

HAYS COUNTY MASTER NATURALIST CHAPTER: VOLUNTEER PROJECTS FOR 2018 5/10/18

Number	Project	Activities	Location [See Footnote]	Categories	Master Naturalist Contact	Phone	Email
401	<a href="#">Hays County Master Naturalists/Administrative</a>	Administrative; conducting chapter activities	NA	CB	Art Arizpe	512-522-3738	<a href="mailto:pres@haysmn.org">pres@haysmn.org</a>
402	<a href="#">Hays County AgriLife Extension Service</a>	Assist County Agent in appropriate activities	CW	CB	Jason Mangold	512-393-2120	<a href="mailto:jason.mangold@ag.tamu.edu">jason.mangold@ag.tamu.edu</a>
403	<a href="#">Texas Parks and Wildlife</a>	Educational outreach, habitat restoration, biological surveys, and maintenance and construction of demonstration beds	NA	FR, NPA, PO, RM	Gordon Linam	512-754-6844	<a href="mailto:gordon.linam@tpwd.texas.gov">gordon.linam@tpwd.texas.gov</a>
405	<a href="#">San Marcos Nature Center</a>	Maintenance of demonstration bed and habitat restoration	B/K/SM	NPA, RM, TR	Dick McBride	512-618-8669	<a href="mailto:docdik@mygrande.net">docdik@mygrande.net</a>
406	<a href="#">LBJ Wildflower Center</a>	Vegetation survey, seed collection, & others	Other	FR, PO, RM, TR	Minette Marr	214-908-1161	<a href="mailto:mmarr@wildflower.org">mmarr@wildflower.org</a>
407	<a href="#">San Marcos River Foundation</a>	Habitat restoration and others	B/K/SM	NPA, PO, RM, TR	Judy Burdett	512-268-3839	<a href="mailto:judyburdett49@gmail.com">judyburdett49@gmail.com</a>
410	<a href="#">Cypress Creek Nature Preserve</a>	Habitat restoration	W	RM	Dell Hood	512-847-1231	<a href="mailto:hood@alumni.utexas.edu">hood@alumni.utexas.edu</a>
412	<a href="#">Bamberger Ranch</a>	Habitat restoration		RM, TR			
418	<a href="#">Patsy Glenn Refuge Wimberley</a>	Wildlife habitat development, trail building, educational outreach	W	FR, NPA, PO, RM, TR	Cara Wernli	512-847-1027	<a href="mailto:cwernli@austin.rr.com">cwernli@austin.rr.com</a>
420	<a href="#">River Rangers/Texas Watch</a>	Monitor water quality in local rivers of the Lower Colorado River Authority for the Colorado River Watch Network.	B/K/SM	FR	Joe Piazza	512-353-8785	<a href="mailto:jp10@txstate.edu">jp10@txstate.edu</a>
424	<a href="#">San Marcos Greenbelt Alliance</a>	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	FR, NPA, PO, RM, TR	Todd Derkacz	512 754-9321	<a href="mailto:toderkacz@gmail.com">toderkacz@gmail.com</a>
425	<a href="#">Episcopal Church of Holy Spirit, Dripping Springs</a>	Habitat protection & restoration.	DS	NPA,PO, RM	Tom Hausler	512-858-1015	<a href="mailto:thausler@prismnet.com">thausler@prismnet.com</a>
426	<a href="#">Austin Water Utility – Wildlands Conservation Division – Water Quality Protection Lands and Balcones Protection Lands</a>	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	RF, RM, TR	Tom Watson & Austin Utilities Wildlands Division	512-894-4822	<a href="mailto:twatson11@austin.rr.com">twatson11@austin.rr.com</a>
501	<a href="#">Hays County Master Naturalists/Training Committee</a>	Plan & participate in training class activities	Other	CB	Susan Neill	512-858-0960	<a href="mailto:suneill@hughes.net">suneill@hughes.net</a>
602	<a href="#">EmilyAnn Theater: Butterfly Festival, Earth Day Event, and Caterpillar Camp / Cages for Classrooms</a>	Caterpillar Camp: Volunteers learn how to handle the butterfly larvae and place them into special containers for other volunteers to raise into butterflies.  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.  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.	W	NPA, PO, RM, TR	Karen Boden Mary Dow Ross	512-695-1356 512-618-1998	<a href="mailto:kbjv@verizon.net">kbjv@verizon.net</a> <a href="mailto:marydowross@gmail.com">marydowross@gmail.com</a>
603	<a href="#">Jacob's Well Nature Center</a>	Habitat restoration, management plans, direct outreach, indirect outreach, trail construction and maintenance and data collection.	W	FR, NPA,PO, RM, TR	Tom Hausler	512-858-1015	<a href="mailto:thausler@prismnet.com">thausler@prismnet.com</a>
604	<a href="#">Wimberley Parks &amp; Recreation Blue Hole Regional Park</a>	Habitat Restoration: Remove non-native plants from Blue Hole Regional Park, Wimberley.	W	PO, RM,TR	Christine Byrne	512-847-7518	<a href="mailto:texasbyrnes@yahoo.com">texasbyrnes@yahoo.com</a>
701	<a href="#">Great Backyard Bird Count (Cornell U)</a>	Count birds during specific dates; enter data in national web site.	CW	FR	Ginger Geist	512-847-9545	<a href="mailto:CreekyMe@icloud.com">CreekyMe@icloud.com</a>
702	Bluebird Nestbox Monitoring	Habitat restoration.	CW	RM	Bonnie Tull	512-858-2829	<a href="mailto:bonehead.tull@gmail.com">bonehead.tull@gmail.com</a>
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	PO, TR	Roxana Donegan	512-648-0628	<a href="mailto:roxntex@me.com">roxntex@me.com</a>
705	<a href="#">Canyon Gorge</a>	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	RM, TR	J Kinscherff	830-899-6699	<a href="mailto:jamie@kinscherff.com">jamie@kinscherff.com</a>
802	<a href="#">Blanco Watershed Water Quality Monitoring</a>	Monitor the water quality in Hays county watersheds using approved Texas Stream Team methods and reporting.	W	FR, TR	LaRay & Ginger Geist	512-847-9545	<a href="mailto:CreekyMe@icloud.com">CreekyMe@icloud.com</a>
803	<a href="#">Hays County Rainfall Project</a>	Monitor rainfall across Hays County.	CW	FR	Walt Krudop	512-858-0588	<a href="mailto:walt@krudopinds.com">walt@krudopinds.com</a>

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805	<a href="#">TPWD Cowbird Management</a>	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	FR, RM	Randy Garst	512-963-5444	<a href="mailto:RandyGarst@zeecon.com">RandyGarst@zeecon.com</a>
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	TR	Walt Krudop	512-858-0588	<a href="mailto:walt@krudopinds.com">walt@krudopinds.com</a>
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	TR	Jackie Mattice	512-847 2165	<a href="mailto:texasmaticce@gmail.com">texasmaticce@gmail.com</a>
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	FR	Walt Krudop	512-858-0588	<a href="mailto:walt@krudopinds.com">walt@krudopinds.com</a>
904	Five-Mile Dam	Invasive removal and trail building in a new natural area. Delineate river access areas, plant cypress trees along the banks, put up interpretive signage with the parks	SM	NPA, RM, TR	Tracy Mock	512-754-1077	<a href="mailto:tmock@austin.rr.com">tmock@austin.rr.com</a>
905	Rainwater Revival	Public event to encourage water conservation.	Hays Co	PO	Dixie Camp	512-517-3111	<a href="mailto:dixie_camp@yahoo.com">dixie_camp@yahoo.com</a>
912	<a href="#">Driftwood Wildlife Association - Birding Activities</a>	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	<a href="mailto:asc07850@yahoo.com">asc07850@yahoo.com</a>
913	<a href="#">Westcave Preserve</a>	Habitat restoration, trail building & maintenance.	DS/W	FR, NPA, PO, RM, TR	Paul Vickery	830-825-3442	<a href="mailto:paul@westcave.org">paul@westcave.org</a>
1005	<a href="#">LANDS program visit to Shields Ranch</a>	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 Coffey	830-792-3070	<a href="mailto:kcoffer@texas-wildlife.org">kcoffer@texas-wildlife.org</a>
1006	<a href="#">Texas Amphibian Watch</a>	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				
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	NPA, PO, RM, TR	Garry Child	512-903-1060	<a href="mailto:garrychild@gmail.com">garrychild@gmail.com</a>
1101	<a href="#">Hays County Invaders</a>	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	FR	Lance Jones	512-665-1776	<a href="mailto:lance1s@gmail.com">lance1s@gmail.com</a>
1107	Healing Hands Healing Lands	Help restore public and private lands devastated by wildfires by making and distributing seed balls of native grasses and willflowers.	NA		Sue Wiseman	512-289-3740	<a href="mailto:smwiseman@austin.rr.com">smwiseman@austin.rr.com</a>
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	PO	Cindy Luongo Cassidy	512-858-1098	<a href="mailto:chluongo@me.com">chluongo@me.com</a>
1110	<a href="#">Project Feeder Watch</a>	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	FR	Randy Garst	512-963-5444	<a href="mailto:RandyGarst@zeecon.com">RandyGarst@zeecon.com</a>
1201	Lake Kyle	This project involves maintaining and improving the environment for the benefit of wildlife and the public. It gives Kyle HCMNs a local place to volunteer and make a difference in their immediate community. There will be opportunities to educate the public through talks and demonstrations/displays.	K		Judy Burdett	512-268-3839	<a href="mailto:judyburdett49@gmail.com">judyburdett49@gmail.com</a>

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1203	<a href="#">Tree Folks</a>	<p>Since 1989 TreeFolks has planted 250,000 trees in and around Austin at schools, parks, in medians, right of ways, community gardens and greenbelts. Our impact preserves Austin's quality of life by cooling the air, cleaning precious water, sheltering us from the hot Texas sun, and by providing a shaded sense of place that fosters a healthy, connected community.</p> <p>Annually we plant more than 10,000 trees and provide stewardship opportunities that log nearly 30,000 volunteer hours! We invite you to join us in creating a healthier environment and enhancing the quality of urban life in central Texas.</p>	NA	NPA, PO, RM	Christine Middleton Rebecca Johnson	512-413-0182	<a href="mailto:chrismid@austin.rr.com">chrismid@austin.rr.com</a>
1204	<a href="#">Dripping Springs YMCA</a>	<p>Community Garden at the Dripping Springs YMCA. Volunteers will build memorial benches, plant and maintain edible and decorative garden areas and demonstration sites for native grasses, native edible plants and medicinal herbs.</p> <p>The garden will feature native and adapted plants, locally-sourced materials, and will be organic. The wooded area is already a wildlife habitat and it is our goal to maintain this area as essentially "wild", except for stone benches.</p>	DS		Susan Cook	512-695-9290	<a href="mailto:Majesta484@aol.com">Majesta484@aol.com</a>
1301	<a href="#">Travis Audubon: Chaetura Canyon</a>	Bird Sanctuary of the Travis Audubon Society. Managing the natural resources and natural areas of the site.	T	RM	Paul & Georgean Kyle	512-453-2604	<a href="mailto:Kbjv@verizon.net">Kbjv@verizon.net</a>
1302	<a href="#">San Marcos Watershed Initiative</a>	Development of a Watershed Protection Plan for the Upper San Marcos Watershed	SM		Chris Clairy	512-245-7551	<a href="mailto:smwatershed@txstate.edu">smwatershed@txstate.edu</a>
1304	<a href="#">US Fish &amp; Wildlife Projects</a>	dvd is offered for a donation.	SM		Leah Laszewski	512-667-6676	<a href="mailto:mn.leah@yahoo.com">mn.leah@yahoo.com</a>
1305	Wild Basin	Wild Basin Wilderness Preserve was founded in 1974 to protect some pristine Texas Hill Country and to provide nature education programs. Visitors enjoy 2 1/2 miles of hiking trails that pass through woodland, grassland, and streamside habitats. These habitats are home to threatened and endangered species, and hundreds of native plants, animals and birds. Wild Basin's nature education programs are funded by special events, memberships, corporate donations and grants.	T	NPA, PO, RM	Garry Child	512-903-1060	<a href="mailto:garrychild@gmail.com">garrychild@gmail.com</a>
1306	Hays County Birding Project	Develop a sustainable birding environment in Hays County that creates a destination for birders both locally and nationally. The birding environment should result from beneficial management of natural resources and natural areas within Hays County consistent with the County's long range plans..	CW	RM	Larry Calvert	512-484-0422	<a href="mailto:lecalvert@gmail.com">lecalvert@gmail.com</a>
1307	Wimberley Village Library Nature Garden	The project relates to the TMN mission in that it provides service to a community resource (the library) while at the same time educating the general public on what can be done on a small plot of land. The project also involves KAPS students doing community service who in the process are learning about their natural environment.	W	RM	Christine Middleton	512-413-0182	<a href="mailto:chrismid@austin.rr.com">chrismid@austin.rr.com</a>
1401	<a href="#">Firefly Watch</a>	Worldwide monitoring of fireflies to look for population declines	CW	FR	Tom Watson	512-673-8664	<a href="mailto:twatson11@austin.rr.com">twatson11@austin.rr.com</a>
1402	Sessom Creek Park	Invasive removal and trail building in a new natural area	SM	NPA	Tracy Mock	512-754-1077	<a href="mailto:tmock@austin.rr.com">tmock@austin.rr.com</a>
1403	<a href="#">Bat Conservation International</a>	Docents* inform the public about bats, their benefits and importance to Central Texas.  *BCI Docent Training required	AUS	PO	No MN contact Dianne Odegard @ BCI	512-327-9271 X41	<a href="mailto:dodegard@batcon.org">dodegard@batcon.org</a>
1404	<a href="#">Commons Ford Prairie Restoration</a>	Restoring part of a city park to tall grass prairie. Invasive removal, planting, etc. Educational programs for the public.	AUS	FR, NPA, PO, RM	Beverly Gordon	512-579-0425	<a href="mailto:bgordon777@austin.rr.com">bgordon777@austin.rr.com</a>
1405	<a href="#">Bumblebee Watch</a>	Worldwide monitoring of bumblebees to look for population declines	CW		Tom Watson	512-673-8664	<a href="mailto:twatson11@austin.rr.com">twatson11@austin.rr.com</a>
1406	Willett Project	Administrative	Hays Co	PO	Candy Spitzer	512-633-7349	<a href="mailto:candy@spitzerassocates.com">candy@spitzerassocates.com</a>
1501	San Marcos Aquatic Resources Center (US Fish Hatcheries)	Habitat restoration, native species studies and species control studies	SM	FR, NPA, RM	Dick McBride	512-618-8669	<a href="mailto:docdik@mygrande.net">docdik@mygrande.net</a>
1503	City of Woodcreek	Project to educate citizens of Woodcreek on invasive removal, native plant use for landscaping, and rain garden installation	W	NPA, RM, TR	Linda Land Jennifer Richmond	512-439-9402 512-8787-7907	<a href="mailto:LLand811@gmail.com">LLand811@gmail.com</a> <a href="mailto:richmond.jennifer@gmail.com">richmond.jennifer@gmail.com</a>
1601	Flood Recovery and Community Protection	Restoring the ecosystem in ways that have the potential to mitigate the impact of future floods on the communities of Wimberley and San Marcos	W, SM	PO, TR	Chris Middleton; Peggy Wilfong	512-413-0182; 512-749-9084	<a href="mailto:chrismid@austin.rr.com">chrismid@austin.rr.com</a> ; <a href="mailto:pwilfong@kapsschool.com">pwilfong@kapsschool.com</a>
1602	YMCA Camp Cypress Conservation Plan	Identifying and recording the variety of natural resources on the property to best conserve those resources. Incorporating public engagement and education by involving youth and families in some of the data collection as volunteers while also informing all camp visitors on best land management practices while at the site.	B	FR, PO, TR	Art Arizpe; Dixie Camp	512-626-3738; 512-517-3111	<a href="mailto:artarizpe@gmail.com">artarizpe@gmail.com</a> ; <a href="mailto:dixie_camp@yahoo.com">dixie_camp@yahoo.com</a>
1701	<a href="#">Gault School of Archaeological Research (GSAR)</a>	Volunteers help in the lab, the field, with site maintenance, survey work, presentations and outreach	SM	FR, NPA, PO, TR	Dean Lalich	512-757-5307	<a href="mailto:dlalich@grandecom.net">dlalich@grandecom.net</a>

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1702	Christmas Bird Count (Audubon)	Count birds during specific dates; enter data in national web site.	FR	FR	Beverly Gordon	214-336-1-094	<a href="mailto:bgordon777@austin.rr.com">bgordon777@austin.rr.com</a>
1703	<a href="#">Texas Master Naturalists</a>	Administrative business, including preparation for 20th Anniversary	Hays Co	PO	Dixie Camp	512-517-3111	<a href="mailto:dixie_camp@yahoo.com">dixie_camp@yahoo.com</a>
1704	<a href="#">Habitat Conservation Plan, San Marcos</a>	Restoration and habitat improvement along the San Marcos River and watershed	SM	FR, NPA, OT, PO, RM	Lance Jones	512-665-1776	<a href="mailto:Lancej1s@Gmail.com">Lancej1s@Gmail.com</a>
1801	Driftwood United Methodist Church Pavilion and Natural Area	Create and maintain a natural area on 10.5 acres of land owned by the church at the intersection of FM 150 and Elder Hill road. The project includes a creation of a Monarch Butterfly Waystation, wildflowers patches, beds planted with Texas Symbols (pecan tree, prickly pear cactus, Texas bluebonnets, sideoats grama, Texas sage), birdwatching stations, and rainwater catchment.	D	PO, RM,TR	Venita Fuller	512-858-9708	<a href="mailto:vfullerusa@aim.com">vfullerusa@aim.com</a>
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	B/K/SM, Buda, Kyle, San Marcos						
	CW, CountyWide						
	DS, Dripping Springs						
	NA, Not Applicable						
	W, Wimberley						