

The Clover Connection

Posey County 4-H Thanks for making our virtual Posey County 4-H Fair awesome! Fall 2020

Dear 4-H Members & Supporters,

Thanks very much to everyone who made this year's first-ever virtual Posey County 4-H Fair a success! I hope you enjoyed and learned from this year of 4-H membership. I'm already looking forward to next year, and I hope you are too. **4HOnline will open October 1, so plan to re-enroll early this fall!**

I sorely missed everyone who volunteered their time to assist with judging, exhibit check-in, arranging the Exhibit Building, and all the other "odds and ends" that help make our fair run smoothly and hope to see you all in person next July. At this point, all Purdue Extension events, including everything 4-H, is still virtual, with plans being submitted 3 weeks in advance for any essential event that needs to be held in person.

If you have any suggestions for changes that you feel would improve the Posey County 4-H youth development program, including in person and virtual programming, event scheduling, and project changes or additions, please contact me by October 1. Your suggestions will be shared with 4-H Council this fall, and the Council members and I welcome your input. Thanks in advance!

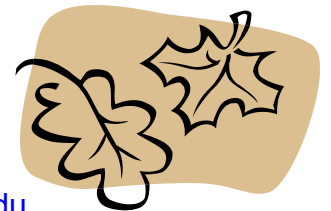
School is starting, and with that, we are hoping to recruit many new 4-H members for the coming year. Please plan to promote 4-H during National 4-H Week (the first full week of October) and be sure to speak out about the fun and exciting experiences one can have as a Posey County 4-H member.

As always, important information about upcoming 4-H activities is enclosed. Please be sure to read carefully and contact your adult volunteer 4-H Club Leaders or me if you have any questions.

Take care,

Cheven M. May

Cheven Meyncke May, 4-H Youth Development Educator, maycm@purdue.edu



If you have a disability that requires special assistance for participation in activities, please contact Purdue- Posey County Extension Service at (812) 838-1331. Purdue University is an equal access/equal opportunity institution.

Outstanding 4-H Club Leader Award

Do you know a Club Leader who goes above and beyond the usual expectations? If so, please nominate them for the Ned O. Williams Outstanding Leader Award. Nominations must include reasons and/or examples of why the Club Leader should receive the award, and they must be signed by the person who is nominating. Please get your nominations to Cheven by October 1.

4-H Achievement Banquet Cancelled

The Annual 4-H Achievement Banquet will not be held this year, but awards will be available for pick up later this fall.

National 4-H Week: October 4-10

All Posey County 4-H Clubs are encouraged to create and exhibit a display in a local public area during this week to promote Posey County 4-H and all of the awesome benefits our program has to offer. 4-H members: Break out those 4-H Club T-shirts for school that week and be sure to invite your friends to "make the best better!"

Fall Wrap-Up Meetings

All 4-H clubs are encouraged to plan a virtual or outside activity as a Fall 4-H Club wrap-up event. All in person events must submit a COVID safety plan at least 3 weeks in advance of the scheduled date.



Need to Contact Us?

We have voicemail, so you can call us anytime at 812-838-1331. We're also available online at www.extension.purdue.edu/posey. However, the fastest way to contact Cheven is via email. Send her a note at maycm@purdue.edu any time!

4-H Livestock Auction Thank-You Notes

If you are a 4-H member who benefitted from the donations that 4-H Council collected and distributed in lieu of hosting the annual livestock auction, please send at least one donor on this year's list a thank-you note. If you need contact information for them, please contact the Extension Office.

State Fair Results

Congratulations to all Posey County 4-H'ers whose projects were selected for exhibition at the Indiana State Fair this year! Exhibitors and their State Fair results can be found online at:

<http://www.four-h.purdue.edu/>

Congratulations again to those who were chosen to advance to State level. You did a wonderful job representing Posey County 4-H!



Why Join Jr. Leaders?

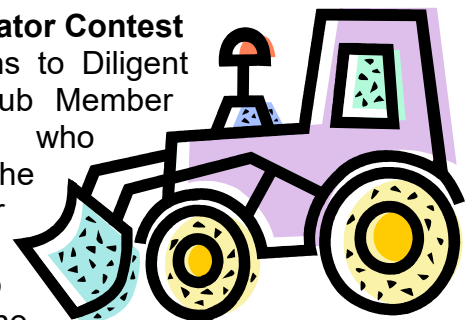
Serving as a Jr. Leader is an honor, an opportunity, and a responsibility. By being a 4-H Jr. Leader, you can help other 4-H members learn and grow, assist in developing your own 4-H Club and the Jr. Leaders' Club, make new friends, develop your leadership skills, have fun with your peers, plan and complete community service projects with other 4-H youth, AND help fund 4-H Jr. Leader trips and scholarships by working (most years!) in our fabulous air-conditioned food booth during the Posey County 4-H Fair! ☺ Membership is open to all youth in grades 7-12, so join in our 4-H fun today!

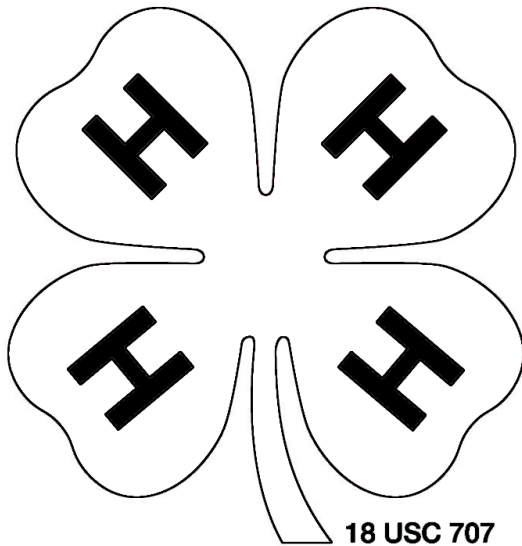
Summer Assistant Wanted!

Are you interested in working with youth and learning more about Posey County 4-H behind the scenes? If so, please apply to be a 4-H Summer Assistant! This county position has you working closely with the 4-H Youth Educator for 12 weeks in the summer, and applicants must be able to: type, database entry, lift 40 pounds, and be able to drive. College student preferred. To apply, contact the office or email maycm@purdue.edu. State Work-Study students are encouraged to apply.

Tractor Operator Contest

Congratulations to Diligent Ones 4-H Club Member Nolan Deno, who qualified at the Area III Tractor Operator Contest to advance to the State competition this year!





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YOU VERY MUCH!”
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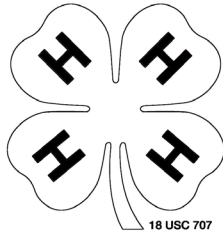
Sept. 7	Labor Day: Extension Office will be closed.
Oct. 1	4-H Council virtual business meeting (7 PM, Zoom)
Oct. 4-10	National 4-H Week: Wear Your Clovers!!!
Nov. 5	4-H Council virtual business meeting (7 PM, Zoom)
Nov. 9	Extension Board Annual Meeting (6 PM, PCCC)
Nov. 11	Veterans' Day: Extension Office will be closed.
Nov. 26 & 27	Thanksgiving Day Observance: Extension Office will be closed.
Dec. 3	4-H Council virtual business meeting (7 PM, Zoom)
Dec. 24 & 25	Christmas Holiday Observance: Extension Office will be closed.
Jan. 7	4-H Council virtual business meeting (7 PM, Zoom)
Jan. 15	4-H Enrollment, Trip & Scholarship Application Deadline
Feb. 1	4-H Club Financial Reports Due to Extension Office
Feb. 4	4-H Council virtual business meeting (7 PM, Zoom)
Feb. 23	Annual 4-H Club Leader Meeting (TBA)
Mar. 4	4-H Council virtual business meeting (7 PM, Zoom)
Mar. TBA	4-H Club Officer Training
Apr. TBA	YQCA Animal Exhibitor Mandatory Training
Apr. 1	County & State Fair Beef Steer Entry Deadline
Apr. 1	4-H Council virtual business meeting (7 PM, Zoom)
May 6	4-H Council virtual business meeting (7 PM, Zoom)
May 15	4-H Enrollment & Animal ID Deadline
June 3	4-H Council virtual business meeting (7 PM, Zoom)
June TBA	4-H Verbal Communications contests (formerly Public Speaking)
July 18-24	Posey County 4-H Fair
July TBA	4-H Fashion Revue Judging & Style Show

Thanks to Our 2020 Posey County 4-H Goat Pen Donors!

We will have new goat pens at next year's fair, courtesy of a Community Foundation grant written by our 4-H Goat Superintendent Hannah Duncan and the following generous donors:

Farm Bureau Insurance- Mike Mason
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Heathcotte Land Solutions, LLC
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September 2020

Dear Posey County 4-H Youth Members and Supporters:

4-H is the largest youth organization in America. This volunteer-led program reaches youth through a variety of activities and helps them increase their self-confidence, learn subject matter, and develop important life skills such as leadership and citizenship throughout their 4-H career. Of course, the highlight of each year at the local level is the Posey County Fair, where Posey County 4-H members exhibit the projects they have worked on throughout the year. In turn, they receive ribbons, trophies and other awards for their efforts.

The 4-H Council provides leadership for the Posey County 4-H program, while the Fair Association maintains the fairgrounds and conducts non-4-H activities. The Council provides funding for the non-formal, educational 4-H programming available to all Posey County youth and oversees the program, with the 4-H Youth Educator advising.

It is your donation that helps us provide project manuals, Club Leaders' materials, the 4-H member handbook, trip fees, awards, and various other supplies to Posey County 4-H members and the Posey County 4-H youth development program. Annually, the Posey County 4-H program incurs expenditures of over \$25,000, and it is through generous donations such as yours that we are able to enhance our program and continue to make the best better.

We're collecting donations through December for the upcoming 4-H year. The county 4-H member handbook will be printed in January, and donors may or may not be listed, as they desire, in it in categories determined by the amount donated. Donation categories are as follows: FRIEND - up to \$25; SPONSOR - \$25 to \$49.99; ADVOCATE - \$50 to \$99.99; BENEFACTOR - \$100 to \$249.99; and PATRON - \$250 to \$499.99; PARTNER - \$500 and higher. Businesses are listed with a phone number upon request. All donations for the coming year must be received by the end of the current year (December 31) in order for a donor to be listed in the handbook.

We hope you will consider supporting Posey County 4-H youth programming again in the coming year and ask that you keep in mind the increasing cost of materials when making your donation. Please complete the slip below and return it with your tax-deductible donation in the form of a check made payable to: POSEY COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL.

It is positively powerful when today's youth team up with caring adults to learn new skills, strengthen their communities, explore the wonders of today's world, and prepare for tomorrow's challenges and opportunities. Without good friends like you, the 4-H program in Posey County would not be possible.

Thank you very much for your support of this unique educational experience for Posey County youth,

Cheven Meyncke May
4-H Youth Development Extension Educator

Chris Woods
Posey County 4-H Council President

Enclosed is my donation of \$ _____ in support of the Posey County 4-H program for the coming year.

_____ (Name) to appear in Handbook: **YES OR NO**
_____ (Phone Number) to appear in Handbook: **YES OR NO**
_____ (Email Address) will **NOT** appear in Handbook.

Would you like to receive a receipt for your records? YES OR NO
We no longer mail handbooks, but you are welcome to stop by our office to pick one up!