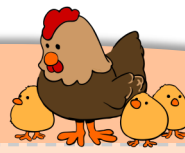




May & June 2024



EXTENSION CONNECTION

Purdue University—Huntington County

There are many IMPORTANT 4-H deadlines in the month of May and June. PLEASE read this newsletter carefully and mark your calendar, put reminders in your phone, check on your family and friends to make sure you don't miss meeting these important deadlines.



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The Extension Office will be closed Tuesday, May 7, 2024 for Primary Election Day and Monday, May 27th in observance of Memorial Day.



Extension - Huntington County



Last date for submission of information for the July & August 2024 newsletter is June 21, 2024

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4-H Project Judging

Tuesday, July 16, 2024, at the Fairgrounds

Projects to be judged:

- Consumer Clothing, Sewing (Wearable and Non-wearable) Check in is from 8:30am-9 am and judging starts at 9 am.
- Fashion Review for Sewing will begin at 11am. Please be ready.
- Fashion Review for Consumer Clothing will begin at 1 pm. Check-in begins at 12:30 pm

For Thursday and Friday Project Judging, this is an Open House style judging. You can arrive anytime between the times given to have your project checked-in and judged.

THURSDAY, JULY 18, 2024- 9 am – 12 pm, Fairgrounds

Junior Leaders helping with judging will have check-in and judging from 8:30-9 am. **All other members will have from 9am-12pm** to check-in and have your projects judged. Judging will take place at the same time as check-in.

Projects to be judged on Thursday: Aerospace, Animal Posters, Arts & Crafts (Basic, Fine Arts, Needlecraft, Models, Construction/Architectural Replica), Cake Decorating, Child Development, Collections, Communications, Entomology, Foods (ALL Categories), Forestry, Genealogy, Geology, Giftwrapping, Health, Microwave Foods, Patio Cooking, Performing Arts & Sports, Photography, Reading, Scrapbooking, Shooting Sports, Sportfishing, Weather, Wildlife.

Thursday July 18, 2024: Mini 4-H Project check in from 4 pm-6 pm

NOTE: If you cannot attend the judging times for Thursday as stated above, you may drop off your projects Wednesday evening from 4 pm-6 pm

Friday, July 19, 2024, 9 am - 11 am, Fairgrounds

Friday judging will work in the same format as Thursday judging. Junior Leaders helping with judging will have check-in and judging from 8:30-9am. **All other members will have from 9am-11am** to check-in their projects.

Projects to be judged: Aquatic Science, Beekeeping, Crops (ALL Categories), Home Environment, Electric, Floriculture, Gardening, Recycling, Soil & Water, Small Animals, Small Engines, Tractor Poster, Veterinary Science, Woodworking

NOTE: If you cannot attend the judging times for Friday as stated above, you may drop off your projects Thursday evening from 4 pm-6 pm

State Fair possible/ honor selections for project judging will be held until ALL judging of the respective projects are completed. **Any projects not in the building for judging by the end of judging will be considered late.**

4-H Youth Development



4-H skills last a lifetime!

Huntington County 4-H Scholarships (deadline to apply for each of the following is May 31):

- Janell Marie Saunders Nursing/Health Profession (\$1,000)
- Ray Vanderspool Memorial (\$1,000)
- Huntington County 4-H (2 at \$500)
- Huntington County 4-H Beef (\$500)
- Huntington County 4-H Swine (up to 4 at \$500)
- Huntington County 4-H Goat (3 at \$500)
- Huntington County 4-H Horse & Pony (\$500)
- George Guy Memorial Huntington Co. 4-H Dog (up to 2 at \$250)
- Huntington County Master Gardener (up to 3 at \$500.00 each)
- **NEW:** 4-H STEAM Project Scholarship (up to 5 at \$50 each)

4-H Scholarship Information



For applications please contact the Extension Office or go to: https://extension.purdue.edu/county/huntington/_docs/4h/scholarships4h.html

Congratulations to Samantha Atkinson for being awarded a \$500.00 Indiana 4-H Foundation Scholarship. Thank you to the 4-H Leaders Organization for your sponsorship of this scholarship!

Scholarship applications turned in to the Extension Office go unopened directly to the respective Scholarship Committees. It is important to seal each application in an envelope labeled with your name and the scholarship inside the envelope.

FairEntry

Required to Exhibit at the 4-H Fair

FairEntry

You **MUST** also sign up to **EXHIBIT** your projects in FairEntry between June 1 and June 30, 2024. Log in with your 4honline login and password. Make sure you select the Huntington County Fair. Sign up for **ALL** projects/classes you plan to exhibit in. You can drop entries but not add them. You can make animal changes at a later date, but you **MUST** be signed up for the classes. See page 10, rule #22, of the 2024 fair book. Failure to do so will result in not being eligible of placing higher than a blue award.

Information will be sent on by US Mail on May 30th! It will be brightly colored papers so you can't miss it!!!

*Record Sheets are due to your club leader by the date announced for your club. All record sheets **MUST** be to leaders by June 30 to complete the 4-H project. You **MUST** turn in the appropriate record sheet to exhibit your project.*



4-H Livestock News

Reminder.....All Beef, Dairy Beef, Rabbit, Goat, Dairy, Horse & Pony, Sheep, Swine **MUST** be

enrolled online by 11:59 pm, May 15, 2024. **If you DO NOT have your animals entered online by the deadline you will only be eligible for participation and NOT able to sell your animal at the fair.** Information on how to ID these animals was mailed April 5, 2024.

- **Animals will be identified online at: v2.4honline.com. This is the same website which youth were enrolled for 2024. Each 4-H family is to complete the online identification by May 15 for all animals listed above.**
- When identifying your animals on-line, remember to check the “county born and raised” box for those animals born and raised in Huntington County. Note that the breeder information is not entered online. The volunteers assisting with weigh-in at the fair in July will need confirmation of the breeder.
- **Devices are available in the Extension Office for families to utilize if help is needed when identifying their animals online. If you need assistance after 4:30 pm, please call for an appointment.**
- **Poultry . . .** Hatch dates: Broilers - May 19 - 25, 2024. Pullets - Jan 1 - May 30, 2024. There are NO requirements in 4honline to ID your Poultry project. You **MUST** enter them in FairEntry (open June 1 - June 30).
- **Rabbit Meat Pens . . .** 4-H members must have meat pen does in their possession no later than May 1st. Breeding dates for does - during the week of April 15. With a gestation period of 30 days, meat pen litters must be under 70 days of age (10 weeks) at fair time. Members need to have meat pen rabbits from “6 class” breeds. The following breeds are preferred for meat pens: New Zealand, Californian, Champagne D'argent, Creme D'argent, American Chinchilla, Cinnamon, Palomino, Argent Brun and Satin.

*****Tattooing for rabbits will be June 26 and July 3 at the First Federal Saving Community Building at 7 pm. There is no charge for this service*****

4-H QLC / YQCA Requirement

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals or Quality Livestock Care is required to exhibit at the Huntington County 4-H Fair if you are showing Rabbits, Poultry, Goats, Sheep, Beef, Swine, Dairy, or Dairy Beef. Even if you are showing a “pet” in any of these species - you **MUST complete** the QLC or YQCA Training **by June 30 to be allowed to show.** There is one training remaining in Huntington County on May 16, @ 6 pm, in the Beacon Credit Union Heritage Hall. Other options to complete this requirement.

Option 1: Attend a Workshop in another county.

Option 2: Take the training online through YQCA.



*More livestock news.....***4-H Beef, Dairy Beef, Dairy, Goat, Sheep & Swine participants**

The Indiana Board of Animal Health requires that ALL addresses housing the above animals possess a Premise ID number to trace an animal's movement history within 48 hours in an emergency situation, and to provide more rapid communication and disease control. This 'Premise ID' has been required since September 2006 and includes 4-H animals, regardless of the number of animals a member may be raising. Many 4-H participants have already obtained this number, and youth new to 4-H can easily get one. Registration is free, relatively simple and the information required is minimal. You can receive your Premise ID number simply by calling (317) 544-2381. For additional questions about Indiana's premise ID program, contact BOAH at animalID@boah.in.gov.

Important Information on 840-RFID Tags

- ◆ All beef and dairy animals must have an 840-RFID tag entered online by May 15.
- ◆ Swine showing at the state fair must have an 840-RFID tag entered online by May 15. These tags are also available at the Extension office (The first 4 tags are free. There is a \$3.00 per tag charge if more than 4 tags are needed for a 4-H member). Swine arriving at the July 19 check-in will be identified with an 840-RFID tag, if they do not already have one.
- ◆ All meat goat wethers, market goat does, market lambs, and commercial/registered ewes showing at the state fair must have an 840-RFID tag entered online by May 15. The sheep and goat 840-RFID tags are Shearwell tags available at the Extension office. Taggers available to use with a \$20.00 deposit. Return the tagger - get your deposit back!



Indiana State Fair Entries

INDIANA STATE FAIR ANIMAL ENTRIES & HANDBOOK -The 2024 Indiana State Fair 4-H & FFA Handbook and 4-H Animal Entry Forms are available online at: <https://www.indianastatefair.com/p/state-fair/competitions--contests>

INDIANA STATE FAIR RULES FOR DNA HAIR SAMPLES

DNA hair samples are required for **all beef steers/heifers, dairy cattle, meat goat wethers, boer goat females, market goat does, market lambs, commercial/registered ewes, and swine** to be eligible for the 2024 Indiana State Fair. Collection instructions are available for each species at the following website: <https://extension.purdue.edu/4h/Pages/animal-id.aspx>. A printed copy of collection instructions may also be picked up at the Extension Office.

The hair samples need to be placed in a specific envelope provided by the Extension Office. It is the **4-H member's responsibility to collect an adequate sample and turn in the Huntington County Extension Office by Monday, May 15. DO NOT place in the after hours drop box. The DNA hair samples are only required for any of the aforementioned species that may show at the Indiana State Fair.**





Friend of Extension Award Nominations...

If you know someone who has exhibited strong participation, leadership, or cooperation with Extension activities and would like to nominate them for the Friend of Extension Award, please contact the office or visit our website to obtain a nomination form. Nominations are due July 1, 2024.



**4-H Royalty Contest
Entry Due: May 15, 2024**

Royalty Contest, Sponsored by First Federal Savings Bank, will be held Friday, July 12, 2024 at 7 PM in the Beacon Credit Union Heritage Hall. Entry forms available at the Extension Office or at extension.purdue.edu/huntington

Each contestant must be a current 4-H member. Youth who have participated in the 4-H Royalty contest previously and NOT selected Royalty Champion are eligible to compete again. Participants must be at least 16 years old by August 21, 2024.

The Huntington County 4-H Royalty Contest Score Card will be used in judging the contest. Criteria will include: 1-2 minute speech, personal interview, impromptu question, business and formal wear, and poise.

The 4-H Royalty Contest is FUN!!!

- ◆ It is a great way to meet kids your own age from different clubs.
- ◆ You have the opportunity to practice skills that will help you in the future.
- ◆ You have the opportunity to win scholarships!

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- :) **Huntington County 4-H**
- :) **Huntington County 4-H Tractor**
- :) **Huntington County 4-H Royalty**
- :) **Huntington County Fairgrounds**



Look for updates on events and meetings throughout the county on our pages! Visit our website for 4-H and other Extension information and events throughout the year at: www.extension.purdue.edu/huntington



“My 4-H Record of Achievement”

You are responsible for collecting and keeping information on your 4-H achievements. What office you held in your club? What projects you entered at the Fair and what ribbon you won? Any other special awards? **Forms are available to assist you.**

Why do I need it?
For award applications and scholarships - usually grades 10 - 12.

The Extension Office has limited information recorded about your 4-H career. **If you want detailed records - you need to keep them.**



A few reminders.....

- ♦ Office Hours are Monday - Friday, 8 am to 4:30 pm, We are closed on Holidays. There is a drop box outside the office door to use after hours. NO DNA envelopes are to be deposited in the drop box.
- ♦ The office can only accept cash or checks. NO credit/debit cards. Sorry :(
- ♦ Poster boards are \$4.00 & sleeves are \$2.00 for 22" x 28". Salon print 16" x 20" sleeves are .50 (sorry, no boards or matting) are available plus a limited number of Electric Div. 2 kits are available to purchase at the office.



2024 Fairbook. This is available on our web page. Every family was provided a printed copy available through your 4-H Club leader.

2024 4-H Fair Campers & Tents



ASSIGNMENTS: 4-H Fair Association officials will be making assignments on Saturday, June 15, 2024 from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. in the Hoosier Real Estate Show



Arena at the Huntington County Fairgrounds. After the 9 a.m.

Assignment deadline on June 15, please visit the Extension Office during normal business hours to complete the registration form, make payment, and receive your lot assignment(s). Please do not call the office and ask for a photo of the map!!!!

Mini 4-H Information

Mini 4-H Fun Day will be held Tuesday, June 11, 2024 from 10 am - 3 pm at Beacon Credit Union Heritage Hall, Fairgrounds. Cost \$12.00. This fun workshop will give the Mini 4-Hers an opportunity to learn more about animals and agriculture and to have fun with crafts and games. Lunch is included. Information was US mailed the last week of April to those members approved in 4honline as of April 29th. **Deadline to sign up is May 29th.**

- ♦ Pick up manuals at the Extension Office or request by email to ebrundig@purdue.edu.
- ♦ **Project Drop off...Thursday, July 18, 4 - 6 pm, Fairgrounds**



Next meeting...

◇ Monday, June 10, 2024, 7 p.m. at the Annex

Future Date:

◇ Monday, July 8, 2024 - 7 p.m. at the Annex



Thanks to Our Volunteers!

4-H Leader Information

Meeting Dates:

May 9-monthly meeting, 7 pm, First Federal Community Building

JUNIOR LEADER NEWS

June 10 – 7 pm, Beacon Credit Union Heritage Hall, Preparation for Mini 4-H Fun Day

Tuesday, June 11 Mini 4-H Workshop (this takes place during the day) Additional information will be coming. (All members should try to help with this event.) 4-H Jr Leaders are the teachers and line leaders for this event.

May

- 4 Goat & Sheep ID Day, Fairgrounds
- 9 Jr. Leaders, 7 pm, First Federal Savings Community Bldg
- 15 **Livestock Identification DUE, v2.4honline.com**
- 15 **Drop/Add date for 4-H projects**
- 15 **Royalty Contest Entries Due**
- 16 QLC 6 pm, Beacon Credit Union Heritage Hall
- 21 4-H Fair Board, 7 pm, Beacon Credit Union Heritage Hall
- 27 Memorial Day, County Offices Closed
- 29 Royalty Workshop, 6 pm, Beacon Credit Union Heritage Hall
- 31 **County 4-H Scholarships Due**

June

- 1 **Fair Entry Opens**
- 5 Royalty Workshop, 6 pm, Annex
- 11 Mini 4-H Fun Day
- 12 Royalty Workshop, 6 pm, Beacon Credit Union Heritage Hall
- 15 Fair Camping sign up, 8 am - 9 am, Hoosier Real Estate Show Arena
- 18 4-H Fair Board, 7 pm, Beacon Credit Union Heritage Hall
- 26 Royalty Workshop, 6 pm, Beacon Credit Union Heritage Hall
- 30 **Fair Entry Closes**

**July 19-25, 2024
Huntington County 4-H Fair**



**August 2 - 18, 2024
Indiana State Fair**



Remember these pre-fair events to attend and show your support!

⇒ Saturday, July 6th, 4-H Dog Show, 10 AM, First Federal Savings Community Building

⇒ Sunday, July 7th, 4-H Tractor Driving Contest, 1 pm, Fairgrounds

4-H Online vs. FairEntry



When do we need to use them?
Why do we use them both?

4-H Online

FairEntry

Who?

- Parents/ Families
- ALL 4-H Members
- ALL Program Volunteers
- Specialty Groups

Who?

- 4-H Fair Exhibitors
- Superintendents
- Fair Judges
- Check-in Volunteers
- Media Outlets for Fair Results

What?

- Animal Identification
- Selecting project areas to explore.
- 4-H Trips and other events
- 4-H Scholarships Application
- Club rosters for 4-H Leaders

What?

- Preparation for county fair
- County Fair Project Labels
- State Fair Qualifying Entries
- Livestock Show Bills
- Organization of Fair Results

When?

From start to end of the program year: October through September.

When?

Fair Season: Typically May through August

Where?

<https://v2.4honline.com/>

Where?

Direct link provided by county office
or
<https://fairentry.com/Public/FindYourFair>

Why?

- To express interest in the 4-H Program
- Improved communication between County and State and 4-H Families

Why?

- Prepare for county and state fair
- Get accurate numbers for project display purposes, and stall assignments





The Huntington County Purdue Extension Office is excited to offer the 2024-2025 Huntington County Community Leadership Program. The Extension Office, along with an advisory group, has been working on the implementation of a new program that will help develop the community leadership skills of area business, non-profit and county leaders.

Purdue Extension’s Community Leadership Program is a leadership development course for adults who want to make a difference in their communities. Through this series of interactive modules, participants develop their own leadership capacity and learn about the people, organizations and institutions that make up their communities and how they can engage in serving their communities more deeply.

The Leadership Program is comprised of nine sessions that meet monthly from September 2024 through May of 2025 at locations in Huntington County. Cost is \$400 per person – a limited number of scholarships will be available through the Community Foundation of Huntington County.

Applications will be open for the 2024-2025 program from May 1 through July 12. Payment for approved participants will be due by August 15.

Apply online at <https://extension.purdue.edu/county/huntington> or use the application direct link at www.huntingtonccf.org/leadership .

Community Leadership Development Program Sessions:

Introduction to CLP/Personality Strengths

September 11, 2024, 9:30- 4 p.m.

Interpersonal Communication

October 16, 2024, 9-Noon

Team Building

November 13, 2024, 9-Noon

Education and Workforce Development

December 11, 2024, 9-Noon

Economic Development and Quality of Place

January 8, 2025, 9-Noon

Cultural Awareness/ Conflict Management

February 12, 2025, 9-3:30 p.m.

Non-profit Boards

March 12, 2025 9-Noon

Effective Meetings

April 9, 2025, 9-Noon

Local Government/Community Health

May 14, 2024 9-3:30 p.m.

Program and Lunch Sponsorships are available. Please contact Matt Ditzler, Executive Director, Community Foundation of Huntington County for details. If you have any other questions about the program, contact Ed Farris, Purdue Extension – Huntington County Director, at 260-358-4826 or email emfarris@purdue.edu.

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Huntington County Master Gardeners Annual Spring Plant Sale



May 11, 2024
8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Huntington County Fair Grounds

(631 East Taylor St., Huntington)

1st Federal Savings Community Building

("rabbit" building)



Perennials

Herbs

Annuals

Trees

Natives

Vegetables

Shrubs



Carla's Corner



As I look at all the flowers and flowering trees, I am reminded of the adage “April Showers Bring May Flowers”. I hope you are enjoying the warmer weather and I look forward to seeing many of you at Achievement Day. It has been a busy Spring, so don't forget to mark your calendars for the May 15th Lessons. I still need Club Officers and Committee Choices from some clubs. Please get these to me quickly as I need them for the Year Book which will be handed out at the June Council Meeting. I appreciate everyone's hard work and all the things that your clubs do.

Carla Rice



Achievement Day 2024



The Huntington County Extension Homemakers Achievement Day was held on April 22 at the Evangelical United Methodist Church with the theme “Saving our Plant”. We had 30 members and guests in attendance including State President, Peg Peter and President Elect, Linda Carunchia. We also welcomed our Host-a-Hoosier guest from Warren Co.

Our first morning presentation was given by C & K Creations. Carla Rice and Kathy Zeissig showed many items that they had recycled into beautiful creations. Our second presenter was Caroline Everidge who talked about plastic free kitchens. She showed us many useful items that we could use that would definitely cut down on plastic waste.

A memorial service was held to recognize present and past members who had passed away. New members, Celia Bandeleir (Amicitia Club) and Annette Witta (Piece Makers Quilt Club) were recognized. Our 25 year members were Janet Harris (Amicitia Club) and Stephanie Jerabek (Country Friends and Piece Makers Quilt Club). Carolyn Dearduff (Amicitia Club) was honored as a 50 year member.

Nancy Vickery, past state president, installed the new officers: Rita McCabe, president, we do not have a vice-president as of now; Carol Holmes, secretary; and Stephanie Jerabek, treasurer. Following a delicious lunch, Vickie Fuller-Kibellus entertained us with some oldies music. Ruth Reed was announced as our Cultural Arts winner and Pam Fausz won the state special Cultural Arts contest.

Members donated almost 250 items to Miriam's Closet to help foster children. A special thank you to the Achievement Day committee and all those who came for an enjoyable day.

Carla Rice and Rita McCabe, co-chairman



Education Committee

Our May lessons are quickly approaching. The lessons will be on May 15 at the Extension Office.

Reservations are due to Stephanie Jerabek by May 8. The cost of the lessons will be \$10.00.

Carol Holmes and Pam Fausz will present a lesson on making “Charcuterie Boards”. They will show us how to make a pretty board of meat, cheese, crackers, etc. for your next party. The second lesson will be on “Edible Flowers” presented by Caroline Everidge. She will make a lavender lemonade for us to taste with our meat and cheeses. Should be a fun lesson night. Hope to see you there!

Rita McCabe