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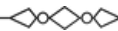


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What's Happening:

**March 2 - First Tuesday at the Capitol from your home  
([register now](#)) March 23 \*NEW DATE\* - Floral  
Arranging Class with Flower Social April 6 - First  
Tuesday at the Capitol from your home ([register now](#))  
April 10 - [Party with a Purpose](#)  
April 20 - General Meeting  
May 4 - First Tuesday at the Capitol from your home  
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May 14 - [TMAF Virtual Gala](#)**



**Note from Christina  
Fenrich,  
TCMA President**



Hello Alliance Friends,

Our hearts go out to everyone who was negatively impacted by our recent winter storm. Even though the snow and ice made for beautiful scenery, days of sub-freezing temperatures created havoc for many people in the Austin community and throughout our state, including many of our own members.

But our Board rallied and rescheduled the Feb. 16 General Membership meeting. Thanks to all members who attended our rescheduled meeting on Feb. 23 so that we could amend our bylaws and the dues structure for medical students and residents and formally adopt our slate of 2021-22 board members. Congratulations to them all! We look forward to a new year under the talented and capable leadership of Jenny Stern, my good friend and next year's Alliance president.

The fun Flower Social event we were all looking forward to the week of the storm has been rescheduled for March 23 at 10:00 am. Look for Lara's update in the Vital Signs, below.

We have an important update for Party with a Purpose plans. Instead of having small, in-person, outdoor parties, the committee has decided to have a virtual event. We will be bringing the party to you! Lori Benold's note below has more details.

And, finally, the last TCMS/Covid-19 Vaccination Clinic for second dose administrations began today and runs through Tuesday. Much gratitude to all the volunteers for sharing your generous time to help get our medical community vaccinated.

Stay safe friends as we head into the month of March and look forward to spring!



## **2021 Party With a Purpose UPDATE**

### **We'll bring the party to you!**

Navigating this COVID environment, as we all know, involves continued re-evaluation of plans. Upon further reflection, the PWAP committee has determined that it would be best for the TCMA to pivot again and make a change to our plans for the 2021 version of PWAP. Since the TCMA core mission involves promoting health, TCMA leadership has reconsidered the idea of gatherings and has decided that even though our parties would have been small, it would be best not to put any of our members or their spouses at risk in any way. Many thanks to the wonderful TCMA members who graciously offered to host a gathering in their home. Their generosity and support of the TCMA is appreciated more than we can say.

Fortunately, we will still be having our 2021 PWAP, but it will be a more virtual "Texas Springtime Round-up." TCMA members will be delivering the party to participants' homes, which will include a fabulous catered meal and the makings for a craft cocktail, as well as a themed gift. We also plan on a Zoom event to bring the membership together that evening so we can hear from our grant recipients who greatly appreciate the help they'll be receiving from the TCMA. Although it won't be our usual PWAP, it will certainly be one to remember, and we'll look forward to a more normal event in 2022.

So please be on the lookout for virtual invitations to attend this year's PWAP. We're looking forward to you being a part of the event!

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out.

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Loose, Lara Norris, Wendy Propst, Olguita Santiago, Jenny Stern,  
Janet Schneider



## **Medical Affairs/Advocacy Update**

**\*\*87th Legislative Session\*\***

**FIRST TUESDAYS**

**AT THE CAPITOL**

**Goes Virtual**

**March 2 \* April 6 \* May 4**

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**Contact Beth O'Farrell, VP Legislative  
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**We have a new date set,  
after the delays from the  
winter storm, for our  
floral arrangement class  
with**

**The Flower Social**

**Tuesday**

**March 23**

**10:00 am**

If you chose the  
Pick-Up Option,  
your flowers will  
be delivered to you!

We are looking forward to a  
beautiful spring day  
with our members and learning  
how to make a  
festive floral centerpiece!

secure Zoom conference.

Any questions, email  
Lara Norris at  
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[Zoom Link](#)

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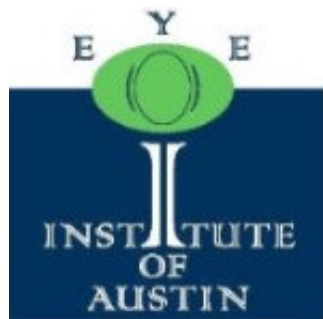
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