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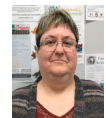
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Allen County Indiana 4-H

Good News!

The 4-H Board voted to eliminate the county program fee of \$10.00 for 2019. The State program fee of \$15.00 per youth is still in effect for youth in Grade 3-12.. Our 4-H Board will revisit this decision each year.

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

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!

Coming in October

The 4HOnline system is currently "locked" for the rollover to the new 2018 Exhibition Year. You will receive information on how to reenroll in 4-H in early October. Please look for this email and follow the instructions on how to reenroll. Volunteers and youth must reenroll via 4HOnline.

2019 4-H Exhibition Enrollment Dates:

October 1, 2018 – May 15, 2019

4HOnline enrollment & payment of
program fees is due by May 15, 219.

If you enroll May 1-15 you must use major credit card for payment
(some animal projects have an earlier deadline).

Mark Your Calendar!

We will hold an all-county 4-H meeting on Sunday, January 13 from 1-4 pm in the Walb Classic Ballroom on the Purdue Fort Wayne Campus. Clubs will meet briefly, Samm and Barb will give some 4-H updates, and then we will have time to play board games and visit with 4-H friends. Please plan to bring a few of your favorite board or card games well as a snack to share. We hope that this will become an annual event where 4-H members and volunteers from across the county have the opportunity to interact with people from all clubs.

Parents & Alumni Volunteers Needed-Anyone Can Volunteer!

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.

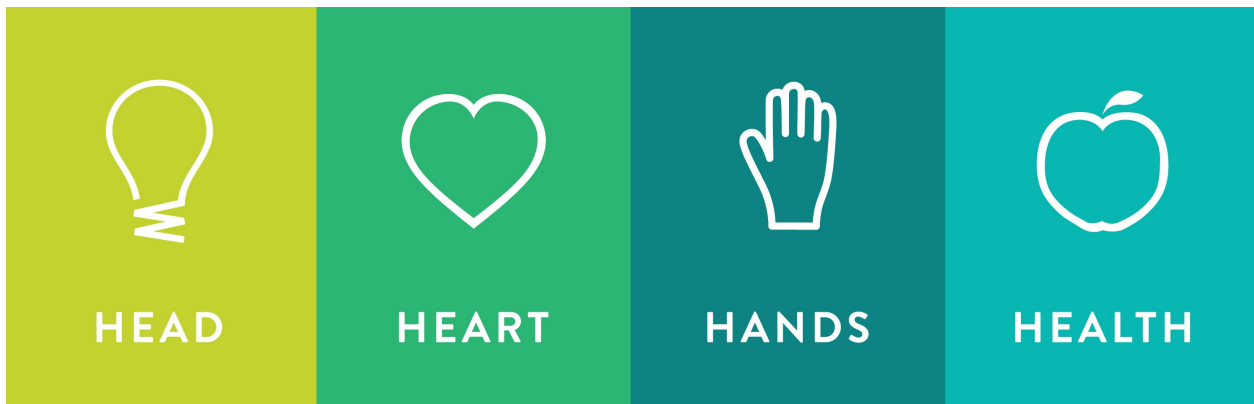
Global Gateway Experience

Do you have an interest in learning about Citizenship and the global hunger issue? There is an opportunity for Allen County 4-H members (grade 7-12) to get involved and learn more by attending the Global Gateway Experience at the Heifer Ranch in Perryville, Arkansas, April 11-15, 2019 (Thursday evening-Monday evening).

The Global Gateway Experience includes a Global Village in which youth will see recreated urban slums, bamboo huts, shanties, refugee camps, and more. The Heifer Ranch creates an experience in which nothing-shelter, food, water or cooking fuel-can be taken for granted. Participants will understand global hunger through a number of exercises and prepare a meal with limited resources while staying in the Global Village.

4-H Members will stay in the Heifer Hilton for the first and third nights (bunk bed style housing in a barn with the animals below) and in one of the Global Villages houses on the second night.

The registration fee for the experience is \$170, plus the cost of meals on the trip to/from Arkansas. Transportation by charter bus will be provided and is sponsored by Farm Credit Mid-America and Indiana 4-H Youth Development. Youth must submit an application as this trip is limited. Allen County can take a team of 4 youth and 1 adult on this trip. Applications are available from the Allen County Extension office are due by December 1. Please contact Barb Thuma.



America's Farmers Grow Communities—Monsanto Fund

Calling all Farmers-Enroll Today! Farmers have the opportunity to enroll in America's Farmers Grow Communities-sponsored by the Monsanto Fund. Since 2010, Grow Communities has awarded more than \$29 million to over 8000 organizations-from local food banks, to community centers, to fire and EMS workers, and local 4-H organizations. The enrollment window started August 1, 2018 and goes to November 1, 2018. Eligible farmers must be 21 years of age or older at time of enrollment and be actively engaged in farming a minimum of 250 acres. Allen County farmers are eligible to apply and designate Allen County 4-H Clubs as the recipient. One winner will be selected per eligible county. The designated not for profit organization will receive a \$2500.00 grant. To enroll, go to GrowCommunities.com and submit an entry, OR call 1877-267-3332 and answer the registration information questions OR submit a postcard by the November 1, 2018 deadline. Postcards are available at the Extension Office.

Tractor Supply Company-Paper Clover Pledge October 3-14, 2018

Show your support of the Allen County 4-H Program by buying a paper clover at a local Tractor Supply Company Store sometime during their Fall Pledge—October 3—14, 2018. Allen County has two [2] Tractor Supply Company Stores. They are located at 2112 West Coliseum Blvd, Fort Wayne IN 46808 AND 5808 Meijer Drive, Fort Wayne IN 46835. Visit either of these stores during the Paper Clover drive and show your support. 90% of the money raised is returned to the local 4-H program to support youth/teen participation in leadership or camping opportunities.

SPARK Clubs

These are new 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!

Leather Crafts

October 17 & 19, 6-9 pm Come both days. Learn about working with leather and make your leather journal cover to take home! This workshop will be taught by Tandy Leather associates. Cost: \$15 annual program fee plus \$30 for supplies. Parents may take class with a 4-H'er with paid program fees and parent must also pay \$30.00 supply fee.

If you have ideas for a SPARK Club, please let us know and we will work to try to make it happen!



SHOOTING SPORTS

2018 info

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 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

2019 Livestock Executive Committees

Beef

Ryan Ott, Chair
Lisa Beaupre

Dairy

Cindy Berning, Chair

Dairy Beef

Mark Anderson, Chair
Sharon Clark

Goat-Dairy

Jody Lichtenberger, Chair
Kaitlin Jinnings
Amy Kenseth
Beth Wood

Goat-Meat

Roger Clark, Chair
Jenny Dowler
David Kelsey

Poultry

Sara Wertman, Chair
Gail Edwards

Rabbit

Cheryl Smith, Chair
Mindy Flesher
Shawn Parker
Megan Flesher, Youth

Sheep

Butch Oliver, Chair
Missy Howard
Jonell Malcolm

Swine

Amy DeBolt
Pam Ott
Shawn Ryan

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 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! Junior Leaders will be FREE again in 2019! Bring your friends!

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

October 11, 7:00 PM "Managing Diabetes"
November 7, 7:00 PM "Managing Stress for the Holidays"

**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**

September 2018

- 16 4-H Llama Leaders 3 pm @ CEO
- 18 Ad Hoc Llama 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

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

December 2018

- 3 Extension Board Annual Meeting 6:30 @ CEO
- 4 4-H Board Meeting, 7:00 pm @ CEO
- 6 Robotics Club, 6:30 pm @ CEO
- 11 Junior Leaders, 7:00 pm @ CEO
- 24 & 25 Office Closed – Christmas Holiday

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-Online 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.