



Daily Eagle

News and Information for A&M-Texarkana Faculty and Staff

Calendar of Events

- **Through Jan. 18** - Spring 2016 priority registration
- **Jan. 11-19** - Emergency loans and book vouchers available for spring 2016 semester
- **Jan. 18** - Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday (campus closed)
- **Jan. 19** - First class day for 16-week (full term) and first 8-week session
- **Jan. 19-21** - Welcome Back - Spring 2016 at A&M-Texarkana at Northeast Texas Community College
- **Jan. 26** - College of Business Meet and Greet, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., University Center, Third Floor Atrium
- **Jan. 29** - Employee Awards Luncheon, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Eagle Hall
- **Jan. 29** - Eagles Women's Tennis vs. Henderson State University, 9:30 a.m., Arkadelphia, Arkansas
- **Jan. 29** - Eagles Women's Tennis vs. Ouachita Baptist University, 2:30 p.m., Arkadelphia, Arkansas
- **Jan. 29** - Inaugural Baseball Game - Eagles vs. Evangel University, 3 p.m., George Dobson Field, Spring Lake Park, Texarkana, Texas
- **Jan. 30** - Eagles Tennis vs. Christian Brothers University, 9 a.m., North Ridge Country Club, Texarkana, Texas
- **Jan. 30** - Eagles Tennis vs. Jacksonville College, 4 p.m., Texas High School, Texarkana, Texas
- **Jan. 30** - Eagles Baseball vs. Evangel University, 1 p.m., George Dobson Field, Spring Lake Park, Texarkana, Texas
- **Feb. 5** - Eagles Tennis vs. Shreiner University, 9 a.m., Shreiner University Tournament, Kerrville, Texas
- **Feb. 5** - Eagles Baseball vs. Our Lady of the Lake University, 12 p.m., San Antonio, Texas

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STEM Dean is featured in TEES series on innovation

The innovative work of Dr. Donald Peterson, Dean, and the College of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics at Texas A&M University-Texarkana has been featured in a new online publication of the Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station (TEES).



Dr. Donald Peterson

“By building and nurturing relationships with its academic partners, TEES continues to assist in increasing their research capacities and enhancing research experiences for undergraduates,” TEES said in releasing the publication.

To read the article in its entirety, click here:

The article is the first in a series highlighting the research and educational endeavors happening at TEES' regional divisions.

<http://tees.tamu.edu/news/2016/01/06/am-texarkana-researcher-develops-robotic-exoskeletons-for-use-by-stroke-survivors/>

Business Dean makes mag's '16 to Watch in '16' listing

Dr. Gary Stading, Dean of the College of Business at Texas A&M University-Texarkana, has been named to Ark-La-Tex (ALT) Magazine's "16 to Watch in '16" list of influential and emerging leaders who are making a difference in the region.



Dr. Gary Stading

Dr. Stading was selected by an external committee of the magazine to represent the Education category. The story was featured in the January 2016 issue of the magazine.

the faculty and in a number of administrative positions at the University of Houston Downtown. Most recently, he was the Associate Dean of Graduate Studies in the College of Business.

Shortly after his arrival in Texarkana, Dr. Stading became involved in the community as a member of the Texarkana Chamber of Commerce working with economic development and military affairs. He also started working with Workforce Solutions of Northeast Texas and the city of Texarkana, Texas, on several grant initiatives.

Prior to joining the A&M-Texarkana community in July 2015, Dr. Stading served on

east Texas and the city of Texarkana, Texas, on several grant initiatives.

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- **Feb. 6** – Eagles Tennis vs. Shreiner University, 9 a.m., Shreiner University Tournament, Kerrville, Texas
- **Feb. 6** – Eagles Baseball vs. Our Lady of the Lake University, 12 p.m., San Antonio, Texas
- **Feb. 12** – Eagles Tennis vs. University of Texas-Tyler, 2:30 p.m., Tyler, Texas
- **Feb. 12** – Eagles Baseball vs. Friends University, 7 p.m., George Dobson Field, Spring Lake Park, Texarkana, Texas
- **Feb. 13** – Eagles Tennis vs. Hendrix College, 12 p.m., North Ridge Country Club, Texarkana, Texas
- **Feb. 13** – Eagles Baseball vs. Friends University, 1 p.m., George Dobson Field, Spring Lake Park, Texarkana, Texas
- **Feb. 14** – Eagles Baseball vs. Friends University, 12 p.m., George Dobson Field, Spring Lake Park, Texarkana, Texas
- **Feb. 16** – “Local Success Stories” Symposium II, 6:30 p.m., Eagle Hall
- **Feb. 19** – Eagles Tennis vs. Collin County Community College, Time TBA, Plano, Texas
- **Feb. 20** – Eagles Tennis vs. New Mexico Military Institute, Time TBA, Plano, Texas
- **Feb. 21** – Eagles Tennis vs. University of the Southwest, Time TBA, Plano, Texas
- **Feb. 20** -- Eagle Open House for prospective students, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Eagle Hall
- **Feb. 20** – Eagles Baseball vs. Bethany College, 3 p.m., George Dobson Field, Spring Lake Park, Texarkana, Texas
- **Feb. 21** – Eagles Baseball vs. Bethany College, 1 p.m., George Dobson Field, Spring Lake Park, Texarkana, Texas
- **Feb. 23** – Eagles Baseball vs. Oklahoma City University, 1 p.m., George Dobson Field, Spring Lake Park, Texarkana, Texas
- **Feb. 26** – Eagles Tennis Dual Match, TBA, Dallas, Texas
- **March 28-31** – SACSCOC on-site visit

We're gr-r-reat!

Texas A&M University-Texarkana has been named a 2016 “Best Company to Work For” by the readers of Ark-La-Tex (ALT) Magazine.

The university tied for first place with the Redwater Independent School District and the Texarkana Independent School District.

Runners up were BancorpSouth and HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital.

The Readers Choice Awards are presented annually in the January issue of ALT Magazine.



Daily Eagle Holiday Photo Contest

Whether you spent your holidays in the mountains, on the beach or right here in beautiful Texarkana, USA, the *Daily Eagle* wants to know about it.

Share your holiday memories and enter to win the 2016 *Daily Eagle* Holiday Photo Contest.

Email your photos to Carol Langston at Carol.Langston@tamut.edu by Friday, Jan. 22. (One photo per category, please!)

The best photos in the following categories will be showcased in the *Daily Eagle*:

- **Nature:** Animals, plants and landscapes; geological or climatological features; and scientific processes and endeavors.
- **Travel:** Locales, people or activities in the United States and abroad that convey a sense of place.
- **People:** Individuals from all walks of

It's time to nominate Admin of the Year

It is nomination time for the Administrator of the Year. The deadline for submission is Friday, Jan. 15. Please use the previously emailed form to submit a nomination. The recipient will be announced at the Employee Awards Luncheon.

Administrator of the Year Criteria:

- Supervise a multiple number of people
- Impact the individual has on reaching the strategic goals of the university
- Overall evaluation process
- Demonstration of leadership
- Must be a proven team player
- Must be in current position for two years
- Not won the award within the last five years

The last five recipients are Glenda Ballard, 2010, Teri Stover, 2011, Carl Greig, 2012, Joni Millican, 2013 and Ramona Green, 2014.

life enjoying holiday/winter fun.

- **The Texarkana Experience:** Events, objects or activities connecting Texarkana citizens to their history or their cultural heritage; photographs that tell us what it means to be a Texarkanian and provide a sense of what it is like to live in this community.
- **Altered Images:** Photographs manipulated for artistic purposes by applying digital and/or traditional special effects (i.e., colorizing, toning, collage, photo composites, HDR, etc.).
- **Mobile:** The *Daily Eagle* will choose the best photograph submitted in any of the other categories that was taken with a mobile device (phone or tablet). Please indicate the device used in the email message.

A grand-prize winner will be selected to receive an A&M-Texarkana swag bag.



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Annual Employee Awards Luncheon

to recognize and honor our retirees' and employees' service
for the 2015 calendar year.

Please join us

*Friday, January 29, 2016 at 11:30am
Eagle Hall*

Please RSVP to Ayla Baldwin at abaldwin@tamut.edu
by **Tuesday, January 19.**

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**STAFF AND FACULTY:
WOULD YOU BE
INTERESTED IN COMPETING
IN WALK ACROSS TEXAS?**



All you need is a team of EIGHT. This can include family, but must have at least four Texas A&M-Texarkana employees.

The Walk Across Texas! program was designed to help establish the habit of regular physical activity. So dust off your walking shoes, fill up your bike tires or grab your bathing suit and prepare to join us on this eight week journey across Texas!

If you are interested in joining a team or you have a team of eight, please contact Ayla Baldwin in Human Resources.

We are trying to get interest, if enough interest kick off date will be February 22nd!

Please let Ayla Baldwin know you are interested by 1/29/2016!



**WalkTM
Across
Texas!**

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Librarian II/Reference Services – Closing Jan. 9

<http://jobpath.tamu.edu/postings/92018>

Director of International Studies – Closing Jan. 10

<http://jobpath.tamu.edu/postings/91044>

Graphic Specialist – Open until filled

<http://jobpath.tamu.edu/postings/90320>

Part-time Library Clerk – Open until filled

<http://jobpath.tamu.edu/postings/90809>

For more information, contact Becky Cloude in the Human Resources department at Rebecca.Cloude@tamut.edu.



Happenings

- **Jan. 15** - UAMS Southwest Ribbon Cutting, 11 a.m.
- **Jan. 20** - U of A-Texarkana Ribbon Cutting, 11 a.m.
- **Jan. 29** - “Come Sail Away,” Texarkana Chamber of Commerce Annual Celebration, 6 p.m., Holiday Inn Texarkana Arkansas Convention Center & Holiday Springs Waterpark
- **Jan. 30** - 16th Annual Bridal Fair, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Convention Center, Texarkana, Texas
- **Feb. 4** - CHRISTUS Family Medicine Center Ribbon Cutting, 11:30 a.m.

Do you have a community event or activity that you would like to promote to the A&M-Texarkana community? Send information and URL to Carol Langston at Carol.Langston@tamut.edu.

Facilities and Safety provide tips for dealing with cold weather

By Sara Power

With the approaching cold weather the Texarkana Facilities and Safety departments wanted to remind everyone of a few items:

- Remember the four “P’s.” Protect your plants, pets and pipes.
- If you have exposed pipes or outdoor hose bibs, you can protect them by covering them up. The hose bibs can be covered with the foam protectors you can buy at the local lumber/hardware store for about \$3. You can protect pipes by wrapping them in towels or blankets. You can also purchase heat tape and then wrap them with insulation, but that will require a power source. If the pipes are up next to the house, get a heavy cardboard box and cut one side so the pipes will slide into the box and then fix the box to the house using duct tape or by leaning a rock or other heavy device against it to keep it up tight next to the house.
- Bring the plants and pets inside. Even if your dog stays out 100 percent of the time, he/she will really appreciate a warm place to sleep. I have two and the older they get the more they don’t like the cold.
- Check your car. In cold weather batteries tend to weaken if they are old, and you could get stuck with an inoperable auto.
- Check your antifreeze - yes - there is some of that in your car even in Texas. 25 degrees is cold enough to freeze weak antifreeze and if that happens it can be an expensive repair.
- Check your tires – the colder air temperatures will lower the pressure in the tires potentially causing an unsafe condition. A rule of thumb is 1 PSIG for every 10-degree drop in temperature.
- Weather strip your doors and windows at home to save energy. Most homes are leaky if they are more than five years old. The door and window gaskets can wear out. Even duct tape applied around the windows and un-

used doors can save energy. The new weather stripping will look nicer.

- In the winter the lower you can set your thermostat at home the less gas or electricity you have to purchase to heat your home. Even a one-degree lower set point can be a big help in these colder temperatures. These days you can purchase an inexpensive programmable thermostat at the lumberyard/hardware store and that can save you more than sufficient money to pay for it. I believe they can even arrange to have it installed.

At work – I would like to remind everyone that the set points for the winter operating hours are 70 degrees F during the day and 60 degrees F at night for all non-critical areas. The buildings are programmed to begin warming up at 6 a.m. Facilities Services monitors the buildings very closely, but if you feel your space may not be operating correctly please put in a work order and we will check it out. Equipment can fail and we need to know if something is not working properly. These temperatures are for non lab and non critical spaces. Laboratories and other critical spaces do not have a setback schedule and thus operate at the same temperature 24x7.

When it’s cold out it sometimes is hard to warm up when you come inside, I would ask that you consider the temperature and dress warmer for your office. Most of the offices have the luxury of having windows in them and when the outside air temperature is low, the temperature differential across the window is much greater which can cause more air circulation on the inside, which can make it feel drafty.

The systems in these building will maintain the set points without problems so the use of additional heaters is unnecessary and prohibited. The use of space heaters is very dangerous for your home or office. Please use caution if you choose to use one in your home by ensuring you follow all of the manufacturer’s safety and use guidelines.