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WHAT'S COMING UP:

June 18 - St. Louise House volunteer opportunity (RSVP)

<u>August 28 - Book Club Meeting</u> <u>September 25 - Book Club Meeting</u> <u>October 23 - Book Club Meeting</u>

Click on an event to read more!



Saint Louise House Apartment Set-Up

Help transform an empty apartment into a warm, welcoming home for a SLH family!

Tuesday, June 18

9:00 a.m. to noonish

Set-up includes: assembling and arranging furniture, hanging pictures, decorating, making beds, and putting away bath and kitchen items.

We'll also be gathering new and gently used household items for use in the apartment, so please consider donating: pots and pans, bath linens, silverware, glassware, rugs, bed linens (twin beds only), decor and more. Please let Beth O'Farrell know what you are donating so we have an accurate inventory. Pickup of items can be arranged if you will not be at the event.

To RSVP or for questions, contact: Beth O'Farrell, bofarrell21@gmail.com



DO YOU HAVE A SMALL BUSINESS?

You can place an advertisement in the paper directory that will be mailed to alliance members at the end of the summer.

Ads will be business-card sized on the inside front and back covers of the directory.

Mail your business card and a check for \$50 made payable to TCMA to Pat Wallis, 203 Wallis Drive, Austin, TX 78746.

Or email a jpg of your card and pay the \$50 online! Click here for online payment.

** First to pay gets the top spot! Call Pat with questions 512-327-7505. **



ALLMED Update



A big THANK YOU to Wendy Propst, Olguita Santiago, Ronsey Chawla, Christina Fenrich, Kathy Trizna, Sarah Butler, and Patty Loose for attending ALLMED this year! It was a great time full of leadership, laughter, and fun! The TCMA won the Mary Ann Homer Legislative and Political Action Award! We were awarded \$250 from the TMAA and received a certificate of honor signed by the TMAA president. Sarah and Ernest Butler were there to present their awards for excellence in science teaching.





A PAPER DIRECTORY ...

...is coming your way at the end of the summer...

IF you are a current paid member!

Be sure your dues are up-to-date by contacting Pat Wallis (patriciaawallis@gmail.com).

Only the names of current members will be IN the directory too.

Don't miss out!

Book Club Happenings

As you plan your summer reading, please consider including one of

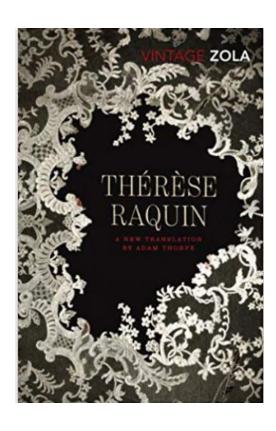
August 28: Suzanne McFarlane will lead our review of *American Kingpin* by Nick Bolton. Sarah Butler will host.

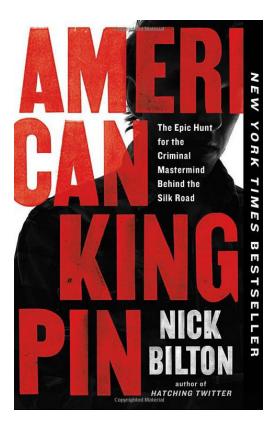
September 25: Pat Wallis will lead our discussion of *Therese Raquin* by Emile Zola. Please read the translation of your choice. **Hostess** needed!

October 23: Beth Schlecter will review *Born A Crime* by Trevor Noah. **Hostess needed!**

November 20: Kay McHorse will discuss *Where The Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens. Peggy Russell will host.

All daytime meetings begin at 10am. All members and potential members are welcome. Please contact Kay McHorse at kmchorse8@gmail.com with questions.





St. Louise House Grant Report for 2018

The TCMA has long been a proud supporter of the St. Louise House, as volunteers and through community service grants. Maria Kiehn, Community Engagement and Grants Manager, recently shared this list of some of the specific needs that TCMA funds have been used for this past year:

- Eye glasses for a child after an eye doctor provided a free eye exam;
- Bilingual counseling for a mother who had lost her job and was experiencing significant stress and depression;
- Counseling co-pays for a mother, supporting her mental health so that she could be a more stable, consistent parent and employee;
- ADD medication for a child so he could be more successful in school;
- Medication for a mother whose medical condition was impacting her ability to work;
- Pay off previous balance at Seton so a mother could see her doctor about some cardiovascular irregularities;
- Diapers when Austin Diaper Bank has been unable to meet the full need for diapers for the
 14 children under the age of three

"Without TCMA support, these needs would have gone unmet, endangering mothers' ability to work and parent successfully and endangering children's health and success in school. We are so grateful for our partnership with the Travis County Medical Alliance!"

Maria Kiehn

...empowering women with children to overcome homelessness



Here is the roster of incoming TCMA officers for 2019-2020:

President: Wendy Propst

President-Elect: Christina Fenrich

Secretary: Wendy Kratzer

Treasurer: Amy Whited

Treasurer-Elect: Janet Schneider **VP Communications**: Kate Paul

VP Financial Development: Tugba McCage

VP Financial Development-Elect: Ronsey Chawla

VP Programs: Lori Benold

VP Membership: Shannon McNeil

VP Membership-Elect: Olguita Santiago

VP Medical Affairs: Carla Wilkenfeld

VP Community Service: Beth O'Farrell

VP Community Service-Elect: Jenny Stern

VP Enrichment: Lara Norris

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Vital Signs Summer Schedule

Vital Signs will publish 3 times over the summer: June, July and August.

Please send news, updates, and information for Vital Signs by the following deadlines to Kathy Downie at Kathy.Downie@me.com:

July publication submission deadline: July 5th August publication submission deadline: August 8th

**Vital Signs will resume weekly publication schedule on September



Do you have news to share in Vital Signs?!

Please send in your news by 5 p.m. Fridays for that Sunday's Vital Signs.

Email Kathy Downie at Kathy.downie@me.com.

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