



# NEWS

## BCCWMA Extravaganza

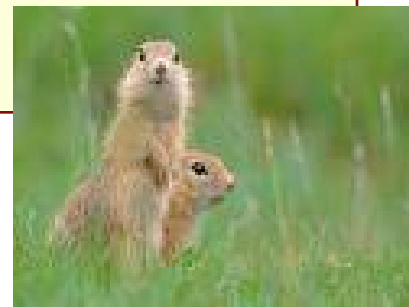
*(Bastrop-Caldwell County Wildlife Management Association)*



*Wildlife Society members participated in the BCCWMA Extravaganza on April 12th. Proceeds from the event are used to provide scholarships for students in Bastrop and Caldwell Counties, sponsor youth to attend educational wildlife/outdoor camps, sponsor educational wildlife programs, assist members with habitat and wildlife management activities, and to support other wildlife conservation organizations. The extravaganza featured many youth-oriented activities such as a "fishing pond", a moonwalk, archery, horseshoes, badminton, and volleyball. They also had a photo-contest which showcased many beautiful wildlife images, taken by old and young alike. Volunteers also got to enjoy free beverages, BBQ, and a chance at the raffle prizes. Congrats to Travis who won a hog-scent kit, or something. This is definitely one event that our society loves to do, and we will continue to have fun doing it. Thanks to the many volunteers that came out!*

### Upcoming Events

- May 6th: prep for shoot-out
- May 7th: Annual shoot-out and BBQ/ photo contest
- May 9th: TWA outdoor class in Dripping Springs
- Ongoing: Help at Freeman Ranch! Please help us rebuild the nature trail.
- Summer: Just because it's summer don't forget about us! Please stay connected through emails.





## HOW WOULD YOU DO IN THE QUIZ BOWL

The Quiz Bowl is held every year at the Texas Wildlife Society Chapter Meeting. This is a jeopardy-like competition between universities to quiz undergraduate's knowledge in wildlife. If you were a part of the team, how would you do?<sup>1</sup>

(Answers below)

1. Give the scientific name for the plain chachalaca.
2. Name the major disease of waterfowl characterized by an ascending paralysis, and occurrence during summer
3. The first game warden was employed in 1852. What state was he employed?
4. Name the feathers overlaying the bases of the primaries
5. Where was the drop net technique for turkeys developed?
6. What is the transparent substance between the lens and retina of eye?
7. Who responsible for quote, "conservation through wise use"?
8. The Shannon-Weiner function may be used to predict?
9. The curve or arc of a bullet after fired out of gun's barrel is called?
10. Black-tail and White-tail deer urinate upon which glands during the rutting season?

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<sup>1</sup>Answers 1. *Ortalis vetula* 2. avian botulism 3. Maine 4.greater primary coverts 5. Welder Wildlife Refuge 6. vitreous humor 7. Roosevelt 8. species diversity 9.trajjectory 10. tarsal gland



**Top:** *Pretty*

**Middle:** *The beautiful golden-cheeked warbler*

**Bottom:** *"The Flock" as titled by Dana Spontak*

#### FORT HOOD FIELD TRIP

At the beginning of April, Scott Summers gave us the unique opportunity to go on a tour of Fort Hood, home to many birds, including the endangered black-capped vireos and golden-cheeked warblers. It was well worth the effort of getting up at 5a.m. on a Sunday because not only did we see these endangered species, but we saw many other species as well. The following list includes all that we saw:

Northern Cardinal  
egret (cattle egret?)  
Carolina Chickadee  
Red Eyed Vireo  
White Eyed Vireo  
Cedar Waxwing  
Black and White Warbler (heard)  
Double Crested Cormorant  
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher  
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher  
Spotted Towhee  
Black Capped Vireo  
Lincoln's Sparrow (the dead one off the van's grill)  
Chipping Sparrow (?)  
Red Bellied/Golden Fronted Woodpecker (heard)  
Raven (heard)  
Swainson's Hawk  
Turkey Vulture and Black Vulture  
Upland Sandpiper  
American Kestrel  
Osprey  
Red-winged Blackbird (female)  
Eastern Bluebird  
Franklin's Gull  
Forster's Tern  
Brown Headed Cowbird (in the trap)  
Mourning Dove

Thanks to Sheng for compiling this list.



The Texas State University chapter of The Wildlife Society is composed of graduate and undergraduate students with varied interests and majors that come together to discuss wildlife issues, create educational opportunities for the public about wildlife, educate ourselves and have fun. We invite all majors to join our society and help us become more diverse and gain new perspective. If you have any questions concerning our organization, please contact our officers listed below.

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