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Week of March 27-April 1, 2017

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Speaking of Second to None...

Did You Know That This A&M Professor is Being Honored as a Member of the Chancellor's Academy of Teacher Educators?

Dr. Michael Perri of Texas A&M University-Texarkana has been selected by The Texas A&M University System to be honored as a 2016-2017 member of the elite Chancellor's Academy of Teacher Educators, one of eight educators system-wide who are being recognized for making significant contributions to the field of teacher education across The Texas A&M University System.

Dr. Perri has served as an associate professor of history at A&M-Texarkana since 2004. Among his many achievements at A&M-Texarkana, Dr. Perri worked with colleagues to develop the Program for Learning and Communi-



ty Engagement (PLACE), a faculty-led program designed to create a community of learners comprising A&M-Texarkana students, faculty, staff and the community at large. Inspired by a similar program Dr. Perri had experienced at the University of Minnesota at Morris, PLACE chooses an annual theme around which to organize a lecture series and other activities that provide focal points for learning and discussion. This year's theme is "Race and Ethnicity." "We are thrilled to have Dr. Perri join the Academy's distinguished ranks of outstanding teacher educators as he is an exemplary teacher-scholar," said Dr. Emily Cutrer, president of A&M-Texarkana.



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STEPPING UP TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE



Skylar Rogers

Senior Vice President
Reynolds Realty Management

Skylar Rogers is native son of Texarkana, USA. Skylar is a licensed commercial real estate agent and Sr. Vice President at Reynolds Realty Management Inc. with whom he has been employed five-plus years.

Skylar and his wife Erin are first-year St. James Day School parents to Lorelai Sagan Rogers, are both proud TAMUT alumni and the owners of a century-old house in Downtown Texarkana, Arkansas. They love all things art, music, and food

Erin is a recently inducted member of Daughters of the American Revolution and is a photographer and writer for *Four States Living Magazine*.

Skylar is a former LT graduate and current board member, serves on the board of Main Street, is currently enrolled in the MBA program at TAMUT, and is the chairman of the Wilbur Smith Rotary Scholarship Committee.

A T-TOWN TOP TEN

THINGS TO DO IN TEXARKANA March 27-April 2, 2017

1

Celebrating Scott Joplin

Scott Joplin International Centennial Celebration

SATURDAY, APRIL 1 | 7:30 P.M.

Ragtime from MacArthur Genius Award-winning Scott Joplin artist Reginald Robinson; Texarkana's own internationally known jazz artist/educator and Grammy-Nominated Roseanna Vitro. Presentation of the first Regional Music Heritage Center Lifetime Achievement Award (a "Boogie") to Mr. Rule Beasley. The Texarkana Jazz Orchestra big band jazz. Four States Student Jazz Showcase. Premier of Carol Collins-Miles "The Texarkana Jazz Rag." Perot Theatre.

Friday Night Joplin Preview

FRIDAY, MARCH 31
6:30-9:30 P.M.

Great munchies plus great music on two stages. Featuring Roseanna Vitro, Candace Taylor, and Carol Collins-Miles backed by "Three of Kind". Boogie-Woogie master John Tennison. plus the Texarkana Trio from the Netherlands entertains with 50s rock and rockabilly which our city contributed so much to. Silvermoon on Broad.



Scott Joplin Documentary

SATURDAY, APRIL 1 | SCREENINGS START AT 1 P.M.

Previews of the newest documentary that focuses on the extraordinary talents and life of native son, Scott Joplin, Father of Ragtime. Screenings on the hour from 1PM; last showing starting at 4PM. FREE. Museum of Regional History. Tours of the Museum and the Joplin Exhibit are \$5



2

Texarkana ROCKS! 1954-1956

SUNDAY, APRIL 2 | 2 P.M.

The Texarkana Trio from the Netherlands will back the great George Thomas in tribute to both the young Elvis as well as Carl (Cheesie) Nelson's performances and life. Perot Theatre.



3

Jump Start Saturday: ArkLaTex Challenge Bike Ride

SATURDAY, APRIL 1 | 7 A.M.-3 P.M.
Choose from 5 different distances to cycle your way through THREE States: Arkansas, Texas, and Louisiana. All proceeds support Texarkana Resources' provisions for living and employment opportunities to adults with disabilities.
www.arklatexchallenge.com

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Touch-A-Truck

SATURDAY, APRIL 1 | 8 A.M.-9 P.M.
Front Street Festival Plaza Downtown. Includes 5K Race or 1 Mile Fun Run: Kids! Come as you are or dress up like your favorite superhero and fly to the finish line! Funds raised benefit the many programs of the Junior League Texarkana.

While you're downtown Saturday:

Early Spring Market

SATURDAY, APRIL 1 | 7-10 A.M.
Texarkana Farmers' Market on Texas Blvd. A chance to get early spring vegetables, eggs, crafts and more.

Anne and Dan Thornhill Art Exhibit

MARCH 30-MAY 6
Free. Regional Arts Center



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Monster Truck Madness!

SATURDAY, APRIL 1 | 4-10 P.M.
Four States Fair Entertainment Center

6

3rd Annual Fur Ball

SATURDAY, APRIL 1 | 6:30-9:30 P.M.
Help our furry friends have a better life! Featuring big band music from the Jeremy Smith 7. Silvermoon on Broad. Visit www.pawstexarkana.org for more info.

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Vietnam Veterans Day Memorial Ceremony

THURSDAY, MARCH 30 | 6:30 P.M.
At Korea-Vietnam Memorial downtown.
870-773-8279 or 903-824-2727

8

Spring Mosaics Class with Sheila Kever.

TUESDAYS, MARCH 28-MAY 2
Learn the basic mosaic tools, substrates, tesserae, adhesives, grouts, and the enjoyment of creating a long-lasting piece of art. Bring your beads, buttons, and broken pieces! For any skill level age 12-adult. Arts on Main.

TOTALLY T-TOWN Food Faves

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"Barbecue from Big Jake's."

TOM SIMMONS
PRESIDENT/CEO
COLLOM & CARNEY CLINIC



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"Special Princess Roll from Fuji Kim's Sushi & Grill."

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