



# NEWS AND VIEWS

Summer 2013

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### DWC Exhibit Highlighted at the Mirage

The Mirage's Secret Garden & Dolphin Habitat recently embarked on a mission to educate about water. They have dedicated a space next to the gift shop in the Dolphin Habitat.

Members from the Mirage attended the Las Vegas Science Festival and were impressed with our DWC educational watershed exhibit and asked to use it in their new education area.

In early July, members of the DWC delivered the exhibit and educational materials to the Mirage. The exhibit will be on loan to the Mirage until shortly after labor day.

The Mirage currently has 1000-2000 people visiting the area daily.





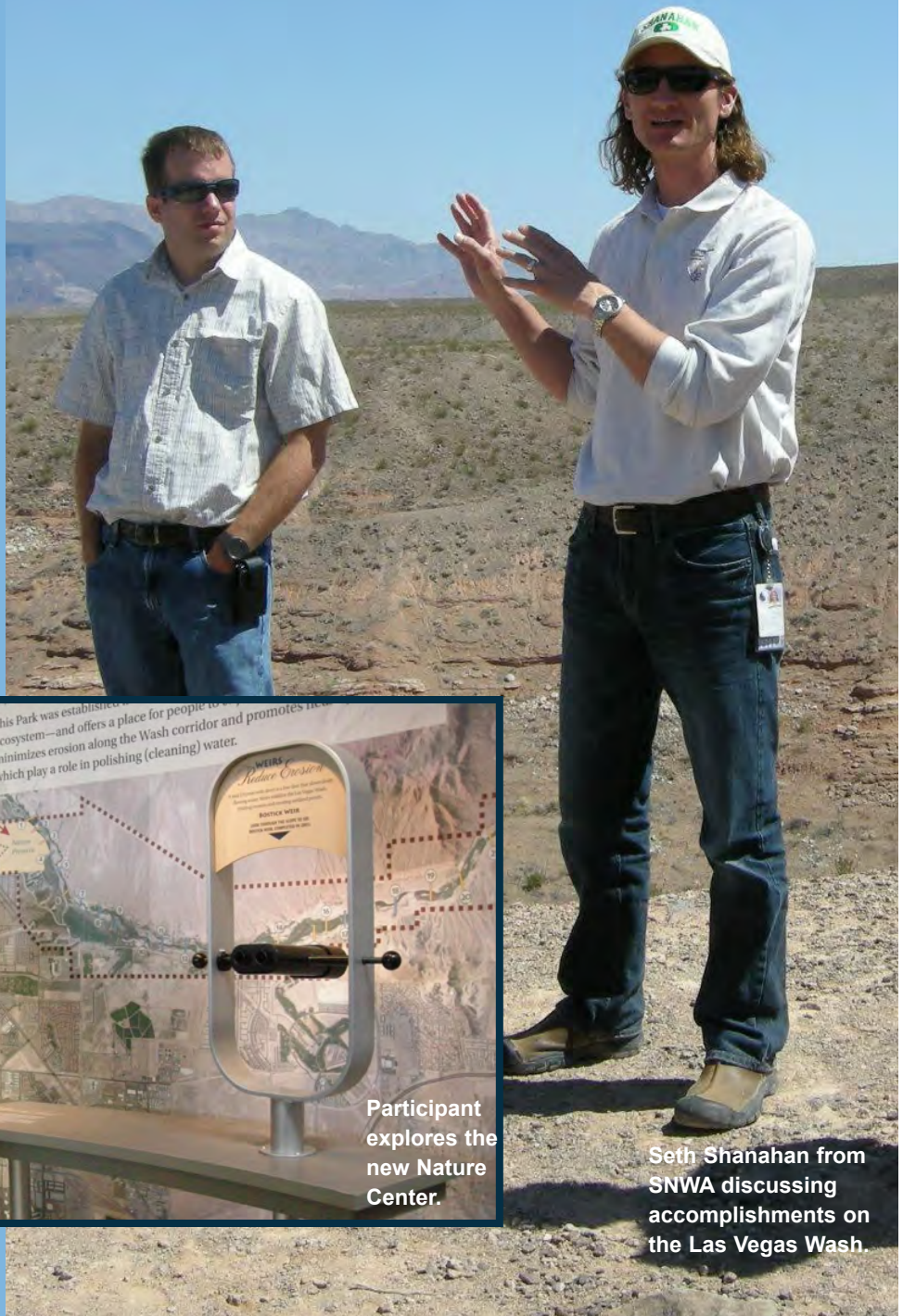
# Las Vegas Wash Coordination Committee Annual Tour

On April 23, 2013 the Las Vegas Wash Coordination Committee gave its annual tour to Coordination Committee members and handed out its 2008-2012 year-end report.

The tour began at the new Clark County Wetlands Park Visitor Center where participants got a behind the scenes tour of the new facility. From there participants went by bus to the Duck Creek Confluence / Upper Narrows Weir to tour new upgrades to the area.

Next, a trip to the Clark County Museum to visit the reconstructed pit house which is on display to the public.

New trails and overlook sites were visited at the Pabco Road Weir Trailhead and Wells Trailhead Overlook. Water levels and future prospects were discussed at the Las Vegas Wash Bay Scenic Overlook.



Participant explores the new Nature Center.

Seth Shanahan from SNWA discussing accomplishments on the Las Vegas Wash.





Over the last 13 years, the Las Vegas Wash Coordination Committee has completed the following:

- Constructed 16 erosion control structures
- Stabilized more than 10 miles of bank
- Revegetated approximately 365 acres with native plants
- Removed approximately 1,350 acres of invasive plants
- Hosted/and or participated in 524 volunteer events, reaching nearly 200,000
- Built or improved more than 2 miles of trails
- Implemented extensive wildlife inventories and developed a wildlife management plan
- Implemented comprehensive water quality monitoring programs
- Implemented wetland demonstration projects in the watershed



## Desert Wetlands Conservancy - Around Town

Spring 2013 was a busy one for members of the DWC.

World Wetlands Day  
January 31, 2013

Wetlands Park Nature  
Center Grand Opening  
April 20, 2013

First Friday Downtown  
Las Vegas  
May 3, 2013

2013 Las Vegas Science  
Festival at Cashman  
May 4, 2013



Wetlands Park Nature  
Center Grand Opening:  
DWC Trustees Jean  
Guiffreda, Joan  
Lolmaugh, John Hiatt  
and Norma Cox helped  
to celebrate the day!



World Wetlands Day:  
DWC Trustees Dwayne  
Eshenbaugh, Art Wolf  
and Paula Garrett

UNDERSTANDING THROUGH EDUCATION - The DWC continually strives to educate members of the public on the importance of our watershed. Here DWC Board Member Evelyn Gajowski educates through our watershed exhibit at the 2013 Las Vegas Science Festival. Over 27,000 people were in attendance.



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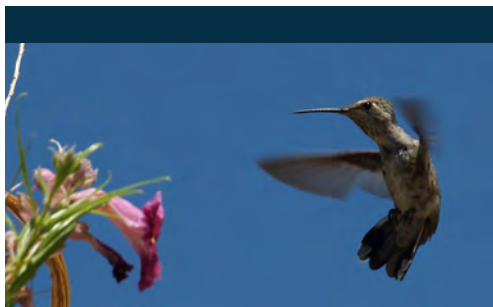
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## Desert Wetlands Conservancy

The mission of the DWC is to influence policy, create partnerships, and initiate activities in advocacy of the Las Vegas Valley Watershed, including the Desert Wetlands Park.





## Share Our Vision!!

We are an all-volunteer, 501 (c) (3) tax-exempt organization that receives no regular tax-based support. Our strength and our ability to carry out our mission is through our members. There are many ways to join: access our website, <http://www.desertwetlands.org>, or our Facebook, (search for Desert Wetlands Conservancy), email [membership@desertwetlands.org](mailto:membership@desertwetlands.org), or write to DWC, PO Box 93574, Las Vegas, NV, 89193-93574 and you will receive membership information.

Membership options for Individuals and Families:

Student/Senior \$20

Individual \$25

Supporting \$100

Sustaining \$250

Family \$50

Steward \$500

All contributions to our programs are taxdeductible to the fullest extent of the law. There are a number of ways to help us described on our website.

## Our Thanks To all of our New and Renewing Members!

PLEASE CHECK THE EXPIRATION DATE ON YOUR MAILING LABEL TO SEE IF IT IS TIME TO RENEW!

YOU CAN RENEW ONLINE AT: <http://desertwetlands.org/how-to-help>

If you have not yet taken the plunge to join, please do so now. You will demonstrate your interest in wetland issues and the impact on our community! The Wetlands Park is a place to enjoy!

Have you visited the Park recently? The new Visitor Center is open. Cross Boulder Highway on Tropicana and travel one mile east, then look for the Wetlands Park sign, just where Tropicana turns into Broadbent Ave. Head down Wetlands Park Lane. Signs will direct you to the new location. If it has been a while since you've visited the Park, you will be amazed at the changes and improvements that have taken place. The Park is for your benefit. Come and enjoy it!

There are many opportunities to get involved and to show your support-not only through membership in the DWC, but by contributing funds or labor for needed physical improvements, and educational materials. If you have put off renewing, remember your membership ends one year from the date you paid your dues.

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