

WHAT'S TO *Love* TXK

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Educational and Cultural Riches, Community Pride,
Economic, Social and Personal Well-Being.*

Speaking of Second to None...



Photo by
Kevin Cook

The 2017 Pleasant Grove HAWKS Football Team is **SECOND TO NONE!**

Completing their record 16-0 undefeated season, PG joins the ranks of the other three in-city districts as STATE FOOTBALL CHAMPS!

Congratulations to Coach Josh Gibson and to every member of his outstanding team. You make Texarkana proud!



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STEPPING UP TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE



Cassy Meisenheimer

Marketing & Development Director
Belay Global
LT Class of 2008

Belay Global is a non-profit organization that works with women in Rwanda to help create sustainability and alleviate poverty through training, scholarships, business loans and more. Cassy knows what drives development is focusing on building relationships. It is about how well you can connect with people you're trying to help and communicate your understanding to them.

Cassy says, "By participating in Leadership Texarkana I learned there are many opportunities to give back and be a part of a thriving and energetic community. We have so much to offer on both sides of state line and many ways to find your niche, to step into an organization and share your personal strengths to create progress and change."

Cassy has been involved with many community organizations, including being a 2008 Leadership Texarkana graduate. She currently serves on the Eagle Impact Board for Texas A&M-Texarkana, Angel Guild for Opportunities, Inc. and on the Strategic and Marketing Committee for Pleasant Grove ISD. A family committed to community service, Cassy's husband, Fred, is a 2007 graduate of Leadership Texarkana and currently serves on the PGISD School Board.

A T-TOWN TOP TEN

THINGS TO DO IN TEXARKANA January 8-14, 2018

CROWDER



1

Crowder: The Texas Takeover Tour

SUNDAY, JAN. 14, 6-8:30 P.M.
PEROT THEATRE.

Featuring Texarkana's own Christian Music favorite. Kid Friendly, Christian Music, & Worship. Tickets available at perottheatre.org & Rushconcerts.com

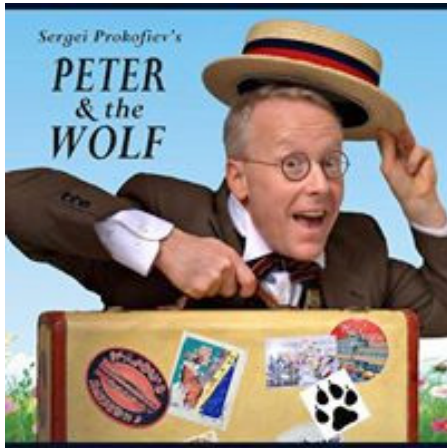
2

Create Your Own Clay Breakfast Set

2 WORKSHOPS:
WORKSHOP I ON TUESDAY,
JAN. 9; WORKSHOP II
ON THURSDAY, JAN. 11.
6:30-8:30 P.M.



Presented by TRAHC at the Regional Arts Center. Work with Chris Thomas to create a breakfast set of a mug, bowl, and a plate. All materials and supplies provided. 18 yrs and up. Cost \$55. Contact Amy Donohoe @ (903)792-8681 to register.
www.trahc.org



3 Peter and the Wolf

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 10, 9:30 A.M.
& 12:30 P.M.

Presented by the Texarkana Symphony Orchestra at the Perot Theatre. Prokofiev's timeless tale of boy vs. wolf. A fully-staged vaudeville-inspired show with Really Inventive Stuff actor in performance with Maestro Marc-Andre Bougie and the Texarkana Symphony Orchestra. Call: (903)792-4992, www.texarkanasymphonyorchestra.org

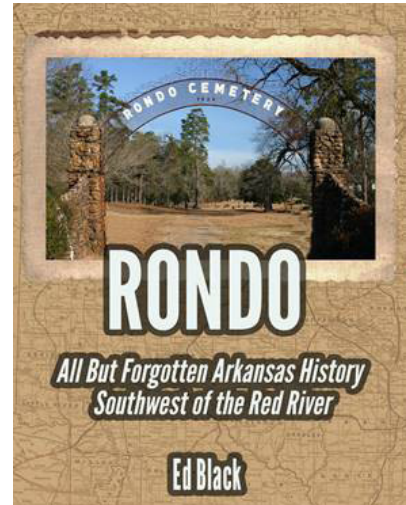
4 TRAHC presents My Father's Dragon

THURSDAY, JAN. 11, 9:30 A.M.
& 12:30 P.M.

At the Perot Theatre.

Talking animals, a daring rescue, a

flying dragon, buried treasure and lots of humor—a fabulous adventure staged by Enchantment Theatre using puppets, masks and inventive scenic effects. Grades K-5 and general admission. Call Kaci Hopper @ (903)792-8681 or email khopper@trahc.org to purchase tickets. www.trahc.org



5 Open Book Series: featuring Ed Black, author of "Rondo: All but Forgotten Arkansas History Southwest of the Red River"

THURSDAY, JAN. 11, 6 P.M.

FREE at the Museum of Regional History, Texarkana Museums System. (903)793-4831, <http://allevents.by/MuseumofRegionalHistory>

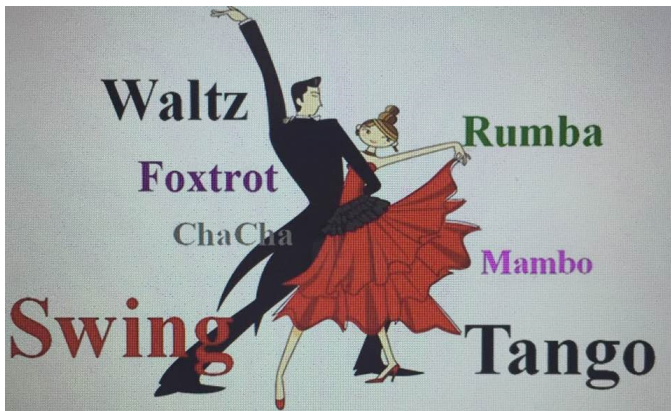
While you're there, (last chance):

"The Great War: Arkansas in World War 1" Exhibit-Museum of Regional History.

CLOSES THURSDAY, JAN 11.

From Arkansas State Archives: original photos, posters, maps, and documents telling the story of Arkansas's role during World War 1, at home and on the battlefields. Texarkana Museums System (903)793-4831.

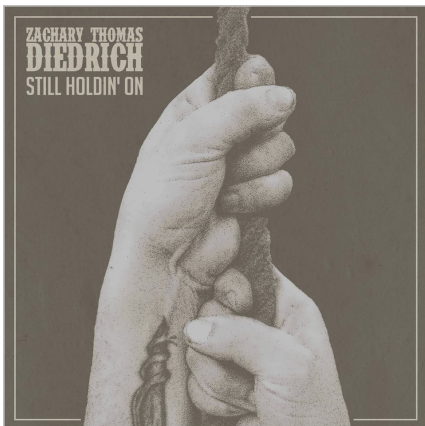




6 Ballroom Dancing Lessons

THURSDAY, JAN. 11, 6:30-8 P.M.

Sponsored by Texarkana Ballroom Dance Enthusiasts. Hardy Memorial UMC. \$15/person. Message on FaceBook to attend: www.facebook.com/Texarkana-Dance-Enthusiasts



7 Zachary Thomas Diedrich

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY,
JAN. 12-13, 8 P.M.

Tusk-N-Horns Bar & Grill in The Wyndham Hotel, N. State Line Ave. Diedrich forges his own brand of country music influenced by the sounds of traditional country, delta blues and rock n' roll. Call (903)792-3222.



8 Introductory Krav Maga Seminar

SATURDAY, JAN. 13, 12-3 P.M.

Legends Gym and Health Club. Start the New Year STRONG with this 3-hour introductory seminar on the best self-defense system in the world (basics of striking, kicking, self-defense techniques and third party protection). Contact 903-224-KRAV (5728) or 903-908-4314. www.texarkanakravmaga.com



9 Boredom Buster: Candy Land Game Boards

SATURDAY, JAN. 13, 2 P.M.

TMS' Discovery Place Children's Museum. A fun filled afternoon of candy canes and sugar lanes whipping up our own candy land game boards. \$5. Children under 3 are free Join event at [\(903\)793-4831">http://allevents.by/DiscoveryPlace-Museum.\(903\)793-4831](http://allevents.by/DiscoveryPlace-Museum).



10 Southwest Arkansas High School Rodeo

SATURDAY, JAN. 13,
9 A.M.-6 P.M.

Four States Equine Center. Rodeo, Roping and Cutting. Opportunity for area youth to compete in rodeo events in a safe, friendly environment. Competition open to students K-12 & up to 19 years old. Check Website for entry fees: www.swarhsr.org



AND - STILL TIME - ACT FAST:

Chasing the Dragon Viewing: Life of an Opioid Addict

MON, JAN 8, AT 1-2:30PM.

TAPD Training Room at Bi-State. The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) encourage everyone to view this documentary to help raise awareness of the tragedy of opioid abuse and misuse; features heart-wrenching, powerful, first-person accounts from people who have been affected.

*RSVP to deanna.omalley@arkansas.gov

TOTALLY T-TOWN Food Faves



“My favorite is the ribeye and au gratin potatoes at Silver Star.”

DARRELL WILLIAMS

*Business Advisor, NE Texas Small Business Development Center
LT Class of 2018*



“I love the Molcajete at Esperanza.”

MASHELL DANIELS

*Executive Director of Inspection/Code Enforcement, City of Texarkana, TX
LT Class of 2018*

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