

# The GLC Tidings

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## From the President

### Sheri Wilcox



Have you looked at our chapter calendar lately?

If not, you are missing out. In the first month of 2023, chapter members have been busy bringing our conservation message out into our communities.

Our Landowner Summit brought together five excellent speakers, including the irreplaceable Dr. Baron Rector, for a day of education supporting our chapter's scholarship program. While the final numbers are not yet tallied, we thank our sponsors and participants for supporting our chapter and making this a successful event. A special thanks goes out to Kara Matheney, Stephanie Rudolph, and Geri Kline for all of their hard work.

Our newest master naturalists kicked off their initial training course in mid-January. Connie Shortes and her team have put together a robust curriculum of speakers and field trips. The first class laid the foundation, focusing on land stewardship, historical Texas naturalists, and our Texas ecoregions. Please welcome our new members when you see them at chapter meetings or volunteer projects. We will have the opportunity to learn along with them as each class member makes a presentation on a topic of their choice at a chapter meeting. Look for those presentations beginning with our March meeting.

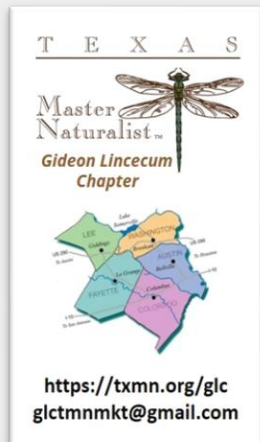
January's chapter meeting provided another opportunity for chapter members to share their passions with us. Karen and John Gardner reprised their presentation developed for the 2022 TMN annual meeting on urban wildlife. Cathy Nolte's presentation on feeder watch showed how each of us can contribute through citizen science programs. Vicky Greene's presentation on antler growth came with some very impressive visual aids.

Back to the calendar. Check out the opportunities to get outside and learn and serve. Spring brings us many opportunities to dig in the dirt, observe new growth, clean up our highways, inspire children and adults, and more.

A personal favorite is our pollinator habitat garden at Washington-on-the-Brazos. Last year we added a section of native grasses to the garden. What we, mainly I, did not consider is that growing grasses in a garden bed that is watered regularly is not the same as growing those same grasses in a field. Needless to say, the grasses grew beyond our wildest expectations. Lesson learned. So, I have been cutting back and dividing the plants through the judicious application of a sharpshooter.

### Our Mission

Volunteers dedicated to the beneficial management of natural resources through education, outreach and service in our community.



**Newsletter Entry Deadlines**  
1<sup>st</sup> day of even Months

Send articles or photos to  
[glnwsitr@gmail.com](mailto:glnwsitr@gmail.com)

### SAVE THE DATES

Board Meeting – 02/24/2023  
Chapter Meeting – 03/18/2023

## From the President (continued)

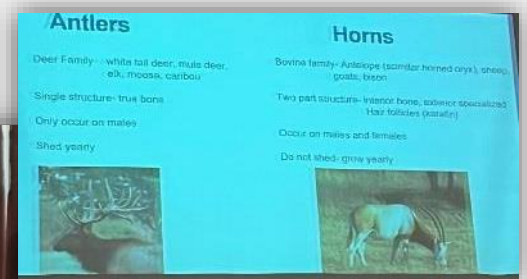
As I was contentedly working, I was reminded of my grandmother's garden and a very large rock that was its centerpiece. My grandmother was both a gardener and an artist. I will leave you with the words she painted on the rock, the best-known verse from the poem "God's Garden" by Dorothy Frances Gurney

The kiss of the sun for pardon,  
The song of the birds for mirth,  
One is nearer God's Heart in a garden,  
Than anywhere else on Earth.

Keep an eye on the [chapter calendar](#) as we continue to post both volunteer and advanced training opportunities.

As always, if you have an idea on how we can make our chapter stronger, don't hesitate to reach out to me or any member of the board. We are here to serve you.

## Chapter News



## Chapter Meeting

The January chapter meeting was an educational bonanza, thanks to chapter members sharing their passions for special topics. (The presentation on chimney swifts had to be rescheduled).

- Karen Gardner and John Gardner reprised their annual meeting talk about Urban Wildlife
- Cathy Nolte explained the citizen science of Project Feederwatch
- Vicky Greene spoke about Amazing Antlers and her elk herd

*Facebook excerpt by Lori Buffum*

## Landowner Summit

By Lori Buffum

The Chapter hosted the [Landowner Summit](#) in mid-January: approximately 70 people attended, we had five super speakers, covering topics such as: education on ponds, nuisance animals, environmental toxicity, native grasses and land management. We are grateful to our speakers, our sponsors, our supporters who helped make a successful fund raiser for the TMN-GLC scholarship fund. Shout out to Ken English, GLC Marketing Director, and [Kara Matheny](#), Washington County AgriLife Extension, for making this a success.



## 2023 Training Class

By Lori Buffum

And they're off . . . 14 students comprise our 2023 Training Class, ably guided by Training Director Connie Shortes and her team. A full day of orientation, educational sessions on Texas naturalist history, land ethics and restoration, and introduction to ecoregions, and lunch too! Thanks to the whole team and to our speakers for helping the trainees begin their TMN adventure.












## Connie Shortes, Training Director introduces the 2023 training class.

Our chapter’s 2023 training class is underway with a great line-up of speakers and field trips. You can see the schedule on the chapter website [here](#). We appreciate that so many of our project leaders will be making presentations to the class to describe their projects.

The best thing about this year’s class is our new members. Here is a brief introduction to each of them. They will be making presentations at our chapter meetings this year as part of their training, so you’ll soon get an opportunity to get to know them better. Please introduce yourself to them when you get the opportunity.

	<p>CJ Claverie and her wife moved from Houston to the property of a dear friend who was a Master Naturalist. They live in Burton and are managing their property for wildlife.</p>
	<p>Karen Dean has lived in Brenham for 20 years. She and her daughter love nature and often hike together. Her daughter recently certified as a Master Naturalist in Odessa, so Karen is catching up.</p>
 	<p>Marvelyn and Trey Granger just moved this year to a property 9 miles west of Bellville that they are managing for wildlife. They recently met Mary Pearl Meuth, who encouraged them to join us.</p>
 	<p>Shirley and John Isbell live in Shaws Bend. John retired from the bowling business, and Shirley has a degree in Ethnology. Their property has a riparian area and an old dump pit. They would like to learn more about how to care for and recover their land.</p>
	<p>Jim Kelley recently moved to some family land in the Bellville area. He has a degree in wildlife biology from A&amp;M and post grad in biology. He recently retired from teaching high school science and biology in Houston. His brother, a wildlife biologist, suggested he join a master naturalist chapter.</p>



Scott Maddox lives in Cat Springs near the dance hall. He completed the Master Gardener training last year and wants more!



Deb Miller has lived on some land between Brenham and Burton since 1987. She is a friend of Karen Dean's and decided to join her in the class.



Janis and Merle Richardson live in Hallettsville. That's Lavaca County, and our chapter is the closest one to them. Their place was farmed for cotton and ranched in the past, and they would like to restore it to natives. They were inspired by taking David Will's class at Blinn College.



Dawn Magnoli lives in Houston and just purchased land between Columbus and Frelsberg. The property was an old gravel pit and she is interested in restoring it. She's currently working on a fine arts degree.



Rhonda Schneider was a Master Naturalist in the Galveston Bay chapter before she moved to Burton. She is an artist and rides a Harley!

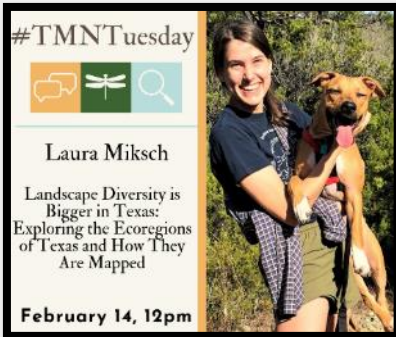


Carey Soderstrom retired from teaching high school biology in Wimberley. She lives near Brenham now and teaches occasionally at Blinn.



Rich Fannin & Tayanne Prestes live in Houston and have property near Lake Somerville. They spend more and more time there, and are enjoying getting to know its nature, especially birds.

## State Information



#TMNTuesday [#TMNTuesdays \(tamu.edu\)](https://twitter.com/TMNTuesdays)

Feb 14, 2023, 12:00 p.m. CST

We will take a look at the 11 ecoregions of Texas and their associated plant communities and abiotic characteristics. Additionally, we will explore the Ecological Mapping Systems (EMS) of Texas which have allowed TPWD to map even more refined habitat types within the ecoregions.

[Register here!](#)



### [2023 Annual Meeting](#)

Get excited for this year's Annual Meeting – to be held **Thursday October 12 through Sunday October 15th** at the southernmost point of Texas' South Plains ecoregion, surrounded by mesquite and prickly pear brush country in **McAllen, Texas**.

[2023 Annual Meeting \(tamu.edu\)](#)



### [25th Anniversary Storytelling Project](#)

To celebrate our 25th Anniversary, we are hosting a year-long storytelling project to highlight our wonderful TMN members and their conservation volunteer work across the state.

We want to know! What inspired you to become a TMN member? Do you have a favorite TMN in-the-field memory? What has been your most meaningful project, community outreach, or conservation event? What does nature mean to you? [Learn More https://txmn.tamu.edu/25th-anniversary-storytelling-project/](https://txmn.tamu.edu/25th-anniversary-storytelling-project/)



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ANYONE can purchase this plate and \$22 of each \$30 annual plate fee comes directly back to the Texas Master Naturalist Program for continuing our mission.

The plate is available for purchase on the website:

Personalized plate (\$70): <https://www.myplates.com/design/personalized/passenger/texas-master-naturalist/>

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# Membership Memo



## By Chris Morrison

Congratulations to members who have earned pins since December.

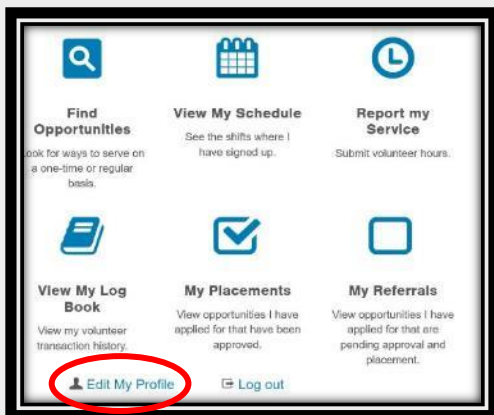
<p><b>Initial Certification</b> and earned a Green Dragonfly Pin and Certificate</p> <p>Recertified for 2022 and earned the Lightning Whelk pin</p>	<p>Matt Holdeman</p> <p>Barbara Boucher</p> <p>Peggy Cadenhead</p> <p>Steve Capan</p> <p>Judy Deaton</p> <p>Carol Gaskamp</p>	<p>Class 2022</p> <p>Mary-Helen Giles</p> <p>Jennifer Prihoda</p> <p>Tom Shaughnessy</p> <p>Denise Turner</p> <p>Carol also got her initial certification in May of 2022!</p>
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## 2023 Annual Certification Pin

The pin for 2023 will be the Texas Ecoregions pin. It can be yours for only 40 volunteer and 8 AT hours!

Quite a few members are close to earning a 2022 recertification pin or a milestone dragonfly for 250, 500, 1,000, or 2,500 hours.



## Update your VMS Profile

If you haven't looked at your VMS profile in over a year please take the time to login and review it. Has your email or mailing address changed? Go over things like your emergency contact and phone number. There are at least 5 pages to the profile, so keep going until the end. Don't forget to hit the save button at the top before you leave the profile page.

The profile icon is found at the lower left of your Dashboard page, the first page you see after you log in to VMS.

Thank you for the work you do to foster the mission of TMN. Thank you also for logging your hours. Remember that every volunteer hour is worth over \$23 in grants for our sponsors, TPWD and AgriLife Extension.

## Member Profiles



### Vicki Greene

#### About Me

I was born in Philadelphia and grew up in the Northeast United States. I moved to Texas with my family when I was in high school. I have a degree in Biology from Texas State University and a Master's in Public Health and Medical Degree, both from The University of Texas. I worked for several years as a private practice Clinical Pathologist. Later I worked in a Melanoma Research Lab at MD Anderson Cancer Center. My husband Jeff and I have been married for forty years. We have three children and seven grandchildren (with one more on the way). Our property is in Fayette County, just outside of Flatonia.

#### Why TMN?

I chose to volunteer with TMN because I love nature and want to contribute to the local stewardship and management of our natural resources. Also, educational opportunities provided by TMN give me valuable information that can be used as my husband and I work to improve the ecosystems on our own property.

#### TMN-GLC Projects

I am an avid gardener, so I gravitate to the projects involving maintaining native gardens such as the one at the Agrilife Building in La Grange, the Schubert House Pollinator Garden, and garden at Winedale. I also enjoy participating in citizen science projects like the Great Backyard Bird Count and iNaturalist Texas Pollinator Bioblitz.

#### Favorite thing about being a Texas Master Naturalist

My favorite aspects of the TMN program are getting to know the other members of the GLC Chapter, being given opportunities to increase my knowledge about nature, and helping to further the goals of the program.

#### Favorite critter

It's tough to pick a favorite critter. I love birds, butterflies, and bumblebees but any creature large or small is interesting to me.

#### Favorite Place in Texas

My favorite place in Texas is my garden. I love to grow a wide variety of fruits and vegetables. Nothing compares to the flavor of a home grown tomato. I have several beds dedicated to growing native plants and wildflowers that attract pollinators. One of my favorite native plants is Henry Duehlberg Salvia. It is easy to grow and is much loved by the bumblebees. Working in the garden gives me the opportunity to notice all of the smaller creatures (spiders, praying mantis, hummingbirds, lizards, bumblebees, etc.) that might otherwise go unnoticed.

#### Favorite Big Trips

My favorite big trip was visiting Europe, especially Italy. It goes without saying that the food was homemade and extremely delicious! We took guided tours of Rome, the Vatican, and Florence so as we admired the beautiful architecture, sculptures, and other artwork we learned so much about each of these historic cities.





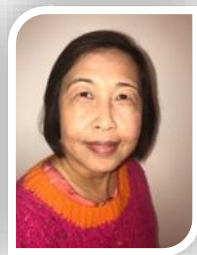


## The Rock by Lori Buffum

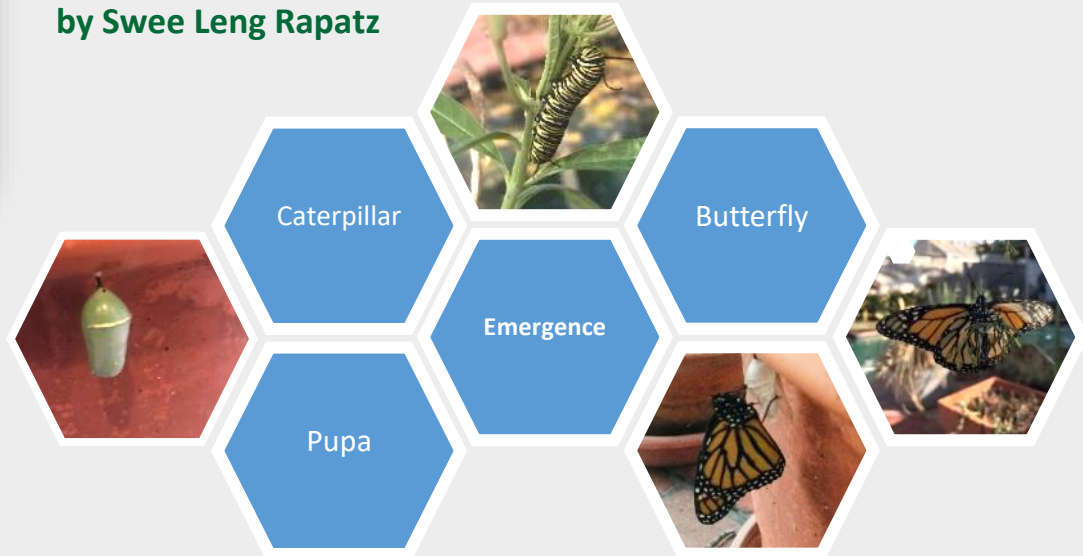
One of my favorite subjects for photography on a rainy day is lichen as it soaks up the moisture and sends out tendrils and colorful new growth. There is a big boulder in my yard that sustains a wonderful colony of lichen so it inspired photos and a haiku. Want to learn more about lichen? <https://www.fs.usda.gov/wildflowers/beauty/lichens/index.shtml>



A whole universe  
Microcontinents in bloom  
A rock in the rain



## Butterfly lifecycle by Swee Leng Rapatz



# Teaching Moments



## Leave No Trace and the Texas Master Naturalists

By Tom Shaughnessy

The Texas Master Naturalist Code of Ethics for 2023 states we must:

12. Act as trustworthy and ethical stewards of the environment.
13. Never inappropriately disturb or harass wildlife. Never inappropriately remove anything from its natural state or area.

As an avid outdoorsman having spent most of my entire life involved in outdoor related activities on public lands, I have witnessed firsthand, the ways in which our public places have been “loved to death”.

As a certified **Leave No Trace Trainer** I have also seen the positive effects the practices of proper outdoor ethics have helped improve our outdoor experiences as well as the experience for those around us.

The Certified Texas Master Naturalist program bridges together its members and participants in our area’s natural ecosystems so it is only fitting that we also follow a code of ethics with regards to the resources in which we find ourselves in. **The Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics** lays out the groundwork for us. Leave No Trace is a set of 7 principles we all should follow in order to minimize our impact on the wild places we visit.

Nine out of ten people who visit the outdoors aren’t familiar with “outdoor ethics”. Some view ethics as rules when in fact they are merely suggestions. When the suggestions are taken, they will ensure a better outdoor experience for themselves, those around them and more importantly the natural resources.

As stewards of the outdoors and through our contacts with the public it is also our responsibility to help inform the public on the topic of Leave No Trace when the opportunity presents itself.

Details on the “How” are in the TMN Statewide Curriculum book, Unit 22 – Laws, Regulations and Ethics.

Different outdoor activities have different sets of ethics. For example, there are ethics to consider when fishing that may not apply to canyoneering or rock climbing.

The “Frontcountry Guidelines” are the guidelines for day-use areas like parks and trails. There are an infinite number of resources online. A great place to start is the **Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics website**: [www.int.org](http://www.int.org).

It is a good idea to review these before participating in any outdoor activity.



## Wildflower of the Year 2023

[Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center](#) announces the Mealy Blue Sage as wildflower of 2023

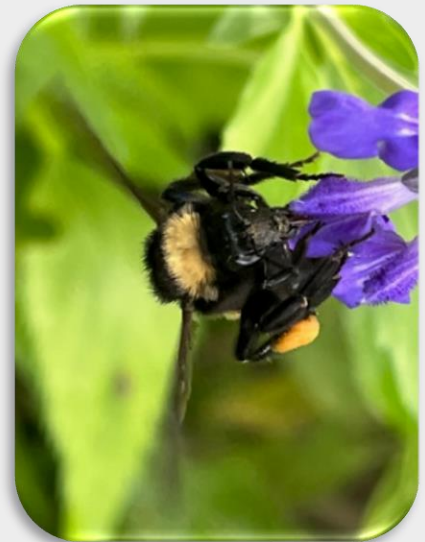
Easy to grow. Easy to love.

Drought-tolerant, deer-resistant and capable of thriving in a variety of soils, it doesn't get much more low-maintenance than mealy blue sage (*Salvia farinacea*). But even if our 2023 Wildflower of the Year required hours of toil, it would still be a plant worth celebrating. This native perennial has an exceptionally long bloom period, adding color to gardens from early spring to late fall. Plus, it's a pollinator powerhouse, supporting hummingbirds and butterflies with its sweet nectar. Whether you're an experienced gardener or just beginning to cultivate your green thumb, we think you'll agree — [mealy blue sage is a winner!](#)

Native *Salvia* Species

There are more than 50 *Salvia* species native to North America, including mealy blue sage. Browse them all on our database, where you can sort by state, bloom time, height and more.

[View Native Species »](#)



"Lori Buffum's bumblebees love the mealy blue sage plants."

# Volunteering Highlights



## CoCoRaHS certificate By B. R. Koehler and Betsy Palkowsky

The CoCoRaHS certificate is very nice, but it just doesn't convey the amount of work (misery) involved for checking the rain gauges in the cold, nearly freezing rain like we had a few weeks ago. It is even worse when you have more than one inch of rain and have to transfer from the large cylinder to the small cylinder to measure the total! But don't despair it gets easier when the weather is nice.

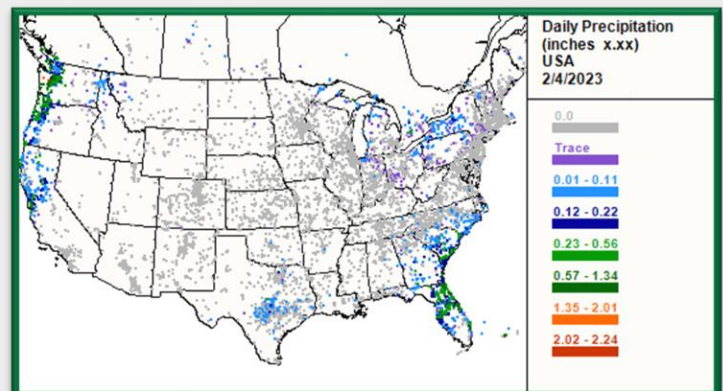


## ABOUT COCORAHS

CoCoRaHS (pronounced KO-ko-rozz) is a grassroots volunteer network of backyard weather observers of all ages and backgrounds working together to measure and map precipitation (rain, hail and snow) in their local communities. By using low-cost measurement tools, stressing training and education, and utilizing an interactive Website, our aim is to provide the highest quality data for natural resource, education and research applications.

The only requirements to join are an enthusiasm for watching and reporting weather conditions and a desire to learn more about how weather can affect and impact our lives. For more information, please click here: [Information about CoCoRaHS](#)

If you would like to sign-up as a volunteer observer and become part of our expanding network, please click here: ["Join the CoCoRaHS Network"](#).



# Volunteer Opportunities

## Exciting opportunities

by Karen Gardner



We have several new things coming up soon and we need GLC members to be involved. Please check the [events calendar](#) for all the opportunities



### Inaugural Birding Day

Calling all birders, whether you are an experienced birder, a casual backyard observer, or simply have an interest in exploring the birds around us. The Gideon Lincecum Chapter is partnering with San Felipe de Austin Historic Site to host an inaugural birding day. This birding event coincides with the Great Backyard Bird Count ([www.birdcount.org](http://www.birdcount.org)) and will take place on **February 19, 2023, from 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.** at the historic site in San Felipe, TX.

Though best known for its archaeological work to preserve early Texas history, the San Felipe de Austin Historic Site also contains natural areas that provide opportunities for public recreation and education. The goal for this event is to begin promoting San Felipe de Austin as a good birding location.

- Be part of a team of “Birders” with a starter list for observations. Observations will get submitted to Cornell via eBird
- Join the fun helping with the bird-related craft activity at the Visitor Center
- Share your knowledge on plants that attract and support birds

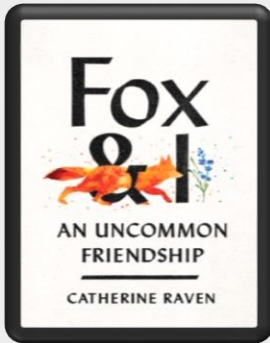
### Brenham Independent School District

Spring is right around the corner and Brenham Independent School District (BISD) is gearing up for a number of outdoor learning experiences and they need our assistance. Some of these events are:

- **The BISD Pig Pluck** which will be held sometime in March and
- The updated LANDS program: **Land, Water and Wildlife** which will be held on **April 27 and 28<sup>th</sup>**

If you are interested in volunteering for any of these activities contact: Karen Gardner, <mailto:glctmnedu@gmail.com>, 281-744-6420

## This & That



### Book recommendation by Carol D. Gaskamp

Have you read....?

Fox and I: An Uncommon Friendship, by Catherine Raven

Published in 2021 by Spiegel & Grau (ISBN 9781954118003) Available in hardback, paperback and audio. I listened to the audiobook (available through the Central Texas Library Digital Consortium).

How do you become friends with a fox? Catherine Raven, a biologist and once a national park ranger in several parks in the Northwest, including Yellowstone, writes of her experience living in an isolated cabin in the mountains of Montana. She had finished a doctoral degree in biology and retreated to this mountain cabin to figure out her next step in life. She noticed that a fox showed up every afternoon at the same time, and decided to interact with it, beginning by reading *The Little Prince* to the fox. A three-year relationship developed and through the experience of befriending the fox, she learned more about how to be friends with humans.

The descriptions of nature — the mountains, sky, clouds, storms, trees, flowers, birds, fox kits, voles, feral cats, and a wildfire — were rich in details, and made me feel like I was there. The author also showed keen insight into her interior life and how she learned to reach out to others despite a strong desire to be alone.

The memoir won numerous awards and accolades, including the PEN/E. O. Wilson Literary Science award.

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### Get Smart! Read the Newsletter! by Lori Buffum

The **GLC Tidings** chapter newsletters are full of educational articles on a wide variety of subjects. It's hard to find specific articles when searching through the newsletters. To make it easier to find information an index of articles has been created for the issues from 2018 through the October 2022. For each article, the index cites the subject, title, author, and the hyperlink directly to the issue published found on the chapter website.

If you download the Word version of the index, you can use the **Find** feature (under the Editing tool) to search for a subject of interest. You can also position your cursor at the top of any of the columns so that column is highlighted then sort the whole table by that column (use the AZ sort icon in the Paragraph tool area). If you prefer, you can download the PDF version of the index which is presorted by subject.

You'll find the index on our chapter website at <https://txmn.org/glc/whats-new/newsletters/>

A big thank you to Jamie Lee Manning and Swee Leng Rapatz for helping to build the index. And thanks also to all the chapter members over the years who have written these wonderful articles to help us all learn about the nature around us.

SUBJECT	TITLE	AUTHOR	DATE
American Green Frog	Tiny-Tiny	Deaton, Judith	<a href="#">2021-10</a>
American Lady Butterflies	The Resilience of Wintering Butterflies	Buffum, Lori	<a href="#">2022-02</a>
Ants	Can we do without them? Solenopsis or Fire Ants	Deaton, Judith	<a href="#">2018-03</a>
Ants	Crossing Paths with History--And ants	Michel, Frank	<a href="#">2022-06</a>
Aquatic Plants	Report on Wildlife & Fisheries Academy	Hobbs, Donna	<a href="#">2018-03</a>
Bastard Cabbage	Be on the Lookout-- Invasives in our area	Itz, Julie	<a href="#">2022-04</a>
Bees	"Bee Surprised"	Buffum, Lori	<a href="#">2018-07</a>
Bees	Carpenter Bees -- Look like bumble bees	Redden, Dave	<a href="#">2018-09</a>
Bees	Toxic Bee-Killing Hitchhiker Beetles (I Know, Right?)	Helzer, Chris	<a href="#">2018-05</a>
Bird	Texas Master Naturalist are Never Just "On Vacation"	Buffum, Lori	<a href="#">2019-07</a>
Birds	Audubon's "Lights Out" Program	Rooney, Terry	<a href="#">2019-01</a>
Birds	Birding on the Beach in Mexico	Buffum, Lori	<a href="#">2019-05</a>
Birds	Chance encounter with wood storks	Greene, Vicky	<a href="#">2022-10</a>

## Helpful References

### Books

- National Wildlife Federation(R): Attracting Birds, Butterflies, and Other Backyard Wildlife, Expanded Second Edition, by David Mizejewski
- Native Host Plants for Texas Butterflies: a Field Guide, by Jim Weber, Lynne Weber, and Roland H. Wauer (There is also one for moths)
- Native Texas Plants: Landscaping Region by Region, by Sally Wasowski and Andy Wasowski
- Wild Edible Plants of Texas: A Pocket Guide to the Identification, Collection, Preparation, & Use of 60 Wild Plants of the Lone Star State, by Charles W. Kane (This includes non-natives)

### Online Resources

- Bumble Bee Watch: <https://www.bumblebeewatch.org/>
- Ecoregions of North America: <https://www.epa.gov/eco-research/ecoregions-north-america>
- Ecoregions of Texas: [https://tpwd.texas.gov/.../pwd\\_pl\\_w7000\\_1187a/media/1.pdf](https://tpwd.texas.gov/.../pwd_pl_w7000_1187a/media/1.pdf)
- The Ladybird Johnson Wildflower Center: <https://www.wildflower.org/>
- National Wildlife Federation: <https://www.nwf.org/>
- Native American Seed: <https://www.seedsource.com/Default.asp>
- Native Plants by State: <https://nativebackyards.com/native-plants-by-state/>
- Native Plant Society of Texas: <http://npsot.org/wp/>
- Native Plant Society of Texas - Plant Lists By Region: <https://npsot.org/wp/resources/plant-lists-by-ecoregion/>
- Native Prairies Association of Texas: <https://texasprairie.org/>
- Plants for Birds – Audubon <https://www.audubon.org/plantsforbirds>
- Texas Butterfly Ranch: <https://texasbutterflyranch.com>
- Texas Invasives: <https://www.texasinvasives.org/>
- Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation: <https://xerces.org/>



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Landscape – Cindy Rodibaugh

Monument Hill State Historic Site — Karen Woods

Prescribed Burning – Mark Brown and B.R. Koehler

Schubert House Pollinator Project – Karen Woods

Stephen F. Austin State Park – Tom Shaughnessy

Washington-on-the-Brazos State Historic Site –

Julie Itz and David Itz

Winedale Trails and Pollinator Garden – Jan Hughes and Rhonda Schneider

### Sponsor Contact

Each county has its own TPWD Biologist and Texas AgriLife Extension agent. We work closely with these sponsors.

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