



ETNP HISTORY: DAVE'S BAR-B-Q

At the age of 12, Eltee O. Dave rode his bike from Grimes County (just east of College Station) to Dallas in 1915. That was the start of a journey that eventually propelled him to be labeled as Dallas's first black millionaire.

Mr. Dave spent his early years as a chauffeur and handyman for A. C. Ebie, a powerful Dallas businessman and General Manager of Magnolia Petroleum Company. By the 1930s, he saved enough to buy a 204-acre farm in Carrollton.



Eltee O. Dave

When Mr. Ebie died in 1938, he left Mr. Dave and his wife, Betty, \$1000 which was used to purchase several properties in Elm Thicket.

On one of his properties, Mr. Dave built Dave's Bar-B-Q, a restaurant on Lemmon Avenue that served "blacks only." As business grew and word spread of the food, Mr. Dave added a "whites only" dining room. By the 1940s, Mr. Dave had expanded his business to include several rent houses, a motel, a service station, and a wood yard where residents bought wood to cook with. Mr. Dave was the largest land owner in the area.

Unfortunately, the expansion of Love Field in the 1950s and the relocation of Lemmon Avenue to the east cut right through Dave's Bar-B-Q. Roughly half of Elm Thicket was lost in the Love Field expansion at that time. In 1955, Mr. Dave settled with the City of Dallas to sell all of his properties in Elm Thicket for \$12,525 or face condemnation.

Although forced out of Elm Thicket, Mr. Dave continued to be a savvy businessman. He built at least four other restaurants - all named Dave's Place. By the mid-1970s, he also owned three

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ETNP News: Message from the Publisher

Hello Elm Thicket/Northpark Neighbors:

To everyone who provided feedback on our first newsletter: Thank you! It is so nice for neighbors to give us feedback and tell us what they would like to see in future issues. The suggestion that a couple of people made was writing about the history of our Elm Thicket/Northpark neighborhood.

We thought that was a brilliant idea. There is no better way to Save Elm Thicket than by documenting the stories and history of our beloved neighborhood and our legacy residents. To kick off the preservation of the history of ETNP, we have written a story on Eltee O. Dave.



In order for us to continue writing stories on the history of ETNP we will need to hear from you. We have some legacy residents that have lived here since the 1950s and '60s. If you have old photos of ETNP or if you know someone who has memories of Elm Thicket and would like to share them then please contact us at etnpnews@gmail.com. We would love to speak with them and get their story down.

The other suggestion that we followed was looking into The Senior Source. This is an organization that is geared toward helping and protecting the quality of life of senior citizens in Dallas. We thought this would be information that would benefit our legacy residents. We will write a detailed story every month on a different aspect in which The Senior Center is able to provide assistance and direction for those who are interested.

Lastly, we want to thank everyone who stopped by the ETNP News table during the Elm Thicket/Northpark 13th Annual Juneteenth Celebration. It was great to see neighbors we had not seen in a while due to the pandemic and nice to meet neighbors who are new to the neighborhood. Our circulation is now more than 300 in addition to the 50 legacy residents to whom we deliver printed copies of the ETNP News.

Subscription to the ETNP News is free. Please share this issue with neighbors who may not be on our mailing list.

We hope you will enjoy this issue and will let us know what you want to see in future editions.

Get to Know Your Elected Representatives

In the June issue of ETNP News we provided you the contact information for the two different city councilmen that represent Elm Thicket/Northpark as well as our Dallas Neighborhood Police Officers.

This month we are providing the contact information for our state and national representatives.

**Texas State Sen. Nathan Johnson
District 16**

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Beat the July Heat with a Free Slurpee from 7-Eleven

As temperatures reach the triple digits in July, the return of the Free Slurpee Day on July 11 will certainly hit the spot. With this year's promotion, all 7-Eleven, Speedway, and Stripes stores will give away free small Slurpees to mark 7-Eleven's 96th birthday.

As an added bonus, those who have the 7-Eleven or Speedway mobile app will have the opportunity to snag a free small Slurpee between July 1 and July 11.

For more information and to get the 7-Eleven or Speedway app, go to <https://www.7-eleven.com/lp/slurpee-day-2023>.

Fun Facts: 7-Eleven is the world's largest convenience retailer and was founded in 1927 as an icehouse storefront in Dallas, Texas. It was known as Tote'm Stores between 1928 and 1946.



ETNP Legacy Residents Can Benefit from The Senior Source

After meeting with the members of the K.B. Polk Seniors, a great source many of them use is The Senior Source. ETNP News will do a multi-part series on The Senior Source so our legacy residents can learn about the many services The Senior Source offers.

First off, what is The Senior Source?

The Senior Source is a 501c(3) non-profit organization that champions older adults. They empower active seniors to live with purpose and protect vulnerable older adults. The Senior Source advocates for all of our rights as we age and ensure that financial and emotional well-being is achievable.

The Senior Source began in 1961 as the Senior Citizens Foundation of Dallas, providing assistance to older adults in Dallas County. Over the next 60 years, the agency added volunteer opportunities, nursing home resources, guardianship services, financial assistance and protection, fraud and scam prevention, employment services, and support for caregivers in Dallas and Collin Counties. In 2008, The Senior Source moved to its current location on Harry Hines Boulevard. In 2014, it launched a first-of-its-kind Elder Financial Safety Center to provide financial empowerment to older adults.

The Senior Source is proud to serve all older adults regardless of race, color, gender, national origin, age, religion, creed, status as a protected veteran, status as an individual with a disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression.

In the August issue we will begin covering the different ways The Senior Source can help Elm Thicket legacy residents and their families. If you would like to find out more information sooner, you can visit their website at: <https://theseniorsource.org/> or you can use the contact information listed below.

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3910 Harry Hines Blvd
Dallas, Texas 75219

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(214) 823-5700

E-MAIL

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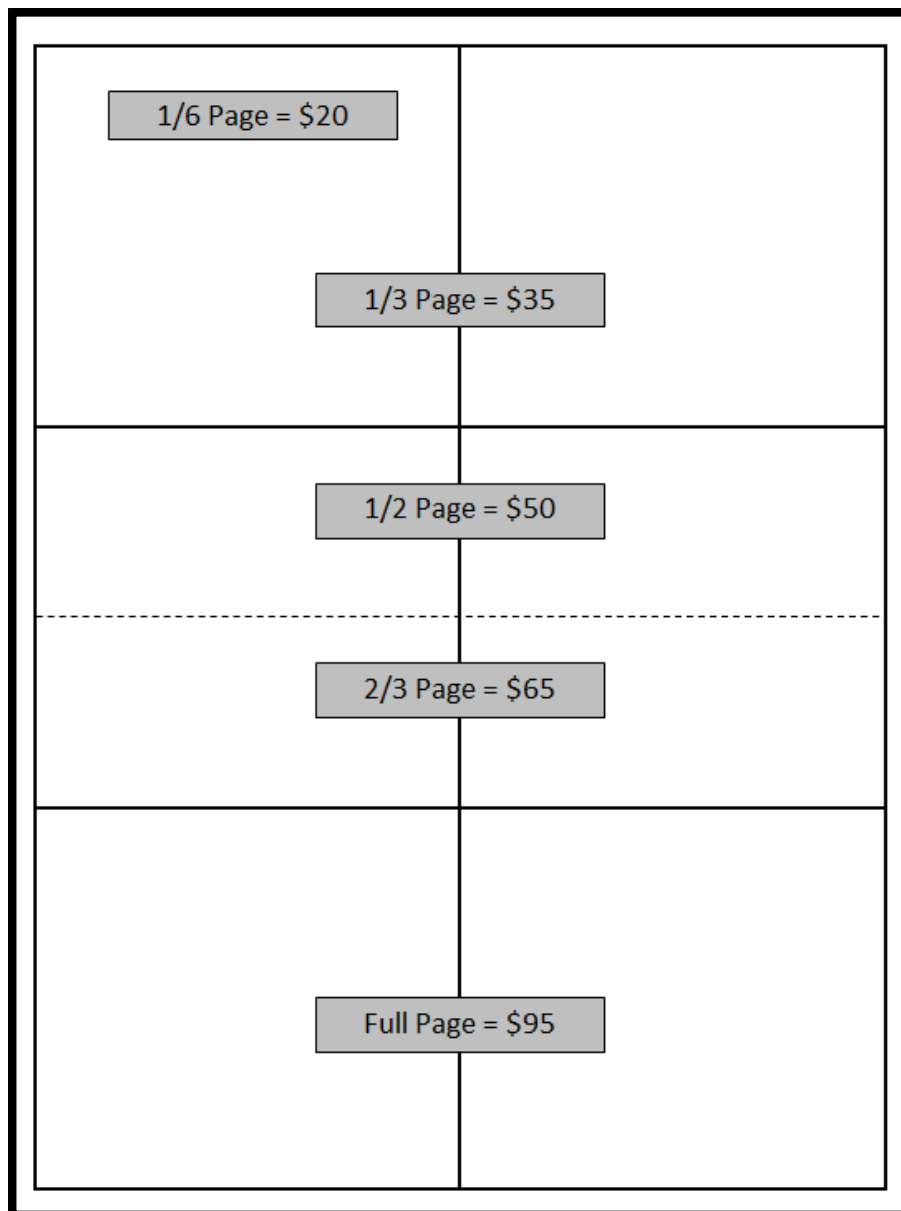
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ranches, one of which was a 192-acre cattle farm at the edge of Lou Foote airfield in Grand Prairie.

Sadly, Mr. Dave was killed during a robbery on Nov. 14, 1976, while working at one of his beloved restaurants. All of his restaurants and businesses soon closed. Despite his passing, the legacy of Eltee O. Dave lives on through a non-profit organization dedicated to helping youth become future entrepreneurs (<https://www.daveslegacy.org/>). Thank you, Mr. Dave.



Dave's Bar-B-Q restaurant in Elm Thicket, circa 1946. Photo courtesy of Dallas Public Library.



Dave's Bar-B-Q restaurant in Elm Thicket, circa 1955. Photo courtesy of Dallas Public Library. If you have pictures to share of Dave's Bar-B-Q or other pieces of ETNP history, contact etnpnews@gmail.com. We would love to share them with our neighbors.

ETNP Juneteenth Celebration in Pictures



Mark Your Calendar for the Monthly Crimewatch Meeting

Mark your calendars so you remember to attend the Elm Thicket/Northpark monthly crimewatch meeting which is held the fourth Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at the K.B. Polk Recreation Center at Thedford and Roper.

During the meeting you will get to meet our Neighborhood Patrol Officers, find out what crime, if any, has occurred in our neighborhood and have any questions you may have answered by our Neighborhood Patrol Officers.

A representative from Code Enforcement also attends the meeting.

The dates for the next four crimewatch meetings are July 25, Aug. 22 and Sept. 26. The meetings will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the K.B. Polk Recreation Center. The monthly crimewatch meetings are organized by the Elm Thicket/Northpark Neighborhood Association.

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- Theft of Service - Burglary of a Coin Machine
- Shoplifting - Interference with Child Custody

The investigative process is the same as if an officer took the report at the incident scene.

DALLAS POLICE DEPARTMENT

Questions Regarding PreK Enrollment Answered for Parents

Elm Thicket/Northpark parents who have questions regarding registering their child for PreK for the 2023-2024 school year can get help from a number of places.

You can stop by the Bachman Lake Together Family Center to get your children enrolled from Monday - Thursday anytime between 7:30 am - 5:00 pm. Go to www.prekdallas.org for details.

Familias, ¿necesitan inscribir a su hijo en PreK para el año escolar 2023-2024? Si dijo que Sí, puede pasar por nuestro Centro Familiar en Bachman Lake Together para inscribir a sus hijos de lunes a jueves en cualquier momento entre las 7:30 am y las 5:00 pm. Visite www.prekdallas.org para más detalles.

Inscriba en línea para prekínder GRATIS este verano para el ciclo escolar 2023-2024

Visite WWW.PREKDALLAS.ORG y complete la inscripción en línea.