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## News

**FREE – Sporting Clays event for teams of 5 – April 11, 2015**

**North Lamar Archery Tournament**

**Listen to Big Billy Kinder – March 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Summer Camps and Opportunities all across Texas and in South Africa. Learn about wildlife conservation, shooting skills and much more.**

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Youth Wildlife Conservation Experience – Jan. 7, 2016
- DSC S.A.F.E.T.Y. Event – March 28, 2015

## Teacher Training

### New Teacher Training (Details on Page 3)

- TPWD Angler Education
- TPWD Boater Education Instructor
- TPWD Hunter Education Instructor
- National Archery in Schools Program
- Dutch Oven Cooking - CPR/First Aid

## Bonnie's Corner

Cooking, camping and fishing are going to be on the agenda I am sure! Here is a website you will find very helpful for teaching camping skills. There are 22 diagrams for such things as making a camp fire, how to survive hypothermia, measuring daylight, setting up a tent, etc. These are all diagrams you could turn into posters for your classroom. Please check it out, I think you will find many helpful tips.

<http://www.natureimg.com/the-22-absolutely-essential-diagrams-you-need-for-camping/>

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## **Subject: Rifle/spoons**

Today I swung my front door wide open and placed my Remington bolt action 30.06 right in the doorway. I left 6 shells beside it, then left it alone and went about my business. While I was gone, the mailman delivered my mail, the boy across the street mowed the yard, a little girl walked her dog down the street, and quite a few cars stopped at the stop sign right in front of the house.

After about an hour, I checked on the gun. It was still sitting there . . . right where I had left it. It hadn't moved itself outside. It certainly hadn't killed anyone, even with the numerous opportunities it had been presented to do so. In fact, it hadn't even loaded itself. Well, you can imagine my surprise, with all the media hype about how dangerous guns are and how they kill people! Either the media is wrong or I'm in possession of the laziest darn gun in the world.

Now the United States is 3rd in murders throughout the World. But if you take out Chicago, Detroit, Washington DC and New Orleans, the United States is now 4th from the bottom of the list for murders. These 4 Cities also have the toughest gun control laws in the United States. . . but it would be absurd to draw any conclusions from this data right?

Well, I'm off to check on my spoons. I hear they're making people fat.

Thanks to the teacher for sending this interesting information.



5am Saturdays on WBAP 820am

7am Saturdays on Hank FM Ft Worth 92.1 FM

Big Billy Kinder Outdoors is a great sponsor for DEF's Outdoor Adventures. Listen March 28<sup>th</sup> for show dedicated to Outdoor Adventures and Kennedale High School's program.

Weekly podcast's available at 6am on [bbkoradio.com](http://bbkoradio.com).

<http://www.bigbillykinderoutdoors.com/>

**Big Billy Kinder Outdoors** is distributed NATIONWIDE through *SRN, Salem Radio Network*



## Teacher Training RSVP

**940-465-0366**

**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. [scot@dallasecologicalfoundation.org](mailto:scot@dallasecologicalfoundation.org)**

### **Teacher Training in North Texas for Spring 2015**

<b>TPWD Hunter Instructor.....</b>	<b>9:00 AM – 2:00 PM</b>	<b>May 4 – Dallas (DEF Office)</b>
<b>TPWD Boater Education Instructor.....</b>	<b>2:00 PM – 6:00 PM</b>	<b>June 8 – Dallas (DEF Office)</b>
<b>TPWD NASP BAI.....</b>	<b>8:00 AM – 4:00 PM</b>	<b>May 9 - Brock</b>
<b>TPWD Angler Instructor.....</b>	<b>12:00 PM – 5:00 PM</b>	<b>March 10 - Denton</b>
<b>Dutch Oven Cooking/First Aid/CPR.....</b>	<b>9:00 AM – 2:00 PM</b>	<b>Carrollton and Arlington TBA</b>

### **Teacher Training in North Texas for SUMMER 2015**

<b>TPWD Hunter Instructor.....</b>	<b>8:00 AM – 2:00</b>	<b>June 8 – Dallas (DEF Office)</b>
<b>TPWD Boater Education Instructor.....</b>	<b>2:00 PM – 6:00</b>	<b>June 8 – Dallas (DEF Office)</b>
<b>TPWD NASP BAI.....</b>	<b>8:00 AM – 4:00</b>	<b>June 9 – Keller, TX</b>
<b>Dutch Oven Cooking.....</b>	<b>8:00 AM– 1:00</b>	<b>June 10 – Dallas (DEF Office)</b>
<b>TPWD Explore Bowhunter.....</b>	<b>2:00 PM – 6:00</b>	<b>June 10 – Dallas (DEF Office)</b>
<b>TPWD Angler Instructor.....</b>	<b>8:00 PM– 2:00</b>	<b>June 10 – Dallas (DEF Office)</b>

<b>TPWD Hunter Instructor.....</b>	<b>8:00 AM – 2:00</b>	<b>July 27 – Dallas (DEF Office)</b>
<b>TPWD Boater Education Instructor.....</b>	<b>2:00 PM – 6:00</b>	<b>July 27 – Dallas (DEF Office)</b>
<b>TPWD NASP BAI.....</b>	<b>8:00 AM – 4:00</b>	<b>July 28 – Keller, TX</b>
<b>Dutch Oven Cooking.....</b>	<b>8:00 AM– 1:00</b>	<b>July 29 – Dallas (DEF Office)</b>
<b>TPWD Explore Bowhunter.....</b>	<b>2:00 PM – 6:00</b>	<b>July 29 – Dallas (DEF Office)</b>
<b>TPWD Angler Instructor.....</b>	<b>8:00 PM– 2:00</b>	<b>July 29 – Dallas (DEF Office)</b>

**Additional Outdoor Skills Workshops (Orienteering, Rock Climbing, Dutch Oven Cooking, Birding and much more) <http://tpwd.texas.gov/calendar/outdoor-skills-workshops-seminars>**

### **Additional Hunter Instructor Classes**

Friendswood	Sat. March 28, 2015	8:00 AM	(713) 829-1377	(Heidi.rao@tpwd.texas.gov)
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## Additional NASP – Basic Archery Instructor

To receive further information or register for any of the courses below please contact Burnie Kessner, [burnie.kessner@tpwd.texas.gov](mailto:burnie.kessner@tpwd.texas.gov). The following information pertains to all courses. Pre-register at: [www.naspbai.org](http://www.naspbai.org)

Brownsville – April 25

## Additional Angler Education Instructor Classes

March 10, 2015, 12:00 PM – 5:00 PM, Denton, TX, Jan Hodson, [janhodson@ntin.net](mailto:janhodson@ntin.net) 940-637-2702

March 14, 2015, 11:00 AM – 3:30 PM, Pearland, TX, Greg Akins, [greg.akers@tpwd.texas.gov](mailto:greg.akers@tpwd.texas.gov) 281-534-0123

May 2, 2015, 9:00 AM-3:00 PM, San Antonio, TX, Caleb Harris, [caleb.harris@tpwd.texas.gov](mailto:caleb.harris@tpwd.texas.gov) 512-389-4472

May 9, 2015, 9:00 AM-3:00 PM, Austin, TX, Caleb Harris, [caleb.harris@tpwd.texas.gov](mailto:caleb.harris@tpwd.texas.gov) 512-389-4472

## Additional Boater Education Instructor Classes

CEDAR HILL	Sat Mar 14, 2015	10:00 AM	(281) 705-5216	(Pre- Registration Required)
COLLEGE STATION	Wed May 13, 2015	10:00 AM	(281) 705-5216	(Classes & materials are free; Please pre-register with Instr)
COLLEGE STATION	Thu May 14, 2015	10:00 AM	(281) 705-5216	(Classes & materials are free; Please pre-register with Instr)
SOUTH PADRE ISL	Thu Apr 16, 2015	10:00 AM	(281) 705-5216	(Pre-Registration Required)
SOUTH PADRE ISL	Sat Apr 18, 2015	10:00 AM	(281) 705-5216	(Pre-Registration is Required)



## 1<sup>st</sup> annual Cabela's and North Lamar shootout

**Where :** North Lamar . Paris, TX 3201 Lewis  
Lane Paris Texas, 75462

**When :** Saturday March 28,2015 **Contact:** David Pasternak - [dpasternak@northlamar.net](mailto:dpasternak@northlamar.net)

**Flight times :** Saturday 10:00, 11:10, 1:00, 2:10, 3:20. (More flights will be added if needed)

**WHO :**All Texas and Oklahoma NASP School Students eligible to attend .

**THIS YEAR – TEAM AWARDS** for the top two team in each division, teams as per NASP rules. Awards / Team trophies and prizes for top individual shooters.  
Ceremony will follow tournament.

**Rules:** All NASP scoring rules for the national tournament will apply for scoring in this tournament.

**Cost:** \$10 per archer payable to North Lamar Stone campus 3201 Lewis Lane Paris Texas 75462

**Shirts:** Pre Order Shirts when you send in payment 15.00 dollars a shirt.

**Dallas Ecological Foundation is a qualified 501 (c)(3) charitable organization under IRS regulations**



## Frost Bank Sporting Clays Challenge

**April 11, 2015**  
**Elm Fork Shooting Sports**  
 10751 Luna Road  
 Dallas, Texas 75220

### Free Sporting Clays Shoot April 11 to the first 30 Students

**Registration Deadline April 1<sup>st</sup>**

All waivers will be signed prior to shooting.

- Each team of 5 must have at least one parent attend the shoot and stay with them throughout the shoot.
- Shotguns and ammo will be provided
- Students will shoot in teams of 5 with adult supervision and safety emphasized
- Must be 14 years of age to register.
- Registering means you **will** attend. Your absence or no show status will result in someone missing this opportunity.
- Create a team from your school or shoot with other students from the Metroplex.

Student's Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 AGE \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever shot sporting clays before? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to student (circle one) mother father step-mother step-father

Parent's email \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's home phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's work phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's cell phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ city \_\_\_\_\_ zip \_\_\_\_\_

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE APRIL 1** Questions: Scot McClure 940-465-0366 [scot@dallasecologicalfoundation.org](mailto:scot@dallasecologicalfoundation.org)

RETURN TO: DALLAS ECOLOGICAL FOUNDATION, 13709 Gamma Rd., Dallas, TX 75244





# TEXAS WILDLIFE ASSOCIATION



**TWA HAS RESOURCES FOR EVERYONE - CLASSROOM TEACHERS, HOMESCHOOL TEACHERS, INFORMAL EDUCATORS, AND EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, FACILITIES, AND CAMPS!**



**Wildlife by Design** - FREE presentations for grades K-8 brought to your location by a TWA Educator. Each program includes a hands-on, inquiry based lesson and activity, 30-60 minutes in length, for a group of 20-40 students, and can be repeated up to six (6) times that day. Presentations are available regionally. <http://www.texas-wildlife.org/program-areas/lands-outreach-wildlife-by-design-classroom-presentations>



**Discovery Trunks** - Statewide Discovery Trunks are full of hands-on, program-enhancing, natural resource materials and lessons, geared for grades K-6. Seven (7) trunk topics are available in two-week reservation periods and are available at no cost! Designed for groups of 40 students or more. Reserve your Discovery Trunk online <http://trunks.texas-wildlife.org/>



**Critter Connections** - An educational, interactive newsletter targeted for youth ages 13 and younger. Subscribe online for a free class set (25 copies) or an individual subscription (1 copy). All issues available for free online. Several issues also available in Spanish! Quantities limited. <http://www.texas-wildlife.org/program-areas/subscribe-to-critter-connections>



**Educator and Volunteer Workshops & Trainings** - Are you interested in including conservation, natural resources, and wildlife education in your classroom? Would you like to help advance natural resource literacy in your community? For more information go to: <http://www.texas-wildlife.org/program-areas/educator-and-volunteer-workshops-and-trainings>.



**Distance Learning** - Watch TWA's programs to spark your student's interest in wildlife and private land stewardship. Available as on-demand Webinars and via videoconferencing (also online). Programs are interactive, TEKS-aligned for grades 1-6, and free to view! <http://www.texas-wildlife.org/program-areas/lands-outreach-distance-learning>

## Viewing On-demand Webinars:

Visit [texas-wildlife.webex.com](http://texas-wildlife.webex.com)  
& click on *View Event Recordings*.



## Viewing Videoconference programs:

Visit [connect2texas.net](http://connect2texas.net)

## **L.A.N.D.S. Intensive Curriculum & Trinity River Project**

- With the L.A.N.D.S. Intensive program, schools and teachers have access to classroom curricula, special presentations, field investigation days, and necropsies, as part of our Learning Across New Dimensions in Science (L.A.N.D.S.) youth stewardship initiative. Trinity River Project, Grades 4-5 — L.A.N.D.S. Intensive Curriculum Grades 7-12. <http://www.texas-wildlife.org/program-areas/learning-across-new-dimensions-in-science-l.a.n.d.s>.



## **iTunes U**

- TWA has collaborated with the Texas Education Agency (TEA) to bring our On-demand Youth Webinars to the TEA page on iTunes U. Previews of each On-demand Webinar and corresponding worksheet are now available right on your iPhone or iPad. <https://itunes.apple.com/us/itunes-u/texas-wildlife-association/id884228948>



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# WILDLIFE CONSERVATION CAMP

**July 26-August 1, 2015**

**Application Deadline:**

**May 1, 2015**

**Location:**

**Texas Tech University Center,  
Junction, TX**

**[www.wildlifecamp.tx.org](http://www.wildlifecamp.tx.org)**



The Texas Chapter of The Wildlife Society's Wildlife Conservation Camp is designed for high school students who have completed the 9<sup>th</sup> grade or higher. Hands-on, outdoor activities are led by wildlife professionals.

**Campers will study:**

- wildlife and plant identification
- wildlife and habitat management techniques
- The North American Model of Wildlife Conservation
- conservation ethics & land stewardship
- wildlife trapping and surveying techniques
- predator-prey dynamics
- fishing
- hunter safety
- shooting sports and much more!

**Contact: Stephen Ross**

**[wildlifecampdirector@yahoo.com](mailto:wildlifecampdirector@yahoo.com)**

**Office: 361-522-8989**



## Texas Chapter of The Wildlife Society

"Excellence in Wildlife Stewardship Through Science and Education."

### *Wildlife Conservation Camp*

*P.O. Box 1400*

*Sinton, TX 78387*

*[www.wildlifecamp.tx.org](http://www.wildlifecamp.tx.org)*

Event: Wildlife Conservation Camp  
Location: Texas Tech University Center – Junction, TX  
Date: July 26-August 1, 2015  
Application Deadline: Friday, May 1, 2015, [www.wildlifecamp.tx.org](http://www.wildlifecamp.tx.org)  
Contact: Stephen Ross, [wildlifecampdirector@yahoo.com](mailto:wildlifecampdirector@yahoo.com), 361-522-8989

The Texas Chapter of The Wildlife Society invites high school students to the best week of their summer! The 22<sup>nd</sup> annual Wildlife Conservation Camp will be held July 26-August 1, 2015 at the Texas Tech University Center in Junction, Texas. High school students that have completed the 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades can apply at [www.wildlifecamp.tx.org](http://www.wildlifecamp.tx.org) and applications are due May 1<sup>st</sup>.

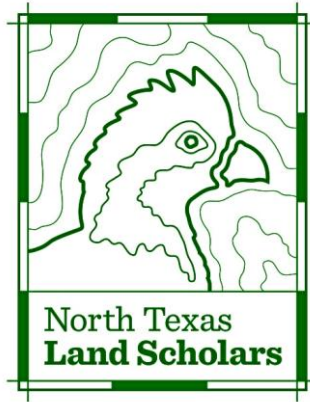
Campers will experience hands-on activities led by wildlife professionals, which include wildlife and plant identification, hunting as a management tool, species diversity, conservation ethics, wildlife capture and survey techniques, wildlife tracking, predator-prey dynamics, white-tailed deer management, fishing, hunter safety, shooting skills, and much more. The week-long camp is especially recommended for high school students who are considering a career in wildlife management or natural sciences. Students will develop an appreciation for the outdoors through a priceless experience that they will carry with them forever.

The Texas Tech University Center offers on-site lodging and dining facilities located on the banks of the South Llano River. The Center and Llano River Field Station boast a plethora of native wildlife, including mammals, reptiles, amphibians and birds. Campers will have the opportunity to view and study these animals.

The camp fee is \$300 which covers lodging, meals, materials, and transportation during camp. Contact your local Farm Bureau for possible sponsorships.

Apply online at [www.wildlifecamp.tx.org](http://www.wildlifecamp.tx.org). For additional information contact Stephen Ross, 2015 Camp Director, at [wildlifecampdirector@yahoo.com](mailto:wildlifecampdirector@yahoo.com) or 361-364-2643.





*For more information contact Greta Bowling, Director of the North Texas Land Scholars, at (817) 808-3433 or visit the North Texas Land Scholars website: [www.ntls.unt.edu](http://www.ntls.unt.edu); Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/norhtexaslandscholars](https://www.facebook.com/norhtexaslandscholars) or click on the below links to these web pages.*

## North Texas Land Scholars

### September 2014 Newsletter

The University of North Texas and UNT Quail is pleased to announce the successful completion of the first annual North Texas Land Scholars Youth Camp, which was held July 13–17 at Cedar Mountain Lodge in Scurry, Texas. "The North Texas Land Scholars camp was nothing short of life changing," said Dr. Kelly Reyna, executive director of UNT Quail. "Our goal was to introduce land stewardship and land entrepreneurship to young adults in hopes of getting a few interested in the outdoors. We ended the camp with 16 young men and women who now have the tools to be leaders in the ranching and entrepreneurial worlds, who really understand the dynamic of land ethics and enterprise, and will make the world a better place."

Two \$2500 scholarships to UNT were awarded to those campers who accumulated the most points by the end of the camp. The top male point earner was Osiel Castañeda from Trinidad Garza Early College High School, while Carolyn White from Colleyville Heritage High School was our top female performer. All campers were recognized for their unique contributions to the camp and were given awards for such activities as public speaking, leadership, innovative thinking and completing naturalist and sports-related events like insect collections and trap shooting, respectively. "Campers exceeded all of our expectations for this first camp! We are excited about what the future holds for our newest program," said Dr. Greta Bowling, science education director of UNT Quail.

The youth camp focused on leadership, holistic ranching, and wildlife, while also experiencing outdoor activities like birding, hiking, swimming and zip-lining!

"Campers were taught to analyze the land in fun and exciting ways and also had the chance to experience two Texas ranches," said Reyna. This camp included field trips to the award winning 77 Ranch in Blooming Grove, Texas where campers observed how one of the state's top cattle producers operates, and a tour of wildlife operations at Cedar Mountain Lodge.

As an extension of North Texas Land Scholars, we offered each camper an opportunity to become NTLS Ambassadors. This position is only offered to those individuals completing the NTLS camp followed by participating in public speaking and community events throughout the year. "The Ambassador title is one that must be earned by campers that have completed our five day camp; however, we do offer incentives for campers such as youth hunts and opportunities for a scholarships to UNT," stated Bowling.

"We are looking forward to an even bigger turnout in 2015, with dates set for July 12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>," said Bowling. Deadlines and locations for the 2015 NTLS summer camp are currently underway.

*JULY*  
**2015**

## North Texas Land Scholars

### **YOUTH OUTDOOR LEADERSHIP CAMP** **\$2500 COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS**



### **SHOOTING & TRACKING** **CAMPER FAVORITES**



### **BIRDING &** **SWIMMING**



### **FUN WITH** **LAND & WILDLIFE**



### **SIGN UP *NOW* FOR THE EXCITING NORTH TEXAS LAND SCHOLARS!**

- ✓ SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
- ✓ FUN OUTDOORS WITH FRIENDS
- ✓ AGES 13-17, 10 COOL GUYS AND 10 AWESOME GIRLS

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### 2014 Camp Results

- 16 Campers, now future leaders, attended from the greater DFW area
- Mission: Instill wildlife and land-use sustainability with an entrepreneurial thread
- Trap Shooting, Swimming, and Water Analysis were favorite activities
- Science Literacy increased 17% during camp
- Camp funds were matched by 13 additional grants and gifts



### \$2500 UNT SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Osiel Castañeda from Dallas

Carolyn White from Colleyville



- The North Texas Land Scholars Ambassador program was formed as a post-camp community outreach program in which campers share their camp knowledge and continue to cultivate valuable communication skills
- Land Scholars have been invited to speak at 6 events, including: the Cross Timbers Quail Coalition Annual Banquet, Dallas Safari Club Convention, Ft. Worth Stock Show and Rodeo, DFW Child Camp Fair, Earth Day Dallas, and the Clay County Turkey Fest.

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## **“Introduction to Dangerous Game Hunting”**

**June and July 2015**

**Southern Africa Wildlife College**

**10 days**

<http://www.wildlifecollege.org.za/index.php>

\*\*\*\*\* Please announce to all eligible current and former students \*\*\*\*\*  
Age Limit: 16 – 21

Once in a lifetime opportunity to learn all about dangerous game hunting in South Africa. Fundraising Opportunities – Eligible students can raise money on their own to cover cost of the course and airfare.

### **Details:**

- Fly to Johannesburg, South Africa and then on to Hoedspruit, South Africa.
- Collection and drop off at the Hoedspruit airport which is an easy 45 minute drive from the SAWC on good black top roads.
- Shared, double accommodation each with our bathroom.
- Three meals per day – evenings spend around a campfire.
- Costs would be \$ 250 per person per day, ie \$ 2500 for the 10 day course.
- This would cover all costs – pick-up and drop off at airport, shared accommodation, meals, lectures, training material and ammo to be used, and guided field walks.

## Proposed Itinerary:

Day 0 – arrive at SAWC – in afternoon sometime.

Day 1 Topic – Hunting Ethics and the role of sustainable utilization in African Wildlife Conservation

Afternoon game walk/drive

Day 2 Topic – Africa Game Animals – Habits and Habitat with special emphasis on the big 7.

Afternoon game walk/drive

Day 3 Topic – African ‘ballistics’ and a close look at current day bullets and safari ammo.

Afternoon game walk/drive

Day 4 Topic – Africa Safari Rifles – demonstration and handling of different types.

Afternoon – shooting range – shooting practice to conclude with advanced big bore rifle handling – the opportunity to shoot from the SAWC’s extensive rifle collection.

Day 5 Topic – African game animal anatomy & shot placement.

Impala dissection and the sighting and hanging of a leopard bait with the remains.

Day 6 Topic –Hunting techniques for all the dangerous species

Shot placement practical using laser pointers on live dangerous game animals.

Day 7 Topic – Introduction to tracking and game animal spoor demonstration.

Afternoon game walk and tracking practical.

Day 8 Topic – Trophy measuring, trophy estimation and assessment – all local species.

Afternoon game walk/drive.

Day 9 Simulated Hunts – as close as it gets to the ‘real thing’ – shoot the SAWC ‘buffalo and elephant’ course with live ammo and your choice of big bore rifle.

“Stopping the charge” – shooting range – and having fun.

Day 10 – guided trip into the world renowned Kruger National Park.

Day 11 – depart for airport after breakfast.

# TEXAS BRIGADES

## What is Texas Brigades?

The Texas Brigades is a wildlife and natural resource education and leadership development program. Each camp is 5 days. The camps are designed to teach life skills and increase knowledge of wildlife and habitat management. It is a fun, intensive, hands-on experience!



## Who puts on these camps?

The Texas Brigades is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization. The camps are put together by a dedicated group of volunteers from various government agencies, non-profit organizations, businesses, and individuals interested in teaching youth about the great outdoors.



Funding for the Brigades is provided by many donations and grants from businesses, foundations, organizations, and individuals.

## Why should I go?

You will learn a lot about wildlife, beef cattle and conservation, as well as develop your leadership, team-building, and communication skills. This camp will help you no matter where life takes you.



## Where are the camps held?

Most camps are held on private ranches. All of the facilities are set up for large groups and are very comfortable. Check out our website for exact locations!

## Who is eligible?

Anyone with an interest in the outdoors and is 13-17 years of age is eligible to apply. This is a co-ed camp. There is a deadline, so call or email us today to get an application. Apply on-line at [www.texasbrigades.org](http://www.texasbrigades.org).



## What will I learn?

Everything you ever wanted to know about cows, quail, deer, bass & waterfowl! You will study anatomy, botany, habitat management, population dynamics, conservation, biology, and a whole lot more. In addition to a heaping dose of ecology, there are lessons on photography, entomology, art, firearm safety, leadership, communication, and team building. You will have the opportunity to learn from some of Texas' leading wildlife and natural resource experts.



## 2015 Camps

- ♦ Rolling Plains Bobwhite Brigade: June 13-17
- ♦ South Texas Buckskin Brigade: June 14-18
- ♦ South Texas Bobwhite Brigade: June 26-30
- ♦ Bass Brigade: July 7-11
- ♦ Ranch Brigade: July 14-18
- ♦ North Texas Buckskin Brigade: July 19-23
- ♦ Waterfowl Brigade: July 19-23

*Email us to get on the distribution list for information.*

*Application deadline is March 16, 2015.*

## Interested in volunteering?

Texas Brigades needs adult leaders who want to help youth develop into leaders. No prior experience or special knowledge required! Apply online at [www.texasbrigades.org](http://www.texasbrigades.org).

## For more information, contact:

Helen Holdsworth, Executive Director  
Kassi Scheffer, Program Coordinator  
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