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Three top finishers in the 56-mile leg of the Rockwall Rotary Club's Hot Rocks Bike Race were (left) Christian Helmig of Luxemburg (3rd place, \$100), Bret Crosby of Dallas (1st place, \$250), and Stephen of Dallas (2nd place, \$175). They ride with Elbowz Racing, owned by Indianapolis cycle speed racer Ben Spies. More than 1,000 bikers in several age categories participated in the event, which raises money used in scholarships for Rockwall and Rockwall-Heath High School. Starting at Rockwall's Wilkerson-Sanders Stadium, participants also competed in races with distances of 13 miles and 45 miles. This year's Bike Race Chair was Bart Miller.
Photo by Tim Burnett/Rockwall County News

Council unveils new logo for Fate

After several months, and numerous design changes, the City of Fate unveiled a new city logo at the Aug. 6 City Council meeting. At a June Council meeting, Billy Quinton of Rockwall-based QBall Design presented several ideas for the city logo to council members. At that meeting, Quinton shared that he previously met with Fate Mayor Bill Broderick and City Manager Philip Rodriguez to discuss the vision for the city. Members of the council and staff offered feedback on what they wanted to see in a new city logo.



The logo will play a role in a larger branding effort by the city and by the Fate Development Corporation, which is the economic development arm of the city. The final logo design capitalizes on the heritage of Fate while focusing on its future. The top of the logo is a letter F wrapped in the colors and theme of the Texas flag, while the blue in the center surrounding the word Fate is the same blue once used by the former Fate High School Cubs. "The City of Fate is in an excellent position to begin showcasing what nearly 9,000 people have already discovered – that Fate is a wonderful place to live," said Rodriguez. "By focusing our branding efforts, we will now be able to show investors and developers why it's also a great place to do business. Mayor Broderick set the goal earlier this year for the city to begin marketing our city with a clear identity, and I'm excited for us to carry that forward. The new logo gives us a shared identity that we haven't had previously." Over the next several weeks, city staff members will work with QBall to begin implementing the branding that will include website updates, stationary, business cards, marketing materials and more.

Rockwall councilman Mark Russo announces resignation

Rockwall City Council member Mark Russo has tendered his resignation from the council effective Sept. 18. Russo was recently elected to the newly created Precinct 3 Justice of the Peace position for Rockwall County and said he needs to spend time preparing to take office on Jan. 1, 2013. Russo said he chose Sept. 18 as his last day in office so he can attend the Sept. 17 city council meeting and put his vote on the FY 2013 budget. "We've been working hard and I want to be a part of this budget," he said. He also wanted to give Mayor David Sweet and the city council adequate time to select his replacement so they can attend several conferences and meetings planned for later in the fall. "I thought it was important for the new person to be at those meetings and my timing allows the council to start the process of finding my replacement," Russo said. As for leaving his council position in the middle of a term, Russo said this wasn't how he envisioned leaving office but added, "it has been an honor to serve the City of Rockwall and I think we have accomplished great things. I think this is the right thing for the city." In looking forward to his new position, Russo said he has several ideas for his new post and will begin working towards ways to implement them during this time of transition. "I'll be starting from scratch but I have some plans and ideas to get going," he said. Before his January start date, he said he will need to hire and train his clerks, go to his own JP training, and put together his office in preparation for their first day on the job. In accepting Russo's resignation, Rockwall Mayor David Sweet thanked Russo for his four years of service as a city council member.



Extra special S.T.A.R.s to shine in upcoming 'High School Musical, Jr.'

Whittaker's production is "High School Musical, Jr." and director Pam Whittaker's goal is to put on a perfect performance. Her aim is to give her actors and actresses the self-confidence that will help them achieve greatness both on and off the stage. Whittaker majored in theater at TCU and pursued an acting career for 20 years before returning to get her master's degree in teaching. Her mother was so thrilled when I became a teacher," laughed Whittaker. "She and my father called when I told them I wanted to major in theater." Whittaker said she found her calling teaching middle school. "The kids were right on my own maturity level," she said. Whittaker organized the S.T.A.R. (Special Theater at Rockwall) Players Workshop to use her love of theater to transform the lives of individuals who have Down syndrome and autism after being inspired by Mark Wincent, whose son, Zach, was involved in a similar acting program in Chicago. She enlisted Christy Brown to help her with the project. "Christy was smart and a great problem-solver who can get things done. She's also a great person and was able to secure funding for our program from many different sources..." said Whittaker. "Subsequently, the actors' parents were pleasantly surprised to have their tuition checks returned at the STAR Players practice. It is so proud to be part of the first STAR production at RCP. Every morning, our actors bring energy to rehearsal, and I continue to be amazed by the commitment of our volunteers," said Whittaker. Whittaker recruited Kristy Moore, a local family counselor/play therapist, to act as her coach. "Performing is truly a humanitarian stage where the actor, narrative, music and dance can be a form of advocacy through a collective voice. Whether I am performing on stage or am a part of the audience, I always leave a performance changed in some way," said Moore. Whittaker surprises their cast with equal amounts of compassion and humor. "From 17-32, the men and women are enthusiastic participants. Each actor is given the opportunity to participate during the two weeks of rehearsals and the three performances to help guide them through the intricacies of the production or as one delighted actor said, "You're my best friend for life!" Working with someone who has Down syndrome is a rewarding experience, as the buddies quickly learned. Rehearsals are light-hearted, full of laughter and hugs. Most of the actors are huge fans of "High School Musical" and have the songs and dialog memorized. The plot revolves around two main characters, Troy and Gabriella, who meet during winter break and are reunited when Gabriella transfers into Troy's high school. Troy excels at sports and Gabriella excels in academics, but both yearn to break out of the molds in which society has put them. The story line has been used in movies like "West Side Story" and "Grease," but the theme is meaningful for the young actors involved in this production. Lyrics from the song "Breaking Free" are as though they were written just for the Down syndrome and autistic adults involved in the production. "You know the world can see us in a way that's different from who we are. Now is the time to free us, to touch the sky."



Pictured above are some of the locals involved in the Rockwall Community Playhouse's current production of "High School Musical, Jr." The play will be offered Saturday evening, followed by a Sunday afternoon matinee.
Photo courtesy of Leslie Brewer/Rockwall County News

To reach for the highest star
And the song "The Start of Something New" is strikingly poignant when sung by the STAR Players.
Living in my own world, didn't understand
That anything can happen if you take a chance.
I never believed in what I couldn't see
I never opened my heart
To all the possibilities
Watching the earnest faces of the actors, the musical is no longer the story of a jock and a brain seeking their place in the cliques of high school. It's a story about adults with disabilities reaching their full potential in a world that doesn't see them as who they really are — people with dreams who can reach for the highest star.
Performances are at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 19. Tickets are \$5 each and can be purchased by calling 972-722-3399 or online at rockwallcommunityplayhouse.org.
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Pictured above are the new officers for the Rockwall County Newcomers and Friends Club: Carol Mahaffey, treasurer; Carol East, secretary; Carol Hatcher, president; Kay Anderson, first vice president; and Mary Custer, second vice president. The group will kick off its 2012-2013 year at 10:30 a.m. with a birthday celebration in observance of 35 years as a social organization for the women of Rockwall County. Special recognition will be paid to the club's past presidents. All Rockwall County newcomers and longtime residents - are invited to attend. Sign-ups for the club's activities at this meeting. The group meets every second Thursday at Occasions at Stone River, 1250 F. Royse City. Reservations are required for the luncheon; cost is \$19 payable at the door. Call 972-772-4890 or Marion at 972-722-9896 by Sept. 3 to make reservations.
Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

Rockwall city budget hearing set for Sept 4

The Rockwall City Council has scheduled a public hearing as part of its Fiscal Year 2013 budget hearing will take place at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 4, at Rockwall City Hall.

The proposed budget can be viewed on the City's web site at www.rockwall.com. The proposed ad valorem tax (property tax) rate for FY 2013 is 50.26 cents per \$100 valuation, .0006 cents less than the current FY 2012 amount of 50.31 cents per \$100 valuation.

According to information provided in the proposed budget by City staff, the total taxable assessed City for FY 2013 is \$3,161,088,138, a 0.52 percent increase over last year's value of \$3,144,806,280. City's total property values increased slightly, the rate of growth continues to be slow. The increase is primarily attributed to new retail areas and multi-family development. Existing values dropped 1.1 percent.

The City's revenues are budgeted at \$54,636,300 for FY 2013, with expenditures budgeted at \$54,636,300. The City is anticipating a slight increase in Service Charges, which includes pool and recreational inspections and reviews, and various permit fees. Although the projected FY 2013 amount is up from \$54,636,300, the amount still represents a reduction from past years due to slowing construction resulting in fewer residential permits issued and construction fees collected.

Included in the FY 2013 budget are six new positions: 2 Firefighter/Drivers (funded mid-year); 1 Police Officer; 1 Personnel Sergeant; and 2 Patrol Officers. Five positions were eliminated as a result of the privatization, thus the net increase to General Fund staffing is one position.

Downtown Improvements
In other business, the council voted to authorize City Manager Rick Crowley to execute contract with Wilkinson Construction Group and La Terra Studio Landscape Architects for the Downtown Rockwall project approved by voters in the May 12 bond election.

Voters approved by a narrow margin the \$8.625 million downtown improvement package, which includes reconstruction for San Jacinto Street from Houston to Olive, Kaufman Street from Goliad to Interurban Street from Alamo to Fannin; Reconstruct the "core downtown" sidewalks and construction of sidewalks within the project; Construction of parking lots and additional street parking; Construction of a new pedestrian mall; Install street landscaping, street and parking lot lighting, signage and other Street enhancements for Washington Street from Goliad to Fannin.

Crowley said actual construction won't begin until early next year. The city will have several meetings with business and property owners to work out details of the project and before final plans are presented to the council for approval, according to a city news release.

Rockwall offers recycling bin option

The City of Rockwall and Republic Services are offering local residents the opportunity to recycle in place of the smaller bin currently in use, according to a city news release.

The optional cart is blue with a green lid and can be rented at a cost of \$3.50 per month. All items that can be recycled will go in the cart and be picked up one time each week on the resident's recycling day. The monthly charge is included on the water bill.

The city will continue to offer garbage poly cart rental as well. To request the optional recycle cart, contact the city's Utility Billing Department at 972-771-7777 or customerservice@rockwall.com.

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Resident Bob Chapman with his daughter Degie during his recent book signing at Emeritus at Summer Ridge Assisted Living and Retirement Community.

Heath approves burn ban, sets budget hearing for Sept. 4

Mayor Ed Thatcher formally presented the proposed Fiscal Budget to the city council at its Aug. 7 meeting. The council will hear and give residents their opportunity to comment on the budget on Tuesday, Sept. 4, at Heath City Hall. The budget can be viewed on the city's website at www.heathtx.com. The Finance section of 'City Docs.'

The council will follow the lead of Rockwall County by calling for a burn ban within the city limits. The ban will remain in effect unless otherwise acted upon by council. An extension of the ban requires a separate vote.

The ban significantly restricts outdoor burning activities but does not restrict indoor fireplaces, fire pits, chimineas or cooking fires. The county is experiencing severe to extreme drought conditions, and the Texas Forest Service, which places it in a very high danger wildfire area. More than half of the state's 254 counties currently have a high fire danger. The National Weather Service has forecast a continuation of the current drought conditions through the rest of the year. Violations could result in a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of up to \$100. The county burn ban applies to all unincorporated areas of Rockwall County.

At the July 17 meeting, council voted in new volunteer citizen appointees of the various City of Heath boards. At the earlier meeting Mayor Lorne Liechty reappointed Dennis Conder on the Planning & Zoning Commission and on the Economic Development Corporation and Municipal

Planning and Zoning Commission, Clinton Howie will serve out the term of Aidan Flores, who resigned his position. Steve and Alan Thomas each begin a two year term replacing John and Sarah White, whose term limits expired. Thomas moved from Adjuster where he served one term.

Member Justin Holland accepted the mayor's request that he fill the representative post on the Economic Development Corporation and Benefits Corporation, which the mayor vacated upon his current resignation.

Cityfield Rob Norris replaced term limited Amy Ganci and son on the Park Board.

At the adjustment gains Nathan Chapman and Mike Ross, who were appointed to positions. Kevin Lamberth replaces Alex Thomas as he resigns.

RTU to take over tennis programs Sept. 4

Tennis Unlimited, which has operated for eight years, will see its operations taken over by the Rockwall Independent School District effective September 4. The news release issued Sunday.

The RTU was recognized by the United States Tennis Association's as the New Community Tennis Association of the Year for its provision of tennis programs for all ages and skill levels. The program consisted of complete tennis activities and events such as mixed leagues (men's, women and mixed) and teams (metro, STA), UTA block parties, camps and training workshops were provided by STA officials. Also organized were after-school junior and senior workshops at Rockwall elementary and middle schools.

It was an important task for RTU organizers to ensure that anyone who wanted to play tennis could do so, according to the release. This was accomplished through the provision of free memberships and clinics to individuals who were unable to afford to pay.

"This wouldn't be possible without the support and cooperation of our organizations and people," said Jamshid "J.R." Rahmzadeh, RTU's president, in the news release. "Our thanks goes to our supporters, to Rockwall ISD past and present superintendents, directors, principals, tennis coaches and physical education coaches. We are very thankful to all our volunteers who spent many hours advising and participating in RTU tennis. Our success would not have been possible without the time-consuming efforts by our past and present board of trustees, advisory board, tennis committee, league and team managers and, of course, our dedicated members and players."

Following the release, the RISD will continue the promotion of tennis "following the philosophy of RTU."

"We are excited about this new opportunity and will be actively involved in this transition," said Rahmzadeh. "During this time period we will continue our current programs, leagues, teams, clinics and private lessons." For more information, contact Lana Fulkerson at lana.fulkerson@rockwallisd.org or call 682-429-9183.

Larry McDaniel filled the Take Area Appeals Panel position vacated in February when Joe Chamberlain moved to P&Z.

Due to a resignation and the vacancy of Brian Berry upon his election to city council, Robyn Abramczyk and Eliana McGrath have accepted appointments to the Special Events Board.

Other Business

Other council business included approving a recommendation by city management to select a new accounting firm to conduct annual city audits. City Financial Director Laurie Mays explained that although through no fault of their own but rather with the intention of "best practices," it is her department's determination that the city's current auditing firm of 12 years be replaced with The Brooks Cardiel & Company of The Woodlands, Texas.

Road Projects

Also on the agenda was a discussion regarding the city's "wish list" of future road projects to be presented at the Aug. 22 meeting of the Rockwall County Road Consortium. The Consortium was created in 2008 and is

comprised of county officials, TxDOT, and city government representatives from the individual municipalities within the county, and is responsible for the 2008 \$100M road bond package.

While this input was requested and submitted back in 2008, the Consortium periodically revisits the process as a means to consider any changes in each city's wish list of projects or priorities of identified projects. However, as three council members were absent from Tuesday's meeting, Liechty asked for postponement of any decisions on a final list to the Aug. 21 council meeting.

A general discussion on the topic conceded the priority of the widening of FM 549 between FM 740 in Heath and SH 205 to a four-lane divided road. It was at the top of Heath's original priority list and earlier this month took top billing at a joint meeting between the Cities of Heath and Rockwall for the purpose of evaluating project priorities in which the two cities would mutually benefit.

The council agreed that widening this portion of FM 549 would assist with Heath's economic development opportunities at the FM 740/FM 549 intersection. It would also help alleviate congestion caused by morning and afternoon school traffic at four separate schools along the roadway and it would take traffic pressure off of FM 740 North.

West Nile virus confirmed in Rockwall County, prevention measures urged

A joint press release issued this week from Rockwall County and the Cities of Rockwall, Heath, McLendon-Chisholm, Fate, and Royse City verified that there are confirmed cases of West Nile virus in Rockwall County.

Dr. Gary Bonacquisti, Rockwall County Health Authority, said that epidemiological tests are being run to determine an accurate number of cases. He emphasized that residents should continue with personal protection measures to reduce their exposure to the virus.

Dr. David Lensch, Health Officer for the City of Rockwall, and Dr. Bonacquisti are working together to assist the respective entities. Dr. Lensch advised that prevention through the recommended precautions is of greatest importance, adding that those with viral symptoms, including fever and headache, should consider testing.

To reduce exposure to West Nile virus, it is suggested residents do the following:

- * Use an approved insect repellent every time you go outside and follow the instructions on the label. Approved repellents are those that contain DEET, picaridin or oil of lemon eucalyptus.

- * Regularly drain standing water, including water that collects in empty cans, tires, buckets, clogged rain gutters and saucers under potted plants. Mosquitoes breed in stagnant water.

- * Wear long sleeves and pants at dawn and dusk when mosquitoes are most active.

- * Use air conditioning or make sure there are screens on all doors and windows to keep mosquitoes from entering the home.

For additional information, visit the CDC website at http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dvbid/westnile/wvn_factsheet.htm

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STOMACH ACID CAN DAMAGE TEETH

Chronic heartburn not only poses a problem for the stomach and esophagus, but it can also have a damaging effect on teeth. According to a study of gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD), almost half of the people suffering from the condition were found to have tooth wear and erosion that was significantly worse than healthy individuals. Over time, the acid that leaks into the esophagus may work its way into the mouth and cause tooth enamel to thin and become pitted. The damage caused by stomach acid appears much like common tooth wear, with tooth flattening, sharpening, or cupping. Because enamel is gone for good once it disappears, it is important to get GERD under control.

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On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

The cross that Jesus Christ carried...

In our brief study on the cross that Jesus Christ carried, we intend to examine some of the uses of the word "cross" in all the Gospel records in order to understand better what "cross" he carried.

It is popularly believed that Jesus dragged the actual stake he was hung on. This study is designed to return to the records found in the Gospels and ascertain the truth about whether or not this happened.

The accounts of Matthew, Mark and Luke give the same information about what happened as Jesus was led to the location of his crucifixion. Matthew's account says, "And as they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name. It was him they compelled to bear his cross" (Matthew 27:32). According to the above scripture, as Jesus was led out, the soldiers compelled another man to carry the instrument of crucifixion for Jesus.

God's word gives detailed information about the man who carried Jesus' cross. His name was Simon and was from a place called Cyrene. According to Mark 15:21 Simon was passing through, and he was the father of Alexander and Rufus. The record in Luke 23:26 does not provide any new information.

The Rufus of Romans 16:13, and the Alexander of Acts 19:33 may have been the same men. God's word does not provide any new details about them, but He has a reason for honoring them with their father, Simon.

Let's turn to John's record of the cross that Jesus carried "And he bearing his cross went forth into a place called, 'the place of a skull,' which is called in the Hebrew, 'Golgotha.'" (John 19:17).

Three of the Gospel records clearly refer to another man carrying Jesus' cross behind him as he walked toward Golgotha. Yet John's record has Jesus bearing a cross. Moreover, the other three Gospel accounts say nothing about Jesus even starting out carrying the cross. Why the apparent contradiction with the Gospel of John which refers to Jesus "bearing his cross?" It's also significant to note that John does not mention Simon carrying a cross for Jesus.

The word "cross" comes from the Biblical Greek word "stauros" which meant an upright stake, especially a pointed one. The use of this word in the first three Gospel records must be understood literally. They clearly refer to Simon carrying a pointed stake on behalf of Jesus. Go to Colossians 1:20 where it says, "And having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself..." and again in Colossians 2:14 it says, "Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that were against us, which were contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross."

According to an old eastern tradition, when any person carried a debt that could not be paid, the elders would post his name with the names of the creditors and the amount of the debt, on the city's entrance gate. If another person passed by and decided to pay the debt, the posted debt was doubled or folded up so it could not be seen, and nailed to the gate. This meant the debt was paid in full and the person was free from the debt.

Jesus paid the full price for the debts of sin. And in so doing, the law that was against mankind was symbolically folded up and nailed to his cross. We were freed from the bondage of the letter of the law.

By harmonizing all the Gospel records, we can see that Jesus did not physically carry the instrument of crucifixion chosen for him. This task was forcibly given to Simon of Cyrene. And according to John, our Lord Jesus was forcibly "his cross" by giving himself to be the purchased price for all of mankind and the final Passover Lamb.

Jesus paid the highest debt of mankind. That debt was doubled and folded not to be seen again, and was figuratively nailed to the

cross. This was the symbolic cross that Jesus bore for Simon of Cyrene involuntarily carried the literal cross. Jesus bore the symbolic cross on behalf of mankind according to the will of heaven.

Rockwall ISD outlines reduced-price meal program

The Rockwall Independent School District has announced a new program providing free and reduced-price meals for students served under the National Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program.

Household size and income criteria will be used to determine eligibility for free and reduced-price benefits, according to a district news release. Students from households whose income is at or below the levels shown on the chart are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. Foster children who are the legal responsibility of the state agency or court may also be eligible for free meal benefits if the income of the household with whom they reside.

Application forms will be distributed to all households with school-age children. Applications also are available at each school and on-line at Public/login.aspx. To apply for free and reduced-price meals, fill out the application and return it to the school cafeteria or the district office, 1050 Williams St., Rockwall, TX 75087.

Applications will be submitted anytime during the school year. The information provided on the application will be used for determining eligibility and verification of data. Applications may be reviewed by school officials at any time during the school year.

For school officials to determine eligibility for free and reduced-price benefits, households receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) (formerly Food Stamps) or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) only have to list their child's name and SNAP or TANF case number. If the child is not a household member, the adult household member must sign the application.

Households that do not list a SNAP/TANF case number must list all household members, the amount and source of the income of each household member, and the last four (4) digits of the Social Security number of the adult household member who signs the application. If the application does not have a Social Security number, the applicant must indicate that a Social Security number is not available by marking "None," "No Number" or some indication that the person does not have a Social Security number. The application must be signed by an adult household member.

Under the provisions of the free and reduced-price meal program, the Nutrition Department Director's Secretary, will review applications to determine eligibility. Parents or guardians dissatisfied with the determination may wish to discuss the decision with the reviewing official or the Director. Parents wishing to make a formal appeal for a hearing on the decision should contact the Director's Secretary in writing to Jeff Bailey, superintendent.

If a household member becomes unemployed or if the household income changes, the household should contact the Child Nutrition office. Such changes may make the students of the household eligible for free or reduced-price meals if the household's income falls at or below the federal levels.

The Child Nutrition office has a copy of the policy, which may be viewed by any interested party.

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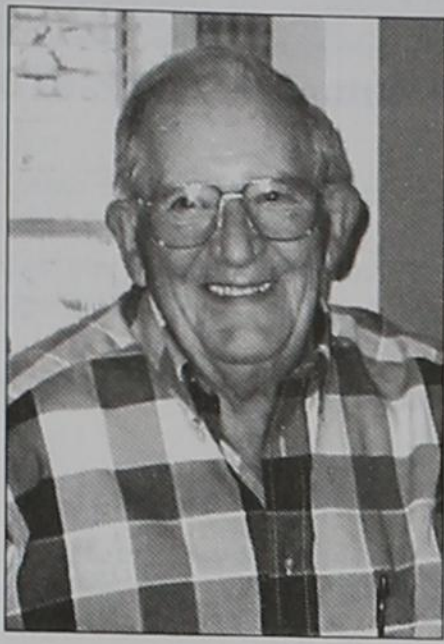
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Rockwall County Obituaries

Funeral service to our community

Robert Gene Lofland

Robert Gene Lofland, 79, was conducted at 10 a.m. in the Rest Haven Funeral Home with Jerry Minx officiating.



Mr. Lofland and his wife, Betty Katherine (Terry) Lofland; his sons, Robert Lofland, Glenda, Keith Lofland and his wife, Connie, and Randy Lofland; his daughters, Tama; his grandchildren, Patrick Lofland and his wife, Jamie Whitaker and her husband, Nick, Kami Nelson and her husband, Jacob Lofland and Heath Lofland; his great-grandchildren, Barrett Lofland, Sarah Lofland, Thomas Lofland and his wife, Frances Dixon of Garland and Juanita Myers of Dallas; nephews and cousins.

Mildred 'Smiley' Smith



Mildred "Smiley" Smith, 88, was conducted at 11 a.m. in the Rest Haven Funeral Home with Don Royce officiating. Burial will be in the Rest Haven City Cemetery.

She was born in Pickton to Willie (Green) Smith, she was a child and at 21 she married B. Smith. She spent the rest of her life in Rose City, including her years in Senior Care, where she was "smiley" because of her smile she always wore. She was a member of the Roys City Church.

She is survived by her children, Runette Benbrook and Paulette Newman and her grandchildren, Glenn of Farmers Branch, Grady P. Smith and his wife, Nancy, Gary Smith and his wife, Jackie, of Scott, La., Eric Don Smith and his wife, Joan Kerr, of Odessa; her grandchildren, Jim Lind, Susan Benbrook of Houston, Christi Bianchi of Sanger, Jill Jand, son of Chris of Carrollton, Chris Smith of Rowlett, Ashley Jan, P. Smith and Eric Smith Jr., both of Roys City and Coby Lofland; 12 great-grandchildren; and one sister, Dorothy Fullem.

Her death by her husband, her parents, four brothers and four sisters.

Rockwall County News Briefs

Democratic Party breakfast slated

Rockwall County Democratic Party will host its monthly breakfast beginning at 8 a.m. at the Harry Myers Park Community Building, 815 E. Main St., Rockwall. The public is invited to attend and enjoy a Continental breakfast with other local residents.

TEA Party monthly meetings resume

Rockwall County TEA Party will resume its monthly meetings beginning at 9 a.m. at the Well Coffee Lounge, 1101 St. Rose City. Participation is free; attendants should park along or use public parking behind the lounge or at its rear entrance. Signs, web-enabled devices to facilitate learning about social media for coming campaign.

Robbs schedules Pop-in event

Robbs Elementary will host a Pop-in and Look Around event from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. This year's class rosters will be posted at the entrance of each hallway. Parents are welcome to deliver school supplies to the classroom. An announcement on the school's website.

Bulldog Band plans 'show off' night

Rockwall County School Mighty Bulldog Band is preparing for its annual "show off" night beginning at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 21. Anyone who attends will get a hot dog and a sneak preview of the marching show. A parade will also be conducted to help the band march down Main Street in Rockwall. The band has been raising money to replace its truck. Flat donations for every step taken in the showcase (average step count is 100) will be accepted. For more information contact rchsbandbooster@rockwallisd.net

Meet the Teacher event set at Davis

Meet the Teacher Night and School Supply Drop Off event will take place at Davis Elementary in Roys City, according to the campus' website. Grades Pre-K through 1 will meet their teachers from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. and students in grades 2-4 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Rosters will be available.

Meet the Teacher Night planned at Fort

Fort Worth Elementary will host a Meet the Teacher Night for students in grades K-4 will run from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Aug. 23. Pre-K teachers plan to meet with parents by appointment during the day, according to information on the school's website. Parents will be contacting parents to schedule appointments.

May Vernon plans Meet the Teacher event

May Vernon Elementary will host a Meet the Teacher event for students of May Vernon Elementary will be on Aug. 23. Students in kindergarten and first grade will meet their teachers from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., followed by students in grades 2-4 from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Parents will have conferences with teachers by appointment, according to the school's website.

Nebbs Williams plans Pop Back to School

Nebbs Williams Elementary Pop Back to School event will run from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Aug. 24 at the school, according to the campus website. Class lists will be available at 4 p.m., and parents may bring their children's school supplies to the classroom.

RCRW plan annual tea

Rockwall County Republican Women will have their annual tea from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Aug. 25 at Occasions in Roys City. Doors will open at 10 a.m. The state director for Americans for Prosperity, Peggy Schaefer, will be the guest speaker. The "Are You Smarter Than a Politician?" game show will be held at 11 a.m. Tickets cost \$30 and may be purchased by sending a check to marciagi@rcrw.com, lgreenroses@charter.net or by calling 972-771-0106.

Pit Your Pit (Bull) event set Aug. 31

PAWS will host the Kaufman County Animal Awareness Project for pit bulls. The annual surgical hospital event for pit bulls and pit bull mixes only will be held at the Harry Myers Community Center at Harry Myers Park. Funded by the Harry Myers Community Center, the event will allow participants to have their pits spayed/

neutered for \$20, which includes a free rabies vaccine, nail clip and Capstar for fleas. Appointments required: 972-472-3500 or spayneuternet.org.

Rockwall Preschool Assoc. to meet

The Rockwall Preschool Association will kick off its new year at 9 a.m. Sept. 7 at the Free Methodist Church, 315 Dalton Road, Rockwall. The organization's calendar runs September through May; new members are welcome at any time. All Rockwall area mothers and children up to kindergarten age are welcome. General monthly meetings are at 9 a.m. on the first Friday of each month at the Free Methodist Church. For more information visit rockwallpreschoolassociation.com.

Doggie Splash Day scheduled

The Rockwall Parks & Rec Department will host its annual Doggie Splash Day from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 8. For more details, call 972-771-7740.

Preschool Association plans event

The Rockwall Preschool Association will host a Ladies Kick-Off Party beginning at 7 p.m. Sept. 13 at Mi Cocina; a Kids Kick-Off Party will run from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Oct. 5 at the Free Methodist Church in Rockwall. For more information about the events or this organization, visit rockwallpreschoolassociation.com.

Rubber Duck Regatta set Sept. 22

The Rockwall Rubber Duck Regatta, set for Sept. 22, will be a fun fundraising event for two organizations - the Boys & Girls Club of Rockwall County and Meals on Wheels of Rockwall County. Thousands of blue rubber ducks will race down the fountains at The Harbor. These ducks, adopted by supporters of the fundraiser, will race toward the finish line to win prizes for their adoptive parents. For sponsorship opportunities, call 972-771-9514 or 972-722-2462.

Rockwall County Entertainment

Little Black Dress event slated

The Throw On Your Little Black Dress event, an evening of networking for Rockwall's "most wonderful and intelligent women," will run from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Aug. 17 at KE Cellars Winery, 301 N. San Jacinto, Rockwall. Cost for admission will be \$45 per person, which will include wine and hors d'oeuvres. A silent auction to benefit the Heath Center of Helping Hands also is scheduled. Seating will be limited, so those planning to attend must RSVP with payment; tickets will be held at the door. RSVP by purchasing an admission ticket online at rockwallhelpinghands.com or contact Kay Dutta at kaydutta@rockwallhelpinghands.com.

Orchestra concert set Sept. 1

The Greater Rockwall Philharmonic Orchestra Concert is set for Sept. 1 at The Harbor Bandshell. Rockwall MusicFest invites the community to attend this free performance. For more details visit rockwallmusicfest.com.

UNT Lab Band to perform

The UNT One O'Clock Lab Band, under the direction of Grammy-nominated composer and associate professor of jazz studies at the University of North Texas, will perform at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 13 at the RHS Performing Arts Center, 1201 T.L. Townsend Drive, Rockwall. The band has six Grammy nominations and is noted for its musicianship and tight ensemble performance. Tickets cost \$65 for concert subscription (for four different performances) or \$25 for individual performance ticket. For more details visit rockwallmusicfest.com.

Side Street Strutters scheduled

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.com.

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.

Rockwall ISD offers tuition-based enrollment

Beginning this fall, the Rockwall Independent School District will welcome a limited number of students from outside of its current boundary lines through its first Tuition-Based Enrollment Program.

The new program allows students to apply for enrollment regardless of their home address, according to a district news release.

Students in all grade levels can apply for admission. Only students who meet the required criteria will be considered for admission. Areas assessed include recent grades, attendance records, disciplinary records and TAKS/STAAR performance. Applicants will be able to list their preferred campus, but enrollment figures for each campus and grade level will determine where open spots are available.

Tuition-Based Enrollment in the RISD will have no impact on district costs, but increases projected state funding revenue. Upon acceptance, a \$5,000 annual tuition will extend the RISD education to a student who resides outside of district lines.

The plan will have no effect on transportation costs as accepted students will be asked to provide their own transportation to and from school. Prospective students will only be admitted to schools that have adequate space. Additionally, the increase in enrollment will boost the revenue brought into the district from the state government.

"This open enrollment initiative finally offers an opportunity for students just outside of our boundaries a chance to get a Rockwall ISD education," said Sara Bonser, the school district's assistant superintendent. "The program ultimately serves as a great option for students who previously had no chance of attending our campuses."

A number of districts around the state are implementing tuition-based enrollment options. Several participating north Texas districts include Roys City, Carrollton, Forney and Birdville.

To learn more about the Tuition-Based Enrollment Program visit rockwallisd.com/tuitionenrollment or call 972-771-0605.

Nana Pat's Kitchen

by Pat Burnett

Corn Casserole

- Ingredients:
- 2 cans cream corn
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1 medium bell pepper, chopped
- 1 cup quick rice, cooked
- 1 stick margarine
- 1 egg
- 1 jar pimentos
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- Salt and pepper to taste
- Grated Velveeta cheese
- Paprika for top



Saute onions and peppers in butter. In a large bowl, combine onions, pepper, cooked rice, cream corn, sugar, egg, pimentos, salt and pepper. Pour into a 9x13 sprayed dish. Top with Velveeta cheese and sprinkle with paprika. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 to 40 minutes. Yummy, yummy in our tummy!

This Week in Health

Healthy living can be less challenging, more rewarding

by Darcy Rocha
Two years ago my family started making a transition to an all-around healthier diet and lifestyle. Ugh, I know. Diet is a four-letter word. But stay with me here because I, like you, know that "diets" don't work.

Most times whatever diet is the latest fad will give you short-term and sometimes drastic results. But what seems to inevitably happen? You've sacrificed your hard earned money while flowing some crazy set of rules and usually end up emotionally exhausted... all to see those brief results vanish much quicker than it took to bring them about.

And the worst part? You've most likely compromised your health in the process. This pattern is what makes trying to achieve lasting change such a challenge, so much so that most of us have simply throw in the towel.

But here's something interesting to chew on. Major lifestyle changes to benefit your health can become your new second nature in as little as a few weeks. Our brains can be retrained. We can attain that lasting change. We can change our bodies, ourselves and our lives.

My personal transition to the point I am at in my fitness and health did not happen over night. But feeling good makes it easier to keep fighting the good fight. Little changes beget bigger changes and before I knew it I was no longer hopelessly weak to the lures of sugar, fat and skipping out on the gym.

I finally got a big dose of motivation after suffering through the flu and multiple upper respiratory illnesses last winter, as well as getting sliced into three more times for pre-melanomas. Oh, and let's not forget my chronically low HDL "good" cholesterol (Hypoalphalipoproteinemia. Doesn't that just roll off the tongue...), which is as dangerous as having high LDL "bad" cholesterol.

I felt like I was in a downward spiral of poor health, not to mention being tired and "foggy headed" when I desperately needed to be energetic and alert to perform my jobs as mom and writer to the best of my abilities.

So I watched a few documentaries, reprioritized my life, cleaned out my pantry, ate some spinach and went to the gym. Well, I suppose it was a little more involved than that, but the point is that it was a decision, a personal choice, and I knew that I was the only one who was responsible for making it happen.

I now work out three to four times per week and try to strike a balance of strength training and cardio. It's really not any sort of rocket science. I joined the gym and started going to group fitness classes that looked interesting. I don't have to muster up any sort of regimen on my own, I just go to class and follow along. I call it my "workout for dummies." All I have to do is show up on time, try to smile and keep going back.

Now back to the diet portion of our conversation. (Turn off that dark and dreary music that's just popped in to your head and approach this with an open mind.)

Points to consider: Garbage in, garbage out. Don't eat anything your great grandma wouldn't recognize as real food. White sugar, high-fructose corn syrup and artificial sweeteners will impede your health. Let food be your medicine.

If today you were to make the decision to replace at least some of the packaged, processed, high-caloric and sugar and salt laden foods in your diet with fresh fruits and vegetables, at the end of the week you would crave more of the healthy stuff. I can't make this stuff up. It happened to me, I swear.

If you stuck with it, you'd find that by the end of the month the improvement in the way you feel would make it hard to go back to eating the non-healthy foods. I'm talking about real food, not diet food. Not Special K or Slim Fast. But apples, un-adulterated oatmeal, sweet potatoes, peaches... and spinach, et al.

I literally cannot emphasize enough how dramatic the increase in energy and uplifting of spirits you will experience if you decide to get on this path. And that's all it takes... a choice today to move your body and conscientiously nourish it with more plant-based foods. Feeling better and living healthier is within your personal capacity. May you be blessed on your journey.

Richards to perform at Southern Junction

Jamie Richards, the artist behind the Number 1 single "Drive," will appear at Southern Junction Nightclub and Steakhouse on Sept. 1.

This will mark Richards' first appearance at the local venue.

Richards has released four albums, which contained his 14 singles that radio listeners will remember from the Texas music charts. His most recent offering, "She's Cold as that Beer She's Drinking," stayed on the chart for 26 weeks and was nominated for TRRMA Song of the Year.

His latest album, Sideways, was released in 2010, including the singles "Sideways," "I Can Party When I Need To" and "Easier by Now."

Richards writes most of his own music and is known for his songs about lost love, spending too much time on the barstool, and country life. His previous releases, Between These Lines, Drive and No Regrets, established him as part honky-tonk king and part storyteller.

Richards will perform at Sothern Junction at 9 p.m.

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in Epps Education Center Board Room, 810 Old Greenville Rd.
(name of room, building, physical location)
Royse City, TX
(city, state)

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	_____ % increase	or	1.47 %	(decrease)
Debt service	12.62 % increase	or	_____ %	(decrease)
Total expenditures	_____ % increase	or	1.92 %	(decrease)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Royse City I.S.D.
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(time, date, year)
in Epps Education Center Board Room, 810 Old Greenville Rd.
(name of room, building, physical location)
Royse City, Texas
(city, state)

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The school district has elected to adopt a tax rate before receiving the certified appraisal roll from the chief appraiser(s) of the appraisal district(s) and before adopting a budget. In accordance with Texas Tax Code, Section 26.05(g), the chief appraiser(s) of the appraisal district(s) in which the school district participates has (have) certified to the assessor for the school district an estimate of the taxable value of property in the school district as provided by the Texas Tax Code, Section 26.01(e). In accordance with the Texas Education Code, Section 44.004(j), following adoption of the tax rate, the school district will publish notice and hold another public meeting before the school district adopts a budget.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$ 1.17	/ \$100	<i>(Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)</i>
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Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year*
Total appraised value** of all property	\$ 1,222,078,827	\$ 1,287,260,692
Total appraised value** of new property***	\$ 32,963,316	\$ 24,177,336
Total taxable value**** of all property	\$ 1,080,818,526	\$ 1,087,148,683
Total taxable value**** of new property***	\$ 32,545,090	\$ 22,720,928

* All values identified are based on estimate(s) of taxable value received pursuant to Section 26.01(e), Tax Code.
 ** "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.
 *** "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.
 **** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$ 113,250,790
 * Outstanding principal.

Tax Assistance Division at the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts provides property tax information and resources for taxpayers, local taxing entities, appraisal districts and appraisal review boards. For more information, visit www.window.state.tx.us/taxi

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$ 1.17	\$.44	\$ 1.61	\$ 3,447	\$ 5,293
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$ 1.17396	\$.57353	\$ 1.74749	\$ 3,941	\$ 5,538
Proposed Rate	\$ 1.17	\$.50	\$ 1.67	\$ 3,904	\$ 5,038

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ 142,474	\$ 141,079
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 127,237	\$ 125,953
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ 1.61	\$ 1.67
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 2,048.52	\$ 2,103.42
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$ 54.90

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.67
(the school district rollback rate determined under Section 26.08, Tax Code)

This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.67
(the school district rollback rate)

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$ 7,071,480
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$ 523,098

2012 Property Tax Rates in CITY OF MCLENDON-CHISHOLM

This notice concerns 2012 property tax rates for CITY OF MCLENDON-CHISHOLM. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year's tax rate. You compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate a taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:

- Last year's operating taxes
- Last year's debt taxes
- Last year's total taxes
- Last year's tax base
- Last year's total tax rate

This year's effective tax rate:

- Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)
- + This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)
- = This year's effective tax rate

This year's rollback tax rate:

- Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)
- + This year's adjusted tax base
- = This year's effective operating rate
- × 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate
- + This year's debt rate
- = This year's rollback rate

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If CITY OF MCLENDON-CHISHOLM adopts a 2012 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of 0.097800 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2011 taxes by \$ 8,624.

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculation at the City of McLendon-Chisholm, Justin Road, Rockwall, TX 75087. Name of person preparing this notice: Ray E. Helm. Title: Chief Appraiser. Date prepared: August 1, 2012.

2012 Property Tax Rates in CITY OF HEATH

This notice concerns 2012 property tax rates for CITY OF HEATH. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year's tax rate. You compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:

- Last year's operating taxes
- Last year's debt taxes
- Last year's total taxes
- Last year's tax base
- Last year's total tax rate

This year's effective tax rate:

- Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)
- + This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)
- = This year's effective tax rate

This year's rollback tax rate:

- Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)
- + This year's adjusted tax base
- = This year's effective operating rate
- × 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate
- + This year's debt rate
- = This year's rollback rate

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If CITY OF HEATH adopts a 2012 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of 0.346800 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2011 taxes by \$ 41,668.

Schedule A: Unencumbered Fund Balances:

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
Debt Fund	888,446

Schedule B: 2012 Debt Service:

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
2004 CO	26,000	38,750	0	64,750
2004 GO Ref (93,96)	205,000	15,364	0	220,364
Fire Truck	48,057	7,180	0	55,237
Pistol Range	24,450	1,150	0	25,600
2007 Combination	249,589	227,876	0	477,465
Animal Shelter	29,173	5,864	0	35,037
2010 GO Refunding (01,01)	10,000	75,650	0	85,650
Miscellaneous Expense	0	0	10,500	10,500

- Total required for 2012 debt service
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources
- Excess collections last year
- = Total to be paid from taxes in 2012
- + Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 100.000000% of its taxes in 2012
- = Total Debt Levy

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculation at the City of Heath, Justin Road, Rockwall, TX 75087. Name of person preparing this notice: Ray E. Helm. Title: Chief Appraiser. Date prepared: August 1, 2012.

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Personals

NAMI (National Alliance of Mental Illness) meets second Saturday monthly. We offer support and education for families and individuals affected by mental disabilities. For more information call Bea & Mel at 972-563-3003 or the Dallas office at 214-341-7133.

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Help Wanted

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Large Lots - Small Acreage
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Help Wanted

Administrative Assistant
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Garage Sales

Moving
Furniture, pictures, tools, glassware etc. July 20 and 21, open at 8 a.m.

Missionaries moving to Kenya
Liquidating all household items. An Anvil 4 by Anatomic Global Queen Set, including frame. Also other furniture! 374 Renfro St., Rockwall. Saturday, August 18, 8 a.m.

Under Moving Sale
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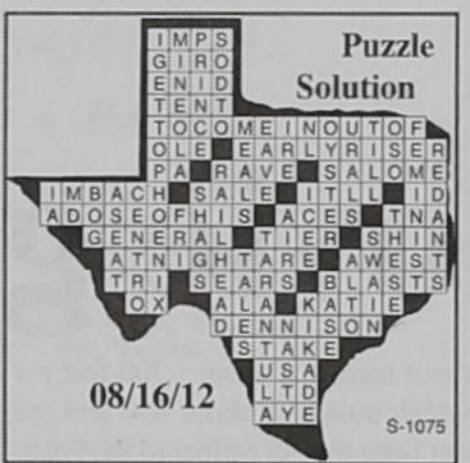
Pets and Supplies

Pet Special
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Rockwall Animal Adoption Center
Rockwall Animal Adoption Center, operated by Collin County Humane Society, is no longer giving discounts on pets. Call 972-771-7750 for details on new adoption rates.

FREE Spay & Neuter
for Pit Bulls ONLY. August 31, Harry Myers Community Center, 813 E. Washington St., Rockwall, mobile unit spay & neuter \$20 from 8 to 9 a.m. For appointment for pickup (\$5), call earlier in the

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month 972-472-3500. Kaufman County Animal Awareness Project, affiliated with Rockwall Paws.

Spay & Neuter \$5

All pets every third Thursday monthly, next event August 16 at Rockwall WalMart (IH-30) pickup (\$5) and transport to clinic & return. Call 972-472-3500 for more details. Must show proof of shots. Kaufman County Animal Awareness Project.

Animal Adoption

Terrell Animal Shelter is full with great pets to pick from as well as are many others throughout the State. Whatever the cost may be, remember you have made a great investment for a friend for life. They are God's Little Critters. You will be blessed for the love you give to these little helpless creatures, and they will love you when no one else does.

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Public Notice
Effective July 12, 2012, Dr. Kate Makohon and Dr. Jeffrey Stephens have left the employment of Kenneth L. Bryce, M.D., P.A., which operated as Lakeside Surgical Specialists. Dr. Kate Makohon and Dr. Jeffrey Stephens will continue

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their partnership in Lakeside Surgery, P.A., which is now located at 3142 Horizon Road, Suite 206, Rockwall, Texas, 75032. The new phone and fax numbers are: Phone: (972)722-3290; Fax: (972) 722-3815. Please contact Lakeside Surgery P.A. to obtain information on how to obtain your medical records, if necessary.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Rockwall County invites sealed bids on the following bid numbers for road construction materials for the Road & Bridge Department:

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|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Bid 12-08-015 Hot Asphalt Concrete | Bid 12-08-019 Flex Base |
| Bid 12-08-016 Asphalts & Emulsions | Bid 12-08-020 Corrugated Metal P |
| Bid 12-08-017 Gas and Diesel | Bid 12-08-021 Lime Slurry |
| Bid 12-08-018 Aggregate for Surface Treatment | Bid 12-08-022 Aggregate Hauling |

Bid specifications are on file in the Rockwall County Auditor's office, 1111 E. Yellowjacket Lane, Ste 202, Rockwall, Texas.

Bids must state a unit price for the materials and be submitted in a sealed envelope to the outside with the appropriate Bid Number and Product Name, to Lisa Constant, County Auditor, 1111 E. Yellowjacket Lane, Ste 202, Rockwall, Texas 75087, on Friday, August 31, 2012 at 12:00 p.m. The bids will be opened on Friday, August 31, 2012 at 1:00 p.m.

Rockwall County reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

Upon acceptance of bid and award of a contract by Rockwall County Commissioners the remittance shall be made through invoicing at the awarded unit price.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT
Rockwall County
Lisa Constant
Rockwall County Auditor

God's Little Critter Adoption Corner

Courtesy Rockwall County News

Hello! Rhumba is my name and I am a male Lab mix puppy, probably about 7 months old. I walk with a slight limp and I overheard someone say that I have hip dysplasia, but that won't stop me. I love to do all of the fun typical puppy things like run, jump, play, chew on things and meet other new puppy friends. Life is a blast when you're a pup and I would love to find a new family to share all of that fun with.



Rhumba

The Terrell Animal Adoption Center, located on the north side of U.S. Highway 80, near the city limits on the east side of town, is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday and by appointment. The center can be reached by calling 972-551-6641.

Additional photos of adoptable pets can be viewed at the Hulsey Public Library, on the City of Terrell website at <http://www.cityofterrell.org/animal-shelter.htm> and on Facebook at www.facebook.com/terrellpet.

After spending 98 days at the adoption center, Julian has finally found a loving forever home. Wilie is getting neutered today and will be adopted tomorrow.

Hi! My name is Swirl and I am a young adult female mixed breed, about 1 year old. I was given the name "Swirl" because I have a beautiful swirl on the back of my neck. When I first came to the adoption center I was fearful of people. The staff and volunteers have been working diligently, spending quality time with me to help me gain confidence and trust in people. They say I have really come a long way. I love to be rubbed around my neck and mouth.



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PUBLIC NOTICE

Rockwall County is soliciting proposals for individual specific stop loss reinsurance in conjunction with the County's group medical benefit plan. An electronic request for proposal is available at the County Office of Human Resources located at: 1111 E. Yellowjacket Lane, Suite 310, Rockwall, Texas 75087. The County of Rockwall will solicit direct proposals net of commission from the following:

Interested parties interested in providing proposals for reinsurance should solicit proposals from the County Office of Human Resources in these designated markets. If commissions are to be included in the pricing for proposals provided through insurance agents, such commissions must be fully disclosed as part of the proposal.

Rockwall County will only consider those proposals which include an unconditional stipulation that the proposal will be "insuring" or individually specified deductible assignments initially or at each renewal period.

The effective date of reinsurance coverage is to be October 1, 2012. Proposals must be delivered to the County Office of Human Resources by 1:00 pm CDST on Tuesday, September 4, 2012. Proposals must be sealed and contained within an envelope marked by the following designation:

Specific Stop Loss Reinsurance Proposal for the County of Rockwall Due 1:00 pm CDST on Tuesday, September 4, 2012

For questions or requests for additional information should be directed via email to:

Benefit Services, Inc.
benefits@aj.com

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Rockwall County invites sealed proposals on the following service for Rockwall County:

Vehicle Service and Maintenance

Specifications are on file in the Rockwall County Auditor's office, 1111 E. Yellowjacket Lane, Suite #202, Rockwall, Texas 75087.

Proposals must state unit pricing for all services and be submitted in a sealed envelope marked on the outside 13-08-004 Vehicle Service and Maintenance, to Lisa Constant, Rockwall County Auditor, 1111 E. Yellowjacket Lane, Suite #202, Rockwall, Texas 75087, on or before Friday, August 31, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. The bids will be opened on Friday, August 31, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. in the Rockwall County Auditor's Office.

Rockwall County reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

Upon acceptance of bid and award of a contract by Rockwall County Commissioners Court, remittance shall be made through invoicing at the awarded unit pricing.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT

Rockwall County
Lisa Constant
Rockwall County Auditor

PUBLIC NOTICE

Rockwall County invites sealed proposals on the following products for Rockwall County:

Cleaning Supplies and Paper Products

Specifications are on file in the Rockwall County Auditor's office, 1111 E. Yellowjacket Lane, Suite #202, Rockwall, Texas 75087.

Proposals must state unit pricing for all services and be submitted in a sealed envelope marked on the outside 13-08-005 Cleaning Supplies and Paper Products, to Lisa Constant, Rockwall County Auditor, 1111 E. Yellowjacket Lane, Suite #202, Rockwall, Texas 75087, on or before Friday, August 31, 2012 at 3:00 p.m. The bids will be opened on Friday, August 31, 2012 at 3:00 p.m. in the Rockwall County Auditor's Office.

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NOTICE OF SALE

BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF SALE

Shelton et al vs. Rockwall County et al, Cause No. 12-08-001-03-OR, Judgment of the County Court At Law of Rockwall County, Texas, by the Clerk of said County Court, in the hereinafter numbered and styled suit(s) and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff or Constable of Rockwall County, Texas, on August 6, 2012, seized, levied upon, and will, on the first Tuesday in September, 2012, the same being the 4th day of said month, at the Front Steps of the Courthouse of the said County, in the City of Rockwall, Texas, between the hours of 10 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m. on said day, beginning at 10:00 AM, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit(s) in and to the following described real estate situated upon the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Rockwall and the State of Texas, to-wit:

Case # Judgment Date	Acct # Order Issue Date	Style of Case	Legal Description	Adjudged Value
3-12-06/29/12	4460-0012-0001-00-OR AUGUST 06, 2012	ROCKWALL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL VS. LEHMAN HARRIS, ET AL	MOTON, BLOCK 12, LOT 1, UNDIVIDED INTEREST 30% (19939)	\$6,099.00
3-12-06/29/12	4460-0012-0001-01-OR AUGUST 06, 2012	ROCKWALL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL VS. LEHMAN HARRIS, ET AL	MOTON, BLOCK 12, LOT 1-1, UNDIVIDED INTEREST 30% (50583)	\$6,099.00
3-12-06/29/12	4460-0012-0001-02-OR AUGUST 06, 2012	ROCKWALL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL VS. LEHMAN HARRIS, ET AL	MOTON, BLOCK 12, LOT 1-2, UNDIVIDED INTEREST 30% (50584)	\$6,099.00
3-12-06/29/12	4460-0012-0001-03-OR AUGUST 06, 2012	ROCKWALL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL VS. LEHMAN HARRIS, ET AL	MOTON, BLOCK 12, LOT 1-3, UNDIVIDED INTEREST 10% (50585)	\$2,033.00

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at Rockwall, Texas, August 6, 2012

Sheriff Harold Eavenson
Rockwall County, Texas

By *[Signature]*
Deputy

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Jack Hopkins as Ryan
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James Taylor as Chad
Zachary Wincent as Coach Bolton
Sabrina Williams as Ms. Darbus

Royse City Police Blotter

- August 3-9**
- Friday, 3 August: Royse City warrant arrest, 100 block W. Main Street; Suspicious person, 400 block Autumn Trail; Assault, 200 block Adams Street; Criminal mischief, 1700 block Kelly Lane; Alarm, 500 block E. Main Street
 - Saturday, 4 August: Rockwall County/Rockwall Police Department warrants arrest, 100 block W. I-30; Assault, 800 block Loganwood Drive; Burglary of habitation, 100 block College Street; Suspicious person, 1100 block N. Houston Street; Medical assistance, 500 block New Street; Alarm, 200 block W. I-30; Runaway, 1400 block County Road 2596; Accident, I-30 at the 79-mile marker; Suspicious person, Corner of Singleton Drive and FM 548; Suspicious person, 700 block FM 2642
 - Sunday, 5 August: Disturbance, 1200 block Cypress Court; Suspicious person, Corner of Rowdy Drive and Nevers Drive; Welfare check, 100 block W. I-30; Harassment, 300 block Starlight Lane; Suspicious person, 800 block W. Church Street
 - Monday, 6 August: Assault, 300 block Briar Oaks Drive; Suspicious person, Corner of Hwy 66 and Erby Campbell Boulevard; Alarm, 100 block E. I-30; Criminal mischief, 200 block N. Erby Campbell Boulevard; Disturbance, 500 block Tripp Trail
 - Tuesday, 7 August: Criminal mischief, 300 block Sandy Lane; Alarm, 700 block Valley Court; Alarm, 400 block S. Elm Street; Reckless driver, Area of E. I-30 and the 74-mile marker; Suspicious person, Area of Rowdy Drive and Hampton Drive
 - Wednesday, 8 August: Accident/Driving while intoxicated arrest, 300 block Starlight Lane; Alarm, 800 block FM 2453; Accident, I-30 NSR; Alarm, 1400 block Erby Campbell Boulevard; Alarm, 1300 block Hunters Glen; Accident, Area of I-30 NSR and County Road 2648; Harassment, 300 block N. Houston Street; Alarm, 100 block W. Main Street
 - Thursday, 9 August: Welfare check, 3100 block Spruce Street; Accident, Along I-30 SSR; Reckless driver, I-30 at the 75-mile marker; Welfare check, 200 block Adams Street

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Rockwall County Sports

5 from Rockwall compete in Water Polo Junior Olympics

Rockwall's Jordan Hummingbird helped the Santa Clara Valley Water Polo Club of California take fourth place in the 16-and-under girls' division at the USA Water Polo Junior Olympics.

She was one of five Rockwall Water Polo Club members who competed in the Junior Olympics for three different clubs.

Evan Scown and Alex Rodriguez played for the North Dallas Water Polo Club 16-and-under boys, Michael Rodriguez for the Thunder Water Polo Club 10-and-under coed team and Janelle Hummingbird for the Santa Clara Valley 14-and-under girls.

SCV's 16-and-under team won four games - 7-2 over Lodi, 9-4 over Stockton, 11-7 over West Suburban and 5-4 over SOQUEL to reach the semifinals. Santa Clara missed the final game by only a goal - losing 8-7 to Pittsburg, which rallied to score the final three goals. Playing for bronze medals, SCV lost 4-2 to San Diego Shores.

With Janelle Hummingbird, Jordan's younger sister, Santa Clara Valley's 14-and-under girls placed 16th after losing 9-7 to American River. SCV took a thrilling victory over West Valley in a shootout. The game was tied 11-11 in regulation before Santa Clara scored twice in the shootout. SCV also defeated 680 B 13-8.

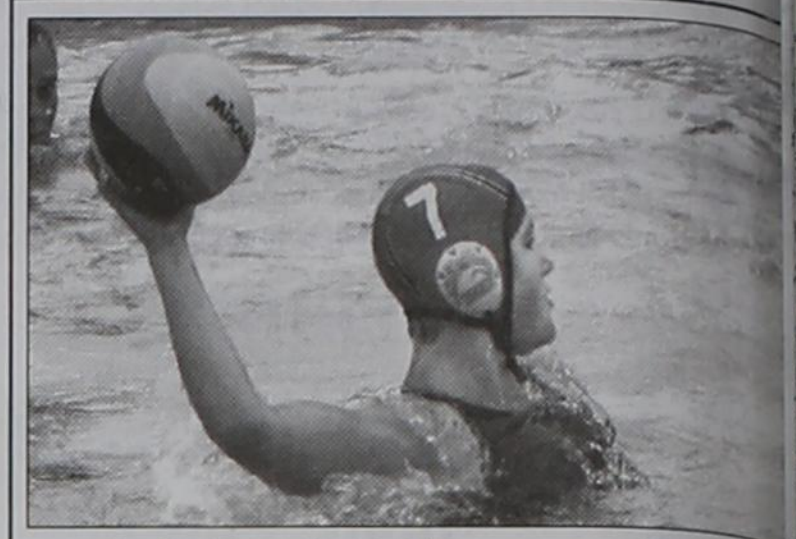
Both the North Dallas and Thunder teams won one game each while losing

two close contests. North Dallas won its final game 5-4 over Duke City after disappointing losses to American River 8-6 and Chicago Park 9-7. Thunder defeated host Stanford 9-2 but lost a one-goal decision to Bakersfield 9-8 and a 10-8 decision to Shore Aquatics.

The Rockwall Water Polo Club next will play in its fall league. It invites youngsters 8-18 to join and play in local league games. For registration information, go to www.rockwallwaterpolo.com.



Janelle Hummingbird (12), looks to pass the ball past her defender from 680 Drivers in a 13-8 victory during the USA Water Polo Junior Olympic. Her team would finish 16th.
Photo courtesy of Jim Hummingbird/Rockwall County News



Jordan Hummingbird (7), scores one of 2 goals in a victory over Western Suburban on the way to a 4th place in the Girls 16 & under division during the USA Water Polo Olympics.
Photo courtesy of Jim Hummingbird/Rockwall County News

Heritage Christian Academy, Fulton in 4-way scrimmage Saturday

Rockwall County's two 5A high schools weren't scheduled for their first day in pads until Friday, but there should be considerably more hitting in the

Jones sails 'Wings' to 1st and 2nd

Mike Jones piloted "Wings" to first place in one race and second in another last week in sailing on Lake Ray Hubbard.

Jones continued to dominate the B Fleet in Race 6 of the Summer Wednesday Night Series Aug. 8. "Wings" also had placed second in Saturday Night Series Race 4 Aug. 4.

In the Wednesday race, Bryan Taylor won the A Fleet in "Rented Mule," with an adjusted time just 6 seconds ahead of Scott Self in "Soap Opera." Other top finishers in the seven-boat fleet were Marshall MacKenzie, third in "Superman's Cape," and David Carter, fourth in "Geronimo."

Following Jones across the finish line in the B Fleet was Robert Cummings in second place aboard "Dulcinea."

The Saturday night races go to the dam and back. The Aug. 4 conditions were similarly ideal to the following Wednesday, when the breeze was at 6 miles per hour. The Saturday Race 4 wind was 7 mph.

Dan Malak finished first in "Orion," with Jones placing second and Taylor bringing "Rented Mule" home third.

county's first scrimmage Saturday morning.

Heritage Christian Academy is scheduled to host The Fulton School and two out-of-county six-man teams for a high school and middle school scrimmage on the Rockwall Indoor Sports Expo's outdoor field.

Fruitvale and Crowley Nazarene Christian Academy will join the Falcons and the host Eagles. The varsity scrimmages are scheduled to begin at 10 a.m.

New UIL rules mandate that the first four days of fall practice will be without pads. Rockwall and Rockwall-Heath began practice Monday, so their fifth day is Friday. Another new rule prevents teams from holding two-a-day practices on consecutive days.

Royse City was allowed to begin its practices a week earlier because the Bulldogs didn't have spring practice.

All of the county's six teams, including Rockwall Christian Academy,

are scheduled to scrimmage opponents over the Aug. 24 and 25. Scrimmaging at home will be Rockwall-Heath Friday night and HCA and Fulton on Saturday. The Falcons are scheduled to scrimmage Faustina and Richardson Canyon Creek Christian Academy at High School. Fulton will split its regular-season home games with Rockwall-Heath and Cain Middle School.

Before the football regular season begins Thursday, Aug. 30, school starts Aug. 27 -- volleyball, tennis and cross country also recorded results.

Rockwall-Heath, Rockwall, Royse City and Heritage Christian all were scheduled for their first matches Tuesday. On Thursday, Rockwall-Heath and Rockwall were scheduled to open its tennis season. The Yellowjackets' cross country would open its season Saturday, Aug. 25, in the Greenhill Relays at Park.

Rockwall County Scholastic Sports Schedule

The Fulton School Falcons

Saturday, Aug. 18 - Football: scrimmage with Crowley Nazarene Christian Academy and Fruitvale at Heritage Christian Academy, middle school 8 a.m. and varsity 10 a.m.

Saturday, Aug. 25 - Football: home scrimmage vs. Irving Faustina and Richardson Canyon Creek Christian Academy, Rockwall High School

Heritage Christian Academy Eagles

Friday, Aug. 17 - Varsity volleyball: at Dallas Lutheran Tournament
Saturday, Aug. 18 - Football: home scrimmage vs. Fulton, Crowley Nazarene Christian Academy and Fruitvale, RISE, middle school 8 a.m. and varsity and JV 10 a.m.

Varsity volleyball: at Dallas Lutheran Tournament
Tuesday, Aug. 21 - Volleyball: home vs. Richardson Canyon Creek Christian Academy, RISE, Middle School B 4 p.m., Middle School A 5 p.m. and varsity 6 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 23 - Volleyball: home vs. The Phoenix School, Middle School B 4 p.m., Middle School A 5 p.m., JV 6 p.m. and varsity 7 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 25 - Football: home scrimmage, RISE, middle school 8 a.m. and varsity and JV 10 a.m.

Rockwall Yellowjackets

Friday, Aug. 17 - Varsity volleyball: at Garland Varsity Tournament

Saturday, Aug. 18 - Varsity volleyball: at Garland Varsity Tournament
Freshman volleyball: at Crandall Freshman Tournament

Monday, Aug. 20 - Varsity tennis: home vs. Frisco Wakeland, Rockwall

Tennis Facility, 4 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 21 - Volleyball: home vs. Frisco Centennial

Thursday, Aug. 23 - JV volleyball: at Crandall JV Tournament

Friday, Aug. 24 - Football: scrimmage at Euleess Trinity, Permian JV and Freshman 8 a.m. and varsity 10 a.m.

Varsity tennis: home vs. McKinney North, Rockwall Tennis Facility, 4 p.m.

Varsity volleyball: at Allen Varsity Tournament

Saturday, Aug. 25 - Varsity tennis: home vs. Texarkana Tennis Facility, 8 a.m.

Cross country: at Greenhill Relays, Norbuck Park, varsity boys 8:35 a.m., JV boys 9:30 a.m. and JV girls 9:35 a.m.

Varsity volleyball: at Allen Varsity Tournament
JV volleyball: at Crandall JV Tournament

Rockwall-Heath Hawks

Friday, Aug. 17 - JV and Freshman A volleyball: home vs. 5:30 p.m.

Varsity volleyball: at Garland Varsity Tournament

Saturday, Aug. 18 - Varsity volleyball: at Garland Varsity Tournament
Freshman A and B volleyball: at Dallas Bishop Lynch

Tournament
Tuesday, Aug. 21 - Volleyball: home vs. Frisco Wakeland, 5:30 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 24 - Football: home scrimmage vs. Keller, JV 6 p.m. and varsity 7:30 p.m.

Varsity volleyball: at Allen Varsity Tournament
Saturday, Aug. 25 - Varsity volleyball: at Allen Varsity Tournament
JV volleyball: at McKinney JV Tournament

Royse City Bulldogs

Friday, Aug. 17 - Varsity volleyball: at Allen Varsity Tournament

Saturday, Aug. 18 - Varsity volleyball: at Allen Varsity Tournament
Freshman volleyball: at Crandall Freshman Tournament

Tuesday, Aug. 21 - Volleyball: at Garland Lakeview Center, 6 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 23 - Varsity volleyball: at Lewisville Tournament Colony

JV volleyball: at Crandall JV Tournament
Friday, Aug. 24 - Football: scrimmage at Sulphur Springs
Varsity volleyball: at Lewisville Tournament, The Colony

Saturday, Aug. 25 - Varsity volleyball: at Lewisville Tournament Colony
JV volleyball: at Crandall JV Tournament

Rockwall County Sports Notes

RBA fall ball registration under way

The Rockwall Baseball Association currently is registering students for the fall season's recreational baseball league for children ages 5-14. Registration will run Aug. 16 through Sept. 3 at a cost of \$100. To register or for details visit rockwallbaseballassociation.com. Youths do not have to be residents of Rockwall to participate.

Tourney to benefit H-Hands

The annual Ambassadors of Buffalo Creek Golf Club Tournament for Sept. 10. Entry fees are \$85, individual; \$150, hole sponsor; \$500, team sponsor. Door prizes, raffles, awards and golf prizes will highlight the day. Breakfast and registration will begin at 7 a.m. and start at 8 a.m. Lunch will be served. For more details or to register visit rockwallhelpinghands.com or call 972-771-4357. The event will benefit Rockwall County Helping Hands.

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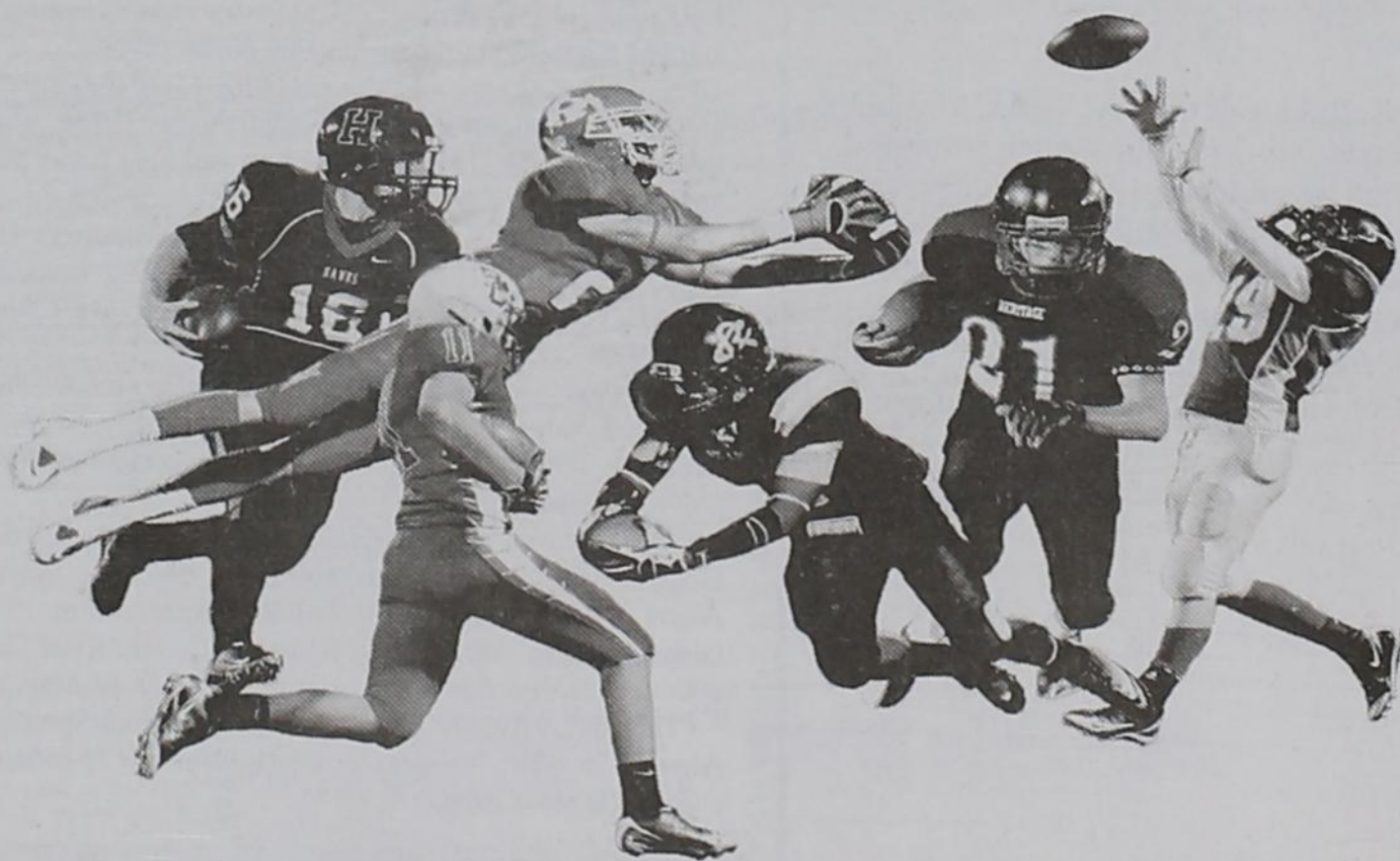
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Royse City News

Lions Club continues dedication to Royse City

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 The Royse City Lions Club has been busy helping our citizens at the Senior Community Center. According to President Kathleen Tyre, "This last adopt-A-Highway trash pick-up event, which was held on Thursday in April, we were the first ones out to the center starting to get names and information for the event. (Unfortunately, all volunteers were denied to the center Thursday afternoon.) Information was sent to Lions clubs who sent in a request for Lions Club International. In 24 hours we had a \$10,000 emergency grant for Royse City, Caddo Mills and Forney Lions Clubs. The grant was also applied for and received a \$2,000 grant from the Royse City Foundation. The RC Lions Club helped pay for a family that did not have insurance and purchased beds for the family."

"We did a lot of collecting of donations, packed and delivered care boxes to about 30 displaced families, picked up and delivered meals to the families and volunteer workers, bought cleanup supplies, clothes, diapers and purchased replacement eye glasses for three people," Tyre said.

"On March 31, 2012, the RC First United Methodist Church allowed the use of their facilities for our eye clinic. The bus arrived at 8:30 a.m. and set up. Dr. Michelle Munn and Dr. Jesse Salazar donated their time and services and started seeing patients by 9:15 a.m. The RC Lions provided 38 exams and glasses at no cost to the families. We hope to double that number for our next clinic."

"Our second eye glass clinic will be held on December 1, 2012. More details to come."

"In June, we went to the Senior Community Center here Royse City and served about 52 banana splits. The next day, we went to the Royse City Health and Rehabilitation Center and served banana splits to about 78 patients, visitors and staff."

"The Lions Club also served ice cream sundaes and frozen pops at the outdoor movie night held at Walker Hawks Sport Park."

We donated a portable outdoor screen and it will be presented to Randall Nichols of RC Parks and Recreation Department.

"This coming year the new international president's focus is on reading and literacy. Catherine Curtiss, the Lions Club treasurer, has contacted Dianna Bright, assistant principal of Anita Scott Elementary, and we hope to be working with her on some programs that might include helping students with reading, getting books for the library and possibly looking into adult literacy class."

"All this will be in addition to our holiday party and gifts that we provide for the Head Start class," Kathleen said.

"One focus for our club is to hold a membership drive/open house. Our major fundraiser will be a Texas Hold 'Em Tournament and Silent Auction on Sept. 22, 2012, at Baker's Rib's."

The Lions Club of Royse City has many great ideas and plans, but with only six members is limited with what they can do. The club meets the second and fourth Thursdays at the Baker's

Rib, I-30 and FM 1903, seven miles east of Royse City.

If you are interested in joining the club, volunteering your time or helping out financially, contact Kathleen Tyre, president, at 972-635-6580 or 972-635-617 or email her at irishkatetx@att.net.

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Kathleen Tyre of the Royse City Lions Club is seen in a comical moment with member Dick Burns. The second and fourth Thursdays at the Baker's Rib. *Billie Jean Coppedge/Rockwall County News*

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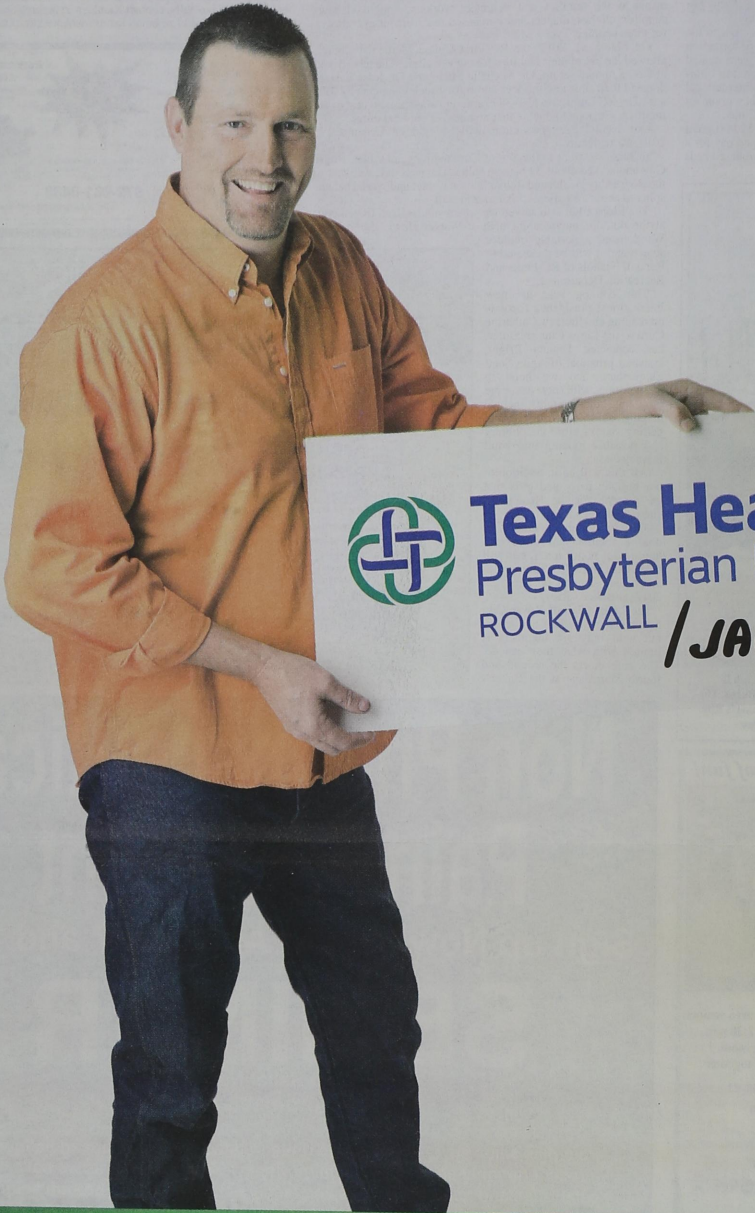
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