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Week of September 11-17, 2017

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Speaking of Working Smart for Excellence...

TAMU-T Named One of the Most Innovative Colleges for Adult Learners in the U.S.

Texas A&M University-Texarkana has been named one of the “12 Most Innovative Colleges for Adult Learners” in the United States by the editors of *Washington Monthly* magazine.

In its September/October issue, the magazine profiled Dr. Lisa Myers’ transformative work on prior learning assessment (PLA), which allows students to earn credit when they demonstrate college-level knowledge gained through formal and informal work training, continuing education programs, professional certifications and other learning experiences.

In the article, Becky Klein-Colins, an expert on competency-based education at the Council for Adult and Experiential Learning, says she “would definitely consider (A&M-Texarkana’s) approach to be in best-practice territory.”

To view the *Washington Monthly* article, visit <http://washingtonmonthly.com/magazine/septemberoctober-2017/the-twelve-most-innovative-colleges-for-adult-learners/>.

**CONGRATS TO DR. LISA
MYERS AND TAMU-T!**



*Dr. Lisa Myers
Texas A&M University-Texarkana*

A T-TOWN TOP TEN

THINGS TO DO IN TEXARKANA September 11-17, 2017



1 Anniversary of 9/11

Drive around and enjoy our flag-filled community, honoring first-responders on Patriot's Day—in remembrance of the heroism of 9/11 on the 16th anniversary.



Four States Fair and Rodeo continues this week through Sunday the 17th!

2 Enjoy the Midway

OPEN AT 4 P.M. DAILY

Carnival rides and games for all ages. Special rates Tuesday, Sept. 12—\$2 rides and eats; Thursday, Sept. 14—\$1 RoadRunner day; Farmers Bank & Trust all weekend

3 Live Entertainment on the Outdoor Stage at the Fair!

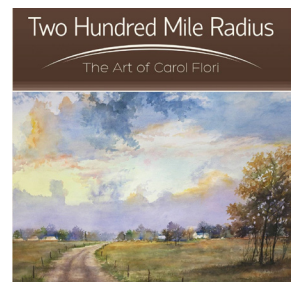
Live Music! ADC Cummins Prison Band - Wednesday, Sept. 13; KKYR STARZ Youth Talent Contest - Monday, Sept. 11 at 6 p.m.; finals Thursday at 6 p.m.; Relentless on Friday, Sept 15 at 6 & 8 p.m.

4 Bull Riding, Rodeos & Ice Cream!

Extreme Bull Riding, Wednesday, Sept. 13 at 7:30; RAM PRCA Rodeo, 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday in the Entertainment Center; Mexican Rodeo, Sunday, Sept. 17; Ice Cream Eating Contest, Friday, Sept. 15, 5 p.m.; Camel Rides, Ag and Home Dem shows all week long!

5 Head Downtown on Thursday, Sept. 14

- **Southern Social and Draw Down** at the Ace of Clubs House at 6 p.m. - presented by the Texarkana Museums System
- Then head to the Regional Arts Center when TRAHC presents a **reception for artist Carol Fiori's exhibit.** 6:30-8:00. Refreshments. Free!



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Sign up for Fall Athletics!

- Soccer for kids and all ages at **Texarkana Soccer**
texarkanasoccer.com
- **Texarkana, TX Parks and Rec**
http://ci.texarkana.tx.us/227/Parks-Recreation
- **PGYA:** *http://www.pgya.org*



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SAGE for Seasoned Learners!

Texarkana College's learning opportunities for adult learners ages 46+. Classes beginning this week: Doctor Who; World War II; Editing; Biblical Geography; Bill of Rights; Criminal Justice. First travel this fall is Sat, Sept 16 to Grapevine, Texas for the GrapeFest. For more information and to sign up for all, go to texarkanacollege.edu/sage

ALSO

Collins Senior Center Open House

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 13,
12:30-2:30 P.M.

Learn about programs and services offered by the City of Texarkana, TX Parks and Recreation Department while enjoying bingo and refreshments.



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Friday Night Lights

FRIDAY, SEPT. 15

- **Texas High Tigers vs. Liberty-Eylau High Leopards** at 7:30 P.M.; Tiger Stadium at Grim Park
- **Arkansas High vs. Camden** at 7:00 PM
- *(Pleasant Grove High - no game)*

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Learn something new!

THURSDAY, SEPT. 14
7 P.M.

TAMU-T Programs for Learning and Community Engagement (PLACE) are ready to roll again this fall, with the program "Towards Understanding the Modern Conflict Between Science and Christianity," presented by Dr. Reeves, assistant professor in Science and Religion at Samford Univ, Birmingham, AL. Located in Eagle Hall of the University Center at TAMU-T campus. FREE! Open to public.

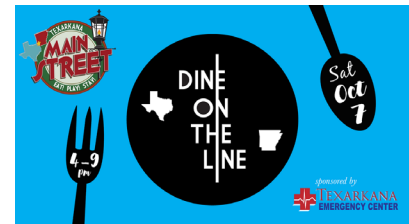


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Stretch yourself: Creative Writing Club

FRIDAY, SEPT. 15 | 4:15 P.M.

If you are interested in writing fiction, poetry, or creative nonfiction, please join us! No prior writing experience necessary; just bring something to write with and on. Meets in the coffee lounge of the Texarkana Books-A-Million. (For more information about the Creative Writing Club, contact TC club sponsor Jesse Hausler at jesse.hausler@texarkanacollege.edu)

TOTALLY T-TOWN Food Faves**HEADS UP! Now's the time to BUY TICKETS for Dine on the Line 2017**

to ensure you're served from perennial favorite Totally Texarkana Restaurants, coming up on October 7 in Downtown Texarkana! Must purchase tickets in advance at mainstreettexarkana.org.

ENJOY DINNER from Pecan Point Brewery & Verona Restaurant (AND Special kids' dinner plate from Johnny B's)

AN EVENING OF SUPER FUN in support of the many projects of Main Street Texarkana!

- Live music from the Dusty Rose Band
- The chance to participate in a line dance to an original Texarkana song, the T-Town Boogie
- Fall marketplace featuring specialty vendors
- Activities for kids, including mini golf & Painting with a Twist