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## News

Merry Christmas from the OTF –  
Mt. Pleasant Junior High School  
classroom picture



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**OTF needs your stories and pictures. Please send any successes, hunts, fishing trips, etc. No names are needed. We want to show our donors the incredible things taking place in Outdoor Adventures.**

## Sharyland High School's Wild Beast Thanksgiving Feast!



Fried Venison Backstrap

The OTF needs your success stories. How did Outdoor Adventures change a student's life? Hunting, fishing, archery, outdoor cooking stories. Share an incredible story your student shared because they took your class. Send me an email with your story and pictures if you have them.



Venison Roast





# Teacher Training

RSVP for each training. I have provided several dates for each training. Please check your schedules and let me know today! The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's Hunter Instructor and Boater Education will require some homework prior to the training. I will review the requirements for each upon your RSVP.

If you need training outside of Texas, contact your state Department of Natural Resources or Scot McClure to assist you in locating training near you. [scot@GoOTF.com](mailto:scot@GoOTF.com)

## **TX Outdoor Skills Workshops (Orienteering, Rock Climbing, Dutch Oven Cooking, Birding and much more)**

<http://tpwd.texas.gov/calendar/outdoor-skills-workshops-seminars>

**NASP – Basic Archery Instructor** All NASP Instructor classes anywhere in the United States can be found and can Pre-register at: <https://naspbai.org/classsearch.aspx>

To register for any of the courses below please contact Burnie Kessner, [burnie.kessner@tpwd.texas.gov](mailto:burnie.kessner@tpwd.texas.gov).

Jan. 7, Copperas Cove, TX

Feb. 2, 2019, Seguin, TX

**TX Hunter Instructor Classes** - <https://tpwd.elementlms.com/> Select Hunter and then Hunter Instructor and type in your zip code to locate an instructor class.

Dec 7, El Paso, TX

Dec 13, College Station, TX

May 18, Waco, TX

Oct. 12, Austin, TX

**TX Boater Education Instructor Classes** - <https://tpwd.elementlms.com/> Select Boater and then Boater Instructor and type in your zip code to locate an instructor class.

## **TX Angler Education Instructor Classes**

Dec. 15, 2018, 10:00 – 2:30 PM – Pearland, TX [greg.akins@tpwd.texas.gov](mailto:greg.akins@tpwd.texas.gov) 713-201-8110

Feb. 9, 2019, 9:00-3:00 PM - Ennis, TX [keira.quam@tpwd.texas.gov](mailto:keira.quam@tpwd.texas.gov) 469-644-2705



## **SUMMER YOUTH CAMP POSITIONS**

Outdoor Camps, LLC d/b/a **Outdoor Texas Camps** is excited to enter its 15<sup>th</sup> year of operation in the Summer of 2019. **Outdoor Texas Camps** ([www.OutdoorTexasCamps.com](http://www.OutdoorTexasCamps.com)) is the Premier Hunting, Fishing and Outdoor Skills Summer Camp for both Girls and Boys aged 9 – 17 in Texas, and beyond.

### **Summer Youth Camp Director Wanted**

**Outdoor Texas Camps** is hunting for a New Camp Director for the 2019 Summer Camp Season, and beyond. The Camp Director will be responsible for all aspects of Camp Management and Camp Life including staffing, training of staff, scheduling of activities and management of supplies and equipment. Must be 20 to apply.

### **Summer Youth Camp Counselors Wanted**

**Outdoor Texas Camps** is hunting for Camp Counselors for the 8 – 10 Camps during our 2019 Summer Camp Season. Our Camp Counselors are responsible for all aspects of managing 4-6 Campers daily activities including waking them up, getting them to their meals and activities on a timely basis, communicating with the Camp Director, and ownership when needed, as well as management of supplies and equipment used. Must be 17 to apply.

### **Summer Youth Camp Photo-Journalist & Social Media Manager Wanted**

**Outdoor Texas Camps** is hunting for a Camp Photo-Journalist & Social Media Manager for the 2019 Summer Camp Season. The Camp Photo-Journalist & Social Media Manager will be responsible for documenting all aspects of 8 - 10 Camps via Photography, Social Media and Weekly Camp-To-Parent Updates of Camp Life. Must be 17 to apply.

### **Summer Youth Camp Cook Wanted**

**Outdoor Texas Camps** is hunting for Camp Cook for the 2019 Summer Youth Camp Season. Our Camp Cook will be responsible for purchasing, managing and facilitating 3 meals per day for up to 36 people per week, for 8 – 10 camps/weeks.

**For More Information, and/or to Apply, please contact:**

**Peter S. Velasco at (210) 393-6565 or [peter@OutdoorTexasCamps.com](mailto:peter@OutdoorTexasCamps.com)**

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# Great Field Trip for Austin, Texas, Area Schools

<http://www.warrenwildlifegallery.org/>

An essential part of our mission is to educate the youth and community. We know that experience gained from the up- close interactions will provide a new perspective and impart a wealth of information at ones fingertips. Warren Wildlife Gallery is an organization that supports learning about animals that may normally be beyond ones grasp. Here, the world becomes a little smaller and yet the beauty of nature all the more grand.



# Do you enjoy the outdoors?



## Would you like a chance to win cash or a new laptop or tablet?

The **Texas Outdoor Writers Association**, with the **Dallas Safari Club** & the **Outdoors Tomorrow Foundation** invite Texas middle and high school students to enter an adventure essay contest for a chance to win one of six prizes including \$25 cash, \$100 cash or a new laptop or tablet.

To learn more or for an entry form visit:

# [towa.org/contest](http://towa.org/contest)

or ask your teacher for details and an official entry form.





**Texas Outdoor Writers Association  
Junior Outdoor Journalist Adventure Story Writing Competition  
Rules & Registration Form**

The Texas Outdoor Writers Association has teamed up with the Dallas Safari Club and the Outdoors Tomorrow Foundation to promote the outdoors through an adventure essay contest open to all Texas middle school and high school students. The theme for essays should be the writer's outdoor experience (hunting, fishing, camping or other outdoor adventure) and why such adventures are important in your life. Including a conservation message is encouraged.

- The contest is divided into two divisions, middle school (grades 6-8) and high school (grades 9-12).
- **First Place** winners in each division will receive a new laptop or tablet computer.
- **Second Place** winners will receive \$100.
- **Third Place** winners will receive \$25.
- Winners may also receive an invitation to the 2019 TOWA Conference in Corpus Christi Feb. 28 – March 3.

Stories will be judged on originality, creativity, grammar, punctuation and writing style. Only one submission per student please. Previously submitted stories are ineligible for contest. Maximum word count: 500. Essays must be typewritten (minimum 12-point font) on 8 ½ by 11 inch paper. No illustrations please.

Submit stories by email (preferred) in pdf or Word document format to david.sikes@caller.com or mail to TOWA, attention: Student Essay Contest; 15278 Caravel Dr., Corpus Christi, TX 78418-6951.

**ESSAYS WILL NOT BE RETURNED**

**DEADLINE:** Entries must be postmarked by January 3, 2019. Stories not following these rules will not be accepted. No exceptions.

Winning entries will be featured at the TOWA 2019 conference where members and guests may read and enjoy them. All entries become the property of TOWA and may be published in full or part in the TOWA and DSC newsletters, websites or brochures. Winners will be notified by telephone or email, and a list of winners will also be posted on the TOWA website.

**Questions** should be directed to David Sikes at (361) 886-3616 or david.sikes@caller.com



CUT AND CLIP TO YOUR STORY

**Seventh Annual Texas Outdoor Writers Association  
Junior Outdoor Journalist Adventure Story Writing Competition**

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Pages: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of words used: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street / PO Box

City

State

Zip

Telephone Numbers (2): \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Story: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher email: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_



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*Tomorrow Foundation is to  
teach outdoor education and to  
promote and fund conservation  
of wildlife worldwide.*

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