# VEGAS VALLEY ADVENTIST ACADEMY

Wednesday, February 21, 2024

#### CALENDAR

Feb. 19
President's Day NS
Feb. 22-24
Music Festival
March 1
Academic Awards
March 8
End of 3rd QTR.
March 11-15
SPRING RRFAK

#### ODE TO AWARDS

-TAMES W. GTLLEY

In exactly 1 week we will be presenting awards for your student at the Mountain View Church down the street. It will be during chapel from eight a.m to nine a.m and welcome you to join us. We will present awards that recognize and acknowledge your students and many others. Such as Honor Roll, Citizenship, Perfect Attendance and so much more that your student has earned throughout these past six months. We hand these out to those who have worked hard and show their devotion to their studies. We hope to see you there and show how much it means to a child when they see their beloved ones happy that they accomplished something good that will benefit them in the future and for generations to come.

## THE LIFE OF RUBY BRIDGES -MCRYLEIGH PIERRE-LOUIS

The first African American to ever go to a desegregated school was Ruby Bridges. She was born on September 8, 1954 in Tylertown, Mississippi, Born to Lucille and Abon Bridges and the oldest of her five siblings. When Ruby was two years of age she had to move to New Orleans so her parents could get better opportunities for her. In 1959 Ruby attended a segregated school in New Orleans. One year later a federal court ordered the state of Louisiana to desegregate. This allowed African American students to take an entrance exam to see if they could attend an all white school. Six students including Ruby passed the test. Her parents had mixed feelings about her joining this type of school. Her father wanted to take precautions to keep his daughter safe. Because her parents did not have these educational advantages her mom wanted to have the educational advantages. To keep Ruby and her mother safe they had to be escorted to school by four marshalls! Everyday there were large crowds yelling many vicious slurs at them. Her family's life became worse when she attended her new school. Ruby's father lost his job and the people refused to let them buy groceries. But for a good cause, Debra Michals informed, "Ruby graduated from a desegregated high school, became a travel agent, married and had four sons." Ruby Bridges made history for all Black people and helped lead women to better opportunities.



SUN-EATING BLACK HOLE
-JOSHUA M. SILVER

The fastest-growing black hole ever has recently been discovered. J059-4351, the black hole that has been discovered, was observed by scientists in Australia. Its current mass is 17 billion times larger than the mass of the Sun! In fact, the entire diameter of it (including the accretion disk, the line of matter that intersects the middle of the black hole) is 7 light years. Due to its sheer size, each day, this black hole swallows enough matter to fill up the Sun. Additionally, its quasar (the light shooting out of the black hole) is the brightest object in the universe as we know. There is still much we don't know about the universe, which is what makes God's creation even more beautiful. (Mernandez)





## ADVENTIST CHURCH GETS RECOGNITION FOR EDUCATION!

The Seventh-day Adventist Church, established in 1907 in Jamaica, which later moved to Manchester in 1919 emphasized the need for education and health services that the British colonial administration ignored. Professor Emeritus Errol Miller, a Jamaican educator and novelist, praised the Seventh-day Adventist Church for its role in educating the Jamaican people during the colonial era. By creating the Northern Caribbean University (NCU). He promoted the church's use of the "quadrilateral" strategy, meaning the church continues to have a good influence on Jamaican society through education, Gossel book sales. health, and church.

#### BIBLE CAMP

#### -YESEL GONZALEZ

The U.S. The Supreme Court has received many causes but this case led to them either fining or arresting people for sleeping outside if no shelter is available. Cases like these are rising, as are people without shelter. The topic of homeless camps occurred due to the "Grants Pass V. Johnson" case. In Oregon, the town banned camping and sleeping bags, including stoves, on public property. This town in Oregon did this to "discourage people from sleeping in public spaces" (Ludden). "Homeless people say the city broke the law when it aggressively tried to push them out over the past decade" (Ludden). Grant, a homeless man, stated, "We're not out there because we want to be; we don't have a choice. There's no place to go". This problem brought other cities to side with Grant and invested in affordable housing, even for people experiencing homelessness." That's a long-term challenge they'll still face, whatever the Supreme Court decides. "(Ludden).

#### HE NBA'S SPECTACULAR ALL-STAR SHOWCASE -ROBERT CASTRO

his week of sports was exciting as the NBA all star game was held in Indiana, the home of the Pacers. All star weekend was exciting as we saw on Friday. Micah Parsons of the Dallas Cowboys won the MVP of the celebrity all star game with 37 points and 16 rebounds (Wright). On Saturday we saw many competitive matches with the first one being the 3 point contest. After many makes by all contestants it was Milwaukee Bucks star Damian Lilliard that came out with the win (Wright). Speaking of three pointers, the main attraction of Saturday was the shoot off between WNBA star Sabrina Ionescu and Warriors legend Stephen Curry in a duel of who is the current greatest shooter. After a competitive battle, Stephen Curry came out with the win in dramatic fashion (McMenamin). Lastly on Sunday it was time for the NBA All Star Game which had the West led by LeBron James facing the East led by Giannis Antetokounmpo. The game was not very competitive but all the players had fun and got to show off their flashy moves. At the end the East did win with a score of 211-186. Yes, the East had 211 points! This is the first time in NBA history where any team has scored 200 points (Reynolds). This All-Star game was truly unforgettable, a timeless showcase of talent that will be remembered for years to come.

#### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

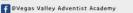
"The only thing we have to fear is fear itself." -Franklin D. Roosevelt

### SILLY GILLEY

What's red and bad for your teeth? A brick

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