



THE DCHE DISPATCH
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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 2019-2020 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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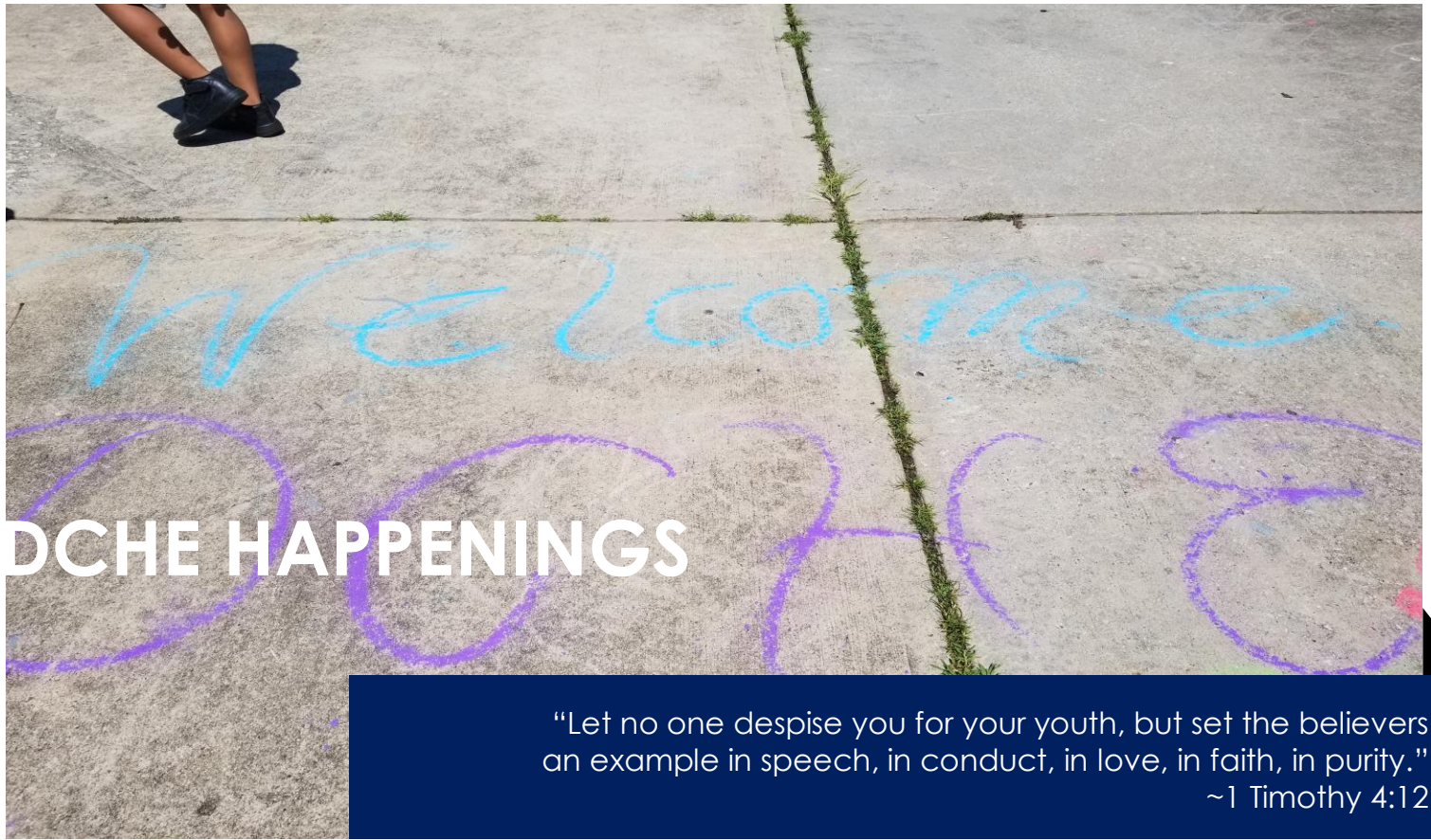


CURRENT EVENTS

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) October was jam packed with lots of funschooling including our regular Co-op Day activities and Bible Quiz Bowl meet in Blytheville, AR!



Figure 1: DCHE Bible Quiz Teams in Blytheville, AR!!!

Our **Bible Quiz Team** is lead by our very own DCHE President Emeritus Coach Michelle Shaw served as the Cedine Quiz Tournament Quiz Master and Material Judge. Our DCHE Bible Quiz Teams included High School (Ambassadors One), Middle School (Junior Ambassadors One), Elementary (Elementary Ambassadors One and Elementary Ambassadors Two). These teams traveled to Blytheville, AK and participated in the October 19th Bible Quiz Bowl.



Figure 3: Elementary Ambassadors One (Red) and Elementary Ambassadors Two (Yellow)



Figure 4: Junior Ambassadors (Green)

The High School Team consisted of Michael Penn and Xavier Doyle and was led by Willie Doyle. The Middle School Team consisted of Nicholas Doyle, Chelsea Jackson, and Gabrielle Jackson and was led by coach Althea Penn and Coach Nicole Jackson. The Elementary Team Junior Ambassadors One included Jillian Jackson, Noelle Doyle, and Daniel King and was led by Coach Lavinna King and Coach Nicole Doyle. The Elementary Team Junior Ambassadors Two included Priya Sanders, Zaire Davis, Judah Davis, and Elle Davis.

Congratulations to all the DCHE teams on a job well done and a very special Congrats and acknowledgement to Junior Ambassadors One (**Nicholas Doyle, Chelsea Jackson, and Gabrielle Jackson**), Elementary Ambassadors One (**Jillian Jackson, Noelle Doyle, and Daniel King**) for being awarded first place in their divisions! Also congratulations to **Michael Penn** and **Priya Sanders** on being awarded first place in their individual mastery of Hebrews 1 to 6!!!



Figure 5: Elementary Division Winners from DCHE: Prya Sanders, Jillian Jackson, Daniel King, Noelle Doyle



Figure 2: (left to right) Zaire Davis, Jillian Jackson, Nicholas Doyle, Chelsea Jackson, Daniel King, Jackson, Pryia Sanders, Michael Penn, Noelle Doyle, Xavier Doyle, and Elle Davis



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

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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 events:

- **Atlanta History Center:**
[Veterans Day Commemoration](#)
November 11 @ 1PM

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

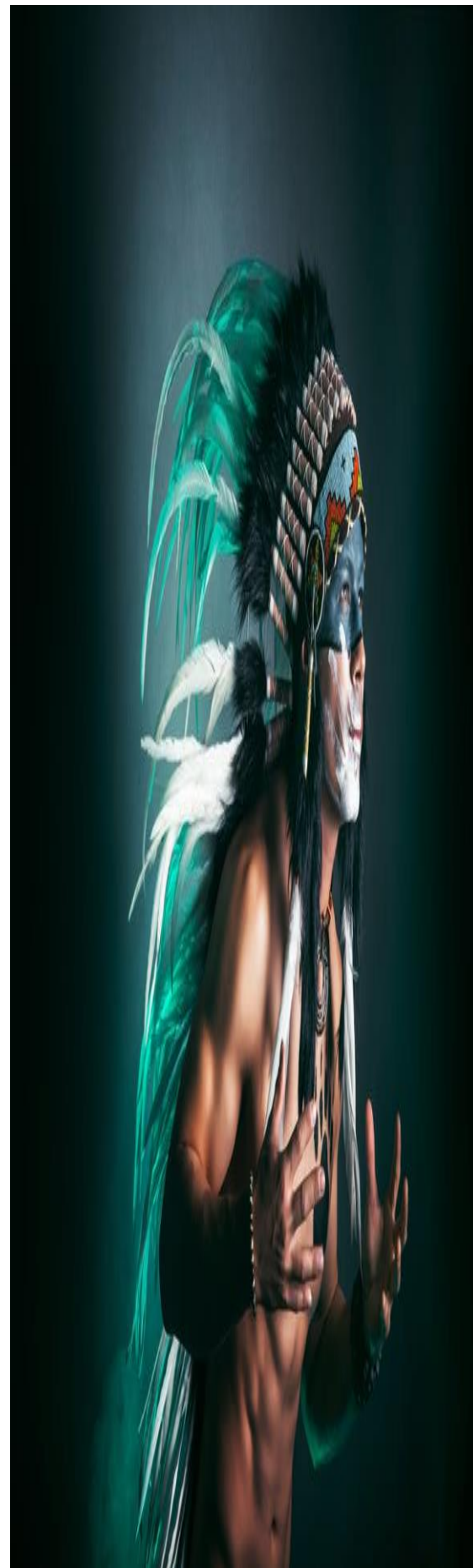
November is [Native American Heritage Month](#). Native Americans are Indigenous People of America who established settlements prior to European voyages and colonization. Biblical History informs us that the flood occurred approximately 2304 B.C. Post-Flood, the supercontinent which existed prior separated 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. Also, Junior Ranger Curriculum is not written from a Young Earth Creationist Biblical Worldview. Therefore, some timeframes on migrations will vary.****

LOCAL NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH EVENTS

- **New Echota Historic Site:**
[Native American History Month](#)
November 2 @ 10AM – 4PM
- **Arabia Mountain:**
[Native American Trade Day](#)
November 9 @ 1PM – 2PM
- **Stone Mountain Park:**
[Native American Festival & Pow Wow](#)
November 7-10 @ [See Webpage](#)
- **Gwinnett County Public Library:**
[Native American Heritage Festival](#)
November 16 @ 2PM – 4PM



CURRENT EVENTS

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

DCHE EVENTS:

1. [Co-op Days](#) – November 6, 13, 20 @ 9:30AM – 4:30PM
 2. [National Beta Club](#)** – November 12 @ 11:30AM
 3. [Support Meetings](#) – Various (@ Eastside Academic Classes)
 4. [Community Service Club](#) – November 22
- *Check www.dcheeducators.com regularly for updates*
- **Per The Shepherd's Christian Homeschool****

PUBLIC HOMESCHOOL COMMUNITY EVENTS:

1. [Georgia Aquarium: Homeschool Day](#) – November 12 @ 9AM
2. [Atlanta Zoo: Homeschool Day](#) – November 13 @ 10AM
3. [MHHE: Homeschool Day](#)* - November 13 @ 9:30AM

Check respective hyperlinked websites regularly for updates

PUBLIC COMMUNITY EVENTS (FREE):

1. [Apple Stores: Various Workshops](#) - Various
2. [Microsoft Stores: Various Workshops](#) – Various
3. [Home Depot: Kids Workshop](#) – November 2 @ 9AM
4. [Compassion Project: The Compassion Journey](#) – November 8-10 @ Various
5. [GaTech: Step into STEM](#) – November 9 @ 9AM
6. [Museum of Design Atlanta: Design Club Day](#) – November 10 @ 12PM
7. [High Museum of Art: Second Sunday](#) – November 10 @ 1PM
8. [National Parks: Free Entrance Day](#) – November 11
9. [Children's Museum of Atlanta: Family Free Day](#) – November 13 @ Various
10. [EAA: Young Eagles Rally](#) – November 16 @ 8:30AM
11. [Arabia Mountain: Story Time with a Ranger](#) – November 16 @ 10:30AM
12. [Michael C. Carlos Museum: Free Admission Day](#) – November 24 @ 1PM

LIBRARY EVENTS (FREE):

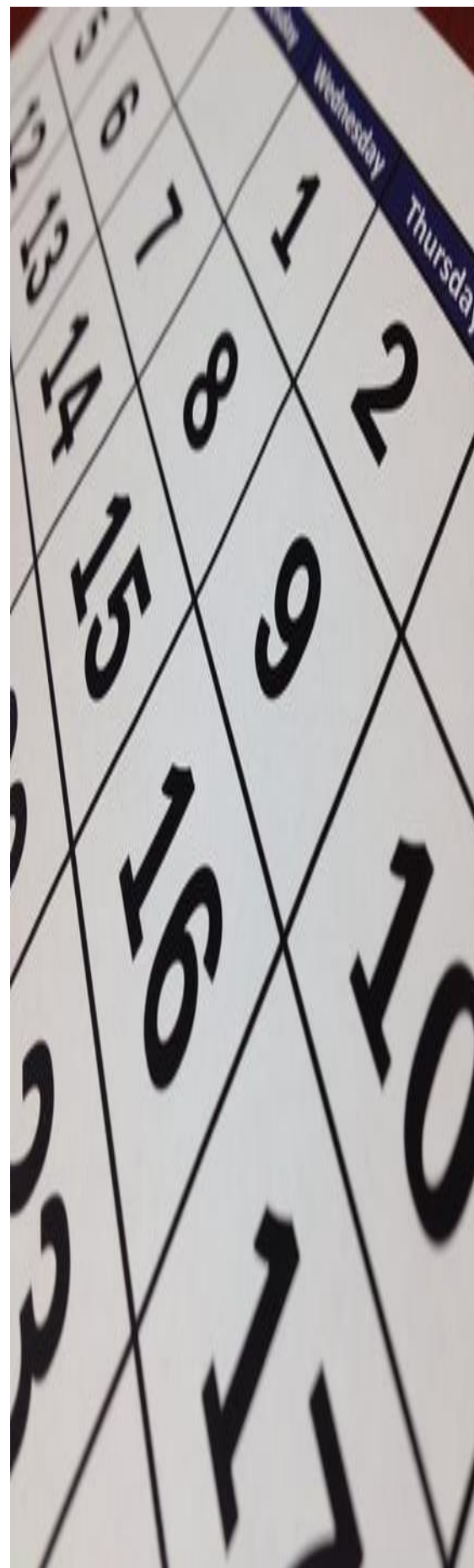
- [DeKalb County Public Library](#) – November @ Various
- [Clayton County Public Library](#) – November @ Various
- [Atlanta Fulton County Public Library](#) – November @ Various
- [Gwinnett County Public Library](#) – November @ Various

HOME EDUCATOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (FREE):

- [NASA: Educator Professional Development](#) – November @ Various
- [IEW: Experience Excellence in Writing](#) – October 22 @ 8:30PM

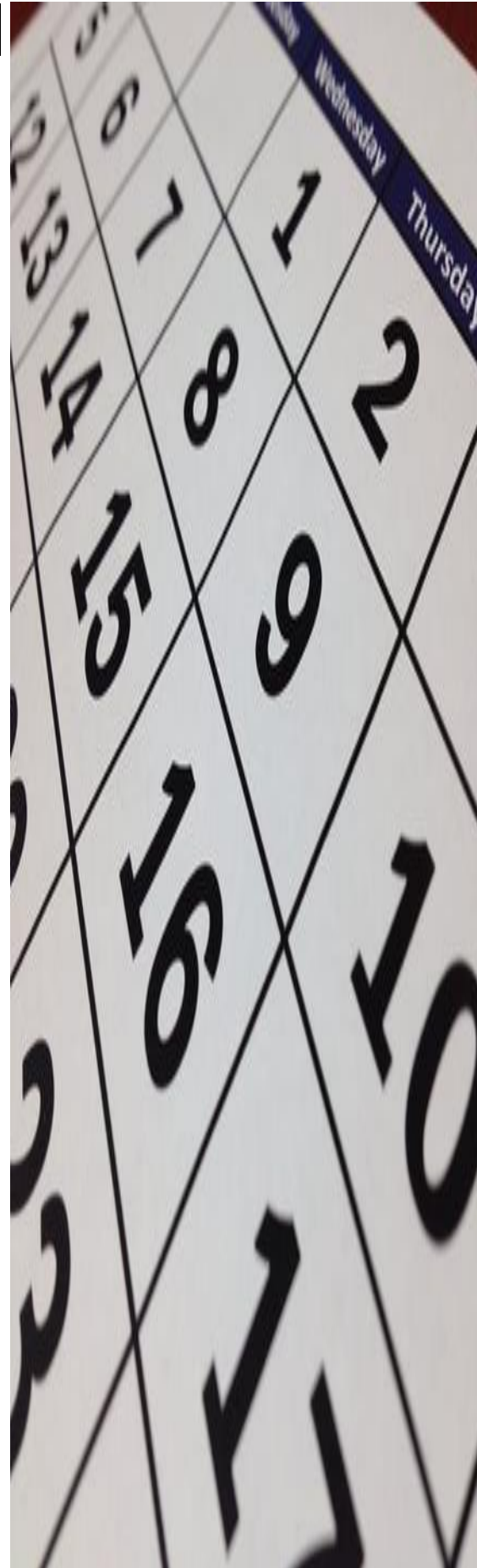
SCHOOL YEAR READING PROGRAMS:

- [Atlanta Braves Student Achievers](#)
- [Pizza Hut BookIt](#)
- [Six Flags Read to Succeed](#)



YEAR-ROUND FIELDTRIPS (FREE):

- [CDC Museum](#)
- [Zoo Atlanta: Library Pass Program](#)
- [Southeastern Railway Museum: Library Pass Program](#)
- [National Parks: Every Kid in a Park](#)
- [Bear Hollow Zoo](#)
- [State Botanical Gardens of Georgia](#)
- [Noah's Ark](#)
- [Georgia Tech Museum of Papermaking](#)
- [The King Center](#)
- [Heritage Park Veterans Museum](#)
- [Georgia Museum of Natural History](#)
- [Georgia State Capital](#)
- [Govenor's Mansion](#)
- [Jimmy Carter Presidential Library & Museum](#)
- [McDaniel Farm Park](#)
- [Kennesaw Mountain Battlefield](#)
- [Museum of History and Holocaust Education](#)
- [Marietta Fire Museum](#)
- [National Archives of Atlanta](#)
- [Anne Frank Exhibit](#)
- [Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta](#)
- [Atlanta Contemporary](#)
- [Georgia Museum of Art](#)
- [Hudgens Center for the Art](#)



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](#))

[Hebrews 8-10](#)

RECIPE OF THE MONTH:

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

PRAYER CORNER:

1. **Shanna Smith:** Continued prayers for Shanna Smith's mother, Bathsheba Patterson. The Smith family is asking this community to pray for the successful removal of a brain tumor. If two or more are praying: Heavenly Father, We come to You in one accord in the Name of Jesus according to Matthew 18:19.
2. **Families:** Pray for all families edification, protection, and transportation
3. **Classes, Teams, Clubs, Activities, Fieldtrips:** Pray for the success of all DCHE activities
4. **Bible Quiz Team:** Praise for the success of the October 19 competition in Blytheville, AR.
5. **Robotics Team:** Pray for the success of the upcoming regional Scrimmage on November 8
6. **Science Olympiad:** Pray for the success of the Invitational on November 16

