



March 2016 - Newsletter

## MISSION

The Texas Hill Country Trail Region will preserve, protect and promote the cultural, historic and natural resources of its 19 counties.

## VISION

The Texas Hill Country Trail Region will develop partnerships to protect our heritage and sustain our natural and cultural resources through promotion, preservation, education and tourism.



## Preservation Texas Announces 13th Annual List of Most Endangered Historic Places

### Sites in Dallas, El Paso, Laredo, Lubbock, Marshall, San Antonio among places named to the 2016 list

Austin, Texas (PR MediaRelease) February 17, 2016

Historic neighborhoods in El Paso and Laredo, a landmark building on San Antonio's Alamo Plaza, Dallas's modern Salvation Army building, an east Texas airport terminal and rural farmsteads, log cabins and country schools are among the fourteen sites that Preservation Texas, Inc. will name to its thirteenth annual list of *Texas' Most Endangered Places*.

Preservation Texas officials will formally announce the selections at historic Wooldridge Park in Austin on Thursday afternoon, February 18, 2016 at 12:15 pm as part of its Preservation Texas 2016 Summit. The announcement in the park is free and open to the public. Of the nearly 130 sites listed since 2004, only eight have been lost.

"The 2016 list draws attention to historic structures that are taken for granted, and will be lost without direct action," said Evan Thompson, executive director of Preservation Texas. The sites on the 2016 list represent culturally, historically and architecturally significant historic places that are at risk. They also more broadly represent larger categories of sites that are endangered across Texas

Read more at > <http://prmediarelease.com/preservation-texas-announces-13th-annual-list-of-most-endangered-historic-places/> - sthash.yblneHKz.dpbs

## Featured Events in the Texas Hill Country

### Cedar Park

March 5, 2016 and repeats every Saturday until April 2nd

#### Hill Country Flyer

Austin Steam Train, 401 E. Whitestone Blvd., Ste. C-100

Cedar Park, TX 78613

Phone: 512-477-8468



This 66 mile round trip excursion journeys through the Texas Hill Country, crossing the wooden trestle bridge over the South San Gabriel River and Short Creek Canyon. During the two hour layover in Burnet you can enjoy lunch on your own, a leisurely stroll around the historic town square and the Wild West Gunfight (weather permitting). Finally, relax and enjoy our historic cars as the train returns to Cedar Park in the afternoon. All cars are pulled by our 1960 Alco diesel locomotive. Parties of two may be seated at shared tables. This ride is 6 hours round trip with a 2 hour layover. SCHEDULE: Departs 10:00 AM, Returns 4:00 PM. <http://www.austinsteamtrain.org>

### Georgetown

Guided Tours of Williamson County Courthouse

When :

Every Friday 1:30pm, 2:30pm and 3:30pm

Where :

716 South Austin Avenue, Georgetown, TX



Free-guided tours of Williamson County's recently restored Courthouse are available courtesy of the Williamson Museum. Visible for miles around, the imposing beautiful neoclassical structure is the focal point of the central business district and the fifth structure to serve as a county courthouse. Please arrive at the museum a few minutes before tours are scheduled to begin. The museum is located on the Square at 716 South Austin Avenue, just across the street from the Courthouse. Tours are given on Fridays and Saturdays at 1:30, 2:30 and 3:30 pm with the exception of holidays. For tour information, call (512) 943-1670, or visit: <http://www.WilliamsonMuseum.org>

### Stonewall

Saturday April 2, 2016 from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM CDT

LBJ National Historical Park - LBJ Ranch

144 Park Road 49

Stonewall, TX 78671



We are excited this Hill Country tradition, the LBJ 100 Bicycle Tour, continues for its 9th year. We are grateful for the support of businesses, individuals and organizations for their continued support that keeps the LBJ 100 a premier Hill Country ride. We are happy to welcome the veterans of Operation Comfort and Team Red, White, and Blue to the head of the start line this year. It is always our great pleasure to recognize the service and sacrifice of members of the United States Armed Forces. <http://www.lbj100.bike> or <http://www.friendsoflbjnationalpark.org/>

## HILL COUNTRY HAPPENINGS....

The Texas Hill Country Trail Region partners met in January at the Landmark Inn State Historic Site located at 402 E. Florence Street in Castroville. Our partners were able to take an amazing site tour to hear the history and to see all of the many new and improved offerings the Landmark Inn State Historic Site has available to their visitors. Several of our partners met for a delicious lunch at the Castroville Cafe' prior to our meeting which is located right across the street!



### JOIN US FOR OUR NEXT MEETING....



Texas Hill Country Trail

March Meeting

Thursday, March 17, 2016

1:00 p.m.

Meeting Location:

Lyndon B. Johnson National Historical Park - Event Center

100 E. Lady Bird Lane

Johnson City, TX 78636

830-868-7128

Optional Tour and  
Lunch Listed Below:

11:00 am Tour of The  
Hill Country Science  
Mill - 101 S. Lady Bird  
Lane

11:45 am Dutch Treat  
Lunch at Pecan Street  
Brewing - 106 E. Pecan  
Drive

Please RSVP to  
[hctrail@verizon.net](mailto:hctrail@verizon.net)  
for any of these  
optional items so we  
will know how many  
to plan for!



PDF Brochure Downloads

	Statewide	Brazos	Forest	Forts	Hill Co.	Indep.	Lakes	MTN	Pecos	Plains	Trop.
Oct. 2015	411	224	226	202	287	406	181	172	246	311	260
Nov. 2015	426	245	211	198	276	421	151	191	251	256	266
Dec. 2015	405	186	210	198	313	652	167	194	229	255	275

(Source: AWStats)

Print Brochure Fulfillment Statistics (October, November and December 2015)

Guide name & # per box	Statewide	Brazos*	Forest	Forts	Hill Co.	Indep*	Lakes*	MTN	Pecos	Plains	Tropical
60	60		200	200	200			200	375	*	200
Calls & Written Requests	107	0	80	33	83	0	0	29	31	0	29
Southern Living	496	0	496	496	496	0	0	496	496	0	496
Texas Highways	43	0	43	43	43	0	0	43	43	0	43
Texas Monthly	177	0	177	177	177	0	0	177	177	0	177
Tour Texas	100	0	100	100	100	0	0	100	100	0	100
TTIA Insert	5309	0	5309	5309	5309	0	0	5309	5309	0	5309
TX State Travel Guide Leads	289	0	289	289	289	0	0	289	289	0	289
Website	310	0	107	119	140	0	0	104	103	0	93
# Boxes Requested	73	0	6	12	21	0	0	12	5	0	13
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11,211</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7,801</b>	<b>8,966</b>	<b>10,837</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,947</b>	<b>8,423</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,136</b>

\*Brazos, Independence, Lakes, and Plains brochures are out of stock. Box Request: Number of boxes x Quantity/box= total.

Texas Historical Commission  
Texas Heritage Trails Program Update

WHAT'S COOKING IN THE TEXAS HILL COUNTRY?

Fredericksburg Recipe

VERMICELLI SALAD

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|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1 (10 oz) pkg vermicelli  | 1/4 cup chopped celery                |
| 3 Tablespoons Accent      | 1/4 cup chopped green pepper          |
| 3 Tablespoons lemon juice | 1/4 cup chopped onion                 |
| 4 Tablespoons oil         | 1 cup black olives, pitted and sliced |
| 2 cups mayonnaise         | 1 small jar chopped pimento           |

Cook vermicelli as directed. Add Accent, lemon juice and oil. Chill overnight. Second day add mayonnaise, celery, green pepper, onion, black olives, and pimento. Stir all together and chill 1 or 2 more nights before serving. Serves 12 to 16.



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