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NEWS NOTES

NOV. 12, SAT. Health Fest and Turkey Giveaway

Equality Health Foundation holds its 2nd Healthy Fall Festival and Turkey Giveaway Saturday, November 12, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Davis High School.

The Healthy Fall Festival is a drive-thru community celebration designed to safely kick off the holiday season. Included will be health education and community resources, a Healthy Bag Giveaway, and 1,000 frozen turkeys, while supplies last.

NOV. 14, MON. TCEQ Meeting on Concrete Plants

TCEQ will be conducting a stakeholder meeting at East Aldine offices on Monday, Nov. 14th at 7PM. During this meeting TCEQ staff will gather informal public input for the proposed amendment to the Concrete Batch Plant standard permit. This meeting will only gather informal comments from the public—a later proposed meeting will take place for formal comments.

East Aldine celebrates Dia de los Muertos

EAST ALDINE – The Day of the Dead, Dia De Los Muertos, came to life at the Town Center all day last Saturday, October 29 when families gathered to honor their departed and look to the future.

Sponsored by the East Aldine District, the event featured sacred altars to remember loved ones. In addition there was music and dancing, hay rides and a pumpkin patch, face painting, food, fun, and prizes.

The Day of the Dead (Spanish: Día de los Muertos) is a holiday traditionally celebrated on November 1 and 2, though other days, such as October 31 or November 6, may be included depending on the locality. It is widely observed in Mexico, where

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CARVER HS DANCERS IN THE PUMPKIN PATCH



HARRIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ALTAR



HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY CORPS ALTAR

Pct. 2 opens Mental Health Services POD in Aldine



Harris County Precinct 2 Commissioner Adrian Garcia announces the opening of a Mental Health Services POD, seen in back. Also at right is another health POD for medical services. Both are located at the Community Center on Bentley.

Access2Health Smart Pod is the third mobile clinic to open in Precinct 2

Harris County, TX — Monday, October 31, 2022 – Commissioner Garcia was joined by Baylor College of Medicine, Catholic Charities, and The Harris Center to celebrate the ribbon cutting for the third ACCESS2HEALTH Smart

Pod in Precinct 2. The Smart Pod will bring mental health services to the community regardless of ability to pay. The event took place at 2:30 p.m.

Officials at the Ribbon Cutting were Commissioner Adrian Garcia; Dr. Sharmila Anandasabapathy, Baylor College of Medicine; Cynthia Colbert, Catholic Charities; Con-

gresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee; and Wayne Young, The Harris Center. The Ribbon Cutting Ceremony took place Monday, October 31, 2022, 2:30 p.m. at the Northeast Community Center parking lot at 10918 Bentley, Houston, Tx 77093.

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FOOTBALL SEASON WEEK 11: UT, Sarkisian look for program-changing win at No. 7 TCU: Surging Cowboys head to GB to face struggling Packers

College teams are beginning their home stretch as a handful of hopefuls jockey to be one of four teams that receive College Football Playoff (CFP) berths, while in the NFL teams that many thought would be in rebuild mode (Atlanta, Seattle, the New York Giants and Minnesota) are leading their respective divisions and are gaining momentum week by week.

The University of Texas and second-year head coach Steve Sarkisian are looking for a program-changing win when they face No. 7-ranked TCU on Saturday afternoon in Austin. Much was expected of UT this year after finishing 5-7 in Sark's first year at the 40 Acres, but they entered their bye week two weeks ago at 5-3 and played at pesky Kansas State (a 48-0 winner over Oklahoma State two weeks ago) last weekend. There's a good chance the Longhorns enter their game against the Horned Frogs at 5-4, which has to have



some UT loyalists wondering if Sarkisian is the right man for the job and to take Texas into the SEC in a year or two.

The Horned frogs are no joke and have a high-powered offense led by QB Max Duggan. They picked up a gritty road win two weeks ago when they outscored West Virginia 41-31 to move to 8-0 on the season. They should be 9-0 when they face UT considering they hosted Texas Tech last Saturday in Fort Worth (the Red Raiders celebrated putting former Tech QB Patrick Mahomes in their Hall of Honor by laying an egg enroute to a 45-17 thumping by Baylor).

While Texas looks to pull off

the upset, there's a good one on tap in the SEC as No. 6-ranked Alabama visits No. 11-ranked Mississippi and their fast-talking head coach Lane Kiffin. Kiffin served as Nick Saban's offensive coordinator before leaving for the job in Oxford and the young protege would like nothing more than to stick it to his mentor on Saturday night.

In the NFL, the hapless Texans travel to New Jersey to take on one of those surprise teams when they face the Giants in the Meadowlands. Two weeks ago, the Giants suffered

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Green Forest Civic Club
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The Green Forest Civic Club will host elections for its Board of Directors at its monthly meeting on November 29, 2022 at 6:30 PM which will be held at the East Aldine District Offices located at 2909 E. Aldine Amphitheatre Dr. Houston TX. 77093.

To be eligible to run for a position or vote in the election, a person must be a paid up member of the civic club and live within the boundaries of the East Aldine District.

For more information please contact Civic Club President, Ruben A. Salazar, at (713) 569-8305 or rubensalazar03302001@gmail.com

Pctl 2 opens Mental Health Services POD in Aldine,

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Cutting the ribbon to open the health POD were Pct. 2 Commissioner Adrian Garcia, Dr. Sharmila Anandasabapathy, Baylor College of Medicine; Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee; and Wayne Young, The Harris Center.

About the ACCESS2 HEALTH Smart Pods: When taking office in January 2019, Commissioner Adrian Garcia made it one of his top priorities to ensure everyone, regardless of their socio-economic status, had access to health-care. His team immediately got to work to find medical partners who would be willing to join in and make this vision come to life. Baylor Medical College proudly stepped up to the plate. Together, they

have brought 3 mobile clinics to Precinct 2, now known as the Access2Health Smart Pods. What is a Smart Pod? A Smart Pod is a mobile clinic containing innovative technology that allows healthcare professionals to treat patients with a severe common cold all the way to a highly infectious disease without risk of additional spread. The Smart Pods are also unique in their ability to fold up and

be moved to other locations as needed via truck or even helicopter. Smart Pods were designed and trademarked by Baylor College of Medicine with the help of NASA engineers. FACT: The original Smart Pod was invented by Baylor Dr. Sharmila Anandasabapathy for the Ebola outbreak. It was entered into a contest from USAID and was chosen to be developed for treatment for infectious diseases in Africa.

COMMUNITY WATCH

Fatal Shooting at 251 West Parker Road

Houston police are investigating the fatal shooting of a man at 251 West Parker Road about 6:35 p.m. on Saturday (Oct. 29).

The identity of the victim, 20, is pending verification by the Harris County Institute of Forensic Sciences.

HPD Homicide Division Detective K. Persad reported:

Officers were dispatched to a shooting call at the gas station at the above address and found the victim with multiple gunshot wounds. Witnesses stated the victim was shot and then run over by the suspect in a silver sedan. Paramedics transported the victim to Ben Taub General Hospital where he was pronounced deceased.

Detectives learned the suspect had an argument with his girlfriend earlier in the day and took the girlfriend's vehicle. The girlfriend later located her vehicle at the gas station where she and the victim confronted the suspect. The argument escalated into the shooting.

Anyone with information in this case is urged to contact the HPD Homicide Division at 713-308-3600 or speak anonymously with Crime Stoppers at 713-222-TIPS.

Two Men charged In Murder Of Local Store Owner, suspect sought

Investigators have charged Chianti Johnson (09-15-77) and Jamil Johnson (07-27-04) with capital murder in the death of a store owner.

Investigators have also charged Adrian R Brooks, 42, who is still outstanding on the capital murder warrant.

On Saturday, March 19th, 2022, at approximately 7:00 p.m., Harris County Sheriff's Office patrol units responded to the Newly Acquired Wealth and Fashion (NAWF) store located at 12726 North Freeway in reference to an Aggravated Robbery in which a store employee had been shot.

Deputies located the complainant, 33-year-old Matthew Archfield, with several gunshot wounds, including a gunshot wound to the head.

Archfield was initially transported to the hospital in serious condition, On March 23rd, 2022, Archfield was removed from life support and pronounced deceased.

Anyone with information on the whereabouts of Adrian R Brooks or information about the incident is asked to contact the Sheriff's Office Homicide Unit or Crime Stoppers may pay up to \$5,000 for information leading to the charging and/or arrest of the suspects in this case. Information may be reported by calling 713-222-TIPS (8477), submitted online at www.crimestoppers.org or through the Crime Stoppers mobile app. Only tips and calls DIRECTLY TO Crime Stoppers are anonymous and eligible for a cash reward.



ADRIAN R BROOKS

HIGH MEADOWS LIBRARY NEWS

DINOVEMBER IS HERE!
Dinovember is a month long celebration of Dinosaurs taking over! They will be coming to High Meadows and we have a variety of activities planned. Join us for special crafts, story times, games and more! Stop by today to pick up a calendar of events.

ROBLOX TOURNAMENT:
Our next Roblox tournament will be on Friday, November 18th at 3:15pm and we will have two tournaments; one for teens and one for tweens. Call us to register today!

FRIENDS OF HIGH MEADOWS MEETING:
Interested in helping out with your local library but not sure how? Join our Friends group and find ways that you can serve the community. Our next meeting is Monday, November 7th at 5:30pm.

FAMILY TIME:
Every Saturday at 1pm is Family Time at High Meadows. Join us for a new building craft. All supplies provided.

COMPUTER CLASSES:
We offer a variety of computer classes in English & Spanish. Stop by today and register for a

class that best fits your needs.
THE ART THING FOR TEENS:
Every Wednesday at 3pm, we channel our creativity through different art projects. This program is for teens/young adults looking to make quick and incredible pieces of art!

OTAKU OUTPOST:
Otaku Outpost has moved to Tuesdays at 3pm. Celebrate all things manga and anime with our weekly club!

ADULTING 101:
Every Thursday at 3pm, we will offer an Adulting class for teens. Join us to learn about important life skills.

HOOKED AND NEEDLED KNIT AND CROCHET CLUB:
Join us on Saturday, November 12th at 12pm for our knit and crochet club. We will learn new projects together or you can bring your own project to work on. Some supplies provided.

PINT-SIZED SCIENTIST:
Explore the world of science in this new program. Every Tuesday at 4:30pm.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:
We are in search of volunteers to help us with a variety of projects from

shelving to teaching literacy classes. If you are interested in volunteering, please email Jennifer at jennifer.nandlal@hcpl.net.

GRADCAFÉ:
Every Tuesday we will have representatives from GRADcafé at the High Meadows Library. GRADcafé is a one-stop-shop offering free services to help you decide on a career, explore education and training options, apply to college, and find the financial aid you need. Whether you want to attend college to get a degree or work on a certificate in a professional trade, we are here to guide you through every step. You're never too young or old to get started. Services are available in English or Spanish.

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Join us back in the library for story time in English and Spanish **Wednesdays at 10:30am!**

GROWING READERS
Bring your little ones for some engaging story time, songs, and fun activities **Mondays at 11am.**

TEEN THURSDAYS
Teen Thursdays are back! Join us on **Thursday afternoons** starting at **3:30pm**. Drop on in!

KID'S CLUB
It's the club for kids where there is always a fun activity just for them. Wednesday, Nov. 9 at 4:30pm.

COMPUTER CLASSES
In addition to our on-line computer classes in both English and Spanish we will now be offering computer classes in person at the library. If you want to participate, **call us to register: 832-927-5410.**

Tuesdays: various basic to pics (Spanish computer class), 5-7pm, at the library
Wednesdays: Beginner Computer Class (En-

glish), 1:30pm, at the library Beyond the Basics with Office 365 plus Google Apps, (English computer class), 5-7pm, online
Thursdays: various basic topics (Spanish computer class), 5-7pm, at the library

PASSPORT SERVICES
Do have plans to travel out of the country soon? Get on the ball and make sure you get your passport in order NOW! You can make an appointment for passport services at Aldine Branch - <https://www.hcpl.net/services/passport-services>

We have **new passport hours** - Mondays and Wednesdays 12pm - 5pm; Tuesdays and Thursdays 12pm - 7pm; Saturdays 10am - 12pm and 2pm - 4pm. We also have walk-in service from 2-4pm on Fridays on a first come first served basis. Those wishing to get a passport executed must have all necessary documents and required people present with them.

CALL FOR LITERACY TUTORS
Would you like to be a part of making an impact on people's lives? If you are interested in becoming a literacy tutor at the Aldi-

ne Branch Library, we want to talk to you! We are looking for volunteers to teach English language classes in person and virtually. **Call 832-927-5410 or email for info: ald@hcpl.net**

ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
Do you need to earn volunteer hours or are just looking for a meaningful way to spend your time? Volunteer at the library! Pick up an application at the Aldine Branch Library or **call 832-927-5410.**

E-NEWSLETTER
Sign up to get our newsletter delivered straight to your mailbox each month! **<http://eepurl.com/h3wOXH>**

We will close at 5pm Wednesday, Nov. 23 and be closed Nov. 24 - 26. We will re-open Monday, Nov. 28 at 11am.

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SCHOOL NEWS PAGE

District Administrative Staff Hold ‘Día de los Muertos’ Celebration



On November 2, the district’s Donaldson Administrative Building staff celebrated Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead). This festive, social occasion developed from ancient traditions of the Aztecs and welcomes the return of those who have died and recognizes the cycles of life and death. The holiday was developed mainly in Mexico. However, it is observed in other places. Día de los Muertos focuses on remembering deceased family members and friends.

The Family and Community Engagement Department coordinated the effort to create an ofrenda or altar with images of family and friends that have died. Traditionally, the ofrenda includes for main elements — earth, wind, water, and fire. The ofrendas also have offerings like the deceased’s favorite foods, beverages, and memorabilia. They also provided Mexican pastries and coffee for the staff to enjoy. Staff who would like to take part are encouraged to bring their photos to the Family and Community Engagement Office by Tuesday, November 1. FACE will create an ofrenda to showcase on Wednesday, November 2.

Origins of Day of the Dead

The idea of celebrating loved ones who have passed comes from the traditions of the native peoples, such as the Aztecs, Mayans, Olmecs, and Toltecs, of what is now Mexico and Central America. Traditions among different groups varied, but all shared the concept of an afterlife. They believed that life and death were part of nature’s cycle.

When Spanish conquistadors arrived in Mexico in the 16th century, they brought their faith, including All Saints Day and All Souls Day celebrations. The current Day of the Dead celebrations developed from intermingling indigenous and Spanish priests’ traditions.

Day of the Dead Today

Today, November 1, is dedicated to honoring the children who have died and is often called Día de los angelitos or Day of the Little Angels. November 2 is reserved to honor the adults who have passed.



Key Words

Ofrenda — altar; ofrendas light the way home
Calaveras — skulls; symbolize death and rebirth
Calacas — skeletal figurines
La catrina — a stately female skeleton in a flowered hat and long dress
compasuchil — a type of marigold flower
Papel picado — colorful,



artfully cut pieces of crepe paper
Pan de muertos — special bread representing the souls of the dead
Incense = represents the changing of the physical to the spiritual
Salt and water represent ongoing life
Candles represent light, faith, and hope
Fresh flowers, especially marigolds, represent the fleetingness of life
Monarch butterflies were believed to be the souls of the departed journeying back to the land of the living
Alebríjes are brightly colored Mexican folk art sculptures of fantastical (fantasy/mythical) creatures.

Families gather to prepare for the holiday several days in advance in Mexico, Central America, South America, and places where the Día de los Muertos is observed. Preparations first include cleaning the gravesite of loved ones and cleaning the home.

They will then prepare their favorite foods, such as and (pan de muertos o bread of the dead). There is an ofrenda decorated with flowers, photos of deceased family members, and offerings for the dead in many homes. Family members will also decorate and place offerings for the dead at their gravesites. They believe that the spirits of their deceased relatives will visit on the Day of the Dead because the offerings entice them to return. Some families will spend most of the night in the cemetery singing and eating to celebrate the spiritual return of their loved ones.

Most festivals feature calaveras, which once symbolized death and rebirth to the ancient people. Calaveras are often made of sugar or clay. In towns and cities throughout Mexico, revelers don makeup and costumes to look like calaveras or skeletons in fancy dresses called catrinas and hold parades and parties. In some Día De Los Muertos regional celebrations, people wear wooden skull masks called calacas and dance to honor their deceased relatives.

Día de los Muertos is an explosion of color and life-affirming joy. Día de los Muertos is about remembering loved ones — family members and friends — that have passed and demonstrating love and respect for them.

Aldine Police Department Officer Works to Combat Catalytic Converter Thefts



In 2022, Houston and the surrounding areas saw a rise in catalytic converter thefts. Aldine ISD Police Officer Ariel Holliday, a community outreach officer, wanted to assist the community by hosting a catalytic converter painting event.

Holliday partnered with multiple AISD schools to paint the catalytic converters free for citizens in the Aldine ISD area. Many students

volunteered to assist the community as well.

Holliday has hosted four “Stop the Hurt, Paint the Convert” events. The latest event was held at Davis High School on Saturday, October 29, 2022, servicing 45 vehicles. A total of 179 have had their converters painted and had the last eight numbers of the vehicle’s VIN into the catalytic converters.



AISDPD Officer Ariel Holliday poses with a student during a community event.

Students Show Their Acting Skills at Aldine’s TheatreFest



Eisenhower HS Students

At the 2022 TheatreFest held at Carver High School in October, over 300 middle and high school students from across Aldine ISD competed in categories ranging from solo and group acting performances to technical theatre design categories. The highest ranking a student could receive is a Superior rating.

Medals for Superior Rating



Monologues HS
Jocelyn Bonds — Nimitz HS (Mainstage Performer)
Aja White — Carver HS (Mainstage Performer)
Traylee Ashley — Carver HS (Mainstage Performer)
Courtney Hubert — Carver HS (Mainstage Performer)
Trinity Jones — Carver HS (Mainstage Performer)

Karen Singleton — Davis HS
Devin Spearman — Carver HS
Bailey Day — Carver HS
Oriana Willis — Carver HS
Chacen Cloud — Nimitz HS
Jarian Denson — Eisenhower HS

Monologues MS
Seriayah Harris — Plummer MS (Mainstage Performer)
Jonathan Davis — Plummer MS
Isabel Escobar Phan — García MS

Duet Acting HS

Shyloh Green & Krysta Thierry — Carver HS (Mainstage Performer)
Aniya Webster & Victor Gonzalez — Carver HS (Mainstage Performer)
Genesis Maradiaga and Mariana Espinosa — Aldine HS (Mainstage Performer)

Jayda Macias & William Sifuentes — Eisenhower
Ninth Daniel Thomas & Tiara Rogers — Carver HS
Tiana Jones & Amariah Woodard — Carver HS
Sannia Bell & Nyia Kelly — Carver HS
Jimmy Rodriguez & Christian Olvera — Davis HS
Brenda Lozano & Fatima Marquez — Davis HS
Eva Andrade & Brandon Lozano — Davis HS
Sofia (Forrest) Zirkle & Jacquelyn Klay — Nimitz HS



Duet Acting MS & Intermediate

Jonas Guevara and Hunter Felker — Lewis MS
Adriana Cooper & Madison McDonald — Houston Academy
Anvella Robles & Luz Venegas — Hambrick MS
Kimberly Rodriguez & Jamarion Jordan — García MS
Taryn Thomas & Deaira White — Houston Academy

Theatre Marketing-

High School
Shayla Rich — Eisenhower
HSCatherine Duran — Eisenhower HS
Group Acting-HS

Aja White, Amayah Watson, Bailey Day & Kennadie Amos — Carver (Mainstage Performer)
La’Star Breaux-Citizen, Brianna Emilen, Haley Griffin, Raven Washington — Davis HS

Group Acting-Intermediate & Middle School

Jeremiah Jones, Londyn Morris, Eric Reynolds, Bryan Butler & Sydnee Jones — Houston Academy (Mainstage Performer)
Kimberly Rodriguez & Jamarion Jordan — García MS

Costume Design-High School

Gabriella Villafana-Eisenhower HS
Kyndalyn Lee- Carver HS

Musical-High School
Morgan Childs, Tyler Brantley, Anisal Ali, Desmond Hampton, Tatiana Smith, April Guzman, Lee Fransaw, Camron Lettries — Carver HS (Mainstage Performer)
Majesty LeDet — Carver HS
Aniya Webster & Victor Gonzalez — Carver HS

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OPINION

By Joseph Reagan,
Wreaths Across America

Gunther, Havlat, Knauss,
and Veterans Day

By Joseph Reagan, Director of Military and Veterans Outreach for Wreaths Across America and Afghanistan Veteran.

COLUMBIA FALLS, ME. — October 28, 2022 — The 11th hour has become synonymous with Veterans Day, originally called Armistice day, in recognition of the document signed at the 11th hour, or the 11th day, of the 11th month. In reality, the Armistice ending the war to end all wars was signed around 5 am on November 11th. Over the course of the next 6 hours, nearly 3,000 men would lose their lives in the final hours of a war that had already claimed the lives of 20 million military personnel. The final death of WW1 came at 10:59 am one minute before the guns of war would fall silent.

Private Henry Gunther was a German-American drafted in the fall of 1917; most accounts state that his final actions were motivated by Gunther's need to demonstrate that he was "courageous and all-American." A chaplain from Gunther's unit recounted, "As 11 a.m. approached, Gunther suddenly rose with his rifle and ran through thick fog. His men shouted for him to stop. So did the Germans. But Gunther kept running and firing. One machine gun blast later, he was dead. His death was recorded at 10:59 a.m.

In every conflict, inevitably a final service member pays the ultimate sacrifice. In World War II, Private Charlie Havlat, the son of Czech immigrants, in the closing days of the war, found himself liberating his parents' former homeland – word of the cease-fire reached his position minutes after he was killed. Officially, the U.S. has never declared a final casualty in the Korean War; since the armistice was signed, nearly 100 U.S. Soldiers have been killed in combat on the Korean peninsula. On April 29, 1975, Charles McMahon and Darwin Judge were two of a small number of Marines tasked with safeguarding the U.S. Embassy in Saigon. They had been deployed for only 11 days when they were killed by a rocket attack. The U.S. would complete the process of withdrawing from Saigon the following day. Staff Sergeant Ryan Knauss was the last of the 2,461 Service Members who died in Afghanistan; he along with 12 of his comrades was killed in a suicide attack during the withdrawal from Kabul.

In every war, there is always one that must fill the dignified but dubious role in history as being the last to give the full measure of devotion. Each year on the 11th day of the 11th month as a nation we pause, not only to honor those that have given their lives but for all those who believed so deeply in American exceptionalism that they were willing to give their lives to defend it. For most Americans talking about war is conceptual, something learned through history books, news reports, and movies – those that have served do not have that luxury. Not only should we remember that the democratic principles we hold so dear have been defended by generations of Americans whom we honor on Veterans Day, but more importantly we should take inspiration from that sacrifice. Our country, despite all our self-imposed differences, needs to look to our Veterans and see that there are no divisions in a foxhole – there are only those who stand in defense of democracy and those who stand against it.

While we may only celebrate Veterans Day with a few moments of silence each year, we have an opportunity to use those moments to find our own way to serve as part of our commitment to living up to the legacy of our Veterans. When the Armistice was signed in 1918 when the Japanese surrendered, and when the last flights departed Kabul and Saigon – these were not simply endings – they were new beginnings. We honor those who serve by recommitting ourselves to making the sacrifices necessary to preserve our way of life.

As Adlai Stevenson once stated, "Patriotism is not short, frenzied outbursts of emotion, but the tranquil and steady dedication of a lifetime." Let this Veterans Day be a new beginning. Go forth and find a way to serve, our nation, our communities, and each other – we owe it to our Veterans.

Joseph Reagan is the Director of Military and Veterans Outreach for Wreaths Across America. He has over 10 years' experience working with leaders within Government, non-profit, and Fortune 500 companies to develop sustainable strategies supporting National Security, and Veterans Health. He served 8 years on active duty as an officer in the U.S. Army including two tours to Afghanistan with the 10th Mountain Division. He is a graduate of Norwich University, the oldest private military college in the country.

About Wreaths Across America
Wreaths Across America is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization founded to continue and expand the annual wreath-laying ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery begun by Maine businessman Morrill Worcester in 1992. The organization's mission – Remember, Honor, Teach – is carried out in part each year by coordinating wreath-laying ceremonies in December at Arlington, as well as at thousands of veterans' cemeteries and other locations in all 50 states and beyond.



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STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

By Gary Borders



Early Voting Ends Friday;
Election is Tuesday, Nov. 8

Early voting for the general election ends on Friday, Nov. 4, with the closely watched governor's race pitting incumbent Gov. Greg Abbott against challenger Beto O' Rourke headlining the ballot. A number of other statewide races are on the ballot, including lieutenant governor, attorney general, land commissioner, agriculture commissioner and comptroller.

Voters can find polling places in their county by visiting [VoteTexas.gov](https://www.vote-texas.gov). Those voting early can visit any location in the county in which they're registered. However, those who choose to vote on Election Day must go to the specific precinct in which they live.

DPS DIRECTOR SAYS HE
WON'T RESIGN

Texas Department of Public Safety Director Steve McCraw is fending off calls for his resignation in light of his department's handling of the mass shooting at Robb Elementary in Uvalde last May, in which 19 students and two teachers died. However, McCraw said "every responding officer needs to be accountable for their actions," according to the Austin American-Statesman. The Texas Rangers, an arm of the DPS, reportedly are investigating several troopers among the 90 who were on the scene. DPS Sgt. Juan Maldonado was fired recently for his role in the shooting response.

As the Statesman reported, officers from multiple law enforcement agencies delayed confronting the gunman for 77 minutes even as those trapped inside called for help.

McCraw said the Rangers' investigation will be complete by year's end.

REPORT CARD: TEXAS
STUDENTS LAG IN MATH

Like students across the country, students in Texas are struggling to recover from learning losses stemming from the pandemic, particularly in math, the Nation's Report Card indicates. Officially called the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), the test is administered in reading and math



for a sample of students in 4th and 8th grade roughly every two years, according to the Texas Education Agency.

The bright side appears to be that students in Texas showed more progress than most in their academic recovery, TEA reported. Reading scores for Texas students are not statistically different than in 2019, the last time the test was administered – and before the pandemic struck. However, math scores are significantly lower than they were in 2019.

"Results from the 2022 Nation's Report Card highlight the hard work of Texas teachers and students. While we are largely recovering from the effects of the pandemic in reading, much work remains in math," said Texas Education Commissioner Mike Morath.

STATEWIDE VETERANS'
HIRING EVENT

Texas veterans, service members and their spouses are invited to participate in this year's Hiring Red, White & You! statewide hiring event, which began Nov. 1 and runs through Nov. 18 with in-person and virtual events across the state.

Hosted by the Texas Workforce Commission, along with workforce development boards and other agencies, the hiring fair connects veterans, transitioning service members and spouses with Texas employers seeking their skills and experience. The state is home to more than 1.7 million veterans and current military members.

Employers who hire veterans could be eligible for a tax credit of up to \$9,600. The event in the

past 10 years has worked with more than 20,000 employers, connected more than 144,000 job seekers to job opportunities, and helped facilitate 3,198 same-day hires.

The events are free. Job seekers can find more details at [twc.texas.gov/hiring-red-white-you](https://www.twc.texas.gov/hiring-red-white-you).

AGRICULTURE STILL
SIGNIFICANT ECONOMIC
DRIVER

While the state's large cities are experiencing considerable population growth, agriculture continues to be a big part of the Texas economy. Farming and ranching operations can be found in every part of the state – citrus crops in the Rio Grande Valley, cotton in the High Plains, rice paddies in the Coastal Plains, cattle ranches in West Texas and timber in East Texas.

The state comptroller's office reported nearly \$25 billion in cash receipts in 2021 from the Texas agricultural industry, the fourth-highest among all states – trailing only California, Iowa and Nebraska. The U.S. Department of Agriculture reports the state has 247,000 farms (ranches are considered a type of farm), more than double the next two states, Missouri and Iowa.

Cattle represent the state's top ag commodity, with 40.4% of the cash receipts generated. The top three commodities are cattle, dairy and poultry, according to USDA.

DRY WEATHER TEMPER
DEER SEASON
EXPECTATIONS

Dry weather throughout much of the state as deer season approaches is tempering expectations for the general white-tailed deer season, which begins Saturday, Nov. 5.

"A number of hunters and landowners report seeing lots of deer, especially younger deer," said Alan Cain of the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department. "Part of that is a result of good fawn crops the last couple of years, so there's more bucks in those younger age classes relative to bucks in that four- to six-year-old range. As we move into November and closer to the rut, those older bucks should increase movement activities in search of does, hopefully presenting an opportunity for a lucky hunter."

Drought impacts on deer habitats have adversely affected antler quality, Cain added.

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THE
POSTSCRIPT

By
Carrie Classon

Rushing the
Season

My husband, Peter, says they are rushing the season. I'm not sure who "they" are. The Christmas Cartel, perhaps. The vast conspiracy of premature holiday merrymakers. Whoever they are, Peter does not approve.

And he does have a point. There are still life-size skeletons scaling the walls of a huge brick house I walk by every day. The remains of jack-o'-lanterns are still sitting on the stoops—although the squirrels have eaten off most of their faces, making them much scarier than they were to begin with.

"What are you doing?" I ask a gray squirrel, caught in the act.

"What do you care?" she answers, cheeks full of pumpkin. "It's almost Thanksgiving."

"Thanksgiving is a month away!"

Meanwhile, the first red and green lights have appeared, Holiday Festival posters are springing up in the lawns, and I have already found myself humming snatches of Christmas tunes that I picked up from an open shop door.

Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas all pile on top of one another in a way that Peter finds annoying. I am more open-minded. It's a confusing time of year, after all.

My mother tells me that, up north, the adult loons have all migrated, leaving their children behind. Apparently, young loons are not old enough to make the flight, and so they are left behind for a few weeks to mature and figure things out on their own. I expect a new parenting style, "Loon Parenting," to become all the rage sometime in the very near future.

The young loons are left by themselves, looking a little bewildered and forlorn. Although I might be imagining that part. Perhaps they are relieved the older loons have finally left them in peace. "Yes, Mom, I can make it to the Gulf of Mexico without your help!" (eye-roll)

How would I know? At any rate, they are left behind in this, the most unpredictable time of the year, when it feels like summer one day and requires a puff jacket and mittens the next. I can understand why people might just throw up their hands, let the squirrel finish off the jack-o'-lantern, start making pumpkin pie and play Christmas songs.

I always feel restless this time of year. I see those older loons—and older humans—heading south, leaving the younger loons and younger humans behind, and I understand the need for motion. Fall is a time of change, and a lot of those changes happen fast.

The wind picks up, and it doesn't feel like it's from around here. It feels like it has come from somewhere far away. It offers the suggestion of new surroundings, new emotions, new experiences. Every day, I walk through the piles of leaves and wonder what this fall will bring, what that new wind is carrying with it. I remember myself as a younger human, watching the birds overhead flying south, and wondering where they were going and why I wasn't going with them.

Peter and I, now being older humans, will be heading south in a little while. Peter is working on his packing list. I am, too—but only in my head.

I'm packing up new ideas and things I'd like to do and putting them in my carry-on so I can pull them out in an instant. I'm putting into storage some of the judgments and opinions I've been hanging onto for too long. I'm imagining how it would feel to be as bright and fearless as the maple tree in the autumn of its life.

Peter would probably say I'm rushing the season.

Till next time,
Carrie
Photos from the column and other fun stuff can be found at [CarrieClasson.com](https://www.CarrieClasson.com).

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Dia de los Muertos at East Aldine,

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it largely developed, and is also observed in other places, especially by people of Mexican heritage. Although related to the simultaneous Christian remembrances for Halloween, it has a much less solemn tone and is por-

trayed as a holiday of joyful celebration rather than mourning. The multi-day holiday involves family and friends gathering to pay respects and to remember friends and family members who have died.



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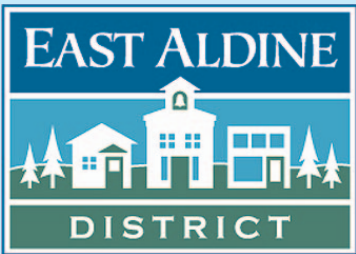


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East Aldine District
COMMUNITY NEWS

Clínica médica llega para atender hispanos de la tercera edad

SEE ENGLISH LANGUAGE VERSION ON PAGE 3

East Aldine abrirá una clínica médica y centro comunitario con tecnología punta diseñada para los residentes hispanos de la tercera edad. Suvida Neighborhood Center and Clinic, que es bilingüe, ubicada en 2505 Aldine Mail Route Road, está solo a unos pasos del Town Center del East Aldine Management District. El desarrollo de negocios a lo largo del corredor se ha incrementado ahora que el Town Center ha impulsado los servicios, actividades e iniciativas de seguridad pública para la comunidad.

La clínica traerá alrededor de 50 empleos al vecindario, que incluyen trabajadores comunitarios especialmente entrenados, conocidos como guías, quienes asistirán a los pacientes y a sus familias con una atención médica completamente integrada.

(Consulte a continuación para obtener información sobre la sesión de puertas abiertas de la clínica el sábado 5 de noviembre).

Suvida, fundada en 2021, está construyendo tres clínicas de este tipo en el área de Houston y una en el área de Austin con un enfoque en la población hispana de adultos mayores, debido a que es el “grupo de más rápido crecimiento” en Texas, dijo el director médico, el doctor Adolfo Ordóñez.

De acuerdo con el Censo de 2020, entre los 29.1 millones de residentes en Texas hay 875,000 hispanos mayores de 60 años. La Oficina del Censo de EE. UU. estima que los 4.63 millones de hispanos estadounidenses mayores de 65 años a nivel nacional, se duplicarán para el año 2030.

El centro de Suvida en East Aldine será el centro insignia en el área de Houston, dijo Ordóñez.

“Queremos crear un modelo al que nuestros pacientes que son adultos mayores vengan y digan: ‘aquí sentimos el cariño’. Queremos que sea de lo mejor, para que podamos hacer una diferencia en la salud y en la vida de toda la comunidad”.

El centro contará con un área de espera espaciosa, cómoda y bien



DR. ORDÓÑEZ



SUVIDA CLINIC'S NEW BUILDING ON ALDINE MAIL ROUTE.

iluminada, con una barra para café, cuartos privados para tratamiento, y un cuarto comunitario para clases y reuniones.

“Nuestro principal enfoque es en (...) aquellas personas que han vivido lo suficiente para obtener su tarjeta roja, blanca y azul de Medicare”, dijo Ordóñez. “Nuestra meta es ser una clínica hispana orientada a la comunidad”.

Ordóñez, originario de Guatemala, ha ejercido la medicina en el área de Houston por 12 años. En la clínica Suvida de East Aldine lo acompañarán otros cinco doctores en medicina, y un equipo que incluirá un farmacéuta clínico, terapeutas físicos y guías.

“Estamos construyendo un lugar en donde las familias dirán: ‘queremos traer a nuestros familiares aquí’”, explicó.

Para promover ese entorno, el centro Suvida patrocinará actividades grupales como “noche de lotería”, para que los cuidadores puedan dejar a sus parientes ancianos durante la noche.

Los trabajadores de salud comunitaria darán seguimiento con los pacientes para respaldar sus planes de tratamiento.

“Los problemas de salud que son prevalentes en la comunidad hispana incluyen la diabetes, el colesterol alto y los problemas respiratorios”, dijo Ordóñez. “El principal problema justo ahora puede ser el acceso a la atención de salud”.

Algunos de estos problemas de salud “pueden haber estado avanzando por décadas”, así que seguir un plan de tratamiento orientado al estilo de vida, puede jugar un rol crucial para una mejor salud, agregó.

“A todos les encanta la comida mexicana, así que tal vez podemos empezar con los alimentos que consumimos como personas jóvenes y hacer ajustes más saludables”, indicó Ordóñez. “Nuestro equipo nutricional está dispuesto a ayudarles a continuar disfrutando de los sabores que les encantan de una forma más saludable, o simplemente ajustando la cantidad”.

La clínica motivará a los cuidadores a que asistan a las citas con los médicos y a que trabajen con los trabajadores de salud comunitaria.

“Incluso tendremos visitas domiciliarias, para asegurarnos de que la insulina esté en el refrigerador. O de que tengan un refrigerador”, señaló Ordóñez.

Algunos hispanos de la tercera edad “posiblemente tuvieron que salir de sus países sin ningún otro familiar”, indicó, así que podrían encontrarse en situaciones vulnerables.

Suvida se asociará con bancos de comida locales para garantizar que los pacientes tengan amplia nutrición, señaló el director médico.

La Fiesta Suvida es un evento público gratuito que tendrá lugar el 5 de noviembre de 2 a 5 p. m. Los participantes recibirán frutas y vegetales de un mercado de agricultores y disfrutarán de comida, música de mariachi, juegos, premios y más.

Visite <https://www.suvidahealthcare.com/>, llame al 888-478-8432 (888-4SU-VIDA), o al correo electrónico info@suvidahealthcare.com para obtener más información.


— Por Anne Marie Kilday

CHURCH PAGE

BIBLE TRIVIA

By Wilson Casey —

1. Is the book of Job in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. What did the crowds repeat during Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem? Hallelujah, Hosanna, Amen, Messiah
3. From Mark 7, what did Jesus put into the deaf man's ear, healing him? Mud, Straw, Finger, Light
4. Upon which mountain did Abraham offer to sacrifice

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PSALM 37:1,2

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his son Isaac? Moriah, Aravat, Hor, Seir
5. In Acts 13:8 who/what was Elymas? River, Fisherman, Sorcerer, Well
6. From Ruth 4:13, who was her mate? Samuel, Boaz, Xerxes, Jacob

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FOOTBALL SEASON WEEK 11:
UT, Sarkisian look for program-changing win at No. 7 TCU:
Surging Cowboys head to GB to face struggling Packers

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their second loss of the season when they fell at Seattle (another surprise team) to go to 6-2 on the season heading into their bye week. They should be rested and ready for a Houston team that looked awful two weeks ago in their 17-10 home loss to the Titans.

Texas' other pro team, the Dallas Cowboys, also entered their bye week with a 6-2 record after dispatching Chicago, 49-29. This week, they travel to Green Bay to take on Aaron Rodgers and a Packers team that fell to 3-5 after their Sunday night loss at Buffalo two weeks ago. The Packers passing game has issues and it could be another long afternoon when they face a Dallas team that can flat out bring a lot of heat to the QB. Micah Parsons and Co. have recorded 33 sacks and forced 13 turnovers in their first eight games. Not too shabby.

Other key games in the NFL this week pit the NFC South leaders Atlanta visiting a feisty Carolina team, while Seattle, which is first in the NFC West, visits the struggling Tom Brady and Tampa Bay. Minnesota, the leaders in the NFC North, take their shot against the Buffalo Bills. Good luck. The Sunday Night Football game should be a good one as the Los Angeles Chargers visit the San Francisco 49ers and their new weapon running back Christian McCaffrey. The 49ers traded for McCaffrey in October and in his second game he threw a touchdown pass, rushed for a touchdown and caught a touchdown pass, becoming the first NFL player since Chargers Hall of Fame running back LaDainian Tomlinson had a hattrick in 2005.

Before we take a look at this weekend's schedule, let's review last week's record. A 10-2 week (another solid one!) upped the season record to 70-38 (65%).

Now, onto this week's schedule.

NCAA

TCU at Texas: It's time for the Longhorns to prove they can play with the big boys in the Big 12 and they don't get any bigger than No. 7-ranked TCU. The Horned Frogs have one of the most balanced offenses in the NCAA led by QB Max Duggan (2,212 passing yards, 22 TDs/276 rushing yards, 4 TDs) and a solid running back in Kendre Miller (851 yards, 11 TDs). They also have a big-play wide receiver in Quintin Johnson (42 receptions, 650 yards, 4 TDs). The TCU defense can be moved on and it would behoove UT QB Quinn Ewers (1,139 yards, 11 TDs) to give the Frogs a steady dose of running back Bijan Robinson (920 yards, 13 total TDs). Let Robinson soften up the TCU defense and then Ewers should be able to make plays to speedy wide receiver Xavier Worthy (36 receptions, 510 yards, 7 TDs) and Jordan Whittington. Sarkisian needs a quality win to keep the wolves off of his front door. Something tells me UT gives him it on Saturday. My pick, Texas 34, TCU 31

LSU at Arkansas: These two bitter rivals meet in Fayetteville on Saturday with the Razorbacks looking to put a crimp in first-year LSU head coach Brian Kelly's rebuild project. Kelly has done a nice job in his first year and had the Tigers ranked No. 15 in the country heading into last Saturday's game against Alabama. Kelly inherited a questionable roster, but has LSU winning behind dual-threat QB Jayden Daniels (1,812 passing yards, 10 TDs/524 rushing yards, 9 TDs). Arkansas has a pretty fair dual-threat QB of their own in KJ Jefferson (1,697 passing yards, 15 TDs/399 rushing yards, 6 TDs) and a solid running back in Raheim Sanders (1,041 yards, 7 TDs). Arkansas should be bowl eligible (they hosted Liberty last Saturday) and



KEENEY'S KORNER
By
MIKE KEENEY

would like nothing more than to solidify their bowl destination with a signature win over LSU. My pick, Arkansas 31, LSU 24

Alabama at Mississippi: A key one in the SEC West pits the defending SEC champs against the Rebels as both teams are tied atop the division standings. Two weeks ago, Ole Miss picked up a nice road win with a 31-28 win at Texas A&M, while Alabama enjoyed its bye week and rested and prepared for a late-season run. The Crimson Tide will once again rely on QB Bryce Young (1,906 yards, 18 TDs) and running back Jahmyr Gibbs (672 yards, 6 TDs). Young has found a new target to throw to in speedy wideout Ja'Corey Brooks (21 receptions, 376 yards, 4 TDs). The Rebels have one of the best running teams in the country led by its two-headed rushing attack of Quinshon Judkins (1,036 yards, 13 TDs) and former North Shore star Zach Evans (680 yards, 7 TDs). They have a decent QB in Jaxson Dart (1,912 yards, 7 TDs/472 rushing yards). While they can light it up on offense, the defense is suspect. Look for Saban to take advantage of that suspect defense as Young and Co. light it up in Oxford come Saturday. My pick, Alabama 36, Mississippi 38

NFL

Atlanta at Carolina: Don't look now, but the Atlanta Falcons are sitting atop the NFC South standings. They've done it with steady play at QB behind Marcus Mariota (1,432 passing yards, 10 TDs/220 rushing yards, 2 TDs) and a strong running game. These two teams met two weeks ago in Atlanta with the Falcons winning in OT, 37-34 thanks to a missed field by the Carolina kicker earlier in OT. The Panthers have played better since firing head coach Matt Rhule in early October. The team turned to P.J. Walkers (614 yards, 3 TDs) to run the offense and he's done a nice job. Former Texans running back D'Onta Foreman (273 yards, 3 TDs) rushed for three TDs in the loss to Atlanta. Look for the Panthers to return the favor and pull the upset on Thursday Night Football. My pick, Carolina 26, Atlanta 23

Seattle at Tampa Bay: The NFC West-leading Seahawks travel to Tampa to take on a struggling Bucs team that fell to 3-5 after their home loss to Baltimore two weeks ago. Seattle has been getting solid play from QB Geno Smith (1,924 yards, 13 TDs) and have been sparked by rookie running back Kenneth Walker III (461 yards, 5 TDs). They still have dependable wideouts in Tyler Lockett (46 receptions, 531 yards, 3 TDs) and DK Metcalf (37 receptions, 473 yards, 5 TDs). Tom Brady (2,267 yards, 9 TDs) has had a rough season on and off the field. Brady and his wife Gisele Busch announced they were filing for divorce. This has to be a difficult time for the seven-time Super Bowl champ. On the field, he's having trouble finding the end zone as the Bucs continue to struggle in the Red Zone. Look for Brady and TB begin to turn things around this week as he starts to make plays downfield to Mike Evans (37 receptions, 577 yards, 3 TDs) and Chris Godwin. Brady knows his team can't afford to get too far behind in the division race, so look for a more determined team come Sunday. My pick, Tampa Bay 26, Seattle 20

Houston at New York Giants: It looks like it's going to be another long year for Texans fans. Two weeks ago, in their 17-10 loss at home to Tennessee, the offense was horri-

ble, while the defense gave up 319 rushing yards (Derrick Henry romped for 219 yards). If the run defense does not play better, it could be another long day when it faces Saquon Barkley (779 yards, 5 TDs) on Sunday. The Giants are another surprise team led by first-year head coach Brian Daboll. Much maligned QB Daniel Jones (1,379 passing yards, 6 TDs/363 rushing yards, 3 TDs) has played well. I wish the same could be said for Texans QB Davis Mills (1,502 yards, 8 TDs/6 interceptions). Rookie running back Dameon Pierce (539 yards, 4 total TDs) has been the lone bright spot on offense. It could be another long day for both sides of the ball this Sunday. My pick, New York Giants 33, Houston 17

Minnesota at Buffalo: A meeting of division leaders as the NFC North leading Vikings take on the AFC East leaders Buffalo in what should be an interesting game to view. The Vikings won six of their first seven games as QB Kirk Cousins (1,734 yards, 11 TDs) has played solidly thus far this season. He has a stud at running back in Dalvin Cook (561 yards, 5 TDs) and one of the top receivers in the league in Justin Jefferson (52 receptions, 752 yards, 2 TDs). The defense has been opportunistic, but will face its biggest challenge of the season when it takes on Josh Allen (2,198 passing yards, 19 TDs/306 rushing yards, 2 TDs) and WR Stefon Diggs (55 receptions, 764 yards, 7 TDs). The Bills also have a very solid defense. Two weeks ago, both sides of the ball performed well enroute to a 27-17 win over the Packers. Look for the Bills to continue to roll this week as they send the Vikings back to Minnesota with a loss. My pick, Buffalo 31, Minnesota 22

Arizona at Los Angeles Rams: This is an important game for both teams if they hope to remain in the NFC West race. Two weeks ago, the defending Super Bowl champs the Rams fell to 3-4 after losing 31-14 at home to the 49ers, while the Cardinals dropped to 3-5 after losing at Minnesota. The Rams have issues on offense, especially on the offensive line and at the running back position. The Rams are pretty much one-dimensional on offense with QB Matthew Stafford (1,763 yards, 7 TDs/8 interceptions). Stafford may be without star WR Cooper Kupp (64 receptions, 686 yards, 5 TDs) after he sustained an ankle injury late in the loss to SF. The Cardinals aren't in much better shape. QB Kyler Murray (1,993 passing yards, 10 TDs/299 rushing yards, 2 TDs) has been so-so this year, but he does have his favorite wideout back in DeAndre Hopkins (22 receptions, 262 yards, 1 TD in 2 games). The Rams are a beat up team and if they lose this game, they can pretty much kiss their playoff hopes goodbye. The defense definitely needs to perform better. Perhaps they will against the Cards. My pick, Los Angeles Rams 27, Arizona 23

Dallas at Green Bay: The Cowboys head into Lambeau Field rested and ready to make a second half run after enjoying their bye week after their 49-29 home win over the Bears on Oct. 30. QB Dak Prescott (591 yards, 3 TDs in first two games back from his thumb injury) has played well in his return. It helps that he has two strong backs in Tony Pollard (506 yards, 5 TDs) and Ezekiel Elliott (443 yards, 4 TDs). Elliott missed the Chicago game and Pollard filled in well with 131 yards and three touchdowns. Prescott and CeeDee Lamb (42 receptions, 556 yards, 3 TDs) appear to be locked in in the passing game.

GB QB Aaron Rodgers (1,800 yards, 13 TDs) will have his hands full against a Dallas defense front that should feast on a banged up Packers offensive line. As stated earlier, the Dallas defense has 33 sacks and 13 turnovers in their first eight games. Rodgers will need help in the running game from Aaron Jones (575 yards, 1 TD). Even a big day from Rodgers and Jones probably won't be enough against a good Dallas team. The Cowboys end their slide at Lambeau with a big road win. My pick, Dallas 33, Green Bay 20

Los Angeles Chargers at San Francisco: A good one for Troy and Joe and the Monday Night Football crew. The Chargers head north to SF to face 49ers team that now has the services of versatile running back Christian McCaffrey. QB Jimmy Garoppolo (1,691 yards, 11 TDs) should benefit from McCaffrey as a runner and pass catcher. The Chargers have some weapons of their own on offense in QB Justin Herbert (2,009 yards, 12 TDs) and running back Austin Ekeler (380 rushing yards, 5

TDs/53 receptions, 357 yards, 3 TDs). The Chargers are hoping WR Keenan Allen returns after missing most of the season with an injury. They will need him back because their other WR, Mike Williams (37 receptions, 495 yards, 3 TDs) might miss considerable time after sustaining an ankle injury two weeks ago in their home loss to Seattle. Look for the 49ers defense to be the difference in this one as the 49ers get on a second-half season roll. My pick, San Francisco 24, Los Angeles 21

Fans celebrate
Astro's World
Series win!

HOUSTON – It was a great night for baseball last Saturday evening, as the Houston Astros defeated the Philadelphia Phillies 4-1 to win the World Series.

Many fans from this area, from Mattress Mack to Armando and Debbie Walle to scores of others watched with excitement as Yordan Alvarez in the sixth inning, with two men on base, homered to

the farthest point in center field, and the Astros went ahead 3-1 and led the rest of the way to win the game.

The fan excitement and pleasure was so thick that most of them stayed for a while after the game, to enjoy the feeling and revel with their friends and watch the interviews on the big scoreboard screen in center field.



THIS POSTER WITH ALL THE TEAM PLAYERS EXPRESSES THE JOY OF WINNING THE WORLD SERIES LAST SATURDAY NIGHT, DEFEATING THE PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES 4-1 AND TAKING THE SERIES, 4 GAMES TO 2.



ARMANDO AND DEBBIE WALLE WERE AMONG THE HAPPY FANS THAT ATTENDED THE SIXTH GAME OF THE SERIES LAST SATURDAY NIGHT, AND SAW THE ASTROS WIN THE WORLD SERIES TROPHY.



ASTROS PLAYERS, MEDIA AND TEAM OFFICIALS GATHER ON THE INFIELD TO HELP CELEBRATE THE WIN OF THE WORLD SERIES FOR THE ASTROS LAST SATURDAY NIGHT IN THE SIXTH GAME OF THE SERIES WITH PHILADELPHIA.

Lone Star College offers ‘Minimester’ courses for winter semester

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Registration for the LSC Winter Mini-mester 2022 is now open and courses will be available at all LSC campuses and centers. Offerings include academic transfer, core credits, workforce training, continuing education and more.

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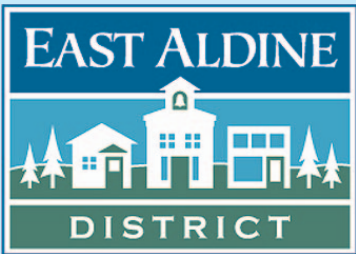
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East Aldine District COMMUNITY NEWS

Medical clinic coming with focus on Elderly Hispanics

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East Aldine is gaining a state-of-the art, full-service medical clinic and community center tailored to elderly Hispanic residents.

The bilingual Suvida Neighborhood Center and Clinic, at 2505 Aldine Mail Route Road, is almost within sneezing distance of the East Aldine Management District’s Town Center. Business development along the corridor has increased now that the town center has boosted community services, activities and public safety initiatives.

The clinic will bring about 50 jobs to the neighborhood, including specially trained community workers known as guias (Spanish for guides), who will assist patients and their families with fully integrated medical care.

Suvida, founded in 2021, is building three such clinics in the Houston area and one in the Austin area, with a focus on the elderly Hispanic population because that is “the fastest growing group” in Texas, medical director Dr. Adolfo Ordóñez said.

According to the 2020 Census, Texas’ 29.1 million residents include 875,000 Hispanics over age 60. The U.S. Bureau of the Census estimates that the 4.63 million Hispanic Americans over age 65 nationwide will more than double by the year 2030.

Suvida’s East Aldine facility will be its Houston-area flagship center, Ordóñez said.

“We want to create a model that our elderly patients will come to and say, ‘We feel the love here.’ We want it to be top-of-the-line, so that we can make a difference in the health and life of the entire community.”

The center will feature a roomy, comfortable, brightly lit waiting area with a coffee bar, private treatment rooms and a community



DR. ORDÓÑEZ



SUVIDA CLINIC’S NEW BUILDING ON ALDINE MAIL ROUTE.

room for classes and gatherings.

“Our main focus is on... those people who have lived long enough to get their red-white-and-blue Medicare card,” Ordóñez said. “Our goal is to be a neighborhood-oriented Hispanic clinic.”

Ordóñez, a native of Guatemala, has practiced medicine in the Houston area for 12 years. He will be joined at the East Aldine Suvida clinic by five other medical doctors and a team that will include a clinical pharmacist, physical therapists, and the guias.

“We’re building a place where families will say, ‘We want to bring our relatives here’,” he explained.

To foster that feeling, the Suvida center will host group activities such as a “loteria (lottery) night” so that caregivers can drop off their elderly relatives for the evening.

The community health workers will follow up patients to support their treatment plans.

“The health problems that are prevalent in the Hispanic community include diabetes, high cholesterol and respiratory issues,” Ordóñez said. “Their main problem may be access to health care right now.”

Some of those health issues “have been decades in the making,” so following a lifestyle-oriented treatment plan can be key to better health, he added.

“Everybody loves good Mexican food, so maybe we can start with the food that we eat as young people and make healthier adjustments,” Ordóñez said. “Our nutritional team is willing to help them continue the flavors they love in a healthier way, or just to adjust the quantity.”

The clinic will encourage caregivers to attend doctor’s appointments and work with the community health workers.

“We will even have home visits, to ensure that their insulin is in the refrigerator. Or that they have a refrigerator,” Ordóñez said.

Some elderly Hispanics “may have had to leave their home countries without any family members,” he said, so they could be in vulnerable situations.

Suvida will partner with local food banks to guarantee that patients have ample nutrition, according to the medical director.

Suvida Fest is a free public event on Saturday, Nov. 5, 2-5 p.m. Participants will receive produce from a farmers market and enjoy food, mariachi music, games, prizes and more.

Visit <https://www.suvidahealthcare.com/>, call 888-478-8432 (888-4SU-VIDA), or e-mail info@suvidahealthcare.com for more information.

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