




Feb 2025

Noble County 4-H News



Extension - 4-H Youth
Development 

Upcoming 4-H Dates *(Subject to change if need arises):*

March 29th Graduating Seniors Bios and Photos Due

April 12th Cattle Tagging & Check IN (8am Beef, 9am Dairy Steers)

May 9th Sheep/Goat Tagging 5pm-7pm

May 15th Last Day to Add or Drop a Project, Animal ID Due in 4-HOnline.com

June 13th Nominations due: 4-H Legacy, Volunteer of Year, Livestock H.O.F

June 16th Mini Camp "Farm to Table"

June 18th Show Ring Set up- Leaders

June 19th Pen Set Up- Everyone

June 26th I4HQCA or YQCA Due for County Fair

June 27th Fair Entry Due (Exhibition only if not completed, not eligible for State)

July 10th-11th-12th Static Project Judging

July 12th-18th Noble County 4-H Fair

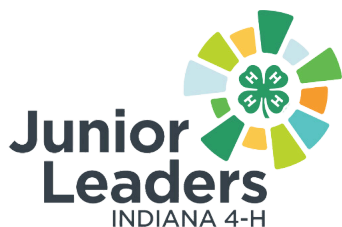
July 18th Noble County 4-H Livestock Auction (Premium Only)

July 31st Record of Achievement Due to Ext. Office by 4pm

Additional dates and times to come.

Messages from the Extension Office:

- All adult volunteers and leaders must re-enroll in 4HOnline before attending any 4-H meeting, events or working with 4-H'ers. Failure to do so can result in being dropped as a 4-H volunteer in Noble County. If you need assistance enrolling, please contact the Extension office.
- January 15th is our start date for 2025, it's the day we go live with programs, workshops and meetings. Please note: enrollment will not close, you still have time to enroll! We encourage you to sign up early so you don't miss out and get connected!
- **We are STILL MISSING some- 2024 tax documents are due to office by 2/9/25.**
- Clubs and Townships- Please turn in your 2025 Meeting dates to the office ASAP so we can share with the public. Email Mcdon197@purdue.edu
- 2025 Noble County 4-H Handbooks now available for pick up! Free printed hard copy in the Extension office & online at <https://bit.ly/nobleco4hOnly> 1 free copy per household, additional copies are \$6 each.



SAVE THE DATE

Friday February 21st
At 6:30pm
4-H Park

- Dress for painting and cleaning
- Voting on Officers
- Bring Clothing Designs to vote on
- Beef and Noodle Dinner Provided



Flower sales forms will be
passed out at this meeting

Noble County 4-H Archery Meeting Dates

- April 25th - Mandatory - Safety Meeting
- May 2nd, 9th, 16th, 30th
- June 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th

All meetings held at 4-H Park in Albion

Additional info to come

TBD-Shoot during Noble County 4-H Fair

Noble Co. 4-H Petroleum Power Meetings

February 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th

March 4th, 11th

Meetings held at 4-H Park 6:30 PM.

Banquet- March 16, 1:30 PM

Dekko Room- Albion

Driving contest- June 14th TBD*

More info, to come, make sure to sign up in
4Honline.com to stay connected!

February 2025 Township & Club Dates:

2/3: Allen Twp @ U. M. Church Avilla 7pm

2/4 :Petroleum Power @ 4-H Park 6:30

2/9 : Swan Twp @ LaOtto Park 4pm

2/10: Noble Twp @Wolf Lk School 6:30pm

2/10: Washington Twp @ Comm. Bld 7pm

2/10: York Twp @ Dekko- Albion 7pm

2/11: Petroleum Power @ 4-H Park 6:30

2/16: Dairy Goat @ Pizza Depot Albion 2pm

2/17: Perry Twp West Noble School 7pm

2/17: Allen Twp @ U.M Church Avilla 7pm

2/18: Petroleum Power @ 4-H Park 6:30

2/23: Swan Twp @ LaOtto Park 4pm

2/24: Sparta Twp 7pm Cromwell Library

2/24: QLC 4-H Park- Albion 7pm

2/24: Washington Twp @ Comm. Bld 7pm

2/24: York Twp @ Dekko- Albion 7pm

2/25: Petroleum Power @ 4-H Park 6:30

Send your meeting dates to
Michele at Mcdon197@purdue.edu

Correct and what was available at time of printing



February 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Swan Twp Mtg 4pm LaOtto Comm Pk	3 Allen Twp Mtg 7pm United Meth Ch - Avilla Wayne Twp 6:30 @ CLC	4 Petroleum Power 6:30 4-H Park	5	6	7	8
9 Swan Twp Mtg 4pm LaOtto Comm Pk	10 Noble Twp Mtg 6:30 Wolf Lake School Wash. Twp Mtg 7pm Wash Twp Comm Bldg. York Twp Dekko 7pm	11 Petroleum Power 6:30 4-H Park Jefferson Twp Mtg 7pm @CN School	12	13	14	15
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March 2025

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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). Classes last around 1 hour.

2025 Dates for Noble County

February 24th- 4-H Park - Albion 7pm

March 19th- Central Noble High School Cafeteria 3:30 pm

March 20th- West Noble AG Room 3pm

May 21st- 4-H Park- Albion 7pm

April 26th - Log Cabin- Fair Ground Kendallville 2pm

Reminders: This certification must be done on an annual basis, Members must be registered BEFORE attending a training, Members may attend any training dates listed on this flyer OR a training in another county OR complete the online YQCA training.

To register for the Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care program, please use the events tab at: <https://www.4honline.com> 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 **before June 23rd**. We do not have access to look up YQCA completion so please send us a copy of the certificate. **\$3.00 fee for class paid at the door, cash or check only. Make checks to Purdue Extension Noble County**

Other Area 11 Extension QLC Dates Open to Noble County 4-H'ers

Whitley County QLC Dates:

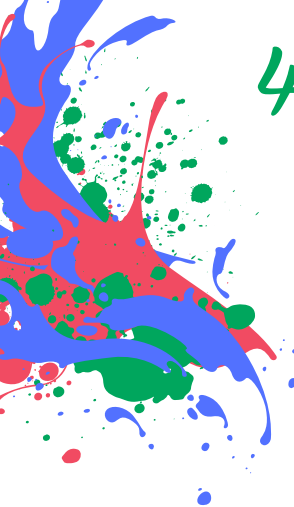
Saturday, March 15 @ 10:00 a.m. at the 4-H Center

Wednesday, April 30 @ 5:00 p.m. at the 4-H Center

Tuesday, May 13 @ 6:00 p.m. at the 4-H Center

If you need to request special accommodations, please contact the Extension office.

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4-H WORKSHOP!!

Canvas Painting

Thursday, 2/13 @ 6pm

4-H Park- Albion

Cost
\$5 per person
Sign up on
4Honline.com
under events



Everything provided, you will take home finished canvas painting
that can be entered into the 2025 Noble County 4-H Fair!

NORTHEAST INDIANA YOUTH ART GALA

MARCH 8
1:00-4:00 PM
CHECK-IN AT
NOON

**HOSTED BY PURDUE
EXTENSION**

Whether you are new to art, an amateur artist, or aim to be a professional artist, a great way to build your portfolio is to exhibit art to your peers and professionals in the industry. Our goal is to give youth the skills and knowledge on how to pursue a career in the art world successfully!

GROUP REGISTRATION

<https://bit.ly/GroupNEINArtGala>



INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION

<https://bit.ly/IndNEINArtGala>



PRIZES FOR WINNERS
GROUP AND INDIVIDUAL CATEGORIES
LOCATION: PURDUE UNIV. FORT WAYNE
REGISTER BY MARCH 3



4-H Families, grades 3-12, who are Noble REMC Customers are eligible to have the \$15 State Fair 4-H Fee reimbursed through Noble REMC! Obtain a voucher from the Extension Office after the 4-H fee has been paid and send the voucher in with your next REMC payment for a \$15 credit. Stop by the Extension office and pick up your voucher today!



CAMP KILOWATT
CAMP TECUMSEH / BROOKSTON, IND
EST 2003

JUNE 4-7, 2025

**ARE YOU ENTERING
7TH GRADE IN 2025?**

APPLY NOW!

Noble REMC
A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative

Do you know an adventurous 6th Grader (who will be entering 7th Grade in the Fall of 2025) looking for an exciting opportunity this summer, let them know about Noble REMC's Camp Kilowatt this June.

Camp Kilowatt is a unique summer camp that consists of cool outdoor camp-type activities (canoeing, zip lining, archery, swimming, horseback riding, rock climbing and more), games and making new friends. It also touches on powerful and fun learning experiences about our environment, electricity and electrical safety.

Three local students will be chosen (based on their application and short essay) to represent Noble REMC. Camp expenses are paid by Noble REMC however, getting to and from the camp is the responsibility of the student. Current six graders are eligible for the trip at Camp Tecumseh YMCA Outdoor Center in Brookston, Indiana from June 4-7, 2025. Applications are due March 3 and are available on our website at nobleremc.com/campkilowatt.

Noble REMC Scholarship:

Noble REMC is, once again, offering three \$1,000 scholarships designed to help area students further their education at an accredited college or trade school.

Requirements:

- Applicant's parent or legal guardian must be a Noble REMC member, meaning their primary residence is served by Noble REMC.
- Applicant must be planning to enroll in an accredited educational or training institution.
- Applications: Download at nobleremc.com/scholarships
- Deadline: March 3, 2025



Questions: Communications & Marketing Manager Kevin Dreibelbis
260-636-2113 // kevin.dreibelbis@nobleremc.com

4-H Garden Workshops

The Noble County Master Gardeners are hosting gardening workshops!
Youth workshop anyone grade K to 12.

- **March 17:** 6 pm - Dekko Room, South Complex Office, 2090 N St. Rd. 9, Albion - lesson on Soil, winter sowing, & seed selection for garden plants
- **April 21:** Green House Tour (TBD)
- **May 19:** 6 pm - Dekko Room, South Complex Office, 2090 N St. Rd. 9, Albion - How to exhibit produce at the fair and plant flower pots

*Quick & Easy
Recipes*



Free Cooking Class

Tuesday March 11th
Noble County Public Library- Avilla
12-noon or 6pm

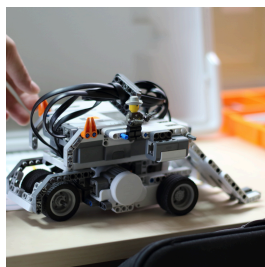
RSVP go to: bit.ly/QuickAndEasyRecipes2025



Noble County 4-H **BRICKWORKS** Showcase Competition

Showcase your Lego style construction skills by creating useable real-life everyday items.

Utilize motors, lights, gears, along with standard Lego style bricks to bring to life functional items based on your own creativity. From robots and machines to, household items, disability aids, the possibilities are endless!



Noble County
Fair Grounds

April 26th 10am-2pm

No Entry Fee, Open to Ages 5-10, 11-18, 19-99!

Enter for a chance to win a LEGO Gift Card!



Brick Battle robot Sumo!

Bring your best LEGO Style remote control battle bot to challenge competitors in a SUMO Wrestler Battle.

**RSVP with Brandy at the Extension office for more info or complete rules
Call 260-636-2111 or email Andel307@purdue.edu**

**Big Thanks to
event sponsor:**

Noble REMC
A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative 

Noble County 4-H Fair Awards Night 2025

Now accepting Nominations for:



Volunteer Of The Year and
Noble County 4-H Legacy

CHOSEN BY YOU!



*Nominations submitted to Brandy
Ande1307@purdue.edu by June 13th, 2025
Forms on our website: <https://bit.ly/nobleco4h>*

Noble County 4-H Fair awards night will be Friday July 11th at 6pm.

We will be honoring 10 year & Graduating members, as well as Volunteer of the Year and Legacy Award winners. If you have any other awards you would like us to announce please let contact Brandy.

Noble County 4-H Volunteer of the Year:

This is your chance to brag about all the great volunteers! Send us your nominations for Volunteer of the year. Award requirements:

- Must be current, approved, active volunteer
- Must be Noble County resident
- Must not be a past winner

Noble County 4-H LEGACY Award:

Tell us someone you think has left a Legacy in Noble County 4-H. Award requirements:

- Must have minimum of 10 years of Noble County 4-H volunteer work
- Must be resident of Noble County during 2024 Fair
- Has made a positive impact on the youth of Noble County 4-H

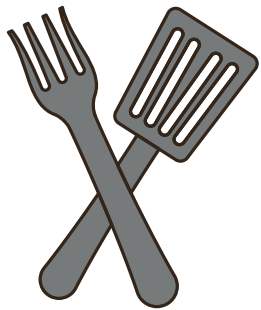
Once nominations are collected, voting will be open to the 4-H Community. It will be up to you to decide who is the best of the best! Get your nominations in by filling out the form on <https://bit.ly/nobleco4h> and emailing to Brandy at Ande1307@purdue.edu by June 13th at 4pm.



Noble County 4-H Livestock Hall of Fame will be presented during Round Robin at the county fair. We will be honoring a person or couple who has raised top quality livestock in Noble County while participating in Noble County 4-H and enriching the livestock program through their expertise.

Once nominations are collected, decision will be made by the livestock award committee. Get your nominations in by filling out the form on <https://bit.ly/nobleco4h> and emailing to Brandy at Ande1307@purdue.edu by June 13th at 4pm.

Looking for an activity for your kids during Spring Break?!



Join us at the Community Learning Center in Kendallville for a hands-on cooking program! Each day we will prepare nutritious recipes, learn new cooking techniques and add a little science along the way.

Work as a team for 4 days, learning and tasting all your creations. Then on day 5 use your skills to compete in a *Food Challenge contest!*

Open to 3rd-5th Graders in Noble County.

Save the Date! More info to come!

For questions, please call Purdue Extension - Noble County at 260-636-2111 or e-mail: creigh@purdue.edu



TEEN LEADERSHIP WEEKEND

Where: Camp Tecumseh

When: March 28-30

Ages: Grades 7th-12th

Contact your local Purdue
Extension Office to learn
more and register!

CONFERENCE INFO

The Teen Leadership Weekend is an exciting opportunity for high school 4-H members to build their leadership skills, connect with peers from across the state, and prepare to make a positive impact in their communities. Held annually, this conference is designed for youth in grades 9-12 who are ready to take their leadership journey to the next level. Participants engage in hands-on workshops, interactive team activities, and inspiring sessions led by experienced mentors and fellow 4-H members. With a focus on personal growth, teamwork, and service, the weekend empowers youth to step into leadership roles, develop practical skills, and create lasting memories!



ALPACA CLUB MEETING DATES

- Feb 20 - Call out at Albion Park*
- Mar 20 - obstacle building work day Albion Park TBD
- Apr 17 - 1st Farm practice with alpacas at Rocky Road Alpacas*
- Apr 24 - Farm practice*
- May 1 - Farm practice*
- May 8 - Farm practice, finalize animals for fair entry*
- May 15 - Work day at fairgrounds TBD
- May 22 - Farm practice*
- May 29 - Farm practice*
- June 5 - Farm practice*
- June 12 - Farm practice*
- June 19 - Farm practice*
- June 26 - Farm practice*
- July 3 - Farm practice*
- July 8 Fairgrounds arena practice

TBD-Shearing day late April TBA at Rocky Road Alpacas
Community Service date TBA

* these meetings will be 6:30-8 p.m. and outdoors



[HTTPS://WWW.IN.GOV/BOAH/](https://www.in.gov/boah/)

HIGHLY PATHOGENIC AVIAN INFLUENZA INFORMATION & BIOSECURITY

Clinical Sign Birds affected with HPAI may show one or more of the following signs:

- Sudden death without clinical signs
- Lack of energy and appetite
- Decreased egg production
- Soft-shelled or misshapen eggs
- Swelling of the head, eyelids, comb, wattles, and hocks
- Purple discoloration of the wattles, combs, & legs
- Nasal discharge
- Coughing, sneezing
- Incoordination
- Diarrhea



**HOOSIER BIRD OWNERS WHO NOTICE THESE
SIGNS SHOULD REPORT THEM TO:
1-866-536-7593.**

4-H Poultry families we want to encourage you to get a premise ID through the Animal Board of health! You will then receive messages when HPAI appears. Go to:

<https://www.in.gov/boah/traceability-and-premise-id/>

There is currently no vaccine for HPAI. Another way to keep your animals safe is to adhere to these animal care practices.

<https://www.in.gov/boah/species-information/avianbirds/highly-pathogenic-avian-influenza/highly-pathogenic-avian-influenza-information-and-biosecurity/>

For resources on the safety of eating poultry meat and eggs: <https://www.fsis.usda.gov/food-safety/safe-food-handling-and-preparation/food-safety-basics/safe-temperature-chart>



Noble County 4-H Livestock Meeting

Thurs. Feb. 20th 7pm - Dekko Room- Albion



Noble County Extension has access to various area scholarships. Check out our Website Extension.purdue.edu/noble for more information.

NOBLE COUNTY PORK PRODUCERS	+
INDIANA 4-H SCHOLARSHIP	+
EXTENSION HOMEMAKERS- NOBLE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOLERS	+
NOBLE COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS	+
NOBLE REMC	+
AG PLUS SCHOLARSHIP	+
TEEGAN BRUMBAUGH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP	+
NOBLE COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION	+
NOBLE COUNTY FARM BUREAU	+
STAR BANK AG SCHOLARSHIPS	+

Congratulations Class of 2025!

Noble County 4-H Graduating
4-H Member Recognition



Bio pages and pictures **Due by March 29th**

Forms are found on our website at <https://bit.ly/nobleco4h>

Recognition night during fair: Friday July 13th, 2025 @ 6pm
Merchants Building, Fairgrounds

You're Invited To The

NOBLE COUNTY 4-H HORSE & PONY

TACK AUCTION

FOLLOW OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR UPDATES

SILENT AUCTION, BAKE SALE & MORE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2025

580 FAIR ST KENDALLVILLE, IN 46755

LOG CABIN DOORS OPEN @ 4 pm



**CONCESSIONS
AVAILABLE**

**STARTS
@ 5 PM**

FOR MORE INFORMATION

HEATH PFAFMAN

260.582.9498

www.facebook.com/BlazingSaddles4H

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same office after the new Court
House Opens