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COLUSA COUNTY 4-H APRIL 2026 NEWSLETTER

Upcoming Events:

April

1st - Maxwell 4-H Meeting, 6:00pm, Maxwell Elementary School

Multipurpose Room

10th - Market Goat, Sheep, Swine Fair Entry Deadline

13th - Arbuckle 4-H Meeting, 6:30 Primary meeting, 7:00, Regular members,

Arbuckle Elementary School Multipurpose Room

13th - Princeton 4-H Meeting, 6:00, Princeton Elementary School Cafeteria

13th - Colusa Community 4-H Meeting, 6:15 Primary, 7:00 Regular Members,

Colusa Industrial Properties Conference Room, Colusa

30th - Colusa County Fair 4-H Still Exhibits Entry Deadline

May

6th - Maxwell 4-H Meeting, 6:00, Maxwell Elementary School Multipurpose

Room

9th - Showmanship, Small Animal, Primary, Breeding Fair Entries Due

11th - Arbuckle 4-H Meeting, 6:30 Primary meeting, 7:00, Regular members,

Arbuckle Elementary School Multipurpose Room

11th - Colusa Community 4-H Meeting, 6:15 Primary, 7:00 Regular Members,

Colusa Industrial Properties Conference Room, Colusa

11th - Princeton 4-H Meeting, 6:00, Princeton Elementary School Cafeteria

23rd - 4-H State Field Day, UC Davis

Looking Ahead:

Colusa County Fair, June 11th - 14th



Buyer Letter Writing Workshop

Marketing Yourself and Your Project

Workshop Description:

Please join us for an informative hands-on workshop focused on Marketing Yourself and Your Project: Writing Buyer's Letters and Presenting Your Letters to Potential Buyers.

During this workshop, you will have the opportunity to view example buyer letters, learn how to structure your own letter, and learn where to send your letters. You will also learn best practices for presenting your letters in-person and have a chance to practice giving your pitch.

This event is open to all youth exhibitors attending the Colusa County Fair.



Workshop Details

Date:

March 31, 2026

Time:

6:00 PM -7:30 PM

Location:

100 Sunrise Blvd.
Colusa

RSVP by:

March 30, 2026

Use the QR code or link to register:

<https://bit.ly/4bXVhJp>

**Questions? Contact:**

Nicole Marshall-Wheeler at

nmarshall@ucanr.edu



Register Here for Workshop



Still Exhibits Day



Colusa County 4-H Still Exhibits Day was held Saturday, March 21st, at the Maxwell Elementary School Multipurpose Room. A wide variety of entries were displayed, with members talking with the judges. While they were anxiously waiting, they enjoyed playing games with each other, passing the time having fun!

Arts and Crafts

Gold medals:

- Ethan Mord
- Keegan Azevedo
- Michael Azevedo-2
- Andrew Garrison
- Tyler Garrison
- Ellie Mord
- Reagan Pearson-2

Home Furnishings

Gold medals:

- Keegan Azevedo
- Reagan Pearson

2nd place:

- Ethan Mord,

Photography

Gold medal:

- Max Vann - 2

2nd place:

- Ellie Mord - 2,
- Elizabeth Dawley

3rd place:

- Matthew Dawley
- Owen Vann - 2

Scrapbooking

Gold medal:

- Elizabeth Dawley

Table Setting

- Kyler Davis,
- Jordan McPeek, and
- Ellie Mord

3rd place:

- Andrew Garrison
- Tyler Garrison

Gold medals:

- Elizabeth Dawley
- Matthew Dawley
- Max Vann
- Jordan McPeek

LEGO

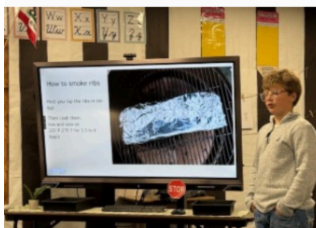
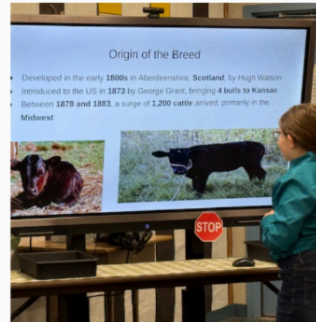
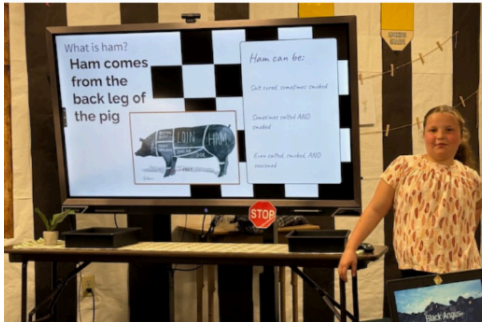
Gold medal:

- Max Vann

Primary Members:

Will Vann, Participation Ribbon





Arbuckle 4-H Presentation Night

March 4, 2026



Colusa County Fair News!

Neon Dreams and Carnival Screams will be rolling into Colusa County June 11 to 14, 2026!

It's never too early to start planning! We are looking for volunteers who may want to take the task of decorating the stills area in the Main Exhibit Building. We will have a planning meeting in April, to talk about ideas and get something in place! If interested please contact the 4-H Office, 530-458-0570.



2026 Livestock Guidebook



Trash Cans and Educational Displays at the Colusa County Fair



Colusa County 4-H Council will award \$50 to each group that has the winning trash can and educational display for each species of livestock (Beef, Rabbit, Sheep, Swine, and Goat) at this year's Colusa County Fair.

There are three different categories to choose from:

1. Fair Theme, "Neon Dreams & Carnival Screams"
2. 4-H Week Theme, "Beyond Ready"
3. Project Themed

Click the link to fill out the google form or you can enter at the 4-H Office.

[Educational Display Form](#)

[Trash Can Form](#)

Entries due May 15, 2026



4-H White Pants, Hats, Ties,
and Scarves Available



The 4-H Office has gently used white pants and shirts. The office also has hats, ties, and scarves for purchase.

Prices

- 4-H Hats \$33
- 4-H Ties \$22
- 4-H scarves \$25

We only accept cash and check.

The office is open Monday to Friday, 8 am to 5 pm. Office is located at 100 Sunrise Boulevard Suite E in Colusa, out near the golf course.



LIVESTOCK LOAN INFORMATION

MATTINGLY MEMORIAL LIVESTOCK LOAN

ED & JOSIE MATTINGLY MEMORIAL LIVESTOCK LOAN Ed and Josie Mattingly were 4-H leaders in Butte County for many years while 7 of their 9 children were in the Biggs 4-H Club. Both have since passed away, and their family and friends would like to memorialize them by helping 4-H'ers in livestock projects. In this spirit the family would like to memorialize them by helping 4-H'ers who would have difficulty financing a livestock project without a loan. For further information, please contact the 4-H Office at 458-0570 OR by [clicking here](#)

JOEL SHERER MEMORIAL LIVESTOCK LOAN

JOEL SHERER MEMORIAL LIVESTOCK LOAN Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sherer of Arbuckle established the Joel Sherer Memorial Fund in 1965 to memorialize their son Joe, who was "an energetic 4-H'er during his lifetime", and to assist 4-H members in establishing a degree of independence by allowing them the opportunity to finance their livestock projects. For further information, please contact the 4-H Office at 458-0570 OR BY [clicking here](#)

COLUSA-GLENN FARM CREDIT YOUTH LOAN

The Colusa-Glenn Farm Credit Youth Lending Program provides interest free funds to youth from Colusa and Glenn Counties who participate in livestock projects in qualifying 4-H, FFA,

Independent, or Grange chapters. This opportunity allows the youth to learn about the importance of accurate records, budgeting, and honoring obligation to repay. [Click here for more information](#)



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News from California State 4-H

[Visit the Site Here!](#)



Adult Volunteer Steps for Enrollment

Are you or someone you know interested in becoming a 4-H adult volunteer?

Here are the requirements:

- Complete the [interest survey](#)
- Receive welcome email from the 4-H Office
- Enroll in [ZSuite](#)
- Complete Livescan background check
- Complete the 25-26 New Volunteer course in [Campus](#)
- Attend new volunteer in-person workshop, first one September 16
- Pay \$30 enrollment fee to your club leader

Returning volunteers please complete the following requirements:

- Enroll in [ZSuite](#)
- Complete the 25-26 Returning Volunteer course in [Campus](#)
- Keycode: Colusa
- Pay \$30 enrollment fee to your club leader

If you have a break of a year or more in service, you need to follow the steps of a new volunteer.

Any questions about any part of the process, please call the office at 458-0570.



Find Your Spark, Reach Your Goals: Exploring 4-H Achievements



Ways to Earn Your Spark Achievements

A Spark Achievement reflects a member's experiences in 4-H with the purpose to try new things. Through this dip-your-toe-in strategy, members can discover something in 4-H that brings them joy and motivation—a Spark.

Spark Achievement pins show member experiences and accomplishments in 4-H.

Any member who does not currently hold a bronze star rank must use the Spark Achievement program.

Click the link below to learn more.

[CA 4-H Achievement Program Overview](#)

Attention 4-H Club Members:

If you attend a 4-H event, you are welcome to submit an article to let us know about it! Send us a picture, and tell us the who, what, where, and why, plus something that you learned! It will count in your record book!

Email article to jpperry@ucanr.edu or mzoller@ucanr.edu

4-H youth are

**1.9
times**

more likely
to get better
grades in
school

and

**2.1
times**

more likely to
report high
school
engagement.



*The Positive Development of Youth: Comprehensive Findings from the 4-H Study of Positive Youth Development, 2013.
http://www.4-h.org/about/youth-development-research/positive-youth-development-study/

We have a new Facebook page!

Check us out!

[Colusa County 4-H, California 4-H](#)

Colusa County 4-H Club Meetings

Arbuckle 4-H Club

2nd Monday of the month, 7:00 p.m.,
Arbuckle Elementary School

Maxwell 4-H Club

1st Wednesday of the month, 6:00 p.m.,
Maxwell Elementary School Multipurpose
Rm - No January Mtg.

Colusa 4-H Club

Varying Mondays, 7:00 p.m. - Etchepare Hall,
Fairgrounds, No May Mtg.

Princeton 4-H Club

2nd Monday of the month, 6:00 p.m.
Princeton Elementary School

Stonyford 4-H Club

2nd Monday of the month, 6:00 p.m.
Community Pavillon - No December Mtg.

**Anyone interested in helping us
revive the Williams 4-H Club, please
[contact us!](#)**

[For More Information](#)

[Click here to e-mail the 4-H Office.](#)

Be sure to check out our website! [Colusa County 4-H Website](#)

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4-H PLEDGE

I pledge my **H****AD** to clearer thinking,
my **HE****RT** to greater loyalty,
my **H****NDS** to larger service,
and my **HE****LTH** to better living,
for my club, my community, my country,
and my world. 

Prometo usar mi **M****NTE** para pensar con más claridad,
mi **COR****ZÓN** para ser más leal,
mis **M****NOS** para ser más servicial,
mi **S****LUD** para cuidarme más,
por mi club, mi comunidad, mi país
y mi mundo. 

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