



The Scoop



Boone County 4-H Newsletter

HELLO,
January



Wishing you a month filled with fresh starts,
new opportunities, and positive vibes.



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Coming Up

Now- January 15th- 4-H Enrollment Open

January 22nd- New Member Orientation

- 5:30-6:30PM at the Boone County 4-H Fairgrounds

April 12th- Beef ID Day

-7:30-10:30AM in the south 1/2 of Beef Barn

-Snow make up date is 4/26

April 12th- 4-H BBQ

May 8th- Feeder Calf ID Day

-6:00-7:00PM in the REMC Building

June 11-13th- 4-H Camp

-For youth in grades 3-6 &

-Camp counselors who are 9-12th graders!

July 20-26th- 2025 Boone County 4-H Fair

Please note- Fair dates are Sunday-Saturday

August 1-17th- 2025 Indiana State Fair



ENROLL



now!

Youth Enrollment is open!
Now – January 15th

Volunteer Enrollment is open!
Now – January 15th

*Volunteers have received an email from the Extension Office with instructions


Check out our Family Resource Guide!

2025 Boone County 4-H Fair Schedule!

Click below to find the 2025
4-H Pre-Fair and Fair
Schedule!

2025 4-H Fair Schedule

This schedule ONLY has 4-H
events. The Fair Board is working
on adding all the other events
and will publish those once they
are finalized.

A decorative graphic of a plant stem with several leaves, located in the bottom right corner of the page.

The 2025 4-H Handbook is Ready!

To Make the Best Better.



BOONE COUNTY, INDIANA || 4-H HANDBOOK

2025

Designed by: Lauren Argotte

[Click here to access!](#)

Volunteers Needed



Aerospace



Crops



Entomology



Leathercraft



Woodworking



Additional Leader for Center Trailblazers
Additional leader for the Union Innovators

**If you are interested in volunteering in one of these
roles email**

**Stephanie Gay, 4-H Youth Extension educator at
stephanieg@purdue.edu or check out our**

NEW volunteer Website!

2025 Seniors

Congratulations on being a 2025 senior!
4-H wants to take the time to say "A job well done
on all your academic and 4-H success!"



<https://bit.ly/IN4Hgrad>

Please follow the link provided to fill out the 4-H
senior survey by **April 1st** and receive a
4-H Tassel!

Boone County 4-H 10 year members

Please fill out the below survey by **April 1st** to
receive recognition at the 2025 Boone County 4-H
Fair and other events during our 2025 fair year.

<https://forms.gle/LWvF2vEfg2v19S716>

Note- Please upload a **HORIZONTAL** Senior Picture (no
selfies). This will be used for publicity purposes and in
various places throughout the fair. If unable to submit
photo in survey email the photo to smith484@purdue.edu

4-H SUMMER ASSISTANT



JUNE-EARLY AUGUST
AVERAGE 30 HOUR WORK WEEK-
INCREASED HOURS AT FAIR TIME

We are looking for someone who:

- Has great enthusiasm and flexibility
- Works well with a variety of individuals
- Obtains computer, design and organizational skills
- Can coordinate, organize and carry out activities
- Is self motivated



[Click here for full job description](#)



Submit Cover Letter, Resume and References
to Stephanie Gay at stephanieg@purdue.edu
or drop off application to
Purdue Extension Boone County
1300 East 100 South Lebanon, IN 46052

State and National Events!

There are so many additional opportunities that 4-H has to offer! I would highly encourage you to participate in one or more of these state or national events. By attending, you will make new friends, strengthen leadership skills and explore different career paths and opportunities! Many Boone County 4-H'ers have attended these events in the past, and each one of them recommends participating in these opportunities!

Participating in these additional opportunities also accelerates your chances of being awarded scholarships and awards in the future.

Thanks to our generous Boone County 4-H Booster Club donors, we have several opportunities for sponsorships for these trips. We want these trips to be an option for ANY Boone County 4-H member who wants to attend. In order to be considered for sponsorship, please fill out our short application form by February 16th.

Trips for sponsorships on this form include:

4-H Academy
Teen Leadership Weekend
State 4-H Band
State 4-H Chorus
4-H Round Up
National 4-H Dairy Conference
National 4-H Congress

More information about each trip can be found on the application at the link above.



4-H Chorus



4-H Academy



4-H Band

ADDITIONAL 4-H OPPORTUNITIES IN 2025!



4-H Day at the Statehouse Feb. 11th 7th-12th Graders

Youth in 7th-12th grade will learn about their state government through a day full of civic engagement and leadership. Participants will tour the state house, meet representatives, and have the opportunity to serve as student pages.



UAV/Drone Contest March 15th 5th-12th Graders



The competition will consist of three challenge areas using the standard “Tello” uav/drone
*Loaner drones available

4-H Band & Chorus June 21-24th 7th-9th Graders



Build new friendships and skills while living the “college life” by staying in the dorms on Purdue’s campus. You will perform at 4-H Round Up.

Teen Leadership Weekend March 28-30th 7th-12th Graders

This new event is designed for Junior Leaders and other teen leaders. More information will be forthcoming.

4-H Camp June 11-13 3rd-6th Graders Campers 9th- 12th Graders Counselors

Experience the fun of camping in a cabin, boating, fishing, swimming, crafts, games and much more. You will make memories that last a lifetime as well as learning leadership skills. We also need 9-12th grade counselors!



4-H Roundup June 23-25th 7th- 9th Graders

Explore a variety of careers by attending classes created just for Round-Up while dipping your toes into college life by living in a Purdue Residence Hall for two nights. Youth have an opportunity to meet others from across the state and further develop their leadership skills.



4-H Academy June 11-13 9th-12th Graders

Hands-on opportunities to learn about different careers. Meet and learn from professors, graduate students and others. Stay in a Purdue Residence Hall for two nights and meet 4-H members from across Indiana.



More information on each opportunity will be provided via email or newsletter! Reach out to our office for more information.

1-765-482-0750 or booneces@purdue.edu

JOIN THE BOONE COUNTY 4-H BOOSTER CLUB



**Your donation can help support Boone
County 4-H in a variety of ways!**

- Trophies, Banners, Plaques & Ribbons
- 4-H Trips
- Youth Scholarships & Awards
- Marketing Materials
- General 4-H Needs

**Questions?? Contact the Purdue Extension-Boone County office at
booneces@purdue.edu or 765-482-0750**



SAVE THE DATE! 

CHEF UNIVERSITY  SPARK CLUB

DATE: APRIL 1ST AND 3RD

TIME: 8:30-12:30

**LOCATION: Boone County 4-H Fairgrounds
in the Farm Bureau Community Inc. Building**

**Stay tuned for
more details
and registration!**



Chef University
Third-fifth graders are invited
to enhance their cooking skills,
learn kitchen safety and
increase knowledge of food
from around the world while
getting to eat a variety of
foods!





Purdue Calving Academy

The hands-on event will cover topics including cow restraint and calf manipulation and triaging the neonatal calf.

1:00 - 4:45 pm Eastern Time

\$50 Registration Fee

Instructor: Dr. Bethany Funnell, DVM

To Register visit:

<https://web.cvent.com/event/cb611d3b-9f26-4ab1-8641-861acf9df1aa/summary>

December 14 - Huntington, IN

December 21 - Bedford, IN

January 4 - Greensburg, IN

January 11 - West Lafayette



Pre-registration required.
Payment due at time of registration.

[Click here to register](#)

AREA 6 BEEF MEETING

Indiana Beef Cattle Association



Morgan Co Fairgrounds

JANUARY 9, 2025 - 6 PM
1749 HOSPITAL DR,
MARTINSVILLE, IN 46151

IBCA WELCOMES YOU
TO THIS FREE EVENT
FOR AREA 6 BEEF
PRODUCERS. JOIN US
FOR FELLOWSHIP,
DOOR PRIZES &
EDUCATIONAL
SPEAKERS

Area 6 Counties

BOONE, HAMILTON, HANCOCK, HENDRICKS, JOHNSON,
MARION, MORGAN AND SHELBY

*RSVP to Morgan County Purdue
Extension by 1/9/2024*

(765) 342-1010

Bridges to Adventure

Survival Skills

An immersive outdoor survival experience to learn essential wilderness skills, including shelter building, fire starting, and foraging.

February 26th - Virtual Session 7pm-8:30pm

March 1st - Ransburg Scout Reservation 10am-3pm

Flyfishing

A hands-on fly fishing adventure! Learn not only the art of fly casting, but also how to build fly rods and create custom flies.

March 19th - Virtual Session 7pm-8:30pm

March 22nd - Fairfax State Rec Area 10am-3pm

Sportfishing

Experience the thrill of fishing, discover how to filet, fry, and savor the delicious results of your catch!

April 2nd - Virtual Session 7pm-8:30pm

April 5th - Raccoon Lake 10am-3pm

Outdoor Skills

Get a grip on nature, & learn skills to enjoy your time outside, from map and compass reading to knot tying and tracking.

May 14th - Virtual Session 7pm-8:30pm

May 17th - Shakamak State Park 10am-3pm

\$35

Lots of Ways to Participate!!

Go all in! Attend all 4 virtual sessions and all 4 in-person sessions

Attend whatever sessions that fit into your schedule!

Busy, but crave the knowledge? Virtual sessions will be recorded to watch at your leisure

REGISTER NOW
bridgestoadventure.honline.com



2025 LIVESTOCK SHOW SCHEDULE

Schedule is subject to change.



INDIANA STATE FAIR

Beef Cattle / Dairy Beef

THURS. JULY 31

Open Cattle Show – [Corteva Coliseum](#)

FRI. AUGUST 1

4-H Beef Cattle Showmanship – [Corteva Coliseum](#)

SAT. AUGUST 2

4-H Heifers & Steers – [Corteva Coliseum](#)

SUN. AUGUST 3

4-H Heifers & Steers – [Corteva Coliseum](#)

Cats

TUES. AUGUST 5

4-H Cat Show – [West Pavilion](#)

Dairy Cattle

SUN. AUGUST 10

4-H Dairy Cattle Show – [Corteva Coliseum](#)

TUES. AUGUST 12

Open Dairy Cattle Show – [Corteva Coliseum](#)

Dairy Feeders

WED. AUGUST 6

Dairy Feeders – [Corteva Coliseum](#)

Dairy Goats

FRI. AUGUST 15

4-H Dairy Goat Showmanship – [Blue Ribbon Pavilion](#)

4-H Dairy Goat Wether Show – [Blue Ribbon Pavilion](#)

SAT. AUGUST 16

4-H & Open Jr. Dairy Goat Shows – [Blue Ribbon Pavilion](#)

SUN. AUGUST 17

4-H & Open Sr. Dairy Goat Shows – [Blue Ribbon Pavilion](#)

Dogs

SAT. AUGUST 16 & SUN. AUGUST 17

4-H Dog Show – [West Pavilion](#)

Draft Horses

THURS. AUGUST 7–SUN. AUGUST 10

Percheron & Clydesdale Horse Shows – [Corteva Coliseum](#)
& [Pop Weaver Youth Pavilion](#)

THURS. AUGUST 14–SUN. AUGUST 17

Belgian & Haflinger Horse Shows – [Corteva Coliseum](#)
& [Pop Weaver Youth Pavilion](#)

Grand & Supreme Drives

SUN. AUGUST 3

4-H Grand Drive – [Corteva Coliseum](#)

SUN. AUGUST 10

4-H Supreme Drive – [Corteva Coliseum](#)

SUN. AUGUST 17

4-H Supreme Showmanship – [Corteva Coliseum](#)

Horse & Pony

FRI. AUGUST 1–WED. AUGUST 6

Various Shows – [Corteva Coliseum](#) & [Pop Weaver Youth Pavilion](#)

Llamas & Alpaca

FRI. AUGUST 1

4-H Llama & Alpaca Show – [Expo Hall](#)

SAT. AUGUST 2 & SUN. AUGUST 3

Open Llama Show – [Expo Hall](#)

Meat Goats

SAT. AUGUST 2

Meat Goat Showmanship – [Ball State University Champions Pavilion](#)

SUN. AUGUST 3

Meat Goat Wether & Meat Goat Wether Dam Show –
[Ball State University Champions Pavilion](#)

SUN. AUGUST 10

4-H Breeding Doe Show & Showmanship – [Blue Ribbon Pavilion](#)

Open Boer Goat Show – [Blue Ribbon Pavilion](#)

Poultry

FRI. AUGUST 15–SUN. AUGUST 17

4-H & Open Poultry Shows – [Expo Hall](#)

Pygmy Goats

SUN. AUGUST 3

4-H & Open Pygmy Goat Shows – [Blue Ribbon Pavilion](#)

Myotonic Goats

SUN. AUGUST 10

Open Myotonic Goat Show – [Blue Ribbon Pavilion](#)

Rabbits

FRI. AUGUST 8 & SAT. AUGUST 9

4-H & Open Rabbit Judging – [Expo Hall](#)

SUN. AUGUST 10

4-H Rabbit Ambassador Program – [Expo Hall](#)

Sheep

FRI. AUGUST 1

4-H Market Lamb Showmanship – [Blue Ribbon Pavilion](#)

Open Class Wool Judging – [Blue Ribbon Pavilion](#)

SAT. AUGUST 2

4-H Market Lamb Show – [Blue Ribbon Pavilion](#)

THURS. AUGUST 7

4-H Breeding Ewe Showmanship – [Blue Ribbon Pavilion](#)

4-H Fitting Contest – [Blue Ribbon Pavilion](#)

Open Youth Halter / Lead Line – [Blue Ribbon Pavilion](#)

FRI. AUGUST 8

4-H Breeding Show – [Blue Ribbon Pavilion](#)

SAT. AUGUST 9

4-H Breeding Show — Commercial Ewes – [Blue Ribbon Pavilion](#)

TUES. AUGUST 12–THURS. AUGUST 14

Open Sheep Show – [Blue Ribbon Pavilion](#)

Swine

FRI. AUGUST 1

4-H Barrow Showmanship – [Indiana Farm Bureau Fall Creek Pavilion](#)

SAT. AUGUST 2 & SUN. AUGUST 3

4-H Barrow Show – [Indiana Farm Bureau Fall Creek Pavilion](#)

FRI. AUGUST 8

4-H Gilt Showmanship – [Indiana Farm Bureau Fall Creek Pavilion](#)

SAT. AUGUST 9 & SUN. AUGUST 10

4-H Gilt Show – [Indiana Farm Bureau Fall Creek Pavilion](#)

FRI. AUGUST 15

Open Show (all breeds) – [Indiana Farm Bureau Fall Creek Pavilion](#)

SAT. AUGUST 16

Open Sale (all breeds) – [Indiana Farm Bureau Fall Creek Pavilion](#)



4-H DAY AT THE STATEHOUSE



7th-12th grade youth are invited to join Indiana 4-H Day At The Statehouse. Youth will tour the building, learn about legislative processes, meet with legislators, and experience Indiana history.



Tuesday February 11th 2025

Cost is \$25

Overnight Accommodations are available for an additional \$25

Space is limited

Register Now!

<https://4HStatehouse2025.4honline.com>





Extension - 4-H Youth
Development



Hosted by:
Purdue Extension
and Indiana 4-H

Some Topics Include:

- Budgeting/Finances ●
- Home Care ●
- Self Care ●
- Auto Care ●

Life Lessons

**SAVE
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DATE**



TUESDAYS JANUARY 14-MARCH 4



7-8 P.M. ET/6-7 P.M. CT



ZOOM AND GOOGLE CLASSROOM



HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS


Register via 4-H Online! Opens end of November.
Questions? Contact local Purdue Extension office.

Purdue University is an equal access/equal opportunity university.



- ✓ *Learn from Experts*
- ✓ *14 in depth sessions*
- ✓ *Tuesdays, February 4th– May 6th, 2025*
12:30pm–3:30pm
At the Boone County 4-H Fairgrounds
- ✓ *Applications Due January 17th*

**Questions?? Call 765-482-0750 or
booneces@purdue.edu**





ANNIE'S PROJECT FOR CUT FLOWER GROWERS

This six-week course is a discussion based workshop series bringing women together to learn from experts in production, financial management, human resources, marketing, and the legal field.

JANUARY 20-FEBRUARY 24
MONDAYS FROM 6PM-9PM

REGISTER ONLINE AT:
[HTTPS://CVENT.ME/XBKGDZ](https://cvent.me/xbkgdz)

✿ Register by January 13th

✿ Questions? Contact Andrea Hatfield at
765-482-0750 or ahatfield@purdue.edu



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INDIANA REGISTRATION DETAILS

JAN. 21 | JAN. 28 | FEB. 4 | FEB. 11 2025 6-9 p.m. ET

Participants should plan to attend each session.
Dinner is included at the start of every workshop.



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Before Jan. 13: In-person: \$60 | Virtual: \$75

On/After Jan. 13: In-person: \$75 | Virtual: \$75



All locations in Eastern Time except where noted
**Denotes Central Time (5-8 p.m. CT)

City	Location	Address
Brazil	Clay County Fairgrounds	6656 N. State Rd 59
Cayuga	Purdue Extension Vermillion County Office	703 W. Park St.
Columbia City	Whitley County Extension office	524 Branch Court
Crawfordsville	Fusion 54, 2nd Floor - PNC Conference Room	101 W. Main St.
Goshen	Elkhart County 4-H Fairgrounds	17746-D County Rd 34
Lebanon	Farm Bureau Inc. Community Building, Boone County 4-H Fairgrounds	1300 E. 100 S
Martinsville	Morgan County Administration Building	180 S. MAIN ST.
Peru	Miami County 4-H Fairgrounds Community Building	1029 W. 200 N
Reynolds	White County Community Building	12 N. 25 East
Richmond	Wayne County Extension Office	861 Salisbury Road North
Vincennes	Vincennes University Diesel Technology/ Purdue Extension-Knox County Building	4259 N. Purdue Road
Wanatah**	Pinney Purdue Ag Center	11402 S. County Line Rd

Questions? Contact Jenna Nees at smith535@purdue.edu or 765-653-8411.

LEAVING A LASTING LEGACY FOR MIDWESTERN FARM WOMEN

A Succession Planning Series
In-Person Sites Across 3 States
Jan. 21 | Jan. 28 | Feb. 4 | Feb. 11
6-9 p.m. ET
2025

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“The time to repair the roof
is when the sun is shining.”

-John F. Kennedy

This four-part succession planning workshop series is produced through a partnership by extension professionals at Kansas State University, the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, and Purdue University.

Each session will be held at in-person sites across Kansas, Nebraska, and Indiana, as well as fully online. The program will feature a livestreamed keynote presentation and local hands-on activities to motivate participants to create farm succession plans and facilitate family and business conversations around this vital topic.

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Network with other women in agriculture and develop strategies to evaluate and improve your estate and transition plans.

- Asset Transfer
- Family Communication
- Legal Issues
- What to Include
- How to Build Your Team

TOPICS

1.21.25

MOTIVATION FOR
SUCCESSION
PLANNING

1.28.25

COMMUNICATING ABOUT
ESTATE & TRANSITION
PLANNING

2.4.25

FINANCIAL ASPECTS OF
ESTATE & TRANSFER
PLANS

2.11.25

LEGAL: PUTTING
YOUR PLAN IN
PLACE

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BEGINNING FARMER

FARM RESOURCE PLANNING

***FOR THE SMALL-SCALE AND MARKET FARMER
VIRTUAL VIA ZOOM***

The goal of this 8-session program is to help new and beginning farmers find success through the creation of a practical action plan. The program helps farmers set goals, identify assets and challenges, and become aware of outside assistance and resources that can lead them towards a successful farming operation. Each participant will be encouraged to explore outside resources and supplemental materials presented in the class as well as other resources shared by classmates.

Participants will be provided with a digital copy of the Beginning Farmer workbook.

**THURSDAY EVENINGS: 7:00 - 8:30 PM EST
JANUARY 9 - FEBRUARY 27, 2025**

**REGISTRATION IS \$85
LEARN MORE AND REGISTER AT:
[HTTPS://CVENT.ME/2BYD1E](https://cvent.me/2BYD1E)**

SCAN TO REGISTER:



**IF YOU NEED A REASONABLE ACCOMODATION TO
PARTICIPATE, PLEASE CONTACT AMY THOMPSON
AT [AFTHOMPSON@PURDUE.EDU](mailto:afthompson@purdue.edu).**

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