

WHAT'S TO *Love* TXK

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Week of October 9-15, 2017 • Good news and good ideas for everyone!

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THEY'RE IN!

Clean • Neat • Green • Pretty

Downtown Art Gallery

Thanks for making Texarkana USA twice as beautiful!

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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.*

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Speaking of Second to None...

TISD STEM program lauded as one of the best in the nation



Texarkana
Independent School District

The Place To Be!

Economic Developer Eric Voyles reports that Foote Consulting said in the recently completed targeted industry study that Texarkana, TX ISD has one of the best STEM programs in US that they have encountered in 30 years of doing economic development consulting work.

WOW! Great to know!
CONGRATULATIONS to all at TISD!



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STEPPING UP TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE



Samantha McCallister

Financial Analyst, Texarkana Bank
LT Class of 2017

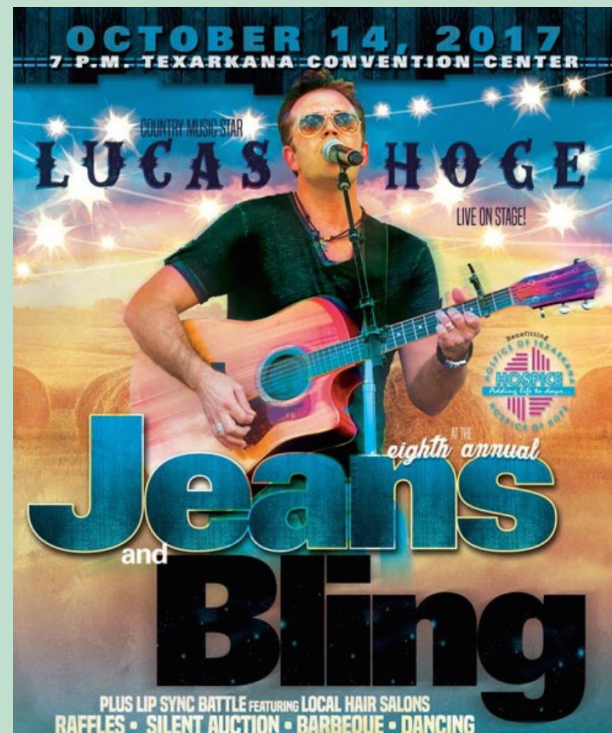
Samantha writes: "As a transplant to Texarkana, I was truly surprised and inspired by the amazing things I learned about Texarkana through Leadership Texarkana. My mission going forward is to "spread the love" as a professional, a peer and a patron by promoting everything that makes Texarkana great!"

The most significant thing I learned from Leadership Texarkana is that making a difference in Texarkana begins with me. It begins with each and every one of us. I used to complain about downtown and the lack of things to do in Texarkana just like everyone else. Then I realized, there are so many wonderful activities that are available and so many people trying to revitalize this town, that I just have to look a little harder to find. They exist, and it is my fault that I am not informed. My goal coming out of LT is to try to get those around me to take personal ownership of making sure they are informed about the good things Texarkana already has to offer, rather than just complaining about what we wish Texarkana had.

Samantha is dedicated to working through the Greater Texarkana Young Professionals to attract and retain young professionals to our region with programs and events, and to helping the community by encouraging my friends, family and co-workers to volunteer and give back to Texarkana. Personally, Samantha is also dedicated to supporting local business by attending local events and buying local products. #StopTheLeakage. Samantha's other passion is to have a positive impact through the Texarkana Animal League.

A T-TOWN TOP TEN

THINGS TO DO IN TEXARKANA October 9-15, 2017



1

8th Annual Jeans & Bling!

SATURDAY, OCT. 14 • 7 P.M.
TEXARKANA CONVENTION CENTER

Benefiting Hospice of Texarkana. At the Texarkana Convention Center. Concert by country music star Lucas Hoge, Texas Barbecue Buffet and the "Battle of the Hair Salons Lip Sync Battle". Silent Auction, Raffles, games by HealthCare Express and door prizes. Fun for a LOCAL Cause! Tickets: hospiceoftexarkana.org

2

Texarkana Symphony Orchestra presents Symphonic Pictures

SATURDAY, OCT. 14 • 7:30 P.M.
PEROT THEATRE

Join the TSO for opening night featuring grand romantic music inspired by the Fountains of Rome to the Great Gate of Kiev!

Buy Tickets: trahc.org



3

Homecoming WEEK at TAMU-T!

OCTOBER 9-14

Filled with fun from Monday, Oct. 9, through Saturday, Oct. 14, with the Eagles women's and men's soccer matches against Louisiana State University Alexandria, beginning at 3 p.m. at Eagle Field on the A&M-Texarkana campus.



A&M-Texarkana Alumni Association special events:

- **2017 Eagle Roundup: A Community Celebration of Distinguished Alumni and Faculty** on Thursday, Oct. 12, at 6:30 p.m.
- **2017 Eagle Chili Fest and Tailgate** from 12-3 p.m. on game day, Oct. 14, on the Eagle Lawn next to the University Center.

FULL Details of the many events at tamut.edu

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Komen Race for the Cure Events This Week:

Pink Out Day Contest

FRIDAY, OCT 13, 9 A.M.-5 P.M.

Contact the race office to be a part of the PINK OUT DAY CONTEST and have the pink Jeep visit your location. 903-793-9585 for more information.



2nd Annual Kids Glow Run (6 and under)

SATURDAY, OCT. 14, 5:30-8 P.M.
AT TEXARKANA COLLEGE

Presented by Pediatric Dentistry of Texarkana, a fun-filled neon evening! Registration fee includes BOTH the Kids Glow Run and the Race for the Cure.



AND Now's the time to form a team to race together in the breast cancer fight. Register at <http://arkansas.info-komen.org/>

5

Live Music & Events.

FACTORY AND JONATHAN LENAWAY'S SPOTLIGHT KARAOKE.

October 12 • Stages Factory is a Cosmic Funk & Blues fusion Trio from Texarkana. For more information: stagetexarkana@gmail.com



THIS WEEK AT TWISTED FORK:

- Matt Bednarsky. Oct. 12 from 7:30-11 p.m.
- Danny Maxey & Randy Altenbaumer. Oct. 13 from 7:30-11 p.m.
- Live Trivia. Twisted Fork, Oct. 14 at 7 p.m.

LEARNING PLEASURES

6

City-wide Thrive Women's Event

SATURDAY, OCT. 14 • 9 A.M.-3 P.M. • BEECH STREET FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

By the women of BSFBC. Live life to the fullest in every season, whether you're standing high on the mountaintop or walking low in the valley. For women of ALL AGES! Guest speaker Nashville Author Allison Allen. Register on-line at www.beechstreetfbc.org. For more information contact Nancy at 870-774-5165 ext 101.



7

Art Journaling Workshop with Agnes Tirrito.

SATURDAY, OCT. 14, 10 A.M.-1 P.M.

Uncover your hidden artistic talents and learn techniques for incorporating art journaling into your daily life. Call Amy Donohoe at 903-792-8681 to register. Cost is \$35. For Information: trahc.org/arts-classes/



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Make a Wreath Craft Night

TUESDAY, OCT. 10, 6:30-8 P.M.

Hosted by FBC

Texarkana Women's Ministry. Register online; specify Fall or Christmas wreath. www.fbctexarkana.org/



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FREE Throughout the week for SENIORS

AT CHRISTUS SAINT MICHAEL SENIOR HEALTH CENTER.

- Golden Beats –Drumming for good health, Tuesday, Oct. 10, 1-2 p.m.
- Tai Chi – for longevity and health. Thursday, Oct. 12, 1-2 p.m.

For more info on this and support groups for various health conditions: christushealth.org/events

AT THE WADLEY SENIOR CLINIC COMMUNITY ROOM. FREE. Registration required.

- Happy Fall Y'All! For a safe and beautiful fall! Thursday, Oct. 12, 2 p.m.

Call 1-877-7WADLEY. For more information on this and support groups for various health conditions wadleyhealth.com/classes-events/

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Shopping for a Cause

Friends of the Library Bookstore

OPENS FRIDAY, OCT. 13, FROM 10 A.M.-2

P.M. Paperbacks, hardbacks, fiction, romance, trade, travel, religious, research, art, video/dvd and more.

From brand new to older. Proceeds support the Texarkana Public Library.

Pumpkin Patch

OPENS MONDAY, OCT. 9, NOON

At Williams Memorial Methodist Church.

Buy beautiful pumpkins and gourds for a

good cause! Also a great place for fall photos of the family. For information call 903-276-0445.

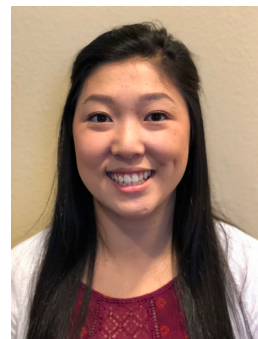


TOTALLY T-TOWN Food Faves

from the team of Personal Bankers at Guaranty Bank & Trust

"Carne asada from Zapata's."

ANNES THAO



"Blue Bayou—their spicy crawfish when it's in season, and the spicy catfish when it is not."

KALEIGH CROSS



"Joe's Pizza & Pasta's spaghetti and lasagna are wonderful."

DARLENE MORALES



"Sesame chicken and pineapple shrimp from Golden Palace."

CHELSEA CULBERSON



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