Gateway Project is Underway!
Construction has begun on our much anticipated renovation project. We are excitedly looking forward to touring the improvements: a new bathroom, sensory garden, enhanced native plantings, directional park signage, and more when the project is completed in late December. The Center and the majority of Russ Pitman Park are open for visitors and programs during the construction period. Visitors should park in our south parking lot off of Evergreen St. and enjoy a walk down the main path to the Nature Center. For more details visit my-ndc.org/gateway

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2 Days of Fall Festival FUN!
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Top 3 Things I Learned as an NDC Intern

by Tyler Richards

Lizards aren’t so frightening. Going into this internship I had an irrational fear of lizards, especially the little ones, which I found out are called Anoles. I didn’t like how they look, move, eat, and everything in between. While working at the Nature Discovery Center, I was able to spend more time observing them than I ever had before. It turns out these little critters are kind of cute. I’ve seen them jump from branch to branch, drink from a leaky hose, and hunt for food. I was even lucky enough to watch a Carolina Green Anole catch and eat a spider. Gross, but exciting.

Plants look sad when they need water. When a plant is lacking sufficient amounts of water, their leaves lose what is called turgor pressure and will then wilt, meaning they look droopy. One could even feel bad for them at that point. This helps the Park Steward know which areas need watering on any given day.

Non-native organisms are a problem in Houston. Before the introduction of people, the Houston area used to be a grand playground for the various organisms that populated it. When non-native plants and animals were introduced here, our natives were easily out competed. If non-native species are not soon controlled, then we will continue to see fewer of our native plants and animals.

Hogs, Nutria, Chinese Tallow, and bamboo are some examples of non-native organisms in Texas. In the park, we are working to remove Chinese Privet and Ligustrum, non-native species that were brought in by previous landowners.

Interning at the Nature Discovery Center has been a fun and intriguing way to spend my summer. In particular, our Park Steward and my mentor Mary Ann Beauchemin made me feel welcome, happy and useful in this NDC family. Russ Pitman Park is a hidden treasure in Houston and everyone should take some time to come experience the wonders within.

We are so grateful for Tyler and all of his hard work out in the park this summer! His positive attitude, his willingness to jump right in and help wherever help was needed, and the way he took initiative when tackling projects in the park will really be missed. Thanks, Tyler!

Center Welcomes New Weekend Naturalist

Kate Carney

Kate hails from Wisconsin and recently made Houston her home. She was formerly the Lead Educator for an environmental nonprofit in Milwaukee, and loved creating opportunities for people to connect to their environment. She is in awe of the beauty of nature and finds inspiration in the moments when she helps make connections between people and the natural environment. She started at the Nature Discovery Center as a volunteer and is excited to share her love of the outdoors and animals at the center with the families that visit on the weekends.
Don’t Miss Pumpkin Patch

Winner of the 2014 Macaroni Kid Gold Daisy Award for Best Fall Festival in SW Houston/Fort Bend County

Saturday & Sunday, October 15 & 16 from 11 am to 4 pm both days rain or shine!

Our Pumpkin Patch fall festival will return to Russ Pitman Park this fall despite the ongoing construction around the Nature Discovery Center building. Come experience the fun in picking out and buying the perfect pumpkins for your porch, taking wagon rides, and playing games. Vendors will be selling bows, wreaths, sea glass and other wonderful items. Don’t miss the food trucks, bounce houses, and the Tub of Fun.

The main entrance will be on Evergreen street and we will be selling tickets for games, activities and food under the tent in the Evergreen parking lot. Ticket prices for activities, games, food and pumpkins vary, but admission is free. See you there!

Call 713-667-6550, email Anne at aeisner@naturediscoverycenter.org, or visit us online at my-ndc.org/pumpkin-patch for more information.

See page 9 for information about volunteering at this year’s Pumpkin Patch.

Reserve Your Seat at the “From the Roots Up” Twilight Gala

Urban parks are experiencing a renaissance across the United States and Houston is no exception. Communities agree that we need nature nearby – this allows us to enjoy the beauty of the outdoors, feel the seasons change and hear the birds sing. It also encourages physical activity, brings back memories of forgotten childhood adventures, and offers rare moments of tranquility that serve as an antidote to the daily hustle and bustle.

While this wave of park support is a great step, the founding donors of Russ Pitman Park were undoubtedly park trailblazers for their time. We owe our existence to a remarkable grassroots effort, which began in 1979 with the formation of Friends of Bellaire Parks, Inc., now Nature Discovery Center, Inc. In the early 1980s, the organization raised the funds for the acquisition of the then million dollar 4-acre Henshaw estate, now Russ Pitman Park. Today, the Nature Discovery Center serves Greater Houston with a dual mission of park preservation and nature science programming. Each year over 40,000 lives are touched through the Nature Discovery Center’s year-round classes and events.

Please join us on Friday, November 18th, 2016, as the Nature Discovery Center celebrates the 22nd annual Twilight Gala at the Houstonian Hotel. The theme this year, From the Roots Up, is in recognition of the founding donors of Russ Pitman Park. Jayne and Garrett Johnston are the gala chairs. All funds raised support science and nature education and outreach programs.

“Hands down, this is the most important fundraising activity of the year for the Center, which provides a unique hands-on learning experience for children throughout Greater Houston,” remarked Henry Owen, Nature Discovery Center Executive Director. “We are an accessible greenspace for kids and their families, schools, and groups serving underprivileged youth, and many other organizations. The money raised this evening allows us to continue this vital educational programming that uses Russ Pitman Park as an outdoor teaching tool.”

Last year’s gala raised in excess of $110,000. More than 300 guests attended this evening featuring live and silent auctions, as well as dinner and dancing.

For more information including table purchases, tickets, and donations see the Twilight Gala website at www.naturediscoverycenter.org/twilight
children’s programs

Fall Children’s Classes with Mr. Eric

Sign-up for individual classes that meet your hectic schedules, or for a full semester of topics that will inspire your children! To become a Member before registering and receive Member discounts, visit my-ndc.org/join To register for classes, visit my-ndc.org/classes-camps

Curious Kids
Ages: 3 - 5 years old with adult
Preschoolers and their parents or adult caregivers will learn basic science concepts in hands-on classes that encourage and celebrate natural curiosity! Curious Kids lessons may incorporate live animals, plants, natural objects, crafts, puppets, stories, songs, and nature walks.

Cost per Class:
$15 Member OR $20 Non-member

Members-Only Full Semester Discount Price: $195

Tuesdays - 10 am or 4 pm (1 hr 15 min)

Dates & Topics:
09/13 – Plant Power
09/20 – Fantastic Fruits
09/27 – Investigating Insects
10/04 – Amazing Beetles
10/11 – Animals in Autumn
10/18 – Awesome Owls
10/25 – All About Bats
11/01 – Meet the Mushrooms
11/08 – Flying Animals
11/15 – Water Animals
11/22 – Thanksgiving Nature
11/29 – Bunny Basics
12/06 – What Is Wild?
12/13 – What Is Winter?
12/20 – Winter Nature Crafts

Junior Scientists
Ages: 6 - 10 years old
Our Junior Scientists explore the natural world and examine a variety of science themes through hands-on investigations and experiments, and in lessons enriched with crafts, games, and more!

Cost per Class:
$15 Member OR $20 Non-member

Members-Only Full Semester Discount Price: $190

Thursdays - 4 pm - 5:30 pm

Dates & Topics:
09/15 – The Plants: Basic Botany
09/22 – The Science of Fruit
09/29 – Entomology: The Insects
10/06 – Basic Beetle Biology
10/13 – Animals in Autumn
10/20 – Our Amazing Owls
10/27 – All About Bats
11/03 – Mycology: The Mushrooms
11/10 – Animal Flight
11/17 – Aquatic Animals

Thanksgiving Holiday
12/01 – The Habits of Rabbits
12/08 – Wild and Domestic
12/15 – The Science of Winter
12/22 – Nature Crafts for Animals

If you have a group of 5+ kids (5-10 yrs old), you can request a class, or a series of classes on most nature/science topics. Call Staff Naturalist, Eric Duran at 713.667.6550 for more info.

Winter Break Day Camps Coming in December

Ages 5 - 10
One day camps meet from 9:00 - 3:30 each day, with optional After Care until 5:30. Kids bring a lunch and we provide snacks and water.

Cost/day: $49 member / $59 nonmember
After Care/day: $15

Camp dates and topics will be announced this fall. Look for camp announcements on our website, on Facebook, and in your email, and register for our Winter Break Camps online later this fall.
Meet the Animals Sunday Afternoon

Spend a Sunday afternoon at the Center getting to know our animals with up close and personal animal encounters! Each family friendly Meet the Animal session includes: hands-on exposure to live animals and/or specimens, an informal discussion about the animal’s basic biology and behavior, and a question and answer period with one of our Staff Naturalists. Some sessions may also include surprises like opportunities to feed the animals or guest appearances by animals not usually seen in our Discovery Rooms.

Sunday afternoons at 2 pm

Upcoming Dates:
September 11 - Furry & Feathery Friends
November 13 - Insects & Creepy Crawlers

Cost: $10/family

This is a drop-in program. Advanced registration is not required. As a courtesy, please call us at 713.667.6550 if you know you plan to come with a group of 6 or more.

A Walk on the Wild Side!
with Mary Ann Beauchemin

Come explore and learn more about the wild side of nature in the city with our fun, family friendly nature walks in Russ Pitman Park. Join us while we sneak up on lizards, peer through a spotting scope for close up looks at honey bees or birds, discover the latest blooms and their pollinators in our Pocket Prairie, spy on the secret life of animals that hide under logs, and investigate more seasonal nature surprises! Learn some tips to explore nature with your family. Walks are about an hour long.

Upcoming Dates:
Saturday, October 22 at 10 am
Sunday, November 6 at 10 am
Saturday, December 10 at 10 am

Cost: members - FREE
nonmembers - $5/family

Meet: on the front porch of the center

Registration is not required. As a courtesy, please call us at 713.667.6550 if you plan to come with a group of 6 or more.

Park After Dark Night Hikes

September 30 at 8 pm
October 21 at 8 pm

Come learn about the animals that are out and about in Russ Pitman Park once the sun goes down. Bring your family and join us for a guided night walk through the park. These night “hikes” are perfect for adults and children ages 4 and up.

Night walks will begin at the Evergreen Street parking lot. Programs include an introduction to the animals we are likely to find and the best ways to find them, followed by a guided exploration through the park.

Cost: members $8; nonmembers $10

Reservations required. Visit my-ndc.org/night-hike to sign up.

Bring: Bug spray & a flashlight

Family Nature Bike Tour of Brays Bayou

November 6 at 2 pm

Join us for a leisurely nature oriented biking tour of Brays Bayou with Staff Naturalist Eric Duran. We’ll learn about the nature and ecology of the bayou, and identify the wildlife that share this urban habitat. There will be wildflowers and summer waterbirds along the path to learn about. It will be a fun and informative tour, good for the whole family.

Cost: members $8; nonmembers $10
ages 4 years old & up

Advance registration required. Register online at my-ndc.org/bike soon to reserve your spots!
### Monday Morning Gardening

**with Mary Ann Beauchemin**

Are you an adult who is interested in gardening? Want to learn more about native plant gardening, non-native invasive species and help us care for the park at the same time?

Adults are welcome to join us on the first Monday of the month, starting in October when the weather cools down a bit, for some light gardening that helps us care for the park. We’ll be removing some invasive species, growing out & planting natives, watering plants and more.

- No experience necessary. Experienced staff will work with you & guide you through projects.

Please contact Mary Ann Beauchemin, our Park Steward, in advance if you are interested in coming or have any questions. mbeauch@naturediscoverycenter.org

Note: If you are interested in volunteer gardening, but cannot make it on the dates below, contact Mary Ann. Perhaps you can help on another day!

**October 3, November 7 & December 5 from 9:30 am to Noon**

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### Tree Identification Walks

**Saturdays, 10 am to 11 am**

**Upcoming Dates:**

- September 3, October 1, November 5, December 3

Interested in learning how to identify local trees? Jim McKee, a Master Naturalist, tree lover, and bird watcher will once again be leading tree identification walks in the park each month this fall. Jim shares lots of interesting information and historical facts about the many species of trees we have in Russ Pitman Park as well as how to identify them. You might even have some of the same kind of trees in your own yard. Come learn more about them. Join us for one or all of the walks!

**NEW MEETING SPOT (due to our construction project):** Meet by the bulletin board next to the Russ Pitman Park parking lot on Evergreen Street across from Evergreen Pool.

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### Willow Waterhole Bird Surveys

The Nature Discovery Center is partnering with Houston Audubon to conduct the monthly urban Willow Waterhole bird survey. Mary Ann Beauchemin, Senior Naturalist at the NDC is leading these surveys on the 3rd Saturday of each month except December. The monthly Bird Survey at Willow Waterhole lets both researchers and birders study how the creation of retention ponds can attract birds to urban areas as well as how populations of species change over time in this urban setting. Visit my-ndc.org/willowwaterhole for details.

**Upcoming Saturday Surveys:**

- September 17 at 7 am, October 15 and November 19 at 8 am

We would love to have you volunteer to help out with this survey! Beginning birders can help spot birds and more experienced birders can help with identification. We break into 3 or 4 groups to try and cover a good portion of the park. Trails are fairly easy walking and the survey takes about 2 hours. **We meet in the parking lot of the Gathering Place at 5310 South Willow Drive, Houston.**
Natural Discovery Center Co-sponsors Family Friendly ‘Swift Night Out’ Events

Join us for our family friendly ‘Swift Night Out’ events this fall. Check your calendars and see if you can help count the swelling numbers of Chimney Swifts migrating through Houston. We will watch Chimney Swifts swoop and soar over their roosts and count them as they enter their chimneys. It's great, free, family fun!

Bring a folding chair (if you care to sit down) and mosquito repellent! Binoculars are optional (the swifts are visible with the naked eye as they enter the chimney). For all of the details and updates about these events, see my-ndc.org/swifts.

Friday, September 2 - Swift Night Out - Nature Discovery Center - 7:30 pm
Friday, September 18 - Swift Night Out - Lakeview Elementary (Sugarland) - 7:30 pm

We are proud to co-sponsor these annual ‘Swift Night Out’ events with our partners Houston Audubon, Lakeview Elementary, Whole Foods Market - Bellaire, and Whole Foods Market - Sugarland.

Swiffs Over Houston

Who doesn’t love a bird that eats mosquitoes! Every Tuesday evening at dusk, from the beginning of April through October 18th, a team of volunteers count Chimney Swifts as they enter chimneys to roost for the night in the Houston area. Please feel free to drop in any evening and join us!

Count Locations:
1. SW corner of the Whole Foods Parking Lot, 4004 Bellaire Blvd, Houston TX
2. Parking lot on the north side of Pershing Middle School, entrance off of Stella Link.

Smith Point Hawk Watch Birding Trip for Senior Members

Friday, October 7, 8 am – 6 pm

Mary Ann Beauchemin will lead a fall birding trip for NDC Members to the Smith Point Hawk Watch at the height of raptor migration. This trip will be open to any NDC Member who is age 50 or over by October 7, 2016.

We have scheduled a free Seniors’ bus from Harris County, Precinct 3. Our thanks go to Steve Radack and Harris County, Precinct 3, for providing this service. In order to ride on the bus, county regulations require that you must be at least 50 years old on or before the trip to be eligible to join us.

We will leave at 8 am and will return about 6 pm. As hawks utilize rising thermals from the heated ground to soar, we will not need to arrive at Smith Point until about 9:30 or 10 am. After 2 or 3 pm, when it slows down, we can take a little tour around Smith Point itself to look for other birds and migrating butterflies. If there is time, we’ll move on to Anahuac until it is time to return to the Center.

This popular trip will soon be FULL. If it is full when you go to register, please do join the Wait List for it online. There are often cancellations as the trip date nears.

For more information and/or to register online, visit my-ndc.org/hawk-watch

Be sure to check out our upcoming Willow Waterhole Bird Surveys on the 3rd Saturdays of every month (except December). See page 6 for details.
Ms. Anne’s Summer Outreach Programs Were in High Demand!

Ms. Anne took science shows on the road to libraries, day care and learning centers, and summer camps throughout the Greater Houston Area and beyond this summer. Along with our bunnies, turtles, tarantula, snake, and bearded dragon, Anne gave over 50 summer outreach presentations!

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Don’t Miss Our Fall Classes & Winter Break Camps!

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Special Thanks to ...

Tyler Richards for his help this summer as our Assistant Park Steward. In 8 short weeks Tyler was happy to help care for the park, work on any and all projects, and help prepare for Gateway Phase Two. He also devised a method of estimating the number of park visitors, supervised volunteers, and much more! Tyler’s position was funded through the Shell Nonprofit Internship Program, which is managed by Volunteer Houston.

Terrell Sword for helping us obtain an estimate for irrigation throughout the park, assessing the condition of our water lines, and repairing our drinking fountains! He also repaired a leak at a main valve and updated the system.

Ian Robbins for the many tedious hours he spent renaming photos for our new photo library.

Huge thanks to our Head Counselors Amara Ghorbani and Christina Whitehouse for their dedication to this very important position! From 8:30am to 5:30 pm, they helped our Summer Science Camp teachers make sure that all of our campers were safe and fed and that they had fun!

Get Involved in Pumpkin Patch!

Friday, October 14 - Pumpkin Unloading from 4 pm to 5 pm

Saturday & Sunday, October 15 & 16
Event shifts from: 8:30 am to 10:45am, 10:45 am to 1:45 pm, 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm

Scout groups, school clubs, service organizations, families and individuals all make great volunteers for this annual event. We need people to help with set up, clean up, and a variety of activities during the event. Call Anne Eisner at 713.667.6550 for more information about volunteering, or email Anne at: aeisner@naturediscoverycenter.org. You may also visit my-ndc.org/pumpkin-patch to learn about the event.
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