

March 24, 2007

The Oakwood Outlaws had their first College Benefit shoot ever on March 17th and 18<sup>th</sup>. This years recipient of all proceeds from the special match was our own Charley Waite aka Justin Carvell. There was a total of 55 shooters who participated in this special event. Everyone paid the normal shooting fee, and many paid more, as a contribution to Charlie. All of the food was donated by the club, and the proceeds from this was added to the total collected. Everyone had a great time shooting some unusual stages, and it was easy to tell it was enjoyed by all. The total collected from the shoot was \$1,303 dollars, and it was presented to Charlie. It was stipulated that the money was not be spent on girls, alcohol, or cars.

The plan is to do this each year for some deserving member. If more than one apply for this event, the money will be split between them. To be eligible, the student must have been an active member of the club for the two previous years. By that, I mean that they must have shot at least 6 monthly matches each year. Selection of the recipient or recipients for the match will be made by the club Officers.

It is with much sadness that I must inform you of the death of one of our members. Bennie F. Stallings, Jr. passed into the shooting range in the sky on February 13, 2007. You will recall that Bennie was the man from Leona that made and sold bullets at several of our matches. Bennie was a nice person to be around. We will miss him.

Now, to the "getting ready for Jail Break" news. The new Bank is nearly finished, thanks to the hard work and dedication of Texas Jack Daniels. On our last shoot weekend, he would shoot the match, and then work on the Bank Building until dark (as in too dark to see to put away all the tools dark), Sure do wish that I had that much energy again. He is providing this stage for your fun and benefit, so be sure to thank him when you see him. We will dedicate the Bank Building to his wife Shot Glass at a later date. You won't want to miss that.

The Saloon is now covered with a new metal roof thanks to the efforts of Scrounger, Gunslinger, Tx. Alline, myself and our resident cowboy J.R. Now it is rainproof, and it is large enough that we could shoot stages in it all day if it rained. The next step in its completion will be to cover the outer walls with appropriate siding and trim along with the addition of a porch roof. There are a lot of ideas going around as to how to shoot this building. Lots of possibilities and variations.

The poles are in the ground for the covered sign in area that used to house the two tents. Hopefully this will get framed in on the next work day. Shouldn't be difficult, but I definitely need help with it. Eight new electric spots have also been installed. Speaking of workdays, the first weekend of April and the third weekend of April will definitely be workdays. These will be our formal workdays, but we will be getting ready for the State Championship every day between now and then. If you would like to help, please let us know. Food and lodging will be provided. Some people have offered to help previously, but I probably have forgotten who you are, so don't feel left out. Let us know who you are again.

We won't let you drown in your own sweat.

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**NOTE: 1<sup>ST</sup> WEEKEND = MARCH 31 & APRIL 1**