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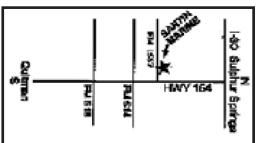
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By Dean Stroman

One thing you can count on in August is daytime and nighttime heat. When air temp stays in 100 degree range day after day, bass fishing can be tough on most days. Finding the right structure is key on catching bass. The only time that structure doesn't play a major role is during the spawning season. Structure is critical in nature for both prey and predators.

What is structure? Structure is anything different than the surrounding area. Contour changes are important types of structure as well as brush, stumps, vegetation, manmade structure like bridges, boat houses, marinas, boat ramps, road beds and rock

rip raft. The greater the number of structural features occurring together, the higher the likelihood of success.

Finding structure during August that provides cover from direct sunlight plays a major role on fishing success especially you're fishing shallow water. Bass are more likely to be in shallow water early and late or at night. They simply don't have to fight direct light during these periods and without eyelids, this is a major need.

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than the others is to find areas that have contour changes under them that are on main lake points or mouths of major creeks. Boat docks that have lights at night and docks that have creek channels running close by or docks that have a lot of vegetation are the

range are some top producing areas. During the heat of summer, there are nels and creek bends on Lake Fork. Finding the best one is the key to successful fishing. Find the most productive

The biggest key to success catching bass on any lake is

knowing the feeding times. Bass will not feed or be active all day long. Feeding is usually active around 2 to 3 hours. Knowing their feeding times will play a major role for success. I have found over the years that the hottest part of the day from 3 p.m. till 6 p.m. is the Creek channels most active bite in 20 to 30 ft. deep on Fork during the daytime hours and at night the 1 till 5 a.m. is the best!

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you want to book a trip or just need upto-date information, give me a call at 903-850-5083 (cell) 903-383-7214 (landline) or email me at dstroman@ peoplescom.net.

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Game Warden Field Notes-

The following items are compiled from recent Texas Parks and Wildlife Department law enforcement reports.

—Can't Outrun the Long Arm of the Law—Two Zapata County game wardens received a call from a Zapata Sheriff's Deputy for assistance with a pursuit of two suspicious vehicles. The deputy initiated a traffic stop on one of the vehicles while the wardens attempted to stop the other. The vehicle pursued by the wardens fled from the officers, and during a chase that lasted several miles, crashed through a fence and fled onto a ranch. The wardens pursued the vehicle through the property and were joined by sheriff's deputies. The wardens and deputies lost the truck, which was eventually located, but abandoned, having sustained severe damage from busting through four fences. Border Patrol later located 11 undocumented aliens that had fled the scene.

–Poaching Yes, Trespassing No Way– A Comal County game warden received a call from a homeowner at Canyon Lake claiming he found a deer carcass that appeared to have been shot in his yard. Upon investigation, the warden concluded the deer had been shot and observed as well as a significant blood trail. The warden followed the blood trail back through three residential lots to an adjoining home, where he noticed someone had been baiting deer with corn. Two occupants of the house denied any knowledge of anyone shooting a deer. The warden then called for assistance in gathering evi-

dence and additional statements. During the investigation, both men were steadfast in denying any involvement until it became apparent the evidence pointed to the contrary. One of the men finally confessed, telling the wardens, "I can't lie to you guys anymore!" He then recounted the story of how he had shot the deer with a crossbow, and the reason he didn't retrieve the deer was because he did not want to trespass on someone else's property.

—I'd Like to Formally Introduce Myself- Three Webb County game wardens, two LaSalle County game wardens and one state park police officer executed a search warrant at the residence of an alleged poacher. The officers arrived at the suspect's residence with eight additional warrants for his arrest. As officers entered the home, the suspect attempted to escape by crawling out a bedroom window and into the backyard. Unfortunately for him, one warden was outside the suspect's window, waiting for just such an occasion and formally introduced himself. The suspect was taken into custody and wardens seized evidence from the residence.

--"This One Will Probably Get Me Some Prison Time."- While patrolling Lake Brownwood, three game wardens filed on a subject for boating while intoxicated for the third time. The individual gave consent for a blood draw and said he already had a court date set for a prior DWI. "This one will probably get

me some prison time," the individual said.

—Gone Girl— A Shelby County game warden assisted with a search for a local woman whose vehicle got stuck in a small creek. The woman could not identify her location. State troopers, county sheriff's constables and deputies began a search for the missing woman at 5 a.m., though she had been missing since the night before. Just before noon, the warden found the vehicle on private property in a small creek. The woman was able to keep her car running to keep her warm during the icy cold conditions. She was taken by emergency medical services to a local hospital and released that afternoon.

—Caught on Facebook— A Tyler County game warden received information that an individual shot a deer from a major highway in Tyler County. While view-ing the alleged poacher's Facebook page, the warden saw an image of a whitetail buck with no tag displayed in one of the individual's photos. The warden went to interview a potential witness in the Angelina County jail. While there, the warden noticed the alleged road hunter was also being booked in jail. After interviewing the witness and suspect, the warden obtained a confession. In addition to killing the deer depicted on his Facebook profile, the man also had no hunting license at the time of the crime.

-All Play and No Work- Near the end of duck season, a Henderson County game warden received a call

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from the owner of a local gas station. The caller said a black car had pulled up to one of their dumpsters and left a trash bag full of ducks inside. When the warden arrived at the gas station, he saw footage from the station's cameras that showed the individual entering the gas station and paying for several items using a "speed pass." The warden tracked down the individual using information secured from a warrant for the speed pass user's credentials. The out-ofstate hunter admitted to dumping the ducks in the dumpster because he did not want to clean them.

-Narcotics? Nope. Deer- While executing a search warrant for narcotics, the Polk County Sheriff's Department uncovered evidence of multiple illegally taken whitetail deer. A Polk County game warden was called in to investigate. One individual confessed to taking at least four deer on his own property, though the evidence suggested other individuals took several more deer. None of the individuals had

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hunting licenses. The investigation concerning other deer taken on the property is ongoing.

-Into the Woods- A Jasper County game warden received a call from a deer lease member who reported several people trespassing on his lease. When the warden arrived he immediately saw about 50 trespassers on ATVs: most fled when they saw the warden. Other wardens were called in and on ATVs tracked the trespassers across the 18,000acre deer lease, eventually apprehending15 individu-

-In Hot Pursuit-- Two Zapata County game wardens responded to a request from the Department of Public Safety for help with a vehicle pursuit. The two wardens followed a four-door passenger vehicle north out of Zapata County. After about 10 miles, the car

began driving erratically through the dirt median, almost striking several sheriff's department vehi-cles. People began jumping from the vehicle, which then headed northbound in the southbound lane of the highway, almost ramming several civilian vehicles head on. Another man jumped out of the vehicle and rolled in the dirt median. One warden secured the man while the other warden continued pursuit of the vehicle. DPS troopers spiked the vehicle's tires and it finally came to a stop after traveling several more miles with three flat tires. The driver exited the vehicle and three undocumented aliens were turned over to the Zapata County Sheriff's Office. The driver was arrested with a warrant for several new felonies and the vehi-

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Again- Two game wardens were patrolling Pecan Bayou for fishing and water safety violations when they noticed a car parked down by the water. The car appeared unoccupied, though its passenger door was open. As the two wardens approached the car, they saw a male in the passenger seat throw what looked like a meth pipe out the door and onto the ground. One warden called out to the male, as well as the female in the driver seat, while the other warden picked up the pipe, which was still warm to the touch. The wardens arrested both individuals for possession of a controlled substance. The male had a small plastic bag containing meth in his wallet, which the female said she and her partner had just bought and smoked. The male had only been out of state jail for three months

for related charges.

-Blame It on the Cat**fish-** A Bosque County game warden and Bosque County sheriff's deputies responded to a call to rescue two fishermen whose inflatable raft was sinking. A deputy located the fishermen offshore while the warden launched the patrol boat. The warden was able to quickly reach the fishermen, who were in the water at this point, clinging to the mostly deflated raft. The warden helped both men in getting into the patrol boat and safely returned them to the boat ramp, where emergency medical services provided medical attention to both men since they had been in the 63-degree water for more than an hour. Both men said some of the catfish they caught must have finned the raft, causing it to deflate. They also said the stringer they used had wrapped around the trolling motor, disabling control of the craft. Both fishermen put on lifeiackets before going into the water.-

-Don't Take More than Your Fill- A Cherokee County game warden seized 18 hybrid striped bass from two individuals fishing below the spillway at Lake Palestine. The warden, who had dealt with both individuals before concerning fishing violations, had already checked both individuals that morning and found that they had each already reached their hybrid bass bag limit for the day. Cases are pending.





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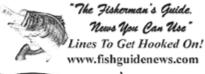
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Make-Ahead Treats To Serve When Company Calls

By Sue Hampton

When company comes to call, serving them fabulous foods can be a challenge unless you plan ahead.

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them up to a month ahead of time and store them in your freezer tightly wrapped in foil. The night before you plan to serve them, thaw the wrapped rolls on the counter. First thing in the morning, warm the rolls in a preheated 350-degree oven for 15 to 20 minutes until hot and gooey.

Caramel Pecan Rolls

Prep time: 1 hour Rest/rise time: 1 hour Bake time: 25 minutes Makes: 2 dozen rolls *Rolls:*

1 cup butter, softened ½ cup sugar 2 teaspoons salt

2 eggs 3 envelopes Fleischmann's RapidRise Yeast 7-1/2 to 8 cups flour 2-1/4 cups very warm water (120 to 130 degrees F) 9 tablespoons butter, melted

1 cup sugar

2 tablespoons ground cinnamon

2 cups (8 ounces) chopped pecans

Caramel Syrup:

2 cups (1 pound) butter 2 cups brown sugar ½ cup Karo Light Corn Syrup

1-1/4 teaspoons pure vanilla extract

3 cups (12 ounces) whole pecans

MIX 1 cup butter, sugar and salt in a large bowl. Add eggs. In a separate bowl, combine yeast and 4 cups four; mix thoroughly. Add flour mixture to butter/sugar mixture, then add water. Mix well and add an additional 3-1/2 to 4 cups of flour, 1 cup at a time, until soft smooth dough

forms. Turn out on lightly floured surface.

KNEAD until smooth. Cover and let dough rest 10 minutes. Divide dough into 3 equal portions.

ROLL each portion out to a 14x8-inch rectangle on a lightly floured surface. Brush each with 3 tablespoons melted butter. Combine 1 cup sugar with cinnamon. Sprinkle 1/3 cup cinnamon sugar and 2/3 cup chopped pecans on each rectangle. Roll up from long side.

CUT each roll into 8 slices.

MELT butter in a saucepan. Add brown sugar, corn syrup and vanilla. Stir until blended. Place 1 cup caramel syrup and 1 cup pecans in each of three 13x9-inch pans (or ½ cup syrup and ½ cup pecans in 8-inch square baking pans). Place 8 rolls per 13x9-inch pan, or 4 rolls per 8-inch pan, cut side down. Cover.

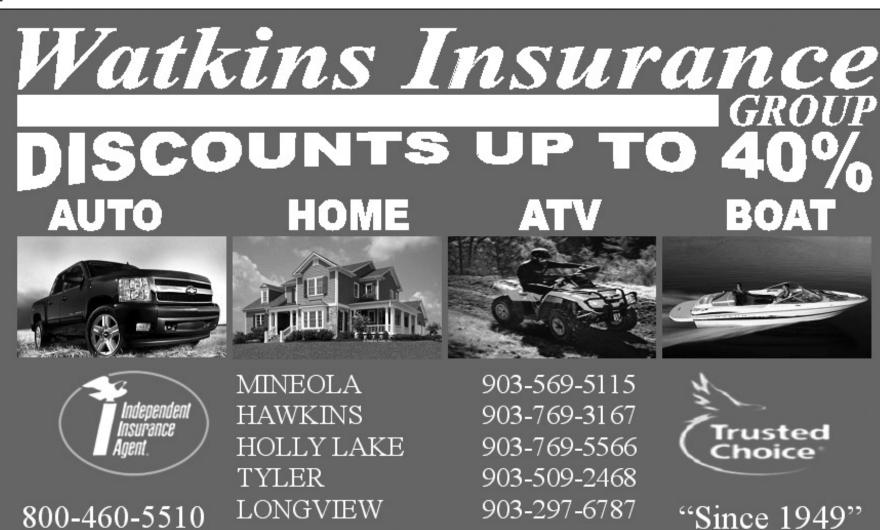
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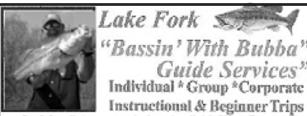
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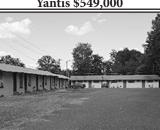


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LOCATED IN HOLLY LAKE RANCH AREA - This 4 unit property is in a high traffic area, any business will get serious highway exposure Property has great income potential. One unit is currently rented, 3 others are available. No restrictions or zoning. MOTIVATED SELLER with reasonable offers!

WATERFRONT PARK MODEL RV AT LAKE FORK Immaculate condition with an attached covered deck \$20,000

LAKE FORK WATER FRONT & OFF-WATER LOTS FROM \$17,900 TO \$135,000 LAKE FORK AREA ACREAGE FROM \$36,000 TO \$199,999



East Tawakoni \$119,000

LOCATED NEAR LAKE TAWAKONI with Rains County Schools. Totally updated brick home with 3-4 bedroom or office with 2 bath and two living areas Home has new flooring, fresh paint, triple paned windows, radiant barrier and a wood burning stove. This would be a great first time buyers home.

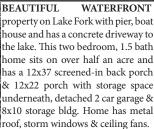


Ouitman \$89,500



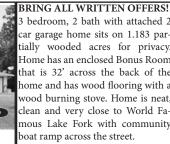
Yantis \$125,000

BRING YOUR BEST OFFER! This 2 bedroom, 1 bath home has a 8 x 24 covered front porch. There is a 25 x 25 shop building, 15 x 22 storage building, 15 x 22 carport & a greenhouse. Interior has been completely updated & home sits on 1.5+ acres for plenty of privacy, off the peaten path. Home is located walking distance to all city services in Quitman & has city utilities.





Yantis \$79,900



Mineola \$79,900

GORGEOUS 20 ACRE TRACT sitting high on a hill with two ponds. Property has water, electric and septic system on site. Red Iron Metal Cover on concrete slab for RV or could be easily converted to a barn, there is an underground storm shelter and property also has two old barns. Secluded and private, no zoning and no restrictions Bring Your Best Offer!

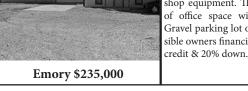


Winnsboro \$109,000

90x40 OFFICE BUILDING with nice entry. Kitchen/break room with 3 offices and large work area Overhead door at rear and door at side. Two updated HVAC units, commercial phone system in place Plenty of parking plus a full acre of land to expand if needed.

A GREAT FIND ON LAKE FORK

Established RV park with a long waiting list for RV lots. There are currently 39 RV lots & 13-16 acres of leaseback to expand the RV park. 4 septic systems with room for 30 additional RV sites on current septic systems. Property includes a water well for RV park with a 35 gpm pump, 2011 manufactured home, a deep water boat ramp & a sass frass log guest house that is not yet completed inside. This is a rare opportunity & rare find on Lake Fork! Yantis \$549,900



Yantis \$62,500

RARE 50 ACRE TRACT OF LAND

Property sits outside Ouitman city limits & features some of the best views anywhere in Wood County. Property has been planted with rye rass, fescue, millet & other mixtures. Underbrush has been cleared, no rash piles or dump sites. Tons of deer! Super clean property with dogwood, wild plum, persimmon, huge post oaks, red oaks, black walnut, pines, tickle tongue & cedar trees. This is one of those properties you have to see to believe! QUITMAN Reduced \$199,999