



# Least Bell's Vireo's Voice

Whittier Narrows Nature Center Association Newsletter

June 2018

## Scholarships Awards

A proud moment for WNNCA



Please scroll down to the next page so you can find out all about our very deserving recipients: Stephanie Gonzales on your left and Chapal Barua on your right..

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### This month:

**June 2. 8:00 AM. Bird walk.** Docent led.

**June 5. 9:30 AM. School tour.** 75 1st graders.

**June 6. 9:30 AM. School tour.** 50 1st graders.

**June 9. 8:00 Nature walk.** Docent led.

**June 16. 8:00 AM. Bird walk.** Docent led.

**ALSO: 10:00 am. Executive Board meeting.**

**June 23. 8:00 AM. Bird walk.** Docent led.

**June 30. TBA**

**LAST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH:**

**RANGE RACCOON'S RECYCLE RALLY**

**Every Friday:  
Water Squad Investigators Program**



**A proud Grace with Chapal and Stephanie at the Cerritos College Scholarship Recognition Reception. There were a total of twenty two recipients, with our WNNCA/Grace Holtz awards shining bright in their generosity.**

**As it has happened every year in the past, these two students have become part of our WNNCA family, and we are justifiably proud of them, knowing they will continue to be an asset to their families and society.**

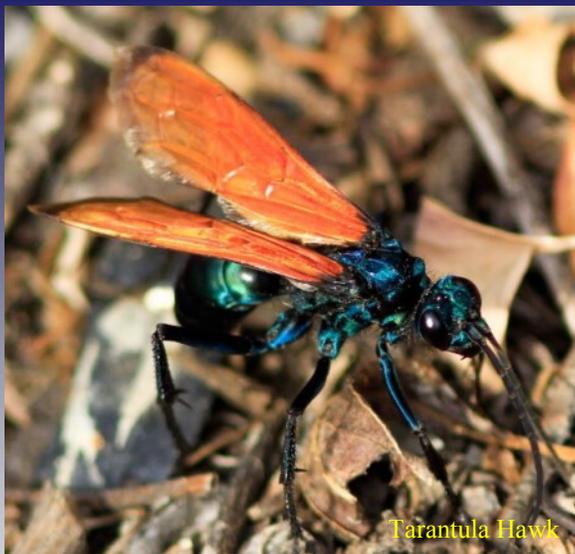
**Chapal plans to transfer to UCLA to study Biology and then apply to medical school. She says that one of her goals is to do research on medicinal plants, and their use as alternative medicines, an interest enhanced by her experience in the Nature Center.**

**Stephanie will be attending California State University at Dominguez Hills. Her field is Environmental Science. Stephanie expressed to Grace her most vivid experience at the Nature Center, when she witnessed a prodigious amount of praying mantises in the Native Garden, in which she labored untiringly and lovingly.**



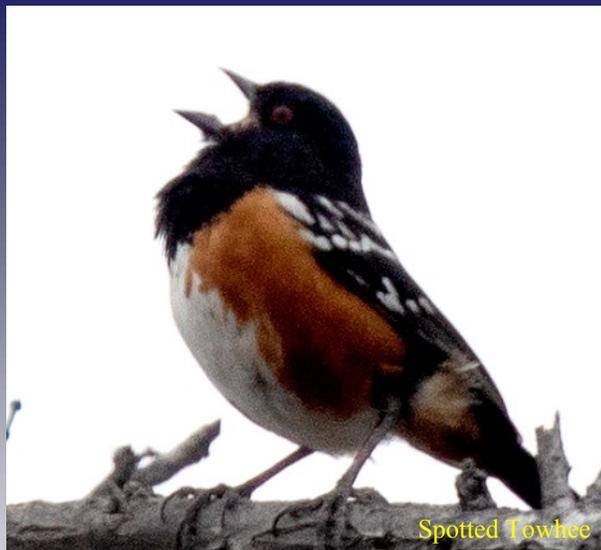
**Chapal was chosen to deliver a message representing all the scholarship recipients, which she delivered with poise and grace. We wish both of our friends success and ease in their pursuits, and hope they continue coming back for visits.**

**The best to you both.**



Tarantula Hawk

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Spotted Towhee



House Finches



Nuttall's woodpecker

Photos by our photographers heroes  
Charlie and Tom



Ash-throated flycatcher



Baja Tree Frog

## Apology

Albeit a reluctant one, because no one likes to look a fool. I hope you can forgive and preferably forget this lapse.

Below are two mistaken identities. No comment.



Photos by Tom

↑ This happy singer is a Bewick's wren. It was labeled a house wren in last month's newsletter. (A house wren's image is on the right for comparison. They are both lively little birds with lovely voices.



← This showy blooms were called redbuds last month, but this month it wishes to be called a willow. The beauty is still present, although changing in reality as we speak.



This beauty is a side-blotched lizard. It was not identified last time, even though it is a healthy, handsome specimen. It was photographed at the Bosque del Rio Hondo, trying to get into a cavity in the ground.

**Join the fun. Join the Whittier Narrows Nature Center Associates.  
Membership includes out monthly newsletter and a 10% discount in our gift shop.**

The Whittier Narrows Nature Center Associates is a volunteer 501(c)3 nonprofit organization actively looking for new members. WNNCA is a chapter of the Nature Center Associates, a nonprofit support organization of the natural area park system of Los Angeles County.

We were founded to help enrich educational and scientific knowledge in the community. Our primary mission is to help foster an appreciation of the natural world in children and adults and to help preserve the Whittier Narrows Natural Area and the county's other natural areas for future generations.

Our activities include leading school group tours, answering visitors' questions, arranging and leading classes, planting and maintaining plants around the nature center, helping in the nature center museum and in the gift shop, performing light office work and answering phones, and more.

**Membership application**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Annual membership levels (circle one)**

\$30 - Individual      \$15 - Senior (Over 62)

\$45 - Family      \$15 - Student

\$75 - Friend Associate

\$100 - Patron Associate

\$250 - Supporting Associate

\$1,000 - Golden Oak Associate

**Send with check, payable to the address below.**

The Whittier Narrows Natural Area and Nature Center are located within the unincorporated area of Los Angeles County in the Supervisory District of Hilda Solis. The natural area and nature center are operated by the County of Los Angeles, Department of Parks and Recreation, in partnership with the Whittier Narrows Nature Center Associates.



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