

# 2021 TMRA ANNUAL MEETING

Grand Galvez, Galveston

By Cathy Pierce

Back to Galveston! If you attended the Annual Meeting in 2019, you'll remember that golf and fishing were completely rained out. Not this year as we had beautiful weather. Couple that with visiting with old acquaintances and call it a good meeting.

While not a record number of attendees, we filled the room of the Sunday Night Welcome Reception enjoying the hors d'oeuvres when all I heard was "I'm going to get some of those scallops" from Robert Gentry. He was out of luck. It appears that everyone enjoyed being on the coast and all that it offers!



*Rep. Kyle Kacal and Gene Jernigan.*

Monday saw the golfers leave for Moody Gardens golf course and the fishermen (and women) head to Harbourwalk Marina. I heard no complaints from either group Monday night, only saw a few with sun-tanned noses.



Monday night we were fortunate to hear from both of our TMRA Legislators of the Year, Rep. Kyle Kacal and Rep. Chris Paddie. It was wonderful to visit with great Texas legislative folks who support our industry. Hats off to Mance Zachary, along with Ty Embrey, Gary Gibbs, and others, for their continued efforts to keep TMRA legislative concerns in the forefront. Beginning 2022, Ty Embrey will take over the reins of the Chair of the Governmental Affairs.



*Ches Blevins, Gary Gibbs (American Electric Power), Rep. Kyle Kacal, Mance Zachary (Vistra Energy) and Ty Embrey (Lloyd Gosselink).*

Andy Hawbaker, 2021 TMRA Chair, opened Tuesday's general business meeting and introduced the following for reports: Ches Blevins, Executive Director; Peter Luthiger, Treasurer; Mance Zachary, Governmental Affairs; and Cheryl Allison, Education. The ever-popular legislative trio of Ty Embrey, Mike Nasi, and Mance Zachary gave us an update of the recent legislative session.



*2022 Chair Steve Eckert presents a plaque to 2021 Chair Andy Hawbaker.*



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Speakers included Anthony Marchese, Texas Mineral Resources Corporation, and Wei Wang, Railroad Commission of Texas.



*Wei Wang, Railroad Commission of Texas.*



*Anthony Marchese, Texas Mineral Resources Corporation.*



Auction night – what a way to end the Annual Meeting! While some companies were still under restricted travel, TMRA made it possible for those affected to bid by phone. Our auctioneer, Michael Ondrosek, was fast and furious with the gavel.

Be sure to put October 16-18, 2022 on your calendar as TMRA will be at Horseshoe Bay Resort in Marble Falls. Come home and visit with all the old and new folks of TMRA. We hope this will be another “one for the books.”



*Dan Metcalf in exhibitor area.*



*Robert Gentry at his booth.*