Family spends spring break fishing

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"Fish on," I shouted as my grandson, Channing Migliore, pulled in another big Red fish on a charter boat outside Venice, La., during spring break.

By the end of the trip, Channing had caught four of the biggest fish. His dad, my son Roscoe, however, won the biggest fish award.

The "fishing amigos" also included my other son, Daniel. This foursome has fished and adventured together since Channing was 5. He will go off to college next fall. This trip was one of many such adventures, which have taken place all over North America.

We were with guide Jeff Fuscia, owner of the camp where we stayed in Venice. It's a long 12-hour drive from Jenks to Venice for sure, but well worth the adventure.

We arrived about midnight but slept in the comfort of the Delta Dawn Fishing Camp. Our accommodation had eight bedrooms, which for me was perfect, so I could sleep peacefully away from late-nighter sons and grandson.

Perfect weather provided a fun experience fishing out in the bay. Our host, Jeff, provided the boat, the rigs, bait and supervision. We caught 150-plus Red fish in the one- to six-pound range.

Just when we thought it could not get any better, we stopped in New Orleans to see the sights on the way home. Lunch in the French Quarter was delicious. Walking around Bourbon Street and getting into the local culture was fun. And then it occurred to all of us: Baylor and Kentucky were playing in the South Regional.

We got tickets, no problem: lower level, 14 rows up. What a time as we sat and cheered on the Bears, who beat Old Dominion.

Wonder how the "fishing amigos" will fare as Channing heads off to Oklahoma State University for his freshman year. Will he want to fish with the amigos for spring break 2011?

What could be better? Beach? Girls? No way!

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