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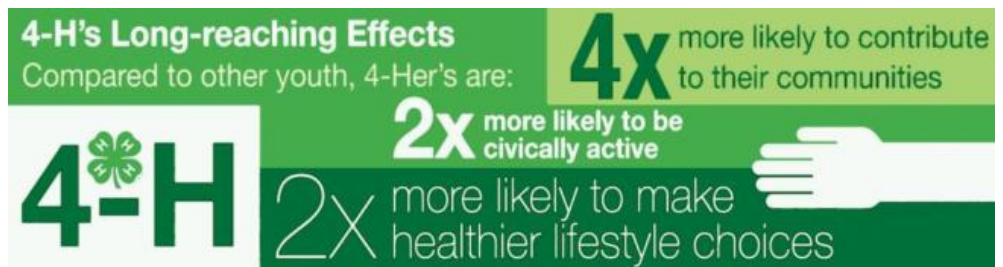
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Welcome

Spring has sprung, and fair is approaching quickly! Be sure to check out the upcoming 4-H activities, we have a lot of exciting opportunities for 4-H members of all ages! Check out the options for summer trips, 4-H Camp, and Mini 4-H camp. All of your important details are in this newsletter, and reach out to the Extension Office if you have any questions

-Sara Haag & Emily Brown



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I Enrolled in 4-H, Now What?

Got questions about 4-H? Enrolled but not sure what to do next? Check out our Beginner's Guide to Vigo County 4-H is available at: <https://extension.purdue.edu/Vigo/article/35955>

Frequently asked questions can be found there with all of your answers! Still have a question? Call us at 812-462-3371 We're Open Monday-Friday from 8 am to 4 pm.

4-H Club Meetings

Most clubs have scheduled their club meetings for the year. Make sure to enroll in any clubs you're interested in to get meeting updates. We'll also be utilizing a public Google Calendar for club meetings, events, and deadlines! <https://bit.ly/Vigo4H22>

Get Your Fair Books!

The 2022 Fair Book is posted on the website at <https://extension.purdue.edu/news/county/vigo/2022/03/2022-vigo-county-4-h-fair-book.html>. Most of the project instructions have been updated, so make sure you check it out! Each project has a mapping of where to find it in fair entry by the July 1st deadline, it should be helpful! A limited number of hard copies can be picked-up at the Extension Office for \$10.



State Summer Trips



Indiana State 4-H Trips are back in 2022! If you would like to attend one of the listed trips, please return the Trip Interest Form by email to shaag@purdue.edu or to the Extension Office by April 25 at 4:00 PM. The Vigo County 4-H Council is able to provide sponsorship for these trips. Funding will be dependent on the amount of interest, but priority will be given to 4-H attending a trip for the first time.

More information and the Trip Interest Form is on the website and attached to the Newsletter email from 4HOnline.

Trip opportunities include:

- 4-H Academy @ Purdue – Grades 9-12 – June 8-10
- 4-H Round-Up – Grades 7-9 – June 20-22
- 4-H Band – Grades 9-12 - June 18-20
- 4-H Chorus - Grades 9-12 - June 18-21
- State 4-H Jr. Leader Conference – Grades 9-12 – June 14-17 – DePauw University
- Citizenship Washington Focus – Grades 9-12 – June 25-July 1 – Washington D.C.
 - Applications due by March 15
- National 4-H Congress– Grades 9-11 – November 25-29 –Atlanta, Georgia
- State Fair Exhibit Hall Workers – MUST be at least 14 years old at time of work– July 25-August 23– Indiana State Fairgrounds – Applications are due April 15.



4-H Camp Registration

4-H Camp will be June 12-15, 2022 at Shakamak State Park. 4-H Camp is open to all 4-H'ers currently in grades 3 through 6. We will be camping with 4-H'ers from Sullivan, Owen, and Clay Counties. Daily activities will include boating, recreation, crafts, swimming, and LOTS OF FUN! We will also have a great group of 4-H Counselors from Vigo County ready to make camp the best four days of your summer! You also must be enrolled in Vigo County 4-H to attend 4-H Camp. If you have a non-4-H friend interested there is still time for them to enroll in 4-H!

The camp fee is \$100 per camper and covers your lodging, meals, camp t-shirt, and activities. There is limited funding to assist those with a financial need, please contact Sara for a code to use at registration.

Additionally, you will need money during camp to cover craft items (\$5

or less) and snacks at the pool concession stand. You will be responsible for your transportation to and from Shakamak State Park. Campers will need to be dropped off around 2 pm on Sunday, June 12 and picked up around 10 am on Wednesday, June 15. We have not finalized our camp schedule yet; the specific times will be sent to you in a letter along with important details a week prior to camp.

To sign up for 4-H Camp, you will register through 4-H Online under the events tab, instructions are on our website. The registration deadline is May 10th. During registration we'll need to know any dietary restrictions, t-shirt size, and any bunk buddies your child requests. If you have any issues registering please contact the Extension Office at shaag@purdue.edu or call 812-462-3371.



Mini 4-H Camp

June 14, 15 & 16th from 9am - 12pm



Jr Leaders Share Night at Culvers

Join the 4-H Jr Leaders on Tuesday, April 12th from 5 pm to 8 pm as they help serve your meal at Culver's to raise funds for club activities and projects.



Youth for the Quality Care of Animals

All beef cattle, dairy cattle, swine, sheep, meat goats, dairy goats, poultry, and/or rabbits, 4-H members MUST be certified through the educational Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) program no later than July 8, 2022. All Vigo County PQA trainings have expired so all swine members must take a YQCA training course in 2022. Mini 4-Her's are exempt from the training. This is an annual education program that can be completed via online modules (\$12) or in-person training programs (\$3). In-person trainings held in Vigo County will be free to Vigo County 4-H Members who completed 4-H enrollment by January 15th.

Vigo County trainings will be held:

- Monday, April 11 from 6:00-7:00 PM in the 4-H Meeting Room (Rabbit Meeting)
- Friday, May 6 from 6:30-7:30 PM in the Meeting Room (Poultry Meeting)
- Tuesday, June 21 from 5:00-6:00 PM in the 4-H Community Center



Friend of the Fairgrounds

The Wabash Valley Fairgrounds has a very unique story and historic legacy that it provides the Wabash Valley. We maintain and operate: the 4-H livestock barns and meeting rooms; a 1/2 mile oval dirt track, the only one in the state; a 1/4 mile paved dragstrip; the Master Gardeners and their Giving Garden; and are the preferred location for several large community events. We are one of only 2 privately owned fairgrounds in Indiana. The largest challenge of being a private organization is raising the funds to meet the ever increasing maintenance demands of a facility of this size. We rely on donations, building rentals, and special events for the income to continue our service to the community.

The membership cost is \$75 dollars and comes with many benefits, including Free parking for WVFA sponsored events, 25 carnival tickets that can be used during the 2022 County Fair, Special event pricing throughout the year, Additional Fair week parking passes at 1/2 the price rate of \$10, and 5% off building rentals.

For more information contact the Wabash Valley Fair Association, 3901 South US Highway 41, Terre Haute, IN 47803, call 812-201-3058, or email events@vigocountyfair.com.



Livestock Identification

All alpaca & llama, beef, dairy, goats, horse & pony, sheep, and swine must be entered into 4-H Online by 11:59pm on May 16, 2022 to exhibit the animal at the Vigo County Fair, NO EXTENSIONS. The deadline is extended to May 16th this year due to May 15th falling on a Sunday (you still may see some communication from me with the 15th). Equine and lama require color photos of the full animal. The other animals require tag numbers, tattoos, and/or ear notches depending on the animal.



If you have dairy or beef calves needing tagged please contact Sara at shaag@purdue.edu or 812-462-3371 by May 1 to schedule a tagging. Goat and Sheep tag day is May 14th from 9-11am at the Fairgrounds and is required for most animals, check the fair book for specifics. Swine tags can be preordered for pick-up at the April 18th meeting using this link https://purdue.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_aVQFIHum5jE8xDg?fbclid=IwAR3-zGBqkkBYra5AvpsuBFkm8vRvEUfb_yT4lw3z-rAIPFuoKtbKXAP8OoE. Deadline for tag pick-up at the meeting is April 11th, but tags can be picked up from the Extension Office during office hours.

We're searching for volunteers!



Do you know an adult that has an interest in teaching youth a new skill or serving as a club leader? We currently have Community 4-H Clubs in need of leaders. We are looking to add more SPARK Clubs also. A SPARK club consists of 6 or more hours on a special topic. (ex. Yoga, golfing, sewing, wildlife, almost anything!)