

# 4-H TODAY

November/December 2019  
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## 4-H Enrollment Open NOW Through January 15!

We are excited for another great year and are preparing for many changes to make our program better than ever. Now through January 15, families will be able to access the online system to enroll their youth in our 4-H program.

After January 15, you can enroll through the local Extension Office. Members must enroll on or before January 15 in order to participate in projects. Members who enroll after January 15 may still participate in a variety of other 4-H activities and programs.

**To enroll online, simply go to <https://in.4honline.com>.** For returning families, simply log in to your existing family profile and then re-enroll returning members or add new family members. New families must create a profile and add youth members to their family profile.

This year fees are \$20.00 per member for grades 3-12. Mini 4-Hers (grade K-2) are free. Also, if you have more than 3 members enrolling in your household, fees will be capped at \$60.00 per family. Just contact the Extension Office to find out how to do this! If you have any questions about this process, please contact our office at 219-285-8620 x2800 or email [nhanen@purdue.edu](mailto:nhanen@purdue.edu). Newton County 4-H is open to all youth in grades K-12. New members are welcome to join at any time!

## Kentland Rotary Club Pancake Breakfast Supports Newton County 4-H Building Project

On Saturday, November 9 from 7:00 –9:30 am, members of the Kentland Rotary Club will be cooking and serving pancakes, sausage, eggs and sausage gravy at Trinity Methodist Church, 2775 W 1500 S, Kentland.

There is no charge for the meal, but there will be a goodwill offering and all proceeds will be directed to the new 4-H Building at the Fairgrounds. Funds are needed for the current phase of finishing the building's interior with HVAC, ceiling and wall coverings.

If anyone would like to donate directly to this project, Rotary will also be accepting checks made payable to the Jasper Newton Foundation with 'Newton County 4-H Building Fund' in the memo line. The Lilly Endowment is currently matching all gifts \$2 to \$1 for Newton County Community Funds!

## Mark Your Calendars Now!

The 101st Newton County Pun'kin Vine Fair will be July 11-17, 2020.  
The Indiana State Fair will be August 7-23, 2020.



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## Club Annual Reports and Financial Info

In January, the required annual Club Report and Financial Info forms will be mailed to one leader per club or project. The club secretary can complete the Club Report, basically a summary of the year's accomplishments. The Treasurer can help complete the 2-page Financial Report. All reports **MUST** be returned to the Extension Office by **February 1**.

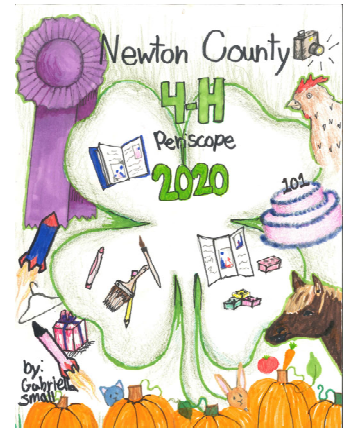
## 4-H Camp Counselor Application

Have you had a positive experience in 4-H and want to help younger members enjoy their involvement in the program? Consider being a 4-H Camp Counselor! Counselors must be enrolled in grades 9-12 and be willing to help 3rd through 6th graders have a fun and safe stay at 4-H Camp. This year's camp will be held June 3-5 at Camp Tecumseh. You need to apply before January 10. Contact the Extension Office for an application.

## 2020 4-H Periscopes to be Mailed

In December, the new Periscopes will be mailed to everyone who was a member or volunteer in 2019. Spend some time checking out the 60+ projects listed and sign up for several!

When you receive your Periscope, please note the changes in the following projects: Beef, Beekeeping, Cake Decorating, Consumer Grains, Dairy, Dog Obedience, Electric, Sewing, Small Engines, and Woodworking.



## Junior Leaders

Newton County Junior Leaders met October 9 at the Newton County Government Center and discussed fundraisers, upcoming projects and elected new officers.

New Junior Leader Officers for 2019-2020 are as follows:

President – Devin Hindes  
Vice President – Kayla Florian  
Secretary – Cecelia Marter  
Treasurer – Hannah Vanderwall  
Recreation Leader – Sam Bradley  
4-H Council Representative – Hannah Vanderwall  
Extension Board Representative – Devin Hindes

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, November 13. We will meet from 6:00—7:30 PM at the **Newton County Government Center**. Jr. Leaders, check your email for a more detailed update for the next meeting including a list of what to bring for making Thanksgiving Gift Baskets for our food pantry.

**New members are welcome to join us in November—anyone in grade 7 or above who is enrolled in a local 4-H club and completes at least one other 4-H project is eligible. We have a great time—come be a part of this fantastic club!**

## Required Adult Volunteer Training

The Purdue University Office of the Vice President for Ethics and Compliance has been working to implement system-wide policies related to programs involving minors, including those we offer through the Indiana 4-H Youth Development Program. These policies are designed to ensure the protection of minors who are a part of the Indiana 4-H Program, as we continue to provide a safe, welcoming environment for all youth to participate.

All 4-H Volunteers must re-enroll as a volunteer on the 4HOnline website using the profile they created last year. Once you are an “active” volunteer, you will go back to 4HOnline to complete the training. Detailed instructions on how to do this were mailed to you in October. This training **must** be completed before January 15, 2020. Please call 219-285-8620 x2800 if you have any questions.

## 4-H Scholarships

Are you a high school 4-H member getting your post-high school educational plans together? Don't forget about your 4-H experiences...you could be eligible for a number of scholarships!

Through the Indiana 4-H program, there are many scholarships available:

1. **4-H Accomplishment.** Includes an application within a 4-H project area, a cover letter, a resume, and an on-campus interview for those whose applications are selected.
2. **4-H Club.** For seniors enrolling at Purdue in the College of Agriculture or one of the following majors in the College of Health and Human Sciences; Apparel Design and Technology, Dietetics, Developmental and Family Science, Early Childhood Education and Exceptional Needs, Family and Consumer Sciences Education, Environmental Health Science, Financial Counseling and Planning, Foods and Nutrition, Hospitality and Tourism Management, Human Services, Nutrition Science, Retail Management, or Selling and Sales Management. Must have your FAFSA application on file by March 1, 2020.
3. **4-H Foundation.** For seniors enrolled in 4-H, based on 4-H record and application.
4. Locally, **3 Newton County 4-H Council Scholarships** are available: One to a North Newton-area 4-Her, one to a South Newton-area 4-Her, and one to a student not enrolled in Newton County school systems but is a Newton County 4-H member.

Applications for these scholarships will be available soon and can be found at [www.extension.purdue.edu/newton](http://www.extension.purdue.edu/newton). —All applications will need to be uploaded to your 4HOnline profile by January 25, 2020 to be accepted, **except the 4-H Council scholarship, which is due February 1.**

## Calling all Volunteers! We've Got Some Shoes to Fill!

If you or someone you know has a talent, skill, or interest in any of the current 4-H projects or clubs and would be willing to help teach kids the skills they need to succeed, please contact the Extension Office at 219-285-8620 x 2800. We need people like you to help us teach kids the satisfaction of accomplishment, hard work, and learning by doing.

We are always looking for livestock committee volunteers. Let us know where you can help! Potential volunteers are required to fill out a volunteer application, provide references, and have their name cleared through national and state sex and violent offender registries. Once all of this is completed, you will be informed regarding the status of your application.

## Communications from the Newton County Extension Office

Have you been receiving the emails and letters that we send out? Emails that are sent out are often sent through the 4HOnline system and should have 4HOnline as the sender. Our letters will arrive in a white envelope with a Purdue University return address.

If you are not receiving these emails or letters, please let us know so we can double check that your information is correct. We send out a lot of important reminders, so please be sure to look for these!



## "4-H Grows Here" Yard Signs Available Now!

Yard signs are available for you to help recruit for 4-H. A few Spanish versions are also available. Please take one to display in your yard during our enrollment period.

### Contact Us

Interested in learning more about what we do?

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