



# 4-H TODAY

September/October 2021

## Thanks for another great fair!

We appreciate all of the volunteers, club and project leaders, council and committee members who give of their time and expertise to make 4-H worthwhile. We also appreciate the people who contribute to Booster Club to make workshops, trips, awards, trophies, and banners available to 4-H members.

More specific “thanks” include:

- The Livestock/Animal Superintendents and their committees, Wade and Amanda Berenda (Beef), Mandi and Jeremy Vanderwall (Dairy), Roxann Noel (Dogs), Scott and Maureen Deno (Goats), Tiffany Fox (Horse and Pony), Mendy Turner (Poultry), Haylee Walker (Rabbits), Josh Hardebeck (Sheep), John Whaley and Kyra McGraw (Swine) for all of their work with their members, their barns, and the fair.
- Heather Light, 4-H Building Superintendent, for helping us in the 4-H building with setup, tear-down, check-in, and check-out in addition to her work as our Program Assistant.
- Project leaders Robert McClatchey, Matt Walsh, Jay Cobb, Sally Conn, Diane Gonczy, Chris Wilson, Sara DeYoung, Jeanette Marter, Paul and Elaine Anderson, Doug Hartman, Tim Loughmiller, and Larry Bartley for the meetings, workshops, and practice sessions throughout the year to help members gain project skills and knowledge.
- Our 4-H Council and its officers, Larry Bartley (President), Lynse Cragun (Vice President), Jennifer Hardebeck (Treasurer), and Jeanette Marter (Secretary) for all of their support. Additionally, special thanks to Kyra McGraw, who replaced Lynse Cragun as Vice President after Lynse stepped down in June.
- Our Auction Committee, Wade and Amanda Berenda, Scott and Maureen Deno, Haylee Walker, John Whaley, Josh and Jennifer Hardebeck, Kyra McGraw, Mandi Vanderwall, Mendy Turner, and Randy Smith for all their work in making this year’s auction a huge success for our 4-Hers.
- All of the clubs, families, and volunteers that helped us with project check-in/check-out, grandstand cleanup, watching the 4-H Building, and all of the other tasks that helped make this fair a success.
- Newton County Fair Board for supporting the 4-H events and for paying for judges for all 4-H static and livestock projects as well as manuals for 4-H members. Please be sure to thank them!
- Valerie Murphy of Visual Advantage, Earl Park, for supplying trophies and plaques. Your work is excellent!
- Every club leader, project leader, superintendent, and volunteer who contributed in whatever way to the character building of the youth of our community. This year, much like the one before, required flexibility and creative thinking, and all of our volunteers did an amazing job of rising to that challenge.

Thanks!

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## 2021-2022 4-H Enrollment Begins OCTOBER 1st!

**More details inside! Fees are \$20 for members in 3rd-12th grade. Mini members, grades K-2, are FREE.**

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## Time For Projects to Go Home!

Now that the fair is over, projects are back in the Extension Office. Please make arrangements to pick up as soon as possible, as table space is needed for meetings in September. If you can't make it between our normal office hours of 8:00AM-4:00PM Monday through Friday, let us know and we'll be glad to make other plans for you to pick them up. **Please pick up projects by Friday, October 1st. After that date, projects may be discarded.**

## 4-H Enrollment Begins October 1!

It's almost time to join 4-H for another year! Starting October 1, families will be able to access the online system to enroll their youth in our 4-H program. New families will create a family profile and add youth into 4-H, returning families will use the same login information as 2021. The website is [v2.4honline.com](http://v2.4honline.com). 4HOnline will show a \$20 fee at checkout, and you can pay by credit card online or by cash or check to our office.

## Safety Plans

As we begin planning events and programs for this fall and into 2022, we are continuing to do everything in our power to ensure the health and safety of our 4-Hers, volunteers, and community. All programming, events, meetings, and other activities that will take place indoors will still need a safety plan to be submitted at least three weeks in advance. **At this time, you do not need safety plans for events and activities that take place outdoors.**

Please reach out to the Extension Office if you are planning a meeting or activity and we can work with you to fill in the safety plan template provided by Purdue. Please note, these safety plans have to be submitted at least 3 weeks in advance of the event/meeting/activity. Recurring meetings (club meetings for example), that remain the same (size, location, general activities), will only need to submit one safety plan, but any special activities will need an additional plan per activity.

## Did You Write Thank You Notes?

4-Her's, don't forget to thank the people who helped you succeed in 4-H this year. This includes your club and/or project leader, superintendents, and even your parents and other family members and friends! Also, thank the trophy, banner, and medallion donors (addresses are on the bottom or back of awards), Newton County Fair Board, auction buyers, and trip and workshop sponsors. It's never too late to say thanks...let people know their kindnesses were appreciated! You are jeopardizing future contributions if you do not spend a few minutes to say thanks!

## 2022 Periscope Cover Chosen

The hand-drawn cover design for the 2022 Newton County 4-H Periscope was created by Elianna Holloway, a member of the North Newton Neighbors 4-H Club of Lake Village. Congratulations and thanks for the original work!

## Evaluating 2021 and Planning 2022

If you have suggestions for changes and improvements in our 4-H program, we'd like to hear from you! 4-H Council's Project and Activity Review Committee will meet in September and again in October to evaluate 2021 activities and plan an even stronger 2022. This group reviews projects and makes changes as needed, but also considers new projects for our 4-H Program!

## 4-H Yard Signs

Would you like to help support Newton County 4-H recruiting efforts? We have white and green 4-H signs you can put in your yard to help us in getting new families to join 4-H. Just contact us at 219-285-8620 x 2800 and let us know if you are interested. Signs are available for pick-up in the Extension Office.

## 2021 State Fair Static Project Results

Laura Adler	Veterinary Science	Blue
Abigail Arrenholz	Arts and Crafts	Blue
Abigail Arrenholz	Consumer Clothing	Red
Madelyn Arrenholz	Forestry	Blue
Sophia Arrenholz	Geology	Blue
Sophia Arrenholz	Soil and Water Science	Blue
Madelyn Arrenholz	Soil and Water Science	Blue
Sophia Arrenholz	Wildlife	Blue
Madelyn Arrenholz	Wildlife	Blue
Samantha Bradley	Sewing Construction	Red
Jameson Braun-Harrison	Arts and Crafts	Blue
Jameson Braun-Harrison	Foods, Baked	Red
Samuel Burdick	Sport Fishing	Red
June Busboom	Foods, Preserved	Red
Hope Churchill	Arts and Crafts	Blue
Lillian Jones Cobb	Photography	Blue
Mackenzie Dresbaugh	Arts and Crafts	Blue
Logan Fausset	Arts and Crafts	Blue
Kayla Florian-Carlson	Arts and Crafts	Blue
Kayla Florian-Carlson	Photography	Blue
Kayla Florian-Carlson	Photography	Blue
Hailey Hall	Sport Fishing	Blue
Hailey Hall	Woodworking	Red
David Hamilton	Arts and Crafts	Orange
David Hamilton	Woodworking	Blue
Erin Hanen	Photography	Blue
Jaxson Hayworth	Aerospace	Red
D. Hayworth	Aerospace	Red
Jaxson Hayworth	Woodworking	Blue
D. Hayworth	Woodworking	Blue
Elianna Holloway	Education	Blue
Elianna Holloway	Arts and Crafts	Blue
Uriel Holloway	Cat Poster	Blue
Carly James	Poultry Poster or Display	Blue

Andrew Kindig	Aerospace	Blue
Michael Klemme	Electric	Red
Samantha Klemme	Foods, Baked	Red
Noah Klemme	Photography	Blue
Adalia Knakiewicz	Arts and Crafts	Blue
Logan Kollman	Single Vegetable	Red
Logan Kollman	Single Vegetable	Green
Logan Kollman	Tomato	Red
Hayden LaFlech	Small Engines	Blue
Rubi Laud	Floriculture	Blue
Rubi Laud	Home Environment	Orange
Rubi Laud	Photography	Blue
Cecelia Marter	Arts and Crafts	Blue
Cecelia Marter	Foods, Baked	Orange
Cecelia Marter	Genealogy	Red
Emersyn McDermitt	Photography	Blue
Emersyn McDermitt	Photography	Orange
Sarah Neal	Forestry	Blue
Sarah Neal	Veterinary Science	Red
Ciara Noel	Cake Decorating	Red
Ciara Noel	Electric	Orange
Ciara Noel	Floriculture	Blue
Ciara Noel	Health	Red
Savanna Nyberg	Health	Red
Savanna Nyberg	Veterinary Science	Blue
Elizabeth Ohlund	Cake Decorating	Blue
Jessica Polen	Tractor Operator Skills	Red
Chloe Sikma	Arts and Crafts	Red
Gabriella Small	Cake Decorating	Blue
Delaney Smith	Arts and Crafts	Red
Riley Smith	Floriculture	Red
Hannah Vanderwall	Photography	Orange
Summer Wynn	Consumer Clothing	Red



## 4-H Council Needs You!

4-H can't function without the support of the volunteers. A core component of 4-H and its goal of fostering positive youth development is building strong, healthy relationships between youth members and the adult volunteers that serve as role models in their lives. It doesn't matter if you're new to 4-H, if you've been a volunteer before, if you're outgoing, or if you're more of a behind-the-scenes person. As long as you're passionate about having a positive impact in the lives of the youth in our community, we can find a role for you.

### Clubs

4-H Club Leaders can always use the help of parents that are willing to get involved. You could:

- Be a leader, co-leader/assistant leader, or committee member
- Help plan lessons and/or find people to present on topics members want to learn about
  - Help manage records/paperwork/finance behind the scenes
  - Help plan activities/trips.

### Projects

Only 20 of our more than 50 projects have dedicated project leaders.

If you see a project that you have personal/professional experience with you could sign up to be a project leader and hold workshops to teach members, help with their project, and answer questions they might have.

### 4-H Council

4-H Council is the volunteer group responsible for assisting the Extension Office with the development of rules, policies, and procedures governing the County 4-H Program and promoting positive youth development. You can be involved with 4-H Council, even if you don't necessarily want to be a club or project leader.

The 4-H Council meets 5 times per year — February, April, June, September, and November

Most council committees meet approximately twice per year:

- Budget/Audit Committee — February and November
- Recognition and Awards Committee — March and May
- Project and Activity Review Committee (Reviews Periscope) — September and October
  - Meal Committee (Pork Chop Supper/Pork Burger Lunch) — May and June

**Becoming a volunteer is free, but the impact you can have on the program, its members, and the community is priceless.**

For more information or if you'd like to register, please contact our office:

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