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*A Century of Supporting  
Healthcare in Central Texas*

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## TCMA: Celebrating a Century of Supporting Healthcare



2024 is the Centennial Anniversary of the Travis County Medical Alliance, or as it was initially named in 1924, the ***Travis County Medical Society Auxiliary***. For 100 years it has been and continues to be an honor for our members to support the Travis County Medical Society and the delivery of healthcare in Central Texas.

Throughout this celebratory year the TCMA will share photos and stories to honor our past and present members in Vital Signs; on our website; in social media; and at each meeting. The TCMA looks forward to celebrating together 100 years of the family of medicine in Central Texas.

***Pictured Above from Left to Right:***

*Mrs. Robert N. Synder, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. William F. McLean, Parliamentarian; Mrs. F. Murphy Nelson, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Sam H. Dryden, Second Vice President; Mrs. Eugene P. Schoch, Jr., President; Mrs. John R. Rainey, Jr., President-Elect; Mrs. Benjamin F. Simms, First Vice President; Mrs. Milner S. Thorne, Treasurer; and Mrs. Donald E. Pohl, Publicity Secretary.*



## **President's Notes**



After 10 years with the TCMA, many of you have learned I wear my heart on my sleeve. Well, even I was surprised how much I teared up when Shannon McNeil presented me with the President's pin at our meeting last April. It struck me full force to think of all the footsteps in which I would be following and how significant this upcoming centennial year would be. But the strongest tug on my heartstrings was recognizing how deeply I care about the TCMA and our family of medicine.

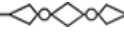
Our centennial celebration is about looking at what the TCMA has accomplished since 1924, and about looking ahead to ensure the TCMA stays strong for the next generations. (Oh, to be a fly on the wall for the bicentennial celebration!)

Past, present and future, this is our Alliance. With each new week, we will feature treasured moments from the last 100 years. These peeks into the past, along with the moments we create, are the reason the TCMA is 100 years strong. They are also the reason you might see me shed another tear of pride and joy.

With warmth and gratitude,

*Christi Dammert*

*TCMA President, 2023/24*



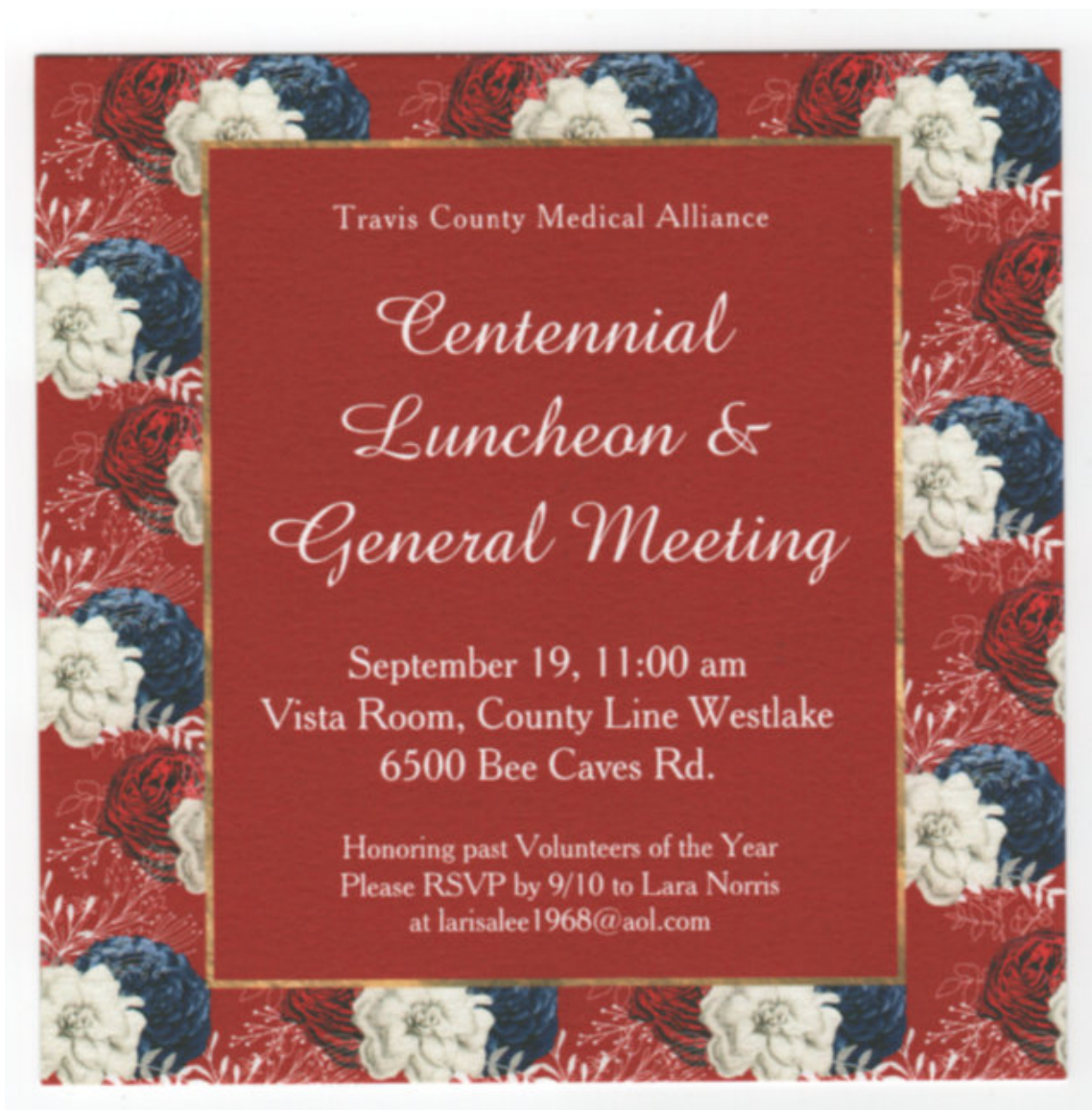
# Centennial Luncheon and General Meeting

Be sure to check your mail for your personal invitation to our  
**Centennial Luncheon and first General Meeting!**

Please don't forget to RSVP to Lara Norris by September 10 at  
[larisalee1968@aol.com](mailto:larisalee1968@aol.com).

**Can't wait to see you there!**

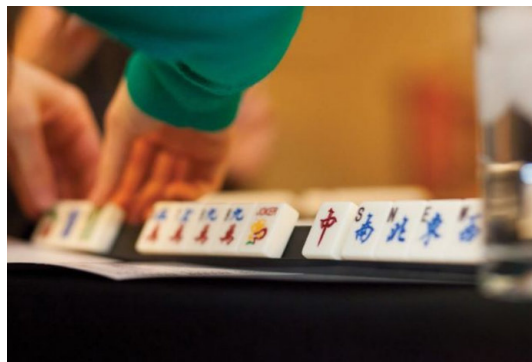






## Time to Play Mah Jongg

**Wednesday, September 6**  
Join us for lunch at **11:30am**;  
followed by play at  
**Chinatown (3407 Greystone Drive).**



Please RSVP with Kathy Thorstad  
([kthornstad@austin.rr.com](mailto:kthornstad@austin.rr.com)) if you  
plan to join us.

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## TCMS New Member Welcome...



at the Headliner's Club allowed TCMS and TCMA board members to personally greet several physicians who had recently joined the Medical Society. Many had moved across the country from places like Florida, Pennsylvania, Washington and beyond. We all enjoyed a fun evening, sharing our favorite things in Austin, and we look forward to welcoming these new physicians and their partners to the Medical Alliance.

## TMAA Future Planning Committee



Texas Medical Association Alliance members from across the state gathered in August for the TMAA Future Planning Committee. Tera Ferguson and Christi Dammert represented Travis County at a day of discussion and vision for the future of the TMAA.

Unlimited ideas were exchanged on how to improve leadership training, community service opportunities, advocacy outreach, and networking for its members.

WOW!! What a fulfilling day!

If you are interested in serving on this, or any other TMAA committee, please contact TCMA President Christi Dammert ([president@tcmalliance.com](mailto:president@tcmalliance.com)) for more information.

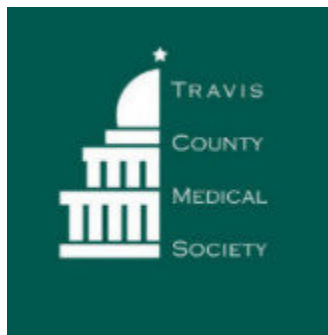


## Joint Meeting Task Force Volunteers

TMAA is partnering with the AMAA southern region to host a joint meeting January 24-26, 2024 in Austin. Martha Vijjeswarapu and Libby White will co-chair, but we need TCMA members to help brainstorm ideas - things to do in Austin; speaker options; event planning; etc.

The task force will consist of 5-7 committee members, with an in-person meeting at the Bastrop conference on October 5 at 2pm. Additional meetings will be held via Zoom.

[Contact Martha to Help](#)



## Discounted Tickets to Austin FC

TCMS is extremely excited to share the final offer of the 2023 season for Austin FC. There are limited number of seats being made available for two upcoming matches vs Portland Timbers on September 17 and against LA Galaxy on September 24.

We know your schedules can be busy, so feel to choose one (or both)! Deadline to purchase tickets at this rate is the Friday before each respective match. The tickets being made available will be located throughout Q2 Stadium and are subject to availability.

To purchase tickets please follow these instructions:

Click [HERE](#) to access tickets to the match

Choose desired match (either September 17 or September 24)

Click "Use Access Code"

For mobile devices, click "filters" then "Use Access Code"

Enter the code **TCMS2023** to access the exclusive offer!



## Vital Signs Submissions

The weekly Vital Signs Newsletter is distributed each Monday. Submissions are due to Deneitra ([denny@wadealliance.com](mailto:denny@wadealliance.com)) by 7pm, the Friday prior to distribution. Every effort will be made to include items after the deadline, but there are no guarantees. Content that is date-driven will appear in the newsletter until expiration. If you receive a draft newsletter, please review and re-submit any changes by 10pm Saturday.

### 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.

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*Centennial Celebration!*

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