



# Summer Texas Tidbits

## Presidents Message

by LaTonya Jones

Hope this finds you all doing well and everyone has enjoyed their summer. As summer 2019 comes to a close I would like to Thank all that were able to attend our Annual Education Conference in College Station this past May. A great time was had by all; in addition we learned a lot about becoming better advocates for our patients-both children and adults. Our inaugural community service project Scotty's House was fabulous! We had a great amount of PJ donations, Office Supplies and we were even able to raise some money for this great organization. Thank you to all those that were able to assist.



Typically TSMA and a chapter have hosted a Summer CEU session, with the recent challenges that TSMA has faced and will continue to face in the next couple years, I have asked that the EB meet this summer to discuss the TSMA Strategic Plan and set our goals for the next 3 years. This board is open to suggestions therefore if you have any suggestions, please send them to me at [president@mytsma.org](mailto:president@mytsma.org). We know that many of you look forward to the Summer Meetings, but we will return in Winter 2020; please reach out to your local chapter for special events for Medical Assistants Week. Please remember that we encourage all our members to attend the AAMA National Conference in Greensboro, NC in September. We have several members going that need roommates so if you are interested please email [info@mytsma.org](mailto:info@mytsma.org)

On a more serious note, it is with a heavy heart that I send our thoughts and prayers

to our TSMA Family in El Paso. As we did with Harvey, we are requesting a Welfare check-please see the box below for email address for check in with us. Our Executive Board has been looking into many ways to offer our assistance, currently the only way we can help is by making sure that each and every one of you are informed of the opportunities to support the El Paso Community. As with any mass tragedy like this the biggest need is blood. Please log into your local blood donation center to schedule an appointment to donate blood; you can also assist financially assist by reaching out to the organizations below:

- Donations are being accepted by the El Paso Community Foundation for the victims of the shooting. EPCF will waive administrative and credit card fees for all donations. To donate: <https://epcf.org/victims>
- The Paso del Norte Community Foundation has established the [El Paso Victims Relief Fund](http://bit.ly/EPVictimsReliefFund) to support the victims and families of the shooting. To donate: <http://bit.ly/EPVictimsReliefFund>

To our Ohio Society family members, our thoughts and prayer are with you and your entire community. These senseless acts of violence are getting way to close to home. Please reach out to let TSMA know if there is anything we can do to help.

Look for 2020 TSMA Winter Meeting Information to come. Remember we have lots of great upcoming volunteer opportunities for all our TSMA medical assistants. Till then enjoy your fall and we look forward to seeing you all in Greensboro North Carolina

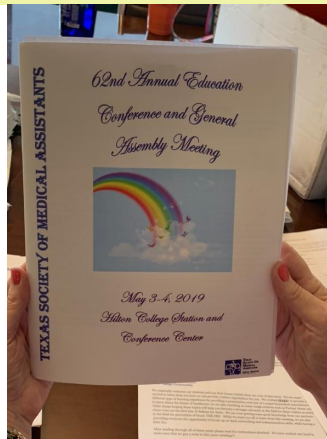
-LaTonya Jones, CMA (AAMA), 2018-2020 TSMA President

## 62 Years and Still Going Strong

A few Pictures from the  
2019 TSMA Annual Conference in College Station



Kick off day-picking programs from the Local Printer-Aggie Printers



Our Programs in color

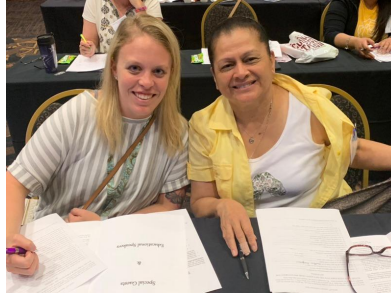


Collection Box for Scotty's House donations





Speakers from FBI



New Member with Veteran Member



Scotty's House



Captive Audience including Ann O'Connell, VIP Speaker from UTMB



Being the best Advocate you can be for those that can't do it themselves



Student Forum with Executive from Mays Business College



Family Style Lunch



Motivation from Ann O'Connell, UTMB VP Ambulatory Operations



Students Rock Fuji Film Tour for all attendees



# Tidbits for All

*El Paso "Family" Welfare Check*  
We are reaching out to our El Paso members who may have been effected by



the mass shooting in the community.

Please check in with us at [txsocmedassist@gmail.com](mailto:txsocmedassist@gmail.com) to let us know you are ok and if you need help. We will leave this candle burning for you to find your way home.



### *Great Chapter Leaders Honored at 62nd Annual Conference*

Vancarlus Tennison-Dallas Chapter  
Joan Vanderbrink-Bexar County  
Laurice Len D. Abanilla- NE Harris  
Tammi Hartman - Bay Area

Thank you for your hard work and dedication to building a better society!



### *Membership Numbers as of 7/1/19:*

#### **Bay Area:**

Active 54/Affiliate 2/Associate 12/Student 8

#### **Bexar:**

Active 14/Affiliate 1/Associate 6/Student 7/Sustaining 3

#### **Dallas:**

Active 52/Affiliate 1/Associate 11/Student 4/Sustaining 2

#### **NEH:**

Active 43/Associate 13/Student 22/Sustaining 1

Total TSMA Membership: 494



Keep up the good work!! If you are going to use your MARS celebration as a Membership Dive, please notify TSMA EB ASAP. We would love to see our total membership above 500 so we can get another delegate for next year!!!!

### *Volunteers Needed for 2021 AAMA CONFERENCE SUBCOMMITTEE*

The 2021 AAMA National Conference is coming to Houston, TX. We are



Remember it's volunteerism isn't measured in volume it's measured in **greatness**-come give us some of your **GREATNESS**.

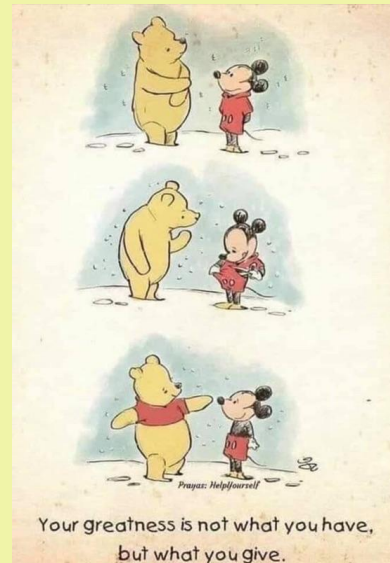
looking for amazing, dedicated medical assistants to help us welcome all our visitors to our great state.

Committee duties will include obtaining speakers, arranging Color Guard, helping with Ways n' Means table for Texas, Introduction of Speakers and various other duties.

We will also need a great support team willing to go to Orlando to promote about what Houston has to offer and welcome all members to Texas

Think about this and look for more information to come!

Look for sign up sheets to come!!!!



## Leaders Seeking Leaders

Do you have a special talent that you want to share with others? Then TSMA and our Chapters are looking for you.

TSMA needs volunteers for the following committee: **Awards, Audit, Credentials, Communications, and Website** Chapters are always looking for great leaders. Chapters host elections in November. Below is a short list of upcoming open positions.

**Bay Area: President, VP, and Secretary**

**Bexar: VP, Secretary and Treasurer**

If you are interested in any of the above positions, please contact the chapter directly or

[president@mytsma.org](mailto:president@mytsma.org)

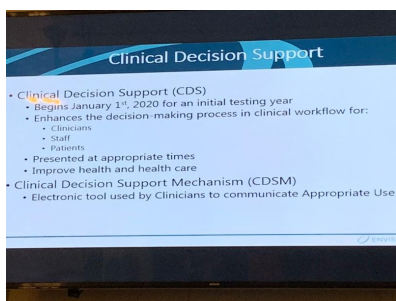
# A Little Fun.... Medical Terminology Word Scramble

aadonem \_\_\_\_\_ benign tumor of a gland



aaneim \_\_\_\_\_ deficiency of red blood  
 cellslarerrhntaustr \_\_\_\_\_ pertaining to through the urethra  
 iaubtpcehs \_\_\_\_\_ pertaining to under the liver  
 gtaaihira. \_\_\_\_\_ pain of a joint  
 troocyhmteb \_\_\_\_\_ platelet/clotting cell  
 cocstpoyys \_\_\_\_\_ vis. exam of the urinary bladder

# What are your leaders up to? SWR Leadership Meeting



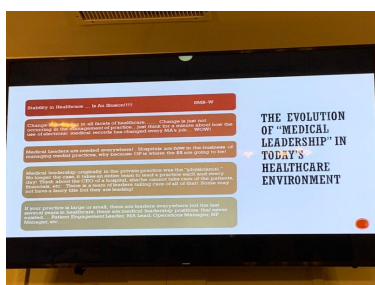
2019 Southwest Regional Leadership Meeting-Colorado Springs, CO



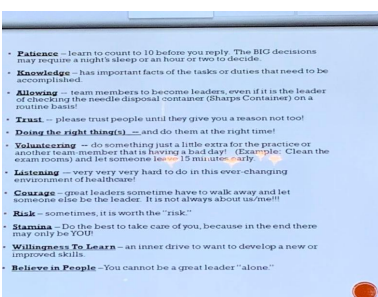
Great Leadership tips at SWR



Our pets at the Lodge in Colorado



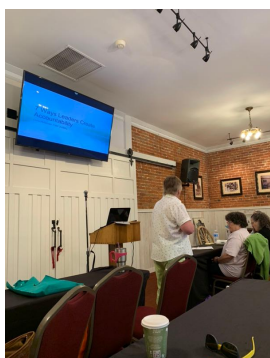
SWR Leadership Topics Rocked



What type of Leader are you?



Amazing Leadership Speaker-Building communication skills



Hey Look it's Charlene Couch



## Important Dates to Save

**AAMA National Conference-  
Sept 13-16, 2019. Greensboro,  
NC** - Check out AAMA Website for  
more information  
**Looking for a roommate: email  
us @ [info@mytsma.org](mailto:info@mytsma.org)**

**Medical Assistants Week  
Oct 21-25, 2019** (Look for your  
chapters to be hosting special MAR  
activities)

**TSMA Winter Meeting -  
January 24-27, 2020**-Location  
TBA

STAY CONNECTED

