

Galveston Bay Area Chapter - Texas Master Naturalist Training Schedule – Spring 2012 - 12-20-2011 DRAFT

Thursday February 16 Armand Bayou Nature Center 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Welcome and Introductions Galveston Bay Area Master Naturalists (GBAC) Galveston Bay Plan - Why We Exist Julie Massey, Texas AgriLife Extension Service & Texas Sea Grant TMN and GBAC Overview, Today's Naturalist Diane Humes, GBAC Master Naturalist Field Observations as a Master Naturalist, Master Naturalist Explorations Dick Benoit and GBAC Master Naturalists
Thursday February 23 NOAA 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Turtles of the Gulf Steve Alexander, GBAC Master Naturalist Oysters Dr. Sammy Ray, TAMU Oyster Guru Turtle Barn
Thursday March 1 Sheldon State Park 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Drought Impact on Galveston Bay (might be the topic) Dr. John Jacob, Sea Grant Program Wetlands Function, Value, Restoration Marissa Sipocz, Sea Grant Program Wetland Plant Identification - Top 10 Plants Marissa Sipocz,/Diane Humes
Thursday March 8 Armand 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Native Wildlife Margaret Pickell, Wildlife Rehabilitator, GBAC Master Naturalist Plants are Precious Emmeline Dodd, GBAC Master Naturalist Prairie Restoration - Visit to the Nursery, Plant Bump-Up or Seedballs Dick Benoit, GBAC Master Naturalist
Thursday March 15	Spring Break – No Class! Enjoy!
March 22 Loc TBA 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Fish Identification/Squid Dissection Julie Massey/Nathan Veatch Trawling TPWD Gyotaku - Fish Printing Julie Massey, Texas AgriLife Extension Service & Texas Sea Grant

Thursday March 29 Armand Bayou Nature Center 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.	River Ecology Mark Krammer, Stewardship Manager, Armand Bayou Nature Center Non-Point Source Pollution Julie Massey (Concurrent Sessions with boat) Reptiles and Amphibians George Regmund, Stewardship Biologist, Armand Bayou Nature Center
Thursday April 5 Agrilife 3:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.	Insects and S'More Emmeline Dodd GBAC Master Naturalist Monitoring Mother Nature AT Monitoring Exhibits Chapter Meeting
Thursday April 12 Galveston Island State Park 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Coastal Marsh/Beach Field Trip Nathan Veatch, GBAC Master Naturalist Dr. Steve Alexander, GBAC Master Naturalist (Incorporate plants on beach and bay) Dune Restoration Dick Benoit, GBAC Master Naturalist
Thursday April 19 Texas City Dike/ Prairie Preserve 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Texas City Dike Nathan Veatch, GBAC Master Naturalist Dr. Steve Alexander, GBAC Master Naturalist Intro to TCPP, Attwaters Prairie Chicken, Restoration Efforts Tim O'Connel or Aaron Tjelmeland , TCPP Prairie Education Activity - Owl Pellet Dissection Mel Measels/Vic Madamba - GBAC Master Naturalist
Thursday April 26 Saint Matthews United Methodist Church, 1308 Weeks Avenue, High Island 77623 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.	Birds - Colonial and Migratory Winnie Burkett, Houston Audubon Society Birding Field Trip
Thursday May 3 Armand Bayou Nature Center 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Prairie Ecosystems Mark Kramer, Stewardship Mgr, ABNC Horticulture Working Together and With the Public Dr. William Johnson, Galveston County Extension Agent - Horticulture Can You Canoe? Bill Cooke, GBAC Master Naturalist & Armand Bayou

