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North Texas Giving Day is an online giving event that provides nonprofits the opportunity to gain exposure to — and start relationships with — new donors, and for people in North Texas to come together to raise as much money as possible for local nonprofits. This year, the Greater Fort Worth Sierra Club is registered with North Texas Giving Day as a nonprofit, and we hope that you will take the time to make a contribution to help keep us going strong and doing what we can to make Fort Worth and the world a better place. The Greater Fort Worth Sierra Club receives no funding from the national or state offices of the Sierra Club, so we depend on donations to enable us to present our monthly programs at the Fort Worth Botanic Garden, create and present educational events, and work to protect the environment.

To make a donation, on September 17th, please go to http://www.northtexasgivingday.org/#npo/greater-fort-worth-sierra-club. We appreciate and need your support! Thanks.



Educate. Appreciate. Preserv

September 16, 7:00 p.m. Monthly Meeting

Sam Kieschnick, Nature Education Specialist for Elmer W. Oliver Nature Park in Mansfield, will introduce us to this wonderful facility, which includes an outdoor learning center and hiking and biking trails. He plans and implements the nature education programs and field trips at this new park, which opened in January of 2014,

and will share his passion and love for nature with us. Find out more about the park at http://www.olivernaturepark.com/. We meet at 7 PM in the Azalea Room of the Fort Worth Botanic Garden Center, 3220 Botanic Garden Blvd. at University Drive, just north of I-30 in Fort Worth. All are welcome!

Sierra Club Applauds Climate Leadership from President Obama, Urges Texas to Take Action

In August the EPA and the Obama Administration released the final version of the landmark Clean Power Plan. Elected officials and environmental advocates in Texas applauded this important step toward healthier air and a stable climate and encouraged the state to respond in a way that achieves the plan's goals.

"The Clean Power Plan is a welcome opportunity to clean up and improve the way we power Texas while also creating new markets that can help secure our future. Given our state's abundant renewable energy potential and our innovative energy entrepreneurs, the Clean Power Plan can actually provide the tipping point that moves us toward harnessing our resources and ensuring Texas continues to be a leader in the energy industry for decades to come," said Texas State Representative Donna Howard. "Rather than wasting valuable time and tax dollars on fruitless obstructionism that is ultimately not in the best interests of Texas, let's position ourselves to

create a Texas plan that continues to drive the energy market through innovation and entrepreneurship while also preserving the environment that makes Texas the best place to live, work, and raise our families."

Texas is the number one producer of wind power in the country, and the state has large capacities for solar energy development. The Clean Power Plan allows states to take advantage of renewable resources to create jobs and save customers money.

"Austin's clean energy economy is growing as a result of our commitment to renewable and affordable energy," said Austin Mayor Steve Adler. "The Clean Power Plan will help cities across Texas benefit from cleaner air, affordable power and a new generation of family-supporting green jobs by cleaning up the dirtiest sources of carbon pollution. I call on Texas leadership -- from fellow mayors and Governor Abbott -- to commit to adopting clean energy

solutions to achieve the Clean Power Plan's goals."

The Clean Power Plan will not only help slow the advance of climate change but will also protect public health. Coal pollution in the United States results in more than \$100 billion annually in health costs and more than 12,000 emergency room visits per year.

"I want my children to be able to live in a more stable climate and to breath cleaner air than we do today. We are an active outdoor family, so it's really important to me that our state leaders are proactive in reducing pollution from our coal plants," said Cyrus Reed, Conservation Director of the Sierra Club's Lone Star Chapter. "Every kid in Texas deserves a healthy environment, and the Clean Power Plan is our golden opportunity to achieve better public health affordably. Fortunately for Texas, no state has a bigger opportunity to shift away from coal and toward a greater use of solar and wind power."

Wednesday, Oct. 21, 7:00 p.m. Monthly Meeting—Adventures in Urban Gardening with Chickens

Leslie Halleck, former Curator of Plants and Director of Horticultural Research at the Dallas Arboretum, is an urban gardener in her small city lot in Dallas and has stories to tell about sneaking vegetables into unexpected places in her front yard and raising her chickens in



her backyard. She does this beautifully while keeping both her neighbors and the City Compliance officers happy. Are you yearning to keep your own urban backyard chickens? Leslie will talk about the basics on how to care for your own flock, plus relate her own experiences of dealing with city code and ordinances affecting chicken keepers. Leslie is also a home beekeeper and has her own business, Halleck Horticultural. She travels nationally and internationally to speak about gardening. We meet at 7 PM in the Azalea Room of the Fort Worth Botanic Garden Center, 3220 Botanic Garden Blvd. at University Drive, just north of I-30 in Fort Worth. All are welcome!

Notice! EPA Hearing—Sept. 23, Dallas

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will hold public hearings in three cities in the U.S. on proposed updates to the agency's air rules for the oil and natural gas industry. EPA has proposed commonsense standards that would reduce emissions of greenhouse gases and volatile organic compounds from this rapidly growing industry. The proposal is a part of the Administration's strategy under President Obama's Climate Action Plan to reduce methane emissions from this sector. The agency also has proposed two rules to clarify permitting requirements for the oil and gas industry in states and Indian country.

To find out more about the Dallas hearing and to register speak, go to these links:

<u>Hearing notice</u> - Federal Register - August 27, 2015 Register to speak at a hearing

http://www.epa.gov/airquality/oilandgas/pubhear.html

FALL 2015

Mark Your Calendar! Saturday, September 19 Trinity Trash Bash



Join us for the 24th Annual Fall TRWD Trash Bash on Saturday, September 19th. Our location this year will be at **Cobb Park**, **located at 2700 Cobb Park Drive**, **at 8:00 am**. Everyone's hard work will be celebrated with an after-party at Panther Island Pavilion kicking off at 11 a.m. Enjoy free food, prizes, giveaways and entertainment by 106.1 KISS FM! **There will be an After Party at Cobb Park as well, with a free lunch, water, and giveaways.**

Be sure to bring a hat, water, snack, and sunscreen! For more information, please go to the *Trash Bash Website*. If you plan to participate, please email your *T-shirt size to <u>zedthecat@gmail.com</u>* as soon as possible, so we will have a *T-shirt ready for you to wear during the trash pickup*.

National Drive Electric Week DFW Show See 13 Current Models of Plug-in Cars



Saturday, September 19, 2015 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Grapevine Mills Mall Parking Lot 2C, Grapevine, Texas

National Drive Electric Week, September 12-20, 2015, is a nationwide celebration to heighten awareness of today's widespread availability of plug-in vehicles and highlight the benefits of all-electric and plug-in hybrid-electric cars, trucks, motorcycles, and more. They are fun to drive, are less expensive and more convenient to fuel than gasoline vehicles, are better for the environment, promote local jobs, and reduce our dependence on foreign oil. Are you considering going electric? Come talk to owners who have successfully done so. See at least 13 different plug-in car models, both all electrics and plug-in hybrids, on the market now from manufacturers like Nissan, Chevrolet, BMW, Ford, Toyota, Cadillac, Fisker-Karma, and of course Tesla.

If you would like to attend, please register here:

https://driveelectricweek.org/event-attend.php?eventid=354

National Drive Electric Week is a presentation of Plug In America, the Sierra Club, and the Electric Auto Association. We encourage you to take advantage of this great opportunity to learn all about going electric. Bye-bye, expensive gas bills!

For more information about Drive Electric Week, go to https://driveelectricweek.org/event.php?eventid=354.



Green Source DFW Run for the Environment Red Oak Creek Trail City of Cedar Hill Saturday Oct. 24, 2015 9:00 AM start

Green Source DFW is holding its second annual "Run for the Environment" 5K run/walk. It will take place on October 24, 2015 at Red Oak Creek Trail, 310 E. Parkerville Rd in the City of Cedar Hill. It is going to be really fun, with live music and vendor booths.

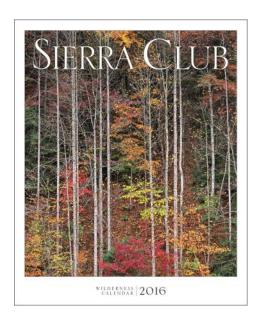
Awards will be given Overall and Master male and female finishers. Age groups: 1-14, 15-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69; 70+. To register and find out more information, please go to http://www.run4environment.org/.

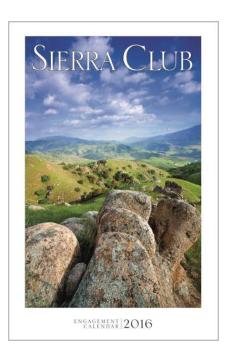
Saturday, October 3 — D/FW Solar Home Tour

At this FREE event, talk directly with home owners and business owners who use solar energy, solar hot water, wind energy, and other energy-efficient measures for their homes or businesses, as well as people who drive electric cars (Tesla, Leaf, Volt, and hybrids). Click here for details about the tour, tour locations, and to find out how you can add your solar home or business to the tour.



The 2016 Sierra Club Calendars are Here!





These calendars make fantastic holiday gifts, and will dazzle all year with dramatic and awe-inspiring color photographs of wild places all across the country, taken by world renowned nature photographers. Both calendars will be available at our upcoming monthly meetings. The price for the Wilderness Calendar is \$13.95, and the Engagement Calendar costs \$14.95. If you would like to have calendars mailed to you, please send an email to Diane Lancaster at dianelan@gmail.com to find out ordering information.



Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2015, 5:30 PM Meet and Greet at Bar Louie

Help us say goodbye to summer and hello to fall by joining us for a meet and greet at Bar Louie. Tuesday is \$1 burger night from 5:00 p.m. until closing, so you can chow down on a hamburger, turkey burger, or Portobello burger for only a buck. Bar Louie is located at 2973 W. 7th St., Fort Worth, at the corner of W. 7th Street and Norwood Street in the Cultural District. We will meet at the large tables to your right as you walk in the door. Learn more about the Greater Fort Worth Sierra Club and our activities, and meet some new people who are also interested in enjoying the great outdoors and conserving our land and resources. Hope to see you there!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, SEPT. 13, 9:00 A.M. - LAKE MINERAL WELLS TRAILWAY BIKE RIDE - Join us for a leisurely bike ride on the Lake Mineral Wells Trailway. We will meet at the Weatherford Trailhead and be ready to ride at 9 AM. The Weatherford Trailhead is approximately 35 miles from Fort Worth and is about a 45-minute drive. It is located off of FM 920 (Peaster Hwy.) northwest of downtown Weatherford. When you get on FM 920, look for the signs for the Trailhead and Cartwright Park and turn left. There is a \$7 fee to use the Trailway, which is also good for Lake Mineral Wells State Park. We plan to ride west on the Trailway towards Garner (10.85 miles) at a leisurely pace and turn around before we get pooped. You



should bring plenty of water as it will probably be hot, and bike helmets are mandatory. Liability waivers are required. The Trailway is crushed limestone on the easy grade of an old railroad bed. Large bike tires are preferred, but road bikes with smaller tires are suitable with caution for sandy and loose gravel areas. We will return to the Weatherford Trailhead and find a good place for lunch or some liquid refreshments. No need to register, just show up at the Trailhead and be ready to ride by 9 AM. Contact leaders, Lisa Gowan at 817-691-9901 and email lgowan@me.com, or Tolbert Greenwood at 817-455-3302 and email tolbertgreenwood@gmail.com for any questions or more information. See http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/lake-mineral-wells/trailway-1 for more infoabout the trailway.

WED. SEPT. 16, 7:00 P.M.—GENERAL MEETING. Sam Kieschnick, Nature Education Specialist for Oliver Nature Park in Mansfield, will introduce us to this wonderful facility which includes an outdoor learning center and hiking and biking trails. He plans and implements the nature education programs and field trips at this new park and will share his passion and love for nature with us. We meet at 7 PM in the Azalea Room of the Fort Worth Botanic Garden Center, 3220 Botanic Garden Blvd. at University Drive, just north of I-30 in Fort Worth. The speaker is followed by announcements. All are welcome.

SAT. SEPTEMBER 19 — TRINITY TRASH BASH. Join us for the 24th Annual Fall TRWD Trash Bash on Saturday, September 19th. Our location this year will be at Cobb Park, located at 2700 Cobb Park Drive, at 8:00 am. Everyone's hard work will be celebrated with an after-party at Panther Island Pavilion kicking off at 11 a.m. Enjoy free food, prizes, giveaways and entertainment by 106.1 KISS FM! There will be an After Party at Cobb Park as well, with a free lunch, water, and giveaways. Be sure to bring a hat, water, snack, and sunscreen! For more info, please go to the Trash Bash Website. If you plan to participate, please email your T-shirt size to zedthecat@gmail.com as soon as possible, so we will have a T-shirt ready for you to wear.

SUN. SEPT. 20—WILDERNESS NAVIGATION TRAINING WITH MAP AND COMPASS. Fort Worth Nature Center and Refuge, 9:00 AM - 1 PM. Learn basic map and compass skills for use in national parks and wilderness areas. Class will include 2 hours of inside instruction and 2 hours of field work outside practicing with maps and compass. This class does not include GPS navigation. Chad Ethridge, former air traffic controller and water programs coordinator at the Fort Worth Nature Center and Refuge is the instructor. Bring snacks and drink. Must preregister and prepay \$20 fee for class by Wed.., Sept. 16 by contacting Claudia Blalock, 817-924-6242 or claudiablalock@att.net. Additional instruction for class will be provided after registration regarding type of compass for class and location. Class requires minimum of 5 persons and maximum of 20 participants.

FRI-SUN. SEPT. 25 - 27 —**WICHITA MOUNTAINS WILDLIFE REFUGE CAR CAMP.** This unique wildlife refuge located in southwestern Oklahoma, has protected unique wildlife habitats since 1901 and is the oldest managed wildlife facility in the United States Fish and Wildlife Service System. Bison were reintroduced here, along with elk and wild turkey, the prairie dog, the river otter and burrowing owls. The refuge is approximately 1 hour north of Wichita Falls and a 3 hour drive from Fort Worth. We will car camp both nights in a group campsite and hike on Sat. AM 6 miles on dirt trails inside the park. On Sat evening, a guided bugling elk tour is available on park roads not open to the public. For this tour, you need to reserve your own tickets by calling the refuge (580-429-2197) at 8:30 AM on Mon., August 31and requesting the bugling elk tour of Sept. 26. On Sun. morning we will also hike.

Please contact the trip leader, CLAUDIA BLALOCK, \$17-924-6242 or claudiablalock@att.net. by Monday, Sept. 21 to reserve your place and to prepay your camping fees. Campsite fees will be shared among the group and will be approximately \$10.00 per person. TRIP FULL. WAITLIST AVAILABLE

SUN. SEPT. 27, 6:30-9:30 P.M.—FULL MOON PADDLE AT FORT WORTH NATURE CENTER

Anyone interested in this event must contact BRADEN DANBURY via email and make their payment before receiving a spot in the group. The size of the group for this outing is limited.

This special evening canoe/kayak tour will be from approximately 7 - 9:30 PM at the Fort Worth Nature Center. We will meet at 6:30 PM at the Hardwicke Interpretative Visitor Center parking lot at the Fort Worth Nature Center. The cost of this outing is \$20.00 per person, and the entrance fee for the park is included in that price. Chad Etheridge, the water programs manager of the Nature Center, will be leading the event once we are ready to get out on the water. The Nature Center is providing a limited number of canoes for the event for our group to use; participants can also bring their own canoes or kayaks provided they meet the Nature Center's safety requirements. We will be on the water after sundown and plan on using the light of the nearly full moon to appreciate a unique glimpse of the park's wildlife. Bring water, comfortable clothing and appropriate shoes for boating. The size of the group for this outing is limited. Children are able to attend if accompanied by an adult. To participate in this event, you must first contact the outing leader (Braden Danbury) via e-mail. You will then be given instructions on how to pay to reserve your spot for the event. After you have paid for the event, your space is reserved. Individuals who arrive on the day of the event without first contacting the outing leader and making their payment will not be able to join the group, even if they are bringing their own watercraft. The Nature Center is located in NW Tarrant County on Lake Worth. Take Highway 199 exit west toward Azle off 820 West on western edge of Fort Worth. Leader: BRADEN DANBURY, email: bdanbury@gmail.com. All participants will be required to sign a release form before the event. For more information on Nature Center, visit www.fwnaturecenter.org.

SAT. OCT. 10—STAR PARTY AT PALO PINTO MOUNTAINS STATE PARK. Explore the dark skies of night -time Texas at a stargazing party in our wonderful state park! The Texas Parks & Wildlife, along with the Astronomical Society of Dallas and the Fort Worth Astronomical Society, will be hosting a stargazing party at Palo Pinto Mts. State Park on Saturday, October 10, beginning at 5:00 pm. To get to the event from I 20 - go west and exit at the Strawn exit. Turn west on FM 2372 or the Tucker Lake Road from Strawn. Go two miles from Strawn and look for signs. You can bring your own telescope or use one provided by volunteers, who will be on hand to share expertise, knowledge and lore. In the event of rain or cloudy skies, the event will be the following Saturday, Oct. 17. If you've never been to a star party before and want to learn the do's and don'ts, please go to http://www.fortworthastro.com/etiquette.html. If you would like to join fellow Sierrans for dinner, meet at the Smokestack Restaurant in Thurber at 6:00 pm. There is a Thurber exit off I-20, and you will see the restaurant on the right as you exit. You will be approximately 4 miles from Strawn. Please contact: nancymccvean@gmail.com - 817 596 5209 if you plan attending the dinner in Thurber. We will need to let them know so they can set up tables for us. Dinner at the Smokestack is an adventure - lots of history! and good food! We will follow each other to the star party after dinner.

OCT 10-11 (SAT-SUN) BEGINNER BACKPACKING TRIP TO THE CANEY CREEK WILDERNESS.

Join us for one of the Dallas Sierra Club's favorite local backpacking trips. We'll hike about 4½ miles and camp near a waterfall. The round-trip distance is about 9 miles. We will be hiking along a stream and there will be a few small hills to climb. After setting up camp, we'll do a short day hike as time permits. This trip is relatively easy and is suitable for beginners. Priority sign-ups will be given to those who have taken the August 2015 backpacking class. Please contact the leader to sign up. Deadline to sign up is Friday, Oct. 2, 2015. Trip rated: Easy. Leader: Marcos Jorge at mjorge@ustmamiya.com or 214-682-6555

SAT. OCT. 17, 9:30 A.M.—TRINITY TRAIL BIKE RIDE. Please join the Fort Worth Sierra Club for a bicycle ride along the Trinity River in Fort Worth. Bike ride officially starts at 9:30 am on Saturday morning in Trinity Park in Fort Worth off of University and in lot close to playground area. We will either ride north by northeast to Gateway Park or southwest to the Benbrook Dam based on predominate wind direction that day. Bicycle helmets are required and all participants must follow trail etiquette. We will be riding between 20 and 24 miles and for approximately 2 hours. Please dress appropriately for weather conditions and bring water and food as needed. Bike ride cancelled in the event of rain. No reservations or fees are required but donations to Sierra Club will be collected. Optional lunch at local restaurant following ride. Contact Leader with questions: Errol Oguzhan at 817-726-9306 c or sierracluberrol@gmail.com.

OCT. 16-18, 2015 (FRI-SUN)—FALL WEEKEND AT BEAVERS BEND STATE PARK. Think of cool temperatures, leaves glistening on the ground, deer crossing the meadow, trails that meander through pine and hardwood forests, kicking back in your camp chair, catered Sat. night dinner and yes, even flush toilets and hot showers! You're not dreaming - it's our annual weekend at Beaver's Bend State Park. Join Sierrans from Dallas and other north Texas and Oklahoma groups for the great weekend of fellowship and fun for outdoor enthusiasts of all ages and abilities! Your choice of tent camping or a rustic cabin in our large group compound (same cheap price). A link to the trip write-up with all the details (pdf document) can be found here. Please read through information (a little long but very important). Reservation deadline is October 13 or trip fills. Last year, trip sold out, so clear your calendar, invite your family and friends and act now! Trip Leader: LIZ WHEELAN, Lizwico@aol.com - 214 368 2306

WED. OCT. 21 7:00 P.M. - GENERAL MEETING. Leslie Halleck, former Curator of Plants and Director of Horticultural Research at the Dallas Arboretum, is an urban gardener in her small city lot in Dallas and has stories to tell about sneaking vegetables into unexpected places in her front yard and raising her chickens in her backyard. She does this beautifully while keeping both her neighbors and the City Compliance officers happy. Are you yearning to keep your own urban backyard chickens? Leslie will talk about the basics on how to care for your own flock, plus relate her own experiences of dealing with city code and ordinances affecting chicken keepers. Leslie is also a home beekeeper and has her own business, Halleck Horticultural. She travels nationally and internationally to speak about gardening. We meet at 7 PM in the Azalea Room of the Fort Worth Botanic Garden Center, 3220 Botanic Garden Blvd. at University Drive, just north of I-30 in Fort Worth. All are welcome!

OCT. 24-25 (SAT-SUN)—BEGINNER BACKPACK AT INKS LAKE STATE PARK near Burnet, TX. This scenic park is close enough to Ft Worth to allow us to drive there Saturday morning and the backpack will start at 11 am that morning. We will backpack a 5-7 mile section of trails within the park on Sat. and a shorter section on Sunday. Focus will be on learning to adjust your pack and to become accustom to packing it appropriately for an overnight trip. Preference will be given to recent attendees at the Sierra Club camping class on Aug. 22. Trip limited to 12 persons and require approval of trip leader. Leaders: Claudia Blalock and Craig Woodcook. Must contact Claudia Blalock to register for trip and require approval by leader (817-924-6242 or claudiablalock@att.net). Campsite fees will be shared and must be prepaid by Oct. 17 to Claudia.

NOV. 6-8, FRI-SUN—CAR CAMPING AT TYLER STATE PARK. Please join the Fort Worth Sierra Club for a car camp at Tyler Lake State Park. Hiking the trails officially starts at 9 am on Saturday morning but participants may drive down and join us on Friday night with other Sierrans. I have reserved two camping sites with water for Friday and Saturday nights. We will start at 9 am at the campsites and hike around the loops A-D with a lunch at the picnic areas by the lake. Saturday night we will enjoy a potluck dinner. On Sunday morning we will do a shorter hike maybe around the lake and the Whispering Pines nature trail. There is also an optional dinner Friday evening and optional lunch on Sunday in Tyler. Car Camp is limited to 12 people and approval of leader is required as well as a reservation fee to cover campsite fees. Fee will be based on how many folks sign up and final reservation will be when Fee is Paid three weeks before trip. There is a \$5/day admission to the state park unless you have a State Park Pass and excess vehicle fees may apply. Contact Leader Errol Oguzhan at 817-726-9306 c or sierracluberrol@gmail.com.

DEC. 4-6 (FRI-SUN)—**BEGINNER BACKPACK ON LONE STAR TRAIL.** This trip will begin at noon on Friday through Sun. afternoon and will cover approximately a 20 mile section of the Lone Star Trail in southeastern Texas. The trail head is approximately 4-5 hours from Fort Worth. The Lone Star Hiking Trail is a 100 mile trail that passes through the wooded landscape of south Texas. Elevation is not an issue on this trail, so the trip is suitable for beginners in good shape. You should be able to carry your pack for 5-10 miles each day. Leaders: Craig Woodcook and Lisa Gowan. Must contact Lisa Gowan (lgowan@me.com) to register for trip. Campground fees will be shared by group.



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Sierra Club Mission Statement

To explore, enjoy, and protect the wild places of the earth; to practice and promote the responsible use

of the earth's ecosystems and resources; to educate and enlist humanity to protect and restore the quality of the natural and human environment; and to use all lawful means to carry out these objectives. For more information, please visit www.sierraclub.org.

C'mon, Join the Club!!

Did you know that for only \$15.00, you can join the Sierra Club and enjoy all the benefits of membership? Such as a one-year subscription to the Sierra Magazine and automatic membership in your local chapter. And for a limited time, receive a free gift when you join. So please help support the Sierra Club by joining today!

To join and find out more, please click here $\rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow$



Have you Signed our Single-Use Bag Ban Petition?

If not, you can sign it by going to http://www.thepetitionsite.com/622/890/475/support-a-single-use-plastic-bag-ban/. We have over 400 signatures and counting. You can also like our Facebook page to keep up with the status of our campaign. https://www.facebook.com/fwbagban

Please help make Fort Worth an environmental leader by signing our petition to ban single-use plastic bags in Fort Worth. And remember, when you shop, bring your bag!



Do you Shop at Tom Thumb?

If your answer is yes, how about helping the Greater Fort Worth Sierra Club earn money while you shop? Just link your Tom Thumb Reward card to the Greater Fort Worth Sierra Club, and every time you purchase groceries, the store will donate a portion of the purchase amount to the Club. Just go to http://www.tomthumb.com/IFL/Grocery/Home, click on "Community Caring" at the bottom of the page, click on "Good Neighbor" in the column on the left, and then click on "Get Application and Start Saving Today." That link will take you to a form you can fill out to link your card to the Club. The Club's number is 4659. If you shop at Tom Thumb, please take advantage of this easy way to contribute. Thanks for your support!





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If so, you can shop and support the Greater Fort Worth Sierra Club at the same time. All you have to do is go to our website, http://www.sierraclub.org/texas/greater-fort-worth, scroll to the bottom of the page, and you will see a link to the Amazon website. Just click on that link and start shopping away! Amazon.com will automatically gift a portion of the money you spend to the Greater Fort Worth Sierra Club. How easy is that? I hope you'll remember us next time you shop with Amazon.com. Thanks for your support. We appreciate it!

Social Connections





Meetup.com?

Find us there too and meet others who are interested in the same activities as you.



Visit the Greater Fort Worth Sierra Club's web page and see a list of our outings, events, and upcoming meetings, learn about our bag ban campaign, and find lots of good links!

How to Join a List Serve and Why Should I?

If you would like to receive current information about club news, outings, and conservation issues, please sign up for our list serves. That way you won't miss out on any important news and will be informed if there are any last-minute changes to any of our outings. Occasionally an outing may be cancelled because of weather conditions, etc., so if you are on our Outings list serve, you'll be the first to know. And if you're on our News list serve, you'll receive a reminder about our general meeting each month. And don't worry, you won't get spammed. We don't distribute email addresses to anyone, so the only organization you'll be getting emails from is us! To sign up, go to the home page of our website or click on these links.

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How to Volunteer and Where am I Needed?

Volunteers are essential to any organization, especially one that doesn't have a full-time paid staff. Currently the Fort Worth Sierra Club needs help with:

- Outings leaders for car camps, hikes, and backpacks
- Fundraising
- Volunteers to bring light snacks and drinks to our monthly general meetings

If you want more information or are interested in helping us, please contact Claudia at 817-924-6242 or claudia.blalock@att.net

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