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



## **First Choice Pregnancy Center**

Thanks to First Choice Pregnancy Center for making DOWNTOWN and 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

#### **Texarkana USA:**

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

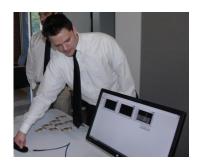
Citizens committed to Working Smart for Excellence, Educational and Cultural Riches, Community Pride, Economic, Social and Personal Well-Being.

Speaking of Second to None...

# TAMU-T Electrical Engineering Program Accredited by ABET

Texas A&M University-Texarkana's bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering has been accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology, Inc. (ABET), the global accreditor of college and university programs in applied and natural science, computing, engineering and engineering technology.

"This achievement is the culmination of an intense multi-year process of program building, growth and development, assessment and evaluation to meet ABET's rigorous standards," said Dr. Gary



2017 Electrical Engineering graduate Kyle Price demonstrates his project at Senior Design Demonstration Day on the A&M-Texarkana campus.

Stading, dean of the College of Business, Engineering and Technology at A&M-Texarkana. "ABET accreditation ensures that the education offered in our engineering program meets international standards of high quality and that our graduates are well prepared to serve at the forefront of engineering careers both here in the Texarkana region and throughout the world."

#### **CONGRATULATIONS to all at TAMU-T!**

THE PUBLIC is invited to help CELEBRATE this milestone of excellence. Tuesday, Oct. 3, from 5-7 PM, University Center at TAMU-T. For more information contact dana.scott@tamut.edu.







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### STEPPING UP TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE



# **Bart Spivey**

Business Development Project Manager, Workforce Solutions Northeast Texas: LT Class of 2017

Bart says "I've been with Workforce Solutions Northeast Texas for the past six years... [it] covers 9 counties in Texas, and last year our 4 offices in the region served more than 23,000 job seekers and 1,700 employers. The most important thing I've learned during my time with this organization is the power of partnerships. We rely heavily on partnerships with employers, education, economic development, and many others to accomplish our goals for the region."

When asked what could make a difference of significance in Texarkana, Bart answered: "The Texarkana region has a lot to offer as an area that can attract new business, jobs, tourism, investment, etc. My wish would be for the region to realize this and deliver a unified message to support community and economic growth."

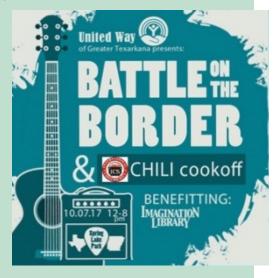
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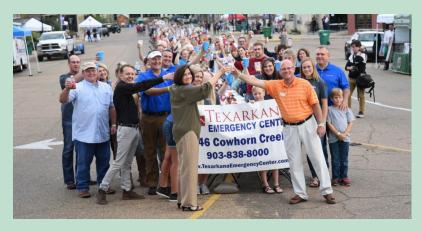
# THINGS TO DO IN TEXARKANA October 2-8, 2017

Saturday, Oct. 7 is a busy day in Texarkana!

Battle on the Border SATURDAY, OCT. 7. NOON

At Spring Lake Park. Features a battle of the bands, sanctioned chili cook-off, 5K run and fun contests (horseshoes, limbo, hula hooping and more). Proceeds support the Dolly Parton Imagination Library, which provides books to children up to 5 years of age. New this year from the United Way of Greater Texarkana.





Dine on the Line!
SATURDAY, OCT. 7, 4-9 P.M.

Main Street's 3rd annual fundraising evening of family fun with dinner and live band and music right on State Line Avenue. Featuring downtown favorite foods (Verona's Italian and Pecan Point Brewery, kid options from Johnny B's) with live music from the Dusty Rose Band and a fall market of vendors to shop. For the whole family, and boot scootin' on the line to T-Town Boogie! A chance for all to come together raising funds to benefit historic downtown Texarkana. Fundraiser hosted by Main Street Texarkana. http://www.mainstreettexarkana.org/dineontheline.html

### Come early Saturday and visit Texarkana's Old Town!



A recreation of Broad Street circa

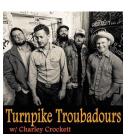
1890, containing 11 stores decorated as they would have been in 1890. Regular tour schedule is Friday nights at 7 p.m. and Saturdays at 11 a.m., 1 p.m., and 3 p.m.. Stay up to date on the schedule by visiting www.facebook.com/texarkanasoldtown/. Call or text 903.748.1235 for reservations.



TRAHC presents New York
Philharmonic String Quartet
SATURDAY, OCT. 7, 7:30 P.M.
(PRE-PARTY AT 6)

TRAHC presents the world-renowned New York Philharmonic String Quartet to open this year's Perot Theatre season! The fan favorite season opening Street Party hosted by Women for the Arts' will be held from 6–7 p.m. in front of the Perot Theatre for ticket-holders. The 2017-18 TRAHC Hero Awards pre-show presentation will honor those selected by their commitment to the continuation of TRAHC's mission of "Growing People and Community Through the Arts".

The Turnpike
Troubadours with
Charlie Crockett at
Scottie's Grill
SATURDAY, OCT. 7,
7:30 P.M.



A mix of folk, rock, and raw country. They pull in fans from miles around. They've sold out venues such as Gruene Hall in New Braunfels, drew in over 5000 at Billy Bob's Texas in Ft. Worth, and turned fans away at Stubbs BBQ in

Austin. Doors open at 6, show time is 7:30.



Girl Scouts Mom and Me Fall Tea Party

SUNDAY, OCT. 8, 2-3:30 P.M.

Dress your best and bring an adult guest! High tea featuring lemonade, sandwiches, cakes and hot tea will be served as you learn the traditions of the Victorian age before heading to the lawn for an old-fashioned game of croquet, weather permitting. Email aceofclubs@texarkanamuseums.org with inquiries.

6 Celebrate TAMU-T Electrical Engineering ABET Accreditation

TUESDAY, OCT. 3, 5-7 P.M.

At the University Center

Free Al Fresco Concert of Choral Favorites presented by the Texarkana Regional Chorale



TUESDAY, OCT. 3, 6 P.M.

At the CHRISTUS St; Michael Imaging Center.

LT GRADS: LT DUES ARE DUE FOR 2017-18!

Pay dues online today at www.leadershiptexarkana.com.



# Fall Metalsmithing Class BEGINS TUESDAY, OCT. 3

This 6-week class consists of learning layout and design as well as working metal into shapes and forms with emphasis on blacksmithing mixed with modern techniques. Each student will complete a project. This is a great class for men and women! With a limited class size, each student receives personalized instruction. www.trahc.org/arts-classes

AND! while you're at it, sign up for:

## Christmas Clay Workshop with Chris Thomas

TUESDAY, OCT. 3, 6:30-8:30 P.M.

Students will create three handbuild Christmas tree shaped candle holders (approximately 5", 7", and 9-11" tall) and 3 flat



ornaments. All materials and supplies are provided. Finished pieces will be available for pick up at the Regional Arts Center approximately two weeks after the workshop. To sign up, visit www.trahc.org/arts-classes





### **Escape Texarkana!**

#### YOU SET THE DATE!

The theme this week is Airplane Escape. It is a timed challenge. You and your team will have to defuse as many bombs as you can within an hour. The tricky part...you and your team will have to split up! There can be only one winner. Will your team come out on top? Call 903-923-5596 to schedule. Get more information at www.escapetxk.com.

# **Food Faves**



"My favorite dish this week is the Texarkana Roll from Fuji Kim's Sushi & Grill on Richmond Road."

# BECKY MELTON LT CLASS OF 2018 FINANCE DIRECTOR/HR MANAGER RIVERBEND WATER RESOURCES DISTRICT



"I love the Boudin Dip from Pop's Place."

RANDY ROESER LT CLASS OF 2018 ATTORNEY, HALTON & DOAN