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Military Appreciation Weekend

May 24th, 25th and 26th

Active duty personnel, retirees and Veterans will receive free admission to the Museum while their family will receive discounted admissions (with valid id or documentation - medals, service records, photographs are accepted).

Community Visioning Expo



Please join us on Wednesday, May 7th from 4:00 to 6:30pm at the Waco Convention Center.

George Strait Ticket Giveaway

June 1st from 1 to 3pm



Waco 100 is giving you several chances to win tickets to the country music event of the year: George Strait's final concert of his final tour "The Cowboy Rides Away" in Arlington, TX on Saturday, June 7th!

The Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum is participating in the giveaway. On Sunday, June 1st from 1 to 3pm, Waco 100 radio personalities will be at the Museum to greet visitors. While on site, visitors can enter the drawing for the final pair of tickets to the concert. The winner will be chosen that day. The tickets are in section 150, row 8 of AT&T Stadium in Arlington, TX. Tickets have a face value of \$199 and are now selling in excess of \$700 a piece.

We will be exhibiting our plans for expansions and renovations to the museum in preparation for the upcoming Texas Ranger Bicentennial in 2023.

Meetings Marketplace



Please visit our booth at the Meetings Marketplace on Wednesday, May 21st from 10am to 2pm at the Waco Convention Center. Please click here for more information.

Child Safety Video



With the summer heat quickly approaching, we felt it was important to share this video. The video demonstrates just how easy it is to loose track of time when a child is in the car waiting. Please click here to watch the video and save a life.

New Movie: Rising



Rising, which will premiere in 2015, will detail the Texas Revolution against Mexico



For entry rules and more information, please click here.

Coming Soon: Lone Ranger Exhibit

Opening June 13th

A new exhibit is being installed in the Spindletop Tower exhibit gallery of the Armstrong Texas Ranger Research Center. It will feature archival and library artifacts from the collections never before exhibited. These will include posters, books, photographs, comic strips, cassette tapes, a computer game and ViewMaster slides (remember those?). The highlight of the exhibit will be a Lone Ranger Frontier Town toy set. Designed by the creator of *The* Lone Ranger, Fran Striker, it is his personal copy of the toy town. The majority of the items are from the Lone Ranger Collection generously donated from the Estate of Dolores Taylor, M.D. in 2009. Dr. Taylor was an avid Lone Ranger memorabilia collector who was a personal friend of actor Clayton Moore. Moore was made an honorary member of the TRHFM board before his passing.



The exhibit will be open for viewing from June 13, 2014. The Armstrong Research Center's hours are Monday - Friday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Hours are subject to change dependent on staff availability)

Register Now for Summer Camp

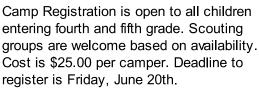
June 27th and 28th from 8am to noon each day

On day one, campers will have the opportunity to step into the boots of a

and the rise of the legendary Texas Rangers. It will star Bill Paxton and Brendan Fraser. Please click here to read more about the made-for-TV movie.

19th century Texas Ranger and learn about skills critical to survival on the frontier. Day two of the program will provide an opportunity for campers to learn about the duties of the modern Texas Ranger, including their work as Crime Scene Investigators.

New DPS Headquarters





To register, please call (254) 750-8631.



On April 2, 2014 the new Texas DPS Region 5 Headquarters officially opened in Lubbock. Please click here to read more about it.

Donation to Distinguished Service

The Texas Ranger Association Foundation (TRAF) has provided a substantial matching funds grant towards the forthcoming exhibit Distinguished Service: the Retired Texas Rangers. The exhibit will be constructed in the Texas Ranger



Hall of Fame, a State monument, and contain biographical and information about the 185+ living retired Texas Rangers who served from the 1960s to the present.

Reintegration Presentation



The lead gift for this project was made by Mrs. Holly Williamson of Austin and Mrs. Andrea Catania of Midland and honors their late father Robert Holt, Chairman of the Texas Public Safety Commission.

We are grateful to the Texas Ranger Association Foundation for their matching funds support, which makes the completion of this project possible. Distinguished Service is scheduled to open in December.

Stroman, Waco Police Department, had the opportunity to present the benefits of reintegration in regards to law enforcement to Texas Police Chiefs at the Texas Police Chiefs Association conference in Addison, Texas.

The Foundation is a charitable nonprofit that provides scholarships to the children of active duty Rangers, assists Rangers and their families in times of difficulty, and supports the TRHFM in its mission of preserving and presenting the heritage of the Texas Rangers.

Reintegration is a longterm process that works with the offenders so that the parolee is less likely to re-offend and communities are protected from repeat crime.

Texas Rangers Help Educate Officers On Identifying Child Abuse

(KUTV) Human trafficking, child abduction, and child sex crimes; those are the topics of discussion for dozens of troopers during a two day training at the Salt Lake Community College Miller Campus in Sandy.

This valuable training is coming from a couple of Texas Rangers. "What we bring here is what every officer already knows, but they just haven't thought

Fourteen chiefs and faculty/staff from the Law Enforcement Management Institute of Sam Houston State University were in attendance.

Did You Know?



The fastest speeding ticket in the world allegedly occurred in May 2003 in Texas. It was supposedly 242 mph in a 75 mph zone. The car was a Swedish-built Koenigsegg CC8S, which was involved in the San Francisco to Miami Gumball 3000 Rally race.

Education Center



In April, the following groups used the Texas Ranger Education Center:

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of it in these terms and they don't know how to articulate it," said Texas Ranger Sgt. Cody Mitchell.

Around 180 officers attended the conference and some of those troopers are coming from Montana and Idaho.

Sgt. Mitchell says it was seven years ago he and his partner started looking for training that would help them in identifying children who are being abused, have been abducted or are being forced against their will. Mitchell says despite their efforts, they could not find any.



Sgt. Cody Mitchell

So they started to develop their own material and by 2010 Mitchell says they have given the training to all Texas troopers, and six months later they saw a huge improvement in child sex crime arrest.

He says it's all about asking the right questions and knowing what to look for. "From a person's body language, to the language that they are using to items that might be present inside of a vehicle, or inside a home during a regular visit, or items that should be present that aren't there," said Sqt. Mitchell.

"Absolutely critical," said Capt. Tyler Kotter from the Utah Department of Safety about the conference for his troopers. "The reality is every child matters and if it was my child I would want officers trained to know what to look for to recover that child."

"Utah has the ability to intervene, to stop the abuse, to arrest the offender," said Sgt. Mitchell.

To watch news segments from both KUTV 2 and Fox13Now stations in Utah, please click here.

By: Dan Rascon (Copyright 2014 Sinclair Broadcasting Group)

Blue Sofa Highlights Texas Frontier Days

Zweites Deutsches Fernsehen (ZDF) (English: Second German Television) is a German public-service television broadcast station based in Mainz, Rhineland-Palatinate. The ZDF literary program Blue Sofa, host Wolfgang Herles interviews authors and introduces their new releases. Herles travels with his iconic blue sofa to interview the authors at the place of their work. In April, Herles talked with staff at the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum.

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Herles interviewed Philipp Meyer, who wrote *The Son*, published in May 2013, is "an epic of Texas" focusing on three generations of the McCullough family. "Each face their own challenges-Comanche raiders, border wars and a changing civilization, respectively."

Meyer has described the novel as "[a] partly historical novel about the rise of an oil and ranching dynasty in

Texas. It traces the family from the earliest days of Anglo-European settlement, open warfare with the Comanche, the end of the frontier, the rise of the cattle industry, and transitioning into the modern (oil) age. The rise of Texas as a power pretty closely parallels America's rise to global power, for obvious reasons. And I wanted to write about the parts of America that are growing, rather than declining."

The program is scheduled to air on May 30th and can be watched on the website: www.dasblauesofa.zdf.de

Gift Shop Feature: Dominoes

Now available! These light wood domino sets are hand-crafted in the Texas Prison System. Each set includes a hinged, darker wood case with a leather inset Texas Ranger badge. Retails at \$125.00 each.





To order your set, please call (877) 750-8631 between 9am and 4:30pm Central time or email thestore@texasranger.org. Sales from the Gift Shop benefit the preservation and education activities of the Museum. We ship worldwide.

Save

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

L35 and University Parks Drive in Waco, Texas.

For more information, call (254) 750-8631 or visit www.texasranger.org.

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