

# PURDUE EXTENSION WARREN COUNTY

## OUR HIGHLIGHTS

### 4-H DAY AT THE STATEHOUSE

Warren County 4-H had 21 students attend!

### NATIONAL 4-H CONGRESS

Emily Ade traveled to Atlanta, GA to be a chaperone.

### FRUIT PRUNING WORKSHOP

Jon Charlesworth, along with other ANR educators from the area, held a pruning workshop with 45 attendees.



## EXTENSION UPDATE



We are excited to almost be through the winter and start moving into our spring and summer programming! This quarterly newsletter highlights what we have been doing in each program area: 4-H Youth Development, Ag and Natural Resources, and Health and Human Sciences. We will also share upcoming programs and community events!

Make sure to join the journey of Purdue Extension - Warren County on social media. Real time updates and information for you to enjoy.

Facebook - ***Purdue Extension Warren County***

Happy reading!

**Emily Ade**  
County Extension Director

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This position is currently open.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

## **MARCH 2025**

**4-5 - Indiana Small Farm Conference in Danville, IN**  
**7 - PARP Meeting @ Fountain Co Fairgrounds, 9-11am**  
**28-30 - 4-H Teen Leadership Weekend @ Camp Tecumseh**

## **APRIL 2025**

**18 - Office Closed - Good Friday**  
**19 - Supreme Showmanship Clinic @ Warren Co Fairgrounds**

## **MAY 2025**

**15 - 4-H Animal Enrollment Deadline**  
**26 - Office Closed - Memorial Day**

## **JUNE 2025**

**4-6 - 4-H Camp for current grades 3-6**  
**16-21 - Warren County 4-H Fair**

## **AUGUST 2025**

**1-17 - Indiana State Fair, closed Mondays**



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## **4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT EDUCATOR:**

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## **NATIONAL 4-H CONGRESS**

In November, Emily Ade was selected to be a National 4-H Congress Chaperone for 6 Indiana 4-Hers. They traveled to Atlanta, Georgia to meet up with 700 other 4-Hers where they expanded their skills, met friends from across the country, and were inspired to make an impact in their clubs, communities, country, and world. Emily has already received questions about this trip from Warren County 4-Hers and hopes to have participation in 2026!



## **LIFE LESSONS**

Emily served as a committee chair on a statewide program called Life Lessons where teens prepare high school youth for adulthood's greatest adventures. They learn about home care, auto care, financial management, and so much more. Emily presented to about 35 teens about the importance of mental wellness and self-care.



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## **4-H RECRUITMENT**

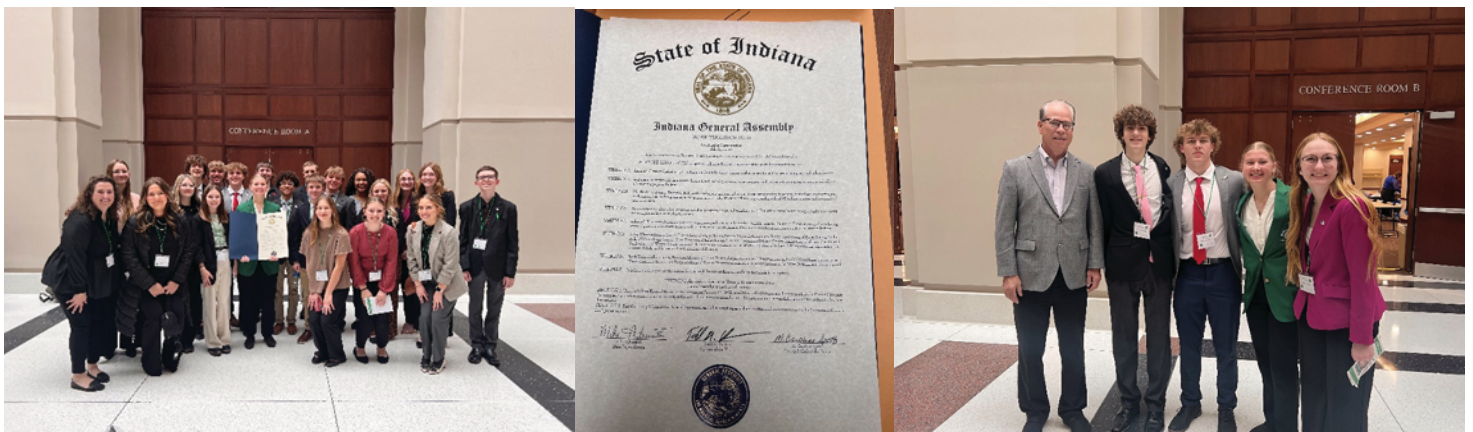
Emily Ade along with 10 Warren County 4-Hers went to Pine Village Elementary School, Williamsport Elementary School, and Warren Central Elementary School to present to 2nd-6th graders all the opportunities that 4-H offers. Presenters highlighted Mini 4-H, our 30+ projects, 4-H camp, and more! We had 2024 Miss Warren County, Janiah Harmon as a guest speaker!



## **INDIANA 4-H DAY AT THE STATEHOUSE**

On February 11, 21 Warren County 4-Hers traveled to Indianapolis for Indiana 4-H Day at the Statehouse! Participants got to listen to our new Governor Mike Braun, meet the State Treasurer Daniel Elliott, tour the State vault, and meet with House Representative Matt Commons.

On February 10th, the House resolution was passed to recognize February 11th as 4-H Day at the Statehouse, and our own Warren County 4-Her, Emily Greene is mentioned in the resolution as she serves as an Indiana 4-H Ambassador!



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## **ADAMS PINE VILLAGERS**

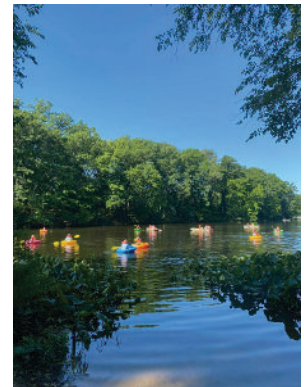
### **4-H CLUB MEETING**

The Adams Pine Villagers 4-H Club had their first club meeting on February 20th. The 16 attendees built Robotic Hands out of straws, string, paper and a little glue.



## **4-H CAMP**

4-H Camp at Shakamak State Park will be June 4-6, 2025. This is a great opportunity for youth grades 3-6 to learn some new skills while making friends from surrounding counties (Warren, Fountain, Benton, and Jasper counties camp together). To give you an idea of what this camp is like. It is in a state park, so we are surrounded by nature, but the cabins are air conditioned. We



also make a couple of afternoon trips to the swimming pool which includes a large water slide. I would not go as far as to call this "Glamping", but let's just call it "Comfortable".

## **ANR & 4-H MIX - CHICK EMBRYOLOGY**

Emily and Jon have April dates on the calendar for bringing incubators and chick eggs to Warren County schools and will teach about chick embryology which will be followed by a couple of days of excitement in the classroom as the baby chicks emerge from the eggs.





# AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES

THE WARREN COUNTY AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES (ANR) PROGRAM STRIVES TO CONNECT THE RESIDENTS OF WARREN COUNTY TO RESEARCH AND EXPERTISE AVAILABLE THROUGH THE COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE WHICH IS A NETWORK OF COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES AND THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

## AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES (ANR) EDUCATOR:

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We have concluded another year of **Bi-State conferences** at the Beef House near Covington. This year's offerings included the Crops Conference held on December 10th, as well as our annual Gardening Conference (January 14th) and Homesteading Conference (February 18th).

We are once again offering a statewide on-line **Master Gardener intern training** that runs for 14 weeks from February 5th to May 6th. On Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8:30 pm participants receive in-depth training on a gardening topic presented by a statewide expert. Also, each week prior to this statewide webinar, we meet at 5:30 pm via Zoom for our Local Connection that this year includes 15 local Master Gardener trainees. During this Local Connection the Purdue Extension Ag & Natural Resources educators from Warren, Fountain and Montgomery counties lead conversations on the previous week's statewide topic as well as other gardening topics of interest to the group members.

We are nearing the completion of a series of **pesticide applicator recertification (PARP) meetings** that began with the Bi-State Crops Conference on December 10th at the Beef House and is concluding with morning PARPs in Benton (February 12th), Warren (March 26th), and Fountain (March 7th) Counties.

Purdue Extension crop specialists and county ag educators are once again looking to help farmers who are doing **on-farm trials** to compare various products and practices. If you are planning to compare fertilizer practices, seeding populations, test the efficacy of a biological product or any number of other on-farm trials then we would like to offer assistance. This may be help with planning and setting up the trial, generation of in-season crop health maps using a drone flight, scouting, or tissue and/or soil testing. To discuss this further, please contact Jon Charlesworth at [charles6@purdue.edu](mailto:charles6@purdue.edu)

On February 25th, the Ag and Natural Resources educators from Warren and surrounding counties offered a **pruning workshop** at the Purdue Meig's Farm south of Lafayette. Considering it was late February, the sunny 50 degree weather was nearly perfect for the 45 attendees who learned about pruning and care of apples, pears, grapevines and brambles. This workshop is hand-on with those attending encourage to bring their loppers and pruners and join in on the fun of pruning.







# *HEALTH & HUMAN SCIENCES*

PURDUE EXTENSION HEALTH & HUMAN SCIENCES PROVIDES EDUCATION TO PEOPLE OF ALL AGES. THE COMMUNITY IS OUR CLASSROOM - WHERE WE BRING UNIVERSITY INFORMATION TO THE LOCAL LEVEL AND HELP PEOPLE STRENGTHEN FAMILIES, SPEND SMART, EAT RIGHT, AND LIVE WELL.

## *WE ARE HIRING!*

**We are looking for a Health and Human Sciences Educator. This is a dual county position (split time between Benton & Warren) with the possibility of becoming the County Extension Director for Benton County. For more info, check out the Job Listing Link [here](#).**

**For more information about Purdue Extension Health and Human Sciences, please visit <https://extension.purdue.edu/hhs/index.html>**

# 2025 WARREN COUNTY 4-H FAIR

JUNE 16TH - 21ST, PRE-FAIR JUNE 14TH.

We are currently in search of sponsors for this year's 4-H Fair! If your business or family is interested, please contact us at [warrences@purdue.edu](mailto:warrences@purdue.edu) for more information. All donations amounts greatly appreciated. We would not be able to have such a great 4-H Fair without the generosity of our sponsors!



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