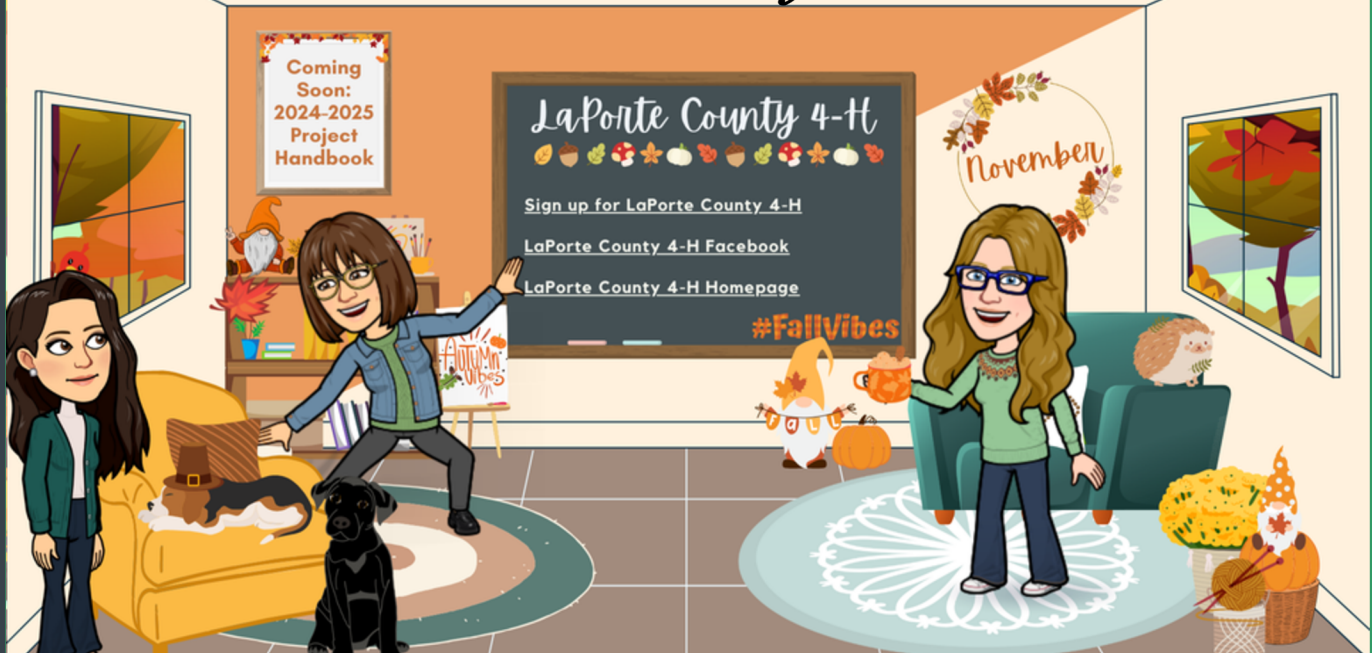


LAPORTE COUNTY

4-H Thursday Tidbit



IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES



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Things happening in November:

- November 11th | Office Closed
- November 19th | Crops, Forestry, Entomology CDEs
- November 20th | Scholarship/Resume Writing
- November 27th | Office & Staff Retreat (Office will be open, Kaitlyn, the summer intern, will be available)
- November 28th & 29th | Office Closed - Happy Turkey Day!

Save the Dates:

- February 21st | Beef Tagging | Appointment Only
- February 22nd | Beef Tagging | 8 AM to 11 AM
- March 24-28 & March 31-April 4 | Spring Break Camps
- April 5th | Workshop-a-Thon
- May 15th | Livestock ID Deadline
- June 6th | Fair Entry Deadline
- June 9th - 12th | 4-H Camp Counselor Dates
- June 10th - 12th | 4-H Camp Campers

YOUTH SERIES 1

Scholarship & Resume Writing. If you are a sophomore in high school you are eligible for so many 4-H scholarships. Stop by the office, bring a computer and get ready to write your resume! If you do not have a computer, we have some available to use.

Want to come? Sign up in 4-H Online through the events tab! Event starts at 5:30 PM on November 20 @ The Purdue Extension Office.

ENROLLMENT NUMBERS

Club Members - 145

Mini 4-H - 46

Volunteers - 93

LIVESTOCK & SPECIE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Livestock and Specie Committee meetings are open to any screened volunteer. Here are some upcoming meetings:

- Goats | November 12th | 6 PM at the Extension Office Kitchen
- Rabbits | November 12th | 6 PM at the Extension Office Conference Room

Remember only committee members may vote but committee volunteers can still help & make motions during the meetings.

LIVESTOCK SUPERINTENDENTS

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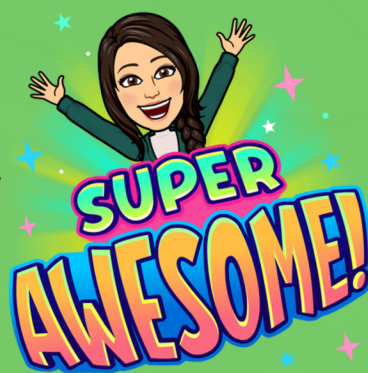
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TEEN LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

A new 4-H Teen Leadership Weekend event will occur Friday, March 28 - Sunday, March 30, 2025, at Camp Tecumseh near Brookston. This new event is designed for Junior Leaders and other teen leaders. This new event will replace the former state junior leader conference held in June. More information will be forthcoming.

In order for this to be a recurring annual event, there must be at least 125 youth and 16 adult chaperone participants. Please begin recruiting now so youth and adults can block this time on their calendar.

4-H ONLINE ENROLLMENT

Enrollment is open for the 2024-2025 program year! We are so excited to begin the year and can't wait to see you all at workshops and events. Completing your enrollment early ensures that you won't miss out on communication regarding projects, workshop opportunities, and other events like camp or state trips.

There have been updates this year to the volunteer enrollment process. Be on the lookout for more information about the updates in your email! Please remember that you can stop by the office anytime during our business hours (8am-4pm) if you'd like help with the enrollment process. As a reminder, you should not be working with youth or hosting workshops until you are an approved volunteer for the current program year.

PAYING ENROLLMENT FEES

If you have completed your enrollment and opted to pay by check, the office is asking that you send a check at your earliest convenience. The enrollment is not approved until payment is received.

PREMIUM CHECKS

There are still quite a few members/clubs that haven't picked up the premium checks. Any checks that are not picked up by Dec. 20th are null and void and **will not be given out.** If you have already received your check, please take note that checks are void after December 31, 2024

CAMP COUNSELORS

It is that time of year already! Want to be a camp counselor!? Camp counselor applications opened November 1st with a deadline of January 25th. You must be in 7th to 8th grade to apply as a Counselor in Training (CIT) or you can be in 9th to 12th grade to apply as a Counselor. You can apply through 4-H Online with the events tab!

We do have a new camping location and date this year! Camp dates are June 10-12, 2025 at Tower Hill Camp in Sawyer, MI.



Training Dates are set for:

Saturday March 8th | Porter County Fairgrounds | 9 AM to 2 PM | Lunch Provided

Tuesday May 6th | Pinney Purdue | 6PM to 7:30 PM

Monday June 9th | Tower Hill Camp | Arrive at 12:30 PM CST (1:30 PM EST)

MINI 4-H CORNER

MINI GAME NIGHT

We had a great time a Mini Game night. We had pizza, popcorn, and other snacks with a lot of fun games to play. A special "Thank You" to Radtke's Apple Orchard for the donuts and Debbie Sajdera for the fun pumpkin craft.

SAVE THE DATES!

Mini Monday Dates will be as follows with topics covering:

Jan 27 - Craft

Feb 24 - STEM

March 24 - Wildlife/Forestry

April 28 - Aerospace

May 19 - Animal Education

June - Pet Parade 6:30

In an effort to reach more kids we will have two sessions (5:30 & 6:30) with 24 spots in each session.





Livestock Standard Operating Procedures FAQ



Committee Member vs. Committee Volunteer

Committee members have a vote & run the official committee meetings.

Committee volunteers can attend, make a motion, & contribute to the group but cannot vote.

Anti-Nepotism Policy

This policy comes straight from the 4-H Policy and Procedures. Those can be found here: [Policy & Procedures Public Facing](#)

By-Laws & SOPs

Livestock By-Laws for each species will no longer be the standard for committees. Committees fall under the 4-H Council and therefore fall under the 4-H Council By-Laws. Thus the reasoning for the Livestock Committee SOPs.

Why is the LaPorte County Fair Board Involved

The LaPorte County Fair Board was asked to be involved in order continue to build our relationship with them. Communication & cooperation is the key to everyone's success. Additionally, superintendents will be serving for both 4-H & the fair board.

Why all these changes now

Many do not know that every county went through a 4-H Audit this year. This was not to be negative towards anyone specific but rather see where Educators needed support and training. Some of these changes are being brought about because of our audit.

Purpose of the Livestock & Specie Committees

The specific function shall be to:

- To facilitate 4-H Youth Development Program planning for LaPorte County Livestock participants, including needs assessment, program implementation, risk management, recognition, and evaluation.
- To support volunteer staff development, including identification of available roles, recommendations for recruitment, orientation, and recognition.
- To ensure accountability of funds as 4-H property intended for the benefit of all 4-H livestock participants.
- To promote the 4-H program and opportunities available.

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

LA PORTE COUNTY LIBRARY

November 18th

Fabrication Open Lab, teens and adults
Bring a project or start a new one!
LaPorte Library Exchange, 6:00-7:30pm

December 4th

Creative Kids- Cinnamon Ornaments, ages 6-11
Main Library 4-5pm

December 7th

Community Crafts at the Union Mills Christmas Tree Ceremony 4:00-6:00pm

December 18th

Ornament Crafting, family
Main Library 5:00-6:00pm

January 11th

Spy School Saturday, ages 6-11
Main Library- Multipurpose Room 11:00am-Noon

LA PORTE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM

November is Hanna History Pop-Up month! Learn about the town of Hanna in the tenth and final of the "Towns of LaPorte County Pop-Up" exhibits.

November 9th

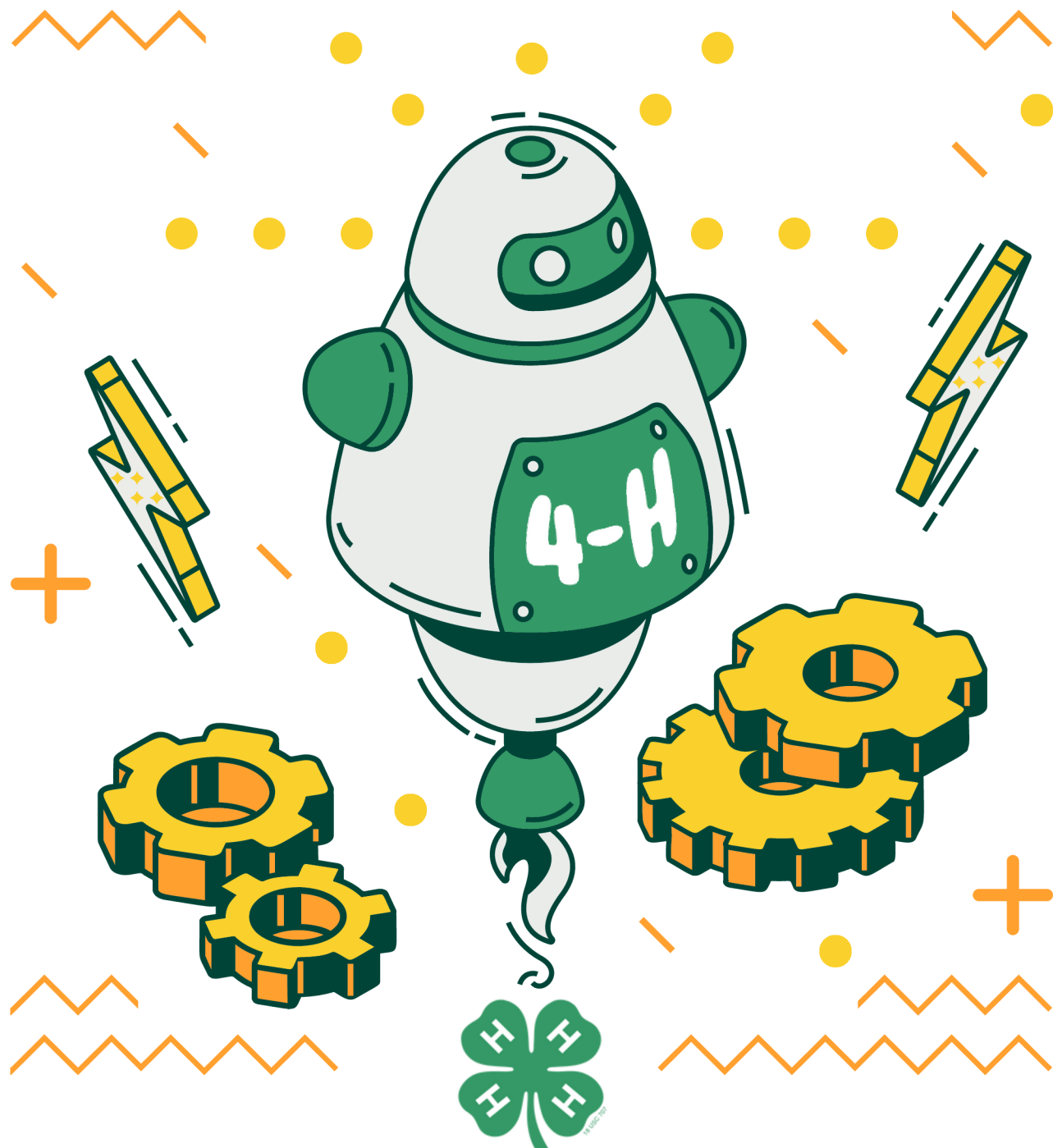
Hannah Free Admission Day! All Hanna residents will receive Free Admission to the museum on Saturday, November 9th.

November 9th and 12th

Veteran Free Admission Days

November 19th

Historical Society Meeting at 7pm at the Barker Mansion. Free Event with refreshments.



ROBOTICS WORKSHOP

Robotics is hosting their second workshop of the year. Join us on November 08, 2024 in the small projects building. This workshop is open to all kids grades 3-8!

11/08/2024 5:30 - 7:00pm

LaPorte County Fairgrounds-
Small Projects Building

Purdue University is an equal opportunity/equal access/affirmative action institution.



2024-2025 ARCHERY SEASON

Archery for grades 3-12th is ready to kick off the 4-H programming year! All meetings will take place at the Small Projects Building at the LaPorte County Fairgrounds. Please make sure you are approved in 4-H Online or you will not be able to shoot.

You can find the sign-up page for Archery here:

<https://signup.com/go/SVCwHiC>

Upcoming Dates

November 7th: Intro Meeting 6-8pm

November 9th: Shoot from 9-Noon

November 21st: Project Work 9-12th Grade 6-8pm

November 23rd: Shoot from 9-Noon

December 12: Project Work 7th Grade 6-9pm

December 27th: Project Work 8th Grade 6-8pm

December 28th: Shoot from 9-Noon

More information and dates coming soon!

59th Annual NCDA



Celebrating
NATIONAL CAREER
DEVELOPMENT MONTH

POETRY & *Art* CONTEST

NATIONAL CAREER
DEVELOPMENT WEEK
November 11-15

NATIONAL CAREER
DEVELOPMENT DAY
November 13



*Creating My
Career Path:
Embracing
Change
in My
Journey*

Participants are invited to explore creating their futures and embracing the changes that come with them. They can explore how they overcome obstacles and adapt to new situations at home, school, work, or with friends.

NCDA | National Career
Development
Association
www.ncda.org

305 N. Beech Circle • Broken Arrow, OK 74012

If you are interested
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BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

**NOV 30TH,
2024**

ENTRY | 9 AM-
\$5/PERSON | NOON

**HOLIDAY CRAFTS
PICTURES WITH SANTA
TREATS & GOODIES**

Contact an LPHS FFA
Member for more details