

South Texas Border Chapter – New Class Scholarship

(Last Name) _____ (First Name) _____ (MI) _____
Primary email address: _____
Primary Telephone: _____ Cell Telephone: _____
Home Address: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____
Full Time Resident: Yes: ____ No: ____ Winter Texan: Yes: ____ No: ____

Months in the RGV (Example: Nov. 1 – May 1)

More about the STBC-TMN here: <http://www.stbctmn.org/>

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*As a STBC-TMN New Class Scholarship candidate, we hope to invest in **you** – your talents, skills and willingness to learn and serve. In return, we ask that you invest your time and skills both within our chapter and our local community.*

To Qualify, you must agree to fulfilling the following:

1. *Commit to and attend the entire new class series, which take place between January and April, graduate as a TMN and certify either at that time or within the same calendar year.*
2. *Explain your need for financial assistance. (One page 2.)*
3. *Continue as a STBC-TMN Member **after** the classes are completed.*
4. *Fulfill your 40 hours of volunteer service, at your **DESIGNATED** volunteer site.*

DESIGNATED VOLUNTEER SITE PREFERENCE: *Please check one of the two volunteer sites below. If you are approved for a scholarship and site, your schedule will be coordinated through the Scholarship Committee prior to beginning your volunteer placement.*

_____ **1. STBC-TMN Pollinator Garden** – *Once a week watering, weed removal, etc. at the Chapter's garden site, located behind St. George Orthodox Church, where training classes and chapter meetings are held.*

_____ **2. Vannie Cook Cancer Center for Children** – *STBC-TMN Chapter Project – Once a week cleaning and refilling two hummingbird feeders located by the chemotherapy treatment room windows. The feeders are located outside the building and are accessible on any day and any time with a lock code that will be provided.*

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***Provide all relevant information that describes your interest, abilities and financial need.
(Attach additional paper if needed)***

Describe your interest and existing skills in becoming a Texas Master Naturalist?

Describe your need for financial assistance in the form of a TMN New Class Scholarship?

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Please initial the following statements. Sign and date where indicated.

TMN New Class Scholarship Volunteer Standards:

To be considered for a STBC-TMN Scholarship, you must agree, to the best of your ability, to the following.

I understand that, in consideration for receipt of the South Texas Border Chapter's New Class Scholarship, I must agree to:

_____ Complete the course which includes thirty (30) hours of class time and ten (10) hours of field trips.

_____ Acquire eight (8) hours of advanced training within fifteen (15) months of the January orientation.

_____ Participate in a minimum of forty (40) hours of volunteer time within the calendar year.

I also understand that, in consideration of receipt of the South Texas Border Chapter New Class Scholarship, that I am expected to:

_____ Become and continue as an active member of the South Texas Border Chapter, TMN.

_____ Continue as an active volunteer.

_____ Maintain certification as a Texas Master Naturalist by completing eight (8) hours of advanced as well as forty (40) hours of volunteer service annually.

_____ If for some reason, you are unable to complete the classes, you agree to return the TMN Textbook & Notebook materials received for these classes.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Complete and return this scholarship application, along with the new class registration and registration, by December 15th (Deadline for New Class Registration).

**Mail to: South Texas Border Chapter, Texas Master Naturalist,
New Class Scholarship Application
P.O. Box 3054
San Juan, TX 78589**

**Jim Gerry, New Class Director
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