



# Tidbits for Travel Writers

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*Story idea:*

**Cats Incredible Catfish Days:** an event so popular you have to win a lottery to enter.

**Angle:** Feature story on Catfish Days, the largest fishing tournament in the region, which attracts catfish anglers from all over the United States, Canada and even Europe. The event is known for its powerful, trophy-sized channel catfish. Steve Hoffman of *In-Fisherman* says, "Twenty-pounders are common from East Grand Forks to the Canadian border." The biggest catfish reportedly caught in the Red River weighed in at 33 pounds. Thirty-five cash prizes include \$3,000 for first place.

**Timing:** The event will be held August 10-12, 2007.