



THE FISHIN' INSIDER

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Hello to the fine young cannibals, especially to the hard bodied double-breasted split tails. As they say in Maine, spring is here and the sap is running so the bird watchin' around these parts for the next month or so should be extraordinary. Also of note is the anniversary of an historic fish fry.

On March 2nd, 1836 a bunch of disgruntled ne'er-do-well real estate hustlers gathered on the banks of the Brazos river and decided to give Mexico the one finger salute. They crafted and signed the Texas Declaration Of Independence. Some around these parts, like La Raza Unida, still feel this was the most callous land grab in history and have vowed to repatriate the land with mother Mexico. They lost the battle but are still fighting the war. From the looks of things

I wouldn't bet against 'um. They can't imagine how an ol' boozier with an affection for opium like Sam Houston could've snuck up on Santa Anna and his men and massacred them in only eighteen minutes seven weeks later. As Uncle Johnny used to say, only a woman could've accomplished this feat and historians now identify her as Emily West whom the Generalissimo picked up in Goliad as a tent keeper.



Gimpy John from Indy with a double banger. Heard surf fishin's been spotty and so has the bay, but it'll get better real soon.

She was babysittin' the ol' coot while this rabble snuck up on his camp site on the San Jacinto plain. His troops, distracted by the goin' on's in his tent, never had a chance. Ya gotta wonder if Port Misrabelle will have the same luck in its annexation desires. They may if they don't bankrupt. I understand that the legal fees are getting interesting. So here's to the maid, Emily West the Yellow Rose of Texas, bet she was good for her day.

Next Saturday the fifth of March a satellite tournament of the Oh Boy! O'Berto's redfish series called the Q Series will be fished out of Port Aransas and I know of only one team from these parts that'll fish it. That would be captains Eddie Curry and Skipper Mock. They've managed to dig

up enough sponsors to make this shindig which costs four hundred bucks a team plus related expenses to enter and fish. Don't know why them ol' boys can get Crown Royal to sponsor their teams and we can't get much more than a taco stand to sponsor our teams. By the way, this circus will hit the Sandspit along with ESPN2 next September for the championship.

We welcome your fishin' photos. Drop them by 2600 Padre Boulevard on the Island, or mail them to I.B. Hooked, c/o Coastal Current Weekly, P.O.Box 2429, South Padre Island, Texas 78597. Be sure to include the name of the angler, weight and type of fish, where caught, and name of boat if applicable. Photos with SASE will be returned.