

weekly LIFT

Weeks of August 7-20, 2017
Summer 2-Week Edition

LEADERSHIP INITIATIVE for TEXARKANA

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

Want to stay on top of What's to Love in our community?

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! Email your news posts directly to info@leadershiptexarkana.com.

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 Working Personal Well-Being...

YOU are needed to define our community's future!

The Texarkana Metropolitan Planning Organization is updating the Texarkana Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan for the Texarkana area and needs your input to identify projects that are important to the citizens of this area. The MPO does regional planning for the Texarkana area, covering Texarkana, AR, Texarkana, TX and a small part of Leary, Nash, Red Lick, and Wake Village, TX.



Step up to influence the outcomes by investing a few brief minutes to answer a few questions at <https://atgplanning.typeform.com/to/Cbm0XR>

MAKE IT SUIT YOUR NEEDS!

MPO says, "We appreciate your participation in this process and look forward to inviting you to the Texarkana Regional Active Transportation Master Plan Open House on September 21st".

For more info, call: Rea Donna Jones, Study Director, at 903-794-8637

<http://texarkanampo.com/contact.html>



Hats off to Cornerstone Retirement Community for...

**Making Texarkana USA twice as beautiful!
CLEAN NEAT GREEN PRETTY**

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



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STEPPING UP TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE



Dan Shiner

Chief of Police
City of Texarkana, TX
LT Class of 2017

Dan says, "Leadership, to me, is a process of promoting or supporting a direction or course of action, by setting an example or advocating a better way."

"My participation in Leadership Texarkana gave me a much broader understanding of our community's history and strengths. I have learned that great strides have been achieved when individuals have made a commitment and have collaborated to bring about change. Improvements in our downtown area are a direct result of individual commitment and collaborative efforts."

"My one wish for our community—that could make a difference of significance—is to help foster a sense of personal responsibility in everyone that lives in our city. I hope to facilitate spreading this message every time I have the opportunity to speak to civic groups and to act as a role model for embracing this concept."

Chief Dan Shiner has been a police officer for over forty years in multiple communities and states; he reported for duty as Chief of Police for the City of Texarkana, Texas, on August 3, 2007.

**HAPPY TENTH T-TOWN
ANNIVERSARY, CHIEF!**

A T-TOWN TOP TEN

A Summer 2-Week T-Town Top Ten

THINGS TO DO IN TEXARKANA August 7-20, 2017

The Countdown's on for BACK TO SCHOOL!

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For the kids...



Wild About Wellness Children's Health & Wellness Fair

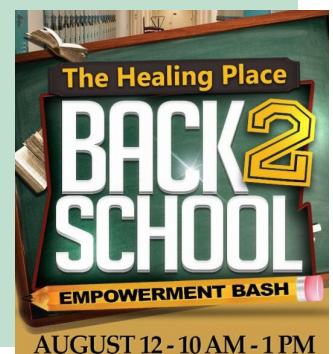
9 A.M.-NOON | FOUR STATES FAIRGROUNDS

A day of health-related fun for Ark-La-Tex children and their families - with health screenings, crafts, bounce houses and magic shows. Free admission. Bring your shot records! (Download the Immunization Protocols attachment for instructions on what to bring, what insurance plans are accepted and what vaccines will be available). Questions? Contact Andi at 870-772-3771.

4th Annual Back To School Empowerment Bash!

10 A.M.-1 P.M. | THE HEALING PLACE

Free school supplies, bounce houses, and more! Community-wide Back to School Event healthy children event from 2-5PM by Phone Pros and Excel ER, and others with monster trucks, face painting and free photos by Amber Fenix. For more information, contact PhonePros at 903.949.6863.



AUGUST 12 - 10 AM - 1 PM

2

Final Day of 29th Annual Juried Art Show

SATURDAY, AUG. 12

Final day of TRAHC's biggest art exhibit of the year. Free at the Regional Arts Center.



Lands of the Caddo

SATURDAY, AUG. 12 | 12-2 P.M.

While downtown, enjoy the Lands of the Caddo at TMS Discovery Place.

3

Texarkana Children's Charities Open Golf Tourney at TCC and NCC

AUGUST 14-19

Benefits Runnin' WJ Ranch. Watch the pros of tomorrow, enjoy a Pro-Am Party, 9 hole shootout and golf clinic,— a golfers dream! Help house these young up and comer golfers who'll soon be in the PGA ranks and the pros of the future—contact mvanherpen@ledwell.com or 903.748.9532.



(Editor's note: The Whitt family hosted young golfer Brian Henninger years ago for a similar Byron Nelson tourney at TCC; as a pro, Brian invited us to the Master's tourney where we watched him play his final tied round with eventual winner Ben Crenshaw. You never know!)

4

Texarkana College Sage: Open House for Seasoned Learners

MONDAY, AUG. 14 | 11 A.M.-1 P.M.

Also from Sage: Join them at 6 p.m. for an Armchair Traveler program about Israel - presented by Dawna Montanelli in the Old Town Saloon at 202 E. Broad Street. FREE and OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC. For questions about Sage, call 903-748-1235 or email bjbhurst@yahoo.com or Beverly.Rowe@texarkanacollege.edu.

5

Michael Martin Murphey on stage!

FRIDAY, AUG. 18 | SCOTTIE'S GRILL

This iconic American singer-songwriter—and Linden native— is best known for his Western and country music, including “Wildfire.” A multiple Grammy nominee, Murphey has six gold albums, including Cowboy Songs; Murphey is a passionate musical voice for the Western horseman, rancher, and cowboy.



6

Great Texarkana Duck Race

SATURDAY, AUG. 19
9-11 A.M.

At Holiday Springs Water Park presented by CHRISTUS Friends of the Foundation. BUY YOUR DUCKS TODAY and be a big winner by supporting a great cause (technology for local cutting-edge cancer care) - and (maybe) walking away with the goods!)





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Holiday Springs Water Park

Don't wait until August 19 to enjoy Holiday Springs Water Park - summer days are dwindling! The Park will remain open daily through August 13, then for weekend fun through Labor Day.

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Learn something new!

Sign up to learn something new and keep developing your own potential. Texarkana USA offers great opportunities! Check them out...

- **Texarkana College**
<https://www.texarkanacollege.edu/fall2017/>
- **Texarkana A&M-Texarkana**
<http://catalog.tamut.edu/academic-calendar/#fall2017text>
- **University of AR-Hope/Texarkana**
http://www.uacch.edu/?page_id=15

And don't forget to take the TMPO Bike and Trail survey!

* Back to school: classes start Aug. 14 for LEISD, PGISD, and TASD and on Aug. 21 for TISD.

TOTALLY T-TOWN Food Faves

Our final post of great recommendations from Today's Youth - Tomorrow's Leaders!



"My favorite place to eat is Fuji Kim's—I order the Philadelphia roll."

ANDREA RODRIGUEZ
PLEASANT GROVE HIGH SCHOOL



"I love the chicken sandwich from Subies Deli."

ALYSSA SMITH
ARKANSAS HIGH SCHOOL



"My favorite is the Big Jack Daddy Burger at Buffalo Wild Wings."

TREVARIE HODGE
LIBERTY-EYLAU HIGH SCHOOL

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