

THIS WEEK ON THE LLANO ESTACADO

November 23-27, 2009



Come to the Sibley Nature Center at 1307 E. Wadley in Hogan Park!

We want YOUR STUDENTS and YOU on the trail!

We would like to have teachers encourage their students to visit the Sibley Nature Center after school. To that end, we are announcing a series of prizes for students to win for completing short activities along the trail. Students will need to use the Sibley website to learn what the following items look like (or a teacher can print a copy of the photos and post in the classroom). Just type in the organism in the website search engine and find the pictures in the photoessays.

Visit 1. Bring Sibley staff a mesquite bean, a yucca seedpod, and a handful of popotillo sticks and win a small fossil.

Visit 2. Bring Sibley staff an Alamo (cottonwood) leaf (off of the ground), a desert holly leaf, and a stalk of broomweed and win a second fossil and a rubber animal.

Visit 3. Bring Sibley staff a hackberry leaf (off of the ground), a mesquite bacterial gall, and a cattail leaf and win a third fossil, a second rubber animal and a Sibley Nature Center sticker.

Teachers; After February 15th, if **you** bring us all of the above we will **donate to your school** a perennial Blue Mist flower, which brings dozens of butterflies to it from July to frost. The plant will reproduce by rhizomes and continually spread about a foot a year. Every school should have butterflies!