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In Boone County

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GARDENFEST 2025

[Click Here For More Information or to Register](#)

The Boone County Master Gardeners are hosting a Gardenfest on April 5, 2025 from 9AM - 3PM at the Farm Bureau Inc. Community Building. There will be free admission with guest speakers, vendors, potting shed, and a garden café.

37TH ANNUAL BOONE CTY MASTER GARDENERS

Gardenfest

FREE ADMISSION · KIDS ACTIVITIES · SOIL pH TESTING · Q&A · NATIVE TREE SEEDLINGS TO THE FIRST 400 ATTENDEES

April 5, 2025 9AM - 3PM
Boone County 4-H Fairgrounds
Lebanon, IN (I-65 - Exit 138)
mastergardenersboonecounty.org

Vendors
Flowers, Art, Hostas
Herbs, Hort Info
Native Seeds, Succulents
Gifts & More

Potting Shed
Used Garden Tools and
other Garden Items
Available for Purchase

Garden Café
Drinks
Sandwiches
Homemade Desserts

Guest Speakers
9:30am - Mark Booth
"Birds of Prey"
10:30am - Bob Bruner
"Indiana Invaders: What to Watch For"
11:30am - Kathleen Hull
"The Medicinal Garden:
Plants with Superpowers"

Cash only for Café, Potting Shed & Native Seed Packets
ATM on premises

Purdue Extension Master Gardeners
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FREE WEBINAR SERIES

[Click Here For More Information or to Register](#)

Soybean Science for Success is hosting a FREE Webinar Series. On February 28th you can learn about climate challenges in soybean production will be available. March 14th will feature economic insights for uncertain times. Both webinars will start at 1PM ET.

FREE Webinar Series

SOYBEAN RESILIENCE BLUEPRINT

Adapting to Climate, Cost, and Change

FEB 28 Climate Challenges in Soybean Production
MAR 14 Economic Insights for Uncertain Times

All times at 1pm ET | 12pm CT
Register at SoybeanScienceForSuccess.org

SCIENCE FOR SUCCESS
FUNDED BY THE SOYBEAN CHECKOFF

ENROLLMENT OPEN

[Click Here For More Information or to Register](#)

Enrollment for 4-H is still open! All 3rd-12th graders are welcome, Mini 4-H is available for K-2nd graders. There are over 60 projects to choose from in Boone County!

2025 BOONE COUNTY 4-H ENROLLMENT OPEN

4-H is the largest youth development program in the nation. This program has allowed young people to develop leadership skills, talents and gifts for over 100 years. With over 60 projects offered in Boone County, 4-H has something for everyone! All 3rd -12th graders welcome. Mini 4-H offered for K-2nd.

MAKING THE BEST BETTER

ENROLL AT WWW.V24HONLINE.COM

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WINTER PARP MEETING



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Winter PARP Meeting is being held at the Boone County Fairgrounds on March 13th from 10am-1pm. Come learn from experts, earn your PARP credits, and eat a meal all for FREE!



HPAI INFORMATION

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HPAI stands for Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza which is an extremely infectious and fatal disease for a variety of birds. Bird owners with possible HPAI symptoms should report information to the Indiana State Board of Animal Health.



FOREST MANAGEMENT

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Purdue Extension-FNR is providing 8 in-person learning sessions with topics that include tree ID, forest history, and management practices. The sessions will be held in Tippecanoe County Thursday evenings, March 6 to April 24, as well as, two Saturday field tours.

ANNUAL IMPACT REPORT

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Purdue Extension's 2024 Annual Impact Report is available! Learn about some of the impactful activities and programs that Purdue Extension has put into action in their communities.



SMALL FARMS CONFERENCE

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The Indiana Small Farm Conference is from March 4-5 in Danville, Indiana at the Hendricks County Fairgrounds. The keynote speaker will be Clarendia "Farmer Cee" Stanley who has an expertise in business and sustainable agriculture.



HOME VEGETABLE GARDENING

[Click Here For More Information or to Register](#)

3-week series will cover modern home growing vegetable production practices. Participants will also learn how to manage diseases and pests in a sustainable manner. Available at all 5 Boone County Public Libraries.



4-H Chicken & Pork Chop BARBECUE

Held in Conjunction with The Purdue Extension-Boone County Annual Meeting

Saturday, April 12, 2025
4:00PM - 7:30PM

Boone County 4-H Fairgrounds
1300 E. 100 S. Lebanon



ATTENTION PROJECT & CLUB LEADERS!!

SILENT AUCTION BASKETS

Silent Basket can be donated on behalf on Clubs or Projects!! For more info, contact the Purdue Extension-Boone County Office

Purchase Tickets from a 4-Her, in the Purdue Extension-Boone County office or online [HERE!](#)

Available though March 28th
Please bring tickets on night of the event.
\$15.00 per meal

MENU:

Pork Chop or 1/2 Chicken
Bag of Chips, Baked Beans
BBQ Sauce, Apple Sauce,
Tea, Water, Lemonade, Coffee
Desserts provided by Homemakers
Meat choice is 1st come 1st served

Proceeds benefit 4-H
Fairgrounds improvements

Volunteer at the BBQ! Sign-Up HERE

CHEF UNIVERSITY SPARK CLUB!

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!

DATE: April 1st and April 3rd
TIME: 8:30AM-12:30PM
LOCATION: Boone County 4-H Fairgrounds in the Farm Bureau Community Inc. Building

REGISTER HERE!!

COST: \$40
Register by March 8th
Spots are Limited
Questions? Contact Pandora Taylor at pandora@purdue.edu

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BOONE COUNTY EXTENSION HOMEMAKERS

Lunch & Learn Presented by Purdue Extension

MARCH 11, 2025

Bring your own lunch and join us for this **FREE** program on Cooking with Herbs & Spices and Saving Money with Freezer Meals

11am- Cooking with Herbs & Spices
Participants in this lesson will gain the knowledge in using herbs and spices to enhance flavors in your everyday meals without consuming the added sugars and salts contained in many seasoning packets. We will also be learning about the health benefits of each herb and spice used in the demonstration. Come join this culinary experience to enhance your flavor palette and increase your overall health!
Amanda Marciano-Four, Hendricks County

Noon- Saving Money with Freezer Meals
We are all affected by the increase of grocery costs. Eating at home costs significantly less than eating out; however, time is sometimes a determining factor in choosing cooking or a drive thru restaurant. Recipes for delicious meals prepared in advance help you put dinner on the table with less time, less money, and better nutrition. Preparation tips, kitchen tools, and recipes will be presented as we explore the possibilities of saving time in the kitchen while preparing healthy meals. Bring your ideas and your creativity!
Diana Stone, Shelby County

Reserve your spot by March 4th by calling the Purdue Extension-Boone County office at 765-482-0750 or email booneces@purdue.edu
Event held at the Boone County 4-H Fairgrounds in the Farm Bureau Inc. Community Building
1300 E 100 S; Lebanon, 46052

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Eat Wings, Raise Funds

Boone County 4-H

Wednesday, March 12
5-9PM

Dine-in & Carryout

Lebanon Buffalo Wild Wings® will donate 10% of food sales back to Boone County 4-H.
(Not valid on web or third-party delivery orders.
Not including tax, gratuity, alcohol or promotional discounts).

BUFFALO WILD WINGS

Spring Heritage Skills

Presented by Boone County Extension Homemakers

SAT. MARCH 15
12:30 - 5PM

Session 1
Canning 101
With Purdue Extension Educator Flansdy Gray

Session 2
Homemade Butter

Session 3
Winter Seed Sowing

Session 4
Sourdough Bread

Farm Bureau Inc. Community Building
4-H Fairgrounds : 1300 E 100 S, Lebanon, IN. 46052

Must Pre-Register by March 1st to the Purdue Extension Office
(765) 482-0750 or booneces@purdue.edu

INTERNATIONAL NIGHT India

APRIL 3RD AT 6PM

Join the Boone County Extension Homemakers for a night of authentic Indian cuisine and culture!!
Held at the Boone County 4-H Fairgrounds Witham Pavilion Meeting Rooms
\$3 at the door

RSVP by March 27th to the Purdue Extension-Boone County Office at 765-482-0750 or booneces@purdue.edu

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