

# LAPORTE COUNTY

## 4-H Thursday Ticket



## IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES ❀



### Things happening in December:

- December 9th | Draft Horse Committee Meeting
- December 10th | Draft Horse Meetings Begin
- December 10th | Mini Equine Committee Meeting
- December 12th | Horse & Pony Committee Meeting
- December 25th | Office Closed | Happy Holidays
- December 28th | Rabbit Workshop | 10am
- December 23rd to January 3rd | Purdue Staff Winter Recess

### Save the Dates:

- February 5th | Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care
- February 20th | Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care
- February 21st | Beef Tagging | Appointment Only
- February 22nd | Beef Tagging | 8 AM to 11 AM
- March 24-28 & March 31-April 4 | Spring Break Camp
- April 26th | Feeder Calf Tagging | 8 AM to 10 AM
- April 5th | Workshop-a-Thon
- May 3rd | Sheep, Swine, Goat Tagging
- May 15th | Livestock ID Deadline
- June 13th | Fair Entry Deadline

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## 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

Just a reminder that all checks will be void after December 31, 2024!

The office is still has a good stack that has never been picked up! Any checks not picked up by December 20th are null and void and will not be given out.

## 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.

## INDIANA 4-H QUALITY LIVESTOCK CARE DATES

- February 5th: 6 PM at the LaPorte County Extension Office
- February 20th: 6 PM at the LaPorte County Extension Office
- April 5th: 10 AM at Workshop-a-thon
- April 5th: 1 PM at Workshop-a-thon
- April 14th: 5:30 PM at the Extension Office
- April 14th: 6:30 PM at the Extension Office
- May 13th: 6 PM LaPorte County Extension Office
- June 2nd: 6 PM at the Small Projects Building

**Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care needs to be done by June 13th. YOCA can be completed online, we recommend it be complete by June 13th.**

## CAMP COUNSELORS

It's cold outside but NOW is the time to apply to be a Camp Counselor! 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 @

<https://2025CampCounselors.4honline.com>

Deadline for applications is January 25th! Reach out to Lauren or Kelsey with any questions!



**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)

## VOLUNTEER DEVELOPMENT

Join the Educators and other volunteers to share your ideas for the 4-H program year. Hope to see you at our remaining workshops!

**January 30th** | 4-H Project Handbook @ the Extension Office from 5:30-6:30pm

**April 26th** | Judging Clinic (Location and Time TBD)

**April 29th** | Fair Entry, 4-H Online, and Fair Prep @ the Extension Office from 5:30-6:30pm

**Have questions or need resources? Email the office, and we'll be happy to help!**

## INDIANA 4-H SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

### IT'S NEVER TOO EARLY TO START!

LEARN MORE AT [bit.ly/4hscholarship](https://bit.ly/4hscholarship)



# MINI 4-H CORNER

## MINI MONDAY - JANUARY 27TH

Mini Monday sign up will open December 27th for the January activity! Remember In an effort to reach more kids we will have two sessions (5:30 & 6:30) with 24 spots in each session. You will have to pick the session you want when signing up. If you need help please reach out to the office. Register in 4-H Online.

Follow the link: <https://Januaryminimonday.4honline.com>

## UPCOMING MINI MONDAYS

Mini Monday Dates will be as follows with topics covering:

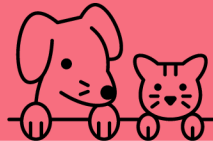
Feb 24 - STEM

March 24 - Wildlife/Forestry

April 28 - Aerospace

May 19 - Animal Education

June - Pet Parade 6:30



## MINI PROJECTS

Need help figuring out what projects you want to do? Check out the Mini 4-H Handbook. There has been some changes and adjustments so be sure to look it over!

[https://extension.purdue.edu/county/laporte/4-h/4h-docs/tidbits-and-archives/2024\\_2025-mini-4-h-guide1.pdf](https://extension.purdue.edu/county/laporte/4-h/4h-docs/tidbits-and-archives/2024_2025-mini-4-h-guide1.pdf)

## MINI LIVESTOCK SHOWS

Mini 4-H'ers must borrow an animal owned by another 4-H member (except poultry & rabbits) **AND** find an older 4-H member to work with the day of show.

### Project Update: Animal Education & Livestock Shows

If your member plans on participating in the Mini Livestock Shows the week of Fair, we are strongly encouraging Mini's to complete the new Animal Education project for another educational opportunity. Guidelines for that project can be found on page 6 of the LaPorte County Mini 4-H Guide.



# COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

## LA PORTE COUNTY LIBRARY

**December 7th**

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



**December 10th**

Santa's Reindeer at Luhr County Park  
4:00-7:00 pm

**December 18th**

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

**December 23rd**

Elf Party, family

Main Library - Multipurpose Room 9:00am-5:00pm

**January 11th**

Spy School Saturday, ages 6-11

Main Library- Multipurpose Room 11:00am-Noon



## LAPORTE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM

December 7th | Holiday Artisan Fair, 10am-3pm

December 7th | Annual Christmas Candlelight Tour, 4pm-8pm

December 8th | Annual Christmas Candlelight Tour, 1pm-5pm

Guided Tours Available Every Saturday at 2pm!



## 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!**



# LAPORTE COUNTY BEEF WINTER BEEF WORKSHOP

*Topics:*

Animal Health & Handling/Halter  
Breaking  
Dr. Clint Shireman

Bring any questions you have about feeding or  
management

LAPORTE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS  
COMMUNITY BUILDING

**THURSDAY DECEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup> • 4:00 P.M.**

To RSVP please sign up in 4-H Online through the events tab or follow the  
link: <https://Dec24beefworkshop.4honline.com>  
Questions: Call or text Clint Shireman (219) 363-4236

LaPorte County Horse Judging  
& EZ Riders Club Presents

# 2025 4TH ANNUAL TACK SALE

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ENTRY  
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**MARCH 22 9AM - 4PM**

**MARCH 23 9AM - 2PM**

ALL TIMES ARE IN CST

**LAPORTE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS**

COMMUNITY & SMALL PROJECTS BUILDING

2581 IN - 2 LAPORTE, IN 46350

10,000 SQ FEET OF NEW & USED TACK INDOORS

SILENT AUCTION

FOOD VENDORS ON SITE



FOR QUESTIONS CONTACT KRISTY CHAMBERS 574-876-4316 OR  
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# It's time to enroll in 4-H

**KV REMC IS HERE TO HELP!**



**MORE YOUTH.**

**MORE COMMUNITY.**

**MORE READY.**



**NOW UNTIL  
JULY 1, 2025**



KV REMC is proud to be a strong supporter of the 4-H program and the opportunities for leadership, growth, and development it offers to our area youth.

Register your child for the 2025 4-H year and Kankakee Valley REMC will reimburse you the program fee as a bill credit.

**\*DEADLINE: JULY 1, 2025**

4-H reimbursement is only available to youth whose parents or guardians are KV REMC member-consumers.

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