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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

THIS HAS BEEN AN EXCITING
AND PRODUCTIVE YEAR FOR
DISTRICT 9!



D9 membership is growing, and greater numbers of talented professional members are stepping up to take their place among leaders who advocate for nursing, healthcare, and patient care. Many of our members hold influential positions on governing bodies and boards impacting all levels of regional through global arenas.

Our Executive Board works well together and with the relative ease of primarily virtual group-work, we have implemented new initiatives which bring visibility to District 9 and are natural draws for new and experienced nurses who want to make a difference. Some of our new programs include:

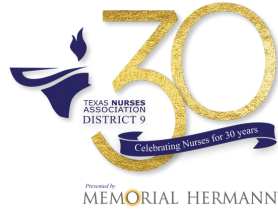
- A very active "D9 Stars" social media campaign highlighting the achievements of a District 9 member;
- A new taskforce intent on assessing and addressing the diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging issues of all the nurses in the 11-counties making up District 9;
- Enhanced continuing education offerings focusing on topics relevant to District 9 members
- A new "Dialog with the Expert" speaker series highlighting different District 9 members and their professional experiences, overcoming obstacles, and leadership principles;
- New partnerships with donors and sponsors which benefit District 9 members;
- A new "Lifetime Achievement Award" presented for the first time at our 30th Annual Nursing Celebration 2022 Gala, awarded to a member with sustained impact on Texas Nurses Association and District 9.

I am grateful to the District 9 Board and District 9 members, along with our staff and special consultants for their continued hard work. Our professionalism and teamwork benefits us all.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Renae Schumann".

Renae Schumann, PhD, RN, CLNC, CNE
President

30TH ANNUAL NURSING CELEBRATION 2022



We are pleased to highlight the 30th Anniversary of Nursing Celebration.

For 30 years, District 9 has organized Nursing Celebration, an elegant evening Gala event with the mission to recognize outstanding nurses, present scholarships to nursing students, and award grants in nursing research.

This fun and popular annual fundraiser benefits Texas Nurses District 9 Foundation, ensuring the future of healthcare and the highest level of performance from those in the nursing profession by fulfilling the purpose of providing scholarships to nursing students and awarding research grants to registered nurses in District 9.

This year's event was held on Friday, March 4, 2022 at the Westin Houston Medical Center and was SOLD OUT! With Special Thanks to Presenting Sponsor Memorial Hermann and EMCEE Sharron Melton, over 400 TNA members, honorees, award recipients, sponsors, and volunteers met at the newly renovated Westin Houston Medical Center to recognize exceptional nurses, nursing students, sponsors, and supporters of nursing.

The Board of TNA District 9 is very proud of our nurses' fantastic work and dedication. We uphold our mission to ensure the future of healthcare. We are charged to provide excellence through the highest level of performance from those in the nursing profession.

Without our nurses' dedication, passion, and resilience, we cannot do what we do! THANK YOU!



D9 Board Members (Left to Right) Maribel Bhojani, Edtrina Moss, and Pamela Windle



D9 Board of Directors (Left to Right) Maribel Bhojani, Rosemary Pine, Nancy Yuill, Renae Schumann, Pamela Windle, Anita Harris, and Kimberly Curtin.

30TH ANNUAL NURSING CELEBRATION 2022

We are thrilled to honor these highly deserving and exceptional nurses!

30 OUTSTANDING NURSES OF 2022

Leah Blackwell, Memorial Hermann Katy Hospital
Mona Clark, Texas Children's Hospital
Beth Cook, Baylor St. Luke's Medical Center
Joylyn Mae Estrella, UT MD Anderson Cancer Center
Mark Fanning, Harris Health Ben Taub Hospital
Sheranda Fesler, Texas Children's Hospital
Nancy Jo Gex, Houston Methodist West Hospital
Karen Gibbs, Texas Children's Hospital
Maria Gordon, Houston Methodist Sugar Land Hospital
Cassandra Green, Houston Methodist Clear Lake Hospital
Keeley Harmon, Houston Methodist Willowbrook Hospital
Edmar Jimenez-Adarme, Memorial Hermann Greater Heights Hospital
Lata Kleypas, Houston Methodist Baytown Hospital
Kennessa Landry, Cizik School of Nursing at UTHealth
Michael Leger, University of Texas Medical Branch, School of Nursing
Kristina Leyden, University of St. Thomas
Michelle Moreno-Lee, Houston Methodist Sugar Land Hospital
Daniel O'Neill, El Campo Hospital
Herbert Ortiz, Harris Health System
Tuyen Pham, TIRR Memorial Hermann
Steven D. Powell, Michael E. DeBakey Veterans Affairs Medical Center
Zandra Rivera, UT MD Anderson Cancer Center
Cleo Robinett, Total Home Care
Jo-Anne Senneff, Houston Methodist Hospital – Texas Medical Center
Jennifer Steenburg, Memorial Hermann Southwest Hospital
Valerie Stiner, Quest Diagnostics
Ashley Susik-Floyd, Harris Health Lyndon B. Johnson Hospital
Anumol Thomas, UT MD Anderson Cancer Center
Huey-Ming Tzeng, University of Texas Medical Branch, School of Nursing
Jon Ann Watson, Houston Methodist Baytown Hospital



Honorees & Scholarship Recipients

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We are pleased to announce our Inaugural **Dorothy Otto Lifetime Achievement Award**, named in honor of our esteemed nursing colleague, Dorothy Otto. Dr. Otto was a longstanding supporter of the mission and vision of D9, and upon her passing she dedicated a portion of her legacy to be used for the operations of TNA D9.

We recognize these hard working and deserving nurse supporters, nurses, and nursing students.

DOROTHY OTTO LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD RECIPIENT

Terry Throckmorton

PRESIDENT'S AWARD RECIPIENT

Jon Lindgren

DONNA WOOTEN SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Candice Daniels, Houston Community College
Ifeoma Onyimadu, Alvin Community College

D9 NURSING HERO SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Tamika Moton, Houston Community College

D9 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Claudia Martinez, University of St. Thomas
Monica Rodriguez, University of St. Thomas
Kennessa Landry, MSN, RN, University of Texas Medical Branch

D9 SABINA FRITSCH SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

Opeyemi Ogunniyi, BSN, RN, University of South Alabama

D9 GRANT RECIPIENT

Tamu Abreu, MSN, RN-BC, CPPS, CPHQ, Texas Woman's University



Award Recipients (Left to Right)
Terry Throckmorton and Jon
Lindgren



Scholarship Recipients (Left to
Right) Claudia Martinez and
Monica Rodriguez

30TH ANNUAL NURSING CELEBRATION 2022

We are so grateful for our 30th Anniversary Nursing Celebration Gala Sponsors!

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to Right) Renae
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Link to souvenir booklet on website - Click "Texas-Nurses-2022 Booklet" on our website at <https://tnadistrict9.com/>

Link to photos: <https://jasonjoyphotography.pic-time.com/-tna2022>

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Thank you to all of our Silent Auction donors!

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30TH ANNUAL NURSING CELEBRATION 2022

It would be impossible to host this event without the assistance of these exceptional committee members!



Nursing Student Volunteers



Committee Members (Left to Right) Maribel Bhojani, Denise Neill, Nancy Yuill, Patricia Lewis, Rosemary Pine, Angie Rangel, Renae Schumann, Pamela Windle, Anita Harris, Terry Throckmorton, Lucindra Campbell-Law, Kimberly Curtin

PLANNING

Renae Schumann, Chair
Nursing Celebration Steering Committee
TNA D9 Board
Brooke Baugh, The Wolford Group
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TOP 30 NURSES NOMINATIONS

Terry Throckmorton, Co-Chair
Pamela Windle, Co-Chair
Rebecca Aulbach
Juliana Brixey
Wyona Freysteinson
Valerie Howell
Tricia Lewis
LanAnh Nguyen
Rosemary Pine
Alex Sardual
Patricia Schwartz

PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Renae Schumann

DOROTHY OTTO LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

TNA D9 Board

HOTEL

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Maribel Bhojani
Chivon McMullen-Jackson
Joanne Monroig

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Renae Schumann
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Leslie Morris

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Nursing Students

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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.

VISION

Texas
Nurses
Advancing
eD9ucation and
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.

