

## UP NEXT:

### Hike Spring Creek Nature Area

Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 AM.

Lunch nearby after the hike.

Come on out for a hike through the Spring Creek Nature Area in Richardson.

Let's explore the new trail that opened recently. We'll hike some of the new path and some of the old. There are always options for shorter hikes for anyone that would like to hike a little less distance.

Meet at the park and playground area at Plano Rd and Braeburn Drive. There are restrooms that may be open.

Directions: From Central Expwy, take Campbell Rd east to Plano Rd. Go north on Plano Rd to Braeburn Drive and turn right.

Shirley Meurer  
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**Holiday Party 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday, December 8, 2019**

**Shirley's Home  
2602 Foxboro Drive  
Garland, TX 75044**

**Remember to bring a food item to share and beverage of your choice. If you want to participate, a \$15 Gift exchange with something fun and creative with an outdoor theme.**

### Next TOWN Meeting

**TUESDAY NOVEMBER 5, 2019**

La Madeleine  
11930 Preston Road  
Dallas, TX 75230  
6:30 p.m.

Guests always welcome

**ANNUAL DUES ARE \$20**

### Huntsville State Park-- Camping

**Nov 14, Thurs - Nov 17, Sunday checkout**

Please join us at Huntsville State Park and camp among the beautiful East Texas Piney Woods and lakes. Activities are endless with hiking, biking, fishing, renting canoes, kayaks, and paddle boats. The Park also has bird and wildlife blinds, a nature center, and geocaching. Oh, and relaxing under the magnificent trees or by the lake.

The Park is located 6 miles SW of Huntsville off I-45 South. It is about a 3-3.5 hour drive from Dallas. We have 3 water-only sites reserved.

\*\*A \$10 deposit will be required for this trip due to more stringent cancellation rules enacted for 2019. Sign-up sheet is available at our TOWN monthly meetings or by contacting trip leader Sherry Flowers. Contact info below.

November is a perfect time to camp in Texas so hope you can join us!!

Sherry Flowers  
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# 2020

## Alaska in August 2020 Mountain to Sea Adventure

### Cedar Creek Lake Weekend January 24-26

Come join us on a Winter Away January 24-26 for a weekend out of the metroplex! I have secured a beautiful lake home on Cedar Creek in Mabank. It's all on one level and it has a dock where we can sit and look out over the lake. Not far away is Purtil Creek SP if we decide to visit and take a hike. It will cost a little less than \$100 (either \$89 or \$74 each) for the weekend, depending on how many sign up. We have a limit of 12. \$10 reservation fee, please, when you sign up. The full amount is expected to be paid by our January meeting. Text me (214-335-8581) or sign up at the next meeting

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### Looking Ahead

**Inks Lake State Park – February 20-23,**  
Thursday – Sunday

Trip Leader Barb Minyard – [barb\\_gran@yahoo.com](mailto:barb_gran@yahoo.com)

**Dinosaur Valley State Park – March 26-29,**  
Thursday – Sunday

Trip Leader Nancy Lee - [nlee002@tx.rr.com](mailto:nlee002@tx.rr.com)

**Cap Rock Canyon State Park – April 23-26,**  
Thursday-Sunday

Trip Leader Dale Dickerson – [dale.maytx@gmail.com](mailto:dale.maytx@gmail.com)

**Wichita National Wildlife Refuge – May**

**14-17,** Thursday-Sunday

Trip Leader Shirley Meurer – [sameurer@yahoo.com](mailto:sameurer@yahoo.com)

### Overview from Tracie Pendergrast, The Alaska Canoe School

Your adventure is an up-close authentic Alaskan experience. You'll travel over 600 miles from our hometown, Fairbanks, in the interior of Alaska, through the Alaska Range, and the Chugach Mountains, then on to the coast in Homer with a few side visits. The drive maximizes opportunities to view majestic vistas and spot wildlife along the way. Whatever the weather, you will also get to explore by the country up close by foot, kayak and canoe and meet and learn from some of the interesting people who live and play year-round in Alaska.

You'll start in Fairbanks Alaska at the Morris Thompson Visitor and Cultural Center at 9:00 am on 8/1/2020 and stay in Fairbanks 1 night. You'll spend 2 nights in Denali National Park and 2 nights at Chugach State Park before heading to Homer / Kachemak for 4 nights, then finish the trip in Anchorage for 1 night. Dates for this trip are 8/1/2020 to 8/11/2020. Rates are \$4250 Double Room or \$5450 Single Room for this 10 night trip. Meals included are all breakfasts, seven lunches and four dinners.

For more details or to reserve your spot on the trip contact Shirley Meurer at [sameurer@yahoo.com](mailto:sameurer@yahoo.com) There are a few spots left for this trip and deposits are due soon!



**Cooper Lake State Park  
October 11-14**