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# Cochran County







#### **Meeting Dates & Contacts:**

Cochran 4-H Club

2nd Tuesday quarterly starting Sept 2016— May 2017

Cochran 4-H Gun Club

TBA

# Cochran 4-H Adult Leader Association 2016



Thank you Cody & Whitney Albus!!

#### **Contest Results:**

#### **D-2 Recordbook:**

Karissa Presley 1st goat category, Kaylee Presley 3rd swine category

#### **State Recordbook:**

Karissa Presley 10th place goat category

#### 4-H Appreciation Luncheon Cochran 4H Youth Who Attended:

Cassidy Besinaiz -Community Service, Leadership, Photography, rabbit & 3<sup>rd</sup> Yr

Kadie Presley—Community Service, 1<sup>st</sup> Yr

Karissa Presley—Community Service, Food & Nutrition South Plains Fair, Goat, Leadership, Photography, recordbook & 8th Yr

Kaylee Presley—Community Service, Food & Nutrition South Plains Fair, Goat, Leadership, Photography, recordbook, swine & 8<sup>th</sup> Yr





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#### 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

#### Tentative D-2 Events

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YOUTH PROTECTION STANDARDS UPDATE

Courtney Dodd, Extension Program Specialist

A reminder at the start of this 4-H year - all volunteers are to be rescreened every three years. For 4-H volunteers, the need for rescreening 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.

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Taken from Stock Show Boutique Blog By Angie Sandy

#### **Stop Making Assumptions**

Don't automatically assume people who are successful are doing anything unethical. When you assume the worst you are assuming someone is raising their kids in a dishonorable way. Put yourself on the other side of the coin and think of how you would feel if you heard some of those things being said about you. People, in general, are good and wouldn't do anything harmful to their livestock let alone teach a child how to break the rules. Always assume the best rather than automatically falling into the negative trap.

#### Find the good in everything

Instead of looking for the bad look for the good, always try to stay positive (I am guilty of this too). Criticism seems to roll off tongues so easily, maybe we all need to keep it positive and always find something good to say. When you hear negative things being said about good people defend them. Think about how that family or child will feel when hurtful rumors make it back to their ears (and they always do). If we all are the best we can be in the show barn imagine how much better the experience would be for everyone.

#### Can you learn something

Ask yourself what you could learn about a person's program and implement at your barn. Chances are a person who is successful is more than happy to help you out, I know if anyone came to me asking for tips or advice I would certainly give it to them. I have nothing to hide, we are an open book. When you receive that advice don't doubt them or look befuddled when the answer often times is hours in the barn or repetition. I can't tell you how many times people have asked me for a shortcut only to have me tell them there are none. It is hours of practice and repetition that will reap big rewards.

#### Watch & Learn

Step back and watch, take it all in. My kids have been showing sheep for 7 years now. We had absolutely NO knowledge when we started and look at how far we've come. ANY-THING is possible. I am not ashamed to say we have spent plenty of time watching others, trying to learn and implement what we've seen be successful.

#### The Gift of Time

When an individual invests their time in a role they are not doing it for their own kids, if anything it actually takes away from their family. They aren't doing it because they are power hungry. They aren't doing it for nefarious reasons. They are doing it for one and only one reason. To help others. Find ways to help your agents, superintendents and volunteers. Rather then tearing them down see if you could do something to make life easier. One of the kindest gestures I received was a pan of homemade lasagna, salad and loaf of french bread this summer. I know that family values what I am trying to do for kids in the county and my family appreciated the real dinner!

Good Advice!!! Thank you Angie!



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

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#### Reminders and/or Suggestions:

August 15th 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

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