



# MAKING THE BEST BETTER

## 4-H Youth Development Newsletter

### February is here!

I'm not sure about you, but January felt like it was about 3 months long, ha! We have experienced blustery cold and beautiful white snow, causing most of us to change our plans and slow down.

As we move into February, filled with heart décor and festive candies, I encourage you to take time to remember those who make your heart happy at home, at work, and in your community. February is a great time to focus on relationships that help build a stronger you. How can you focus this month on building new relationships and strengthening the ones you have? Perhaps you can write a note, schedule a lunch, send a thoughtful text, or do something fun with your loved ones. Have fun with it!

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*Have questions about the newsletter or its contents? Want to highlight your 4-H club or 4-H'er for the awesome work they are doing? We'd love to hear from you!*  
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### WHAT'S THE SCOOP

#### 4HONLINE ENROLLMENT

As of February 5, 2025, we have **627 members** enrolled in the 2024-2025 Wayne County 4-H Program!! Thank you for all your efforts to get your own 4-H'ers enrolled while also promoting the program to your family, friends, neighbors and teammates.

There's still time to join 4-H! Please continue to encourage others to enroll in this amazing program. We'd love to have them!

A friendly reminder: You must have your 4-H'er enrolled and approved in 4-HOnline prior to them attending a 4-H club meeting. They will not be marked as approved without payment online or in person at the Extension office. If you enrolled back in October or even in last week, make sure that your 4-H'ers enrollment is marked "approved." You may have forgotten to go back in a pay or used a card that was on file that had expired. Give us a call if you have any questions!



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For January, our Junior Leader program's community service project was collecting pet supplies for HELP The Animals Inc., a local animal shelter. These amazing 4-H'ers donated over 170 items to benefit these pets looking for a new home! Items included food, treats, toys, cleaning supplies, animal care supplies, and much more. HELP is always accepting donations and would love to pair you up with your next furry friend.

On Saturday, February 1st, Barn Superintendents, Directors, and 4-H volunteers held our Beef ID and weigh in. This was for all regular 4-H'ers (grades 3-12) who will exhibit beef steers, dairy beef steers, and commercial heifers in the county or state fair. Thank you to all who helped make this day possible!

## Wayne County 4-H BEEF ID

### FairEntry

So...you've enrolled on 4-HOnline, now what?

**If you are exhibiting an animal, that animal must be entered on 4-HOnline by May 15th.** That is a hard cut off date, so please don't

put us in a position on the 16th where we have to tell your 4-H'er that they can't exhibit their animal. If you are a Mini 4-H'er, then you are not required to enter your animal on 4-HOnline, but it is encouraged.

FairEntry is Indiana 4-H's online platform for registering for specific projects, classes, events, etc for our fair. This is where you will select what project you will be participating in. Example 1: You selected Photography as a project on 4-HOnline. Once FairEntry opens, you would then go select Black and White Print Board or Color Print Board as the project you will complete. Example 2: You select which classes you will be participating in as a Horse & Pony exhibitor. Example 3: You identify what kind of Beef you are bringing to the fair - Is it a steer?

**FairEntry will not open up until May 16th** so there's no confusion on which website to enter the animal in first. This eliminates the problem of putting the animal in FairEntry, but forgetting to enter it in 4-HOnline by the deadline, which would make that animal ineligible to show at the fair.

Our Barn Superintendents identified exhibitors from each barn to join the 2025 Livestock Ambassador program. These individuals are members who are successful in their species and also viewed as leader within their barn. This program will look a little different this year, as explained in last month's newsletter, as we find ways to better serve these individuals through leadership development and animal science education. This is to prepare them to be a "go-to" person for other exhibitors who are looking for advice or help during fair, while also supporting their Barn Superintendent. Congrats to these 29 4-H members!





# Quality Livestock Care

REQUIRED ANNUALLY FOR ALL REGULAR 4-H EXHIBITORS

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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).

- Members must attend ONE training session listed on this flyer OR complete the online YQCA training.
- Members must be registered on 4-HOnline BEFORE attending a session.
- Mini 4-H'ers don't need to complete QLC certification
- Those planning to be certified through the YQCA program will register at [www.yqcaprogram.org](http://www.yqcaprogram.org) and will present their completion certificate to Kendell via email.



Session 1: Thursday, February 20th 5:00-6:00pm

<https://WayneCountyQualityLivestockCareSession1.4honline.com>

Session 2: Tuesday, March 25th 7:00-8:00pm

<https://WayneCountyQualityLivestockCareSession2.4honline.com>

Session 3: Saturday, April 26th 10:00-11:00am

<https://WayneCountyQualityLivestockCareSession3.4honline.com>

All sessions located in the Kuhlman Building lobby  
NO COST - compliments of the Wayne Co. 4-H Livestock Committee





## SAVE THE DATES

February 5: Centerville Barnyard Busters club meeting, 6:00pm, Kuhlman Building

February 6: Horse & Pony Committee meeting, 7:00pm, Kuhlman Building

February 8: Loyal Haymakers club meeting, 10:00am, contact for location

February 8: Central Cardinals club meeting, 10:30am, Milton Christian Church

February 9: Franklin Fliers club meeting, 2:00pm, Kuhlman Building

February 9: Tailwaggers club safety meeting, 2:00pm, Kuhlman Building

February 10: Junior Leaders, 5:30-6:45pm, Kuhlman Building

February 10: Udder Kaos, 6:00pm, Kuhlman Building

February 10: Outlaws club business meeting, 6:30pm, Kuhlman Building kitchen

February 11: 4-H Day At The Statehouse

February 11: Color Guard club business meeting, 6:30pm, Expo Hall

February 11: Harrison Farmers club meeting, 7:00pm, Jacksonburg Christian Church

February 12: Boots & Saddles club business meeting, 6:00pm, Kuhlman Building

February 12: Rough Riders club business meeting, 6:00pm, New Testament Church Hagerstown

February 13: Webster Wonder Workers club meeting, 6:30pm, Webster Firehouse

February 16: Boston Clever Clovers club meeting, 2:00pm, Boston Methodist Church

February 17: 4-H Shamrocks club meeting, 2:00pm, Kuhlman Building

February 20th: Hoosier Horsemen club business meeting, 7:00pm, Wayne County Fairgrounds

February 20: Tiger Tribe club meeting, 7:00pm, Hagerstown Elementary Cafeteria

February 20: Wayne County Tractor Club meeting, 7:00pm, Wayne County Fairgrounds

February 21: Wayne County Rabbit Club meeting, 6:30pm, Sheep Barn

February 23: 4 Leaf Stars club meeting, 2:00pm, Wayne County Fairgrounds

February 23: Tailwaggers club practice, 2:00-3:00pm, Wayne County Fairgrounds

February 24: First Friends club meeting, 6:00pm, Wayne County Fairgrounds

February 24: Outlaws club business meeting, 6:30pm, Kuhlman Building kitchen

February 26: Milton Huskies club meeting, 6:30pm, Lincoln High School Ag Room

