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FROM COWBOYS TO CUBA

The Photographic Expressions of Jerra & Buddy Lee - Exhibit Opening February 24th

For retired Victoria dentist, Buddy Lee and his wife, Jerra, photography has been a big part of their lives for more than fifty years. "I'm always looking for the ordinary doing extraordinary things," states Buddy, regarding what he sees from behind the lens of his camera.

Their latest exhibit, *From Cowboys to Cuba: The Photographic Expressions of Jerra & Buddy Lee*, will be on display at the Chisholm Trail Heritage Museum from February 24th through March 19th.

The photographs in the exhibit were taken beginning in 2007, and include scenes captured at ranches in South Texas, Wyoming, and from their travels in Cuba. Jerra and



Images of Cuba and Cowboys



Buddy previously exhibited their work at the Nave Museum and the Art League in Victoria, as well as the Rockport Center for the Arts.

Their photography captures what people don't often see going on around them. "We are too busy – and we are all moving too fast. People don't take the time to look at things," says Buddy. "What people don't realize is that photography is an art form; it tells a story. Images make you feel good and they bring back memories."

The opening reception for the exhibit will be held at CTHM on February 24th from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. For more information, contact the Museum at 361-277-2866 or at info@chisholmtrailmuseum.org.

CUERO ISD TO HOLD STUDENT WESTERN ART SHOW

Cuero ISD is proud to announce its annual Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Student Western Art Show. Over 150 student-generated western art pieces will be on display from January 22nd through February 8th throughout the 2nd floor Friar-Thomas Community Rooms in the Chisholm Trail Heritage Museum.

District art students in grades 2-12 have the opportunity each fall to bring to life scenes of western life, terrain, tack, and animals in two-dimensional art pieces to compete for ribbons and the honor of having their piece displayed either at the Houston

Livestock Show and Rodeo in the Hayloft Gallery at NRG Center, or CTHM. "It is like our State Competition or Superbowl for our art students," said Heather

Stewart, Cuero Junior High School art teacher. "Elementary students are allowed to develop their own concept from their imagination and examples. Junior High and High School students generally work

from photographs that they, their immediate family members, or teachers have taken. After weeks of work, students are often amazed by what they can do and the teachers love to show off their students' talent."



BLESSING OF THE BRANDS

Mark your calendars for an important and meaningful event currently being planned for Thursday, May 12, 2022. Grace Episcopal Church is organizing a Blessing of the Brands to be held on the grounds of the English – German School, adjacent to the Chisholm Trail Heritage Museum. Father Peter Thaddeus, new rector at Grace Church, is spear-heading the efforts to coordinate with area clergy and their respective congregations to spread the details of the event to the public.

Music, libations, cowboy stew, a blacksmith demonstration, and informative speakers are just a few of the ideas being discussed at present. The highlight and culmination of the evening will be a collective “Blessing” of the DeWitt County Brand Book (as well as any actual brands that participants may want to bring) by area clergy in attendance.

This event will honor the long-standing

traditions of the cattle ranchers of DeWitt County and South Texas and the importance of the unique brands that represent those ranching families. Donors are needed to underwrite the cost of the food and/or drinks. There will be no charge for the event, but donations will be taken with all proceeds distributed to the CAMAL House and the CISD “Community in Schools” program. From the “Running W” to the “XIT”, brands have played a vital role in the history of our great state. Make plans to meet with family and friends to celebrate this important tradition.



Sharon Weber toasts Patsy Pennington with her favorite fudgesicles.

If you’ve ever been to the Museum Gift Shop, chances are you had the pleasure of meeting Patsy Pennington. Patsy recently retired after almost nine years of service to the Museum. “The best part of my job was meeting people from all over and forming forever friendships,” says Patsy. “Retirement is giving me the opportunity to spend time with family and plan my next chapter.” Patsy cherished her time at CTHM, and we certainly cherish her! Happy Retirement dear friend! You will be missed.

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Cowboy Camp 2022

The Chisholm Trail Heritage Museum is looking for a new set of young cowhands ages 7-12 for this year's Cowboy Camp round up! We hit the trail on Tuesday, June 21st at 9:00 a.m.

During camp, young wranglers will learn about life and events during late 19th century Texas. Lessons about horse etiquette, leather tooling, blacksmithing, the mighty longhorn, and many other exciting stops will be taught along the trail. We will end our drive on the 24th with an old-fashioned chuck wagon cook out for campers and parents. Every child is welcome free of charge, but donations are greatly appreciated.

Please call the office at 361-275-2866 to secure your child's spot on the trail and visit chisholmtrailmuseum.org for additional information. Note: Space is limited and spots will be secured on a first come basis.

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- Point Man sponsorship recognition on event signage

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- 2 tickets with priority seating
- Swing Rider sponsorship listed in all event publicity, including website and event program

Wrangler - \$150.00

- Individual ticket

Taste of the Trail XI

April 9th at Bellevue Ranch

The Board of Directors of the Chisholm Trail Heritage Museum, along with the Chairman, Executive Director, and Staff extend an invitation for you to join us for this year's *Taste of the Trail XI*, April 9, 2022. Co-Chairs, Debra Baros and Kathy Frels, have planned a special evening for our



guests. Plans include hearty Texas fare, rousing dance music, an open bar, and unique live-auction items all under a magical tent at the scenic Bellevue Ranch in Cheapside.

Our tradition of serving exceptional cuisine continues with dinner catered by the acclaimed Texas eatery, Perini

Ranch Steakhouse. For the music lovers in attendance, the sounds of "Billy Mata and the Tradition" swing band will beckon guests to the newly expanded dance floor.

The Taste of the Trail event is the primary fundraiser for the Museum and allows us to fulfill our on-going mission of serving the community and the surrounding area. Funds generated by the event are used to conduct daily operations, expand exhibits, and provide needed educational programming. It also provides the funding necessary for special projects such as recent Smithsonian exhibits, exclusive art shows, and outreach programs like our annual Cowboy Camp.

CTHM deeply appreciates the generosity of our faithful supporters throughout the years and sincerely hopes that you will join us for the ultimate "Party in the Pasture!"

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TOTT On-Line Virtual Auction - March 3rd to March 18th

Back by popular demand is the TOTT On-Line Virtual Auction to be held Thursday, March 3rd until Friday, March 18th! Anyone can participate from home at any hour of the day or night. It's as easy as using your phone or browser to view, select, and bid on any of the amazing items on display. Daily auction updates will be provided through March 18th with viewing of the live and silent auction items. Information will be sent out in the next few weeks on how to register, at no cost, to be a part of this fun auction that supports CTHM! Auction items will be on display in the English-German School. If you think we may not have your e-mail address in our database, please contact the Museum at (361) 277-2866 or at info@chisholmtrailmuseum.org. The Trail is taking us to new technology!

HERE'S LOOKIN' AT 2021!



Preservation Texas HONOR AWARD
presented for English-German School



Westhoff ISD Field Trip



Collaboration with Administrative team
of the Briscoe Western Art Museum



Artist Mark & Pam Kohler



Deep in the Art of DeWitt County
Art Exhibit - 175th Celebration



Cliff Weber, artist Kyle Polzin
with his parents, and Liz Heiser



Amy & Matt Thigpen with
Gary P. Nunn



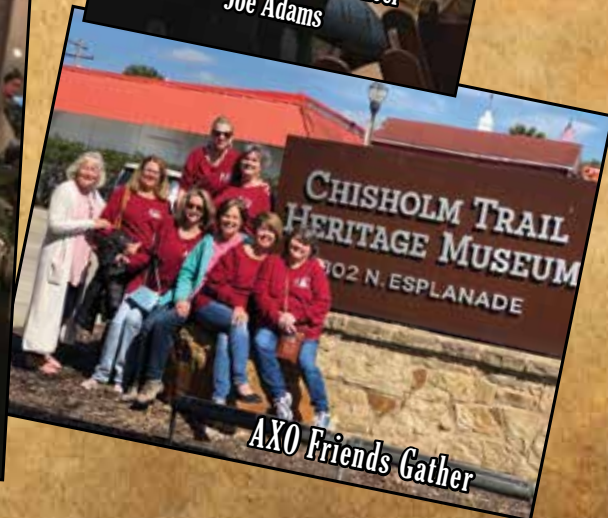
The 20th Anniversary Taste of the Trail
at Bellevue Ranch



Our "infamous" auctioneer
Joe Adams



Smithsonian Waterways Exhibit



AXO Friends Gather



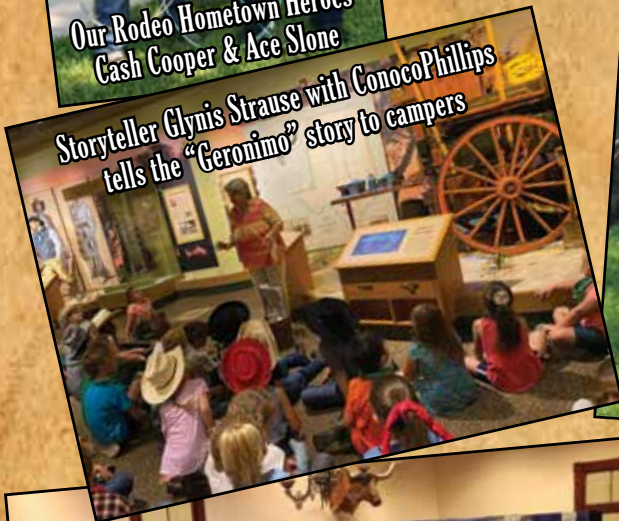
Our Rodeo Hometown Heroes
Cash Cooper & Ace Stone



The campers of Cowboy Camp 2021



Learning how to tool
leather at Cowboy Camp



Storyteller Glynis Strause with ConocoPhillips
tells the "Geronimo" story to campers



Patricia Miller serving up
a meal at Cowboy Camp!



Everyone wants a picture on a Longhorn!



Happy 175th Smithsonian!



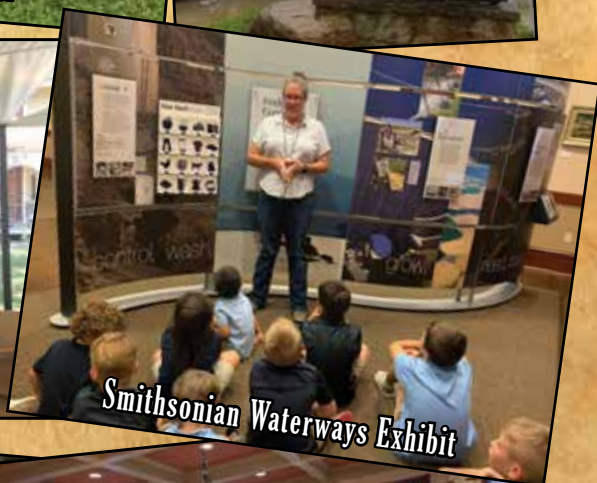
Arrival of the Remington
"Bronco Buster"



The Cowboy
being moved
to its new location



175th DeWitt County Celebration
Texas Ranger Reenactors



Smithsonian Waterways Exhibit



Honoring Cowboys
Bow Tie Brown & Pat Dunn



CTHM Friends of
Cowboy Camp 2021



Meeting at CTHM

SOLD! Saddle Raises \$125k+ at TOTT 2021

Atop a hill at Bellevue Ranch this past May, several hundred people gathered to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Chisholm Trail Heritage Museum at our biennial fund-raiser, Taste of the Trail. Always one of the highlights of the event, this year's live auction took on a deeper purpose as it served to bring the community together. When Joe Adams, long-time auctioneer for the event and current CTHM board member, yelled "SOLD", a collective roar went up from the crowd. A saddle commemorating this 20-year milestone had just been auctioned off. But there is much more to this story. A year earlier, Joe had been in contact with John and Jesse DeBord of Double-J Saddlery, a family-owned business in Yoakum. After meeting with John and Jesse, the reins of the project were handed to their team to create a one-of-a-kind saddle that would be a fair representation of a saddle that truly could take you on a ride back in time. Another contributor to the project was Greg Seiler, local artisan and spur-maker, who hand made the

conchos that adorn the saddle, each with a special, local significance.



Several CTHM board members discussed the possibility of pre-selling the saddle with the intention of donating it back to the Museum in honor of those who have ridden with us so far and to recognize those who continue to support

the museum. The idea caught on at a grass roots level and there was a groundswell of interest in contributing to the project. The Klotzman Family, who owns Nopal Oaks Ranch, agreed to underwrite the cost of the saddle. On the day of the event, Joe received a text from the DeBord family stating they wanted to donate the entire cost of the saddle. At sale time, Lovel Blain and Charlie Cusack represented 86 people who had put in \$1,000 each. So, with the additional contributions, that \$86,000 quickly began to climb. After the sale, there were still many people wanting to participate, and as Joe remembers, they swarmed the podium, checkbooks in hand! Donations continued to pour in weeks after the event from generous citizens who believe in the benefits of having a first class, award-winning museum in our community. As of this publication, contributions now total \$125,250, testifying to the giving spirit of our CTHM supporters.

In the words of a true Texas legend, Happy Shahan, "Seeing is believing, wish you could've been there."

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The late-Victorian style Proctor-Green House was constructed in 1892. Restored in 2011-2012, the home is now part of the Chisholm Trail Heritage Museum. The three-bedroom, two & a half-bath guest house is beautifully appointed, combining the charm of its gracious past with fully updated conveniences and amenities. The Proctor-Green House is available through the Museum for lodging and special events.

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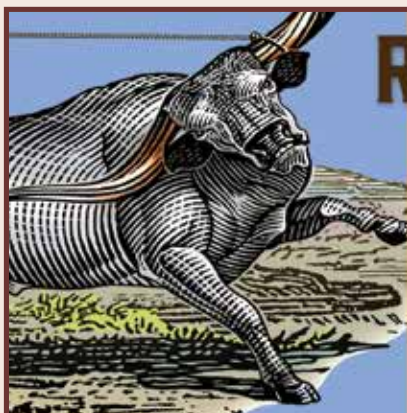
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