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## Changing Leadership Roles at OGT!

For over a decade Mr. Joe McBride of Austin has tirelessly served the citizens of Texas by being a member of the OGT Board. For the past several years he has served as OGT Chairman, focusing on improving the programs' ability to better serve the law enforcement division at TPWD and the stakeholders that value the protection of the states' fish and wildlife resources. Joe is a founding father of the TPWD Wildlife Expo and has served as a member of the TP&W Foundation. Joe truly practices what he preaches, winning many Conservationist Awards. Due to his dedicated service and leadership as chairman the OGT program has flourished. His involvement has accomplished a great deal for Texas Game Wardens and the state of Texas in the protection of natural resources. Joe has supported all conservation groups for the past 50 years. He has successfully owned and operated McBride's Guns in Austin since 1960, which in itself is a longtime standing tradition. Although Joe is no longer Chairman of OGT, he is going nowhere. He has now been appointed as Chairman Emeritus by Carter Smith, Executive Director of TPWD.

### **New OGT Board Chairman, Mr. John Nelson!**

Although John Nelson is no stranger to the OGT Board of Directors, he has now assumed a new role as Chairman of the Board, appointed by TPWD, Executive Director Carter Smith. John graduated from the University of Texas in 1990 with a BBA in Business and Texas Tech University with a JD/MBA degree. John is a licensed attorney and works in the real estate business in Austin. John and his wife Kristen have four children.

### **New OGT Board Members Appointed**

#### Clint Small Of Austin, Appointed to the OGT Board!

Clint is a fourth generation Austinite. Over the past 60 years the Small family has made its mark in Austin and around the state, serving in all areas of the community including the state legislature and school board and helping support numerous charities and other worthwhile organizations. Clint is a custom home builder in the Austin area. He has received several awards for his work including Custom Home Builder of the Year. He also received the City of Austin Distinguished Service Award in 2010 for his work with the City of Austin and the Austin Home Builders Association. He served eight years on the Austin Parks Board where he was appointed by two different mayors, and also served three years on the Austin Planning Commission.

## Game Warden Stories

### 'NOT Good'

Williamson County Warden Joel Campos received an OGT call regarding a group cast netting largemouth bass in the San Gabriel River behind the Katy Crossing Subdivision. Warden Campos found one adult female filleting largemouth bass and three adult males using casting nets. Charges and civil restitution are pending.

March 29<sup>th</sup>, Game Warden Santana Torres received an OGT call on South Padre Island that an individual was at a local pier, keeping several undersize trout. As Warden Torres arrived the individual was packing up and getting ready to leave. Upon further inspection the individual was in possession of 27 spotted sea trout which 22 were undersize and 1 undersize sheepshead. 8 citations were issued.

May 24<sup>th</sup>, around midnight, Kaufman County Game Warden Eric Minter received an OGT report of two subjects using a gill net on Cedar Creek Lake. Warden Minter responded to the scene with a Kaufman County Deputy and discovered two male subjects cleaning fish on the bank with a small handheld flashlight. Warden Minter observed a gill net in the water that was anchored at the subject's feet. The subjects admitted to taking fish by illegal means. Appropriate citations were issued.

Clint currently serves on the PAC Board of the Austin Home Builders Association and on the Board of the Seton Fund, which raises significant funding for the Seton family of hospitals. Clint grew up spending his weekends on his grandfather's farm, cultivating his appreciation for the outdoors and learning to hunt and fish. These days, Clint spends as much time as he can with his family – wife Allison and kids Annie (10) and Ed (8) – enjoying the great outdoor activities that our State has to offer.

Jimmy Hasslocher Of San Antonio, Appointed to the OGT board!

### **JIMMY HASSLOCHER**

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**San Antonio Restaurant Association- Outstanding Restaurateur of the Year-2013**

**Texas Restaurant Association- HALL OF HONOR 2013**

## **The 2014 Austin Area Claystoppers Shootout – Another Success!**

The Austin OGT Claystoppers event was a big hit at the TDS Exotic Game Ranch. Over 224 shooters and 56 teams came out to enjoy a day of friendly shooting competition, great food and fantastic shooter prizes and awards.

Governor Perry was on hand and presented an Appreciation plaque to Mr. Joe McBride who received a standing ovation for his undying support of OGT and the State of Texas as both a board member and OGT Board Chairman. TPWD Commission Chairman Dan Allen Hughes Jr., enjoyed shooting and eating great fish prepared by the Texas Game Warden Association. State Representative Doug Miller also came out to join in the fun.

Shooter prizes ranged from trophies to hunting and fishing trips, with the Conservation Cup going to the Dallas Safari Club. The A & M – UT Alumni Challenge, went once again to A & M. The collegiate team winner also went to A & M. The coveted Lifetime H & F License from TPWD went to James Devoglear of Austin with a perfect score of 50. Competition for this particular prize was fierce as there was an 8-way tie for this prize. The good news is at each of the OGT shooting events, one lucky shooter will walk away with a Lifetime H & F License, and it doesn't get any better than that.



Austin 2014 Lifetime License Winner  
Mr. James Devoglear of Austin

Everyone had a great time at the 2014 Austin Area Claystoppers event. Although fun is the name of the game, the overwhelming support for Operation Game Thief at the fundraiser will continue to provide the program the ability to pursue its mission to protect wildlife resources for sportsmen, outdoor enthusiasts and Texans across the state.

Event photos below, courtesy of OGT photographer, John Rodriguez









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**Please support wildlife conservation and ethical hunting and fishing by donating to Operation Game Thief.**

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**UPCOMING FUNDRAISING EVENTS**

**Don't Miss OUT! Only Two More Events for 2014'**

**August 22, 2014**

Houston Area 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Clay Stoppers Shootout

*Westside Shooting Grounds, Katy, Texas*

**October 10, 2014**

Alamo Area Clay Stoppers Shootout

*Nat'l Shooting Complex, San Antonio, Texas*

For complete event information and pre-registration online, go to:

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