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Watershed Week in Review

Llano River Watershed Alliance

Volunteer Learning Opportunity this Monday



On **Monday, June 12th from 9am - 1pm**, join Hill Country Alliance, Texas Parks & Wildlife, Texas Tech, Native American Seed, and the Llano River Watershed Alliance at the Llano River Field Station in Junction, TX, to learn about riparian (river-side) ecosystems, non-native invasive plants, and how to steward riparian systems.

Volunteers will help restore riparian habitat along the Llano River by controlling non-native, invasive Chinaberry trees with hand-tools (e.g. hand saws, loppers). Chinaberry have encroached on this reach of river, displacing native plant species that insects, fish, and wildlife depend on for habitat needs.

[More info and registration](#)

Reader's Corner



A reader asks if it is possible that his fly fishing guest saw a river otter on the North Llano?

The answer is YES.

We have reports of otter sightings near Yates Crossing and Castell. The game cam shot (above) comes from east of Burnet.

Cory Horan [shared this great otter video](#) on the Colorado below Austin.

TIRE RECYCLING

**Residential Only, No Commercial
CARS, PICKUPS, & SEMIS**
(no farm equipment tires)



Saturday 8am-12pm (NOON)

JUNE 10TH

**BEHIND CITY HALL
730 Main Street, Junction TX**

Sponsored by Leon Bosque RC&D, Inc.

In conjunction with Texas Commission on
Environmental Quality enforcement action.

Contact Dennis Dunagan for Information
210-414-3968

A 2nd chance to
get rid of your
tires tomorrow!

Due to the success of the
May 20th tire recycling
effort (the tire truck was
full by 10:30am), Kimble
County is having another
Tire Recycling event for
those who were unable to
recycle their tires.

NOTE: The Tire Recycling
Event is solely for residents of
Kimble County

Llano County Soil and Water Conservation District wins award



The Llano County Soil
and Water Conservation
District #233 was
recently named
Outstanding Soil and
Water Conservation

District by the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board and the Association of Texas Soil and Water Conservation Districts. The Texas Conservation Awards Program began in the late 1970's to recognize conservationists and the vital role they play in managing Texas' natural resources. Llano Directors Tom Ball, Joe Freeman, Steve Haverlah, Johnny Sawyer and Joe Allen Wells will be recognized during an awards luncheon on October 24, 2017 in Galveston.

[Learn more about the awards](#)

Save the Dates

Caging Native Trees along South Llano River

On **Sunday, July 9th from 9am - 1pm**, join Hill Country Alliance, Texas Parks & Wildlife, and the Llano River Watershed Alliance at the South Llano River State Park to learn about riparian (river-side) ecosystems, non-native invasive plants, and how to steward riparian systems.

Volunteers will help restore riparian habitat along the South Llano River by installing protective caging around native trees to deter herbivory.

River Cleanup and Installing Signage along South Llano River

On **Friday, August 4th from 9am - 2pm**, join Hill Country Alliance, Texas Parks & Wildlife, and the Llano River Watershed Alliance along the South Llano River to learn about aquatic and riparian (river-side) ecosystems.

Volunteers will help clean up trash along the river and install an educational kiosk.

The Llano River Watershed Alliance is partnering with our friends at Hill Country Alliance, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, and South Llano River State Park to improve the river and habitat along the Llano River. In addition to Chinaberry removal next week (see page 1), additional events will take place this summer.

Volunteer participants are asked to bring work gloves, water bottles, sunscreen, and appropriate work clothing (long pants and shirt, closed-toe shoes, and a hat).

Drinks, snacks, and hand tools will be provided.

Registration Deadline Approaching



The Hill Country Chapter of Texas Master Naturalist is accepting applications until June 30th for classes next fall.

Classes meet twelve Wednesdays starting August 23rd.

Class size is limited to forty people.

[Click here for more information](#)

Events at South Llano River State Park this weekend



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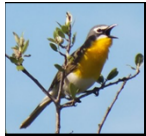
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Family Park Programs

South Llano River State Park

Phone: (325) 446-3994



Yellow-breasted Chat

Bird Walk

Friday, June 9th, 8:30 am - 10:00 am

Meet at the Fawn Trail parking lot
(behind Park Headquarters)

Join us as we walk the trails, sit in the blind, and see what we can spot! Good walking shoes, sun protection, and drinking water are recommended. Binoculars provided, or bring your own. All ages and skill levels welcome.

Butterfly Walk

Saturday, June 10th, 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Meet at the 2nd Day Use parking lot
(take the road across from Headquarters, follow to the end)

Come join us as we find out about the butterflies who call the park home, and go for an easy walk to look for and watch butterflies in action! Good walking shoes, sun protection, and drinking water are recommended. All ages welcome.



Red Admiral

River Bugs!



Saturday, June 10th, Drop in between 3:00 pm and 4:00 pm

Meet at the 2nd Day Use parking lot
(take the road across from Headquarters, follow to the end)

Come find out what kinds of insects live in the river! We will show you how to use a dip net and a magnifying glass to show you what kind of cool insects you can find! Sun protection and drinking water are recommended, and wear clothes you can get wet!

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Buck Lake Trail Nature Walk

Sunday, June 11th, 9:00 am - 10:00 am

Meet at the Acorn Bird Blind
(down the path from the restrooms, between campsites 39 and 41)

Join us for a hike in the pecan and hardwood forest, and we'll keep an eye out for deer, birds, and other wildlife! This easy trail is approximately 1.25 miles round-trip. There is one steep but short hill, and the rest of the dirt path is fairly level. Good walking shoes, sun protection, and drinking water are recommended. All ages welcome.



Park programs are open to the public and free with park entrance fee