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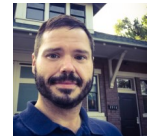
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Allen County Indiana 4-H

## Come Support 4-H at the 2020 4-H FLING

February 29, 5 pm Chicken Dinner, 5-7 Silent Auction, Live Auction Starts at 6:30 pm  
Chicken Dinner Presale Tickets will be \$7.00 starting first week of February or \$10.00 at door day of event.

Some auction items include Auction items include; Disney 1 Day Park Hopper Tickets, Large Pizza Hut Pizza a Month for a Year, Golf Packages, Roller Skating Party for 5, Oral B Genius X Power Toothbrush, Games including War of Indies, Battle of Greypoint, Flapjacks & Sasquatches, Decorative Tumblers, Jewelry, Wall Decor, Director Chairs, Bird Feeder, Numerous Restaurant Gift Cards, Hair Styling Packages, Barns of Indiana Books, Black and Decker 3 Speed Blender, Tools, Echo 58 Cordless trimmer, 2 Dozen Asst Rules per Month, 4-H Corn Hole Game, Historical 4-H King & Queen Traveling Trophy, Handmade Youth size Quilt, CD's, DVD's, 4-H Wearable Swag, Jungle George's Gift Cards, Garden décor, 6 month Spiece gym membership, Peg Perago John Deere Tractor, Allen County Fair VIP Pass Package, Allen County Fair Swag, and items continue to arrive.

Show Sponsorships: We will be auctioning off 4-H Show/Event sponsorships for events prior to and during the Fair.

VIP Seating at the Fair: We will be auctioning off VIP Seating in the Show Barn for Shows/Events.

Come to the Fling to check out and purchase auction items.

## Theme Contest for 4-H Recognition/Donor Flyer Cover

The Allen County Theme Contest allows 4-H'ers to be involved in selecting the theme for the 4-H Program booklet/Recognition flyer. Entries must be submitted by March 15. The winner will receive a \$50.00 award and recognition on the booklet.

The Rules for the Theme Contest are as follows:

1. Theme must be created by 4-H members who are currently enrolled.
2. Entry is to be 8 1/2" x 11" (with the 11" being vertical).
3. Entries must be an original computer generated graphic..
4. A label with name, club, grade, address, and phone number, should be attached on the back.
5. One entry per 4-H'er.

Reminder: the design must be an original, computer generated graphic. Submit electronically to [jkendall@purdue.edu](mailto:jkendall@purdue.edu) by the deadline.

### Cancellation Policy

All 4-H meetings and activities will be cancelled if the Fort Wayne Community School Corporation is closed due to bad weather. If in doubt, watch/listen to TV and radio outlets.



## 2020 4-H Exhibition Enrollment Dates:

October 1, 2019 – May 15, 2020

4HOnline enrollment & payment of program fees is due by May 15, 2020.

If you enroll May 1-15 you must use a major credit card for payment.

Note: some animal projects have an earlier deadline.



## 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.

### Food Booth Committee Needs Your Help

It's that time of year again! The Food Booth is looking for volunteers to help in the food booth during the fair. With the help of volunteers like you the Food Booth was able to have a record breaking year last year. Please see SignUp Genius for days and times to volunteer. Here is the link <https://www.signupgenius.com/index.cfm?go=c.SignUpSearch&eid=0FC5CCD6FCC9FC60&cs=09B5BADA8FBE8B637B7C640E5BB59BCE&sortBy=l.title>. Call or text Sarah Berning at (260) 403-0714 or Email at [SarahMarie89@Yahoo.com](mailto:SarahMarie89@Yahoo.com) if you need anything.

### NEW RULES BOOK AVAILABLE

There is a 2020 Rules Book which is available on line [www.extension.purdue.edu/allen](http://www.extension.purdue.edu/allen) or by stopping by the Extension Office. It is highly recommended each 4-H household print off a 2020 Rules Book.



### Check List for 4-H Members

- \_\_\_ April 1: All Beef Steers, and Dairy Beef Steers ID'ed in 4HOnline.
- \_\_\_ May 15: All Other Livestock ID'ed in 4HOnline. (except Poultry & Rabbits)
- \_\_\_ May 15: Drop/Add Deadline. Absolute deadline to add or delete any 4-H Projects in the 4HOnline system.
- \_\_\_ June 22: Dog Members MUST complete FairyEntry in 4HOnline system exhibit at the County Fair. (Open June 1-June 28)
- \_\_\_ June 30: 4-H Member MUST complete FairEntry in 4HOnline system to exhibit at the County Fair. (Open June 1-June 28)
- \_\_\_ June 30: Activity Sheets for Livestock Projects due to the Extension Office by 4:30 pm.

# FUNDRAISERS



## 4-H Plant Sale Fund Raiser

Annual 4-H Plant Sale Fundraiser. Details and Order form attached. Orders due March 31. Plants will be available **ONLY at these times: Thursday, May 7, from 5-8 pm or Friday, May 8 from 9 am–Noon** at the Fairgrounds. **No Refunds on orders not picked up. Orders not picked up by noon on May 8 will be available for sale, anything left will be donated.** Each 4-H family is being challenged to get 2 new customers. Proceeds from this fundraiser go toward Allen County 4-H Board expenses such as 4-H trips that are not sponsored, 4-H publicity/promotion, and other County 4-H expenses. What a great gift for Mother's Day!

# WORKSHOPS & ACTIVITIES



## 4-H Dog Obedience Training

The 4-H Dog Obedience Training program will begin in early March. This is open to all youth in grades 3-12. Sessions will be Monday evenings at the Home Loan Building on the Fairgrounds.

If you are interested in the Dog Project, call the Extension Office NOW - All paperwork and registration fee is due back in the Extension Office by February 21, 2020 with registration fees.

### New in 2020

Our Robotics Club is now a STEM Club and meets at TekVenture, 1550 Griffin St in Fort Wayne, on the third Wednesday of each month. Come check it out on February 19! Flyer attached.

# SHOOTING SPORTS

## Muzzleloading

We will be hosting 4-H Muzzle Loading starting in April for youth in Grades 3-12.

Cost is \$30.00. Deadline to pay registration fee is April 1, 2019. First meeting is on April 11, 2019 at the Extension Office. Subsequent meetings will be held outside in the Spencerville IN area. Dates are: April 18, 25, May 2, 9, 16, 2019. Time will be 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. There is a minimum of 3 members to hold this program and a maximum of 10. Flyer will be in the March newsletter.

# HORSE & PONY



## 4-H Horse and Pony Judging Team

Do you want to learn more about horses and judging them? Then the 4-H Horse and Pony Judging Team may be for you. You do NOT need to own a horse or even know much about horses to join this group. You will LEARN! This is for youth currently in Grades 3-12. They normally meet on Sunday afternoons from January–April. The coaches are Lisa Didion and Jacob Taylor, 4-H Volunteers. Lisa's contact information is 260-740-8313 or email [lisagdidion.ld@gmail.com](mailto:lisagdidion.ld@gmail.com). Please contact her for more details and information.

## 2019 Horse and Pony Vaccination Clinic

Date: Saturday April 18, 2020

Time: 9 AM-12 Noon

Location: Allen County Fairgrounds

More information available from 4-H Horse and Pony Leaders.

## The Horse and Pony Clubs will begin meeting this month

**Saddlebums:** Call Lisa Didion at 740-8313 for more information.

**Sporhorse:** Call Andi Adams at 632-5053 for more information.

Outdoor Meetings will begin in May. They will all be held at the Allen County Fairgrounds, Horse Arena.

# LIVESTOCK

To exhibit beef cattle, dairy cattle, swine, sheep, meat goats, dairy goats, poultry and rabbits, 4-H members MUST be certified through the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) program. This is an annual program that can be completed via online modules or in-person trainings. This will be in effect for all of these species in Indiana. This is for all youth in Grades 3-12.

Youth can take the in person trainings [cost will be \$3.00] or online trainings [cost \$12.00]. Allen County will be offering in person trainings in the Spring. We will release dates this spring.

There is a NEW multiple online certification available for youth who are age 12 and age 15 by January 1. You can take a multiple year 'test out'. You will still pay \$12.00 for each year you test out of. You only pay if you pass the test. You only have one [1] opportunity to take the test. Cost for age 12 is \$36.00 [3 years]. Cost for age 15 is \$48.00 [4 years]. Test out is ONLY available online. Online is at <https://yqca.learnrow.io>.

Youth are strongly encouraged to complete their YQCA training by May 15 when you must have possession of your animals.

## Reminder for all Livestock Families-Premise ID Number

All cattle, swine, sheep and goats must have a Premise ID Number for the location of animals, whether you have 1 or 2 animals for 4-H on a part-time basis or raise production stock year-round. For more information and registration forms, contact the Indiana Board of Animal Health at 317-544-2400 or on the web at [www.in.gov/boah/2624.htm](http://www.in.gov/boah/2624.htm).

**The number will be required to complete the animal ID online.**

## Livestock Activity Sheets

Reminder - your animal activity sheets and record sheets are due on June 30, 2020.

Activity Sheets will be used for Beef, Dairy, Dairy Beef, Goat, Horse, Llama, Poultry, Rabbit, Sheep, and Swine.

## Llama

If anyone is interested in participating in the 4-H Llama project in 2020, please call the office NOW and ask for additional information, and to have your name put on the list. There are several Llama Farms, and some of them are accepting new members. You do NOT need to own a llama to participate. Many 4-H members use the Llamas owned by the 4-H Leaders.

Llama Farms meet at different locations and times. There will be a Llama Call out Meeting on March 8, 2020, at 3:00 PM at the Extension Office.

## 2020 Animal Deadlines

PLEASE - Please, try to complete all enrollment in animal projects by January 15. We send information electronically to youth enrolled in specific 4-H projects. We cannot send you the information if you have NOT enrolled in that specific project. This will be important information on ID dates, 4HOnline deadlines, etc.

Sample paperwork will be available at all TAGGING/ID events. They will occur in the Lion's Barn on the Allen County Fairgrounds. Premise ID numbers will also be required to complete 4Honline ID.

April 1	4HOnline Deadline for ID of all Beef Steers & Dairy Beef Steers	
April 18	TAGGING/ID – ALL Dairy Beef FEEDER Calves	8:00–10:00 a.m.
April 23	TAGGING/ID – ALL Sheep and All Goats	5:00-8:00 pm
May 15	4HOnline Deadline for ID of All Beef Heifers and Junior Calves, Dairy Beef Feeder Calves, Horse & Pony, Llama, Sheep, Swine. Also Project Add & Drop.	
<b>June 30</b>	<b>Activity Sheets due to the Extension Office</b>	<b>By 4:30 pm</b>
June 30	Fair Entry done online (what I am Exhibiting at the County Fair)	By 11:59 pm

## Grooming Assistance at the Indiana State Fair

Just a reminder that if you are planning to exhibit at the Indiana State Fair you need to make sure that you are in compliance with the Grooming Assistance rule. 4-H Exhibitors may receive clipping and grooming assistance from members of their immediate family [father, mother and siblings], from a current Indiana 4-H member; and from individuals enrolled in the Indiana 4-H Approved Animal Grooming Assistance Program. Temporary guardianships are not permitted and shall result in immediate disqualification. The Grooming Assistance application can be found at <http://bit.ly/animalgroominglist> Please note that this program is only for Indiana residents and must be completed by July 1, annually.

## Upcoming Workshops

These workshops will focus on completing some activities in the Project Activity Sheets. More information provided as it becomes available.

**By attending workshops, 4-H members gain knowledge of projects, and build friendships with fellow 4-H'ers and leaders. These workshops are open to all 4-H members.**

2020 4-H Livestock Important Dates		
Project	Date & Time	Location
Rabbit Welcome Party	February 18, 6:00 PM	Raimondo's Pizza—Call Cheryl Smith 482-1777 to RSVP
Poultry Workshop	February 24, 7-9 PM	County Extension Office
Cattle Workshop	March 7, 10 AM	Jerry Ott Farm
Swine Workshop	March 16, 6:30 PM	County Extension Office
Rabbit Workshop	April 15, 7:00 PM	County Extension Office
Swine Workshop	May 13, 6 PM	Fairgrounds
Rabbit Workshop	May 19, 7 PM	Fairgrounds - Admin Bldg
Poultry Workshop & Blood Testing	July 11, 9 AM—12 NOON	Swine Barn, Fairgrounds
Rabbit Tattoo Night	June 25, 7 PM	County Extension Office

## JUNIOR LEADERS

Our next meeting will be on February 25 from 7-8:30 pm 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 2020! Bring your friends! If you have been interested in seeing what Junior Leaders is all about attend this meeting.

## COUNTY FAIR

### 2020 FAIR DATES



July 28-August 2, with the  
Livestock Auction on August 3

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# CALENDAR

CEO = County Extension Office

FG = Fairgrounds

## February 2020

- 16 4-H Horse Judging Team, 4:30 @ CEO
- 18 Rabbit Pizza Party, 6 pm @ Raimonda's Pizza
- 18 Horse & Pony Leaders Mtg, 7:15 pm @ CEO
- 19 STEM Club, 6:30 pm @ TekVenture
- 19 Swine Committee 7 pm @ FG's
- 23 4-H Horse Judging Team, 3 pm @ CEO
- 24 Poultry Workshop, 7 pm @ CEO
- 25 Junior Leaders, 7 pm @ CEO
- 29 4-H Fling - Chicken Dinner with Silent & Live Auction  
5 pm @ FG's

## March 2020

- 1 4-H Horse Judging Team, 3 pm @ CEO
- 3 4-H Board Mtg, 7:00 pm @ CEO
- 7 Cattle Workshop, 10 am @ Jerry Ott Farm
- 8 Llama Call Out Meeting 3:00 pm, CEO
- 10 Baking Club, 6 pm @ CEO
- 15 4-H Horse Judging Team, 3 pm @ CEO
- 15 4-H Recognition Theme Design Due, 4:30 CEO
- 16 Swine Workshop, 6:30 pm @ CEO
- 17 Horse & Pony Leaders Mtg, 7:15 pm @ CEO
- 18 STEM Club, 6:30 pm @ TekVenture
- 22 4-H Horse Judging Team, 3 pm @ CEO
- 29 4-H Horse Judging Team, 3 pm @ CEO
- 31 Junior Leaders, 7 pm @ CEO
- 31 **4-H Plant Sale Orders Due, CEO**

## April 2020

- 5 4-H Horse Judging Team, 3 pm @ CEO
- 15 STEM Club, 6:30 pm @ TekVenture
- 15 Rabbit Workshop, 7 pm @ CEO
- 18 Dairy Beef Feeder Calf Weigh in, 8-10 am @ FG's
- 19 4-H Horse Judging Team, 3 pm @ CEO
- 23 Sheep & Goat ID, 6-8 pm @ Fairgrounds
- 26 4-H Horse Judging Team, 3 pm @ CEO
- 28 Junior Leaders, 7:00 pm CEO

## May 2020

- 6 Swine Committee, 7 pm @ FG's, McComb Bldg
  - 5 4-H Board Mtg, 7:00 pm @ CEO
  - 7 **4-H Plant Sale Pick up 5-8 pm @ Fairgrounds**
  - 8 **4-H Plant Sale Pick up 9-12 Noon @ Fairgrounds**
  - 9 State Horse Judging Contest
  - 15 **4-H Enrollments Due Online**
  - 15 **Livestock ID Due ONLINE**
  - 15 **Horse ID Sheets Due ONLINE**
  - 15 **Project Add/Drop Deadline ONLINE**
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