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Send in your 2018 membership dues now

For those who have not yet done so, please send in your 2018 LCWMA membership dues as soon as possible. Current LCWMA members must have their 2018 dues paid before September 1, 2018, to be eligible to receive permits for the 2018-2019 hunting season. Dues are still \$20. Checks or money orders should be made payable to LCWMA, and mailed to P.O. Box 524, Hallettsville, TX 77964. Please do not send cash. If you are a lease hunter sending in dues for your landowner, please note on the check the landowner and ranch name for which you are sending payment. Also, please remember that LCWMA members can enroll as many properties as they want for one \$20 annual membership. If you own more than one property, please do not send \$20 for each property you own. One \$20 membership fee covers all the properties you enroll as a member, no matter what management unit they are in.

Save the date

The 2018 annual meeting of the LCWMA will take place on Sunday, September 16, 2018 at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Hallettsville. More details on the annual meeting will follow in the summer 2018 edition of *The Conservation Quarterly*.

New member signup deadline

If you know someone who would like to join the LCWMA, and would like to be eligible to receive antlerless deer (doe) permits for the 2018-2019 hunting season, make sure they get signed up by June 15, 2018. A new member enrollment form can be printed from the LCWMA website (www.lcwma.org) under the JOIN tab.

New members must have their Land Management Assistance (LMA) account properly set up **AND** linked to their respective LCWMA management unit by the June 15 deadline. This is a hard deadline, imposed by Texas Parks and Wildlife, for members who wish to be eligible to receive permits through a pooled property association, such as the LCWMA. If you need help setting up your new LMA account please contact Texas Parks and Wildlife biologist, Brent Pierce, at 361-798-2625 (office) or 361-217-0907 (TPWD cell) or LCWMA chairman, Joel Wagner (361-798-6506) for assistance. Please remember that even if you help a new member create their LMA account it must be linked to the LCWMA by contacting Brent or Joel.

Herd Composition Surveys

In an effort to provide weekend warriors some extra time to collect herd composition data, this year surveys will begin on July 14 and run through September 1, 2018. Herd composition data must be collected by all LCWMA members who wish to receive doe permits for the 2018-2019 hunting season. Detailed instructions for collecting herd composition, as well as a data collection form, will be in the summer 2018 newsletter. The summer newsletter will arrive in early July.

Need a gate sign?

LCWMA gate signs are available at the Texas Parks and Wildlife office in Hallettsville (412 N. Texana). Please be sure to call ahead to make sure Brent is in the office before showing up. If you can't make it to Brent's office, gate signs will be available for purchase (\$5) at the annual meeting on September 16, 2018. LCWMA members are not required to display a gate sign, but are strongly encouraged to do so. Gate signs are a powerful tool for recruiting new members to join our Association. Inquiries from curious neighbors who have seen the sign result in many new LCWMA members each year.

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