



UTMSI GREEN TEAM - November 5, 2014

PRESENT – Katie, Xana, Amanda, Meredith, Candace, Rae, Colleen, Hernando

TREASURER REPORT

- Account: \$788.50
- Cash Box: \$160.45

UPCOMING DATES

- **Nov. 11** MSI Jetty Cleanup @ 5:00 PM – Meet at ERC
- **Nov. 15** Port Aransas City-Wide Recycling Event (see article below)
- **Nov. 20** Port Aransas City Council Meeting @ 5:00 PM – Second Reading!!
- **Nov. 30** KPAB Art Show at La Playa, 5:00 – 8:00 PM
- **Dec. 5** Marine Debris Art Contest/ Library Holiday Party, 3:00 – 4:30 PM
- **Dec. 13** Glass recycling at Del Mar East, Corpus Christi, TX
- **Dec. 18** Port Aransas City Council Meeting @ 5:00 PM – Final Reading!!
- **Jan. 13** 1st UTMSI Green Team/KPAB Film at Community Theater @ 7:00 PM
- **Feb. 7** Green Team Auction at The Gaff @ 1:00 – 3:30 PM
- **Feb. 10** 2nd UTMSI Green Team/KPAB Film at Community Theater @ 7:00 PM
- **Feb. 19-22** Whooping Crane Festival
- **Mar. 10** Final UTMSI Green Team/KPAB Film at Community Theater @ 7:00 PM

OLD BUSINESS

- We have a logo... **ACTION: Everyone, USE IT!!! It should be on all of your emails that represent Green Team!!**
- Bike Rentals – N/A
- Film Series
 - We will still do the movie night in the winter. We voted to have it on the first Tuesday of every month, Dec – Mar, however, the theater is not available then. **Therefore, after the meeting, it was decided that we will have only three movies, which will take place on the second Tuesday of January, February, and March at the Community Theater.** Colleen will find speakers for this.
 - **ACTION: Colleen, pick the 3 movies and speakers!!**
 - **ACTION: Update poster, send to South Jetty and printers for advertising**
 - **ACTION: Meredith: Vote on printing costs (Item 1 to vote on)**
 - We also have movies that are hosted by the NERR, which play every week on Mondays and Wednesday, at 3:00 PM. Green Team Members should volunteer to go over to a movie as a representative.
 - **ACTION: Colleen, set up a google doc with the movie names and dates.**
 - **ACTION: Everyone, commit to at least one movie to represent the Green Team!**
- Skip the Plastic Update
 - Bags still available (talk to Rae).
 - **ACTION: ANYONE, write letters to the editor!! It does not take long at all!!**



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- **ACTION: EVERYONE, PLEASE COME TO CITY HALL ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH AT 5:00PM AND SHOW THAT YOU ARE IN FAVOR OF BANNING THE PLASTIC BAG IN PORT ARANSAS!!! THIS IS THE SECOND VOTE OF THREE!!! WEAR GREEN!!**
- Green Team Challenge
 - 2nd quarter completed
 - 8 people participated
 - Winners include: Tara (x2), Yesid, and Andrew Kang
 - Prizes: IOU's for Green Team T-shirts (Tara will also get an additional prize- TBD)
- Environmental Hero Awards
 - **ACTION: Everyone, nominate someone by November 12th!!!**
- Fundraiser
 - Silent Auction at The Gaff, including a 50/50 raffle!!
 - February 7th, 2015, from 1:00 to 3:30 PM. *Chicken bingo starts at 4:00 PM.*
 - **ACTION: Design a poster and handout for the KPAB event on November 30th and to be able to hang around town!!**
 - Thank you to Colbi for being the first person to donate (4 Yoga classes)!!!
 - There needs to be a committee. Katie, Rae, Colleen, and Meredith said that they would be a part of the committee.
 - The committee will hang posters, ask for donations, set-up/take down, handle raffle tickets, and be the money collector.
 - Colleen is concerned about how that is the same day as the National Ocean Science Bowl. **ACTION: If you have already committed to NOSB, then request to be in one of the rooms that releases first (as in, not the quarter-finals, semi-finals, or finals!).**
- Glass Recycling
 - Saturday 12/13/2014 – Del Mar East Campus (2901 Ayers). Rae volunteered. Katie will help load. Amanda is the backup plan. Thank you!!
 - Thank you to Meredith for all of her hard work with the glass recycling and for putting up signage with instructions on sorting by color and not putting in broken glass.
- Business Center Recycling
 - Now that we have the shipping/receiving recycling containers that look really nice, Dana is open to the idea of storing boxes (that are already broken down). **ACTION: Everyone, if you see something that you think would work for storing boxes, send the link to Meredith.**
- Cleanups
 - The next jetty cleanup will be **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH at 5:00 PM**. On the morning of, we can decide where to go (to the beach or Charlie's Pasture area or UTMSI Jetty or UTMSI Marina area).
 - **ACTION: Everyone, meet in front of the ERC at 5:00 PM on November 11th!!**
 - **ACTION: Amanda, email everyone at MSI and also include KPAB and the Planetears!!**
- T-shirt Design
 - We decided on a black shirt, with three colors: lime green, sky blue, and burnt orange.
 - The large circle logo will go on the back.
 - On the front will just be letters: bigger font – "GREEN TEAM"; and underneath in smaller font – "UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS MARINE SCIENCE INSTITUTE".



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- We should order 100 items (50 men's and 50 women's)
 - **ACTION: Meredith, get price quote from Mom.**
 - **ACTION: Rae, get price quote from someone else.**
 - **Vote Item No. 2 (Meredith): Once prices are obtained, will need to vote on purchase**
- It was also suggested that we look into buying reusable bags, reusable water bottles, to-go coffee mugs (Tervis tumbler style), etc., but we will save that for the next purchase.
- Website
 - Stephanie has added a visitor counter (Google analytics).
- Recycling
 - We need more battery containers, they cost ~\$70/container. We will have to wait until we do a fundraiser, and we will also need to vote on it.
 - **ACTION: Vote Item No. 3 (Meredith): \$79/container vote on number of containers**

NEW BUSINESS

- ~~Brazilian pepper tree removal event~~
- Whooping crane festival Feb 19-22. Yes! We agree to share a booth with KPAB. Instead of trying to make this a completely educational event, we should realize that people go there to buy things... so we need to have things for them to buy (T-shirts, Skip The Plastic Bags, Gr. Tm. Reusable Bags/Mugs)... Additionally, our goal should be to get their names onto a mailing list so we can update them with Green Tips and with upcoming events via an email blast.
- Change meeting dates** – **ACTION: Katie will send out a survey** asking for the preferred day of the week (*Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday*) as well as which week in the months of January, March, May, July, September, and November (*first week, second week, third week, or fourth week*). **We know that students have class schedules that change every semester, but try to fill this out and give some input regardless of your class schedule.
- Secretary needed – no one volunteered. This will most definitely get resolved at the next meeting. ☺
 - **ACTION: Become a Secretary.**
- Plastic art show for library party – Rae update. Rae came up with an art contest based on one that the Surfrider Foundation did, which could coincide with Liz's Library Holiday Party (December 5th, 3:00-4:30 PM). It was decided that we should have it be a "Marine Debris Art Contest" (as opposed to just plastics). Also, we will invite Sheila Rogers, but not expect her to judge anything (we can always tag her on FB with the pictures). We should encourage people donate their artwork to the Green Team Auction afterwards.

PORT ARANSAS CITY-WIDE RECYCLING EVENT – ARTICLE FROM THE PORT ARANSAS SOUTH JETTY

City-wide recycle event is on Nov. 15. Recycle, re-use and reduce waste at the citywide E-recycle Day on Saturday, Nov. 15, in honor of America Recycles Day.

- The event is scheduled from **9 a.m. to noon** where residents may dispose of electronics, swap plants, trade books and more.
- Dispose of and recycle your old computers, monitors, cables, keyboards, cell phones, ink and toner cartridges, re-chargeable batteries and more.



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- Electronics recycling will be collected across the street from the parks and recreation department in the Civic Center parking lot, **700 W. Ave. A.**
- Used eyeglasses will be collected and donated to the Lions Club for its re-use program.
- A plant and book swap will take place at the parks and recreation department front yard, **739 W. Ave. A.**
- Clean up your yard and bring plants, trees, cuttings, bulbs or seeds to share with others in the community.
- Take the opportunity to get rid of all those books on the bookshelf you've already read or the kids have outgrown. Bring it to the swap and find books you haven't read to take home. Books not taken during the book swap will be given to the library for its annual book sale.
- *Keep Port Aransas Beautiful (KPAB) and the City of Port Aransas Parks and Recreation Department sponsor the event.*

UTMSI GREEN TEAM MARINE DEBRIS ART CONTEST



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Marine Debris Art Contest



This year at the **Library Arts & Crafts Holiday Party**, the UTMSI Green Team will be hosting an Art Contest of artwork made of litter. This is a fun way for you to help raise awareness about the impact and danger of litter and plastic pollution to our marine and coastal environments – and win some cool prizes!

When: December 5, 2014, 3:00 - 4:30



HOW TO ENTER and GET STARTED:

1. Join a clean up or grab a bag and head outside and collect as much plastic and trash as you can.
2. Use the pieces of trash you've collected to make a unique piece of art – maybe a sculpture or mosaic. Get creative!
3. Having trouble with ideas? Check out the Surf Rider Foundation's plastic art contest winners (<http://www.risemonth.org/2014>), Corpus Christi artist Sheila Rogers (<http://sheilarogersfineart.com>), or just Google crafts from plastic trash to **spark some creativity**.
4. Completed artwork will be displayed at the **Library Arts & Crafts Holiday Party**. Please bring artwork to the Library by **2pm December 5**.
5. Displayed artwork will be entered into a contest and winners will be announced (with prizes) at the end of the party!

Winners will be decided by YOU – guests at the Holiday party will vote for their favorite!

UTMSI GREEN TEAM SILENT AUCTION AND 50/50 RAFFLE




UTMSI GREEN TEAM presents:

SILENT AUCTION & 50/50 RAFFLE

WHERE: THE GAFF BAR, 323 Beach St.
Port Aransas, TX 78373

WHEN: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH
1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Auction closes @ 3:30 p.m.

WHAT: Auction items include handmade jewelry, pottery, stationary, totes, original artwork, gift baskets, gift certificates, and more!

WHY: Proceeds from this event will support the mission of the UTMSI Green Team. The mission is to discuss environmental issues that impact the workplace and local communities, with the goal of developing solutions to these problems that will result in a more eco-friendly and sustainable environment.