

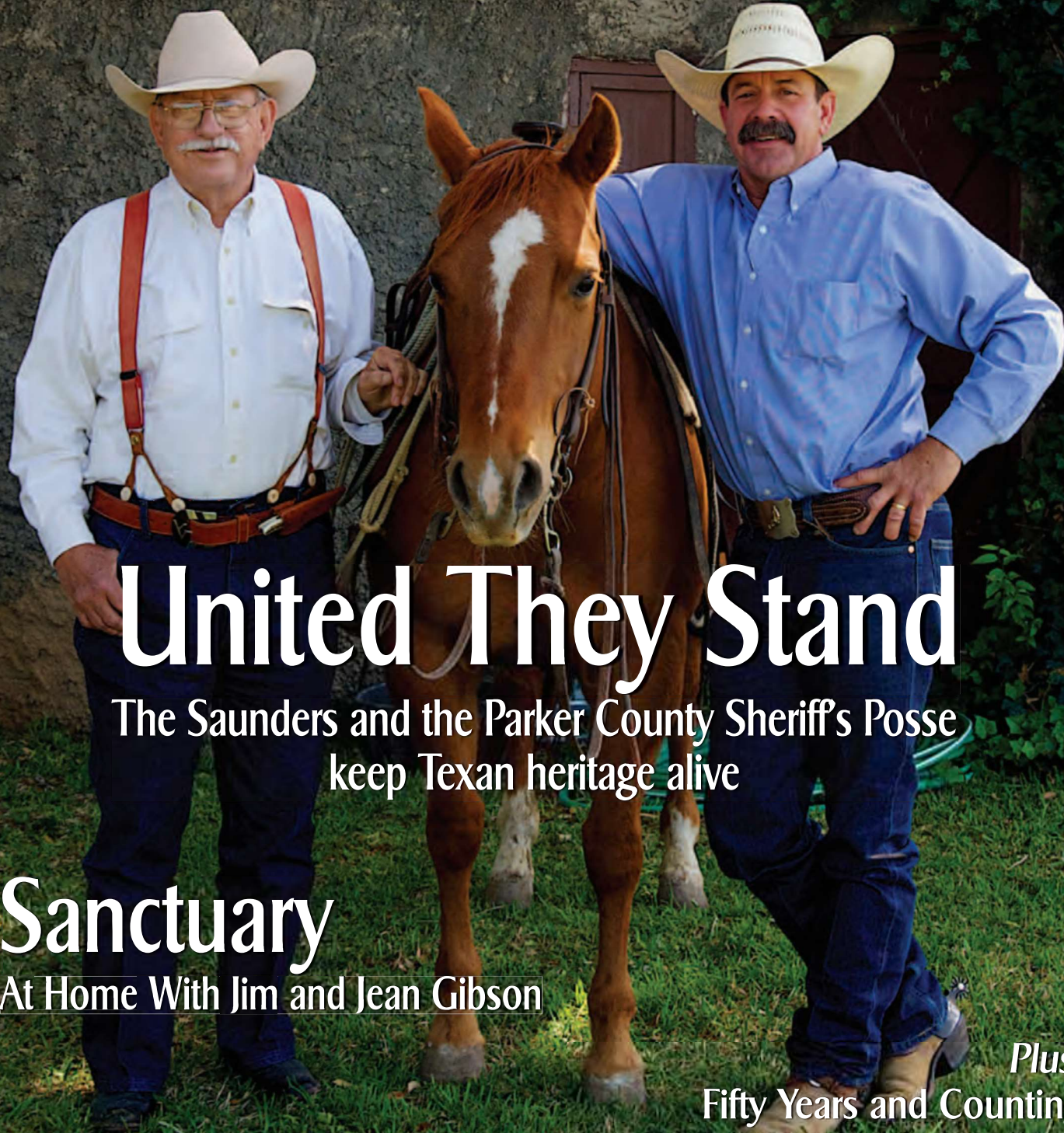
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The love of rodeo keeps the Saunders family close.

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Editor's Note

Hi there, WeatherfordNOW readers!

June is a time for fun in the sun. It's also a time to celebrate fathers. I grew up in southeast Texas, and my father would often take my brother and me fishing along the Gulf Coast. One of my fondest memories is hooking a nearly eight-pound Red Drum. My father gave me encouragement and direction, but he let me reel in that fish all by myself. I'll never forget it.

My children are now making their own memories with their Pop Pop. They are also crafting special one-on-one times with their father. My husband loves spending time with them playing catch outside or just cuddling up to read a book at bedtime. Children never forget those times with their parents.

Father's Day is June 16, so plan something fun with your little ones. They grow up fast, so make the most of the time you have.

Enjoy yourselves!

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THE *Best* OF THE BEST

Express Employment Professionals finds the right applicant for the job.

— By Amber D. Browne

At Express Employment Professionals in Weatherford, they find the best of the best employees for their clients. “We match the best applicants to the clients who are asking for specific jobs,” said Junell Mauch, who serves as senior staffing consultant and office manager with Express Employment Professionals.

The staffing company serves Parker, Palo Pinto, Wise and Hood counties, and clients from all professions come to them for help. Some of Express’ largest clients are production companies and manufacturers, and they are always looking for applicants for office work, professional jobs, general labor and

more. Because of liability issues, Express doesn’t supply clients with nurses or similar professions.

Job searchers can apply for available positions on Express’ Web site. The staff checks the Web daily for applicants and follows up with an e-mail. So, if a job is no longer available, applicants could still be contacted in the future if a similar job is posted. “We get applications from all over, but we try to start here when giving jobs out,” she explained. Express typically receives 50-75 applicants each week and places about 20 percent of those applicants. “We always need people.

“We do background checks. We do drug testing. We call

references and see how they did in the past," she said. "We try to put the best people with our clients, because they're paying for it. We want our clients to get their money's worth."

The business pays Express, which then pays the employee during the 90-day evaluation period. At 90 days, the client can then hire the employee or determine if the employee is not the right fit for the job. "You'll know by the third month what you're going to get." One reason a staffing company might be an option for a business is it will save them time, if a new hire doesn't work out. "They start over. They have to put an ad in the paper. They have to look at 200-plus résumés," Junell explained. "If you get someone from us, you still get that 90 days to figure out if that person's going to work." If the Express employee isn't working out, the staffing company can instantly replace that person.

Express takes care of everything for their clients. "We provide medical insurance for that short period." Express will also pay any unemployment and workman's compensation. Some businesses prefer to keep the employee with Express, so the staffing company continues to issue checks to the worker and provide benefits.

CareerBuilder recently named Express Employment Professionals to Inavero's 2013 Best of Staffing Client list. Express, which has 600 offices across the globe, was recognized for exceptional service and its commitment to client satisfaction, becoming part of the 1 percent of staffing firms that made the final list. The Weatherford office, owned by Robert and Linda Harris, has been helping area residents find jobs since 1997. Besides Junell, the local office has three other staff members — Angela Babbitt serves as a staffing consultant, Kim Marinaro is the front office coordinator and Edwina Himes is in marketing and sales.

Junell has been with the company since 2006 after owning a Christian bookstore. She finds her work very fulfilling because she can help people get back on their feet. "If I couldn't sell them a Bible, I'd give them a job." **NOW**




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