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Happy New Year! JANUARY 2024

Boerne Chapter Native Plant Society of Texas Chapter Meeting Tuesday, January 2 Cibolo Nature Center Auditorium 6 - 6:45 pm - Check-in/Hospitality/Announcements 7 - 8:00 pm - Presentation 8 pm - Clean up*

*Please bring a dish to share. Volunteers will be needed to help with set up and clean up of the auditorium.

"City of Boerne's Environmental Programs" Presented by Ryan Bass

Mr. Ryan Bass will provide an overview of current environmental programs being conducted by the city, including the updated tree ordinance, dark sky initiatives, water conservation and surface water quality monitoring.

He will also detail how environmental protections found within the city's unified development code are applied to both commercial and residential development projects.

Mr. Bass is the Manager of Environmental Programs for the City of Boerne, his responsibilities include managing the design and construction contracts for capital improvement projects with a focus on water, wastewater, natural gas, electric distribution, roadway, pedestrian and facility infrastructure.

President's Message

Happy New Year Everyone! Welcome to 2024!

We got a lot accomplished in 2023 but really we were just scratching the surface. There are a lot of changes taking place in Boerne and the Native Plant Society of Texas' involvement is more important than ever.

The first speaker of the year is Mr. Ryan Bass, Environmental Program Manager for the City of Boerne. He will share with us what is on the horizon for the Boerne. We can use this opportunity to share with him our thoughts and hopefully influence what we want the City to address and protect.

Your involvement is important. Please make time to come on Tuesday, January 2. Come and celebrate post New Year's with us.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone,

Felicia Zeitman

Dates to Remember

Tuesday, Jan. 2 - Chapter Meeting
Cibolo Nature Center Auditorium @ 6 pmSaturday, Jan. 13 - Second Saturday
Cibolo Nature Center from 9 - Noon with Veronica HawkTuesday, Jan. 16 - Boerne Chapter NPSOT Board Meeting

Christmas Party 2023 Fun!



Chapter Hospitality

The Tuesday, January 2, Chapter Meeting will be a pot-luck dinner.

Please bring a dish and/or dessert to share with group. As always, BYOB.

Marianne Manger and Cynthia Brown will be our new Hospitality cohosts beginning in February. They will have a volunteer sign-up sheet available at the January dinner.

Please plan to come early and help set up for the meeting and stay afterward to assist with clean-up.

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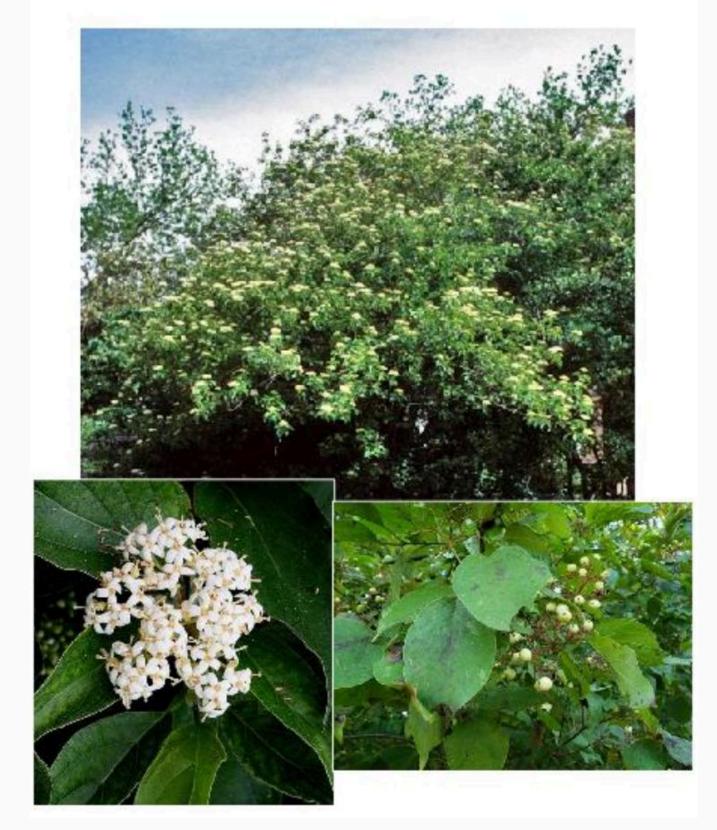
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(Natives Instead of Common Exotics) and (Natives Improve and Conserve Environments)

NICE! Plant of the Month January

Rough-Leaf Dogwood Cornus drummondii



Photographs taken by: Wasowski, Sally and Andy, Smith, R.W. Moore, April,

Native Grown article by Delmar Cain: https://npsot.org/posts/rough-leaf-dogwood-a-nice-tree-for-a-wet-spot/

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