

# 4-H NEWS ROUNDUP

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NEWSLETTER FOR 4-H MEMBERS, LEADERS & PARENTS IN LASSEN COUNTY

## Calendar of events...

June 2024

### JUNE

- 1 4-H Mustang Horse Camp registration due  
Lassen County Fair June Jackpot
- 6 Fair BBQ committee meeting—4 pm, 4-H office
- 11 '24-'25 4-H Ambassador application due
- 17 4-H & FFA Fair Entry deadline—5 pm, Fair office
- 25 Fair Clean-Up Day for all 4-Hers! 8 to 11 am, LC Fairgrounds  
'24-'25 Ambassador interviews—4 pm, 4-H office
- 27 Council meeting—6 pm, 4-H office
- 28-29 4-H Mustang Horse Camp—sponsored by BLM Wild Horse & Burro/Lassen CE 4-H Program
- 30 Close out '23-'24 Club Treasurer books—July 1, 2023 -June 30, 2024

### JULY

- 9 Junior Livestock Auction Promotion Day—9:30 am, Memorial Park
- 16 4-H Barbecue Fundraiser
- 17-21 Lassen County Fair

### AUGUST

- 20 4-H Open House—4 to 6 pm, Tractor Supply  
Junior Livestock Auction Carcass Contest—6:30, LC Fairgrounds
- 22 Council meeting—6 pm, 4-H office



**LASSEN COUNTY FAIR**  
4-H & FFA Livestock & Still Entry  
**DEADLINE: Monday, June 17, 2024, 5 PM**

### 4-H Fair Clean-up Day

**Tuesday, June 25 \* 8 to 11 am**

All 4-H members exhibiting animals or still exhibits are asked to attend.

Bring rakes, water bottle, hat, gloves, and wear old clothes as you may be painting.

If you cannot attend on this day, you can work with the FFA on:

June 10—9 to 12 or  
June 28—9 to 12





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## National & State 4-H News

For more information from the STATE 4-H Office:  
[State 4-H Information & Resources](#)

Join 4-H: <http://4h.ucanr.edu/Members/>

### 4-H Project Sheets:

[http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/Project\\_Sheets/4-H Project Sheets](http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/Project_Sheets/4-H_Project_Sheets)

### 4-H Volunteer Leader Resources:

<http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Volunteers/>

### 4-H Youth Member Resources:

[http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Member\\_Resources/](http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Member_Resources/)

State 4-H News & Calendar: <http://4h.ucanr.edu/News/>

### '23-'24 4-H Community Club Leaders:

**Doyle/South County**—Moriah Allen (775-636-1700) and Trish Wemken (530-249-7343)

#### **Dyer Mountain**

Cassie Lemaster (530-260-1096), Rebecca Nelson (530-260-2510)

#### **Johnstonville 4-H**

Cody Waltman (530-310-1366)

#### **Lake 4-H**

Nancy Hemphill (530-640-1096), Mandi Jaso (707-845-2610)

#### **Milford 4-H**

Nickie Dilts (530-310-6882), Lacy Music (760-221-4471)

#### **Richmond 4-H**

Linda von Helf (760-221-4471), Jessica Jones (530-249-5969)

#### **Standish 4-H**

Virginia Bartholomew (530-310-1993),  
Cindy Weimer (775-240-0193)

#### **Thompson Peak 4-H**

Jason Meadows (530-559-5327), Loel Griffith (530-310-6797)

### Lassen County 4-H Council:

Meets 4th Thursday of each month at CE 4-H office

President	Katelyn Kirack
1st Vice President	Laura Medvin
2nd Vice President	Rebecca Kircklin
Secretary	Julie Kirack
Corresponding Sec.	Maddi Johnson
Treasurer	Ranielle Mallery



The Roundup Newsletter is published by the Lassen County 4-H Youth Program, University of California, Cooperative Extension, Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources. The Roundup is a monthly newsletter for 4-H members, leaders, parents, and friends of 4-H in Lassen County.



Please submit Articles and/or photos by the 3rd Thursday of each month to:

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## Are you Interested in being a '24-'25 4-H Ambassador?

Applications are now available at the 4-H Office and DUE on or before: June 11, 2024.

The California 4-H County Ambassador Program is a leadership development opportunity for older youth.

The 4-H County Ambassadors rank recognizes members' leadership abilities, but it is also a working honor. Besides their regular projects and activities, 4-H Ambassadors are required to assist with county events, develop a plan of action, and perform service projects.

### QUALIFICATIONS:

- Be 14 year old & have earned a Gold Star Rank or will receive one at the end of the current year.
- Be willing to try new things.
- Have a keen interest in improving leadership skills
- Have a desire to promote the Lassen County 4-H Program.
- Have the skill, ability, and desire to encourage other 4-H members to achieve their goals.

Please contact the 4-H Office and we will be happy to email an electronic application to you.



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## STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE~ROAD TO RESILIENCE

### Registration Checklist:

<https://na.eventscloud.com/website/55587/>

Senior Members Ages 14-19: July 25-28, 2023, \$379

Intermediate Ages 11-13: July 26-28, 2024, \$249

- June 25 at 11:45 PM: Fee increases by \$50
- July 9 at 11:45 PM: Fee increases by \$50
- July 16 at 11:45 PM: Fee increases by \$100



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4-H Youth Development Program

# WE ARE HIRING

## 4-H Community Education Specialist II, Lassen County

Position Open until filled: First review may 2024

<https://ucanr.edu/about/jobs/?jobnum=2809>



For more information on this position, please contact David Lile or Darcy Hanson at the CE 4-H office.





## FAIR 4-H BBQ FUNDRAISER

**Barbecue tickets are now available from your club leader or 4-H office.**

The 4-H barbecue is the Lassen County 4-H big fundraiser of the year.

Proceeds from this annual event are used to fund project skills days, countywide events, Ambassadors, scholarship and end of the year medals and awards. In order for our barbecue to be successful, our members need to help sell tickets.

We are asking each family to sell a book of 10—tickets so we can reach our goal of serving 800 meals. Club Leaders will distribute tickets at your club meeting or you can pick more up at the 4-H office.

**DATE:** Tuesday, July 16th \* 5 pm to 6:30 pm \* Lassen County Fairgrounds

**MENU:** BBQ Beef tri-tip or Chicken, baked potato, garden green salad, roll, dessert & beverage

**PRICE:** \$15/plate

### BIG PRIZES FOR THE TOP THREE TICKET SELLERS!!!

\*\*\* 1st & 2nd Prize—Week long Carnival Pass

\*\*\* 3rd Prize—Day Carnival Pass

Please return unsold tickets or ticket money on July 9 at the Junior Livestock Promotion Day or the 4-H Office. Those wanting to continue selling can turn tickets in on the day of the BBQ by 3 pm in the fair barbecue are. Be sure to put your name on the ticket stub. Winners will be contacted on Wednesday of fair.



### Club BBQ Sign-Up Sheet ~ help is needed & appreciated!

Each club leader has been given a work sign-up sheet so that members and adults can volunteer to help out. These tasks include setup/takedown, serving food and drinks, clearing dining tables, collecting and selling tickets. We encourage everyone to help. The proceeds from the barbecue fundraiser go towards supporting our 4-H program activities and events, leadership opportunities, and scholarships.

#### Work signup spots:

- **Barbecue Crew**—2 to 3 pm, meet next to the Dairy Barn
- **Setup tables, serving line and prepare ice tea and lemonade**—4:15 pm
- **BBQ Dinner is open**—5:00 to 6:30 pm
- **Buffet Line and serving drinks to guests**—5:00 to 6:30
- **Take down tables, pickup any trash, load up leftovers & take to Jensen Hall** to wash serving utensils and dishes—6:30 to 7:30 pm in Jensen Hall



#### LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS HERE'S AN IDEA...

**Purchase 4-H BBQ tickets for your last year's JLA buyer. They will appreciate your thoughtfulness and it will give them a chance to see go through the barns and see the livestock animals that will be on exhibit this year.**

#### Thank you to our barbecue committee:

Becca Nelson, Dyer Mountain  
Mallorie Kelly, Johnstonville  
Joy Kirkner, Lake  
Jessica Jimenez, Milford  
Tim Knittel, Richmond  
Cindy Weimer, Standish  
Virginia Bartholomew, Standish

# DEVIL'S GARDEN Colt Challenge



Applications for 2023 are now available.  
Apply now: <https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=85282>

Questions? Check out our FAQ page at <http://www.devilsgardenucce.org/post/colt-challenge-faq>



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## Applications for the '24 Devil's Garden Colt Challenge


are now open until October 15th. The Devil's Garden Colt Challenge pairs youth with young wild horses from northern California for initial ground gentling and training in partnership with adults mentors. This is the fifth anniversary of the program and we have placed over 150 horses in the program so far. This year we are open to 4-H and FFA youth in all California Counties and Lake and Klamath Counties in Oregon. We will also have a teen riding class! There is more information about the program at: <https://www.devilsgardenucce.org/post/colt-challenge-faq>.

Please spread the word to anyone you think may be interested and send any questions to: [devilsgardenhorseinterns@gmail.com](mailto:devilsgardenhorseinterns@gmail.com).



### Crafters, quilters, and sewers ...we have donated fabric!

We have several boxes of fabric that was donated by a local senior citizen who no longer sews. If you are interested, please come by and take a look.



## 4-H Horticulture Day


Our 4-H Horticulture Day that was held on April 28 was well attended with just under forty participants!

Members rotated between the following stations:  
 \* Microgreens \* Food Systems \* Bugs & Fungus  
 \* Bees & Pollination \* Flowers \* Three Sisters  
 \* Composting

Quiz—Winners: Junior—Clark Brazil  
 Intermediate—Ezra Meadows & Russell Mallery  
 Senior—Samantha Medvin

Everyone went home with a plant donated by Every Bloomin Thing.

*Thank you Lake 4-H and Johnstonville 4-H for hosting such a fun and educational event.*



## Congratulations!

Congratulations to Katelyn Kirack, who received a \$1000 Lassen County 4-H Council scholarship and \$5000 Milano Family scholarship. Katelyn will be attending Chico State University in the fall.

Congratulations to Ashley von Helf, who received a \$1000 Lassen 4-H Council scholarship! Ashley will be attending Lassen Community College this fall.

*We wish them all the best in their future endeavors!*

**We would like to thank the following individuals who volunteered to help us with our 2nd Annual Forever 4-H Drive-Through dinner on May 2nd:**  
 Joe Comino, Ramsey Wood, Tim knittel, Cindy Weimer, Julie Kirack, Jason Ingram, Trish Wemken, Maralee Perez, Katelyn Kirack, Virginia Bartholomew, Robert McCollough, Russell Mallery, Ashley von Helf, Mary, Molly Dickson, Megan von Helf, Anastasia Miller, Marianne Miller, Royce Waltman, and any others we may have missed. Thank you!

### Here are the Top Ticket Sellers:

- 5- Day Carnival Pass: 1st—Belen/Ulysses Sanchez; 2nd—Katelyn Kirack
- Tractor Supply \$50 Gift Card: 3rd—Hailee/Lacy Hay, 4th—Mary Gallagher
- BBQ Ticket: 5th—Hayley Wattenburg, 6th—Jace Dickson
- Grandstand Show: 7th—Adyson Glenn, 8th—Ashley/Megan von Helf
- Fair Week Pass: 9th—Jaxon Pena, 10th—Emi Chandler





## Howdy! My name is Megan von Helf!

I am currently 15 and will be turning 16 this year. I am currently in the 10th grade and do the virtual academy through Lassen High. 4-H is so amazing and has so much to offer! This is my 9th year in 4-H and I am one of this year's 2023-2024 Lassen County 4-H Ambassadors and I am currently Richmond 4-H's Treasurer. My favorite project in 4-H is raising livestock. My family and I raise show lambs, and I love to see them from when they are first born all the way to fair. I love to help out and share the knowledge I have with others. The 2023 Lassen County Fair was a blast! I got to participate in Small Animal Round Robin along with the Large Animal Master Showmanship. I am very proud to have the honor of saying I placed first in Large Animal Master Showmanship, and I hope to go to State Fair. This year I am planning on taking my lamb "Whopper",

my dairy steer "Spin", and my dog "Echo" to the Lassen County Fair. Some outside activities I enjoy is photography, and trap shooting, and I am on the Lassen Trap Shooting Team. My goal is, "To Make The Best Better".

## The Lassen County 4-H Dog Project update

*Submitted by Samantha Medvin*

The Lassen County Dog Project is preparing for the 2024 Lassen County Fair Dog Show. All of the competitors both dogs and their handlers have been working very hard all year to compete in the dog show. The handlers and their dogs have worked on showmanship and obedience training. Handlers and their dogs learn things like sit-stay-recall, figure eight walking patterns, stand exams, etc., In addition all dogs are kept up to date on their Vet. Health. Meetings have been held at the Janesville Park since October of 2023, with a first meeting as an introduction of new and returning competitors.

The Lassen County Fair Dog show will be held on Wednesday, July 17 at 5 pm in the Lassen County Fair Livestock Pavilion. Competitors include five dogs with their handlers Rebecca Kirklin with Lux, Ashley VonHelf with Gunner, Megan VonHelf with Echo, Layton Allen with Winnie, and Wyatt Smith with Hank. Be sure to come out for the show!

A big thank you to Kaitlyn Midgely for getting this show into the Pavilion Event line up!



Ashley vonHelf with Gunner



Rebecca Kirklin with Lux



Layton Allen with Winnie



Megan vonHelf with Echo



Wyatt Smith with Hank

## Milford 4-H Arts & Craft Project, *Submitted by Samantha Medvin*

The Milford 4H Club Arts and Crafts project has concluded their year of activities for 2024. The club was led by 4H volunteer Sara Chandler. For the year the arts & crafts project not only made crafts but also learned about different cultures and holidays that tied in with our projects. The arts & crafts project also had the Lassen County Arts Council in many times as guest speakers and help. In November 2023 we started the year of activities off with a lesson about the Day of the Dead celebration. The activity included learning how to make tissue paper flags. From here the rest of the year went into more fun activities in learning about Hanukkah, Chinese New Year, then on to the Valentines for Veterans project and delivery and cookie decorating class as a finale.

The year in Arts & Crafts was a fun year, each member had an opportunity to make their own Hanukkah Dreidel, Tissue Paper Flag, cookie and added their hand in the design and creation of the paper Dragon for the Chinese New Year. The paper dragon was donated and on display at the Milford Community Center during early spring 2024 and will now be on display at the Lassen County Fair as a still exhibit. Be sure to stop by and see their Dragon!

A big thank you to the Lassen County Arts Council for their time with the Milford 4H Arts & Crafts project and a thank you to Sara Chandler- 4H parent volunteer for leading the project!



Paper Dragon design



Decorating Cookies



Paiton Hallmark  
—Hanukah Dreidel

**Lassen County 4-H Council Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, May 28, 2024 \* 6:00 PM \* CE 4-H Office**

The meeting of the Lassen County 4-H Council was called to order by K. Kirack, President at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by M. Johnston

Roll Call was taken: Dyer Mtn – 2 Johnstonville – 2 Lake – 2 Milford - 3 Richmond – 5 South County - 0  
Standish – 4 Thompson Peak – 0 CE 4-H staff – 1

Approval of the agenda was motioned and seconded by M. Johnson and M. VonHelf

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes as modified to include invitation to families camping for the week at Lassen County Fair to join him for a pizza party Wednesday 7/17 @ 4pm place TBA motioned and seconded by M. Johnson and A. VonHelf.

**Treasurer's report** was given by K. Kirack

**4-H Staff Report:**

- Required: New Club Bylaws & Constitution – must be approved, signed & returned by 6/27 Council meeting
- We are hiring–4-H Community Education Specialist II for Lassen County. For info, contact CE 4-H office.

**Committee Reports:**

- Ambassador – Report by A. VonHelf and M. VonHelf
- Lassen County Fair
  - Fair Awards – report by J. Kirack
  - BBQ fundraiser – Update by J. Jimenez
  - JLA Auction: Committee update on business list by L. Medvin and J. Mallery
  - JLA Auction item for 4-H – each club to donate \$50 toward the JLA Auction item by 6/27
  - JLA Sunday Breakfast – Committee to have 200 burritos cut in half ready to serve by 6:30am Service will be 6:30am-8:30am. Ag Credit to donate \$500 toward breakfast cost
  - Fair Clean-Up Day – Tuesday 6/25 8am to 11am
- Horticulture Day – 4/28/24 report by R. Mallery. Well attended and each member left with something to take home
- Club reports – Report by each present club

**Old Business:**

- All Around 4-Her of the Year – changes to application and point values to be sent for review and placed on June agenda for approval.

**New Business:**

- 2024-2025 Council Officer Nomination/Elections 8/22/24

**Announcements:**

May 25	State 4-H Field Day
June 1	4-H Mustang Camp Registration due and LC Fair Jackpot
June 6	BBQ Committee mtg 4pm – 4-H Office
June 11	Ambassador Application Due, Interview 6/25 @4pm at 4-H office
June 17	Fair Entries Due by 5pm
June 27	Council meeting; Required: New Club Bylaws & Constitution Due
June 28-29	Mustang Horse Camp (with BLM Wild Horse Corals) 10am 6/28 – 1pm 6/29/24
July 9	JLA Promotion Day – 9:30am @ Memorial Park
July 16	4-H BBQ
July 17-21	Lassen County Fair
Aug 20	4-H Open House @ Tractor Supply
Aug 20	JLA Carcass Contest/check dispersal
Aug 22	Council meeting – election of officers'

**Next Meetings:** Wednesday, June 27, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m. at CE 4-H Office.

**4-H Pledge:** Lead by M. Johnson

**Meeting Adjourned:** Motion by M. Johnson and seconded by M. VonHelf to adjourn the meeting at 6:37 p.m.

**Date:** 5/28/24 **Signed:** Julie Kirack



