

A Briefing from the President – Dr. F. Dominic Dottavio,
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CABINET HIGHLIGHTS

Tarleton's Executive Cabinet consists of the President, Vice Presidents and Chief of Staff. The group meets weekly to discuss business of the University.

Representative Sheffield Files HB 1517

State Representative J.D. Sheffield's first major bill of the 83rd Legislature was one for Tarleton. House Bill 1517 provides the funding a mechanism for support of tuition revenue bonds proposed by the university. The filing of this bill is emblematic of the confidence Representative Sheffield has in Tarleton as well as his willingness to support our efforts.

Showcasing Research at Tarleton

Dr. Jon Mogford, Chief Research Officer - Texas A&M System, and his team visited campus last week to learn more about research being conducted at Tarleton. Our guests were treated with presentations focusing on research administration, mathematics, computer science, environmental research, pharmacogenomics, wound healing, data mining in rural law enforcement and a presentation from our very own aeronautical team.

The purpose of the visit was to identify cross-linkages with researchers at other institutions, and opportunities for Tarleton to build synergistic research collaborations within the System.

New Student Housing

Tarleton has entered into a predevelopment agreement with Balfour Beatty Campus Solutions to build a 500-bed residence hall just east of Legacy Hall and north of the Thompson Student Center. Construction is expected to begin in July, with completion in August 2014. The new hall will be for first-year students assigned to living/learning communities.

Congratulations to the Rodeo Team

Last weekend was a very successful one for the men and women's Tarleton Rodeo teams. Both are leading the Southwest Region after five fall rodeos, which puts them on track to finish the spring in winning fashion. Both teams have four rodeos this semester, wrapping up at their final event, the Tarleton Stampede on April 18-20.



Rocket Team Update

Tarleton's Aeronautical Team has success on their radar. The team recently received a report from NASA informing the team they currently stand in first or second place overall in the NASA-University Student Launch Initiative. Learn more about their work here:

<http://www.tarleton.edu/COSTWEB/usli/index.html>