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## NEXT CHAPTER MEETING WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7, 2017

Schedule:

6:30 Meet and eat

7:00 Introduction & Announcements

7:20 Featured Presentation

8:45 Adjournment

Meet us at:

Meadows Conference Center

Oak Corner Conference Room

2900 Live Oak Street, Dallas, TX 75204

214-821-0911



Please join us as Brandon and Susan Pollard talk to us about sustainable urban environments, native plant and pollinator habitats and their vision of what our future as naturalists could hold.

## Master Naturalist 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 our local communities. Primary objective: Develop a Texas Master Naturalist volunteer network that can be self sufficient.

## Chapter Meetings

Open to the Public and FREE to attend

First Wednesday monthly

Social time at 6:30 PM

Meeting at 7:00 PM

Visit [ntmn.org](http://ntmn.org) for monthly meeting location and speaker schedule.

## July Social: July 12, 2017

## Board Meetings

The Monday before the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 PM

## ON THE COVER

On Saturday, May 20, 2017, the Hummingbird Garden was dedicated to Jim Vamum at Texas Discovery Gardens.

Several NTMNs were in attendance.

Thank you to David Rogers who submitted the photography.



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(public)

or join our group [NT Master Naturalist Members](#) (for members only)



## VOLUNTEER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (VMS)

*Written by Jennifer Weisensel*

Before the May monthly meeting, we had our first VMS training session of the year. **Bruce Stewart** recaps:

We had an hour overview of VMS for the new class members which served as a refresher for current members. We have added the following to the VMS Portal:

- A new login link. The one with the red/yellow/green bars was not secure. Hackers could steal your VMS ID and password.
- A spreadsheet of all VH and AT activities since the beginning of the year. This is a big help when making entries into VMS.

**Susan Walters** offered personalized training to help anyone who is needing additional assistance on the VMS portal. If you are interested in this option, please contact **Whitney Wolf** at [communications@ntmn.org](mailto:communications@ntmn.org).

**HELPFUL HINT #2:** The VH/AT opportunities spreadsheet is available at <http://members.ntmn.org/vms?> and is listed at the very top of the list under North Texas Master Naturalist Documents. Click on the hyperlink titled, "[VH/AT Opportunities Spreadsheet](#)" and you'll see a list of not only all the VH and AT, but what details to report as well. Easy peasy!

# SAVE THE DATE!

## NTMN MEMBER SUMMER SOCIAL

**Wednesday, July 12, 2017 6 PM - 8:30 PM**  
at the Grand Hall at Texas Discovery Gardens at Fair Park  
3601 Martin Luther King Junior Boulevard, Dallas, TX 75210

Enter Fair Park Gate #6 (intersection of MLK & Robert B Cullum Blvd) Just inside gate, turn right on Second Avenue. Enter parking lot on your right.

Please join your fellow North Texas Master Naturalists to socialize at Texas Discovery Gardens. Bring your contribution to our Potluck Dinner! Great food, fun, games! RSVP not necessary. Bring a friend, partner, or spouse!

Earn VH for set up or clean up. For more information, visit the [Summer Social](#) page on the calendar.



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*Bruce Stewart, Chapter President 2017*

### Two Important Projects Completed

As you know, spring is an incredibly busy time for our North Texas Master Naturalist community. Not only is it the busiest time for Outreach but also we always complete two of our most important projects which further our mission. First, 49 Master Naturalists in Training completed their class work and field trips at the end of April. I want to thank Connie Koval, New Class Director, and her New Class Committee for their diligence, flexibility, and creativity in delivering the curriculum, arranging for excellent speakers, and planning and delivering the field trips. The New Class Committee members are **Stan Altschuler, Sara Beckelman, Cathy Bernoski, Linda Ford, Ellen Guling, Jean Hill, Laura Kimberly, Linda Manduley, Nelda Reid, Susan Walters, Jim Shouse, Judy Cato, Judy Aschner, Linda Barnes, Stalin SM, and Natha Taylor**. Others who are not on the committee also provided valuable assistance. They were **Linda Donnelly, David Reid, Cecilie Wallace, and Tom Carrell**. Many of the Directors, Officers, and Committee Chairs made presentations about their roles in NTMN during the classes to help the new MNs understand our chapter.

Second, we successfully executed the Fifth Annual Native Plants and Prairies Day at the Bath House Cultural Center at White Rock Lake. The perfect weather made for a wonderful setting for us to educate the public about climate change and native plants and animals. Over 100 NTMNs volunteered before and during the event to make it a terrific learning experience not only for the public but also for MNs. We had an excellent group of Walk Leaders and Speakers again this year so that many earned AT during the day. I want to thank the Bison Prairie Team who pulled off this event. They were **Judy Aschner, Henry Aschner, Adriana Bate, Kurt Beilharz, Andie Comini, Belinda Elmgren, Don Farmer, Linda Ford, Teresa Grafton, Susan Gregory, Sam Hudson, Lee Kelton, Kristi Kerr Leonard, Tabatha Knickerbocker, Connie Koval, Rose Mercer, David Parrish, Bert Pigg, Carrie Robinson, Ethel Stephens, Courtney Vanous, Anne Weiss, Elaine White, Charlotte Wilson, and co-chairs Jim Folger and Whitney Wolf**.

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Photos left to right:  
Elaine White,  
Charlie Warnberg,  
Carroll Mayhew



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE continued

### Opportunities for Individual Learning

The annual Master Naturalist class and Native Plants and Prairies Day are examples of a large group of people committed to reaching a common goal. We have many opportunities for small groups or individuals to continue pursuing their education goals.

- The [Master Birder program](#) will complete the training session that began last September. Sponsored by Audubon Dallas, it is a course in field ornithology for intermediate-level birders. Check with Audubon Dallas if you are interested in the next [Master Birder class](#).
- The [Native Landscape Certification](#) is sponsored by the Native Plant Society of Texas, Dallas Chapter, and is a series of day-long classes that teaches best practices for native plant landscaping – including wildlife habitat gardening. Each class has an indoor training session and a 2-hour outdoor plant walk. There is a session planned for June and you may contact NPSOT to find what will be offered in the future.
- The [Entomology Specialist Class](#) will be held the week of September 18 at the Texas A&M AgriLife Research Center on Coit Road in north Dallas. This popular program rotates to different locations throughout the state. Last year several NTMN members traveled to Corpus Christi to attend this class.
- [Project Wild](#), sponsored by Texas Parks and Wildlife, offers hands-on workshops for educators. General classroom teachers as well as educators in informal settings (that would be NTMN) use Project Wild curriculum and activity guides when working with K through 12 groups. Project Wild materials are correlated with TEKS (Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills) so that we can provide a learning experience that will satisfy these requirements. A [Project Wild session](#) will be held in Dallas at North Haven Gardens on Saturday, June 10. There is a \$25 registration fee which includes books and materials. This is Advanced Training (AT) for Master Naturalists and qualifies for certification credit for educators.

This is a sampling of the citizen science training programs available in our area in the next few months. If you are aware of a program that you would like to see in our area, let us know. We can have one offered in the Dallas area and it will have adequate attendance if our members know about it. Attending these sessions will earn Advanced Training (AT) credit and when you share your knowledge with others you will earn Volunteer Hours (VH).

Get outside and enjoy yourself.



## NATIVE PLANTS & PRAIRIES DAY 2017

### Perfect Weather for the Fifth Annual Event

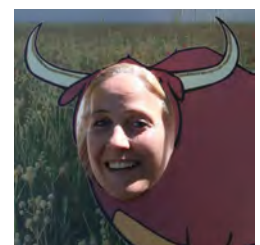
*Written by Jim Folger and Whitney Wolf*

**We had a beautiful sunny day** with little wind at the Bath House for our fifth annual Native Plants and Prairies Day on May 6. A virtual sea of lime green shirts was testament to the NTMNs who helped bring off our best event so far. There were over 100 chapter members who volunteered the day of the event. And some who weren't there helped us get ready to welcome the public.

Surprisingly, attendance was down by about one-third from last year. The Dallas Running Club races involving 800+ people starting at Winfrey Point may have had an early effect on visitors and there were many large events around DFW competing for people's time that day. On the other hand, major sponsorships were at an all-time high this year and contributions to the raffle netted us \$535.

This year we featured 41 exhibitor information and display booths from organizations that share our interests and concerns. In addition, for the very first time we featured 10 artists. Once again food trucks were on hand to keep everyone fed. The lake level of the Bath House, lobby, back porch, and surrounding grounds were busy with activity. Many of the exhibitors said this was such a great event to share with other like-minded organizations including the chance to visit with old friends again. When you think about it, there are no other nature-related outreach events in Dallas that facilitate this kind of interchange.

Roger Sanderson's snakes were again a hit with the young and not-young, volunteers from the Blackland Prairie Raptor Center made an appearance with their raptors, Dale Clark brought caterpillars to go with his butterfly displays, and we had three exhibitors selling native plants – a nice plus this year. Mo the Bison missed attending this year since we could not secure funding for his appearance. Maybe he will return next year. Our Walk Leaders and Speakers shared special information with large audiences both on the prairie and in the theater.



*Photos on this page: Carroll Mayhew and Elaine White  
Photos on next page: David Rogers, Carroll Mayhew,  
and Jenny McGurk*



## NATIVE PLANTS & PRAIRIES DAY 2017



Special thanks to the Bison Prairie planning team members who made this a successful event. Shout-outs need to go to several of the team members:

**Teresa Grafton** spearheaded sponsor coordination and managed the raffle. **Belinda Elmgren** developed our poster and coordinated its distribution. **Don Farmer** handled the yard sign set up and distribution. **Carrie Robinson** and **Kristi Kerr Leonard** did a fantastic job with generating social media interest. **Charlotte Wilson** coordinated the hospitality for our wonderful Walk Leaders and Speakers. **Tabatha Knickerbocker** planned and coordinated the many children's activities. **Kurt Beilhartz** lined up the walk and talk leaders. **Carroll Mayhew** coordinated the great photo and video coverage of the entire event from set up to take down. **Andie Comini** coordinated the addition of the artists this year. **Marie-Theres Herz** prepared all the materials for the the pressed flower activity and trained the volunteers. **Judy** and **Henry Aschner** jumped in to help with all of the volunteer coordination. **Rose Mercer** found our food trucks again this year. And we could not have done without the great map **Linda Ford** provided for the program! Altogether a terrific team of dedicated NTMNs!

We need to give a special thanks to **Ethel Stephens** for finding the concept and developing our theme - the Climate Ribbon Tree. Some of the "things I will miss because of climate change" were – birds, bees, bugs, coastlines, nature, butterflies, chocolate.

All in all, it was a great event for NTMN and for the public. If you want to get involved with the planning for Native Plants and Prairies Day 2018, please contact one of us!

Jim Folger at [goals@ntmn.org](mailto:goals@ntmn.org)

Whitney Wolf at [communications@ntmn.org](mailto:communications@ntmn.org)



## NEW YEAR NEW CLASS 2017

## CLASS OF 2017 RECAP

It is the best ever with 92% (49 of 53) completing all required classes and field trips by end of the session! I heard at May's monthly chapter meeting that at least one trainee has already logged 40 hours of VH and 8 hours of AT, and that's before our Native Plants and Prairies Day event.

This class is working on three projects:

- Have you visited Penn Farm at Cedar Hill State Park recently? There is a class project team working on the pond and planting a wildscape with natives at the amphitheater site. Look in future Dragonflyer editions for before and after photos, or better yet, stop by and see for yourself.
- Another class project is planning and installing a Monarch Waystation at the Carrollton Public Library at 1700 Keller Springs, Carrollton. This project will be completed in May and will continue with a bit of monitoring and maintenance as it gets established.
- As you use the Nature Discovery Trunks for public outreach events this fall and next spring, you will find they have been enhanced by a project team in this class with TEKS curriculum to complement the collection of exhibit materials. This supports the chapter mission to teach students to appreciate the importance and beauty of our natural areas and demonstrates the various ways all natural systems exist and interact.

We had an outstanding response of interest across ages and locales in our service area. I continue to marvel at the interest and dedication of so many like-minded individuals as they come together to learn, and then to educate others, on the beneficial management of our natural resources. My thanks to the NTMN board, the education committee, the mentors, and especially to the speakers and field trip leaders that helped make the 2017 class such a success. It has been my pleasure and privilege to serve as the New Class Director for 2016-2017.

With gratitude,  
**Connie Koval**

Photos by  
*Charlie Warnberg*



*April field trip at John  
Bunker Sands Wetland Center*



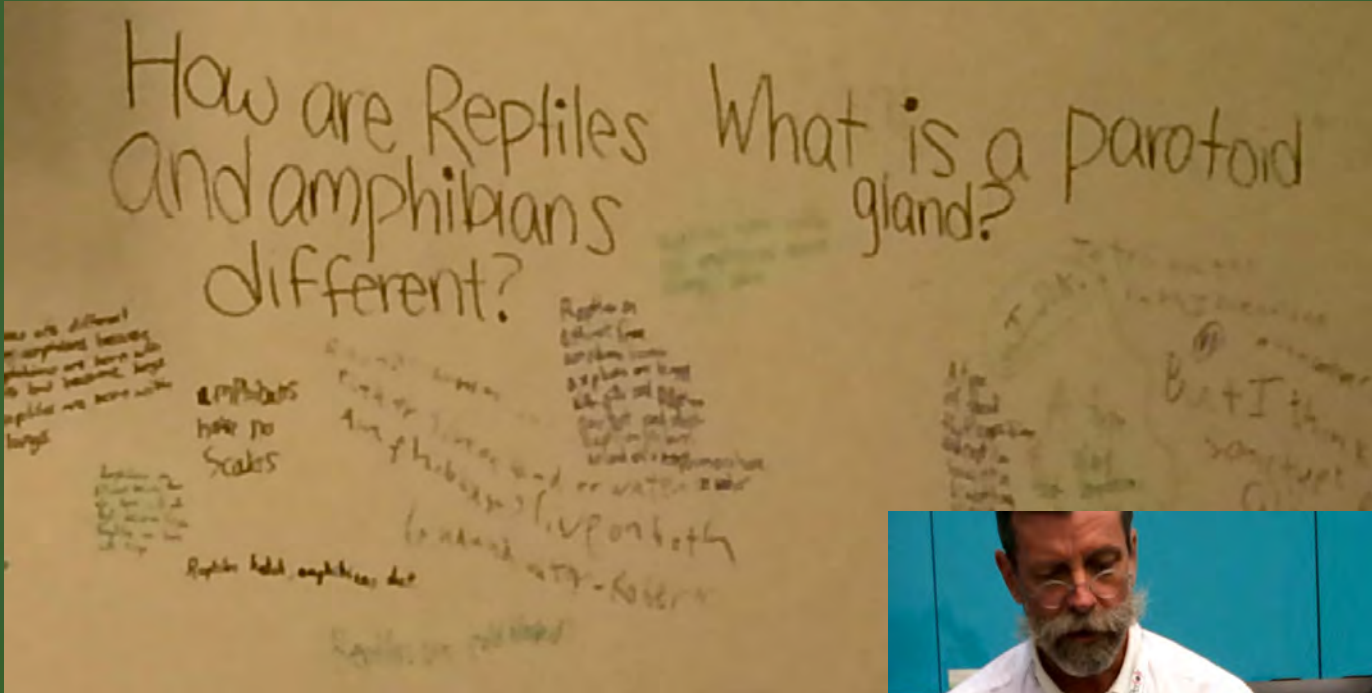
*2017 NTMN class members at an  
April field trip at LLELA*



Photos by  
Judy Parsons

## MAY CLASS and HERP FIELD TRIP

JR. MNI!





## EARTH DAY TEXAS

Photos by Bruce Stewart and Natha Taylor





## DALLAS SPRINGTIME

Who's the lucky one?

Sometimes I envy those of you who hike miles along the Trinity River basin and elsewhere in the Metroplex, who camp Saturday night at Lake Ray Hubbard or Eisenhower State Park? Despite the aching muscles and enough mosquito bites to make you look like you have chickenpox, you seem happy with your weekend naturalist exertions.

And I stay home, maybe just laziness. At 7.00 a.m. this morning I took some paperwork outside to sit in the yard, still a little chilly but fresh and good, with the promise of sunshine casting rays on this spot in an hour or so.

Within ten minutes our three shabby bird feeders, filled with a blend of the good stuff and the preferred cheaper mix, tempted a stream of visitors. Besides the usual team of sparrows – (or are they house sparrows?) I welcomed a chickadee, the third-year-resident male cardinal, a medium-size blue jay, a purple finch, an optimistic bee, and, putting in a debut appearance, a woodpecker with a vermilion head and a beautifully patterned black and white back. A large dove came to inspect, turned up her beak and left.

I did the morning tour: tomatoes are still green, the okra's exploring new surroundings, bush beans, squash and a purple pepper plant. The Rose of Sharon, purslane, flowers in hanging baskets, and the awakening lantana cautiously display their success in defeating winter.

Then, time to get to my desk and wonder of wonders, as I reached the porch in this very urban duplex, I spotted a snakeskin laying on the doorstep. I guess spring is a joyful season whatever the surroundings.

*Written by Jane Manaster*

*Photo by David Rogers*



## TOP 15 SPECIES

### The City Nature Challenge was a Huge Success!

Written by Sam Kieschnick  
Sambiology on iNaturalist  
TPWD Urban Wildlife Biologist, DFW

Photos courtesy of iNaturalist

Many of us in Dallas/Fort Worth are worn out, but I do hope it's a good kind of worn out! I was out quite a bit with fellow naturalists throughout the weekend. On Easter, I even went out a bit by myself. I explored, noticed nature, and thoroughly enjoyed myself as I documented all of the living things around me. I was frequently reminded of just how many other creatures I share the planet with. It's a wonderful experience. With [iNaturalist](#), I have a tool that can help me learn the names of these plants and animals, and it connects me with other naturalists around the world. In DFW, I wasn't alone in using this tool – almost 500 fellow citizen scientists joined me in this! Around 24,000 observations of about 2,300 species were documented during just 5 days (April 14 – 18). Amazing!

But what about the data? Well, let me tell you how I will use the data that we all accumulated during the City Nature Challenge. As an urban wildlife biologist, I am fortunate to have a direct line with many municipalities and policy makers. I work with city councils, park boards, landowners, and every day citizens. I already knew that there were people who cared about nature, but with the numbers of participants in the challenge, I have a tangible piece of evidence of just how many people care. This is significant!



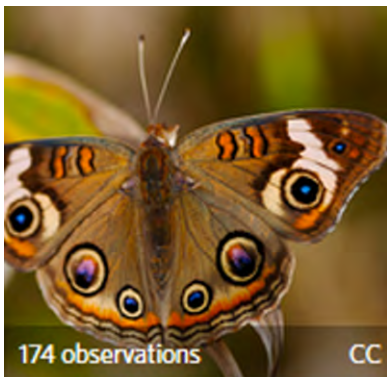
179 observations

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#### Pinkladies

*(Oenothera speciosa)*

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174 observations

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Common Buckeye  
*(Junonia coenia)*



148 observations

CC

Antelope horns  
*(Asclepias asperula)*



142 observations

CC

Honey Bee  
*(Apis mellifera)*



136 observations

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Dakota mock vervain  
*(Glandularia bipinnatifida)*

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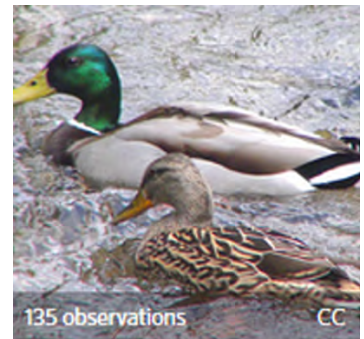
Not only do these numbers show that diversity exists in the metroplex, but it also shows that there is an active constituency that wants to go to these areas with this diversity. It shows that if a city maintains areas that are good for wildlife, the naturalist community will come and enjoy it. This naturalist community will be stewards of it as well! Now, that is powerful. That is something that can change policy for future generations. That is good for wildlife and people. I will be using these numbers and data for years and years to come.

If you're looking for the 'winners' in this, let me be frank: nature won. Learning the names of the plants and animals that live here with us is the first step in learning all about them. The benefits of this challenge will be experienced for years to come! Share it with others!

Even though the City Nature Challenge is complete, I encourage you to continue to participate in citizen science! Exploration doesn't end here – there are many more living organisms to appreciate in Dallas/Fort Worth.

I encourage you to keep exploring and keep documenting. I challenge you to examine the observations of others as well as your own – ask for guidance, provide guidance, and learn from others. Stay in this naturalist community – it's a welcoming one!

Congratulations to everyone that participated in this competition. I am mighty proud of my fellow naturalists here in the DFW metroplex. Great job.



135 observations

CC

**Mallard**

*(Anas platyrhynchos)*



134 observations

CC

**Northern Cardinal**

*(Cardinalis cardinalis)*



133 observations

CC

**Fox Squirrel**

*(Sciurus niger)*



126 observations

CC

**Eastern Pondhawk**

*(Erythemis simplicicollis)*



113 observations

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**Poison ivy**

*(Toxicodendron radicans)*



106 observations

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**Great Blue Heron**

*(Ardea herodias)*

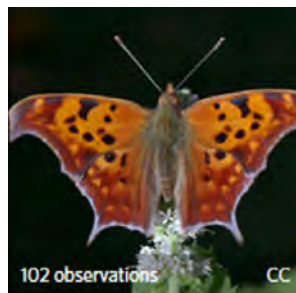


104 observations

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**Common Whitetail**

*(Plathemis lydia)*



102 observations

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**Question Mark**

*(Polygonia interrogationis)*

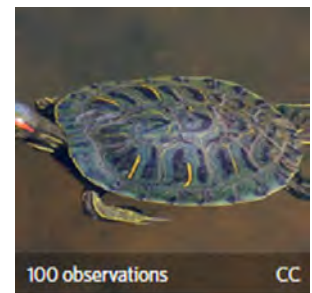


100 observations

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**Green Anole**

*(Anolis carolinensis)*



100 observations

CC

**Pond Slider**

*(Trachemys scripta)*



## Dallas City Hall Pollinator Garden

*Dedication April 19, 2017*

The first of 80 acres of pollinator habitat planned by the City of Dallas was dedicated on April 19, 2017.

At the dedication, held at the garden on the South side of the Dallas City Hall, Dallas Mayor Mike Rawlings recalled that [The National Wildlife Federation's Mayors' Monarch Pledge](#) was signed in 2015, recognizing the crucial importance of pollinator habitat to the sustainability of our environment, economy, and quality of life. That pledge promised a multi-pronged initiative to bring back pollinators to our city.

In June, 2016, the City of Dallas, working with its Office of Environmental Quality and Parks and Recreation Department, and partnering with Texas Discovery Gardens and the North Texas Master Naturalist chapter, replanted an existing ornamental flowerbed on the South side of the Dallas City Hall with 13 varieties of native and adapted pollinator plants, including frostweed, milkweed, several varieties of salvia, coneflower, mistflower, Turk's cap, and others. A few weeks later, with volunteers from North Texas Master Naturalist, Texas Discovery Gardens, and the City of Dallas, the new plants were mulched. After getting established throughout the summer and fall of 2016 and surviving the winter, the garden sprang to vigorous life in the Spring of 2017 in time for the dedication ceremony.

The dedication, held on a beautiful, sunny spring day, was attended by several members of the Dallas City Council as well as representatives from the City of Dallas Office of Environmental Quality and Department of Parks and Recreation, board members and employees of Texas Discovery Gardens, a number of North Texas Master Naturalists, as well as members of the public.

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*North Texas Master Naturalists attended the dedication*



At the ceremony, Mayor Rawlings reiterated his commitment to making the Dallas ecosystem pollinator friendly. Citing the decline of monarch populations over the past decade due to a loss of feeding and breeding habitat, Mayor Rawlings reminded the audience that, "Pollination produces more than twenty billion dollars' worth of products annually. More than one-third of the food we eat requires pollinators to grow." He stated his gratitude that, "The planting of eighty acres of pollinator gardens in the City of Dallas has been made possible by a grant of \$125,000.00 from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation," and repeatedly recognized the contribution of North Texas Master Naturalists to this first of the pollinator projects.

Next in line to become a Mayor's pollinator garden is the fifth floor balcony of the Dallas Public Library, Central Branch, which is also a project of North Texas Master Naturalist. Soon volunteers will install drip irrigation to serve 27 large fiberglass containers to be planted with twelve varieties of native and adapted pollinator plants.

In addition, North Texas Master Naturalist volunteers, led by **Sara Beckelman**, are designing and preparing interpretive signage and other educational materials for display at both the City Hall pollinator garden and the Dallas Public Library pollinator garden.



*At noon on April 19, 2017, Dallas mayor Mike Rawlings dedicated the City Hall Pollinator Garden, a North Texas Master Naturalist project*

**Jo Lynne Merrill**  
Class of 2014  
Project Leader



*Sign for the new Dallas City Hall Pollinator Garden*



*The Dallas City Hall "Mayor's" Pollinator Garden*

*Photos by Sara Beckelman*



## Blackland Prairie Raptor Center Birds Need Our Help

Written by Whitney Wolf



Photos left to right: Jenny McGurk, Carroll Mayhew, and Jennifer Weisensel

### Did you see the raptors who visited Native Plants and Prairies Day?

[The Blackland Prairie Raptor Center](#) is a rehabilitation hospital/facility for injured raptors and educating the public about birds of prey and their role in nature within our North Texas environment. The Center provides outreach and on-site education programming and presents more than 200 live raptor programs at Dallas area schools, fairs, nature organizations, and public events each year. It also receives more than 400 injured/sick and orphaned raptors each year.

Support of the Raptor Center is an open project for NTMN. Volunteers help by caring for and feeding resident raptors, cleaning the facility, building cages/flyways, participating in rehab exercises, assisting in medical procedures, and conducting live educational presentations. In 2016, North Texas Master Naturalists improved facilities by completing cage improvements, assisting with bird rehabilitation, and conducting raptor presentations. The birds need a lot more help!

Some of the needs are:

- Cage cleaning
- Feeding the birds (they usually eat dead mice)
- Construction
- Maintenance of the 66 acres of prairie
- Bird rehabilitation
- Assisting at education events



Photo by Carroll Mayhew

If you are interested in helping the birds at the Raptor Center, please contact Erich Neupert for a tour of the facility at [erich.neupert@bpraptorcenter.org](mailto:erich.neupert@bpraptorcenter.org).



## T E X A S MASTER NATURALIST™ *18th Annual Meeting* OCTOBER 20-22, 2017 OMNI CORPUS CHRISTI HOTEL

### Save the Date!

The Texas Master Naturalist 18th Annual Meeting  
October 20-22, 2017 in Corpus Christi

The **Texas Master Naturalist 18th Annual Meeting** will be held at the [Omni Corpus Christi Hotel](#). There is a block of rooms reserved specifically for our meeting attendees at Omni Corpus. Registration for the 18th Annual Meeting will include lodging (except for Commuter Options).

Registration is not yet open, but for more information regarding vendors, sponsors, contests, and more, visit the [2017 Annual Conference page](#) on the TMN website.



*NTMN attendees at the 2016 Annual Conference  
Photo by David Rogers*



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