

WHAT'S TO *Love* TXK

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Speaking of Second to None...

DID YOU KNOW?

**Honoring TWO Outstanding Educators:
TASD Charter School Principal Terry Taylor and
TISD Middle School Principal Tim Lambert**

Terry Taylor, Associate Principal of the Washington Academy Charter School in the Texarkana Arkansas School District, was recently named the state of Arkansas' Association of Alternative Educators Administrator of the Year.



Terry Taylor
LT Class of 2011

Tim Lambert, Principal of Texas Middle School, has been selected to represent the Texas Association of Secondary School Principals (TASSP) as the Region VIII Outstanding Middle School Principal of the Year.



Tim Lambert
LT Class of 2016



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

Walnut Church of Christ on Moores Lane

Thanks for making Texarkana TWICE as beautiful!

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PROFILES IN LEADERSHIP



NANCY SANDEFUR

This week we lift up the memory of Nancy Sandefur in celebration of her life. Nancy was an amazing individual who exemplified what community leadership meant, devoting her talents and energies to every matter of endeavor that would enhance the fortunes of Texarkana USA...

Nancy loved Leadership Texarkana and was one of the key figures in the organization's early days, hired in the late 70s to serve as the first curriculum director for this important initiative for ensuring our community's best future. But, as an outstanding community leader and lover of all things Texarkana, Leadership Texarkana was just one of many organizations for which she played instrumental leadership roles, including Opportunities, Inc., United Way of Texarkana, Texarkana Museums System, Junior League of Texarkana. Nancy and husband Ben Sandefur were honored with the C.E. Palmer Award in 1988.

Fortunately for the rest of us, Nancy's sons Mike, Greg and Jeff carry on the family tradition of community service.

A T-TOWN TOP TEN

THINGS TO DO IN TEXARKANA July 30-August 12, 2018

1 Texarkana USA's Exciting Interactive Scavenger Hunt

Ready, set, go! Gather friends or family and get going! Here are the official rules for the Bending the Rules II: George Tobolowsky Outdoor Sculptures Interactive Scavenger Hunt. You'll find hints on the locations of each piece of public throughout the scavenger hunt; feel free to post locations you have found. Get up close and personal (except the roundabout sculpture) and share your impressions with the rest of us. Each of the nine sculptures have signs with QR codes to submit your entry or you can submit at visittexarkanadistrict.com



2 Wild About Wellness

SATURDAY, AUG. 11,
9 A.M.-12 P.M.

Four States Fair Entertainment Center. Make sure your kids get those immunizations they need to get back to school, (don't forget your shots records and insurance information if you have any). Besides the opportunity for other health screenings, there will be games to play, bounce houses, some pretty great prizes to win, plus door prizes, free kid ID cards, Darby Games and more! PLUS handcrafts, face painting, freebies, magic and most of all, kids having fun.



and don't miss...



3 Friday, Aug. 3

BIG POKEY LIVE/MR. JUICY BIRTHDAY BASH

7-11:30 p.m. at Texarkana Texas Convention Center. Featuring Ms. Vickie Baker, Mr. Juicy, Naquita Elmore and Mr Side Piece himself (Big Pokey Bear). DJ HOLYFIELD will be in the mix keeping it live southern style! Tickets will be available at The Golden Lady restaurant and GQ Fashion. For more info contact Douglas Da Arnold at 903-691-9235.

4 Friday, Aug. 3

SILVERMOON CHILDREN'S THEATRE MINI SHOW

5:30 & 7 p.m.: "The Greatest Show, Man" (the result of a one-week, intensive drama camp for kids). \$5. Silvermoon on Broad Theatre. Fun. Amazing. Short. Inexpensive. Downtown.



5

Texarkana Farmers' Markets

THROUGH AUG. 4

Located at 305 Texas Blvd in historic downtown Texarkana, the Texarkana, Texas Farmers' Market is a seasonal open-air farmers' market featuring quality locally grown, natural produce. The market is open Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday 7 a.m. to 12 p.m. (or sold out) through August 4.

Two weeks to go until schools begins - and you're running out of entertainment and event ideas for what to do - with yourself, your kids, your last visits from family and friends... just to enjoy the calm before the "storm" action-packed schedules of the coming program year... Take advantage of the time to enjoy...



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Holiday Springs Water Park

As you count down the days for making summer memories and cooling off with the kids, take advantage of Texarkana's fun and family-friendly water park. These are the final days with week-day hours of operation, so better go now!

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Disc Golf

Join the growing numbers who enjoy playing the 18-hole disc golf courses at Spring Lake Park or Lake Wright Patman.

Contact the Texarkana Disc Golf Association for details. (Who knew?)





8 DISCOVER Downtown Treasures

Go to Texarkana Chamber of Commerce to get your Discover Texarkana CD, a driving tour with details on the history and uniqueness of our community treasures ... (do you know where the century-old fountain is downtown? our pocket park? the skate park? the Art Wall?) OR! get your exercise... and sweat it off! Make it a walking tour to build your 10,000 steps, or borrow several of the downtown community bikes available at the Museum of Regional History and make it a biking tour.

And TWO special opportunities to put on your list:

9 Sing Your Heart Out

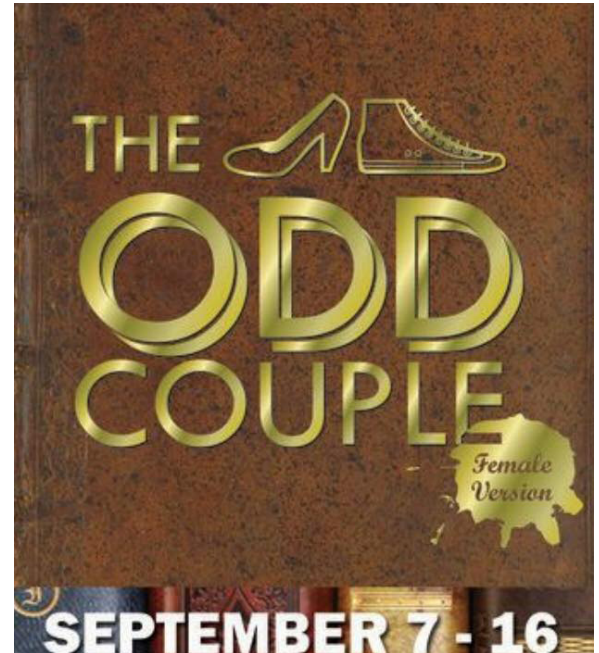
TRAHC is looking for Texarkana's own local

Whitney Houston tribute artist!

Submit a singing video to Perot

Theatre or TRAH's Facebook page or use the #TGLOATXKSingOff to be entered to win 2 front row tickets to The Greatest Love Of All show on August 24th. Must be submitted by August 3rd! #ThanksToTAAC

#TRAHCPresents #THATNote



10 Monday, July 30 (TODAY)

TEXREP'S "THE ODD COUPLE" AUDITIONS

7 p.m., Stilwell Theatre on Texarkana College Campus. Sign on NOW! TexRep is ramping up for yet another outstanding theatre event, produced, presented and supported by the citizens of Texarkana USA: the female version of the Neil Simon audience favorite "The Odd Couple". If you are interested in auditioning for a chance to be ON stage as part of the cast: auditions are Monday, July 30 at the Stilwell Theatre on the Texarkana College campus. OR if you want the fun of helping out backstage or in building set or in finding or making props, come turn yourself in! Very friendly and multi-talented folks - great fun to work with - take the plunge!

TOTALLY TEXARKANA **Food Faves**

from Today's Youth, Tomorrow's Leaders

"I vote YES for the tacos from Vero's."

JOSHUA CARNES
Veritas Academy



"I recommend heading to Ironwood Grill to enjoy the Bang Bang Shrimp Tacos."

SARAH JANE PADDOCK
Texas High School

#GOTXK: LET'S GET IT TRENDING!

If hashtagging is your thing, we need your help. We want to get **#GoTXK** trending to showcase what's to love about Texarkana—fun events, good news, admirable people, amazing dishes at local restaurants. So if you share something you love about Txx, let the world know by using the hashtag **#GoTXK!**

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