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President's Message

I am honored to serve as your District 9 president! I was sworn in during the COVID-19 and we have had to shift our focus to accommodate the pandemic restrictions, while still following our mission: Texas Nurses Association, District 9 is an organization that strives to provide forums for the exchange of ideas, viewpoints, education and dissemination of information about professional nursing and health-related legislation.

Continuing nursing education shifted to become the priority of the D9 board of directors, and a Zoom membership was approved and purchased. All events were switched to virtual. Dr. Nancy Yuill graciously agreed to present Jurisprudence & Ethics for Nurses presentations in October and December 2020; Dr. Tina Cuellar and Thecia Jenkins, Harris County Domestic Violence Coordinating Council Training Director, presented on Jan 14, 2021; and Dr. Cheryl Lindy will offer her Leadership Skills for Staff Nurses CE on Feb 10, 2021. We have just launched an online recognition event and virtual fundraising campaign with guidance from our consultant at The Wolford Group, Brooke Baugh.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (CONTINUED)

We are continuing to focus on our primary goal, which is to ensure that professional registered nurses have opportunities to collaborate, learn about and impact the professional nursing environment. I am excited to share that there are currently over 4,000 members in D9. We must continue to support and inspire each other in these challenging times.


I would like to thank everyone for purchasing from our fundraisers, and encourage you to consider adding us to your Randalls & Kroger rewards. You are also able to add us to your PayPal account to donate to our PayPal Giving Fund, and can find us on Amazon Smile. To give you an example of fundraising, we received a total of \$45 in 2020 from people adding \$1 at a time to their PayPal cart. Every dollar adds up and it especially makes a huge difference in the life of a student that gets that \$45 as part of a larger amount in the form of a nursing scholarship!

I encourage you to attend our monthly board meetings to keep up-to-date. All information will be posted on our website and on our social media outlets, so please check them often.

2020 has been especially hard on our TNA District 9 area nurses. Please take a moment to nominate an outstanding nurse who is a Hero at www.tnadistrict9.com. District 9 of the Texas Nurses Association will reach out to recognize all those nominated. A Celebrating Nursing Heroes Meaningful Recognition Event will be held virtually to recognize those who served us without fear or hesitation in 2020.

Thank you for your membership in Texas Nurses Association, District 9.

Humbly yours,



Kimberly Curtin, DNP, APRN, ACNS-BC, CCRN, CEN, CNL
President, Texas Nurses Association, District 9



2021 Meetings & Programs

Events are posted on our website, www.tnadistrict9.com, click CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Meetings subject to change – contact D9 office to verify.

Wednesday, February 10, 2021	Leadership Skills for Staff Nurses by Cheryl M. Lindy, PhD, RN-BC, NEA-BC, 6pm – 830pm, Virtual Zoom CE, \$25 for TNA members, \$35 for non-TNA member licensed RN/LVNs, free for undergraduate nursing students (limited to 20), register at https://betterunite.com/texasnursesassociationdistrict9-leadershipskillsforstaffnursesvirtualce
Tuesday, March 2, 2021	VIRTUAL Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 6, 2021	VIRTUAL Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 4, 2021	VIRTUAL Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
Monday, June 1, 2021	VIRTUAL Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
Saturday, June 12, 2021	TNA House of Delegates

TNA D9 Election: Call for Nominations - 2021 Ballot

The Texas Nurses Association, District 9 Nominating Committee is currently seeking members to run for open positions for fiscal year 2021-2022 (term starts July 1, 2021). We would like for you to consider running for an elected leadership position! You must be a current TNA D9 member to be considered for an elected leadership position. Thanks in advance for your consideration!

Open positions for FY 2021-2022 are:

- President-Elect (3 year term) 1 position (you must be an active D9 member to run)
- Secretary (2 year term) 1 position
- Director (2 year term) 2 positions
- North Region subdistrict Representative on the Board of Directors (2 year term) 1 position
- South Region subdistrict Representative on the Board of Directors (2 year term) 1 position
- Nominating Committee (1 year term) 5 positions
- Delegates (2 year term) 20 positions

Detailed descriptions of each elected office and how to run for an elected office has been posted on our website at <https://tnadistrict9.com/tna-d9-election/>. The deadline to submit your bio data form is February 28, 2021.

If you have questions, please contact Heidi Gilroy at heidi.gilroy@memorialhermann.org or the TNA District 9 office at tna9@tnadistrict9.com



LEADERSHIP SKILLS FOR STAFF NURSES

By Cheryl M. Lindy, PhD, RN-BC, NEA-BC

Wednesday, February 10, 2021
6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. (includes break)
Virtual Zoom presentation

\$25 for TNA members, \$35 for non-TNA member licensed RN/LVNs
Free for all undergraduate nursing students

To register, please fill out registration form below and return with payment to: TNA District 9, 7324 Southwest Freeway, Suite 1453, Houston, TX 77074. May also register online at <https://betterunite.com/texasnursesassociationdistrict9-leadershipsillsforstaffnursesvirtualce>
Please contact the D9 office for any questions.

Registration Form

Name:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Select one: <input type="checkbox"/> TNA member Licensed RN/LVN (please pay \$25 registration fee) <input type="checkbox"/> Non-TNA member Licensed RN/LVN (please pay \$35 registration fee) <input type="checkbox"/> Undergraduate Nursing Student (free - must email photo of student ID to tna9@tnadistrict9.com)		
Method of Payment: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash – Amount Enclosed \$ <input type="checkbox"/> Check – Payable to TNA D9, Amount Enclosed \$ <input type="checkbox"/> Credit Card: <input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard <input type="checkbox"/> Visa <input type="checkbox"/> American Express <input type="checkbox"/> Discover <input type="checkbox"/> PayPal (on our website, www.tnadistrict9.com , click PayPal "Donate" button on lower right of page)		
Name on card / Signature:		
Credit Card #:	Exp. Date:	
3 digits on back of card:	Amount to be charged: \$	

This continuing nursing education was approved by the Texas Nurses Association – Approver, an accredited approver with distinction by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.
2.0 contact hours will be awarded upon completion of this activity.



Kroger Community Rewards

Now you can link your Kroger digital account to our Texas Nurses District 9 Foundation number, **IV734**, and your purchases will create a donation into the Foundation! For more details, please email the D9 office at tna9@tnadistrict9.com



Randalls Good Neighbor Program

Link your Randalls Remarkable card to our number, **3460**, to help us raise operating funds!



Virtual Recognition Event

We are now accepting nominations of all nurses who have gone above and beyond in supporting those in clinical practice, in the community, or any setting, in this time of increased need.

In 1-2 paragraphs, please share **Who** this extraordinary nurse is, **What** they've done, and **How** meaningful their actions have been. Nominate at www.tnadistrict9.com

Online Donor Campaign

Please join our Circle of Champions to Honor and Celebrate Nursing Heroes - those who served us without fear or hesitation in 2020 and continue to serve!

Donations can be made at <https://www.betterunite.com/texasnursesdistrict9foundation-celebratingnursingheroscampaign>

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Mission

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Vision

Texas
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Advancing
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Advocacy through
Collaboration and
Teamwork

Goal

Our primary goal is to: Ensure that professional registered nurses have opportunities to collaborate, learn about and impact the professional nursing environment.

TNA D9 uses email as our primary way to contact members so please check your spam/junk folders frequently as well as follow us on social media.