



Bayou Foliage

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CENTER VOLUNTEERS

AUGUST CALENDAR

- Aug. 4 Volunteer Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
Aug. 6 Quilting Session, 9:00 - Noon
Aug. 10 CONTINUING EDUCATION - WEEKDAY
TRAIL TRAINING, 9:00 - 1:30
Aug. 11 Volunteer meeting, 6:30 p.m.
Aug. 11 Quilting session, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Aug. 13 Volunteer trip to Butterfly Pavilion, see
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Aug. 15 *Bayou Foliage* deadline
Aug. 18 Creepy Crawlers Planning Committee
Meeting, 6:00
Aug. 20-21 THE SCALY & THE SLIMY
Aug. 27-28 FARM DAYS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Eric Duran	Aug. 1
Elizabeth Nadolski	Aug. 1
Kathleen Helmore	Aug. 2
Lena O'Donnell	Aug. 3
Trish Connolly	Aug. 6
Sam Dinsmore	Aug. 8
Nina Ermler	Aug. 8
Victor Long	Aug. 9
Jacqui Lowrie	Aug. 14
Susan Helsey	Aug. 14
Michael Vu	Aug. 15
Danny Sparks	Aug. 15
Barbara Lindberg	Aug. 15
Robert Dell'osso	Aug. 20
Virgil Greenfield	Aug. 22
Bob Smither	Aug. 26
Barbara Gorman	Aug. 27
Julie Bannerman	Aug. 28

CONDOLENCES TO SUZANNE PERCIVAL

Suzanne Percival's husband Don passed away in late June. We all send our sympathies to her, and hope her friends here at the Nature Center can help her through this difficult time.

AUGUST ABNCV MEETING

THURSDAY, August 11

6:30 p.m. Coffee and Conversation

7:00 p.m. Program - Astronomer Dr. David Talent

The featured speaker for the August 11th volunteer meeting will be Dr. David Talent from the Johnson Space Center. Dr. Talent is a well-known astronomer and educator and should give us a very interesting lecture. I'm sure you won't want to miss it.

Tom

JUNE VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

The Volunteer of the Month for June is Ed Adams. Ed was unavailable for an interview due to an extended vacation in Canada and Alaska. Ed is very active as a teacher at ABNC, helping with both farm and trail classes. His love of children also shows itself at Fall Festival time. Ed has coordinated the Children's Games section of Fall Festival for the last two years. I think he has as much fun as the kids with the sack races, tug-of-war and other games. Thanks, Ed, for all your efforts in helping to teach our young visitors.

A NOTE FROM THE CHAIR

WELCOME: JOIN US AT THE WEEKDAY TRAIL TRAINING CLASS

I want to welcome all 18 of you wonderful new "volunteers in training." We all enjoyed meeting you and are looking forward to having you join us in all the various volunteer activities.

Just a reminder that there will be a continuing education class on Wednesday, August 10th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. It will be a weekday trail training class. All volunteers are welcome to join us whether for fun, as a refresher course, to share your ideas on how to improve the program, or for whatever reason. We'll be glad to see you.

I hope to see many of you out at the Nature Center and definitely at the August 11th volunteer meeting. Don't forget to say "hi" to one and all.

Jane

CONGRATULATIONS TO CHRISTINE AND CHARLIE

ABNC accountant Christine Barrett gave birth to a 9 pound 8 ounce, 21-inch baby boy on Thursday, July 13. Mom and son are doing fine. Congratulations to Christine and her husband Charlie.

MINUTES

The July Volunteer meeting was a pot luck dinner at the farmhouse. There was no business meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONTINUING EDUCATION

There will be a continuing education session on Weekday Trail Training on Wednesday, August 10 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. All volunteers who are interested in teaching weekday trails or just want to refresh their skills are invited.

WANTED: QUILTERS OR WANNABEE QUILTERS

Needed: Quilters! We are looking for some able bodied people with nimble fingers and good eyesight. If you like to sit around and gossip, this project is for you!

Needed: Hawkers! We are looking for volunteers to hawk raffle tickets. If you are willing to take an envelope of tickets to hawk, please call me.

QUILTING DAYS AND TIMES:

FARM DAYS:

Sat., July 30, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Sun., July 31, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Sat., August 6, 9:00 - Noon

Thurs., August 11, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. (volunteer meeting)

FARM DAYS:

Sat., August 27, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Sun., August 28, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Thurs., Sept. 8, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. (volunteer meeting)

FARM DAYS (if needed):

Sat., Sept. 24, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Sun., Sept. 25, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Suzi Howe

MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THANKS!

VOLUNTEER TRIP TO BUTTERFLY CENTER

The Houston Museum of Natural Science has opened its Center American rainforest featuring a dazzling array of butterflies. Quoting from the Houston Post, "This is a full-sensory experience, from the tropical humidity that clings to your skin to the floral scents that tickle your nose to the drunken, dancing butterflies that delight your eyes."

A Cockrell Butterfly Center representative will be our guide, giving us information not available to the individual visitor. We are hoping to amass a group of twenty (20) at \$3 a head. To be at the museum by 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, August 13 we must leave the ABNC parking lot by carpool at 9:30 a.m. On the way back we will stop to share our insights over lunch (optional).

Call me at 488-7884 to join in on this fun and unique experience.

Phyllis Louderback

THANKS TO THE GARDENERS

Many thanks to all of you who were able to come to the farmhouse garden meeting. To those who couldn't make it, we discussed what needed to be done, i.e., massive weeding and pruning, leading to working up the beds, transplanting and planting, culminating in a beautiful garden for the Fall Festival. Sooo, to all brave souls, come weed with us. It will be much appreciated.

Kathleen Crabb

THANKS TO THE BAYOU BOIL COMMITTEE

I would like to thank the Bayou Boil auction committee for its many hours of hard work pulling off another successful fund-raising event. Though small in numbers, this committee never tired of endless phone calls coaxing donations from local businesses and then cataloguing and sorting through the mountains of paperwork.

Thanks go to Sue Miller, Tom Burt, Blanca Noel and Irene Ward for their invaluable assistance. (Sue and Tom should open their own fund-raising office, they are so good at it!) Also thanks to Jane Bingel and her granddaughter for assistance during the hectic last afternoon and, of course, to Rita Getman for the countless long hours juggling everything.

And special thanks to my co-chair, Pat Doerr, who graciously accepted her co-chair slot despite her horrendous work load at the office. This amounts to baptism by fire.

Please take a moment to pat yourselves on the back.

Jackie Corbett

FROM THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Have you greeted a new volunteer lately? We have eighteen new "volunteers in training" for you to meet and welcome. They've attended orientation and are now getting into buddying and learning the ropes. With a little bit of help and friendship from each of us, our new volunteers can become a great addition to ABNC.

Introduce yourself! Answer questions! Share an assignment! Show them around!

Above all let them know how much we need them and how welcome they are.

Ruby Dilgren
Membership Committee Chair

VOLUNTEER DUTY SCHEDULE

In an attempt to take some of the load off the Coordinators, and to help cut down on our "no show" rate, a list of the persons who have volunteered for various assignments will be printed in the Bayou Foliage each month. If you are scheduled for a particular duty and you are unable to attend, please use this schedule to try to find your own substitute. You may be able to trade weekends, or swap a Saturday for a Sunday with someone who has the same duty another time during the month. If you do trade, please be sure to call the appropriate coordinator and the ABNC desk to inform them.

DATE	11:00 TRAIL	2:00 TRAIL	INFO. SERVICES	FARM DEMO	NAT. HIST. DEMO	FARM INTERP.	CLOSE
Sat. 8/6	----	----	Jane Bock	----	Ruby Dilgren - Snakes	Jane Bingel	----
Sun. 8/7	----	----	Martha Munies	----	Jonathan Perez - Reptiles & Amphibis.	Eleanor Stanley	
Sat. 8/13	----	----	Paula Thorson	----	Pat Grimes - Bats	Irene Ward	----
Sun. 8/14	----	----	Joe Bryan	----	Pat Doerr - Feathers	V. & P. Greenfield	
Sat 8/20	Joe Bryan	Ray Parker	Ruby Dilgren	----	SCALY & SLIMY: - Marilyn Clark - Anoles Bob Smither - Turtles Sterling Heller - Alligators Eric Duran Snakes	Jane Bingel	----
Sun 8/21	Steve Buckman	----	Sally Houk	----	SCALY & SLIMY: - Eleanor Stanley - Reptiles Joanna Wactor - Snakes Jonathan Perez - Native Turtles Eric Duran - Amphibians	Marilyn Thompson	
Sat 8/27	Lou Wheatcraft	Al Stock		FARM DAYS: ABNC Quilters - Quilting Chris Bingham - Cheese Making Irene Ward - Butter Churning Jane Bingel - Ropemaking	B. & L. Hendrix - Bird Adaptations	FARM DAYS Lisa Bitticks	----
Sun 8/28	----	Judy Mayes		FARM DAYS ABNC Quilters - Quilting Tom Scarsella - Woodworking Mary Ann Tucker - Basket Weaving Jacqui Lowrie - Butter Churning	Anne Tincher - Mollusks	FARM DAYS	

IF YOU CAN FILL IN ANY OF THE BLANK SPOTS, PLEASE CALL THE APPROPRIATE COORDINATOR.