



# Treasury Notes

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Happy New Year!

January 2025 isn't just a flip of the calendar; it is also the start of the 89<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session. It is the beginning of what I believe to be a very busy, fun and exciting (*insert sarcasm*) year. As we are all aware, at the end of the last Session, CTAT as a whole took a hard hit. It was not for lack of fight, but rather, in my opinion, we were simply given an impossible situation.

I appreciate the opportunity to share with you the vision or direction, if you will, of both the Legislative and Public Relations Committees for the upcoming year. Our committees have just three goals for this year, but I believe they will help us as we tackle the work ahead.

1. Present a united association to not only our lawmakers in Austin, but to our fellow associations and to our respective local governments. In doing so, we will be strong in the position we take (opposition or support) as in needed in Austin.
2. Our second goal is to keep all of CTAT informed. Knowledge is power! The TAC Way Fundamentals #2 tells us to "Communicate to be understood". We cannot communicate our message to our representation in Austin unless we are informed and know what we are talking about. So, look for regular communication to come from our committees to help us meet our goal.
3. Lastly, we want to make sure our membership as a whole know they are just as much a part of our efforts as those on the committees. At some point, you may be called upon to contact lawmakers, make calls, write letters and emails, and talk to your local constituents. Remember - we are all one team. We need your involvement.

Some things to look for:

- \* Regular Communication from your CTAT Committees
- \* CTAT Introduction Day at the Capitol
- \* Treasurer's Day at the Capitol
- \* Collaboration with others to support or interests and voice our position

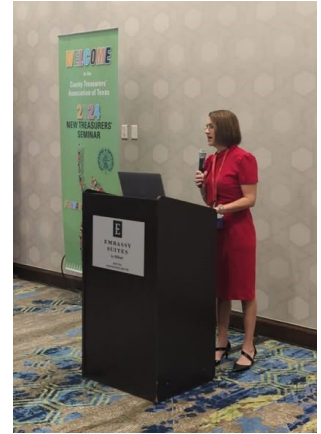
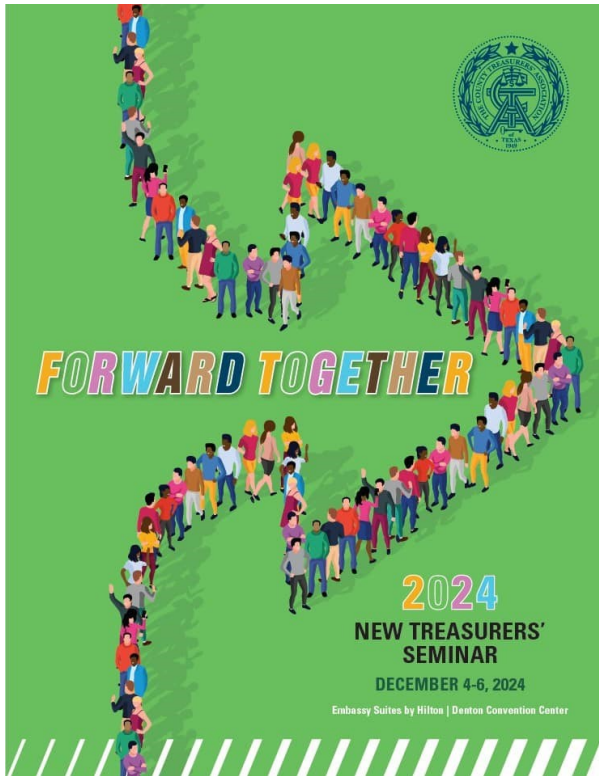
I hope this new year is full of fresh determination to advocate for those issues that directly, and indirectly, impact the success of your office and your position as County Treasurer.



Leann Monk  
Tyler County Treasurer  
1st Vice President, CTAT

# NEW TREASURERS' SEMINAR

Denton, Texas







## Please welcome our newly elected Treasurers:

**Hon. Tracy Torres, Bailey County**

**Hon. Cristian Villarreal, Brazos County**

**Hon. Gloria Garcia, Caldwell County**

**Hon. Melissa Preijers, Callahan County**

**Hon. Eileen Pulliam, Carson County**

**Hon. Susan Wells, Cooke County**

**Hon. Christina Trevino, Deaf Smith County**

**Hon. Desirae Poth-Garibay, DeWitt County**

**Hon. Mandy Chavers, Freestone County**

**Hon. Vicki Schmidt, Gillespie County**

**Hon. Pete Elizondo, Goliad County**

**Hon. Terri Kitchens, Gray County**

**Hon. Cindy Lopez, Hansford County**

**Hon. Elsa Colmenero, Hudspeth County**

**Hon. Tammy Koerth, Lavaca County**

**Hon. Debra Graff, Medina County**

**Hon. Jackie Schubert, Refugio County**

**Hon. April Garcia, San Patricio County**

**Hon. Misty Champman, Scurry County**

**Hon. Fatima Hernandez, Sherman County**

**Hon. Valerie Williams, Somervell County**

**Hon. Kelsey Cornwall, Stephens County**

**Hon. Becky Freeman, Taylor County**

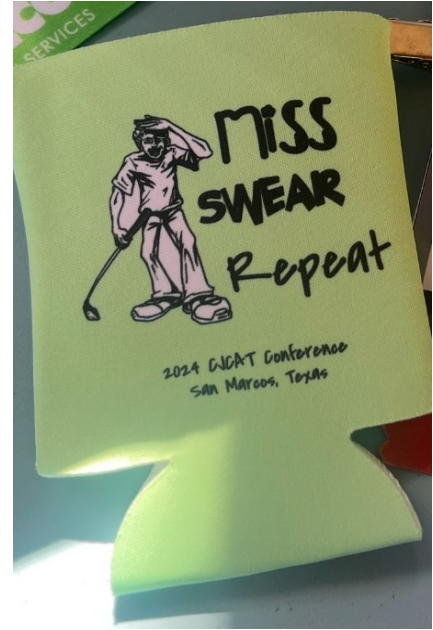
**Hon. Pamela Blaylock, Terrell County**

**Hon. Orrin Hargrave, Trinity County**

**Hon. Loretta Pipkin, Ward County**

**Hon. Kyle Milam, Young County**

# TREASURERS HOST GOLF TOURNAMENT AT 102ND ANNUAL COUNTY JUDGES & COMMISSIONERS ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS CONFERENCE



## SAN MARCOS, TEXAS



# NEWSWORTHY TREASURERS



*The Texas Association of Counties  
extends their gratitude to outgoing  
TAC Risk Management Pool board  
member Ida Tyler - Hale County  
Congratulations, Ida!*



## Dates to Remember

Healthy County Bootcamp	Austin, TX	Jan. 29-31, 2025
Basics of Investments Course	Frisco, TX	Mar. 4-7, 2025
County Management & Risk Conference	Round Rock, TX	April 9-11, 2025
53rd Annual County Treasurer's CE Seminar	San Marcos, TX	April 21-24, 2025
Conference of the Investment Academy	Corpus Christi, TX	Jun. 16-18, 2025
TAC Legislative Conference	Austin, TX	August 27-29, 2025
77th Annual CTAT Conference	Sugar Land, TX	Sept. 15-18, 2025
Texas Public Funds Investment Conference	Houston, TX	Nov. 6-7, 2025

## Continuing Education Requirements

	Required Hours	Outside Hours (Non-CTAT Conferences)	Carry Forward Hours
County Treasurers Continuing Education Hours	20 hours annually	Maximum of 10 hours	Maximum of 10 hours
Public Funds Investment Act	10 hours in a two year period	n/a	n/a

### 89th Texas Legislature Key Dates:

- \* January 14, 2025– 89th Legislature Convenes
- \* March 14, 2025: The 60-day deadline for bill filing
- \* June 2, 2025: The regular session adjourns sine die

**Please Remember - If you have anything you'd like to be included in our next edition of Treasury Notes, please submit to Tambra Kile at [countytreasurer@ochiltree.net](mailto:countytreasurer@ochiltree.net)**