



**Mission.** *To develop a corps of well-informed volunteers to provide education, outreach, and service dedicated to the beneficial management of natural resources and natural areas within their communities for the State of Texas.*

## CHAPTER MEETING

### Guadalupe Master Naturalists Monthly Program and Meeting

Date: Monday, November 25, 2019

Time: **5:30 – Board of Directors** meeting

**6:30 - Social Time:** Bring your favorite treat to share. Drinks will be provided.

Earn volunteer time by assisting in the pre-meeting room set-up and/or helping with the after meeting clean-up! Mary Styblo and Deborah Benbow are organizers.

**7:00 – Program -** The Secret Lives of Bryophytes: Mosses, Liverworts, and Hornworts

Presenters Francine and John Edson are Guadalupe Master Naturalists, Class of 2017. They have collected and studied very small plants for the S. M. Tracy Herbarium at Texas A & M University, College Station. Both have a long work history in agriculture and forestry. Come learn about the importance of this group of plants; you will be amazed at what they do for our environment.



Moss



Liverwort



Hornwort

Location: AgriLife Extension, 210 E. Live Oak, Seguin, TX

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

### NATURE EDUCATION

#### Discover the Forest

Dates/Times/Location:

1] Monday, November 4, 2:00 [home school] 4:00 PM [after school]

Seguin Public Library, 313 W. Nolte. Seguin

🌀 Leader: Nancy Masterson ; Assisting Kay Robbins, Larry White, Bobby & Elaine Cowley, Sherman & Joy Schlichting, Kate Schnautz

2] Saturday, November 9, 10:00 AM

Crescent Bend Nature Park, 12805 W. Schaefer Rd., Schertz

🌀 Leader: Nancy Masterson Assisting: Gayle Temple

## **Irma Lewis Seguin Outdoor Learning Center**

Dates / Times Vary with school schedules.

Description: Share your love of nature with school-aged children from surrounding districts and private schools. You will be provided with the developed lesson plans.

Contact: Michelle Darnell at [mdarnelltex@gmail.com](mailto:mdarnelltex@gmail.com) or 210-601-8957 for schedule of opportunities

## **Palmetto State Park**

Date: Thursday, November 7, 2019

Time: 9:00 AM – 12:00 noon



Description: Lead a  $\frac{3}{4}$  mile nature hike around Oxbow Lake. There will be 4 groups of twenty 4<sup>th</sup> graders in each hike. Tom Hardaway is supposed to be going as a leader; meet up with him and have a fun morning!

Contact: Liz Palfini, Park Superintendent, Palmetto State Park  
78 Park Road 11 South, Gonzales, TX 78629

## **Annual Nature Education Planning Meeting for 2020**

Date: Thursday, November 14, 2019

Time: 9:30 AM – 12:00 noon

Description: The Committee will evaluate the 2019 programming, review the developed children's Discover programs and discuss future modules, review other programs from 2019 and determine events for 2020, discuss the budget for 2020, set goals for the new year and determine Co-chairs.

Whew!! A lot to do for this very busy committee. Please attend if you want to be a part of this most important work of our Chapter.

Nancy asks if you cannot attend, she would appreciate your feedback on our Discovery, Young Naturalist and Walk with a Naturalist programs and partnerships. Send her a quick note on what you think works, doesn't work, and any new Discovery program ideas you think we need to develop in 2020.

Location: AgriLife Extension, upstairs classroom

Contact: Nancy Masterson, [nsethermasterson@gmail.com](mailto:nsethermasterson@gmail.com) 830-305-9104

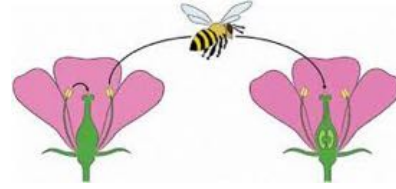
## CITIZEN SCIENCE

### Pollinator Garden

Date: Wednesdays, November 6 and 20 2019

Time: 8:30 – 10:00 AM

Location: Park West Pollinator Garden



Description: Maintenance of the pollinator garden. Bring gardening tools, water, hat, sunscreen, insect spray and wear appropriate gardening shoes. Contact

Contact: Clara Mae Marcotte, [rcm.marcotte@gmail.com](mailto:rcm.marcotte@gmail.com), Liz Romero, [fleurromero@gmail.com](mailto:fleurromero@gmail.com). Pam Turner, John Edson.

## FOREST HEALTH

### Forest Health

Date: Wednesday, November 6, 2019

Time: 8:30 – 10:30 AM

Description: Want to help re-establish native trees in Park West? Join the Forest Health team and come plant walnut and pecan seeds [nuts] in the park. Bring a trowel or bulb planter and knee pad.



The group will also access the area and develop work plans for the upcoming season.

Location: Splash Pad at Park West, 601 N. Vaughn, Seguin

Contact: Chris Dyess at [ced16123@gmail.com](mailto:ced16123@gmail.com)

## 2019 TRAINING CLASS UPDATE

Two more sessions and the Training Class of 2019 will be history. The students this year have been some of the best we have ever had the pleasure to work with. They have willingly volunteered for various events and most will have all the requirements completed. We look forward to next Saturday, November 9, when we celebrate their graduation with a luncheon at Seguin Outdoor Learning Center.

It was a cold start, but we had a wonderful tour of the Canyon Lake Gorge on October 12. Thanks to **Cinde Thomas-Jimenez** for leading the tour and **Jim Dyess** [fresh home from somewhere north of the Red River] for sharing his geology expertise.



Cinde speaking to the class.



Jim explaining faulting zones.



Terrain designed for mountain goats!  
The class had some steep and rocky areas to traverse



Heads down and butts up!  
This is how we searched for some of the Gorge fossils.  
My 12 year old grandson enjoyed the tour, too, especially searching for fossils.

Many, many thanks to class photographer, Daryl Styblo, for the wonderful pictures.

## ADVANCED TRAINING

### **Lunch & Learn: Time to Think About Trees** **Guadalupe Master Gardeners**

Date: Thursday, November 7, 2019

Time: 12:00 – 1:00 PM

Description: Native Plant Society member and Master Gardener Bob Tewles will share valuable information about selection, planting and caring for your trees.

Location: AgriLife Extension Service, 210 E. Live Oak, Seguin, TX 78155

### **Small Space Gardening for Birds and Pollinators**

Date: Saturday, November 9, 2019

Time: 10:00 AM

Description: Presented by Master Gardener Kathleen Scott, you will learn how to use native plants to attract birds, butterflies and other beneficial pollinators to your yard.

Admission is free. Due to limited space, reservations not necessary, but appreciated.

Location: Wildbirds Unlimited of New Braunfels, 1659 SH 46 West, Suite 140 New Braunfels, TX

Contact: [wbunewbraunfels@gmail.com](mailto:wbunewbraunfels@gmail.com) (830) 609-9510

### **Guadalupe Chapter – Native Plant Society**

#### **Healthy Trees, Healthy Lives**

Date: Tuesday, November 12, 2019

Time: 6:30 – Refreshments

7:00 – Program



Description: Presented by Mark Kroeze, an Urban Forester with Texas A&M Forest Service. He works with municipalities and their urban forestry programs from San Antonio to the Rio Grande Valley. He will describe and explain recent fascinating scientific findings on the benefits of trees to human health.

Location: St. John's Lutheran Church, 606 So. Center St. (FM 465), Marion, TX

Website: <http://npsot.org/wp/guadalupe/>

**Let's All Eat Native Texas Plants**  
**Lindheimer Native Plant Society**



Date: Tuesday, November 19, 2019  
Time: 5:30 - Social  
6:15 – Program

Description: Presentation by Gretchen Fettel.

Location: Tye Preston Library, 16311 South Access Road, Canyon Lake

Website: <https://npsot.org/wp/lindheimer/>

**“Duckology”**  
**Lindheimer Master Naturalists**

Date: Thursday, November 21, 2019  
Time: 5:45 PM Social  
6:15 PM Program

Description: Patsy and Tom Inglet will speak - I guess on ducks??

Location: Tye Preston Library, 16311 South Access Road, Canyon Lake

**First Friday Bird Walk – Palmetto State Park**

Date: Friday, December 6, 2019  
Time: 8:00 AM

Description: Join Park Ranger Jason True and Guadalupe Master Naturalist Pledge Elaine Cowley as they lead you exploring the bird populations found in Palmetto State Park. On the first Friday of every month, join park staff and see what you can see. From first time fledglings to seasoned eagle eyes, all are welcome.

Bring your binoculars, your bird book, comfortable shoes, dress for the weather and be prepared to be outside for about 3 hours. This is an open invitation for birders of all skills to come out and see what you can see.

Check-in at the Park HQ for the birding location.

Location: Palmetto State Park, 78 Park Road 11 South, Gonzales, TX

Contact: Jason True (830) 672-3266 [jason.true@tpwd.texas.gov](mailto:jason.true@tpwd.texas.gov)



## Guadalupe Master Naturalists

### Holiday Party

Monday, December 9, 2019

Gather at 6:00 PM / Dinner at 6:30

St. John's Lutheran Church

600 S. Center St., Marion

### Potluck Dinner

Turkey will be provided.



Bring an appetizer, salad, side dish, dessert or special holiday dish to share.

Drinks will be provided.

No alcoholic beverages are permitted within the Church Fellowship Hall.

Planning Committee members are needed to help organize and plan our party. Please volunteer to help with this fun event!

Contact:

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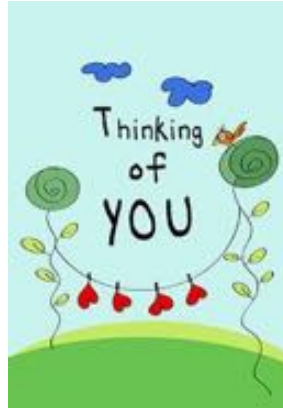
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# Get Well Wishes to...

Mary Styblo and Monta Zengerle



**\$25.00**

Due to Treasurer Larry White  
by the end of the year.

Pay at November 25<sup>th</sup> Chapter meeting,  
Christmas party or  
mail to Larry at:  
134 Indian Trail, Seguin, TX 78155

## VMS TIME TRACKING

It's now **more important** than ever to get your hours posted before the 45 day window closes.

Pam Sagebiel has announced, "the VMS administrators in Austin have decided that chapter administrators will no longer be able to edit/update entries past the 45 day limit. I'm not sure when this will take effect, but chapter members need to know that this is coming and that I will no longer be able to update for forgetfulness! I'll be locked into the 45 day limit like everyone else."

**Don't lose hours because you fail to post them.**

Questions?? Contact: Michelle Darnell 210-601-8957 [mdarnomnelltex@gmail.com](mailto:mdarnomnelltex@gmail.com)  
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Remember to submit your AT and Volunteer hours!



## NEXT NEWSLETTER

Please send announcements and news items for distribution in the newsletter to Marilyn Anderson, [MarilynA@access4less.net](mailto:MarilynA@access4less.net).

**Deadline for next issue – Friday, November 29 for the December edition.**

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**Happy Fall, Y'all**



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