sportfishing. A project leader is a content specialist in that area who will answer questions, plan workshops, and assist with 4-H Fair activities.



6:30 - 7:30 P.M.

APRIL 17 DELAWARE TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY CENTER

MAY & NOBLESVILLE EAST

JUNE 5 HAMILTON CO. FAIRGROUNDS

## **Hamilton County 4-H Handbook**

The 2025 Hamilton County Handbooks are in! Stop in the Extension Office and pick up your copy! Updated guidelines for 2025 can also be found on the various 4-H Project webpages. The complete 2025 4-H Handbook can also be found on our website. Please read each of your projects' guidelines there may be updates from last year.



4-H Fair Photography Sponsorship



Sponsorship of an event at the 4-H fair will give your business recognition on each photo and announcement at the fair event. A banner with sponsor names/logos will also be displayed.

Apply here: <a href="https://forms.gle/qvhXaDVK84ovBCnX7">https://forms.gle/qvhXaDVK84ovBCnX7</a>



#### INDIANA 4-H QUALITY LIVESTOCK CARE

To exhibit BEEF CATTLE, DAIRY CATTLE, SWINE, SHEEP, MEAT GOATS, DAIRY GOATS, POULTRY, and RABBITS, 4-H members must be certified through the Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care training OR the online Youth for the Quality Care of Animals program (YQCA) by July 1, 2025.

1. This certification must be done on an annual basis

2.Pre-registration is preferred **BEFORE** attending a training

3. Members may attend any training dates listed on this flyer

**OR** a training in another county

OR complete the online YQCA training

**Training Dates** 

Training Locations

April 28, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Osprey Point

19777 Morse Park Ln, Noblesville, IN 46062

May 21, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Noblesville High School - Jr./Sr. Cafeteria

18111 Cumberland Rd, Noblesville, IN 46060

June 17, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Hamilton County Fairgrounds, Hall C

\*Certification cost is \$3. Please bring cash or check to the workshop

To register for the Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care program, please use <a href="https://in.4honline.com">https://in.4honline.com</a>. Click "Events" and then click "Register for an Event."

Those planning to be certified through the YQCA program will register at www.yqcaprogram.org and will present their completion certificate to their 4-H Educator. This is the only online option.

If you need to request special accommodations, please contact the Extension office @ 317-776-0854.

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# **Activities & Opportunities**

WESTFIELD CLOVERLEAVES 4H CLUB



# THIS PURDUE DAY OF GIVING, LET'S MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR THE OLD GOLD AND BLACK. TOGETHER, LET'S MAKE APRIL 30 OUR LOUDEST AND PROUDEST "ALL HAIL" YET!

#### DAYOFGIVING.PURDUE.EDU

Do you enjoy being a part of Hamilton County 4-H and want to give back to support our programs and activities? As part of Purdue Day of Giving, our county Extension office is rallying for support!

The money raised will help to further support innovative and impactful Extension programming, including 4-H, here in Hamilton County. If you have benefitted from an Extension program and/or 4-H, this is a great way to help give back so that we can continue the great work we do here!

Check our social media on April 30 to see where you can donate. For now, if you would like to learn more please go <u>here</u>.



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## **Virtual Entries Due May 1**

Open to youth in Boone, Hamilton, Hancock, Hendricks, Johnson, Marion, Morgan, and Shelby counties.



**Extension - Marion County** 



Hamilton County Master Gardeners Association 26th Annual

# PLANT SALE BRING YOUR OWN WAGON!

Saturday, May 17th 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds 2003 Pleasant Street, Noblesville, IN 46060

# Shop from our large selection of plants, including:

- ✓ Native Plants
- ✓ Hostas
- ✓ Perennials
- √ Vegetables
- ✓ Water Plants
- ✓ some Shrubs and Small Trees

Bearded Iris dug to order from our own beds!

Free Gardening information and expert planting advice!

No dogs allowed the day of the sale.

Hamilton County Master Gardeners Association is a nonprofit organization. Cash, Credit Card or Check for Payment



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Extension - 4-H Youth Development



bit.ly/in4hchorus

# STATE 4-H CHORUS

**Where:** Purdue University **When:** June 21-24, 2025

During the four days of the State 4-H Chorus workshop, youth improve their vocal and choreography skills alongside new friends from across Indiana as they prepare for a show choir performance during 4-H Round-Up. This workshop is open to all high school age youth; 4-H membership is not required. Selection is made by the State 4-H Chorus Director and Coordinator.





# 500+

#### AUDTENCE MEMBERS

The State 4-H Chorus workshop culminates in a show choir performance during 4-H Round-Up. This audience of over 500 4-H'ers, 4-H staff, and volunteers will be amazed by the skills learned in a short time by the State 4-H Chorus.

Contact your local Purdue Extension office to register: bit.ly/contactin4h



Contact our office at (317) 776-0854 to indicate interest and have the online registration form activated.



Extension - 4-H Youth Development

bit.ly/inband4h

# STATE 4-H BAND

**Where:** Purdue University **When:** June 21-23, 2025

The State 4-H Band workshop is an immersive, three day opportunity to learn about instrumental performance alongside new friends from across Indiana guided by Purdue University's Assistant Professor of Bands, Matthew Conaway. This workshop is open to all high school age youth; 4-H membership is not required. Selection is made by the State 4-H Band Director and Coordinator.





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#### AUDTENCE MEMBERS

The State 4-H Band workshop culminates in a concert band performance during 4-H Round-Up. This audience of over 500 4-H'ers, 4-H staff, and volunteers will be amazed by the skills learned in a short time by the State 4-H Band.

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Creative Arts

At 4-H Academy, high school students visit Purdue University to dive deep into a subject of their choice, interact with faculty and industry professionals, and meet new friends from across Indiana.

Personal Finance





Contact your county's Purdue Extension 4-H Educator before May 9 to register.

To learn more, visit bit.ly/in4hacademy









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# 4-H Round-Up



We want you to join us at 4-H Round-Up, June 23-25, 2025! Attend the summer after your 7th, 8th, or 9th grade year to make new friends from across the state and explore different career paths while getting a taste of college life on Purdue

University's campus. Learn more at <u>bit.ly/in4hroundup</u>, or contact our office at (317) 776-0854 to register.



# Y-H INCLEMENT WEATHER REMINDER

In case of inclement weather, meeting cancellations will be recorded on the Extension Office voicemail after 4:30 p.m. and posted on social media.



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#### **Help Us Promote 4-H**

Purdue Extension has yard signs, posters, buttons, and lots of other cool stuff to help you promote 4-H in your neighborhood. Contact Bernie Huber for more information at bchuber@purdue.edu or 317-776-0854. Or follow our social media pages below.

# **Important Dates**

### **April**

- Bridges to Adventure virtual session April 2
- Bridges to Adventure in-person session April 5
- Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Training April 28
- Purdue Day of Giving April 30

### May

- Beef and Dairy ID Day May 3
- Bridges to Adventure virtual session May 14
- 4-H Animal ID Enrollment Deadline May 15
- 4-H Project Add/Drop Deadline May 15
- Bridges to Adventure in-person session May 17
- Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Training May 21

#### June

- 4-H Academy June 11-13
- Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Training June 17
- 4-H Band June 21-23
- 4-H Chorus June 21-24
- 4-H Round-Up- June 23-25

### **Looking Ahead**

- 4-H Camp Shakamak- June 2-4
- Exploring 4-H Day Camp June 10-11
- Hamilton County 4-H Fair 2025: July 17-21 | 2025 Livestock Auction: July, 22

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