

Inside Student Services

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Getting to know...Vasiliki “Greece” Martinez



Job Title: Dual Enrollment Director

When did you start working at Ranger College? September of 2021

Where did you grow up? I grew up in Greece. In a small town called Chalkida, which is about 10 minutes walking distance from the ocean.

Favorite place to eat in Texas? I may be biased, but locally it would have to be La Hacienda in Eastland.

Where can we find you on a Friday night? At La Hacienda, working.

What is the last book you read? The last book I finished reading would have been Psychological Statistics by Faulkenberry and I am almost done with Mindset by Dweck. My next book will be Atomic Habits by James Clear.

Guilty pleasure: It will forever be basketball and gosh I am competitive. I do not like to lose!

Favorite Ranger College Moment: My favorite Ranger College moment goes back to 2013 when I was a student here and I met Travis Rogers. It was after a basketball game that we had lost. He told me that he would always be here to watch my games and support me. As an international student, with no family anywhere close to me, that meant a lot! He has been family since.

Kudos

In collaboration with the Ranger Lions Club and Culpepper & Merriweather Circus, Ranger College hosted the circus on Monday night. The circus held two showtimes for members of the Ranger community as well as folks from Ranger College.



Social Media Post of the Week



Christine Salvato Pruitt is with **Shayla Honeycutt** and **3 others** at **Ranger College**.



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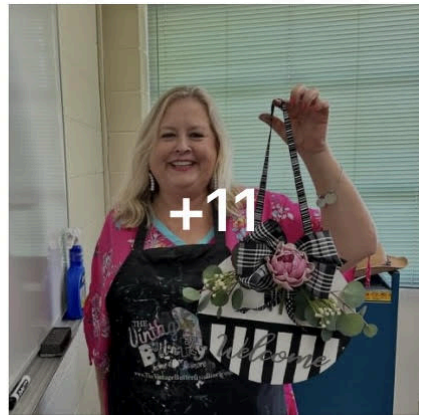
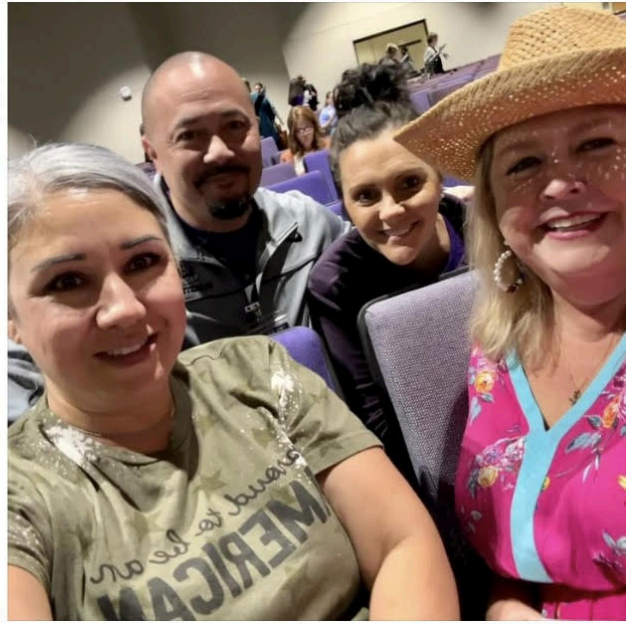
So, do you remember Field Day in elementary school? You worked all year to for that day you had to go to school, but you got to play outside. I loved/hated it. Being the non-athletic, ungraceful chub, I didn't look forward to the sack races, but I loved getting to visit my friends in the sun.

Well, that's what we had today at work. A tradition called Mandatory Fun Day, I mean, All College Day. We had a brief sermon of encouragement while we fueled up on a sugary breakfast then were sent out all over campus to participate in activities all day! Absolutely forbidden to work! We chose from crafts to yoga and line dancing, archery, cornhole and a driving range. The talk of the day was dodgeball. Not to play it, but to watch the brave souls that did!

Anyway, it was incredible fun and fellowship! I didn't get the memo to wear purple or ranger work out gear so I stood out in my hot pink Pioneer Woman ensemble, but what's new. Yet another experience that confirms I made the best decision becoming a part of the Ranger Community!

[#Rangerrules](#)

[#purpleonWednesday](#)



Weekly Ranger Athletics Recap

It was a full week of action for Ranger College athletics. Coach Nicole Smith's Lady Ranger Volleyball team won all 3 of their games this week defeating Cisco, Southwestern Christian, and Dallas College North Lake. The Lady Ranger Women's Soccer team was victorious Friday afternoon which places them in the conference championship game for the second year in a row against conference rival Hill College. Coach Guerrero's team fell to Hill in their regular season matchups but hopes to shift the tide when they face 10-days from now.

However, the largest victory for the Rangers came away from the gymnasium and off the playing field. The Ranger College student-athletes along with college faculty, staff, and administrators participated in the annual Day of Champions. The Day of Champions is a day where the city of Ranger and the Ranger College family come together for a day of community service. Rangers stood side-by-side as they loaded and unloaded trailers, cleaned roadsides, and many other tasks all with a servant's heart. Coaches, staff, administrators, and faculty all pitched to model servant leadership for their community and their students.







More Than Just Books by Golemon Library Assistant, Mrs. Helen Cozart

There is a lot going on this week. First up, tomorrow is the last day for entries into our [Super Short Scary Stories Contest](#). Please encourage your students to finish up and get those stories in.

I mentioned a few weeks ago that big changes were coming to our [TexShare databases](#). Well, a bunch of them hit this week. There are [57 new Gale databases](#) for us to explore. I am not going to try to hit them all this week, but there is something for every subject we teach at this school. I have turned off the EBSCO databases for a lot of topics, but I have not deleted them. They are still good for a few months and if you want something back while we transition, just let me know. For this week, I want to draw attention to their one-stop shop: [Power Search](#). I created a link for it right on the library home page. Use this to access all of Gale in one place.

Separately, Jon added to our subscription to America's NewsBank. We now subscribe to Access World News, Black Life in America, and Hispanic Life in America. They are offering us a Webinar on adding links and incorporating them into Canvas. If this webinar is something you are interested in, let me know. They have also provided a series of tutorial videos, flyers, and social media post ideas in their [Community College Marketing and Resource Center](#). As with all our subscriptions, you will need to be signed into your RC email to get the login and password from the link on the library home page.

[What to do this weekend: Cisco Pie Fest](#). [Why travel when you can have fun at home?](#)

As part of our [International Year](#), this week we are celebrating Diwali. Diwali is a Hindu international festival of lights celebrating the triumph of good over evil. The lights represent the lamp of power, knowledge, and virtue within us. Its origins are in India, but events are held all over the world. Nearby events are at [Plano](#), [Southlake](#), [Irving](#), and [Round Rock](#).

Motivational Quote of the Week

