

Texas Master Naturalist

Chapter Annual Report Reporting Year 2011

Reporting Period: January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011

Who needs to report? All Chapters—developing and existing!!!

Due to the State Office no later than January 16, 2012

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This report is a critical summary of the state program and results for the year. It is crucial as we represent the activities of the chapters to federal, state and local program sponsors, partners and potential donors. Should you have any questions regarding any of the information needed, contact the state Texas Master Naturalist Program Office at 830 896 2504.

Texas Master Naturalist Chapter <i>(no abbreviations):</i>	
Hill Country Master Naturalist	
<i>Members completing TMN Training</i>	
Total number of volunteers trained in your chapter during the reporting period:	29
Cumulative total number of volunteers trained through your chapter from your chapter's inception through to the end of the reporting period:	296
<i>TMN Volunteer Service</i>	
Total number of approved volunteer service hours conducted by members during the reporting period:	21,225
Of the total service hours for the year listed above, how many of those hours were contributing TMN service to outreach & education projects and the planning and administration of your chapter, chapter projects and TMN program activities? ⁴ (see annotation for more information)	11,333
Cumulative total number of approved volunteer service hours conducted by members from the time of the chapter's inception through to the end of the reporting period:	109,894
<i>Advanced Training</i>	
Total number of Advanced Training hours obtained by your chapter members throughout the reporting period:	2,319
Cumulative total number of Advanced Training hours obtained by chapter members from the inception of the chapter through to the end of the reporting period:	13,839
<i>Outreach and Education</i>	
Total number of outreach/education <u>EVENTS</u> ¹ conducted by the chapter throughout the reporting period:	236
Of those events above, how many were DIRECT outreach/education events-- meaning there was an actual hands-on or active teaching component for the majority of the event with a captive audience?	235
How many youth, adults and/or private landowners ² in total were present for these direct events?	10,970
Of the <u>events</u> reported in the first line above, how many were INDIRECT outreach/education events? Example of an indirect outreach/education event would be manning a booth or display sponsored by your chapter.	106
Approximately, how many individuals (cumulative total) were in attendance at the INDIRECT outreach/education events during the reporting period?	5,017
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<i>NEW Acreage Impacted</i>	
The total acreage impacted through NEW chapter projects conducted throughout the reporting period. (This includes prairie restorations, wildscapes, landowner management plans/consultations, park enhancements and restorations initiated <u>for the first time</u> during the reporting period) ³	1,658 acres
<i>Please list the project/property title(s) and location(s):</i> (you may include an additional page if needed)	
Firewise (58 acres) – Kerr County	
LMAP (1,600 acres) – Kerr, Gillespie, Bandera, and Kendall Counties	
<i>Trail Miles Impacted</i>	
Total miles of trails developed or improved through NEW trail maintenance or development projects (initiated for the first time) during the reporting period. (You may be as accurate as to the nearest tenth of a mile)	4 miles
<i>Please list the project/property title(s) and location(s) where this new trail work has been conducted:</i>	
Love Creek (0.5 miles) – Bandera County	
Hill Country State Natural Area (2 miles) – Bandera County	
Old Tunnel State Park (0.5 miles) – Gillespie County	
Kreutzberg Canyon Natural Area (1 mile) – Kendall County	
<i>New Partnerships Developed</i>	
List the number of new chapter partnerships initiated during the reporting period. Remember: a partnership is a two-way street. Both organizations should be receiving tangibles from each other. Just being a place for Master Naturalists to volunteer is not a partnership offering. Below, list the new partner and what their partnership provides such as copies, meeting room, or other tangible or in-kind resources to the chapter at no cost to the chapter).	
<i>Donors or Benefactors</i>	
List new chapter sponsors or benefactors and \$\$ amounts provided to the local chapter throughout the reporting period.	
Various Member Donations	\$360
NPSOT – Kroc Center activities	\$250
TOTAL	\$610
<i>Initial TMN Certification</i>	
Total number of volunteers receiving their Initial TMN Certification (State TMN Certificate and 4-color Dragonfly Pin) through the local chapter throughout the reporting period.	27
Total number of volunteers receiving their Initial TMN Certification through the local chapter from the chapter's inception through to the end of the reporting period.	181
Total number of volunteers still working toward initial certification at the end of the reporting period.	23
Total number of volunteers that have dropped out of the program.	36
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<i>Annual Re-Certification</i>	
Total number of members attaining the annual Re-Certification requirements during the reporting period. (i.e. number of members receiving the <u>Horned Lizard</u> Recertification	64

Pin for 2011)						
Milestone Pins Awarded						
Below, list the total number of Milestone Pins awarded in each category throughout the reporting period.						
250 Hours	500 Hours	1,000 Hours	2,500 Hours	5,000 Hours		
14	7	3	1	1		
Please list the names and mailing address of members awarded the 5,000 Hour Service Award during the reporting period.						
<i>Name</i>	<i>Address 1</i>	<i>Address 2</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Zip</i>	
Jim Stanley			Kerrville	TX	78028	
Other Chapter Awards or Successes						
Please list any other awards or recognition given to your chapter and/or to chapter members specifically for your Master Naturalist service throughout the reporting period. You may also use this space to list any other chapter successes or something the chapter is particularly proud of for achieving throughout the reporting period. <i>(Please indicate member name(s) when needed and/or add another sheet if needed) (Feel free to attach high quality photos when submitting your report as well) Descriptions and photos may be used in the published TMN State report.</i>						
Newsletter – voted best newsletter at the 2011 Texas Master Naturalist State Meeting						
City of Kerrville Parks and Recreation – awards for our volunteer work at the Butterfly Theater and to Jim Gardner for his project at Kerrville-Schreiner City Park						
Texas Wildlife Association – Volunteer of the Year award to Cathy Downs and Gracie Waggener (see photo below)						
Kristie Denbow was one of the first recipients of Cibolo Nature Center's Stewardship Award, which recognizes individuals who have made outstanding contributions to protecting the land, water, and wildlife of the region.						
Steve Nelle – Friend of the Chapter Award						
Member Activity						
How Many Members are on your chapter's roster?					249	
Of those members listed above, how many are 'active'—meaning they have performed <u>AND reported</u> at least ONE hour of chapter approved volunteer service time and—where applicable—have paid their current chapter dues throughout the reporting period.					132	
Additional information (if you have it and/or can summarize it)						
Percentage of Male members trained in your chapter					55%	
Percentage of Female members trained in your chapter					45%	
Percentage of Employed members of your chapter					40%	
Percentage of Retired members of your chapter					60%	
Generalization of ethnic group(s) in your chapter						
% White or Anglo	% Black or African Amer.	% Hispanic or Latino	%Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	% Asian	% Amer. Indian/Alaska Native	% Other Minority
99	0	1	0	0	0	0



Cathy Downs and Gracie Waggener - TWA award

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I hereby submit and certify this report information to the Texas Master Naturalist Program State Office for the Texas AgriLife Extension Service and the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for fulfillment of federal grant number W139T-1 and its associated project codes of WNS03, WNS04 and WNS11.

Signed _____ Phyllis Muska _____,
(Signature) *(Printed Name of Signatory)*

Representing this TMN Chapter as President Date: Jan 16, 2011
(name of office/ committee chair position)