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## Upcoming Events:

*February 11:* Online  
ATEM Reviews Start

*March 3 - 5:*  
TEMA Presentation and  
Booth at TASBO

*April 22 - 24:* [\*\*TEMA  
Annual Conference\*\*](#)



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## Congratulations to the 2019 ATEM Certification Recipients



Danny Lorange - Rockwall ISD  
Selina Tovar - Pflugerville ISD  
Veronica Deleon - Humble ISD  
Jeff Morgan - Richardson ISD  
John Kangas - Dude Solutions  
Mikel Rasmussen - Goose Creek ISD  
Justin Boyd - Alvin ISD  
Shauna Alderman - Arlington ISD  
Charles Branscum - DCCC  
Jim Davis - Lennox  
Eugene Fernandez - DCCC  
Wendy Fox - Wylie ISD  
Lalo Gonzalez - DCCC  
Chris Harmon - DCCC  
Jamie Berryman - Crowley ISD  
James Ramirez - Galveston ISD  
Garrett Rosser - DCCC

## Letter from the President

Dear Members,

I want to start by stating that it is such an honor to be part of this wonderful organization. Watching TEMA grow over the years has been inspirational. I would have never thought that our organization would have developed this quickly or with such quality. I am blessed to retake the role of State Board President at this pivotal time on TEMA's journey.

Steve Hanner did a fantastic job leading our organization as President for the past six years. TEMA is also blessed with staff members that are dedicated to our mission and their roles. Our membership continues to grow every year, and we are excited to have a new chapter in West Texas as well as some perspective chapters on the horizon.

The strength of our organization is in its members and the networking that happens at our meetings and events. I look forward to meeting members across the state as I visit each of our six regional chapters. By doing so, I plan to assist the organization's growth by making some minor operational changes that will help streamline and strengthen the organization further. Each chapter has its unique feel, and way of working and we will begin incorporating some of these unique qualities from each chapter into our state events. We must never forget that learning from each other is the primary goal of TEMA. We can take the best of each other and strengthen the overall organization and the profession.

Historically, TEMA has been blessed to find the right people for leadership positions at the right time. I think this continues to be the case when I consider those in current leadership positions at the state and chapter levels. With our increase in membership involvement and overall focus on strengthening the profession, I see that upcoming members will continue the same tradition.

TEMA is your organization, and it is up to you as to what you get out of it. Please know that the staff, State Board, Chapter Officers, and I are here to help you. We can only accomplish this by hearing your needs, so please reach out to us whenever you need assistance.

Sam Salmeron - DCCC

*You too can achieve your  
ATEM Certification, sign  
up for the online course  
TODAY!*

Again, I am honored to be TEMA's State Board President, and I look forward to continuing to grow this organization with you.

Sincerely,  
Keith Ordeneaux

## Member Spotlight



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### A Discussion with Danny Helm of Arlington ISD

Danny was recently recognized as the 2019 Outstanding School District Energy Manager by the Texas Energy Summit. We are excited about his achievements and hope you are too! Like most TEMA members, Danny has a backstory that lead him to the role of energy management, in a roundabout way. To learn more about how and why he does what he does, read this month's Member Spotlight by clicking below...you just might learn some fun facts about Danny, like did you know he is from Las Vegas and he is learning a new trade!

## Conference Spotlight

### GET READY FOR THE 2020 ANNUAL TEMA CONFERENCE!

Conference runs from April 22 - 24, with courses starting on April 21. We have put together a great schedule full of networking and educational opportunities.

What will you get out of it? ...Well, so much knowledge and a great time with great people... There are over 70 educational breakout sessions, 11 courses, 3 certification exams, and 10 corporate and government networking events! Don't miss out on our best conference, yet, in Corpus Christi!



## Member Resources



Shout Out! to Kelly Campbell of Mansfield ISD for having his AEE conference proceedings, titled *\$10 Million Saved (so far) and a Healthier Planet: Conservation in a K-12 School District*, published in the International Journal of Energy Management. Read it at the link below:

[READ MORE](#)

## Course Updates

Are you aware of all the tasks and responsibilities that comprise a successful Operations Department? Just missing two or three of these tasks could jeopardize your best-laid plans for saving resources and improving the working/learning environment.

TEMA is here to help with courses and certifications to improve your professional practices.

### **Courses:**

Fundamentals of Energy Audits (New!)  
Controls 1 - 3 (New Controls 3 and Exam!)  
MTEM 1 - 4  
Electricity Procurement  
Foundations of Sustainability  
Online ATEM Course and In-Person Exam

**SIGN UP NOW** for classes this spring in Corpus Christi!

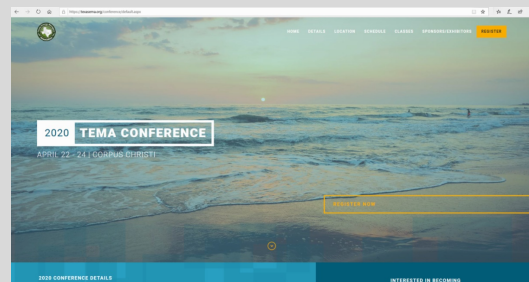


## Did You Know?

### You Can ... On The Website

Check out the How To link below to learn what the website can do for you!

CHECK IT OUT



## Recent Happenings



In September Ashley Williams of TEMA and Chad Corbitt of Katy ISD spoke at the World AEE Conference held in Washington, D.C. Each gave an informative and well-received presentation and spread word on an international level about the great things happening with TEMA!



In November, TEMA presented a panel session at the Texas Energy Summit about Being Resilient Through the Pitfalls of Energy Management. The panel members were David Hoedebeck of Round Rock ISD, Danny Helm of Arlington ISD, Jim Brown of ESA, and Ashley Williams of TEMA.



Don't forget your chapter meetings! December was a great month of shenanigans, gourmet meals, and of course networking and learning. Check on your chapter's page to see about upcoming meetings and to see past meeting information. Attendance is being tracked to account for certification renewals...so get to your next chapter meeting!

## Do You Have Something to Share?

Do you want to be a part of the next TEMA newsletter? Contact Ashley Williams at [awilliams@texasema.org](mailto:awilliams@texasema.org) and let us know what you are up to and what others should know about your endeavors.