

Dear GEAA members,

This fall GEAA member groups are hosting some great opportunities to learn about and celebrate the Hill Country.

Hope to see you there!

Annalisa Peace
Executive Director

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Save River Road - Don't Loop the Guadalupe!

Plan on joining [Citizens' Alliance for Smart Expansion](#) (CASE) and the [Guadalupe River Road Alliance](#) for a party on the banks of the Guadalupe **this Friday** (tomorrow!) to support folks who are working hard to preserve a bit of the land that we all love.

Friday, September 10th
6pm to Midnight

[River Road Icehouse](#)

Music by the Zach Walther Band and more

Tickets are \$15 at the door

All proceeds benefit CASE and the Guadalupe River Road Alliance.

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[San Marcos Greenbelt Alliance's](#)

6th Annual Naturescapes Photography Contest Awards Reception and Silent Auction

The unique beauty of the natural areas within San Marcos inspired the Naturescapes Photography Contest. The contest now includes photographs taken in greenspaces throughout Hays County, with a special award for the best photograph taken in San Marcos parks and other natural areas within 5 miles of San Marcos city limits.

San Marcos Activity Center
Saturday, September 11, 2010 (this Saturday!)
5:00 pm – 7:30 pm

No ticket purchase necessary

Visit SMGA's [Natural Areas page](#) for maps and directions to the sometimes difficult-to-find San Marcos natural areas.

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The Scenic Loop – Boerne Stage Alliance
cordially invites you to join us!

What: A bus tour of the historic Scenic Loop – Boerne Stage Corridor
(limited seating available)

Date: Saturday, September 18th, 2010

Time: 9AM – 3PM Meet at Floore Country Store in Old Town Helotes

The Tour: Points of interest will include Floore Country Store, the Gigger House, the Marnoch House, the Madla Cemetery, the new Madla Natural Area, Grey Forest & the Grey Moss Inn, the Duehler property, the Von Plehwe Complex and the Old Spanish Trail Park on the Balcones Creek.

Lunch: A box lunch will be provided by Scenic Loop Café. We will eat on the lovely grounds of historic Tarry Bank.

Cost: \$50.00 per person (checks only). No refunds after August 31, 2010

Optional: Copies of the Scenic Loop – Boerne Stage Corridor Booklet will be available for an additional \$20.00 and includes the above locations and many more. Marlene Richardson will have copies of her book, The Settlement of Leon Springs available for \$35.00 (including tax).

Register: Please [email Susan Beavin](#), and she will send you a registration form.

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Hill Country Water Celebration

Join [Wimberley Valley Watershed Association](#) for an evening of music, fun,
live auction and great food!

Eliza Gilkyson in Concert

Salt Lick Pavilion, Driftwood Texas
Sunday, September 26, 2010
5-9 pm

Tickets are \$65 and include BBQ Dinner
Dinner at 6pm-Concert at 7:30pm

Purchase tickets online at <http://www.hillcountrywatercelebration.com/> or at
the [Wimberley Visitors Center](#).

To reserve a table call 512-722-3457 or email hillcountrywater@gmail.com.

All proceeds benefit the [Wimberley Valley Watershed Association](#)

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Celebrate the Cibolo Gala 2010: Where Nature & History Meet

The [Cibolo Nature Center's](#) annual fundraising Gala is just around the corner!

Date: October 2, 2010

Time: 6:00-11:30 p.m.

[Purchase](#) your table or tickets today! Ticket price \$125 each or \$225 per couple; tables starting at \$1500.

Highlights:

Hill Country Flavors provided by the area's **best restaurants** with wine and beer.

The **LOST MULE BAND** will feature Texas dance hall tunes, perfect for dancin' under the Texas sky. Named for their high school mascot from Alamo Heights, this group has been playing together for more than 25 years.

Live **auction items** include:

- Americus Diamond Pendant

- Bracken Bat Cave Tour and Picnic
- [Classic Red Truck](#)
- Classic Red Tractor
- Fund a Future Scientist
- Gourmet Meal with Wine Pairings for 12 (at your home)
- Vacation Beach House in Port Aransas

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