

DALLAS, TX

MARCH 2021

Robbie Chandler has set up a ZOOM call for anyone who would like to join. In order to participate, send Robbie an email at [rbbchandler@yahoo.com](mailto:rbbchandler@yahoo.com). She will send you a link to join the meeting. With this link you do not need to download the ZOOM app. The call will last 40 minutes max and it would be great to see you on a call!

## ZOOM Meeting in March

**Monday March 8th  
at 7:00 PM**

**Guests always welcome**

**ANNUAL DUES ARE \$20**

Dues paid in 2020 will cover your membership through 2021

## NEW COMMUNICATION TOOL

We are using the [TOWNDALLAS@Groups.io](mailto:TOWNDALLAS@Groups.io) tool for most communications for the TOWN group. Since there isn't much going on right now the message traffic has been very low. Once we are able to gather again this will be the method to communicate events, activities and with all members at once.



## April Hike

Barb Cutter has offered to lead a hike in April. Save the date, April 10<sup>th</sup>, more details coming soon. Fort Worth Nature Center. <https://www.fwnaturecenter.org/>

## March Hike

**Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup> at 11:00, Hagerman National Wildlife Refuge**

Meet at the visitor center in Hagerman National Wildlife Refuge. The plan is to caravan (about 2.2 miles) to the trail head for the Meadow Pond Trail. Bring a mask, water and any sustenance you might need for this 5.7 mile trail. The trail is easy, flat and marked at each mile for the out and back trip. You can do as much or little as you would like. There is very little shade on the trail so a hat and sunscreen might be important.

After the hike you might want to explore the refuge. There are more trails to hike, bird watching, fishing and an Audio Auto Tour.

**For more information and directions to the refuge <https://www.fws.gov/refuge/hagerman/>**

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# Northeast Texas Trail

I ran across a website for the Northeast Texas Trail recently and took note because I was recently in Farmersville, the start of this trail, where there is a great little ice cream shop.

I see potential for a day trip, biking or walking with a sweet treat at the end.

Here is an excerpt from the website:

*Our trail begins at the Audie L. Murphy Head near the Historic Onion Shed in Downtown Farmersville, a restored building from the 1930s*

*that was once used as a loading dock for the onion industry. You can enjoy 2.5 miles of concrete, and 2.5 miles of granite maintained by the City of Farmersville or, travel as far as 132 miles to New Boston on this secured and primitive trail which was previously used as the railroad right-of-way. When the pavement ends, expect a crushed stone surface suitable for hiking, mountain biking, or horseback riding.*

Check it out! <https://netexastrail.org/>



We had a fun hike at the Preserve in February. The trails were mostly dry despite the forecast of potentially wet conditions. Cloudy and 35 degrees make perfect hiking weather.  
Carol B., Barb C., Ann M., Cathy H. and Shirley