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### Remembering Dr. John S. Baen, II

It is with a heavy heart that we announce the passing of Dr. John S. Baen on April 9, 2024, while on a fishing trip with friends in Costa Rica. His final days were filled with some of his favorite things – friends, sharing stories, and fishing.

Dr. Baen was a generous member of TLMA and served as a District Representative since 2006. If you ever requested the TLMA attorneys list, you may recall his generous offer to help any mineral owner free of charge at the bottom. This big heart is just a small reminder of his generosity to TLMA and so many others.

Dr. Baen had a larger-than-life personality and we will miss him dearly!

A celebration of his life was held Monday, April 22 at the University of North Texas. You can view his obituary here: <https://www.billdeberry.com/obituary/dr-john-baen-ii>



## 2024 TLMA Statewide Members Meeting

Registration is **OPEN** for the 2024 TLMA Statewide Members Meeting on Tuesday, October 8, 2024 at the McNay Art Museum (6000 N New Braunfels Ave., San Antonio, Texas 78209). You can register [online](#) or by mailing in payment with the attached registration form to the TLMA office at 1005 Congress Ave., Suite 360, Austin, TX 78701.

**We are seeking sponsors.** Whether you are looking to help underwrite the meeting or sponsor a specific portion of the event, we have an opportunity for you! For example, we are still seeking title and lunch sponsors!

Exhibitor spaces are not yet available to new exhibitors but will open in June if available.

If you have any questions about the meeting or associated opportunities, please email us at [info@tlma.org](mailto:info@tlma.org).

We look forward to seeing all of you in October!



## Investigative Committee on the Panhandle Wildfires Hearing

On April 2-4, the Investigative Committee on the Panhandle Wildfires held a three-day hearing in Pampa, Texas. Executive Director, Jennifer Owen, attended the hearings where the Committee heard impactful testimony on the causes of the fires, losses incurred by ranchers and

residents, challenges faced fighting the fire, and plans of action to help prevent such fires in the future. Landowners testified about the on-going challenges they face with utility companies and oil and gas operators with respect to the fires and damages.

The Committee Report is due May 1, 2024, and must include legislative recommendations.

For more information, see

<https://www.texastribune.org/2024/04/04/texas-wildfires-utilities-hearings/>.

[\\*For more information and ways to support our panhandle neighbors, visit our Wildfire Relief webpage.\\*](#)



### **Lt. Governor Releases Senate Interim Charges**

Following the multiple special sessions last fall and the primary elections this spring, Lt. Governor Dan Patrick released interim charges for the 88th legislative session. The committee chairmen are beginning to set hearings. TLMA will monitor all of the charges, especially those of the Natural Resources & Economic Development; Water, Ag, & Rural Resources; Business and Commerce; and, State Affairs Committees.

You can find the full listing of charges at the link below.

<https://www.ltgov.texas.gov/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/2024-Interim-Legislative-Charges.pdf>

The Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives has not yet issued interim charges.



## TLMA Magazine Submissions

Later this year, TLMA will publish our inaugural magazine. We will need a cover photo and hope you can help! If you have high resolution images of your property (preferably with oil and gas production in the photo), we would be thrilled to consider featuring it in our magazine.

Please make any submissions by June 15, 2024 to [info@tlma.org](mailto:info@tlma.org).

Do you have a topic or issues you want to be included in the monthly newsletter? Please email it to [info@tlma.org](mailto:info@tlma.org) for review and potential inclusion.

## Upcoming Dates of Interest

Wednesday, May 1 - House Investigative Committee on the Panhandle Wildfires Report Due

Thursday, May 2 - Texas House Select Committee on Protecting Texas LNG Exports Hearing; Port Arthur, Texas (livestream not available)

Saturday, May 4 - Texas Uniform Election Day

Wednesday, May 8 - [Texas Tribune Event West Texas: The State of Oil](#)

Wednesday, May 15 - Senate Ag, Water, & Rural Affairs Hearing; Austin, Texas (livestream available)

May 20, 2024 - Early Voting in Primary Runoffs Begin

May 28, 2024 - Primary Runoff Election

## Additional Articles and Links

[University of Texas Hydrogen Study](#)

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