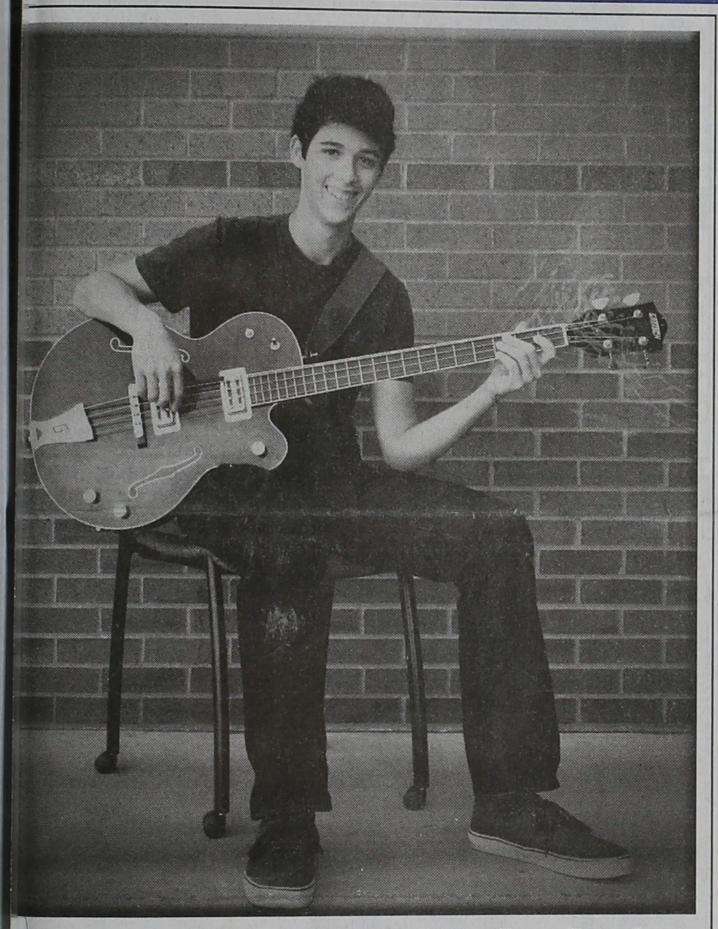
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Kaan Toy selected for All-State Jazz Band

Junior Rockwall High School Band member Kaan Toy was selected as the jazz bass guitar chair or the Texas Music Educators Association All-State Jazz Band recently. Toy, pictured above, will avel to San Antonio in February to perform at the TMEA convention as a member of the All-State azz Band.

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Father and son recovering from broken necks

by Jodi Smith

Rockwall County News Exclusive

A local father and son are recovering well after both suffered broken necks in two unlikely accidents just 18 days apart. Jeff and Jonas Poland of Heath are recovering together after recent truck and football accidents resulted in similar injuries for the father and son, said Jeff's wife Chandra Poland. "Jonas is doing remarkably well," said Poland. "He will heal, no problem." She said her 16-year-old son, a junior at Rockwall Christian Academy, is already back at school.

Jeff Poland, 43, has been referred to several specialists, and was flown home from a Colorado hospital November 14. Doctors found crushed T1 and T30 vertebrae, a broken rib, a ruptured eardrum and multiple cuts and bruises. Poland, a UPS truck driver, was asleep in the back of the truck's cab when the accident occurred the afternoon of November 13 about 10 miles north of Trinidad, CO on Interstate 25.

"Jeff was asleep in the back when it happened," his wife explained. She said he described the wreck as violent and surreal. "He just kept shouting, 'Jesus, Jesus,' until the truck came to a stop upside down, and he could hear the engine," she recalled. "He was trapped and fluid was pouring on him. He just kept praying and made peace with the Lord."

David Smith, a friend of Jeff's since college, was driving the vehicle and was killed in the collision. "Jeff's heart is also broken, over David," his wife said. "David was very close and dear to him. They'd driven together for 28 years." She said authorities had ruled out a heart attack as the cause of the accident, but were considering a possible stroke or brain injury. "The truck veered across the median into the other lane and landed on a service road," Poland explained. "If David had been asleep he would have woken up on the first impact and slammed on the brakes." No brakes marks were found at the scene. No other vehicles were involved.

Poland was removed from the wreck with the Jaws of Life. "When the firemen arrived, Jeff knew he wouldn't catch fire," Poland explained. "An EMT named Bubba pulled him out and said it was truly a miracle Jeff survived. He called out to God and God pulled him through."

He must have also been watching over his son on October 26 when the football standout went for a fumble during Rockwall Christian's Homecoming game and collided with another player, fracturing his C-7 vertebrae in the back of his neck. It was fortunate that the break was in the back and not the front, his mother said. Jonas plays cornerback and wide receiver for RCA, and also plays drums in the school worship band.

Poland says her son is recovering miraculously well. "He's played the drums since he was four, and he's still playing them in his neck brace."

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loyse City to get new web site

Millie Jean Coppedge

ing the Nov. 13 Royse City Council meeting, Corey Brown of 4B Design shared with the council his ideas for the new website he to design for the city.

wn told Janet Nichols, mayor pro-tem, that his goal is to build and e the site for the city and conduct training for city personnel on o change items and work on the site.

our site is outdated," he told the council. "Some sections on the ren't being used at all or are not applicable and need to be totally ed. I want to create a site that the city will be proud of."

designed the web page for the Royse City Animal Shelter.

Crowley said. "When I go to a site, if it has an overwhelming and of information and print on it, I just go on to another site. I even bother with it. I want one that is simple, quick and easy to "stand."

wn assured Crowley the site he plans to create would be easy and

want to see things like utilities and upcoming events with bold s and that are easy to find," Councilman James Branch said. "How

will it be before the site will be up and running?"

we said it would be about four months, which seemed to come as

prise to some council members. Several were heard saying, "Four

motion passed unanimously to let Brown design the website.

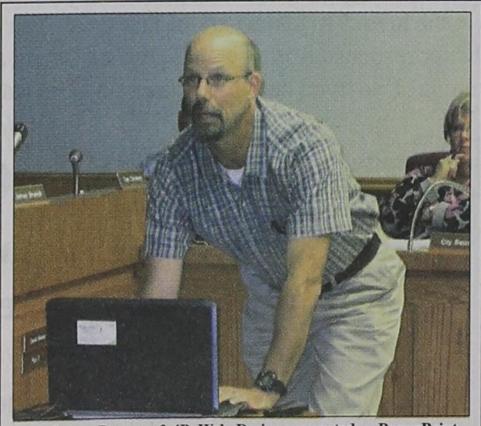
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ding an update by city manager Carl Alsabrook on an oil spill by

ation Solutions, the company that supplies service to Royse City

for garbage pickup. During the last council meeting, a citizen voiced his concern of an oil spill by one of the garbage trucks during its run.

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Corey Brown of 4B Web Design presented a PowerPoint presentation to the Royse City Council Nov. 13 explaining his ideas of the new website he plans to design for the city.

Photo by Millie Jean Coppedge/Rockwall County News



The Aspasians recently conducted their November meeting in the home of Carrie Varner where they assembled Thanksgiving bags for local families with assistance from the Rockwall Rainbow Room. The bags were filled with food and supplied needed to prepare Thanksgiving feasts. Pictured above are Jenni Knox, Lisa North and Margie Chung, who delivered the bags.

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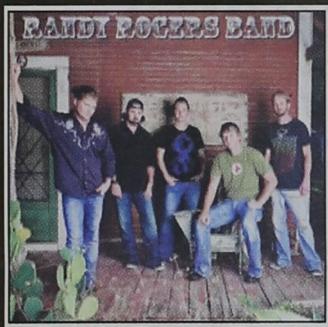
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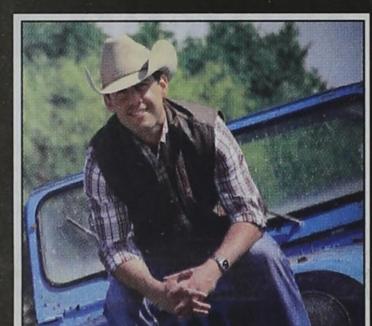
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Students in Angie Alder's first grade class at Dobbs transformed into animals for their holidaplay, "The Animals' Thanksgiving." Pictured are, at back, from the left, Sophie Menchaca, Noah Vinci Kaden Haack and Clara Smith; at center, Samuel Thompson, Liberty Meza, Abby Lee Presley Pointer and Kaden Dezan; and at front, James Ayala, Zaria Taylor, Isabella Barron and Hunter Rives. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News



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Tickets to the Nov. 30 Fest of Trees dinner/auction begins at 6 p.m. are now available the event, bidders will bid on show trees decorated by I businesses and organizations

Proceeds benefit Rock County Helping Hands, a 1 profit agency serving Rock residents in crisis.

Each participant is asked bring a new, unwrapped to gift card for teens to donat the agency's toy drive. Help Hands provides at least three toys for each child of Rock families in need.

For more information, rockwallhelpinghands.com call 972-771-4357.

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CISD trustees recognize elementary students, teachers

illie Jean Coppedge
vall County News Exclusive

toyse City Independent School District Board of Trustees and ing-room only crowd of parents, students, teachers, school el and other visitors at the Nov. 12 meeting were enlightened ertained by representatives from three area elementary schools. e students from Davis Elementary School were recognized librarian, Debra George, for having entered their poetry for tion to be published in a book called the "Anthology of Poetry ng Americans."

lertook this challenge because I felt it was important to encourage tudents to express themselves in their writing," George said. students have entered the contest for the last three years and d students work selected all three years.

year we had 89 entries and had 49 accepted for publication," orge.

nts who were asked by George to read their poems on stage were Colunga, Gabriella Dean, Mathew DeGrotte, Miranda Jones, Pense, Liam Ragan, Landon Reid, Devin Stout, Dakota Taylor, Sator, Keithraun Smith and Mathew Alsabrook.

students from Fort and Scott elementary schools were recognized and talented specialists Kelly Margot and Lisa Pogue. The were for the students" entries in the College Research Projects. Students did extensive research and created posters and various isuals pertaining to colleges they were interested in possiblying when they graduate, according to the teachers.

relative, these young people delighted those present and set od for the night. Board members responded to the students' in presentations, energy and knowledge with verbal praises and ments.

R gnition also was made of 18 teachers as recipients of various its of money from the Royse City Education Foundation Grant for innovative grants. Don Palmer, board president, accepted solic check from Jeff Hays, one of the directors of the RCISD in Foundation representatives, in the amount of \$43,289.20.

Test of the monthly meeting covered items on the agenda including is ISD Foundation updates, elementary campus reports, the federal room report and Strategic Planning: Phase 1 Report presented by the tendent.

Pent at the board meeting were superintendent Kevin Worthy, sont to the superintendent Peggy Webb, assistant superintendent filalker, assistant superintendent CFO Jimmy Butler, associate putendent of operations trustee Eric Fort, trustee Charles Carroll, Mike Stone, board secretary Bobby Summers, Palmer and board resident Julie Stutts.

Royse City city council ...

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rson, Lopez and Joe Stegall.

ook said he had spoken with the company's representative and sured the matter was being resolved. Sanitation Solutions does good job for Royse City, he said, and has been professional in g matters of concern.

Prook complimented Dario Lopez, public works director for City. He noted that the city crew just completed laying 10 tons of , which took care of most of the major potholes in the city.

brook also complimented Kellye Robertson, Royse City Animal coordinator, for all the work she is doing at the city's animal Still to come are several events to raise money to help with the 's needs, including food and medical care for the animals.

osing, Nichols and Branch gave a word of appreciation to both and Robertson for all their hard work and accomplishments and mented them on a job well done.

council members present were Nichols, Clay Ellis, Bill Bell, Matt de, Branch, Tom Crowley and Mayor Jerrell Baley. Staff members were Alsabrook, Jason Day, Jeff Stapleton, Richard Bell, Janet

city council meeting for Nov. 27 has been canceled because of the vs. The next meeting will be Dec. 11.

Royse City Police Blotter Nov. 9-15

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aturday, 10 Nov.: Noise disturbance, 300 block Texoma Court; n, 2300 block E. I-30 NSR; Alarm, 800 block S. FM 548; rbance, 1200 block Tyler Court; Suspicious person, Area of FM and I-30 SSR; Alarm, 2300 block E. I-30 NSR; Reckless driver, eastbound near the 79-mile marker

unday, 11 Nov.: Reckless driver, I-30 eastbound near the 74-mile er; Medical assistance, 300 block Regal Court; Medical assistance, block E. I-30; Noise disturbance, Area of Taylor Drive; Accident, block Old Greenville Road; Alarm, 100 block N. Houston Street; and while license invalid arrest, I-30 eastbound near the 79-mile

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Thursday, 15 Nov.: Suspicious vehicle, 1500 block Lorena Drive; m, 1200 block FM 2453; Medical assistance, 1700 block Audrey e; Alarm, 1100 block Walnut Street; Theft, 900 block W. I-30 SSR; lic intoxication arrest, Area of FM 2642 and I-30 NSR; Threat st, 1300 block E. Main Street

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Fort Elementary grade student Maika Rauch addresses the Royse City Independent School District Board of Trustees, giving a presentation on Baylor University at the Nov. 12 meeting. Her teacher, Kelly Margot, assists her as a full audience looks on.

By Millie Jean Coppedge/Rockwall County News

RCISD Education Foundation campaign opens with dinner, auction

The annual Foundation Partnership Dinner and student art auction was conducted Nov. 8 to kick off the fundraising campaign for the Education Foundation for the Royse City Independent School District.

The event also serves as a way to recognize the foundation's lead gift donors, all of whom gave \$1,000 or more to the annual campaign.

Student artists, inspired by their art teachers, create pieces for the event, which are auctioned off by auctioneer Dennis Morrow. Sixty percent of the bid prices go back to the art classrooms.

"The student art pieces are just wonderful," said Jo Nell Mellody, executive director for the foundation, in a news release. "It's a great way for these programs to add much-needed dollars to their budgets."

The foundation dinner also recognized the 2012 teacher grant recipients who were awarded a total of \$43,289 in innovative grants on Oct. 26.

The annual campaign has raised \$43,980 to date, along with the employee payroll deduction campaign of \$33,746. That amount represents more than 73 percent of the foundation's \$110,000 goal.

Funds raised go back to students in staff through classroom grants, student and staff recognition at the Top Dog Spectacular, and an endowment fund designed to support the future of the RCISD.



The Foundation Partnership Dinner conducted Nov. 8 generated more than \$3,300 from the auction of student-produced art. Pictured above with one piece of art auctioned off at the event are art teacher Kristen Yager; Dr. Henry and Tina Watchendorf; Cynthia Pense, Davis principal; and student artist, Thea Werner, and her mother, Crystal.

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'Tis Christmastime event set Nov. 27

Rockwall County will start the holiday season with its annual 'Tis Christmastime event from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Nov. 27, featuring refreshments, visits with Santa, carriage rides, carols by the Rockwall High School choir ensemble Walk the Line, and other festivities on Rockwall's downtown square.

The event celebrates the beginning of the holiday season and is a partnership between the Rockwall County Commissioners Court, the Rockwall County Master Gardeners, the Rockwall County Historical Commission, downtown merchants and the Rockwall County Historical Foundation.

Beginning at 6 p.m., free holiday refreshments will be served at the Historic Downtown Courthouse and Santa will be on hand for photos



group Harmony, whose members Jamie Rubush, Gail Lasky, Jodi Chaffin, Debbie Weigant and Barbara Darrow are pictured above, provided the entertainment. About 70 volunteers received certificates of achievement for their service spent in the ESL, GED and citizenship tutoring programs. Volunteers provided more than 8,100 hours of service to the tutoring programs last year, serving almost 300 students from 52 different countries. Of that number, 50 have passed their GED exam, 20 have obtained citizenship, three are enrolled in college and 171 have progressed at least one grade level in English proficiency. For more information about the tutoring programs, call Gloria at 972-204-7705 or visit the literacy area of

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in the second floor courtroom. Professional photos are available for \$5, but are optional; all children are welcome to share their wish lists with Santa at no charge. For those who choose the professional photos, the pictures will be available for pick-up the week following the event.

Participants also can sip cider as they shop or take a leisurely horse-drawn carriage ride through Rockwall's historic neighborhood.

For more information on the scheduled activities, call Sheri Fowler with the Rockwall County Historical Foundation at 214-926-6466.

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God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

The risen Christ teaches his disciples

Continuing with the first day of the week, some time after Jesus walked with two of his disciples to Emmaus, we will cover the different times he showed himself to his 12 chosen disciples. The records are found in Mark 16:14-18; Luke 24:33 and John 20:19-29. Luke's Gospel shows that the two men returned from Emmaus to Jerusalem, found eleven of the 12 chosen disciples along with others. Immediately the disciples told the two about how the Lord had risen and

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that he appeared to Simon Peter.

Next the two men told what happened while on the way to Emmaus, and how they suddenly knew the Lord when he broke bread. While they talked Jesus suddenly stood in the midst of them and told them to be peaceful because they were terrified and frightened thinking they had seen a spirit. It's possible that the two men from Emmaus were the first to see Jesus vanish from their sight. This time they saw him arrive in the room in the same way.

In order to help them feel better he showed them his hands and feet and allowed them to touch him so they could see that he was not a spirit. Because they still didn't believe him, he ate a broiled fish and some honey.

Next he started teaching them out of the scriptures like he did for the two from Emmaus. He showed them how the scriptures spoke of his sufferings and how he would be raised from the dead on the third day. He also exhorted them to preach in his name, among all the nations, about repentance and remission of sins. He told them he would send the promise of his Father to them, and to wait in Jerusalem until they would be endued with power from on high. The record of John tells a similar story in which Jesus popped in to see his disciples. It's difficult to determine if this is the same as, or similar to the above event in Luke. John's record shows that eleven of the 12 chosen disciples were present in the room. Jesus arrived and stood in their midst and told them to be peaceful. He also showed them his wounded hands and side. John 20:24 reveals the missing disciple was Thomas. Later, the disciples explained to Thomas that Jesus had visited them, but he didn't believe their story. Just like the others, he would not believe until he touched

Jesus' hands and side.

Eight days later Jesus arrived again and let Thomas touch his I and side. Alas, Thomas also believed and Jesus said, "because have seen me, you believed. Blessed are they who have not seen have believed (John 20:29). John tells us that Jesus did many signs in his disciples' presence, which are not written in his Go The record in Mark contains added information about Jesus' time his disciples. Verse 17 says, "And these signs shall follow then believe. In my name shall they cast out devils. They shall speak new tongues. They shall take up serpents. And if they drink any d thing, it shall not hurt them. They shall lay hands on the sick, and Baptistery, 701 shall recover." This is fantastic information for all Christian beli even today!

Holiday parade, market set Dec. 1 ii downtown Rockwa

The Old Town Holiday Market and the annual Kiwanis Chr Parade will help kick off the holiday season in style Dec. 1. Old Town Holiday Market vendors will offer an eclectic array o Rockwall, he wa

for everyone's holiday shopping needs: gingerbread houses, soy c

vintage birdhouse, clothing, soaps, canned preserves and more.

Joining the festivities, Downtown Rockwall shops will offer (Alan) and Eri throughout the day as visitors enjoy holiday music and warm bev. In Stephanie, See while shopping. The 43rd Annual Christmas Parade starts its journey through dow Rece, Kyra Frost at 9 a.m. from Caruth Street south on Goliad Street to the Dow is preceded in de

parade is Through the Eyes of a Child. Santa's Workshop on San Jacinto also will be open. The Holiday Market is open from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m.

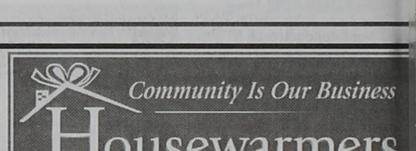
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His sister, Ashlee, was crowned homecoming queen just before brother was injured at the same game. "Jonas has too great a pl and God-given calling to be stopped by a broken neck," she said. " warrior, and an inspiring one." His football coach, Caleb Palmer, a "Jonas is a part of my team regardless if he's able to play or not."

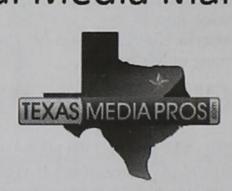
His parents are both Youth Ministers at The Church In The (Rockwall. Poland says the church and RCA have been a great sup this trying time.

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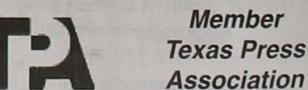
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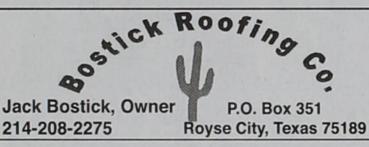
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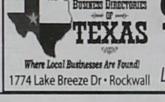
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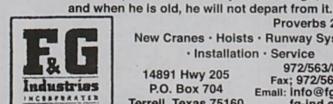
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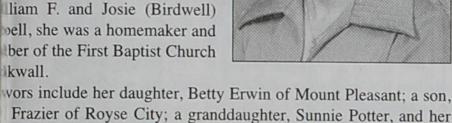
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G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, P.O. Box 678456, Dallas,

Jim 'Toad' Ross

ces for Jim "Toad" Ross, 80, of wall were conducted at 10 a.m. 17, 2012, at the First United dist Church of Rockwall. side services followed in the vall City Cemetery under the on of the Rest Haven Funeral -Rockwall Chapel.

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A 1950 graduate of Rockwall he earned a football scholarship University of Texas where he

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began his public education career teaching and coaching in the s Independent School District in 1958. He was promoted to adtration, serving as a school principal until his retirement in 1989. ill be most remembered for his success as principal at Lida Hooe entary School in Oak Cliff where he served from 1971 to 1989 couple retired and moved to his hometown of Rockwall in 1989, they joined the First United Methodist Church of Rockwall.

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Il and Sam Huse; and his father, Hubert Mayabb. D.W. Swanner

vices for D.W. Swanner, 84, of were conducted at 11 a.m. Nov. 012, in the Rest Haven Funeral e-Rockwall Chapel with Pastor Donaho officiating. Burial fold in the Royse City Cemetery r the direction of the Rest Haven ral Home-Rockwall Chapel.

died Nov. 13. n Oct. 29, 1928, in Hunt County Villie Calvin Swanner and Dona (Bostick) Swanner, he had woras a crew leader for Lone Star Co., retiring after 38 years. He ied Lila Vaughan on July 29,), in the First Baptist Church

ockwall. She died Oct. 20, 2012. He was a firefighter for the Fate inteer Fire Department for 20 years and a member of the First Baptist ich of Fate.

vivors include his son, Donald Wayne Swanner of Fate; his daugh-Helen Moran of Fate and Carolyn Johnson of Dallas; six grand-Iren; several great-grandchildren; and a brother, Thomas Sneed of

was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, O.B. Swanner, or Kimble and Jerry Sneed; his sisters, Estelle Skiles, Patsy Kimble Ima Nell Sneed; and a son-in-law, Ray Moran.

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Mayor Lorne Liechty recently proclaimed Nov. 30 as the official holiday kickoff day in Heath. This year's holiday activities include the Heath Holiday Home Tour, a tradition presented by the senior class of Rockwall-Heath High, and the city's annual Holiday in the Park event. Liechty is pictured above with Garrett Finegan, Class of 2013 treasurer, and Rebekah Gerritsen, the class president. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

Heath gears up for busy holiday season

Nov. 30 officials marks the start of the holiday season in Heath, according to a mayoral proclamation made at the city's last council meeting.

This year's slate of holiday events include the Heath Holiday Home Tour, a tradition presented annually by the senior class of Rockwall-Heath High School. Five Heath homes, including that of the mayor, will be decorated and open for self-guided tours from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tickets cost \$15 in advance and may be purchased at several locations, including the high school. Tickets will cost \$20 at the door.

Proceeds from the tour benefit the class's after-prom party, which provides a safe and fun environment for students to continue their graduation celebration.

The City of Heath's Annual Holiday in the Park, presented by the Special Events Board, also is set for Nov. 30. Festivities will begin at 6 p.m. and include the tree lighting and Christmas music performed by the honor choirs of Amy Parks and Pullen elementary schools; visits with Santa; miniature train ride; and hot cocoa, wassail and Christmas cookies provided by the Rockwall Women's League and National Charity League. Holiday in the Park will launch the city's canned food drive, which benefits Rockwall County Helping Hands. The city will continue to collect canned food in the City Hall foyer throughout the holiday season.

Another event benefitting Helping Hands, the Festival of Trees Dinner and Auction, also is set for Nov. 30 at the Hilton Bella Harbor. For more information on that event, visit rockwallhelpinghands.org.

Police offer reward for bank robbery identification

by Jodi Smith

A reward of up to \$3000 is being offered by the Rockwall Police Department for information or identification of a suspect who robbed Regions Bank around 9:30 a.m. November 15 in the 2600 block of Ridge Road.

"An unidentified person walked into the bank and demanded money and said they were armed," said RPD Sgt. Aaron McGrew. "They left with an undisclosed amount."

A reward of up to \$3000 has been set for information leading to the arrest and indictment of a suspect. Anyone with information is asked to call the RPD at 972-771-7721, or the Rockwall Crimestoppers at 972-771-8477. Tips can also be texted to 274637. Include "Rockwall" at the beginning of the text.



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David Brezik, a 2005 graduate of Rockwall High, recently was sworn in as a new attorney. Pictured from the left are his parents, Stacey and Becky Brezik, Brezik and Justice David L. Bridges, all of Rockwall. Brezik and his family came to the Fifth District Court of Appeals courtroom for the swearing-in ceremony.

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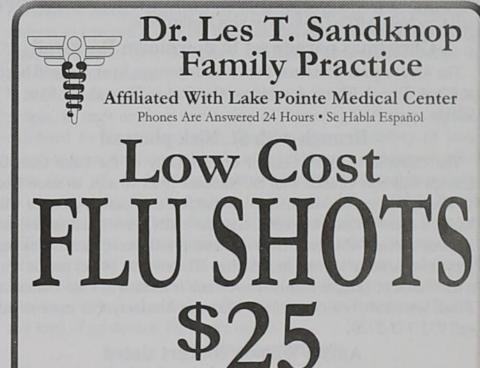


Matthew Manning of Rockwall, pictured above, recently celebrated his 5th birthday. The little superhero, shown with a superhero who surprised the boy at his birthday party, asked his friends and family members to donate money to a nonprofit organization that serves children battling cancer, heroesforchildren. org, instead of giving him gifts. Matthew, the son of Erika and Jeff Manning, had raised more than \$440 as of Nov. 16. Anyone interested in sharing in the young superhero's effort may do so at active.com/ donate/SBC2010/superheromatthew.

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Rockwall County News Briefs

Rotarians conducting coat drive

The Rockwall Rotary Club has teamed up with local businesses to create Project Warmth, a campaign to collect new or gently used coats, sweaters, scarves and gloves to assist those in need. Items collected will be donated to local charities. For more information about donation sites or how to help, contact Stephen Straughan at 214-676-9635 or email stephen@straughanproperties.com.

Heath Holiday Home Tour slated

The Heath Holiday Home Tour, sponsored by the RHHS Class of 2013, will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 30. Live entertainment and prize drawings will be featured along with the self-guided tours of two countryside homes, two homes in the upscale neighborhood of Buffalo Creek and The Hills of Buffalo Creek, and a lakefront home. Tickets will cost \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door; tickets may be purchased at RHHS or the Rockwall Area Chamber. Tickets also are available by calling Holly Ford at 972-672-4823 or Liz Beauchamp at 214-543-2723.

Christmas Market event seeks vendors

Downtown Rockwall's Old Town Christmas Market will run from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Dec. 1 on San Jacinto Court, between East Washington and East Rusk streets. Market organizers are seeking vendors with unique, well-made or innovative wares; 10'x10' spaces are available at a cost of \$50 apiece (canopy, tables and chairs not included). The Market will sideline the annual Kiwanis Christmas Parade. Applications and general information are available at mainstreet.rockwall.com or by calling Rockwall Main Street at 972-772-6400

Newcomers plan Christmas social, program

The Rockwall County Newcomers and Friends will host a combined Christmas social and special program for their Dec. 13 meeting at Occasions at Stone River in Royse City. Club members will decorate tables with holiday themes, and prizes will be awarded for the bestdecorated tables. A luncheon will follow a brief meeting. All Rockwall County women are invited to join. Advance reservations are required by Dec. 3 and may be made by calling Sylvia at 972-722-4890 or Marion at 972-722-9896; cost will be \$19 and payable at the door.

Angels Among Us Breakfast slated

The 2nd Annual Angels Among Us Breakfast Celebration, hosted by the Boys & Girls Club of Rockwall County, will run from 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. Dec. 7 at the Hilton. The event will include the announcement of the club's Rockwall County Youth of the Year winner. Philanthropic leaders and corporations also will be recognized. For more information or to help sponsor the event, call Misti Potter at 972-722-2462 or email misty7@verizon.net.

Rockwall County Entertainment

Playhouse to offer Christmas show

"Uh-Oh, Here Comes Christmas!" will be staged by the Rockwall Community Playhouse Nov. 23, 24, 25 and 30 and Dec. 1, 2, 7, 8 and 9; performances will begin at 8 p.m., except for 2 p.m. Sunday shows. The play offers a "funny, heartwarming and poignant look at the struggle to find the spirit of the holidays amid the avalanche of stress, commercialism and chaos that crashes down every December." Tickets are available at rockwallcommunityplayhouse.org.

Randy Rogers Band set Nov. 23-24

The Randy Rogers Band will perform Nov. 23-24 at Southern Junction. Performances will begin at 10:30 p.m. For more information, call 972-771-2418 or visit southernjunctionlive.com.

City Hall tree lighting set in Rockwall

The annual Christmas tree lighting event at Rockwall City Hall is scheduled for 7 p.m. Nov. 29. This will mark the 29th annual event conducted on the lawn of the municipal building. Santa's workshop will be open for craftmaking, and free cookies, hot chocolate and coffee will be served. Live music also will be offered as St. Nick stops in for an early visit.

Holiday in the Park planned in Heath

The City of Heath will host its annual Holiday in the Park beginning at 6 p.m. Nov. 30 in the Towne Center Park Pavilion behind City Hall, 200 Laurence. Area residents are invited to participate in the lighting of the community Christmas tree, the sounds of the Amy Parks-Heath Honor and Dorothy Smith Pullen Elementary choirs and complimentary hot chocolate, wassail and cookies. Santa will make his seasonal debut, and rides on the miniature Christmas train will be offered. Canned for donations for Rockwall Helping Hands will be accepted. For more details call City Hall at 972-771-6228 or visit heathtx.com.

Christmas parade set in downtown Rockwall

The 43rd Annual Christmas Parade in downtown Rockwall will begin at 9 a.m. Dec. 1. Theme for this year's event is Through the Eyes of a Child.

Brunch with St. Nick planned

The Catholic Mothers Council of Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church will host Brunch with St. Nicholas from 10 a.m. to noon Dec. 1. The annual event will include a breakfast taco buffet, pictures with Santa, a dress-up nativity scene, arts and crafts, games and prizes, and a silent auction. Proceeds from the event will benefit ministries and projects that serve women and children. Tickets cost \$8 per person with a maximum of \$28 per family. The church is located at 1305 Damascus Road, Rockwall, behind Heritage Christian Academy. For more details call 972-743-2729.

Aaron Watson concert slated

Aaron Watson will perform at 10:30 p.m. Dec. 1 at Southern Junction. For more information, call 972-771-2418 or visit southernjunctionlive.

Daddy/Daughter Dance ticket available Dec. 3

Ticket sales to the annual Daddy/Daughter Dance at The Hilton Bella Harbor begin Dec. 3 at The Center. The event will run from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Jan. 26. Light refreshments will be served. Tickets are limited; preregistration is required. Cost is \$69 for non-Rockwall residents, \$45 for Rockwall residents. Each additional child is \$15. For more details visit rockwall.com/parks.

Breakfast with Santa set at The Center

The Rockwall Parks & Rec Department has organized this year's Breakfast with Santa event to run from 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. to noon on Dec. 8 at The Center. Pancakes, sausage, orange juice and candy canes will be served, and activities will be provided. Parents are urged to bring their cameras to capture these special holiday moments. Pre-registration is required and seating will be limited. Cost is \$15 per non-Rockwall resident, \$9 for Rockwall residents. For more details, visit rockwall.com/parks.

'Oliver' auditions slated

The Rockwall Community Playhouse's auditions for "Oliver," which will be staged in February, are set for 1 p.m. Dec. 15-16. Individuals ages 6 to 99 are invited to audition; be prepared to sing 16 bars of a song and have a prepared one-minute monologue (accompanist will be provided) and cold readings from a script will be required.

Wade Bowen to perform Dec. 29

Wade Bowen will perform at 10:30 p.m. Dec. 29 at Southern Junction For more information, call 972-771-2418 or visit southernjunctionlive

Side Street Strutters to perform

The Side Street Strutters will present a musical event showcasing the vocal stylings of Meloney Collins beginning at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 12 at the RHS Performing Arts Center, 1201 T.L. Townsend Dr., Rockwall. The program, Shiny Stockings, will include an extensive repertoire, colorful costumes, tap dancing and 26 years of musicianship. Tickets cost \$65 for concert subscription (for four different performances) or \$25 for individual performance ticket. For more details visit rockwallmusicfest

Robert Post show slated March 18

Rockwall MusicFest will present Robert Post in a one-man variety show at 7:30 p.m. March 18 at the RHS Performing Arts Center, 1201 T.L. Townsend Drive, Rockwall. Post's show is inspired by classic vaudeville and his Italian grandmother, who danced and sang at any family occasion. Tickets cost \$65 for concert subscription (for four different performances) or \$25 for individual performance ticket. For more details visit rockwallmusicfest.com.

42Five performance set May 9

Five male voices comprise 42Five, which will offer up its form of entertainment singing tunes from the '60s to today, including "Don't Stop Believing," "Don't Stop Me Now" and "Joy to the World," beginning at 7:30 p.m. May 9 at the RHS Performing Arts Center. Tickets cost \$65 for concert subscription (for four different performances) or \$25 for individual performance ticket. For more details visit rockwallmusicfest



During library classes earlier this month, students at Springer Elementary campaigned for one of the lesser-known political candidates, Bad Kitty. Librarian Rachael Taylor read from "Bad Kitty for President," and students made campaign signs, polled classmates and wore campaign buttons to promote the candidate. Pictured are first grade students from Meredith King's class: at front, Daly Foster, Lizzy Horvath, Sarabeth Hawk, Caiden Mitchell and Ryan Axum, and at back, Levi Carpenter, Charlie Moreno, Angelee Khien, Landon Lord, Taylor, A'nylah Barrett, Marcus Payne, Lucas Sifford and Trevor Bunyard.

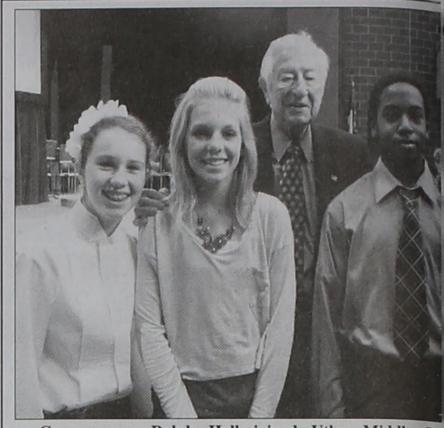
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Author H.J. Ralles shares creative techniques

Texas author H.J. Ralles recently spent a day at Dobbs Elementary. The author of juvenile fiction novels, she brought a wealth of creative techniques to share with aspiring young writers. Pictured with Ralles are fourth grade students Madelyn Pieratt, Emily Williams, Christopher Martinez, Andrew Sato and Emma Parr.

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Congressman Ralph Hall joined Utley Middle Scl. students Nov. 9 in their third annual Veterans Day program. assembly took place in the Rockwall High School Performing Center where the UMS band, chorale and symphony orche performed. Students shared essays and poetry to describe America celebrates its veterans. The ceremony culminated the playing of "Taps" by a UMS band student. Pictured ab with Hall are Chloe Lyle, Faith Roberson and Jodee Marks. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

Reinhardt students and teachers participated in Red Ribb & Interact clubs Week activities recently to stand up against drug use. I ite support and school's week-long theme was "We have a dream at Reinha ming and self-Elementary to be drug-free for eternity." Kindergarten teach two community Melanie Weir, Kelly Sellers, Stephanie Kirk and Autum Quint and with local pictured above, are shown wearing their pajamas as part of rship, personal observance to reinforce the belief that students can follow the insibility, hard drams and remain drug-free.

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Celia Hays student Beau Wimpee was recognized at a rec Rotary Club meeting. He was named Rotary Student of Hor Pictured with the sixth grade student are Amy Anderson, H principal, and Frank Conselman, Rotary Club president.

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The Rockwall High School robotics class competed Oct. 27 in the Dallas BEST (Boosting Engineering Science & Technology Robotics Competition at Eastfield College. The team won several awards, including Most Elegant Robot, second place in the robo scoring competition and third overall BEST team. The class also advanced to the Texas BEST Regional Competition. Pictured above are team members, standing, Thomas Smith, Ethan McCoy, David Shafer, Michael Bricker, Enrico Trevisani, Stephanie Shell Seth Saucedo, Kaan Toy, Hannah Garrett and Kelsey Lyle and, kneeling, Brian Bray, Austin Lawrence, John Milliser and Michae

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the \$1.6 billion "ObamaPhone" program doubled during the Administration and 5 million people received free phones in the Day program, one wonders why contender Mitt Romney neglected to mention Perform is in is campaign bid for the Presidency.

ObamaPhone" program is a classic case of government run This program was originally created to provide landline phone to the most vulnerable poor to assist them in seeking employment t. Pictured and the case of a medical emergency.

Jodee Man Dung the past four years, the program became little more than mi ive vote-buying scheme. Notable in the year leading up to the ntial election, the size of this free ObamaPhone giveaway program id in Ohio, a key swing state in the presidential race." As a woman reland so colorfully pointed out when she declared during the intial campaign, "Everybody in Cleveland, every minority, got an Phone. Keep Obama as president. He gave us a phone. He gonna

> CEO (along with his wife) who was one of the biggest suppliers of aPhones" was a very significant donor to President Obama. This "made seven visits to the White House" and hosted "a \$40,000 te fund-raiser for President Obama in Miami Beach this year." m, why did Romney remain silent?

ueline Strickland, Rockwall

RIHS Interact Club recognized

Rockwall-Heath High School's Interact Club was recognized by BloodCare for its efforts in helping to increase the number of donations in the 2011-2012 school year.

ddition to being recognized for conducting three blood drives the school year, the group also was awarded the Top Number of s and Top Percentage of Donors honors for schools with 400 to niors, according to a school news release.

awards event was conducted in Cowboys Stadium and included ecue dinner. Accompanying the club was the Rockwall Breakfast Club's Interact coordinator, Brad Chilcote.

ract is Rotary International's service club for young people ages in Red Ri Interact clubs are sponsored by individual Rotary Clubs, which drug use to be support and guidance; however, the Interact clubs are selfvning and self-supporting. Each year, Interact clubs complete at arten tea as wo community service projects in hopes of developing networks utum Qui f nds with local and overseas clubs while learning the importance of as part a ship, personal integrity, helpfulness, respect for others, individual an follow spinsibility, hard work and advancing international understanding and

Quick updates on Rockwall County

by Jerry Hogan

VOTING: During the Presidential election of 2008, 23,033 voters of Rockwall County voted early. This year 20,868 took advantage of early voting and cast their ballot; a reduction of 9.4 percent from the previous

What does this mean? Did fewer Democrats go to the polls because of lack of support for Obama or did fewer Republicans go to the polls because "everyone" knows Texas is a Red State and Romney wins regardless of whether one more Republican voter goes to the polls?

Actually fewer Democrats voted this year in early voting (2,528 this year versus 3,955 in 2008 that voted the straight ticket). However a total of 35,845 voters from our county, 73.81 percent of the registered total of 48,550, voted in this general election. Of these, 75.83 percent voted Republican. Don't you wish the rest of the country would have followed our lead?

CHRISTMAS: On Nov. 27, the county will once again sponsor 'Tis Christmas, an old-fashioned Christmas event for the kids at the historic courthouse. Santa will be there along with refreshments and other events centered on what the old-fashioned Christmas of yesteryear was all about. All Rockwall County kids are welcome. More info to come.

This coming week the county will be installing our new, 40-foot Christmas tree in front of the new courthouse. Over 2,300 lights are on the tree and it will be a bright beacon for our County and for the glorious Christmas season. All are welcome at any time to gather around the tree to sing, read stories, talk about the old Christmas times in Rockwall County and enjoy the festive Christmas season. Please contact Felicia Morris at 972-204-6000 if you would like to schedule any event around the tree. (No charges.)

TELEVISION: Starting on Tuesday of this week the production company for the TV hit "Dallas" started filming an upcoming episode of this series in the new courthouse. There will be a total of six days of actual shooting with the "stage" being one of our courtrooms on the fourth floor of the building. At this time the shooting is not open to the public but if this changes, information will be provided. The county will

receive \$2,000 per day from the production company for the use of our

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Hopefully this will be the start of many film and TV events to occur in our county. We want to be helpful, easy to do business with, have accessible facilities that are of interest for filming, have a pool of extras that are available if needed and to be the location of choice when it comes to making selections for these type activities. If you get the chance, please welcome the people with a smile and a helpful hand.

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES: Several weeks ago an article was written where I explained three major legislative issues the county was concerned with as the new legislature was scheduled to meet in Austin starting on Jan. 8. These three issues (unfunded mandates where the counties are ordered by the state to do things without any funds being provided, the use of Indigent Health Care funds to support the 1115 Waiver Program, and the creation of Municipal Utility Districts and Special Utility Districts by the state TCEQ without the county having any approval authority) are all issues where the county wants support of our elected representatives.

The County Judges and Commissioners Association of Texas have adopted all three of these issues as ones in which they support the county position and have passed resolutions adopting these issues as ones that all 254 counties of the state support. They have been included in their list of passed resolutions, which will go forward to all elected representatives.

The county will host a meeting on Dec. 10, to which all of the municipalities in the county have been invited, to meet with our legislatures, Sen. Bob Deuell and Rep. Scott Turner, to discuss specific items where legislative support of our elected representatives is requested. In this manner, the county, using the successful model of the Transportation Consortium, will be able to present a united legislative package to our elected officials.

Thanks again to all of our citizens for helping make our County what it is and what it will be.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Jerry Hogan is the county judge of Rockwall County. He can be reached at jerryhogan@sbcglobal.net or 214-394-

Library seeks input for long-range planning

The Rockwall County Library Board has begun a long-range planning initiative that will help to guide the direction and services of the library over the next three to five years, according to a recent news release.

As part of this process, the Library Board is interested in hearing from users of the library as well as community residents.

"The information from library users and citizens will be used by the Library Board and the staff of the library in not only evaluating our existing services and programs but also in making decisions about the use of library resources in the future," said Mary Wright, president of the Library Board.

Responses to the survey will be completely anonymous.

The last time the library conducted such a survey was in 2006 prior to the opening of the new facility in 2008.

The current long-range plan covers the period 2007-2012.

Not only will the new plan address library programs and services that have changed since 2006, but it also will look at the changes and future growth of the county's population. Creating a new plan is required to maintain the library's accreditation with the Texas State Library

The survey includes questions about why and how people use the library as well as programs and services for children, teens and adults. Other questions involve the hours of the library, use of the library's website, e-books and audio books, Wi-Fi and public computers and the services of the library staff.

The survey, including a Spanish version, will be available throughout the library through Dec. 1. It also can be completed online at the library's website, rocklib.com.

For more information about the survey, contact the Rockwall County Library at rocklib@rockwallcountytexas.com.

Rockwall Chamber to offer angel tags tree

The Rockwall Area Chamber of Commerce has put up a Christmas tree decorated with Rockwall County Helping Hands angel tags. Each angel tag provides information about a Rockwall County child whose parents are unable to purchase Christmas gifts this year.

The chamber is encouraging local residents to drop by the chamber offices at 697 E. I-30, pick up a tag and purchase a toy for the child designated on the tag. After the purchase is made, items may be dropped off at one of the toy drop-off sites listed on the back of the tag.

Individuals also are welcome to contact Helping Hands to refer families

The toy distribution date is Dec. 15, so tags should be picked up soon.

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11998 the people of Scotland, part of the United Kingdom, gained siderable measure of self-government. For the first time in almost centuries their parliament met in Edinburgh, the capital, after a endum among Scots in the previous year resulted in 74.3 percent ters answering "Yes" to the statement, "I agree that there should Scottish Parliament." The subsequent Scotland Act passed by British Parliament set up the devolved assembly and defined its ed powers. Wales and Northern Ireland also secured home ruleparliaments in Cardiff and Belfast.

te assemblies differed in their respective constitutions, but all had thing in common: the governments were all subordinate to the

al authority in London. r Scotland, at least, that may be about to change.

iter what The Guardian called a "stunning" victory in the Scottish ions of 2011, winning 69 of 129 seats, the Scottish Nationalist

Party (SNP), led by Alex Salmond, immediately began talking up plans for a new referendum on the status of Scotland within the United Kingdom - one that would ask voters whether Scotland should secede from the UK. "Just as the Scottish people have restored trust in us, we must trust the people as well," he said. "Which is why, in this term of the parliament, we will bring forward a referendum and trust the people on Scotland's own constitutional future." He vowed to hold the vote within five years

UK prime minister not crazy about idea

It is no surprise that the UK's prime minister, David Cameron, was not crazy about that idea. After acknowledging that the SNP had indeed won an "emphatic" victory, he nonetheless pledged to oppose any plans for such a referendum and claimed he would "campaign to keep our United Kingdom together with every single fiber I have."

Interesting enough, the chances for Scottish independence don't look very good. Opinion polls vary, but none has shown support from more than a third of population.

That isn't stopping the SNP from moving forward. Salmond and Cameron met in October "to agree [on] the terms of a referendum that could break up the United Kingdom," reports Union Jack, a monthly newspaper for British expatriates in the United States. "Cameron does not want to be the leader who presides over the demise of the 300-year-old political union between England and its northern neighbor," the report continues. "But, practically, there is little he can do to stop politicians in semi-autonomous Scotland asking voters whether they want to break free."

Negotiating a deal

Representatives from the two governments met to discuss details, wrangling over issues such as the date of the vote and the exact wording of the question. Both sides said they reached a deal, and it looks as though the fateful day will come in October 2014. Like a similar vote in Canada on Quebec independence in 1995 - which failed by less than 1 percent - voters will be asked to give a Yes or No answer on national sovereignty.

Regardless of the outcome, this issue is important because it demonstrates again how a modern, centralized state can - and should approach the issue of secession in a responsible and civilized manner. It is especially important in light both of the economic crises faced by many countries around the globe and of often-irreconcilable cultural differences among segments of their populations. It is possible to address in a peaceful way the frictions that arise. States within a larger union can and do have the option of effecting even radical change in a

constitutional manner. It also shows a certain political maturity on the part of the British people, in stark contrast to the kind of blustering militarism typically exhibited by Americans when discussing the possibility of states' seceding from the Union. "We already settled that" is a common refrain from those who lack the intellectual capacity, historical knowledge, or even the basic human decency to allow for the possibility that the hundreds of thousands of deaths, imposition of martial law, long-term military occupation, terrorizing of civilian populations, suppression of free speech, and massive centralization of power that resulted from the United States government's attack on its seceding states a century and a half ago do not provide ipso facto resolution on the matter. Nor is it any kind of guidebook for future action.

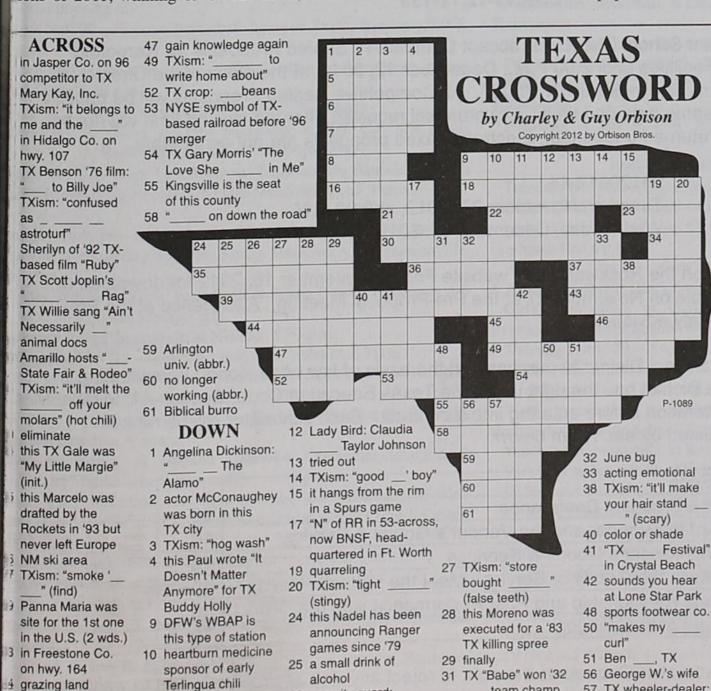
Avoiding thorny issues

Regardless of what the polls say today, neither Cameron's government in London nor Salmond's in Edinburgh is willing to avoid the important and potentially thorny discussions that absolutely must take place to ensure an orderly change, should the majority of the Scottish people vote for separation in two years.

For example, there are the matters of Scottish membership in the EU, control over UK military bases and army regiments in Scotland, £6.5 billion in revenue generated by oil and gas reserves in the North Sea, and the Scottish government's share of the national debt. Another uncomfortable issue is ownership of Scotland's two largest financial institutions, the Royal Bank of Scotland and the Bank of Scotland: both were bailed out by British taxpayers in 2008. The two sides are far from agreement on those questions - but at least they're talking about them.

And better now than later. There are also wider implications to consider. Basque separatists in Spain and Flemish separatists in Belgium would both receive a massive boost from a Yes vote in Scotland. Financial meltdowns in Greece, Ireland, and Hungary could drive those nations out of the European

In the United States, the continuing and dangerous growth of federal power, trillions of dollars of national debt, and the resultant looming "fiscal cliff" may be addressable only through a dismantling of the Union. Financial journalist Jeff Opdyke suggested recently that "Red and blue will not just define how people vote in the future ... it will define how new countries begin to organize themselves in the Great Breakup of America." If he is right, we can only hope that politicians in the various states and in Washington, D.C., approach the matter with the kind of civility, forethought, and wisdom currently being shown by political leaders in the United Kingdom.



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Al-Anon Meetings

Call for information and locations in Dallas area, 214-363-0461.

Al-Anon Garland Meetings Monday & Friday, 8 p.m. at 2206 South Jupiter St., Suite 130, Garland.

Rockwall County Kiwanis Club

meets every Tuesday at noon at the Rockwall Wedding Chapel, and we recently added an evening meeting on the first Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m., also at the Rockwall Wedding Chapel, 203 S. Fannin. For more information call 972-772-6001

Senior Services

If you are interested in delivering weekday meals to homebound seniors in Rockwall County, we will be holding volunteer training sessions the second Wednesday each month at 1 p.m. Please call 972-771-9514 for location.

24 Hour Help Line for substance & mental health counseling. 800-662-4357.

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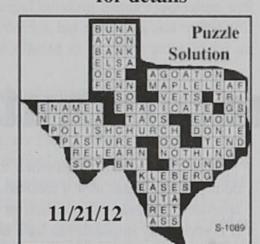
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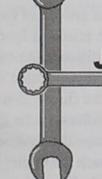
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PCT 1 CAUSE: CVI-12-7028 ROCKWALL COUNTY, TEXAS TO: Jacob Turner

You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 A.M. on the Monday next following you were served this, before the Honorable Justice of the Peace, Pct 1 Court of Rockwall County, Texas, at the Rockwall County Courthouse, 1111 E Yellowjacket Lane, Suite 301, Rockwall, Texas, a default judgment may be taken against you.

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiffs Original Petition, at or before 10:00 A.M. of the Monday next after the expiration of 42 days, after the

the expiration of 42 days after **NOTICE**

District surplus property will be listed with Rene Bates Auctioneers, Inc. for sale to the highest bidder.

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Auction will run for two weeks November 26 thru December 10

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Notice of Public Sale

of property to satisfy landlord's lien. Sale will be at 9 a.m. on December 11,2012 at 1760 I

30 East, Rockwall, Texas 75087. Property will be sold to highest bidder for cash. Deposit for

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Pursuant to Chapter 59 of the Texas Property Code, The Vault Self Storage located at 1280 E.

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landlord's lien. Sale will be at 10:00 AM, December 13, 2012, at The Vault Self Storage, 1280 E.

Ralph Hall Parkway, Rockwall, Texas. Property will be sold to the highest bidder for cash only.

All successful bidders will remove the contents immediately and leave unit clean. A refundable

cleanup deposit will be required. Seller reserves the right to not accept any bid and to withdraw

Contact The Vault Self Storage, 1280 E. Ralph Hall Parkway, Rockwall, Texas 75032,

(972) 771-1105.

property from sale. Property includes contents of spaces of the following tenant(s):

date of issuance of this Citation, on January 28, 2013 before the Honorable Justice of the Peace, Pct 1 Court of Rockwall County, Texas at the Rockwall County Courthouse, 1111 E Yellowjacket Lane, Suite 301 of said County in Rockwall, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said Court on Jacob Turner, May 14, 2012, in this cause numbered CV1-12-7028 on the docket of said court, and styled, DAVID AND BETH JACKSON VS JACOB

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: BREACH OF AGREEMENT.

TURNER.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates thereof, and make due return as the law directs.

ISSUED AND GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF SAID COURT, this the 16th November, 2012.

JUDGE JACK JAMES. Justice of the Peace, Pct. 1

Rockwall County, Texas 1111 E. Yellowjacket Lane, Suite 301

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The Rockwall Independent School District will accept Competitive Sealed Proposals for Reroofing and Repairs at Various Facilities until 2:00 P.M., December 12, 2012, at the office of the Director of Purchasing, 1050 Williams St, Rockwall TX 75087. All Competitive Sealed Proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud same date and time. Any proposal received after the closing time will not be considered, and will be returned unopened. Electronic/faxed proposals are not acceptable.

Project Number: Pre-Proposal Meeting: **Proposal Date:**

20120817-44

Tuesday, November 27, 2012, at 9:00 A.M. Wednesday, December 12, 2012, at 2:00 P.M.

Proposals will be posted on the Rockwall ISD's website Friday, November 16, 2012 for download or hard copies will be available on November 27 at the Pre-Proposal Meeting. Attendance at the Pre-Proposal meeting is strongly advised.

It is not the policy of the School District to purchase on the basis of low price alone. In evaluating proposals submitted, the District has the right under the Texas Education Code, Section 44, to take several items into consideration before entering into a contract. Each contractor will be ranked according to the values listed by each item below:

Total Proposal Price	25
Attendance at Pre-Proposal Conference	25
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The Extent to Which the Goods or Services Meet the District's Needs	10
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The School Board of Rockwall ISD reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive any irregularities, technicalities or informalities in any proposal or the bid process.

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Royse City High School alumnus Skyler Strahm leads OBU to conference tournament

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next followith his victory, OBU (32-4 overall on the season) has qualified for forty-two N A National Tournament which will be played on November 27 served er 1 in Sioux City, Iowa.

439 One OBU's key players is senior middle blocker/outside hitter Skyler Rockwall The former Royse City High School star had 10 kills in the

tournament championship match vs. Wayland Baptist University. This season, Strahm has been named 1st Team All SAC, All SAC Tournament, and Hitter of the Week (October 8 and October 22). She has also averaged 2.91 kills per set during the 2012 season.

Oklahoma Baptist will compete in Pool C, November 27 - 29. The tournament will be streamed live from the OBU website. Skyler is the daughter of Greg and Erin Strahm.

ady Bulldogs reaches semi-finals in Grand Prairie tourney, 4-2 in season

Friday, November 16, the Royse City Lady Bulldog basketball m 4-2 on the season.

the ady Bulldogs opened their 2012-2013 season with a hard fought 43 and victory over Crandall Friday, November 6. The Lady Pirates on, on we a rennial playoff team in 3A

Ross City was led in scoring by their senior guard/forward Krystal kr who poured in a team high 17 points. Senior post Lauren Dusek or ched double figures in the game with 12 points.

9th Distre The the Lady Bulldogs traveled to Grand Prairie to participate in the County, Tearner rairie Basketball Classic.

ounty Com in t first round of the tournament, Royse City beat Triple A Academy Jacket 12 1.5 ickron led the way once again with 24 points (19 of her points came kwall, Ten the nd and 3rd quarters). Keri Collins chipped in with 11 points.

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cket of sint semifinals, a good South Grand Prairie team, who is a consistent RIAME(ap) off participant, edged Royse City 42-38. LY AN Pic on was Royse City's top scorer with 22 points.

D OF It Fin y, in the 3rd place game, Waxahachie, a tradition rich 4A program,

beat Royse City 53-44.

Royse City had two players score in double figures in the game. They were Krystal Pickron (20 points, 13 of which came in the 2nd half) and Lauren Dusek (10 points, 8 of which came in the 2nd quarter)

After the consecutive losses to South Grand Prairie and Waxahachie, Royse City knew that last Friday's game vs. Melissa was an important

Royse City fell behind 11-0 to start the game and they were trailing 15-6 by the end of the 1st quarter.

However, the Lady Bulldogs would catch their breath, find their rhythm and explode offensively. Over the next two quarters, Royse City outscored Melissa 52-26 and by the end of the 3rd quarter, Royse City was comfortably ahead at 58-41. In the 4th quarter, Royse would cruise home and win 67-58.

The Bulldogs had 3 players score in double figure in the game. They were Krystal Pickron (25 points, 23 of her points came in the last three quarters), Halea McCarroll (11 points) and Keri Collins (10 points).

It should be noted that Melissa is their first year as a 3A school. Also, Melissa has been a perennial playoff team in 2A.



Royse City High School alumnus Skyler Strahm (8) will compete with the Oklahoma Baptist University volleyball team in the NAIA National Tournament, November 30 - December 1 in Sioux City, Iowa. Shown assisting is teammate Sabra Clark.

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Fulton school holds off Town East, meets top-ranked ND next

ment of the lts med as if The Fulton School would have another short night when it s follow d iBi-District playoff game 38-14 at halftime Friday night at Rockwall

executing Just hree more touchdowns and the Falcons would have won by sixserve than otball's 45-point mercy rule.

Hoever, visiting San Antonio Town East Christian School would have

by just wouldn't go away," said Fulton head Josh Johnson.

Eagles returned three kickoffs for touchdowns. Even though they it six players, who each played the entire game, they didn't seem

son said, "Defensively, they were pretty physical. They could Their running back (Dante Johnson) was All-State for a reason. one of the best running backs I coached against or coached. He can block, and he threw a touchdown pass.

ly're not a bad team. They were 7-3 for a reason."

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Falcons were 8-2 for a reason, too. And now they're 9-2 after inty, Tex old of Town East for a go-the-distance 70-53 victory.

"We spread the ball around. The Stockton boys played well. Ryan had two touchdowns receiving, and Reid scored a touchdown. Todd Treadway played well on both sides of the ball. He threw a touchdown pass to Conner Cleveland, who played quarterback, spread back and receiver and scored two touchdowns. Brenner Newman had one," Johnson said.

"It was a three-possession ballgame. I felt the game was not as close as the score, but they wouldn't quit. We were minus-1 in the turnover margin. To win next week, we'll have to be at least plus-2."

Next week will come Saturday, when the Falcons, ranked fifth in TAPPS 6-Man II by sixmanfootball.com, faced top-ranked Wichita Falls Notre Dame Christian School. Notre Dame, which eliminated Fulton from the playoffs in 2010, is so good that it has played just eight games, none since Nov. 2. Plainview Christian conceded a loss a Bi-District loss rather than playing the Knights.

The Falcons will show up for the game scheduled for 2 p.m. at Miller Stadium in Mineral Wells. Johnson said, "We might get Levi Bernard back. If we do, we'll have all 11 players, and we need everybody.

"Notre Dame has got a lot. They have 13 boys, and 9 can really play."

Knights quarterback Danny Otto has passed for 20 touchdowns with only one interception. Cody McElroy has 1,100 yards and 23 touchdowns rushing, and C.J. Macha and Cobi Niedzwiecki have caught seven TD passes each.



Fulton Falcon's defenders swoop in for the tackle against Sown East Christian School, Friday November 16, during the Bi-District playoff game at the Rockwall High School field. Photo by Tim Burnett/Rockwall County News

Rockwall Christian Warriors roll to opening win 38-18 at halftime and cruised home from there.

awall Christian Academy opened its boys' basketball season ay with a 64-33 victory at Waxahachie Advantage Academy. Warriors ran out to a 20-11 lead after the first quarter, stretched it to

NEAVE Mulak wins Chandlers Landing

Yeht Club Sunday sailing race Gandari D Malak sailed "Orion" to first place in the Fall Sunday Series Race

BLVD N. 4 on Lake Ray Hubbard. David Carter finished second aboard

Sophomore Chris Stephens led RCA with 19 points. Senior Daniel Rorie scored 14 and another sophomore, Evan Milwee, added 12.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
RCA	20	18	18	8	64
Waxahachie Advantage	11	7	6	9	33

RCA - Chris Stephens 19, Daniel Rorie 14, Evan Milwee 12, John Stanley 8, Cameron Carroccia 5, Colton Jones 4, Denzel Chukwukelu 2. Waxahachie Advantage Academy – N/A.

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Rockwall County Scholastic Sports Schedules

The Fulton School Falcons

urday, Nov. 24 - Varsity football: Area Playoff vs. Wichita Falls Dame Catholic School, Miller Stadium, Mineral Wells, 2 p.m.

Heritage Christian Academy Eagles

ırday, Nov. 24 – Varsity football: Area Playoff vs. Geneva School of e, Bulldog Field, Zephyr, 6 p.m. mday, Nov. 26 - Middle school basketball: at Wylie Prep, girls 5 p.m.

sday, Nov. 27 - Basketball: at Denton Calvary Academy, JV boys

o.m., varsity girls 6 p.m. and varsity boys 7:30 p.m. rsday, Nov. 29 - Middle school basketball: at Dallas Thunder, girls

and boys 6 p.m. llay, Nov. 30 – JV boys' basketball: home vs. Dallas Academy, RISE,

sity basketball: home vs. Mansfield Fellowship Academy, girls 6 and boys 7:30 p.m.

Rockwall Christian Academy Warriors

llay, Nov. 30 - Boys' and girls' basketball: at Wolfe City, 4:30 p.m. Rockwall High School Yellowjackets

llay, Nov. 23 - Boys' basketball: vs. Texarkana Pleasant Grove at 4th al Thanksgiving Hoopfest, Sandra Meadows Arena, Duncanville, 1

urday, Nov. 24 - Boys' basketball: vs. Dallas Triple-A Academy at nnual Thanksgiving Hoopfest, Sandra Meadows Arena, Duncanville,

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shman B girls' basketball: at Mabank, 5:30 p.m.

dnesday, Nov. 28 - Wrestling: at Frisco Centennial, 5 p.m. ls' gymnastics: at Garland Lakeview Centennial Invitational,

denburg Middle School, Compulsory, 6:30 p.m. ursday, Nov. 29 - Swimming: vs. Carrollton-Farmers Branch ISD,

ISD Natatorium, 6 p.m. ys' gymnastics: at Garland Lakeview Centennial Invitational,

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JV boys' basketball: at Royse City JV Tournament JV girls' basketball: at Royse City JV Tournament

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Freshman A and B boys' basketball: at Royse City Freshman Tournament

Freshman A and B girls' basketball: at Dallas Skyline Freshman Tournament

Saturday, Dec. 1 – Varsity wrestling: home for Rockwall Invitational, 9:30 a.m. Varsity boys' basketball: at Royse City Varsity Tournament

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JV boys' basketball: at Royse City JV Tournament JV girls' basketball: at Royse City JV Tournament

Freshman A and B boys' basketball: at Royse City Freshman Tournament

Freshman A and B girls' basketball: at Dallas Skyline Freshman Tournament

Rockwall-Heath High School Hawks

Tuesday, Nov. 27 - Boys' basketball: at Royse City, JV Red 5 p.m., Freshman Red 6:15 p.m. and varsity 7:30 p.m. Girls' basketball: at Royse City, JV Red 5 p.m., varsity 6:30 p.m. and

Freshman Red 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 28 - Girls' basketball: home vs. Plano Shepton, Red

4:30 p.m., Freshman Black 6 p.m. and JV 7:30 p.m. Girls' gymnastics: at Garland Lakeview Centennial Invitational,

Brandenburg Middle School, Compulsory, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 29 - Swimming: vs. Carrollton-Farmers Branch ISD, CFBISD Natatorium, 6 p.m.

Wrestling: at Frisco Wakeland, 6 p.m.

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Boys' gymnastics: at Garland Lakeview Centennial Invitational, Brandenburg Middle School, Compulsory, 6:30 p.m.

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Royse City Bulldogs Tuesday, Nov. 27 - Boys' basketball: home vs. Rockwall-Heath, freshman 5 p.m., JV 6:15 p.m. and varsity 7:30 p.m.

Girls' basketball: home vs. Rockwall-Heath, JV 5 p.m., varsity 6:30 p.m. and freshman 8 p.m.

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Cain Middle School Mustangs

Monday, Nov. 26 - 7th grade girls' basketball: at Wylie McMillan, C 5:30 p.m., B 6:30 p.m. and A 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 29 - 8th grade girls' basketball: home vs. Wylie McMillan, C 5:30 p.m., B 6:30 p.m. and A 7:30 p.m.

Utley Middle School Wolves

Monday, Nov. 26 – 7th grade girls' basketball: at Allen Ereckson, C 5:30 p.m., B 6:30 p.m. and A 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 29 – 8th grade girls' basketball: home vs. Allen Ereckson,

Williams Middle School Wildcats Monday, Nov. 26 – 7th grade girls' basketball: at Lovejoy Sloan Creek,

C 5:30 p.m., B 6:30 p.m. and A 7:30 p.m.

C 5:30 p.m., B 6:30 p.m. and A 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 29 – 8th grade girls' basketball: home vs. Lovejoy Sloan Creek, C 5:30 p.m., B 6:30 p.m. and A 7:30 p.m.

Heritage meets unbeaten Geneva after winning Bi-District game

· Heritage Christian Academy spotted Trinity School of Midland a 15-0 lead before methodically and efficiently eliminating the Chargers from the TAPPS 6-Man I playoffs with a 71-30 victory Saturday afternoon at Tiger Field in May.

Trinity scored on its first possession, then recovered an onside kick and went in for another touchdown.

"We settled down and it went well after that," said HCA head coach Robert

HCA (9-2) didn't turn the ball over while taking it away from Trinity and converted extra points after all nine of its touchdowns. Quarterback Garrett

Hughes sparks Lady Jackets to 2 victories

Rockwall won both of its girls' basketball games last week to improve to

The Lady Jackets, ranked 19th in the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches' preseason 5A state poll, had lost twice the previous week at the Frisco ISD Tip-Off Classic. They rallied to defeat Garland Lakeview Centennial 70-65 Tuesday, Nov. 13, then won more easily over Mesquite Poteet Friday, 56-37.

RHS' best news was that senior Hannah Hughes broke loose to lead the team in scoring in both of last week's game. She had missed virtually all of last season because of a knee injury

Against Lakeview, Hughes scored 22 points and stole the ball five times. She had plenty of help from junior Ellen Baker, whose 21 points included 6 of 8 3-point field goal attempts. Sara Williamson added 11 points, and Morghen Day had 10.

The teams traded the lead back and forth during the first three quarters. The Lady Patriots led 57-54 going into the final 8 minutes, but RHS outscored them 16-8 in the fourth quarter.

Rockwall took a 15-4 first-quarter lead against Poteet. The Lady Pirates pulled to within 23-15 at halftime, but a 22-11 third quarter all but put away the game for the Lady Jackets. Hughes had a game-high 16 points, with Baker scoring 14 and Williamson 10.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Mesquite Poteet	4	. 11	11	11	37
RHS	15	8	22	11	37
Mesquite Potest	Shyari	Cheathem	15 Kelce	v Stewar	7 Brook

Mesquite Poteet - Shyari Cheathem 15, Kelsey Stewart 7, Brooke Bush 5, De'Lauren Boykin 4, Victoria George 4, Kyla Nelson 1, Raeghan Shaw 1 RHS – Hannah Hughes 16, Ellen Baker 14, Sara Williamson 10, Morghen Day 7, Jade Spencer 3, Hannah Clark 2, Megan Grandy 2, Ka'Briana Person

Final

Lakeview Centennial	18	18	21	8	65
RHS	16	21	17	16	70
Garland Lakeview Cente	ennial - B	rianna M	ahoe 21,1	Daja Chas	se 15, Cathy
Okwilagwe 12, Bre'Osha	Scott 8,	Jamesha	Wade 4,	Whitney	Edwards 3,

RHS – Hannah Hughes 22, Ellen Baker 21, Sara Williamson 11, Morghen Day 10, Cassie Ross 4, Alleah Austin 2.

Royse City Boys open basketball season by crushing Forney

Royse City 82 Forney 57

Late in the 3rd quarter of their season opener vs. Forney High School, the Royse City Boys basketball team led 51-43. The game was still up for

It was at this moment in the game that Royse City's constant and unrelenting pressure defense began to take its toll on Forney. When the Bulldogs saw that the Rabbits were getting tired, they jumped at their chance to take control of

Royse City went on a game defining 18-0 run to expand their lead to 26 at 69-43. When the run was over early in the 4th quarter, the Bulldogs had put the game safely into the win column.

Royse City's attacking press defense caused numerous Forney turnovers

The Bulldogs had four players score in double figure in the game. They were Jamie Briceno (22 points), David Frye (12 point), Tre Hayes (11 points),

and Michael Webb (10 points).

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Royse City	21	14	28	19	82
Forney	15	14	14	14	57

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RHHS	17	7	3	0	
South Garland	7	10	7	7	

RHHS - Rico Henderson 1 run (Ethan Smith kick)

RHHS - Smith 21 FG RHHS - Henderson 4 run (Smith kick)

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South Garland - Marquel McNac 58 run (Elier Garcia kick) South Garland – McNac 15 run (Garcia kick)

RHHS – Henderson 1 run (Smith kick) South Garland - Garcia 26 FG

RHHS - Smith 27 FG

South Garland – McNac 33 run (Garcia kick) South Garland - McNac 3 run (Garcia kick)

	KHHS	South Garla
1st downs	10	17
Rushes-yds.	35-96	44-286
Comp-Att-Int	10-20-0	7-11-3
Passing yds.	129	107
Total yds.	225	393
Penalties-yds.	4-35	4-45
Punts-avg.	4-47.5	2-11.5
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-0

Individual statistics

Passing - RHHS: Chase Schultz 8-16-0-116, Jordan Hoy 2-4-0-13; South

Garland: Trey Porter 7-11-3-107.

Receiving - RHHS: [Jay Arnold] 1-39, Preston Smith 1-28, Shyon Motlagh 2-19, Jake Fisher 2-16, Austin O'Dell 1-16, R.J. Williams 1-6, Caleb Moss 1-4, Rico Henderson 1-1; South Garland: Jerminic Smith 3-48, Branden Moore 2-33, Marquel McNac 2-26.

Rushing - RHHS: Rico Henderson 19-61, Chase Schultz 12-33, Jordan Hoy 2-4, Alex Solis 1-0, Shyon Motlagh 1-minus 2; South Garland: Marquel McNac 27-201, Trey Porter 11-61, Benford Sims 1-8, Corbin Burton 2-8, Darrell Wilson 3-8.

Blankenship made all eight of his conversion kicks, and Heritage completed 8 of its 10 pass attempts.

Huckabee said, "The first time we had the ball we scored on the second or third play, then we scored the next few times we had the ball. We threw the

ball well and had a really solid offense." Heritage gained 284 yards on the ground, even after running back Wes Fleetwood left the game in the second half because of a sprained ankle. Huckabee said, "Wyatt French had a great game. We hate to see Wes get hurt, but that's an area where we have lots of help."

The Eagles led just 16-15 after the first quarter, but gave themselves some breathing room with a 23-7 second quarter that produced a 39-22 halftime lead. The Chargers (4-6) scored only one touchdown and 8 points in the second half.

With the victory, HCA advanced to a potentially difficult Area playoff matchup against Geneva School of Boerne (11-0), the only remaining undefeated team in TAPPS 6-Man I. The game is scheduled for 6 p.m. at Bulldog Field in Zephyr.

"Like Trinity, they're an unknown until we line up and start seeing them," Huckabee said. "They're kind of new to our world because they just moved up from Division II this year. We know they run and throw well. They have a good quarterback, and they throw a lot."

Sixmanfootball.com has Geneva ranked third in the state, and HCA fourth, and lists the Boerne team as a 7-point favorite. Geneva's only previous game against a top 10 team was a 58-56 victory over fifth-ranked Bulverde Bracken Christian. HCA is 3-2 against top 10 teams, with the losses to Dallas The Covenant School and Abilene Christian High School, sixmanfootball. com's No. 1 and 2 teams.

Huckabee said, "We're more tested."

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Heritage	16	23	16	16	71
Midland Trinity	15	7	0	8	30
	Heritage	Midland	Trinity		
1st downs	7	11	999		
Rushes-yds.	37-284	32-201			
Comp-Att-Int	8-10-0	14-25-2			
Passing yds.	120	182			
Total yds.	404	383			
Penalties-yds.	2-10	4-25			
Punts-avg.	0.0-0	0.0-0			
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	3-1			

RHS wins 1, loses 1 in close games

Rockwall played two very similar games during the first week of the boys' basketball season. The biggest difference between the two was the result.

RHS had a double-digit lead in each game, but fell behind in the fourth quarter both times. The Yellowjackets rallied to tie the opening game at home Tuesday, Nov. 13, and win it in overtime, but lost Friday's game at McKinney by 2 points.

The Jackets lost a 13-point halftime lead against Plano West. Elijah Thomas, RHS' leading scorer in the game with 24 points, scored just before the game-ending buzzer to tie the score 58-58. Rockwall then outscored the Wolves 6-2 in overtime to win 64-60.

Sophomore Elijah Thomas, who led RHS with 24 points, put in a lastsecond basket to tie the game 58-58 at the end of regulation play. The Jackets, who led 38-25 at halftime, outscored the Wolves 6-2 in overtime.

Thomas also had 11 rebounds, one fewer than classmate Austin Grandstaff's 12. Grandstaff also had seven assists, and junior Skyler Simmons put in 15

"It was a great team effort," said head coach Alan Simmons. "We outrebounded them 51 to 29."

The effort was similar in tie 63-61 loss to McKinney. The Lions had trailed 53-42 after three quarters, but won the game by outscoring the Jackets 21-8 over the final 8 minutes.

Grandstaff led RHS with 26 points; Thomas added 19.

RHS will play two games this weekend in the fourth annual Thanksgiving Hoopfest at Duncanville's Sandra Meadows Arena. Top teams from Texas and five other states will be competing. The Jackets' opponents will be Texarkana Pleasant Grove Friday at 1 p.m. and Dallas Triple-A Academy at 4 p.m. Saturday.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final		
RHS	20	20	13	8	61		
McKir	nney	12	14	16	21	63	
RHS -	- Austin	Grandstaff	26, Elijah	Thomas	19, Aaron	Maxwell	7, Skyle

Simmons 5, Sheridan Bee 2, Will Murdock 2. McKinney – Remington Edwards 16, Darrin Donaldson 14, Raynell Denny

10, Preston Smith 10, Mickey Mead 6, Connor Fuentes 3, Leland Briscoe 2, Jontrell Rocquemore 2.

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Plano V	Vest	10	15	18	15	2	60	
RHS		20	18	7	13	6	64	
Plano V	West -	D.J. Hogg	23, CJ.	Wizner	13, Tre	Anderson	8, Waseen	1

Limbada 5, A.J. Lozano 5, Austin Enloe 2, Ben Gasaway 2, Clark Lee 2. RHS – Elijah Thomas 24, Skyler Simmons 15, Austin Grandstaff 9, Aaron Maxwell 6, Trevor Blum 5.

RHHS' Tillis named MVP, Younger is Coach of the Year

Rockwall-Heath's undefeated District 12-5A volleyball season brought major awards to Lady Hawks and their coach, Maggie Younger.

Junior Regina Tillis was named the district's Most Valuable Player. Libero Paige Parent received recognition as Outstanding Defensive Player, and Younger was honored as 12-5A Coach of the Year.

Tillis led the Metroplex's 5A players with more than five kills per game. Joining Tillis and Parent on the All-District first team were teammates Haley Coleman, a sophomore outside hitter, and junior Claire Carpenter, a junior setter.

RHHS players named second-team All-District were senior opposite hitter Molly Nelson and juniors Breanna Lacy (defensive specialist), Kailey Peters (middle blocker) and Adalee Lamberth (setter). Junior middle blocker Savanna Stutts received Honorable Mention.

In addition, Tillis, Parent, Carpenter, Lamberth, Nelson, Peters, Lacy, Beth Rose and Grace Howell were named to the Academic All-District team.

Tillis, Coleman, Carpenter and Nelson ranked 1, 2, 3 and 4 in kills for the Lady Hawks. Carpenter and Lamberth were the team leaders in assists, and Parent and Carpenter were the top two in service aces. Tillis also led RHHS in blocks and digs - with Parent, Carpenter and Coleman next-highest in

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Lady Jackets' Floyd, Garcia win district honors

Rockwall senior Rebecca Floyd has been named the Outstanding Setter in District 12-5A volleyball, and freshman Chaney Garcia was recognized as the district's Newcomer of the Year.

Floyd led the Lady Jackets with 604 assists, nearly seven per game, and 44 service aces.

Two other RHS seniors, outside hitter Ashlynn Broussard and middle blocker Lindsey Wheeler, joined Floyd and Garcia on the All-District first team. Lady Jackets junior opposite hitter Jacqueline Ullmann was named second-team All-District, and junior defensive specialist Alex Villarreal, sophomore middle blocker Bailey Smith and sophomore outside

hitter Kelsey Gaertner received

Honorable Mention.



Ben Migneault (15), of the Heritage Christian Academy Eagles, breaks up a Midland Trinity pass while teammate Wyatt French (7) rushes in to help. The Eagles went on to win ged like more of the Saturday, November 17 playoff game by a a score of 71 - 31 lawks linebacker Photo by Bob Woodfin (www.photos.bobwoodfin.com)/ Rockwall Count News

Lady Hawks overcome slo starts, place 3rd at HP

Rockwall-Heath won two of three games to place third in last week 49th annual Scot Classic girls' basketball tournament at Highland Park

The Lady Hawks lost only to host Highland Park 65-44 in Fr semifinals. However, RHHS was on a razor's edge of not making it semifinals.

In Thursday's opening round, Rockwall-Heath trailed Trinity Chi Academy-Addison by 20 points, 25-5, with 2 minutes, 44 seconds remainst a second seconds remainst a second seconds remainst a second se in the first half. Even after regaining the lead at 39-38 on Jacquelyn Tu rebound basket with 3 1/2 minutes to play, the Lady Hawks fell behind

Finally, with 5 seconds left, Katie Webster drove into the lane and shot to put RHHS ahead 43-42. TCA couldn't get off a shot before the

After trailing 27-12 at halftime, the Lady Hawks used a pressure de that contributed to 22 second-half turnovers and held TCA to 10 field

"The first half wasn't fun," said RHHS head coach Devin Gabbard. helped wake us up.

"It was not so much individual effort. We pushed the ball a lot me offense, and made some easy steals. At times we are good on defense, think our offense will come.

"We have a lot of inexperience and injuries. We have two kids wh came from volleyball and two kids hurt, so that's 4 of our 13 right t Brittany Helms and Madi Lemons were the injured players missir

Webster, who scored a team-high 16 points, and Jordan Mitchell scored 15 and made all six of her second-half foul shots, were not mi They each had four steals in the second half.

Against Highland Park, the Lady Hawks trailed 21-11 after the first q but weren't able to come back. Webster was RHHS' high scorer w

The Lady Hawks (3-3) defeated Garland 55-49 in Saturday's thirdgame. They erased an 11-6 first-quarter deficit by outscoring the Lady 18-6 in the second quarter. Webster scored a season-high 27 points.

On Tuesday, Nov. 13, Rockwall-Heath recorded its first victory, over Frisco. Mitchell pumped in 23 points and Webster had 18.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
	130				
RHHS	6	18	13	18	55
Garland	11	6	13	19	49
RHHS - Kat	ie Webster 2	27, Jordan	Mitchell 8	, Jacquely	n Turner 6, G
Johnson 5, Son	phie Keith 5	, Jessica N	wabuko 3	, Mallory	Rice 1.
Garland - Pr	incess Holle	oway 18, C	Candace Co	oleman 12	, Brianna Rol
9, Taylor Crad	dock 4, Nar	i Washingt	on 4, Agu	ayo 2.	

4th Final 1st 2nd 3rd 11 14 44 RHHS 11 Highland Park 21 16 15 13 RHHS - Katie Webster 11, Caroline McCallum 7, Jordan Mitch

Sophie Keith 4, Jacquelyn Turner 4, Eden Deel 3, Jasmine Brumfie Le Tourn Geneva Johnson 2, Jessica Nwabuko 2, Veronica Vinson 2. Highland Park – Kaitlyn Read 22, Courtney Klingaman 9, Julia Jen 6, Mikaela Read 6, Alex Reynolds 6, Caroline Roberts 6, Sara Johns Med 1st

Maggie Dooley 2, Holly Lacour 2 4th 3rd Final RHHS 43 15 16 42

Trinity Christian 14

RHHS - Katie Webster 16, Jordan Mitchell 15, Jacquelyn Turner 5, So wy both were n Keith 3, Eden Deel 2, Caroline McCallum 2.

Trinity Christian Academy-Addison – Anna Bergman 12, Brooke E 11, Fulgham Bell 7, Morgan Sneed 6, Sarah Voelker 4, Chandler Noon

1st 2nd 3rd 4th Final RHHS 17 11 64 15 RHHS - Jordan Mitchell 23, Katie Webster 18, Jacquelyn Turn Caroline McCallum 6, Eden Deel 5, Jasmine Brumfield 2 Frisco – Roundtree 13, Caldwell 9, Heine 7, Mathis 7, Padgett 5, G

4, Porter 3, Hiraldo 2.

Good start leads RHHS past Sherman A better start helped Rockwall-Heath win in its second boys' baske

game this season, after a slow start had doomed the Hawks to a loss in On Tuesday, Nov. 13, Richardson Berkner ran to leads of 30-18

one quarter and 58-35 at halftime on the way to an 85-66 victory. Ag Sherman Friday, RHHS stopped the Bearcats early to take a 33-14 half lead and went on to win 69-42.

Luke Ramirez led the Hawks (1-1) with 19 points against Sherman. Co Smith and Tyler Zivney scored 10 points apiece.

Zivney had a team-high 23 points against Berkner, with Ramirez ad 13 and David Keaton scoring 11.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
RHHS	20	13	19	17	69
Sherman	5	9	18	10	42

RHHS - Luke Ramirez 19, Colton Smith 10, Tyler Zivney 10, Co Rashbrook 8, Jackson Zivney 7, David Keaton 6, Colby Norman 6, Can Talley 3.

Sherman – Alex Polk 9, Harold Johnson 8, Jlynn Thompson 7, T.J. Ba Jerry Sims 4, Tray Bowen 3, Walter Davis 2, Parker 2, Stetson Sullivan Final 2nd 3rd 4th RHHS 18 17 13 66 18 85 RBHS 30 28 17 10

RHHS - Tyler Zivney 23, Luke Ramirez 13, David Keaton 11, Jeren Sandidge 8, Jackson Zivney 7, Jeffrey Harris 2, Ryan McKay 2. Richardson Berkner - Soma Edo 21, Torey Everett 13, Josh Francis Keenan Evans 9, Kendal Harris 9, Soleman Zazay 8, Rishaard Jackso Quinton Gillette 3, Joshua Caldwell 2, Robert Johnson 2.

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math says there are 48 minutes in a high school football game. ters times 12 minutes each. No more, no less.

arland used every one of those minutes, and benefited from the 48, in its 31-27 victory over Rockwall-Heath in Friday

District playoff game.

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appeared to be in good shape by taking a 17-0 lead just 11 emaining in the first quarter. However, that was just enough South Garland's Marquel McNac to race 58 yards for a

wks appeared likely to go into halftime with a 24-14 lead when derson scored his third touchdown of the game, with the clock Stadium in Mesquite reading just 38 seconds. Then, zip! Swing 9 yards. Zip! Pass downfield for 13 yards. Zip! Quarterback r another 19 yards. And, as the half ended, a 26-yard field goal lonels' Elier Garcia.

point, RHHS' offense was holding its own, but the defense al teams had done the heavy lifting. Two interceptions set awks for a touchdown and Ethan Smith's 21-yard field goal st quarter. Rockwall-Heath's D stopped South Garland near

on fourth down, leading to n's second TD. His third a blocked punt that was to the Colonels' 6 yard

ed like more of the same wks linebacker Raaquan rigled and re-juggled a pass Garland's Trey Porter re ecuring the interception ne sire ming the ball to SG's 9. augh RHHS lost a yard in lys, Smith's 27-yard field It the Hawks safe with a 7 ird-quarter lead.

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Hawks' second play, senior ball a lot ack Chase Schultz ran for to their 43, but he lay of before being helped off two kids w injury. Sophomore Jordan ok over. Two complete wo scrambles by Hoy and mask penalty against the s moved the ball in to SG's the 48 minutes, 1 second

> red a pass into a crowd at of the end zone. The ball Colonel's shoulder pad, nded out of the end zone. ght minutes gone, when the apparently needed 48:10.

e second half, RHHS' totaled just 98 yards, 30 South Garland shut down son. The sophomore gained s in 12 first-half carries, but ren second-half åattempts minus-1 yard. McNac had st-half rushing yards, and 59 in the second half for a 201 and four touchdowns.

CA's Burke, eTourneau med 1st-team **All-State**

ors Anabel Burke and Anna neau from Heritage Christian ny both were named to the 2A All-State volleyball

Lady Eagles finished the 17-3, advancing to a Regional match against Denton Academy. Calvary went win the state championship. ive playoff matches, Calvary st two games - both against

e is an outside hitter, and meau a setter for the threedistrict champions. Another senior, Micalah Hawkins, All-State Honorable on as a setter/outside hitter.

six seniors who led the Lady this season were named TAPPS District 3-2A Allt first team. In addition to LeTourneau and Hawkins, blockers Hailee Johnson ate Walker and right-side Taylor Powers received firstnonors. Junior libero Brittany received second-team Allet honors.

CA freshmen med 2nd-team **All-District**

freshmen from Rockwall iian Academy's young ball team were named to the 'S District 3-2A All-District

side hitter Rachel Rorie and Ingrid Bjornile received d-team honors. Lady Warriors Flibero Jasmine Patterson and sophomores - middle blockers Ross and Madison Woods, outside hitter Madison Miller re named Honorable Mention district.



Raaquan Davis (19) runs back for 40 yards after intercepting the ball to set up the score, Friday November 16, during the Bi-District playoff game against South Garland at Hanby Stadium in Mesquite. Assisting at back is Jacob Grand-Lienard (31).

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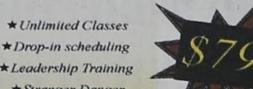
Jay Arnold (85) assists on bringing down a South Garland ball carrier, Friday November 16, during the Bi-District game at Hanby Stadium in Mesquite.

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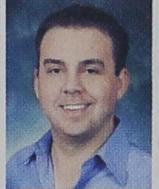
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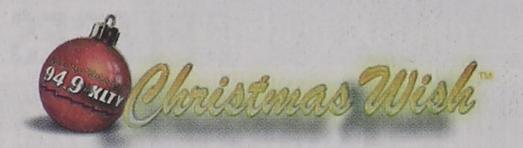
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