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**GUADALUPE-BLANCO RIVER AUTHORITY  
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## **GBRA's Coletto Creek Park will celebrate 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on April 23**

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**SEGUIN-** Coletto Creek Park, located on Highway 59 between Victoria and Goliad, will be celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on April 23, from 8:00 AM until 5:00 PM. Helping to sponsor the silver anniversary event are KXTS-TV NBC 41, Texas Radio - 98.7 FM, and Waste Management.

"It seems like only yesterday that we opened this wonderful facility, and now we are celebrating 25 years of helping area families make lasting outdoor memories," said Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA) Chief Ranger Wilfred Korth.

This popular outdoor recreation area was jointly developed by GBRA and the former Central Power & Light Company during the late 1970's, and has been a destination of choice for campers, anglers and outdoor enthusiasts since opening to the public in June 1980. Over 300,000 outdoor recreation enthusiasts visit Coletto Creek Park and Reservoir each year.

According to Korth, who has been at the Park for its entire history, "this celebration will be an outstanding event. Our entire staff has been working for months to make this a fun-filled day for everyone."

The first thing visitors will notice is that the special day entry rate for the celebration has been returned to the original 1981 cost of \$4.00 per vehicle. Vendors will be on hand with a variety of food booths and handmade arts and crafts. Demonstrators will offer equipment, supplies and helpful hints to outdoor users and there will be all kinds of activities for adults and youth to enjoy and sharpen their outdoor skills.

Attendees will be able to try their hand at a variety of free activities, including a climbing wall that will offer 'the tallest mountain in the Victoria area,' said Korth. They can visit with experienced fishermen and a staff biologist from the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department (TPWD) who will share tips on freshwater fishing skills such as tackle selection, types of baits to use, identification of the different freshwater fish species and fishing with a fly rod. The TPWD traveling wall of Texas' biggest largemouth bass will also be on view.

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Children will enjoy visiting with miniature donkeys provided by a local rancher, gardeners can attend sessions with Texas Master Naturalists and Master Gardeners on ways to best manage their yards and landscape challenges, and a local wildlife rehabilitation expert will explain how to deal with injured animals.

There is still room for more vendors to participate in the celebration, said Korth. For more information, contact the Coletto Creek Park office at 361/575-6366 or email [wkorth@gbra.org](mailto:wkorth@gbra.org). Additional information about Coletto Creek Park and Reservoir, including on-line reservations, is available at [www.coletocreekpark.com](http://www.coletocreekpark.com).