

LaPorte County 4-H TIDBIT- FAIR EDITION



Educator Notes ❁



Congratulations to this year's Tenure Award recipients Deia Mark and Brady Kessler!

Project check-in begins next week, and we are so excited to recognize and celebrate all of the amazing accomplishments of our 4-H youth. Staff and volunteers are working around the clock to make sure that fair is a wonderful experience for all. We thank everyone for their patience and kindness as we work to support all the many things that go into making this time of year a success.

This weeks tidbit is full of final reminders leading into fair. If you don't see an answer to a question that you have, please don't hesitate to reach out. Every question we can answer now will help make things go smoother during in the weeks to come.

*"Enjoy the experience, don't just experience the experience."
-David Cook*

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PROJECT CHECK-IN

- Exhibit tags will be available for pick-up in the office. All tags that are not picked up will be available on June 25th at the FairEntry station starting at 2:30 p.m.
- Supply tables will be set up for you to adhere your Exhibit tag and make other last minute fixes.
- If you are unable to make it to the judging times, please note that you may drop it off at the Extension Office prior to judging and we will make arrangements to get it there. Please call the office if your project is larger size than normal to make arrangements.

JUDGING

Most judging will be taking place on June 25th & 26th in the 4-H Exhibit Hall. Make sure to check the full schedule for exact project judging dates. Please remember that Judging is open, only 4-H members may talk to the judge, listen to comments and ask questions.

BUILDING WATCH

We are still in need of volunteers to help with keeping an eye on the projects on display in the 4-H Exhibit Hall (Small Projects Building). Most of the slots are filled by clubs parents, however, we always seem to need extra volunteers. The shifts are only 2 hours and run throughout the day so if you are interested, please reach out to the Extension Office. We do offer a free day pass for anyone who volunteers with building watch.

Club Leaders please do not forget to let the office know who will be covering your shifts as soon as you have names. There should be two people at all times and can include family friends, grandparents or neighbors.

PROJECT CHECK OUT

Project Check-out is scheduled for Monday, July 15th, from 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Any projects not collected on that day will be returned to the Extension Office for later retrieval. If projects are not picked up by August 1st they will either be recycled or disposed of. Please ensure you arrange to collect your projects on time.

STOCK THE TRAILER

This year 4-H is again proud to partner with Farm Credit and Rural 1st to help curb hunger in our County by participating in Stock the Trailer. This initiative brings together junior fairs statewide in a friendly competition to raise donations for their local food banks.

Sign up for a shift [here!](#)



WALK OF CHAMPIONS

The staff of LaPorte County 4-H is introducing our Walk of Champions that will highlight the accomplishments of the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champions of our 4-H Exhibit Hall.

Please join us on Tuesday, July 9th at 5:00 pm in the Free Entertainment Tent at the LaPorte County Fairgrounds. This event will take place right after the Mini 4-H Graduation Ceremony.

SENIOR SHOWCASE WALL

Thanks to our partners at Kankakee Valley REMC the Senior Showcase Wall in our 4-H Exhibit Hall has been upgraded and we are super excited for you all to come and see it the week of fair.

SLAM SESSION

Pop on over to the Free Entertainment Tent on Sunday, July 7th at 4:00 pm for our epic Open Mic shindig! Calling all you talented Communication, Demonstration & Performing Arts wizards to strut your stuff on stage. Let's make magic happen together! Please let the office know if you will be participating.

4-H Ten Year and Senior Recognition

Congratulations to all of our 10 Year Members and Senior Members! We had a wonderful time celebrating their accomplishments at our annual 4-H Ten Year and Senior Recognition Night. We are so proud of all of you and can't wait to see where life takes you!



Barbara Stanish Scholar:
Deia Mark



Booster and Alumni Scholars:
Sydney Hill and Ryan Hesters



Fair Board Scholars:
Deia Mark, Casey Huhnke, Reece Eggert, and Brady Kessler



Indiana 4-H Foundation Scholars:
Isabella Gosciniak and Leah Eldridge



Indiana 4-H Foundation Scholar-Junior
Leaders and Area X; Brady Kessler



Louis M. Daube Memorial Scholarship:
Anna Minch

MINI 4-H CORNER



PROJECT SPOTLIGHT: SEWING

If you participated in the Mini 4-H Sewing Project this year and created a wearable piece, you are invited to participate in our Fashion Revue Program Friday, June 28th at 7:00pm at Westville High School.

FAIR EXHIBITION FOR MINI 4-H

Project Judging

- Mini 4-H Project Judging will take place on Wednesday, June 26th from 4:00-6:00pm in the 4-H Exhibit Hall.
- You will enter through the main entrance and check-in with the 4-H Staff. If you haven't already picked up your exhibit tags, you will pick them up at this time.
- Mini 4-H Youth will be called up to a judging table with their projects. They will talk about their projects with the judge and answer questions about their work.
- Youth will leave the projects with the judges for display at the fair in the Exhibit Hall.
- All youth participants will receive participation ribbons to celebrate the completion of their 4-H Projects.

REMINDER

Participation in all Mini 4-H events at the fair **MUST** be signed up for in Fair Entry.

MINI GRADUATION

We invite **ALL** of our 2nd grade Mini 4-H members to join us for the Mini 4-H Graduation Ceremony!

Tuesday, July 9th 4:00-6:00 pm at the Free Entertainment Tent

Immediately following Mini 4-H Graduation, we will be celebrating our 4-H Exhibit Hall Champions, we hope you stay and celebrate their hard work!

FAIR BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS



CAMPGROUND INFORMATION

Campground Check-In days are:

July 2nd from 10 am - 6 pm

July 3rd from 10 am - 6 pm

July 5th from 8 am - 6 pm

There will NO check-in at all on July 4th!

4 - H PARKING PASS

If you are a 4-H family that is showing animals that will stay overnight, the Fair Office is giving ONE Free parking pass, per family. Please stop by the Fair office located in the west end of the Community Building, to pick one up. Their office has a list of the eligible 4-H families.



If your 4-H member hasn't received their complimentary fair pass, check with your club leader.

FIGHT THE **HUNGER** 
STOCK THE **TRAILER** 

A CONTEST BENEFITING 4-H FAIRS,
LOCAL FOOD BANKS AND COMMUNITIES.



All food that is collected is distributed through Operation Feed LaPorte County and given to food pantries.

SEASON PASS TICKETS

Ticket are available at the Fair Office. Hours are M-W-F from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Ages 10-61 \$50.00 •

Ages 62+ \$35.00*

*proof of age will be required on admission





4-H FAIR WEEKEND

JULY 6 - 7, 2024

SAVE \$1 PER TICKET FOR EVERY CANNED FOOD
ITEM BROUGHT IN.

CAPPED AT \$5 OFF

ALL CANNED ITEMS WILL BE DONATED TO
STOCK THE TRAILER!



LAPORTE COUNTY LIBRARY MOBILE CLASSROOM

Make sure to stop by the LaPorte County Library Mobile Classroom all week during the fair!

The Mobile Classroom brings innovative STEAM-based learning experiences to schools, organizations, and community events throughout La Porte County. Access to high-quality science, technology, engineering, art, and math resources build 21st century skills, like digital literacy and critical thinking, in students of all ages.



Calling All Volunteers, 4-H
Members & Families to join us
for our annual

Service Day!

Meet us on June 24th from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm at the 4-H Exhibit Hall and help get the building and grounds ready for Fair. Come for an hour or come all day!
A light lunch and water will be provided.

UPCOMING WEEK!

Saturday, June 22nd:

- **Poultry Bloodletting, 8:00am-Noon in the Poultry Barn**
- **~~ATV Training Meeting~~ CANCELLED!**
- **Sportfishing, 6:00-8:00pm at Stone Lake**

Sunday, June 23rd:

- **Sheep Barn Set-Up, 2:00-4:00pm in the Sheep Barn**
- **Mini-Equine Clinic/Workshop, 5:00-6:00pm**
- **Cat Show, 6:00pm in the Small Projects Building**

Monday, June 24th:

- **Service Day, 9:00-3:00pm at the Fairgrounds**
- **Sewing Workshop, 9:00-Noon in the Extension Office**
- **Horse and Pony Drill Team, 6:00-8:00pm in the Horse & Pony Arena**

Tuesday, June 25th:

- **Project Judging Begins- check the full fair schedule for project times**
- **4-H Dog Clinic, 6:00-8:00pm in the Show Arena**
- **Sewing Workshop, 9:00-Noon in the Extension Office**
- **Wagonmasters Draft Horse Meeting, 6:30-8:30**

Wednesday, June 26th:

- **Project Judging Begins- check the full fair schedule for project times, MINI 4-H Judging Today, Mini Pet Parade at 6:30**
- **Sewing Workshop, 9:00-Noon in the Extension Office**
- **Horse & Pony Drill Team, 6:00-8:00pm in the Horse & Pony Arena**

Thursday, June 27th:

- **Sewing Workshop, 9:00-Noon in the Extension Office**
- **Beef Barn Set-Up, 5:30-7:00 in the Beef Barn**
- **4-H Dog Clinic, 6:00-8:00pm in the Show Arena**

Friday, June 28th:

- **Sewing Judging- check the full fair schedule for project times**
- **Fashion Revue, 7:00pm at Westville High School (Enter Door 2)**

2024 FAIR SCHEDULE

2024 4-H EXHIBITION PRE-FAIR SCHEDULE

Check-In will begin 30 minutes prior to project judging

Sat., June 1	9:00 a.m.	Tractor Safety & Operator Skills Contest	Extension Office
Mon, June 17	6:00 p.m.	4-H Ten Year and Senior Recognition Night	Community Building
Fri, June 14	3:30 p.m.	Consumer Clothing Notebooks Due	Extension Office
Sun, June 23	6:00 p.m.	Cat Show	4-H Exhibit Hall
Mon, June 24	9:00 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Service Day – Volunteers & youth needed!	4-H Exhibit Hall
<u>Tues., June 25 4-H Project Judging</u>			
	3:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Aerospace, Arts & Crafts, Collections, Fine Arts, Model Craft and Needlecraft, Soil & Water Science, Weather & Climate Science	4-H Exhibit Hall
	3:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Child Development, Genealogy, Health, Veterinary Science, Wildlife, Performing Arts Notebooks, Leadership	Sheriff Side
		Communication Notebooks & Communications	Extension Office
		Speeches/Demonstrations	
	5:00 - 7:00 p.m.	American Heritage, Beekeeping, Bicycle, Do Your Own Thing, Electric, Entomology, Forestry, Geology, Home Environment, and Woodworking	4-H Exhibit Hall
	5:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Beef Education, Cat Education, Computer Science, Dog Education, Draft Horse Education, Horse Education, Llama Education, Rabbit Education, Goat Education	Sheriff Side
<u>Wed., June 26 4-H Project Judging</u>			
	9:00 a.m.-Noon	Photography	4-H Exhibit Hall
	9:00 a.m.	Foods: Baked – Level A & C Foods: Preserved – All	Community Building
	10:30 a.m.	Foods: Baked Level B & D	Community Building
	1:30 – 2:00 p.m.	Cake Decorating – Touch Up	Community Building
	2:00 p.m.	Cake Decorating Judging	
	3:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Construction & Architectural Replica: Farm Toy Scene, Building Toys & All Other Materials, Shooting Sports, Sport Fishing, Small Engines	4-H Exhibit Hall
	4:00 - 6:00 p.m.	Mini 4-H Project Check-In	Sheriff Side
	6:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Mini 4-H Pet Parade	Livestock Show Arena
<u>Fri., June 28 4-H Project Judging</u>			
	8:45 a.m.	Sewing & Fashion Review: Grades 8 th to 12 th	Westville High School 207 E. Valparaiso St.
	11:45 a.m.	Sewing & Fashion Review: Grades 3 rd – 7 th	Westville High School
	9:00 a.m.	Consumer Clothing Grades 3 rd to 5 th	Westville High School
	10:30 a.m.	Consumer Clothing Grades 6 th to 8 th	Westville High School
	Noon	Consumer Clothing Grades 9 th to 12 th	Westville High School
	7:00 p.m.	Fashion Revue	Westville High School

Fri., July 5 | 4-H Livestock Check-In & Shows

8:00 a.m.	Dog Check-In	Livestock Show Arena
8:30 a.m.	Dog Show – Showmanship, Trick, Obedience, Rally Obedience, Costume, & Brace	Livestock Show Arena
4:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Rabbit and Poultry Check-in	
5:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Goat and Beef Check-In	
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Horse & Pony Check-in	
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Miniature Equine Check-in	

2024 LAPORTE COUNTY FAIR 4-H EXHIBITION SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 6 | Noon – 10:00 p.m. 4-H Exhibit Hall Open

6:00 – 10:00 a.m.	Pigeon Check-In	
7:00 – 9:00 a.m.	4-H Horse & Pony & 4-H Sheep Check-In	
8:00 a.m.	4-H Dog Check-In	Livestock Show Arena
9:00 – 11:00 a.m.	Small Animal Drop Off (Fish Tanks ONLY)	Small Projects Building
9:00 - 11:00 a.m.	4-H Beef & Market Lamb Weigh-In	
9:00 a.m. – Noon	4-H Draft Horse Check-In	
9:00 a.m.	4-H Dog Show – Agility, Jumpers & Weaves	Livestock Show Arena
3:00 p.m.	Mini 4-H Pedal Pull Weigh-In	Livestock Show Arena- West End
4:00 p.m.	Mini 4-H Pedal Pull	Livestock Show Arena

Sunday, July 7 | 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. 4-H Exhibit Hall Open

8:30 a.m.	4-H Goat Show	Livestock Show Arena
After 4-H Goat Show	Mini 4-H Goat Show	Livestock Show Arena
9:00 a.m.	4-H Horse & Pony Show	Horse & Pony Show Arena
9:00 – 11:00 a.m.	4-H Dairy Feeder Steer Weigh-In	
10:00 a.m.	4-H Rabbit Showmanship	Rabbit Barn
	4-H Rabbit Ambassador	Rabbit Barn
4:30 p.m.	4-H County Bred Steer Class Show (by breed), Cow/Calf Show, 4-H Dairy Feeder Steer, Prospects Show	Livestock Show Arena
4:00 p.m.	SLAM Session Communications, Demonstrations & Performing Arts Showcase	Free Entertainment Tent

Monday, July 8 | 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. 4-H Exhibit Hall Open

6:00 a.m.- 9:00 a.m.	4-H Swine Check-In	Swine Barn
7:00 a.m. – Noon	4-H Swine Weigh-In	Swine Barn
8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Chicken Flying Weigh	Draft Horse Arena
8:00a.m.-11:00a.m.	4-H Dairy Cattle Check-In	After 10 a.m. unload behind Poultry & Swine Barns
9:00 a.m.	Small Animal Judging	Small Projects Building
9:00 a.m.	4-H Horse & Pony Show	Horse & Pony Arena
9:00 a.m.– 11:00a.m	4-H Garden & Container Gardening Judging	4-H Exhibit Hall
10:00 a.m.- Noon	4-H Floriculture Judging	4-H Exhibit Hall
10:00 a.m.	4-H Chicken Flying Contest	Draft Horse Arena
	4-H Sheep – Pen of 2 Sign-Up Due	Sheep Barn
	4-H Rabbit Ambassador Winners Announced	Rabbit Barn
11:00 a.m.	4-H Rabbit Show Rabbit Fun Photo Contest,	Rabbit Barn

	Meat Pens, Single Fryers, Roasters, & Doe and Litter (at judge's discretion after meat classes)	
1:00 p.m.	4-H Sheep Show	Livestock Show Arena
After 4-H Sheep Show	Mini 4-H Sheep Show	Livestock Show Arena
2:00 p.m.	Mini 4-H Miniature Equine Show	Mini Equine Arena
After Mini 4-H Show	4-H Miniature Equine Show	Mini Equine Arena
4:00 p.m.	4-H Goat Education Posters Judged	Goat Barn

Tuesday, July 9 | 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. 4-H Exhibit Hall Open

8:00 a.m.	4-H Beef Steer and Dairy Steer Show	Livestock Show Arena
8:30 a.m.	4-H Poultry Science & Display Board Judging	Poultry & Pigeon Building
	4-H Poultry, Ducks, Geese & Turkey Show	Poultry & Pigeon Building
9:00 a.m.	4-H Rabbit Show – 4-Class	Rabbit Barn
	4-H Horse & Pony Show	Horse & Pony Show Arena
9:00 a.m.-Noon	Mini 4-H Little Peeps Poultry Show	Poultry & Pigeon Building
10:00 a.m.	4-H Poultry Showmanship	Poultry & Pigeon Building
Noon	4-H Pigeon Show	Poultry & Pigeon Building
4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.	Mini 4-H Graduation & Walk of 4-H Exhibit Hall Champions	Free Entertainment Tent
6:30 p.m.	Mini 4-H Goat Show	Livestock Show Arena
7:00 p.m.	Goat Agility	Livestock Show Arena
After 4-H Beef Show	Release of breeding animals	

Wednesday, July 10 | 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. 4-H Exhibit Hall Open

8:00 a.m.	4-H Swine Show	Livestock Show Arena
After 4-H Swine Show	Mini 4-H Swine Show	Livestock Show Arena
8:00 a.m.	4-H Draft Horse: Jr & Sr. Showmanship, Decorating	Draft Horse Arena
9:00 a.m.	4-H Rabbit Show – 6-Class	Rabbit Barn
	4-H Horse & Pony Show	Horse & Pony Show Arena
	4-H Rooster Crowing Contest Followed by Turkey Gobbling Contest	Poultry & Pigeon Building
Noon - After Lunch Break	4-H Draft Horse: Single Horse Driving and Team Loose Line	Draft Horse Arena
2:00 p.m.	Mini 4-H Miniature Equine Show	Mini Equine Arena
	4-H Miniature Equine Show following Mini 4-H Miniature Equine Show	Mini Equine Arena
	4-H Showmanship Workshop following Mini 4-H Swine Show	Livestock Arena
5:00 p.m.	Bossy Bingo Sponsored by Soil & Water	Livestock Arena
6:00 p.m.	4-H Draft Horse: Cart Class & Stone Boat Obstacle Course	Draft Horse Arena
After Concert Traffic Until 11 p.m.	Release of Non-Sale Dairy Cows, Sheep, and Swine	

Thursday, July 11 | 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. 4-H Exhibit Hall Open

8:00 a.m.	4-H Draft Horse: Intermediate Showmanship, Show Class	Draft Horse Arena
8:00 a.m.	4-H Dairy Show	Livestock Show Arena
	Mini 4-H Dairy Show to follow	Livestock Show Arena
9:00 a.m.-Noon	4-H Horse & Pony Show	Horse & Pony Show Arena
1:00 p.m.	4-H Draft Horse: Team to Wagon & 4 Horse Hitch (Seniors Only)	Draft Horse Arena
5:00 p.m.	Supreme Champion Showman Contest	Horse & Livestock Show

8:00 p.m.	4-H Livestock Auction Setup – All committee members	Arena Livestock Show Arena
4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.	Release of non-sale beef and dairy beef animals	
After Concert Traffic Until 11 p.m.	Release of Non-Sale Dairy Cows, Sheep, and Swine	

Friday, July 12 | 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. 4-H Exhibit Hall Open

9:00 a.m.	ALL DAY 4-H LIVESTOCK AUCTION Order of sale: Swine, Goat, Poultry, Duck, Geese, and Turkey, Rabbit, Dairy, Sheep, Auction for Scholarship Fund, and Beef	Livestock Show Arena
9:00 a.m.	4-H Booster Club Pie Auction	Outside Show Arena
9:00 a.m.	4-H Horse & Pony Show	Horse & Pony Show Arena
12:00 p.m.	Release of Auctioned Swine	
2:15 p.m.	Release of Auctioned Poultry, Ducks, Geese & Turkeys	
3:15 p.m.	Release of Auctioned Rabbit Meat Pens	
Approx. 7:30 p.m.	4-H Battle of the Barns (1 hour after auction)	Livestock Show Arena
7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.	Release of 4-H Goats	

Saturday, July 13 | 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. 4-H Exhibit Hall Open

8:00 a.m.- 10:00p.m.	4-H Goat Release	
9:00 a.m.	4-H Horse & Pony Show	Horse & Pony Show Arena
10:00 a.m.	4-H Swine Barn Clean Up	
10:00 a.m.	Mini 4-H Rabbit Show	Rabbit Barn
12:00 p.m.	4-H Auctioned Beef Release	
12:00 p.m.	4-H Miniature Equine Release	
1:00 p.m.	4-H Non-Auction Beef Release	
1:00 p.m. – 2:00p.m.	4-H Poultry & Pigeon Release	
2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	4-H Dairy Release	
2:00 p.m.	4-H Rabbit and Rabbit Education Release	
5:00 p.m.	4-H Horse & Pony Release	
6:00 p.m.	4-H Draft Horse Release	

Mon, July 15	1:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Project Pick-up	4-H Exhibit Hall
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For release of animals, you need to check out with your 4-H Project Superintendent or designee. 4-H livestock shall not be released prior to the established and stated release time(s). Unauthorized early removal of any animal will result in the forfeiture of all ribbons, trophies, and honors.

Building projects will be released during the specified time above. Unauthorized early removal of exhibits will result in the forfeiture of all ribbons, trophies, and honors. **All projects will be repurposed or recycled 2 weeks after their release with the exception of State Fair Projects. Those with State Fair projects will be given a date once projects are picked up from State Fair.**

*****Schedule is subject to change*****