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Allen County Indiana 4-H

4-H EXPO

OCTOBER 6, 2018 FROM
1:00-4:00 PM

AT THE ALLEN COUNTY
EXTENSION OFFICE,
4001 CRESCENT AVE,
FORT WAYNE

(EAST SIDE OF THE PFW CAMPUS)

**FREE t-shirt for the first 100
youth to enroll and pay 2019
Program Fees!**



4-H Expo

We will hold a 4-H Expo on Saturday, October 6, from 1-4 p.m. at the Extension Office. Bring a friend (or five) and get enrolled in 4-H for 2019! The first 100 people who enroll and pay their 2019 program fees (traditional AND minis) will receive a FREE T-SHIRT! This applies to all members who enroll – not just new members. Current 4-H Members – please contact Samm if you'd like to help during the event by being available with one or two of your projects to let participants know what 4-H is all about. Leaders – please contact Samm if you are interested in volunteering for this event by helping families get enrolled and being available to provide participants with information about your clubs. Let's work together to "Make the Best Better" and paint Allen County Green in 2019!

Thank You

Thank you to EVERYONE who volunteered, participated and visited the 2018 Allen County Fair.

Traditional 4-H'ers enrolled: 596

The 2019 Allen County Fair is July 23-28, 2019.



Silent Auction

Thank you to clubs and individuals that donated to and were bidders at the Silent Auction at the Fair. This was once again a large success. Approximately \$3024.00 was raised at the Silent Auction. Half of the amount raised is donated to the Indiana 4-H Foundation.

Please be aware of the upcoming meetings, especially in August and September that you may wish to attend. **If you are on any of the special committees, this will serve as your meeting notice/reminder. We will not send another reminder unless there is a change.** All meetings will be at the Extension Office Conference Room unless otherwise noted.

- August 20, 2018 4-H Swine Leaders Meeting, 7 PM McComb Building at Fairgrounds
- August 26, 2018 4-H Llama Leaders Meeting, 3 PM at Extension Office
- August 28, 2018 4-H Shooting Sports Leaders, 7 PM at Extension Office
- August 29, 2018 4-H Livestock Executive Committee Meeting, 7 PM at Extension Office
- September 4, 2018 Ad Hoc Llama Committee Meeting, 6:15 PM at Extension Office
- September 4, 2018 4-H Governance Committee, 6:30 PM at Extension Office
- September 4, 2018 4-H Board Meeting, 7 PM at Extension Office
- September 10, 2018 4-H Food Booth Committee, 6 pm at Extension Office
- September 10, 2018 4-H Awards Committee, 6-7 PM at Extension Office
- September 10, 2018 4-H Non-Livestock Project Curriculum Committee, 7 PM at Extension Office
- September 18, 2018 4-H Horse & Pony Leaders Meeting, 7:15 PM at Extension Office
- October 2, 2018 4-H Board Meeting, 7 PM at Extension Office. Review all proposed Curriculum and Awards changes for 2019.

4-H Food Booth Thank You

We would like to thank all the volunteers that helped make this year's 4-H Food Booth a big success.

Please Send Thank You Notes!

At the Fair, 4-H'ers receive many ribbons, plaques, trophies, banners and support from buyers at the 4-H Livestock Auction. Local businesses, clubs, and individuals donate money to help support 4-H because they believe that 4-H is a terrific program. We expect each recipient to send their own thank you notes. Let them know you truly appreciate their support! All sponsors are on the bottom or back of your awards.

2019 4-H Exhibition Enrollment Dates: October 1, 2018 – May 15, 2019

4-H Expo is October 6 from 1-4 pm

Enroll in 4-H by May 15, 2018
to exhibit at the Allen County Fair or Indiana
State Fair.

Thank Your 4-H Leader

Many of you wrote thank you notes to the people who sponsored the trophy or banner you received at the Fair or who bought your animal at the Livestock Auction – but did you consider writing a thank you note to your 4-H Leader or Leaders? Our Allen County 4-H Leaders are true volunteers. They donate countless hours of their time to work with the 4-H'ers in their community club, with a project club, with an animal specie group, assisting as judges' assistants at the Fair, or working with a show at the Fair. An easy way to show them they are appreciated is to jot them a note and tell them so. Take the time this year to let them know they are appreciated!

4-H Board Members Needed

If you are interested in running for a position on the 4-H Board at their Fall Annual Meeting, please contact the Extension Office by September 1, 2018 to indicate your interest and get the application.

Indiana State Fair Results

If you want to check how on non-livestock results exhibits have done at the Indiana State Fair, go to <https://faireentry.com/Fair/Results/1618>. You can search by name or by county. Congratulations to all the 4-H members who participated in this year's Indiana State Fair.

State Fair Projects

We will pick up State Fair projects on Monday, August 20 and they will be available for pick-up from the Office starting August 21. Please be prompt and pick up all projects by Friday, August 24 by 4:30 PM. Projects not picked up by the Leaders' meeting on August 28 will be discarded or donated.

Blue Accumulative Record Sheets

The Blue Accumulative Record Sheet, which is used to determine overall points, was due the last day of the Fair. Realizing that is a hectic time for people, you may have forgotten to turn yours in. If so, please turn it into our office as soon as possible. It is important that we have a Record Sheet from ALL 4-H members Grade 3 and above. We use these points to determine Top & Honor Achievers each year.

Parents & Alumni Volunteers Needed

As we evaluate our past 4-H year and plan for a new one, we anticipate the need for more 4-H volunteers in 2019. If you have some time to donate to work with your child and/or other children in Allen County, please consider becoming a 4-H volunteer. We have openings as 4-H Community Club Leaders, Project Leaders, Resource Leaders and SPARK Club Leaders. We also need people to serve on Boards and Committees and to assist with Fair events. Please contact the County Extension Office. We would be happy to discuss with you further opportunities for you to volunteer with the Allen County 4-H Program. There are areas in Fort Wayne and Allen County where we do not have 4-H Community Clubs and we would certainly like to offer 4-H if volunteers are available to work with members.

SPARK Clubs

These are hands-on educational workshops for youth in grades 3-12 designed to SPARK interest in various fields. Youth do not have to be 4-H members to register to participate in a SPARK Club, but will become 4-H members with their payment of the \$25.00 annual program fee. Youth may choose to register for any and all SPARK Clubs they find interesting. Happy Learning!

If you have an idea for a SPARK Club, please contact the office.



Photos Needed

Please send your favorite 4-H photos throughout the year to Samm at

sammjohnson@purdue.edu. We are planning on producing a 2019 Allen County 4-H calendar and need photos from a variety of events!



Old Trophies

If you or your family have old trophies collecting dust and taking up space and you don't want to keep them any more, we have a solution for you. You can donate old trophies to:



Easter Seals ARC of Northeastern Indiana, Inc
Attn: Doug Bowman, Recreation Manager
4919 Coldwater Road
Fort Wayne IN 46825

Doug's phone number is 260-449-1737. Call first to arrange a drop-off time.

Robotics Club

Are you interested in becoming a member of the Robotics Club? Why not come to a Fall meeting and check it out and join. Meetings are held at the Purdue Extension Allen County Office. Time is 6:30 – 8:30 pm. The remaining 2018 dates are: September 6, October 4, November 1, December 6. Looking forward to seeing you.

4-H Tenure Pins

If you would like your tenure pin, you may request it. We will no longer automatically give out pins to everyone.

4-H'ers are...

4X

more likely to
give back to their
communities

2X

more likely to
make healthier
choices

2X

more likely to
participate in
STEM activities

SHOOTING SPORTS

2018 info

Air Pistol: We will be offering the Air Pistol discipline starting in September 2018. This will be for youth in grades 3-12. It will be held on Tuesday evenings at the Allen County Fairgrounds. Class begins September 11 and will go for 6 weeks. Registration deadline August 30. It will be held in September and October. Times will be from 6:30-8:30 pm. Class will be limited to 12 participants. Cost \$40.00.

Fall Shotgun: We to offer the 4-H Shotgun Discipline in fall 2018. This program will be for youth in Grades 5-12. Youth must have participated in at least one other 4-H Shooting Sports discipline prior to enrolling in this class. This class will be held on Saturdays in September and October from 12 Noon-2 pm. Registration due by September 5. Cost \$75.00. Class will meet September 15-October 13.

Fall .22 Rifle: .22 Rifle will be offered in October-December, 2018 at Concordia Lutheran High School on Wednesday evenings. .22 Rifle is for youth in Grades 4-12. Times 6:30-8:30 pm. Registration due by September 20. Cost \$60.00. Class will meet October 3-December 5.

Call the office to request the registration materials for any of these programs.

HORSE & PONY

Horse Completion Banquet



This will be held on Sunday, November 18, 2018. Location: Walb Classic Ballroom, Purdue Fort Wayne Campus.

LIVESTOCK

Livestock Auction Checks

Just a reminder that checks from the 4-H Livestock Auction will be mailed approximately 45 days after the Auction. This means probably after Labor Day in September, 2018. In addition, auction checks will not be issued to the 4-H Member until full payment is collected from all their buyers. Please remember to write each buyer a Thank you note.

JUNIOR LEADERS

Our next meeting will be on September 25 at the Extension office. All youth in grades 7-12 are eligible to participate in this group that focuses on leadership development and FUN!

4-H VOLUNTEERS

Volunteer Hours for 2018

A worksheet was sent to volunteers to track their volunteer hours from **October 2017 to July 2018** with the **Allen County 4-H Program**. This is a worksheet for you to tally on and give you ideas where you can volunteer. **We do not need this worksheet.** You can call or email your grand total number of hours to Jean at 481-6429 or jkendall@purdue.edu. When picking up your State Fair ticket, you will be asked to report your hours. Thank you for volunteering. Volunteer hours worksheet is attached. It is important that you provide us with your total volunteer hours each year since we use this data in several reports to the community as well as when applying for grants and miscellaneous funding.

Heartfelt 
THANKS
TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

Club Achievement Events

We sincerely hope you are planning some type of recognition for your 4-H members as the wrap-up of the 2018 year. If not all of your members completed at the Fair, and might need encouragement to enroll for 2019, perhaps you or your club can think of a small incentive idea.

Club Bills

Club bills were sent out. Thank you to those leaders who have paid. There are still some clubs that have not paid their bill. Please do so promptly.

COUNTY FAIR



2019 FAIR DATES

July 23-28, with the Auction on July 29

Other Extension Office Events

Horticulture Educational Programs

Real Colors Training - September 26, 6 pm, \$15.00 cost

This workshop will help you get deeper understanding or yourself and better understand fellow humans (open to the Public). Send your money to reserve your spot.

Baneful Botanicals & Other Oddities - October 25, 6 pm There is no fee for this presentation, but pre-registration is required, since this will fill quickly. Please call to register by October 19.

Evergreen Swag Workshop - December 10, 6 pm \$30.00 Cost

Amy Oliver, Landscape Designer at Arbor Farms Nursery will help you put together the fragrant tips of noble fir and cedar to create fresh holiday swag. The swag will also incorporate accents such as pine cones, berries, a decorative bow and more for a nice seasonal touch. Deadline is Monday, December 3, This class fills fast.

Health & Human Sciences Educational Programs

September 11, 7:00 PM "Personal Defense"

Preserving Natures Bounty Workshop \$5.00 fee
September 13, at 7:00 PM

October 11, 7:00 PM "Managing Diabetes"

**Events Open to the Public
Call the Office to Pre-Register**

"Family Favorites" Cookbook \$15.00 each
Extension Homemaker History Books \$12.00
Available at the Extension Office.

CALENDAR

**CEO = County Extension Office
FGs = Fairgrounds**

August 2018

3-19 Indiana State Fair, Indianapolis
20 Swine Committee 7 pm @ FG's
26 Llama Leaders, 3 pm @ CEO
28 Leaders Mtg & Fair Evaluation Mtg, 7 pm @ CEO
28 Shooting Sports Leaders Meeting, 7 pm @ CEO
29 Livestock Executive Committee Mtg, 7 pm @ CEO
30 Air Pistol Registrations Due, 4:30 pm @ CEO

September 2018

3 **Office Closed – Labor Day**
4 4-H Board Mtg, 7 pm CEO
5 Shotgun Registration Due, 4:30 pm @ CEO
6 Robotics Club, 6:30 pm @ CEO
10 4-H Food Booth Committee, 6 pm @ CEO
10 4-H Awards Committee, 6 pm @ CEO
10 4-H Curriculum Committee, 7 pm @ CEO
18 Horse & Pony Leaders Mtg, 7:15 pm @ CEO
20 Fall 22 Rifle Registrations Due, 4:30 pm @ CEO

October 2018

2 4-H Board Mtg, 7:00 pm @ CEO
4 Robotics Club, 6:30 pm @ CEO
6 4-H Expo, 1-4 pm @ CEO
10 4-H Volunteer Hours Due
16 Horse & Pony Leaders Mtg, 7:15 pm @ CEO
23 4-H Expansion & Review Committee, 6:30 pm @ CEO

November 2018

8 4-H Annual Meeting/Volunteer Recognition, 6:30 pm
@ Walb Ballroom, PFW
12 **Office Closed – Veteran's Day**
18 Horse & Pony Completion Banquet @ TBA
22-23 **Office Closed – Thanksgiving Holiday Break**

Check out the website www.extension.purdue.edu/allen for complete details.

Email Alert!



Due to continued budget cuts in the postage and office supplies accounts to the County Extension Office budget, 4-H will be utilizing email more and more. Please go in and change your 4-Honline account or email Jean at jkendall@purdue.edu with your current email address so files can be updated. Also please be sure to bookmark <http://www.extension.purdue.edu/allen> as the Allen County 4-H web site. Each county has it's own web site, so be sure you are using Allen County's to get the correct records sheets, information, and other information.