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- Watters Crossing Playgroup meets every Friday

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Leap into the Fray of a Special Year

2012 is a leap year, which may be good for marriage proposals, but also for making the most of life.

Can a leap year save marriage? Recent studies say that wedding rates are falling like a bridesmaid's tears, but along comes 2012, when women (according to ancient tradition) can propose to men.

Some say this "privilege" is available only on Feb. 29 -- the extra day added every four years to the usual 365 to keep the calendar in sync with the Earth's orbit of the sun. Others contend that the whole year is up for grabs.

This, perhaps, is what led to the rule that a proposing woman is expected to wear a red petticoat (girls, ask your grandmother what this is) in order to give a

man some warning as to what's afoot.

If a man refuses, he must compensate the woman with either 12 pairs of gloves, a silk gown, a kiss (yeah, right), fabric to make a dress or payment of a fine.

That's tradition for you. Better to stick with the astronomical aspects.

A mathematical marvel

Here's why we have a leap year in the first place, as determined by some deeply investigative Googling: The Earth actually takes 365 days, 5 hours, 48 minutes and 46 seconds to orbit the sun. That's about a quarter-day more than our calendars allot. The ancient Egyptians came up with the idea of adding an extra day every four years.

This got even more complicated when someone realized that adding a leap day actually was a little too much correction, and came up with the idea of nixing the extra day on turn-of-the-century years not evenly divisible by 400. In other words, 2000 was a leap year, but 1900 wasn't. (To learn more, go online to www.infoplease.com/spot/leapyear2.html.)

In any case, people born on Feb. 29 are called "leaplings" or "leapers." For more than 20 years, leapers have been invited to celebrate their birthdays in Anthony, a town of about 4,500 straddling the border between Texas and New Mexico north of El Paso, which proclaimed itself the Leap Year Capital of the World, complete with a Feb. 29 festival.

Lest we go too far in poking fun at leap year, consider: This year, you get an extra day. Sure, it's just a day. But over the course of a lifetime of, say, 80 years, a person will gain 20 days, thanks to those ancient Egyptians.

So make the most of them. Maybe saying "I do" isn't just for weddings.



An Evening with Texas Singers & Songwriters



Some of Texas' celebrated songwriters will gather at the Allen Public Library to present an evening of music sure to prove that our state has bragging rights to the best tunes in the country.

Sponsored by Texas Roadhouse of McKinney and Bach to Books, this free program is offered 7:30 p.m. Thursday, February 23. The lineup for this special evening includes a number of local musical talents, including Austin Cunningham, Zane Williams, Brad Allen,

Kylie Rae Harris, Michael Prysock and Michael Ellis Empey.

**The library is located at 300 N. Allen Dr.
Call 214-509-4911.**

Babysitters of Watters Crossing



If you're looking for some time away from home without your precious children (and who isn't), here are some names of people in the neighborhood who might be able to help you out!

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- Kelly Doetzkie..... 972-727-8149
- Analiese Fabiny 214-547-9728
- Aryssa Fleschman 972-396-9121
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We highly recommend that you interview and make your own determination as to the person's competency and qualifications. If you would like to have your name added to the list, contact Mary Kuykendall at secretary@watterscrossing.com.

Watters Crossing Residents Live In Safest City



Allen Police Chief Bill Rushing has announced that for the third time in four years, Allen is ranked among the 10 safest cities in the United States. A City Crime Rankings study, published by CQ Press, a unit of Congressional Quarterly Inc., was based on the FBI's 2010 statistics report. The report examined more than 400 communities with at least 75,000 people based on

per-capita rates for homicide, robbery, rape, burglary, aggravated assault and motor vehicle theft.

Nationwide, Allen is ranked ninth overall among cities with a population of more than 75,000 and eighth among cities with a population between 75,000 and 99,999. In the CQ report, Allen was listed first in Texas, making it the safest city in Texas.

Allen To Celebrate a Greener and Healthier Lifestyle April 7



A full day of family activities scheduled for fourth annual EarthFest. The public is invited to join nonprofit organizations from across Allen and throughout North Texas who will gather April 7 at the Connemara Meadow Preserve for a festival filled with outdoor activities for the entire family.

EarthFest 2012 - A Celebration of Nature, Health and Community - will offer adults and children a chance to learn more about the wonders of nature while enjoying the great outdoors.

The family friendly event, which begins at 10 a.m. and runs through 2 p.m., will feature:

- hands-on environmental activities for the entire family
- nature walks and bird watching
- kayaking and canoeing demonstrations
- wildlife presentations
- and much, much more

Prior to the start of festivities, Keep Allen Beautiful will sponsor a community clean-up of Rowlett Creek, which flows across the entrance to the Connemara Meadow Preserve.

Community collaborators include Allen Parks Foundation, Blackland Prairie Master Naturalists, Allen Garden Club, Allen Independent School District, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Texas Health Resources Allen, EcoLiteracy Project City of Allen and the Connemara Conservancy.

EarthFest 2012 is sponsored by Keep Allen Beautiful, R.E.I. and Montgomery Farm. EarthFest 2012 will be at the southwest corner of Bethany and Alma. More information is available at connemaraconservancy.org on facebook at facebook.com/EarthFest2012. For more information, photos of past events or to arrange interviews, contact Scott White at scottwhite@bizcompr.com or 214-458-5751.

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National Heart Month

Heart disease is the number one killer in women over the age of 65. Yep, Heart disease. Shocking? It is. One in three women will lose the battle to this devastating disease.

- Don't smoke
- Get 30 minutes of physical activity, at least three times a week. Even a ten minute exercise session can help.

• Eat healthy. The great thing about the age of technology is there are tons of cookbooks as well as digital resources for delicious but healthy meals and snacks. Or healthy alternatives to recipe ingredients. Several breads for instance appear and taste like white bread but have all the nutrition of a wheat bread. Applesauce can be substituted in many recipes in place of high calorie oil.

• Eating healthy also includes portion control. Most of us eat until we're stuffed but if you measure out one serving of each dish in your meal, you will be less likely to overeat. For instance, the recommended daily requirement for protein is 2 to 3 ounces for the average adult. That's about the size of a deck of playing cards.



- Get regular health screenings. Many health fairs do a free cholesterol screening. If you donate blood, ask the technician about a cholesterol screening. If you are at increased risk, talk with your healthcare professional about taking a daily low-dose aspirin (81 mg).

Do you know the symptoms of a heart attack? What should you do if someone is experiencing one?

According to WedMD, the most common symptom of heart disease is angina, or chest pain. Angina is described as discomfort, heaviness, fullness, squeezing or generally painful feeling in your chest. It can be mistaken for indigestion. Angina can also be felt in the shoulders, arms, neck, throat, jaw or back.

Other symptoms include: shortness of breath, palpitations (a flip-flop feeling in your chest), increased heart rate/heartbeat, dizziness, fatigue, nausea and sweating.

Symptoms of a Heart AT-TACK are similar to angina but they will last 30 minutes or longer and are not relieved by rest or oral medications. If the symptoms do not go away or increase in number or intensity, seek medical attention IMMEDIATELY. Do NOT attempt to drive yourself to the hospital. Have a family member, friend or neighbor take you. If no one is available, dial 911! Make sure your front door is unlocked for the EMTs and leave a note with an emergency contact (if you are at home alone). If you are not allergic, taking 2 aspirin will thin your blood, making it easier to flow through your heart until you can get help. Do NOT lie down during a heart attack!! If you do take any medications, make sure you tell the EMT or doctor. ("I took 2 Bayer before I got here.") Note: if you go to the ER with a suspected heart attack (by ambulance or personal ride), rest assured the hospital staff

will give your case priority. So make sure you disclose any and all symptoms as well as medications and prior illness to the medical staff.

As with Breast Cancer and the Pink Phenomena that occurs in October, several companies market products during the entire month of February. One of the most recognizable campaigns is Campbell's soup partners with the American Heart Association each year to raise awareness. In fact, the national symbol for Heart Disease is the Red Dress.

February 3rd is National Wear Red Day. If everyone told ten people about Heart Disease, odds are at least one person would become interested. That's one more life saved! Bring attention to this issue and save someone special in your life!

Links to learn:

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Allen Eagle Run!

Registration is open! The 4th Annual Allen Eagle Run benefiting the Foundation for Allen Schools will take place Saturday, March 3, 2012. The Allen Eagle Run includes both a one mile family fun run and a certified 5k course. There will be children's activities, information booths, entertainment, trophies, and more! Registration is available online through February 28th, with early registration of \$15 per person through February 10th.



When you register online, be sure to select a Watters Crossing school campus when prompted during the registration process. Even if you do not have children in Allen schools, you will help a neighborhood

child's school get "credit" for having someone in the community sign up. A portion of the proceeds will benefit that school's P.E. department and campus PTA in addition to supporting the Foundation for Allen Schools. Children in Watters Crossing schools attend Norton Elementary, Ereckson Middle School,

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4 Things you might not have known about your Cell Phone

For all the folks with cell phones. (This should be printed and kept in your car, purse, and wallet. Good information to have with you.) There are a few things that can be done in times of grave emergencies. Your mobile phone can actually be a life saver or an emergency tool for survival.



Check out the things that you can do with it:

FIRST (Emergency)

The Emergency Number worldwide for Mobile is 112. If you find yourself out of the coverage area of your mobile network and there is an Emergency, dial 112 and the mobile will search any existing network to establish the emergency number for you, and interestingly, this number 112 can be dialed even if the keypad is locked. Try it out.

SECOND (Hidden Battery Power)

Imagine your cell battery is very low. To activate, press the keys *3370#. Your cell phone will restart with this reserve and the instrument will show a 50% increase in battery. This reserve will get charged when you charge your cell phone next time.

THIRD (How to disable a STOLEN mobile phone?)

To check your Mobile phone's serial number, key in the following Digits on your phone: *#06# .

A 15-digit code will appear on the screen. This number is unique to your handset. Write it down and keep it somewhere safe.

If your phone is stolen, you can phone your service provider and give them this code. They will then be able to block your handset so even if the thief changes the SIM card, your phone will be totally useless. You probably won't get your phone back, but at least you know that whoever stole it can't use/sell it either. If everybody does this, there would be no point in people stealing mobile phones.

And Finally....

FOURTH (Free Directory Service for Cells)

Cell phone companies are charging us \$1.00 to \$1.75 or more for 411 information calls when they don't have to. Most of us do not carry a telephone directory in our vehicle, which makes this situation even more of a problem. When you need to use the 411 information option, simply dial:

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What Does Investment Landscape Look Like in 2012?

By *Torsten Holmes, AAMS®*
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As an investor, you know that 2011 was a somewhat “choppy” year, with the financial markets going through many ups and downs. So what can you expect in 2012?

As baseball Hall of Famer Yogi Berra is quoted as saying: “It’s hard to make predictions — especially about the future.” And these words are certainly applicable for anyone who would like an accurate forecast of the investment climate.

Yet we do know of some factors that may affect your portfolio in the months ahead. Here are a few of them:

- Strong business fundamen-

tals — This past year, all the noise about the debt ceiling debate, the size of the U.S. deficit and the European financial situation tended to drown out some fairly good news: U.S. businesses’ balance sheets were strong for the most part, borrowing costs remained low, and corporate profits were good — and corporate profitability remains a key driver of stock prices. Heading into 2012, these fundamentals continue to look positive, which may bode well for investors.

- Europe’s debt crisis — Greece’s economic problems made a lot of news in 2011, but they weren’t the end of the story in Europe, as major



financial difficulties also face Italy, Spain, Portugal and Ireland. It’s by no means clear how these problems will be resolved, so don’t be surprised to see them lead to intermittent, if short-lived, shocks to the markets.

- Election-year patterns — As you’re well aware, we’re voting for president in 2012. But you might be surprised to learn that the S&P 500 index has shown negative returns in only three of the last 21 presidential election years. Coincidence? No one can say for sure — and at this point, no one can say if this pattern of positive returns will continue during this election year. Still, it’s an interesting phenomenon.

So there you have it: the good, the bad and the quirky. Take them all together, and you still may not be able to foresee what will happen with the markets this year, but you’ll have a lot to think about. But instead of trying to predict what will happen in 2012, you may be better off following these tried-and-true investment strategies:

- Diversify your holdings. By spreading your money among a wide range of investments, you

can reduce the effects of volatility on your portfolio. Keep in mind, though, that diversification, by itself, can’t guarantee profits or protect against loss.

- Don’t ignore your risk tolerance. If you worry excessively about market fluctuations, you may have too much risk in your portfolio, which means you may need to make some changes.

- Always look at the “big picture.” Financial markets will always fluctuate. But if you can keep your focus on your long-term objectives, and make decisions accordingly, you can avoid overreacting to short-term events.

Like other years, 2012 will bring with it periods of both turbulence and smooth sailing. But by making the right investment moves, you can still chart a course that can allow you to move ever closer to your future goals.

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Please Don't Laugh

By Peter G Young, CLU



I was at a networking breakfast when another agent said “give the gift of love – life insurance.” Everyone (except me) laughed, but think about it for a minute: while the love of your life might not exactly turn cartwheels of joy when you hand over a policy envelope and profess your love, I can guarantee that she will appreciate having that policy if you're suddenly called to a higher plane, leaving her with a mortgage, car payments and other sundry bills to pay, not to mention college and weddings to plan for. A wise old agent (i.e. an agent even older than me) once said he never met a widow who complained her husband had too much life insurance.

Life insurance is not that difficult to understand: buy term insurance to provide an income during your working years; buy whole life to pay for your final expenses. It is not that expensive. I used to tell people that it would be less than their cell phone bill, but that was back when cell phones were phones. Let's just say that a 45 year old male in pretty good health could buy \$350,000 of term insurance on himself for about \$1.50 a day. A tall cup of coffee from Starbucks is \$1.52. The life insurance is guaranteed for 20 years. Who knows what coffee is going to cost in 20 years. ‘Nuff said?

Is \$350,000 enough? That ob-

viously is going to depend on your circumstances, but regular readers know that my rule of thumb is five times your annual income. If you want to be more detailed, there are plenty of calculators online that will help you figure it out. I happen to be partial to the one offered by the Life Insurance Foundation for Education (LIFE) because it's not affiliated with any one company. It's easy to find online at www.lifehappens.org under the calculator tab, and yes you can download it to your iPhone.

A lot of people have group life insurance at work and that's fine, especially if it's free, but a person who relies on group insurance has to understand that if they leave that job or the job leaves them, they will have no life insurance. There is no COBRA extension for life insurance, and if there's a charge for the insurance, an average American can often find it cheaper to buy insurance as an individual.

Finally, it is not that difficult to buy life insurance. If you know what you want when you call an agent, the agent probably is not going to argue too much. (If she does, call another agent.) A little research will ease the pain of purchase. If you have medical issues, you may have to pay more but some shopping around between companies will cut the cost. I often find that if a company wants extra premium because a client has a medical issue, I can get



a better deal from one of my other companies.

It's sad when I hear about friends and neighbors passing away, but it's tragic to find out that someone I liked died without insurance because they were too busy right now, couldn't afford it or didn't think they'd qualify (when I know that they could have.)

So excuse us life insurance agents if we say things like life insurance is a gift of love. It's not funny, it's true. We know. We've been there.

Peter Young is a life and health insurance agent and a resident of Twin Creeks. He can be reached at pyoung1028@B4theBuckStops.com.



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DOC TALK - By Dr. Gregory Steiner, DC, MPhil

Starting the New Year in Health

So, when was the last time you checked the oil in your car? How about the heating and air conditioning in your house? How about your health? There are levels of health, and of physical examination to determine which level you are at. Usually when someone goes in for a 'physical,' it's the basics that are tested: weight, blood pressure, EKG and maybe cholesterol and some other things. This type of exam screens for big problems that can be readily recognizable as life threatening or at least damaging in the near to medium term.

There are other types of physical exams, the most common being the athletic physical in which the doctor or nurse pays more attention to the muscles and any

condition that might make participation in sports dangerous. Then there are the specialized examinations, e.g. all the sensation and function testing a neurologist might do; the range of motion and strength testing an orthopedist or physical therapist might perform; or perhaps the extensive blood work the endocrinologist or Ob/Gyn might do.

All these examinations check for different things, though there is some overlap in what the doctors are looking for. As a chiropractor and acupuncturist I have developed a unique examination system that largely includes elements of the neurological and orthopedic examinations, as well as including elements from acupuncture which looks at health problems in a very different way from Western medicine. Depending on how we examine,

we can come up with different answers to the health problems before us, and in turn with different approaches to treatment and prevention so those problems don't become bigger.

Early in the year so many people make resolutions towards better health – walk into any gym early in the year and see how crowded it is – and check the same gym 2 months later, and you will ask yourself where all those people went.....and the sad answer is probably to their unhealthy habits.

What I have seen time and time again over 21 years of practice is that the people who do best at keeping their resolutions have several things in common. First, they start from a position of knowledge. Second, they have developed an intelligent, relevant plan. Third, they have the persistence to keep on persisting.

Many failures are not due to laziness per se, but the lack of knowledge of the right problems to fix, and a wise, applicable plan to get to realistic goals. The starting point – the real starting point – towards health is revealed by exam results. Too fat, bad posture, bad skin, weak muscles, scary blood values.... by finding out these things you can determine the kind of pro-

gram that the doctor can re-measure several months down the road and which can guide you to real, targeted health and not just what you might incorrectly think health is.

Persistence is just about undefeatable – Edison has the famous quote that success was 1% inspiration and 99% perspiration, but that 'inspired' 1% is what gives the motivation to put out the effort necessary to achieve your health goal.

My advice is to start the New Year with a good, comprehensive examination and base your health care –both professional and self-care – on the road map you gain from the testing. Persistence following the right map will get you to the right destination.....

Dr. Greg's is an active resident of Allen and his background is in acupuncture, psychological medicine, and chiropractic. His partner, Dr. David Zhang, is medically trained in China, and is additionally qualified in acupuncture, herbalism, chiropractic and allergy elimination techniques. They are with CA Acupuncture and Chiropractic Clinic, located at 1101 Raintree Circle, Suite # 288, and can be reached for questions or appointments by phoning 972-747-0928.



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WCHOA-ACC
Contact this Committee in writing BEFORE you intend to build, construct or place any permanent or temporary structure on your property to avoid additional costs to correct a violation. This includes temporary buildings, sheds, satellite dishes, swingsets, fences etc. P.O. Box 1336 Allen TX 75013-0022

ACC Chairman - Denny Adelman
972-396-9654, acc@watterscrossing.com

Audit Committee - Lisa Sherwinski
972-727-1784, lsherwinski@yahoo.com
Responsible for auditing the Associations books

Beautification Chairman
Open
Responsible for the coordination of daily landscaping needs and semi annual common area planting

Captain - Phase I - Debbie Croff
972-390-7688 dmcroff@aol.com
Contact for ideas and questions regarding common areas in the respective phases

Captain - Phase II - Phillip Atkison
972-359-9858 - patkison@comcast.net

Captain - Phase III - Janice Nici
972-727-5296
jnici@neuropsych.com

Clubhouse Coordinator - Joyce Paul
214-547-8875
Contact for reserving clubhouse. Please contact between 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm for best results.
Clubhouse address - 900 Bel Air, Allen TX 75013
Clubhouse Telephone: 972-727-3915

Community Awareness Committee Chariman Jack Wills
972-359-2975, wchoa@sbcglobal.net
Responsible for updating the community about important development and zoning issues that may have an impact on our neighborhood.

Crime Watch Coordinator - Troy Ussery
info@watterscrossingwatch.org
Maintains our community crime watch web page. Residents can report incidents or suspicious activities within the community.

E-Mail Notification Service Coordinator - Jack Wills
972-359-2975, wchoa@sbcglobal.net
Maintains our community email notification. Add your email address to our system to be notified of important issues.

Events Coordinator - Sharon Wigder
972-390-8429, mwidger@hotmail.com
Responsible for finding volunteers to coordinate neighborhood events.

Information Distribution Coordinator - Laura Cobb
972-396-0371, lcobb@newyork.edisonproject.com
Coordinates street Captains who deliver newsletters and other community flyers.

Newsletter Submissions
Newsletters are published monthly. To include an article contact info@communitynewsconnection.com To advertise contact Community News Connection at 972-

396-8855

Pools Coordinator - Steve Koehler
972-727-8038, pools@watterscrossing.com
Oversees Phase I and Phase II neighborhood pools.

Sprinkler Captain - Phase I - Cathy Fischer
972-727-7449, dfischer30@comcast.net
Sprinkler Captain - Phase II - Brent Schoonover
214-495-3982, brent605@comcast.net
Contact to report sprinkler malfunctions in the respective phases
Sprinkler Captain - Phase III - Alan Schmoyer
972-727-0748, schmoyer@comcast.net

Tennis Court Chairman - Tara Glotzbach
214-547-9539, tara_shields@yahoo.com
Oversees tennis courts. To reserve a court sign your name on the sign up board. Call the Clubhouse recorder line at 972-727-3915 to obtain the access code to the court

Tool Time Committee - Don Hill
972-359-1791, tooltime@watterscrossing.com

Watters Crossing Playgroup Coordinator - Christina Dean
christina.dean@gmail.com
Coordinates neighborhood playgroups and quarterly activities.

Web Site Coordinator - Lorie Plymale
214-477-4360
Maintains our community web page. Sponsorship ads are available please call for pricing. Visit our site at www.watterscrossing.com.

Welcoming Service
Open
Personally welcomes and delivers welcome packets to new homeowners in the neighborhood. Local businesses may submit flyers, coupons or catalogs for our welcome packets. Call for pricing.

Yard Sale Coordinator - Allison Wacker
214-383-9353, abgw27@yahoo.com
Coordinates the advertising and distribution and the pick up of the yard sale signs and collects yard sale fees.

2011 Watters Crossing Homeowners Association

Officers
President - Pete March
972-359-7533, president@watterscrossing.com
Responsible for the general business of the community.

Vice President - Wayne Aguren
972-396-8030, vicepresident@watterscrossing.com

Secretary - Mary Kuykendall
secretary@watterscrossing.com

Treasurer - Carol Welch
972-396-9444
treasurer@watterscrossing.com
Responsible for HOA dues and finances

Contact the officers only in case of emergency or if any other service is unavailable to assist you. We would like to sincerely thank all of our volunteers who contribute their time and effort to make this a great community. If you would like more information on any volunteer opportunities, please contact one of the above board members.

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Jessie Hunter, D.D.S.



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A 33-year U.S. Army and Navy veteran, Col. Ralph Hodge's assignments included tours of duty in the Korean and Viet Nam conflicts and he served with a number of other esteemed military notables. He will discuss his role in those wars and his military career at the Allen Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, February 9. A recipient of the Bronze Star and Purple Heart, Col. Hodge will be escorted to the podium by Boy Scout Troop 328.

Poet and children's book author Richard Michelson appears at the Allen Public Library at 2 p.m. Saturday, February 11. Winner of numerous awards, including the Teachers' Choice



Award for Across the Alley, his most recent book is Twice As Good, a story of William Powell and Clearview, the only golf course designed, built, and owned by an African-American.

Andrea Dawson, the Sassy Soulstress of Blues, performs at the Allen Public Library at 3:00 p.m. Sunday, February 12. Offering a mixture of smooth blues and rocking jazz, Andrea's ven-



ues range from juke joints to prestigious blues festivals to the Dallas Museum of Art. Along with tours to Portugal with the Lucky Peterson Band and headlining in Santiago, Chile, Andrea's most recent tour was in Shangai, China, where her music was hugely popular.

All Blood Runs Red author Henry Harris of Fairview discusses the extraordinary life of



Eugene Bullard, the first African-American aviator to serve in a war, at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, February 16. Through exhaustive research, Harris uncovered a treasure trove of long-forgotten documents about this American hero denied the opportunity to serve in the US military. Bullard's motto was "Do not accept defeat if you are doing the right thing."



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