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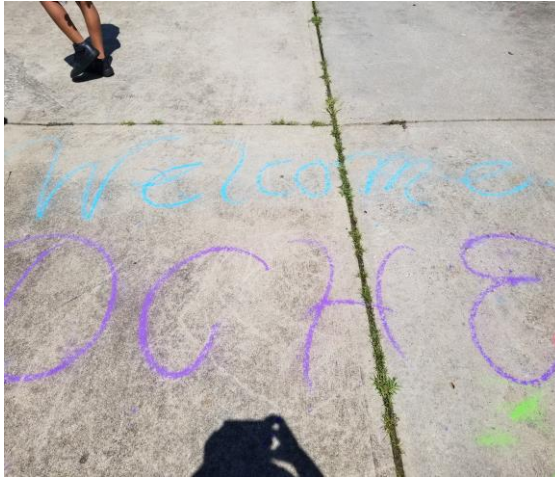
WELCOME

DeKalb Christian Home Educators ("DCHE") is a group of like-minded families who have joined together to provide Christ-centered support to the entire homeschooling community. We believe "relationship" is the key to a quality education. We are a diverse and inclusive organization that is guided by the philosophy to "love your neighbor as yourself." This publication is our newsletter distributed monthly.

DCHE HAPPENINGS

Another month has flown by this 2020-2021 school year. Now we are in November, the leaves have turned, and Thanksgiving Break (November 25-29) soon approaches.

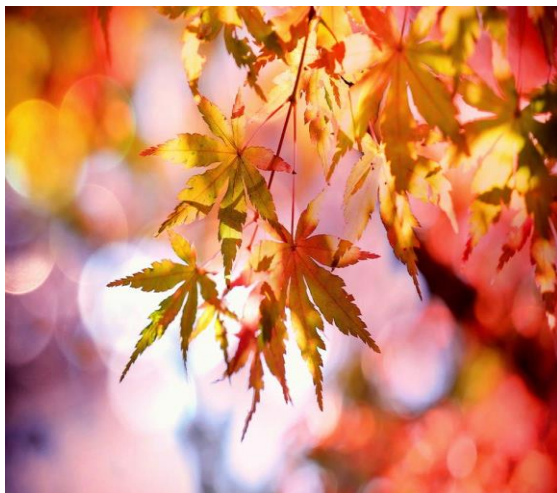
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NOVEMBER HOLIDAYS

Veterans Day, Thanksgiving, and Native American Heritage Month are all this month! Here are some resources for your homeschool!

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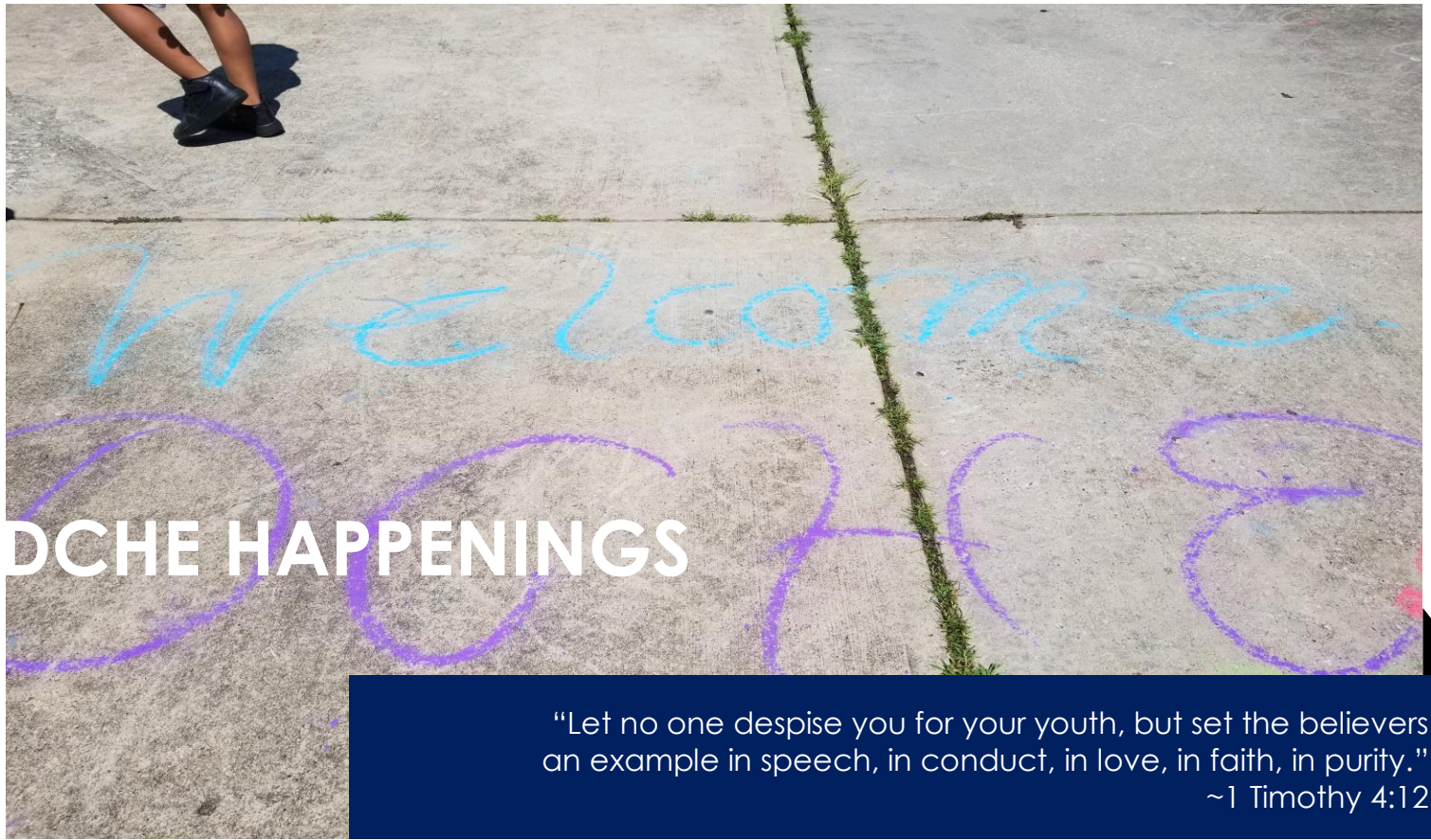


CURRENT EVENTS

Check out our listing of Current Events for details on clubs, teams, activities, support meetings, conferences, reading programs, and public events.

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(continued from page 1) DCHE continues to have fun learning activities Zooming through the fall with our Classes ([Spanish](#), [Greek](#)), Virtual Teams ([Bible Quizzing](#)), Clubs ([Speech Club](#), [Science Club](#), [Gavel Club](#), [Book Clubs](#), [Community Service Club](#)), and individual Activities ([Science Olympiad MySO](#))!



Science Club Extravaganza! This fall DCHE Science Club participants, led by Mrs. Coretta Ponder, have conducted several Chemistry and Electrical Engineering experiments!

Osmosis Focus! DCHE Science Club members had a great time exploring what happens when you place an Egg in Vinegar for 6 days. Maybe the egg will have a bouncing good time! Students also learned about Osmosis and the chemical effects of submersion of a solid object into a chemical such as vinegar.



Oxidation is Cool! DCHE Science Club members also had an exciting time exploring what happens when you place an apple slice in baking soda, lemon juice, milk, and vinegar. Students also learned about Oxidation and the chemical effects on the browning of apples in different chemicals.



Circuit Switching is Awesome! Last but not least, in the DCHE Science Club's most recent experiment students each made their own circuit with a switch.

Students had a blast exploring how to establish and extend an electric current with batteries and cables, connect the energy source to a light bulb, and establish a switch with brad clips.



THANKSGIVING ABOUNDS!

“in everything give thanks;
for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus”
~1 Thessalonians 5:18

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When do we celebrate Thanksgiving?

Thanksgiving is a United States holiday celebrated on the 4th Thursday in November since 1789.



So what is Thanksgiving? While we celebrate Thanksgiving on the fourth Thursday in November, the first harvest gathering is recorded as occurring in October of 1621 on the Plymouth Plantation of Plymouth Colony, Massachusetts. This gathering consisted of approximately 53 English Immigrants and 90 Indigenous Americans, the Wampanoag People. The purpose of the Thanksgiving Feast was to celebrate the Englishmen's safe arrival to Cape Cod. This feast consisted of deer, roasted meat, shellfish, and corn. Activities included games, song, and dance. However, after an initial period of peace, the Wampanoag People ultimately experienced genocide as a result of King Philip's War in 1675. Due to this, many descendants of Indigenous Peoples acknowledge Thanksgiving Day as a National Day of Mourning to commemorate their heritage. ([History, 2018](#); [National Geographic, 2018](#); [UAIINE, 2018](#))

Where do we celebrate Thanksgiving? Thanksgiving is also a national holiday in [Canada](#), [Norfolk Island](#), [Liberia](#), [Leiden, Netherlands](#), and [Saint Lucia](#). In the United States, it is generally commemorated with a gathering of family and/or friends, prayer, and a feast. ([Wikipedia, 2018](#))

Who currently celebrates Thanksgiving?


Many citizens of North American, Caribbean Islands, Oceania, and African Repatriates celebrate Thanksgiving.

Why do we celebrate thanksgiving?

The reasons and motivations for these national celebrations vary according to their history and culture. However the holiday itself is similar in themes of freedom and a celebratory feast. As Christians, we have an opportunity to thank God for His Grace everyday in Christ. Take a look at the resources below:

- Video: [The Wampanoag Way](#)
- Video: [Plymouth Plantation](#)
- Article: [National Day of Mourning](#)
- Article: [Five Truths about Thanksgiving](#)

Read more on [page 4](#) to learn about Native American Heritage Month.



“Veterans Day exists
to honor all
Veterans.”

VETERANS DAY

Service, Sacrifice, and Way

(Reprinted from DCHE Dispatch Volume #5 Issue 6)

War and bloodshed has occurred since our first family existed. Adam and Eve had enmity against the serpent, Cain against Abel, and throughout Biblical and Modern history we see the same cycles of enmity as we live in a fallen world. War is a consequence of a fallen world. As such, the need for defense mechanisms (through people, technology, and processes) is also a necessity both individually, regionally, and nationally for any nation-state.

The United States Armed Forces was established on June 14 in 1775 with the Continental Army. Since its establishment, it has participated in [numerous wars](#). Veterans Day was established in 1919 as Armistice Day to mark the end of World War I. In 1954, Armistice Day was renamed to Veterans Day to honor all Veterans. Below is a list of local Veterans Day virtual fieldtrips:

- **Atlanta History Center:**
[Veterans History Project](#)

Learning Resources

Below is a list of Junior Ranger programs students can complete at home on Military History.



- [Fort Stanwix National Monument \(NY\)](#)
- [Cowpens National Battlefield \(SC\)](#)
- [San Juan Island National Historical Park \(WA\)](#)
- [Petersburg National Battlefield \(VA\)](#)
- [Fort Donelson National Battlefield \(TN\)](#)
- [Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield \(GA\)](#)
- [Minuteman Missile Silo National Historic Park \(SD\)](#)
- [Manhattan Project National Historical Park \(TN\)](#)
- [Aleutian World War II National Historical Area \(AK\)](#)
- [Manzanar National Historic Site \(CA\) - WWII](#)
- [Fort Ord National Monument \(CA\)](#)
- [Fort Matanzas National Monument \(FL\)](#)
- [Governors Island National Monument \(NY\)](#)
- [Charles Young Buffalo Soldiers Monument \(OH\)](#)

NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

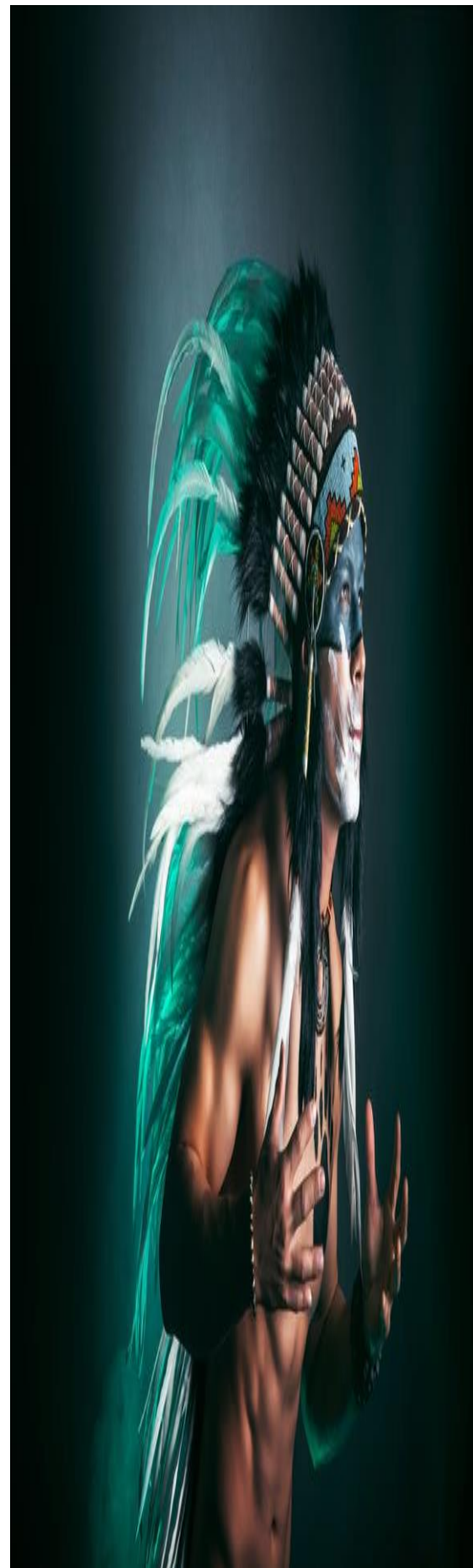
November is [Native American Heritage Month](#). Native Americans are Indigenous People of America who established settlements prior to European voyages and colonization. Biblical History informs us that the flood occurred approximately 2304 B.C. Post-Flood, the supercontinent which existed prior separated into seven distinct continents. Modern descendents of the Indigenous People of America migrated to North America (via Alaska) from Asia (via Siberia/Russia) Post-Flood. This migration occurred by traversing the [Bering Strait](#) during [the Ice Age](#) (which many Creationist time at occurring approximately 700 post-flood).

The purpose of Native American Heritage Month is to commemorate the history, culture, and contributions of the Indigenous Peoples of America. During this month there are many activities available to the public. Throughout the year there are also learning activities students can participate in as part of Social Studies curricula. These activities include Junior Ranger Programs where students/parents can request Junior Ranger Booklets from participating National Park Sites which allow at home completion. When students mail the packets back they can receive a Junior Ranger Badge. Take a look at the local Native American Heritage Month events and relevant Junior Ranger Booklets students can complete at home to learn about United States Indigenous People below.

****Please note: You may request free printed copies of these booklets by contacting the corresponding NPS site directly via the Contact Us form. ****

NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE VIRTUAL FIELDTRIPS

- [Smithsonian Social Studies Online: Native American Heritage Month](#)
November 19, 2020 @ 11AM – 11:30AM
- [PBS Native American Heritage Month: Online Documentaries](#)
November @ Various



CURRENT EVENTS

Below is a list of DCHE and community wide events occurring in November.

DCHE EVENTS:

1. [Virtual Co-op Days](#) – November 7, 14, 21 @ 11:30AM – 3:00PM
2. [Support Meetings](#) – November 5 @ 7PM (@ [Eastside Academic Studies](#))
3. [Women's Book Club](#) – November 7 @ 7:00PM via [Zoom](#) (750 568 8441)**
4. [Men's Book Club](#) – November 21 @ 7:00PM via [Zoom](#) (750 568 8441)
5. [Co-Ed Book Club](#) – December 5 @ 7:00PM via [Zoom](#) (750 568 8441)
6. [Community Service Club](#) – TBD
7. [Married Couples Fellowship](#) – TBD (Check [email list](#) for updates)

Check www.dcheeducators.com regularly for updates

Rescheduled from October 24, 2020 to November 7, 2020

PUBLIC HOMESCHOOL COMMUNITY EVENTS:

1. [Arabia Mountain: Homeschool Day - Bouldering 101](#) – November 5 @ 2PM
2. [Panola Mountain: Homeschool Day](#) – November 5 @ 2PM
3. [MHHE: Homeschool Day - The War in the Pacific](#) – November 18 @ 10AM

Check respective hyperlinked websites regularly for updates

PUBLIC COMMUNITY EVENTS (FREE):

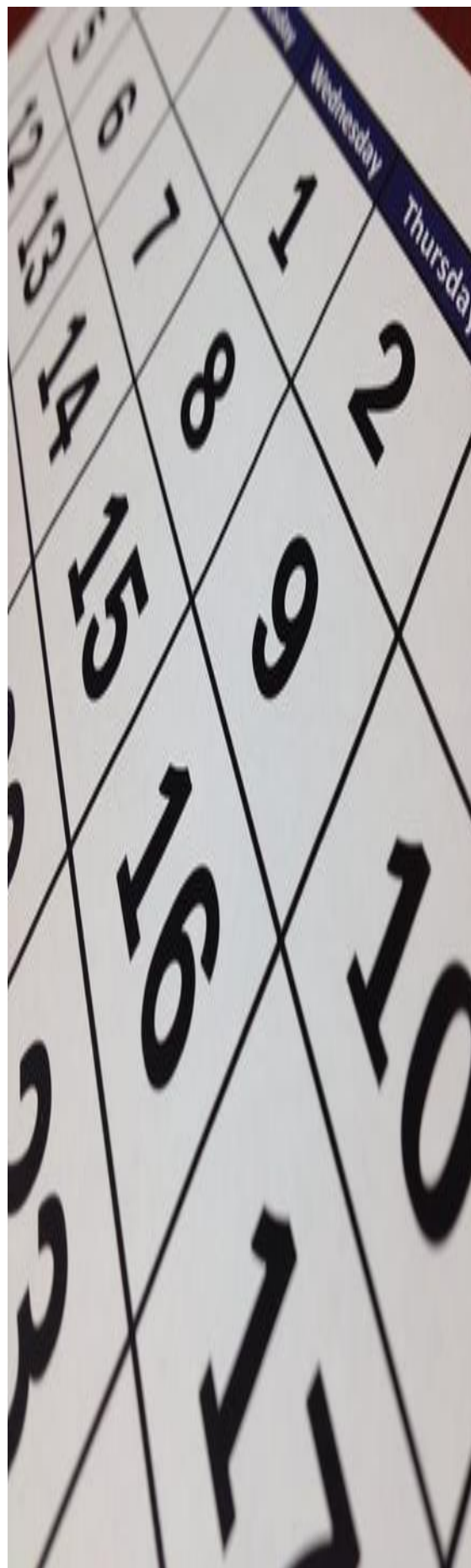
None listed at this time. Check back with the December Newsletter.

LIBRARY EVENTS (FREE):

1. [DeKalb County Public Library](#) – November @ Various
2. [Clayton County Public Library](#) – November @ Various
3. [Atlanta Fulton County Public Library](#) – November @ Various
4. [Gwinnett County Public Library](#) – November @ Various

HOME EDUCATOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (FREE):

1. [NASA: Educator Professional Development](#) – November @ Various
2. [Institute for Excellence in Writing: Webinars](#) – November @ Various



YEAR-ROUND FIELDTRIPS (FREE):

1. [CDC Museum](#)
2. [Zoo Atlanta: Library Pass Program](#)
3. [Southeastern Railway Museum: Library Pass Program](#)
4. [National Parks: Every Kid in a Park](#)
5. [Bear Hollow Zoo](#)
6. [State Botanical Gardens of Georgia](#)
7. [Noah's Ark](#)
8. [Georgia Tech Museum of Papermaking](#)
9. [The King Center](#)
10. [Heritage Park Veterans Museum](#)
11. [Georgia Museum of Natural History](#)
12. [Georgia State Capital](#)
13. [Governor's Mansion](#)
14. [Jimmy Carter Presidential Library & Museum](#)
15. [McDaniel Farm Park](#)
16. [Kennesaw Mountain Battlefield](#)
17. [Museum of History and Holocaust Education](#)
18. [Marietta Fire Museum](#)
19. [National Archives of Atlanta](#)
20. [Anne Frank Exhibit](#)
21. [Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta](#)
22. [Atlanta Contemporary](#)
23. [Georgia Museum of Art](#)
24. [Hudgens Center for the Art](#)

SCHOOL YEAR READING PROGRAMS:

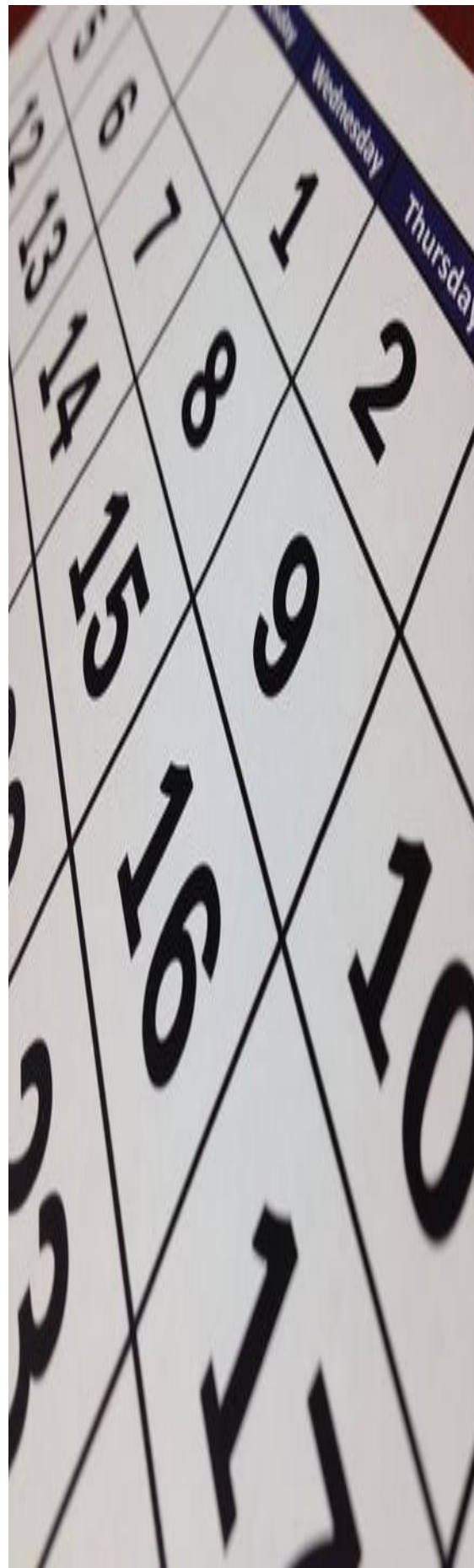
1. [Atlanta Braves Student Achievers](#)
2. [Pizza Hut BookIt](#)
3. [Six Flags Read to Succeed](#)

FREE CURRICULUM BY MAIL:

1. **Civil Air Patrol: STEM Kits and ACE** – [Sign Up](#) as an [Aerospace Educator Member](#) for a one time \$35.00 fee and order up to [15 STEM Kits](#) (valued at 100 each) FREE of charge.
2. **National Park Service: Junior Ranger Books and Patches** – Email [individual participating National Parks](#) for Junior Ranger books and patches.
3. **Science: APS PhysicsQuest Kit** (6th – 12th Grade)

FREE LIVE VIRTUAL CLASSES & ACTIVITIES:

1. **Cooking Classes:** [C.H.O.I.C.E.S. For Kids](#) (PreK-6th Grade)
2. **Math:** [Emory Math Circle](#) (6th – 12th Grade)
3. **Engineering:** [MODA – Minecraft Green City](#) (6th – 12th Grade)
4. **All Disciplines:** [Varsity Tutors](#) (All Ages)



FOOD FOR THE SOUL

Thank you for reading this month's Newsletter. May your fall be filled with joy!

VERSES OF THE MONTH:
(From the [Bible Quiz Bowl Team Study Schedule](#))

[Matthew 10-13](#)

RECIPE OF THE MONTH:

[58 Favorite Thanksgiving Recipes for the Slow Cooker](#)

LOCAL FREE FOOD BANKS AND DISTRIBUTIONS:
(Open to the Public, No Documentation Required)

[GCPS](#): M-F September 11, 2020 – May 26, 2021 @ 11AM-1PM ET

[Wade Walker YMCA](#): M-F @ 1:00PM – 3:00PM ET Dinner and Snack.

[Wade Walker YMCA](#): Fridays @ 1:00PM – 3:00PM Backpack/Box of Groceries.

[Park Place Church](#): Every Tuesday 3:30PM – 6:30PM ET

PRAISE & PRAYER CORNER:

1. PRAYER REQUEST – The Trotter Family

PRAYER REQUEST

Please pray for the Trotter Family over the recent passing of Mrs. Christall Trotter Crosland, daughter of Mrs. Annette Trotter. Mrs. Annette Trotter diligently and lovingly served DCHE as a Guest Speaker for the Mom's Ministry Chat in February. The family is asking that all gifts be directed to the [Christall Trotter Crosland Legacy Fund](#) for her children's college expenses.

****Please email dccheeducators@gmail.com and davislearningacademy@gmail.com
for any needs you have
and/or
if you would like to add a prayer request to the Newsletter****

