



Cradle of Texas Chapter
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TMN COT October 1, 2008 Board Meeting

President Dave Brandes called the meeting to order with a review of the meeting agenda at 3:00 p.m.

Present: Ellis Burkhardt, John Boettiger, Laura Brandes, Dave Brandes, Jerry Krampota, Justina Dent, Jerry Eppner, Sandy Henderson, John Marshall, Neal McLain, Carolyn Schlein, Ed Barrios, Earl Roberts, Joan Simonsen, Rich Tillman, Mary Helen Israel

Naturalist Moments were given by:

*Laura - noted the newspapers had written articles concerning the effects of Hurricane Ike on the area wild life and environment

*Dave -noted that with the dunes gone, the rattlesnakes have been displaced and will be looking for new homes and new food. Watch for them along the coast.

*Jerry K - had a relative from Galveston who saw dead rattlesnakes.

*Jerry E - saw that GCBO had lots of volunteers for the September Xtreme Hummingbird Xtravaganza.

Earl - noted some effects of hurricane Ike on our coastal birds..

Action register:

Due to the hurricane a lot of these items were not accomplished. John was able to send the COT membership roster to Mary Helen.

Chapter Officers and Committee Chairs for 2009:

Office_____ Willing to Serve_____ Suggestions

President.....	Dave Brandes	
Vice President.....	John Boettiger	
Secretary.....	Joan Simonsen	
Treasurer.....	Sandy Henderson	
State Representative....	Carolyn Schlein	
Past President.....	Ed Barrios	
Training Chair.....	Laura Brandes	
Membership Chair.....	Open.....	Gerald Forrest Jerry Eppner
Volunteer Service Chair...	Earl Roberts	
Advanced Training Chair.	Earl Roberts	
Class Board Representative---	N/A	
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Outreach Chair.....	Open.....	Ruby Lewis Justina Dent
Chapter Host.....	Jerry Krampota	
Chapter Host.....	Justina Dent	
Webmaster.....	Neal McLain	
Newsletter.....	Mary Helen Israel	

Ed Barrios will contact **Ruby**.

Round Table:

***Laura** gave a number of intern training ideas to consider.

+Begin a year around training

+Bring interested people in and put with a mentor

+Meanwhile

>Volunteer at projects such as DEEP, INEOS

>Attend monthly meeting

>Turn in AT and VT time to Training Chair

>Charge perhaps \$25

+Training manuals presently are on hand for eight interns.

Further discussion on ideas will be done by a committee headed by **Laura Brandes**. Volunteers so far are **Mary Helen Israel**, **Joan Simonsen** and **Ed Barrios**.

***Rich** is going to the state TMN meeting at **Mo Ranch**. The cost is \$30. **Justina** and **Earl** expressed an interest in accompanying him.

***Ellis** suggested core training guidelines be established once a year.

*Neal reminded members there is a map on the Website to Mo Ranch.

*Mary Helen Israel announced the Newsletter deadline as October 5.

*Jerry K. complimented Laura on her training ideas.

*Joan thanked members for minute approvals.

* Dave put a notice in the newspaper that Dr. Wayne McAlister was addressing the next Advanced Training and the meeting was open to the public.

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectively submitted,
Joan Simonsen
Secretary

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