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UPCOMING EVENTS:

April 4 - First Tuesdays at the Capitol

April 5 - Mah Jongg

April 15 - Party with a Purpose

April 19 - Mah Jongg

April 20 - General Meeting (note: Thursday, not Tuesday)

May 2 - First Tuesdays at the Capitol

May 9 - Executive Board Retreat

May 18-20 - ALLMED 2023 Conference Fort Worth

President's Notes

Dear Alliance Friends,

**It was great to see many of you
Friday night at the TCMS/TCMA Joint
Installation.**

As I said on Friday, I am so grateful for this
year's board and excited about next year's
board which will be led by the invincible
Christi Dammert!



Before this year's board officially hands over the reins, we still have two of our biggest events on the horizon. First, the **Party with a Purpose** is less than three weeks away! The committee has been hard at work, and the event promises to be a great time to see old friends and to meet some of our newer members; our fabulous grant recipients; and our generous event sponsors. **Please purchase your tickets THIS WEEK!**

Our final general meeting of the year is a luncheon scheduled the following week on Thursday (**not Tuesday**) April 20 at the Ladybird Johnson Wildflower Center.

Here, much of our work throughout the year comes to fruition as we present checks to this year's grant recipients. Please make plans to join us.

Finally, I wanted to share that TCMA member, Marina Sifuentes, will be honored for her impressive record of advocacy and service at People's Community Clinic's annual **There's No Such Thing as a Free Lunch** fundraiser on **May 15**.

I know many of our TCMA members will want to celebrate Marina by attending the luncheon. Please contact her at mpsifuentes@gmail.com or 512-797-4977 to confirm your seat. More information about the event can be found at <https://www.austinpcc.org/2023luncheon>.

I hope to see you soon at the Party with a Purpose and the April general meeting!

Shannon McNeil



With less than three weeks before this year's signature event, it's time to buy your 2023 Party with a Purpose tickets!

Get PWAP Tickets Here



**Buy Derby Raffle
Tickets Here**



Share this link (<https://www.tcmalliance.org/kentuckyderby>) with your friends and family. You don't need to be present to win!

Additional raffle items are available here:

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...and now, here are more quirky, fun facts about our beloved city.

- Hippie Hollow at Lake Travis is the only legal nude beach in Texas. Austin is also the only city in the state that doesn't have legislation preventing ladies from "hanging it out" for all to see.
- Austin is home to the largest bat colony in North America. Around 1.5 million bats emerge from under the Ann W. Richards Congress Avenue Bridge just before sunset every day from March to October.
- When present-day Austin was incorporated into the Republic of Texas in 1836, it was named Waterloo. But after Texas Vice President Mirabeau B. Lamar proposed moving the capital to the Village of Waterloo in 1839, it was renamed for Stephen F. Austin.



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FIRST TUESDAYS AT THE CAPITOL

April 4 and May 2

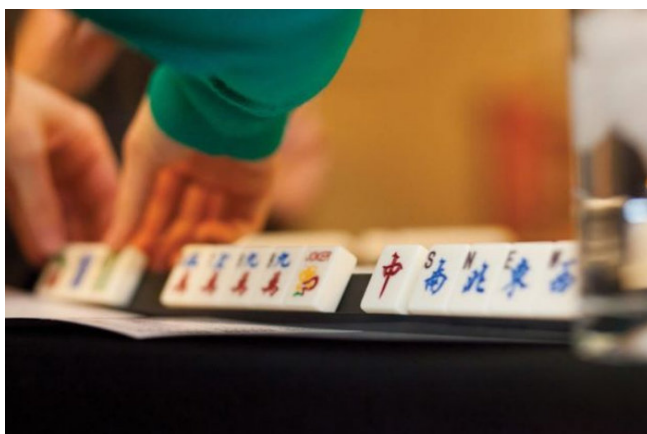


Thank you for sharing your stories; our voices are making a difference! TMA First Tuesdays continue monthly through May. Please consider joining local physicians and Alliance advocates by registering to participate on April 4 and/or May 2, 2023.

New to advocacy? Watch the TCMAA Advocacy 101 Session (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zW5aklb57V0>) to gain insight into what to expect in a legislative visit and how YOUR presence/experiences make a difference.

Register





Mah Jongg

April 5th; 11:30am

Bring a sack lunch and join us to play at the home of Shelly Ozdil, 3502 Scenic Hills.

Please contact Kathy Thorstad,

kthorstad@austin.rr.com for information or if you'd like to be added to the group email list.

New players welcome!



Annual Fund Drive

Donation deadline *March 31st*

If you have not yet contributed, this is your ***last chance*** before the final donor list goes to print in preparation for the Party With a Purpose on April 15. Please consider making your tax-deductible donation today! All proceeds support our community service projects and grant recipients.

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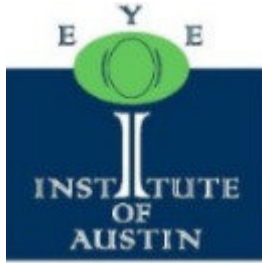
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