

THANK YOU! 2011 Annual Meeting Volunteers

See our poster listing of the volunteers who have helped to make our meeting a success this year!

Hays County Chapter for their hosting of the Silent Auction in 2010 which helped raise money for this year's scholarships to the annual meeting.

Numerous Volunteers presenting workshops, roundtable discussions, projects and chapter solutions presentations throughout the weekend!

Texas Master Naturalist Program Accomplishments

The Texas Master Naturalist™ program began as a statewide initiative during 1998. The program is jointly sponsored by the Texas AgriLife Extension Service and the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department and is supported by more than 300 additional partnerships through local chapters statewide.

- Through December 2010, with combined efforts of **42 recognized local chapters**, the Master Naturalist program has trained **6,737 volunteers**.
- Master Naturalist volunteers dedicated **over 256,157 service hours** in 2010, directed toward natural resource community projects, research, and outreach resulting in a cumulative total of **1,482,329 hours of service** to date.
- The economic impact of Texas Master Naturalist volunteer service throughout 2010 is **valued at \$4.995 Million and \$29 Million to date**.
- These 6,700+ volunteers also obtained **37,980 advanced training hours** in 2010.
- TMN volunteers conducted over 2,700 outreach, education and technical guidance events in 2010 with over 70% of those events being direct contact programs where volunteers provided hands-on outreach, education or consultation to nearly 170,000 youth adults and private landowners.
- To date Texas Master Naturalist volunteers have made over **2.5 Million public contacts** through their volunteer service while spreading a conservation and natural resource message.
- Program volunteers have impacted or conducted projects on areas of land that involve roughly **155,000 acres** of habitat while also developing or maintaining some **1,350 miles of interpretive trails**.
- **30** International, National, State and Local Awards have been received for Texas Master Naturalist program, chapter and individual volunteers' efforts to date.
- Over **70% of Texas counties** (178 Counties) are served by a recognized Texas Master Naturalist Chapter.

Save the date!

2012 Statewide Annual Meeting & Advanced Training
October 26 - 28, 2012
Camp Allen, Navasota, Texas



12th Annual Statewide Meeting & Advanced Training

Texas Master Naturalist Awards & Recognition Ceremony

--Texas Master Naturalists--

"Changing Texas one hour at a time!"

by Dick Benoit, Galveston Bay Area Chapter

Mo Ranch, Hunt, TX
Saturday, October 22, 2011



- 7:30** **Welcome, Chapter Roll Call**
- 7:45** **Volunteer Awards & Recognition Ceremony**
- **Recognition of 5th and 10th Anniversary Chapters**
 - **Recognition of First Year Certification Attendees**
 - **Master Naturalist Service Hour Milestone Awards**
 - **Presentation of Presidential Volunteer Service Awards**
 - **Presentation of 4th Annual Chapter Advisor Awards**
 - **Bidding on Silent Auction Items immediately following ceremonies**
- 9:00** **Voting for popular vote contests and Silent Auction bidding ends**
- View auction winning bids, winners settle up and collect items won**

Congratulations to the following Chapters on your...

5th Anniversary year

Blackland Prairie Chapter
Llano Estacado Chapter
South Plains Chapter

10th Anniversary year

Cradle of Texas Chapter
Galveston Bay Area Chapter
Trans Pecos Chapter

Welcome New Chapters and New Members in 2011

Bluestem Chapter
Bois d' Arc Chapter
Longleaf Ridge Chapter

***Congratulations to our Texas Master Naturalist Service Award
Winners Attending the Annual Meeting!***

Attendees at 250 Service Hours Milestone

Winnie Bowen, Good Water Chapter
Donna Browning, Hays County Chapter
Jim Burgin, Hill Country Chapter
Koy Coffey, Hill Country Chapter
Gail Cooper, Alamo Area Chapter
Linda Currie, Heartwood Chapter
Jane Duke, North Texas Chapter
Sandra Dworaczyk, El Camino Real Ch.
Jim Estes, Lost Pines Chapter
Chad Etheridge, Cross Timbers Chapter
Mary Ferguson, Red River Chapter
Randy Garst, Hays County Chapter

Charlie Grindstaff, Indian Trail Chapter
Sue Harris, Sabine-Neches Chapter
Debbie Howard, Galveston Bay Area Ch.
Melba Jacobson, Alamo Area Chapter
Paige King, Cross Timbers Chapter
Mary Ann Melton, Good Water Chapter
Judy Parker, Highland Lakes Chapter
Royce Pendergast, Gulf Coast Chapter
Elizabeth Pullman, Lost Pines Chapter
Phyllis Shuffield, El Camino Real Chapter
Laura Wilson, East Texas Chapter

Attendees at 500 Service Hours Milestone

Cynthia Burgin, Hill Country Chapter
Mike Childers, Highland Lakes Chapter
Sammye Childers, Highland Lakes Chapter
Diane Cooney, Heart of Texas Chapter
Lucy Coward, El Camino Real Chapter
Judi Elliott, Elm Fork Chapter
Van Elliott, Elm Fork Chapter
Chad Etheridge, Cross Timbers Chapter
Patricia Ferguson, Red River Chapter
Jerrel Geisler, Gulf Coast Chapter
Molly Harris, Brazos Valley Chapter
Mark Hassell, Panhandle Chapter

Tom Hausler, Hays County Chapter
Al Kirchner, Good Water Chapter
Donna Lewis, El Camino Real Chapter
Connie Roddy, El Camino Real Chapter
Cindy Rodibaugh, Gideon Lincecum Ch.
Pyllis Shuffield, El Camino Real Chapter
Sue Taylor, El Camino Real Chapter
Floyd Trefny, Hill Country Chapter
Karla Trefny, Hill Country Chapter
Susan Tullos, Piney Wood Lakes Chapter
Monta Zengerle, Lindheimer Chapter

Attendees at 1,000 Service Hours Milestone

John Egan, Gulf Coast Chapter
Judi Elliott, Elm Fork Chapter
Van Elliott, Elm Fork Chapter
Paula Englehardt, El Camino Real Chapter
Billy Hutson, Highland Lakes Chapter
Marian Kester, Elm Fork Chapter
Gail McAdoo, Good Water Chapter

Jane McGough, Rolling Plains Chapter
Terry McKee, Rolling Plains Chapter
Mary Morgan, Gulf Coast Chapter
Dave Powell, Blackland Prairie Chapter
Louise Ridlon, Lost Pines Chapter
Diane Wetherbee, Elm Fork Chapter

Attendees at 2,500 Service Hours Milestone

Barbara Burkhardt Cradle of Texas Chapter
Dick Coup North Texas Chapter
Christine Powell Capital Area Chapter

Attendees at 5000 Service Hours Milestone

Tom Solomon, Galveston Bay Area Chapter
Jim Stanley, Hill Country Chapter

Thank You!

Gulf Coast Chapter for coordinating this year's silent auction

Big Country Chapter (Bronze Sponsor)	Hays County Chapter (Gold Sponsor)
Central Texas Chapter (Bronze Sponsor)	Hill Country Chapter (Gold Sponsor)
Cross Timbers Chapter (Gold Sponsor)	North Texas Chapter (Gold Sponsor)
El Camino Real Chapter (Bronze Sponsor)	Sabine-Neches Chapter (Bronze Sponsor)
Gideon Lincecum Chapter (Silver Sponsor)	The Nature Conservancy (Gold Sponsor)

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2012 Annual Re-Certification Pin
Artwork by Jan Redden, Gideon Lincecum Chapter