

# VEGAS VALLEY ADVENTIST ACADEMY

## CALENDAR

- Nov. 10  
Veteran's Day (NS)
- Nov. 16  
7/8 Fieldtrip
- Nov. 17  
Family Lunch
- Nov. 20 -24  
Thanksgiving Break
- Dec. 15  
2nd QTR Ends
- Dec. 18 - Jan. 1, 2024  
Christmas Break
- Jan. 2  
School resumes
- Jan. 15  
MLK Birthday (NS)

## UNFORGETTABLE WEEK OF PRAYER: "BOUND BY BELIEF"

-MARIÉ ENTERINA

Last week was a special week at our school as we had our Week of Prayer with the theme "Bound by Belief" and the inspiring song "I Speak Jesus." We were honored to host Mr. Sieglar from Rio Lindo Adventist Academy as our speaker for the entire week. He discussed the fruits of the spirit and important virtues like love and kindness, helping us grow spiritually. This event also brought our school community closer. I led the praise team, and it was great to see many students participating and singing together. It was a wonderful experience, and it's important to think about how it changed us and encouraged us to live by these values.

## VETERANS' DAY

-YESEL GONZALEZ

Veterans Day is on November 11 every year. It is a federal holiday in the United States. It is to honor and appreciate all the military veterans who served in the U.S. Armed Forces. Schools are closed on that day to allow people to participate in parades, ceremonies, and other activities that honor Veterans. This day is to remember and show gratitude to those who served their country and were willing to give up their life to protect the freedoms and rights of the nation and people. So do not forget to honor a veteran on that day!



## NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

-JOSHUA M. SILVER

Back in 1990, former president George H.W. Bush declared November Native American Heritage Month. This month is dedicated to acknowledging the accomplishments and contributions of Native Americans. Some of these Natives include Sitting Bull, Sacagawea, Tecumseh, Geronimo, and Pocahontas. All of these Natives contributed to their own tribes and cultures. Whether it be fighting for their freedom, or aiding other peoples, these Natives stick out as influential and important figures. Commemorating these leaders is what Native American Heritage Month is about.



## MEDICAL MISSION

-JUNIA STAMP

Gaya island, a wonderful and beautiful place in Malaysia, is only a ten minute boat ride from Kona Kinabalu, Sabah. Its Bajau name, Gayo, means "large". And we can see why because it stretches a whopping 15 kilometers. This whole place is pretty distant and remote, and that's why its population has struggled with getting proper healthcare, that is what has started the Medical Mission in Pulau Gaya. The Sabah Mission (SM) of SDA's were in a partnership with the Malaysia Union Mission (MAUM) and with the help of both the Directors of Health ministries of both parties, they successfully arranged a Medical Mission for the people of the Island, helping more than 150+ local people there. The two ministries helped with the Adventist projects going on there locally as well, not only bringing good health, but happy spirits and fun things to do along with it. The helpful volunteers and great donations from sponsors helped this huge project come along! This great event will be remembered in Gaya for years and years on!

## BENJAMIN BANNEKER WEEK -JAMES W. GILLEY

This week is Benjamin Bennecker a famous mathematician and astronomer born in 1731 and one of the first African American to achieve distinction in science, despite being self-taught. He created a wooden clock that kept perfect time recorded and tracked it efficiently. He also correctly predicted a solar eclipse back in 1789 which was phenomenal being self-taught and only relying on books that he could find. His lab was a farmhouse which was burned down at his funeral. This shows that with determination on what you want to be, and how much you want it you can achieve anything with motivation and perseverance. This week we honor him for the purpose of his life that led to more African Americans and more to succeed because of Benjamin Bennecker's inspirational story of being a farm boy in rough times to a famous scholar.



## THE 45TH DIVISION -ROBERT CASTRO

In the southwest of the country, National Guard forces established the 45th Infantry Division in 1924. The "Thunderbird" division was reconstituted in 1940 and sent to North Africa at the end of June 1943. The division landed in Sicily the following month and faced Axis forces in action. The 45th was able to repel German attacks on its positions in Anzio in February 1944 after moving across the Italian peninsula. In August 1944, the unit crossed the nation and was dispatched to southern France. By the end of the year, it had swiftly crossed the border into Germany after moving across western France. The "Thunderbird" division crossed the Rhine and moved south in March 1945. It took control of Nuremberg on April 20 and on April 30, in Munich.



## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Endurance is  
patience concentrated  
-Thomas Carlyle

## SILLY GILLEY

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