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*Around the Town with Denise Honeycutt*

## River Oaks Springfest and Car Show Draws Crowd

Camp Carter was the place to be in River Oaks on May 11.

The annual Springfest and Car Show was a huge success.

Several vendors, food trucks, live music, games, pet adoptions, prizes and the best of car show exhibits drew hundreds of spectators. The event was enjoyed by everyone.



**Raymond Jackson** and his 1964-1/2 Mustang.



A 1957 Ford Fairlane and **Robin Jackson** participated at the car show. Owner is Buddy McIntire.



**Clark Kirby** and his 1965 Chevy Corvette Stingray.



**Bill Allen** and his 1932 Ford 3-Window Coupe.



**George Boulton** brought his 1947 Lincoln Sedan.



This 1957 Chevy Belaire 2-Door Hard-top belongs to **Gary Wilson**.



This 1962 Terry Camper belongs to the Garcia family: (l-r) **Mario, Jr., Miriah, Michelle, Israel** and **Mario, III**.



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# 60th Wedding Anniversary



*Mr. and Mrs. Holdridge*

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gene Holdridge of Benbrook will be the guests of honor at a reception to celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on Saturday, May 18 at Piola Italian Restaurant and Garden.

Billie Sue Cathey and H. Gene Holdridge were married May 16, 1964 in Fort Worth, Texas at Polytechnic Methodist Church.

He was employed at Bell Helicopter Textron, retiring in 2002 after 30 years.

She was a travel agent, retiring in 2002 as well so that they could travel the world.

The Holdridge's are members of and attend Worth Baptist Church.

The couple has two children: Chip (and Kimberly) Holdridge of Houston and Tiffany (and Jason) Higgins of Benbrook.

They are proud grandparents to Tripp Holdridge (and Mary), William Holdridge, Rhett Holdridge, Jack McMillan, Ryan McMillan, and Emerson Higgins.

They also have one great-granddaughter; Violet Rae Holdridge.

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White Settlement ISD will be hosting a public meeting for all private non-profit schools 1) Located within the WSISD boundaries; or 2) That have students enrolled who reside within WSISD boundaries regardless of the location of the private school (Title I Services Only).

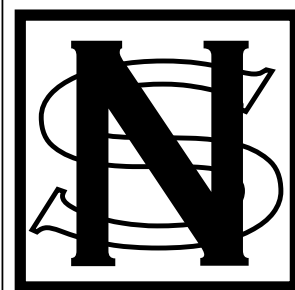
The meeting will provide information about possible proportionate share federal funding services available to private non-profit schools for the upcoming 2024-2025 school year. Private schools will have the opportunity to declare their interest to participate in receiving proportionate share federal funding services. Available services include special education (IDEA B), instructional assistance for students (Title I), professional development for teachers (Title II), assistance for English learners and immigrant students (Title III), and assistance for a well-rounded education, safety and secure schools (Title IV).

Public meeting information:  
May 21, 2024

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

at the WSISD Administration Building  
8224 White Settlement Rd.  
White Settlement, TX 76108

All interested private schools may contact Dr. Karen Gonzales at [kgonzales@wsisd.net](mailto:kgonzales@wsisd.net) for more information prior to the meeting.



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## Legal Notice

### ORDINANCE NO. 1417-2024

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIVER OAKS, TEXAS AMENDING ARTICLE 4.07 “WRECKERS AND WRECKER COMPANIES” OF THE RIVER OAKS CODE OF ORDINANCES (2020) AS AMENDED; SPECIFICALLY IN SECTION 4.07.005 “WRECKER ROTATION LIST” IN ORDER TO ALLOW FOR THE EXTENDED SERVICE AREA AND IN SECTION 4.07.006 “PERMIT ISSUANCE; CONDITIONS” UPDATING THE REQUIRED INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE OF ALL ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION IN THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVER OAKS, TEXAS:

#### PENALTY

Whenever in this code or in any ordinance of the city an act is prohibited or is made or declared to be unlawful or an offense or a misdemeanor, or whenever in such code or ordinance the doing of any act is required or the failure to do any act is declared to be unlawful, and no specific penalty is provided therefor, the violation of any such provision of this code or any such ordinance shall be punished by a fine of not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500.00). However, a fine or penalty for the violation of a rule, ordinance or police regulation that governs fire safety, zoning or public health and sanitation other than dumping of refuse may not exceed two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00); a fine or penalty for the violation of a rule, ordinance, or police regulation that governs the dumping of refuse may not exceed four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00). Provided, however, that no penalty shall be greater or less than the penalty provided for the same or a similar offense under the laws of the state. Each day any violation of this code or of any ordinance shall continue shall constitute a separate offense. In the event that any such violation is designated as a nuisance under the provisions of this code, such nuisance may be summarily abated by the city. In addition to the penalty prescribed above, the city may pursue other remedies such as abatement of nuisances, injunctive relief and revocation of licenses or permits.

#### SAVINGS

All rights and remedies of the City of River Oaks, Texas, are expressly saved as to any and all violations of the provisions of the Code of Ordinances of the City of River Oaks, Texas or any other ordinances affecting wreckers and wrecking companies which have accrued at the time of the effective date of this Ordinance; and, as to such accrued violations and all pending litigation, both civil and criminal, whether pending in court or not, under such ordinances same shall not be affected by this Ordinance, but may be prosecuted, until final disposition by the courts.

#### PUBLICATION

The City Secretary is directed to publish in the official newspaper of the City, the caption, penalty clause, savings clause, publication clause and effective date clause of this ordinance one time as authorized by Chapter 5, Section 5.02(c) of the Charter of the City of River Oaks.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and legal publication, if required, as provided by law, and it is so ordained.

**PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 5th DAY OF MARCH 2024.**

**Mayor Darren Houk** ATTEST: Paula Luck, City Secretary

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:** Bradley Anderle, City Attorney

## Legal Notice

### ORDINANCE NO. 1414-2024

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 10 “SUBDIVISIONS” OF THE RIVER OAKS CODE OF ORDINANCES (2020) AS AMENDED BY REVISING THE SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE SPECIFICALLY IN PART 11 “DESIGN PROVISIONS”, REVISING ARTICLE 49 “STORM DRAINAGE FACILITIES” PROVIDING THAT THE STORM WATER DRAINAGE FACILITIES BE DESIGNED IN ACCORDANCE TO CURRENT INTEGRATED STORMWATER MANAGEMENT (ISWM) PROGRAM DEVELOPED BY NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (NCTCOG); ADOPTING THE ISWM TECHNICAL MANUAL FOR PLANNING, WATER QUALITY, HYDROLOGY, HYDRAULICS, SITE DEVELOPMENT CONTROLS, CONSTRUCTION CONTROLS AND LANDSCAPING WITH THE CITY OF FORT WORTH STORM WATER CRITERIA MANUAL THAT BECAME EFFECTIVE ON SEPTEMBER 29, 2015.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVER OAKS, TEXAS THAT:

#### PENALTY

Whenever in this code or in any ordinance of the city an act is prohibited or is made or declared to be unlawful or an offense or a misdemeanor, or whenever in such code or ordinance the doing of any act is required or the failure to do any act is declared to be unlawful, and no specific penalty is provided therefor, the violation of any such provision of this code or any such ordinance shall be punished by a fine of not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500.00). However, a fine or penalty for the violation of a rule, ordinance or police regulation that governs fire safety, zoning or public health and sanitation including the dumping of refuse may not exceed two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00); provided, however, that no penalty shall be greater or less than the penalty provided for the same or a similar offense under the laws of the state. Each day any violation of this code or of any ordinance shall continue shall constitute a separate offense. In the event that any such violation is designated as a nuisance under the provisions of this code, such nuisance may be summarily abated by the city. In addition to the penalty prescribed above, the city may pursue other remedies such as abatement of nuisances, injunctive relief and revocation of licenses or permits.

#### SAVINGS

All rights and remedies of the City of River Oaks, Texas, are expressly saved as to any and all violations of the provisions of the Code of the City of River Oaks, or any other ordinances of the City, that have accrued at the time of the effective date of this ordinance; and, as to such accrued violations and all pending litigation, both civil and criminal, whether pending in court or not, under such ordinances, same shall not be affected by this ordinance, but may be prosecuted until final disposition by the courts.

#### REPEALING

With the adoption of this ordinance, all ordinances or provisions previously adopted that are in conflict hereof, shall be repealed in their entirety.

#### PUBLICATION

The City Secretary is directed to publish in the official newspaper of the City, the caption, penalty clause, savings clause, publication clause and effective date clause of this ordinance one time as authorized by Chapter 5, Section 5.02(c) of the Charter of the City of River Oaks.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and publication as required by law, and it is so ordained.

**PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 20th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2024.**

**Mayor Darren Houk**

ATTEST: Paula Luck, City Secretary

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:** Bradley Anderle, City Attorney

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY TENNESSEE AT CLARKSVILLE

NON RESIDENT NOTICE

CASE NUMBER: CC-24-CV-602

TO: JOSHUA HENRY STOBEL and KIMBERLY ANN MUNIZ

You are ordered to appear and defend a civil action filed against you entitled

Elmer Romero and Nichole Romero

VS

Joshua Henry Stobel and Kimberly Ann Muniz

which has been filed in Circuit Court, Montgomery County, Tennessee, and your defense must be made within thirty (30) days from the date of the last publication of this notice, which shall be published for four consecutive weeks in the Suburban Newspapers Inc.

You are further directed to file your defense with the Clerk of the Court and send a copy to the Plaintiff's attorney at the address listed below. In case of your failure to defend this action by the above date, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Issued:

Wendy Davis, Clerk

S. Thede 4/30/24 Deputy Clerk

Attorney: Erin Poland, Esq. 408 Franklin Street Clarksville, TN 37040 931-552-3473

Legal Notice

The White Settlement Independent School District (WSISD) is accepting proposals for DISTRICTWIDE PROPERTY & CASUALTY INSURANCE. The Request for Proposal – 2324-15 can be accessed and submitted online at https://wsisdebid.ionwave.net/Login.aspx. A paper copy of the bid can be obtained on the WSISD website, www.wsisd.com, by visiting the Purchasing section of the Business Services page. If assistance is needed, please contact Nancy Escobar at nancy.escobar@wsisd.net. The deadline for questions is May 30, 2024, at 11:00 am and proposals are due by June 6, 2024, at 2:00 pm. It is preferred that proposals be submitted online at https://wsisdebid.ionwave.net/Login.aspx. If a hard copy proposal will be submitted, it should be addressed to White Settlement ISD, Attn: Nancy Escobar, 8224 White Settlement Road, White Settlement, TX 76108. Faxed or e-mailed proposals will not be accepted.

White Settlement ISD reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals.

Legal Notice

The White Settlement Independent School District (WSISD) is accepting proposals for STEAMERS FOR SCHOOL KITCHENS The Request for Proposal – 2324-16 can be accessed and submitted online at https://wsisdebid.ionwave.net/Login.aspx. A paper copy of the bid can be obtained on the WSISD website, www.wsisd.com, by visiting the Purchasing section of the Business Services page. If assistance is needed, please contact Nancy Escobar at nancy.escobar@wsisd.net. The deadline for questions is May 30, 2024, at 11:00 am and proposals are due by June 6, 2024, at 2:00 pm. It is preferred that proposals be submitted online at https://wsisdebid.ionwave.net/Login.aspx. If a hard copy proposal will be submitted, it should be addressed to White Settlement ISD, Attn: Nancy Escobar, 8224 White Settlement Road, White Settlement, TX 76108. Faxed or e-mailed proposals will not be accepted.

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Legal Notice

ORDINANCE # 1421-2024

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 4 “BUSINESS REGULATIONS OF THE RIVER OAKS CODE OF ORDINANCES (2020) AS ADOPTED AND AS AMENDED SPECIFICALLY IN ARTICLE 4.05 “YARD SALES” UNDER SECTION 4.05.002 “DEFINITIONS” ADDING A DEFINITION FOR “CONSIGNMENT” AND IN SECTION 4.05.006 “REQUIREMENTS AND CONDITIONS” SUBSECTION (c) IN THAT A YARD SALE PERMIT SHALL ONLY BE ISSUED TO A WATER UTILITY ACCOUNT HOLDER OR AUTHORIZED USER NAMED ON THE ACCOUNT IN GOOD STANDING WITHIN THE CITY; UNDER SECTION 4.05.006 “REQUIREMENTS AND CONDITIONS” SUBSECTION (c) REQUIRING THAT A PERMIT FOR AN ESTATE SALE SHALL BE ISSUED ONLY ONCE WITHIN A CALENDAR YEAR WITHOUT SPECIAL PERMITTING FROM THE CITY COUNCIL TO THE UTILITY ACCOUNT HOLDER, AUTHORIZED USER ON THE UTILITY ACCOUNT OR AUTHORIZED CONTRACTED CONSIGNOR ON BEHALF OF THE RECORD PROPERTY OWNER; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A PENALTY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION IN THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVER OAKS:

SAVINGS

All rights and remedies of the City of River Oaks are expressly saved as to any and all violations of the provisions of the City of River Oaks Code of Ordinances (2006) or any other ordinances affecting yard or garage sales which have accrued at the time of the effective date of this ordinance; and, as to such accrued violations and all pending litigation, both civil and criminal, whether pending in court or not, under such ordinances, same shall not be affected by this ordinance but may be prosecuted until final disposition by the courts.

PENALTY

In accordance to Section 1.01.009, “General penalty for violations of code; continuing violations”, of the City of River Oaks Code of Ordinances (2020) as adopted and as amended; whenever in this code or in any ordinance of the city an act is prohibited or is made or declared to be unlawful or an offense or a misdemeanor, or whenever in such code or ordinance the doing of any act is required or the failure to do any act is declared to be unlawful, and no specific penalty is provided therefor, the violation of any such provision of this code or any such ordinance shall be punished by a fine of not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500.00). However, a fine or penalty for the violation of a rule, ordinance or police regulation that governs fire safety, zoning or public health and sanitation other than dumping of refuse may not exceed two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00); a fine or penalty for the violation of a rule, ordinance, or police regulation that governs the dumping of refuse may not exceed four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00). Each day any violation of this code or of any ordinance shall continue shall constitute a separate offense.

PUBLICATION

The City Secretary of the City of River Oaks is hereby directed to publish in the official newspaper the caption, savings clause, penalty clause, publication clause and effective date clause of this ordinance one (1) time after the adoption of this ordinance as authorized by Chapter 5, Section 5.02(c) of the Charter of the City of River Oaks.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its passage and publication as required by law, and it is so ordained.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 16th DAY OF APRIL 2024.

Darren Houk, Mayor

ATTEST: Paula Luck, City Secretary

From American Red Cross

## Help Keep Emergency Rooms Ready by Giving Blood or Platelets

When every second counts, blood products can provide lifesaving care. The American Red Cross asks the public to give blood or platelets during Trauma Awareness Month in May to keep hospitals prepared for all transfusion needs, including emergencies. Type O blood donors and donors giving platelets are especially needed

From Mental Health First Aid

## Texas Health Offers Free, Monthly Mental Health First Aid Training

According to Mental Health America, 17 percent of adults in Texas, or 3.6 million people, are experiencing mental illness. Texas Health Resources is hoping to create a stronger community support system for individuals in crisis by offering free Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) training. The virtual one-day course teaches participants the risk factors and warning signs for mental health and addiction concerns. Led by experienced trainers, the program features interactive videos, breakout sessions and other activities, with discussions on depression and mood disorders; anxiety disorders; trauma; psychosis; and substance use disorders.

The next MHFA training sessions will take place on May 22 and June 26, with [monthly offerings](#) through the end of the year. Some online prework is required for registration, and participants who finish the course can earn Mental Health First Aider certification.

The MHFA program is based on a five-step action plan known as ALGEE: ASSESS for risk of suicide or harm; LISTEN nonjudgmentally; GIVE reassurance and information; ENCOURAGE appropriate professional help; ENCOURAGE self-help and other support strategies.

“Mental Health First Aid training is not a substitute for professional assistance, but it does provide education and resources for the average citizen who may encounter someone in need and not know how to respond,” said Matt Dufrene, vice president of Texas Health. “We invite local individuals and organizations to take this training and help us build a healthier community.”

Texas Health brought MHFA training to North Texas in 2021 by investing in a train-the-trainer program. To date, more than 550 individuals have earned MHFA training in North Texas. The course is open to anyone interested in knowing how to identify, understand, and respond to a mental health crisis.

To register for the MHFA course, go to: <https://info.bluezones-project.com/mhfa>. Organizations interested in bringing MHFA training to their employees can contact [CommunityHope@TexasHealth.org](mailto:CommunityHope@TexasHealth.org).

right now:

- Type O negative is the universal blood type and what emergency room personnel reach for when there is no time to determine a patient’s blood type in the most serious situations.
- Type O positive blood is the most used blood type because it can be transfused to Rh-positive patients of any blood type.
- Platelets are often needed to help with clotting in cases of massive bleeding.

It’s the blood already on the shelves that can help save lives in an emergency. Book a time to give now by visiting [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org), calling 1-800-RED CROSS or by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App.

All who come to donate now through May 31 will get a coupon for a free haircut by email. Plus, those who come to give through May 19 will be automatically entered for a chance to win a trip for two and VIP racing experience to the 2024 NASCAR Cup Series and Xfinity Races at Darlington Raceway Labor Day weekend, including entry to the Sport Clips racetrack hospitality tent and a \$1,000 gift card.

Additionally, those who come to give through May 19 will also get a bonus \$10 e-gift card to a merchant of choice.

For details on all offers, visit [RedCrossBlood.org/RaceToGive](http://RedCrossBlood.org/RaceToGive).

### Upcoming Blood Donation Opportunities May 16 - May 31

- Thursday, May 16: noon to 5 p.m., Medical City North Hills, 4401 Booth Calloway Road, North Richland Hills, TX 76180
- Friday, May 17: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Baylor Scott & White Medical Center, 1650 West College Street, Grapevine, TX 76051
- Saturday, May 18: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Heritage HOA Clubhouse, 9536 Courtright Dr, Fort Worth, TX 76244
- Wednesday, May 22: 1 p.m. to 6 p.m., Hulen Mall, 4800 South Hulen Street, Fort Worth, TX 76132
- Thursday, May 23: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Timarron Owners Association, 1240 Bent Creek Drive, Southlake, TX 76092
- Friday, May 24: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., American Red Cross, 6000 Western Pl #6000, Ste. 100, Fort Worth, TX 76107
- Friday, May 24: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Manheim Fort Worth, 12101 Trinity Blvd, Euless, TX 76040
- Tuesday, May 28: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Medical Office Building at Alliance, 3025 N. Tarrant Parkway, Fort Worth, TX 76177
- Wednesday, May 29: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Courtyard by Marriott DFW Airport North Grapevine, 2200 Bass Pro Drive, Grapevine, TX 76051
- Wednesday, May 29: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Lowe's, 600 North Tarrant Parkway, Keller, TX 76248
- Thursday, May 30: 12 p.m. to 6 p.m., Ridglea Christian Church, 6720 W Elizabeth Ln, Fort Worth, TX 76116
- Friday, May 31: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., EOS Fitness, 2401 Rio Grande Blvd. Euless, TX 76039

Texas History Minute by Dr. Ken Bridges

# The History of Memorial Day



After the guns fall silent and the parades pass by, how should family, friends, and a community continue to remember those who give their lives for their country?

While politicians and scholars debate the impact of particular wars, those closest to those men and women who perished in war are left with the bitter tears and broken hearts. As a way to honor the fallen and grieve their loss, Memorial Day was established as a day for that purpose. The modern observance has its roots in the Civil War.

It had been a tradition for many years in many areas up to the 1860s, but especially in the rural South, for cemetery associations, churches, and families to take a day in spring to clean the wild growth of weeds at the graves of loved ones as well as plant flowers or decorate the graves in some way. As much as it was an act of remembrance and respect for those who had passed on, it was also a time for communities and families to come together.

There had already been special observances at cemeteries for the Civil War fallen while the war still raged on. After the Civil War had ended in 1865, the nation mourned the loss of nearly 700,000 lives. Brother had fought against brother; cousin had fought against cousin. Shortages of food and medicine and disruptions of the few basic services that existed added to the civilian deaths across the South. In those moments, the political and ideological divisions that had separated North and South for so long fell away, and bitter foes and separated families were reunited in grief.

Some southerners were setting aside days to honor the Confederacy's fallen. Starting in

1866, the Ladies Memorial Association in Georgia began marking April 26 as a day of remembrance, marking the anniversary of the surrender of Confederate Gen. Joseph E. Johnston as Memorial Day, an observance that soon spread. After 1868, southern states began making Confederate Memorial Day into state holidays.

However, some organizations, such as the Grand Army of the Republic, a society of Union war veterans, helped establish and spread the tradition of Decoration Day in the South. The organization was founded shortly after the Civil War.

In 1868, Union Gen. John A. Logan, now head of the Grand Army of the Republic, called for Decoration Day to take place on May 30 of that year to honor the deceased of both sides. Why the particular day was chosen has been a matter of speculation by historians for some time. Some theorize that it was chosen to avoid marking the anniversary of any particular battle or major event in the war while others believed it was for more practical purposes given the later arrival of spring in the North.


The organization faltered in the South in the 1870s and was reorganized across the region in the 1880s, with dozens of chapters in Arkansas. Decoration Day activities were just one activity but became an important tradition. Annual Decoration Day activities included work at cemeteries for both northern and southern dead and educating children about the importance of the day.

As early as the 1880s, Decoration Day began to be called Memorial Day, and this only became more common in the early 1900s. After World War I, the scope of Decoration Day began to change. More than 117,000 American soldiers died in just a few months of

fighting in Europe in 1917 through 1918. Though Armistice Day on November 11 (which became Veterans Day in 1954) came to honor the service of the soldiers of World War I, the tradition of honoring those who died in wartime continued. Now more than 50 years after the end of the Civil War, and with those survivors and their widows passing on, their children and grandchildren continued to honor the memories of the Civil War and added those who died in their generation's great conflict. Though it was recognized by many states as a holiday and had expanded into an honored tradition in many communities, it was not a holiday observed at the same time nationwide. Gradually, it expanded to include all those men and women who died in all wars.

In 1968, President Lyndon Johnson signed the Uniform Monday Holiday Act into law, which created the three-day Memorial Day weekend, moving it from the May 30 date that so many states already observed. Since 1971, as part of that act, Memorial Day has been observed on the last Monday in May as an official federal holiday.

Today the Department of Veterans Affairs manages 135 national cemeteries. Hundreds of thousands of Americans have died in American wars since the nation's founding, and Memorial Day is but one moment to stop and reflect on what they died for. Though these men and women were but ordinary people with their own lives and dreams for the future, they died so that others may have theirs.

**ASH FRY** 

**Benbrook VFW Post 10429**  
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**9520 Santa Paula Dr. Fort Worth, TX 76116**  
**FRIDAY, MAY 24** - Chicken Fried Steak 6pm  
 Karaoke 7-11pm  
 \$20 Donation, \$15 for members/kids  
**SATURDAY, MAY 25** - Breakfast 8-11am  
 Ribbon Cutting 12pm  
 Motorcycle Wash 2pm w/donation  
**SUNDAY, MAY 26** - Haircuts 11am w/donation  
 Music by Tommy Hooker & Gary Carpenter 3-6pm  
**MONDAY, MAY 27** - Free Hot Dogs & Chips 11am  
 Raffle Ticket Purchase until 5pm

# *Around the Town* (continued from page 1)



River Oaks Police Department (l-r) Chief **Provencio**, Officer **Peña**, Officer **Pearson** and Lt. **Valdez** directed traffic.



Castleberry ISD After School program; **Rogelio Mojica**, **Eli-mar Mojica**, **Samuel Cervantes**, **Susan Rios** and Director **Karla Provencio**.



Enjoying their meal from the many food trucks are: (l-r) **Berkeley Sheffield**, **Rahea Jackson**, **Willy Sheffield**, **Sheron Sheffield** and **Jesse Sheffield**.

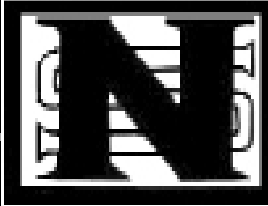


Scout Troop 4475 participated at the occasion. Pictured are: (l-r) Committee Chair **Janice Blades** and Scout Master **Erika Master**.

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**AM** - A 20% chance of showers and thunderstorms before 1pm. Mostly sunny, with a high near 82. Calm wind becoming west northwest around 5 mph in the morning.  
**PM** - Mostly clear, with a low around 65. W/NW wind around 5 mph becoming calm in the evening.



### Saturday, May 18:

**AM** - Sunny, with a high near 90. Calm wind becoming south around 5 mph in the afternoon.  
**PM** - Clear, with a low around 70. S/SE wind around 5 mph.



### Sunday, May 19:

**AM** - Sunny, with a high near 92. South wind 5 to 10 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.  
**PM** - Mostly clear, with a low around 73. S/SE wind around 10 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

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