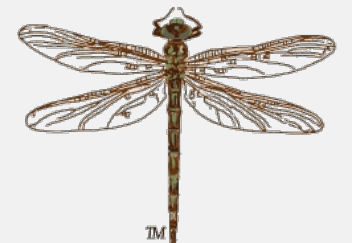




June 28th Chapter Presidents & Advisors Meeting

- Introduce yourself & your chapter in the Chat Room
 - Share video (if your bandwidth allows)
 - Michelle & Mary Pearl will be monitoring the chat room
 - Will be recording the meeting
 - Will share slides, chat room and notes
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- We'll get started at **1:00pm**
 - Volunteer Note Taker – _____



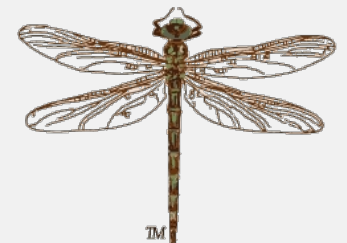
June 28th
Chapter Presidents & Advisors
Monthly Meeting





Agenda

- TMN License Plate
- Return to Service Guidelines
- Fall Training Class
- CMOP Update
- TMN Tuesdays
- Be The Change Diversity Series
- Virtual Volunteer Fair
- Annual Meeting
- Presidents Roundtable Discussions
- Looking Ahead



HOW TO



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ORDER



Thanks for your Support!

TMN License Plate

Who's ordered one?!

- Can be ordered on myplates.com
- Building a FAQ on our website
- **\$30** for non-personalized
- OR **\$70** for personalized
- \$22 of each plate sold goes back to **TMN Program**
- <https://txmn.tamu.edu/tmn-license-plate/>



No Change

Return to Service Guidelines

Safety is our guiding principle for operations. The Texas Master Naturalist™ Program has a responsibility for creating a **safe** and **friendly** space for all members, attendees, local partners and the public and communities we serve.

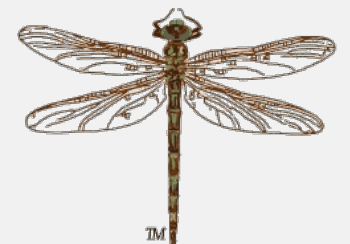
The following considerations should direct how the Texas Master Naturalist Program will operate for the foreseeable future.

Considerations for all TMN Activities:

It is very important to know and follow all federal, state, county and local COVID guidelines/restrictions before conducting TMN Activities. Beyond these, please consider the following in planning gatherings:

- Virtual meeting platform tools are useful and should remain an important consideration for planning meetings and events.
- For any indoor or outdoor activities that do occur in-person, masks and social distancing considerations are encouraged.

<https://txmn.tamu.edu/welcome/covid-19-response/>



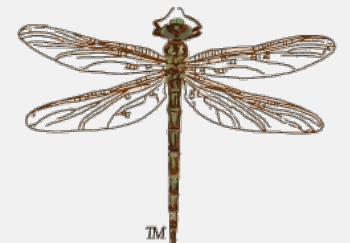
No Change

Return to Service Guidelines

Please note regarding vaccines: Our program and agencies currently have no legal authority to develop policy based on private health information (HIPAA laws) at this time and we don't anticipate the program drafting its own policy or allowances, etc. addressing whether individuals (members or the public) with vaccines can/cannot participate in any TMN activities and where, when and how.

Texas Master Naturalist members or members of the public should not be asked about their vaccination status. Chapters may encourage persons in program settings to continuing following CDC guidance.

There shall be NO EFFORT (including casual comments made publicly or privately) to DISCOURAGE the use of face coverings or any COVID related safety precaution. Those who wish to wear masks and practice COVID protocols should be respected and their wishes supported.



No Change

Return to Service Guidelines

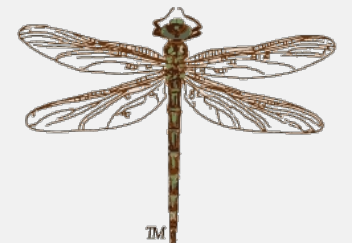
How has your chapter “re-opened”?

What activities have or are you resuming?

How are your members responding?

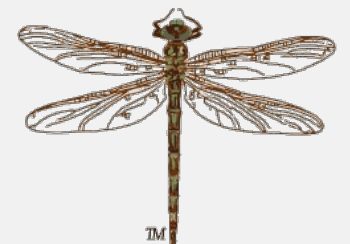
What tools from virtual engagement are you keeping?

Have you heard any additional concerns from membership?



Fall Training Class Information

- Cameron emailed with a request for Fall Training Class dates/registration information.
- <https://txmn.tamu.edu/winter-spring-2021-basic-training-classes-starting-soon-2/>
- Please send to Cameron ASAP



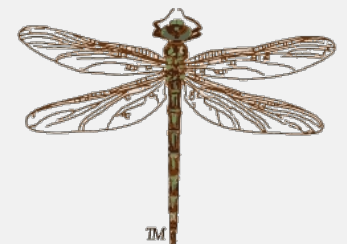
CMOP Update 2021

- **New Training / Initial Certification Timeline Changes**
- To become a Certified Texas Master Naturalist, a member must be Active according to Article III, B (1) and complete the following:
 - TMN State Committee approved curriculum with a *minimum* of 40 hours of combined field and classroom instruction (Initial Training Course).
 - A *minimum* of 8 hours of approved advanced training (AT).
 - A *minimum* of 40 hours of approved volunteer service. (Volunteer service hours spent exclusively on projects approved by the local chapter.)
- Members should complete the AT and volunteer service requirements **within 12 months of the start date of initial training** (Initial Training Course). Members-in-Training may begin earning volunteer service hours and AT hours as soon as they begin the Texas Master Naturalist initial training course **and** have passed their required Criminal Background Check (CBC).

CMOP

Status:

- May, June 2021 – CMOP Team reviews all edits/suggestions
- July 2021 – State Office & CMOP Team makes final edits
- October 2021 – Will share updated CMOP at TMN Annual Meeting
- **Changes to Guidance Documents**
 - Review period – March to May
 - Edits/Updates – June to August
 - Share Final Docs – October
 - Documents go Live – December 2021/January 2022
- **Moving to a THREE Year Review Period starting 2022**





#TMNTuesdays



— Save The Date



July 13th, 2021



12:00 – 1:00pm Central
Second Tuesdays of Each Month
through December



Advanced Training Topics Seasonally
Varies

July 20th, 2021



12:00 – 1:00pm Central
Third Tuesdays of Each Month
through September



Diversity & Inclusion Topics
Building a Playbook



#TMNTuesdays

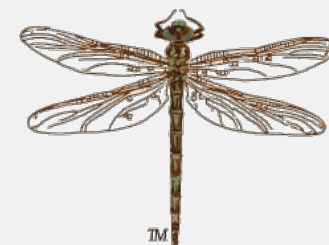


Texas Watershed Protection Planning: Addressing Water Quality and Quantity Issues in Texas



July 13th - 12:00pm – 1:00pm CST

<https://txmn.tamu.edu/tmntuesdays/>





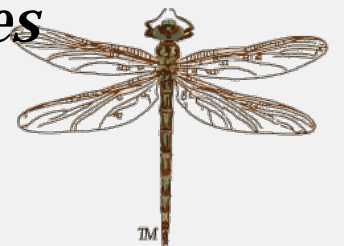
Be The Change.

As a leader of your organization, what presentation topics do you need to best guide your chapter in this moment of the series – the next three months of the series?

July 20th Be The Change –
Chapter Panel Discussion

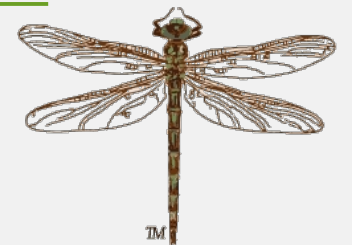
August – Javier de Leon – *Bridging the Gap – Getting New Audiences Outdoors in the Rio Grande Valley*

September – TPWD Urban Biologists Panel – *Listening Tour*





- August 31st & September 1st 2021
- Call for Proposals open NOW! **Deadline July 16th**
- **Share with your local & partner conservation organizations!**
- <https://txmn.tamu.edu/virtual-volunteer-fair-august-2021/>





Save the Date for 2021!



Texas Master Naturalist
—— 2021 Annual Meeting ——

October 21-24, 2021

**Dallas/Fort Worth Airport
Marriott**





Planning a HYBRID Event

This Event is EVOLVING as we go. BUT we will NEED your Help!



- Our definitions of Hybrid:
 - BOTH in-person & virtual attendee options
 - Speakers presenting from both in-person & virtually – by speaker choice. . .
 - Technology & tech hosts in physical room to stream #? sessions live for virtual attendees
 - And will be recorded . . .
 - Virtual Attendee Hub & tech hosts to help engage those virtual attendees. . . ?
 - What does that look like?
 - Will be sending out a request for on-site volunteers soon . . .
 - ALL field experiences for in-person attendees only . . .



Planning a HYBRID Event



Timeline:

• June —

- ~~Close Call for Proposals June 1st~~
- Create Agenda & finalize speakers

← WE ARE HERE

• July —

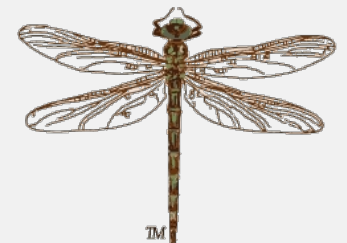
- Release Registration Costs & Final Agenda — **hoping for July 2nd**

• August 2nd — Open Registration

• September 1st — Project Fair Deadline

• October 1st — All other Contests Deadline

• October 21-24th, 2021 — Annual Meeting





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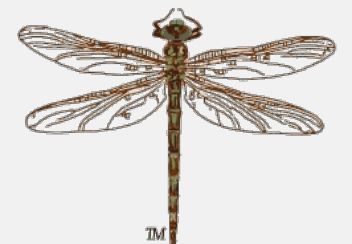


Call for Proposals

- ~~Deadline **June 1st**~~
- ~~Please share with speakers — those you've heard and those you want to hear!~~
- ~~THIS IS VITAL to building the BEST agenda possible for our event.~~
- 100+ submissions – THANKS!

Contests & Awards

- Advisors Awards
- Video Contest
- Project Fair
- Photo, Art & Media Contest



Planning a HYBRID Event



Contests & Awards

- **Advisors Award**
- Nominate yours!
- Open NOW!
- Deadline - October 1st

TMN Chapter Advisor Award

The Chapter Advisor Award recognizes the exceptional work by the advisor or a team of advisors in one or several of the following areas...

- Overall exceptional work of chapter advisors
- Exemplary contributions to the organization's mission and goals
- New initiatives and accomplishments supported by the advisor
- Advisor participation in the chapter
- The advisor's ability to empower members
- Resource management knowledge and activities



Javier De Leon
Texas Parks & Wildlife
Department

Rio Grande Valley
AND
South Texas Border
Chapters Advisor

John O'Connell
Texas A&M AgriLife
Extension Agent,
Brazoria County

Cradle of Texas Chapter
Advisor

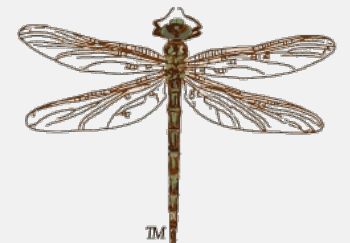


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Contests & Awards

- Video Contest
- Deadline - October 1st
- Goal of Video Contest was originally to collect/encourage promotions videos for recruiting and marketing the TMN Program
- Have included field, project based videos, historical/anniversary and Nature Reflections short videos in the past
- **Will open soon!**

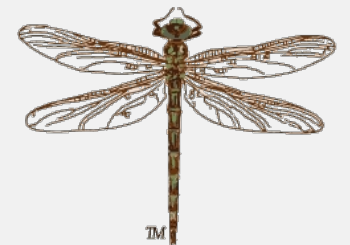


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Contests & Awards

- Project Fair
- Open NOW!
- Keeping aspects of virtual contest
- Deadline will be October 1st
- Virtual presentations will be done as October TMNTuesday – October 12th
- No physical poster needed
- We want to see how your projects adjusted in the COVID-era!

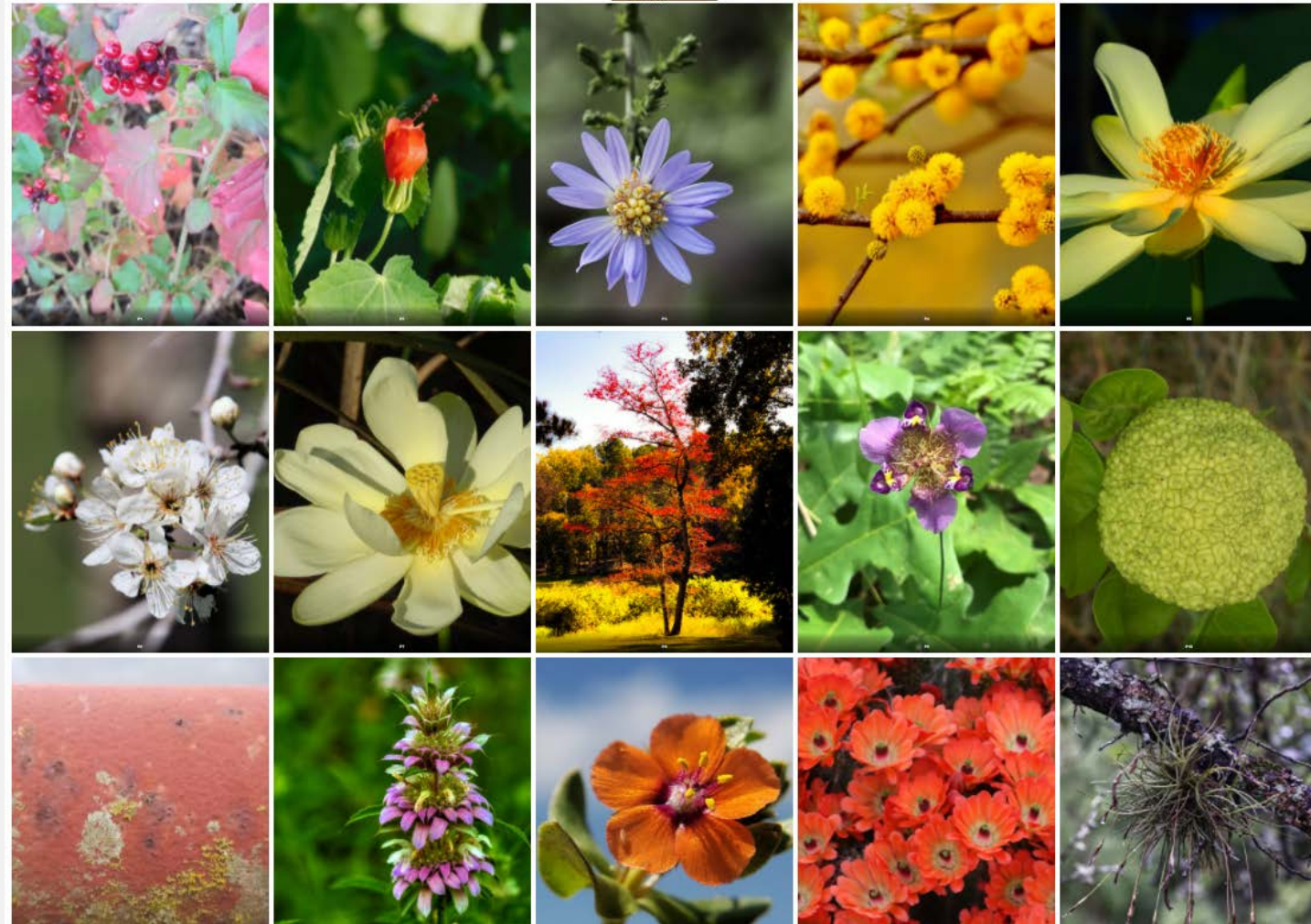


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Contests & Awards

- Photo, Art & Media Contest
- Keeping aspects of virtual contest
- Gideon Lincecum Chapter
- Open for online submissions
September 1-30, 2021



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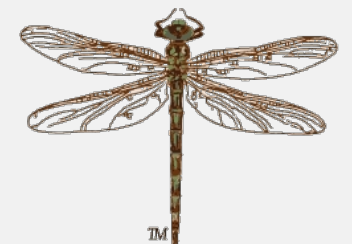


Agenda

- Thursday at noon to Sunday breakfast
 - Presidents Meeting with Lunch on Thursday –October 21st - **CONFIRMED**
 - Sponsored lunch? (~\$2,500)
- Friday - Technical Sessions **(H)** all day
- Friday – Keynote **(H)** at Lunch
- Friday – Keynote **(H)** at Dinner
- Saturday - Technical Sessions **(H)** all day
- Saturday - late afternoon/evening Awards **(H)**
- Sunday - Breakfast & Contest awards **(H)**
- Field Sessions **(I)** – Thursday afternoon through Sunday morning

H – Hybrid

I – In Person only





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Field Sessions

- 14 total field sessions
- Local DREAM TEAM shared locations & speakers
- Will have capacity restrictions & transportation changes



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Where else will we need your help?

Here's what we know:

In-Person Help:

Move-In/Out –

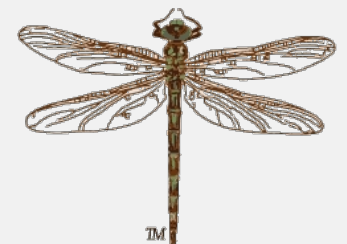
Registration Desk –

Meeting Room Support Volunteers –

Virtual Help:

Virtual Help Desk –

Job requirements – Be able to PIVOT!



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Lodging @ Dallas/Fort Worth Airport Marriott

NEW this year! Lodging will be a separate phone call/website and transaction.

DON'T Call them yet . . .

Potential capacity limits for in-person registration. . .
. . . May have to limit the # on-site.

We are working with hotel in regards to our lodging obligations per our current contract.



Planning a HYBRID Event



FINANCIALS

*Remember, the Annual Meeting is a training event and provides no financial support to the state program office (cost-recovery)

Registration Fees –

Will have by mid-July

In-person – has ranged from \$300-350 in past

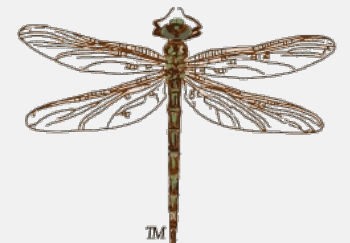
Virtual - ?? unknown, will likely increase from 2020 based on new tech needs

Virtual Nature Venture/Fundraiser –

Cross Timbers Chapter is working on this! Will have updates soon!

Vendors –

Dropped this year



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FINANCIALS

Sponsorships –

Will be requesting again!

Pres Luncheon or Meals

Breaks

Registration Bags

Etc.

Please help us circulating this request!

<https://txmn.tamu.edu/2021-annual-meeting/#be-a-part-be-a-sponsor>

Sponsorship Levels

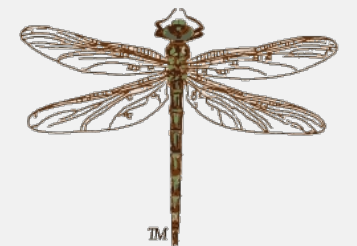
Friend	\$150+
Ecologist	\$300+
Steward	\$500+
Conservationist	\$1,000+
Naturalist	\$5,000+





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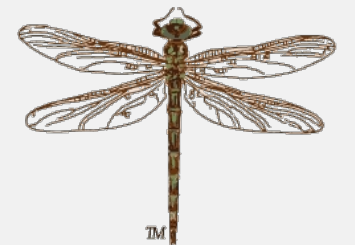
What other questions are you hearing from your members?





Presidents Roundtable Questions

- Any others?

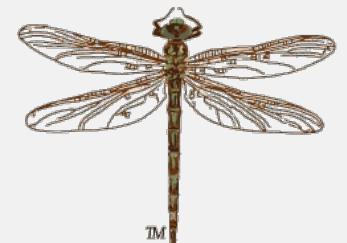




Monthly Presidents & Advisors Meetings

2021 Monthly Chapter Presidents & Advisors Meeting – last Monday of Month

- ✓ January 25th
- ✓ February 22nd
- ✓ March 29th
- ✓ April 26th
- ✓ May 24th
- ✓ June 28th
- **August 9th (summer meeting)**
- September 27th
- October - @Annual Meeting
- **November 15th
- **December 13th
- **NOT the last Monday, adjusted due to holidays.



The End

