

TOWN



NEWS

DALLAS, TX

APRIL 2022

TOWN Meetings will be held on the second Monday of the month.

Our next meeting will be Monday, April 11th, 6:00 to 7:30

We will meet in the picnic area of the SpringPark Neighborhood Clubhouse. The picnic area is located below the Tennis Courts with 10 picnic tables and plenty of shade.
3330 SpringPark Way Garland, TX 75044

Meeting schedule for 2022

April 11th - outdoor location - picnic area of the SpringPark Clubhouse
May 9th - outdoor location - picnic area of the SpringPark Clubhouse
June 13th - no meeting
July 11th - no meeting
August 8th - indoor location TBD
September 12th - indoor location TBD
October 10th - outdoor location TBD
November 14th - no meeting
December 12th - no meeting

Annual dues are \$20 for 2022

Coming Up

*Cabin at Medicine Park & Wichita Mountains
National Wildlife Refuge May 5-8 - Shirley Meurer
*Day of Fun at Cedar Creek Lake Saturday August 13th - Mary and Mar

It's time to start thinking about summertime adventures and fall camping trips. National Park reservations can be made 6 months in advance and Texas State Park reservations can be made 5 months out. If you would like to lead a day outing, weekend trip or a completely different activity, now is the time to get started. Game night, Museum visit, Happy Hour, outdoor concert, dinner out, checking out one of the many festivals are just some activities I can think of.

March Hike



We were not expecting rain but as we got out of our cars at the trail head it started to drizzle. Fortunately the rain did not last and we had a nice hike and a pleasant lunch at Menas Tex Mex Grill nearby.

Up next

What? Hike Cedar Ridge Preserve

When? Wednesday, April 13th at 10:00 AM
Who? Trip leader Shirley Meurer
sameurer@yahoo.com

Where? 7171 Mountain Creek Parkway, Dallas TX 75249

How Much? Suggested donation is \$3

Meet outside the restrooms for a 4-5 mile hike on dirt trails. We'll do a route combining the Cattail Pond, Cedar Brake, Fossil Valley and Escarpment Trails. Bring water and maybe a snack to enjoy by the Cattail Pond. We'll go for lunch after our hike.

The preserve will close if the trails are wet due to recent rains. For a trail map and other information go to [Cedar Ridge Preserve](http://CedarRidgePreserve)

Photos from Possum Kingdom



What happens when you're camping in 40 mile an hour winds at Possum Kingdom SP? You execute an emergency breakfast plan at the Fox Hollow Resort across the lake.



You get busy and get a wind screen set up for the rest of the trip. Landscape fabric around the poles worked amazingly well! Barb Minyard is always thinking ahead.



We have a new hand washing station for our trips. It's easy to set up and use and will come in handy when we're not near the restrooms.



Although we always have good food, we ate exceptionally well this trip, including a Birthday cake for someone very special! Friday night dinner was Shrimp Creole

SHRIMP CREOLE RECIPE OF BETTY LANE FLEMMING'S

1 cup chopped onion
1/2 cup diced celery
1 clove garlic, minced
3 T salad oil
1 T flour
1 t salt
1 T sugar

1 T chili powder
1 cup water
1 c tomatoes (I use 1 can petite chopped tomatoes)
1 T vinegar
1 pound shrimp (raw, cleaned, tail off)

Cook onions, celery and garlic in hot salad oil in skillet over medium heat until tender – about 10 minutes. Add flour, salt, sugar and chili powder which have been mixed with $\frac{1}{4}$ cup of the water. Add remaining water and simmer uncovered over low heat for 15 minutes. Add tomatoes, vinegar and shrimp. Heat thoroughly. Serve over rice.