

San Antonio

Texas

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**80TH ANNUAL
NATIONAL
CONVENTION**



Dear Convention Attendee,

Join us to celebrate 80 years of conservation success during the 80th Annual Ducks Unlimited National Convention in San Antonio, Texas, at the Marriott Rivercenter, May 31 – June 4, 2017. They say everything is bigger in Texas, and we mean to prove them right during the biggest DU conservation celebration ever!

It will be a busy week filled with entertainment, social activities, and tours. A few highlights for the week are Babes & Boots – a ladies' cocktail reception on Wednesday, May 31, hosted by the ladies on the Texas convention committee, followed by the Opening Night Social. Thursday, June 1, is your free day for official tours, day trips and exploring San Antonio on your own. We'll have a Texas-size family dinner and rodeo Thursday night at Tejas Rodeo. Ancillary meetings are scheduled on Friday, June 2. Saturday, June 3, we will conduct a one-day business session with a fast-paced, informative and fun agenda.

When packing, keep in mind the temperatures in Texas are hot in May/June. Temperatures range in the 70s at night and 90s during the day. Be sure to dress in appropriate summer attire.

So... what to wear?

Comfortable clothing and shoes are appropriate for tours and be sure to remember your camera and swimsuit, should you plan to go on the tubing tour.

Dress in your Texas attire (jeans, boots, hat) for Babes & Boots, the ladies' cocktail reception. Dress for the Opening Night Social on Wednesday is casual. This is a night to relax and reconnect with your DU friends and family.

Thursday is reserved for official tours, exploring San Antonio on your own or enjoying one of the day trips to Fredericksburg or the San Marcus Outlet. You may also want to plan on a round of sporting clays shooting, on your own, at the National Shooting Complex, the premier shooting complex in San Antonio. Dress for the day is casual. Thursday night is the rodeo, so dress in your favorite Texas attire.

The traditional dinner on the town with friends is Friday. Dress is dependent on your restaurant reservation. Business dress is appropriate for the business session Saturday.

The 80th Annual Convention Reception and Gala culminates convention week. Ladies, dress in your Sunday best or as formal as you wish. A suit or jacket and tie are appropriate for men.

We look forward to seeing you in Texas for Ducks Unlimited's 80th National Convention, and as always, please call (901) 758-3858 if we may assist you.

Sincerely,



Dana Barton
Ducks Unlimited
Director, National Events



It's true,

Everything is bigger in Texas.

*Join us and make the 80th Annual Ducks Unlimited
National Convention the biggest DU has ever seen!*



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*Information and schedules included in this brochure are accurate as of the printing date.
For continually updated information, please visit our website at convention.ducks.org*

Tours



All tours have a 15-person minimum. Tours that do not reach the minimum by Monday, May 1, will be cancelled. Space is limited, so register early.

ALAMO AND MISSIONS TOUR \$35

3 HOURS: 9:00 AM – NOON *and* 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY



Tour the former Spanish mission turned fortress and experience the Alamo, firsthand. Hear the gallant story of heroes who died fighting for freedom – Travis, Bowie, Crockett and Esparza. Their refusal to surrender in the face of overwhelming odds stirred America and gave birth to Texas.

Today, the Alamo is the heart of San Antonio and is Texas' most visited historic landmark.

Your next stops include Mission Concepción and the San José Mission. Established more than 250 years ago,



Mission Concepción was constructed of bedrock and adorned with colorful frescos inside and out. Today, only four rooms show remnants of these colorful designs. Be sure to see the most famous fresco on the convent room ceiling. The San José Mission, considered the Queen of the Missions, was built with Texas limestone and brightly colored stucco. During your tour, discover the secrets of the Rose Window and see the stairway that leads to the belfry. All 25 risers were hand-hewn from a single log and assembled without nails or pegs.

GARDENS TOUR \$35

3 HOURS: 9:00 AM – NOON

TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY

On this tour, you will visit two of San Antonio's most popular spots - the Japanese Tea Garden and the Botanical Garden. Once a rock quarry, the Japanese Tea Garden provides unmatched beauty and serenity. Relax as you wander over shaded walkways and stone arched bridges to the 60-foot waterfall and ponds filled with Koi. Experience the tranquility of the garden with its non-traditional landscape before heading to the Botanical Garden. The Botanical Garden is filled with native plants from the East Texas piney woods, Texas Hill Country and South Texas, along with formal beds with ever-changing displays of fun colors and textures.



RIVER WALK FOOD TOUR \$140

5 HOURS: 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY

If the saying is true that the San Antonio River symbolizes the heart and soul of the city, then the River Walk and its barges provide the arteries to access all the treasures the city has to offer. Food is certainly one of San Antonio's treasures, so bring your appetite on this tour.

Another treasure of San Antonio is its history. Between food stops, you will hear stories of San Antonio's local folklore.

Your first stop will be at Casa Rio, easily recognizable on the River Walk by its colored umbrellas and its classic Mexican cuisine. Then you are off to Boudro's where lunch

will be served on the barge. What tour would be complete without stops for margaritas, ice cream and spiced churros, a fried-dough pastry. After eating, you will disembark the barge at Biga on the Banks for a two-block walk to El Mercado, the largest Mexican market in the United States, to explore the three-block outdoor plaza lined with shops, restaurants and produce stands. The tour wraps up with an enjoyable cruise back to the Marriott Rivercenter.

This tour includes barge tour, lunch on the barge, one margarita (or substitute a non-alcoholic drink), ice cream and spiced churros.





WINE TOUR **\$120**

In an effort to provide you with the most comprehensive tour experience, we have extended this tour to 5:00 pm.

7 HOURS: 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM

TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY

An adventure awaits you in Fredericksburg where your first stop is in historic downtown. Discover the many flavors of Fredericksburg with its quaint shops or grab lunch on your own before heading to two of the Texas Hill Country's famous wineries, Grape Creek and Beckers, for wine tasting and private tours of the wineries.

The Texas Hill Country is the second-most visited wine region in the United States, behind only California's Napa Valley. The perfect mix of sun and soil in Central Texas lends its resources for growing high-quality grapes and producing award-winning wines. Experience the allure of picturesque vineyards, charming tasting rooms and barrel cellars filled with premium wines that showcase the unique Texas Hill Country.



TUBING ON THE GUADALUPE **\$110**

6 HOURS: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY

Put on your swimsuit and join us on a relaxing tube ride down the Guadalupe River. After your 3.5-hour float, enjoy lunch at the Gristmill and shopping in Gruene. Gruene is a quaint town with a variety of specialty shops and antiques.

Bring sunscreen, sunglasses, a hat, a waterproof camera and a change of clothes. Water shoes or sneakers are recommended. This tour includes tubes (with or without bottoms), cooler tubes per eight people (loaded with ice, beverages, and snacks), and lunch at the Gristmill. Ages 6 and up.

Hotel Info

MARRIOTT RIVERCENTER

101 BOWIE STREET | SAN ANTONIO, TX 78205
(210) 223-1000

\$189 Single/double **\$20** Additional person
(over double occupancy)

CANCELLATION POLICY: 48 hours prior to arrival date

RESERVATION CUTOFF: May 7, 2017

BOOK YOUR ROOM ONLINE: convention.ducks.org

TO BOOK A SUITE, CALL OR EMAIL: Jessica Vasquez Jessica.vasquez@marriott.com
(preferred method of communication) or (210) 228-4332.

Other Activities



BABES & BOOTS WEDNESDAY, MAY 31

The ladies of Texas invite you to a special ladies-only cocktail event. Join us for appetizers and cocktails as we celebrate 80 years of conservation. A unique live and silent auction and tier raffle are planned. Wear your boots and dress in your favorite Texas attire!

LEARN HOW TO DANCE THE TWO STEP THURSDAY, JUNE 1

Learn to boot scoot boogie so you can dance the night away at the Thursday Night Rodeo. Join the Texas crowd and two-step to all your country music favorites. Surprise your partner with some new moves. You will be part of the fun after this bit of instruction to get you started.

OUTLET SHOPPING IN SAN MARCOS THURSDAY, JUNE 1

Calling all shopaholics...this excursion is for you. Put on your shopping shoes and get on the bus to the Premium Outlets in San Marcos. Stores include Brooks Brothers, Gucci, Prada and Salvatore Ferragamo. To help plan your shopping trip, visit <http://www.premiumoutlets.com/outlet/san-marcos/stores> for a complete list of stores.

DAY TRIP TO FREDERICKSBURG THURSDAY, JUNE 1

There is no place quite like the bustling German settlement of Fredericksburg. Join us as we discover the magic of the Texas Hill Country with its historic shopping and unique antiques and galleries.

The downtown shopping district extends along Main and is divided into shopping on Main, West Main or off Main. Regardless of where you choose to shop, you will discover treasures on side streets and all around town. Each area has its own distinctive character, so be sure to check them all out.

Schedule of Events



TUESDAY, MAY 30

Alamo and Missions Tour (3 hours)
Gardens Tour (3 hours)
River Walk Food Tour (5 hours)
Wine Tour (6 hours)
Tubing on the Guadalupe (6 hours)
Gathering and DU Pin Trading

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31

Alamo and Missions Tour (3 hours)
Gardens Tour (3 hours)
River Walk Food Tour (5 hours)
Wine Tour (6 hours)
Tubing on the Guadalupe (6 hours)
Babes & Boots
Opening Night Social
Hospitality Central

THURSDAY, JUNE 1

Day reserved for official convention tours and excursions or touring on your own
Learn to dance the two step
Outlet shopping in San Marcos

**By invitation only*

Day trip to Fredericksburg
Alamo and Missions Tour (3 hours)
Gardens Tour (3 hours)
River Walk Food Tour (5 hours)
Wine Tour (6 hours)
Tubing on the Guadalupe (6 hours)
Dinner and Rodeo at Tejas Rodeo
Hospitality Central

FRIDAY, JUNE 2

DU Board of Directors' Luncheon*
DU Board of Directors' Meeting
Dinner on your own with friends
President's Council Reception and Dinner*
Hospitality Central

SATURDAY, JUNE 3

Sun Risers' Breakfast
General Business Session
Convention Luncheon
80th Annual Ducks Unlimited National Convention Reception, Gala & Dancing



Convention Registration



ONLINE

Submit Convention Registration Form with credit card information at:

CONVENTION.DUCKS.ORG

MAIL

Send Convention Registration Form with payment information to:

DANA BARTON
DUCKS UNLIMITED, INC.
ONE WATERFOWL WAY
MEMPHIS, TN 38120-2351

FAX

Fax Convention Registration Form with credit card information to:

(901) 758-3850

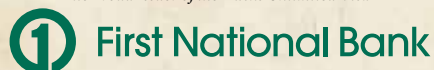
CANCELLATION POLICY

Full amount of registration fee will be refunded if written cancellation notice is received no later than Monday, May 1, 2017. After this date, refunds are not possible.

ACCESS

A full convention registration (\$450-adult/\$200-young adult) and credentials grants you access to:

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 31

Opening Night Social
Hospitality Central

THURSDAY, JUNE 1

Dinner and Rodeo
Hospitality Central

FRIDAY, JUNE 2

Hospitality Central

SATURDAY, JUNE 3

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80th Annual Convention
Reception, Gala and Dancing

TEXAS CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM

80TH ANNUAL DUCKS UNLIMITED NATIONAL CONVENTION



Main Registrant Information

First Convention

First _____

Last _____

Nickname _____

Street _____

City _____

State/Province _____ Zip/Postal Code _____

Cell Phone _____

Office Phone _____

Email _____

Dietary Restrictions _____

Current DU Position(s) or Contribution Level
(Maximum of two, for your name badge)

1. _____

2. _____

FULL CONVENTION REGISTRATION WITH CREDENTIALS INCLUDES:

All scheduled meals, social events, hospitality central, convention reception, and gala. Gala only credentials will be available Saturday afternoon.

Adult Registration \$450

I plan to attend the Opening Night Social (Wed., May 31) Y / N

Dinner and Rodeo (Thur., June 1) Y / N

Sun Risers' Breakfast (Sat., June 3) Y / N

Convention Luncheon (Sat., June 3) Y / N

I plan to attend the Gala (Sat., June 3) Y / N

Saturday Gala Only (not registering for convention) . \$175

Young Adult Registration (ages 15-24)

D.O.B. _____ \$200

Child's Gala Meal (14 or under*) \$125

Child's Chicken Strip Meal (14 or under*) \$30

Babes & Boots: Ladies Cocktails (Wed., May 31) . . . \$50

Super Duck Raffle Ticket(s) Qty _____ \$300

(Available for pick up at DU's onsite registration desk) /each

Alamo/Missions Tour Half-Day (a.m.) \$35

Tues., May 30 Wed., May 31 Thur., June 1

Alamo/Missions Tour Half-Day (p.m.) \$35

Tues., May 30 Wed., May 31 Thur., June 1

Gardens Tour Half-Day \$35

Tues., May 30 Wed., May 31 Thur., June 1

River Walk Food Tour Full-Day \$140

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Wine Tour Full-Day \$120

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Tubing on Guadalupe Tour Half-Day \$110

Tues., May 30 Wed., May 31 Thur., June 1

San Marcos Outlet Trip (Thur., June 1) \$20

Day Trip to Fredericksburg (Thur., June 1) \$20

Total for Main Registrant \$

Spouse, Guest, or Child Information

First Convention

Spouse Guest Child

First _____

Last _____

Nickname _____

Cell Phone _____

Age (if child) _____

Dietary Restrictions _____

Current DU Position(s) or Contribution Level
(Maximum of two, for your name badge)

1. _____

2. _____

*NOTE: For children 14 years of age or younger, convention registration is complimentary. Fees for tours are the same as adults and are listed below. Gala meal options are \$125 for a child's regular gala meal, or \$30 for chicken strips and french fries.

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Sun Risers' Breakfast (Sat., June 3) Y / N

Convention Luncheon (Sat., June 3) Y / N

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Total for Guest \$

Guest or Child Information

First Convention

Guest Child

First _____

Last _____

Nickname _____

Cell Phone _____

Age (if child) _____

Dietary Restrictions _____

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(Maximum of two, for your name badge)

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2. _____

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Total for Guest \$

CHECK PAYABLE TO: Ducks Unlimited-Convention 2017

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Signature: _____ Security Code _____

Total for Entire Party (USD) \$

Gala Seating



ONLINE

Submit Gala Seating Form:

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MAIL

Send Gala Seating Form:

DANA BARTON
DUCKS UNLIMITED, INC.
ONE WATERFOWL WAY
MEMPHIS, TN 38120-2351

FAX

Fax Gala Seating Form:

(901) 758-3850



TEXAS GALA SEATING FORM

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To request seating with friends for the convention gala, complete and return this form with your Convention Registration Form by May 1, 2017. Your gala seating ticket(s) will be included with your registration materials.

Name _____ Spouse/Guest _____

Children _____

My state/province is _____

Contact Information (phone number or e-mail address) _____

TABLE SEATING REQUEST *(Tables seat 8 people)*

Please list yourself, your spouse, and/or guest(s) below along with other attendees with whom you would like to be seated.

Note: Seating for individuals listed below cannot be reserved until convention registrations are received.

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| 1. <i>(Yourself)</i> _____ | 5. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 6. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 7. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 8. _____ |

Thank You!



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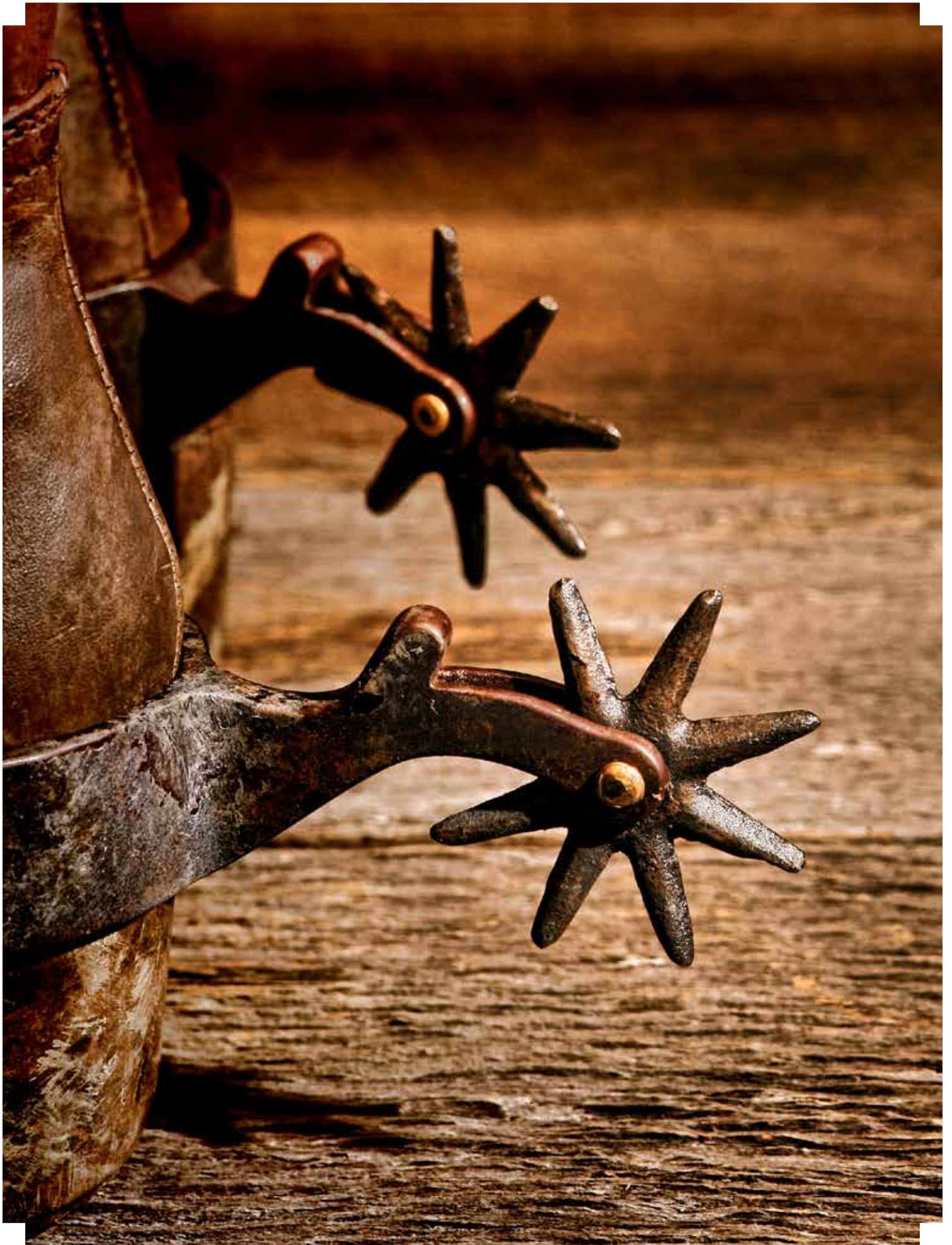

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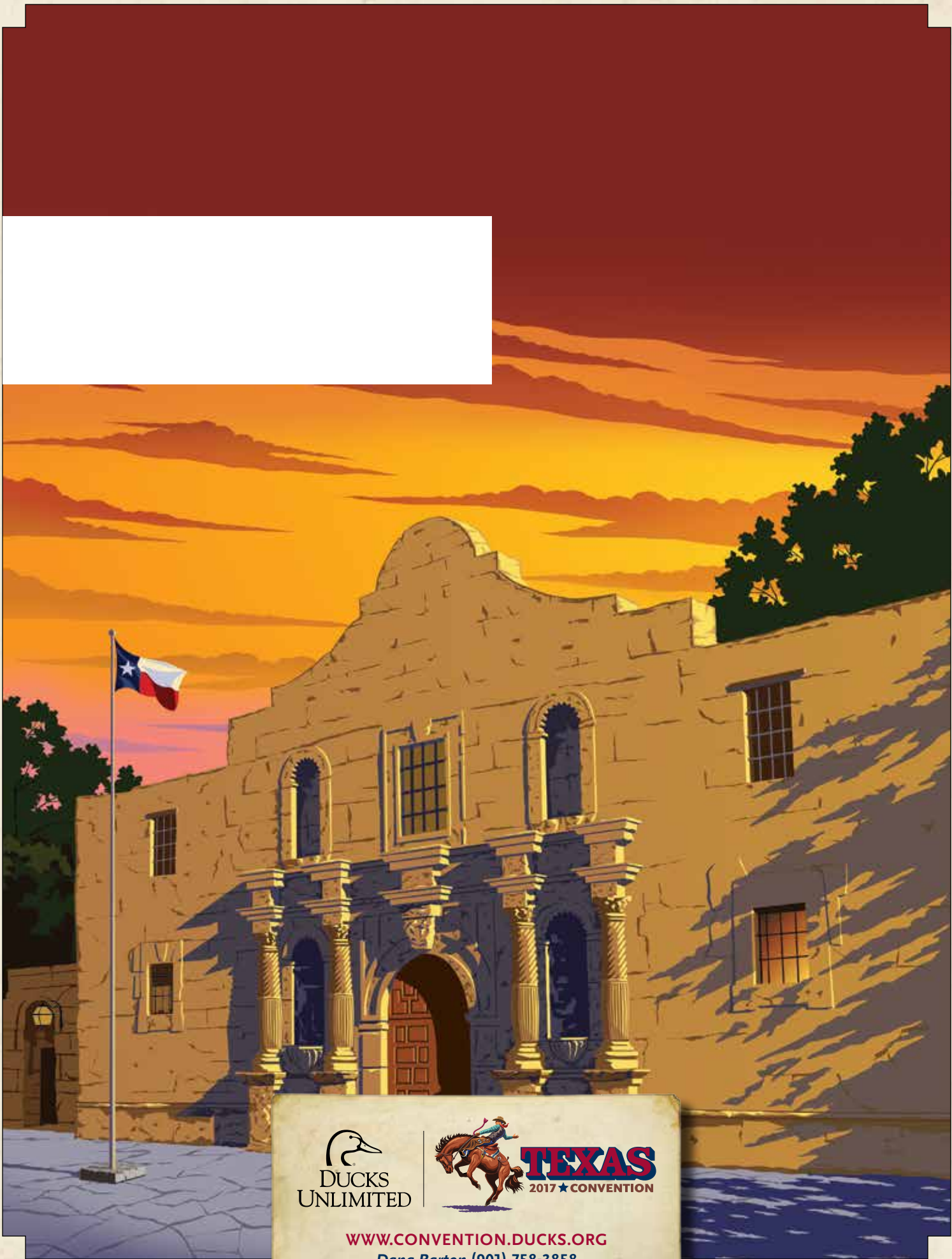

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