

2022



4-H Newsletter

April

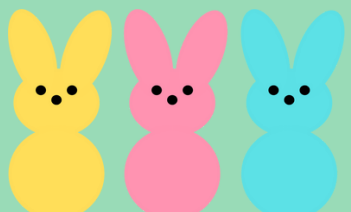


Jr. Leaders leading our Mini 4-H'ers in activities at their first meeting of the year. We are looking forward to our next meeting on April 18th!



NEWSLETTER HIGHLIGHTS

- Enrollment
- Upcoming Events
- 4-H Trips
- Poster Projects
- New Project
- Fair Prep
- Club Dates



"SPRING" INTO 4-H

By: Natalie Korniak

Hello all! I hope everyone enjoyed their spring break. With warm weather finally approaching, I am getting extra excited for all of the fun things this summer is going to bring in the 4-H program! In this newsletter you will find important information about upcoming activities and project details. Remember to keep your eyes on your emails and mailboxes as we are continuously sending out new information. Don't hesitate to reach out with any questions.

Enrollment is still open!!
Register at: v2.4honline.com
to join the FUN!



Clay County 4-H
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Area 5 Livestock Judging Contest - 4/22

On April 22 our 4-H livestock judging teams will compete against other teams in hopes of advancing to the state contest. The event is held at the Clay County Fairgrounds. It isn't too late to join the team! if you are interested in participating come to the scheduled practices that are listed under the club meeting dates.



SPARK an Interest in Photography Workshop - 4/23 and 6/4

Join us on April 23rd and June 4th from 9 to Noon for a dive into the photography world. Learn tips and tricks on how to take the perfect pictures, practice skills, and even get help on choosing a picture to exhibit at the fair. All 4-H'ers from 3rd to 12th grade are invited, but we will be working in two different age groups. Bring your cameras and join the fun that the experienced volunteers/experts are going to provide. Call the Extension Office to register.



Cattle Open Show - 4/23

On April 23rd the cattle club will be hosting a Clay County Cattle Showdown open show. Ryan Rash will be the judge! If you or anyone you know who shows cattle, spread the word and invite them to attend. The show starts at 11 am with check in beginning Friday from 6 to 8 pm and Saturday from 7 to 9 am. Entry Fee is \$45 a head.

Cattle, Sheep & Goat Tag Day - 5/7

On May 7th from 9 am to Noon at the Fairgrounds, bring your animals in order to get their proper identification. Refer to your livestock letters you should have received in the mail for what animals you need to bring.



Princess Tea Party - 5/7

On May 7th from 1 pm to 3 pm the Clay County 4-H Royalty will be hosting a princess tea party at the 4-H Exhibit Hall. Bring your little princesses ages 3-9 all dressed up for an afternoon of crafts, snacks, and visits with the royal court. The cost is \$15 and all proceeds go to help support Corbin and Russell Butts medical costs. Preregister by April 30th by calling/texting 317-460-9798 or emailing stephadams37@gmail.com.



Deadline to Add Animal Information into 4-H Online - 5/16

May 16th is the deadline to enroll all your animals into 4-H Online. In order to be eligible to show at the fair, this step must be completed! Refer to the letter you should have received in the mail for instructions.

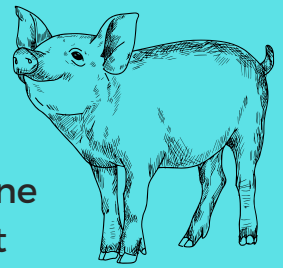
YQCA In-Person Training - 4/4, 5/12, and 6/7

Remember that the YQCA training course is required for all beef, dairy, goat, rabbit, poultry, sheep and swine members in order to exhibit at the fair. In-person trainings are free thanks to the sponsorship from Clay County Farm Bureau.



Preferred Deadline to Drop and Add Projects - 6/1

With all the opportunities and different projects that our 4-H program has to offer, it is understandable that you may change your mind when it comes to what projects that you want to participate in. You can go onto your 4-H Online account and make adjustments at any time. We ask that you please decided what projects you are planning on exhibiting by June 1st. This will give us the time we need in the office to prepare for fair.



Swine Open Show - 6/4

On Saturday June 4th the Clay County Swine Club will be hosting a swine open show. If you are a swine member, this is a great opportunity to get experience in our showing and practice with your animals. More details to be released soon, but spread the word to surrounding counties!



Poultry Blood Testing - 6/14 and 6/25

In 1981 Indiana became an official U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid clean state.

To maintain this classification, all poultry (excluding waterfowl & pigeons) going to the county fair must be officially blood tested. Blood testing will be offered after the club meeting on June 14th being held at 6 pm at the fairgrounds. It will also be offered on the morning of Saturday, June 25th at the Clay County 4-H Fairgrounds Poultry Barn. Reminders with an exact time will be sent out closer to the date. The cost for testing is to be determined, but is expected to be about \$1 per animal. These will be the only days that blood testing is offered. Please make arrangements to attend!

2022 Clay County 4-H Fair - 7/16 - 7/23

The Clay County Fair will be held Saturday, July 16th through Saturday July 23rd. The theme and full fair schedule will be released and available on the website soon!



2022 Indiana State Fair - 7/29 - 8/21

The Indiana State Fair will be held July 29th through August 21st at the Indiana State Fairgrounds in Indianapolis. They are again planning to be closed on

Mondays and Tuesdays this year. The livestock show schedule can be found here: <https://www.indianastatefair.com> under the competitions tab.

2022 GET-AWAYS

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES



4-H ACADEMY @ PURDUE

June 8 - 10, 2022

Open to all youth completing grades 9-12

High school students can register now to dive deep into a subject of their choice at 4-H Academy. Designed to offer hands-on, exciting opportunities to learn about a diverse selection of subjects and careers, meet and learn from professors, graduate students, and other experts in their respective fields and participate in experiential learning. Stay in a residence hall on campus for two nights while exploring the Purdue University Campus. **Registration due by May 15!**

STATE 4-H JUNIOR LEADER CONFERENCE

June 14-17, 2022

Open to all youth completing grades 9-12

@DePauw University

MISSION I'M/POSSIBLE

Leadership development focusing on personal and team leadership. **Registration due by May 15!**

4-H ROUND-UP

June 20 - 22, 2022

Open to all youth completing grades 7-9

Explore a variety of careers by attending classes created just for Round-Up attendees at Purdue University. Get a taste of college life and live in a Residence Hall for two nights. Meet others from across the state and develop leadership skills. Recreation events are planned for each evening and blocks of freetime allow for the opportunity to build friendships. **Registration due by June 1!**

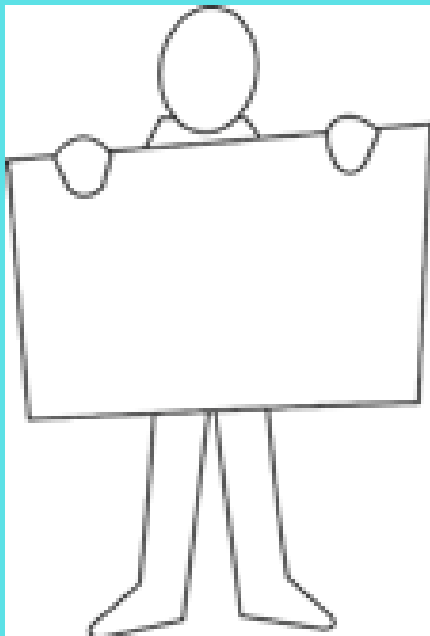


*Check your email inbox and call the Extension Office for registration details.

4-H Camp - June 12-15 @ Shakamak State Park

This is an opportunity for our 3rd through 6th graders. The cost is \$100. This includes meals, a t-shirt, and supplies for activities throughout the week. This is a 4 day 3 night camp. This is an awesome opportunity to meet 4-H'ers from other counties, learn new skills, and have lots of fun! There will be recreation time, art, swimming, and lots more. Enjoy the experience of sleeping in cabins, eating meals in the mess hall, and exploring nature. Check your emails for registration details and reach out to the Extension Office with questions.





Working on your posters yet?



Just a couple of things to keep in mind:

All posters, notebooks, and display boards must include a reference list indicating where information was obtained and giving credit to the original author. This reference list should/might include web site links, people and professionals interviewed, books, magazines, etc. It is required for the reference list be attached to the back of a poster or display board, be the last page of a notebook, or included as part of the display visible to the public. A judge is not to discredit an exhibit for the manner in which references are listed. Make sure to carefully review the project requirements prior to the fair. These can be found on our county website (extension.purdue.edu/clay) or in the Extension Office.

Get your state approved Poster Board and Sleeves at the Extension Office!

We are offering foam core poster boards and clear plastic covers (22" x 28" just the right size for 4-H projects). The clear plastic covers are designed like an envelope where you simply slip your foam core poster inside and seal it with its own self-adhesive strip.

Poster Boards- \$ 2.00

Clear Plastic Covers - \$ 1.00

4-H Program Fees



REMINDER!! We still have some 4-H'ers who need to come to the Extension Office and pay their \$15.00 program fee for 2022. Your 4-H membership is not complete or approved until we have received your program fee for the year. Please contact us if you have any questions.

4-H Project Book Manuals



There are project book manuals available for FREE in the Extension Office for your use. These are a great resource to learn more about your project area, reflect on the skills learned, and even come up with ideas for your project. Stop by the office to pick up yours today!

Tractor Driving Project Call Out

On Saturday April 16th the tractor club will be hosting their first meeting. The 4-H Tractor Driving Project consists of 3 categories: Ag tractor, Lawn and Garden,

and Zero Turn. You can compete in one or all of the sections in the competition. As a 4-H'er, you will take a written test identifying tractor parts and then drive the equipment through a course. You have the opportunity to advance from county, to area, and on to the state level. The 4-H tractor club meetings allow you to get hands on experience operating the equipment and learning about the machine. The first meeting is going to act as a call out to see how many 4-H'ers are interested. There won't be any equipment involved at the first meeting, but if you are interested in participating in the project, please plan to attend. Contact the Extension Office if you aren't able to go to the first meeting, but want to join the practices throughout the rest of the season.



New Welding Project

There is a new project opportunity that has been added on 4-H Online, the Welding Project! The project requirements can be found on our county website. This is going to be a project that is offered for our 6th through 12th grade 4-H'ers.



APPLICATIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE SOON! KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR THE :



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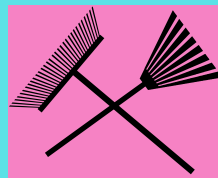
4-H Tractor Safety



4-H ELECTRIC KITS



Kits to complete the electric project for all grade levels are available for purchase in the Extension Office.



Fairgrounds Clean Up

Calling all 4-H'ers!!! Day 4/16

On Saturday April 16th from 8 am to 1 pm the 4-H Council will be hosting a work day. This is a day designated to cleaning up the fairgrounds in order to prepare for the fair. We will be cleaning up limbs, pulling weeds, etc. Everyone is invited! The more we work together, the faster the clean up and the better the fairgrounds is going to look!

What to Bring:

*It isn't necessary to bring anything other than yourself ready to work, but if you have any spring yard work utensils it would be helpful:

gloves, rakes, wheel barrow, clippers, ect.



Club Meeting Dates



Laker Leaders
Shakamak High School
Time and Dates TBD

Top Shots - Firearms
Lost Creek Conservation Club in Staunton
Time Dependent on Date

- April 14 -rifle @ 6:00 pm
- April 20 -shotgun @ 6:00 pm
- May 12 - rifle @ 6:00 pm
- May 18 - shotgun @ 6:00 pm
- June 9 - rifle @ 6:00 pm
- June 15 - shotgun @ 6:00 pm

4-Ever Achievers
Staunton Community Center
6 pm

- April 19
- May 17
- June 21

Dog Club
Fairgrounds - Show Arena
6 pm

- April 1
- April 8
- April 15
- April 29
- May 6
- May 13
- May 20
- May 27

Clever Clovers
Methodist Fellowship Hall in
Clay City
7 pm

- April 11
- May 3
- June 7
- July 5

Cattle Club
Clay Co. Fairgrounds
2 pm

- April 24
- May 15
- June 26

Rabbit Club
Clay Co. Fairgrounds
5 pm

- April 10
- May 13
- June 12
- July 11

Swine Club
Clay Co. Fairgrounds
4 pm (6:30 on June Meeting)

- April 3
- May 15
- June 7 @ 6:30

Poultry Club
Clay Co. Fairgrounds
6 pm

- April 12
- May 10
- June 14

Mini 4-H
Clay Co. Fairgrounds
6 pm

- April 18
- May 16
- June 20

Jackson Township Farmhands
Clay Co. Fairgrounds
6 pm

- April 7
- May 5
- June 2
- July 7

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Junior Leaders

Clay Co. Fairgrounds
7 pm

- April 18
- May 16
- June 20

Harrison Handy Happy Helpers

Clay City First Financial Bank
Community Room
7 pm

- April 11
- May 12
- June 13

Van Buren Hustlers

Clay Co. Fairgrounds
7 pm

- April 19
- May 17
- June 21

Kiddin Around Goat Club

Clay Co. Fairgrounds
2:30 pm

- April 3
- May 15
- June 6
- June 26

Sharp Shooters - Archery

Clay Co. Fairgrounds AMAX Building
6 pm

- April 5
- April 19
- April 26
- May 10
- May 17
- May 24
- May 31
- June 7
- June 14
- June 28
- July 5
- July 12

Busy Bees

Extension Office
6 pm

- April 6
- May 4
- June 1
- July 5

Livestock Judging

Extension Office
6 pm

- April 7
- April 13
- April 21
- April 27
- May 5
- May 11

Tractor Club

Clay Co. Fairgrounds
1 pm

- April 16

4-H Council Meetings

Council Office in Exhibit Hall
7 pm

- April 13
- May 11
- June 8
- July 6

Horse and Pony

Clay Co. Fairgrounds
7 pm

- April 21
- May 19
- June 16

Sheep Club

Clay County Fairgrounds
2:30 pm

- April 3
- May 1
- June 5



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