

Treasury Notes

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PRESIDENTS WELCOME

Welcome, County Treasurers and friends, to the County Treasurers' Association of Texas Official Newsletter. I am honored to serve as the President of this amazing Association this year.

The objectives of CTAT are to exchange ideas; to advance and maintain a proper standard of efficiency; and further, to achieve legislation for the general interest and advancement of the Association as a whole. We are committed to the mentoring and training of our membership through New Treasurers Orientation, regional meetings, an annual education seminar and conferences. Please do not hesitate to reach out to any member of the CTAT Executive Board if there is a place where we can offer assistance or guidance.

The theme for this year is "Inspire Trust." Trust is the firm belief in the reliability of someone or something. The elements of trust are consistency, compassion, communication, and competency. Each is necessary, while none of them are enough on their own. To inspire is to move someone to act or feel emotions. As elected officials, our behavior should move people to a firm belief in our reliability, in other words, our actions should "Inspire Trust".

Jennifer Henderson

President, County Treasurers' Association of Texas 2021-2022 Schleicher County Treasurer



"Trusting is hard. Knowing who to trust, even harder." - Maria V. Snyder



OUTSTANDING COUNTY TREASURER OF THE YEAR





2021 Outstanding County Treasurer is Cheryl Chambers from Ellis County. Cheryl has been in office since 2011 and is currently the Director of Region 9 and CTAT Past President in 2017-2018. She is an amazing person – inside and out!

Congratulations Cheryl!

Q: Why did you run for Office?

A: I worked for Mark Price for 10 years...and loved my job. He decided to run for county judge, which opened the door for a new treasurer to come in. I just couldn't do it. I just couldn't work for the new treasurer so I left the county for four years. Then there was a position that come open as the 1st Assistant Auditor, I applied and got that position. During that time another treasurer had been appointed. During this treasurer's tenure, duties were being removed from the office and I hated seeing the office torn apart. So, I did something I said I would never do – I ran for a public office. Never say never!

Q: What accomplishment are you the most proud of?

A: I would say I'm most proud of having duties restored to the office. During the previous Treasurer's term duties including investments and payroll were removed. I was able to get those back.

Q: What would you say is your biggest challenge as an elected official/Treasurer?

A: I think I would say overcoming the "Good 'Ole Boy" and "this is the way we've always done it" way of thinking.

Q: What would you like to leave as your legacy?

A: I want people to know I did my job well, correctly and that I didn't take any crap off of anybody!

Q: What piece of advice would you give new treasurers?

A: Be Accountable! Show up to work and do the work.

Q: What does it mean to you to be selected as Outstanding Treasurer?

A: My peers opinions matter to me. I hope they recognize that I care about my county, about my association, and that I just don't dial in. I don't want this to be popularity contest. It means the world to me that this award was given to Mark Price in 2000, and he taught me to be a good treasurer. I get to hang my plaque by his in my office (thanks to his wife sharing with me). I cannot wait to see them hanging side by side.

Treasurer's Conference 2021 –

Thanks, Boerne for a Wonderful Time!









"Trust is the glue of life. It's the most essential ingredient in effective communication. It's the foundational principle that holds all relationships together." – Stephen R. Covey

To Inspire Trust...

INSPIRATION...

With the theme for this year being "INSPIRE TRUST" ...we'd like to hear from you. What inspires you – and most importantly, what have you done to inspire trust in others in your respective offices, courthouses and counties?

Submit your "Inspiring Story" to Imonk.cotreas@co.tyler.tx.us

Words of Wisdom...

At a recent Leadership 254 Module, Comal County Treasurer & Current TAC President, Renee Couch borrowed the following quote:

"There is no end to the good you can do if you don't care who gets the credit." – Major General Colin Powell

Renee's challenge to the group was clear, powerful and impactful. She challenged the group to go for the greater good – not focusing on who gets credit, but instead focus on the best outcome for everyone involved.

All work is honorable. Always do your best because someone is watching.

– Major General Colin Powell

Dates to Remember

Texas Public Funds Investment Conference November 4 - 5, 2021

Westin Hotel Houston, Memorial City 945 Gessner Rd Houston, TX 77024



Dec. 5-8, 2021

MCM Elegante Suites 4250 Ridgemont Dr. Abilene, TX 79606 (325) 698-1234

Basics of County Investment Course March 8 - 11, 2022

Embassy Suites by Hilton San Marcos 1001 E McCarty Lane San Marcos, TX 78666

50th Annual County Treasurers' Continuing Education Seminar

April 18-21, 2022

Embassy Suites by Hilton San Marcos Hotel, Conference Center & Spa

Conference of the County Investment Academy June 27 - 29, 2022

Moody Gardens Hotel Seven Hope Blvd. Galveston, TX 77554

74th Annual County Treasurers' Association of Texas Conference

Sept. 12-15, 2022

Hilton Waco & Waco Convention Center, Waco



"THE PEOPLE, WHEN RIGHTLY AND FULLY TRUSTED, WILL RETURN THE TRUST." -ABRAHAM LINCOLN

NEED TO ADD ADDITIONAL DATES OR INFORMATION? PLEASE CONTACT LEANN MONK @ 409-200-1866 OR LMONK.COTREAS@CO.TYLER.TX..US

LET US KNOW:

WHO'S RETIRING?

WHO'S NEW?

WHO'S MAKING A DIFFERENCE?

HAVE "NOTE" WORTHY PICTURES?