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Shoppes at Pavilion

We applaud the folks at the Pavilion Shoppes for planning and planting years ago so that we might all enjoy nature's beauty this year and into the future!

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Speaking of Second to None...

Did You Know? A&M-Texarkana Students Earned Top Awards at Texas A&M University System's 14th Annual Pathways Symposium

Esther Pippins of Texarkana, Texas, won first place in the master's level division for her research project in education. Hollis Thompson of Texarkana, Texas, won second place in the undergraduate humanities division, and Jonathan Nonmacher of Houston, Texas, took second place in the undergraduate business and computer information systems division.



Students from campuses throughout the A&M System participate annually in The Pathways Symposium, an event which provides students the opportunity to showcase their research efforts (with separate categories for undergraduate, master's and doctoral level research), as well as the opportunity to network with faculty, gain exposure to graduate and post-graduate opportunities, and form lasting collaborative relationships for future research.

Photo: TAMU-T's Esther Pippins (right) is presented with the first-place award in the master's level division for her research project in education









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STEPPING UP TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE



Brad Hoover

LT Class of 2013 Controller, Texarkana College

2013 Leadership Texarkana grad Brad Hoover has just been promoted to Controller at Texarkana College. An employee at TC since 2010, Brad is originally from El Dorado, Arkansas. He relocated to Texarkana in 2007 after graduating from Southern Arkansas University. He began his accounting career in public accounting at Wilf & Henderson, P.C., until he began working for Texarkana College in 2010. Brad and his wife Jessica have a son, Koy, and are excited to have another baby on the way.

"My mission is to continue to grow professionally and personally and become a leader to those in my life," says Brad.

Congrats to Brad!

A T-TOWN TOP TEN

THINGS TO DO IN TEXARKANA December 11-17, 2017



1 Cirque Dreams Holidaze

THURSDAY, DEC. 14 • 7:30 P.M.

Holiday cirque and musical extravaganza with hundreds of beautiful costumes on stage in twenty acts with a story for the whole family! Back by popular demand with an all new show - presented by TRAHC in the beautiful Perot Theatre. Tickets at www.trahc.org.

2 Holiday Keepsake Art Journaling Workshop

THURSDAY, DEC. 14 • 6 P.M.

Presented by Agnes Tirrito at the Regional Arts Center. Start a special holiday tradition by creating a place for the holiday cards, lists, photos, and ephem-



era you want to keep this season! Create a journal with fold-outs and plenty of room for adding the memories of the season.

3 A Tuba Christmas
SATURDAY, DEC. 16 • 2 P.M.
Enjoy a TUBA CHRISTMAS at Central
Mall featuring musicians from TISD.



- At Central Mall
 Adopt an Angel
 off the Salvation
 Army's Christ-
- ANGEL TREE

mas Tree (and shop local)!

• Drop off a toy: Festival of Stars New Toy Drive sponsored by the Texarkana chapter of Circle of Friends, Friday, Dec. 15 all day till 6 p.m. Drive through drop off at Central Mall at former Sears Location (but park and go in to enjoy GYTP's Christmas Village!) 903.701.6464



Junie B in Jingle Bells, Batman Smells - AND! (two-fer!) What Could Possibly Go Wrong the Night Before Christmas

FRI-SAT., DEC. 15-16 6:30 P.M.

Performed by the Texas High Tiger Theatre company. Support local students in holiday programs!

6 Christmas Spectacular featuring special guest Christian vocalist Anna Petrillo

SATURDAY, DEC. 16

Presented by local dance school company program. Benefits CHRISTUS St. Michael's NeoNatal ICU. PG Performing Arts Center - 903.277.0729.

7 Holiday Cheer All Week

'Tis the season for Christmas programs and concerts! Pick a school campus throughout the community - call for times, and be there!

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Gather with friends for eats and music:

AT TWISTED FORK:

- Dec 14: Caden Thompson
- Dec 15: Moss Brothers Band

AT FAT JACKS OYSTER AND SPORTS BAR

- Dec 14: Vernon Hinesley & Troy Wilburn
- Dec 15: Captain Joe Band -
- Dec 16: Moss Brothers Band

Boredom Buster: Create Santa



Ornaments and Olaf Door Hangers (of "Frozen" fame) at Discovery Place

SATURDAY, DEC. 16 • 1-2 P.M.



Still time... FREE Fall Gardening Workshop

MONDAY, DEC. 11 • 6-8 P.M.

By Bowie County Master Gardeners with TAMU-T. In the Science and Technology Building at TAMU-T. Contact EECD@ tamut.edu.

Holiday Food Faves



Stephanie Maddox always turns to treats from the award-winning Be the Blessing Bakery, benefiting the Randy Sams Homeless Shelter. Order some for your family and friends today!

STEPHANIE MADDOX Pagitor Impact Pagity

Realtor, Impact Realty Leadership Texarkana



"Taste and See is the place to be if you need a little boost of energy before shopping, cleaning or starting on that family dinner tomorrow. Head to Taste and see, grab yourself an Eggnog or White chocolate Peppermint gelato and a then a cup of coffee to warm you up. This is a great little venue to treat yourself to a little break and the spice of life. Before you go, you better grab some of their smooth white chocolate toffee, grab it as a gift and then do what we all do, accidentally eat it!"

KAYLENE PARSONS

District Manager, Wells Fargo NA LT Class of 2018

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