



Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum Newsletter

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Greetings!

March is an exciting month at the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum! Our annual Spring Break Round Up returns on Saturday, March 12th. We also will host a ribbon cutting for our new Jack Hays and Texas Ranger Surveyors exhibits on Saturday, March 19th. Information on both events is below. We look forward to seeing you this month!

TEXAS RANGER CLASSIC



TEXAS RANGER
 ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION

The Texas Ranger Association Foundation's next Texas Ranger Classic clay shooting tournament is sponsored by Company "A" in Houston on Friday, March 18th.

Please [click here](#) for more information on the sporting clay tournament and to register.

Ranger Rudy Flores' Collection

Retired Texas Ranger Sergeant Rudy Flores recently donated a large collection of Texas Ranger equipment to the Museum, including several sets of BDUs, two Hidden Agenda™ jackets, body armor, a gas mask, as well as several other items. Hidden Agenda™ jackets feature drop down flaps that can identify the wearer as a Texas Ranger. These flaps are hidden in the jacket's exterior panels and appear as a normal windbreaker until such time as identification becomes necessary.

Sergeant Flores also donated eight boxes of his case files and records to the *Tobin and Anne Armstrong Texas Ranger Research Center*. The Collections Department is looking forward to exhibiting several of these new artifacts in the *Distinguished Service: The Retired Texas Rangers* exhibit in Fall 2016.

KNOX CENTER SURVEY



This survey is part of a collaborative marketing project between marketing students at Baylor University Department of Journalism and the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum. The students are working with John Knox Center in order to improve our advertising campaign.

If you are a previous renter and interested in taking the survey, please [click here](#).

BURSON BROTHERS



The careers of brothers Texas Ranger Jake Burson and Texas Ranger Josh Burson and the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum were featured in "Texas Connect Us: Burson Brothers As Texas Rangers" on *NBCDFW.com* on February 24th.

Please [click here](#) to watch the segment.

TEXAS RANGER HISTORY BY THE ALAMO VIDEOS



"Ask History: Who are the Texas Rangers?"

Get the full story of the Texas Rangers, one of America's oldest and most respected law enforcement agencies, from their start in the 1800s to today's high-tech police work, and all the infamous outlaws they've captured along the way."

Please [click here](#) to watch the 3-minute film by *The Alamo Videos*.



Sergeant Flores served in Texas Rangers Company "B" from 1996-2015, where he was stationed in Palestine, Texas.

Surveyors & Hays Exhibits Ribbon Cutting

The Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum is pleased to announce the completion of the new Jack Hays and Texas Ranger Surveyors exhibits. In collaboration with the Texas Society of Professional Surveyors, the Museum is hosting a ribbon cutting on Saturday, March 19th at 11:00 am. We will kick off National Surveyors Week (March 21st through March 26th). We hope you can join us.

You're Invited!

Please join us, the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum and the Texas Society of Professional Surveyors, for a ribbon cutting of the new Surveyors and Jack Hays exhibits as we kick off National Surveyors Week (March 21st through March 26th).

Saturday, March 19, 2016
11:00 am
Garrison Gallery at the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum
100 Texas Ranger Trail, Waco
I-35 Exit 335-B

Please call (254) 750-8631 for more information.

Support for the new exhibits was made possible by the generous donations from Ram and the Fiat-Chrysler Automobiles Foundation and the Texas Society of Professional Surveyors.

Ranger Ray's Special Visit

In January, Texas Ranger Joshua Ray, Company "A" in Bryan, had the

8 FAMOUS TEXAS RANGERS



The article "8 Famous Texas Rangers" by Sarah Pruitt on the *History Lists* features the careers of:

John Coffee Hays
 Samuel H. Walker
 Ben McCulloch
 William "Bigfoot" Wallace
 John B. Armstrong
 John B. Jones
 Captain Bill McDonald
 Frank Hamer

Please [click here](#) to read the list.

TEXAS DPS AWARDS



In February, the Texas Public Safety Commission (PSC) and Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) Director Steven McCraw presented two *Purple Hearts*, eight *Director's Citations*, four *Lifesaving Awards*, two *William P. Clements Excellence Awards* and four *Director's Awards*.

Texas Ranger Joe Haralson was a *William P. Clements Excellence Award* recipient.

Please [click here](#) to read the full list of recipients.

EDUCATION CENTER

opportunity to visit 14-year-old Peter Ramirez. Peter suffers from Muscular dystrophy, but as you can see, that doesn't hold him back. He likes to hunt, and took down this monster deer. Texas Ranger Joshua Ray said, "I had a lot of fun hanging out with Peter and getting to know his family. Peter is a pretty cool and talented young man."



Spring Break Round Up

The Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum will host its annual Spring Break Round Up event on Saturday, March 12th. This come and go event will showcase a Nineteenth Century Texas Ranger camp scene, courtesy of the Texas Top Guns. They will cook biscuits from the chuck wagon for you to taste. In addition, visitors can look forward to a presentation by an active-duty Texas Ranger. The event will run from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., and is included with a regular admission ticket.





The following groups utilized the Education Center for programs during the month of February:

- Historic Waco Foundation
- Greater Waco Christian Home Educators
- National Rural Letter Carriers Association
- Association of Fundraising Professionals
- Texas Department of Public Safety
- NAACP



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Lone Star History Conference

Join us April 29-May 1 for a weekend jam-packed with presentations on Texas Ranger history by leading historians and active-duty Texas Rangers! Scheduled speakers include: Texas Rangers Assistant Chief Frank Malinak, Lieutenant Wende Wakeman, the first female lieutenant in the Texas Rangers service; Bill O'Neal, State Historian of Texas; David S. Turk, historian of the U.S. Marshals Service; and Jim Willett, historian of the Texas Prison Museum.



During the conference many Texas Ranger historians will be available to autograph copies of their books available in the museum store.

For a schedule of events, please [click here](#).

Gift Shop Highlight

The Texas Ranger Museum Gift Shop has received new items from the recent Dallas Market. Items include new toys, jams, pens, and more. Amongst the new items are these Texas flag crossbody purses.

Crossbody Purses

Fringe and non-fringe styles
Features inside and back zipper pockets
Snap closure on top
7 and 3/4" long by 6" wide
Limited availability
\$34.95



Please call (877) 750-8631 or email thestore@texasranger.org to purchase one today.

Sales from the Gift Shop benefit the preservation and education activities of the Museum. Thank you!

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**Save
\$2.00**

Save \$1.00 off regular adult admission for up to two adults. Coupon not valid on discounted senior or military admission. No cash value.
The museum is open 9am to 5pm with the last guest admitted at 4:30pm. The museum is located off I-35 and University Parks Drive in Waco, Texas.
For more information, call (254) 750-8631 or visit www.texasranger.org.

Offer Expires: April 30, 2016