

WHAT'S TO *Love* TXK

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Speaking of Second to None...

DID YOU KNOW?

Texas High's HighSteppers are National Champions

The Texas High School High-Steppers brought home the National Championship Trophy from the Danceline USA National Championship competition in San Antonio last month.



**CONGRATULATIONS TO THIS TALENTED,
HARD-WORKING TEAM!**



THEY'RE IN!
Clean · Neat · Green · Pretty

Wadley Senior Clinic

Thanks for making Texarkana TWICE as beautiful!

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PROFILES IN LEADERSHIP



Congratulations to Ali Milligan & Allie Graves!

The 2018 Youth recipients of the 2018 Wilbur Award are Ali Milligan of Arkansas High and Allie Graves of Texas High, two outstanding young women leaders in our community.

Ali Milligan is a junior at Arkansas High where she is President of the campus Interact Club with over 400 hours of community service. Ali worked with the Salvation Army to identify the greatest need of the people served by the organization, and has since worked to fill that need, providing kits of feminine products to their clients, with the ambitious goal of distributing 1000 kits before she graduates in 2019.

Allie Graves is very active at Texas High, as well as at First Baptist Church, the Randy Sam's Shelter and the Community Cafe at Williams Memorial Methodist. Allie was adopted at age 5 out of the foster care system and is an overcomer of child abuse. For this reason, she chooses to spend her time giving back to the organizations that helped her become the successful person she is. She has over 750 hours of community service in Texarkana and the surrounding areas, and has spoken to over 15,000 people telling her story.

As an organization committed to growing a community of leaders, Leadership Texarkana lifts up exemplary leaders in our community as models to us all, showing what is possible if we choose to serve one another by investing time and effort in our community." Leadership Texarkana's Wilbur Awards have been given annually since 1992, in memory of community servant and historian Wilbur Smith.

A T-TOWN TOP TEN

THINGS TO DO IN TEXARKANA April 23-29, 2018

SPOTLIGHT ON...

1

Leadercast 2018!

FRIDAY, MAY 4

Sullivan Performing Arts Center, 8 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Develop yourself as a LEADER WORTH FOLLOWING—Leading Yourself—at Leadercast 2018 - the world's largest annual one-day leadership event. Simulcast live from Atlanta, GA to over 600 sites around the globe, reaching and teaching close to 100,000 individuals like you in communities like ours. Join the hundreds attending locally, growing their competitive advantage by growing in excellence and influence, as individuals or teams of 2-100, from big and small business and industry, public sector, non-profits, churches, schools, healthcare. Presented by Leadership Texarkana in partnership with TISD and Texarkana College. \$79 includes lunch, breakfast and materials. Learn more and register at leadershiptexarkana.com!

Added value: Don't miss the updates and perspectives on #LT40StrategicDoing!

**If you want to stay on top, you can't afford
NOT to take the time!**

PLUS... IT'S A BIG WEEK IN TEXARKANA USA!

2 Thursday, May 3

WOMEN FOR A&M TEXARKANA'S ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP RECEPTION

5-6:30 p.m. Connect with this dynamic group of strong female leaders working to enhance the economic development, cultural enrichment and funding initiatives for scholarships and programs at A&M-Texarkana. Member Dues: \$35
RSVP CBoeckmann@tamut.edu or 903.223.3057



3 Thursday, May 3

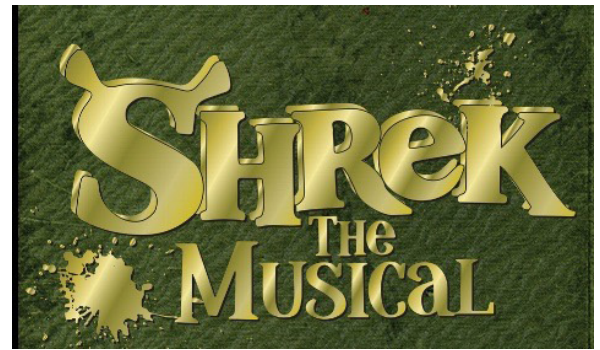
CHONDA PIERCE: "GETTING BACK TO FUNNY" TOUR

First Baptist Church Texarkana, 7-9 p.m.
Emmy-nominated Pierce channels her life experiences into positivity, bringing laughter to audiences around the country. As the RIAA's best-selling female comedian of all time, her hilarious take on life is easily relatable as she publicly opens up to her listeners about times of darkness and depression in her own life, drawing humor and good from every situation.

4 Thursday-Sunday, May 4-6

SHREK! THE MUSICAL

Presented by TexRep in conjunction with the Texarkana College Department of Drama in the Stilwell Theater in the TC Humanities Building. Friday/Saturday at 7:30 p.m.; Sunday at 2 p.m. Once upon a time, there was a little ogre named Shrek.... an unlikely hero who finds himself on a life-changing journey alongside a wisecracking Donkey and a feisty princess who resists her rescue. A hilarious show is based on the hit Dreamworks animated film. HUGE talented cast! Special group rates this opening weekend. Tickets online at TexRep.org.
OR call 903-831-7827.



5 Friday, May 4

DAVID PALMORE & TONY PASCHAL LIVE!

Tusk-N-Horns Bar & Grill at The Wyndham, 6-9 p.m. Presented by Music Lovers Texarkana & Beyond Events. All ages welcome. No Cover Charge.



6 Saturday, May 5

19TH ANNUAL WALK/RUN FOR LIFE AT SPRING LAKE PARK!

7-11 a.m. Enjoy your morning with 1st Choice Pregnancy Resource Center at Pavilion 2 (by the airplane). Events include 5K and 10K races, a 1-mile fun run for kids, and the walk that is open to all ages and activity levels. Registration starts at 7 a.m. for 5-and 10K. Awards for 1st-3rd place for male and female in each age category as well as for overall male and female. Plus a stroller pushing division. Kids' Fun Run at 8 a.m.; Walk starts at approximately 9:30 a.m. after race winners are announced. Fun activities for the whole family, including a Diaper Derby for the little ones, so come and enjoy the morning!

firstchoiceprc.com 903.792.5735

7 Saturday, May 5

PITMASTERS SERIES AT DOTS ACE HARDWARE

8 a.m.-2 p.m. The first event in Dot's Ace Hardware's new Pitmaster Series will feature Brad Rosiek & his team Bubba's Krewe Barbecue. Come meet them

and learn some tips and tricks from an award-winning barbecue team. Rib Cooking Class will start at noon and be FREE to the public! The Pitmaster Series at Dot's Ace Hardware will feature grilling aficionados from both near and far offering demonstrations, classes, and tastings right here at your neighborhood hardware store in Texarkana, Texas.



8 Saturday, May 5

4TH ANNUAL TWICE AS FINE TEXARKANA WINE FESTIVAL

Spring Lake Park, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Presented by and benefiting the Alzheimer's Alliance. A one-of-its kind wine, art, music and food festival for the Four States Area! Enjoy the arts and music FREE! Entry into the Wine Garden \$10 (includes a souvenir wine glass and a wine bag). Bottles of wine will be available for purchase from wineries. Tasting for \$1; wine by glass of wine for \$5.



9 Saturday, May 5

7TH ANNUAL HATS & HORSES: A DAY AT THE DERBY

Northridge Country Club, 4-7 p.m. Hosted by Eagle Impact, Hats & Horses is Texarkana's premier Kentucky Derby watch party with Derby-themed food and music - all while raising funds and awareness to benefit Eagle Impact for Texas A&M University-Texarkana's athletic department and student life. Purchase online at www.tamut.edu/eagleimpact.

10 Saturday, May 5

CELEBRATE CINCO DE MAYO

- **Cinco de Mayo Fiesta at Texarkana College.** 2-5 p.m. Brought to you by the Educational Opportunity Center—parking lot beside Levi Hall.
- **Cinco like you mean it at On The Border.** 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Overflowing \$5 Cinco 'Ritas, giveaways, live music from 5-10PM, good friends and food.



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from the team at Texana Bank



"Fuji Kim's Sushi & Grill: the Volcano Roll."
**FRANK HALTER, SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT
-MARKET PRESIDENT**



"Chicken fajitas from Zapata's."
KARA LANNOM, VP - BRANCH MANAGER



"Spinach salad with grilled chicken from Hopkins Ice House."
LORI YATES, SR. VP/LOAN OFFICER