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Dear GEAA members,

We hope you can participate in some of these great events coming up!

Enjoy the weekend-

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Guided Wildflower Hike

Hill Country Conservancy is hosting a FREE wildflower hike at one of their private conservation lands, Autumn Woods. The hike is on Saturday, May 9th and will be led by Cheyenne, their favorite Master Naturalist. Click here to register - only twenty spots are available!

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The Northwest Environmental Training Center is presenting the **National Water Quality Conference 2009** to be held on May 20 - 22 in San Antonio. This exciting and informative meeting will address the issues and discuss the technology of the quality and supply of the world's most valuable resource - water. This conference will intertwine four tracks through many workship sessions in this three-day conference. Click here for more information and to register.

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Please drop by the **Grey Forest Farmers Market** in the parking lot across from City Hall this Friday from 3 - 6pm to greet your friends and neighbors.

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American Farmland Trust Campaign

AFT has big plans this summer to raise awareness about farmland loss and the importance of using our food dollars wisely by supporting farmers in our regions! They are hosting the first ever **America's Favorite Farmers Market** contest. You will be able to vote for your community farmers market and tell AFT how you are going to make your voice heard in support of healthy farms, healthy food, and healthy communities. Click here for more information!

If your farmers market is not listed on the AFT site, please register it!

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Upper Cibolo Creek Workshop 1: "What Makes a Healthy Creek?"

Tuesday, May 12, 2009 9am - 12:30pm Cibolo Nature Center Auditorium

Dr. Kathy Ward presents the fundamentals of what makes the Cibolo Creek exemplary. This workshop covers land formations, the stream system, water cycle, riparian plant communities, and habitat diversity of Cibolo Creek. It includes maps, demonstrations, photographs, and creekside activities.

Limited to 12. Members \$15/person; Non-members \$20/person.

Pre-registration is required. Please call 830-249-4616 or email nature@cibolo.org to register!

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Upper Cibolo Creek Workshop 2: "Is the Water Clean?"

Tuesday, May 19, 2009 9am - 12:30pm Cibolo Nature Center Auditorium

Dr. Kathy Ward presents an "outdoor, on-the-creek" workshop that includes water chemistry tests, aquatic macro-invertebrate sampling, and an introduction to what these tests can tell us about "clean" water for different uses. We also will look at changes that are occurring in the Upper Cibolo Creek watershed and consider their impact on runoff flood and erosion.

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