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Around the Town with Denise Honeycutt River Oaks Fire Department Hosts Open House

The River Oaks Fire Department held an Open House event at the facility on Saturday, Oct. 28. An extension of the remodeled living quarters was viewed by those in attendance and hot dogs, drinks, chips and candy were also provided to those who came out to the function.



Cooper, Allie and **Carter Stewart** came out to support their Dad and husband, River Oaks Firefighter **Jordan Stewart**.



Pictured are: (l-r) Firefighter Brandon Harris and Engineer James Barker.



Pictured are: (l-r) River Oaks Fire Department Chief **Russell Shelley** with A-Shift Captain **Robert Whatley**.



Pictured are: (l-r) ROFD Firefighters George Brock and Coby Countryman.

From the Sports Desk with John Loven Castleberry High School Fall Sports Update

Cross Country

The Castleberry cross country team season came to an end at the UIL Regional Meet in Lubbock on Tuesday, Oct. 24 in Mae Simmons Park.

The boys team had qualified by way of their third place finish in district (the girls just missed out qualifying with their fourth place finish in district).

In the regional meet the boys placed 16th out of the 24 teams that qualified.

Sophomore Vann Goines led the Lions in a time of 18:32.00 and a 53rd place out of 171 runners. Teammate Santiago Buendia, a junior, finished about 10 seconds behind in a time of 18:43.30 (61st place). They were followed by freshman Alekay Arvizu, 19:27.70 (98th); freshman Emmanuel Astorga, 20:06.20 (116th); junior Christopher Montoya, 20:51.30 (137th); junior Jorge Escalera, 21:10.80 (144th); and sophomore, Uriel Pereyra, 21:13.10 (147th).

Congratulations to the cross-country team for another good year and a bright future!

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Sports Desk

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Volleyball

The Castleberry girls volleyball season has come to an end, and the Lady Lions fought hard. The wins were difficult to come by, as they finished with just one win against South Hills. Hopefully they will gain much experience from this season and return next year with another hardworking team and the hope of a much better season Fort Worth, Tarrant, Texas and many more wins.

Football

The Castleberry Lions football team lost a tough game last week. After getting blasted 59-9 by the Dunbar Wildcats at Clark Stadium on Oct. 20, the Lions then returned to W.O. Barnes stadium for their last home game of the 2023 season.

They faced an Eastern Hills team who just two weeks earlier barely lost to that same Dunbar team 15-13. That did not look good for the Lions chances of a victory. But this was Senior Night and the Lions put up a whale of fight.

They fought hard and hung tough, but eventually lost by a final score of 18-14. The Lions (2-7/1-5) will travel to Handley Field on Thursday, Nov. 2. They will end their season against Carter Riverside (4-5/1-5). Kickoff is scheduled for 7 p.m.

Go Lions!



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Suburban Newspapers, Inc. **Texas History Minute** American Physician, Dr. Edith Irby Jones by Dr. Ken Bridges

The ability to heal is an ancient and respected art. The practice of medicine, from binding wounds to folk remedies for diseases. date back thousands of years.

In the 20th century, major advances were made that eliminated many diseases and eased the suffering of countless individuals.

The expansion of medical schools allowed many more people to be able to



practice medicine and to spread its availability into underserved communities. With the desegregation of universities across the South, African-Americans could receive a top-rated medical education in their home states. Among these was Dr. Edith Irby Jones. She became the first African-American to attend a desegregated southern medical school and began a storied career as a leader in medicine in Arkansas and Texas.

She was born Edith Mae Irby in rural Central Arkansas in December 1927. Her father was a sharecropper and her mother was a maid. The family struggled during the Great Depression. In 1936, at the age of eight, her father died in an accident. Her distraught She also began supervising new doctors in their residencies with mother moved the remaining family to Hot Springs. Her older sister died not long afterward from typhoid fever, a condition preventable today with vaccinations. Irby later noted that her sister's illness was the only time in her childhood they had a doctor's appointment because they were so poor. She struggled with her own bout of rheumatic fever as a child, a disease that can cause life-long issues.

Irby graduated from a segregated high school in 1944. She excelled academically and earned a scholarship to Knoxville College in Tennessee, majoring in chemistry and biology. She graduated in 1948 and was determined to help others as a doctor. She applied to UAMS in Little Rock. She placed 28th out of 91 applicants in an aptitude test for admission. After the Supreme Court desegregated law schools starting with its decision in 1947, the UAMS board of regents decided to desegregate. Irby's admission made can render to all." national news. She became the first African-American to attend any medical school in the South. Dr. H. Clay Chenault, the vice- lege of Medicine Hall of Fame and was one of the first women chancellor of the medical school stated, "It is a physical impossibility in a medical education program to offer any measure of quietly at her home in Houston in July 2019 at age 91.

segregation."

In spite of the open admissions policy, Irby still faced discrimination. In 1949, she met and married Dr. James B. Jones, director of personnel and guidance at Arkansas AM&N College in Pine Bluff (what is now the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff). They would ultimately have three children together. In 1952, she earned her medical degree. As part of a medical education, doctors enter a residency program after graduation to further learn to put their new skills into practice. The newly-minted Dr. Edith Irby Jones made history again by entering a residency program at the university hospital in Little Rock, the first African-American to serve a residency in the state.

After her residency, she set up a private practice in Hot Springs, determined to give back to the community. Though she had a thriving and popular practice, she saw a new opportunity and moved to Houston in 1959 as the first woman and first African-American internist with the Baylor College of Medicine and continued to expand her medical knowledge into cardiology. She opened a new practice in the poorest neighborhoods of Houston in 1962 to offer care to those who could not afford it. She also accepted a position as chief of cardiology at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Houston. The next year, she became a professor for Baylor College of Medicine. Though a teacher herself, she continued to study the latest advances in medicine through courses at medical schools in West Virginia and Illinois by the mid-1960s.

She was in high demand and gave generously of her time. She volunteered throughout the community and helped found medical clinics across Latin America. Jones was also active with Houston area schools.

In 1974, she co-founded the Association of Black Cardiologists. the University of Texas Health Science Center. In 1985, she became the first woman president of the National Medical Association, the oldest medical association for African-American doctors. In 1986, building on her years of advocacy for civil rights and access to medicine for those in need, she co-founded Physicians for Human Rights. She was named Internist of the Year by the American Society of Medicine in 1988.

The City of Houston honored her work by declaring Edith Irby Jones Day in 1986, and she received numerous honorary doctorates and awards for her work. As she moved into her sixties, she continued her work in Houston and around the world. She founded a medical clinic in Haiti in 1991 and founded another in Mexico. Both still bear her name. "It is when we give of ourselves that we truly give," she once said. "Medicine continues to be a service we

In 2004, she was admitted into the University of Arkansas Colnamed to the Arkansas Women's Hall of Fame in 2015. She died

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StatePoint Four Ways You Can Observe National Veterans and Military Family Month



When was the last time you thanked a military member or veteran for their service? November is National Veterans and Military Family Appreciation Month and an excellent time to celebrate, support and honor service members.

That's why Points of Light, a global nonprofit organization dedicated to mobilizing people to take action that changes the world, is sharing ways you can get involved, along with the stories of former military members already doing so. From volunteering to donating and beyond, these ideas are based on the Points of Light Civic Circle®, a framework that highlights nine pathways to boosting social impact.

1. Listen and learn. Being informed about an issue can help you think more critically, make better decisions and lend stronger support. Check out two podcasts created by Military OneSource. Covering topics like deployment, casualty assistance, money management and parenting, they are designed to help military members and families thrive, and can help others understand the difficulties of military life.

2. Volunteer. Hands-on support is some of the most impactful work you can do in the nonprofit sector, and organizations rely heavily on volunteer power to carry out their missions. The American Red Cross is currently recruiting caseworkers for military members, veterans and families. This volunteer role requires some training, but can be carried out from anywhere, and shifts are flexible. Whether you're looking for remote or in-person volunteer opportunities, search Points of Light Engage, the world's most comprehensive database of volunteer opportunities around the globe.

You can also get inspired by such dedicated volunteers as Navy servicewoman and Daily Point of Light Honoree Michaela White. For the past two years, she's advocated for mental health in the military, volunteering her time with Patrol Base Abbate, a nonprofit that fosters community and purpose among service members and

veterans.

3. Donate. Nonprofits and NGOs are dependent on donations to pay their staff, recruit volunteers and execute their high-impact work. This year marks Wounded Warrior Project's 20th anniversary. You can support its mission of providing career and VA benefits counseling, mental health support, adaptive sports initiatives and more, by making a donation for National Veterans and Military Family Appreciation Month.

4. Celebrate, thank and honor veterans. Veterans and their family members are everywhere – from working alongside you to doing everyday things like grocery shopping, eating at a restaurant and more. Consider ways you can celebrate and honor military members or veterans in your community. It might be as simple as thanking a coworker for their service, writing a thank you note and dropping it off at your local VA or sending one virtually through Soldiers' Angels. You might also attend a Veterans Day parade or event in your community or simply ask a veteran about their service. These gestures can go a long way in helping veterans and service members feel seen and appreciated.

Retired fireman, Army veteran and Daily Point of Light Honoree Tom Schneider is a great example of someone who integrates his work with causes he cares about. Since 2017, he's extended a helping hand to those devastated by floods, fires, tornadoes, hurricanes and even plane crashes as an American Red Cross volunteer.

From volunteering your time and talent, to contributing your resources, there are many ways to honor former and current military members and their families this month.

From the City of River Oaks Bus Service To River Oaks Ending

Fort Worth Transportation Authority will no longer be providing public bus service in River Oaks as of March 27, 2024.

The City will still continue with mobility impaired transportation service also referred to as MITS.

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Suburban Newspapers, Inc. From the Project Linus Blanketeers **First Monday Quilt Club - Project Linus Volunteers Needed**

Come join the fun and fellowship with the Quilt Club vol- or money to purchase materials are greatly appreciated. unteers while you make a difference in our community and bless others by making quilts for Project Linus.

The First Monday Quilt Club meets on the first Monday of each month at Bethany Christian Church, located at 1500 Meadow Park Drive in White Settlement from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Instead of a potluck lunch, ladies are asked to bring brunch or snack items. Their next meeting is on Monday, Nov. 6.

Project Linus is a non-profit service organization, and the members of this group are Tarrant County Chapter Project Linus volunteers who create handmade quilts and blankets that provide love, warmth, and comfort for local children who have suffered trauma, tragedy, or illness.

Volunteers also make coverlets for veterans, nursing home residents, and the homeless. Unfortunately, the need for these blankets increases each month. They desperately need volunteers with portable sewing machines to help assemble the quilts.

No experience is needed - there is a place for you. Anyone can help if you can follow instructions, sew, tie a knot, crochet a blanket, or tell a good joke. Volunteers have lots of fun and develop fantastic friendships.

participating. Materials (fabric, batting, thread, and yarn) are provided. Donations of fabric, yarn, thread, sewing machines, sergers,

For more information about the mission of Project Linus, visit www.projectlinus.org. For more information about the First Monday Quilt Club, call Virginia Biela at 817-244-1263.

From Suburban Newspapers Staff Writers Did You Know...?

On this day, Nov 2:

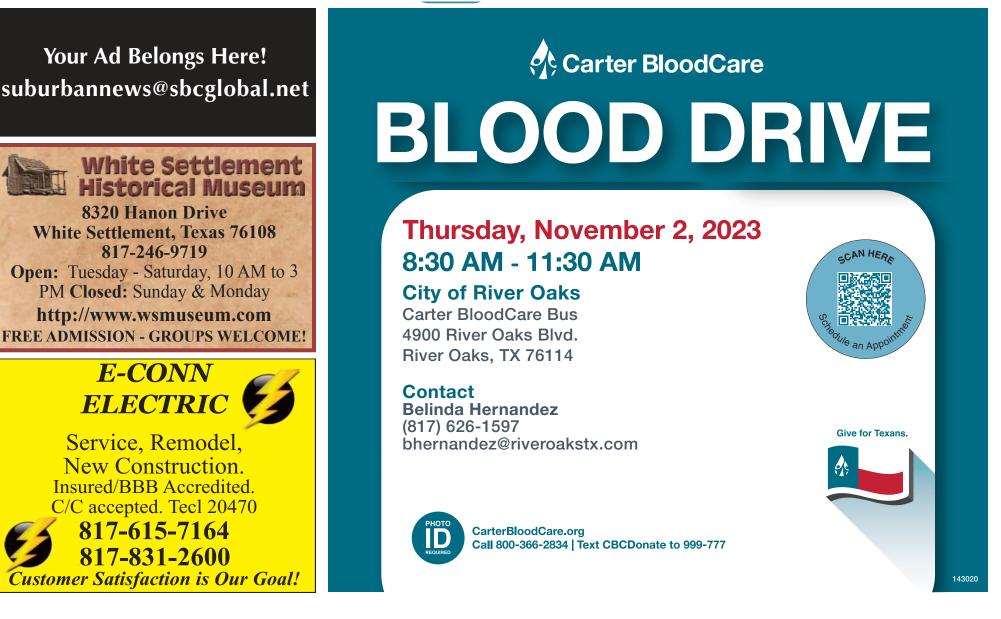
• 1889 – North Dakota and South Dakota are admitted as the 39th and 40th U.S. states.

• 1914 – World War I: The Russian Empire declares war on the Ottoman Empire and the Dardanelles is subsequently closed.

• 1920 – In the United States, KDKA of Pittsburgh starts broadcasting as the first commercial radio station. The first broadcast is the result of the 1920 United States presidential election

• 1947 – In California, designer Howard Hughes performs the maiden (and only) flight of the Hughes H-4 Hercules (also known as the "Spruce Goose"), the largest fixed-wing aircraft ever built until Scaled Composites rolled out their Stratolaunch in May 2017.

• 2000 – Expedition 1 arrived at the International Space Station High school students can receive community service credits for for the first long-duration stay onboard. From this day to present, a continuous human presence in space on the station remains uninterrupted.



Mary Isham Keith Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution Honoring Blind Veterans with the Bronze Braille Flag at DFW National Cemetery by Rick Irving

The Mary Isham Keith Chapter of the National Society Daughication of a Bronze Braille Flag at DFW National Cemetery.

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The historic event took place on Saturday, Oct. 21, presided over by Charlsey Holler, Regent of the Mary Isham Keith Chapter, NSDAR and Texas DAR State Vice Chair of the Flag of the to feel it. The Pledge of Allegiance is written in Braille as well, U.S./Braille Flags.



The presentation of the Colors was carried out by the TCU Air Force ROTC, adding a touch of military honor to the event. The highlight of the ceremony was the presence of SSGT Walt Peters, USA (ret.), the President of the American Braille Flag Project, as the guest of honor and speaker. SSGT Walt Peters served three tours in Vietnam and is legally blind. He is a remarkable advocate for blind veterans.



The Bronze Braille Flag is a remarkable addition to the monuters of the American Revolution (NSDAR) recently initiated a ded- ment section of DFW National Cemetery. It is a unique flag, quite distinct from the traditional cloth flags we are accustomed to. Made of bronze and mounted on a post in the ground, it displays the Stars and Stripes design raised on the bronze, enabling blind individuals making it a symbol of inclusivity.

> The American Braille Flag Project, is on a mission to ensure that tactile American Braille Flags are placed in VA facilities visited by blind veterans and in other memorial structures, cemeteries, schools, and libraries, allowing blind students and citizens to experience and understand the American flag through touch.

> The original Flash Bronze Braille tactile flag is a testament to the dedication of this project. It serves not only blind Americans but also as a teaching aid for instructing blind students. It is a representation of the American flag that can be touched, felt, and learned from.





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Three Day Weekend Forecast



Friday, Nov. 3:

<u>AM</u> - Sunny, with a high near 70. South wind 5 to 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph. <u>PM</u> - Mostly clear, with a low around 52. South southeast wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.



Saturday, Nov. 4:

<u>AM</u> - Mostly sunny, with a high near 73. South wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.. <u>PM</u> - Mostly clear, with a low around 57. South wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.



Sunday, Nov. 5:

<u>AM</u> - Mostly sunny, with a high near 76. South wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph. <u>PM</u> - Mostly clear, with a low around 62.

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