

**Texas Master Naturalist Program
Cradle of Texas Chapter
General Meeting and Advanced Training
Wednesday, October 11, 2017
Texas AgriLife Extension Building
21017 County Road 171
Angleton, Texas 77515-8903**

8:30 AM – 9:00 AM	Fun and Fellowship Snack Team: Jane and Jerry Eppner, Ken Arnold, Mike Bettorf
9:00 AM – 9:50 AM	General Meeting and Nature Notes <i>This meeting is approved for 1.00 hour volunteer time</i>
10:15 AM – 12:00 PM	Speaker: Glenn Olsen, owner of nature touring company GO Birding Ecotours. Topic: <i>Phenomenal Flights: The Amazing Intercontinental Flights of Birds</i>

ABSTRACT

We will discuss the new understanding of bird migration as a result of the tracking of certain species using recently developed geo-locators. We will explore how birds migrate, how they navigate, the dangers they face, and why they undertake such demanding and extreme flights

Glenn Olsen leads natural history and birding tours with GO Birding Ecotours and teaches bird identification, gardening for birds and butterflies, and nature related classes through Rice University's Glasscock School of Continuing Studies, Houston Audubon, Katy Prairie Conservancy, and the Texas Master Naturalist program. He has served on the Houston Audubon Board as Vice President of Education and also served as an Audubon Warden monitoring colonial nesting birds in Rockport, Texas. He is currently Region 8 Director for the Texas Ornithological Society.

Two of his many other efforts towards conservation include monitoring endangered Attwater's Prairie Chickens at the Nature Conservancy's Texas City Preserve and co-founding the Wildscapes Workshop through the Native Plant Society of Texas (NPSOT) where he served as president of both the Houston Chapter and the State NPSOT. He has led field trips and/or given programs for meetings of the Texas Ornithological Society, Houston Audubon,

Houston Arboretum, the Native Plant Society of Texas, Rio Grande Valley Birding Festival, Rockport Hummer/Bird Festival, Galveston FeatherFest, and other groups and festivals.

Glenn has led trips to such exotic locales as Ecuador, the Galapagos Islands,

