

Join the fun at the 11th Annual Ocelot Festival!!

To: Families, Teachers, Boy & Girl Scout Troops, Outdoor Enthusiasts and anyone looking for an exciting and educational adventure!

What: Learn about the Texas ocelot, the main focus of this exciting festival! There is something for everyone at the Ocelot Conservation Festival, a unique event whose entire proceeds go to benefit research and conservation of the ocelot. Enjoy educational programs on fishing, hunting, bird watching, fun puppet shows, silent auctions, and the opportunity to see some wonderful wildlife species. Visit many of the exciting booths hosted by local and national organizations!

And find out who the winners are of the Art for Ocelot! contest. Their work will be highlighted at the festival!

When: **Saturday, February 13th, 2010**
10am to 5pm (rain or shine!)

Where: Marine Military Academy, Memorial Center in Harlingen, Texas

Why: Highly endangered in the United States and rarely seen in the wild, the Texas ocelot is the main focus of the day-long event. All proceeds from the festival go to supporting research and conservation measures to ensure the long-term survival of this small cat whose numbers are less than 50 in the United States.

Cost: Admission charge is all-inclusive

Children under 4 – free

Adults: \$5.00

Organized Groups (15+): \$40.00

Children: 5-12 \$3.00

Families: (6+) \$20.00

For more information about the festival:
Call (956)748-3607 or
www.friendsofsouthtexasrefuges.org

Directions: The Marine Military Academy is located at 320 Iwo Jima Blvd, Harlingen, Texas 78550. From Expressway 77, exit straight on to loop 499 (Primera Road). Follow the airport signs. At FM 507, turn left. Turn right onto Iwo Jima Blvd. (the Iwo Jima monument will be on the right side of the road, across from the festival).

The Ocelot Conservation Festival is hosted by the Friends of Laguna Atascosa National Wildlife Refuge and the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service.

