

Arturo Tomas (Tom) Benavides

PROFILE

I grew up and have lived most of my life on my family's working ranch in Bruni, Texas which dates to the original Spanish land grants in Texas. My family has deep roots in South Texas and works hard to continue our legacy in cattle, ranching and conservation. On September the 15th 2012, I married Leslie Gray Benavides, and we have two children Augustus Theron Benavides (8) and Athena Talía Benavides (6).

EXPERIENCE

LOS ANGELES CATTLE CO., MANAGER, BRUNI, TX— 2008-PRESENT

Founded by Arturo Trinidad Benavides in 1990. We seek to continue running a cow/calf "free range" herd.

BENAVIDES FAMILY MINERAL TRUST, TRUSTEE, LAREDO, TX — 2008-PRESENT

Manage lease holdings and the mineral estate for the Benavides Family.

THE ARENA GUN CLUB, PARTNER/PRESIDENT, LAREDO, TX 2013-PRESENT

Provide a safe and welcoming environment for new sportsmen to have an introduction to the shooting sports and hunting.

ARENA ARCHERY, PARTNER/PRESIDENT, LAREDO, TX 2022-PRESENT

The goal is to provide a large knowledge base of competitive archery and hunting for South Texas. By providing equipment, services, and education we seek to help our future outdoorsmen learn with support and guidance.

MAGNUM MINING, MANAGER, LAREDO, TX, 2019-PRESENT

Magnum provides raw material and aggregate to the surrounding region.

LA GAME TRADING, MANAGER, BRUNI, TX 2015-PRESENT

The goal is to prove the concept that private ownership of game, animals, and habitat is part of the future of conservation. Specializing in the propagation and management of Southern White Rhinoceros, the building of an ex-situ breeding population is paramount.

DOÑA ROSA EVENTS, MANGER, LAREDO, TX 2021- PRESENT

An event venue that showcases the antique architecture of old Laredo.

EDUCATION

After completing Bruni High School, I attended The University of Texas in Austin Graduating in 2006 with a degree in Archeology.

I am a Fraternal member of Phi Delta Theta.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Serving Member of United Day School Board

Former member of the Laredo Airport Board

Former board member of Webb Consolidated Independent School District

Dallas Safari Club Life member- nonvoting Assistant Vice president to the Directors

SKILLS

Lifelong Martial Artist holding multiple belts in Tae-Kwon-Do, Brazilian Ju Jitsu, and Judo

Former trainer of the former IBC world heavy weight boxing champion Hector "the Hurricane" Ferreyro.

Lifelong sporting shooter training at every opportunity available. I have trained with Thunder Ranch, Combat speed LLC, Accuracy 1st, Con10gency, Tactical Performance Center, Sunny Puzikas, and many more.

Licensed skydiver.

Lifelong hunter and fisherman having traveled worldwide to experience wild places.
