



# THE CLOVER PATCH NEWSLETTER



## Get Hooked on 4-H!



July/August, 2011

PLEASE SHARE THIS NEWSLETTER WITH ALL FAMILY MEMBERS. Please check the dates and information in this newsletter for items of interest to you and your family. You MAY NOT receive another notice of a particular meeting or event, so please mark your calendar now!



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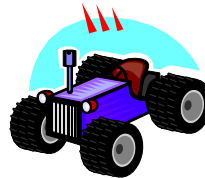
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**Extension Office Hours**  
**8:30 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.**  
**Closed for lunch from 12:00 noon-1:00 p.m.**

**4-H CORPORATION BOARD ANNUAL MTG. & ELECTION OF OFFICERS**  
**4-H Fair Week – July 14<sup>th</sup>**  
**(Nominations Open)**

This is the meeting where new 4-H Corporation Board members are elected to serve a three-year term. The meeting and ballots will be available Thursday, July 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 p.m. (approx.) in the Indoor Arena, following the Round Robin Showmanship Contest. If you are interested in helping with the 4-H program grow, please pick up a nomination form, which is available from the Extension Office. Interested candidates should notify us by **July 12<sup>th</sup>**. All 4-H affiliate adults are invited and encouraged to come and vote for your 2011-2012 leadership.

### 4-H FAIR SPECIAL EVENTS NEED HELP!!



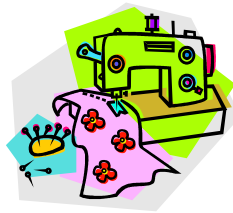
Your 4-H Corporation Board has a Special Events Committee that is working very hard to raise the much needed funds. We are not contracting all this help out, so we need **EVERYONES HELP!**

We are needing volunteers to man ticket sales and other jobs each night there is a special event scheduled (Sat, July 9<sup>th</sup>-Tractor Pull; and Fri., July 15<sup>th</sup>-Mud Drags. Please call Wally Estes at 502-817-6831 or Paul Graf at 502-548-6043 to assist. Please do not expect a member of the committee to call you to help. **The Saturday night Tractor Pull and Friday night Mud Drags are in dire need of help!** Any 4-H parent will work – even for just an hour or two. Visit Fair Information on the Clark Co. 4-H website: [www.clarkcounty4h.com](http://www.clarkcounty4h.com).

## OPEN CLASSES TO BE OFFERED

- 1) Eligible participants must be Clark County Residents 19 years of age or older and not a 4-H member or a professional.
- 2) Exhibitor is limited to two entries in the same category, but may exhibit in as many categories as they desire.
- 3) Entry fee is \$5.00.
- 4) Check-in time is Thursday, July 7<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. in the 4-H Community Building.
- 5) Check-out time is Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.
- 6) Foods (Cakes, Pies, Candy) entries are due on Wednesday, July 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. in the Community Building.

Categories: Woodcraft, Basic Crafts, Fine Arts, Needlecraft, Photography, Foods-Cakes, Pies & Candy, Scrapbooking, Garden, Christmas at the Fair, Flowers, and Flower Arrangement, **and new this year Sewing & Quilting.** Entry forms are available in the Extension Office or at the Clark County 4-H website.



### ATTENTION CAKE DECORATING & SEWING PROJECT MEMBERS

- A Cake Decorating exhibit card (4-H 710Eb-W for Beginner level; 4-H 710Ei-W for Intermediate level; 4-H 710Ea-W for Advanced level) is to be attached to each Cake Decorating exhibit for judging. These exhibit cards are available from the 4-H website: [www.four-h.purdue.edu](http://www.four-h.purdue.edu) or from the Extension Office. Complete the exhibit card as it instructs, checking the category completed, circling the skill(s) exhibited and record the tip(s) used in making your exhibit.
- Sewing – All exhibits require a Sewing Skills Card
  - Level A (4-H 925c-W)
  - Level B (4-H 926c-W)
  - Level C (4-H 927c-W)
  - Level D (4-H 928c-W)These skill cards can also be found at the 4-H website: [www.four-h.purdue.edu](http://www.four-h.purdue.edu) or from the Extension Office.

## FAIR BOOKS READY

ATTENTION 4-H Leaders and 4-H Parents – Your 4-H Corporation Board would appreciate your assistance in promoting the 4-H Fair. Fair Books can be dropped off in businesses where you work or frequent in the next few weeks. Please stop by and pick up a supply to help get the word out about the Fair!

### \*\*4-H POSTER SUPPLIES AVAILABLE\*\*

We have the following available in the Extension Office available for purchase:

- Pre-cut to 22" X 28" Foam Poster Board = \$3
- Plastic Poster Sleeves (reusable) = \$1

## DESSERT AUCTION – JULY 13<sup>th</sup>

Dessert donations will be accepted in the Food Center at the Clark Co. 4-H fairgrounds on Wed., July 13<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m., with the Auction starting at 7:00 p.m. in the Food Stand. For more information, call Diane Graf at 246-4156. Proceeds will benefit Clark Co. 4-H.



### 4-H RECOGNITION NIGHT Monday, September 26<sup>th</sup>

Four-H trophies will be awarded for all projects (other than livestock) during the 4-H Annual Recognition night, which is scheduled for Monday September 26<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 6:30 P.M. (Please Note: Livestock trophies will be given out during the different livestock shows during Fair week.)

### CHECK THOSE 4-H EXHIBIT REQUIREMENTS

Each 4-H family should have the 2011 Clark Co. 4-H Project Handbook. This tells the county rules for everything having to do with exhibits and the 4-H Fair. Please check it carefully as you finish those projects. There were changes made in some areas. If 4-H manual requirements differ from the 4-H Handbook, you should follow the requirements in the handbook. The handbook can also be found at the 4-H Corporation website: [www.clarkcounty4H.com](http://www.clarkcounty4H.com) or the Extension Office website: [www.ag.purdue.edu/counties/clark](http://www.ag.purdue.edu/counties/clark)

### TURNING IN PROJECT RECORD SHEETS

General project record sheets are to be brought to the 4-H Fair with your exhibits. Your record sheets must be signed by your 4-H club leader before you turn them in, as this is a requirement for completion of the projects.

## LIVESTOCK RECORD SHEETS

It is strongly suggested that your Livestock Record Sheet(s) be completed and signed by **your 4-H Club Leader prior to the 4-H Fair**. Livestock record sheets are to be turned into your barn committee as animals are checked in on **Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup>**.



## 4-H FASHION REVUE

The 4-H Fashion Revue will be held during 4-H Fair week this year on **SATURDAY, JULY 9<sup>th</sup>**. It will be held in the Community Building, with registration starting at 5:30 p.m. and the contest starting promptly at 6:00 p.m. This contest is for 4-H'ers in the Sewing and/or Consumer Ed.-Clothing projects.

## PROJECT SUPERINTENDENTS

Record keeping is important! If you have volunteered to serve in this capacity, please make it a priority to attend the early check-in on Thurs. Night July 7<sup>th</sup> to get familiar with your station. **Superintendents will need to arrive 15 minutes prior to check-in and judging to receive instructions on July 7<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>.**

## 4-H BUILDING SET-UP/ CLEAN-UP NIGHT

Please mark Tuesday, July 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 P.M. on your calendar to come help get the 4-H Buildings ready for the 2011 Clark Co. 4-H Fair. We are asking leaders, superintendents, Junior Leaders, parents, 4-H'ers and anyone else who would be willing to come help prepare the buildings for the 4-H Fair. Please bring brooms, scrub buckets, rags and cleaning supplies to help make this a quick clean-up. The more folks that come and help the faster this chore will be done.



## 4-H FAIR PROJECT CHECK-IN TIMES/LIVESTOCK ENTRY & WEIGH-IN TIMES/LIVESTOCK SHOWS/ EXHIBIT RELEASE

Please be sure that you are aware of the following project check-in times, livestock check-in times, livestock show times, and also release times:

### PROJECT ENTRY & WEIGH-IN TIMES:

Thursday, July 7<sup>th</sup> – Early 4-H General Project Entry, 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

**(There is no Friday entry this year.)**

Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup> – ALL 4-H Projects entered and judged (except livestock), 9:00-11:30 a.m.

Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup> – Livestock, Horse & Pony and Lamas are entered from 7:00 a.m.-12:00

noon

Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup> – Rabbits & Poultry entered from 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Sunday, July 10<sup>th</sup> – 12:30 p.m. – 4-H Livestock Exhibitors Auction Meeting, Food Center

Sunday, July 10<sup>th</sup> – 1:30 p.m. – 4-H Sheep & Beef Weigh-In, followed by Goats

Monday, July 11<sup>th</sup> – 4-H Swine Weigh-In, 7:30 a.m. start getting animals ready to begin weigh-in promptly at 8:00 a.m.

***Please Note All livestock animal exhibitors: It is ultra important that you call your barn superintendent prior to July 5<sup>th</sup> on how many animals you plan to bring to this year's 4-H Fair. They need an accurate count in order to provide adequate space for you.***

## **\*\*ATTENTION LIVESTOCK MEMBERS\*\***

If you did not receive your blue copy of your livestock enrollment form, please contact the Extension Office (256-4591) for a copy. You will need these forms to check-in at the 4-H Fair.

## LIVESTOCK SHOWS DATES & TIMES:



4-H Cat Show – Sat., July 9<sup>th</sup>, 12:30 p.m. (must have at least 5 cats or the show will be cancelled; must call the Ext. Office by July 6<sup>th</sup> to pre-register)

4-H Horse & Pony Show – Sun.,

July 10<sup>th</sup>, **12:00 noon**

4-H Rabbit Showmanship – Sun., July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 p.m.

4-H Rabbit Show – Sun., July 10<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 p.m.

4-H Lama Show – Mon., July 11<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 a.m.

4-H Sheep Show – Mon., July 11<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m.

4-H Dog Obedience CGC (Canine Good Citizen)

Demonstration – 7:00 p.m., Mon., July 11<sup>th</sup>, Wed., July 13 & Fri., July 15<sup>th</sup>

4-H Sheep Show – Mon., July 11<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m.

4-H Poultry Show – Tue., July 12<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m.

4-H Swine Show – Tue., July 12<sup>th</sup>, **5:00 p.m.**

4-H Wether Goat Show – Wed., July 13<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 a.m.

4-H Beef Show – Wed., July 13<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m.

4-H Female Goat Show – Thr., July 14<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 a.m.

4-H Dairy Cattle Show – Thr., July 14<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 p.m.

4-H Round Robin Showmanship Contest – Thr.,

July 14<sup>th</sup>, **7:30 p.m.**

4-H Livestock Auction – Fri., July 15<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m.

**\*Auction Invitations are ready in the Extension Office to pick up for distribution.**

## LIVESTOCK EXHIBIT RELEASE:

All 4-H Livestock will be released on **Friday, July 15<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. (other than Auction animals).**

***Please Note Swine Exhibitors: Out hogs will need to be signed up by Thursday night, July 14<sup>th</sup>. \*If you would like to have an out hog processed by Westport sign-up by Thursday as well.***

**GENERAL PROJECT EXHIBIT RELEASE – SAT., JULY 16<sup>th</sup>:**

The 4-H project exhibits will be released on **Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.** (Please note that there is no Friday night release time.) State Fair exhibits will need to be packed and left at the 4-H fairgrounds.

**2011 4-H Livestock Shows Info:**

1) **Except** for commercial females **ALL** purebred animals must be registered, including purebred market animals (barrows & steers). Any animal without registration papers shall be shown in the commercial classification (cross class) of the respective species show.

2) Auction fees remain **\$20.00, plus 2% of the premium received.**

3) Livestock Barns during Fair week will close nightly from **12:00 midnight-5:00 a.m.**

4) Slick clipping or body shaving of 4-H barrows and gilts is prohibited. A minimum of  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch of hair length on the body is preferred by the packers.

5) Bulk shavings and mulch will be provided by the 4-H Corp.

6) All Livestock Auction checks should be available for **pick-up from the Ext. Office by Friday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>.** (Please call ahead to make sure before you make the trip.)

7) Trailer parking same as last year.

8) Commercial Gilts will be shown by weight and not by age. No fresh ear notches will be allowed.



**TENT SPACE AT 4-H FAIR**

Any livestock 4-H'er wanting to reserve tent space at the 4-H Fair must call Kevin Christman at 256-4562 **by Tuesday, July 5<sup>th</sup>.** Will be setting up tents on Tue., July 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

**INDIANA STATE FAIR  
BOUND ANIMAL EXHIBITORS**

**\*\*PLEASE NOTE: You must stop by the Extension Office to pick up your yellow copy of your Livestock Enrollment Form before heading to the Indiana State Fair.**

**DEMONSTRATIONS**

Four-H'ers may do an Action Demonstration as their completion requirement or in addition to an exhibit at the Fair. Anyone interested in an Action Demonstration will need to sign-up during the 4-H Fair check-in. Four-H'ers should then be prepared to present their demonstration at 6:00 p.m. on Mon., July 11<sup>th</sup> in the Community Building. Jennifer Lynch will be in charge of all the Demonstrations. There are three age

categories for the Demonstration Contest: Clovers (grades 3-5); Juniors (grades 6-8); and Seniors (grades 9-12). The demonstrations are also divided by subject area: Livestock; Color/Texture/Design; Foods; Animals for Pleasure; Mechanical Science & Safety; Natural Resources & Shooting Sports; Plants; General; and Team. Two Juniors (one boy and one girl) and two Seniors (one boy and one girl) will be eligible to participate at the State Contest. Winners at the state level will receive an achievement trip to 4-H Congress with other state winners.

**CLARK COUNTY SHERIFF'S  
4-H MENTAL ATTITUDE AWARD**

A honor will be given again this year at the Clark County 4-H Fair to recognize 4-H member's overall positive attitude. Eligible 4-H members will have completed at least grade 11 in high school and must exhibit at least one other project than livestock/animal. Nominations for the award will be accepted from 4-H leaders on a club level, Junior Leader Org. and 4-H Corporation Board. A 4-H club/organization may nominate two members for this award. Nominations are due by **Thursday, July 14<sup>th</sup>** by 12:00 noon in the Extension Office. If you would like an application please stop by the Extension Office or a copy can be mailed to you.

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED**

We are always in need of extra volunteers before, during and after the 4-H Fair. If you are willing to work, please contact the Extension Office (256-4591) to let us know. Junior Leaders need to keep in mind that working in the 4-H Fair Food Stand is one of the ways of completing your project. **WE COULD NOT HAVE A 4-H FAIR IF IT WERE NOT FOR VOLUNTEERS.** We sincerely appreciate all those who help every year and we would be grateful for any new volunteers, so please sign-up to help!! **Parents of 4-H'ers are encouraged to assist with our activities.** Two chairpersons who need to hear from you about volunteering are:

- Wally Estes (Special Events) – 502-817-6831
- Dana Warren (Food Stand) – 288-6535

**GARDEN EXHIBITS FOR  
STATE FAIR**

Garden/single vegetable and flower exhibitors **MUST** let the Extension Office know if they are planning to show at the Indiana State Fair. This information is needed by July 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Garden/single vegetable, flowers and foods for the State Fair must be at the Ext. Office by **8:00 a.m.**



on Thurs., August 4<sup>th</sup>. If you are not sure, enroll it anyway.

### **REGULAR FAIR EXHIBITS/POSTERS SELECTED FOR INDIANA STATE FAIR**

If your exhibit(s) are selected for the Indiana State Fair it is **YOUR RESPONSIBILITY** to obtain a State Fair label and attach it to your exhibit **BEFORE** you pack it. This will be done the day of exhibit check-out (Sat., July 16<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.). Exhibits going to the State Fair will be left in a designated spot in the Exhibit Building, **so plan to bring your packing supplies with you on Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup>**. **NO STATE FAIR exhibits will leave prior to entry at the State Fair.**

**Please Note: Exhibits other than posters are expected to be packed. If a 4-H'er has only a qualifying poster you must see to it that it has a State Fair entry tag taped on it. Will not be packing posters individually.**



*Four-H families should be made aware that there is always a possibility that exhibits going to the State Fair could be damaged or stolen while at the Indiana State Fair. Your Extension Staff will do everything possible to protect your hard work, but the risk is still there. If you are concerned about this, you must make a decision whether you send your exhibit to the State Fair. You must get with the State Fair table during check-out (Sat., July 16<sup>th</sup>) as to your plans for exhibiting at the Indiana State Fair.*

**\*Please Note:** Very large and fragile items, like Cake Decorating, Woodworking, Home Furnishings, Models, Electricity, etc. will be the responsibility of the exhibitors to get to and from the State Fair for entry on Mon., August 1<sup>st</sup> and Pickup on Mon., August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Remainder of the State Fair exhibits will be available for pickup at the Clark County 4-H fairgrounds on Tues., August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

### **INDIANA STATE FAIR TICKETS**

All 4-H'ers with **non-livestock exhibits** at the Indiana State Fair and all 4-H Club Leaders will receive one free ticket to this year's Indiana State Fair. **Livestock Exhibitors will receive tickets when they check-in at the State Fair.** Additional discounted tickets may be purchased at the Indiana State Fair entry department.



### **COUNTY 4-H PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST**

Please mark your calendars for Tue., July 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Building for this contest and then plan to participate in this very important life skill opportunity. Missy Stephans will coordinate and conduct this contest. This year's speech theme is: **"I Pledge My Health to Better Living"**. There are three age categories for the contest: Clovers (grades 3-5); Juniors (grades 6-8); and Seniors (grades 9-12). Two Juniors (one boy and one girl) and two Seniors (one boy and one girl) will be eligible to participate at the State Contest. Winners at the state level will receive an achievement trip to 4-H Congress with other state winners. For more information, please feel free to contact the Ext. Office (256-4591).

### **4-H FAIR BASKET AUCTION**

The 4-H Adult Leaders are again planning a Silent Basket Auction to be held during the 4-H Fair to raise money for the organization. Technically a basket is not mandated, but each club needs to assemble a gathering of donated items. Please deliver baskets on Sun., July 10<sup>th</sup> between 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. to the Food Center. Baskets must have a typed list of contents and be attached to the basket. They should also be shrink wrapped to prevent theft, but done so in clear wrapping so it can be viewed by potential bidders. Benita Conn is asking for the list of contents by 12:00 noon on Sat., July 9<sup>th</sup> and she needs the value of the basket, so she can put a starting bid on each one. Please call Benita at 283-3426 as soon as you know.



### **CALIFORNIA EXCHANGE JUNE 26<sup>th</sup>-JULY 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Seven Junior Leaders and three chaperones will be traveling to Yuba City, California the week of June 26<sup>th</sup>-July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Thanks to Teresa Burgin for all her time coordinating this trip. I'm sure that these 4-H'ers will have a great time!

### **JUNIOR LEADER MEETING**

The next Junior Leader meeting will be on **TUESDAY, JULY 5<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30 p.m. in the Food Stand. Please wear old clothes, since we will be cleaning the Food Stand in preparation for the 4-H Fair.

## IMPORTANT FUTURE MEETING DATES

- 4-H Corporation Board Evaluation Meeting: Wed., July 27<sup>th</sup>
- 4-H Livestock Fair Evaluation Meeting: Tues., August 23<sup>rd</sup>
- 4-H Adult Leaders Program Evaluation Meeting: Thrs., August 18<sup>th</sup>
- 4-H Corporation Board Reorganization Meeting/Election of Officers: Wed., August 24<sup>th</sup>



## CLARK COUNTY SHOOTING SPORTS

Gary Graf has set Tues., July 5<sup>th</sup> as the last meeting date for the 4-H Shooting Sports at 6:30 p.m. at the Silver Creek Conservation Club.

## SHOOTING SPORTS EDUCATION PROGRAM NEEDS ADULT VOLUNTEERS



If there are any adults interested in assisting with this program, which teaches basic home firearms training and hunter education certification – there is a state requirement that all adults

helping need to attend a State Training and Certification Workshop. The next State workshop is scheduled for September 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> at Ross Camp in Tippecanoe Co. Scholarships are available. Pre-registration is due by August 24<sup>th</sup>. Call the office (256-4591) to sign-up.

## SEPTEMBER HUNTER EDUCATION CLASSES AT BASS PRO SHOP

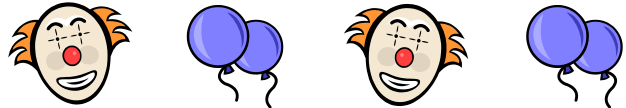
For families with youth needing to complete a Hunter Education course, the next course will be tentatively set for: Tuesdays & Thursdays, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 6:00-8:30 p.m. each evening at the Clarksville Bass Pro Shop. Please call Bass Pro Shop at 218-5500 to register. You must attend all sessions and pass the test to be certified. Call Gary Graf at 246-3427 for any other needed information. There will be another course offered in February, 2012.

## FILL RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE

Please plan to bring your pop can tabs to the 4-H Fair and fill the Ronald McDonald House. Please bring them to the Food Center by Wed., July 13<sup>th</sup> by 12:00 noon. There will not be a plastic bottle cap collection this year. For more information call Jennifer or Jamie Lynch at 256-6679. Great Community Service project!!

## 4-H CORPORATION BOARD FAIR EVALUATION MEETING

Wednesday, July 27<sup>th</sup> has been set aside for the Clark County 4-H Corporation Board/Fair Evaluation Meeting, starting at 7:00 p.m. in the Extension Office Conference Room. This is for 4-H Club Leaders and 4-H Corporation Board members who have ideas for next year and concerns that need to be dealt with in the fall and winter committee meetings. **Concerns should be submitted in letter form to the Extension office.** *The 4-H Corp. Board reorganization meeting will be held on Wed., August 24<sup>th</sup>.*



## 4-H FUN NIGHT AT CLARK COUNTY 4-H FAIR

The Clark County 4-H Adult Leaders have planned a 4-H Fun Night at the Fair this year, which will be held on Wednesday, July 12<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. in the at the Community Building stage. All 4-H'ers (Explorers to 12<sup>th</sup> grade) can participate. Individual or group acts are welcome; no judging involved. All talents are welcome.

## 4-H ADULT LEADERS DAY AT INDIANA STATE FAIR – AUGUST 13<sup>th</sup>

This day is set aside for club leaders from all over Indiana. Registration is due between 9:30-10:00 a.m. in the Farm Bureau Building at the Indiana State Fairgrounds. A complete schedule will be mailed to you closer to the event. This will be the recognition for 20-50 year 4-H leaders, plus your chance to hear the excellent State 4-H Chorus.



## 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 vehicles every day of the year. Also, \$10 of every plate sold (in Clark Co.) comes back to the Clark County 4-H Program. You can now purchase them on the spot at the license branch. When renewing your plates, just mention that you would like an Indiana 4-H plate.

## BLOOD DRIVE AT 4-H FAIR



The American Red Cross will have a blood drive at the 4-H Fair, which will be on Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. They would like people to sign up prior to this day for a head count. Must be 17 years old or older and weigh at least 110 pounds.

## PRE-MINI/MINI 4-H COSTUME PARADE

This event will be held on Wed., July 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. in the Shelter House. Please pre-register by July 11<sup>th</sup>. For more information call Marina Traub at 256-2623. Pre-Mini is ages 3-K/Mini is K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade.



## INDIANA 4-H YOUTH/ADULT CONGRESS November 5, 2011

This year's Indiana 4-H Congress will be held in Indianapolis at the Indiana State Fairgrounds on Sat., November 5<sup>th</sup>. This program is for 4-H Junior Leaders.



**Adult Track Option:** They will again be offering a track for Adult 4-H Volunteers and Staff who work with Junior Leaders, 4-H Club Officers, and other 4-H'ers with leadership responsibilities. The sessions will focus on teaching communication skills to the 4-H members. The Adult Track of sessions will be held at the same time that the youth are attending their sessions. The adults and youth will join together for the opening session keynote speaker and for the banquet lunch. Registration fee is \$25.00.



## ADULT LEADERS ARE SELLING KROGER/JAY-C GIFT CARDS

The Adult Leaders Organization is still selling these gift cards as a fundraiser. Cards cost \$5 and more money can also be added on them. The Leaders Fund will receive 4% of the money spent with these cards. For more information, please call Missy Stephans at 945-2913.

## 4-H DANCE "RAINBOW CONNECTION" In Memory of Marquis Popp

This dance will be held again during 4-H Fair week on Thursday, July 14<sup>th</sup> in the Shelter House, from 9:00 p.m.-midnight. There is a \$1.00 entry fee, which goes to the memorial fund. For more info, contact Debbie Trotter at 256-3478.



## 4-H FAIR SPECIAL EVENTS

### Battle of the Bluegrass Tractor Pull:

Sat., July 9<sup>th</sup> - Pull starts at 7:00 p.m.; Pits open at 4:00 p.m.; Admission: Adults=\$10; 7-12=\$5; 6 & under=free; Pit Passes=\$15; Classes: 12,000# Open Farm 3000RPM, Pro Stock Diesel Truck (2.6), Lightweight Super Stock, Super Modified Blower 2WD Trucks, Super Farm Limited Pro; for more information contact Wally Estes (502-817-6831) or Paul Graf (502-548-6043)



### Tricky Travelstead (Stunt Man) & Go Karts:

Tue., July 12<sup>th</sup> - Gates open at 4:00 p.m.; Heat Race at 7:00 p.m.; Pit Passes=\$10; Admission: \$6.00; children 6 & under=free; family of 4=\$20; for more information contact Donnie Loweth (502-889-8074)

Go Karts will also run again on Sat., July 16<sup>th</sup>



### Mud Drags:

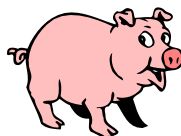
Fri., July 15<sup>th</sup> - Starts at 7:00 p.m.; Pits open at 4:00 p.m. Admission: Adults=\$10; 7-12=\$5; 6 & under=free; Pit Passes=\$15; Classes: Street Stock, Pro Street, Super Stock, Pro Stock, and Modified; for more information & rules contact Tim Smith (502-553-3280)

*All proceeds will benefit the Clark Co. 4-H Program.*

## INDOOR ARENA CONCESSION STAND

Your 4-H Club Leaders Organization will be providing a convenient concession stand the evenings of the livestock shows in the corner of the Indoor Arena. An excellent option for a quick snack or drink. Proceeds help offset 4-H camp costs.

## "CELEBRITY" SWINE SHOW AT THE CLARK COUNTY 4-H FAIR



Due to the great response from this event last year, the Clark County 4-H Fair is again holding a "Celebrity" Swine Show on Thrs., July 14<sup>th</sup>, starting at 6:30 p.m. in the Indoor Arena. For a list of the Celebrities who are participating go to the 4-H website: [www.clarkcounty4h.com](http://www.clarkcounty4h.com) and click on the 2011 4-H Fair schedule page.

This event is free, so bring the family out to see your celebrity show a pig and enjoy all the excitement is going to bring!

## OTHER COUNTY FAIR DATES

The 4-H Fair dates for the counties in the surrounding area are:

Floyd Co. (July 11<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>) Washington Co. (July 16<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>)  
Jefferson Co. (July 8<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>) Scott Co. (July 10<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>)  
Crawford Co. (July 9<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>) Jackson Co. (July 24<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>)  
Lawrence Co. (July 9<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>) Harrison Co. (July 22<sup>nd</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>)

If you need Fair dates for any other county, we have a list in the Extension Office. The Indiana State Fair runs from August 5<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>. We have the State Fair programs available in the office. If you need a State Fair 4-H Handbook you can go on-line at:

[http://www.in.gov/statefair/fair/competition/competition\\_contests.html](http://www.in.gov/statefair/fair/competition/competition_contests.html)

### LAST NOTE TO PARENTS/MEMBERS:

*Above All: Remember that 4-H is positive youth development, not winning at whatever cost! The time leading up to our main event is where you have learned responsibility, parliamentary procedures, commitment, and the feeling of accomplishing something by completing your club work. In my opinion, every child who completes their work IS A WINNER! Please think about this.*

### 2011 MISS CLARK COUNTY QUEEN CONTEST

This year's contest will be held on Tue., June 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at Providence High School in Clarksville. There are 12 participants in the contest. *Congratulations to all of the girls!*



### 2011 4-H BICYCLE RODEO

This year's 4-H Bicycle Rodeo Contest will be held on Thurs., June 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at the Clark Co. 4-H fairgrounds (in front of the Ext. Office building).

Please bring your completed project manual with you and also bring a helmet, which **MUST be worn when you are participating.** For those qualifying for the State Fair, the State Contest will be on Saturday, August 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. One Junior (grades 3-7) and one Senior (grades 8-12) winner can be sent from the county.



### AFTER FAIR SWIM PARTY

The Junior Leaders will be sponsoring an "After the Fair Swim Party" on Sunday, July 24<sup>th</sup> at the Jeff Aquatic Center, from 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Cost is two (2) canned good items for local food banks. Four-H'ers need to be with a parent or their 4-H Leader. Feel free to bring refreshments.

### A Message to Share:

Whether we're ready or not, June means we're all going to be VERY busy with lots of summer activities involving the youth in our programs. Four-H camps, meetings, project workshops, Science Workshops, Round-Up and State Junior Leader Conference are all conducted in June and so are a few of our County Fairs!!

We realize that there are many organizations with which youth and families choose to be actively engaged. While we appreciate that involvement with Indiana's premiere (and largest) youth development program (4-H), with that comes a responsibility to serve as positive representatives of 4-H. We realize that many youth have set a personal goal of participating in 4-H competitions at the County and Indiana State Fair and realize it is a privilege to participate.

Please help us remind families that we need to remain focused on developing the next generation of young people who will ultimately serve as our future leaders! While competition at 4-H events is natural, the education that comes with 4-H project work and attainment of personal goals is far more important than an attitude of "winning at all costs" (Competency rather than competition). With your assistance, we feel certain that the process of learning is far more important than the 4-H project or exhibit itself.

While we strive to present the ideals above, we also expect parents and volunteers to assist us by:

- Serving as positive role models;
- Conducting themselves in a courteous and respectful manner;
- Exhibiting good sportsmanship;
- Praising young people for what they have learned from their 4-H experience and accomplishments;
- Understanding that the best exhibit possible is the individual 4-H member!

*Wishing you all a terrific summer!*  
Renee McKee, State 4-H Program Leader

Be sure to visit our websites:

[www.clarkcounty4h.com](http://www.clarkcounty4h.com) (4-H Corporation)  
[www.ag.purdue.edu/counties/clark](http://www.ag.purdue.edu/counties/clark) (Extension Office)

Sincerely,

Robert C. Allen  
Extension Educator-4-H Youth Development



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**JULY 8<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup>**  
**(Carnival will start on the 8<sup>th</sup>)**

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