

Lawrence County 4-H NEWS

Fall 2009—Comments from the State 4-H Program Leader

Now that the fairs are behind us and 2009 is coming to a close, I would ask that you reflect on your hard work and dedication this past year, and in doing so, I would hope we could all keep the following in mind. The ribbons and scorecards are the opinion of only one individual on any given day and in **NO** way, shape, or form should it be connected to a child's self-worth. It is unfortunate that some adults have lost site of the fact that our focus should be on the skills learned and not on the ribbon that is awarded. I would hope that the youth involved in our programs are not coached or trained to have their self-worth or pride connected with the ribbon that is awarded. They should be proud of their exhibit and accomplishments, regardless of the outcome. Our educational focus should always remain on the skills that are being developed—not on the ribbon that is being awarded.

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LAWRENCE COUNTY FAIR DATES:

TBA

*Your Invited to a
Retirement Celebration
Open House*

for

Margaret "Peggy" Buck

on

October 18, 2009

1:30pm—"whenever"

Law. Co. Fairgrounds

Expo Hall

Please come and celebrate Peggy's retirement after 45 years of service at the Purdue Extension Office. There will be refreshments, fellowship and lots of visiting.

4-H MEMBER AND PROJECT INFORMATION

4-H IS OPEN TO ALL YOUTH IN GRADES K-12 (IN THE SPRING).

Youth can become 4-H members when they enter the third grade and may continue their membership through the completion of grade 12. A member may continue membership for a maximum of ten years.

Mini 4-H—A mini 4-H member must be enrolled in kindergarten, first or second grade.

4-H ENROLLMENT DATES:

**Jan.—April 15th is early enrollment
April 16—May 15**

You may drop/add projects through May 15.

ONLINE ENROLLMENT WILL BE AVAILABLE SOMETIME IN JANUARY.

Unclaimed Projects and Record Books

Your record books from the 2009 fair should have been turned in to your club leader for grading. If your book(s) were not returned to you by your leader at the fair, please contact your club leader if you want them. Otherwise they should be returned to you at a future 4-H meeting. We still have some record sheets, projects and State Fair projects that have not been picked up. Please stop by the Ext. Office and pick them up. Any projects remaining after October 1 will be discarded or donated.

Lawrence County 4-H Junior Leaders

Calling all 7th through 12th graders. Would you like to impact 4-H? If so, then join Jr. Leaders. As a Jr. Leader you will:

- Be a role model for younger members by sharing your experiences,
- Participate in fun 4-H activities,
- Become involved in community events and service projects.

Call the Ext. Office at 275-4623 if you have any questions. Meetings are held the third Thursday of each month starting in October.

4-H Supplies & Misc. Items Available:

- **Electric I Circuit Board Kits: \$3**
- **Electric I Manual on CD: \$5**
- **Electric II Flashlight Kits: \$15**
- **Electric II Manual on CD: \$5**
- **Entomology Collection Boxes: \$15**
- **Foam Poster Boards: \$2**
- **Foam Poster Boards Salon Size: \$2**
- **Plastic Sleeves for foam poster boards: \$1**
- **Plastic Sleeves for Salon Boards: \$1**
- **4-H Scrapbook Pages & Stickers Kit: \$5+**
- **4-H Stickers: (Prices vary from .50 and up)**
- **Fifty Trees of Indiana (Book): \$3**
- **Snakes of Indiana (Book): \$10**

We also have an assortment of 4-H Key Chains, Scrapbook decorations, and 4-H Ornaments.

SCHEDULED 4-H ACTIVITIES

Area II Crops, Entomology & Forestry Judging Contest

The Area II contest will be held November 12 in Harrison County. Please register through the Harrison County Extension Office. **Pre-registration is required by November 5, 2009**

Area II Hippology/Horse Bowl Contest

The Area II contest is usually held in February. For those planning to participate, practice should begin now. **Pre-registration is required.**

Junior Pork Day—Junior Pork Day will be held at Purdue on Sat., March 6. This workshop is primarily for 1st and 2nd year 4-H swine members and their parents, but older 4-H Swine enthusiasts are welcome!

Area II Livestock Judging

The Area II contest is usually held in April. If you plan to participate, you need to start practicing now. More detailed info will be available in the next newsletter. **Pre-registration is required.**

For registration information, call Megan at the Extension Office.

4-H LEADER & VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

National 4-H Youth Science Day

October 7th is National 4-H Youth Science Day. Anyone that would like to participate, please contact Megan at the Ext. Office. Through the generous support of the Indiana Corn Grower's Association, funding is being provided to make Biofuels Blast Kits available to each county.



Meeting Dates & Reminders

All club and project leaders need to provide a list of your club meeting dates, agendas, workshop dates, deadlines, etc. to Dasha at the Extension Office in order to put them on the county web site. **Please check the web site occasionally to make sure we have the right times and locations for your particular group.**

Trophy Money Collection Policy

ALL committees are responsible for soliciting and collecting trophy money for their awards. You **MUST** use the *Funds for 4-H* forms to solicit and collect the monies. All money must be turned into the 4-H Council by May 1 to receive your trophies on time. No donated money for trophies can go directly to your club—all money must go through the 4-H Council records.

Your Club Can Fund a College Scholarship

Club and/or Project leaders are encouraged to offer scholarships to their members with any left over funds they might have accumulated over the years! This will help further the educational mission of 4-H as well as help members buy books or pay tuition!

Fundraising Policy

All fundraisers must be approved by the Lawrence Co. 4-H Council. The club or committee may petition the council for approval in person or by written request. All fundraisers must be headed by an approved 4-H volunteer, and they must provide their contact information to the 4H council when they make their initial request. Fundraising requires a need. A statement of how the funds will be put to use is required. All fundraisers must have a beginning and ending date.

Fundraising is a voluntary activity; it cannot be mandatory for all club members, and it cannot be used against 4Her's in point situations.

Would You Like to be a Volunteer?

Our program relies heavily on volunteers, and now is a great time to express interest. You can help with traditional programs related to our fair or you may be more interested in helping with programs at area schools. If you already volunteer in some capacity for a 4-H activity, feel free to consider different assignments. There is not a rule saying you have to do the same thing every year. We realize your life changes and so does your interest in volunteer assignments. Don't hesitate to contact the Extension Office in order to sign up or to get a new assignment.

Volunteer Approval—NEW FOR 2010

To be an approved volunteer for the 2010 fair, you must submit your application by Dec. 31 and make your intentions known as to what capacity you will be volunteering. Any applications received after Jan. 1 will not be processed until after the 2010 Fair. You may pick up an application at the Ext. Office. For your protection, it is important to be an approved volunteer before you begin working with youth or any aspect of the 4-H program.

Chick Embryology

We have five incubators available to loan to schools/clubs for programs. Contact the office for details or reservations if you are interested.

Leaders, Parents and 4-H'ers Re: 4-H Manuals

We are asking all leaders, parents and 4-H'ers to look through their unused 4-H manuals and books and return any that you have not written in or used. We are dealing with budget issues and would like to request these manuals so that we don't have to order as many new manuals this year, which in turn saves the 4-H Council money. We place our order for manuals in late October; therefore, we would need to have your manuals by the third week in October to know if we can use them or not.

Scholarships Available:

http://www.four-h.purdue.edu/ind_4h/scholarships.cfm

- 4-H Foundation –Senior year only
- Indiana 4-H Accomplishment Resume
- 4-H Plant Science Achievement

Eligibility

4-H Foundation - Senior year of High School, only

Indiana 4-H Accomplishment Resume and 4-H Plant Science Achievement - Grade 10 (at time of due date) through the year following the final year of 4-H eligibility.

Scholarships not based on financial need or academic achievement.

When Due

County due date: January 10, 2010

How to Apply

- Complete and submit the up to 4 page State 4-H Scholarship/Trip Application Form for 4-H Foundation Scholarship-Senior Year, Plant Science.
- Indiana 4-H Accomplishment Scholarship only - submits 2 page resumé, 1 page cover letter and demographics cover sheet.

- Complete and submit a separate application for **each** scholarship.
- In addition, submit supplemental page for each Scholarship for which you plan to apply.
- No pictures on original applications.
- No fancy covers or folders please! (We remove all resumés from them before judging.)
- Note specific requirements on information page for each Scholarship.

Note: Minimum font size 10 and no more than the 4 pages will be read.

Note: Finalists in the Indiana 4-H Accomplishment Resume Scholarship will participate in an interview with a selection committee.

Notifications of Results

Time table varies by Scholarship

Recognition

Varies by Scholarship Receipt of Money

For Questions

Contact Megan at the Lawrence County Extension Office

Request From the Lawrence County Fair Board

As most of you know, the area we call Zukunft Park at the fairgrounds has the berms in and the trees planted. Since this is the focal point when you come into the fairgrounds, we are trying to fill it with color. We are asking you to help us do this. We need perennials, zebra grass, fountain grass, mums, etc.. We are also looking for birdbaths and birdhouses or any decorative item that we could use. If you don't have any flowers and would like to make a monetary donation to the park, that would be great also.

On Sunday, Sept. 27 at 2:00pm we will be having a work day. We ask that you bring a shovel and whatever you can to help us make this a place we can all be proud of. If you have any questions, call Pat McKnight at 279-3314. Thank you in advance for your support.

Safe Night Trick or Treating

Sponsored by:
the Lawrence Co. Fair Board

**Friday, October 30th
6pm—9pm
Lawrence County
Fairgrounds-Expo Hall**

**Please bring non-perishable
food items to donate
to the Life Food Pantry**

The mission of Indiana's 4-H Youth Development Program is to assist youth and adults in their development by conducting hands-on educational programs using the knowledge base of Purdue University, other land-grant universities, and the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture.

It is the policy of the Purdue University Cooperative Extension Service, Charles Hibberd, Director, that all persons shall have equal opportunity and access to the programs and facilities without regard to race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, marital status, parental status, sexual orientation, or disability. Purdue University is an Affirmative Action institution. This material may be available in alternative formats.

Show Your Support For 4-H!

Employer Matching Programs—You may want to check with your employer to see if they do a matching program for employees who do volunteer work. We have some volunteers that can turn in their volunteer hours to their employer and in turn the employer donates money to the Law. Co. 4-H Council (volunteer can specify what area to donate to).

4-H License Plates—When renewing your auto, light truck license plates and motorcycles, please remember that Indiana 4-H has a special 4-H license plate available.



For a \$25 donation to 4-H you can display your support for 4-H on your vehicle every day of the year. Also, \$10 of every plate sold (in Lawrence Co.) comes back to the Lawrence County 4-H program. You can purchase them on the spot at the license branch. When renewing your license plates, just mention that you would like an Indiana 4-H plate.

—H&R Block will donate \$25 to the Law. Co 4-H Council for each new client referral who has their taxes prepared and paid for at an H&R Block office and has the referral slip stating the organization you want to receive the donation. You can pick up the "Referral Form" at the Ext. Office. You will need to designate the donation to the Lawrence County 4-H Council when filling out the form. We will try to have them available for the leaders at the meetings to hand out.

Bedford Ford Quick Lane—if you have your oil changed at Bedford Ford, they will donate \$1 per oil change to the 4-H Council if you designate it on your paperwork.

2009 4-H Council Members

Township:

Bono. Andrea Waldieser
 Guthrie. Angie Bond
 Indian Creek. Tomi Carroll
 *Marion. Susie Cessna

President

*Marshall. Elizabeth Cochran
Secretary

*Perry. Mark Baker

Pleasant Run. TBD

Shawswick. Jeff Lambrecht

Vice Pres.

Spice Valley. Darrell Doane

4-H Leaders. Amanda Wilson

Treasurer

4-H Leaders. Jennifer Fountain

4-H Jr Leaders. Morgan Bartlett

4-H Jr Leaders. Natasha Awbrey

Extension Board. Susie Swango

4-H Fair Board. Homer McKnight

*Up for election October 6, 2009

GREAT WEB SITES

4-H Project Information:

www.four-h.purdue.edu

Click on activities/projects and select your interest.

Check out the Law. County Website For Calendar & Online Enrollment Information

www.ces.purdue.edu/lawrence

MISC.

www.TripToCollege.org

www.four-h.purdue.edu/horse

www.four-h.purdue.edu/dog

www.four-h.purdue.edu/cat

www.four-h.purdue.edu/rabbit

IMPORTANT!!!!!!!!!!!!

OCTOBER 6, 2009 at 7:00pm LAWRENCE COUNTY EXPO HALL

- ◆ **RULE CHANGE MEETING**
- ◆ **COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND VOTING**
- ◆ **4-H COUNCIL ELECTIONS**
- ◆ **LEADER'S MEETING**

Anyone wishing to be on a committee should be at this meeting. The committee members will vote to elect a committee chairperson and discuss rule changes for next year. We will also have a Leader's meeting. As for the 4-H Council, the townships coming up for election are Marion, Marshall and Perry. If you live in one of these townships and would like to run for 4-H Council, please contact Megan Hawk at the Extension Office.

October 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 <i>Area II Soil Judging Contest Floyd County</i>	3
4	5 <i>Fair Board Meeting 7:30pm Community Bldg.</i>	6 <i>Rule Change. Committees and Leader's-Meeting 7pm At the Expo Hall</i>	7	8 <i>White River 4-H Club @ 6:30—Corn maze and hay ride.</i>	9	10
11	12 <i>4-H Council Meeting 7pm Will decide Rule changes</i>	13 <i>Rabbit Club Meeting at 7pm at the Ext. Office</i>	14	15 <i>Jr. Leader's meeting @ 7pm</i>	16	17
18 <i>Peggy's Retirement Party @ Expo at 1:30 pm</i>	19 <i>Law. Co. Extension Board Meeting at 7pm</i>	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

November 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 <i>Fair Board Meeting 7:30pm Community Bldg.</i>	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 <i>4-H Council Meeting 7pm</i>	10	11	12 <i>Area II CEF contest in Harrison Co. White River 4-H Club Meeting at 6:30pm</i>	13	14
15	16	17	18	19 <i>Jr. Leader's meeting @ 7pm</i>	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 <i>Office Closed</i>	27 <i>Office Closed</i>	28
29	30					

December 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 <i>Fair Board Meeting 7:30pm Community Bldg.</i>	8	9	10 <i>White River 4-H Club Meeting at 6:30pm</i>	11	12
13	14 <i>4-H Council Meeting 7pm</i>	15	16	17 <i>Jr. Leader's meeting @ 7pm</i>	18	19
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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

**Sunday Social
Brian Humphrey Benefit**
September 20, 2pm—7pm
at the Springville Community Center
Corn Hole Tourney, Lawn Tractor Pull, Live Auction, Live Music (Gospel, Bluegrass, Country Rock), Chili, Hot Dogs & Pie—Sponsored by Friends of Brian Humphrey & Perry Township VFD.
Questions call 834-5278

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