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Goat, Lamb & Breeding sheep Validations due 10/31st

# Cochran County



**Meeting Dates & Contacts:**

Cochran 4-H Club

2nd Tuesday of month  
Sept 9th 4 pm Whiteface Library  
Oct 14th 4 pm Activity Bldg. Morton

Cochran 4-H Gun Club

TBA

**Did you know:**

**Beginning this fall there will be a Volunteer \$5 Application Fee Plan for those who enroll on 4-H Connect**

**As noted on page 3:**

**What:**

Upon setting up or reactivating their 4-H CONNECT profile each year, adults will be assessed an annual \$5 volunteer application fee.

- This fee will pay for screening, which will continue to be conducted every three years, even though the \$5 volunteer application fee will be assessed annually.

**Who:**

All 4-H volunteers will be assessed the volunteer application fee

Volunteers that provide proof of screening through other entities will still be assessed the fee

**Contest Results**

**2014 4-H Gold Stars Recipients:**

**Karissa & Kaylee Presley**

**2014 Distinguished Adult Leader Award**

**Winner:**

**Carrie Casarez**



### 4H Adult Leader & Management Corner:

#### **Equal Opportunity Notification for Educational Programs & Non-Discrimination Policies**

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*Need help fundraising.....but,*

*"My County doesn't have a TSC store", **no problem.** "Stripes Convenient stores are not located in my County", **no problem.** "Arlington is a bit of a far drive for my county to attend a Texas Rangers Baseball game", **no problem.** Texas 4-H Friends and Alumni hosting 4-H membership drive. Can go to <http://texas4Hfriends.org/alliances> for more information.*

#### TEXAS 4-H CENTER WEBSITE

While you are surfing the web, don't forget to visit the Texas 4-H Center's website: <http://texas4h-ctr.tamu.edu>

#### COCHRAN COUNTY 4-H ON-LINE

Now has the 4-H newsletter as well as various other sources of information at: <http://cochran-tx.tamu.edu>

#### Other 4-H Web-sites

Glory Be Collectibles You might want to check out the neat 4-H items at [www.glorybe.com](http://www.glorybe.com)

Clover Corner News Check out the Clover Corner News, 4-H's national online newsletter, at: [www.4hblogs.org/ccn](http://www.4hblogs.org/ccn).

Check out this Website : <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu>

#### D-2 Events

Heifer Validation begins 10/1 through November 15th Validation Chair Kirk Clark Whiteface FFA Ag Teacher

One Day in 4-H October 11th

D-2 Food Challenge October 20th Registration due October 13th

D-2 Food Show registration due October 30th



## YOUTH PROTECTION STANDARDS UPDATE

*Courtney Dodd, Extension Program Specialist*

A reminder at the start of this 4-H year - all volunteers are to be re-screened every three years. For 4-H volunteers, the need for re-screening is determined on a 4-H year basis. For example, a volunteer screened any time between September 1, 2008 and August 31, 2009 needs to be re-screened at the beginning of this 2011-2012 4-H year. More information on volunteer screening is located online at: [http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/agents/agent\\_yps/agents\\_yps.php](http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/agents/agent_yps/agents_yps.php)

## Volunteer \$5 Application Fee Plan

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## Making Your First Day of School Easier by the American Academy of Pediatrics:

- Remind your child that there are probably a lot of students who are uneasy about the first day of school. This may be at any age. Teachers know that students are nervous and will make an extra effort to make sure everyone feels as comfortable as possible.
  - Point out the positive aspects of starting school. She'll see old friends and meet new ones. Refresh her positive memories about previous years, when she may have returned home after the first day with high spirits because she had a good time.
  - Find another child in the neighborhood with whom your student can walk to school or ride on the bus.
  - If it is a new school for your child, attend any available orientations and take an opportunity to tour the school before the first day.
  - If you feel it is needed, drive your child (or walk with her) to school and pick her up on the first day.
- See more at: <http://www.aap.org/en-us/about-the-aap/aap-press-room/news-features-and-safety-tips/Pages/Back-to-School-Tips.aspx#sthash.9tW0kAVi.dpuf>



**Calendar 2014:**

**There's Always Something To Do! Important 4-H Dates**

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**Reminders and/or Suggestions:**

Re-enrollment is required for each new program year. Enrollment or re-enrollment can be completed by going to 4H Connect website located on 4honline.com. Please also remember that all 4-H Volunteer working directly with youth must have also submitted a volunteer screening form. These , also, may be completed online on 4H Connect. **There will be a membership fee of \$20 each for enrollment, or re-enrollment, between Aug 15th—Oct 31st. \$25 each for the same after October 31st. There will be an adult enrollment fee of \$5. Contact office re: any questions you may have. website: <http://tx4-h.tamu.edu/4hconnect/index.html>**

Link for enrollment is: <http://tx4-h.tamu.edu/4hconnect/index.html>

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**Texas 4-H homepage, go to: <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/> for all upcoming event and state 4H info.**