

Special Events Around East Texas

Green Tie Affair Monday, Dec. 3rd

Green Tie Affair, Honoring Cancer Survivors & Benefiting Relay for Life 5:30 PM at the Castle on the Lake at 9110 U.S. Highway 79 West, Jacksonville, TX
Free to Cancer Survivors or \$15.00 per person/\$25.00 per couple

All proceeds from Ticket Sales & Silent Auction are benefiting Relay for Life

For additional information, please call Amy at (903) 683-2327

Sixth Annual Funders' Forum & NETWORKING GATHERING
October 25th Pre-Forum
October 26th - Full Day Forum
Cain Center
415 S. Palestine
Athens, Texas
call: A Circle of Ten, Inc.
(903) 541-0013

A Circle of Ten Schedules Part I & II Grant Workshop Dates

A Circle of Ten, Inc.- Network for Collaboration has scheduled workshop dates for November & December 2007. Classes will be held at their Retreat Center 20 minutes west of Tyler in the woods of Van Zandt County.

Part II - The Next Step (Part I prerequisite) December 11, 12 & 13 picks up where Part I left off, with four real grants worked on and mailed; Part II grants are usually funded. A team could work on your grant or you can learn

by being on another team. Part I - The Process of Collaboration will be January 29, 20 & 31, 2008. Pt I teaches collaboration, linking leadership, community organizing, program development and grant writing. This tailor-made workshop builds on existing skills and allows staff to meet individual and agency needs. Pre-workshop interviews are held with each participant and research is done to assess their needs and find funding prior to the class. Each person completing Part I receive two hours of post workshop support and feedback to use for their next grant, collaboration, etc.

Free Sunday Family Day Celebrates TMA's Mexican Nativities Exhibition

TYLER, TX— Our neighbors to the south are in the spotlight as the Tyler Museum of Art continues its holiday celebration with a free TMA Family Day from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2 at the Museum. During Family Days, adults and children of all ages are invited to learn more about the Museum's exhibitions through free gallery tours, art activities and more, said Elnora Williams, TMA school tour coordinator and education assistant. With Yuletide approaching, this Sunday's Family Day highlights "Silent Night, Holy Night" (Noche De Paz, Noche De Amor), a bilingual, holiday-themed exhibition featuring close to 20 traditional Mexican nativity scenes depicting the birth of Jesus Christ as interpreted by classic and contemporary Latin American artists. The show, continuing through Jan. 27 in the Museum's Bell Gallery, contains works on loan from Laura and Dan Boeckman, the Dallas-area patrons of the arts who have compiled one of the nation's premier collections of contemporary Mexican and Latin American folk art. "This Family Day is particularly special because it gives us the opportunity to share our celebration of the holiday season as it's seen across different cultures," said TMA Director Kimberley Bush Tomio. "Everyone who views the nativity scenes comments on how colorful and full of life they are. Not only are they a lot of fun to look at - such as the mariachi musicians included in one group, or the very tiny carved wooden nativity - but they show us what a vital role artistic expression can play in bringing us all together, especially at this time of the year." Family Day activities begin with parents and children taking a self-guided tour of "Silent Night, Holy Night," with holiday-themed

freshments to be served immediately afterward in the TMA classroom. Younger visitors then can turn their attention to their own creations, with a variety of art activities in the classroom celebrating the nativity theme. Children can create their own artwork to take home, choosing from one or more of the hands-on art projects planned for Family Day: "papel picado" (literally meaning "pierced paper"), a popular Mexican art form in which the artist designs a pattern on a piece of paper, then cuts through it and multiple sheets of tissue paper with special tools; Christmas cards featuring nativity scenes; and "model magic," a 3-D activity for "creating animals that might have been in a nativity," Ms. Williams said. All Family Day activities are open to the public with free admission. Space is limited, so participants are encouraged to make reservations by calling (903) 595-1001 on or before Friday, Nov. 30. Family Day visitors also are encouraged to stay and enjoy "Past/Present/Future: Folk Art of Mexico, Selected Works from the Laura and Dan Boeckman Collection of Mexican and Latin American Folk Art." The exhibition, open in connection with "Silent Night, Holy Night" and spotlighting contemporary Mexican folk art recently donated to the TMA's permanent collection, continues through Jan. 6 in the Museum's North Gallery. Also on view at the TMA is "Curator's Choice: Selections from the Permanent Collection," which continues through Jan. 27 in the Bell Gallery. The Tyler Museum of Art is located at 1300 S. Mahon Ave., at the corner of Apache Pass, adjacent to the Tyler Junior College campus off East Fifth Street. Regular hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through



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