

February 2021

## Azad Chahal taking ANR Extension Educator Responsibilities

On January 04, 2021, Azad Chahal joined the La Porte County Extension office to serve in the ANR Extension Position. Before this position, he worked as a Research and Extension Assistant at Penn State and received his Ph.D. in Agricultural and Biological Engineering. His work covered the optimization of the farming practices to increase the economic viability of the perennial crops.

At La Porte, Azad's responsibilities include NASS reporting, Area Programming, and serve on the La Porte Plan Commission, and the Master Gardener Program.

## Interested in Receiving Information of Upcoming Events and Training?

Contact Purdue Extension Office, 219-324-9407, ask for Tina or email her at [dewitt8@purdue.edu](mailto:dewitt8@purdue.edu) with your name and email address so you can receive this information via email. We will eventually be going to an email and Facebook only for notification of upcoming programming. Your information will only be used for Extension correspondence.



## Check out the Purdue Extension La Porte County Ag & Natural Resources Facebook Page

Our Facebook page provides up-to-date information on agriculture, natural resources, conservation, and land use. Posts are added each weekday.

<https://www.facebook.com/laportecountyanr>

## PARP Programs

The below programs are identical, just offered on different days, locations, and times.

Please register with Phil Woolery, at [pwoolery@purdue.edu](mailto:pwoolery@purdue.edu) or Pulaski-574-946-3412, Starke-574-772-9141



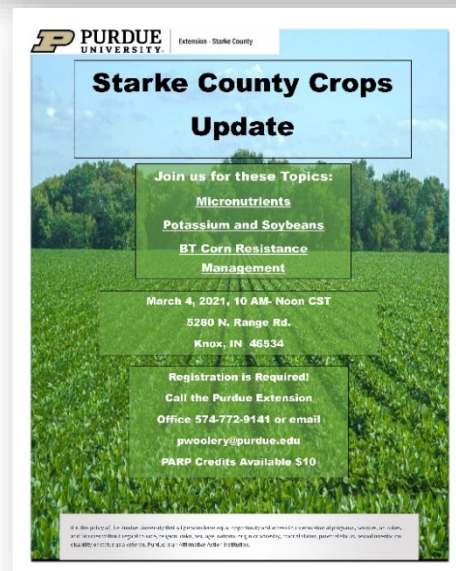
**Pulaski Crops Update**

Topics:

- Micronutrients
- Potassium & Soybeans
- Bt Corn Resistance Management
- Weed Control in Soybeans

March 2, 2021  
Bethel Bible Church  
10:00am-12:00pm  
OR  
6:00-8:00pm (EST)

Registration is required.  
Sign up by calling 574-946-3412 or email Phil Woolery at [pwoolery@purdue.edu](mailto:pwoolery@purdue.edu).



**Starke County Crops Update**

Join us for these Topics:

- Micronutrients
- Potassium and Soybeans
- BT Corn Resistance Management

March 4, 2021, 10 AM- Noon CST  
5280 N. Range Rd.  
Knox, IN 46534

Registration is Required!  
Call the Purdue Extension  
Office 574-772-9141 or email [pwoolery@purdue.edu](mailto:pwoolery@purdue.edu)  
PARP Credits Available \$10.

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## Put Your Smartphone to Work: Digital Agriculture

Learn how to use common (and free) apps like Trello, Google Sheets, Google Maps, and more to help manage your farm and agribusiness data. Watch a YouTube video with Dr. Dennis Buckmaster showing some examples of how to get the most of your smartphone.

Click below for YouTube video:

<http://bit.ly/DigitalAgVideo>

Indiana Small Farm Conference



## 2021 Indiana Small Farm Conference March 4-6, 2021

Gain practical guidance from leaders and experts at the 2021 Purdue Extension Indiana Small Farm Conference.

The conference will offer seven topic-area tracks, from which you can choose the sessions that make the most sense for your operation and goals. Those tracks are:

- Advanced Livestock
- Advanced Vegetable Production
- Beginning Farmer
- Farm Business & Marketing Plans
- Regenerative Agriculture
- Urban Agriculture
- Youth Track: Careers in Agriculture / Small Farms

Registration is required to access conference content. More information and registration here:

<http://purdue.ag/sfc>.

Cost is \$35 for all three days per individual

## Become a Certified UAV Pilot



**When: March 18 & 19, 2021, 8:00 – 4:00 CT**

**Where: Pinney Purdue Ag Center  
11402 S Co Line Rd, Wanatah, IN**

**Cost: \$200 per person**

**Register here: <http://bit.ly/2021DroneProgram>**

**Become a Certified UAV Pilot**  
Purdue Extension UAV Technology Program

<p><b>FAA Part 107 Remote Pilot Test Preparation Course Topics</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ FAA Test Preparation</li> <li>➤ Flight Instructions</li> <li>➤ Camera Settings</li> <li>➤ Flight Plans and Record Keeping</li> <li>➤ Data Management</li> <li>➤ Image Quality &amp; Troubleshooting</li> <li>➤ Sensors &amp; Artificial Intelligence</li> <li>➤ Emergency Preparation</li> </ul>	 <p><b>Location</b> Pinney Purdue Ag Center 11402 S County Line Rd Wanatah, IN 46390</p> <p><b>Dates &amp; Times (must attend both)</b> Mar. 18, 2021 8:00 am - 4:00 pm CT Mar. 19, 2021 8:00 am - 4:00 pm CT</p> <p><b>Cost:</b> \$200 per person</p> <p><b>Registration Information:</b> Register at <a href="http://bit.ly/2021DroneProgram">http://bit.ly/2021DroneProgram</a> Limited spots available!!! Registration deadline is March 11, 2021.</p> <p><b>QUESTIONS?</b> Contact: Nikky Witkowski <a href="mailto:nikky@purdue.edu">nikky@purdue.edu</a> 219-465-3555</p>
 <p><b>Hands-on Experience</b></p>	 <p><b>Endless Applications</b></p>

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Check it out: [extension.purdue.edu/farmstress/](http://extension.purdue.edu/farmstress/)