From Me to Everyone: 12:52 PM

Afternoon all! Introduce yourself and chapter in the chat room! :)

From Donna Otto to Everyone: 12:52 PM

Donna Otto, South Texas Border Chapter.

From Me to Everyone: 12:52 PM

Mary Pearl Meuth - Assistant State Coordinator - & proud owner of the WLD-4U master naturalist license plate :)

From Craig Hensley to Everyone: 12:52 PM

Craig Hensley, Texas Nature Trackers Biologist and Advisor for the Lindheimer Chapter

From Robert Slaughter to Everyone: 12:52 PM

Robert Slaughter- Rio Brazos Chapter

From Laura Gillis to Everyone: 12:53 PM

Laura Gillis, Rolling Plains Chapter

From Donell Frank to Everyone: 12:53 PM

Donell Frank - Brazos Valley Chapter

From Zoom Host to Everyone: 12:53 PM

Bert Stipelcovich, Coastal Prairie Chapter

From Nelda to Everyone: 12:53 PM

Nelda Tuthill - Piney Wood Lakes chapter

From Mickey Dufilho to Everyone: 12:53 PM

Mickey Dufilho Cradle of Texas Brazoria

From Me to Everyone: 12:54 PM

Hi y'all!

From Linda Fairlie to Everyone: 12:55 PM

Hi! Central Texas chapter, currently in Mackinaw, MI

From Bibi Dalrymple to Everyone: 12:55 PM

Bibi Dalrymple, South Texas Chapter

From Susan Neill to Everyone: 12:55 PM

Susan Neill, Hays County Chapter

From Michelle Haggerty - TX Master Naturalist to Everyone: 12:55 PM

@Linda -- great! I was just there last week :-)

From Heartwood to Everyone: 12:55 PM

Not preZooming today!

From Sharon Hamilton to Everyone: 12:55 PM

Sharon Hamilton, Cross Timbers Chapter

From Ian Shelburne to Everyone: 12:55 PM

Ian Shelburne, Big Country Chapter

From Heartwood to Everyone: 12:55 PM

Carolyn Langlinais from Heartwood Chapter

From Barbara Peet to Everyone: 12:55 PM

Barbara Peet, Rio Grande Valley Chapter

From Emily Hansen to Everyone: 12:56 PM

Emily Hansen, Capital Area Chapter

From Tom Shackelford to Everyone: 12:56 PM

Tom Shackelford / Blackland Prairie Chapter

From Randy Beehn to Everyone: 12:56 PM

Randy Beehn Sabine Neches Chapter

From Sharon Lamoreaux to Everyone: 12:56 PM

Hello everyone! from Sharon Lamoreaux of Longleaf Ridge Chapter of Southeast Texas

From Linda Fairlie to Everyone: 12:56 PM

Rafted 4 days through Dinosaur National Monument, where big horn sheep strolled through our campground

From Emily Hansen to Everyone: 12:57 PM

I spent 12 days backpacking with 10 HS boys and two other adults at Philmont Scout Ranch in NM!

From Me to Everyone: 12:57 PM

Favorite summer vacation or outdoor spot?

From Barbara Peet to Everyone: 12:57 PM

We just completed the Aquatic WILD Training which was really fun!

From Heartwood to Everyone: 12:57 PM

Sanibel Island for shelling

From Pam House to Everyone: 12:57 PM

Hi Everyone, Pam House with the Galveston Bay Area Chapter.

From Paul Wick to Everyone: 12:57 PM

Paul Wick from East Texas Chapter

From Donna Otto to Everyone: 12:57 PM

Participated in week-long Texas Archeological Society Field School in Kerrville.

From Sharon Lamoreaux to Everyone: 12:57 PM

Make a trip to Hocking Hills in Ohio. Quite a place to see!!!

From Sam Kieschnick to Everyone: 12:57 PM

I made the biggest Lego castle ever this summer.

From Larry Root to Everyone: 12:57 PM

Larry Root with Balcones Canyonlands Chapter.

From Ian Shelburne to Everyone: 12:57 PM

Spent part of a day in downtown Chicago and caught a glimpse of one of the city peregrines

From julia to Everyone: 12:57 PM

Julia Trimble for Gulf Coast Chapter

From Michelle Goerdel to Everyone: 12:57 PM

Michelle Goerdel, filling in for the Good Water Chapter President Nancy Phillips. We drove to Washington State and spent a few weeks visiting relatives and friends.

From Craig Hensley to Everyone: 12:58 PM

Granddaughters in Maine

From Michelle Haggerty - TX Master Naturalist to Everyone: 12:58 PM

@Sharon I've heard H. Hills is awesome!

From Sharon Lamoreaux to Everyone: 12:58 PM

Recommended for sure!

From Pam House to Everyone: 12:58 PM

Sea Turtle Patrol was my big adventure this summer.

From Dan Porter to Everyone: 12:58 PM

Dan Porter - Panhandle Chapter

From Pam House to Everyone: 12:59 PM

Dan, heading your way at the end of the month. I'm an Amarillo native.

From Lois Balin to Everyone: 12:59 PM

Cant heat a thing

From BeckyGullette to Everyone: 01:00 PM

Becky Gullette Cypress Basin Master Naturalist. Had a short but wonderful morning adventure seeing wood stork’s and our other wonderful waders at Caddo Lake

From Debra Jones to Everyone: 01:00 PM

Red River. Developing a brand new training curriculum. Arghhhh!

From Elsa Roberts to Everyone: 01:00 PM

Hello! Elsa Roberts, Hill Country Chapter

From Master Naturalist to Everyone: 01:00 PM

Hello. Mary Jane Brown with Llano Estacado Chapter, Midland

From Sue Ann Kendall to Everyone: 01:01 PM

Sue Ann Kendall, El Camino Real, Milam County

From Me to Everyone: 01:01 PM

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

From Rich Nielson to Everyone: 01:02 PM

Rich Nielson, Lindheimer, Comal County

From Betsy to Everyone: 01:02 PM

Betsy from Gideon Lincecum Chapter

From Sam Kieschnick to Everyone: 01:03 PM

Sam Kieschnick - TPWD advisor for North TX Chapter

From Woody Raine to Everyone: 01:03 PM

Woody Raine, Lost Pines

From Stephen to Everyone: 01:04 PM

Stephen Harrell, Highland Lakes

From christine.miller to Everyone: 01:06 PM

Christine Miller, Bois d' Arc

From Sue Ann Kendall to Everyone: 01:06 PM

We are going back to online meetings, Board decision.

From Michelle Goerdel to Everyone: 01:07 PM

we had decided to continue virtual meetings through October

From Janet Laminack to Everyone: 01:07 PM

Janet Laminack, Elm Fork Chapter advisor

From Peter Joseph Hernandez to Everyone: 01:08 PM

Peter Joseph Hernandez - Alamo Area Chapter (for Gary Poole)

From Stephen to Everyone: 01:08 PM

Held a hybrid at our facility. in-person chairs were set up in two positions with social distancing. masks were not required at this venue, but the venue requires full vaccination for use of all facilities; they do not check for paperwork.

From Debra Jones to Everyone: 01:09 PM

Our board just decided to go back to virtual meeting for August as we have an important vote coming up and we would likely have more attendees/

From Bibi Dalrymple to Everyone: 01:09 PM

We’ll meet virtually in August.

From Katie Moses to Everyone: 01:09 PM

Katie Moses, Prairie Oaks Chapter. Doing our first hybrid meeting this month.

From Lois Balin to Everyone: 01:11 PM

Are field trips required now for certification or each chapter deciding?

From Stephen to Everyone: 01:11 PM

are any chapters doing collaborative training? how does that work?

From Me to Everyone: 01:11 PM

https://txmn.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/Temporary-Training-Policy-Changes.pdf

From Lois Balin to Everyone: 01:13 PM

Thank you!

From Heartwood to Everyone: 01:14 PM

Awesome presentation on ecoregions for training https://youtu.be/oBYuiPjAMxA

From julia to Everyone: 01:14 PM

Does you tube have live Q&A ?

From Michelle Haggerty - TX Master Naturalist to Everyone: 01:15 PM

@Julie... no, not unless its a live event.

From Betsy to Everyone: 01:15 PM

This lecture looks like it will be a big help for all of us

From Sue Ann Kendall to Everyone: 01:16 PM

THANKS we have a hard time with our hybrid meetings.

From Master Naturalist to Everyone: 01:16 PM

Yes, thank you for providing a hybrid meeting presentation.

From Sharon Hamilton to Everyone: 01:17 PM

Cross Timbers--first training class in person in a very large room; remaining classes virtual.

From christine.miller to Everyone: 01:17 PM

If we plan to hold trainings in the spring can information be shared on the TMN main page?

From Emily Hansen to Everyone: 01:17 PM

Our training class begins in January; we WERE planning Ning to go all in-person, but we had a successful hybrid class for 2021 (virtual lectures, in-person field events) so we may do that format again

From Debra Jones to Everyone: 01:17 PM

Red River - will start in September. Going in person for now, will be recording all sessions for makeup. Brand new curriculum, still working hard on it. Lots of recruiting going on, classes filling up.

From Sue Ann Kendall to Everyone: 01:17 PM

We have a spring one, too.

From Sharon Lamoreaux to Everyone: 01:17 PM

Going to do live meetings as long as possible, we have all our presenters set up, still looking for more students

From Michelle Goerdel to Everyone: 01:17 PM

Good Water chapter- we're doing virtual again starting in September with in person field trips.

From Dan Porter to Everyone: 01:18 PM

A lot of speakers are moving to Virtual

From Bibi Dalrymple to Everyone: 01:18 PM

We’re starting next week. Combination virtual lectures with field trips socially distanced by dividing people into small groups.

From Pam House to Everyone: 01:18 PM

Decided to do field experiences, long delayed, for 2020 class this fall -- new class in the Spring.

From Bert Stipelcovich - Coastal Prairie to Everyone: 01:18 PM

I’ve received mine!

From Larry Root to Everyone: 01:18 PM

Waiting on my plates

From Muffi's iPhone to Everyone: 01:18 PM

We start our fall class on 8/24/21. It will be mostly in person. Two Zoom class instructors . So excited

From Sam Kieschnick to Everyone: 01:18 PM

LOVE my plates! :)

From Sharon Hamilton to Everyone: 01:18 PM

Plates are on the car!

From Elsa Roberts to Everyone: 01:18 PM

My plates are on my car.

From Michelle Haggerty - TX Master Naturalist to Everyone: 01:18 PM

Mine came in SO QUICK!

From Sue Ann Kendall to Everyone: 01:18 PM

Mine are on, too!

From Katie Moses to Everyone: 01:18 PM

I’ve got mine!!

From Michelle Goerdel to Everyone: 01:19 PM

we had just bought our Texas bluebonnet plates about a month before we heard these were coming out!

From Ian Shelburne to Everyone: 01:19 PM

Big Country chapter - fall new class training will be mostly hybrid, couple of days of in-person events

From Woody Raine to Everyone: 01:19 PM

I think one of our members got POLLN8TR

From Sam Kieschnick to Everyone: 01:19 PM

Remember to never cut someone off if you have a MN plate. You represent the whole program. ;)

From Master Naturalist to Everyone: 01:20 PM

Contest for TMN convention…how many have their TMN plates can be entered into a raffle

From Stephen to Everyone: 01:20 PM

Fall Training planned to complete 2020 class, beginning in September. Venues and field work set up for in-person. if health requirements change we will adjust as needed.

From Joseph Arteaga to Everyone: 01:20 PM

Trans-Pecos almost done with summer class. We are running zoom and in person at the same time. Attendance has been good. We had a few field trips all very well attended. We have encouraged members to mask up if they want to.

From Margaret Avard to Everyone: 01:20 PM

Just had the first meeting of our largest training class ever!!!!!

From Rich Nielson to Everyone: 01:21 PM

Can we order State Curriculum books for delivery/pickup at State Meeting?

From Me to Everyone: 01:22 PM

https://txmn.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/Temporary-Training-Policy-Changes.pdf

From Michelle Haggerty - TX Master Naturalist to Everyone: 01:24 PM

We are working with the TAMU Press on possibilities of getting curriculum orders for chapters at the annual meeting.

From Sue Ann Kendall to Everyone: 01:24 PM

I really love the TMN Tuesdays and have learned so much.

From Master Naturalist to Everyone: 01:25 PM

Attendance drop off could be related to summer and folks traveling. I would like to see monthly TMN Tuesdays

From Sharon Hamilton to Everyone: 01:25 PM

Bi-monthly or quarterly would be much appreciated. Not sure how many are watching live vs. recorded.

From Katie Moses to Everyone: 01:25 PM

I think quarterly would be great!

From Stephen to Everyone: 01:25 PM

like the concept and would like to continue monthly.

From Michelle Goerdel to Everyone: 01:25 PM

The hubby and I love watching them together live! We try to watch every month.

From Master Naturalist to Everyone: 01:26 PM

Will get feedback from chapter members regarding TMN Tuesday.

From Sharon Lamoreaux to Everyone: 01:26 PM

I've gotten behind in watching but am glad they are there recorded for later

From Heartwood to Everyone: 01:27 PM

Members do have the 45 days into 2022 to record watching TMNTuesdays from 2021?

From Margo "Mac" McDowell to Everyone: 01:28 PM

I enjoy these every month, even though at times things pop up here and I can't make the TMNTues. I'd stick with the monthly especially in these times.

From Me to Everyone: 01:30 PM

https://txmn.tamu.edu/virtual-volunteer-fair-august-2021/

@Heartwood - good question. We'll review. the plan was to end the AT hour potential for watchin on December 31st for TMNTuesday . . . let me review that with Michelle too.

From Bibi Dalrymple to Everyone: 01:33 PM

What will be the policy for recorded AT sessions - can they be counted as AT hours?

From Emily Hansen to Everyone: 01:33 PM

What does this uncertainty mean for individual participants? If someone registered to attend online, but do not feel safe at the time of the meeting, will their registration fees be forfeited?

From Michelle Haggerty - TX Master Naturalist to Everyone: 01:34 PM

Which chapters are nominating their Advisor(s) or team of Advisors?

From Emily Hansen to Everyone: 01:34 PM

sorry…if they registered to attend IN PERSON but do not feel comfortable doing so based on current conditions, do they forfeit their registration fees?

From Bert Stipelcovich - Coastal Prairie to Everyone: 01:35 PM

@Michelle - Coastal Prairie Chapter

From Michelle Haggerty - TX Master Naturalist to Everyone: 01:36 PM

Chapter Advisors Award Nomination: https://txmn.tamu.edu/2021-chapter-advisor-awards-now-open-for-nominations/

From Sharon Hamilton to Everyone: 01:36 PM

Earlier slide says deadline or project fair is September 1st. Current slide says October 1st. please clarify.

From Michelle Haggerty - TX Master Naturalist to Everyone: 01:37 PM

Chapter Project Fair: https://txmn.tamu.edu/2021-chapter-project-fair-submissions-open/

Video Contest Info: https://txmn.tamu.edu/2021-video-contest/

Video Contest deadline is October 1st.

From Master Naturalist to Everyone: 01:39 PM

I noticed there is a conflict registering for the leadership meeting on Thursday conflicting with Texas Waters presentation.

From Larry Root to Everyone: 01:39 PM

are all rooms doubles?

From julia to Everyone: 01:39 PM

Is there a place to register for the president's HYBRID lunch ?

From Sharon Hamilton to Everyone: 01:41 PM

Tried to use conference registration link for hotel on Tuesday the 3rd. Said "full." I then registered directly through the hotel.

Asking again: two slides giving deadline of project fair conflict. Is the deadline for the project fair September 1 or October 1?

From Craig Hensley to Everyone: 01:42 PM

Do speakers need to register?

From Michelle Haggerty - TX Master Naturalist to Everyone: 01:43 PM

@Craig-- yes. I've got you covered on that :-)

From christine.miller to Everyone: 01:44 PM

Do chapters need to bring/send an auction item?

From Donell Frank to Everyone: 01:44 PM

Random question - How many chapters have purchased Directors & Officers Insurance for their chapters?

From Sharon Hamilton to Everyone: 01:44 PM

No auction items needed!

From Bert Stipelcovich - Coastal Prairie to Everyone: 01:45 PM

Questions about refunds – hotel and conference – if event is canceled

From Bibi Dalrymple to Everyone: 01:45 PM

Will recorded sessions be available to count as AT?

From NTMN Host to Everyone: 01:46 PM

to Donell Frank - North Texas chapter has director/officer insurance. Not recalling just now who asked around about this some months ago. Maybe they’ll speak up about their findings?

From Sharon Hamilton to Everyone: 01:46 PM

Can folks volunteer at the annual meeting without being registered participants? Asking for 2 Cross Timbers members who want to help.

From Elsa Roberts to Everyone: 01:48 PM

Hill Country Chapter - If I register to attend in person but get sick, can I shift to virtual.

From Donell Frank to Everyone: 01:48 PM

@NTMN Host - Thank you.

From Me to Everyone: 01:51 PM

https://txmn.org/wp-content/blogs.dir/1/files/2013/04/TMN-One-Pager-Insurance-Final-12-2016.pdf

From Sharon Hamilton to Everyone: 01:51 PM

Re: Diversity, Equity, Inclusion: We run all field trips on Saturdays. Had an inquiry from a person of Jewish faith who asked how we might make adjustments.

From Ian Shelburne to Everyone: 01:51 PM

Do any chapters routinely use release-of-liability forms for the public for MN events?

From Mickey Dufilho to Everyone: 01:53 PM

We also counting on Oct. 1 for the Project Fair. I am not sure we will be done by 9/1

From Sharon Hamilton to Everyone: 01:53 PM

Re: Diversity, Equity, Inclusion: We run all field trips on Saturdays. Had an inquiry from a person of Jewish faith who asked how we might make adjustments. Does not have to be discussed today.

From Michelle Haggerty - TX Master Naturalist to Everyone: 01:53 PM

@Sharon-- is your chapter able to make adjustments in your local programming to meet their needs?

From Emily Hansen to Everyone: 01:54 PM

Can we see the previous slide again, please?

From Sam Kieschnick to Everyone: 01:55 PM

Many thanks! Looking forward to seeing folks (hopefully in person!) in October!

From NTMN Host to Everyone: 01:57 PM

Thanks for all your leadership, MH & MPM! Very helpful meeting today.

From Sharon Hamilton to Everyone: 01:57 PM

@Sharon-- is your chapter able to make adjustments in your local programming to meet their needs?---We need help with this! The gentleman did not complete the application, so we tabled that discussion.

From Larry Root to Everyone: 01:57 PM

Another great meeting

From Debra Jones to Everyone: 01:58 PM

What is shipping on books nowadays?

From Me to Everyone: 01:59 PM

@Debra - shipping is detailed on our 021 curriculum ordering form - https://txmn.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/TMN-Curriculum-Bulk-Order-Form-2022.pdf

All the curriculum info is here - https://txmn.tamu.edu/about/curriculum/

From Emily Hansen to Everyone: 01:59 PM

Will the Bookstore be at the Annual Meeting? Could we pick up textbook orders there to avoid shipping costs?

From Debra Jones to Everyone: 01:59 PM

Thanks. Still an additional $2 per book for more than 10 books? That wasn't clear to me when I looked at that form.

From Me to Everyone: 02:00 PM

@Emily - we're working on that with them now. . . they're evaluating staffing & covid but has told us they're working on providing a way for chapters to get books this fall. Short answer - we dont know.

From Emily Hansen to Everyone: 02:02 PM

Thank you both! Really appreciate all your hard work in these (again) uncertain times!

From Craig Hensley to Everyone: 02:02 PM

Thank you.

From Heartwood to Everyone: 02:02 PM

See you in Sept

From Master Naturalist to Everyone: 02:02 PM

Thank you for all your help, advice and concern for us!!!

From Muffi's iPhone to Everyone: 02:03 PM

Thanks

From BeckyGullette to Everyone: 02:03 PM

Thanks y’all