

LAKE COUNTY 4-H CLOVER CONNECTIONS

November & December 2025

A Note from the Extension Office

Hello, Lake County 4-H Families!

As we wrap up another incredible year, we're filled with gratitude for all the enthusiasm, hard work, and dedication our 4-H members, volunteers, and families have shown throughout 2025. The new 4-H year is already off to a wonderful start, and it's been inspiring to see clubs coming together, projects getting underway, and our youth continuing to learn and lead with purpose.

The holiday season is a time to reflect, give thanks, and celebrate the connections that make 4-H so special. Whether you're lending a hand through community service, preparing for upcoming events, or simply taking time to enjoy family and friends, we hope this season brings you warmth, joy, and renewed excitement for all that's ahead.

Thank you for being part of the Lake County 4-H family. Your passion and commitment make a lasting impact in our community — and we can't wait to see what you'll accomplish in 2026!

JOIN 4-H TODAY

The Lake County 4-H Program welcomes all youth in grades K-12. Scan the QR code to sign up:



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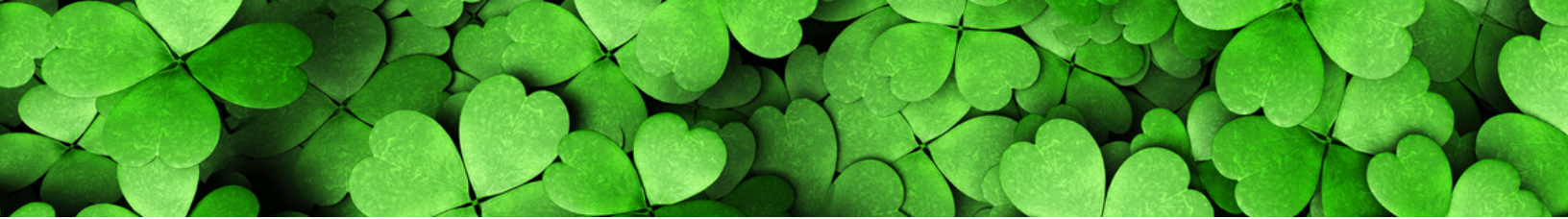
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, 11/4 - Lake County Entomology & Forestry ID (CDE), Extension Office,
4:00pm-7:00pm

Wednesdays 11/5 - 4-H Invention Convention Training, Extension Office
10:00am-4:00pm

Wednesdays 11/5 - Lake County 4-H Meat Judging Contest, 18095 Clay St, Hebron,
6:00pm-8:00pm

Thursday, 11/6 - 4-H Horse & Pony Meeting, Virtual, 6:30pm-8:30pm

Wednesday, 11/12 - 2025 Area X 4-H/FFA Crops, Entomology, and Forestry CDE,
Oregon Davis Sr. High School, Hamlet, IN, 3:00pm

Saturday 11/15 - Indiana 4-H Beyond Ready Volunteers Workshop, Jonathan Byrd's
Events and Catering, Carmel, 10:45am-12:00pm

Saturday, 11/15 - 4-H Urban Ag Celebration, Extension Office, 5:30pm-7:30pm

Thursday, 11/20 - 4-H County Committee Meeting, Extension Office,
6:00pm-7:30pm

PLEASE NOTE!

Make sure you have the dates above are on your calendar! The Extension Office
will be closed on the following dates:

November 11th - Veteran's Day

November 27th & 28th - Thanksgiving Holiday

December 24th - Christmas Eve

December 25th - Christmas Day

December 31st - New Year's Eve

January 1st-New Year's Day



UPCOMING CLUB MEETINGS

Monday, 11/3 Hobart Hurricanes 4-H Club Meeting,
301 E 10th St, Hobart, 6:00pm

Tuesday, 11/4 Shelby Ag Club Meeting, 3606 Belshaw Rd, Lowell, 6:00pm

Wednesday, 11/5 Hammond Explorers 4-H Club Meeting, 564 State Street,
Hammond, 4:00pm

Wednesday, 11/5 Saddle & Spurs 4-H Club Meeting, 15911 Harrison Street,
Crown Point, 6:00pm

Thursday, 11/6 Brunswick Beavers 4-H Club Meeting, 14804 West 113th Ave,
Dyer, 7:00pm

Friday, 11/7 The Seekers 4-H Club Meeting,
6729 W 133rd Ave Ave, Cedar Lake, 4:00pm

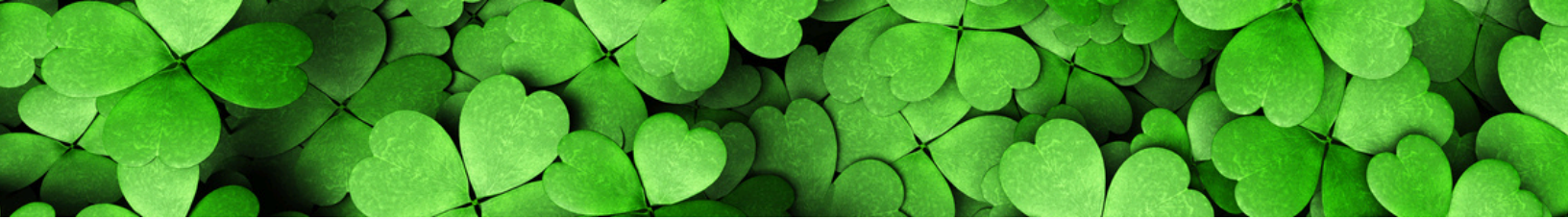
Sunday, 11/9 Prime Beefmakers 4-H Club, 24002 Parrish Ave,
Schneider, 2:00pm

Sunday, 11/9 Eagle Creek Up & At'Em 4-H Club Meeting, 18095 Clay Street,
Hebron, 4:00pm

Sunday, 11/9 RPFF 4-H Club Meeting, 183 S West Street, Crown Point, 5:00pm

Monday, 11/10 The Lone Ranger 4-H Club Meeting, 4613 E 109th Ave,
Crown Point, 7:00pm

Tuesday, 11/11 Happy Wranglers 4-H Club Meeting, 304 S 725 W, Hebron, 6:00pm



UPCOMING CLUB MEETINGS

Sunday, 11/16 St. John Spitfires 4-H Club Meeting, Crown Point, 5:00pm

Friday, 11/21 Rockin' Clovers 4-H Meeting, 8651 W. 93rd Ave, St. John, 6:00pm

Saturday, 11/22 Hammond Explorers 4-H Club Meeting, 564 State Street,
Hammond, 1:00pm

Sunday, 11/23 Griffith Grinners 4-H Club Meeting, 202 W Pine Street, Griffith,
3:00pm

Monday, 12/1 Hobart Hurricanes 4-H Club Meeting, 301 E 10th St, Hobart, 6:00pm

Wednesday, 12/3 Hammond Explorers 4-H Club Meeting, 564 State Street,
Hammond, 4:00pm

Wednesday, 12/3 Saddle & Spurs 4-H Club Meeting, 15911 Harrison Street,
Crown Point, 6:00pm

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7:00pm

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4:00pm



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Crown Point, 7:00pm

Tuesday, 12/9 Happy Wranglers 4-H Club Meeting, 304 S 725 W, Hebron, 6:00pm

Sunday, 12/14 Prime Beefmakers 4-H Club, 24002 Parrish Ave,
Schneider, 2:00pm

Sunday, 12/14 Eagle Creek Up & At'Em 4-H Club Meeting, 18095 Clay Street,
Hebron, 4:00pm

Friday, 12/19 Rockin' Clovers 4-H Meeting, 8651 W. 93rd Ave, St. John, 6:00pm

Saturday, 12/20 Hammond Explorers 4-H Club Meeting, 564 State Street,
Hammond, 1:00pm

Saturday, 12/27 St. John Spitfires 4-H Club Meeting, 1800 E Summit Street,
Crown Point, 5:00pm

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

Entomology & Forestry ID CDE

Tuesday, November 4

- This is the Annual Forestry and Insect ID (CDE) contest. This contest will be held at the Lake County Extension Office, 2293 N. Main Street at Crown Point from 4:00pm - 7:00pm. Register at <https://insectforestry11-4-25.4honline.com>. Questions can be emailed to Lin Wozniowski at lwozniowski@gmail.com

Financial Aid and Scholarship Workshop

Tuesday December 9

- Indiana 4-H Next Chapter is offering a virtual scholarship and financial aid workshop to share tips with high school students on:
 - When to file and where to seek help on the FAFSA
 - Scholarship search
 - Scholarship essay writing tips
 - Other guidance on submitting quality scholarship applications
- The workshop is scheduled from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. Registration link is <https://NCscholarship2025.4honline.com>

FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIP WORKSHOP

PRESENTED BY: **PURDUE UNIVERSITY** Extension - 4-H Youth Development

Next Chapter

WHAT IS THE FAFSA? WHEN DO I APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID?

WHERE DO I FIND SCHOLARSHIPS? INDIANA 4-H SCHOLARSHIPS

HOW DO I APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS? WRITING YOUR SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY

AND MORE TIPS AND TRICKS!

DECEMBER 9, 2025
7:00 PM ET / 6:00 PM CT
ZOOM LINK WILL BE SENT TO REGISTERED PARTICIPANTS

REGISTER FOR THIS VIRTUAL WORKSHOP HERE:
[HTTPS://NCSCHOLARSHIP2025.4HONLINE.COM](https://ncscholarship2025.4honline.com)

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NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

4-H Enrollment

- Be sure to enroll on 4-H Online website <https://v2.4honline.com/>. The enrollment form is how we know who is participating in 4-H and that parents have given permission for youth to participate. It tells us how to reach you, so that the office and 4-H leaders can communicate with you. It also tells us which projects you are interested in, so we can share information about workshops, rule changes, etc. Families can log back in and edit this as needed throughout the year, so please keep your information current.
- If you were enrolled in 4-H last year, do not try to create a new account! Just log in to your existing family profile and update your information as needed. You can reset your password if you have forgotten it.

Indiana 4-H Program Fees

- Payment can be made online by credit/debit card or by submitting a cash or check payment to the Extension Office within ten days of online registration. Please make checks payable to Purdue University.
- There is no fee for Mini 4-H (grades K-2). For members in grades 3-12, the program fee is \$15.00.

Most of our 4-H clubs meet at least once a month. If you don't know when your next club meeting is, please contact your club leader. If you don't know who your club leader is, contact the Extension Office at (219) 755-3240 and we will be happy to help!

Need Help? You are welcome to enroll at the Extension Office. Paper forms are also available.



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Memory Books

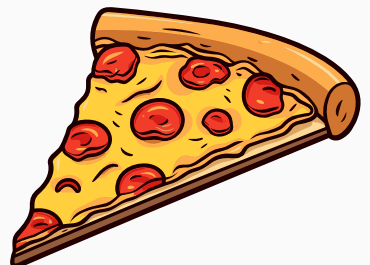
- Don't forget to turn in your 4-H Memory Books! It's a great way to reflect on your goals, achievements, and favorite moments from the past year. Books are due November 1, but since that falls on a Saturday, we'll happily accept them on Monday, November 3 at the Extension Office!

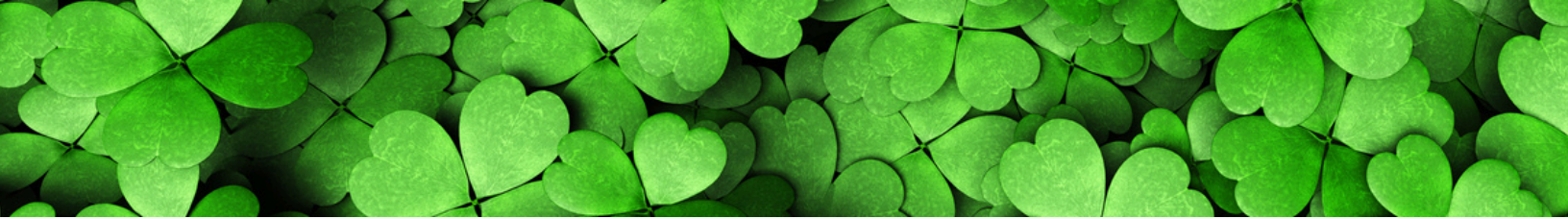
4-H for Good Challenge

- Whether it's a kind note, helping a neighbor, or brightening someone's day. Your good deed matters. Through November 21, join the #4HForGood Challenge. Do a good deed, snap a pic of your , and share your story with #4HForGood. Tag @4H, @Indiana4H and 4 friends to spread kindness. Together, schools, workplaces, families, and communities can spark a ripple of good.

Casey's Pizza

- Until November 4, Casey's and 4-H are joining forces to strengthen the communities they call home. With more than 2,900 stores across the Midwest and South, and more than 2.5 million active 4-H'ers in those areas, this partnership is helping more young people become Beyond Ready to lead and give back—locally and beyond. You can add a donation to any order made online or in the Casey's app.





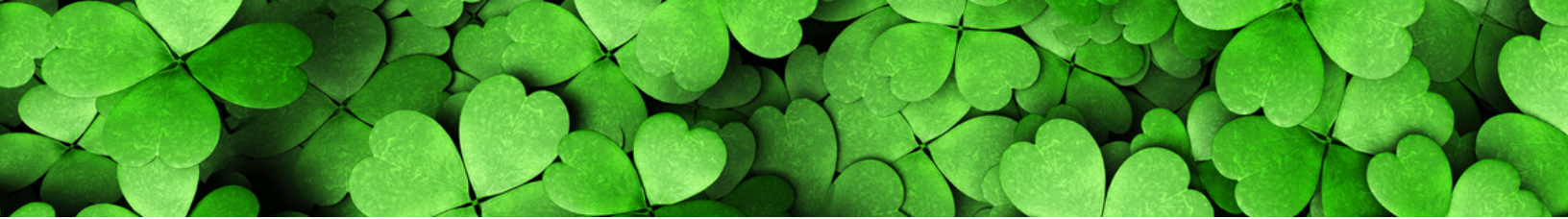
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79th Annual 4-H Recognition Banquet and Annual Meeting

- Save the date for our 79th Annual 4-H Recognition Banquet and annual meeting on Thursday, January 22, 2026 at 6:30pm at the 4-H Building in the Lake County Fairgrounds.

4-H Urban Ag Project Celebration – New Members Welcome!

- Join us for an evening of learning and celebration at the 4-H Urban Ag Project Celebration on Saturday, November 15, from 5:30–7:30 PM. Enjoy a meal, connect with fellow members, and take part in a hands-on educational program with Horticulture Program Assistant Dolly Foster, where you'll learn to collect, clean, and process native wildflower seeds—and take some home to plant next year! We'll also gather ideas for next season's workshops and site visits. Register by November 10 at <https://urbanagcelebration11-15-25.4honline.com>.

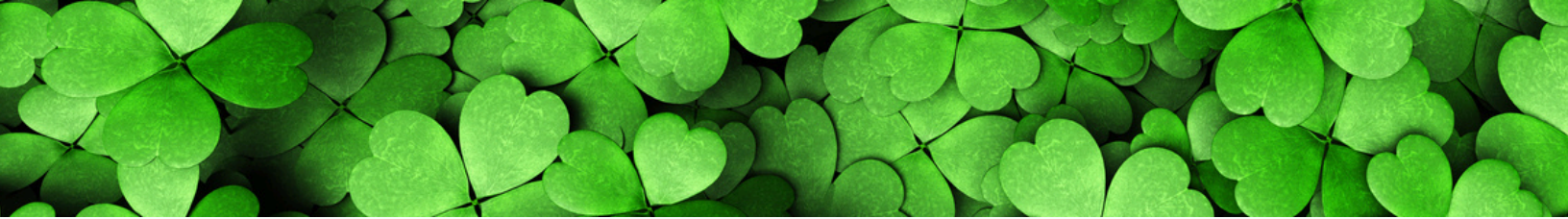


2025-2026 Ambassadors

We are proud to introduce the new group of Lake County 4-H Ambassadors for the 2025-2026 program year! This year's Ambassadors come from eight different clubs and will serve as leaders and representatives for 4-H throughout the county.

- Elaina Berrones
- Abigail Bisig
- Claire Donaldson
- Logan Downs
- Lily Hamilton
- Nathan Jamrosz
- Mikayla Klopp
- Jordan Middlebrook
- Jenna Miller
- Noah Miller
- Annalise Neal
- Garret Neal
- Wilson Orange
- Leah Pozen
- Kacper Rzadkosz
- Sebastian Rzadkosz
- Addison Segert
- Fawwaz Shareef
- Zahrah Shareef
- Katelyn Smith

We congratulate these youth on their achievement and look forward to seeing the leadership, creativity, and teamwork they will bring to Lake County 4-H this year.

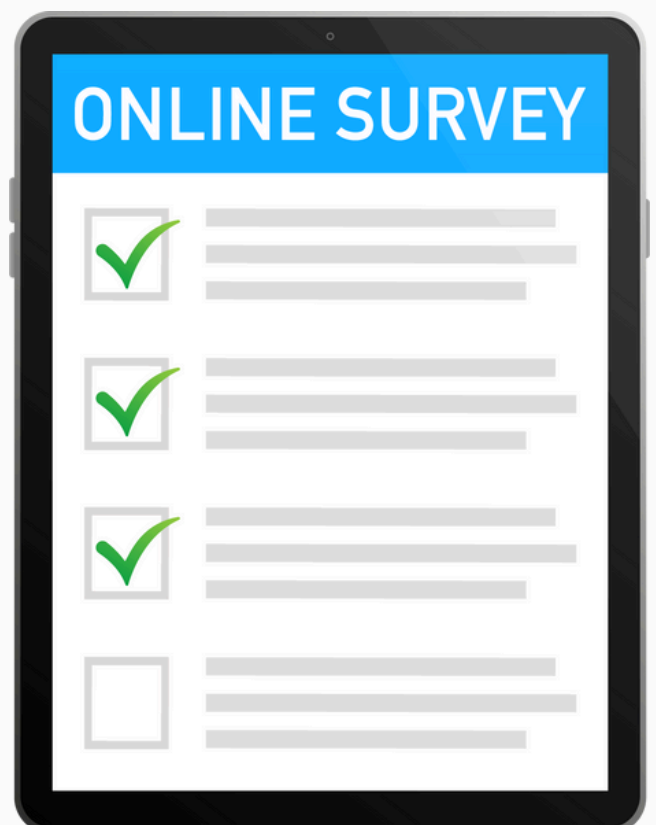


We want to hear from you!

Purdue Extension Lake County is inviting our 4-H community to share feedback in a short survey that helps us shape future programs.

Your input makes a real difference—thank you for helping guide our work!

<https://tinyurl.com/PurdueExtensionLakeCo>



If you have any club or project information that you'd like to share in the weekly email, please let 4-H Secretary Roz Adams rdcoleman@purdue.edu know by the 15th day of each month. See the online [Lake County 4-H Calendar](#) at for more upcoming events.

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For special dietary needs please contact Jennifer Haynes or Kasey Wilhoit at least 2 weeks before the event at (219) 755-3240 and jhaynes7@purdue.edu or kwilhoi@purdue.edu.

If you need an interpreter or translator, please please contact Jennifer Haynes or Kasey Wilhoit at least 2 weeks before the event at (219) 755-3240 and jhaynes7@purdue.edu or kwilhoi@purdue.edu.



FOR MORE INFORMATION

See the complete Lake County 4-H Calendar and more at bit.ly/48sNJfj. If you are in need of accommodations to attend a program, please contact the Extension Educators at least 14 days prior to the meeting at 219-755-3240.