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There is a lot happening in April for the 4-H world. A lot of due dates, a lot of great experiences if you just take the opportunity to participate. Take a look at the Trip Application you received in last month's mail.

4-H Camp is a favorite for our 4-H'ers. Third through six graders get the chance to overnight camp at Epworth Forest in North Webster and get to meet other 4-H'ers from throughout northeast Indiana. Cost is only \$95, thanks to the Steuben County 4-H Fair Board for picking up the remaining portion. Other trips are available for older 4-H'ers for as low at \$40, again thanks to the 4-H Fair Board. April 15 is the last day to register.

Don't miss out on our great fundraiser items - beautiful flowers, bulk soap, & 4-H t-shirts.

4-H Project Workshops and ID Days are starting to happen in April also. Check the enclosed calendar for those times and places.

If you have any questions about anything, please call the Extension Office and we will get an answer for you.





### A look ahead at important dates:

April 3 - 4-H Dog Workouts Begins

**April 8** - 4-H Shotgun/Muzzleloader Begins

April 13 - Beef, Dairy Beef, and Dairy Cross

Beef ID, 1-3 PM

**April 14** - 4-H Archery Begins

**April 15** - 4-H Trip Applications Due

April 15 - Fundraiser Packets & Sponsorship Due

**April 15** - 4-H Camp Counselor Training

**April 15** - 4-H Child Development Workshop

April 16 - 4-H Consumer Clothing & Sewing Workshop

April 27 - Horse and Pony Vaccination Clinic & Measurement, 1-3 pm

May 1 - 4-H Camp Registration Due in 4HOnline

May 4 - Sheep, Goat, and Feeder Calf ID

May 6 - 4-H Cake Decorating Workshop

May 10 - Fundraiser pick-up, 2-4 PM, H&P Barn

May 15 - Animal ID Due in 4HOnline

May 19 - 4-H Camp Counselor Training

May 30 - 4-H Record Sheets Due

June 4 - FairEntry Due for All Projects, Showmanship Classes, and Auction Intents

June 4-6 - Northeast Indiana 4-H Camp

June 11-13 - 4-H Academy at Purdue

June 20-26 - Steuben County 4-H Fair

June 22-24 - 4-H Band/Chorus at Purdue

June 23-25 - 4-H Round-up at Purdue

August 1-17 - Indiana State Fair







#### Club, Committee, and Board Happenings



4-H Bit and Bridle—The club will meet indoors on April 7. May, June, September & October meetings will be held at the fairgrounds. November 3 meeting will be held indoors.

<u>4-H Explorers</u>—The next club meeting will be April 10 at 1:30 PM at the Extension Office. Other meetings will be May 8 and June 12.

Flint Arrows—The next club meeting will be on April 27 at the Salem Fire Station at 1 PM. The last meeting will be on June 8 (there is no May meeting).

#### Fremont Ready Willing and

Able—The next meeting will be on April 2 at 5 pm at the Fremont Public Library. The last meeting will be on May 7.

Hamilton Fighting 4-H'ers—If you know an individual who would make a great 4-H club leader, please contact the office. *The club will not meet again until a leader is secured.* 

<u>Lucky Ducks</u>—The next club meeting will be April 8 at 6:30 pm at the Angola Fire Station. Subsequent meetings will be May 13 and June 10.

Orland Creative Kids—The club will meet at Holden's Home (5365 W Bachelor Rd) this year. Meetings start at 4 pm on April 6, May 4 and June 1. Please text @4689h82 to the number 81010 to receive reminder messages.



Otsego Go-Getters—The club will meet April 28 at 5:30 pm at the Steuben Community Center. The next meeting is scheduled for May 19. We'll be helping with Mini 4-H meetings this year!

The Conquerors—If you know an individual who would make a great club leader, please contact the office. *The club will not meet until a leader is secured.* 

<u>Tiny Clovers Mini 4-H</u>—We will meet on April 28 from 5:30-7 PM in the Multi-Purpose Room. The next meeting is May 19.

<u>4-H Fair Board</u>—The next meeting will take place April 14 at 7 PM in the Board Room.

4-H Program/Publicity Committee - Will meet on Monday, April 14 at 6 PM in the Board Room.

<u>4-H Junior Leaders</u> - The next meeting will be April 29 at 6:30 PM at the Extension Office.

#### This is Us

Steuben County 4-H is committed to creating a diverse, equitable, and accessible environment for all members, past, present, and future.

### Special Accommodations

If you are in need of special accommodations for any and all 4-H or Purdue Extension programs and events, please call the Extension Office to give reasonable notices of the accommodations needed.









# April 2025



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Fremont RW&A, 5 PM, Fremont Library	3 Dog Wksp, 5:30 PM, Commons Park	4	5
6 Orland Creative Kids, 4 PM, Holden Home	7 4-H Bit & Bridle, 7 PM, Pillar Room	8 Lucky Ducks, 6:30 PM, Angola Fire Station Shotgun/Muzzle, 6 PM, Lash Farm	9	4-H Explorers, 1:30 PM, Board Room Shotgun/Muzzle, 6 PM, Lash Farm Dog Wksp, 5:30 PM, Commons Park	11	12
13 Beef/Dairy Beef ID, 1 PM, Fair- grounds	14  4-H Publicity/ Program, 6 PM, Board Room  4-H Fair Board, 7 PM, Board Room Archery, 6 PM, Commons Park	15 Fundraiser/Trip Apps/Fair Sponsor- ship Due Child Development Wksp, 5:30 PM, Pillar Room Shotgun/Muzzle, 6 PM, Lash Farm	16 Con Clothing/ Sewing Wksp, 6 PM, Board Room	17 Shotgun/Muzzle, 6 PM, Lash Farm Dog Wksp, 5:30 PM, Commons Park	18	19
20	21 Archery, 6 PM, Commons Park	22 Shotgun/Muzzle, 6 PM, Lash Farm	23	24 Shotgun/Muzzle, 6 PM, Lash Farm Dog Wksp, 5:30 PM, Commons Park	25	26
27 Flint Arrows, 1 PM, Salem Fire Station H&P Clinic, 1 PM, Fairgrounds	28 Mini 4-H, 5:30 PM, MP Room Otsego Go-Getters, 5:30 PM, Pillar Room Archery, 6 PM, Commons Park	29 4-H Junior Leaders, 6:30 PM, Extension Office	30			





#### Ir. Leaders: Grades 6-12

All middle school and high school youth can join this great group of kids who seek opportunities beyond normal club work. This group does community service, leadership activities, and plans 4-H events that benefit the rest of the membership. Jr. Leaders meet once per month. April - will be meeting on April 29 at the Extension Office at 6:30 PM. Agenda for the evening will be sending out new member cards and designing t-shirts. May - sign up for Pork Stand shifts and identify 4-H

**August** - were considering a cultural trip to Indy or Chicago

If you want to help with Mini 4-H this year, just show up! Meetings are 5:30-7 pm on 4/28, and 5/19 in the Multi-Purpose Room.

#### Steuben County 4-H Shooting Sports:

Faceoff ideas

Shotgun and Muzzleloader Discipline

Tuesdays and Thursdays 6-8 PM

> April 8 & 10 April 15 & 17 April 22 & 24

West of Angola Lash Farm







#### 4-H Record Sheets

If you haven't picked up your 4-H record sheets yet, please stop by the Extension Office. All projects have at least a single record sheet associated with it. These are due on or before May 30 in order for you to exhibit at the 4-H Fair. If you have questions, please contact the Extension Office.

#### Help Needed!

While many volunteers stay with us for years, when a volunteer signs on, they are only making a one year commitment that can be renewed or declined each year. Some volunteers don't even volunteer for a year...they volunteer in an "episodic" role where they help with a one-time project or a few weeks max. The volunteer year aligns with the youth program year, so each fall/winter, we ask volunteers to re-enroll in 4-H. If you haven't given 4-H volunteerism a try, consider these opportunities below. If after a year (or your episodic experience), you decide the role isn't for you, that's okay!

#### **Club Leader Vacancies**

- Hamilton Fighting 4-H'ers
- Bit & Bridle Assistant
- Otsego Go-Getters Assistant
- The Conquerors

#### **Project Vacancies**

- .22 Rifle, training held April 4-6 and/or Sept. 5-7, 2025 (to take over Brian Thomas's position in 2026)
- 4-H Resume
- Air Rifle, training held in April
- Communications
- Small Engines
- Woodworking

#### One Time or "Episodic" Needs

- Record Sheet replacement workshops related to 4-H projects
- 4-H Camp Chaperones one night or multiple
- 4-H Academy Chaperones 2 nights
- 4-H Round-up Chaperones 2 nights
- Pork Stand Help (during the fair)
- 4-H Fair Office Help (during the fair)



#### Important Dates for 2025:

April 13, 2025, 1-3 pm, County Park Beef and Dairy Beef ID

<u>April 27, 2025, 1-3 pm, County Park</u> Horse & Pony Vaccination Clinic and Measurement

> May 4, 2025, times vary, County Park Feeder Calf, Sheep, and Goat ID

May 15, 2025 Animal ID Due (v2.4honline.com)

May 30, 2025
Record Sheets Due
(drop off at the Extension Office or email)

#### June 4, 2025

Project Add/Drop Due (by phone or email)
IN 4-H Quality Livestock Care (or online YQCA) Due
FairEntry Selections Due
(steubencountyindiana.fairentry.com)

June 20-26, 2025 Steuben County 4-H Fair

> August 1-17, 2025 Indiana State Fair



#### 4-H Fair Books have arrived!

Stop by the office to get your copy



#### Monthly Creation Workshops Offered In DeKalb and LaGrange Counties

Open to 4-H members and non-members alike, these monthly workshops can serve as interest builders, date nights for parents, and ways to meet other kids in our community around a unique content area.

- Thursday, April 10, 5:30-7:30 pm Dissection, Auburn or LaGrange, register at https://bit.ly/Fish2025 by April 3
- Thursday, May 8, 5:30-7:30 pm Charcuterie with Mom (or another loved one), Auburn or LaGrange, register at https://bit.ly/charcuterie25 by April 25

Pre-registration and a registration fee will accompany each workshop so that we can secure supplies for all participants.







### Foam Core Poster Boards and Covers For Sale

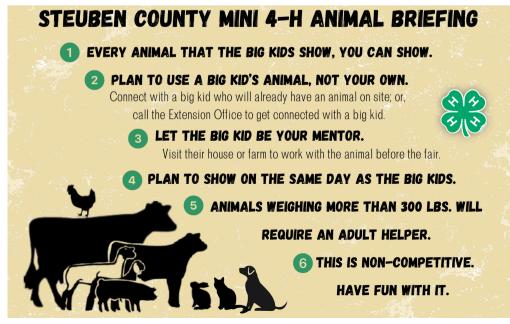
The Extension Office offers foam core poster boards (22"x28"... right size for 4-H projects) and clear plastic covers for sale. Board are \$5.00 each and clear plastic covers 22"x 28" and Salon Print size for \$1.00

#### **Achievement Winner Applications**

Achievement Winner Applications are available in the Extension Office. Applicants must be high school sophomores, juniors, or seniors participating in the Steuben County 4-H Program. These are due to the Extension Office on or before May 30. Five total individuals will receive money for college! Start them early as recommendation letters are required.









### Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Program, Required for Many

Those exhibiting cattle, goats, poultry, rabbits, sheep, and swine must complete an annual animal care certification. In-person Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care sessions cost \$3 per person. Online national Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) certificates (\$12) will also be accepted. Please send Linda a copy of your online certificate upon completion. Youth are welcome to attend one of the courses below OR you may complete YQCA online. Both will be honored and accepted at the Steuben County 4-H Fair as well as the Indiana State Fair. RSVP for in-person Steuben County certifications at https://2025SteubenQLC.4honline.com. If you are unable to take the certification course in Steuben County and do not wish to take the YQCA training online, you may attend in any county. Classes in other counties (LaGrange and DeKalb) can be viewed in the Events tab in 4HOnline as they become available.



#### **Animal ID Letters**

Animal ID letters have been mailed. If you have questions, please contact the Extension Office or your livestock superintendent listed in your letter.

#### **Premise ID**

New to 4-H? If so, you may need a premise ID. All properties that house certain livestock species are required by state law to have a premise ID. Premise IDs are confidential and no one can look them up. They are a seven digit, alpha-numeric ID and usually begin with 00. If you have one and lost it, email animalid@boah.in.gov. Members with cattle, swine, sheep, and goats must have a premise ID. It is now strongly recommended by BOAH that those with equine and poultry also get a premise ID. Exhibitors with equine and poultry at the Indiana State Fair may be asked to present a premise ID.

This number is assigned to a farm location almost like an address. If your farm does not have one, please call the Indiana Board of Animal Health at 317-544-2381 or visit www.in.gov/boah.

If you house your animals at another location, check with the property owner for the premise ID.

Premise ID's are needed for cattle, swine, sheep, and goat animal identification in 4HOnline to register your animal in the system. So please plan ahead.









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There are some outstanding 4-H Program Fees that have not been paid. If you received an invoice, payment is past due, so please remit the Extension Office right away. Thank you.

4-H Trip Apps and Fundraiser Packets due April 15th



## STEUBEN COUNTY 4-H: CAMPING AT THE FAIR

Reserve your primitive spot by June 15th at https://bit.ly/4HFairCamping2025 \$100 per site for the week (due 6/15)
Funds will support the future installation of electric.



