

Boerne NPSOT July/August 2024 Newsletter

Next chapter meeting - Tuesday, September 3

June Potluck Dinner

We had a terrific attendance at the June Potluck Dinner. Everyone had a great time visiting and sharing their volunteer project updates. We all enjoyed the slideshow of this past year's events provided by Bill Magner and the many prizes that were raffled off.



Thank you all for bringing the delicious food to share with one another. A big thank you to the members who set up the room.

Native Landscape Certification Program (NLCP)

The NLCP committee will hold the Native Landscape Certification Program Level 2: Landscape Design with Native Plants on Saturday, September 28 at the Cibolo Nature Center Auditorium. In this class, you will learn how to create a landscape design, and important considerations and tools involved in a successful plan. This class will also cover identifying characteristics of 45 native plants, their function in your design, as well as alternatives to five common invasive plants.

Registration begins August 1 and the schedule with instructions can be found here: <https://www.npsot.org/our-work/class-schedule/>

Save the Date

Our Fall Native Plant sale will be Saturday, October 19 at Herff Farm.

Field Trip Second Friday

The August 9 field trip, will be to James Kiehl Natural Area, 118 River Bend Rd, Comfort, TX 78013. We will meet at 8:00 am at the second parking lot by the restrooms to walk the upper prairie and then around the lower terrace. Bring weather appropriate clothing, water and sunscreen. Contact Veronica at Veronica.hawk@gmail.com with questions.

Kendall County Historical Commission Presentation

"Early Texas Botanists of the Nineteenth Century"

Naturalist Lonnie Childs

August 13, 2024, @ 6:00pm Boerne Patrick Heath Public Library Community Room

Take a nice journey back in the early years of Hill Country settlement and learn tales of early Texas naturalists and adventurers, who risked their lives in pursuit of scientific data while examining and documenting our diverse natural history. Lonnie Childs will focus on some of the better known Texas Explorers, including Ferdinand Roemer and Ferdinand Lindheimer, both of whom spent time in the Hill Country pursuing their scientific studies. Both were in the first wave of German immigration, coming to Texas in the middle 1840s.



Dr. Ferdinand Roemer



Ferdinand Lindheimer

Our speaker, Lonnie Childs, has been involved with multiple non-profit organizations including serving on the Board of Directors of the Gillespie County Society, and State President of the Native Plant Society of Texas (NPSOT). And currently serves as President and Newsletter Editor of the Friends of the Fredericksburg Nature Center. He has authored numerous articles on natural history subjects and has been a frequent presenter.

Free and open to the public, please join with the Kendall County Historical Commission on August 13th @ 6:00pm in the Boerne Patrick Heath Public Library Community Room. Any questions please contact Bryden Moon @ 830-336—3375 or bemoonjr@aol.com.

Mark Your Calendar

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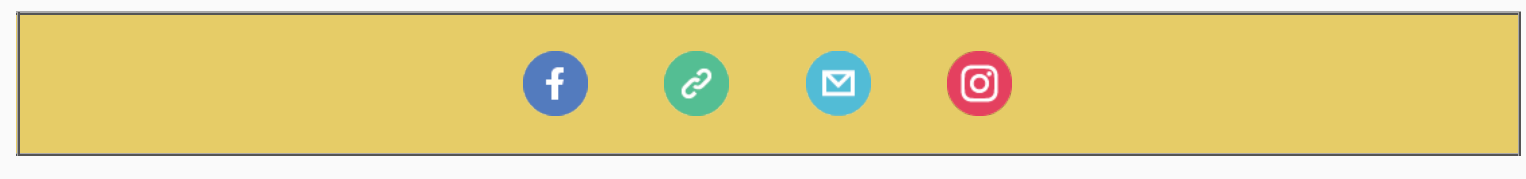
(Natives Instead of Common Exotics) and (Natives Improve and Conserve Environments) NICE! Plant of the Month July/August

Retama Parkinsonia texana



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For more information about July/August NICE! Plant of the Month, click [here](#)



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