

The LINK June 2024



Purdue University Cooperative Extension Service, Vanderburgh County

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Volunteers Wanted!

We're looking for caring adults to serve as 4-H volunteers for:

- **Gift Wrapping Superintendent**
- **4-H Promotion Liaison**

If you or someone you know is interested in any of these opportunities, contact Megan Hoffherr at mkron@purdue.edu for details on how to apply.

CHECK OUT VANDERBURGH CO. 4-H



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Purdue Extension - Vanderburgh County



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Click here for the 2024 4-H Handbook

Hard copies have been distributed to clubs to pass out.

VANDERBURGH COUNTY 4-H SPIRIT WEAR STORE

Check out our Spirit Wear Store!



The store includes t-shirts, hooded sweatshirts, and quarter zips!

Items come in a variety of colors and sizes! (including youth sizes)

Wear your Spirit Wear proudly at the Vanderburgh County Fair!

To order visit: <https://vanderburghcounty-4-h.square.site/s/shop>

All orders and payments will be taken online through the Spirit Store. Once complete, you will receive email notification and all orders can be picked up the Purdue Extension Office. We will let you know when orders are ready for pick up.

\$4 from every item purchased will be donated back to the Vanderburgh County 4-H Program!

STORE CLOSERS FRIDAY MAY 31!

HAVE QUESTIONS? EMAIL TAYLOR AT TVANMET@PURDUE.EDU

Project Supplies

Poster Backing: \$0.50

Poster and Salon Print Sleeves: \$0.50

Electric Circuit Board Kit: \$15.50

Electric Shake Light Kit: \$20.50

Electric Fluorescent Trouble Light Kit: \$62.50

Electric Extension Cord Kit: \$60

Fluorescent Trouble Light Head Only: \$20

Electric Complete Lamp Kit: \$27

Entomology Pins: \$6

Insect Boxes \$40

How to Study, Collect, Preserve and Identify Insects \$5

Stop by the office to purchase these supplies.





OLIVER WALLACE

4-H member, Oliver Wallace, unexpectedly passed away on May 19. Oliver's 4-H Clubs, Livestock Club and Tractor Club, are collecting donations to purchase a memorial brick for Oliver at the Vanderburgh 4-H Center. Any donations above the cost of the brick will be given to the family for expenses.



If you'd like to donate, checks can be made payable to Vanderburgh 4-H Council (please write Oliver in the memo line) and brought to/mailed to the Purdue Extension Office (13301 Darmstadt Rd, Ste A, Evansville IN 47725). Thank you for your help in honoring a sweet young man that will be dearly missed.

PROJECT MANUALS

Did you know 4-H members can get educational project manuals for most projects for free? Check out [this handout](#) to see what manuals are available for your projects, along with other project resources.



Fair Entry

The Vanderburgh County Fair is right around the corner! Now that you know the projects you plan to exhibit at the fair, we need you to complete one more step in the registration process. The Fair Entry system is designed so that you can enter the exact exhibit or animal you're planning to bring to the fair. For instance, you may have signed up for Photography in 4-H Online. In the Fair Entry system, you will choose the exhibit that you're bringing to the fair, such as a Color Salon Print. This helps us to create labels, judging scorecards, and show bills for the fair. Also, by letting us know which animals you plan to exhibit, livestock superintendents can have an accurate count for setting up animal pens.

Please follow the instructions found [here](#) (scroll down to Fair Entry) to indicate which exhibits you will be bringing to the fair in person or virtually. The website to enter is <http://vanderburghcountyin.fairentry.com>.

Deadline: JULY 1, 2024

Project Changes

In the handbook, you will notice the following changes to project guidelines:

- Clarifications and minor changes were made Aerospace, Electric, and Family Camping, Genealogy.
- Foods Projects - There is a new recipe card! Also, Creating with a Mix and Microwave no longer require recipe boxes.
- Garden - any other single vegetable and any other herb were added as exhibit options and the Latin name requirement was removed.
- Tractor: The 2024 tractor/lawn and garden tractor/zero-turn mower operator skills area and state contests will include the parts identification and obstacle course practicums only. The quiz/exam practicum will not be part of the 2024 contests.
- Woodworking, Level 1 and Level 2 techniques were combined.
- Animal projects: Dairy goat classes were changed to match the state fair, Meat Goats added a commercial doe class and updated language, Pygmy Goats combined "Unfreshened Yearling 12-24 months of age" and Freshened Yearling under 2 Years into a Yearling class. Sheep made clarifications for ease of understanding.
- County Garden Contest: Any youth can participate - you do not have to qualify from your club.

CHANGE



Area Performing Arts



Congratulations to Vanderburgh County 4-H Members, Emma Davidson (Star 4-H Club) and Reid Jackson (Livestock Club), who were 1st place winners at the Area 3 Performing Arts Contest! Reid will have the opportunity to perform at Round Up this summer. Way to represent Vanderburgh County, Reid and Emma!



County Tractor Contest

SUNDAY, JUNE 2 AT 1 PM

VANDERBURGH 4-H CENTER
GATE 2, GRASSY AREA BY SIAM

REGISTER IN FAIR ENTRY BY MAY 30



FASHION REVUE

JUDGING: MON, JULY 15 AT 9 AM
4:H SHOW: MON, JULY 15 AT 7:00 PM
(OPEN CLASS SHOW AT 6:00 PM)
VANDERBURGH 4-H CENTER
ACTIVITIES BUILDING

Model your Sewing or Consumer Clothing outfit.
Mini 4-H can participate!
Register in Fair Entry by July 8



SPEECH & DEMONSTRATION CONTEST

Tuesday, June 18
6:00 pm
Vanderburgh 4-H Center
Banquet Hall

REGISTER IN FAIR ENTRY BY JUNE 14



VANDERBURGH 4-H

BARBECUE CONTEST

June 18 at 6:30 pm

Vanderburgh 4-H Center
Banquet Hall Porch

Register in Fair Entry by June 14

COUNTY GARDEN CONTEST






New for 2024! Any youth can participate in the County Garden Contest- you do not have to qualify from your club. The contest will be held in early July. Judges will come around to look at your garden and ask questions. There is a small garden division (less than 150 square feet) and large garden division (larger than 150 square feet). Register in 4-H Online under Exhibit (County Projects): County Garden Contest.



RECYCLING CONTEST

Celebrate the 2024 fair theme by creating an item made entirely from **Recycled Materials**.

Indoor and Outdoor Projects and Hand-Crafted Wearable Items accepted

-  Indoor items cannot be more than 24 inches x 24 inches at the base
-  Outdoor items should be suitable for yard or porch display, resistant to weather conditions
-  Bonding agents of any type do not need to be a recycled product (glue, screws, thread, etc.)
-  Attach a sheet with a list of materials used and other interesting information about your entry
-  Previously displayed 4-H Recycling projects will be accepted.



Entry time: Saturday, July 20th 1-3pm Auditorium No entry fee

Pick-up time: Sunday, July 28th 11am-1pm

Monetary awards will be given to the best 5 entries

We are thrilled to be a recipient of a \$2,000 grant from the Vanderburgh Community Foundation! This money will be put towards 4-H school enrichment programs that educate Vanderburgh County youth in both public and private schools on topics such as nutrition and physical activity, character building, handwashing, money management and more. Thank you to the Vanderburgh Community Foundation for this generous gift!

10 Year Members

We are pleased to have 30 Ten Year Members in Vanderburgh County this year! You can learn more about these 4-Hers in this issue of The LINK! Be on the lookout for information regarding Ten Year pictures to be taken. Emily English, summer intern, will be taking care of the pictures. Dates for pictures to be taken will be June 20 and 21. Be on the lookout for a sign up!

Project Monitors

Project Monitors are needed to keep all our 4-H members' projects safe. We can only do this with help from parents and 4-H leaders. Project Monitors make sure fair goers don't touch the exhibits and remind individuals to keep food and drinks out of the exhibit areas.

We will be sending out the sign-up link very soon. We need two adults for each time slot. 4-H'ers in high school may assist as project monitors as long as the other monitor is an adult. Please plan to arrive about 10 minutes early. Please type your club name in the comment section. Feel free to contact Emily English with any questions at englis21@purdue.edu Thanks!

Workshops

Our Summer Interns are planning 4-H project workshops for the evenings of June 17. Mark your calendars and be on the lookout for more details soon!





2024



SUMMER DATES



May 15: Animal ID Deadline

May 30: Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Training

June 2: County Tractor Contest

June 3-5: 4-H Camp

June 12-14: 4-H Academy

June 17: 4-H Workshops

June 18: Speech & Demo Contest & BBQ Contest

June 22-25: State 4-H Band & Chorus

June 24-26: 4-H Round Up

June 27: Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Training

July 1: Fair Entry Deadline

July 1: Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Training Deadline

July 15: Fashion Revue



FIGHT
THE

HUNGER



STOCK
THE

TRAILER

Contest

All 4-H Clubs are invited to compete to see who can collect the most canned goods and turn them in on the project turn-in days, July 20 & 21. Money can also be donated to Jr. Leaders to buy canned goods for your club. The club that collects the most food will win one free fountain drink from the Jr. Leader Booth for each member at the fair!

Last year we collected

5000 lbs

of food for Tri-State
Food Bank!

Jr. Leaders could win up to \$5,000 in the state-wide contest if we collect the most pounds of food. Support Vanderburgh County 4-H and Feed the Hungry!

Club News

Horse & Pony Club

The Horse & Pony club hosted a horse show in early May. They did a great job working together to make a successful event!



Shooting Sports

The Vanderburgh County 4-H Shooting Sports Club is hosting a Hacienda give back day on June 25th, 2024 in Darmstadt Indiana on north 41. Don't have time to eat? You can get to go orders or buy gift cards to go towards the give back. Just mention the give back or show the token and 20% of your bill goes towards the Vanderburgh County 4-H Shooting Sports Club. Come out and support us. Hope to see you there!

Money will go towards supplies for the club. We teach gun safety and safe shooting practice to grades 3 through 12 in 4-H.

HACIENDA RESTAURANT
GIVES BACK
Fiesta

Group: Vanderburgh Co 4H
Date: 6-25-24 Shooting Sports
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

Star 4-H Club

Star 4-H Club had a meeting on May 13, 2024. For our community service project, we worked on our Club Adopt a Spot by the front entrance. We also brought old and used craft supplies to decorate our birdhouses. Sarah Parker, our treasurer, collected club dues. Lastly, we discussed and picked our theme for the club cookout.

Sincerely,

Chloe Stock, Secretary Star Club

Animal Projects



Extension - Indiana 4-H



INDIANA 4-H QUALITY LIVESTOCK CARE

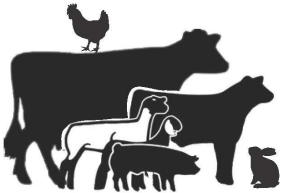
To exhibit **BEEF CATTLE, DAIRY CATTLE, SWINE, SHEEP, MEAT GOATS, DAIRY GOATS, PYGMY GOATS, POULTRY, and RABBITS**, 4-H members must be certified through the Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care training **OR** the online Youth for the Quality Care of Animals program (YQCA).

1. This certification must be done an annual basis
2. Members must be registered **BEFORE** attending a training
3. Members may attend any training dates listed on this flyer **OR** a training in another county **OR** complete the online YQCA training

Training Dates	Training Locations
1. Tues, March 19 - 6:15 pm (with Livestock Club Meeting)	4-H Center Banquet Hall
2. Mon, May 6 - 7:00 pm	4-H Center Banquet Hall
3. Thurs, May 30 - 3:00 pm	Purdue Extension Office
4. Thurs, June 27 - 3:00 pm	Purdue Extension Office

To register for the Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care program, please use <https://QLC.4honline.com>

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.



If you need to request special accommodations, please contact the Purdue Extension office at (812) 867-4935.

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State Fair

Are you planning to exhibit livestock at the State Fair? Check out FAQs [here](#). Entry books available [here](#).

Livestock Shows

Looking for livestock shows or workshops this spring and summer? Check out our website where we post all information we receive on upcoming shows/events. Click [here](#) and scroll down to the Livestock Resources.

CORRECTION - Horse & Pony

Please note the following correction for Horse & Pony in the 4-H Handbook:

Page 104 - High Point: To qualify for high point, **you must meet the required points on the achievement award checklist.**



This change was made right before handbooks were printed and it did not get included. We apologize for the error.

Petting Zoo Help

The Vanderburgh County Fair is looking for volunteers to help with the petting zoo at the fair. They are asking for 4-H member helping on the Friday before the fair at 9:00 am, during fair week, and Sunday at 9:00 am after fair. Animals are provided. Call Rick Gish at (812) 963-6555 if you can help. This is a great community service event to put on our Achievement Record.

Llama Workshops

Llama Workshops will be held on Thursday, June 13 and Thursday, July 11. The meetings will begin at 6 pm and will be held at Spitsville Acres, 2820 Schroeder Rd, Haubstadt IN 47639. Mark your calendars to attend!



Extension - 4-H Youth Development



BEEF BOOT CAMP

MONDAY, JULY 15

SOUTHERN INDIANA PURDUE AG CENTER
11371 E PURDUE FARM RD, DUBOIS, IN 47527

Participants will learn about artificial insemination, reproductive management, herd genetics, anatomy, BCS, nutrition, and more during this hands-on 4-H Spark Club!

- 9 A.M. -3 P.M.
- 4-H Grades 6-12
- Cost: \$150/youth
- Class size limited
- Register by July 1

812-338-5466, Crawford Co.
812-438-3656, Ohio Co.

REGISTER AT: 4-HONLINE EVENTS

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Supreme Showmanship

Supreme Showmanship shall include a Level 3 Showman. A Supreme Showman for large animals and small animals shall be awarded.

Large Animals

Beef, Dairy, Sheep, Swine,
Meat Goat

Small Animals

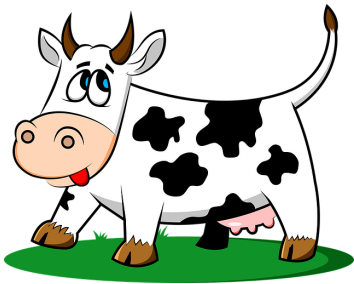
Dairy Goat, Llama, Poultry,
Pygmy Goat, & Rabbit

4-H Supreme Showmanship will take place on Friday, July 26th at 8:00am in the Livestock Show Barn.

4-H Members will be asked to show each species and answer questions related to each species.

2024 Auction Order

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| 1. Dairy Goat | 6. Swine |
| 2. Meat Goat | 7. Sheep |
| 3. Pygmy Goat | 8. Dairy |
| 4. Poultry | 9. Rabbit |
| 5. Beef | 10. Llama |



Auction Cards

If you plan to participate in the Livestock Premium Auction, you do not need to enter in advance in Fair Entry. You will have an auction card mailed to you that will be turned in at Livestock check-in that will allow you to participate in the Livestock Premium Auction. You will receive this card in late June or early July. If you do not plan to participate, please still complete and return to let us know. Cards must be turned in at check-in or by noon on Monday, July 22. Changes can be made by Thursday, July 25 by 5:00 pm.

Barnyard Olympics

Monday, July 22

10:00 Mini 4-H Division

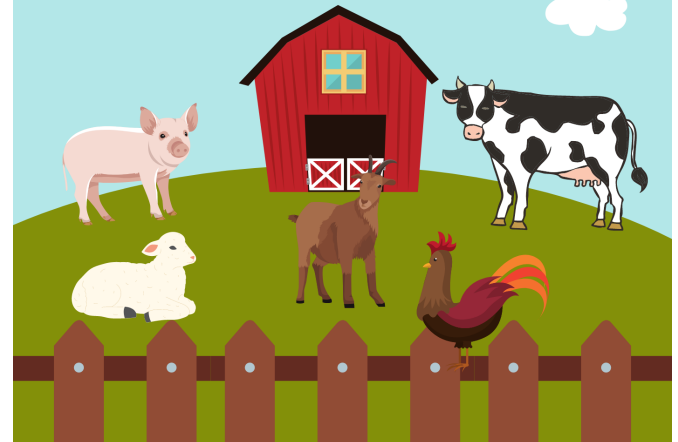
11:00 4-H Division

All Mini 4-H and 4-H'ers welcome!

Vanderburgh
4-H Center
Show Barn



You can win
Prizes!



Auction Photos

Swine photos will be taken 1 hour before the auction. All other photos will be taken at the backdrop immediately after leaving the auction ring. Animals representing the Grand Champion of their species will still take a photo with the buyer in the ring. As a reminder, the livestock premium auction will take place on Friday, July 26 at 1:00 pm.

Barn Leadership Award

The Barn Leadership Award will be given in each species to an exhibitor that demonstrates integrity, discipline, positive attitude, humble spirit, sense of humor and is a team player.



Welcome Summer Interns!



It's summertime and you know what that means! The Extension Summer Interns have started working hard at the Extension Office. We are thrilled to introduce them to you!

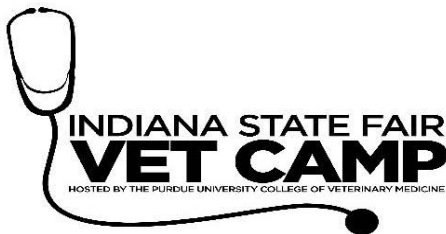
Emily English

Emily was a 10 year 4-H member in Vanderburgh County. She will be a junior at Purdue University in the fall studying Ag Communication and Sustainable Food & Farming. Her favorite project was animal posters. This is Emily's first year on the Summer Staff. We are so glad she's here!



Emma Farney

Emma was a 10 year 4-H member in Vanderburgh County. She will be a junior at Grace Bible College in the fall and her major is Exercise Science. The Dog project was her favorite project area. This is Emma's second year on the Summer Staff. We are happy to have her back!



Indiana State Fair Senior Vet Camp 9th through 12th grade

We invite you to spend a day at the Indiana State Fair where you will have the opportunity to attend a camp run by current Veterinary Students at Purdue University. Indiana State Fair Vet Camp will partner with Momma Town so campers can learn about physical exams and other diagnostic tests that would apply to the animals in Momma Town. Additionally, we will be doing a heart dissection and other hands-on activities to introduce you to the field of veterinary medicine. Cost is \$40 for the experience and a Vet Camp T-shirt. If that sounds interesting to you, sign up for one of the many available days throughout the 2024 Indiana State Fair and we look forward to seeing you there!

August 3, 4, 10, 11, 17 – 1:00pm-3:00pm
August 9, 16 – 5:00 pm-7:00pm

Indiana State Fair Junior Vet Camp 6th through 8th grade

Do you love animals and think you might want to work with them one day? We invite you to attend vet camp at the Indiana State Fair this summer. This year you will have the opportunity to do hands-on activities such as learning how to place IV catheters on models and how to read radiographs. Indiana State Fair Vet Camp will partner with Momma Town so campers can learn about physical exams for the animals in Momma Town. Cost is \$40 for the experience and a Vet Camp T-shirt. If this sounds interesting to you, sign up for one of the many available days throughout the 2024 Indiana State Fair and we look forward to seeing you there!

August 3, 4, 10, 11, 17 – 10:00am-12:00pm
August 7, 14 – 5:00pm-7:00pm

Registration Link for 2024 Indiana State Fair Purdue Vet Camp → [CLICK HERE!](#)

**Purdue Vet Camp curriculum is the same each day it is offered, intended for participants to only attend one session.

**Each participant will receive two admission tickets and a parking pass

Email questions to cglowacki@indianastatefair.com

State Fair Education Station

Would you like to have attention drawn to your 4-H club at state fair? Would you like 4-H members to share with the public skills learned from their 4-H experiences? Would you like to provide 4-H members the opportunity to teach at the state fair? Finally, would your 4-H club like to earn money?

If the answer to all those questions was YES, please visit the [Indiana 4-H web site](#) to learn more about 4-H Education Stations at the Indiana State Fair. Applications must be submitted to your county Purdue Extension Office by June 15.

Community Service Opportunity

Calling for help on June 18! The Extension Homemakers are giving a "Block Party" to the residents at Lucas Place and need some 4-Hers to lead some games, crafts, and recreation. This event is from 11 am to 2 pm, rain or shine. We hope to have games such as a fish pond, relays, nail polish area, face painting, hair tinsel, ring toss, crafts etc. Lunch will be provided, but help is needed to serve drinks, hot dogs and chips.

Anyone interested in assisting can call or text Linda Deig at 812-431-4154.

Lucas Place, 414 Baker Ave.

June 18, 11 am - 2 pm





2024 LIVESTOCK ENTRY AND RELEASE TIMES

4-H LIVESTOCK SET-UP

Dairy Goats, Meat Goats, Pygmy Goats, Rabbits: Tuesday, July 16: Parents at 6:00 pm and 4-H members at 7:00 pm

Sheep, Swine: Thursday, July 18 at 6:00 pm

Poultry, Llamas: Friday, July 19 at 6:00 pm

Show Barn: Saturday, July 20 at 12:00 pm

4-H LIVESTOCK ENTRY TIMES

Horse & Pony: Sunday, July 21 from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Sheep: Sunday, July 21 from 1-3 pm or Monday, July 22 from 8 am - 12:00 pm

Pygmy Goats: Sunday, July 21 from 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Beef, Dairy, Dairy Goats, Llamas, Meat Goats, Poultry, Rabbits, Swine: Sunday, July 21 from 5:00 - 8:00 pm or Monday, July 22 from 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

4-H LIVESTOCK RELEASE TIMES

Dairy: Heavy Milkers Only: Thursday, July 25 at 10:00 pm

Dairy Goats, Meat Goats, Sheep: Friday July 26 from 8:00 pm-12:00 am

Remaining Dairy, Beef, Swine: Friday July 26 from 10:00 pm-12:00 am or Saturday, July 27 from 6:00-9:00 am

Poultry, Pygmy Goats, Rabbits: Saturday, July 27 from 8:00 - 9:00 am

Horse & Pony: Saturday, July 27 at 12:00 pm

Llamas: Saturday, July 27 11:00 pm-12:00 am or Sunday, July 28 7:00 - 8:00 am

4-H LIVESTOCK CLEAN-UP

Poultry: Saturday, July 27 at 8:00 am

Rabbits: Saturday, July 27: 8:00 am cage cleaning; Sunday, July 28: 10:00 am clean-up

Other 4-H Livestock: Sunday, July 28 at 8:00 am



2024 4-H & LIVESTOCK EVENTS AT THE VANDERBURGH CO. FAIR

Wednesday, July 17

5:00 pm: 4-H Expo Hall Set-Up

Thursday, July 18

9:00 am: 4-H Expo Hall Set-Up cont.

Saturday, July 20

10:00 am - 3:00 pm: 4-H Project Check-In (check handbook for specific times for each project)

5:30 pm: Open Beef Show

Sunday, July 21

9:30: Open Swine Show

10:00 am - 2:00 pm: Horse & Pony Check-in

12:00 - 2:00 pm: 4-H Project Check-In for Garden, Aquatic Science, Floriculture, and Pets

1:00 pm: Open Meat Goat Show

1:00 - 3:00 pm: Sheep Check-In

4:00 pm: Open Sheep Show

5:00 - 8:00 pm: Beef, Dairy, Dairy Goats, Llamas, Meat Goats, Poultry, Pygmy Goats, Rabbits & Swine Check-In

Monday, July 22

8:00 am: 4-H Dog Obedience Show

8:00 am - 12:00 pm: Beef, Dairy, Dairy Goats, Llamas, Meat Goats, Poultry, Rabbits, Sheep & Swine Check-In

10:00 am - Mini 4-H Barnyard Olympics

11:00 am - 4-H Barnyard Olympics

1:00 pm - 4-H & Open Dairy Goat Show

3:00 - 9:00 pm: 4-H Exhibits Open

3:00 pm: 4-H & Open Pygmy Goat Show

6:30 pm: Fair Opening & 10 Year Member Recognition

Tuesday, July 23

9:00am: 4-H Rabbit Showmanship

9:00 am: 4-H Meat Goat Show

9:00am: 4-H English Horse and Pony Show

10:00 am - 9:00 pm: 4-H Exhibits Open

10:00 am: 4-H Rabbit Show

12:00 pm: 4-H Sheep Show

1:00 pm: Fun Fair Activity

4:00 pm: Open Rabbit Show

6:00 pm: 4-H Dog Agility Show

7:00 pm: Dairy Showmanship

Wednesday, July 24

8:00 am: 4-H & Open Poultry Show

9:00 am: 4-H & Open Dairy Show

9:00 am: 4-H Western Horse & Pony Show

10:00 am - 9:00 pm: 4-H Exhibits Open

Wednesday, July 24 cont.

1:00 pm: Fun Fair Activity

4:00 pm: 4-H Llama/Alpaca Show

6:00 pm: 4-H Swine Show

Thursday, July 25

9:00 am: 4-H Beef Show

9:00 4-H Horse & Pony Speed Events

10:00 am - 9:00 pm: 4-H Exhibits Open

1:00 pm: Pygmy & Dairy Goat Obstacle/Agility Show

1:00 pm: Scavenger Hunt

5:00 - 7:00 pm 4-H Entrepreneur Showcase

10:00 pm: Heavy Milking Dairy Released

Friday, July 26

8:00 am: 4-H Livestock Supreme Showmanship

9:00 am: 4-H Model Airplane & Rocket Performance-Field South of Horse Pavilion

10:00 am - 9:00 pm: 4-H Exhibits Open

10:00 am: 4-H Horse & Pony Versatility Class

1:00 pm: 4-H Livestock Premium Auction

6:00 pm: Frog Jumping Contest

8:00 pm - 12:00 am: Dairy Goats, Meat Goats, Sheep Released

10:00 pm- 12:00am: Remaining Dairy, Swine, Beef Released

Saturday, July 27

6:00 - 9:00 am: Remaining Dairy, Beef & Swine Released

8:00 - 9:00 am: Poultry, Pygmy Goats, Rabbit Release

8:00 am: Poultry, Pygmy Goat, Rabbit Cage Clean-Up

8:30 am: 4-H Cat Show

10:00 am - 9:00 pm: 4-H Exhibits Open

10:00 am: 4-H Horse & Pony Costume Classes & Free Fun Show

12:00 pm: Horse & Pony Release

2:00 pm: 4-H Llama/Alpaca Costume & Fun Hour

4:00 pm: 4-H Club Cook Off

5:00 pm: 4-H Parade of Champions & Club Recognition

11:00 pm-12:00 am: Llama Release

Sunday, July 28

7:00 - 8:00 am: Llama Release

8:00 am: Livestock Clean-Up

10:00 am: Rabbit Clean Up

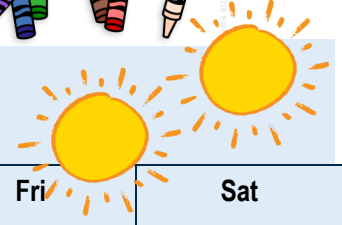
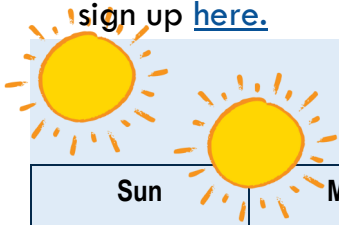
11:00 am-1:00 pm: 4-H Projects Released

Fair Association Youth Rep

The Vanderburgh County Fair Association is looking to add a second youth representative to the association. The Association meets monthly on the 2nd Thursday evening. This is a great leadership opportunity to share your voice and represent the 4-H program. If you'd like to be considered for this role, please email Megan at mkron@purdue.edu.

Kids Corner

Kids Corner at the fair is looking for items, such as toilet paper rolls, old crayons, etc. If you have items to donate, sign up [here](#).



June 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 County Tractor Contest Horse & Pony Advisory 3pm	3 4-H Camp Centerrific 6pm	4 4-H Camp	5 4-H Camp Dog Club 7pm	6 Jr. Leaders 7pm Shooting Sports Shotgun 6pm	7	8
9	10 Horse & Pony 7pm	11 Armstrong Hi-Lighters 6pm Shooting Sports Archery 6:30pm	12 4-H Academy Perry M & M's 6:45pm	13 4-H Academy German Gem's 6pm	14 4-H Academy	15
16 Shooting Sports Fair Shoot @ Daniel Boon Gun Club 2-4pm	17 4-H Workshops Scott Achievers TBD	18 Speech & Demo/BBQ Contest Livestock 6pm Shooting Sports Shotgun 6pm Tech & Energetics 5:30	19 Office Closed Mini 4-H 6pm Tractor 6pm St Wendel All Stars 6pm	20 6:30 4-H Council	21	22
23	24 4-H Round-Up Star 4-H Club 6pm	25 4-H Round-Up 6:00 Adult Leaders	26 4-H Round-Up	27 Quality Livestock Care 3pm Livestock Committee 6:30pm Happy Hoosiers	28	29 Area Tractor Contest
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2024 4-H DATES

All dates and locations are subject to change.

January

- 1: Holiday, Office Closed
- 4: Jr. Leader Meeting, 7:00 pm, Banquet Hall
- 15: Holiday, Office Closed
- 18: 4-H Council Meeting, 6:30 pm, Extension Office
- 25: 4-H Scholarships Due in 4-H Online
- 31: 4-H Trip Applications Due

February

- 1: Jr. Leader Meeting, 7:00 pm, Banquet Hall
- 15: 4-H Camp Counselor Applications Due
- 15: Livestock Committee, 6:30 pm, Extension Office
- 19: Holiday, Office Closed
- 21: Mini 4-H, 6:00 pm, Expo Hall
- 29: 4-H Officer Training/Adult Leader Meeting, 6:00 pm, Expo Hall

March

- 7: Jr. Leader Meeting, 7:00 pm, Banquet Hall
- 19: Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Training (After Livestock Club Meeting), 6:15 pm, Banquet Hall
- 20: Mini 4-H, 6:00 pm
- 21: 4-H Council Meeting, 6:30 pm, Extension Office
- 25-29: EVSC Spring Break
- 29: Holiday, Office Closed

April

- 2-4: Ag Days, 4-H Center
- 4: Jr. Leader Meeting, 7:00 pm, Banquet Hall
- 15: 4-H Camp Applications Due
- 17: Mini 4-H, 6:00 pm
- 18: Livestock Committee, 6:30 pm, Extension Office
- 23: 4-H Performing Arts, 6:30 pm, Auditorium

May

- 2: Jr. Leader Meeting, 7:00 pm, Banquet Hall
- 4: Tagging Day for Beef, Meat Goats, Sheep, Small Animal Barns
- 6: Quality Livestock Care Training, 7:00 pm, Banquet Hall
- 7: Holiday, Office Closed
- 15: ANIMAL ID DEADLINE
- 15: Mini 4-H, 6:00 pm
- 24: EVSC - School's out for summer
- 27: Holiday, Office Closed
- 30: Quality Livestock Care Training, 3:00 pm, Extension Office

June

- 2: County Tractor Contest, 4-H Center
- 3-5: 4-H Camp, Santa Claus, IN
- 6: Jr. Leader Meeting, 7:00 pm, Location TBD
- 12-14: 4-H Academy at Purdue
- 17: 4-H Workshops, Conference Room
- 18: 4-H Speech & Demo Contest, 6:00 pm, Banquet Hall
- 19: Holiday, Office Closed
- 19: Mini 4-H, 6:00 pm

June cont.

- 20: 4-H Workshops, Conference Room
- 20: 4-H Council, 6:30 pm, Extension Office
- 22-24: State 4-H Band
- 22-25: State 4-H Chorus
- 24-26: 4-H Round-Up
- 27: Quality Livestock Care Training, 3:00 pm, Extension Office
- 27: Livestock Committee, 6:30 pm, Extension Office
- 29: Area Tractor Contest, Vanderburgh County

July

- 1: Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Deadline & Fair Entry Deadline
- 4: Holiday, Office Closed
- 10-11: Mini 4-H Day Camp, 4-H Center
- 11: 4-H Council, 6:30 pm, Extension Office
- 11: Jr. Leader Meeting, 7:00 pm, Expo Hall
- 15: Fashion Revue (Judging in Expo Hall - AM, Show in Auditorium, PM)
- 17-18: Fair Set-up
- 20-21: Enter 4-H Projects
- 22-27: Vanderburgh County Fair
- 28: Projects Released

August

- 1: Jr. Leader Banquet, 6:00 pm, Banquet Hall
- 2-18: Indiana State Fair (closed Mondays)
- 15: Livestock Committee, 6:30 pm, Extension Office

September

- 2: Holiday, Office Closed
- 5: Jr. Leader Meeting, 7:00 pm, Banquet Hall
- 16: Achievement Records, 4-H Club Secretary & Treasurer Books, Club Scrapbooks, & Honor Club Apps Due
- 18: Mini 4-H, 6:00 pm
- 19: 4-H Council, 6:30 pm, Extension Office
- 28-29: Extension Homemaker Craft Show

October

- 3: Jr. Leader Meeting, 7:00 pm, Banquet Hall
- 17: Livestock Committee, 6:30 pm, Extension Office
- 23: 4-H Promotion Event/ Mini 4-H, Expo Hall/Industrial Building

November

- 5: Holiday, Office Closed
- 7: Jr. Leader Meeting, 6:30 pm, Banquet Hall
- 12: 4-H Achievement Banquet, Auditorium
- 20: Mini 4-H, 6:00 pm
- 21: 4-H Council, 6:30 pm, Extension Office
- 28-29: Holiday, Office Closed

December

- 4: 4-H Volunteer Appreciation/Holiday Party, Bqt Hall
- 5: Jr. Leader Meeting, 7:00 pm, Banquet Hall
- 18: Mini 4-H, 6:00 pm
- 24, 25, 31 - Holidays, Office Closed





CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR TEN-YEAR MEMBERS!

ELI BITTNER

KALEB HERKE

WILLIAM MELTON

RHYLANNE BITTNER

LEONARD HUGHES

SARAH PARKER

SOPHIA BOYD

ALLYSON JOHNSON

ISAAC POHL

TYLER BRENNER

BENJAMIN KING

IAN REXING

MATTHEW CALDEMAYER

CLARA KISSEL

LUIS ROBLERO

MESA COMPTON

JOSHUA KNEA

BROOKLYN ROGERS

ABIGAIL FEE

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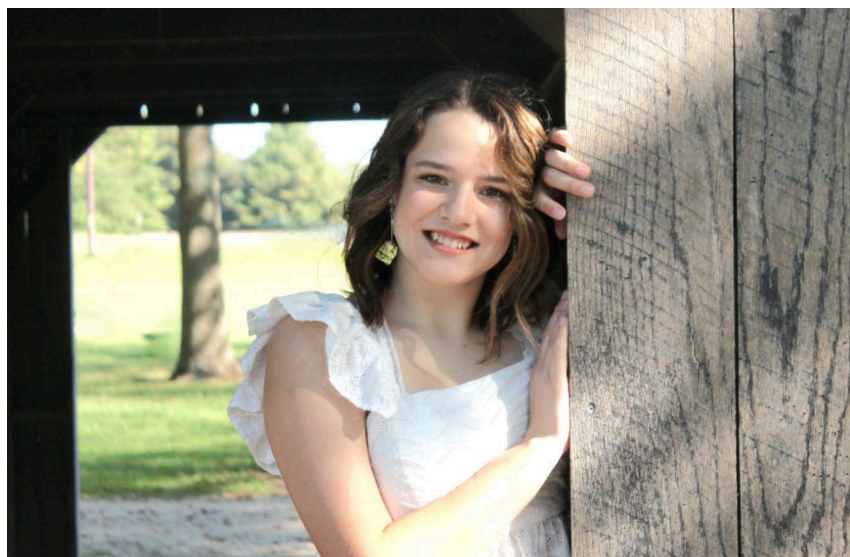
ELIJAH GLINES

MIKAYLA LAMEY

CLAIRE WISNOSKI



Rhylanne Bittner



Parents: Kerri & Brian Bittner

Graduate of: Gibson Southern

4-H Club: Armstrong Hi-Lighters

Favorite Project: Home Environment (Book Bench and Desk)

Future Plans: Bachelor of Science in Nursing at University of Southern Indiana

What difference has 4-H made in your life? I've learned new skills I can carry on into adulthood.

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Sophia Boyd

Parent: Kate Boyd

Graduate of: North High School

4-H Club: Scott Achievers & Jr. Leaders

Favorite Project: Creative Writing

Future Plans: I plan to attend USI for Food and Nutrition.

What difference has 4-H made in your life?

4-H has made a difference in my life by allowing me to be a great leader and let me make very important friendships.



Matthew Caldemeyer



Parents: Marva & Rod Meeks, late Carl Caldemeyer

Graduate of: Central High School

4-H Club: Armstrong Hi-Lighters & Junior Leaders

Favorite Project: Photography

Future Plans: I plan to work in HVAC.

What difference has 4-H made in your life? 4-H has made me more outgoing & has taught me many life skills from cooking to time management.

Mesa Compton

Parents: Shawnetta & Kevin Compton

Graduate of: North High School

4-H Club: Scott Achievers & Jr. Leaders

Favorite Project: Geology

Future Plans: I plan on attending Southern Utah University to major in Outdoor Recreation in Parks and Tourism.

What difference has 4-H made in your life?

4-H has given me opportunities to expand my skills and knowledge base of the natural world. With this knowledge, I've been able to find my passion of teaching outdoor skills to others.



Abby Fee



Parents: Josh & Mandy Fee

Graduate of: North High School

4-H Club: Scott Achievers & Junior Leaders

Favorite Project: Consumer Clothing & Foods

Future Plans: I will be going Taylor University and majoring in Psychology.

What difference has 4-H made in your life?

4-H has made a difference in my life. It has taught me the life skills to be successful in the future. 4-H has allowed me to meet new people with whom I have become close. was able to make memories that I will always remember.

Elijah Glines

Parents: Eric & Becky Glines

Graduate of: FJ Reitz High School

4-H Club: Perry M&Ms

Favorite Project: Arts & Crafts

Future Plans: I will attend Murray State University to study design, engineering and technology.

What difference has 4-H made in your life? 4-H has given me the opportunity to showcase my art, give back to my community, meet new friends, volunteer and grow in my leadership skills.



Kaleb Herke



Parents: Michael & Crystal Herke
Graduate of: North Posey High School & SICTC

4-H Club: Livestock Club

Favorite Project: Swine & Pygmy Goats

Future Plans: Electrical Union

What difference has 4-H made in your life?

4-H has taught me valuable life skills and I have made lifetime friends.



Allyson Johnson

Parents: Rachel Johnson & Jeremiah Johnson

Graduate of: Mt. Vernon Senior High School

4-H Club: Armstrong Hi-Lighters

Favorite Project:

Aerospace, Photography, Sewing

Future Plans: I will attend Murray State University to pursue a career in Veterinary Medicine.

What difference has 4-H made in your life?

From learning how to be a leader to working with my hands, 4-H has helped me in becoming a better member of our community. As well as immensely helping me grow as an individual, by getting me to step out of my comfort zone.



Benjamin King



Parents: Lesley & Daniel King
Graduate of: North High School

4-H Club: Centeriffic

Favorite Project: Collections

Future Plans: I will be studying Mathematics at USI.

What difference has 4-H made in your life?

4-H has taught me to be a useful and kind person in my community. It has allowed me to participate in multiple community service projects that have taught me how to care for Evansville. IT has also helped me discover a creative side of myself through projects I have participated in. I am very grateful for my time in 4-H.

Clara Kissel

Parents: Aaron & Carrie Kissel
Graduate of: Gibson Southern High School

4-H Club: Armstrong Hi-Lighters

Favorite Project: Photography

Future Plans: I will be attending USI to study Nutrition & Wellness.

What difference has 4-H made in you life? 4-H has been an enjoyable part of growing up!



Joshua Knea



Parents: Rev. Keith & Sara Knea

Graduate of: North High School

4-H Club: Scott Achievers

Favorite Project: Construction & Architectural Replica

Future Plans: Film Director/Actor

What difference has 4-H made in you life? I have met new friends with similar interests as me.

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Hannah Laidlaw

Parents: Jon & Melanie Laidlaw

Graduate of: Mater Dei High School

4-H Club: Horse & Pony Club

Favorite Project: Horse & Pony

Future Plans: I will be attending USI in the fall for Radiology.

What difference has 4-H made in your life? I have made so many amazing friendships through 4-H and it has brought me some of my most favorite experiences especially through Color Guard and Drill Team.



Caleb Kunkler

Parents: Willian & Julia Kunkler

Graduate of: Mater Dei High School

4-H Club: Happy Hoosiers and Shooting Sports

Favorite Project: Model Craft

Future Plans: I plan to attend Western Kentucky University and get an undergraduate degree in Exercise Science and a Doctorate degree in Physical Therapy.

What difference has 4-H made in your life?

One important life skill that I have learned throughout my time in 4-H is to be able to take on the responsibility of organization. I have had to learn to organize my time and be disciplined enough to manage 4-H

projects along with all of the other concurrent responsibilities in my life such as sports, other hobbies, a job and family time. Learning this life skill from my time in 4-H will be extremely beneficial in helping me later in life when I have a career and adult responsibilities. One example of the organization skills I am most appreciative of is how our club advisor, Mrs. Amber (Happe) Smith, has always encouraged her club members to stay organized by filling out our 4-H achievement records each year. These records have proven very helpful when filling out scholarships so I can easily highlight my activities, honors, awards, achievements, judging activities, etc.

Another important life skill that I have developed through my time in 4-H is the willingness to branch out and to try new things in my life. In my 4-H club, trying new things is a cornerstone of the values of our club. For example, my two brothers and I always did Woodworking as a 4-H project. And although I did enroll in Woodworking for several years, I then decided to branch out and try something new- Model Craft. This was a project no one else in my family tried. As an added bonus, I found that I could combine my model craft with another subject I am very interested in...history. I was able to create historical models (planes, tanks, ships, etc.) display the model in a diorama setting, prepare my information sheet, and hopefully have others who see my model and read my information sheet become more interested in that part of the country's history.

The final skill I have learned in 4-H is that of being a good communicator. Our 4-H club advisor has always encouraged us to give demonstrations in front of our club members at least once a year. Although this can be intimidating, it is also a very pertinent skill to possess. I continued beyond my club demonstrations to then compete in the county demonstration contest in the summer. I competed in the Individual as well as Team demonstrations. This opportunity was instrumental in helping me become more confident speaking in public.



MiKayla Lamey



Parents: Daniel & Macy Lamey

Graduate of: Gibson Southern High School

4-H Club: Livestock Club

Favorite Project: Swine & Photography

Future Plans: I will be attending the University of Evansville to major in nursing. After I graduate with my BSN, I plan on continuing my education to become a nurse practitioner, possibly specializing in dermatology.

What difference has 4-H made in you life? 4-H has taught me a countless amount of life lessons and skills that I would not have learned anywhere else. I have learned that it is important to always be prepared for anything and to expect the unexpected through experiences I have gained while raising livestock. Most importantly, 4-H has taught me how to be responsible with my time and making decisions relating to life and agriculture.

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William Melton

Parents: Katie Evans & Joe Melton

Graduate of: F.J. Reitz High School

4-H Club: Armstrong Hi-Lighters

Favorite Project: Woodworking, Sheep & Small Engines

Future Plans: I plan to study Mechanical Engineering at University of Evansville.

What difference has 4-H made in you life?

4-H has taught me the value of personal accountability as well as taking pride in my own accomplishments. I also gained an appreciation and knowledge of agriculture and how food gets to my table.



Sarah Parker



Parents: Russ & Kimbra Parker

Graduate of: North High School

4-H Club: Star 4-H Club

Favorite Project: Cat, Scrapbooking, Floriculture, & Consumer Clothing

Future Plans: I plan on attending Purdue University for Engineering.

What difference has 4-H made in your life?

4-H has taught me leadership skills and given me the opportunity to meet a variety of new people.

Isaac Pohl

Parents: Timothy & Angie Pohl

Graduate of: Gibson Southern High School

4-H Club: Livestock Club & Junior Leaders

Favorite Project(s): Rabbits & Garden

Future Plans: I plan to attend Murray State University with a dual major in Computer Science & Horticulture. My future plans are to open my own Agriculture Technology Company and continue to operate my greenhouse.

What difference has 4-H made in your life?

While taking 4-H for ten years, I have developed many life skills, long-lasting relationships, and a better outlook on my community and the world. Through 4-H, I have found my passion for Horticulture, and I opened my greenhouse in 2020 and plan to major in horticulture next year. Through 4-H leadership positions and trips, I have developed many leadership and career development skills. I am very proud to have been in 4-H for all ten years and I plan to influence other youth to join 4-H.



Ian Rexing



Parents: Gary & Barbara Rexing
Graduate of: Gibson Southern High School
4-H Club: Livestock Club
Favorite Project: Dairy
Future Plans: I plan to attend Purdue University to study Ag Economics.



Luis Roblero

Parents: Laura Roblero & Rigoberto Roblero
Graduate of: Abeka Christian Academy
4-H Club: Centeriffic
Favorite Project: Recycling
Future Plans: I plan to go to trade school and find a career I am passionate about.

What difference has 4-H made in your life?

I've made friends and it has helped me with public speaking.



Brooklyn Rogers



Parents: Jennifer Rogers & Von Rogers
Graduate of: North High School
4-H Club: Horse & Pony, Shooting Sports & Junior Leaders

Favorite Project: Art Projects and showing my horse in English, Western and Gaming every year

Future Plans: I will attend Ivy Tech for a career in Welding.

What difference has 4-H made in you life? 4-H has helped me become the person I am today. It taught me responsibility, confidence, communication, leadership, problem-solving and respect. 4-H also provided me with the opportunity to meet people who are now some of my very best friends in life.

Elijah Schmitt

Parents: Jeremy & Mourine Schmitt

Graduate of: Homeschool

4-H Club: Scott Achievers, Livestock, Tractor, & Shooting Sports

Favorite Project: I have taken many different projects over the last 10 years but my favorite projects would have to be Tractor notebook, Americana, Sheep, Dairy, Beef, and Goats (pygmy and dairy).

Future Plans: I plan to continue working at Jackson Livestock and Grain as a farmhand while also getting certifications or associate degrees in Ag Business, Ag Science, & Ag Management. I also plan on running my own Livestock business and would love to help younger 4-Hers get started showing animals.

What difference has 4-H made in your life? 4-H has taught me how to be more responsible and how to take better care of livestock. 4-H has taught me how to be a leader and teach younger kids how to take care of livestock and show their animals better. 4-H has taught me how to make my best effort even better!



Anna Thomas



Parents: Todd Thomas & Trista Thomas

Graduate of: Reitz High School

4-H Club: Happy Hoosiers

Favorite Project: Home Environment & Arts and Crafts

Future Plans: I plan to study at Purdue pursuing a degree in Cell, Molecular, and Developmental Biology.

What difference has 4-H made in your life? 4-H has given me many experiences and opportunities that I would have never been able to have anywhere else. Being in 4-H I have gained lifelong skills such as leadership, organization, and responsibility. I have learned the importance of community work and I have made lifelong friendships through the program.

Claire Wisnoski



Parents: Paige Wisnoski

Graduate of: Gibson Southern High School

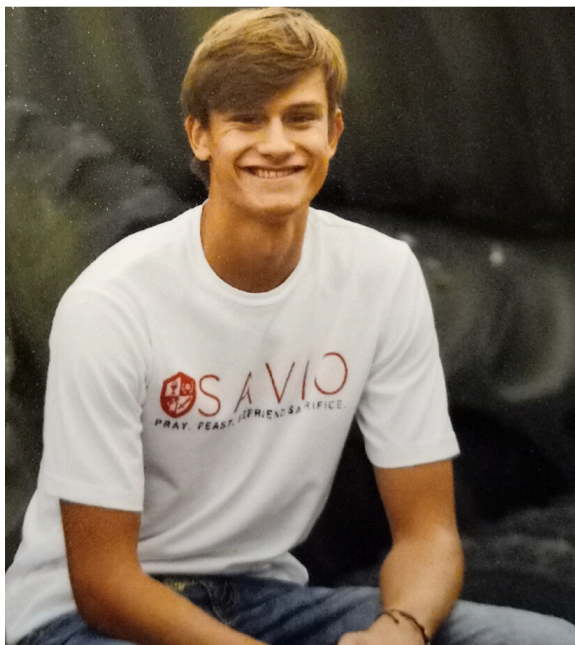
4-H Club: Armstrong Hi-Lighters

Favorite Project: Scrapbooking

Future Plans: I plan to attend Murray State University for Professional Writing/Pre-Law.

What difference has 4-H made in your life? It has helped to teach me the value of working hard. Whether this is with scrapbooking or school, 4-H has taught me that hard work pays off.

Paul Folz



Parents: Donald & Mary Folz
Graduate of: Reitz Memorial High School
4-H Club(s): German Gems & Junior Leaders
Favorite Project: My Koozie Collection
Future Plans: I plan to attend Murray State University to study Agricultural Systems Technology.
What difference has 4-H made in your life? It has really taught me how to be a good leader and I have met some of the greatest people.

Leonard Hughes

Graduate of: North High School
4-H Club: Scott Achievers
Favorite Project: Goats & Americana
Future Plans: I plan to attend Hanover College for Computer Science & play lacrosse.
What difference has 4-H made in your life? 4-H has taught me how to be responsible and to be a leader. It has also taught me to show pride in my work.



Aubrey Glaser



Parents: Matthew Glaser & Tiffany Harvey

Graduate of: North Posey High School

4-H Club(s): Armstrong Hi-Lighters

Favorite Project: Sheep & Beef

Future Plans: I plan to attend Ivy Tech to finish out general studies and then transfer to Purdue to study veterinary medicine.

What difference has 4-H made in your life?

4-H has helped me step out of my comfort zone and taught me strong communication skills and how to be confident in myself and the work I have done. It has also taught me that you should be proud of all the work you do. 4-H has given me so many happy memories over the ten years I have been enrolled.

Eli Bittner

Parents: Kevin & Shawna Bittner

Graduate of: New Horizon Christian Academy

4-H Club: Livestock Club

Favorite Project: Beef

Future Plans: I plan to work at Husk Signs.

What difference has 4-H made in your life? 4-H has taught me discipline and patience.



Tyler Brenner



Parents: Bonnie Brenner & Patrick Brenner

Graduate of: North High School

4-H Club(s): Armstrong Hi-Lighters, Livestock, Shooting Sports & Junior Leaders

Favorite Project: Model Craft, Poultry, Foods (Microwave, Creating With A Mix, Foods)

Future Plans: I plan to attend Vincennes University and major in Culinary Arts.

What difference has 4-H made in your life? 4-H has helped me see the importance of youth development and knowledge.

Not Pictured:

Mia Koester & Aaron Weis

