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Annual Membership Banquet

SATURDAY, JANUARY 26, 2013

TIME: 5:00 – 8:00 P.M.

LOCATION: CLUB HOUSE

Once a year the Bayou Bounty Hunters hold their **annual membership meeting & banquet**. It is a time for all of our cowboys and cowgirls to don their Old West attire and come together for a nice meal, while attending to annual club business. We have recently purchased a large number of targets and props to enhance our shooting experience at Coyote Creek. We would like your participation and input as we move into the coming year.

Family members and guests are cordially invited to join us. This is an excellent time to **invite a friend to introduce them to our cowboy action shooting sport** and to see our fine facilities at Florida Parishes Skeet Club in Amite, LA.

Reservations are required and can be made by at our January match or you can contact Soiled Dove to make your reservations via email.



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Bayou Bounty Hunter Top Shootist Award

We are pleased to announce the **Top Shootist Award** which is being sponsored by ***Kistachie Moon***. It will be awarded to top shooter (*male and female*) during a 12-month period competing in categories that require only one-handed unsupported shooting styles. *More details to follow at the Annual Banquet on January 26th.*



**** Reminder from the Treasurer ****



Annual dues are payable in January of each year.

If you are a member of **Florida Parish Skeet Club**, your membership dues are payable to the **skeet club**. Please send those dues to Nick Brocato or you can bring them to the monthly match.

If you are a member of the **Bayou Bounty Hunters** (*and not the skeet club*), your membership dues are payable to the **Bayou Bounty Hunters**.

You can pay your BBH dues to Cameo Rose at the monthly shoot, or you can mail it to her at the following address;:

Terry Calvert - P. O. Box 10056 - Gulfport, MS 39505



WELCOME NEW SHOOTERS!

“LUCKY DOG” AKA LEON GOLEMI

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

“JADE DRAGON” AKA NATALIE WONG

“LIGHTNING” AKA TOMMY HOOD

“WOODSPLITTER” AKA ROLAND SHARPE

MAURICE DAVID KARNO

FISHER HOUSE

CHARITY MATCH

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THIS WORTHY EVENT!

MARCH 23-24, 2013

Supporting America's military in their time of need, **FISHER HOUSE** provides "**a home away from home**" that enables family members to be close to a loved one during hospitalization for illness, disease or injury. **ALL PROCEEDS FROM THIS MATCH GO DIRECTLY TO THE FISHER HOUSE RESIDENTIAL FACILITY AT KEESLER AIR FORCE BASE IN GULFPORT, MS.**

— Banning Guns —

Submitted by Crazy Emmitt

A quick search on the internet shows how the criminals will continue to get guns:

BLACK MARKET SALES RISE IN ARMS STOLEN FROM U.S. MILITARY BASES -

September 29, 1985 - The New York Times

Tens of millions of dollars worth of advanced, American-made weapons intended for military use are showing up on the black market, according to officials from the Defense Department, other Federal agencies and members of Congress. The weapons often become available for sale to hostile governments or terrorists, the officials say, potentially contributing to the very problem of terrorism that the Government is trying to fight. Main Source for Weapons Numerous officials said the principal source for the black market weapons was theft from United States military bases, ships and warehouses. Among the stolen weapons officials say have been found on the black market are land mines, plastic explosives, missiles, bazookas, grenade launchers and artillery. The military sorts and stores so much weaponry that the Pentagon says it loses or misplaces more than \$1 billion of it each year.

Military weapons stolen; 6 Marines arrested - October 16, 1997

The arrested Marines include a captain and five enlisted personnel. The case involves the theft of explosives and weapons from Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, officials said. The stockpile of stolen weapons includes mortars, grenades, .50 caliber machine guns, land mines and C4 plastic explosives, federal officials told CNN.

27 Rifles Stolen from CA Military Base Published July 30, 2011 - Associated Press

FORT IRWIN, Calif. – More than two dozen assault rifles have been stolen from a Southern California military base, and investigators sought the public's help as they looked to arrest suspects and recover the weapons, federal officials said Friday. Twenty-six AK-74 assault rifles and one Dragunov sniper rifle were stolen from a supply warehouse at Fort Irwin in San Bernardino County on July 15, the [Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives](#) says in a statement. Some arrests have been made and one rifle has been recovered, but the agency is offering a reward of up to \$10,000 for information leading to further arrests, the statement said.

FBI Says Gang Infiltrators Stealing Military Weapons For Sale On U.S. Streets Dec. 16, 2011

The FBI is concerned not only that gangs are [infiltrating the military](#), but gang members are funneling military ordnance to criminal associates on the streets— including high explosive artillery rounds. The problem, according to [Military.com](#), is that recently the FBI has come across a number of instances in which: “Gangs are acquiring highpowered, military-grade weapons more frequently, according to the latest National Gang Intelligence Center (NGIC) Report. And FBI and law enforcement officials suggest gang members — both enlisted and those working at military bases as contract civilians — may be

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funneling the firearms to their street-level counterparts. So it appears criminal syndicates — that include prison gangs, bikers, and notorious Latin gang MS-13 — are getting their hands on a variety of military-grade weapons including rifles, grenades, body armor, and even artillery rounds, according to the latest [NGIC report](#) released.

Marines sold stolen combat weapons to gangs, China 15 May 2012 - Jeff Black, NBC News

American troops sold \$2 million worth of weapons and combat gear, including assault rifles and night vision goggles to street gangs and to foreign countries, including China, in a wide-ranging criminal conspiracy uncovered by a Navy probe. A two-year undercover investigation has implicated more than 60 individuals, an official [with the Naval Criminal Investigative Service \(NCIS\) told The Daily News in Jacksonville, N.C.](#) Many of those involved were stationed at Camp Lejeune, a sprawling coastal Marine Corps installation that is home to special operations and expeditionary forces. Some of the equipment was sold over eBay and Craigslist, though weapons and ammunition were also sold at yard sales and in secretive face-to-face meetings, according to the paper.

Tip about tractor theft leads to stolen Army grenades, assault weapon Dec. 17, 2012 -FoxNews.com

Alabama police say a tip about a stolen tractor led them to a cache of stolen military hardware, Fox 6 News reported. The investigation reportedly began last week when police found a stolen tractor at a residence in Glencoe, Ala. A search of the home found 30 guns, including an assault rifle, as well as grenades and blasting caps stolen from the Anniston Army Depot, according to the station. Spare parts for Stryker military vehicles also were recovered.

According to Fox 6, police suspect the homeowner, Anniston Army Depot employee Ryan Mayo, stole the military items from his workplace.

A ban will NOT make the law abiding citizen any safer.

Wild Bunch & Professional Categories



If you are shooting or plan to shoot in either the **Wild Bunch** or the **Professionals** categories, please make sure that you are aware of the rules and guidelines for these two separate categories. Basically, the Professionals category is a local/club based set of rules that allow for the additional period guns of that era. Those rules can be found on our [club web site](http://www.bayoubountyhunters.com) (www.bayoubountyhunters.com) The Wild Bunch category rules are SASS based, and you can find these on the [Wild Bunch web site](http://www.sassnet.com) at SASS (www.sassnet.com).

OUR CLUB OFFERS THESE ABOVE TWO CATEGORIES AT THE FOLLOWING MONTHLY MATCHES - **JAN., APRIL, JULY, OCT.** (the first month of each quarter).



Gussin' Up Coming to Coyote Creek

Howdy Pards, this here is ole **Rattlesnake**, a'scribblin to ya again. As most of you know, a group of us (**Kentucky Tom, Chippola Kid, Capt. Dan** and myself) went to Matt Masterson's range in northern Louisiana to acquire what we thought would be useful to our club. Matt had decided to shut down his range, and he gave the Bayou Hunters first pick of what was there. If you had never been to his range (*and I had not*), you couldn't imagine what lay before us. A large selection of targets which were excellent quality along with terrific target stands. There was also a wonderful supply of facades and props as well. We felt like kids in a candy factory! Even Tom (*if you can believe it*) was excited. We decided to let Capt. Dan do most of the negotiating since he is, er frugal (read cheap). I did make the deal on one of the target setups, the ore cart, as it was the one I had most looked forward to getting. Mike as usual was the cool, calm and collected one of the bunch.

We started off with the targets which Matt had moved to his shop. (*Did I say shop, it is indeed quite an operation.*) We first acquired the **moving ore cart** target system which will be a great addition to the mine stage. We then selected the **Indian head targets, 4' cowboy target, 3' cowboy targets, ore cart/bathtub targets, large set of card suits targets, falling cowboy targets** (*yes, Galvez, we were thinking of you*), **set of train locomotive and cars targets and a couple of big flip the bird targets**. We purchased a total of **51 targets** for which I must admit Capt. Dan did an admirable job of negotiating.

The group along with Matt next traveled to the range. We first had to disassemble the ore cart system and that was a job. We next looked at the facades, and Tom fell in love with the **depot/train**. He knew that it would go just great with the train targets we had just purchased. This façade was going to be a major job to break down and transport. We looked at several of the other facades, but quickly realized that they would be more than we could deal with at this time. They were all beautiful and we hated to not take it all, but it was too much. As it was, we were going to have to make another trip to get everything we did want. While Mike and I were looking at the props and Tom was surveying the train depot, **Capt. Dan was making deals with Matt!** Capt. Dan met the rest of us and advised that he had negotiated a deal for the **train depot and all of the props including all of the signs around the range**. Considering the fantastic props along with the depot, he had made a great deal.

The team along with Matt returned to his "shop" and we finalized the whole deal. Now came the hard part. We **loaded two sixteen foot trailers with targets**. At last we left as the sun was setting, and made the four hour trek home. Mike and I unloaded our trailer the next day, and Tom with Dan unloaded theirs the following Saturday. **What a haul!** Are we target rich or what?

We left the following week to retrieve the train depot and the props. We realized that it would be a problem securing the props (*an unbelievable variety and quantity*) on a sixteen foot flatbed trailer. So, Tom took his flatbed for the depot and I took my two-horse trailer for the props. We got to the range about 10:00 and started the process of disassembling the depot (Tom and Dan) along with disassembling and loading the props and signage. While we were at it, Matt arrived and offered to give us one prop we had not bargained for: **a bathtub**

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with a **soaking cowboy** (man, is it great) along with a **beautiful laminated faro table**. It took us most of the day to get everything disassembled and loaded, and we finally departed with our stash after 3:00 p.m. We again got home after dark so we didn't unload at the range until a couple of days later.

We all finally got everything unloaded with the props temporarily stored in the hotel, and I believe that Tom and Dan were able to store the broken down depot in one of the storage containers. We had made a great deal coming in well under budget approved at the general membership meeting in December. However, it was also with great sadness on all our parts to see such a wonderful cowboy range come to an end. I had never been able to shoot at Matt's range due to competing schedules with law enforcement training. It was a fabulous range, and I believe, will be greatly missed in the future. Hopefully, Matt will be able to enjoy a little bit of nostalgia whenever he visits our range. **Thanks Matt, for the chance to acquire the great targets, facade and props. We will remember you every time they are used.**

Well Pard, that about sums up the Great Cypress Creek Raid. I hope you all enjoy what we brought back as much as we did getting them. The "**Gussy Up Committee**" is shore going to be busy as others of us will be busy setting up the depot and ore cart stages. I look forward to seeing you all. I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. **May the Good Lord take a'shinin to ya, and remember to keep yore powder dry.**



**GET WELL WISHES
TO OUR COWBOY
PARD,
FAIRSHAKE**

**HOPE TO SEE YOU SOON
ON THE RANGE!**

*An **RO II class** will be held in the near future. Matt Masterson has agreed to come back to Coyote Creek to teach another Wild Bunch class.*

A prerequisite for taking the Wild Bunch class is completion of an RO II class. Therefore, Rattlesnake and I will be scheduling the RO II class. If you would like to take the RO II, please let me know so that we will have some direction in scheduling this class and also in advising Matt regarding the Wild Bunch class.

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Upcoming Events



Sat., Jan. 12th - Wild Bunch & Professionals offered

Sat., Jan. 26th - Annual Membership Banquet

(Submit your reservation to Soiled Dove)

March 23rd & 24th - Fisher House Charity Match

April 19-21st - Showdown in Purgatory annual match

