

**ATTACHMENT 1 TO NOVEMBER 2006 NEWSLETTER
ADVANCED TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES
NOVEMBER - DECEMBER 2006**

The TMN-COT Advanced Training Committee has reviewed AT opportunities listed on nearby TMN Chapter websites and has approved the advanced training opportunities listed below. If you find other opportunities not listed that you would like to attend, please submit an *Approval Form for Advanced Training*. This form can be downloaded from the FORMS page of the COT website.

DATE/TIME	CHAPTER	CONTACT	AT HOURS
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Galveston Bay Chapter

First Monday of the month 10am-Noon Carbide Park	Historical Perspectives of Naturalists Study Group By popular request the group will finish 'The Book of Texas Bays' by Jim Blackburn. The author describes and comments on every major bay on the Texas Coast from Lake Sabine to the Rio Grande Earlier this year the study group only read the first nine chapters which describe the geographical area of Southeast Texas. Because so many people are familiar with the entire coastline and because the book is so interesting, it was decided to use the rest of 2006 to finish it. The meeting schedule and reading assignments are: November 6 Chapters 23-26	Stew Coffman e-mail or 281-412-6450	2 hours
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Gulf Coast Chapter

Sunday, November 5, 2006 - 8 am til 2 pm	NPSOT Field Trip - Greens Bayou Wetlands Mitigation Bank with Dr. Larry Brown. Trip will originate at the Houston Arboretum, 4501 Woodway. Wear appropriate footwear for walking through wet or dry fields, bring drinking water, bug spray, and a packed lunch. Field trips normally end after the picnic lunch. Meet at the Arboretum between 8 and 8:30 am to depart promptly at 8:30 am. For more information contact Paul Roling at 281-353-7413 or PVRoling@att.net .		
Sunday, November 11, 2006 - 6:00 - 7:30 pm	Texas Amphibian Watch Monitoring Workshop at Mercer Arboretum, 22306 Aldine Westfield Rd, sponsored by the TPWD. Learn how to identify local amphibians, receive a Texas frog and toad call CD and get hands-on experience. SBEC and TEEAC credit available for teachers. Cost: \$5 for materials. Registration required. For more information and registration, contact Scott Kiester at skiester@houston.rr.com or 281-456-9350.		

Mid-Coast Chapter - Aransas Pass

	No listings for November or December		
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Coastal Bend Chapter - Fort Bend County

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Armand Bayou Nature Center

<p>December 9, 2006 - 8 - 11 am</p>	<p><u>Guided Canoe Tours</u> - A morning of education and adventure paddling canoes on a guided tour down the backwaters of Armand Bayou. Meet at Bay Area Park for a leisurely morning of wildlife watching, wetland education, relaxation and fun. Observe numerous birds, reptiles, deer and other residents at the water's edge. Beginning and experienced canoers welcome. Life jackets provided. Cost: \$20 members; \$25 non-members</p>	<p>281-474-2551 8500 Bay Area Blvd., Pasadena, TX</p>	
<p>December 2, 2006 - 5 - 7 pm</p>	<p><u>Owl Prowl</u> - Enjoy a moonlit walk through the woods as we look for owls and listen for fascinating night sounds. Bring a flashlight. Cost: Members - \$2 adults, \$1 children & seniors; Non-members - \$5 adults, \$3 children & seniors</p>	<p>281-474-2551 8500 Bay Area Blvd., Pasadena, TX</p>	