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Save the Dates!

- ✓ Monday, November 11th - Military Appreciation Day
- ✓ Friday, November 22nd - First Responders Day
- ✓ Saturday, December 7th - Big Texas Christmas Present

Tex Allen Collection Donation

On September 17th the Armstrong Texas Ranger Research Center welcomed Dr. and Mrs. Ted Baehr. Dr. Baehr is the publisher and Editor of Movieguide, a popular internet guide to family movies. He is the son of famed cowboy actor Bob "Tex" Allen.

Tex Allen's film career began in 1926 and lasted until 1986. He was a contract player for Paramount, Columbia and 20th Century Fox studios alongside such stars as the Marx Brothers, Rosalind Russell and Greer Garson. He is best known for playing the lead in six 1930s Texas Ranger movies such as *The Unknown Ranger* (1936), *Reckless Ranger* (1937) and *Law of the Ranger* (1937).

During their visit the Baehrs graciously donated an original Tex Allen movie poster, reproduction movie lobby cards and production stills from Allen's Ranger films.



Happy Halloween!

Are you going trick-or-treating this year as the Lone Ranger/Tonto, a

Texas Ranger or a cowboy/cowgirl? If so, please share your pictures with us!



Education Center

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

- Community HealthCorps
- Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service
- Texas Brazos Trails Retirement Fitness Agency
- Altrusa International
- Girl Scouts of Central Texas
- Waco Foundation
- Association of Fundraising Professionals
- Texas Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services
- National Alliance on Mental Illness



Joel Jackson Remembered

Joel Wright Jackson, 73, of Kingwood, passed away on September 6th. Joel



Left to Right: Dr. Ted Baehr; Christina Stopka, Head of Armstrong Texas Ranger Research Center; Mrs. Lili Baehr

The Armstrong Center has a growing collection representing "reel" movie and television Rangers including Clayton Moore (*The Lone Ranger*), Chuck Norris (*Walker: Texas Ranger*), Robert Culp (*Trackdown*), Willard Parker & Harry Lauther (*Tales of the Texas Rangers*) and Robert Duvall (*Lonesome Dove*).

We extend our gratitude to the Baehrs for this addition to this important collection.

A Special Thank You

The Texas Rangers have been regarded as elite criminal investigators since the 1870s. With state-of-the-art equipment at their disposal, the Texas Rangers piece together clues and solve crimes. An educational program of the museum makes it possible for students to learn about the use of modern forensics.



Our Crime Scene Investigator Training educational program begins with a tour of the museum. After learning about the Texas Rangers, students learn different investigative techniques to solve a mysterious theft.

In September, we received a thank you card from two brothers, Andrew age 11 and Samuel age 10, who recently participated in the CSI program. The card reads:

was a very strong, take charge kind of man, yet, selfless. He retired from the oil and gas industry after over 30 years of service. He was on the Texas Rangers Association Foundation Board of Directors.

For more information on his life, please [click here](#).



Run, Hide, Fight

The City of Houston Office of Public Safety and Homeland Security produced a video on safety procedures should you find yourself in the midst of a random shooting. Please watch it and share the link with your friends.

[Click Here](#)



New 9/11 Memorial

There is a new 9/11 memorial in the Greater Waco Area. Lacy Lakeview's Veterans Memorial Park is its new home. State Senator Brian Birdwell, R-Granbury, spoke at the dedication on September 7th. Birdwell was injured in

Dear Mr. Eichhorn,

I liked the brief introduction to the Texas Rangers before we learned about Crime Scene Investigation.

I learned investigators use plastic gloves to handle evidence to prevent smearing other evidence. gratefully, Andrew

I remember that before a crime scene is moved around, a photograph is taken.

*Thank You,
Samuel*

The program is targeted for children ages 6 to 12. Reservations are required for all groups and must be made at least seven days in advance. Calling early in the school year will ensure that you receive your desired program date and time. Group size is limited to 25 total participants and availability is limited. To book the CSI program, call the Education Coordinator at (254) 750-8631.

Lifelong Learning at the TRHFM

During the month of October, the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum will host "Texas History through the Eyes of the Texas Rangers", a



four-part lecture series in conjunction with the Baylor Alumni Association's Lifelong Learning program. The course will cover the history of the Texas Rangers and will highlight four different time periods, including the Texas Revolution, the Frontier Battalion, the transition to DPS and modern law enforcement in Texas. Guest presenters include authors Bob Alexander and Harold Weiss.

For more information on the program, please visit the [Baylor Alumni Association website](#).

Knox Center Planters

John Knox Texas Ranger Memorial Center is a premium ~6,000 sq. ft. banquet facility, which is a perfect setting for parties, business conferences, wedding receptions, monthly meetings, fund raisers, training sessions, dances . . .

Knox Center received a facelift with the installation of two large planters flanking the entrance. The planters feature deep pink crape myrtle trees. In 1997 the Texas Legislature designated the crape myrtle as the state shrub.

the attack on the Pentagon on 9/11. The memorial is a tribute to first responders and victims of 9/11 as well as military personnel.

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Workers add the finishing touches to the Knox Center planters.

To book Knox Center, visit our [banquet website](#) or contact Mika Coffey at (254) 750-8631.

Bronze Frank Hamer Statue



We now have for sale in the gift shop a limited edition (#4 of 25) 26-inch bronze of Frank Hamer titled *Texas Town Tamer* by Russell Cushman.

The 7-foot bronze is on display in front of City Hall in Navasota. The statue was unveiled on March 2nd as part of Navasota's Texas Birthday Bash event. In addition to his service as a Texas Ranger, Frank Hamer served as the City Marshal of Navasota from 1908 to 1911.

In an interview in *The Navasota Examiner*, Cushman said he felt privileged to make the statue. "He's a man who has been ignored by Hollywood and history and he's finally getting the recognition he deserves," said Cushman.

For more information on purchasing the limited edition bronze from the gift shop, please call toll free (877) 750-8631 or email thestore@texasranger.org.

Revolution

Did you watch the new season premier of *Revolution*? It began with the cast settling into Willoughby, TX, where all is not what it seems, and



they have asked the Texas Rangers for help. The TRHFM mailed the *Revolution* costume department our official Texas Ranger belt buckles for the show. The belt buckles are available for purchase in the Gift Shop. Watch the show and then share your thoughts on our Facebook page.

About *Revolution*

Revolution airs on Wednesdays at 8/7c on NBC.

Our entire way of life depends on electricity. So what would happen if it just stopped working? Well, one day, like a switch turned off, the world is suddenly thrust back into the dark ages. Planes fall from the sky, hospitals shut down, and communication is impossible. And without any modern technology, who can tell us why?

Now, 15 years later, life is back to what it once was long before the industrial revolution: families living in quiet cul-de-sacs, and when the sun goes down, the lanterns and candles are lit. Life is slower and sweeter. Or is it?

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.

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