

HAYS COUNTY MASTER NATURALIST CHAPTER: VOLUNTEER PROJECTS FOR 2012						3/4/2012
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401	Hays County Master Naturalists/Administrative	Administrative; conducting chapter activities	NA	Larry Calvert	512-484-0422	pres@haysmn.org
402	Hays County AgriLife Extension Service	Assist County Agent in appropriate activities	CW	Richard Parrish	512-393-2120	re-parrish@tamu.edu
403	Texas Parks and Wildlife	Educational outreach, habitat restoration & others	NA	Lee Ann Linam	512-656-1222 (work cell)	lalinam@txwinet.com
405	San Marcos Nature Center	Maintenance of demonstration bed and habitat restoration	B/K/SM	Leah Laszewski	512-667-6676	laszewski@yahoo.com
406	LBJ Wildflower Center	Vegetation survey, seed collection, & others	Other	Minette Marr	214-908-1161	mmarr@wildflower.org
407	San Marcos River Foundation	Habitat restoration and others	B/K/SM	Leah Laszewski	512-667-6676	laszewski@yahoo.com
408	The River Center (formerly Aquarena Center)	Habitat restoration, data collection, education	B/K/SM	Leah Laszewski	512-667-6676	laszewski@yahoo.com
412	Bamberger Ranch	Habitat restoration				
418	Patsy Glenn Refuge Wimberley	Wildlife habitat development, trail building, educational outreach	W	Cara Wernli	512-847-1027	cwernli@austin.rr.com
420	River Rangers/Texas Watch	Monitor water quality in local rivers.	B/K/SM	Joe Piazza	512-353-8785	jp10@txstate.edu
424	San Marcos Greenbelt Alliance	Placing valuable natural areas into conservation; providing stewardship for those natural areas; enabling passive recreation; and guiding and assisting with interpretation, education and research efforts.	B/K/SM	Todd Derkacz	512 754-9321	tobe@austin.rr.com
425	Episcopal Church of Holy Spirit, Dripping Springs	Habitat protection & restoration.	DS	Tom Hausler	512-858-1015	thausler@io.com
426	Austin Water Utility – Wildlands Conservation Division – Water Quality Protection Lands and Balcones Protection Lands	Land management activities for water and wildlife conservation, including habitat restoration by prescribed burning, sowing native grass seeds, tree planting, and eradication of invasive species. Other activities include vegetation and wildlife monitoring, faunal and floral inventories, and nature walks for the general public.	CW	Tom Watson & Austin Utilities Wildlands Division	512-894-4822	twatson11@austin.rr.com
501	Hays County Master Naturalists/Training Committee	Plan & participate in training class activities	Other	Lin Weber	512-499-2087	lin.weber@vownet.net

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602	EmilyAnn Theater: Butterfly Festival, Earth Day Event, and Caterpillar Camp / Cages for Classrooms	<p>Caterpillar Camp: Volunteers learn how to handle the butterfly larvae and place them into special containers for other volunteers to raise into butterflies.</p> <p>Cages for Classrooms: Volunteers will deliver cages and make presentations to students and others about the care of the caterpillars and the life cycle of butterflies.</p> <p>Earth Day Event: Volunteers earn volunteer hours at Booth Duty, where they hand out brochures, answer questions about joining MNs, take contact info, demonstrate how to make seed balls, and help set-up/tear-down the booth. Nature hikes along the EmilyAnn trails, led by MNs, for the public and advanced training hours for MNs, teach/outreach to public.</p>	W	<p>Melinda Seib</p> <p>Mimi Boelter</p>	<p>830-833-4852</p> <p>830-833-4235</p>	<p>mjseib@msn.com</p> <p>mboelter@txwinet.com</p>
603	Jacob's Well Nature Center	Habitat restoration, management plans, direct outreach, indirect outreach, trail construction and maintenance and data collection.	W	Jeff Vasgaard	512-656-0690	jvasgaard@verizon.net
604	Wimberley Parks & Recreation Blue Hole Regional Park	Habitat Restoration: Remove non-native plants from Blue Hole Regional Park, Wimberley.	W	Dell Hood	512-847-1231	hood@alumni.utexas.net
701	Great Backyard Bird Count (Cornell U)	Count birds during specific dates; enter data in national web site.	CW	Ginger Geist	512-847-9545	pondscum@swbell.net
702	Blue Bird Nests	Habitat restoration.	CW	Bonny Tull	512-858-2829	utexbone@aol.com
704	Hays County Master Naturalists/Direct Outreach	All naturalist outreach activities where HCMN sponsors the entire event or an exhibit at an event sponsored by another organization unless the project is shown as a separate project in the volunteer project list. Earthdays and Eco-Days are examples of events included in this project. Events where HCMN volunteers work at exhibits sponsored by other organizations are included as long as the cause is consistent with Master Naturalist principles. In all cases, HCMN volunteers must display their affiliation with HCMN. When reporting hours for this project, include the name of the event.	CW	Leah Laszewski	512-667-6676	laszewski@yahoo.com

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705	Canyon Gorge	Multiple activities. Direct outreach: volunteer docents at the Canyon Gorge will conduct tours and discuss 1) The Guadalupe River, Canyon Dam / Reservoir, and the flood of 2002; 2) Geology and Biology of the Gorge; 3) Methods of interpretation. Other activities include habitat restoration and other natural resource stewardship activities.	Other	J Kinscherff, R Barnett,	830-899-6699 , 512-847-6941	jamie@kinscherff.com , rich6986@aol.com
802	Blanco Watershed Water Quality Monitoring	Monitor the water quality in Hays county watersheds using approved Texas Stream Team methods and reporting.	W	LaRay & Ginger Geist	512-847-9545	pondscum@swbell.net
803	Hays County Rainfall Project	Monitor rainfall across Hays County.	CW	Walt Krudop	512-858-0588	walt@krudopinds.com
805	TPWD Cowbird Management	TPWD Cowbird Trapping Program. Activities related to building cowbird traps and managing the use of the traps such as monitoring them, recordkeeping and dealing with the birds that are trapped.	CW	Walt Krudop	512-858-0588	walt@krudopinds.com
806	Site Visits	Leading or co-leading site visits for the training class or for county residents who ask the AgriLife Extension Service for a site visit. Participation in site visits as trainees is not included.	CW	Walt Krudop	512-858-0588	walt@krudopinds.com
807	Chaparral WMA	Wild fire recovery work including habitat restoration, wildlife monitoring, naturalist research at Chaparral WMA.	Other	Steve Carter	512-858-4632	stevecarter7@austin.rr.com
809	Wimberley Outdoor Educators	Expose every child in the WISD to naturalist concepts and practices at the natural outdoor locations in the Wimberley area.	W	Jackie Mattice	512-847 2165	jrm44313@yahoo.com
901	Misc Research & Data Collection & Analysis	Misc research & data collection & analysis related to natural resource stewardship. Details for work must be provided, where and what.	Other	Walt Krudop	512-858-0588	walt@krudopinds.com
902	Conservation Easement Education	Work with prospective conservation easement candidates to provide information and encouragement to pursue conservation easements for their property.	CW	Susan Zimmerman	512-847-2006	susan@moonmountaingroup.com
905	Rainwater Revival & Hays Cnty Water Conservation WG	Hays County project to develop incentives to encourage water conservation.	Other	Walt Krudop	512-858-0588	walt@krudopinds.com

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907	School based education and outreach.	Activities where HCMN volunteers provide naturalist education and experiences for elementary, middle and high school students. Location and date must be included when reporting hours. HCMN volunteers who have direct contact with the students must have background checks done with the Agri-Life Extension Service.	All	Walt Krudop	512-858-0588	walt@krudopinds.com
909	Barsana Dham	Integrate MN principles and practices into the master planning of approximately 200 acres including trail building and riparian improvements. Public tours of the area will demonstrate MN principles and practices.	DS/W	Dennis Wagner	512-288-4888	Dennis@UnitedCountryCentralTexas.com
911	Texas H2Oasis - Bird and Butterfly Sanctuary	Develop and improve a bird and butterfly sanctuary in the H2Oasis venue to increase native bird and butterfly populations by adding bird feeders (and possibly birdhouses), "friendly" flora and removing invasives. This sanctuary / wildlife habitat may also be used for nonprofit, environmental education.	DS/W	Karen Bartell	512-894-0105	hulene1@austin.rr.com
912	Driftwood Wildlife Association - Birding Activities	Build and maintain chimney swift towers to increase nesting and roosting sites. Clear and maintain "net lanes", monitoring nets for birds and recording data for bird banding studies.	DS/W	Ann Connell	512-913-1441	asc07850@yahoo.com
913	Westcave Preserve	Habitat restoration, trail building & maintenance.	DS/W	Walt Krudop	512-858-0588	walt@krudopinds.com
916	Cypress Creek Church Nature Trail	This is a half mile public nature trail that is open to everyone in the wilderness property of Cypress Creek Church . Work on the nature trail involves maintenance as well as further development including identification and labeling of various grasses, trees and forbs and construction and placement of birdfeeders to bring more wildlife into the area.	W	Dwanna Zyla	830-833-2687 or 281-635-1950 (cel)	zylas@iname.com
1001	Knox Ranch	Develop an educational and informational environment for children and adults at J. Knox Ranch.	W	Charles (Chuck) L. Blue Sr.	512-396-1337	Charles063@grandecom.net

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1003	EmilyAnn Theater: Praire Restoration	Prairie restoration will include selective removal of cedar to allow growth and, if needed reseeding, of native grasses and forbs. Signage and information kiosks will be designed and installed and trails will be developed. A seasonal interpretive program and associated material will also be developed.	W	Melinda Seib	830-833-4852	mjseib@msn.com
1005	LANDS program visit to Shields Ranch	TWA's educational program, Conservation Legacy, helps immerse both children and adults into the wonders of nature from the classroom to the back sendero. The youth program is called LANDS (Learning Across New Dimensions in Science). LANDS works with students K – 12 and teaches subjects such as land ethics, conservation, wildlife and land management, ecosystems, soils, plants, and how to be good land stewards on private lands. Sponsored by the Texas Wildlife Association (TWA).	DS	Koy Coffer	830-792-3070	kcoffer@texas-wildlife.org
1006	Texas Amphibian Watch	Texas Amphibian Watch gathers long-term data to assess amphibian populations trends. Work includes support to training (planning, preparation, meal prep, registration) and other related Amphibian Watch activities.	CW	Lee Ann Linam	512-656-1222 (work cell)	lalinam@txwinet.com
1007	Rainfall Simulator	Demonstrate and maintain the rainfall simulator.	CW	Ray Franklin Warren Eli	512-894-0158 512-415-0674	rayfranklin@wildblue.net WARELY@aol.com
1008	Eco Fest at Katherine Anne Porter School	Eco Fest, on Saturday, October 16, 2010, offers a series of short seminars concentrating on living within the Hill Country environment as responsible land stewards .In addition to the educational sessions, exhibitors with related products and services will participate. Volunteers will support the event through preliminary promotion, and a variety of support services before, during and after the event.	W	Louis Parks	512-289-8666	Louis.Parks@gmail.com

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1010	Charro Ranch Park	Charro Ranch Park is a passive nature park in Dripping Springs intended primarily for walking, hiking and nature viewing. The Master Naturalist volunteers will collaborate with the City of Dripping Springs Parks and Recreation Department to preserve the natural resources, enhance and maintain the park for visitor enjoyment and learning, and provide environmental stewardship education to the community.	DS	M. Lee Brown	512-618-3755	mleebrown1@gmail.com
1101	Hays County Invaders	Hays County Invaders is a satellite of the Texasinvasives.org program organized to identify and report the location of invasive species in Hays County. Volunteers must complete training in order to submit reports to the database.	CW	Lance Jones	512-665-1776	lancej1s@gmail.com
1102	Flora and Fauna identification for Llano area Boy Scouts	We are meeting at a Boy Scout Camporee a few miles outside Llano to guide scouts on hikes to identify native plants and animals in order for them to obtain qualification for merit badges.	NA	Dave Boyd		davemarcyboyd@anvilcom.com
1103	Austin Parks Foundation	Barton Springs Pool - South Side Invasives Removal. Continuing effort to remove non-native trees and plants and help restore this portion of the Barton Springs Pool area.	NA	Austin Parks Foundation	512-477-1566	
1104	Bunton Branch Restoration	Bunton Branch was realigned due to the construction of the Dacy Ln. bridge. This effort involves restoring it to its natural state and helping with the maintenance of the City of Kyle parkland that is approx. 35 acres.	K	Kimberly Pankratz	512-757-4143	kpankratz@centurylink.net
1105	Rain Water Collection and Wastewater Treatment Videos	Demonstration of best practices to be distributed to the public by the Hays Trinity Groundwater District	NA	Robert Currie	512-633-1371	robacurrie@vcyes.com
1106	Public Survey of San Marcos River	Will be administering a public survey related to my dissertation work to determine the perceptions of the San Marcos community regarding invasive species in the San Marcos River	SM	Flo Oxley	512-787-1377	oxley@wildflower.org
1107	Healing Hands Healing Lands	Help restore public and private lands devastated by wildfires by making and distributing seed balls of native grasses and wilflowers.	NA	Sue Wiseman	512-289-3740	swiseman@proedinc.com healinghandshealinglands@gmail.com

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1108	Light Pollution Education and Outreach	The activities in this project include: 1) Educating people about what light pollution is, its negative effects, and how to solve it. 2) Training others so that they are able to lead programs in educating people about light pollution. 3) Designing and recommending solutions for specific sites to reduce light pollution.	NA	Cindy Luongo Cassidy	512-858-1098	chluongo@aol.com
1109	Bastrop Recovery Project-Habitat Restoration	Spread mulch around Houston Toad Ponds and do other erosion control." 9A-3P on Dec. 10, 2011; Jan 14 & 28, 2012; and Feb 11, 2012	NA	Katie Raney	512-718-0211	Katie.Raney@tpwd.state.tx.us
1110	Project Feeder Watch	Project FeederWatch is a winter-long survey of birds that visit feeders at backyards, nature centers, community areas, and other locales in North America. FeederWatchers periodically count the birds they see at their feeders from November through early April and send their counts to Project FeederWatch. FeederWatch data help scientists track broadscale movements of winter bird populations and long-term trends in bird distribution and abundance.	CW	Randy Garst	512-963-5444	RandyGarst@zeecon.com
Location:						
	B/K/SM, Buda, Kyle, San Marcos					
	CW, CountyWide					
	DS, Dripping Springs					
	NA, Not Applicable					
	W, Wimberley					