

**Mission of the Organization**

- Promote sportsmanship and the protection of natural resources
- Promote the quality of Lake Fork fishery and other outdoor recreational activities
- Promote the future of angling through youth programs
- Promote a spirit of cooperation with local, county, state, and federal governmental agencies, and other civic organizations for the purpose of improving Lake Fork and its surrounding communities
- Promote items of interest of the membership at large

**Next LFSA General Meeting**

Our next regular meeting will be May 10. We will meet at Oak Ridge Marina. The meeting will start at 7:00 pm. See you there.

**Don't Mess with Texas Clean-up**

On Saturday morning April 2<sup>nd</sup> thirteen members of LFSA brought their lifting contraptions or just used good old back power to grab and fill bags of trash that had accumulated along our stretch of Highway 515. LFSA participated in the statewide "Don't mess with Texas" clean-up day sponsored by TXDOT. Over 65,000 volunteers participated statewide.

Thanks go to Bruce Allen for coordinating our efforts and thanks to Arlie Jaeger, Richard Nipp, Carol Boykin, Jim Leggett, Richard & Susan McDowell, Carol Kuhn, Pam & Micheal Rogge, Sue Parrish, and Gina & Sam Lange for volunteering their time.

And a special thanks to John Heimgartner of Bros Patio for providing lunch after the clean-up.



Richard McDowell and a load of trash picked along Highway 515



Carol Kuhn and Sue Parrish picking up trash along Highway 515.

**Live Release Boat**



Remember, if you know of or are in charge of a tournament with 50 or more boats we will be happy to provide the LRB in support of your tournament. Contact Micheal Rogge to check availability. E-mail [microg@texascellnet.com](mailto:microg@texascellnet.com).

**LFSA Membership**

The Lake Fork Sportsman's Association always welcomes new members. If you have an interest in fishing, boating or helping make our community a better place to live, a membership in LFSA might just be for you. For more information on membership or an application you can go to our website at [www.lakeforksa.com](http://www.lakeforksa.com) or e-mail me at [dwa1ker@verizon.net](mailto:dwa1ker@verizon.net).

## ***At Lake Fork you are just a cast away***

It has been said many times, "At Lake Fork you are just a cast away from a fish of a life time." Here is proof.



LFSA member Sally Schwend was fishing off her dock when she landed this 9.5 pound lunker. It was a personal best for her. Sally's husband George helped by snapping this picture.

Catfish and crappie guide and LFSA member Stan Kuhn didn't know what he had when this 8 pound bass hit his line while crappie fishing on the lake. Stan practiced CPR and returned his catch to the lake.



## ***Jesse Parker Memorial Scholarship***

The LFSA will be awarding its annual scholarship to a deserving graduating senior at our May meeting. The scholarship committee received a record number of applications this year. We want to thank the high school counselors from Alba Golden ISD, Mineola ISD, Rains ISD, Sulphur Springs ISD, Winnsboro ISD and Yantis ISD for making seniors aware of our scholarship.

The committee met April 26 and reviewed each application. After considering the criteria of need, civic involvement, principal recommendation, scholastic ability and a career in the outdoors the committee has selected \_\_\_\_\_ as the winner. You will have to be at our May meeting to find out who the lucky winner is.



Scholarship committee members evaluating applications.

## ***LFSA gets Served***

Vicki Leggett got the LFSA some great publicity at the Lake Country Neighbors Spring Fling luncheon held April 15<sup>th</sup>. Her tables featured the LFSA fishing towels, had "fish" plates, bowls with gold fish treats and a blue tree branch decorated with fishing lures. They also had place cards with the LFSA logo and mission statement. Thanks Vicki for sharing this.



Table featuring the LFSA towels



Table decorated with Crappie Tournament towels

## ***Support our Member Guides and Merchants***

The Sportsman's Association is made up of Guides, Merchants and Home Owners. Our guides and merchants are important to the economic well being of Lake Fork. Encourage your friends and neighbors to schedule their next fishing trip with one of these member guides and be sure to patronize these merchants.

### **Gary De's Guide Service**

**Gary DeArmond**

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### **"Bassin' with Bubba Guide Services**

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