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Hello everyone,

We have a lot of fun programs and events happening in the next few months. Don't miss out! Please make sure you are registering for programs. If you have great suggestions for a program, let us know!

If you are showing an animal this year, please make sure you are aware of weigh-in and workshop dates. Activity sheets will be posted this month on the Allen County 4-H website. You MUST have all animals entered in 4-H online and DNA to the office (if you plan to show at the state fair) by May 15th. This year we are asking rabbits be entered in 4-H online as well. Poultry, cats, and dogs are exempt. This is a hard state deadline that is not flexible. Directions will be in future newsletters and on the website. QLC workshops will be March 31st at 10 am and 1 pm and April 30th at 6pm. The cost is \$3 per person and a registration link will be posted on the website this month and in future newsletters. As a reminder, all youth who show an animal (except horse, llama, cat and dog) are required to either take QLC in person or YQCA online. If you take YQCA, please email Rebecca a copy of your certificate so she can mark your training complete. Youth make take QLC in any surrounding county.

All rules have been updated on the Allen County 4-H website and the rules book has been posted. If you would like a copy, please let the office know at least 24 hours in advance as we have to print and bind them. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Rebecca or Stephenie.

We hope to see you all at the Fling Fundraiser on the 22nd at 5pm. Don't forget to purchase your tickets!

4-H Information

ALLEN COUNTY 4-H FLING FUNDRAISER FEBRUARY 22, 2025

Don't forget to purchase your tickets for the 2025 FLING FUNDRAISER at the Allen County Extension Office. Pre-sale tickets are \$7.00 or \$10 at the door day of. This is one of the biggest fundraisers Allen County does. Funds go towards youth trips like camp, fair awards, and other expenses that support youth in 4-H! We hope to see you there!

We are currently looking for donated items or services. Clubs are encouraged to put together a basket of items. Let's see which club can earn the highest bid! Call or stop by the office for more information or to drop off your donations. Donation request letters can be found on our website under the fundraisers dropdown. https://extension.purdue.edu/county/allen/docs/4h/fling-donor-request-letter-2025.docx-1.pdf

We appreciate any and all donation, no matter the size or cost!



Dog Club begins this month!

Orientation will be held February 10th, 6:15pm at the AC Fair Grounds in the administration building.

Weekly classes begin February 24th, 6:15 at the AC Fair Grounds in building 3.

Dogs must be at least 3 months old and neutered or spayed. If you wish to participate, forms can be found on the Allen County 4-H Website. Paperwork needs to be turned in as soon as possible to be added to the waitlist.

Please make sure you are checking the Allen County Website and Facebook! We have posted a lot of scholarship opportunities and trip information, like camp, on our page!

Allen County 4H Page

New Member Orientation:

Are you new to 4-H or know someone who is interested in learning more? Join us on March 8th from 10-11:30 am! We will have a short discussion about the program overview and important dates. We will also have leaders and volunteers from the Allen County clubs to speak to you about where their club meets, what they do, and other information about their club so you can find a club that fits your family. At the end of the program, we will have a fun activity for youth to participate in before they leave! We do ask that you register so we can purchase enough refreshments.

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To register, please call 260-481-6826 or email Stephenie at wooten6@purdue.edu. Thank you!

UPCOMING 4-H PROGRAMS

Archery and Muzzleloading:

Dates are being finalized this month. Be on the lookout on Facebook and in the March newsletter for registration information. Both disciplines will run April through the beginning of June.

If you know any volunteers who are interested in becoming a shooting sports instructor, the next training will be April 4-6th. Our shooting sports program will cover your registration cost as long as you volunteer with a discipline.

Contact Rebecca at rcclay@purdue.edu if you are interested.

Junior Leaders @ Extension office 6:30-8pm

February 25 April 29 March 25 May 27

Open to all youth in grades 6-12. Location might change depending on the activity.

All programs require registration.

If you need accommodations to participate in a program, more information on specific programs, or to register: email rcclay@purdue.edu or wooten6@purdue.edu or call 260-481-6826

Plant sale flyers are out! Please get your forms to the office by March 31st



Canvas Painting STEAM workshop:

February 3 5:30-7:30pm @Extension office Join us for a fun evening of creativity and art where we guide you step by step to create your own masterpiece. Parents are welcome to participate with their kids.

Cost: \$15 Register here: https://bit.ly/canvasSTEAM25

Mini Foods:

February 26th 6-7 pm @Extension Office Open to all mini 4-Hers. Must have 6 youth minimum. Youth will be creating valentines day treats. Email rcclay@purdue.edu to register. Cost: \$5

Macrame STEAM workshop:

March 13 5:30pm-7:30pm @Extension office Mae your own trendy macrame wall hanging in our hands-on workshop.

Cost: \$15 Register here: https://bit.ly/MacrameSTEAM25

Robots Workshop:

March 3rd 6-7 pm @New Haven Community Center. Youth will build their own robot in this hands-on workshop as they learn about technology, engineering, and robotics. Cost:\$5 Register here: NH community Center

Self Care Crafting:

March 10th 6-7pm @New Haven Community Center. Youth will make a sugar scrub, shower steamers, and lip balm while learning self care techniques.

Cost: \$7 Register Here: NH community Center

Under the Scales! STEAM workshop:

April 10 5:30-7:30pm @Extension Office Dive into the fascinating world of aquatic life! What makes a fish float? Register to dissect a fish and see what makes them different from other animals.

Cost: \$10. Register at: https://bit.ly/Fish2025

Boards & Bites-A Mom & Me Charcuterie Adventure:

May 8th, 5:30-7:30pm @Extension Office. Cost:\$25 per adult and child, \$5 for extra child Registration closes April 25, 2025

Register here: https://bit.ly/charcuterie25



4-H sign up for 2025



Make sure you have signed up as a member or a volunteer for 2025 by visiting, https://v2.4honline.com/

4-H Members: Enrollment is open through May 15, 2025. We encourage members to enroll early to ensure they continue getting updates on all the activities they can participate in. Please ensure if you are participating in 4-H activities that you are enrolled! We encourage online payment for faster processing of enrollment.

4-H Volunteers: Enrollment is open and we encourage timely completion of required trainings to ensure the safety of our youth. Completion of 4-H Online is required before you can continue to work with youth in 4-H activities. If you complete your trainings on your phone, please take a screenshot of your certificate. We have been having system issues with approving trainings done on cell phones.

Livestock Meeting/Workshop Dates:

February

8– Beef/Dairy Beef Weigh-In, 8am at Fairground-Cattle Barn (Snow date February 15)

March

- 5- Rabbit Workshop, 6:30 pm at Allen County Purdue Extension Office
- 10- Swine Committee Meeting, 7 pm at Fairgrounds- McComb Building
- 15– Beef/Dairy Beef Workshop, 9 am at Fairgrounds –Show barn

(RSVP to Robbie.Wells1987@yahoo.com)

- 18– Horse & Pony Leader Meeting, 7 pm at Allen County Purdue Extension Office
- 20- Swine Workshop, 7pm at Fairgrounds—Admin Building

April

- 9- Rabbit Workshop, 6:30 pm at Allen County Purdue Extension Office
- 12— Dairy Beef-Feeder Calf Weigh in, 8 am at Fairgrounds—Cattle Barn (Rain date April 19)
- 21- Swine Committee Meeting, 7 pm at Fairgrounds- McComb Building

May

- 1– Sheep and Goat Tag/Weigh In, 6-7:30 @Fairgorunds
- 5- Swine Committee Meeting, 7 pm at Fairgrounds- McComb Building
- 14- Swine Workshop, 7 pm at Fairgrounds- Admin Building
- 17– Summit City Classic Open Goat Show, 8 am at Fairgrounds– Swine Barn

If you are interested in any of the live projects but do not know where to start we encourage you to reach out to the livestock committee members for that species. You may either email Rebecca (rcclay@purdue.edu) who will put you in contact with them, or all of their names and emails are under the appropriate project tab on the Allen County 4-H website

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

February 2025

- 4-H Plant Sales flyers available
- 4 4-H Board Meeting 7pm@CEO
- 4 Air Rifle Club 6:30-7:30pm@Hoagland Community Center
- 5 Rabbit call out @Raimando's Pizza 6:30-8 pm
- 5 .22 Rifle Club 6:30-8:30pm Concordia Lutheran HS
- 8 Beef/Dairy Beef Weigh-in 8-10am@FG Cattle Barn (Snow date 02/15)
- 10 Dog Club Orientation 6:15-7:30@Allen County FG
- 11 Air Rifle Club 6:30-7:30pm@Hoagland Community Center
- 12 .22 Rifle Club 6:30-8:30pm Concordia Lutheran HS
- 13 Canvas Painting 5:30-7:30@CEO
- 18 Horse & Pony Meeting 7-9pm@CEO
- 18 Air Rifle Club 6:30-7:30pm@Hoagland Community Center
- 19 .22 Rifle Club 6:30-8:30pm Concordia Lutheran HS
- 21 Sport Horse 6:30-8:30pm@Scheiderer's Farms, 17610 Woodburn Road
- 22 4-H Fling 5pm@FG Home and Family Arts
 Building
- 25 Air Rifle Club6:30-7:30pm@Hoagland Community Center
- 25 Junior Leader Meeting 6:30-8pm@CEO
- 26 Mini Foods 6-7pm@COE
- 27 Saddle Bums meeting, 6-8pm!CEO







SAVE THE DATE!!

Allen County 4-H Fair



June 17-22, 2025

*If we missed any dates please let us know. This is not a complete list for March, April or May

March 2025

- 3 Robotics Workshop @New Haven Community Center 6-7 pm
- 4 Air Rifle Club 6:30-7:30pm@Hoagland Community Center
- 5 .22 Rifle Club 6:30-8:30pm Concordia Lutheran HS
- 5 Rabbit Workshop 6:30pm@CEO
- 5 Camp Counselor training 5:30-8 pm at FG
- 8 New Family Orientation @CEO 10-11:30 am
- 10 Self Care Workshop @New Haven Community Center 6-7pm
- 10 Swine Committee Meeting 7-9pm@FG
- 11 Air Rifle Club 6:30-7:30pm@Hoagland Community Center
- 12 .22 Rifle Club 6:30-8:30pm Concordia Lutheran HS
- 13 Macrame STEAM 5:30-7:30@CEO
- 15 Dairy Beef/Beef Workshop 9am-12@FG-Show barn
- 18 Horse & Pony 7pm-9pm@CEO
- 19 .22 Rifle Club 6:30-8:30pm Concordia Lutheran HS
- 20 Swine Workshop 6:30-7pm@FG Admin Building
- 31 QLC workshop either 10 am or 1 pm @CEO please register!

PLANT SALE ORDERS AND MONEY MUST BE TURNED IN BY MARCH 31.

April 2025

9-Rabbit workshop 6:30-7:30@CEO

12-Dairy Beef feeder calf weigh in, 8-10am @FG-Cattle Barn (Rain date April 19)

30 QLC workshop 6-7 pm @CEO

May 2025

- 1 Sheep and Goat Tag/weigh in 6-7:30 pm @FG
- 5-Rabbit Workshop 6:30-7:30pm@FG
- 8-Plant pick up 5-8pm@ FG
- 9-Plant pick up 9am-Noon@FG
- 10 Fish Dissection STEAM workshop 5:30-7:30 pm @ CEO
- 14-Swine Workshop 7-9pm @FG Admin Building
- 17-Summit City Classic Open Goat Show 8am-10pm @ FG

Follow us on Facebook We share pictures, important information, and workshop flyers on our page! Allen County Indiana 4-H: https://www.facebook.com/AllenCounty4H

ALLEN COUNTY 4-H ANNUAL PLANT SALE

Support Allen County 4-H Clubs, Inc:

Pickup will be Thursday, May 8th from 5-8 PM & Friday, May 9th from 9-12 PM.

Purchase geraniums, vegetables, daisies, hanging baskets, or a planter for your home/business or to give as a gift.

Pick up information: Location is at the Allen County Fairgrounds (2726 Carroll Road) in the Lions Cattle Barn. Pickup will be Thursday, May 8th from 5-8 PM & Friday, May 9th from 9-12 PM. No refunds will be given if you do not pick your order up.







ALLEN COUNTY 4-H PLANT SALE ORDER FORM



NAME:	CELL/DAYTIME PHONE:
ADDRESS:	
EMAIL:	

ORDER DETAILS			
ltem	Qty	Price	Total
10" Hanging Basket - Boston Fern		\$15.00	
10" Hanging Basket - Purple Wave Petunia		\$15.00	
10" Hanging Basket - Pink Calibrachoa		\$15.00	
10" Hanging Basket - Red Geranium		\$15.00	
10" Hanging Basket - Salmon Geranium		\$15.00	
11" Premium Combo Hanging Basket (Petunias & Verbena) - Orange		\$18.00	
11" Premium Combo Hanging Basket (Petunias & Verbena) - Pink		\$18.00	
11" Premium Combo Hanging Basket (Petunias & Verbena) - Purple		\$18.00	
11" Premium Combo Hanging Basket (Petunias & Verbena) - Red/White/Blue		\$18.00	
4" Pot Geraniums (Must be ordered in single color packs of 9) - Red		\$11.00 (per pack)	
4" Pot Geraniums (Must be ordered in single color packs of 9) - Pink		\$11.00 (per pack)	
4" Pot Geraniums (Must be ordered in single color packs of 9) - White		\$11.00 (per pack)	
4" Pot Geraniums (Must be ordered in single color packs of 9) - Fuchsia (Violet)		\$11.00 (per pack)	
5" Pot Gerber Daisies - Assorted Bright Colors		\$5.00	
13 1/2" Pot Patio Planters - Red Geranium (Geranium, spike & vinca vine)		\$22.00	
13 1/2" Pot Patio Planters - Confetti (Lobelia, petunia & verbena)		\$22.00	
4" Pot Vegetable Plants - Big Boy Tomato		\$1.25	
4" Pot Vegetable Plants - Sweet 100s Cherry Tomato		\$1.25	
4" Pot Vegetable Plants - Sweet Green Bell Pepper		\$1.25	
4" Pot Vegetable Plants - Jalapeno Pepper		\$1.25	

NOTE: COLOR SHADES WILL VARY BY PLANT VARIETY.

Enclose payment made payable to: Allen County 4-H Clubs, Inc.

Mail to: Allen County 4-H Clubs, Inc. 4001 Crescent Avenue Fort Wayne, IN 46815

Orders and payment must be returned by: March 31, 2025

GRAND TOTAL (FOR OFFICE USE ONLY)		
HANGING BASKETS - \$15		
PREMIUM HANGING BASKETS - \$18		
GERANIUM PACK - \$11		
PATIO PLANTER - \$22		
GERBER DAISES - \$5		
VEGETABLE POTS - \$1.25		
TOTAL DUE		
CHECK #	CASH?	





Curious about 4H? 4H is a lot more than just animals. Allen County 4H is partnering with the New Haven Park Department to help spark your interest in what 4H has to offer.

Register for a spark class today!

Robots

Get ready to dive into the world of robotics! In this exciting workshop, youth will have the opportunity to build their very own robots from scratch. You'll learn how to assemble robot components, wire circuits, and explore how different parts work together to bring your creation to life. This hands-on is perfect for anyone curious about technology, engineering, and robotics!

Location: NH Community Center, Apple Orchard

Fee: \$5 **Ages:** 8-17

 Day
 Date
 Time

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 3/3/25
 6pm-7pm



Self Care Crafting

Ready to relax and get creative? Join our Self-Care Workshop, where you'll make your own sugar scrub, lip balm, and shower steamers using fun, natural ingredients! Learn easy self-care techniques like stress-busting breathing exercises and mindfulness tips to boost your mental wellness. This hands-on workshop is all about treating yourself and having fun while you create awesome products to pamper your skin and mind. It's the perfect way to unwind, get crafty, and feel your best!

Location: NH Community Center, Apple Orchard

Fee: \$7 **Ages:** 8-17

 Day
 Date
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 3/10/25
 6pm-7pm



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To register call 260-749-2212 or visit

www.newhavenparksandrec.org