



NATURE NOTES

Dedicated to the Enjoyment and Conservation of the Natural Beauty of Sun City Texas at Georgetown

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Tuesday, October 10, 2:30 p.m., SCB

Managing and Sustaining Wildlife in an HOA Community

Presented by Warren Bluntzer, Sun City Wildlife Consultant

Tuesday, November 14, 2:30 p.m., SCB

Waste Deep, Recycling 101 and Beyond the Landfill

Presented by Greg Behl, Sustainability and Diversion Coordinator for Texas Disposal Systems

MEMBERSHIP DUES: \$6 for 2023

Dues include our monthly programs and all Special Interest Group programs and activities.

CLUB OFFICER & DIRECTOR NOMINATIONS

The members of the Nature Club (NC) will elect next year's Board in October 2023. If you are interested in applying for a Board position or wish to nominate another member, please contact the NC Nominating Committee at nominatingcommittee2024@gmail.com.

To better understand what responsibilities, go with each office, [Click Here..](#)

SOLAR ECLIPSE EVENT

Saturday, October 14, 10:00, CCAM. Nature Club Members: brunch and solar glasses. *Registration required.*

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS (SIGs)

Nature Club activities are posted on the [Nature Club](#) website calendar. E-mails are sent to Club members only.

ASTRONOMY SIG

Monday, Oct. 16, 7:00 p.m., CCF, "Roaming the Winter Sky".

No **November** or **December** meeting.

Check the Calendar for up-to-date info and watch for Special Viewing announcements.

SIG Chair: Richard Wagoner



BIRDING SIG

No SIG Meeting in **October**

Tues., **Nov. 7**, 2:30 p.m., RLSR, "Waterfowl" presented by Ed Rozenburg.

BIRD WALKS

Thurs., **Oct. 5**, Wed., **Oct. 18**, Thurs., **Nov. 2**, and Wed., **Nov. 15**, 8 a.m., LHPP.

All walks 8:00 a.m., meet at LHPP parking lot near the lake. Any changes will be emailed.

SIG Chairs: Ed Rozenburg & Martin Byhower



BUTTERFLY/MOTH SIG

No SIG Meeting until January.



BUTTERFLY WALKS

Wed., **October 25**, 10:00 a.m.

Meet at the Tranquility trailhead off Lone Star. *SIG*

Chair: Ed Rozenburg

EARTH SCIENCE SIG

Tues., **October 24**, 4:00 p.m., ACA, "TBD"

SIG Chair: Mike Kimball



Living With Wildlife SIG

Thurs., **October 26**, 10:00 a.m., ACA, "Trees for Williamson County" presented by Scott

George of Austin Beautiful Trees.

No meetings in **November** or **December**.

SIG Chair: Nancy Wagoner



NATIVE PLANTS SIG

PLANT WALKS

Plant walks TBD, look for announcement via email.

SIG Chair: Pat Garren



Speaker Bio

October 12

Warren Bluntzer

“Managing and Sustaining Wildlife in an HOA Community”

Our native animals are facing challenges posed by rapid expansion and development of natural habitats, a changing climate, invasive species, and a lack of education about their needs. As our wildlife becomes confined to smaller spaces, there are more frequent interactions with humans and domestic animals. Coexisting with wildlife in ways that meet the needs of wild species as well as humans is becoming increasingly challenging, but there are ways that humans can adapt to the presence of wildlife, help sustain it, and ensure that natural ecosystems remain balanced and healthy. Mr. Bluntzer will share his wealth of knowledge and experience helping make this happen.

Mr. Bluntzer started his own wildlife consultant business 25 years, and has been our Sun City wildlife consultant for 18 years. He majored in field biology, wildlife emphasis at Tarleton State University. He served as a Texas State Game Warden from 1973-1998 (awarded Outstanding Wildlife Officer of the Year 1991). Warren was elected to the Board of Directors of the Texas Wildlife Association from 2011- present. He was appointed by the governor to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Dept. and many others to various task forces and commissions relating to wildlife. Warren has been a participant in numerous wildlife research studies and publications.

ACA – Activities Center Atrium
CCAM – Cowan Creek Amphitheater
CCF – Cowan Creek Florence Room
LHPP – Legacy Hills Park Pavilion
SCB - Sun City Ballroom
RLSR – Retreat Loan Star Room