



4-H NEWS ROUNDUP

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Hello!

I'm the new Community Education Specialist for Lassen County, Robin Hanson. My office hours are Tuesday and Thursday 8:30 am – 4:30 pm. I am here to support you & your clubs for a fun and successful year. Please reach out to me if you have any questions, ideas, or need help. Obviously, the fair is on everyone's mind. Please read below for important information about the 4-H BBQ, Fair Week, & enrollment dates for the 2026 – 2027 year.

Thank you!
Robin

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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Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 – 12:30 & 1 – 4:30 or by appointment

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2026 Lassen County Fair Information

"250 Years of Celebrating Red, White, & You!"

New for 2026: Lassen County JLA is a **terminal sale**; this includes rabbits and poultry. All animals going through the sale are considered sold and must be cosigned for immediate slaughter. No live pickup of animals.

Please read the Livestock Rules in the Fair Premium Book. Understanding the rules will help for a smooth sale & successful experience for all involved. Thank you!

Livestock Check-in Times

Sheep & Goats: Monday, July 13: 5 - 7pm

Beef & Dairy: Monday, July 13 at 5pm through Tuesday, July 14 at 11am

Swine: Monday, July 13 at 5pm through Tuesday, July 14 at 10am

Poultry: Tuesday, July 14 9am - 10am

Cavy & Rabbit: Tuesday, July 14 11am - 1pm

Exhibits Released Times

All Livestock: Sunday, July 19 at 4pm

All Still Exhibits: Monday, July 20 12 - 6pm

Buyer & Award Sponsor Thank You Letters

All members must have thank you letters for buyers and award sponsors completed by **Monday, July 27th**. Jensen Hall will be set up from 9 - 11am and 5 - 7pm on Monday, July 27th for members to write thank you letters. Bring your own stationary & stamps. We will have addresses.

If you cannot come on July 27th, give your completed thank you letters stamped & unsealed to your club leader to be turned in that day.

Junior Livestock Auction (JLA) Promotion Day

July 7, 9:30 am at Memorial Park - wear your whites!

If you are taking a market animal to fair, you are expected to participate in Promotion Day with your club. We will meet at Memorial Park at 9:30 am to pick the area you will be canvassing and hand out JLA posters and brochures. We will take a group photo prior to everyone dispersing. Please wear your 4-H whites. *Reminder: This is not a personal promotion day; you can promote your animal at another time to buyers.*

Radio Ads

Each year the JLA Committee encourages 4-H and FFA members to go to the radio station and record 30 second radio ads promoting the auction. You can sign up for a time at Memorial Park the morning of Promotion Day and record it that afternoon. Anyone can record an ad, and you can do it with friends! This a great opportunity to promote the auction and get to hear you & your friends on the radio.

Desserts for Auction Day

Each seller should bring a dessert that serves 8 people to the auction Sunday morning. Please make sure these desserts are "heat friendly" - nothing that will melt or be too messy. These will be available for buyers to enjoy during the auction!

2026 California 4-H State Leadership Conference

Cosmic Impact: Launch Your Spark

July 23-26, 2026, UC Davis

[California 4-H State Leadership Conference](#)

Registration has closed

Email 4hslc@ucanr.edu with any questions.

Fair 4-H BBQ Fundraiser

Tickets & money for the BBQ should be turned into Robin Hanson at the JLA Promotion Day on July 7th. Please contact me if you are unable to turn them in that day!

*Top 2 Ticket Sellers win a weeklong carnival pass
3rd Top Seller wins a day carnival pass
Winners will be contacted Wednesday, July 15th.*

Club sign-up sheets for working the BBQ have been distributed - please return to Robin at the JLA Promotion Day on July 7. Each club needs to bring 3-4 ice chests to the event to help store ice, potatoes, meat, etc. Members should wear their club shirts. Nancy Hemphill is your contact for any BBQ questions: 530-640-1096
Please note: We will be serving meals as long as the food lasts. Tickets will be available for purchase at the event, subject to availability.

2026-2027 Enrollment

ZSuite will open **July 15th** for VOLUNTEERS to begin re-enrolling.

New for this year: No projects may be added to a club until an approved volunteer is associated with that project.

Enrollment is not complete and a Volunteer is not active until the Volunteer leader has completed ALL required steps. These steps include:

- Submitting enrollment in ZSuite
- Pay Fees
- Complete all trainings in eXtension
- **Submit a Project Plan to the 4-H Office**

New volunteers need to enroll, complete the interest survey, complete the online training, pay fees, complete the background check and submit a project plan to be considered active and complete.

Zsuite will open at 12pm on August 4th for members to begin enrolling/
re-enrolling as long as their club has approved volunteers and projects added.

Members: please enroll by September 1st so you are ready to begin the new year!



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Calendar of Upcoming Events

July	
1 st -6 th	<i>Feature Booths Received at fair between 12 pm and 6 pm</i>
7	<i>Junior Livestock Promotion Day, 9:30am, Memorial Park, in full white uniform BBQ tickets turned in at Promotion Day at the Park or to the 4-H office.</i>
7	<i>Tuesday – All Still Exhibits due to fair between 12-6 pm</i>
13-14	<i>See “Fair Information” for Livestock Arrival times</i>
14	<i>Fair BBQ Fundraiser</i>
15	<i>Zsuite opens for New and Returning Volunteers</i>
15-19	<i>Lassen County Fair</i>
24	<i>Fair Thank you Note Event (Date may change to 27th)</i>
23-26	<i>4-H State Leadership Conference, UC Davis</i>
August	
4	<i>Zsuite Enrollment opens for Youth</i>
6-8	<i>Range and Mustang Camp</i>
TBD	<i>Fair Review</i>
TBD	<i>Officer Training</i>
17	<i>Treasurer Peer Review for ALL Clubs</i>
27	<i>County Leadership Council</i>
29	<i>Top 12 Reward Trip</i>
Sept	
6	<i>UCCE Office Closed – Labor Day</i>
TBA	<i>Office Leadership Training</i>

National & State 4-H News: [National 4-H Council](#)

State News: [University of California 4-H Youth Development](#)

Join 4-H: [Join 4-H - UCCE Lassen County](#)

4-H Project Sheets: [CA 4-H Resource Center - Projects](#)

4-H Volunteer Leader and Member Resources: [CA 4-H Resource Center](#)

'25-26 4-H Community Club Leaders

Doyle/South County

Moriah Allen (775) 636-1700

Amy Idzinski (530) 260-1233

Dyer Mountain

Cassie Lemaster (530) 258-6987

Johnstonville 4-H

Cody Waltman (530) 310-1366

Lake 4-H

Nancy Hemphill (530) 640-1096

Mandie Jaso (707)845-2610

Milford 4-H

Chris Hallmark (530) 310-2661

Lacy Music (530) 351-8908

Richmond 4-H

Jessica Jones (530)249-5969

Linda Von Helf (760) 221-4471

Timothy Knittel (707) 396-0692

Standish 4-H

Virginia Bartholomew (530) 310-1993

Cindy Weimer (530) 254-6802

Thompson Peak 4-H

Jason Meadows (530) 310-4169



BRITTANY PAINTER LEGACY MEMORIAL AWARD



Continuing the legacy of Brittany Painter by recognizing service, dedication, and leadership within the Lassen County livestock community.

Awarded annually to an individual whose actions, character, and commitment to others leave a lasting impact.

ELIGIBLE NOMINEES:



4-H Members



FFA Members



Independent Showmen



Volunteers within the Lassen County Livestock Community

WHEN:



NOMINATIONS END
THURSDAY OF FAIR

JULY 16TH, 2026



ANNOUNCED AT
SUNDAY'S AUCTION

JULY 19TH, 2026

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?



Nominations will be carefully reviewed.



The recipient is selected based on service, character, leadership, and impact.



The recipient will be honored with a memorial belt buckle and cash award in Brittany's memory.



Thank you for supporting the youth and volunteers who make the livestock community at the fair possible, and for helping carry forward the Brittany Painter Legacy Memorial.



SERVICE. DEDICATION. LEADERSHIP. LEGACY. ❤️ LASSEN COUNTY FAIR

[Brittany Painter Legacy Memorial Nomination Form](#)

Donations to this memorial can be through merchandise purchase at [The Brittany Painter Legacy Memorial](#) or through [Gofundme](#).

Lassen County 4-H Lassen County 4-H Program Leadership Team

Agenda - Minutes
June 25, 2026
6:00 PM * CE 4-H Office

Call Meeting to Order **6:06 p.m.**

Pledge of Allegiance **Led by R. Hanson**

Roll Call & Introduction of Guests – **sign in sheet at front table**

Dyer Mt. **0**, Johnstonville **1**, Lake **1**, Milford **1**, Richmond **3**, S.County **1**, Standish **2**, T. Peak **0**, R. Hanson

Approval of Agenda – **Motion to include Funding for Fair Items - C. Weimer, 2nd A. Hemphill, motion passed**

Approve Minutes: **April 23, 2026 and May 28, 2026 – Motion to Approve – K. Adams, 2nd A. Hemphill, motion passed**

Finance Manager Report – report given by L. Medvin

- Balance **\$100,689.42 ending May 31, 2026**

4-H Staff Report- report given by R. Hanson (See May Minutes – most information is a recap)

- Robin intro, hours, etc. – **Hours Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:30-4:30, Wednesday is a floater day.**
- Update on JLA brochures – **report given by C. Weimer – brochures have been ordered & C. Weimer will pick them up.**
- Enrollment
 - o New and Returning Volunteers- Zsuite opens at noon on July 14th
 - o Youth – Zsuite opens at noon on August 3rd
 - o Schedule a meeting for all Project Leaders to update on new rules – **need to do**
- Treasurers Outstanding checks
- Peer Review – August 17th 6:00 p.m. 2 adults & 2 youth from every club needed
- Fair
 - o 1st bag shaving donated by Roberts Ranch (market animals get first dibs)
 - Thank you Letter to Roberts Ranch from each club? **Include Roberts Ranch on list for Thank You Note event on 7/27**
 - o Parade – **M. Allen would like a team to help decorate. V. Bartholomew & M. Allen will meet to discuss ideas & gather supplies. Kids wear club t-shirts.**
- Kudos

Ambassadors – End of Year report given by A. Hemphill & J. Ammon

Club reports: Reports from Johnstonville, Lake, Milford, Richmond, S. County, Standish

Countywide Project Reports: Reports given for public speaking and shooting sports

Committee Reports:

- AOC
 - o All Around 4Her
 - Application & Due Date – **Applications due 9/1/26. J. Jones, V. Bartholomew, J. Mallery will be on the committee**
 - o Achievement Night Discussion
 - Change to “Family Potluck & Recognition Night”?
 - Social event for all clubs and Hi4H in October – **Clubs agreed with the change due to changes distributing the new Sparks vs. old patches/pins. Would like to still see games & competitions (spirit stick). Pumpkin Patch was suggested for the location.**
 - o Committees
 - Sign up in August
 - Need 2 adults & 2 youth members

- Promote to all members that committees are open & please inquire if interested – **L. Medvin, J. Mallery, M. Dickson, R. Mallery will stay on AOC committee to help R, Hanson with transition. If anyone else is interested in this committee please let R. Hanson know. It was recommended that one member from every club help with Presentation Day.**
 - Fair
 - ♣ Fair Clean Up Day - Any notes for next year? – **Having a barn leader in charge was helpful, but a check list of required tasks is needed. Have the option of two days instead of just one day. Working with FFA was great. (Check with FFA advisors to see if they're interested in a combined work day).**
 - ♣ Auction Item Update
 - Announce Item = **Fishing & Hunting Day was suggested. Check with L. Medvin about Five Dot. R. Hanson will call Honey Lake Firearms.**
 - Still need \$50 club donations – **only one club has turned in their money**
 - What is the funding earmarked for? **Leadership, Hi 4-H, SLC... Check with S. Hutchens**
 - Dog Show – **Rally was added to the competition**
 - Incentives and Recognition
 - Subcommittee – Fair Awards – Mandie – **no report – R. Hanson will call Mandie**
 - Top 12 – Please collect. Points/names due to the committee at the end of July. August 29- reward event. Committee should report at June meeting possible location. **Report given by K. Adams. Please email total points for all members to kleeelia@yahoo.com by 8/3/26. Location of event - TBD. Watch for email for updated information.**
 - Fundraising Committee
 - BBQ-Nancy Hemphill and Mandie Jaso – **no report given**
 - QR code at BBQ to benefit Virginia (fire)
 - Tickets
 - Need 18 tickets for sponsors/com – **No more tickets needed**
 - 3 tickets requested by drop in (Ruth at city Hall) – **No more tickets needed**
 - Turning in tickets & \$\$ discussion (after promotion day?) – **In the past, each club had a parent representative to collect/count money and tickets after Promotion Day.**
 - Set up time for inventory – **V. Bartholomew will meet R. Hanson on Tuesday**
 - Division of duties & clean up - **Clubs have sign up sheets. Turn in on Promotion Day.**

Future Dates

June 30	Close out 2025-26 Treasurer Books
July 7	Junior Livestock Promotion Day, 9:30 a.m. Memorial Park, in full white uniform
July 14	Fair BBQ Fundaiser
July 15-19	Lassen County Fair
July 23-26	4-H State Leadership Conference, UC Davis
July 27	Fair Thank you Note Event. Jensen Hall 9-11 a.m. or 5-7 p.m. (South County & Dyer Mtn will hold their own events). Members bring stationary & stamps.
August 20	AOC meeting (3:30 p.m.)
August 27	VMO meeting (6:00 p.m.)

Next Leadership Team/VMO meeting date: August 27, 2026

4-H Pledge & Adjournment – No pledge/7:52 p.m.

Minutes - J. Mallery 6/27/26