Hello TTU Staff Members,

As the close of the semester and the Winter Break approaches, we hope you look back with pride at the accomplishments of the past few months and anticipate enjoying the holidays with friends and family.

The Staff Senate wants you to know that as a valued member of the Red Raider Family, *You Have a Voice*. We are here to represent your interests and concerns to the greater Texas Tech community and administration. Read below for Senate and campus information, learning opportunities and events!

**Happy December!**

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**SENATE EVENTS**

Save the date for our Spring Luncheon! This will be an opportunity for staff to attend a Lunch and Learn series from a guest speaker and to hear directly from the Staff Senate about the work we are doing. RSVP link and additional information to follow via our social media @TTUStaffSenate and website. RSVP by January 2nd.

*Space is limited - RSVP required.*
IGNITE! Home for the Holidays

December 4th 1PM
SUB Canyon Room
Learn strategies, resources and support for the holiday times with your LGBTQIA family and friends.

Register>>

Sexism Cinema: Desperately Seeking Susan

Wednesday, December 4th
7:30PM
Alamo Drafthouse
This film considers ways in which sexism is embedded, endorsed, and/or challenged in the cinema.

Scarlet Gathering & Celebration of Life

December 5th 5:30PM
SUB Glass Tower Pavilion
2nd Floor
Gather to remember those who have experienced AIDS or HIV in recognition of World AIDS Day.

President's Holiday Reception

Friday, December 6th 3-5PM
Frazier Alumni Pavilion
Parking available in Lot C1
**Toys for Tickets**

*Ends December 11th*
Have an unpaid parking citation dismissed by donating a new, unwrapped toy or toys that equal the value of your citation!

[Click for more info>>](#)

**Creating Your Best Year Ever**

*Wed., Dec. 11th 1:15-2:30PM*
*SUB Mesa Room*
Join the last HR Learning Series to learn how to set your own goals!
Email [maclay.buie@ttu.edu](mailto:maclay.buie@ttu.edu) to register by Friday, Dec. 6th.

[Click for more info>>](#)

**Weihnachtsfest**

*December 13th 5:30-7PM*
*International Cultural Center*
*601 Indiana Avenue*
Enjoy German holiday music, food, and crafts to celebrate the season!

[Click for more info>>](#)

**Candlelight at the Ranch**

*Friday, December 13th 6:30PM*
*Saturday, December 14th 6:30PM*
*National Heritage Ranching Center*
Enjoy kettle corn, Christmas carols, park trails and Santa!

[Click for more info>>](#)
Pack the Pantry Trivia

December 19th 12PM
SUB Matador Room
Join faculty & staff for a trivia event benefiting Raider Red's Food Pantry.

Winter Break

December 23rd - January 2nd
Enjoy the Winter Break with time with friends and family. See you next year!

CAMPUS NEWS

Hospitality Services dining locations will have adjusted schedules for Finals Week and Interim. Signs are posted in dining locations.

Click here to view the changes>>
GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

Raider Red’s Food Pantry is hoping to raise $5000 this week to help support the Pantry and we need your help!

Click to donate>>

CAMPUS RESOURCES

Make sure your emergency contact information is current with the University's emergency alert system.

Click to update your info>>

Looking for information about family and gender inclusion at TTU?

Visit the website>>
Staff interested in attending December Commencement should email commencement@ttu.edu before December 12th to reserve your seat and parking pass. Regalia is required for all faculty and staff to participate in the Processional and sit on the arena floor.

EMPLOYEE WELLNESS

Take advantage of the MindSpa on campus!

The Student Counseling Center MindSpa provides Texas Tech enrolled students, faculty, and staff a sanctuary in which to pamper and nurture mind, body, and spirit. Open Monday - Friday 8AM - 5PM.

Click here for more information>>
Congratulations to all December Texas Tech graduates!
Click here to view commencement schedule>>

Congratulations to all 2019 Distinguished Staff Award recipients!
View all DSA Awards>>

Happy Holidays from the Texas Tech Staff Senate!

HAPPY HOLIDAYS & HAPPY NEW YEAR
ABOUT THE SENATE

Who We Are:

• Elected representatives from all different EEO classifications on campus
• For a list of current Senators, click here

What We Do:

• We’re the voice of staff on campus! We care about:
  o your issues,
  o your needs,
  o your ideas!
• General Senate Meeting every first Wednesday of the month - next one is Wednesday, December 4th at 4PM

Current Senate Initiatives:

• Continued work on the Staff Emergency Fund
• Continued work to establish Community Engagement Service Hours
• Establishment of a Brown Bag Series with Human Resources
• Need to submit an issue? Click here>>

Strive For Honor,

Staff Senate Officer Team
Jon Mark Bernal, President
Dee Nguyen, President-Elect
Olga Achourkina, Treasurer
Heather Coats, Secretary

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