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# "Life Beyond The Sidewalk"

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Has A Fun And Safe Summer

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**Discover Scuba**

Turning Point Camping Trip  
at Arc Ridge

August 3rd thru 5th



Discover Scuba Diving

What a great time was had by all. Aqua World was gracious enough to host a 'Discover Scuba Diving Day' due to the fact that we were unable to provide scuba at our Extravaganza because of pool repairs at Bachman Recreation Center. Twelve people came to experience diving with ages ranging from 10 to those who would not reveal their age. Some were new, while others had some experience. The small class allowed each diver a longer experience in the 90 degree, saltwater pool. All that was needed were some colorful fish!

Upon arriving at Aqua World, I was greeted with the smells of a cook out. The Lone Star PVA was providing the hamburgers and hot dogs for the hungry divers. Baylor Institute for Rehabilitation also provided support for the event. In fact, Lea Stewart was the first to try scuba and surfaced with a big smile. It is unbelievable that all the equipment needed to dive is weightless under water. Next to go was Juana who is a certified diver but has not dived since her accident. She discovered that diving is just as wonderful as before her accident. David, 11 years old, came to experience scuba again, He said that he tried scuba two years ago at the Extravaganza and was disappointed that it was not available this year. So mom brought him to Aqua World. David smiled going into the



Turning Point is going camping!!!!

We have been invited to try out the newly remodeled Arc Ridge Ranch. Arc Ridge covers 415 acres of plush East Texas terrain in Ben Wheeler. The ranch has been declared a wild life sanctuary for numerous species of birds. There are three bodies of water on the property, a 25 acre lake, a beaver pond and the marshes.

The camp has been made handicapped accessible. We will be taking our first group of campers August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> for a weekend of **fishing, camping, kayaking, cross bows, air rifles, camp fires, smores and a good ol' fashioned outdoorsy weekend!!** It's going to be so much fun!! Stay tuned for more details and a recap of the adventure!!

If you would like to join us call:

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## Another Great Fishing Trip



Wow! What another fun day at the ranch!! Brooks and Rese had us out for another adventure in East Texas. What a beautiful day!! With all the rain we have been having in North Texas we were a little worried, but sunshine prevailed!! We had a great day of fishing, kayaking, and sharing stories with

water and upon coming out. Whereas Devon kept smiling even under water! We all had fun.

Turning Point would like to thank Aqua World and Richard Blake, Rafael Flores, Lone Star PVA and Baylor Institute for Rehabilitation for their support and work.

If anyone is interested in experiencing scuba or would like to get their certification, Turning Point is organizing another Discover Scuba Day.

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old and new friends!! So many fish were caught that we began to loose count! Thank goodness Mark Sr. was keeping track for us. Zach was our big winner for the day, catching over 30 FISH!! Wow! What a champ!! We caught everything from bass to a HUGE 7 pound catfish!! What a fight those put up!!

We want to extend a great big THANK YOU to Brooks and Rese for having us out to their property once again. Also, a big Thanks goes to Nance Powers for grilling us up a delicious dinner!!

## NEW THIS YEAR



## San Antonio

# EXTRAVAGANZA !!!

Activites scheduled include sailing, golf, disc golf, face painting, handcycles, air rifles, archery, camping area, kayaking, climbing wall, remote control cars and much more. Collect a RAFFLE TICKET for each activity you try to increase your chances of winning the Grand Prize!

Woodlawn Lake  
San Antonio, TX  
Sept. 15, 2007

### Our Mission



**"To develop self-esteem and confidence in the physically challenged population through participation in adapted outdoor adventures"**

"Life Beyond The Sidewalk" is a monthly publication of Turning Point National. It is published the first week of each month.

If you have an article or event you would like us to publish please submit it to [Jason](mailto:Jason) by the 25th of the month. If we do not receive the information by the 25th it will go in the next issue.

Jason Swanson - Publisher

## Help Support Turning Point

Help support Turning Point by purchasing your urological and medical equipment through us. In doing this you could be eligible to be sponsored at exciting outdoor events at any of our growing list of chapters:

TP North Texas - Kayak Bass Fishing Trip  
TP Gulf Cost - Duck Hunting Trip  
TP Carolina - Outer Bank Fishing Trip  
TP Tahoe - Snow Skiing Trip  
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You can also receive equipment, TP cushions and other adaptable equipment such as Glance Wheels.

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COMING SOON ON *MYSPACE.COM*

Turning Point Nation will be coming to MySpace.com. There will be updates about upcoming events, new pictures and a 'Whats New Blog' from Shayden Pitts and Jessie Swanson. More information next month on Shayden and MySpace.

## Team Challenge



Team Challenge will be in Kentucky on the Ohio river this month. I will get the results in the next news letter.

Team Challenge Rooster

Shorty Powers TX	Rance Bighorse OK
Victor Leake OK	Jason Swanson TX
Lon Hilde MA	Doug Moore AR
Jeff Dills NC	Rod Short MS
Jon Bostic OK	Dave Kiley NC

You can see how the team is doing at  
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# Schedule for Metroplex Adaptive Water Sports

Hello Friends,

Below is the tentative schedule for Metroplex Adaptive Water Sports for 2007. We hope that you can join us to ski or help out. As usual, our first event and our last event are the largest. As always, you can visit [www.youcanski.org](http://www.youcanski.org) for more information about MAWS.

## 2007 Calendar

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
8/18	Advanced Clinic	Pecan Cove, Waxahachie
9/8	End of Summer Ski-Fest,	Marine Creek, Ft. Worth

Thanks!

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