

June-July 2024

#### From the Educator-

#### Hi everyone!

It's hard to believe that we are ready for another week of FAIR! I am excited to spend my second Shelby County Fair with you all. It's amazing to see the growth of 4-Her's over the course of 1 year, and to work with our amazing 4-H Volunteers!

This newsletter is going to be FULL of need-to-know information for Project Judging and Fair Week so please be sure to read through thoroughly and call the office with any questions that you may have.



**Exciting News**- Each year, Shelby County is allotted 20 spots for camper attendance during our three day camp at Shakamak State Park in Jasonville, IN. This year, for the first time in awhile, Shelby County had a WAITING LIST! Excitingly, we were able to take our allotted 20 campers, and allow our three campers on the waitlist to attend as well. Our 2024 camp counselors were Pipar Hodge, Ryan Goodwin, and Caleb McDonald. Thank you for your leadership! I also want to thank our volunteers and summer staff for attending as well—we wouldn't have been able to do it without you!

**Next**, if you did not receive your pre-printed project tags in the mail, that means that you did not complete Fairentry (second website letting us know what projects you are bringing to the fair). We will have a table set up with laptops for you to enter your projects there and get a slip to take to the judge letting them know you are in fact entered in the project and should be added to their judging books.

I look forward to seeing you all at the fair!

4-H Grows Here!

~Bailey

#### 2024 Shelby County 4-H Summer Staff!







**Heidi Stickford** 



**Jessica Collier** 

A special thank your to our 2024 Summer Staff this year! Each of these ladies have worked behind the scenes all to ensure that all 4-H needs have been met for all of you this summer! If you see them out and about, please be sure to say thank you for all of their hard work!



#### **News You Need to Know:**

#### All 4-H Families-

**Project Judging Week** 

- Now is the time to carefully check the project judging schedule pages (76-77) of your 2024 4-H Handbook! Please make sure you have marked the day(s) your project(s) will be judged!
- All 4-H members grades 3-12 should recently have received an envelope containing an important letter, general project tags (if you entered your projects in FairEntry) and project list (please check for accuracy!), and one (per family) Shelby County Fair pass. If you have not received this envelope by May 31, contact the extension office immediately!
- If you do not receive your pre-printed project tags in the mail by May 31, that most likely means you did not complete Fairentry (the second website letting us know what projects you are bringing to the fair). At project check in, we will have a table set up with laptops for you to enter your projects there and get a slip to take to the judge letting them know you are in fact entered in the project and should be added to their judging books. Make sure you arrive at project judging early enough to allow time for this. This includes livestock.
- All poster projects and notebooks must include a reference list indicating where information was obtained. This is mandatory for completing the exhibit. Please see page 74 of the 2024 Handbook for details.
- **Green Record Books** are due NO LATER THAN **4 p.m., Wednesday, June 5** (this is before the county fair)! You may also bring your Green Record Book with you to judging on Monday, June 3 or Tuesday, June 4 and turn it in at that time. Missing books and/or record sheets will result in the loss of premiums. Remember, you need to complete a record sheet for EACH project! (front & back)
  - ⇒ **My Record of 4-H Achievement** instructions and help can be found on page 219-220 of the 2024 Handbook.

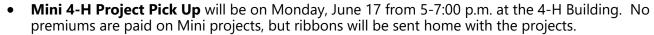
#### After the Fair

- **4-H Project, Green Record Book and Premium Money Pick Up-**Monday, June 17, 2024, 5-7 p.m. in the 4-H Building at the fairgrounds.
  - ⇒ You may arrange for someone else to pick up and sign for your money, book and project.
  - ⇒ A second (*FINAL*) opportunity to pick up projects will be on Monday, August 19, 2024 from 5-7 p.m. There will be **NO PREMIUMS AVAILIBLE**
- If you received a special award at the fair, "Congratulations"! Along with your award you received a Thank You note to be sent to the award sponsor. Our sponsors are very important! Make sure you write a personal message of thanks and put the card in the mail.
- 4-H Program Evaluation Meeting: August 21, 2024 at 6:30 pm at the Extension Office.
  - A **Rule Change and Suggestion Form** is available in this publication. Please read the form carefully. We value your ideas for improving our program and we want your suggestions for implementing those ideas. The due date for the suggestions form is Friday, August 16, 2024 at 4:00 pm.
- The Shelby County Extension Office will be closed on Wednesday, June 19 in recognition of Juneteenth, and on Thursday, July 4 for Independence Day.



#### Mini 4-H Members-

- All Mini 4-H members exhibiting animals must have a Liability Release Form on file in our office. This form is available in your Mini 4-H Handbook, on our website, and in our office.
- **Mini 4-H Dates To Remember!** Please check the inside page of your 2024 Mini 4-H Handbook for your project day schedule. The week prior to and during the fair will be very busy and we don't want you to be left out of the fun!
  - **Mini 4-H Fashion Revue** will be on Wednesday, June 5. Judging will be at 11:00 a.m. and the Fashion Show at 7:00 p.m. at Lewis Creek Baptist Church.
  - **Mini 4-H General Project** judging will be on Saturday, June 8 from 9 a.m. -12 noon at the Community Building on the Shelby County Fairgrounds.
  - **Mini 4-H Cat Show** will be on Sunday, June 9 at 1:30 p.m. in Brinson Hall.
  - Mini 4-H Swine Exhibitors are invited to the Swine workshop on Sunday, June 9 at 4:00 p.m.
  - **Mini 4-H Goat, Sheep and Swine** will be on Monday, June 10 at 1:00 p.m. in Livestock Barn.
  - **Mini 4-H Rabbit Show** will be Thursday, June 13 beginning at 10 a.m. at the livestock barns.



• **Mini 4-H Day Camp!** July 11-12 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Shelby County Fairgrounds. Mini Camp applications and Camp Health Forms are in the Mini 4-H Handbook and available through our office.

#### **Junior Leaders-**

- **Get ready for the Junior Leader Achievement Trip!** The group decided on Urban Air in Franklin, Indiana! More details coming soon.
- Attention Junior Leaders in their final year of 4-H! Junior Leaders in their final year are eligible to apply for a scholarship! Contact our office for details and an application. Application deadline is May 31st. Thanks to the Shelby County 4-H Advisory Council for their support and partnership!
- Junior Leader Record Books are due to the Shelby County Purdue Extension Office by Thursday, June 20, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

#### **Adult Volunteers-**

- **Volunteers Needed!** We rely upon volunteers to make the fair run smoothly. The buildings can't be open to the public, the 4-H Café' can't serve food to the public and judging lines will be longer without your help! Please sign up for Building Monitoring, 4-H Café" help, or Judges Helper.
  - ⇒ **4-H Cafe' Sign Up:** https://bit.ly/4-hcafe
  - ⇒ **Judges Helper:** <a href="https://bit.ly/4-HJudgesHelpers2024">https://bit.ly/4-HJudgesHelpers2024</a> (Please do not sign up to help with a project in which you or a family member is exhibiting).
  - ⇒ 4-H Building and Brinson Building: <a href="https://bit.ly/4-HBuildingSignUp2024">https://bit.ly/4-HBuildingSignUp2024</a>





#### At the Fair!

- 4-H Advisory Council Election-Voting will be held during the fair. Ballots will be at the 4-H building.
   Each 4-H Family will have one vote (4-H Families defined as those having at least one child, grades 3-12, enrolled in 2024 Shelby County 4-H or having a family member who is a 2024 approved Shelby County 4-H Adult Volunteer). Further information on voting will be available at the fairgrounds. Vote and make your voice heard!
- **4-H Foods Auction Night**: Saturday, June 8, 2024 at 5:00 p.m., Livestock Arena. If you are a foods or microwave exhibitor & wish to participate, you MUST sign up at foods check in!
  - 4-H Foods and Microwave project members putting food in the auction: if your exhibit calls for a specific number of food items to be presented at judging (such as 6 pieces of fudge, three cookies, three muffins, etc) you should bring "extras" to add to your auction plate. Remember, the judge will most likely consume at least one of your items in the judging process and your food auction buyer would appreciate a full plate.
- Shelby County Royal Showmanship Competition— Wednesday, June 12, 2024 at 7:30 p.m.
- 4-H Hot Dog Feed and Awards Program— Thursday, June 13, 2024. Food from 4-5 p.m. Awards presented at 4:30 p.m. Both activities will be at the Livestock Barns area. No Hot Dog Feed tickets are required. 4-H Exhibitors will be asked to check in at the podium so we can give proper recognition to grand/reserve grand champion winners. Exhibitors not checked in will not be announced.
- **Looking for good food at the Fair?** Check out the "4-H Café" located back by the livestock barns! The proceeds go toward 4-H Youth programming in Shelby County.
  - ⇒ Working a shift (or two) is a great fundraising opportunity for your 4-H club!

#### **Good News!:**

- Congratulations to our 10 year 4-H members! Our office has enjoyed watching this group grow from 3rd graders into fine young men and women. We wish all of them a fantastic future.
- **2024 Farm Bureau Tenure Award Winners are Sophia Higdon and Joshua Goodwin!** Congratulations on 10 years of hard work in 4-H!

Ainsley Balaka	Abigail Bridges	Ella Connolly	Joshua Goodwin	Nathan Everhart
Ellie Gosser	Joshua Hadler	Maxine Higdon	Sophia Higdon	Brock Kuhn
Emma Leap	Maggie Leap	Brady Schonfeld	Keith Settles	Henry Smith
Carter Snepp	Emily Tyree			

- Congratulations to our Top Flower Salesmen!
  - 1. Rory & Reagan Clark, and Abel Tobias
  - 2. Brady Miller
  - 3. Deegan Smith
- 4-H Camp Counselors for 2024 were: Pipar Hodge, Caleb McDonald, and Ryan Goodwin! You all were awesome, thank you for your leadership!
- Congratulations to our 2024 Tenured Volunteers, Carol daSilva and Deana Thurston!
  - Carol daSilva has served 20 years as a 4-H Volunteer in Shelby County where she has focused much of her time serving as the Dog Program Coordinator. Thank you!
  - Deana Thurston has served 25 years as a 4-H Volunteer in Shelby County where she has spent her time serving as The Survivors 4-H Club Leader. Thank you



#### 4-H News and Notes -

Also known as 'the Friday email', is a communique emailed from our office to the email address you
listed on v2.4HOnline in your Family Profile. The weekly message contains reminders, updates and urgent
messages in a short, concise form. Please watch for 4-H News and Notes in your inbox. If you have not
been receiving these communiques, please verify your email.

#### **Livestock Project Information-**

- You need to make sure with livestock/animals that you are arriving within the **check-in** window time as stated in the 2024 Handbook. Refer to pages 172-173 of the 2024 Shelby County Handbook.
- **Exhibition** must identify the classes they will be showing their animals in (this step is to be completed with FairEntry). Those missing the deadline will be able to show their animal in its class and receive feedback from the judge but receive no placing. They will still be able to participate fully in showmanship classes.

#### 4-H Livestock/Animal Exhibitors-

- 4-H Dairy Workshop: Sunday, June 9, 2024 at 3 p.m. in the Livestock Pavilion
- **Swine Workshop:** Sunday, June 9, 2024 at 4 p.m. in the Livestock Pavilion
- 4-H Beef Workshop: Sunday, June 9, 2024 at 5 p.m. in the Livestock Pavilion

#### RT2: Read, Taste, & Touch at the Fair

- **June 11, 2024 at 9:30a.m.** in the Brinson Building on the Shelby County Fairgrounds
- **Kindergarten-3rd grade**, join us for a hands on learning opportunity, activity, healthy snack, and Storytime with guest reader!



#### **4-H Swine Banners Donations**

In order to continue the tradition of presenting 4-H Swine Breed Banners at the fair for gilts and barrows, donations are being collected. These funds will be held in a 4-H Swine account by the Shelby County 4-H Advisory Council to be used exclusively for the 4-H Swine program.



Donations of any amount will be gratefully accepted. Cash or checks (made payable to Shelby County 4-H Advisory Council) may be directed to the Shelby County Extension Office. Please contact 4-H Swine Superintendent Kenny Ramsey at (317) 512-4999 if you have questions.





#### Rule Changes and Suggestions for the 2024-2025 4-H Year

(Due by 4 p.m. on Aug 16, 2024)

#### **4-H Program Review Meeting Purpose:**

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss and share your ideas for topics such as updates/potential changes to schedule, new project ideas and project changes and/or additions. It is NOT designed to discuss personnel (judges, volunteers, staff, etc.). Those items are to be discussed with the youth educator at a separate meeting.

### You must complete and submit a *Rule Changes and Suggestions Form*before you present your ideas.

Person Submitting Request:	
Relationship to 4-H:4-H'er	Project Leader/Superintendent
Parent Club Leaders	4-H Council Member
Feel free to use the back of this form to	o further explain your suggestions and ideas.
Suggestions for rule changes:	
Suggestions for fair activities:	
Suggestions for other 4-H activities:	

Please be prepared to submit or present a plan of action to implement your suggestion.

(Use Additional Paper If Needed)

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2024 Shelby County Fair: June 10th - 15th



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