Texas Ranger Hall of Fame Newsletter

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New Web Site Design—Check it Out (www.texasranger.org)

The first Texas Ranger Hall of Fame website went on line in 1997—likely the first law enforcement history web site. Twenty years ago a desktop or laptop computer was the only way to access the web. The iPhone was still a decade away, and Nokia had just issued the first text-only internet capable phone. Times have changed.

Today 61% of Americans own a smart phone, and for many, it is the primary internet access. With this in mind, the Texas Ranger museum staff has designed a new smartphone and tablet-friendly website. The site has a wealth of information about America’s oldest statewide law enforcement agency and visiting the museum.
Tweaks and improvements are being made, and your input is welcome! If you are still loading the old website, please clear out your cache and cookies. Thanks!

Visit our Website

**Spring Break Round Up - Saturday, March 10th**

The Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum will host its annual Spring Break Round Up event on Saturday, March 10th.

This come-and-go event will showcase an 1880s Texas Ranger camp with chuckwagon, courtesy of the Texas Top Guns Frontier Battalion Company "D".

Additionally, living history group "Legends of the Texas Rangers" will be on hand, portraying Texas Rangers from the early 20th Century.

At 10:30 a.m. retired Texas Ranger Matt Sergeant Cawthon will talk about on the current role of Texas Rangers in the state and take questions. Bring the kids and don’t miss your chance to meet a member of Texas' legendary law enforcement agency.
Spring Break Round Up will run from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., and is included with a regular admission ticket.

2018 Top Destinations on the Rise

In February, TripAdvisor published its 2018 Travelers' Choice "Top Destinations on the Rise - United States" listing. The City of Waco, Texas, was ranked the #2 destination of the top 10 on the list. The Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum was listed the #2 attraction to visit of its top 3 places in Waco, Texas.

Our many thanks to TripAdvisor and its users for including the Museum and Waco in its top 10 list of places to visit.

Please click here to see TripAdvisor's 2018 Travelers' Choice top 10 destinations.

7th Annual Texas Ranger Day in Historic Burton, Texas

March 17, 2018—Which famous Texas Ranger lived and died in Burton, Texas? Discover the answer to this question and much more at Texas Ranger Day hosted by the Burton Heritage Society.

The day begins with the Annie Maud Avis Memorial Fajita and Bean Cook-off, and live re-enactments by the Legends of the Texas Rangers. The living history continues with a display of Texas Ranger 1880s camp life, and folk life demonstrations.

The fun continues with activities for kids of all ages. Tour the 1898 Burton Railroad Depot (anytime), and the Burton Farmers Gin at the Texas Cotton Gin Museum at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. DJ music with the Kountry Chick will keep things rockin'!

Admission to the event is free, tickets for All-you-can-eat fajitas and beans are $10 for adults, $5 for kids 5-10.

For more information, please visit www.burtonheritagesociety.org

7th Grade Class Visits the Museum

Every year thousands of students from small towns and large cities all over Texas visit us. Texas history, and the Texas Rangers, are part of the 4th and 7th grade history Texas history curriculum. Recently, students from Crown of Life Lutheran School in Colleyville,
Texas (population 26,000) visited and we received this touching thank you card from the class.

ATF Memorial Service

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms held a 25th anniversary memorial service for four Special Agents — Conway LeBleu, Todd McKeehan, Robert Williams and Steven Willis — who died in the raid on the Branch Davidian compound February 28, 1993.

Thomas E. Brandon, Acting Director of the Bureau, led the memorial service. He noted that lessons learned and sacrifices of the tragedy resulted in significant changes in training and procedures implemented in such situations.
More than 300 officers from local, State and Federal various agencies and family members of the fallen attended the commemoration held in John Knox Memorial Center.

Gift Shop Feature: Lapel Pins

The museum's Gift Shop is pleased to introduce a new addition to our lapel pins - a Texas Ranger flag and badge enameled pin. It is the perfect addition to any collection. Both the flag and badge pins make great tokens and gifts when traveling overseas, meeting with potential business partners and more!

Sales from the Gift Shop benefit the preservation and education activities of the Museum. Please call (877) 750-8631 or email thestore@texasranger.org to order. Thank you!

Flag and Badge Enamel Lapel Pin  
$6.95 + Tax

Silver/Gold Badge Lapel Pins  
$6.50 + Tax

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Education Center
The following groups utilized the Education Center for programs in February:

ATF  
Texas Rangers  
Historic Waco Foundation  
NAACP
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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