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Mission Statement

The Texas Geocaching Association (TXGA) is a volunteer organization. We strive to be the foremost advocate for Geocaching in Texas and to promote the family-oriented activity of geocaching through a central website, social media, workshops, events and information displays, while encouraging responsible stewardship of public lands. TXGA is committed to celebrating the diversity of our membership in all regions of Texas and beyond. From finders to hiders, veteran to novice geocachers, our differences allow us to serve and support each other while building a dynamic geocaching environment in Texas and the greater community.

*Want to contribute to
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Story Board *Lee Ann Glona (Ramsey Warrior)* *Katy, Texas*

A lesson on the lengths we geocachers go to for a smiley!



My husband and I went to Mississippi to work on the family farm. One of the days there, I was in a really bad mood, and my husband (knowing I wanted to go to Atlanta to finish the Jasmer) asked if I wanted to run over for a 24-hour trip... and before he even finished asking me, I said "Yes!". We had a rental car within an hour, and I was on my way from Memphis. I had three caches that I went to get. At the first one, I met some other geocachers from Florida, so we did the first two together, and as we were parting ways, we mentioned where we were each going next. I told them I was going to GC20 "Marooned". The guy said, "You're gonna need a boat." "A boat? WHAAAT?", I exclaimed. I thought to myself, "I'll figure it out." When I got over to the dock, I stood there looking around for a boat. I looked on the logs and people said that they hired Captain John, so I looked up Captain John's number and called and, of course, he didn't answer. It was a Sunday. The logs indicated there was always a plan weeks ahead to hire Captain John. I stood there for a little bit, thinking about how I was going to get over there. I thought about swimming (I'm an avid swimmer), but it was a little cold. All of a sudden, a little fishing boat came around the corner. I watched as he got closer and closer. I saw him catch a fish. I didn't want to bother him. He finally got close enough to where I could yell and he could hear me. "Sir! Sir! Could you come and get me?" He said, "I beg your pardon?" I said, "I need a ride in a boat. Could you come and get me?" He said, "I'm done for the day." I replied, "I'll give you \$100 if you'll take me over to that little island right over there so I can get a geocache." Of course, he didn't know what Geocaching was, but he agreed to take me, and we had a nice conversation on the way over. He pulled me up to the island and I jumped out. I said, "I'll be right back." I ran up the hill as fast as a little old lady could go. After searching a bit, I heard, "Did you find it?" I turned around and there he was with me. 🤔 He said he was interested to know what I had to have so bad for \$100! So, we found it together and what joy! I signed the log and took a picture, and we went back to dock in the boat. We had another nice conversation. I asked him what his name was, and he said it was Peter, and immediately I knew Jesus sent his apostle Peter the FISHERMAN to come and get me for that boat ride! As we parted ways, he said he couldn't wait to go home and tell his wife the story! I told him just hang around right here in this area, they'll be another crazy geocacher coming along for a ride and make sure that you charge him at least \$100! LOL. By the way, I had to make him take that money. With the hotel, car, gas and that geocache, I would say the 3 geocaches cost me about \$125 each. Geocaching is an expensive hobby! When I told my husband the story, I didn't mention the \$100!

CACHERS OF THE MONTH EAST TEXAS MATH_PAIRADOCs

Math_PairADocs (Kevin and Melissa Reeves) chose their geo-name since they share an account and are both mathematics professors at East Texas



.Texas Baptist University. They were introduced to geocaching when Melissa attended an event hosted by CaptainMath at the 2016 AP Statistics Reading in Kansas City, MO, but they found very few caches for the next several years. At the 2022 reading, CaptainMath set up two Adventure Labs and Melissa was hooked. She and Kevin started looking for Adventure Labs at home in Marshall and as they traveled. They loved how Adventure Labs brought them to interesting historical sites and quirky roadside attractions. It wasn't until CaptainMath came down from Pennsylvania to visit and attack Texas counties that they really started searching for non-lab caches. They really enjoyed completing the egg hunt treasure collection last year since it forced them to try most of various types of caches. While labs caches will always be their favorites, they now really enjoy virtual caches and mystery caches. Here are some of their favorite caches:



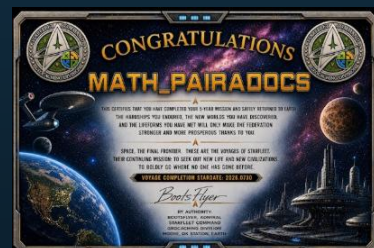
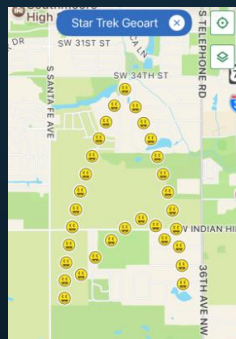
GCANKX9, a traditional cache where the container is a full-sized T.A.R.D.I.S.



GCAJFTY, a virtual cache featuring Thomas Dambo's giant troll statue Malin (unfortunately, the statue was destroyed by arson earlier this year)



CaptainMath's Olympic Rings series of letterbox hybrids (GCBBXKY, GCBBXQC, GCBBXPP, GCBBXK6, GCBBXM6), these feature the amazing crafting skills of Mrs. CM and some really cool puzzles!



BootsFlyer's Star Trek geo-art series of mystery caches (GC4TBPB and 30 others)

Cache of the Month - Central Texas

GC Code: GCAJHQE
Name: Goodwater Loop
Cache Type: Virtual
Region: Central
County: Williamson
Cache Owner: Carrot Killer
Hidden: 01/19/2024

The Goodwater Loop was a welcome discovery when LadyBlackCat and Carrot Killer moved to Georgetown. They have spent innumerable hours hiking and camping on this trail. It is truly one of their most favorite things about living here. The first time he went on a significant hike on this trail, Adam had an idea for a virtual cache, if he ever had the opportunity. Well, now Adam has finally done it!

The Goodwater Loop is a 26.8-mile hiking trail that circumnavigates Lake Georgetown and a portion of the San Gabriel River. The trail passes through several Army Corp of Engineer parks to include Cedar Breaks, Camp Tejas, Russell Park, Jim Hogg Park, and Overlook Park. In addition, there are several backpacking-only camping areas, including Cedar Hollow, Sawyer Park, and Walnut Springs.

The trail is marked with a series of monuments, starting at Mile 1. Each monument is an iron post with a rectangular face that displays a white mile number. The exceptions to this would be at mile marker #1, this face has a small yellow sticker with the number 1 on it. Mile marker 12 seems to be missing. In an area on the trail that should have the marker you will find a stone monument with a wooden board that says, "MP 10" on it. Disregard this marker and keep hiking.

In order to claim this virtual geocache, the finder must hike the entirety of the trail and include a photo of themselves or a personal item at each mile marker. Mile marker 12 is not required as it is not in a uniform state like all other mile markers of the trail. This geocache will be strictly policed, so please do not log it without including the required 25 photos. These photos can be taken during one long hike or over many visits, but you must include all photos.



JOIN THE EFFORT

CITO Across Texas



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2026
9:00 AM

[VIEW THE BOOKMARK LIST OF CITOS](#)

Time to mark your "Will Attend"!

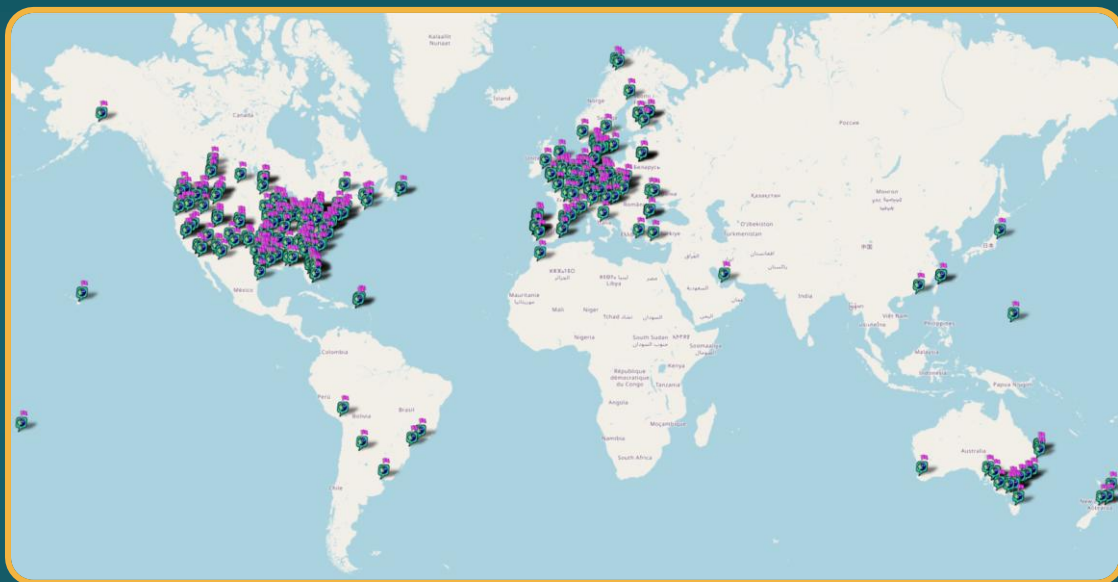


CITO ACROSS THE WORLD

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Geocachers worldwide are invited to host or attend Cache In Trash Out® (CITO) events in their own communities — one unified day of environmental action across 24 time zones.



EVENTS ON THE MAP — 6 CONTINENTS, 40+ COUNTRIES, 48 U.S. STATES

BY THE NUMBERS

21

TEXAS EVENTS
4 more needed

135

U.S. EVENTS
across 48 states

17

CANADA EVENTS
10 of 13 provinces

111

IN OTHER COUNTRIES
across 40 countries

HOW IT STARTED

Two years ago, georeyna, TXGA's Southeast Rep, proposed coordinated CITO events on World Cleanup Day. Locally organized, but together part of something much bigger. **CITO Across Texas was born — and it has now gone global.**



[Bookmark List of Worldwide Events](#)

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THE TEXAS GEOCACHING ASSOCIATION PRESENTS

2026 LONESTAR ROUNDUP

GCBKXQC

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SAN ANGELO, TEXAS
MARCH 13, 2027



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to volunteer!

Homonyms

geocaching with myrthman

by Sean Rackley



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More of myrthman's (Sean Rackley's) comics can be found at <https://myrthman.blogspot.com>.

ARE YOU PLAYING? ENDS SEPT. 13!



Limited time — ends 09/14/2026

Bingo 2026

Released 07/28/2026

From July 28 through September 13, find and log qualifying caches to collect Treasure and mark squares on your bingo card. Collect five Treasures in a row for a bingo souvenir, or collect all 25 Treasures in the collection to earn the blackout souvenir.

How do I collect Bingo 2026 Treasure?

Collect Treasure by finding and logging any geocache that meets these criteria:

- Any **non-Event** geocache type except Adventure Lab®
- Any **size**
- Minimum **1** Favorite points
- Difficulty rating between **1.0** and **4.0**
- Terrain rating between **1.0** and **4.0**

What souvenirs can be earned from this collection?

- the **Bingo 2026: Horizontal Bingo** souvenir
- the **Bingo 2026: Vertical Bingo** souvenir
- the **Bingo 2026: Diagonal Bingo** souvenir
- the **Bingo 2026: Blackout Bingo** souvenir

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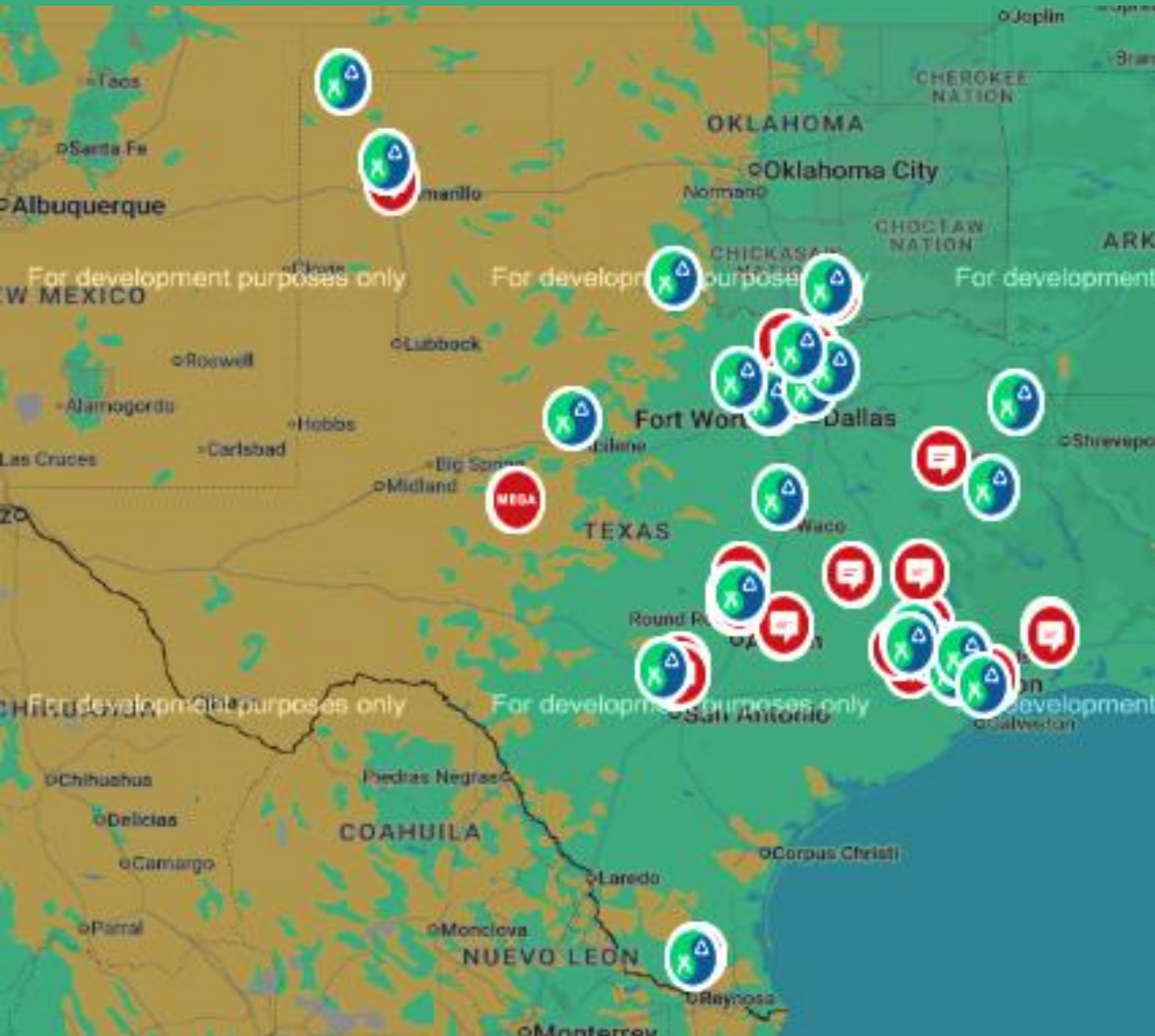
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Upcoming Geo-events In Texas

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Upcoming Geo-events by Region*



Region	GC Code	Title	Type	Date
Central	GGBAEB5	What's Your Milestone?	Event	Wed, Sep 2, 2026, 6:00 PM
Central	GGBWGXZ	Famished on Friday	Event	Fri, Sep 4, 2026, 7:00 PM
Central	GGBVM5B	GeoTex Geocachers Breakfast September 2026	Event	Sat, Sep 5, 2026, 8:00 AM
Central	GGBTB0Z	Texas Geocampers at Buescher State Park	Event	Sat, Sep 5, 2026, 7:00 PM
Central	GGBX8FF	Sweet Treats XVIII	Event	Thu, Sep 17, 2026, 7:30 PM
Central	GGBVXNY	TXGA CITO Across Texas - Austin	CITO	Sat, Sep 19, 2026, 9:00 AM
Central	GGBVVZ4	CITO Across Texas - Waco - Whitehall Park	CITO	Sat, Sep 19, 2026, 9:00 AM
Central	GGBWZM7	September S'mores Fest - An Equinox Celebration	Event	Tue, Sep 22, 2026, 6:30 PM
Central	GGBWRDN	World Postcard Week - Breakfast Taco Edition, V2	Event	Mon, Sep 28, 2026, 9:30 AM
East	GGBVZ2K	TXGA CITO Across Texas - Nacogdoches	CITO	Sat, Sep 19, 2026, 9:00 AM
East	GGBVW2Q	TXGA CITO Across Texas - Marshall	CITO	Sat, Sep 19, 2026, 9:00 AM
East	GGBKXQC	2026 TXGA Lone Star Roundup	Event	Sat, Nov 14, 2026, 9:00 AM
North	GGBWNMB	Love Hurts	Event	Sat, Sep 5, 2026, 9:00 AM
North	GGBTYJ6	WWFM XXIII - 911 Remembrance	Event	Sat, Sep 12, 2026, 12:00 PM
North	GGBW993	B.R.A.G.S. Asks: Is It Fall Yet? 🧐 🙏	Event	Thu, Sep 17, 2026, 6:00 PM
North	GGBWYAN	Random Friday Breakfast Club - September	Event	Fri, Sep 18, 2026, 9:00 AM
North	GGBWEG7	CITO Across Texas - Dallas (Bachman Lake)	CITO	Sat, Sep 19, 2026, 9:00 AM
North	GGBWEJK	CITO Across Texas - Elm Fork Trinity River Float	CITO	Sat, Sep 19, 2026, 9:00 AM
North	GGBWEG7	CITO Across Texas - Dallas (Bahman Lake)	CITO	Sat, Sep 19, 2026, 9:00 AM
North	GGBW7X2	TXGA CITO Across Texas: Crowley - Deer Creek Park	CITO	Sat, Sep 19, 2026, 9:00 AM
North	GGBW2Y7	TXGA CITO Across Texas: Dallas - Kiest Park	CITO	Sat, Sep 19, 2026, 9:00 AM
North	GGBVXJM	TXGA CITO Across Texas - North Garland	CITO	Sat, Sep 19, 2026, 9:00 AM
North	GGBV70Y	TXGA CITO Across Texas - Lake Weatherford	CITO	Sat, Sep 19, 2026, 9:00 AM
North	GGBTTRW	TXGA CITO Across Texas - Wichita County	CITO	Sat, Sep 19, 2026, 9:00 AM
North	GGBT6P9	TXGA CITO Across Texas - Garza bucket brigade V	CITO	Sat, Sep 19, 2026, 9:00 AM
North	GGBR161	CitoTXGA:Denison-Trail to the Swimmin' Hole	CITO	Sat, Sep 19, 2026, 10:00 AM
North	GGBR161	CitoTXGA: Trail to the Swimmin' Hole	CITO	Sat, Sep 19, 2026, 10:00 AM
North	GGBX6J3	🍂 Cache Into Fall – Equinox Meet & Greet 🕒 🙏	Event	Tue, Sep 22, 2026, 7:30 AM
North	GGBW7FA	Cup o' Joe and Postcards	Event	Sun, Sep 27, 2026, 3:00 PM
North	GGBW691	World Postcard Day Lunch	Event	Sat, Oct 3, 2026, 11:30 AM
North	GGBWJGF	River Legacy Park Meet & Greet	Event	Fri, Oct 30, 2026, 9:00 AM
South	GGBW97E	Wackadoodle Wednesday #3	Event	Wed, Sep 2, 2026, 1:30 PM
South	GGBWGGD	3rd Rock From the Sun	Event	Thu, Sep 3, 2026, 12:30 PM
South	GGBW9M0	C.I.T.O. the Event Meet & Greet – Sept. 4, 2026	Event	Fri, Sep 4, 2026, 9:00 AM
South	GGBWT5F	Geochats for Saturday Morning	Event	Sat, Sep 5, 2026, 7:15 AM
South	GGBWTKN	Labor Day Summer End Chat	Event	Mon, Sep 7, 2026, 9:00 AM
South	GGBWTPQ	Horton Hears a Who ~ Geo-event-style!!!	Event	Fri, Sep 11, 2026, 10:30 AM
South	GGBVXK1	TXGA CITO Across Texas - San Antonio	CITO	Sat, Sep 19, 2026, 9:00 AM
South	GGBV9QQ	TXGA CITO Across Texas - San Antonio	Event	Sat, Sep 19, 2026, 9:00 AM
South	GGBV6N6	TXGA CITO Across Texas - McAllen III	CITO	Sat, Sep 19, 2026, 9:00 AM



Upcoming Geo-events by Region* (page 2)



Region	GC Code	Title	Type	Date
Southeast	GCBWAWB	Club UFO - The Megaplatanos Incident	Event	Wed, Sep 2, 2026, 11:00 AM
Southeast	GCBVKXB	mmmmm donuts - CXXII	Event	Sat, Sep 5, 2026, 7:00 AM
Southeast	GCBVKWH	Hey Buddy, Let's Clean Up Another Park CXXVII	CITO	Sat, Sep 5, 2026, 8:00 AM
Southeast	GCBW4RP	Breakfast with a Geocacher # 17	Event	Sun, Sep 6, 2026, 8:00 AM
Southeast	GCBW017	FIRST MONDAY IN MID COUNTY SEPTEMBER 2026	Event	Mon, Sep 7, 2026, 6:00 PM
Southeast	GCBWZ58	Brazos Valley Geocachers Lunch #5	Event	Tue, Sep 8, 2026, 11:30 AM
Southeast	GCBWTKA	WILL CACHE FOR FOOD #189 School is started!	Event	Tue, Sep 8, 2026, 6:00 PM
Southeast	GCBWZCE	SE GeoFriends FTF 49 - Bibi's House of Kabob	Event	Tue, Sep 8, 2026, 6:30 PM
Southeast	GCBWY26	Club UFO: Monkeyshines	Event	Wed, Sep 9, 2026, 11:00 AM
Southeast	GCBVTEW	September 2026 CITO	CITO	Thu, Sep 10, 2026, 10:00 AM
Southeast	GCBVTH4	ABC Lunchtime - Red River	Event	Thu, Sep 10, 2026, 11:15 AM
Southeast	GCBRW0J	World Wide Flash Mob XXIII: Sam Houston Statue	Event	Sat, Sep 12, 2026, 12:00 PM
Southeast	GCBRT4Y	BB's World Wide Flash Mob (WWFM X) Event!	Event	Sat, Sep 12, 2026, 12:00 PM
Southeast	GCBX2B0	🌮 Third Tuesday Taco Takeover 🌮	Event	Tue, Sep 15, 2026, 6:00 PM
Southeast	GCBT8FQ	National Play Doh Day!	Event	Wed, Sep 16, 2026, 11:00 AM
Southeast	GCBW7ZA	KAWSGE-55 The Speed Limit	Event	Wed, Sep 16, 2026, 6:30 PM
Southeast	GCBRY0A	mmmmm donuts - donuts Across Texas III	Event	Sat, Sep 19, 2026, 8:00 AM
Southeast	GCBT64R	TXGA CITO Across Texas - Baytown 2026	CITO	Sat, Sep 19, 2026, 9:00 AM
Southeast	GCBRXZT	TXGA CITO Across Texas - Houston III	CITO	Sat, Sep 19, 2026, 9:00 AM
Southeast	GCBX10H	Brazos Valley Geocachers Lunch #6	Event	Mon, Sep 21, 2026, 11:30 AM
Southeast	GCBX5NW	Park & Gab: 221st Edition - World Postcard Day	Event	Tue, Sep 29, 2026, 6:00 PM
Southeast	GCBWZJV	BONUS CLUB UFO: National Chewing Gum Day	Event	Wed, Sep 30, 2026, 11:00 AM
Southeast	GCBTBZN	2026 Octoberfest Potluck - Casserole Edition	Event	Fri, Oct 16, 2026, 6:00 PM
Southeast	GCBWHB2	Allysonpickles Annual Hot dog dinner 2026	Event	Sat, Oct 17, 2026, 6:00 AM
Southeast	GCBWNVF	Breakfast at Tiffany's 13	Event	Sat, Oct 17, 2026, 9:00 AM
Southeast	GCBTA4C	21st Annual SETX Gang Octoberfest	Event	Sat, Oct 17, 2026, 12:00 PM
Southeast	GCBV21A	Litter Busters	CITO	Sun, Oct 18, 2026, 9:00 AM
Unknown	GCBX575	911 – 25 Years Ago - Meet & Greet – 9-11-26	Event	Fri, Sep 11, 2026, 9:00 AM
West	GCBVQWG	TXGA - CITO Across Texas - Amarillo Cadillac Ranch	CITO	Sat, Sep 19, 2026, 9:00 AM
West	GCBVQXG	CITO Across Tx - Dallam Hartley Vets Memorial Park	CITO	Sat, Sep 19, 2026, 9:00 AM
West	GCBT26H	TXGA CITO Across Texas - Abilene III	CITO	Sat, Sep 19, 2026, 9:00 AM
West	GCBV8AB	Soaring Over Canyon	Event	Sat, Oct 24, 2026, 3:00 PM
West	GCBTQ20	Lulu1956's Spooktacular 70th Birthday Party Event	Event	Sat, Oct 31, 2026, 6:00 PM
West	GCBM0V0	25th Annual Texas Challenge & Geocaching Festival	Mega	Sat, Mar 13, 2027, 8:00 AM