

## 2026 FLOATILLA PLANNING MEETING

The 14th annual Earth Day Flotilla is set for Saturday, April 18, 2026. The first planning meeting will be on Saturday, January 10, 2026 at the Caddo Lake National Wildlife Refuge at 10:00 am. Everyone is invited!!



## JANUARY MEETING-- SNACKS AND PINS

Our first meeting of the New Year will be at the Refuge on Monday, January 12th at 6pm. This is our annual pin presentation and we have lots of recipients this year!

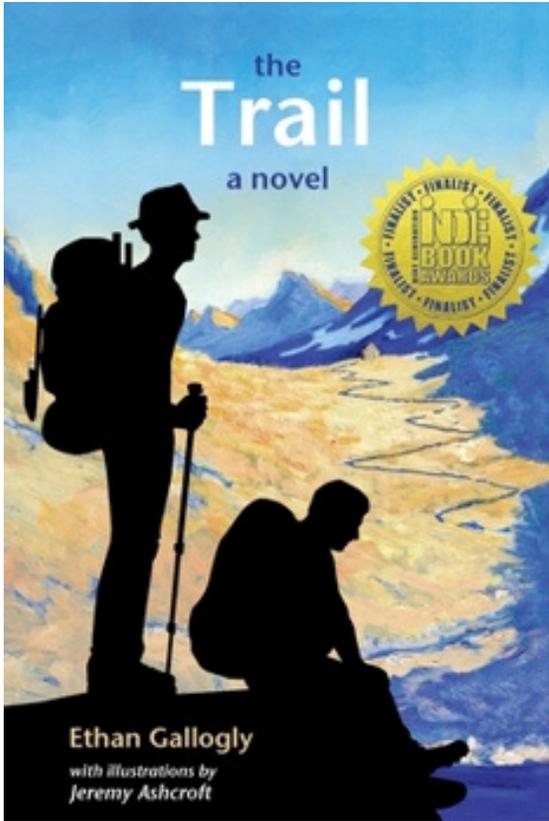
We will also celebrate Vanessa's 17 years serving as one of our Advisors. She is retiring from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and moving to Maine!! We will have some little snacks and if you'd like to, bring something. Hope to see EVERYONE there!!

# BOOK CLUB

THURSDAY JANUARY 8TH AT 5:00 PM

Caddo Lake Wildlife Refuge Classroom  
Caddo Lake Wildlife Refuge

When Gil, recently fired and still grieving his father's death, reluctantly agrees to hike the 200-plus-mile John Muir Trail across California's Sierra Nevada with his dad's old hiking partner Syd—who's frail, ill, and secretive—he expects little more than a month of discomfort. Instead, the journey turns into a profound adventure of survival, introspection and transformation. As Gil and Syd push through rugged terrain, unexpected mishaps and new friendships, Gil gradually confronts his guilt, fear of the wilderness, and desire to live for something more. Meanwhile, through Syd's storytelling and trail history, the mountains themselves become a living metaphor for healing, belonging and purpose



## TREASURER'S REPORT

### MEMBERSHIP DUES

\$25 PER INDIVIDUAL  
\$40 PER FAMILY

Mail checks- made payable to  
Cypress Basin TMN

Mail to  
PO Box 226  
Karnack, Texas  
75661

Cypress Basin Texas Master Naturalists			
Financial Report for December 2025			
Beginning Balance 12/6/25			\$28,605.78
Deposits:	None		
Expenses:			
	Smart Promo Co.	\$69.50	
	Flotilla Fund	\$22,131.38	
	Trainee Scholarship Fund	\$600.00	
	General Fund	\$5,804.90	
Ending Balance 12/30/25			\$28,536.28
Teresa McKinney, Treasurer			

# AT ALERT

We sure could use member AT at some of our meetings this year. If you are passionate about something, or have done something cool or been somewhere amazing and would like to share that with us, please contact either Susan or Caroline. It can be anywhere from 30-45 minutes long, with 10-15 minutes for Q&A. Don't be shy - we love hearing what you've been doing and it may even spark some of us to get interested in it!

Online Webinar Speaker Series #TMNTuesdays			2026
January <b>13</b>	February <b>10</b>	March <b>10</b>	
April <b>14</b>	May <b>12</b>	June <b>9</b>	
July <b>14</b>	August <b>11</b>	September <b>15*</b> <small>*Not a second Tuesday</small>	
October <b>TBA*</b> <small>*Live at the Annual Meeting</small>	November <b>10</b>	December <b>8</b>	

Save the dates for our 2026 #TMNTuesday lineup!  
All webinars will be the second Tuesday of each month at 12pm CT with a few exceptions. Keep an eye on socials and emails for details!

## 2026 Meeting Dates and Locations

- January 12th - Refuge
- February 9th - Kellyville - Pot Luck in their new and beautiful kitchen
- March 9th - Marshall Library
- April 13th - Refuge
- May 11th - Marshall Library
- June 8th - Kellyville
- July - NO MEETING
- August 10th - Refuge
- September 14th - Kellyville - Pot Luck
- October 12th - Marshall Library
- November 9th - Refuge
- December - NO MEETING

**In Need of AT?**

Remember that out of the 8 hours of advanced training required each year, only 4 can be online except the current year TMNTuesdays.

Here are a few good online options:

- #TMNTuesdays  
<https://txmn.tamu.edu/tmntuesdays/>
- Forestry and Natural Resources Webinars  
<http://forestrywebinars.net/>
- Conservation of Natural Resources  
<http://www.conservationwebinars.net>
- Natures Notebook  
<https://www.usanpn.org/nn/webinars>
- Texas Wildlife Federation  
<https://www.texas-wildlife.org/>

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