

Where did you learn to do that?

Dear 4-H Community,

Have you ever paused mid-task, sewing needle in hand, and pondered, "Where did I learn to do this?"

As a former ten year 4-H'er in the sewing project, I had this experience today as I was hemming my daughter's dress. I had to remind myself that my craftmanship was not getting judged, but I did have a mental standard in mind of how it should be. It is these moments of reflection that often bring us back to the roots of our knowledge. Personally, there have been countless instances where I found myself seamlessly sewing a hem or confidently leading a discussion, only to realize that these skills were nurtured and honed within the welcoming embrace of 4-H.

In this season of 4-H, we invite you to join us on a journey of self-discovery and life skill development through your 4-H projects and program. In 4-H, the question isn't just "Where did you learn how to do that?" It's also a celebration of the vibrant tapestry of skills, knowledge, and camaraderie that define us.

Welcome to our 4-H family, where learning is a lifelong adventure.



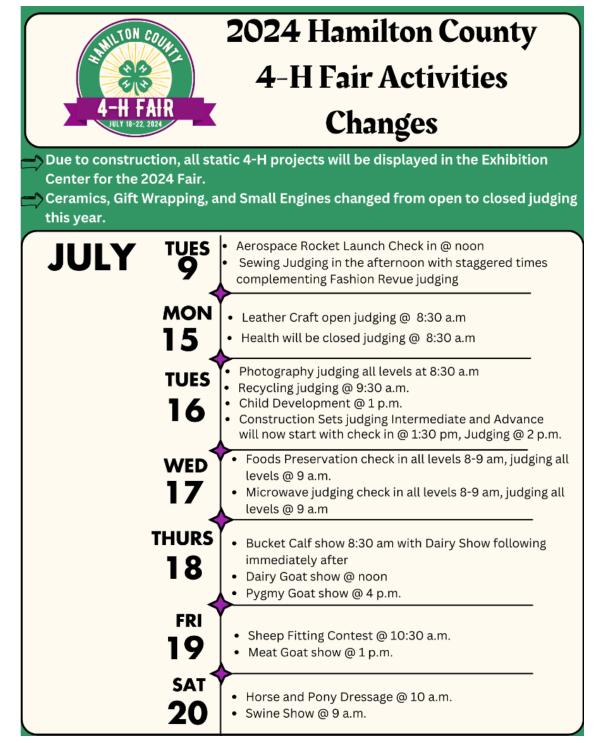
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Announcements



Construction has started on the 4-H Fairgrounds

As our beloved fairgrounds undergoes a transformation and our 4-H community experiences growth, it's essential for us to embrace flexibility. While we cherish the traditions of the past, we recognize that evolving circumstances demand innovative approaches. The Exhibition Center will be receiving a new HVAC system sometime in June, which will require flexibility with our programming on the fairgrounds. We are working on many different fair layout plans for food vendors, tents, etc. All 4-H static projects will be displayed in the Exhibition Center, which calls for new display layouts in all three Halls. Plans are constantly changing as new areas around the fairgrounds are now under construction (retention pond, new sidewalks on Clover Road, preparing the land where the new bicentennial building will be) and other areas, like the Llama Barn, are waiting until after the 4-H Fair. There will be growing pains. As we face new challenges let's embrace this journey with open hearts and open minds, knowing that together, we can navigate these changes and continue to thrive as proud members of the 4-H family.



Learn more here



Check that pile of mail! 4-H Livestock Deadline is fast approaching!

As we get ready for the next big livestock enrollment deadline of May 15, please review all the materials that were mailed to you by the Purdue Extension Office. There are help guides and worksheets to help you enroll your animals in <u>in.4honline.com</u>. This is a statewide deadline and the system *does* get bogged down. Remember, llamas, poultry, and rabbits fill out a paper form to exhibit at the county fair.

As you are preparing for the May 15 deadline, please make sure you have taken the steps to get your Premise ID from the Indiana Board of Animal Health. Our friends at BOAH want to remind you of the below:

Time is running out to get your premises identification number (PremID) for livestock and poultry projects before the May 15 deadline. A PremID, available at no charge from the Indiana State Board of Animal Health (BOAH), may be requested online <u>here.</u>

If someone has forgotten their ID number and needs to confirm it, they may email BOAH at: <u>animalid@boah.in.gov</u> with the name and postal address of the property where the animal is housed and BOAH staff can look it up and email it back.

Note: BOAH office hours are Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Eastern.

For questions on Premise ID's or animal identification, please connect with your local Extension Office.



INDIANA 4-H QUALITY LIVESTOCK CARE

To exhibit **BEEF CATTLE, DAIRY CATTLE, SWINE, SHEEP, MEAT GOATS, DAIRY GOATS, POULTRY,** and **RABBITS**, 4-H members must be certified through the Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care training **OR** the online Youth for the Quality Care of Animals program (YQCA) <u>by July 1, 2024.</u>

1.This certification must be done on an annual basis
2.Pre-registration is preferred **BEFORE** attending a training
3.Members may attend any training dates listed on this flyer
OR a training in another county
OR complete the online YQCA training

Training Dates	Training Locations	
April 22, 6:30-7:30 p.m.	Hamilton County Fairgrounds, Hall B	
May 22, 6:30-7:30 p.m.	Hamilton County Fairgrounds, Hall C	
June 19, 6:30-7:30 p.m.	Hamilton County Fairgrounds, Hall B	

*Certification cost is \$3. Please bring cash or check to the workshop

To register for the Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care program, please use <u>https://in.4honline.com.</u> Click "Events" and then click "Register for an Event."

Those planning to be certified through the YQCA program will register at www.yqcaprogram.org and will present their completion certificate to their 4-H Educator. This is the only online option.



If you need to request special accommodations, please contact the Extension office @ 317-776-0854.

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Have trouble getting here during our office hours? No problem! We have a secure drop box. This is a great place to drop off enrollment fees, forms, and other items that need to be turned into the Extension Office. Need to pick up project manuals or a 4-H Handbook? Our staff members are happy to leave items for you in the mailbox. Your prompt pick up is appreciated as this mailbox gets very full this time of year.

ACTIVITIES & OPPORTUNITIES



2024 Hamilton County 4-H Queen Pageant

2024 marks the 64th year for the Hamilton County 4-H Queen Pageant! The contest provides an excellent opportunity to make lasting friendships and meaningful memories with other 4-H'ers.

To be eligible, a contestant must be 16 years old and no more than 20 years old by June 1, 2024. To be eligible, a contestant must be a current member of Hamilton County 4-H or completed their previous year in Hamilton County 4-H. No professional model is eligible for the state contest. A professional model is someone who earns their livelihood by modeling. A contestant who works for a high school or college fashion board is not considered a professional model. A contestant who has competed at the state fair finals cannot compete again.

This year's pageant will be held on Friday, July 12, 2024. All the representatives will be expected to attend the daily events throughout the week of the 2024 Hamilton County 4-H Fair, July 18-22. As the representative of Hamilton County 4-H, they will be expected to attend 4-H functions during the year until the next Hamilton County 4-H Fair Representative is selected.

Information was emailed and mailed the week of April 8, 2024. The deadline to enter the pageant is May 15, 2024.

Click here for more information and the entry form.



To view the calendar click here

Let Hamilton County 4-H help you celebrate your senior year!

The Hamilton County 4-H Senior Spotlight celebrates our graduating 4-H'ers. We will showcase one high school senior 4-H'er each week. Answer a few short questions and send a photo or record a short video (1 minute or less).

Complete <u>this form</u> and send in a photo or a short video (1 minute or less) to <u>walthea@purdue.edu</u> by Friday May 24.

<u>#4HGrowsHere</u> #4HSeniorSpotlight #HamCo4H



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4-H Club Painting Party June 12

Join us for the 4-H Club Painting Party! Gather some friends, wear your paint clothes, and help us create some fun items for the fairgrounds! Wednesday, June 12 at 5:30 p.m. outside the Small Animal Barn on the 4-H Fairgrounds.





As we dive into a new 4-H year, project leaders are scheduling workshops for 2024.

Be sure to check our <u>4-H Workshops webpage</u> for updates. More workshops are added weekly. This month the following Workshops will start, plus many more!

Aerospace, Beef Barbecue, Bicycle, Gift Wrap, Models, Pocket Pets, and Sewing.



To view the calendar click here



Calling all musicians, sketch comedians, artists, dramatists, and more! Bring your unique talent to the annual 4-H Central Indiana's Got Talent (CIGT) Virtual Performing Arts Contest. Submit a video entry by Thursday, May 2nd for a chance to win prizes, perform at the Indiana State Fair, and be broadcasted! For more information and register please go <u>here</u>



The Art & Nature of Fun PRESENTED BY NEWFIELDS

The State Fair exhibit hall worker opportunity is available to any youth age 14 thru college-age when beginning seasonal temporary employment. This is a paid opportunity, \$9.00 per hour, and workers reside in 4-H Centennial Hall. Apply <u>here</u>

SPONSORSHIPS



Sponsor Application

Get your 4-H Materials HERE!

ELECTRIC PROJECT

.00
2.00
8.00
2.00

PROJECT MANUALS

Replacement Project Books.....\$10.00

Achievement Record Green Folders.....\$ 2.00Farm Record Books.....\$ 25.00

POSTER SLEEVES/POSTER BACKING BOARDS

- Poster Size 22x28 (standard).....\$2.00
- Poster Size 16x20 (salon).....\$2.00
- Poster Backing Board, 22x28.....\$4.00

ENTOMOLOGY PROJECT

- Insect Boxes (can also be used for Geology).......\$32.00
- Pins/Vials.....\$ 6.00
 Insect Book.....\$ 5.00

GEOLOGY PROJECT

MINI 4-H ENROLLMENT FEE	NO COST
4-H ENROLLMENT FEE	\$25.00
Let's Look At Rocks Book	\$ 5.00

Volunteer Highlights

Our next 4-H Volunteer Meeting will be **Wednesday**, **June 5 at 6:30 p.m.** in the Exhibition Center Dining Room on the 4-H Fairgrounds. Please join us!

Don't Forget

Hamilton County Master Gardeners Association 25th Annual

PLANT SALE

Saturday, May 18th 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds 2003 Pleasant Street, Noblesville, IN 46060

Shop from our large selection of plants, including:

- ✓ Native Plants
- ✓Hostas
- ✓ Perennials
- ✓ Vegetables
- ✓ Water Plants
- ✓ some Shrubs and Small Trees

BRING YOUR OWN WAGON!

Bearded Iris dug to order from our own beds!

Free Gardening information and expert planting advice!

Cash, Credit Card or Check for Payment

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PURDUE EXTENSION MASTER GARDENER PROGRAM

No dogs allowed the day of the sale.

Hamilton County Master Gardeners Association is a nonprofit organization,

Important Dates

May

• Central Indiana's Got Talent Virtual Entry Due - May 2

- Indiana 4-H UAV Competition May 4
- Fairgrounds & Extension Office closed for primary elections May 7
- 4-H Animal ID Enrollment Deadline May 15
- 4-H Project Add/Drop Deadline May 15
- 4-H Queen Pageant Application Deadline May 15
- Hamilton County Master Gardener Plant Sale May 18
- Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Training May 22
- Fairgrounds & Extension Office closed for Memorial Day May 27
- 2024 4-H Camp Shakamak- May 30- June 1

June

- 4-H Volunteer Meeting June 5
- 4-H Day Camp Counselor Training June 5
- 2024 Exploring 4-H Day Camp- June 11-12
- 4-H Painting Party June 12
- Poultry Blood Testing June 12
- Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Training June 19
- Poultry Blood Testing June 22
- 4-H Band June 22-24
- 4-H Chorus June 22-25
- 4-H Round-Up June 24-26

July

- Purdue Extension Office Closed for Independence Day July 4
- 4-H Queen Pageant and Recognition Night July 12
- Hamilton County 4-H Fair July 18-22, 2024
- Hamilton County 4-H Livestock Auction July 23

Looking Ahead

• 2024 Indiana State Fair - August 2-18

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