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### HAPPY NEW (4-H) YEAR!!!

**INDIANA 4-H** 

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#### Welcome by Kati Sweet - 4-H Educator

The time has come again to enroll or re-enroll for 4-H in Hendricks County and across the state!! Be sure to visit v2.4honline.com to get registered today!! Want to learn more about our program or need help signing up? Mark your calendars for our 4-H Open House on Tuesday, October 26th from 4-7 p.m. at the Hendricks County 4-H Fairgrounds. We will have examples of several projects for youth to explore, 4-H Leaders to talk to, and our office will be open to purchase 4-H manuals and resources. We will also have an area to help members get enrolled in 4-H! Be sure to invite your friends, families, and neighbors to attend! Free snacks and free prizes will also be given away! See page 3 for more details!

October means it's time for National 4-H's STEM Challenge! This year, the challenge is Galactic Quest. We will be hosting a program on November 11th for 3rd-8th graders! For more information, see page 4.

Did you know National 4-H Week is also in October?! What better way to kick off our new year than celebrating 4-H for a whole week! On the week of October 3-9 we will be having several fun activities on our social media accounts and in our office! Look at page 2 for more information about how you can participate!

While we prepare for the new 4-H Year, we want to also encourage our 4-H members to promote 4-H in their own ways! Tell your friends, share on social media, connect with your school -- however you want to share your 4-H story, we want to help you! We have several resources and supplies here at the office if there are events programs, or ways we can promote 4-H in the coming months.

We are looking forward to another great year full of fun, learning, and opportunities in the Hendricks County 4-H Program.

## **4-H OPPORTUNITIES**

### Junior Leaders

KICK OFF: Saturday, November 6th from 6-8 p.m. at Washington Township Park.

MEETING DATES: Tuesday, December 7th Wednesday, January 12th Thursday, February 17th Monday, March 7 Wednesday, April 20 Tuesday, May 10 Thursday, June 9 Monday, June 20

MOST meetings will be at the Fairgrounds from 6:30-8 p.m.

Completion Trip Tentatively: Tuesday, July 26



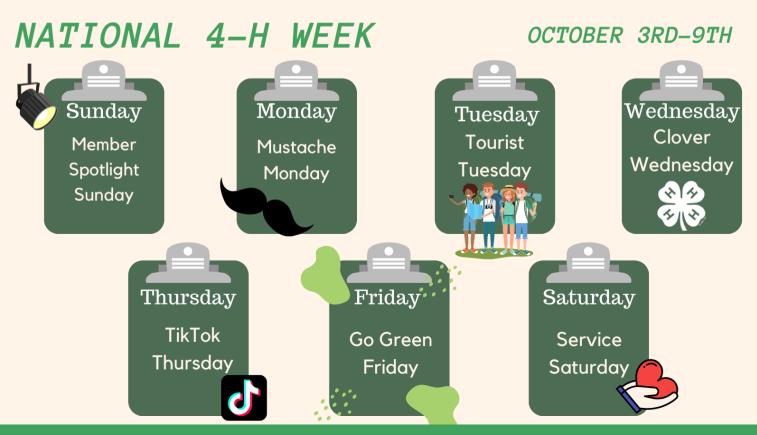




MORE DETAILS COMING SOON!



## **NATIONAL 4-H WEEK!**



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## **4-H OPPORTUNITIES- CONTINUED**

### <u>4-H Enrollment</u>

As we look ahead this coming year, the 4-HOnline enrollment system will be open on October 1st!

During this time, youth will be able to enroll in 4-H online. You will be able to use your current log-in information to enroll for this coming year. If you have forgotten your password, you may request a new one or call the Extension Office.

### <u>4-H Open House</u>

This year's 4-H Open House will be on **Tuesday, October 26th from 4-7 p.m**. at the Fairgrounds. This is a chance for you to get better acquainted with our program. This is also your chance to bring your friends to join 4-H. There will be games and prizes, so come prepared to have a great time and learn more about 4-H!

### Blessing Box

Is your club looking for a Community Service project for this fall?!?! We have the perfect opportunity for you!

Purdue Extension- Hendricks County has adopted a Just Be Kind Blessing Box. It is now located on the Hendricks County 4-H Fairgrounds. We need help stocking the Blessing Box!

#### Link: https://bit.ly/BlessingBox2021

Not sure what is involved? Give our office a call at 317-745-9260 to discuss options. Sign up your club/organization today!



### Club and Project Leaders Needed!

Are you interested in helping with a 4-H Club or leading 4-H project workshops throughout the year? We have numerous clubs and projects that need additional adult volunteer help! Help ranges from club leaders to co-leaders to extra sets of hands to help with meetings and workshops. Fill out this survey: <u>https://bit.ly/3y6OYxM</u> or contact the Extension Office to see how you can help!

## Tractor Supply Paper Clover

Since 2010, Tractor Supply has partnered with 4-H to help create Opportunity4All and raise more than \$14 million through the Paper Clover campaign. The success of these campaigns has impacted over 81,500 youth by providing them with the tools and resources they need to move forward and reach their full potential.

100 percent of funds raised through the bi-annual
Paper Clover campaign directly benefits 4-H youth.
90 percent of donations directly support 4-H youth in the state where the funds were raised, and the remaining 10 percent supports the overall mission and growth of 4-H nationally.



## CLUB INFORMATION

#### <u>Safety Plan Update</u>

As of June 1, if your club/group is meeting OUTSIDE, you DO NOT need to submit a Safety Plan to Purdue! If your event/program/meeting is INSIDE, you will need to submit a plan for the inside portion of the meeting. A general safety plan for all club meetings at the fairgrounds has also been submitted. Any extra events, programs, or workshops will need to submit one still if indoors. More info will be sent to leaders!!



# **Project Spotlight**



Do you play sports? Did you know you can turn your passion for sports into a 4-H project? You can also pick a new sport you might be interested in to learn about.

Youth interested in learning about and/or educating others on a certain sport may be interested in enrolling in this project. Participants will explore a sport and determine what skills they want to develop or improve. This is a great way to try something new or pick up a skill which will keep them active for years to come.

### National 4-H STEM Challenge

This year's STEM Challenge will be Galactic Quest! You will be able to unlock the mysteries of space exploration and learn about space and the galaxy!

Come and Join us on Thursday, November 11th from 6-8 p.m. at the Hendricks County 4-H Fairgrounds to learn more about space!

Sign ups and more information coming soon!

### 4-H Youth Council

The next 4-H Youth Council meeting will be *Monday, October 25* at 7 p.m. both in-person at the Fairgrounds and virtually via Zoom.



### 4-H Adult Leaders

Be sure to turn in your Club Leader Check In Sheets! They were mailed to you in early September! You can also find them at: <u>https://bit.ly/2022HCLeaders</u>

> Next Leaders Meeting: February 2021

### 4-H Fairboard

The next 4-H Fairboard meeting will be on *Monday, October 4* at 7:00 p.m. - both virtually and in person at the Fairgrounds. Be on the lookout for the virtual link soon.



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## **HHS UPDATE**



### RT2: Read, Taste and Touch

Join the Hendricks County RT2 Book Club for pre-school age through first grade children and their parents. Each child signed up for the RT2 Book Club will receive a monthly newsletter featuring a new book, which should be available from your local library, along with activities related to the story. Book Club members will be invited to attend "RT2 Celebration Week" during the Hendricks County 4-H Fair in July. They will hear a book featuring agriculture and nutrition, create a craft, and sample a snack related to the story. They can then visit the day's featured animal on the fairgrounds. October's featured book is The Runaway Pumpkin by Kevin Lewis. Read what happens when the three young Baxter children stumble upon a giant pumpkin. Find this book online at: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QuOINjnu2Gc</u>

To become a member of the RT2 Book Club, email hendrces@purdue.edu or call 317-745-9260.

## **ANR UPDATE**

# Hendricks County Master Gardeners to offer Adventures in Gardening Program

The Hendricks County Master Gardeners are hosting an Adventures in Gardening program on Saturday, October 9, 2021. Topics include the following: The Basics of Beekeeping, Microgreens, Seed Saving, Seeding Your Future and Native Alternatives to Invasive Landscaping. During lunch time, the Demonstration Gardens can also be toured and enjoyed as well.

This event is open to the public for anyone who wants to learn more about the above topics. Registration is required and the \$25 fee includes lunch and snacks. The registration deadline is October 6th at 6:00 p.m. This event will be held at the Hendricks County 4-H Fairgrounds Complex in Danville, Indiana from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. with doors opening at 8:00 a.m. Silent Auction items will also be available to bid on.

The schedule and registration can be found on the Hendricks County Purdue Master Gardener website at https://www.hendricksgardeners.com/.Registration can be completed online with a credit card or contact the Purdue Extension Office at 317-745-9260 to register with check/cash.



# Important 4-H Dates

### October, November, and December 2021

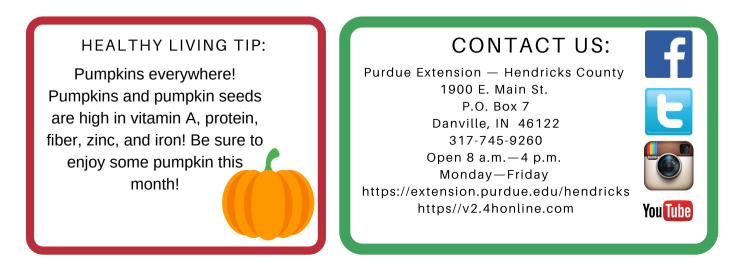
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October 1- 4Honline Opens! October 4- Fairboard Meeting; Fairgrounds- 7 p.m. October 11- Extension Office CLOSED! October 14- Discovery Club Meeting; Fairgrounds- 6:30 p.m. October 25- Youth Council Meeting; Fairgrounds- 7 p.m. October 26- 4-H Open House; Fairgrounds- 4-7 p.m. November 1- Fairboard Meeting; Fairgrounds- 7 p.m. November 11- Extension Office CLOSED! November 11- Discovery Club Meeting; Fairgrounds- 6:30 p.m. November 18- Llama/Alpaca Workshop; Fairgrounds- 6:30 p.m. November 22- Youth Council Meeting; Fairgrounds- 7 p.m.

November 25 and 26- Extension Office CLOSED!

December 6- Fairboard Meeting; Fairgrounds- 7 p.m

- December 9- Discovery Club Meeting; Fairgrounds- 6:30 p.m.
- December 23- Extension Office Closed at 11:30 a.m.
- December 24- Extension Office CLOSED All Day!
- December 31- Extension Office CLOSED All Day!



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# **For Coat Collection Sites**

## Collection Dates: Sept. 26 - Oct. 10

Thank you for volunteering to be a coat collector for the Bundle'em Up Coat Drive. We are asking the collectors to be responsible for making sure that the coats are clean and in the best possible condition to be given away. If coats are in need of repair, please discard. If you are able to launder coats, that would be wonderful.

# Please bring coats to the Hendricks County Fair Grounds <u>SMALL ANIMAL BARN</u>

October 13, 14 and 15th from 10am-12pm

Coat Giveaway will be held for the community on Saturday, October 16th from 10 :00 AM - 2:00 PM