



11th Annual Nature Quest April 22,23,24, 2010

The Best Birding and all-round Nature Festival in Central Texas.

During Nature Quest you'll enjoy learning from Experts about birds, bluebirds, bats, hummingbirds, butterflies, insects, big trees, natural history, native & medicinal plants, invasive plants, Texas wildflowers, horned lizards, reptiles, making your own backyard a wildlife habitat, all through field trips, workshops and programs.

Diverse vegetation and wildlife, monumental trees on the National Registry of Big Trees, the world's second largest Mexican Free-tailed Bat population, many rare and endangered species of birds such as the Golden-cheeked Warbler and Black-capped Vireo are just a few reasons

The Hill Country River Region is a perfect backdrop for your Nature Quest Adventure!

Leaders & Speakers Include; Mitch Heindel, Tony Gallucci, Bob & Martha Sargent, Fred Bassett, Marshall Johnston, Derek Muschalek, Bill Brooks, Bain Walker, Lee Haile, Bob Rasa, Susan Sanders, Mark Klym, Susan Cooper, LeAnn & Anthony Sharp.

Concan, Uvalde & Utopia Texas

Along the Frio, Nueces & Sabinal Rivers

1-800-210-0380 www.hillcountryrivers.com

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Description	Times	Location to Meet	Leaders	Fee	Selections
*Note Field Trip Times are when to Meet & Return					
<u>Thursday Morning Field Trips – April 22</u>					
Birding & Dragonflies Chalk Bluff & Cooks Slough	6:30am - 4:30pm *Bring lunch	House Pasture HQ *Car Pool & Caravan	Mitch Heindel & Anthony Sharp	\$25	_____
Birding Lost Maples	7am-Noon	Meet @ Lost Maple Cafe In Utopia, TX	Lee Haile & Bain Walker	\$15	_____
Birding Garner Park	7:30am-Noon	Garner Park Entrance Parking lot	Derek Muschalek	\$15	_____
Birding for All By Chair & Around Neal's	8am-Noon	Neal's Store Parking Lot	Bob Rasa	\$10	_____
Hummingbird Banding	8am-Noon	Hill Country Nature Center (FM 1050 4.7 miles E. of Hwy 83)	Bob/Martha Sargent & Fred Bassett	\$15	_____
Hill Country Wildflowers & Critters	8am-Noon	House Pasture HQ *Car Pool & Caravan	Marshall Johnston & Bill Brooks	\$15	_____
<u>Thursday Afternoon Field Trips – April 22</u>					
Getting Started With Butterflies	1:30pm-4:30pm	House Pasture HQ *Car Pool & Caravan	Derek Muschalek	\$15	_____
Area Natural History & Big Trees	1:30pm-4:30pm	Hill Country Nature Center (on FM 1050 4.7 miles E. of Hwy83)	Lee Haile	\$15	_____
*Note Program & Workshop Times are when they Start & End					
<u>Thursday Afternoon Programs & Workshops – April 22</u>					
“Horned Lizards” Where Have they gone & Can we get them back?	1:30pm-3pm	House Pasture Meeting Room	Bill Brooks	\$10	_____
“Bluebirds & Other Cavity Nesters” plus Nestbox Trail Tour	1:30pm-5pm	Hill Country Nature Center (on FM 1050 4.7 miles E. of Hwy83)	LeAnn Sharp	\$10	_____
<u>Thursday Evening Programs & Activities – April 22</u>					
“Hill Country Jewels” Golden-cheeked Warbler & Black-capped Vireo	7pm-8pm	House Pasture Meeting Room	Tony Gallucci	\$15	_____
Frio Bat Flight	7pm-9pm	Bat Flight Gate FM 2690	Bain & Kirstin Walker	\$12	_____
“Black Light Special” Nighttime Insects	7:30pm-9pm *Bring Flashlight with red filter	Neal's Pecan Grove	Lee Haile & Bill Brooks	\$10	_____

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Friday Morning Field Trips – April 23

Birding Lost Maples & Kerr Wildlife Area	7am-4:30pm *Bring your lunch	Meet @ Lost Maple Cafe in Utopia, TX	Mitch Heindel & Anthony Sharp	\$25	_____
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Birding & Dragonflies Big Springs Ranch	7:30am-2pm *Bring your lunch	Big Springs Ranch Gate *Hwy 83 N. 16.5 miles from FM 1050	Tony Gallucci	\$25	_____
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Birding Chalk Bluff on the Nueces River	6:30am-1pm	House Pasture HQ *Car Pool & Caravan	Derek Muschalek & Susan Cooper	\$15	_____
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Hummingbird Banding	8am-Noon *Bring lunch if staying for Program	Hill Country Nature Center (on FM 1050 4.7 miles E. of Hwy83)	Bob/Martha Sargent & Fred Bassett	\$15	_____
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Birding for All By Chair & Around Neal's	8am-Noon	Neal's Store Parking Lot	Bob Rasa	\$10	_____
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"Hill Country Natives" Medicinal & Edible Plants	8am- Noon	House Pasture HQ *Car Pool & Caravan	Marshall Johnston & Lee Haile	\$15	_____
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"Ground to Sky" Native Plants & Big Trees	8am-Noon	Deterring Ranch Entrance (3 miles N. of Garner on Hwy 83)	Susan Sander	\$15	_____

Friday Afternoon Field Trips – April 23

'Nature by Kayak' *Strenuous Activity	1:30pm- 5:30pm *Write height & weight here for kayak	House Pasture HQ	Bill Brooks, Lee Haile & Bain Walker	\$30	_____
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Butterflies For Everyone	2pm-5pm	House Pasture HQ	Derek Muschalek	\$10	_____

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Hummingbird Program "Everything You Always Wanted To Know About Hummingbirds, But Didn't Know Who To Ask"	1:30-2:30	Hill Country Nature Center	Bob Sargent	\$10	_____
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"Alien Invasion - Plants Gone Wild"	3pm-4pm	Hill Country Nature Center (on FM 1050 4.7 miles E. of Hwy83)	Susan Sander	\$10	_____

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Hill Country Dragonflies	7pm-8pm	House Pasture Meeting Room	Tony Gallucci	\$10	_____
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Saturday Morning Field Trips – April 24

Birding Fish Hatchery Fort Inge & Uvalde area	6:30am-4:30pm *Bring lunch	House Pasture HQ *Car Pool & Caravan	Mitch Heindel & Anthony Sharp	\$25	_____
Birding the Springs	7:30am-2pm *Bring your lunch	Big Springs Ranch Gate *Hwy 83 N. 16.5 miles from FM 1050	Tony Gallucci & Bain Walker	\$25	_____
Birds & Butterflies of Utopia Area	7:30am-Noon	Utopia Park on FM 1050	Lee Haile & Derek Muschalek	\$15	_____
Birding for All By Chair & Around Neal's	8am-Noon	Neal's Store Parking Lot	Bob Rasa	\$10	_____
Hummingbird Banding (FM 1050 4.7 miles E. of Hwy83)	8am-Noon	Hill Country Nature Center & Fred Bassett	Bob/Martha Sargent	\$15	_____
Native Plants, Flowers & Wildlife	8am-Noon	House Pasture HQ *Car Pool & Caravan	Marshall Johnston & Susan Cooper	\$15	_____

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Saturday Afternoon Workshop & Programs – April 24

“Restoring Wildlife Habitat in Your Backyard”	1pm-4pm (on FM 1050 4.7 miles E. of Hwy 83)	Hill Country Nature Center	Mark Klym	\$15	_____
“Snakes Alive” Misunderstood Reptiles of Texas	2pm-3:30pm	Neals Meeting Room Left of Café - Cabin #35	Bill Brooks	\$15	_____
Critter Storytelling Meeting Room	2pm-3:30pm	House Pasture	Lee Haile	\$10	_____
Texas Bats “The Good, the Bat & the Ugly”	4pm-5pm	Neals Meeting Room Left of Café - Cabin #35	Bain Walker	\$10	_____

Saturday Evening Dinner & Activity - April 24

“NQ Finale Dinner” Grilled Chicken, Green Beans, Salad, Cobbler, Tea	6:30pm-9:00pm	House Pasture HQ (Alcohol Sold Separately at Bar)	‘Recap of Sightings’	\$20	_____
Frio Bat Flight	7pm-9pm	Bat Flight Gate FM 2690	Bain & Kirstin Walker	\$12	_____

All Participants Read New Information For This Year:

- *Pre registration recommended as fieldtrips & programs fill quickly.
- *Registration/Package pickup located at House Pasture Cattle Company on CR348
- *Fieldtrips will Meet at Different Places (refer to Locations to Meet & Map)
- *Please be On Time, so others aren't waiting on you.
- *Bring State Park Passes for Lost Maples State Natural Area.
- *Do you have a State Park Pass? Yes _____ No _____ (if not NQ will pay for you)
- *Keep Nature Quest Car Pass on Car Dash; for entrance to all locations.
- *No Vans or Nature Quest vehicles provided.
- *All fieldtrips will be in participants own cars; Opportunities for Carpooling available.
- *Bring Lunch on All Daylong Fieldtrips.
- *Bring a change of shoes & socks or wear shoes that can get wet.
- *It can be sunny or misty; come prepared for any weather.
- *Bring flashlight, hat, rain/wind breaker, water, snacks, sunscreen & insect repellent.
- *Nature By Kayaking – No one under age 13 allowed; Parent must participate with minors.
- *Don't attempt kayaking with bad back or health problems.
- *Must Give Nature Quest Bat Flight ticket to guide at cave.
- *Fieldtrips are Rain or Shine; unless dangerous.

NO REFUNDS

Pre Registration Ends & Must Be Postmarked By April 8, 2010.

For Free T-Shirt Pre Register By April 2, 2010.

Specify T-Shirt Size _____

Please Use One Registration Form For Each Participant

Total Program Fees _____

Nature Quest Registration Fee - \$10.00

Total Amount Due - _____

Name Home & Cell Phone Number

Address/City/State/Zip

Email Address

Make Check or money Order payable to:

THCRR
PO Box 1846
Uvalde, TX 78802
1-800-210-0380 or 830-591-1065

ACCIDENT WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

I acknowledge that this event can be a test of a person’s physical and mental limits and carries with it the potential for serious injury and property loss. The risks include, but are not limited to, those caused by terrain, temperature, weather, physical condition, and actions of other people including, but not limited to, participants, volunteers, spectators, event officials, and/or producers of the event. I herby assume all of the risks of participating and/or volunteering in this event. I realize that liability may arise from negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons or entries being released, from dangerous or defective equipment or property owned, maintained or controlled by them because of their possible liability without fault.

I certify that I am physically fit and have been advised otherwise by a qualified medical person.

I acknowledge that this Accident Waive and Release of Liability form will be used by the event holders, sponsors and organizers, in which I may participate and that it will govern my actions and responsibilities at said events.

In consideration of my application and permitting me to participate in this event, I herby take action for myself, my executors, administrators, heirs, next of kin, successors, and assigns as follows: (A) Waive, Release and Discharge from any and all liability for my death, disability, personal injury, property damage, property theft or actions of any kind which may hereafter accrue to me including my traveling to and from this event, **THE FOLLOWING ENTITIES OR PERSONS:**

TEXAS HILL COUNTRY RIVER REGION

Their directors, officers, employees, volunteers, representatives, and agents, the event holders, event sponsors, event volunteers; (B) Indemnify and Hold Harmless the entities or persons mentioned in this paragraph from any and all liabilities or claims made as a result of participation in this event, whether cause by the negligence of releases otherwise.

I herby consent to receive medical treatment that may be deemed advisable in the event of injury, accident, and/or illness during this event.

I understand that at this event or related activities, I may be photographed. I agree to allow my photo, video or film, likeness to be used for any legitimate purpose by the event holders, producer, sponsors, organizers and assigns.

The Accident Waive and Release of Liability shall be construed broadly to provide a release and waiver to the maximum extent permissible under applicable law.

I herby certify that I have read this document; and, I understand its content.

Print Participant’s Name Age Signature (If under 18yrs. old Date
Parent or guardian must also sign)

PARENT OR GUARDIAN WAIVER FOR MINORS (Under 18yrs. Old)

The undersigned parent and natural guardian does herby represent that he/she is, in fact, acting in such capacity and agrees to save and hold harmless and indemnify each and all of the parties referred to above from all liability, loss, cost, claim or damage whatsoever which may be imposed upon said parties because of any defect in or lack of such capacity to so act and release said parties on behalf of the minor and the parents or legal guardian.

Print Participant’s Name Age Signature of parent or Guardian Date