



GETTING TO KNOW...

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WHEN DID YOU BEGIN SERVING AT RANGER COLLEGE?

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WHERE WERE YOU BORN?

LEWISTON, ME

FAVORITE LOCAL RESTAURANT

LA HACIENDA IN EASTLAND

WHAT IS YOUR IDEAL VACATION DESTINATION?
ANYWHERE IN THE MOUNTAINS - PREFERABLY IN A

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WHAT IS A BOOK, MOVIE, OR SERIES RECOMMENDATION?

MOVIE: THE RON CLARK STORY (ONE OF THE BEST MOVIES I'VE EVER SEEN)

**GUILTY PLEASURE** 

**SHOPPING (WEIRD FOR GUYS, I KNOW)** 

MEANINGFUL RANGER COLLEGE MEMORY
WATCHING MY STUDENTS GRADUATE AND BUILD

TOWARD THEIR DREAMS.

## **CARING CAMPUS MOMENT**

I HAD A GROUP OF STUDENTS THAT BARELY SPOKE ENGLISH, BUT STILL NEEDED TO DO THEIR SPEECHES. TO HELP THEM, I OFFERED TO MEET THEM IN THE LIBRARY OUTSIDE OF CLASS TIME AS A GROUP SO THEY COULD DO THEIR SPEECHES THERE, USING THEIR PRIMARY LANGUAGE. THE HSI STAFF ALSO OFFERED TO SIT IN TO HELP TRANSLATE. THE STUDENTS CHOSE TO DO THEIR SPEECHES IN BOTH THEIR PRIMARY LANGUAGE AND ALSO IN ENGLISH. SHOWING THE STUDENTS THAT I CARED REALLY HELPED THEM INVEST IN MY COURSE - THEY ALL ENDED UP FINISHING STRONG. (THIS IS PROBABLY THE BEST GROUP OF STUDENTS I'VE EVER HAD TOO).



Private counseling on your schedule.

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## SOCIAL MEDIA POST OF THE WEEK



The Outdoors Club attended their first event, the 2nd Annual Texas Parks & Wildlife Department-Veteran Suicide Awareness Ruck at the Dinosaur Valley State Park in Glen Rose, Tx. Collectively the group chose to conquer the most difficult trail, 7 miles uphill with exposed tree roots, sliding rocks, and sharp cliffs. The experience brought staff and students together in their shared love for nature, adventure, and supporting a good cause. If you are interested in joining contact Rainey Tucker rtucker@rangercollege.edu or Luis Ramirez at Iramirez@rangercollege.edu





Roaring Ranger Parade!!







## MORE THAN JUST BOOKS BY GOLEMON ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN, HELEN COZART

HELLO EVERYONE. THIS WEEK I AM GOING TO TALK ABOUT OUR OIL BOOM TOWN EXHIBIT. FIRST, THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO HAS BEEN TO THE LIBRARY TO SEE IT. SECOND, FOR THOSE WHO HAVEN'T COME ON OVER. IT WILL BE HERE THROUGH THE MONTH OF OCTOBER AS OUR REGULAR EXHIBIT THAT WE PROVIDE EVERY SEMESTER. I WANT TO THANK RANGER ISD FOR INVITING US TO BRING THE EXHIBIT AND TALK TO THE KIDS. ON THE 19TH AND 20TH I SPOKE TO K - 7TH GRADERS OVER TEN SESSIONS. ONE THING I LEARNED WAS HOW VIBRANT THE OIL INDUSTRY STILL IS IN RANGER. WHEN ASKED WHOSE PARENTS WORKED IN OIL, ABOUT HALF IN EVERY CLASS RAISED THEIR HANDS. THE MOST FUN PART WAS SATURDAY AT ROARING RANGER DAYS. WE HAD THE EXHIBIT SET UP AND WHEN ONE OF THE KIDS WOULD COME BY, THEY GOT EXCITED TO INTRODUCE ME AND TELL THEIR PARENTS ABOUT THE EXHIBIT. I ASKED EACH ONE IF THEY COULD REMEMBER A STORY TO TELL THEIR PARENTS AND THEY ALL DID! MOST OF THE STORIES WERE ABOUT POOP. THERE WAS NO INFRASTRUCTURE IN PLACE FOR ALL THE NEW PEOPLE TO TAKE CARE OF THAT BUSINESS AND WHEN I ASKED THE KIDS HOW THEY MANAGED IT, THE WHOLE ROOM WOULD ERUPT WITH SUGGESTIONS. I HOPED THAT WOULD MAKE IT FUN AND IT TURNS OUT THAT IT ALSO MADE IT MEMORABLE.

## WHAT TO FOR THE NEXT THREE WEEKENDS:

SEPTEMBER 30 - OCTOBER 6: STAY CLOSE TO HOME WITH THE <u>RANGER FLY IN AIR SHOW</u> AND <u>RIPFEST</u> IN EASTLAND. THE LIBRARY OIL BOOM EXHIBIT WILL BE AT BOTH SO DROP BY TO SAY HI.

OCTOBER 7 - OCTOBER 13: <u>CIRQUE DU SOLIEL</u> IS IN DALLAS (THROUGH OCTOBER 20). I SAW THEM IN VEGAS AND WAS NEARLY BROUGHT TO TEARS FROM THE BEAUTY. IT IS OPENING WEEKEND OF THE <u>TEXAS RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL</u>. IT WILL BE OPEN THROUGH DECEMBER 1ST.

OCTOBER 14 – 20: THE CISCO PIE FEST IS THIS WEEKEND. YOUR LIBRARY WILL BE THERE! IN ABILENE, YOU CAN ENJOY THE SPEEDWAY SOUTHERN CHALLENGE THEN HEAD TO THE TEXAS WINE FESTIVAL.

DON'T FORGET THERE ARE A TON MORE EVENTS LISTED ON OUR WHAT TO DO THIS WEEKEND WEBSITE. WE HAVE SPECIAL PAGES SET UP FOR OKTOBERFEST, DIWALI, AND HALLOWEEN EVENTS. RIGHT HERE IN RANGER WE HAVE BACKWOOD'S HORROR HAUNTED HOUSE AND THE EASTLAND GHOST WALK.

WE HAVE A NEW DISPLAY WINDOW THIS WEEK. WE ARE STILL CELEBRATING THE TEXAS HERITAGE TRAILS AND ARE NOW LOOKING AT THE FOREST TRAIL. EAST TEXAS IS VERY DIFFERENT FROM HERE. STOP BY TO SEE HOW.

