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## TEXAS PRISON RODEO



It's time for the Annual Texas Prison Rodeo! The rodeo becomes a way of life in Huntsville every Sunday in October, and this year is no exception. Beginning Sunday, countless numbers of fans from all parts of the world will witness what has been termed the "Wildest Rodeo Behind Bars."

This year's rodeo events will include the mad scramble, wild horse race, bareback bronc riding, saddle bronc riding, wild cow milking, calf scramble, bull riding and the chariot race.

The highlight of the rodeo is the original and thrilling "Hard Money" event featuring 40 convicts dressed in red shirts who attempt to remove a tobacco sack containing cash from the horns of a charging bull.

In addition to the usual spectacular rodeo events, there are a host of inmate and "freeworld" events — so plan to come early and stay late. Beginning at 8:30 a.m. on the Midway in front of the Walls

Unit of the Texas Department of Corrections, guests are offered a wide variety of activities. Crafts and artwork by inmate artists, wanted posters, T-shirt transfers, Prison Rodeo albums and tapes and inmate bands are just a few of the Midway highlights. A wide choice of food and plenty of soft drinks will be available.

To help round out the show, some of the nation's most popular Country and Western entertainers are featured each Sunday. This year's special entertainers are Moe Bandy and Joe Stampley — Sunday; The Younger Brothers — Oct. 9; Charly McClain — Oct. 16; Sylvia — Oct. 23; and Tom T. Hall — Oct. 30.

Reserved seat tickets for the 52nd Annual Texas Prison Rodeo may be purchased at the gate or by enclosing check or money order to: Texas Prison Rodeo, Box 99, Huntsville, Texas, 77340. Ticket prices are \$5, \$6, \$7 and \$8.



## Turkey Trot held

The town of Cuero is once again preparing for the annual Turkeyfest and Great Gobbler Gallop to be held Oct. 8 and 9.

The festivities begin at 10:30 a.m. Oct. 8 with a parade. At noon the mall area opens. The mall features an array of food and drink booths, the Turkeyroost Cantina (a saloon with its own seating, stages and performers), games for the young and old, a chili cook-off, an antique car show, live music entertainment and a bucking bull.

The highlight for Oct. 9 is the Great Gobbler Gallop. This is the race that features

Cuero's number one citizen and racing turkey, Ruby Begonia.

Ruby faces Paycheck, a hot-footed bird from Worthington, Minn., each year in hopes of winning "The Traveling Turkey Trophy of Tumultous Triumph." Each year these U.S. cities, both claiming to be the "Turkey Capitol of the World" and to have the fastest turkey, vie for the number one position. The first heat of the race is run in Worthington at their "King Turkey Day" celebration. The best average of the two heats determines the winner and the title of "Fastest Turkey in the World."

## Paintings, drawings at A&M

A.L. Stacell, a professor of environmental design at Texas A&M, presents "Some Painting and Drawings" during the month of October. This exhibit, which opens Sunday from 2 to 5 p.m., will be on display in the Gallery of the Architecture Building at Texas A&M.



## Saloon survival advice

Consider a research project that requires 28 years to complete, 75,000 hours of on-the-spot interviews, sipping 302,000 bourbons and beers, paying \$277,000 in bar tabs, spending one or two nights in jail and downing countless bottles of aspirin, and you'll know what a dedicated author Andy Kane is.

Without regard for his personal safety, time or money, Kane has relentlessly explored the habits of bar patrons and written his survival tips in a humorous yet practical manual.

*Saloon Survival*, the Imbiber's Bible, guides the reader throughout the tough decisions of finding the right bar, finding the safest corner of that bar during a brawl, finding a car at closing time, and finding a bottle of bromo the next morning.

In addition, Kane has thoughtfully included chapters on weapons, the effective use of money, the "grand entrance and speedy exit," drinker's revenge, "your place or mine" encounters and more. He tells how to be on the lookout for waitresses who pad the tab, video game "amateurs" who take you for all you've got and topleg dancers who distract you while lifting your wallet.

*Saloon Survival*, by Andy Kane. A Paladin Press book.

## Festival to open October 2

The 9th Annual TEXAS RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL, beginning Saturday and continuing every weekend until Nov. 6, is proclaimed "The Year of the Feast."

The festival will provide over 100 acts, most acts performing about eight times each day. Each noon the full cast will be brought together to stage the Grand Procession, concluding with a ceremony at the Globe Theater.

This spectacular event includes the King and Queen, bagpipe band, nobles, merchants, artisans, vendors, gypsies, beggars, horses, elephants, cows and dogs.

Texas Renaissance Festival — Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 1 and 2, Oct. 8 and 9, Oct. 15 and 16, Oct. 22 and 23, Oct. 29 and 30, Nov. 5 and 6. For further information contact David Coulam, Rt. 2, Box 650, Plantersville, Texas 77363.

## Oktoberfest



Washington-on-the-Brazos...Oktoberfest! If you can't make it to Germany this year, try Washington-on-the-Brazos. The Sevenoh Annual Oktoberfest takes place Saturday and Sunday.

Highlights of the festival include authentic German music by Die Froehliche Musikanten, the Rathkamp Dancers, a free Saturday night street dance with Midnight Express, strolling singers, antique cars, square dancers, folk art and craft demonstrations and a morning parade. Admission is free to all events.

Washington-on-the-Brazos is located on FM 1155 off Hwy 105 between Brenham and Navasota.