



## Important Dates to Remember:

**4-H LEADER  
MEETING**  
November 20

**CHRISTMAS  
PARADE**  
November 29

**BREAKFAST  
WITH SANTA**  
December 14

**NEW 4-H MEMBER  
MEETING**  
January 15

**2025 4-H  
CAMP**  
June 8-11

**2025 CLAY  
COUNTY 4-H FAIR**  
JULY 12-18

## Have you enrolled for the new 4-H year yet?

Don't miss out, enroll today!

[v2.4honline.com](https://v2.4honline.com)



4-H is America's largest youth development organization, empowering nearly six million young people who are learning leadership and many other skills. We have over 500 youth in our Clay County program alone! Through various workshops, projects, and activities 4-H'ers learn skills that will last a lifetime.

Enrollment is FREE for all youth in Clay County this year!!! When you go to enroll, be sure to select the pay by check/cash option and we will take care of it. You DO NOT need to submit payment to the Extension Office.

 **SERVE**  **GROW**  **THRIVE**  **MAKE**

## New 4-H Member Meeting

Our New 4-H Member meeting is for those who are in their first year of regular 4-H, regardless of age. We will review how to utilize the county website, 4-H Online, and where to find the best resources. We will talk about the significance of our 4-H Clubs and do an overview of everything that the 4-H program has to offer! This is a great time to ask any questions and get an idea of what you might be interested in participating in.

Know anyone who is thinking about joining 4-H? Invite them! This is the perfect opportunity to get more information for those who haven't quite decided if 4-H is for them yet. We look forward to speaking with you!

**New Member Meeting**

**JANUARY  
15**

6:30 PM  
in the Exhibit Hall



# Holiday HAPPENINGS



## Brazil Christmas Parade

Clay County 4-H and the Jr. Leaders will have a combined float in the Brazil Christmas Parade this year! All registered 4-H members are welcome to come walk (or ride on the trailer) with us and pass out treats. Please bring extra candy if you are able to, but if not, bring yourself along with some holiday cheer!

The parade is scheduled for **Friday, November 29th at 7 pm.** More information about where to meet to line up will be released closer to the date!



## Christmas in Mexico!



When: Monday December 9 from 6 to 8 pm

Who: 4-H'ers Grades 3-8

Where: Clay County 4-H Fairgrounds

Feliz Navidad! The Christmas season is one of the most magical times of the year and one of the most celebrated holidays around the world. Join us for an evening of cultural immersion as we explore Mexican Christmas traditions including a dessert, craft, and more!

Register on 4-H Online by December 6th: <https://christmasinmexico.4honline.com>



## 4-H Holiday CHOPPED Challenge

When: Monday November 25th from 6 to 8 pm

Where: Clay County 4-H Fairgrounds

As we get ready for the holiday season let's get creative in the kitchen and come up with some great appetizers for our family gatherings! This is for 4-H'ers grades 3-12. You will be working in groups to assemble a tasty, creative, and nicely presented appetizer. Each group will get a mystery basket of ingredients that they have to include in their dish. Put on your chef hats, pull out your chef skills, and join us for a fun kitchen competition!

Register on 4-H Online by Friday November 22nd:

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



## Life Lessons

High Schoolers adulting is hard! How do you manage your money? What do you do if your car breaks down? How do you get a stain out of your favorite pair of jeans? Join us weekly on Tuesdays from 7-8 pm ET starting January 14th until March 4th for a virtual series on all the life lessons needed to be #beyondready for adulthood. Signups will be through 4-H Online.

Hosted by:  
Purdue Extension  
and Indiana 4-H

Some Topics Include:  
Budgeting/Finances •  
Home Care •  
Self Care •  
Auto Care •

**SAVE THE DATE**

TUESDAYS JANUARY 14-MARCH 4  
7-8 P.M. ET/6-7 P.M. CT  
ZOOM AND GOOGLE CLASSROOM  
HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Register via 4-H Online! Opens end of November.  
Questions? Contact local Purdue Extension office.  
Purdue University is an equal access/equal opportunity university.





# 4-H CLUB

## NEWS



## Jr. Leader News

The Clay County Jr. Leaders meet the third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. The next meeting will be Monday, November 18th in the exhibit hall. One thing we will be voting on at this meeting is something fun to do during your Christmas break. There will be no meeting for the month of December.

Our club will be walking in the Christmas parade the evening of Friday November 29th. We will meet about 6:30 p.m. on North Vandalia Street close to the Compton Street intersection. This is North of the Dirtbuster car wash. This is always such a fun night, so plan on joining us!

On December 14th our club will be sponsoring the annual free 'Breakfast with Santa' for the community. Our Jr. Leaders will be making and serving pancakes, helping the children make crafts and assisting Santa Clause! Help will be needed from 8-12:30 p.m. All Jr. Leaders interested in helping with this event, please email [stephadams37@gmail.com](mailto:stephadams37@gmail.com). Jr. Leaders that are helping should arrive by 8:15 am and should be done by 12:30 pm. Please dress festive if you're able.

If you are a new Jr. Leader this year, I highly encourage you to attend both of these fun events that our Jr. Leaders always look forward to. Please contact Stephanie Adams at 317-460-9798 or email [stephadams37@gmail.com](mailto:stephadams37@gmail.com) if you can participate in either event.

## Clever Clovers 4-H Club

We had a great time kicking off the year at our Fall party. We have some fun events coming up for the remainder of the calendar year. Join us for our 1st official meeting on November 11th @ 7pm, we will be making cards for our Veterans. We will also be prepping for the Clay City Chocolate Walk. We look forward to using our 4-H skills in whipping up some delicious chocolates on December 4th. Come and learn about some fun things we have planned for the year and be a part of making some decisions for a fun completion trip.



### BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14**  
**9:00-11:30 A.M.**

**CLAY COUNTY 4-H FAIRGROUNDS**  
**SCHOPMEYER AG BUILDING**  
**6656 N. STATE RD 59**  
**BRAZIL, INDIANA**

THE CLAY COUNTY 4-H JUNIOR LEADERS WOULD LIKE TO INVITE ALL AREA YOUTH TO ATTEND A **FREE** PANCAKE BREAKFAST WITH SANTA! COME ENJOY PANCAKES AND VISIT WITH SANTA.

PARENTS, BRING YOUR CAMERA OR PHONE FOR A PHOTO. CHILDREN WILL ALSO BE ABLE TO MAKE A CRAFT DURING THEIR VISIT.

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CLAY COUNTY 4-H  
JUNIOR LEADERS

This event is free, but goodwill donations will be accepted



4-H Scholarship Applications are now available! Visit <https://bit.ly/3iETwZi> to learn more! There are scholarships available for youth in grades 10-12. Applications are due **January 25th** via 4-HOnline.

\*Please note that you must have an active 4-H Online profile to be able to submit your applications.



# 2025 SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

## Senior Year Scholarship

Available to 4-H members in their senior year of high school

## Club Scholarship

Available to 4-H members entering Purdue University majoring in the College of Agriculture or select majors in the College of Health and Human Sciences

## Purdue Horticulture & Landscape Architecture Scholarship

Available to a 4-H member majoring in horticulture or landscape architecture at Purdue University and studied plant science in 4-H.

## Accomplishment Scholarship

Available to 4-H members in grades 10-12 of high school and the year immediately following high school graduation. The purpose of the 4-H Accomplishment Scholarship is to recognize youth who have excelled in life skills development through their 4-H activities and involvement.

**Categories:** Animal Science—Meat and Milk Production; Animal Science—Companion and Small Animal Production; Citizenship; Communications; Engineering and Technological Science; Healthy Living, Food and Nutrition Science; Leadership Development; and Plant and Environmental Science. Three additional categories are reserved for applicants demonstrating life skills development in more than one of the previously listed categories. Those are Premier Achievement, Premier Citizenship, and Premier Leadership.

**Eligibility:** Applicants must be in grade 10, 11, 12, or their first year immediately following 4-H enrollment eligibility at the time applications are due. While an applicant does not have to be a current 4-H member, they must demonstrate multiple years of involvement in Indiana's 4-H Youth Development Program.

Youth who have previously been awarded a \$1,000 accomplishment scholarship are only eligible to compete in the Premier Achievement, Premier Citizenship, and Premier Leadership categories. Youth who have previously been awarded a \$2,000 scholarship are no longer eligible to compete in any category.

**Awards:** A minimum of thirty \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to youth based on their demonstration of life skills development in these eight categories: Animal Science—Meat and Milk Production; Animal Science—Companion and Small Animal Production; Citizenship; Communications; Engineering and Technological Science; Healthy Living, Food, and Nutrition Science; Leadership Development; and Plant and Environmental Science.

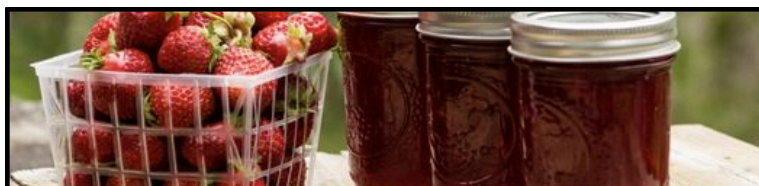
A minimum of one \$2,000 scholarship will be awarded in each of these categories: Premier Achievement; Premier Citizenship; and Premier Leadership.

We will be having a Scholarship Workshop for our 4-H Sophomores, Juniors & Seniors on **Tuesday, January 7th at 6:30 pm** in the Extension Office if you are interested in receiving some extra help on things the judges are looking for and reviewing some helpful tips and tricks for completing scholarship applications. Come prepared having reviewed the applications to know which ones you are interested in applying for. This is helpful information for all scholarship forms, not just 4-H ones!





# EXTENSION NEWS



## Holiday Jam & Jelly Preservation



Join us for a hands on Jam & Jelly preservation class. **Register and pay by Nov15 and receive a free canning utensil set!** At the Wilma & Liston Buell Community Center in Clay City, IN.

**November 22 from noon-4**

At Goshorn Park  
208 Nye Street,  
Clay City, IN

Call 812-829-5020 or 812-448-9041 to **pre-register** for the program

**Cost \$30**



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You will have your own jar of Jam/Jelly to take home with you at the end of the program



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## Upcoming HHS Events

### Virtual Adult Mental Health First Aid January 22, 9-4PM

Learn how to recognize signs and symptoms of a mental health crisis. Class is free. Sign up coming.

### Food RX February-May

How to make healthy lifestyle changes, focusing on healthy eating. Receive a box of produce with a recipe of the week. RSVP coming.

PRESENTED BY:



## Putting Your Garden to Bed

NOVEMBER 7  
12:00PM

### LEARN WHAT WORKED & WHAT DIDN'T:

- COMPOSTING GARDEN DEBRIS
- LATE FALL COVER CROPS
- SOIL FERTILITY PLANNING
- CROP ROTATION CONSIDERATIONS

HOSTED AT THE:

**Brazil PUBLIC LIBRARY**

204 N. WALNUT ST.  
BRAZIL, IN 47834

Come to the Brazil Library November 7th at 12:00pm to learn How to Manage Garden Issues to be prepared for the 2025 Growing Season!

## Upcoming ANR Events

### "Farm Lease Evaluation For 2025" Monday the 18th 6-7 pm

- No registration or program fee

### Purdue Extension Master Gardener Program

**Starts January 16 6-9 pm**

- First 12 persons registering save \$40!

**Call the Clay County Extension Office for more information on all of these great programs offered!**



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# CLAY COUNTY 4-H CLUB DATES

## HORSE & PONY

Meetings at: Clay Co. Fairgrounds @ 7:00 pm

- Oct. 17, 2024
- Nov. 21, 2024
- Dec. 19, 2024
- Jan. 16, 2024
- Feb. 20, 2024
- March 20, 2024
- April 17, 2024
- May 15, 2024
- June 19, 2024

## Jr. Leaders

Meetings at: Clay Co. Fairgrounds @ 7:00 pm

- Oct. 21, 2024
- Nov. 18, 2024
- Jan. 20, 2025
- Feb. 17, 2025
- March 17, 2025
- April 21, 2025
- May 19, 2025
- June 16, 2025

## VAN BUREN HUSTLERS

Meetings at: Clay Co. Fairgrounds @ 7:00 pm

- Jan. 9, 2025
- Feb. 13, 2025
- March 13, 2025
- April 10, 2025
- May 8, 2025
- June 12, 2025
- June 26, 2025

## RABBIT CLUB

Meetings at: Clay Co. Fairgrounds @ 7:00 pm

- Jan. 14, 2025
- Feb. 11, 2025
- March 11, 2025
- April 8, 2025
- May 13, 2025
- June 10, 2025

## MINI 4-H

Meetings at: Clay Co. Fairgrounds @ 6:00 pm

- March 17, 2025
- April 21, 2025
- May 19, 2025
- June 16, 2025

## CLEVER CLOVERS

Meetings at: Clay City First Church @ 7:00 pm

- Nov. 11, 2024
- Dec. 9, 2024
- Jan. 13, 2025
- Feb. 10, 2025
- March 10, 2025
- April 14, 2025
- May 12, 2025
- June 9, 2025

## TOP SHOTS

Meetings at: Lost Creek Conservation Club

Meeting Dates/Time:  
• TBD

## DOG CLUB

Meeting Dates/Time:  
• TBD

## HARRISON HANDY HAPPY HELPERS

Meetings at: First Financial Bank in Clay City

Meeting Dates/Time:  
• TBD

## JACKSON TWP. FARMHANDS

Meetings at: Clay Co. Fairgrounds

Meeting Dates/Time:  
• TBD

## SWINE CLUB

Meetings at: Clay Co. Fairgrounds

Meeting Dates/Time:  
• TBD

## CATTLE CLUB

Meetings at: Clay Co. Fairgrounds

Meeting Dates/Time:  
• TBD

## POULTRY CLUB

Meetings at: Clay Co. Fairgrounds

Meeting Dates/Time:  
• TBD

## 4-EVER ACHIEVERS

Meetings at: Staunton Community Center

Meeting Dates/Time:  
• TBD

## GOAT CLUB

Meetings at: Clay Co. Fairgrounds

Meeting Dates/Time:  
• TBD



To honor all the great support from the AMAX Coal Company for the Clay County 4-H program and our fairgrounds, the 4-H Council has placed a special stone of appreciation. You can check it out next to our Jr. Leaders stand! It's a nice way to celebrate their impact on our community and our youth in Clay County!