



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY  
**Staff Senate™**

**#YouHaveAVoice**



**Hello TTU Staff Members,**

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 November!

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## SENATE EVENTS

The next Staff Senate General Meeting is **Wednesday, November 6th at 4PM** in the **SUB Senate Room**. Everyone is invited to hear about what the Senate is doing to be your **voice** on the Tech campus. We hope to see you there!



### ***Working Wednesday***

**Wednesday, Nov 13th 2:30-3:30PM**

**Drane Hall 249**

Join Staff Senate for snacks and Senate information for a mid-week pick-me-up!



### ***Unwind & Be Well***

**Wednesday, Nov 20th 2-4PM**

**SUB Matador Room**

Join Staff Senate for a fair featuring activities, vendors and tips to unwind and be healthy.

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## ***Join us in congratulating the first Staff Senate Distinguished Staff Award Recipients!***

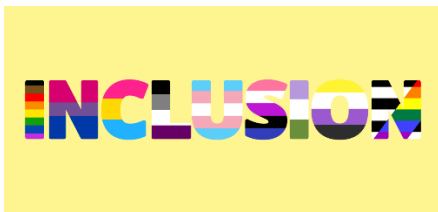
Staff Senate worked with Human Resources to add a Distinguished Staff Award (DSA) to the award list for the 2019 DSAs. The award recipients are selected by the Scholarship & Award Committee of the Staff Senate. The Senate DSA is just one more way the Senate works to give back at Texas Tech.

**Rose Cruz**, Lead Academic Advisor, College of Media & Communication  
**Israel Flores**, Program Analyst, Accounting Services



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***LEARNING & GIVING OPPORTUNITIES***



### ***Faculty & Staff Panel: Allyship as a Practice***

**Thursday, November 7th 1-2:15PM**

**TLPDC 153**

This discussion will explore the experiences of faculty and staff to incorporate scholarship in identity achievement and practices to strengthen LGBTQIA inclusivity.

[Click here to register>>](#)



### ***The Six Thinking Hats***

**Wednesday, November 13th 10:45AM**

**- 12PM; 1:15 - 2:30PM**

**SUB Mesa Room**

Have a problem that you need to work on, but your thoughts keep getting jumbled? Join us as we learn a different way to think. [Click here to register>>](#)



### ***Considering Mental Health with Students***

**Tuesday, November 12th 2-3PM**

**TLPDC 153**

Join us for a discussion with professionals from the Student Counseling Center as they address best practices for working with individuals with mental health issues.

[Click to register>>](#)



### ***Tech Can Share***

Donate your extra non-perishable food items and compete with other departments on campus to donate the most before November 25th!

**Drop off items in SUB West Basement,**

**Room 20**

[Click for more info>>](#)



SECC has successfully reached 72% of the university goal. Together, we can make a difference in the lives of so many deserving people in our community.

[Visit the SECC website>>](http://www.secc.ttu.edu)



### **Congrats to the Fall 2019 Staff Senate Scholarship recipients!**

Jake Quintanilla  
Beverly Pinson  
Makenzee Spruiell  
Sarah Timmons  
Cristal P. Sanchez  
Ellyn Anthony  
Jolinda Westerberg  
Bethany Kuwitzky  
Maggie Baker

## **CAMPUS EVENTS**





## *Office Hours with the President*

**Wednesday, November 6th 3PM  
Administration Building, Ste 115**

Stop by to visit with  
President Schovanec during his  
office hours to share your thoughts!



## *Celebrating First Generation Students Week Nov 4-8th*

Join the TTU community to celebrate  
first generation college students.

[Click here to view the full list of events](#)



## *Celebrate Diversity Awards Banquet*

**Wednesday, November 6th 7PM**

**Frazier Alumni Pavilion**

This event helps support scholarship  
funds and recognize individuals  
within Texas Tech who  
exemplify inclusive excellence.  
RSVPs are currently closed.



## *Women Staff Network Meeting*

**Thurs, Nov 21st 12PM Library 309**

Join a group that discusses the  
issues women in particular face in  
the workplace. RSVP for lunch.

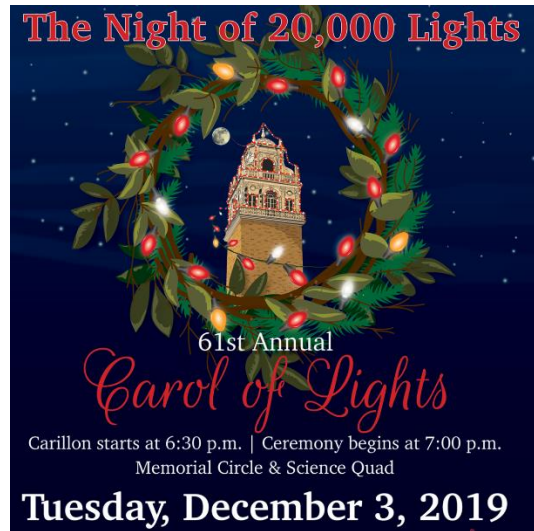
[Register>>](#)



## *Thanksgiving Holiday*

**November 27-December 1**

Celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday  
with friends and family!



## *61st Annual Carol of Lights*

**Tuesday, December 3rd 6:30PM**

## **OPPORTUNITIES FOR RECOGNITION**



### *Provide Hospitality*

*Services feedback and be entered to win Apple watches, AirPods, a Nintendo Switch or a Commuter Dining Plan. **Submit survey by November 15th.***

[Click here to take survey>>](#)



### *Bravo Board*

Post a bravo on the Senate Bravo Board to celebrate our fellow Red Raider staff!

[Give a Bravo>>](#)

## ***EMPLOYEE WELLNESS***

### **Did you know the TTU Health Sciences Center offers a Counseling Center available to all TTU employees?**

If you are struggling with personal issues or just need someone to talk to, you can utilize the counseling center available through the Employee Assistance Program (EAP). TTU employees are granted five FREE sessions.



[Click here for more information>>](#)

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## ***UPCOMING CHANGES***



Beginning Fall 2019, faculty and staff must RSVP for commencement to allow appropriate seating. Look for an email sent late November with a link to RSVP.

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**Happy Thanksgiving from the Texas Tech Staff Senate!**





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## ***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: #YouHaveAVoice
  - *your* issues,
  - *your* needs,
  - *your* ideas!

### **Current Senate Initiatives:**

- Continued work on the Staff Emergency Fund
- 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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