Sullivan County 4-H monthly communication for 4-H members, families, leaders, fair board, and council.

Important dates

4-H Hippology meetings: Thursdays 6-7 pm at the 4-H building

Junior Leaders meeting: Feb.13, 7pm

8th Annual Wabash Valley STEM Fest: March 2, 2024

Ag Day: March 9, 6:30-11am in the 4-H building

4-H project manual pick up day: March 9, 8-11am in the Extension office 4-H Council flower sale pick up: April 25, 4-7pm at 4-H exhibit building

Add/drop a project deadline: May 15

Animal ID deadline: May 15 4-H Camp: June 9-13, 2024

Sullivan County Fair: July 13-20, 2024

State Fair: Aug. 2-18, 2024

You can still register for 4-H!

You can still sign up for 4-H! Go to **v2.4honline.com** to register for 4-H and update volunteer status. Call the Extension office if you have questions: 812-268-4332.

To apply for financial assistance with the \$15 enrollment fee, contact Cheryl Casselman at ccassel@purdue.edu or 812-268-4332 and she'll be happy to guide you.

4-H Fees

Regular 4-H state fee is \$15 per 4-Her. The maximum fees for families is \$45. I.e. families with more than three 4-Hers pay no more than \$45. There is no additional county 4-H fee for Sullivan County. There are no fees for Mini 4-Hers. Make checks payable to Purdue CES Ed Fund.

4-H Project Manual Pick up

Extension office will be open for you to pick up 4-H project manuals and/or pay 4-H fees on Saturday, March, 9 from 8 am to 11 am. Please call ahead and your information will be ready to pick up that morning.

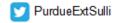
Flower sale coming soon!

It's almost time for the 2024 4-H Geranium and Wave Petunia Sale! This fundraiser helps pay for Sullivan County 4-H trips, scholarships, activities and events throughout the year. Order forms will be mailed March 1 to 4-Hers in 3rd-12th grade. Mini 4-Hers do not participate.

Flowers pick-up will be April 25 at the fairgrounds.







4-H Adult Volunteers

It's time for all 4-H adult volunteers to enroll or re-enroll in 4Honline. The online training has been updated this year and will take about 45 minutes to complete. Go to v2.4honline.com to complete the annual training.

If you have questions or need computer access, please contact the Extension office at 812-268-4332.

INDIANA 4-H QUALITY LIVESTOCK CARE

To exhibit BEEF CATTLE, DAIRY CATTLE, SWINE, SHEEP, MEAT GOATS, DAIRY GOATS, POULTRY, and RABBITS, 4-H members must be certified through the Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care training OR the online Youth for the Quality Care of Animals program (YQCA). This certification must be done an annual basis Members must be registered BEFORE attending a training Members may attend any training dates listed OR a training in another county OR complete the online YQCA training.

Monday, 3/18/24 4:30 PM Sullivan County 4-H Fairgrounds

Tuesday, 3/26/24 11:00 AM (Spring Break) Sullivan County 4-H Fairgrounds

Tuesday, 3/26/24 1:30 PM (Spring Break) Sullivan County 4-H Fairgrounds

Monday, 4/15/24 5:30 PM Sullivan County 4-H Fairgrounds

Monday, 5/20/24 4:30 PM Sullivan County 4-H Fairgrounds

Wednesday, 6/5/24 1:00 PM Sullivan County 4-H Fairgrounds

Register for classes on events at www.v2.4honline.com. Cost is \$3 at the door.



Those planning to be certified through the YQCA program will register at www.yqcaprogram.org and will present their completion certificate to their 4-H Educator.

2024 Project Guideline Changes

The 2024 4-H Handbook will be coming out soon. Please be sure to review your project guidelines to insure you are

meeting all the requirements of your project. Projects that have changes for 2024 are the following;

Aerospace: Rockets/Drones

Bowling

Communications

Electric

Garden

Genealogy

Swine

Photography

Woodworking

Foods Baked and Foods Preserved have a newly revised recipe card.

Which Craft is it?????

Please be sure you are enrolling in the correct crafts in 4-H Online. You have until May 15 to drop or add a project. Carefully read the information below to ensure you are in the correct craft. Doing this will make for a smoother check-in process in July. Still have a question about which section your craft shout be in? Call the Extension office at 812-268-4332 for guidance. Also, all crafts are required to have a 4-H Craft Information Card at check-in. Craft Information cards are available at the Extension office for pick up anytime. All craft entries must have been created by the 4-Her in the past year, July 2023-July 2024. Happy crafting!

Arts & Crafts

Youth may exhibit any art or craft that does not meet exhibit requirements in Fine Arts, Needle Craft, Model Craft or Construction and Architectural Replica. In other words, any other craft. Some examples are jewelry, ceramics, diamond art, resign art, etc.

Fine Arts

Oil, charcoal, pastels, pencil, ink, acrylic, watercolor or similar artistic work can be displayed on canvas, canvas board, or paper. All work must be framed as a picture and prepared for hanging. Canvas art on a wooden frame is considered prepared for hanging provided that frame has a hanger.

Needle Craft

Hand crafted knitting, embroidery, crocheting, needlepoint, crewel, candle wicking, chicken scratching, hand quilting, tatting, huck embroidery, and hemstitching are suggested exhibits. Entries may also include pulled, drawn and counted thread work and punch needle work. Needle craft exhibits do not include latch hook, plastic canvas, machine knitting, machine quilting, or arm knitting/crocheting.

Model Craft

Exhibits must be a small scale replica made of injected styrene plastics with approximately 25% of the surface painted. Wood, paper, clay die-cast, or snap together models are not permitted. Screws and pre-painted or pre-decaled factory models are not permitted. Exhibits made from building blocks (Lego) are not permitted. If the model is being built from a kit, include a copy of the instructions with the Information card. Original instructions should be kept by the exhibitor in a safe location at home. If multiple pieces make up the exhibit, a photograph of the complete exhibit should be attached to the exhibit so the total exhibit can properly be displayed. For safety purposes any craft exhibit that resembles a sword, knife, or look-a-like weapon will be judged but will not be displayed.

Construction & Architecture Replica

Exhibits can include farm scenes, town models, building replicas, or similar items and can be constructed from building blocks (Lego), erector sets, or other materials. The product should be constructed to scale as much as possible. Consider adding a clear cover to protect the exhibit while being displayed to the public. This exhibit will most likely be displayed on an 8' long table top with two or three exhibits per table.

Join us for Pigs & Pizza!

There are some exciting and significant changes to the 4-H Swine Project in 2024. All 4-H members participating in the Swine Project (and their parents!) are invited to an in-depth discussion regarding the changes. It is HIGHLY RECOMMENDED that you participate in this meeting and discussion.

Plus... there will be PIZZA!

Date: Thursday, February 8

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Sullivan County Fairgrounds, 4-H Building

Please RSVP by calling the extension office (812-268-4332) or emailing Kevin Cross (crossk@purdue.edu) so we can order plenty of pizza!

RSVP by February 6, and we'll see you on Thursday, February 8 at 7:00 PM!



Virtual 4-H Volunteer Connections in 2024

Join this open forum opportunity to connect with fellow volunteers and 4-H professionals from across the state. Sessions are via Zoom and each will provide timely, focused information/knowledge with the opportunity for you to share ideas and ask questions.

Sessions for 2024:

- Tuesday, April 9, 2024 from 7:00-7:45 pm- Topic: Appreciating Others and Celebrating National Volunteer Week
- Monday, July 8, 2024 from 7:00-7:45 pm- Topic: Being a Positive Role Model, Mentor and Leader
- Wednesday, October 9, 2024 from 7:00-7:45 pm- Topic: Building Youth and Adult Partnerships to Support Your Community

Zoom Session Connection: https://tinyurl.com/in4hvvc

Meeting ID: 927 5120 9250

Passcode: volunteer

One tap mobile: +13017158592,,92751209250#,,,,*530381776# US (Washington DC)

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Show your clover pride



Show your clover pride by purchasing an Indiana 4-H Foundation Specialty License Plate at your local BMV Branch! Plate fees support programs for young people state-wide and a portion of the money from each plate goes to the 4-H in the county where the plate is purchased.

The license plates are \$40 at the BMV. The Indiana 4-H Foundation receives \$25 (this money comes back to youth) and the county it's purchased in receives \$10 (Sullivan County 4-H Council puts this toward 4-Hers going on trips and county programs, etc.)

2024 Club Meeting Schedules

Curry Nomad 4-H Club

All meetings are held at the Shelburn American Legion (824 N Washington St, Shelburn) 6- 7:30pm

February 6 & 29 May 7 & 23

March 12 & 28 June 2 & 20

April 9 & 25 July 2 & 20

October 19

Leaders:

Corrina Houser 812-607-0880

Kailee Cloutier 812-240-5759

Old Oak/Old Hickory

All meetings will be from 6-7pm at the Hymera Ruritan.

Feb. 8 March 7

Apr. 4 May 2

June 6 July 1

Leaders:

Ashley Hauser 812-495-5132

Christy Scott 812-244-9709

New to 4-H this year? Join us for the scoop!

Parents and members have two opportunities to get some tips, resources and learn the basics of 4-H.

Here's what will be shared:

- -Important dates
- -Resources
- -Club information
- -Fair
- -Answering questions

Can't make it to either? Just contact the Extension office for guidance.

Feb. 8, 5:30-6 p.m.
Virtual session via Zoom
Contact the Extension office for the link to attend at sullivances@purdue.edu.

March 9, 9:30-10 a.m. at the Extension office conference room during Ag Day

NEW 4-H Consumer Decision Making team

4-Hers in 9-12 grades who might be interested in being on a Sullivan County Consumer Decision Making team should contact Cheryl at the Extension office. Once we have who is interested we'll set a meeting and 2 or 3 practices leading up to the contest on April 6 at Purdue University.

Consumer Decision Making career development event is a contest based on consumer observation, comparing, and making fact based purchases. A team of 3-4 youth are given classes to judge based on a scenario. Contact Cheryl to learn more details at 812-268-4332 or ccassel@purdue.edu.

January

Join us as we kick-off our Forces of Nature SPARK Club! We will be taking a deeper dive into the Wildlife and Soil & Water Conservation 4-H Projects. Come to the Goose Pond FWA property to learn about and see a restored wetland, migratory birds, and the flora/fauna of this unique Hoosier property!

January 17th - Virtual Session 7pm-8:30pm January 20th - Goose Pond Fish & Wildlife Area 10am-3pm

February

Join us at IU's Geology Learning Lab! One part each museum, lab, and classroom, you can compare thousands of rocks, minerals, and fossils, create art, and participate in interactive activities. 450 million years of Hoosier history will be at our fingertips as we explore Geology, Weather & Climate Science, and more!

February 21st - Virtual Session 7pm-8:30pm February 24th - Indiana University Geology Lab 10am-3pm

Join us as we learn more about Forestry and Weather & Climate Science! We will use tools to help with tree identification, learn about producing maple syrup, the role of slopes in microclimates and even learn about sandstone geology at Turkey Run State Park. We will also discuss career opportunities in both of these fields of study.

March 13th - Virtual Session 7pm-8:30pm March 16th - Turkey Run State Park 10am-3pm

Exploration of benthic macroinvertebrates like what is the significance of a left or right handed snail for water quality? Local limestone geology and soil formation will be discussed. From the Indiana 4-H soil and water science project curriculum, we will conduct the clod comparison activity and learn about soil health.

April 3rd - Virtual Session 7pm-8:30pm April 6th - DePauw Nature Park 10am-3pm

Lots of Ways to Participate!!

- Go all in! Attend all 4 virtual sessions and all 4 in-person sessions
- 2 Attend whatever sessions that fit into your schedule!
- Busy, but still crave the knowledge? All virtual sessions will be recorded 8 you can watch them at your leisure





Eighth Annual

Wabash Valley STEM Fest 2024

K-12th Grades

Join us on:

March 2, 2024 8:45 a.m.-3 p.m.

Registration starts at 8 AM

Sullivan Middle School Sullivan, IN

What is it?

This is a dynamic day of fun and hands-on education as we present Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) innovations.

It's an opportunity to engage in exciting presentations by members of Purdue University, local school educators, local scientists, and other local educators!

Enjoy lunch sponsored by Sullivan County Farm Bureau and let your youth enjoy hands-on experiences! Activities could include robotics, computer coding, agriculture science, music, art, breakout rooms, food science, engineering, chemistry and more!

Get ready to witness the future of entertainment with Indiana Robot Show! Zeus, the 8ft LED dancing robot will dazzle you with his mesmerizing moves and futuristic choreography. Zeus is coming to STEM Fest for an unforgettable experience that combines technology and art like never before. Get ready to be amazed!



Registration info:

Register by returning this panel to the Extension office by February 16.

Cost: \$10, cash or check

Checks made to: Purdue CES Ed Fund

Kindergarteners through 8th-graders must be accompanied by an adult.

Please list Name and Grade below:

Youth #1 (\$10): Youth #2 (\$10): Youth #3 (Free):

Youth#4 (Free):

Any Food allergies?:

Check here to give permission for youth

Mail check (payable to Purdue CES Ed Fund) with this registration form to:
 Purdue Extension Sullivan County 1361 E Co Rd 75N, Sullivan, IN 47882

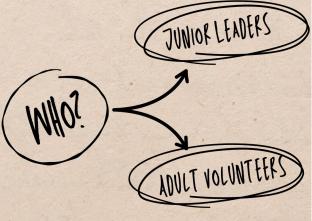
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2. Drop cash or check with this form in the Extension office after hours drop box, located across the street from the Extension office (red brick building) at the Sullivan County Fairgrounds or Stop by the Extension office M-F 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Amount enclosed: \$









4-H Growing together provides an opportunity for adult volunteers & Junior Leaders to make 4-H and club meetings fun. Adult leaders can choose from a variety of sessions that include hands on activities and take home materials. There will also be a roundtable to facilitate discussion between adult volunteers and the Junior leaders. Junior Leaders will attend an etiquette session and then demonstrate their newly learned skills at the luncheon with community members and 4-H volunteers





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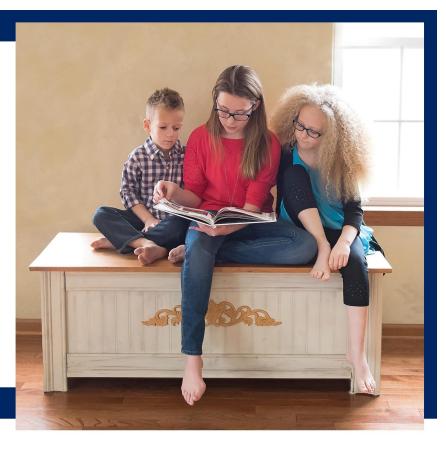


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SAFESITTER Essentials with CPR

Designed to prepare students to be safe when they're home alone, watching younger siblings, or babysitting.

The Instructor-led class is filled with fun games and role-playing exercises. Students even get to use manikins to practice rescue skills like choking rescue!



Thursday, May 30, 2024 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Sullivan County Community Hospital 2200 N Section St, Sullivan, IN 47882

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Class fee is \$50, which includes Safe Sitter Kit to take home and lunch.

Register early as the classes fill quickly.

Register by calling 812-268-4311, ext. 2334, or emailing janis.hughbanks@schosp.com







10 Year 4-H Member Fun Facts

Andrew Baker



Parents: Mark and Julie Baker

Siblings: Lexie Baker

Pets: dog -Miles, cat - Tinley May, crawdad - Norman

4-H Club: Grand Champion Sycamores

College you want/will go to? Vincennes University

Future job: Robotics Engineer

Hidden talent. Engineering / Carpentry Favorite candy: Orange Life Savers

Favorite 4-H project: Legos

Your disaster (worst experience) project: Epic failure in Rocketry - terrible paint job and the fins fell off during liftoff at the rocket launch

Most fun 4-H memory: Rocket launches

Best advice for first year members: Don't take too many projects. Why do you love 4-H? I love the family bonding time it brings as everyone in the family has some part in helping with my 4-H projects.

Gideon Brooks

Nickname: Fredrick

Parents: Eric & Donna Brooks

Siblings: Genevieve, Gretchen & Gabriel Brooks

Pets: Zeus, Gizmo, & Ford 4-H Club: Gill Go Getters

Future job: Linemen

Hidden talent: Plays drums Favorite candy: Snickers

Favorite 4-H project: Welding (Welding Table)

Your disaster (worst experience) project: Welding (Portable Grill)

Most fun 4-H memory: Fun Night Dunk Tank

Best advice for first year members: Start Projects EARLY!

