



The 2017 Hunting Season Is Here!

By Steven Bridges

When deer season ended last year, I thought the 2017 season was so very far away. It seemed the new season would never get here. Now that the season is upon us, I can't help but get excited.

Now is the time to gear up and get going on preparations for the hunting season. Goldthwaite offers many places to get feed, seed, deer stands, guns, people food, camo and ammo. These businesses are featured throughout the pages of the 2017 Edition of the Mills County Hunting Guide.

Hunters are encouraged to shop locally for their hunting supplies. You'll get great prices, selection and personalized service that only our small town merchants can offer.

You will find the pages of this

publication filled with trophy game animals harvested in Mills County by local hunters. You will also find wonderful stories written by local writers of hunts that took place right here in Mills County.

Of course, local advertisements are also featured throughout the Hunting Guide. Please shop with our local advertisers.

I'd like to thank all those who advertised and submitted photos and articles for this year's Hunting Guide.

Dove, deer, hogs, turkey and small game are all in abundance in Mills County. Hunters from across Texas and farther descend on Mills County each fall to chase various game. Hunting is vital to our local economy, as well as our outdoor way of life in Mills County.

This is the 16th year The Goldth-

waite Eagle has printed a Mills County Hunting Guide. Our 2016 Mills County Hunting Guide won Special Section of the Year Awards at Texas State and Regional Press Conventions again this year. Our 2015 edition racked up just as many awards and more that year!

We are honored to be recognized by our peers in the industry. However, we are just as proud of the exposure we are able to provide to our local advertisers. And even more proud of the thousands who read the Hunting Guide.

It is music to my ears when a camo-clad hunter sticks his head in the door of The Eagle and asks me, "What day is IT coming out this year?" No award can replace that feeling.

In my humble opinion, the 2017 Edition of our Hunting Guide is the

best Hunting Guide to date.

I encourage everyone to mail, e-mail or bring pictures and stories of locally harvested deer and other wild game by for The Eagle to publish in the newspaper's Trophy Room that is featured every week of the season.

The best of these photos and stories are chosen to be included in next year's Mills County Hunting Guide.



Steven Bridges with his favorite hunting partner, his wife Debra.

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