

NATURE NOTES

Dedicated to the Enjoyment and Conservation of the Natural Beauty of Sun City Texas at Georgetown

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Tuesday, May 9, 2:30 p.m., SCB
Solutions to Climate Change Presented by Larry
Kremer

Tuesday, June 13, 2:30 p.m., SCB

The Remarkable Animal Life at Lady Bird Johnson

Wildflower Center Presented by Val Bugh

MEMBERSHIP DUES: \$12 for 2023

Dues include our monthly programs and all Special Interest Group programs and activities.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS (SIGs)

Nature Club activities are posted on the <u>Nature Club</u> website calendar. E-mails are sent to Club members only.

REPTILES & MAMMALS REPTILE ID, RELOCATION & MAPPING

FREE service, call:

- Jim Christiansen 512-868-3504
- Steve Kelley 512-639-0539
- John Leek 713-825-0145
- Joe Plunkett 774-226-0810
- City of Georgetown Animal Control 512-9303592

We encourage residents to leave harmless, beneficial reptiles in their landscapes, but call us so we can identify and map all reptiles.

ASTRONOMY SIG



Mon., **May 15**, 7:00 p.m., CCF. "TBD" Mon., **June 19**, 7:00 p.m., CCF. "TBD" *Check the Calendar for up-to-date info and watch for Special Viewing announcements*.

SIG Chair: Richard Wagoner

BIRDING SIG

Tues., **May 2**, 2:30 p.m., RLSR – "The Remarkable Tropical Bird Life of Panama" by Martin Byhower No SIG Meeting in **June**.



BIRD WALKS

Bird walks: Thurs., May 4 and Wed., May 17, Thurs., June 1 and Wed., June 21.

All walks 8:00 a.m., meet at LHPP parking lot near the lake.
Any changes will be emailed.

SIG Chairs: Ed Rozenburg & Martin Byhower

BUTTERFLY/MOTH SIG



No SIG Meeting in **May.** Tues., **June 6**, 2:30 p.m., RLSR – "TBD"

BUTTERFLY WALKS

Wed., **May 31**, 10:00 a.m. and Wed., **June 28**, 10:00 a.m.

Meet at the Tranquility trailhead off Lone Star. SIG

Chair: Ed Rozenburg

EARTH SCIENCE SIG

Tues., **May 23**, 4:00 p.m., ACA No meeting in June.

SIG Chair: Mike Kimball

Living With Wildlife SIG



Thurs., **May 25**, 10:00 a.m., ACA, "Skunks" Presented by Dr. Robert Dowler.

Thurs., June 22, 10:00 a.m., ACA, "Impact of Summer on Wildlife" presented by a TPWD Biologist.

SIG Chair: Nancy Wagoner

NATIVE PLANTS SIG PLANT WALKS



Mon., **May 8,** 8:00 a.m. – Cowan Creek Trailhead (Cowan Pavilion) and, Thurs., **May 11**, 8:00 a.m. – Woodland Trailhead (Softball Lot).

SIG Chair: Pat Garren

Speaker Bio

Dr. Larry Kremer

Our speaker will describe coming climate impacts, particularly for Texas, and how the economy will react to the US supply of critical raw materials. Dr. Kramer will discuss the ways that recent legislation will affect us and the climate and ways that you can predict how you personally will be affected as well as steps you can take to help cope with the changes to come.

Dr. Larry Kremer has 20 US patents and over 50 publications in various areas of chemistry. He obtained his BS in Chemistry at UT Austin and his PhD in Physical Chemistry from the University of Utah. He then did a post doctorate at Yale University. His industrial career started at BASF in Detroit and finished at Baker Hughes in Houston where he developed numerous chemical products. Since retiring from Baker Hughes, he has been a volunteer mentor for startup companies in the energy sector. As a Global Energy Mentor (GEM) he attends weekly meetings at St Thomas to find and develop entrepreneurs with novel ideas about energy. He is also a volunteer with Citizens Climate Lobby which promotes a fee and dividend approach to climate solutions.