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## TCMA Vital Signs November 6, 2023

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**TRAVIS COUNTY MEDICAL ALLIANCE**

*A Century of Supporting  
Healthcare in Central Texas*

## TCMA Vital Signs November 6, 2023

## **IN THIS EDITION:**

Donate to the **Annual Fund Drive** [here](#).

TCMA: Celebrating a Century of Supporting Healthcare

**November 7:** Executive Board Meeting

**November 8:** SLH "Soup-er" Evening - **DONATE**

**November 14:** Chic Ladies Holiday Shopping & New Boutique  
Opening

**November 14:** TCMS Retired Physician's Luncheon

**November 15:** Mah Jongg

**November 29:** Book Review Luncheon

**December 1:** Holiday Luncheon

**December 3:** TCMS Brunch with Santa; 10am-12pm  
Westwood Country Club - **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

**December 5:** Chic Ladies Holiday Party  
Week \*in\* Pictures

# **TCMA: Celebrating a Century of Supporting Healthcare**



President-elect, Kathleen Repass, outgoing president, Pat Koen, TCMA president, Cathy Powell.

**Cathy Powell** attended the AMA convention in Chicago as a voting delegate from Texas. At the convention, TMA sponsored a resolution on border-health issues that was adopted overwhelmingly by the national delegates. This resolution will focus attention on and find solutions for the terrible conditions that exist along the 2000 miles of U.S.-Mexico border.

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Tuesday is Election Day in the State of Texas. This is our opportunity to make our voices heard across the city and state. The TCMA has always advocated for our members to be involved in the legislative process; and over the years, the combined efforts of Alliances and Societies across the state have had great success. A 1941 pamphlet called on Alliance members to work with the legislation because "the sum of such efforts will change the national picture". In 1961 the TCMA advocated against bills that would expand the practice of medicine to those without medical licenses, a topic recently discussed in the Texas legislative session. In 1990 the TCMA helped to sponsor a resolution for "terrible conditions that exist along the 2,000 miles of the U.S.-Mexico border."

Pictured above is a legislative reception from 1990. Do you recognize any of the members from 1991 featured below? If so, let us know on our [Facebook](#) page.





# TCMAF Fund Drive

Many thanks to those of you who have donated to our annual FUND DRIVE!

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**OTHER DONORS:**

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If you haven't already done so, please consider making a [tax-deductible donation](#) today (in \$50 increments) to support our philanthropic efforts during this centennial year! **Paying by check or with bill pay allows the TCMA to receive 100% of your donation without paying a service charge.**

**Karen Kim, Fund Drive Chair**

[karenckim@gmail.com](mailto:karenckim@gmail.com)

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## Saint Louise House "SOUP-er" Evening

Cooler weather is soup weather. Please [SIGN UP](#) to prepare and freeze \*soup ahead of **Wednesday, November 8**, when we will meet at Summer Moon Coffee (3201 Bee Caves) from 10am-10:30am. Arrangements can also be made to drop-off soup at the home of SLH Committee Chair, Jeni Lowry. She will deliver the meals on **November 9**.

*Contact Jeni with your questions: 512-913-9062*

**\*We still need broccoli cheese soup, salad, cookies/brownies**



## SLH Apartment Set Up

We will be helping St. Louise House set up an apartment. Dates yet to be confirmed, but please keep in mind that we will need the following items delivered to the apartment: two area rugs, microwave, dresser, console table, floor lamp, coffee table, end table, television, TV stand, dining table set/chairs for four and a variety of household items.

**Contact Jeni Lowry (512-913-9062/ [jenimlowry@gmail.com](mailto:jenimlowry@gmail.com))**  
if you'd like to help or for more information.

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## Chic Ladies



Join us for some holiday shopping at a new boutique,  
**Point of Origin** (next to Copeland Jewelers) in Davenport Village  
3801 N. Capital of Texas Hwy. Suite D-130

This new boutique offers holiday home décor, clothing, jewelry, candles, gifts & more.

Drop by the boutique from **10:30am-11:15am, on Tuesday November 14**, followed by lunch upstairs at Maudie's Milagro at 11:30am.

Please RSVP for lunch by **November 7** to Lara Norris ([larisalee1968@aol.com](mailto:larisalee1968@aol.com))



## **10th Annual Holiday Gift Card Exchange Party**

**December 5**

**11:30am-1:30pm**

Bring a \$20-\$25 gift card to a favorite store for our game. Please arrive by 12pm to play.

**RSVP to Lara by November 27**

([larisalee1968@aol.com](mailto:larisalee1968@aol.com))







# Mah Jongg

**Wednesday, November 15**

**11:30am meeting**

Waterloo Ice House (8600 Burnet Rd.) Lunch first followed by play.

All are welcome.

Contact Kathy Thorstad  
([kthordstad@austin.rr.com](mailto:kthordstad@austin.rr.com)) with questions



*Please plan to attend our annual*

# HOLIDAY LUNCHEON


**HEADLINERS CLUB**  
221 W 6TH STREET ■ IN PROCORE TOWER  
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1ST AT 11:30 AM

**GARAGE PARKING AVAILABLE**  
IN PROCORE TOWER FOR \$5  
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BY PURCHASING YOUR \$40 TICKET  
USING THE LINK PROVIDED

FOR DIETARY RESTRICTIONS AND QUESTIONS  
CONTACT CARRIE CONNER 210.241.6583

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# November Event

**DAVID M. HILLIS**  
Director, UT Biodiversity Center and author of  
*Armadillos To Ziziphus: A Naturalist in the Texas  
Hill Country*

 **Tuesday, November 14**  
**11:30 AM**  
Tarytown Methodist Church

Join us for lunch and a delightful conversation David Hillis. Friends, spouses, and family members are welcome to register!

[REGISTER](#)



[RSVP Here](#)



## TCMS Brunch with Santa ~ Volunteers Needed

The Travis County Medical Society is requesting help from the Alliance with their holiday event, scheduled for **Sunday, December 3rd from 9am-12pm**. Volunteers are needed to read stories to the little ones at 9:30am, 10:30am, and 11:30am. Please use the [SignUp Genius](#) to volunteer to share your favorite holiday picture books and the gift of storytelling.

# The 2024 Membership Campaign Continues

Why not grab a cup of coffee with a friend and renew your TCMA membership together. As a bonus, all members who submit their renewals by Thanksgiving will have the chance to win fun giveaways at the Holiday Luncheon on Friday, December 1.

### Alliance members have three ways to renew:

- 1) Go online to [Renewing Members](#). Look for the "Renew" button.
2. Call the TMA Knowledge Center at (800) 880-7955 with your credit card information.
3. Print an application form available online at [Membership Dues Form](#) or use a paper statement; mail with check to

**TMA Alliance**  
**401 W 15th St**  
**Austin, Texas 78701**



## Week \*In\* Pictures

TCMS Trunk-n-Treat/TCMA Pop-Up Social





## Follow Us



Don't forget to visit/like/tag/share our [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) pages.

Social media is your #1 source for updates on our

***Centennial Year!***





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## Centennial Party With a Purpose

March 1, 2024 • Yuka North Loop • 5500 N Lamar Blvd

*Join the Party!*



# Vital Signs and Social Media Submissions

The weekly Vital Signs Newsletter is distributed each Monday. Submissions are due to Deneitra ([denny@wadealliance.com](mailto:denny@wadealliance.com)) by 6pm, the Friday prior to distribution. Every effort will be made to include items after the deadline, with no guarantee. Content that is date-driven will appear in the newsletter until expiration. If you receive a draft newsletter, please review by 8pm Saturday.

Likewise, content for our public Facebook and Instagram pages may be submitted to the email address above or to Deneitra at [communications@tcmalliance.org](mailto:communications@tcmalliance.org). Deadlines do not apply.

### To submit information, email:

Attach text as a Word Doc, Google Doc or share within the body of an email.

Attach images as JPEG, PNG or PDF. Alternatively, images may be shared from Google Photos.

If you are having trouble receiving your copy, please click the [link](#) to reactivate your account.

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