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## From the Sports Desk with John Loven **Football Team Delights Homecoming Crowd with Big Victory**



Homecoming game. This year, Castleberry played Diamond Hill for Homecoming, and the Lions came into the game with a 2-1 quarter, and the onslaught had begun. record, looking for their third consecutive win.

20, and it did not disappoint Lion fans. CHS scored, for the most part, at will and in multiple ways. They went into halftime with a 56-0 lead. Mercifully, the game clock was allowed to just run without stopping during the second half. The result was a 63-0 victory for the Lions and a very happy Homecoming crowd.

Ironically, despite the final score, the game did not begin particularly well for the Lions. On the second play of the game CHS fumbled and Diamond Hill recovered. This gave the Eagles the on first down to move the ball to the Lions 38-yard line. Little did anyone know at the time; this would be the closest the Eagles would get to scoring for the rest of the entire game. The Lions defense was impenetrable for the Eagles offense. Diamond Hill only managed two first downs in the first half (one of those by penalty) and 35 yards of total offense.

CHS scored on their second offensive possession. The posses- the Lions led 28-0 with 10:39 left in the second quarter. sion was set up by a nice punt return of 26 yards by senior Cayden Perez (#6). The Lions then drove 58 yards in six plays, four of possession. This gave Perez (#6) another chance to return a punt. which gained 42 yards. On first-and-goal from the 9-yard line, sen- blocks, made some shifty moves, then sprinted past the last deior quarterback Demetrius Valadez (#7) completed a screen pass to fenders and took it to the house for another (continued on page 3)

Every football team in Texas does their very best to win their fellow senior Daniel Ortiz (#2) for a touchdown. The 2-point conversion failed but CHS still led 6-0 at the 7:59 mark of the first

The Lions forced the Eagles to turn the ball over on downs on The game was played at W.O. Barnes Stadium on Friday, Sept. the ensuing possession. CHS took over on their own 43-yard line and promptly drove 57 yards in another six plays. The final play was a great call by CHS head football coach Juan Silva, a quarterback draw by Valadez (#7) who scored from 12 yards out. Again, the 2-point conversion failed but still left the Lions with a 12-0 lead with 4:19 left in the first quarter.

After the Lions forced another Eagle punt, CHS took over at midfield. This time the Lions took nine plays to score. Ford (#25) got his 14th touchdown of the year on an 8-yard run on fourth-andball on the Lions 41-yard line. Diamond Hill then gained 3 yards 5. Ford (#25) also ran in the 2-point conversion which gave CHS a 20-0 lead with only 36.2 seconds left in the first quarter.

> Again, the Lions forced Diamond Hill to punt. This time Perez (#6) returned the punt 21 yards to set the Lions up on the Eagles 47-yard line. On the next play Valadez (#7) found senior wide receiver Corbett Brown (#5) wide open for a 47-yard touchdown reception. Valadez (#7) then ran in the 2-point conversion and now

Diamond Hill once again was forced to punt on the following those runs by CHS star running back, junior Isaiah Ford (#25), This one he fielded at the 50-yard line, picked up some great

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## Suburban Newspapers, Inc. Sports Desk (continued from page 1) \_\_\_\_\_

CHS touchdown. Senior kicker Chris Montoya (#14) kicked the gracefully took out his starters and played backups the second half. point-after-touchdown and boosted the lead to 35-0 with 7:57 left Diamond Hill's first possession of the third quarter ended when until half.

If it was not already bad enough for the Eagles – things got even Eagles fourth down pass attempt. worse. Diamond Hill fumbled the ensuing kickoff. Sophomore defensive back Brian Ceniceros (#10) recovered the fumble for the game to lead the Lion offense. CHS drove for one first down, but Lions. Two plays later CHS put a sixth touchdown on the scoreboard. Ceniceros (#10) followed up his fumble recovery with a 32yard touchdown reception from Valadez (#7). The score now ballooned to 42-0 with Montoya's (#14) point-after-touchdown. There was still 7:06 left until halftime.

again. The only unfortunate thing that happened to CHS on this night occurred on this next offensive series. Running back Isaiah Ford (#25) had entered this game as the #5 leading rusher in 4A in the state of Texas. He had averaged over 235 yards/game to open this season. On first down, on his 15th carry of the night, he gained at 7 p.m. The Yellowjackets have lost three games in a row, while 6 yards. However, after the play was over, he hopped on one leg off the field and did not return to the game. Hopefully his injury is not serious and will return next week. CHS scored two plays after Ford's injury. His replacement, junior Jayden Locks (#26) scampered 34 yards for another Lion touchdown. With 3:04 left until half, Montova (#14) got the point-after-touchdown and CHS now led 49-0.

The nightmare of a half was not quite over for the Eagles. On first down on their next possession they fumbled again. Junior Lucas Aguillon (#27) recovered the fumble for yet another CHS touchdown. Montoya (#14) added the point-after-touchdown. As hard as it was to believe, the score was now 56-0, and there was still 2:30 left until halftime. But the first half scoring had finally ended.

Thankfully the two schools, and the officials, agreed to not stop the clock in the second half (except for injuries). Coach Ramos sophomore defensive back Sebastian Huerta (#28) intercepted the

Back up quarterback, junior Ethan Chappell (#9) entered the then committed their second turnover of the night. Even though the Eagles did recover the CHS fumble, they of course could not move the ball (even against backups) and were forced to punt again.

On the Lions final possession, senior running back Derrick Walton (#19) entered the game. He carried five straight plays. This Hard to believe, but the Lions forced the Eagles to punt once brought up a third-and-5, from the Diamond Hill 9-yard line. Locks (#26) then got his second rushing touchdown of the night. Montoya (#14) added the exclamation point for the night and the final score of 63-0, and to the delight of the Homecoming crowd.

> The Lions (3-1) travel to Ferris (1-3) to play on Friday, Sept. 27 the Lions are riding a 3-game winning streak.

Go Lions!

# From the City of Benbrook Heritage Fest Saturday at **Dutch Branch Park**

Benbrook will host the annual Heritage Fest on Saturday, Sept. 28 at Dutch Branch Park, located at 1899 Winscott Rd., Benbrook, 76126, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. This free family-friendly event is packed full of exciting Western entertainment, musical performances, food, vendors, havrides and many other activities honoring our community's western heritage.

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## From the Project Linus Blanketeers First Monday Quilt Club - Project Linus Volunteers Needed

unteers while you make a difference by crafting quilts for Project increases each month. They desperately need volunteers with port-Linus.

The First Monday Quilt Club meets on the first Monday of each month at Bethany Christian Church, located at 1500 Meadow Park Drive in White Settlement from 9 a.m. to noon. Instead of a potluck lunch, ladies are asked to bring brunch or snack items. Their next fantastic friendships. meeting is on Monday, Oct. 7.

Project Linus is a non-profit service organization, and the participating. members of this group are Tarrant County Chapter Project Linus love, warmth, and comfort for local children who have suffered to purchase materials are greatly appreciated. trauma, tragedy, or illness.

Volunteers also make coverlets for veterans, nursing home res- www.projectlinus.org.

Come join the fun and fellowship with the Quilt Club vol- idents, and the homeless. Unfortunately, the need for these blankets able sewing machines to help assemble the quilts.

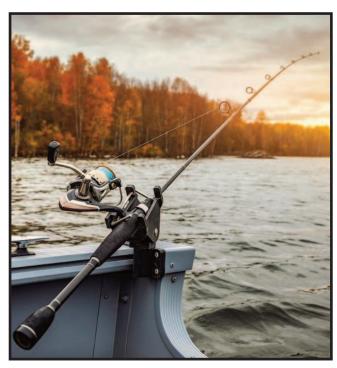
> No experience is needed - there is a place for you. Anyone can help if you can follow instructions, sew, tie a knot, crochet a blanket, or tell a good joke. Volunteers have lots of fun and develop

> High school students can receive community service credits for

Materials (fabric, batting, thread, and yarn) are provided. Dovolunteers who create handmade quilts and blankets that provide nations of fabric, yarn, thread, sewing machines, sergers, or money

For more information about the mission of Project Linus, visit

## Suburban Newspapers, Inc. From the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department **Texas Celebrates National Hunting and Fishing Day Sept. 28**



The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) asks Texans to invite their friends and family into the outdoors to celebrate National Hunting and Fishing Day (NHF) on Sept. 28.

This annual holiday, celebrated on the fourth Saturday of September, recognizes hunters and anglers for their contributions to wildlife and conservation.

Hunters and anglers primarily fund the state's wildlife management programs through the purchase of hunting and fishing licenses, stamps and endorsements, as well as through taxes paid on hunting and fishing equipment, motorboat fuel, firearms and ammunition. License purchases generate millions of dollars for conservation programs that benefit both game and non-game species statewide. According to a 2022 study, the total economic impact in Texas amounted to a combined \$27.6 billion for hunting, fishing and sport shooting activities.

"The significant contribution made by Texas' outdoors women and men toward research and species management is one of the reasons why the tradition of hunting and fishing in Texas has endured for generations," said TPWD Executive Director David Yoskowitz. "Without the help of Texas' hunters, anglers, to complete critical projects aimed at preserving and maintaining the state's natural spaces and wildlife population. This year, in honor of National Hunting and Fishing Day, I invite all Texans to take a hunter education course, attend a neighborhood fishing event and learn how participating in these activities aids in conserving the environment and our native species."

For many years, the proportion of people who hunt and fish in Texas has lagged behind huge increases in state population. While Texas experienced a pandemic-influenced surge in outdoor recreation, it hasn't created a significant long-term increase in the total number of people participating in hunting and fishing, which could spell problems for natural resource conservation in the future. Conservation is mostly funded by these participants.

In 2021, TPWD launched the Texas Recruitment, Retention and Reactivation (R3) Strategic Plan to connect more Texans to outdoor recreation and carry forward these timehonored traditions to future generations. Continued participation in fishing, boating, hunting and shooting sports helps fund efforts such as fish stocking, access and habitat improvements, and mentored hunting programs, which introduce new hunters to the sport in a safe environment.

In addition to conservation, TPWD endeavors to foster lifelong participants in hunting, fishing, boating, and shooting sports, and create a better-informed public with more interest in conserving wild things and wild places in Texas and beyond.

To learn about hunting, take an online or and landowners, biologists would not be able in-person hunter education course. Hunter education certification is required for anyone born on or after Sept. 2, 1971 and equips them with the necessary tools and information they need to be safe in the field: basics about firearm safety, species identification, zones of fire and more.

> TPWD also offers mentored hunting workshops to introduce new hunters to the experience and teach needed skills. The Hunting for Beginners webpage also offers a wealth of information.

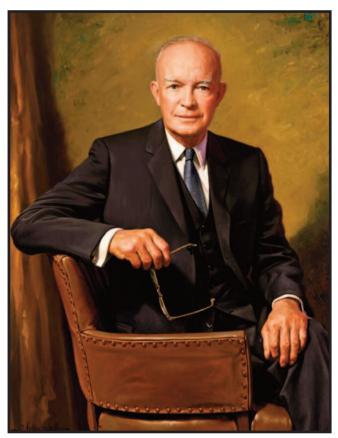
> Texans who want to learn to fish can also find many resources on the TPWD Fishing for Beginners webpage: how to get started, safety, basic gear assembly, tackle boxes and supplies, bait and lures, how to cast and more.

> Individuals interested in becoming a volunteer fishing instructor can visit the TPWD angler education instructor website. Fishing events around the state are listed on the online event page and no license is required to fish from the shore or dock at a Texas State Park.

> Congress launched NHF Day in 1971 to recognize hunters and anglers for their leadership in wildlife and conservation. In 1972, Richard Nixon signed the first presidential proclamation to hold it on the fourth Saturday in September every year to celebrate the rich tradition of hunting, target shooting and fishing.



## Suburban Newspapers, Inc. Texas History Minute, by Dr. Ken Bridges 34th U.S. President and Army General, Dwight D. Eisenhower



Dwight D. Eisenhower was a man who rose to great heights, but he was always a man of modesty. Like so many figures who excelled in America, his rise was to prominence was far from certain, but a background of faith, hard work, and education pushed the odds in his favor. Though his time in Texas was short, his impact on the world was profound.

He was born on Oct. 14, 1890, in Denison. His given name was David Dwight Eisenhower, after his father. However, the name was later switched to Dwight David Eisenhower, reportedly to avoid confusion over having two Davids in the family. Reports conflict whether it was his idea or his mother's insistence.

He was the third of seven boys. His father, David Eisenhower, had attended Lane University to study engineering and had later opened a general store in the tiny farming community of Hope, Kansas. However, the business failed within three years because of the financial crises crippling farmers at the time, forcing the Eisenhowers to move. In 1889, his father found work in Denison as an engine wiper for the Cotton Belt Railroad for \$10 per week.

The growing family scraped by, but faith and education were a must in the Eisenhower household. The future president's

determined woman whose family had es- NATO. caped the violence of Civil War Virginia and became a pacifist as a result. She had even husband.

Though he became beloved by the nation as "Ike," Eisenhower was one of several "Ikes" growing up. His oldest brother, Edgar, was called "Big Ike," while the future president was simply "Little Ike." Though his mother discouraged the use of nicknames, the "Ike" moniker stuck with him the rest of his life.

After the hard years in Denison, the Eisenhowers moved to Abilene, Kansas, in 1892. Eisenhower's father picked up work as a mechanic at a creamery, and their fortunes steadily improved.

As a child, Eisenhower was adventurous and athletic, exploring the outdoors and playing sports. He was very competitive with his older brothers, and his mother had once called him her "most troublesome boy." Interestingly enough, his mother had taught him to cook, which he took to enthusiastically. A younger brother died at the age of four, but the family pushed on, relying on their faith to endure hard times. In fact, the Eisenhowers held Bible classes in their home for many years.

Eisenhower was a star football player at Abilene High School. He had to repeat his freshman year because of a debilitating injury, but he persevered and graduated in 1909.

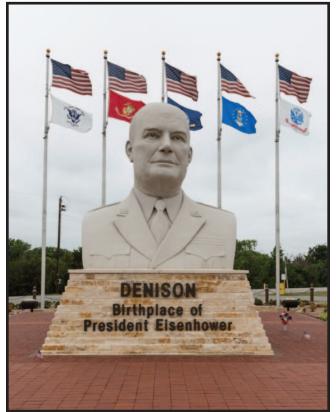
In 1911, he won an appointment to the U. S. Military Academy at West Point. Eisenhower considered it a practical way to get a free education. His mother, however, was disappointed at his choice for a military life, but she did not stand in his way. He graduated in 1915 in a class in which 59 graduates would eventually become generals.

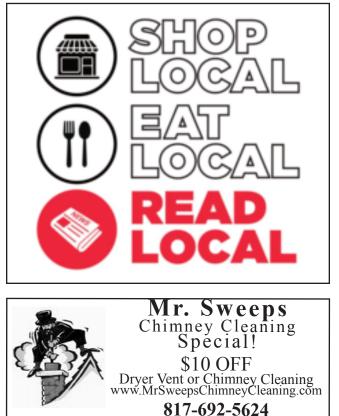
Eisenhower would have a long career of service to the nation. He rose to become Allied Supreme Commander in World War

grandfather had been a preacher, and his II, helping to secure the Allied victory father insisted on daily prayers and Bible against the Nazis. After World War II, he readings. His mother, Ida, was a devout and became the first Supreme Commander of

In 1952, he became the first native-born Texan elected president, widely supported attended college, where she met her future by state residents. Many schools, parks, and streets across the state are named for him today.

> Today, his birthplace is a state historic landmark in Denison, marking the beginning of what became an extraordinary life.





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<u>AM</u> - Sunny, with a high near 86. North wind 5 to 10 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph. <u>PM</u> - Mostly clear, with a low around 62. North wind around 5 mph.



# Saturday, Sept. 28:

<u>AM</u> - Sunny, with a high near 86. North wind 5 to 10 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph. <u>PM</u> - Partly cloudy, with a low around 63. North wind around 5 mph.



## Sunday, Sept. 29:

<u>AM</u> - Mostly sunny, with a high near 86. North wind around 5 mph. <u>PM</u> - Clear, with a low around 62. Northeast wind around 5 mph becoming calm.

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