

Good news and good ideas for everyone! Brought to you by Leadership Texarkana

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The WeeklyLIFT isn't your average events calendar. It's a carefully crafted list of the people, places and events that make Texarkana a great place to be. We'll deliver it right to your inbox every Monday! **Sign up for the WeeklyLIFT e-newsletter at** *leadershiptexarkana.com* **today**—then forward it to your friends and neighbors to spread the good news.... because the more we all know, the more we all care!

Texarkana USA:

A thriving center for business, education and culture that attracts—and serves—us all.

Citizens committed to Working Smart for Excellence, Educational and Cultural Riches, Community Pride, Economic, Social and Personal Well-Being

Speaking of Educational Riches & Second to None...

DID YOU KNOW...?

Texarkana, Arkansas students are the top coders out of 250,000 students from 1700 schools nationwide!

North Heights Junior High in Texarkana, Arkansas has been declared the national winner of ed-tech company, Learning. com's first ever Code-



a-Thon; a nationwide competition to introduce coding skills to elementary and middle school students.

During the week of November 14, Mrs. Massey's 7th grade students coded their way through a series of increasingly difficult challenges in each program, earning points along the way for successfully completed challenges.

More than 250,000 students from 1,700 schools across the nation built coding skills in a series of challenges via the ed tech company's digital literacy curricula.

#codeathon2016 #ARKidsCanCode #CSForAll #CodingARfuture

THEY'RE IN!



First United Methodist Church, AR is Making Texarkana TWICE as Beautiful!

Submitted by Stacye Magness, CHRISTUS St. Michael Health Center

For your OWN declaration of commitment to making Texarkana Twice as Beautiful (to say YOU'RE IN) - go to leadershiptexarkana.com

Making Texarkana TWICE as Beautiful! CLEAN NEAT GREEN PRETTY

Email YOUR suggestions for places in the greater Texarkana USA area that deserve KUDOS for modeling the way and whose commitment to beauty are sources of community pride.





Thanks to Robbins Toyota and BancorpSouth for signing on to become the first two of only 4 exclusive WeeklyLIFT partnerships available!

STEPPING UP TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Andrew Clark

Executive Director Texarkana Symphony Orchestra LT Class of 2010

Leadership is an acoustical art. --Leonard Sweet



Andrew says:

"It is the musings of Sweet in his book Summoned to

Lead, which changed my perception and personal definition of what it means to be a leader. I guess I knew this concept all along, but Sweet gave words to the meaning:

'In leadership, hearing a vision is more important than casting one. Leadership is a "calling"—a call you respond to, not a position you assume or a role you train for.'

Leadership Texarkana transformed my understanding of community impact through personal involvement. Becoming an informed citizen, learning to encourage and invest in the causes most vital to future of Texarkana and championing others to do the same, is perhaps what I find most valuable about my involvement with Leadership Texarkana.

Since my profession is arts administration, the creative arts and arts education are very important to me. Of course, of greatest importance is the continued success of the Texarkana Symphony Orchestra and Texarkana Youth Symphony Orchestra specifically."

Learn more about Andrew at leadershiptexarkana.com

Learn more about the Texarkana Symphony Orchestra at texarkanasymphony.org

Things to do in Texarkana January 16-22, 2017



- 2nd Annual MLK Parade. Celebrate the life and accomplishments of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr at the "Honoring the Dream" themed parade sponsored by Bridging the Gaps of Arkansas. Mon, Jan 16 at 11:30 AM. Viewing area and route begins at the Front Street Plaza stage.
- Adam Trent: The Next Generation of Magic.
 Fri, Jan 20, Perot Theatre. "Justin Timberlake meets
 David Copperfield," Adam is taking the magic world
 by storm, blending dancing and singing to his own
 original pop music with innovative stage illusions,
 charming wit, and emotion to create an experience
 that is part magic show, part concert, and part stand up
 comedy. Buy tickets at perottheatre.org.



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Make-A-Mug Workshop with Chris Thomas.

Building two mugs while experiencing the joy of creating clay pottery. Ages 18+, Thurs, Jan 19 6:30PM. Limited space; register now by calling 903-792-8681.





Rodgers and Hammerstein's "Cinderella" - The timeless enchantment of a magical fairy tale by Tiger Theatre. Jan 20-21 & 23 at 7PM and January 22 at 2:30 PM. John Thomas Theatre of the Sullivan Performing Arts Center.







2nd Annual Cornerstone Pancake Breakfast: Delicious, \$5 an all-you-can-eat that benefits all! Proceeds used for purchase of new exercise equipment for the residents. Sat, Jan 21 from 8-10AM.





Strangelove in concert. Jan 21 at 7:30 PM, Scottie's Grill.

Golden Beats - group fitness at Senior Health Center. Drums Alive helps lower blood pressure, relieve stress, lower blood sugar and improve coordination, balance, concentration, attention and awareness. Registration required. FREE. Tues, Jan 17 1–2 PM. Register now.

This Week's Totally T-Town Fave Foods



Josh Davis Firefighter Texarkana, Arkansas

City Councilman, Ward 6, Texarkana TX

recommends...
The Ribeye at Pop's Place

Jennifer Tanner Executive Chef, Julie's Deli

loves **Duck Fat Fries from Pecan Point Brewery**



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