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Cochran County



Meeting Dates & Contacts:

Cochran 4-H Club

2nd Tuesday of month
Sept—May otherwise
rescheduled.

Cochran Gun Club

Sundays at 2 p.m.
Cochran Shoot Range

STILL AVAILABLE:

Contest Results:

Jr. Level D-2 Photography Cochran 4-Her: Kadie Cox: Elements of design 3rd place, Plant/flora 3rd place

D-2 Trap Shoot Results:

Tyler Campbell- 18/50

Gavin Rice- 57/75

Karsen Coats- 51/75

Devon Campbell- 35/75

Kodi Coats- 83/100

Cochran 4-H T-shirts for sale. \$20.00 each. For

More info contact our office 806-266-5215 or come by 200 B W. Taylor to check them out.



4H Adult Leader & Management Corner:

Equal Opportunity Notification for Educational Programs & Non-Discrimination Policies

Texas A&M 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 A&M 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

D-2 Recordbook Judging July 18th



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

Volunteer \$5 Application Fee Plan

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

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service's *Watch UR BAC* program is a free, statewide program to promote alcohol and other drug awareness, the dangers of impaired driving, and friends watching out for friends.

The members of Texas A&M AgriLife will provide equal opportunities in programs and activities, education, and employment to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity and will strive to achieve full and equal employment opportunity throughout Texas A&M AgriLife.

As Fall Stock Shows begin right around the corner:

The Benefit of the 4-H Livestock Project

What is the benefit of the 4-H Livestock Project? I am sure it is different for every 4-H'er depending on their goals and personal situation. As I write this short article, I could give you the typical answer of it builds character, creates discipline, teaches youth about agriculture, teaches sportsmanship, etc., etc. While all of that is true and right on point, I am not sure that it does justice to the core of what the 4-H Livestock Project can and does do for our youth.

To me one of the greatest values of the 4-H Livestock Program is that it allows 4-H'ers the opportunity to gain confidence in themselves by caring for something that is 100% dependent on them. I remember a young 4-H'er who was uncomfortable getting in a pen with the heifer that was to be his show heifer that year, but he had to because without him the heifer could not eat or drink and could not have a clean place to live. Over time, he gained the confidence he needed to complete the project. In the years since that heifer he has showed steers at our county show and major shows. Today, he no longer shows cattle, but is routinely asked to show for other exhibitors when they have multiple animals in the same class. While this 4-H'er learned how to show cattle, the important life lesson is the self-worth and confidence he gained that will help him get through tough spots in his life and challenges that lie ahead.

The other major value I see in the 4-H Livestock Project can be said in one word "Family". When it is done right there is no better activity that promotes family time and the opportunity for a family to work side by side on a common goal. As surveys and reports keep pointing out the fact that families spend less time together, families that participate in 4-H Livestock Projects together have the opportunity to spend time together. As a 4-H dad I love Saturday and Sunday mornings feeding with my son and just sitting there watching animals eat. What better time to talk about school, his dreams, goals, and problems. Finally, as the project year comes to an end and we put his animal on the truck I get to help celebrate our success and also comfort him through the loss of a friend, just one more life lesson that will stick with our 4-H'ers throughout their life.

By Marty Wahlenkamp





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Calendar 2017:

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

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Reminders and/or Suggestions:

Sept 1st 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. 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.