

WHAT'S TO *Love* TXK

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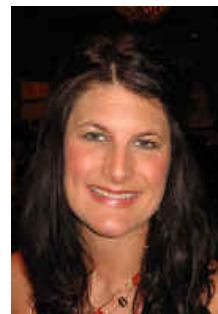
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*Citizens committed to Working Smart for Excellence,
Educational and Cultural Riches, Community Pride,
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Speaking of Second to None...

Pleasant Grove High School's Nicole Brisco Honored as Outstanding Teacher of Texas



Humanities Texas presents annual statewide awards to honor and encourage excellence in teaching by recognizing Texas classroom teachers who have made exemplary contributions in teaching, curriculum development and extracurricular programming. The organization received nearly 700 nominations for the 2017 awards; Nicole is one of thirteen recipients of the 2017 Humanities Texas Outstanding Teaching of the Humanities Award. State Representative Gary VanDeaver presented Nicole with her award at a special luncheon in December.

In 19 years at Pleasant Grove High School, Brisco has taught honors, pre-AP and AP classes in subjects ranging from art surveys to design, drawing and sculpture. In addition to classroom teaching, Brisco speaks at state and national art education professional development programs, sharing information on visual culture and curriculum-building with fellow educators. She is also a division chair for the National Art Education Association, a position she has held since 2010. That same year, Brisco won the Secondary Educator of the Year award from the Texas Art Education Association.

PGHS Principal Mendy Sharp said, "[Nicole] is a pillar of Pleasant Grove High School and our school district and represents our history of excellence at the local, state and national level. She and her students have truly made an impact on the arts around the world."



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STEPPING UP TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Patsy Morriss

President, Women for TAMU-T

Patsy has called Texarkana home for fourteen years, moving here from Plano, where she published a community-based magazine. She says,



"I was relatively new to Texarkana when I participated in [Leadership Texarkana], so I learned a great deal about who's who and what makes the community tick. In order to make a difference, you have to understand what's going on; Leadership Texarkana is the perfect vehicle for achieving that." Patsy laments the history of division between the two sides of our city. "We're so much stronger as one united entity."

Patsy has held numerous leadership roles serving the community since moving here. She currently serves as president of the board of Women for A&M-Texarkana and on the board of the Arkansas Affiliate of Susan G. Komen. She and husband Don are co-lay leaders and members of the choir at Williams Memorial United Methodist Church. She grew up in San Antonio and holds a BFA in journalism from SMU.

Patsy says, "My work with Women for A&M-Texarkana is rooted in my belief that the University is good for our community and our region. When it thrives, Texarkana thrives."

A T-TOWN TOP TEN

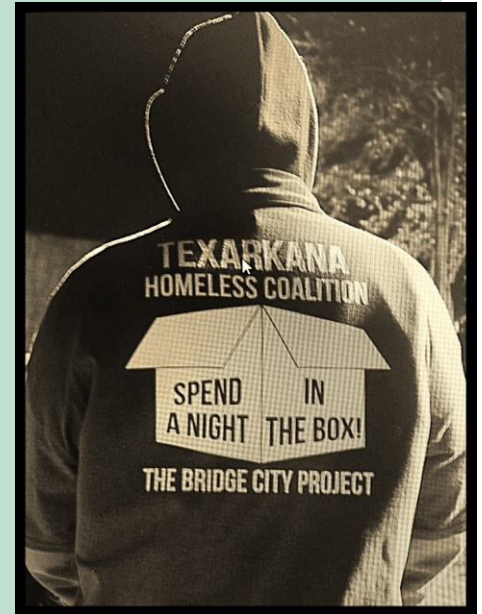
THINGS TO DO IN TEXARKANA January 22-28, 2018

1

Bridge City Project

FRIDAY, JAN. 26
5 P.M.

Downtown at Mission Texarkana (Formerly known as Friendship Center and Church Under the Bridge). An evening of storytelling, live bands, chili tasting, and spending the night in solidarity with the homeless, as you experience reality for some of Texarkana's community. All proceeds will go towards direct service training and the Texarkana College Scholarship for Homeless Individuals. <https://www.txkhc.org/>



2

Phantom Ball

SATURDAY, JAN. 27, 6 P.M.
NORTHRIDGE COUNTRY CLUB.

Married with the popular T.V. show "Dancing with the Stars" = an evening of dancing, dinner, and an unforgettable performance by our dancers! Proceeds raised benefit Temple Memorial Rehabilitation Center



3



3rd Annual Six Leg Fun Run

SUNDAY, JAN. 28, 12:30 P.M.,
FRONT STREET.

Proceeds raised benefit the Texarkana Animal Care and Adoption Center and our community by raising money to purchase an “adoption trailer”. www.sixlegfunrun.com

And don't miss:

4

Tuesday, Jan. 23: Midday fun for every age



GROWING BETTER AND BOLDER WITH MISSY BUCHANAN

11:30 a.m., Cornerstone Healthy Living Community. Hear inspiring speaker, best-selling author on faith and aging—her presentation will leave you feeling encouraged and inspired, regardless of age. Presented by Cornerstone Healthy Living Community. Free luncheon, but RSVP required.

PETE THE CAT

12 p.m., Perot

Theatre. Presented

by TRAHC for children



ages PreK-3; general admission available for public. When Pete the Cat gets caught rocking out after bedtime, the cat-catcher sends him to live with the Biddle family to learn his manners – and boy are they square! Call Kaci Hopper 903-792-8681 or email at khopper@trahc.org to purchase tickets or for more information.



5

Tuesday, Jan. 23

BE THE LIGHT FESTIVAL

5 p.m., Eagle Hall at Texas A&M

University. Join Healthcare Express for a night of fun, festivities, celebrating their being part of the community for 12 years!

Every donation you bring for entry earns you raffle tickets to win one of 12 amazing prizes! Earn extra tickets by playing one of the many carnival games. Be part of a closing Legacy Lantern release where all will have a chance to release a lantern out into the night for a spectacular display. For donation suggestions: Visit light.gohce.com for a list of needs of participating charities participating Additional hosts: Friends for a Cause Foundation, The Healing Place of Texarkana.

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6 Thursday, Jan. 25

PAINTING WITH A PURPOSE FUNDRAISER FOR RELAY FOR LIFE.

6 p.m., Painting with a Twist. Painting with a Twist will donate half your \$35 fee of fun for the American Cancer Society

BIBLE JOURNALING GET TOGETHER

6 p.m., Hosted by Baptist Book Store in Texarkana. Free lesson demonstration using Gesso Page Primer & Acrylic Paints! Chips, Dips & Drinks.

TEXARKANA REPERTORY COMPANY ANNUAL PARTY

6 p.m., Silvermoon on Broad. Celebrating community support of TexRep and Announcement of the 28th Season! Exciting!

7 Thursday, Jan. 25

CODY MOSS

8:30 p.m., Fat Jack's Oyster and Sports Bar



8 Saturday, Jan. 27

DART TOURNAMENT AND SILENT AUCTION

11 a.m., Elks Lodge, 3702 New Boston Rd. Texarkana, TX

Proceeds raised benefit Bowie County Special Olympics. Admission is a \$5 donation; children are free. Dart tournament has \$5 donation entry fee. Prizes awarded. All skill levels—beginners welcome! Special Olympics athletes guaranteed top prizes. For more information contact Cindy Patterson at 903-278-9090 or Sharon Rattray Driscoll at 318-517-7015.

9 Saturday, Jan. 27

TEAZURLIVE!

9 p.m., Tusks-N-Horns Bar and Grill at the Wyndham. Presented by

Music Lovers Texarkana & Beyond Events. #1 Rock Band in East Texas 2015 & 2016 (Limited two wins!) Hit covers from 70s, 80s & 90s. Great food, drinks & music for the entire family.



10 Sunday, Jan. 28

LIVING ROOM RESET WITH KIRK CAMERON

4 p.m., First Baptist Church. A heartfelt conversation about what matters most to us as husbands, wives and parents.

TOTALLY TEXARKANA

Food Faves



"I love the mango and strawberry salad with a side of duck fat fries from Pecan Point Brewery."

BRANDY EARLY

Physician Recruiter

CHRISTUS St. Michael Health System

LT Class of 2018

"My favorite is the duck and grits at Pecan Point Brewery."

BECKY MELTON

Finance Director/HR Manager

Riverbend Water Resources District

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