



CLAY COUNTY

4-H Newsletter

December 2022



'TIS SEASON TO CELEBRATE



HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving and the holiday season is off to a great start! Clay County started the season off strong with a general 4-H, Jr. Leader, and Horse and Pony float in the Brazil Christmas Parade (see pictures above). We had lots of fun and hopefully some new community members learned about 4-H as well!

As we approach the end of the year, it's a good time to reflect on all the many blessings and accomplishments of 2022. This year we saw an increase in enrollment, lots of community involvement, and some amazing results of our 4-H'ers hard work at the county fair. Don't forget to go ahead and enroll for this year. I wish everyone a very happy and healthy holiday!

-Natalie Korniak, Clay County 4-H Youth Development Educator

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HIGHLIGHTS



CONGRATULATIONS!

A special shout out goes to our 4-H members Clark and Brinkley Muston! Both members competed in the National Poultry Show Showmanship competition in Columbus, OH and won their divisions. We are proud of your hard work and lucky to have you in the Clay County 4-H program!



4-H ENROLLMENT

Enrollment for the 2022 - 2023 4-H program year is now open!

Enroll at: v2.4honline.com

What is 4-H?

4-H is America's largest youth development organization, empowering nearly six million young people who are learning leadership and many other skills utilized for a lifetime. We have over 500 youth in our Clay County program alone! Through various workshops, projects, and activities 4-H'ers learn skills that will last a lifetime, Mini 4-H is a free program offered for youth K-2 and regular 4-H has a \$15 program fee and is for kids in grades 3-12.

PROJECT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

As you enroll for 4-H, start to think about some of the projects that you want to exhibit at the fair. You are able to drop and add exhibit hall projects up until July 1st, but all livestock must be entered by May 15th. So you don't have to decide today! However, all the officially updated project terms and conditions will be available on our website starting January 1st so you can start looking. If you have any questions about any projects or want more information, don't hesitate to reach out! We also have free project manuals available in the Extension Office.

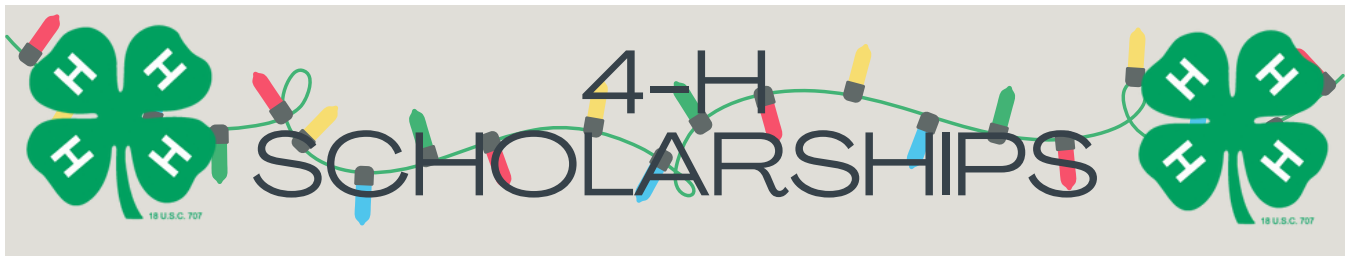
CLAY COUNTY 4-H WEBSITE

Find everything 4-H related to our county by visiting <https://bit.ly/3FsqliQ>



SAVE THE DATE

**THE CLAY COUNTY
4-H FAIR WILL BE HELD
JULY 15-21, 2023**



4-H Scholarship Applications are now available! Visit <https://bit.ly/3iETwZi> to learn more!
There are scholarships available for youth in grades 10-12. Applications are due **January 25th** via 4-H Online.

*Please note that you must have an active 4-H Online profile to be able to submit your applications.



We will be having a Scholarship Workshop on **Thursday, January 5th** at 7 pm in the Extension Office if you are interested in receiving some extra help on things the judges are looking for and reviewing some helpful tips and tricks for completing scholarship applications. Come prepared having reviewed the applications to know which ones you are interested in applying for. This is helpful information for all scholarship forms, not just 4-H ones!!

Visit the State 4-H website to review scholarship applications (<https://bit.ly/3iETwZi>).



INDIANA 4-H FOUNDATION 2023 SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Senior Year Scholarship
Available to 4-H members in their senior year of high school

Club Scholarship
Available to 4-H members entering Purdue University majoring in the College of Agriculture or select majors in the College of Health and Human Sciences

Purdue Horticulture & Landscape Architecture Scholarship
Available to a 4-H member majoring in horticulture or landscape architecture at Purdue University and studied plant science in 4-H.

Accomplishment Scholarship
Available to 4-H members in grades 10-12 of high school and the year immediately following high school graduation. The purpose of the 4-H Accomplishment Scholarship is to recognize youth who have excelled in life skills development through their 4-H activities and involvement.

Categories: Animal Science—Meat and Milk Production; Animal Science—Companion and Small Animal Production; Citizenship; Communications; Engineering and Technological Science; Healthy Living, Food and Nutrition Science; Leadership Development; and Plant and Environmental Science. Three additional categories are reserved for applicants demonstrating life skills development in more than one of the previously listed categories. Those are Premier Achievement, Premier Citizenship, and Premier Leadership.

Eligibility: Applicants must be in grade 10, 11, 12, or their first year immediately following 4-H enrollment eligibility at the time applications are due. While an applicant does not have to be a current 4-H member, they must demonstrate multiple years of involvement in Indiana's 4-H Youth Development Program.
Youth who have previously been awarded a \$1,000 accomplishment scholarship are only eligible to compete in the Premier Achievement, Premier Citizenship, and Premier Leadership categories. Youth who have previously been awarded a \$2,000 scholarship are no longer eligible to compete in any category.

Awards: A minimum of thirty \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to youth based on their demonstration of life skills development in these eight categories: Animal Science—Meat and Milk Production; Animal Science—Companion and Small Animal Production; Citizenship; Communications; Engineering and Technological Science; Healthy Living, Food, and Nutrition Science; Leadership Development; and Plant and Environmental Science.
A minimum of one \$2,000 scholarship, and a silver tray, will be awarded in each of these categories: Premier Achievement; Premier Citizenship; and Premier Leadership.
Additional scholarships may be awarded depending on sponsorship availability. The number of scholarships awarded in each category may be adjusted to meet special criteria of a particular sponsor.

Visit bit.ly/4hscholarship to download applications.
Applications due to County 4-H Educator January 25.
Contact your county's Purdue Extension Office to learn more.

\$173,965 AWARDED IN 2022

 PURDUE UNIVERSITY Extension

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR THE PURDUE EXTENSION CLAY COUNTY EXTENSION BOARD ANNUAL DINNER MEETING

DATE: Monday, January 23, 2023

LOCATION: Clay County Fairgrounds - Exhibit Hall

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

Price: \$5.00 a plate

Please RSVP by January 18, 2023, by calling the Extension Office at 812-448-9041.

The Extension Board Annual Dinner serves as the end of the year celebration of all the impact that Purdue Extension has made in Clay County related to the four program areas of: 4-H Youth Development, Ag & Natural Resources, Community Development, and Health & Human Sciences.



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Holiday Happenings

JR. LEADER NEWS

Our annual Pancakes with Santa will take place Saturday, December 14th at the Exhibit Hall from 9 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. We will need Jr. Leaders to sign up to help in the kitchen, with the crafts and to be Santa's helpers. Please email Stephanie Adams at stephadams37@gmail.com to sign up. This is a free event, please spread the word!

New members in grades 7-12 are invited to join the Clay County 4-H Junior Leaders. Our next meeting is Monday, December 19 in the 4-H Exhibit Hall at 7 p.m.



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

9:00-11:30 am

CLAY COUNTY 4-H FAIRGROUNDS
6656 N. STATE RD 59
BRAZIL, IN 47834

The Clay County 4-H Junior Leaders would like to invite all area youth to attend a **FREE** pancake breakfast with Santa! Come enjoy pancakes and visit with Santa.

Parents, bring your camera or phone for a photo. Children will also be able to make a craft during their visit.

SPONSORED BY THE:
Clay County 4-H Junior Leaders
This event is free, but goodwill donations will be accepted



MINI 4-H

Welcome Mini 4-H members! Mini 4-H is open to all youth in grades K-2. If you have a friend that would like to join, it is not too late. They can still go to v2.4honline.com to enroll. Mini 4-H meetings will begin in March. All meetings are at 6 p.m. in the Clay County 4-H Exhibit Hall at the fairgrounds. Meetings will last an hour and consist of a learning activity, crafts and games. We will have project books and the handbook available for you to pick up at the meetings.



HOLIDAY SPARK CLUB SERIES

For Grades 3 - 12



Wednesday Dec. 7
Monday Dec. 12
Wednesday Dec. 21



Clay County
Extension Office

6:30 to 8:30 PM

COST IS \$5 A SESSION OR \$10 TO ATTEND ALL 3!
REGISTER BY CALLING 812-448-9041 OR EMAIL KORNIAM@PURDUE.EDU

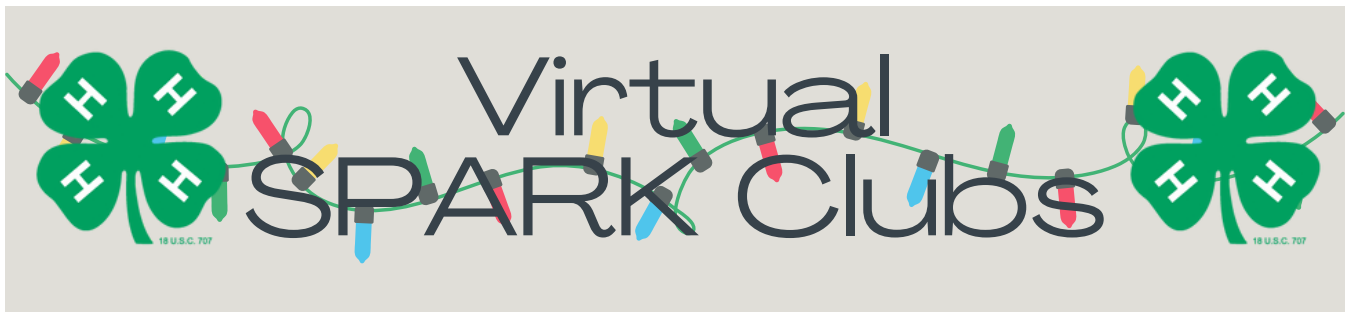
SESSION 1 - CHRISTMAS CRAFTING
LEARN HOW TO TURN EVERYDAY ITEMS INTO A CHRISTMAS DECORATION!

SESSION 2 - SEW MUCH FUN
PRACTICE YOUR SEWING AND HOME ECONOMIC SKILLS TO CREATE CLASSIC CHRISTMAS ITEMS!

SESSION 3 - COOKIES AROUND THE WORLD
USE YOUR BAKING SKILLS TO FOLLOW RECIPES AND TASTE HOLIDAY TREATS FROM DIFFERENT CULTURES!

Purdue University is an equal opportunity/equal access/affirmative action institution.

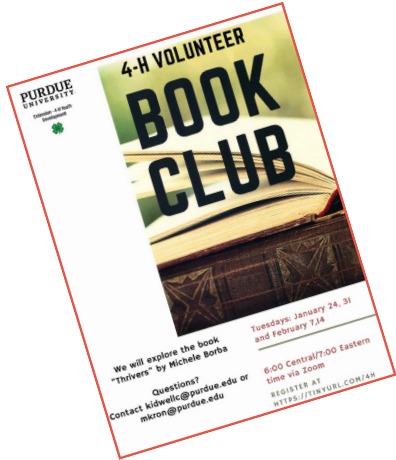




4-H VOLUNTEER BOOK CLUB

A virtual 4 week book club for 4-H volunteers. Register for the virtual book club focused on the book, *Thrivers*, by Michele Borba. This book club will be held via Zoom on January 24, January 31, February 7, and February 14 from 6-7 pm CT/ 7-8 pm ET. Please purchase or borrow the book and read the first 2 chapters prior to the first session.

Registration Link: <https://tinyurl.com/4hthrivers>



AREA V 4-H PHOTOGRAPHY SPARK CLUB

Learn all about photography tips and tricks from experts! On the third Wednesday from January to April, join us for virtual photography lessons. Also included is an in-person event on April 15. This SPARK club is open for those in grades 3-12. Registration is \$25 and includes 5 lessons, gift, and lunch. Register for this by January 11 at v2.4honline.com.



LIFE LESSONS

Each session in the series will cover topics and skills that are essential for the journey into adulthood! Sessions will take place on Tuesdays, 1/17-23-3/7/23 from 7-8 pm. The cost is \$30/participant, financial assistance is available. Each session will take place via zoom and using Google Classroom. Additionally, participants will receive a kit with supplemental materials for home-based activities.



COOKING AROUND THE WORLD

A virtual cooking club that meets weekly on Saturdays for 6 weeks. Join presenters that share step-by-step instructions to create a dish from various cultures around the world from the comfort of your own home. Registration is through 4HOnline and is due by January 6.



TO FIND OUT MORE ON ALL OF THESE SPARK CLUBS, VISIT:


<https://bit.ly/3Vuhl4G>



CLAY COUNTY 4-H CLUB MEETING DATES



CLUB NAME	MEETING DATES	CLUB NAME	MEETING DATES
<u>4-EVER ACHIEVERS</u>	TBD	<u>MINI 4-H</u> 6:00 PM Clay Co. Fairgrounds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March 20, 2023 • April 17, 2023 • May 15, 2023 • June 19, 2023
<u>BUSY BEES</u> 6:00 PM Clay Co. Extension Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • February 2, 2023 • March 2, 2023 • April 6, 2023 • May 4, 2023 • June 1, 2023 • July 6, 2023 	<u>VAN BUREN HUSTLERS</u> 6:00 PM Clay Co. Fairgrounds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • January 17, 2023 • February 21, 2023 • March 21, 2023 • April 25, 2023 • May 16, 2023 • June 20, 2023
<u>CLEVER CLOVERS</u> 7:00 pm First United Methodist Fellowship Hall - Clay City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • January 3, 2023 • February 7, 2023 • March 7, 2023 • April 4, 2023 • May 2, 2023 • June 6, 2023 • July 3, 2023 	<u>TOP SHOTS - FIREARMS</u> Lost Creek Conservation Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • January 21, 2023 @ 12:30 - Air Rifle • February 18, 2023 @ 12:30 - Air Rifle • March 18, 2023 @ 12:30 - Air Rifle • April 13, 2023 @ 6:00 - Rifle • April 20, 2023 @ 6:00 - Shotgun • May 11, 2023 @ 6:00 - Rifle • May 18, 2023 @ 6:00 - Shotgun • June 8, 2023 @ 6:00 - Rifle • June 15, 2023 @ 6:00 - Shotgun
<u>HARRISON HANDY HAPPY HELPERS</u>	TBD		
<u>Jackson TWP Farmhands</u> 6:00 pm Clay Co. Fairgrounds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • January 12, 2023 • February 9, 2023 • March 9, 2023 • April 13, 2023 • May 11, 2023 • June 8, 2023 • July 13, 2023 		
<u>LAKER LEADERS</u>	TBD	Continued on Next Page...	

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<p><u>JR. LEADERS</u> 7:00 pm Clay Co. Fairgrounds</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> December 19, 2022 January 16, 2023 February 20, 2023 March 20, 2023 April 17, 2023 May 15, 2023 June 19, 2023
<p><u>SWINE CLUB</u> 4:30 pm Clay Co. Fairgrounds</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> January 8, 2023 February 5, 2023 April 2, 2023 May 7, 2023 June - TBD July 11, 2023
<p><u>GOAT CLUB</u></p>	TBD
<p><u>POULTRY CLUB</u> 7:00 pm Clay Co. Fairgrounds</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> January 10, 2023 February 14, 2023 March 14, 2023 April 11, 2023 May 9, 2023 June 13, 2023 (meeting & bloodtesting) June 24, 2023 (9-11:00 am blood testing)
<p><u>TRACTOR CLUB</u></p>	TBD
<p><u>CATTLE CLUB</u></p>	TBD
<p><u>SHEEP CLUB</u></p>	TBD
<p><u>SHARP SHOOTERS ARCHERY</u></p>	TBD

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<p><u>DOG CLUB</u> 6:00 PM Van Buren Elem.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dec 12, 2022 Jan 19, 2023 Feb 16, 2023 March 9, 2023
<p><u>RABBIT CLUB</u> 5:00 PM Clay Co. Fairgrounds</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> October 2, 2022 November 6, 2022 December 11, 2022 January 8, 2023 January 28, 2023- Open Show February 26, 2023 March 19, 2023 April 16, 2023 May 7, 2023-Bunny Boot Camp 10am-2pm May 12, 2023 June 4, 2023- Bunny Boot Camp 10am-2pm June 25, 2023
<p><u>HORSE & PONY</u> 7:00 PM Clay Co. Fairgrounds</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> December 15, 2022 January 19, 2023 February 16, 2023 March 16, 2023 April 20, 2023 May 18, 2023 June 15, 2023

