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News

NEW Hunter Stories Wanted

NEW SAFETY Event Location

Texas Outdoor Writing Contest - students can win a prizes.

FREE Poster – Hunting Ethics part 2
Print and post in your classroom

YWCE – Jan. 15, 2015 – check out the details in this newsletter. 75 spots left

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Youth Wildlife Conservation Experience – Jan. 15, 2015
- NASP State Tour. – March 5, 2015
- 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



Hidden Lakes SAFETY Event
March 28, 2015



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First Spike!



New Hunter Stories!

Share your student's hunting success stories. Email me a short message and a picture if you can. If your story is selected to be included in a newsletter or a DSC publication, the student and teacher will receive a free gift.

If selected, I will request an image release from your student.

33rd S.A.F.E.T.Y. Extravaganza

DATE: MARCH 28, 2015

**LOCATION: HIDDEN LAKES HUNTING RESORT
YANTIS, TEXAS (near Lake Fork)**



Hidden Lakes
HUNTING RESORT

The spring SAFETY Event is in east Texas to help those schools in that area attend an event. will follow the same format as the previous events. We will charter bus participants from two locations, one in the DFW area and the other at Emory Rains Middle School. More details to follow in the December and January Newsletters.



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.

RSVP: scot@dallasecologicalfoundation.org

Teacher Training in North Texas for Fall 2014

TPWD Hunter Instructor.....	8:00 AM – 2:00	Nov. 24 – Dallas (DEF Office)
TPWD Boater Education Instructor....	2:00 PM – 6:00	Nov. 24 – Dallas (DEF Office)
Dutch Oven Cooking.....	8:00 AM– 1:00	Nov. 25 – Dallas (DEF Office)
TPWD Explore Bowhunter.....	8:00 AM– 1:00	Nov. 25 – Dallas (DEF Office)
TPWD Angler Instructor.....	1:00 PM– 5:30	Nov. 25 – Dallas (DEF Office)

Additional Hunter Instructor Classes

COLLEGE STATION	Sat Nov 8, 2014	8:00 AM	(979) 845-4865	(dharmel-garza@ag.tamu.edu.)
COLLEGE STATION	Thu Dec 18, 2014	8:00 AM	(979) 845-4865	(dharmel-garza@ag.tamu.edu.)
CORPUS CHRISTI	Sat Feb 7, 2015	8:00 AM	(361) 853-8644	
DECATUR	Tue Nov 18, 2014	9:00 AM	(469) 601-8349	(@Fossil Pointe Sporting Grounds Hunter Education Building, 7)
WESLACO	Sun Nov 9, 2014	8:00 AM	(830) 456-1763	

Additional Angler Education Instructor Classes

Nov 7, 2014, 11:30 AM – 4:00 PM, Sweetwater, TX, Keira Quam, keira.quam@tpwd.texas.gov 469-644-2705

Nov 22, 2014, 9:00 AM-3:00 PM, Corpus Christi, TX, Caleb Harris, caleb.harris@tpwd.texas.gov 512-389-4472

Dec 13, 2014, 9:00 AM-3:00 PM, San Marcos, TX, Caleb Harris, caleb.harris@tpwd.texas.gov 512-389-4472

Jan 24, 2015, 9:00 AM-3:00 PM, Austin, TX, Caleb Harris, caleb.harris@tpwd.texas.gov 512-389-4472

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.

The following information pertains to all courses. Pre-register at: www.naspbai.org

Nov. 8 – Brock, TX

Nov. 15 – Keller, TX

Nov. 17 – Moody, TX

Additional Boater Education Instructor Classes

Sat Nov 15, 2014	8:00 AM	KATY	(281) 534-0125	(CALL TO RESERVE A SEAT)
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Mentored Waterfowl Workshop

Learn a diverse skill set for hunting waterfowl!

When	Nov 15, 2014 from 09:00 AM to 04:00 PM
Where	Lake Arrowhead State Park
Contact Name	Keith Gauthier
Contact Email	keith.gauthier@tpwd.texas.gov
Contact Phone	(940) 528-2211

Come out to Lake Arrowhead State Park for a day of learning about hunting waterfowl. This Mentored Waterfowl Workshop will provide hands-on skills and knowledge for hunting waterfowl. No experience is necessary and the workshop is open to all ages who are interested in learning about waterfowl hunting. The skills and knowledge will cover the following:

- Identification of waterfowl to include what they look like and sound like, and behavior patterns to watch for.
- Laws involved with hunting and also common game violations.
- Hunting techniques including camouflage, duck decoys, use of blinds and selection of areas to hunt.
- Intro to shotgun shooting, including distance estimation and safety.



**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's Dallas Ecological 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 2015 TOWA Conference in Corpus Christi Feb. 26 – March 1.

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 to TOWA, attention Tom Linton; 1722 Capstan Road, Houston, Texas 77062-4522.

Essays will not be returned.

Deadline: Entries must be received by midnight Saturday January 31, 2015. Stories not following these rules will not be accepted. No exceptions.

Winning entries will be featured at the TOWA 2015 conference where members and guests may read and enjoy them. All entries become property of TOWA and may be published in full or part in the TOWA and DSC newsletter, 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 Tom Linton at (409) 939-3800 or tomlinton35@gmail.com



CUT AND CLIP TO YOUR STORY

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

Grade Level: _____ Number of Pages: _____ Number of words used: _____

Student's Name: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Numbers (2): _____ Street / PO Box City State Zip

Title of Story: _____

Teacher: _____ Teacher email: _____

School: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____



**Outdoor Adventure's
Youth Wildlife Conservation
Experience (YWCE)
January 15, 2014
Dallas Convention Center**



The Dallas Ecological Foundation's Outdoor Adventures Education program would like to extend a special invitation to you. Thanks to a very special Youth Wildlife Conservation Experience (YWCE) endowment from Larry and Brenda Potterfield, the Outdoor Adventures Education program will have 400 students attend the Dallas Safari Club's "Traditions" Convention. The YWCE initiative is designed to educate the youth on the importance of wildlife conservation and the role of the hunter, outfitters, conservation groups and local governments in the sustained use of wildlife around the world.

Agenda: 8:30 – 9:00 – Check In - Pass out badges, lunch tickets, convention bags.

9:00 – 11:00 Conservation Workshop Speakers will include: Wildlife Outfitters; Guides; Biologist and Special Conservationist from Alaska, South Africa, New Zealand and Europe; Wilderness Survival Experts, Wildlife Artist, Taxidermist, Wildlife Photography, Gun Smithing, Shooting Techniques, Hunting Skills and Thrills, Laser Shot, Shotgun Laser, National Wild Turkey Federation's indoor shooting station, Turkey Calling, Bird Dog Demonstrations, Duck Calling, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Safari Box, Game Warden Wall of Shame, and much, much, more

The workshop will be set up for students to listen to several of the above mentioned speakers and try out the shooting venues.

Noon – 3:00 Eat lunch and visit the convention

VERY IMPORTANT:

- 100% free workshop for the youth. The DEF will pay for the bus, bus driver, bus parking, and substitute for the Outdoor Adventure Teacher, and tickets to the Exhibit Hall, lunch for everyone. This is a limited opportunity for the first 400 students to register.
- Reserve your school and student's spot today. When 400 spots are reserved, a waiting list will be created.
- Once I have your reservation form returned to me with your principal's signature, I will send you parent/student release documents.

Only 75 spots left!

District Reimbursement Plan and Reservation

Please complete all blanks and get your principal signature. Scan it and email or fax to Scot McClure. scot@dallasecologicalfoundation.org fax (972) 980-9925

Each school requires a different format for funding student field trips. Please use this form and send it to Scot McClure to reserve your spot at the YWCE.

Outdoor Adventure Teacher Name _____ Date _____

School _____ District _____

Principal Signature for Verification: _____

Number of student reservations needed: _____

Actual expenses and addresses for bus, bus driver and substitute teacher

\$ _____ Bus expenses to travel to Dallas Convention Center, 650 S. Griffin St.,
Dallas, TX 75202

\$ _____ Bus driver expenses for field trip to YWCE

\$ _____ Substitute Teacher expenses for Outdoor Adventure Teacher to travel to
YWCE.

Address to remit payment for bus: _____

Address to remit payment for Sub: _____

Hunters Creek Safari Outfitters

Ian Lourens

<http://www.hunterscreek.co.za/wmenu.php>

SOME RULES OF ETHICAL CONDUCT: Part 2

1. Ethical hunters and trappers are critical to effective and sustainable wildlife management, and to the ethical hunter we offer our sincerest gratitude; opportunities for the sustainable use of wildlife are possible because of you.
2. Non-hunters are critically important to the future of hunting. Most non-hunters are tolerant, but will be less so if forced to confront displays of dead game or see people in hunting clothes behaving in disrespectful ways. Ethical hunters are defined by their own sense of respect, honor, safety and fairness. Hunters who behave irresponsibly pose a greater threat to the future of hunting than any anti-hunting group.
3. Bad impressions are difficult to change the Hunter's Law. Two types of law govern the ethical hunter's actions. One is written — the other is not. One is governmentally enforced — the second is based on morality. Both types of law apply with equal force to all hunters. The amount of game taken, for example, is limited by formal regulation, as well as by self-restraint. Those who break the written law, by poaching must be reported. Those who break the unwritten law by shooting at excessively long range, using inadequate equipment or neglecting to prepare themselves for the hunt must be corrected. Those who ignore the law are not hunters.