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18th TEXAS TRAILS NETWORK STATE CONFERENCE

~ Texas Trails and Active Transportation ~

March 26 - 28, 2014

Fort Worth, Texas

"Trails of Texas" Awards

Since 1992, the Texas Trails Network (TTN), a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, has been promoting quality development and management of trails, providing a forum to address concerns related to trail acquisition, development, management, and user conflicts; and promoting the development of a statewide trails system network.

The Texas Trails Network "Trails of Texas" Awards are TTN's way of recognizing Texans working to create trails that promote recreation, health, economic development, and travel opportunities for Texas residents and visitors alike. Nominees may be from the public or private sector, paid or volunteer but **MUST** be a Texas project, entity or resident. A governmental agency, staff or citizen may have initiated the effort. Trail nominations may be for paved or improved natural surface trails, Equestrian Trails, ATV Riding Trails, Hiking or Jogging Trails, Paddling Trails, or Cycling Trails **OR** the planning and design of such trails. Award presentations will be made throughout the conference.

AWARD CATEGORIES AND CRITERIA



"Great Texas Trail Boss" Award – <u>SERVICE AWARD</u> to recognize an elected or appointed official (at the Federal, State or local level), a business or corporation, governmental entity staff person or a community volunteer who has demonstrated significant, sustained and consistent support of trail planning, trail development and trail activities or who has led efforts of actual trail construction or maintenance. These individuals have provided exemplary service toward trail initiatives through outstanding legislative leadership or public service. The nominees may be paid or volunteers. (4 categories)

"**Great Texas Two Step" Award** – <u>PARTNERSHIP AWARD</u> recognizing special cooperation between various entities with regard to trail use, planning, design or implementation. These partnerships can be non-profit/citizen or group/public sector or private sector partnerships that have made a significant impact on trail initiatives in the community.



"Great Texas Trail Head" Award – <u>PLANNING</u> / <u>DESIGN AWARD</u> to recognize a completed trail planning or design project demonstrating the use of innovative trail planning and/or design. The trail planning and/or design efforts must have incorporated and utilized public input to enhance the trail activities within the project area and must have made a significant impact to the community and/or region. Trail projects may have been completed by a public or private entity. The award recipient shall be the entity implementing the plan and/or design project. (2 categories)

"Great Texas Tall Tale" Award - <u>MEDIA AWARD</u> recognizing creativity and high quality in a trail promotion effort to provide public exposure in the field of trail use, planning, design or project implementation. Promotional materials may be print, video, or web page.

"Kathy Joslyn Volunteer Service" Award – <u>SPECIAL VOLUNTEER AWARD</u> recognizing an individual or group that has performed outstanding volunteer service demonstrating long-standing, significant, and exemplary service to trail planning, implementation, and recreation. This special award is given in honor of Ms. Kathy Joslyn, former director of Parks, Recreation and Cemeteries for the City of Nacogdoches, long time Texas Trails Network Board member, and trails advocate.



~ Award Nomination Form ~

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This nomination form must be completed, but feel free to make copies for more than one nomination submittal. Two (2) additional supplemental narrative pages may be submitted with each nomination. Entries must be typed. (*Please send requests for an electronic version of the application form to jwaldbauer@bw2inc.com*). One nomination per category, per form. Awards may recognize an individual, team, group or entity, but an individual representative must be included. The Award Nomination Form must be submitted and postmarked no later than February 28, 2014. The 18th Annual Texas Trails Network Conference Awards Committee will have sole responsibility for selecting award recipients. More than one award per category may be given. The awards will be presented throughout the conference. Please plan to attend and support the efforts of these worthy recipients.

Category (check one):			
"Great Texas Trail Boss" – Service Award Elected/Appointed Official Business / Corporation Governmental Entity Staff Community Volunteer "Great Texas Two Step" – Partnership Award		"Great Texas Trail Head" — Planning / Design Award	
Name of Nom	ninee:		
	Title		
Representing:			
Address		City	Zip
Phone	Fax		_
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Nominated by	y (your Name):		
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Representing:			
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Review the appropriate award category criteria and explain why the nominee should receive the award. Narrative is limited to two additional pages. Form must be typed. Up to three (3) exhibits (articles, documents, maps, etc.) may be included. One to three (1-3) related slides or photos should be included.
NARRATIVE (use up to 2 additional sheets if necessary):
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