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TCMA Vital Signs April 15, 2024

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TRAVIS COUNTY MEDICAL ALLIANCE

*A Century of Supporting
Healthcare in Central Texas*

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Upcoming Events

April 16: General Meeting & Grant Awards Ceremony

April 17: Mah Jongg

April 24: Book Review

April 24: Morning Meet-up (May 8 & 22)

April 28: Family Pinball & Arcade Party

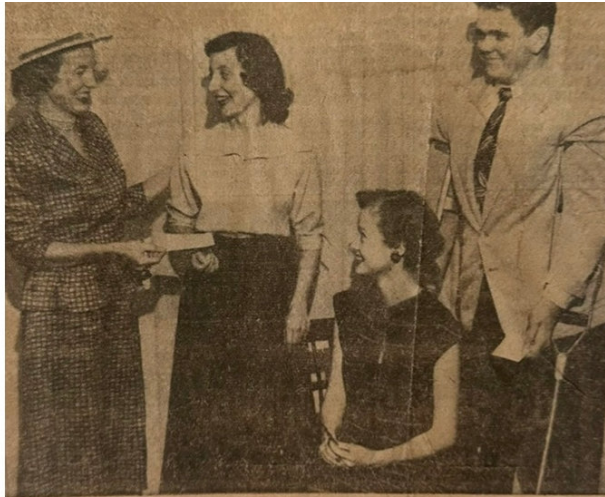
May 2-4: ALLMED Statewide Conference

May 7: Board Retreat (*by invitation only*)

May 9: Mixology Happy Hour - Home of Wendy and Tony Propst

Historical Note *from the President*

On Tuesday, April 16th, you'll experience the most rewarding day of the TCMA year. Our fundraising dollars will be handed over to our grant recipients. This simple act is a profound moment for healthcare in our community. Pictured below are some of the earliest photos capturing this monumental exchange.



RECEIVING THEIR DUE—Mrs. Allan Neighbors Jr., president of the Auxiliary to the Travis County Medical Association hands \$50, \$20 and \$10 prizes to (left to right) Miss Mariane Mitchell, Miss Joy Vandervort and Pat McNamara. The three are winners in a

county contest sponsored by the association and the auxiliary on "Why the Private Practice of Medicine Furnishes This Country With the Finest Medical Care." They are now eligible to enter the state contest for bigger prizes.—(Neal Douglass Photo)

Statesman

October 24, 1941—Page 22

Austin, Texas, Friday,

Essay Contest On at Allan

English Classes Are Competing

During the next two or three weeks all 10A English students at Allan Junior High school will be writing an essay on "Health—A Defense Measure."

A contest is being conducted by the woman's auxiliary to the Travis County Medical society.

In preparation for this essay students are studying library books on health and pamphlets published by the health department.

This essay contest grew out of the statement by Pres. Roosevelt on Oct. 3 declaring that the physical condition of the American people was alarming as disclosed by examination of selectees, and ordering a survey made.

Each 10th grade teacher will select the three best papers from each of her classes. All papers must be submitted to the local chairman by Jan. 1, 1942. State prizes for winners are as follows: first prize, \$25 in a defense bond and stamps; second, \$10 in defense stamps; third, \$5 in defense stamps; the next best 10 will be awarded \$1 each in defense stamps.

The Trans County Medical association auxiliary will offer three local prizes; first prize, \$5; second prize, \$3, and third, two \$100 prizes.

Local judges are Dr. W. R. Houston, Charles E. Green, and Mrs. J. M. Coleman. One essay from each Austin school will be sent to the state contest by the judges.

The purpose of the contest is to teach practical and helpful facts about how to keep physically fit and thus become more efficient citizens.



FAIR TICKETS — Jimmy Eley, left, and Barrie Logan, right, hold airline tickets which will take them to Flint, Mich., Sunday for the National Science Fair. The youngsters were winners of the Austin District Science Fair and are being co-sponsored in Michigan by

the Auxiliary of the Travis County Medical Society, represented above by Mrs. Walter S. Moore, and other local organizations. Jimmy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Eley, while Barrie's parents are the Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Logan. The national fair is May 6-10.



FOR STUDENT NURSE—Mrs. Earl L. Grant, left, and Mrs. F. Murphy Nelson of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Travis County Medical Society present the

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training at Brackenridge Hospital. I Scott was chosen for the honor on basis of academic achievement, chara

TCMA's first annual nursing scholarship to Miss Wanda Scott who is in and need. Mrs. Grant is chairman of the scholarship committee.

The 1941 article details TCMA's first annual health essay contest with prizes totaling \$10. This contest was inspired by President Roosevelt declaring the "physical condition of the American people was alarming, the topic was "Health - A Defense Measure." The top photo is of the 1953 winners who wrote "Why The Private Practice of Medicine Furnishes This Country With The Finest Medical Care." By 1953 the cash prizes had grown to \$200.

The middle photo is from Austin's very first high school science fair in 1956. The contest was sponsored by the Texas Medical Alliance but the TCMS & TCMA were the only groups to raise funds for the winners - who were given plane tickets for the national competition in Michigan.

Since its inception, nurse training has been a priority of the TCMA, but it wasn't until 1961 that the first nursing scholarship was awarded. The bottom photo features the first nursing scholarship recipient, Miss Wanda Scott who was training at Brackenridge Hospital.





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TRAVIS COUNTY MEDICAL ALLIANCE
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You are Invited!
Grant Awards Ceremony
General Meeting & Luncheon
at The Hills Country Club of Lakeway
in the beautiful Waterfall Ballroom
Celebrating our Honorary Members



April 16 11am
26 Club Estates Pkwy, 78738
Please RSVP by April 4
to Lara Norris
at larisalee1968@aol.com

Don't miss out on the most special meeting of the year!

When using GPS, be sure to use the club address (26 Club Estates Parkway) and not "The Hills County Club of Lakeway."

Mah Jongg

Wednesday, April 17



All are welcome to join.
Contact Kathy Thorstad
kthorstad@austin.rr.com
for more information.

Book Review

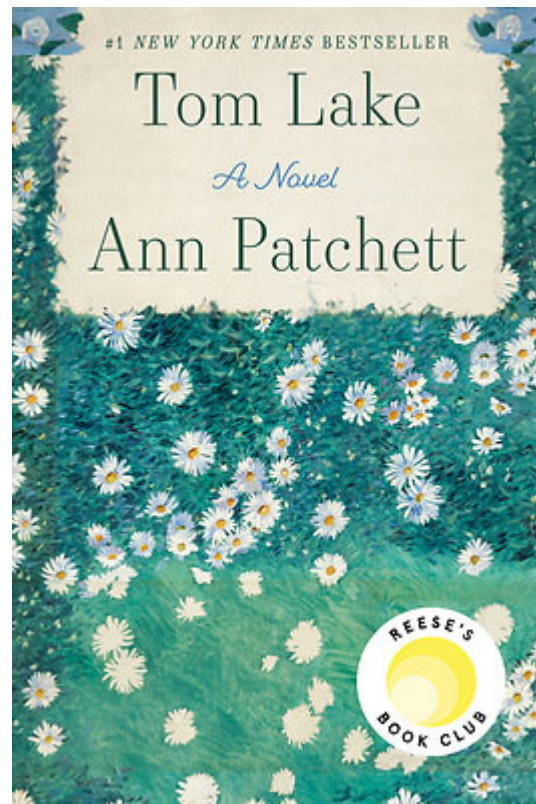
April 24, 2024

***11am**

**Tom Lake by
Ann Patchett**

Reviewed by Cindy Nelson
at the home of Peggy Russell
in Marble Falls

**Note time change to allow travel time;
this meeting only*



Morning Meet-up



Wednesday, April 24 (RSVP not required)
Hosted by **Deneitra Hutchinson**

Gather your crew and join TCMA members
for a relaxing and informal morning at

Central Market
4001 North Lamar Blvd
10-11am

Look for the patio table with the colorful tablecloth; your Pop-UP! host will meet you there. There's lots of open space, covered seating, picnic tables and a kid's playground. Fur babies are welcome too. Café snacks are available for purchase or BYOS (bring your own snacks).

UPCOMING DATES: May 8 & 22



TCMA Mixology Happy Hour



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TCMA LET'S GET
TOGETHER TO
CELEBRATE A FANTASTIC
CENTENNIAL YEAR!

THURSDAY, MAY 9TH

6:00 - 8:00PM

HOSTED BY
WENDY & TONY PROPST

4121 MEK DRIVE
AUSTIN, TX 78731

Members and potential members are welcome!

Contact Inga Ruckman with any questions.
RSVP Required, limited space available
vp-membership@tcmalliance.org





Make plans to attend
ALLMED 2024
May 2 - 4
Omni Hotel - Dallas, TX

The alliance with the most members at the **Annual Business Meeting** will receive \$500.

[**Register Here**](#)



BOOKSPRING FEST

a read aloud celebration

Saturday, May 4th • 12PM-6PM • 1807 W Slaughter Ln Bldg #1



- Special Guest Read Alouds
- Kid-Friendly Carnival Games
- Drinks & Snacks
- Petting Zoo
- Face Painting
- Balloon Making
- Books
- Drinks for the Adults
- ALL FREE!**



[**Reserve Your Tickets**](#)

BookSpring, TCMS, and TCMA has a long history that is thriving today. The current BookSpring ReadWell program is alive and well throughout Travis County pediatric offices. The program ensures that children birth to age five have access to over 25,000 books each year and develop a lifelong love for reading. Dr. Karen Haslund was once quoted as saying "Second to immunizations, this is the most important thing I do as a pediatrician." This is still true today Dr. Haslund!

Each year, **TCMS partners with AISD Student Health Services to provide FREE athletic physicals to AISD students** who have financial restrictions and other barriers to health care.

Volunteers are needed to assist with taking height and weight; chaperoning; directing students to various stations; and providing snacks. Spanish speaking is a plus.

To volunteer for the 2024 physicals, please complete the volunteer form provided below.



[Volunteer Form](#)

Week *in* Pictures



Alliance members Edie Finch, along with Cathy and Zoltan Trizna enjoy the TCMS Sunset Cruise on Lady Bird Lake.



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Centennial Year!

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Vital Signs and Social Media Submissions

Please submit event/enrichment/meeting content to Deneitra (denny@wadealliance.com) by 5pm, on Friday prior to Monday distribution. Every effort will be made to include items after the deadline, with no guarantee. Date-dependent content will appear in the newsletter until expiration.

Content for the public Facebook and Instagram pages may be submitted to the email address above or to Deneitra at communications@tcmalliance.org. No deadlines apply.

To submit information/content:

Share within the body of the email or attach a Word document (**.doc**) file.

Attach images (**JPEG, PNG or PDF**) or include within body of email.

Alternatively, content may be shared with Google Drive if link is provided.

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