

Texas Master Naturalist  
Monthly Presidents/Advisor Meeting  
April 26, 2021 1:00 pm.  
Hosted by Michelle and Mary Pearl

Question: Who made reservations at the Chisos Mountain Lodge for October 26-October 30. No contact information is available - this reservation will be cancelled soon.

1. Return to Service Guidelines: There are no changes until further notice. Virtual is encouraged, Outdoors 10 ft spacing, inside 6 ft spacing
2. Regional WebEx Accounts. All recordings were moved to a jump drive. Contact Michelle if you need something from the recordings. Starting this month all recordings will be removed at the end of each month. Please try to use YouTube, Vimeo or another way to save your recordings.  
Break out sessions are also now available - please check Cisco for online training
3. Pin Updates: All Covid pins have been shipped to the chapters  
Presidential pin( 4000 hour pin) are still waiting on the letter  
2021 Recertification pins are now being shipped quarterly when requested and our agency is currently working at 50% so be patient.

4. TMN Listserv Questions: Anyone- member or public can sign up to receive information through Listserv. This site is not auto approved or State approved. Everything/All items sent via Listserv MUST be approved at the local chapter level. ONLY TMN Tuesday and BE The Change are approved
5. TMN chapter Web : The AgriLife site is in transition. All requests - go to first call @ tamu-edu
6. Tutorials: <https://txmn.tamu.edu/WordPress-training-recordings/> Please try the website first. Mary Pearl can help if needed. Mary Pearl has requested that the monthly webmaster Training and Troubleshooting be started again
7. TMN Tuesday is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month @ 12:00-1:00 and All AT topics are announced as needed.  
BE the Change Series is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month through September 2021. The objective is to "Build a PlayBook".  
The speaker on May 11, is Chris Schenck, with Statewide Fire Program TPWD.  
May 18, 2021 the speaker is Alex Bailey, Black Outside 12:00pm

There was a question as to whether the TMN Tuesday could be used for the training class: Yes, the recording can be used with the group having discussion.

8. Nature Reflections: "What Nature Means to Me" - Upload a 1 minute video. This can count for up to 30 minutes of Volunteer time under chapter administration. Please upload by May 31, 2021 @ <https://TXMN.tamu.edu/nature-reflections-2021>  
Has TMN given you refuge or provided you benefits this past year?

9. License Plate: Maybe - June ?? How to order: [txmn.tmu.edu/tmn-license plate](http://txmn.tmu.edu/tmn-license%20plate)
10. Annual Meeting - Cross Timbers chapter is host. Annual Meeting Dates Oct 21-Oct 24. June is the official decision deadline for the annual meeting format and Aust 1<sup>st</sup> for opening registration. Several questions were posed to the Meeting participants. Hybrid or In Person or Virtual. Is housing cost a factor? Would more of the members attend if virtual? Which would you rather have ? in person or virtual? What are the differences in cost for In person vs Virtual? Hotel contract was completed in 2019, so decisions need to be made.

The 2020 Annual Meeting App has not been used for quite some time. This will be deactivated by the end of this week.

11. President Round Table Questions:

Do we want/need a Virtual Volunteer Fair in Summer/Fall 2021? Necessary or not?  
Photo Repository @ the State Level for chapter Photo's (will ask again at the My meeting)

Chapter Dues: Do your chapters have dues? How much? do you offer assistance for Dues?

Does your chapter carry additional medical/accident insurance? This was implemented by the State TMN program in 2016-2017 under documents Protection 101  
[https://tamu.edu/chapter -resources/chapter-documents/](https://tamu.edu/chapter-resources/chapter-documents/)

12. National Volunteer Week: 770 New Trainees, 375,000 Hours served, 65,000 received Virtual AT, 12 new acres worked, and TMN has reached 58,000 adults and children

Next Meeting will be May 24, 2021