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The Purdue Extension Martin County weekly column is provided to help all learn about programs & opportunities. We highlight events from Purdue University & Extension where we hope you will choose to be part of Extension... where there is Opportunity4All!

#### **INDIANA STATE FAIR 4-H STATIC EXHIBIT PICK UP**

Tuesday, August 19, 2025 – Friday, August 29, 2025

8:30 am – 3:30 pm

Indiana State Fair static project pick up from the Purdue Extension Martin County Office or as individually scheduling by calling 812-295-2412 or texting 812-653-2089

#### **MATTER OF BALANCE PROGRAM: MANAGING CONCERNS ABOUT FALLING**

Do you have concerns of falling? This is a free class, class size limited to 15 participants.

Who should attend?

Anyone concerned about falls

Anyone interested in improving balance, flexibility, and strength

Anyone who has fallen in the past

Anyone who has restricted activities because of falling concerns

When: Wednesdays, September 3, 10, 17, 24 October 1, 8, 15 & 22

Time: 10 am to Noon EST

For more information or to register, contact Alma Kramer 1-800-742-9002

Location:

Martin County 4-H Fairgrounds & Event Center, Community Learning Center, 2666 US 50, Loogootee

#### **SHOOTING SPORTS INSTRUCTOR FALL TRAINING REGISTRATION IS OPEN NOW!**

Registration is now open for the fall 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Training scheduled for September 5-7, 2025, at Ross Camp.

This training is required for individuals who wish to become a 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor or Coordinator or returning to the role after a lapse in Service. Current instructors & coordinators may add to their discipline certifications through this training as well. All 4-H Volunteers must be approved in 4-H Online prior to working

with youth and offering shooting sports opportunities. **New 4-H Volunteers** must also complete the volunteer onboarding process which includes:

- 4-H Volunteer Application (select New Applicant as your volunteer role in 4-H Online)
- Reference check
- State and National Registry Checks
- Completion of required trainings in 4-H Online
- 4-H Volunteer Orientation
- Youth Protection Program Director Training
- Youth Protection Program Staff Training
- Conversation/interview/appointment with the county 4-H Extension Educator

Individual's age 18-20 who are no longer 4-H members

are also invited to register if they are interested in becoming a 4-H Associate Shooting Sports Instructor. Associate 4-H Shooting Sports Instructors must be approved as a 4-H Volunteer and serve under the direct supervision of an approved and certified 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor in the same discipline.

The following disciplines will be offered during the September 5-7 training:

- Archery
- Muzzleloading
- Pistol
- Rifle
- Shotgun
- Coordinator

Registration is through the Indiana Hunter Education Association accessible on [their website](#). Indiana 4-H Shooting Sports resources and information including a link to their IHEA website is available on the [Indiana 4-H website](#).

This is a weekend training and costs \$175 for Coordinators and \$250 for all other disciplines. Reimbursement available to certified 4-H volunteers actively appointed and working with 4-H members in Martin County. Individuals may take only one discipline at a time.

## **REMOTE WORK PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE**

If you work on a distributed virtual team, work remotely, or desire to work remotely, this educational program is designed to equip workers with the tools and skills needed to be successful in these environments. Specific objectives and outcomes for each module of the course are identified at the beginning of each set of modules. The program consists of nine core modules, delivered in a self-paced, online format, and four interactive workshops.

Next class session: October through November 2025

To register, visit <https://web.cvent.com/event/17d22681-2c4e-41e5-8b18-a665011fdabe/summary?tm=6dllmPguntkipLYzpaPxeDpxHtB8LWbDBqNna5VWc0Y>.

To learn more about the Remote Work Professional certificate course, visit <https://bit.ly/RWCertHome>.

## **FIELD READY MEALS PROGRAM**

Field-Ready: Meals for Farm Families is a program meant to equip participants with practical tools, recipes, and organizational strategies for preparing portable, balanced meals for farm workers.

Topics include

- The Science of Field Meals
- Meal Prep Systems & Packing Tips
- Make & Take Hands-On Activity
- Recipes from the Farm
- And an ENDLESS number of resources to keep your farm family going through the busy seasons.

Join us on September 20th, 2025 in a farm kitchen setting at Bradley Farm Enterprises (5769 W 425 S, Trafalgar, IN 46181) from 10am-1pm. Price is \$20 at the door and includes lunch.

Register at: <https://bit.ly/Field-Ready>

#### **2025 MARTIN COUNTY 4-H TURKEY DINNER & 4-H ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS**

Please make plans to attend the 4-H Turkey Dinner on Sunday, November 2, 2025 with the 4-H Achievement Awards being held in conjunction. Watch for further details soon!

#### **2026 MARTIN COUNTY 4-H FAIR DATES**

Thursday, July 9, 2026 through Tuesday, July 14, 2026

#### **2026 INDIANA STATE FAIR DATES**

Friday, August 7, 2026 to Sunday, August 23, 2026

#### **2027 MARTIN COUNTY 4-H FAIR DATES**

Thursday, July 15, 2027 through Tuesday, July 20, 2027

### **2025 INDIANA STATE FAIR MARTIN COUNTY 4-H EXHIBIT RESULTS \*CONTINUED**

#### **Fashion Revue, Consumer Clothing: Beginner**

Elizabeth Jones: Blue

#### **Fashion Revue, Consumer Clothing: Intermediate**

Phoebe Jones: Blue

#### **Fashion Revue, Sewing Grade 8-12, Separates**

Makenzie Mauder: Blue

#### **Lawn and Garden Tractor Operator Skills: Senior**

Jax VanMeter: Red

#### **Professional Persuasive Presentation: Junior Individual**

Eva Ringwald: Red

Ribbons are awarded using the following criteria:

- Green – participation
- White – poorly constructed or barely meets exhibit requirements
- Red – adequately constructed or does not fully meet exhibit requirements
- Blue – very complete exhibit, meets exhibit requirements, and is well constructed
- Orange – exceptional blue ribbon exhibit (Merit)

Sweepstakes is awarded to the best overall exhibit in that 4-H project subject matter area.

### **AREA 3 4-H PERFORMING ARTS RESULTS**

#### **Group Act**

1st place – Hoosier Boosters 4-H Club with Thank You for the Fair

#### **Non-Musical Curtain Act**

1st place – Avery Carr, Happy Hoosiers 4-H Club, Martial Arts Demonstration

#### **Musical Curtain Act**

1st place – Jayla Harris, Pike County 4-H Junior Leaders, Original Song

2nd place – Tensley Jackson, Vanderburgh County Livestock Club, Vocal Solo: “This Girl”

3rd place – Eva Ringwald, Martin County 4-H Junior Leaders, Mary Poppins Instrumental

Congratulations to all participants for sharing your creativity and talent! We are so proud of each of you and the effort you put into your performance.

Pictured below is Eva Ringwald performing at Indiana 4-H Round Up on the West Lafayette, Indiana campus in June.

