

The LINK

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**4-H Enrollment opens
October 1, 2024!**
Enroll at v2.4honline.com
to stay up to date with
all things 4-H!



Beyond Ready

Celebrate National 4-H Week-October 6-12 by sharing your 4-H story with your friends! We challenge you to wear a 4-H shirt to show your 4-H pride! And be sure to invite a friend to join in the 4-H fun! The theme this year is Beyond Ready so be sure to share with your friends how much you love 4-H!



TRICK OR TREAT!

THE VANDERBURGH COUNTY 4-H JUNIOR LEADERS WILL BE HOSTING A TRUNK OR TREAT FOR THE MINI 4-H MEMBERS ON WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 23RD AT 6PM. WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS THAT WOULD BE WILLING TO DECORATE THEIR TRUNKS AND PASS OUT CANDY. WE ARE ALSO LOOKING FOR CLUBS TO HOST TABLES WITH INFORMATION ABOUT THEIR CLUB.

Please sign up at
<https://tinyurl.com/treatyourselfto4h2024>
if you can help out!

Plan to arrive around 5:30 to decorate and set up. Event held in the 4-H Center Industrial Building.



4-H Handbook Design Contest

Design the cover of our handbook! Designs can be hand drawn or designed on a computer. Design will be printed in black and white on the front of the 2025 handbook. Submit your design by **November 1** to Taylor at tvanmet@purdue.edu.



Support the 4-H Achievement Banquet



Banquet

Purchase an Ad for your Business or 4-H Member

1/8 page \$25

RETT FINANCIAL 985 S. Kentucky Ellettsville, IN 47116 812-866-4400 (www.rett.com)	SCHERER MONUMENT WORKS 1000 E. 10th Street Ellettsville, IN 47112 812-734-7348
POSH International Area Studies Kate Struge Barnes 1000 S. Kentucky Ellettsville, IN 47116 812-866-4400	Little Apple Inc. Put all your natural beauty inside. 812-866-4400 www.littleapple.com

1/2 page \$50

OAK MEADOW
 Congratulations to all of the winners of the 4-H Achievement Banquet this evening.
 We wish you much continued success in the future!

Full page \$100

Vanderburgh County Farm Bureau
 Vanderburgh County Farm Bureau congratulates Vanderburgh County 4-H members, the future of Indiana agriculture, on another year of making the best leader!

2 Full pages \$200 Center Fold



Ads/checks due 11/1/2025

Make checks payable to Vanderburgh Co 4-H Council

Ad donations help to offset award recipients' complimentary meals

For more information or questions, contact the Extension Office at (812) 867-4935

Awards Week

This week (Sept 30-October 4) is awards week! Adult leaders are invited to participate in the 4-H awards selection process and see what outstanding accomplishments 4-H members have achieved this year! Awards will be chosen at the Purdue Extension Office from 9 am - 9 pm each day until the awards are all chosen. Any amount of time you can give is appreciated. No experience necessary. Thank you for your help!

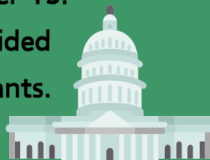


Ignite by 4-H Trip
March 12-17, 2025
Washington DC

This interactive summit helps teens find their spark through inspiring speakers, hands-on workshops, off-site experiences, career exploration and connecting with peers. Find out more: <https://4-h.org/events/ignite-by-4-h/>.

To be considered to WIN free participation in this trip (registration, lodging, meals, airfare), complete the county registration form by October 15.

Our generous sponsors have provided funding for 2 high school participants.



Achievement Banquet

Save the date for the annual 4-H Achievement Banquet on Tuesday, November 12 at the 4-H Center Auditorium. If you have been chosen to receive an award, you will receive an invitation in October. Be on the lookout for more details!



Livestock Fundraising

The Livestock Improvement Fundraising Committee is planning 2 upcoming fundraisers:

- Hacienda Give Back on October 17 in Darmstadt - Make lunch or dinner plans!



Improvements for
 Group: Vanderburgh 4-H Livestock
 Date: October 17, 2024
 Location: Darmstadt

You must receive this token from your organization prior to your event. Distribution of this token on Hacienda property will disqualify the organization from receiving any proceeds.

Don't have time to eat out? Pick up a Hacienda gift card or Fiesta-To-Go order. They count towards the fundraiser.

Restaurant Phone Number: (812) 401-2180

GIFT CARDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED TO MAKE PAYMENT FOR YOUR PURCHASE WITH THIS TOKEN

- Online silent Auction in early December. We are currently accepting donations for the auction. Please reach out to friends, families, and businesses to see how they can help. If you need a donor request letter, contact Megan at mcron@purdue.edu. We ask that donations are in to the office by November 20. And be ready to do some holiday shopping in December!

The Livestock Improvement Fundraising Committee will be meeting on Thursday, October 17 from 6-6:30 pm at the Purdue Extension Office. If you'd like to help with the committee, please join us! Youth are welcome to attend! If you have other ideas for fundraisers, contact Linda Goebel at (812) 632-1076.



One-acre Corn & Soybean Contest

The One-Acre Corn or Soybean Contest is open to any 4-H member. You do not have to exhibit Crops at the fair to participate. A weigh wagon is used to determine the number of bushels. Shawn and Ben Jackson have graciously agreed to do the weighing. If interested in participating, call Shawn at 812-480-6555 or Ben at 812-549-3386 when you are ready to harvest. Winners will be announced at the 4-H Achievement Banquet.

Head Leaders!

Head leaders! It's time to begin setting up the 2025 Calendar. We **MUST** have a list of your meeting dates (with times and locations) to the Extension Office once you have your year planned out. If your club doesn't begin meetings until after the first of the year, please let us know. Your events won't be included in the LINK calendar if you do not share your information. Thanks for your help!

Upcoming Opportunities

Artificial Intelligence Teens as Teachers Team - Are you a teen who loves to teach others about AI? If so, grab a friend or two and make a team and attend a training on November 2 at Purdue. This is provided through a grant from Google. If interested, let Megan know at mkron@purdue.edu.

4-H Zoo Apprentice Camp in Florida - Dec 27-31

4-H'ers become amateur zookeepers at Busch Gardens, Tampa & SeaWorld, Orlando. In this learn-by-doing environment, members explore careers in the animal field and learn about animal conservation all while having fun in the park! 4-H Junior Zoo Apprentice Camp is for youth ages 11-13 & 4-H Zoo Apprentice is for youth 14+! Click [here](#) for more info.

Invention Convention - Are you a teacher or club leader who has students who love to invent? Indiana 4-H will be hosting an annual Invention Convention in March. Find out more [here](#) and contact Megan at mkron@purdue.edu for upcoming workshops.

Adult Leaders Meeting

Adult Leaders will be meeting on Wednesday, October 23 at 7:30 pm at the 4-H Center conference room (immediately following the Treat Yourself to 4-H promo event). All 4-H leaders are invited to attend.

Festival of Trees

The holidays are right around the corner! The Festival of Trees set-up will be Saturday, November 30th at 9am in the SIAM bldg. Tear down will be January 4th at 9am. Clubs are invited to set up a tree in the SIAM building during the Winter Carnival.



SHARE YOUR 4-H PRIDE IN THE FALL FESTIVAL PARADE

Saturday October 12th
Tentative Meeting Time: 3pm
More details to come!

CONTACT BETH WITH QUESTIONS
BASCHMITT53@GMAIL.COM



TREAT YOURSELF TO 4-H!

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23

6:00 - 7:30 PM

4-H CENTER INDUSTRIAL BUILDING

FREE FOR YOUTH IN GRADES K-12

**RSVP AT [HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/TREAT4H](https://tinyurl.com/treat4h) BY
OCTOBER 21**

Put on your Halloween costume and join us for a trunk-or-treat and learn just how sweet 4-H is at hands-on stations. 15-minute parent info sessions will be held at 6:30 and 7:00 pm.

**For more information,
contact Megan Hoffherr at
mkron@purdue.edu.**



Purdue University is an equal access/equal opportunity institution.

If you have special needs, please call us
prior to the event at (812) 867-4935.

**SCAN TO
REGISTER**

Want to Plant a Garden But Don't Know Where to Start?

Come learn how to start growing your own food with one of our local Southwestern Indiana Master Gardener's and help end world hunger!

You will plant microgreens and take them home!

We are having a merch sale to support the mission trip to start garden for community.

Styles | T-Shirt or Sweatshirt
Colors | Green, Pink, Blue, Orange, Natural
Sizes | Youth Small - 3X Large

Scan the qr code or go to the link below.

www.designsbyamandadeutsch.com



Join Us

October 12, 2024

10 am- 12 noon

Salem Church of Darmstadt

14134 Darmstadt Rd
Evansville, IN 47725



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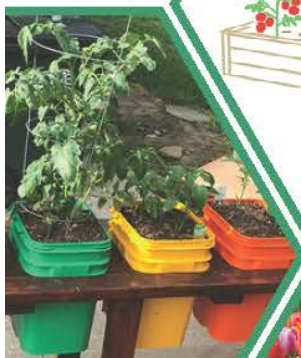
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NATIONAL 4-H COUNCIL

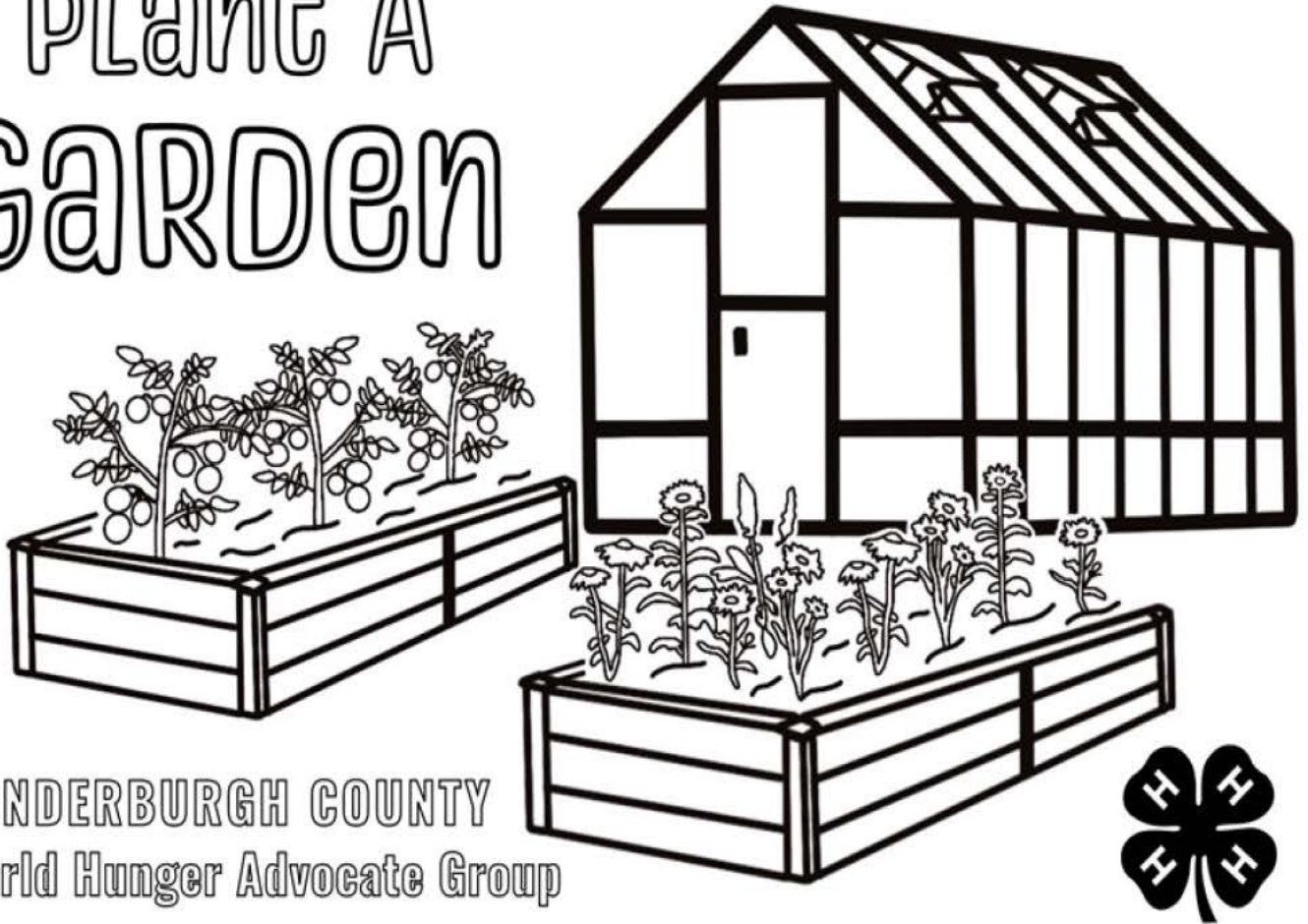


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END HUNGER

PLANT A GARDEN



VANDERBURGH COUNTY
World Hunger Advocate Group

4-H GROWS HERE

4-H World Hunger Advocate Group Coloring Contest. Color your page and complete information below. Please mail to our group at 2820 Schroeder Rd. Haubstadt, IN 47639 or post to our Face Book World Hunger Advocate group by October 12, 2024. A winner for each age group and an overall winner will be selected. Winners will be notified and prizes sent following judging.

Name _____ Age: 2-3 yr 4-5 yr 6-9 yr 10-13 yr 14-18 yr 18 yr and up

Address _____ Phone _____

Shooting Sports

We apologize for the error in Iron Sights results from the Sept Link newsletter. The corrected results are included below.

JUNIOR DIVISION (Grades 3-7)

Iron Sights:

Champion: Logan Brandt
Reserve Champion: Reinard Stanislaus

Muzzleloader:

Champion: Olivia Swartz

Scoped Rifle:

Champion: Lucas Jackson
Reserve Champion: Owen Potter

Pistol Semi-Auto:

Champion: Raegan Brenner
Reserve Champion: Jarett Keil

Pistol Revolver:

Champion: Jack Jacobs

Archery:

Champion: Savannah Goldsberry
Reserve Champion: Jude Moye

SENIOR DIVISION (Grades 8-12)

Shotgun:

Champion: Austin Parker

Pistol Revolver:

Champion: Maddox Harris
Reserve Champion: Alyssa Coomes

Scoped Rifle:

Champion: Elijah Schmitt
Reserve Champion: AJ Rogers

Iron Sights:

Champion: Caleb Kunkler

Archery:

Champion: Emma Early
Reserve Champion: Brandt Coomes

Other Participants:

Isaiah Bolin, Riley Hobby, Bryan Keil, Kenzie Keil, Isabella Schmitt, Nicholas Forbes, Sabrina Funk, Clayton Keil, Samuel Standring, Easton Fettes, Lydia Coomes, Blake Woodard, James Owens, Austin Groeninger, Audrie Walker, Brooklyn Rogers, Joseph Knea, Seanan Walker, Maddox Harris, Tyler Brenner



October 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Armstrong Hi-Lighters 6pm	2 Dog Club 7pm	3 Jr. Leaders 7pm	4	5
6	7	8	9 Perry M & M's 6:45pm	10 German Gems 6pm	11	12
13	14 Horse & Pony 7pm	15	16 St Wendel All-Star Clovers 6pm	17	18	19
20	21 Centerrific 6pm	22 Energetics & Tech Club 5:30pm	23 Treat Yourself to 4-H	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 		