



# Young Texans Against Cancer

## Austin, Texas

### Winter Edition 2009

#### Young Texans Against Cancer - Mission Statement

YTAC is an independent nonprofit organization comprised of young men and women who have either lost or witnessed a loved one fighting cancer or are seeking to become more actively involved in the cancer community. Our organization is focused on raising funds for local support and research organizations, using our member base to increase awareness of volunteer organizations and helping to educate our community on cancer research.

#### Letter from the President

Dear Founder, Members and Friends of YTAC-Austin:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for participating in Young Texans Against Cancer. Because of supporters like you, we were able to have a very successful year and surpass the goals of 2007!

As we reflect on 2008, it's been quite a year for YTAC around the state. As you all know, a Dallas chapter was created and has been well-received by the young professionals of the area. Based on word of mouth and members in the Austin and Houston chapters, YTAC is becoming a household name in our demographic and quickly spreading to other parts of the state. In 2009, another expansion chapter started in San Antonio, so please keep spreading the good word!

On a local level, the Austin Chapter has maintained a solid membership and worked to gain support around the business and philanthropic community. The second year of a non-profit is usually the most difficult to overcome but with an active group of participants we stayed the course and proved that YTAC-Austin will be around for many years to come!

I strongly encourage you to become more involved in our organization by volunteering your time or helping us raise money for the local cancer community. Please contact me or a fellow board member if you would like to participate on the board or as a member of the membership, development, philanthropy, or social committees.

Again, thank you all for your continued participation and support. I look forward to seeing everyone at Annual Membership Drive in 2009!

Sincerely, Holly Deshields - President

#### Upcoming Events

##### **March 4, 2009**

Membership Drive  
@ The Belmont  
5:30 PM

##### **March 2009**

Shoal Creek Beer & Bugs

##### **April 25, 2009**

The Lone Star State Jam  
Waterloo Park, Austin

##### **April/May 2009**

Fourth Annual Sandy Jeffcoat  
Blood Drive@ the Texas Capitol

##### **Summer 2009**

Summer Happy Hour

Aveda Cut-a-Thon

YTAC Golf Tournament

##### **Fall 2009**

Tailgate Party – UT vs. Tech Game

**See website for more information!**

#### Donations & Charity



This fall, YTAC-Austin was the beneficiary of the Delta Tau Delta golf tournament at the University of Texas. A fraternity representative will attend our Annual membership drive in March to present a \$5,000 check to our organization. YTAC-Austin Chapter is in the process of selecting a local non-profit cancer organization for our end of year giving. The decision will be finalized in this spring, so stay tuned!

For more information or to join us in the fight, please visit us at our website: [www.ytac.org](http://www.ytac.org)

**YTAC Recent Events**

To date, YTAC – Austin has recruited over 190 active members. Through membership donations and fundraising events and opportunities, YTAC – Austin raised over \$30,000 over the past two years. We look forward to new opportunities and new faces in the upcoming year.



**TOYS FOR KIDS  
Over 500 Toys Donated**

The 8<sup>th</sup> Annual TOYS FOR KIDS, BOOZE FOR YOU event was held on Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at Scholz Garten. Over 100 toys were donated to YTAC to benefit kids from the local Austin area this year. Several YTAC-Austin members served on the host committee and many members participated in the event. Thanks to everyone who played a part to make this a successful event.



**YTAC Happy Hour**

YTAC – Austin hosted a Happy Hour for their members at Key Bar on July 24<sup>th</sup>. Many existing members came out, and several new members joined. A special thanks to the Key Bar for donating 10% of drinks served that night back to YTAC-Austin. A total of \$1,000 was raised during the event.

**YTAC – Houston Update**



YTAC-Houston is proud to announce that we were able to present to Baylor College of Medicine a check for \$100,000 from the proceeds raised from our Second Annual Golf Tournament at Wildcat Golf Club on October 20th. The funds will support Dr. Anderson’s Ovarian Cancer research.

**New! YTAC – San Antonio Chapter**

Since the Austin & Dallas chapter was so well-received in a new community, we have now expanded to San Antonio. They are currently in the process of recruiting new members. If you know anyone interested in becoming a member in San Antonio, please email Brent Conger at [awbconger@gmail.com](mailto:awbconger@gmail.com). Let’s help make this chapter a success by getting the word out to our friends and family in the San Antonio area!

**JOIN YTAC!**  
Email: [member-austin@ytac.org](mailto:member-austin@ytac.org)

<b>Annual membership:</b>	<b>Lifetime membership:</b>
Singles: \$50	Singles: \$350
Married couples: \$85	Married couples: \$500