



Cochran County



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- 9/17 South Plains Fair Art Entries Due
- 9/18 Swine tags due \$10 each
- 9/19 South Plains Fair Food Entries Due
- 10/18th County Food Show Tentative
- 10/31 Goat & lamb validation due
- 11/2nd District Food Show tentative
- 11/13 All major & county show entries due
- 11/30 Swine validation due
- 12/14 D-2 Consumer Decision Making Contest

Meeting Dates & Contacts:

Cochran 4-H Club

2nd Tuesday of month starting September 2013

Cochran 4-H Gun Club

Sundays at 4 p.m. trap range

Re-enrollment 2014:

Enrollment & Re-enrollment for new and regular 4H members (youth & adults) will begin September 1st on 4-H Connect. Membership fee will only be \$20, but will change to \$25, effective November 1st. Please contact 806-266-5215 for more information

Awards & Results:

D-2 Trap Meet

Cochran 4Her Brady Gandy placed 1st

D-2 Recordbook

Intermediate 4-Her Kaylee Presley placed 3rd Clothing/textiles

Intermediate 4-Her Karissa Presley placed 2nd photography

Senior 4-Her Brie Dewbre placed 2nd shooting

Appreciation Banquet:

Gold Star recipients: Brie Dewbre & Paxton Willingham

Outstanding Junior 4H Award: Jordan Albus

Outstanding Intermediate 4H Awards: Drew Wallace

Outstanding Senior 4H Award: Kody Kuehler

Adult 4H Volunteer Leader Award : David Lamb

Friend of 4-H: Lewis Farm & Ranch



4H Adult Leader & Management Corner:

Equal Opportunity Notification for Educational Programs & Non-Discrimination Policies

Texas AgriLife Extension Service Cochran County does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age in its programs and activities. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies: Requests for accommodation of a disability should be directed to Natalie Silhan, Office Manager, 806-266-5215. Educational programs of the Texas AgriLife Extension Service are open to all people without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age, or national origin.



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

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

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

D-2 Events

11/16 D-2 Food Show

12/7 D-2 Consumer Contest



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

2013 TEXAS 4-H

VOLUNTEER CONFERENCE

Courtney Dodd, cfdodd@ag.tamu.edu

The Texas 4-H & Youth Development Program is pleased to announce plans for the 2013 4-H Volunteer Conference, which is scheduled for July 12-14 in Plano, TX. The conference will kick-off with a dinner and general session on Friday, July 12th at the District 4 Research & Extension Center. More than 40 educational workshops will be offered through the day on Saturday and Sunday morning at the Plano Centre.

A pre-conference workshop will also be offered on Friday from 1:00 to 4:30 pm focused on club management with limited space available so register early!

For the Latest Updates on Workshops and Speakers Check Out the Volunteer Conference Website at:

texas4-h.tamu.edu/volunteer_conference2013 TEXAS 4-H

Jeff's Water Wise Corner:

Water conservation begins at home, and we must all do our part. We need to develop an attitude of conserving water so we will be conscious of using less water in all aspects of our lives.

●**Stop leaks.** The first step is to make sure your home is leak-free. Check indoor water- using appliances and devices for leaks.

Many silent leaks allow water and your money to go down the drain.

Dripping faucets that are leaking at a rate of one drop per second can waste 2,700 gallons of water per year. Not only is this a waste of water, it adds to the size of your water and sewer bill, or it puts a strain on your septic system.

Toilet tank leaks account for much of the water wasted in homes. A leaky toilet can waste 200 gallons per day. Check for toilet tank leaks by adding food coloring to the tank. If the toilet is leaking, color will appear in the bowl within 30 minutes (flush as soon as you finish the test). Most replacement parts are inexpensive, readily available, and easily installed.

Another large water waster can be irrigation system leaks; fix these leaks quickly.

●**Change behaviors.** Examples of possible behavior changes that could save water in the bathroom include: taking 4- minute showers; turning the water off while shampooing your hair in the shower; turning water off while shaving or brushing teeth; and never using the toilet as a waste basket.

Other simple behavior changes can save a lot of water in the kitchen and laundry area. In the kitchen: keep drinking water in the refrigerator instead of letting the faucet run until the water is cool; thaw food in the refrigerator overnight rather than running hot water over it; scrape rather than rinsing dishes when loading the dishwasher; and add food waste to a compost pile instead of using the garbage disposal. In the laundry area, wash only full loads of laundry, or use the appropriate water level or load size selection on the washing machine.

Outside your home, consider sweeping sidewalks and driveways rather than hosing them off; use soaker hoses rather than sprinklers to avoid evaporation; and wash the car with water from a bucket, or consider using a commercial car wash that recycles water.



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Calendar 2013:

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

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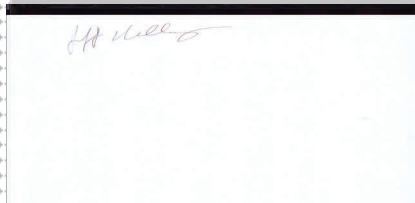
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Reminders and/or Suggestions:

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 Sept 1st—Oct 31st. \$25 each for the same after October 31st. Contact office re: any questions you may have. website: <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.