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Fate council approves May 7, election order

During the Monday, Feb. 20, 2017 meeting of the representatives for the Body Politic of the City of Fate, Inc., council members took action to change the 4th Annual Celebrate Fate event from the weekend of Labor Day Sept. 4, to Saturday, Sept. 23 in Fate.

According to the minutes of the meeting, city staff and the Parks Board recommended moving the event to Sept. 23 to avoid conflicts with other city, school, or charitable events that occur on a regular basis. Assistant Manager Justin Weiss hoped the move would put the event in cooler temperatures, and that more families might attend compared to the Labor Day weekend.

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Mayor Lorne Megyesi reminded the council that the purpose of the event was to celebrate the end of the summer in Fate, and the council should hold it on the same date as the past three years. Megyesi finished that although he was not in favor of moving the event date, he would support the final decision made by the council.

The council approved the event date change with the Mayor casting the opposing vote.

The representatives voted to approve Resolution No. R-1258 ordering a general election to be held jointly with the Rockwall Independent School District and Royse City ISD, to be administered by the Rockwall County Elections Administrator on May 6, 2017, to elect council members for Places 2 and 3 to serve for a period of three years. The order also designated locations of polling places, filing deadlines, and "notice of election to be given as prescribed by law."

The Rockwall County News has not received an order from City Secretary Vicki Raduechel for publication of the required election notice.

The Rockwall County News recently sent a legal package reminding the Fate Secretary, Manager, and Mayor, that the county newspaper meets all statutory criteria to be selected for publication of each required notice as prescribed by state law under Texas Government Code Sections 2051.044 and 2051.048(c), as a newspaper published in Rockwall County, and holding a Second Class Periodical Permit in a post office where the newspaper is published.

Representatives attending both meetings were Mayor Megyesi, Mayor Pro Tem Jon Thatcher, "Deputy Mayor Pro Tem" Joe Burger, Nikki Robinson, Lance Megyesi, David Billings and Steve Herrmann.

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University scholastic honors

Lambrecht makes Olivet Dean's List

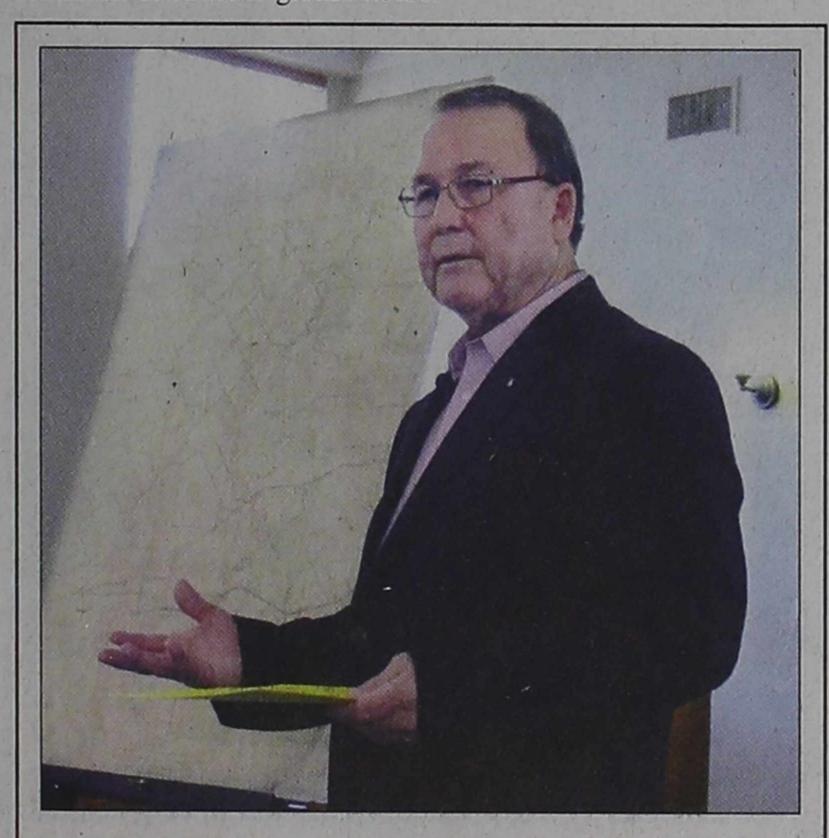
Thomas Lambrecht of Rockwall was among students named to the Dean's List at Olivet Nazarene University in Bourbonnais, Illinois, during the fall semester, according to a university news release.

To qualify for the Dean's List, a student must have attained a semester grade-point average of 3.5 or higher on a 4.0 grading scale while being enrolled as a full-time student, according to the release.

Lloyd named to Honors List

Savannah Lloyd of Rockwall, a student at Fairleigh Dickinson University's Florham Campus in Madison, New Jersey, was named to the Honors List for the fall semester, according to a university news release.

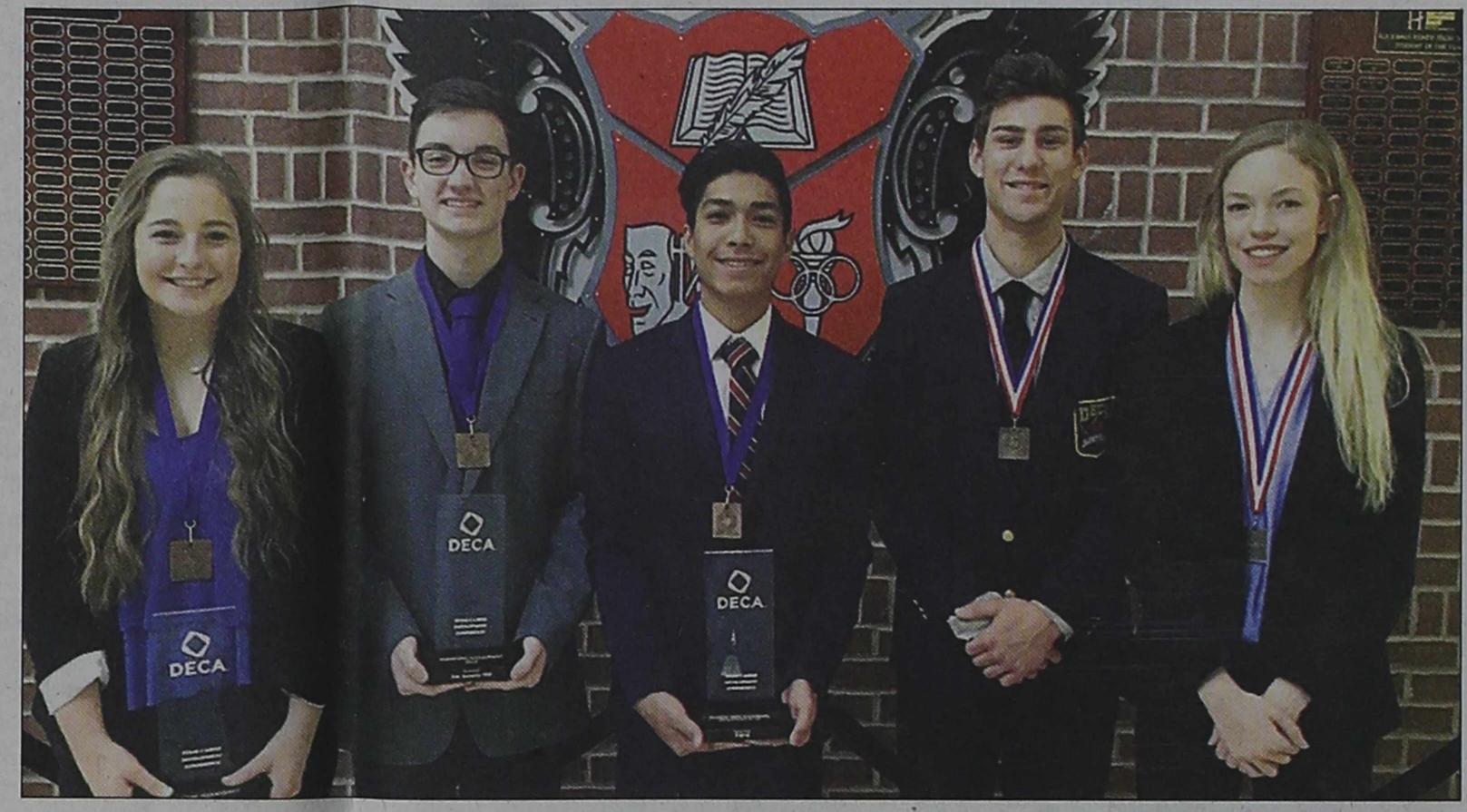
To qualify for the Honor's List, a student must carry a 3.5 or higher grade-point average out of a possible 4.0 and be enrolled in a minimum of 12 letter-graded hours.



Rockwall County Commissioner David Magness spoke to a full house Friday, March 10, as a part of the Sheri Stodghill Lecture Series. The series is presented once a month by the Rockwall County Historical Foundation and the Rockwall County Historical Commission. Magness spoke on the Early 20th Century Transportation in Rockwall County. Upon entering the courtroom, each attendee received a colorful map that related to the topic. He also referred to large maps on easels for display and to help the audience follow along as he created visions of the transportation system that began with the horse-and-buggy days of dirt roads and led up to the modern interstate systems of today. Many interesting, thought-provoking questions were asked of Magness in reference to how many roads have changed names over the years and why.

The series is free and open to the public with a different topic and speaker each month. Photo by Millie Jean Coppedge/

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RHHS DECA students advance to ICD Conference

Sixteen Rockwall-Heath High School DECA students recently competed at a state competition and three advanced to DECA's International Career and Development Conference in Anaheim, California, in April. Zimri Ramos advanced for Fashion Merchandising Promotion Plan and Josh Hunter and Erin Kinsey advanced for Marketing Management Team Decision Making. Two students were awarded as Top 14 in the State of Texas for their event and are considered the ICDC alternates should the team advancing in their category not be able to go. The alternates are Luke Cheves and Madeleine Miller for their Entrepreneurship Innovation Plan. Pictured from the left are Kinsey, Hunter, Ramos, Cheves and Miller.

Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

First public art project underway in Rockwall

Those driving by 110 S. Goliad St. may have noticed evidence of commission that represent the arts community and people that just Rockwall's inaugural Art in Public Places project - a mural, on the side of the Pruitt Law Firm building, that honors both old and new Rockwall.

The Rockwall Art Commission began meeting in November 2015 to plan this first public art installation, which will feature Rockwall's founders discovering the rock wall; a historic downtown streetscape; Rockwall's farming past; the water tower; and an iconic sunset over Lake Ray Hubbard.

The Art in Public Places project is part of the capital improvement project that funded renovations in Historic Downtown Rockwall, according to a City of Rockwall news release. The current site was chosen because of its prominence as a gateway into the downtown district. Building owners Jim Pruitt and Kenda Culpepper granted an easement to allow use of the building to display the mural.

This is the first of several public art projects planned for the area,

according to the news release.

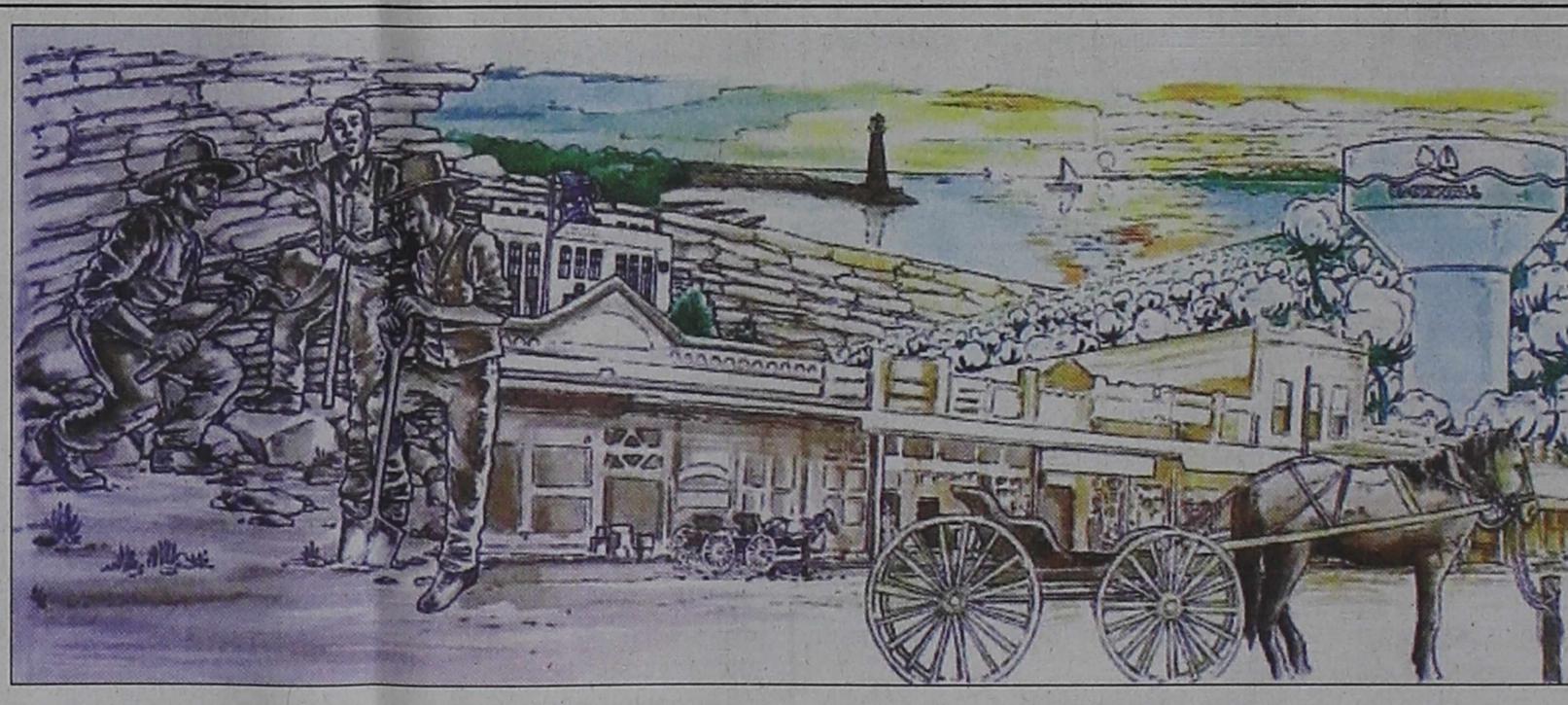
"The City Council did a good job of appointing folks to the

get things done, but one thing we all have in common is a love for Rockwall," Rockwall County Judge and Art Commission chairman David Sweet said. "We took a long time planning for this project because we wanted this one to set the tone and create a buzz in the community. We have such a rich history, great things going on today and a bright future in Rockwall, and I think the artist portrays all of that in this mural."

Isaac Davies is a multidisciplinary artist raised in Dallas who was the first to teach "street art" at the Dallas Museum of Art. His art has been commissioned by the NBA, American Airlines, Red Bull, Ducati and the Texas Lottery.

According to RockwallCAD records, the real property is owned by James Pruitt, who has served as Mayor for Rockwall since his appointment to the position after former Mayor David Sweet transitioned into the County Judge position.

Mayor Pruitt abstained from voting on the mural issue.



Above is a graphic rendition of the mural that will be painted on the south side of a building located at 110 S. Goliad Street in downtown Rockwall. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

SH 66 project breaks ground

A project to widen the shoulders and repair the pavement on SH 66 was set to begin this week with the setting of work zone signs, according to a Texas Department of Transportation news release.

Milling on the current lanes will occur daily in one of four sections leaving no drop-off, according to the release. The four sections will open incrementally.

The project length is 19.8 miles. Oldcastle Material Texas Inc. was awarded the contract for \$15.8 million.

Work will require various daytime lane closures scheduled during off-peak hours throughout the duration of the project, according to the release. The project is expected to be substantially complete in the spring of 2019.

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Democrats to host March 18 candidate forum

Invitations to participate in a Saturday, March 18, candidate forum have gone out to all candidates seeking election to the city councils in the May elections. The event, hosted by the Rockwall County Democratic Party, will be conducted at 9 a.m. in the Harry Myers Community Center, 815 E. Washington St., Rockwall. A questionand-answer period will be conducted as time allows. A continental breakfast will be served.

Hope Mobile animal spay/neuter hospital to visit

The Spay/Neuter Network 45-foot mobile hospital bus that provides low-cost spay/neuter for animals will be in Rockwall on Tuesday, March 21, in the Wal-Mart parking lot, 782 E. I-30. Surgeries performed on site. Vaccinations also are available without appointment from 10 a.m. to noon. Watch for specials and check other locations at spayneuternet.org. To make an appointment or for info, call 972-472-3500 or 817-423-5500. Spaces fill quickly. All dogs must be on collars/leashes or non-slip harnesses; cats must be

in secure carriers. Posted by Rockwall PAWS. First Responder Luncheon set March 22

The Rockwall County First Responder Luncheon will run from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Wednesday, March 22, at the Thomas H. Nalls Fire Station, 920 Rockwall Parkway. A portion

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by Danette McNew, D.D.S.

While the electric toothbrush has been hailed for its ability to effectively remove plaque, improper brushing technique can lead to potentially serious problems. To avoid such complications, it is important to note that an electric toothbrush should not be used in the same way that a manual toothbrush is used. Instead of brushing hard and fast across the dental arch, an electric toothbrush should be lightly exerted against the tooth surface and positioned at the gums at a 45-degree angle. Users of electric toothbrushes should also select soft-bristled brushes and be careful not to brush their teeth longer than two minutes at a time. Hard bristles and prolonged, aggressive brushing invites gum recession and enamel loss.

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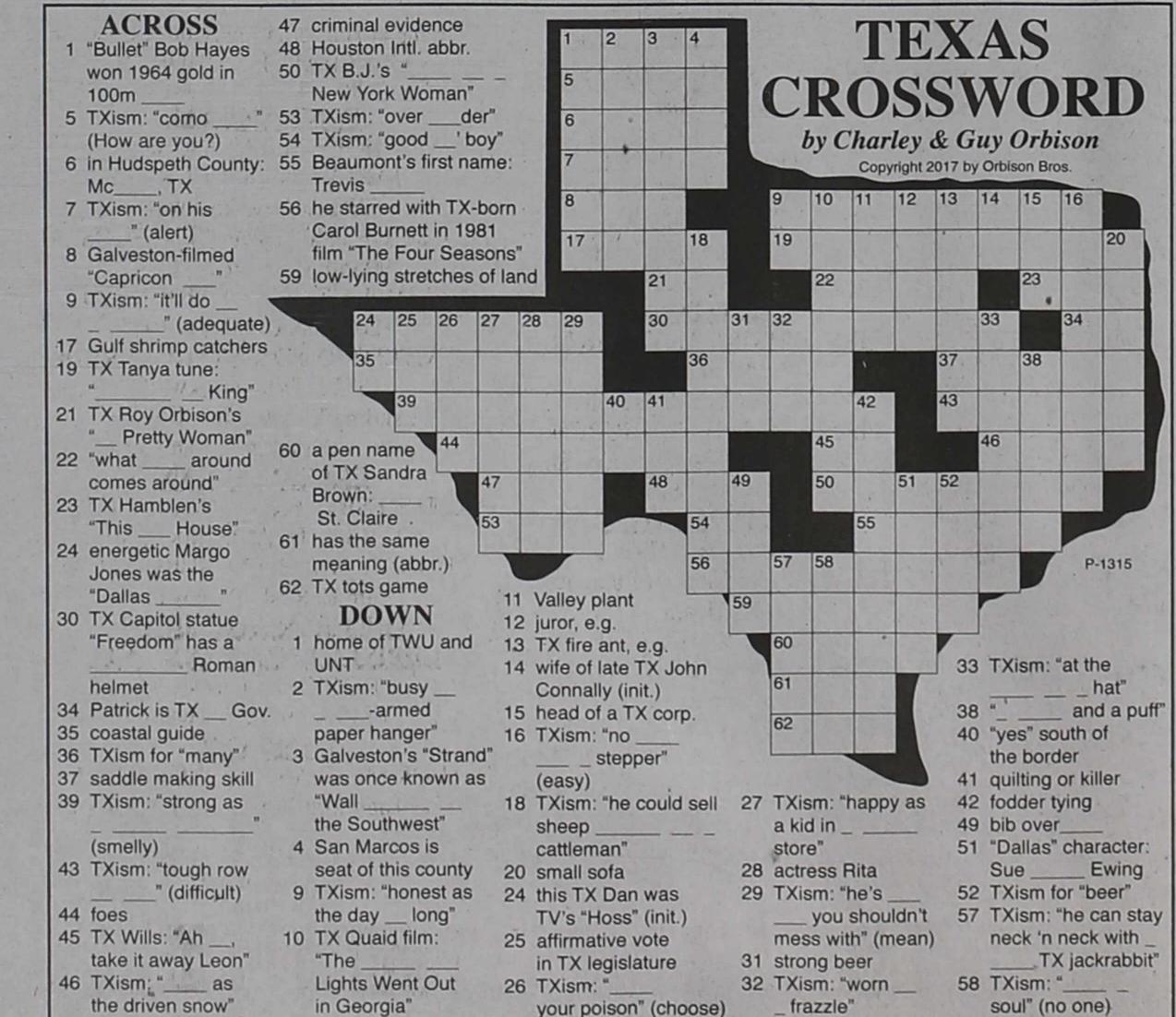
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Rockwall County Obituaries

Mary Nesbitt Davis

Services for Mary Nesbitt Davis, 100, a resident of Royse City for most of her life, were conducted at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, March 15, 2017, in the First Baptist Church in Royse City with Pastor Rick Donaho and Pastor Scott Donaho officiating. Burial followed in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Farmersville under the direction of the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Royse City Chapel.



She died March 9.

Born Jan. 2, 1917, in Farmersville to Robert Allen Nesbitt Sr. and Robbie (Rike) Nesbitt, she grew up in Leonard and graduated from Leonard High School. She attended Mary Hardin-Baylor in Belton and graduated from Southeastern State Teachers College in Durant, Oklahoma. She received her master's degree from East Texas State University in Commerce.

A member of the First Baptist Church of Royse City, she was active in the church where she taught the same Sunday school class for more than 65 years. A member of the Rockwall Area Retired Teachers Association and the Delta Gamma Kappa Education Society, she taught in the Royse City school district for more than 35 years. She enjoyed sewing, working crossword puzzles and Bible study for lesson preparation.

Survivors include her daughters, Sandi Donaho and her husband, Rick, Robbie Howell and her husband, Gene, and Ann Davis, all of Royse City; her grandson, Scott Donaho, and his wife, Sharlain, of San Antonio; her great-grandchildren, Nicholas, Devin, Julia and Nathan; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jack Davis; a brother, Robert A. Nesbitt Jr.; and a sister, Nell Upton.

The family has suggested memorials may be made in her memory to the International Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention at IMB, Attn.: Development, P.O. Box 6767, Richmond, VA 23230 or at imb.org. Memorials also may be made to Davis Elementary at Royse City ISD for Davis Elementary, P.O. Box 479, Royse City, TX 75189.

City of Fate regular meetings ...

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Feb. 20 regular meeting

Robert Bardin spoke to the council about the annexation of his property, and indicated that he spoke with the City Attorney about a notice he received related to the possible annexation action. Bardin said he provided information about his property to the Attorney, who then advised him that the council planned to discuss annexations during closed meeting. Bardin did not inquire about the legality of the possible highly sensitive annexation action if the city does not publish the required notices as prescribed by state law.

The council held public hearings and took the following actions: · Approved zoning request by Glen Eskew, from Agricultural to Planned Development District for business uses with altered development standards on property located at 120 Prince Lane.

Director of Planning and Development Services Will Rugeley offered a brief presentation. Following a summary of details, Rugeley stated the "Notification was published and property owners were notified in accordance with Texas Local Government Code 211.

 Approved a Conditional Use Permit request by WSS Ventures No. 1, LLLP to amend the existing permit authorizing a ministorage warehouse use to add moving truck, trailer, and equipment rentals as an authorized use for American Storage of Rockwall, located at 4100 E. Interstate 30. Rugeley reported to the council that "Notification was published and property owners were notified in accordance with Texas LGC Chapter 211."

Rugeley did not indicate whether the above-referenced required Notifications were published by a newspaper published in Rockwall County, as mandated by Texas Gov. Code Section 2051.048(c).

The RCN finds no internal records indicating that the required notification was published in accordance with state law.

Council convened a closed meeting during both dates to discuss the following:

Receive legal advice regarding annexations.

• Receive legal advice for a potential cause of action against Lemco Construction related to the new city hall project.

• Receive legal advice related to Montarra Development. · A mixed use development project located at northeast, southeast

and southwest corners of FM 551 and I-30.

• Project DT/NF.

No action was taken on the closed meeting.

Feb. 6, 2017 regular meeting

The council was divided in its approval of the only action item for the meeting, regarding ordinance O-1619 adopting utility billing services fee schedule to be charged to respective customer, and repealing conflicting ordinances. The action was approved with the exception of the credit card convenience fee, 5-2, with Thatcher and Burger casting the opposing votes.

The council took no action on an item related to scheduling joint meetings with Rockwall ISD and Royse City ISD. City Manager Michael Kovacs told the council that the last meeting with RCISD

led to continued cooperation and joint efforts to include the city's IT services contract. Kovacs reported he reached out to the Rockwall ISD Superintendent, with no response yet.

It is unknown how the joint projects are being financed from the different taxing units.

P&Z meeting postponed

of Rockwall's The City Planning & Zoning Committee's March meeting has been postponed to March according to an agenda published by the municipality.

The meeting will begin at 6 p.m. at City Hall, 385 S. Goliad, Rockwall, in the council chambers.

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of the event's proceeds will be given to the Children's Advocacy Center for Rockwall County. For more details call 972-771-5733 or email Savannah@rockwallchamber.org.

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'Pillow Talk' auditions slated April 1, 2

The Rockwall Community Playhouse, 609 E. Rusk (two blocks off the square in downtown Rockwall), will host auditions for "Pillow Talk," directed by Monica Phillips, on Saturday, April 1, and Sunday, April 2. Auditions will begin at 1 p.m. on April 1 and 6:30 p.m. on April 2. Performances will be May 12-14, 19-21 and 26-28.

Newcomers & Friends plan April 3 luncheon

Rockwall County Newcomers & Friends will have a gardening show expert speak on how beautiful new growth can enhance homes when the group meets April 13 for a luncheon at Occasions at Stone River in Royse City. Reservations must be made by April 3. Call Becky at 712-202-6916 or Cathy at 927-400-9934. This is a social organization for women of Rockwall County. Visit the group online at newcomersrock.com.

T-shirt design contest offered in Fate

The City of Fate is hosting a T-shirt design contest as part of this year's fourth annual Celebrate Fate event. Potential designs will be accepted through April 3. Contest eligibility is limited to Fate residents who are 13 years old or older. A limit of three entries per person will be accepted. Designs must include no more than four colors; the complete design must be no larger than 8"x8". Entries must be submitted in .jpg, .png, .pdf, .ai or .eps format in a size no larger than 10 MB. More information can be found at http://cityoffate. com/279/T-SHIRT-DESIGN-CONTEST.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection planned

Rockwall will host its 17th annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 22, at the city's Service Center, 1600 Airport Rd. Items to be accepted include pesticides, paint products, household cleaners, herbicides, motor oil, automotive chemicals, swimming pool products, propane and tires in household quantities. On-site document shredding also will be offered and a vendor also will be on site to take electronic equipment for recycling. Each participating Rockwall resident will need to bring a current utility bill or driver's license to provide proof of residency. For more details visit rockwall.com/documents/news/HHW2017. pdf.

Vendors sought for Country Fair in June

The Rockwall Soroptimists are accepting applications for vendors for their fourth annual Country Fair from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturday, June 10, at the Rockwall County Courthouse, 1111 E. Yellow Jacket Lane. Admission will be free to the public. Live music, dancing, vendors, food, a kid zone, rides and vintage games are planned. Sign-ups will be first-come, first-served and sponsorships also are available. Proceeds will fund the Soroptimists' ongoing projects benefitting women and children, including the Children's Advocacy Center of Rockwall. For more details or to sign up visit rockwallcountryfair.com.

Rockwall County Entertainment

'Wedding Singer' set for RCP stage

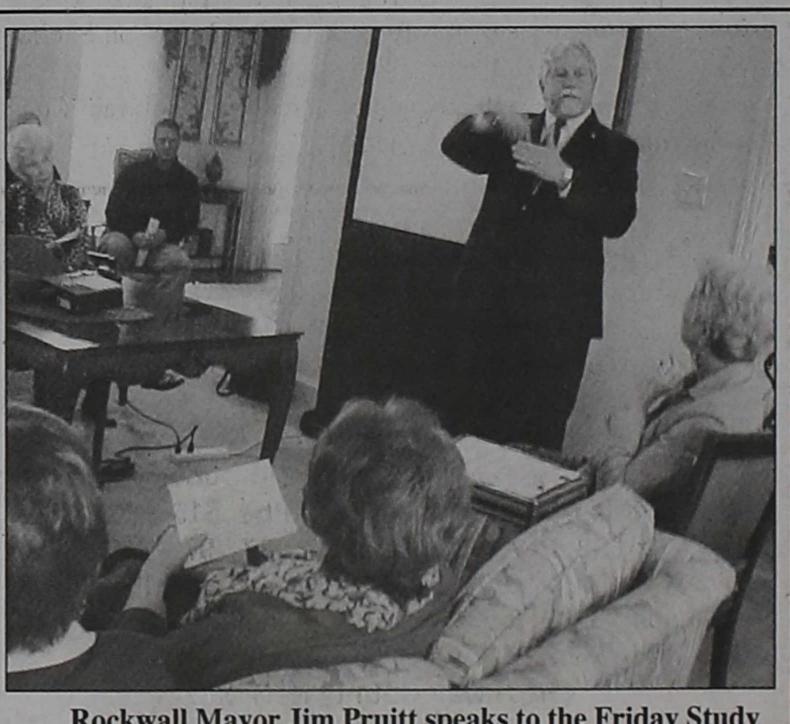
The Rockwall Community Playhouse, 609 E. Rusk (two blocks off the square in downtown Rockwall), will present "The Wedding Singer" musical, directed by Stacey Kluttz, March 24-26 and 31 and April 1-2 and 7-9. Friday and Saturday performances will begin at 8 p.m., with Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. Tickets may be purchased online at rockwallcommunityplayhouse.org, by calling 972-722-3399 or at the box office a half-hour prior to curtain.

FOL to host Spring Fling Tea

Friends of the Rockwall Library will host an Afternoon with Friends Spring Fling Tea with Hats from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, March 27, at the library's Community Room, 1215 Yellow Jacket Lane. Speaker will be Rose Mary Rumbley, who will speak on The Ides of March. Cost will be \$25; prepaid reservations should be made to Pat Calhoun at pat2792@att.net or call 214-738-7547.

RISD to host district-wide art show

The Rockwall ISD's District Art Show is scheduled to run from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 21, and from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 22, at Rockwall-Heath High School, according to the district website. Those attending are asked to enter at the Heath PAC entrance.



Rockwall Mayor Jim Pruitt speaks to the Friday Study Club, Feb. 2017, in the home of June Frawley. Following an intruduction by club leader Jane Buie, Pruit reviewed the activities and rapid growth the city has experienced. Pruitt spoke about plans for sale of The Harbor and change its use from shopping to recreational and/or amusement. Members were reminded to meet in March at the George W. Bush Persidential Center for a tour and lunch. Hostesses were Mary Vervalin and Charlene Norris.

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On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

Jesus' example by serving God while suffering persecution and torture ...

Jesus' sufferings set an example for God's beloved saints and children to this day. It wasn't a void and powerless example to simply learn from, but resulted in believers being filled with holy spirit; a victorious state of internal and external affairs as born-again children of the Creator through the Lord Jesus the living Messiah.

Because of Jesus' death and resurrection by the power of his Father, God's saints and children may also suffer under the powerful and wicked in the world, as the bond-slaves of Jesus and servants of his Father and ours.

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While nailed to a crucifixion stake, Jesus forgave the people who were serving the evil ones; the soldiers and many people who were deceived into crying out for his death and who mocked and scourned him unto his death. Jesus asked his Father to forgive them, to not hold it against them at the time of judgement.

Think about this for a moment. Jesus did this after facing two mock trials that were run by the evil ones, multiple scourgings and other torturous treatment with different intstruments, being spat on, railed on, having a crown of thorns pressed down over his head, and after being nailed to a stake, he still had the meek, humble and peaceful frame of mind to forgive others who were aiding and abetting the evil ones in committing this high crime.

The forgiveness very likely extended to Pontious Pilate, who found no fault in him, yet was tricked and influenced into abiding by the cries for the crucifxion of Jesus, by the democratic majority.

Jesus understood it as a spiritual battle, and not worldly. During the absolute worse time of his life on earth, Jesus prophesied to the women about future events; he transferred responsibility for the care of his mother to one of his disciples.

With Jesus' sufferings came a greater power and authority for others, because he sits at the right hand of his Father.

People can take up the whole armour of God, stand-fast, and be more than conquerors (Eph. 6:11-18 and Romans 8:35-39).

Three take top spots in state vocal contest

Three Rockwall residents were among 13 Ouachita Baptist University students who were named finalists and semifinalists in the 2017 Arkansas National Association of Teachers of Singing auditions conducted at Harding University in Arkadelphia, Arkansas.

Micah Brooks, a sophomore musical theater student, placed second in the sophomore men division and third in the lower music theater men division.

Jessie Brunson, a sophomore vocal performance student, placed first in the sophomore women division.

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Kenzie Osborn, a sophomore musical theater student, was a semifinalist in the lower music theater women division.

More than 200 students from universities across Arkansas attended the conference and auditioned in classical or musical theater divisions, according to the university news release. Each participant prepared a list of three songs for the lower divisions and four songs for the upper division. The first two rounds took place only with judges in the room and the final round was held before everyone attending the NATS conference.

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The following candidates are scheduled to appear on the May 6

ballot, according to the city news release:

Mayor – Jim Pruitt, incumbent

Place 1 – Enid Marie Reyes, Bree McCleskey, Bennie Daniels
 Place 3 – Daniel Janik, Kevin Fowler, incumbent, and Adam

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 Place 5 – Scott Milder, incumbent, A. Christine Hanna and Dana K. Macalik

Early voting and Election Day voting will take place in the Rockwall County library, 1215 E. Yellowjacket Lane. Early voting will run from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 24-29 and from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. May 1-2. Election Day voting will run from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday, May 6.

The city's election will be administered by Rockwall County Elections Administrator Chris Lynch.

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The Rockwall High School robotics team, Full Metal Jackets, attended the FIRST Dallas Regional event March 9-11. The team advanced to the quarterfinals and brought home several awards. The team won the 2017 Dallas Regional Quality Award and Safety Award. In addition, the founder of the Full Metal Jackets, Bruce Charbonneau, won the Woodie Flowers Award, which is presented to an outstanding mentor in the robotics competitions who best leads, inspires, teaches and empowers their team using excellent communication skills. The team nominated Charbonneau for his hard work and dedication since the team's founding in 2004. Charbonneau will advance to the world competition to compete in April against other finalists for the overall Woodie Flowers Award. Pictured at back, from the left, are Aaron Smith, Alex Beattie, Noah Hiebrink, Andrew Peal, Elijah Williams, Heather Letlow, Keith Buchanan, David Smith and Phil Beckett; middle row, Danna Taylor, Amy Smith, Brad Neff, Jace Norton, Katie Widen, Austin Gray, Brandon Taylor, Eric Bray, Lindsey Baumgartner, Ben Wilke, Aiden Perkins, Liz Bradley and Mitch Fitzgerald; and, at front, Lauren Knoff, Anna Slater, Allyson Letlow, Bruce Charbonneau, Hannah Cowgill, Stephanie Chacko, Jeffrey Tessitore, Aaron Colmenares and Gabriel Colmenares.

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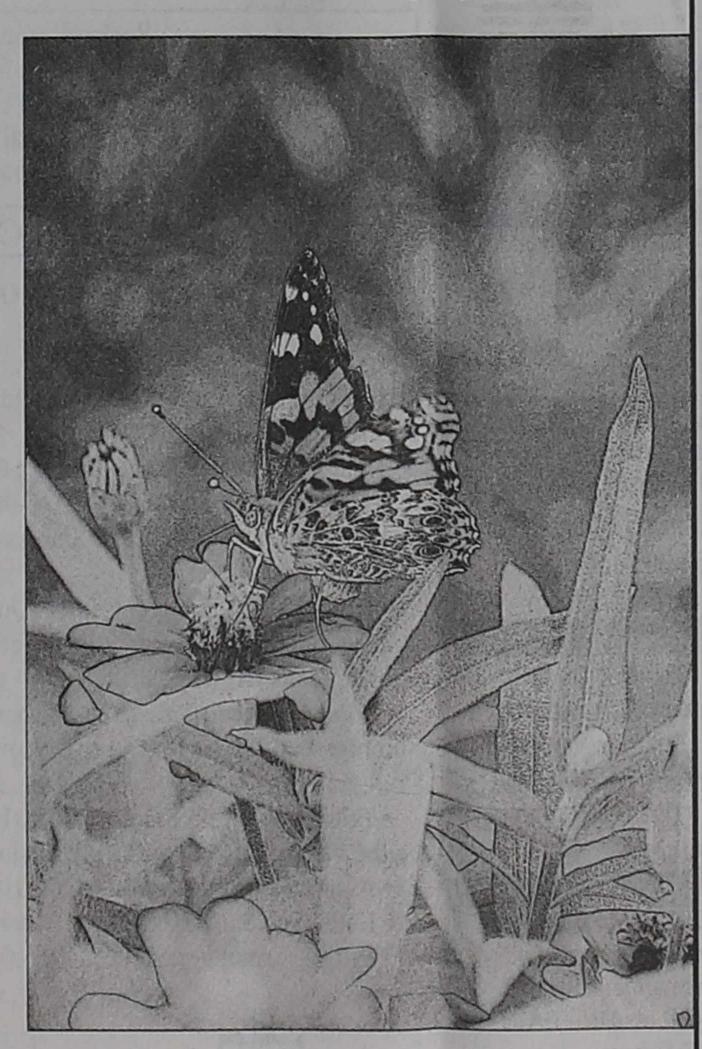
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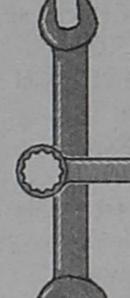
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 Kroger DAL 574 Fuel Center (Quail Run Retail), CO2016-0109, issued 10/14/2016, active 1/3/2017, 1980 North Goliad Street; property owner Makko Goliad LLP C/O Two Energy Square, Dallas; business owner Kroger Texas LP, Coppell.

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Arizona challenges the Fed's money monopoly

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History shows that, if individuals have the freedom to choose what to use as money, they will likely opt for gold or silver.

Of course, modern politicians and their Keynesian enablers despise the gold or silver standard. This is because linking a currency to a precious metal limits the ability of central banks to finance the growth of the welfare-warfare state via the inflation tax. This forces politicians to finance big government much more with direct means of taxation.

Despite the hostility toward gold from modern politicians, gold played a role in US monetary policy for sixty years after the creation of the Federal Reserve. Then, in 1971, as concerns over the US government's increasing deficits led many foreign governments to convert their holdings of US dollars to gold, President Nixon closed the gold window, creating America's first purely fiat currency.

America's 46-year experiment in fiat currency has gone exactly as followers of the Austrian school predicted: a continuing decline in the dollar's purchasing power accompanied by a decline in the standard of living of middle- and working-class Americans, a series of Federal Reserve-created booms followed by increasingly severe busts, and an

explosive growth in government spending. Federal Reserve policies are also behind much of the increase in income inequality.

Since the 2008 Fed-created economic meltdown, more Americans have become aware of the Federal Reserve's responsibility for America's economic problems. This growing anti-Fed sentiment is one of the key factors behind the liberty movement's growth and represents the most serious challenge to the Fed's legitimacy in its history. This movement has made "Audit the Fed" into a major national issue that is now closer than ever to being signed into law.

Audit the Fed is not the only focus of the growing anti-Fed movement. For example, this Wednesday the Arizona Senate Finance and Rules Committees will consider legislation (HB 2014) officially defining gold, silver, and other precious metals as legal tender. The bill also exempts transactions in precious metals from state capital gains taxes, thus ensuring that people are not punished by the taxman for rejecting Federal Reserve notes in favor of gold or silver. Since inflation increases the value of precious metals, these taxes give the government one more way to profit from the Federal Reserve's currency debasement.

HB 2014 is a very important and timely piece of legislation. The Federal Reserve's failure to reignite the economy with record-low interest rates since the last crash is a sign that we may soon see the dollar's collapse. It is therefore imperative that the law protect people's right to use alternatives to what may soon be virtually worthless Federal Reserve notes.

Passage of HB 2014 would also send a message to Congress and the Trump administration that the anti-Fed movement is growing in influence. Thus, passage of this bill will not just strengthen movements in other states to pass similar legislation; it will also help build support for the Audit the Fed bill and legislation repealing federal legal tender laws.

This Wednesday I will be in Arizona to help rally support for HB 2014, speaking on behalf of the bill before the Arizona Senate Finance Committee at 9:00 a.m. I will also be speaking at a rally at noon at the Arizona state capitol. I hope every supporter of sound money in the Phoenix area joins me to show their support for ending the Fed's money monopoly.

The government is still the enemy of freedom

by John W. Whitehead

Future of Freedom Foundation

My friends, we're being played for fools.

On paper, we may be technically free.

In reality, however, we are only as free as a government official may allow.

We only think we live in a constitutional republic, governed by just laws created for our benefit.

Truth be told, we live in a dictatorship disguised as a democracy where all that we own, all that we earn, all that we say and do—our very lives—depends on the benevolence of government agents and corporate shareholders for whom profit and power will always trump principle. And now the government is litigating and legislating its way into a new framework where the dictates of petty bureaucrats carry greater weight than the inalienable rights of the citizenry.

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Freedom no longer means what it once did.

This holds true whether you're talking about the right to criticize the government in word or deed, the right to be free from government surveillance, the right to not have your person or your property subjected to warrantless searches by government agents, the right to due process, the right to be safe from soldiers invading your home, the right to be innocent until proven guilty and every other right that once reinforced the founders' belief that this would be "a government of the people, by the people and for the people."

Not only do we no longer have dominion over our bodies, our families, our property and our lives, but the government continues to chip away at what few rights we still have to speak freely and think for ourselves.

If the government can control speech, it can control thought and, in turn, it can control the minds of the citizenry.

The unspoken freedom enshrined in the First Amendment is the right to think freely and openly debate issues without being muzzled or treated like a criminal.

In other words, if we no longer have the right to tell a Census Worker to get off our property, if we no longer have the right to tell a police officer to get a search warrant before they dare to walk through our door, if we no longer have the right to stand in front of the Supreme Court wearing a protest sign or approach an elected representative to share our views, if we no longer have the right to protest unjust laws by voicing our opinions in public or on our clothing or before a legislative body—no matter how misogynistic, hateful, prejudiced, intolerant, misguided or politically incorrect they might be—then we do not have free speech.

What we have instead is regulated, controlled speech, and that's a whole other ballgame.

Protest laws, free speech zones, bubble zones, trespass zones, anti-bullying legislation, zero tolerance policies, hate crime laws and a host of other legalistic maladies dreamed up by politicians and prosecutors are conspiring to corrode our core freedoms purportedly for our own good.

For instance, the protest laws being introduced across the country—
in 18 states so far—are supposedly in the name of "public safety and
limiting economic damage."

Don't fall for it.

No matter how you package these laws, no matter how wellmeaning they may sound, no matter how much you may disagree with the protesters or sympathize with the objects of the protest, these proposed laws are aimed at one thing only: discouraging dissent.

In Arizona, police would be permitted to seize the assets of anyone involved in a protest that at some point becomes violent.

In Minnesota, protesters would be forced to pay for the cost of

having police on hand to "police" demonstrations.

Oregon lawmakers want to "require public community colleges and universities to expel any student convicted of participating in a

violent riot."

A proposed North Dakota law would give drivers the green light to "accidentally" run over protesters who are blocking a public roadway.

Florida and Tennessee are entertaining similar laws.

Pushing back against what it refers to as "economic terrorism,"

Washington wants to increase penalties for protesters who block

make it a crime to obstruct high

access to highways and railways.

Anticipating protests over the Keystone Pipeline, South Dakota wants to apply the governor's emergency response authority to potentially destructive protests, create new trespassing penalties and make it a crime to obstruct highways.

In Iowa, protesters who block highways with speeds posted above 55 mph could spend five years in prison, plus a fine of up to \$7,500. Obstruct traffic in Mississippi and you could be facing a \$10,000 fine and a five-year prison sentence.

A North Carolina law would make it a crime to heckle state officials.

Under this law, shouting at a former governor would constitute a crime.

Indiana lawmakers wanted to authorize police to use "any means necessary" to breakup mass gatherings that block traffic. That legislation has since been amended to merely empower police to issue fines for such behavior.

Georgia is proposing harsh penalties and mandatory sentencing laws for those who obstruct public passages or throw bodily fluids on "public safety officers."

Virginia wants to subject protesters who engage in an "unlawful assembly" after "having been lawfully warned to disperse" with up to a year of jail time and a fine of up to \$2,500.

Missouri wants to make it illegal for anyone participating in an "unlawful assembly" to intentionally conceal "his or her identity by the means of a robe, mask, or other disguise."

Colorado wants to lock up protesters for up to 18 months who obstruct or tamper with oil and gas equipment and charge them with up to \$100,000 in fines.

Oklahoma wants to create a sliding scale for protesters whose actions impact or impede critical infrastructure. The penalties would range from \$1,000 and six months in a county jail to \$100,000 and up to 10 years in prison. And if you're part of an organization, that fine goes as high as \$1,000,000.

Michigan hopes to make it easier for courts to shut down "mass picketing" demonstrations and fine protesters who block entrances to businesses, private residences or roadways up to \$1,000 a day. That

Ask yourself: if there are already laws on the books in all of the states that address criminal or illegal behavior such as blocking public roadways or trespassing on private property—because such laws are already on the books—then why does the government need to pass laws criminalizing activities that are already outlawed?

What's really going on here?

No matter what the politicians might say, the government doesn't care about our rights, our welfare or our safety.

How many times will we keep falling for the same tricks?

Every despotic measure used to control us and make us cower and fear and comply with the government's dictates has been packaged as being for our benefit, while in truth benefiting only those who stand to profit, financially or otherwise, from the government's transformation of the citizenry into a criminal class.

Remember, the Patriot Act didn't make us safer. It simply turned American citizens into suspects and, in the process, gave rise to an entire industry—private and governmental—whose profit depends on its ability to undermine our Fourth Amendment rights.

Placing TSA agents in our nation's airports didn't make us safer. It simply subjected Americans to invasive groping, ogling and bodily searches by government agents. Now the TSA plans to subject travelers to even more "comprehensive" patdowns.

So, too, these protest laws are not about protecting the economy or private property or public roads. Rather, they are intended to muzzle discontent and discourage anyone from challenging government authority.

These laws are the shot across the bow.

They're intended to send a strong message that in the American police state, you're either a patriot who marches in lockstep with the government's dictates or you're a pariah, a suspect, a criminal, a troublemaker, a terrorist, a radical, a revolutionary.

Yet by muzzling the citizenry, by removing the constitutional steam

valves that allow people to speak their minds, air their grievances and contribute to a larger dialogue that hopefully results in a more just world, the government is deliberately stirring the pot, creating a climate in which violence becomes inevitable.

When there is no steam valve—when there is no one to hear what the people have to say, because government representatives have removed themselves so far from their constituents—then frustration builds, anger grows and people become more volatile and desperate to force a conversation.

Then again, perhaps that was the government's plan all along.

As John F. Kennedy warned in March 1962, "Those who make peaceful revolution impossible will make violent revolution inevitable."

The government is making violent revolution inevitable.

How do you lock down a nation?

You sow discontent and fear among the populace. You terrorize the people into believing that radicalized foreigners are preparing to invade. You teach them to be non-thinkers who passively accept whatever is told them, whether it's delivered by way of the corporate media or a government handler. You brainwash them into believing that everything the government does is for their good and anyone who opposes the government is an enemy. You acclimate them to a state of martial law, carried out by soldiers disguised as police officers but bearing the weapons of war. You polarize them so that they can never unite and stand united against the government. You create a climate in which silence is golden and those who speak up are shouted down. You spread propaganda and lies. You package the police state in the rhetoric of politicians.

And then, when and if the people finally wake up to the fact that the government is not and has never been their friend, when it's too late for peaceful protests and violence is all that remains to them as a recourse against tyranny, you use all of the tools you've been so carefully amassing—the criminal databases and surveillance and identification systems and private prisons and protest laws—and you shut them down for good.

As I make clear in my book Battlefield America: The War on the American People, once a government assumes power—unconstitutional or not—it does not relinquish it. The militarized police are not going to stand down. The NSA will continue to collect electronic files on everything we do. More and more Americans are going to face jail time for offenses that prior generations did not concern themselves with.

The government—at all levels—could crack down on virtually anyone at any time.

Martin Luther King saw it coming: both the "spontaneous explosion of anger by various citizen groups" and the ensuing crackdown by the government.

"Police, national guard and other armed bodies are feverously preparing for repression," King wrote shortly before he was assassinated. "They can be curbed not by unorganized resort to force...but only by a massive wave of militant nonviolence....It also may be the instrument of our national salvation."

Militant nonviolent resistance.

"We know from past experience that Congress and the President won't do anything until you develop a movement around which people of goodwill can find a way to put pressure on them... This means making the movement powerful enough, dramatic enough, morally appealing enough, so that people of goodwill, the churches, laborers, liberals, intellectuals, students, poor people themselves begin to put pressure on congressmen to the point that they can no longer elude our demands. "It must be militant, massive nonviolence," King emphasized.

In other words, besides marches and protests, there would have to be civil disobedience. Civil disobedience forces the government to expend energy in many directions, especially if it is nonviolent, organized and is conducted on a massive scale. This is, as King knew, the only way to move the beast. It is the way to effect change without resorting to violence. And it is exactly what these protest laws are attempting to discourage

We are coming to a crossroads. Either we gather together now and attempt to restore freedom or all will be lost. As King cautioned, "everywhere, 'time is winding up,' in the words of one of our spirituals, corruption in the land, people take your stand; time is winding up."

Is voting the only effective tool for activism?

by Timothy W. Burnett

In anticipation of upcoming elections, people may ponder on questions such as, whether their favorite candidates will back their campaign promises, reveal themselves to be hypocrites and liers, use tax dollars to secretly pad the pockets of campaign donors, use tax dollars to financially give a competitive advantage to a favorite business over another business, the list can go on and on and on.

Voters take risks at the polls. It's high-stakes gambling at its peak, because the end result may be loss of freedom and property.

What is lost in the social-psyche is an understanding of how to survive the next few years of new or repeated elected officials; how to hold the elected and lower-ranking appointed officials responsible and accountable for their unlawful conduct and illegal actions.

A common argument is the only way to make a difference with the government is by voting. It's said that no-vote means no-say.

Those arguments are based on the false assumption that elections are the answers to protecting life, freedom and property

are the answers to protecting life, freedom and property.

What can voters and non-voters do effectively control officials?

There are a number of civil, criminal and administrative approaches to punish and/or remove elected and appointed officials from office.

People can file class action civil and/or criminal complaints.

Relevant criminal actions would fall under Texas Penal Code Chapter 39 Official Oppression and Abuse of Official Capacity. Think of this, every time an officer violates state law, a right or privilege has been impaired or deprived; one or more people have been disenfranchised.

Cases may be filed at the local or state level through Texas Rangers.

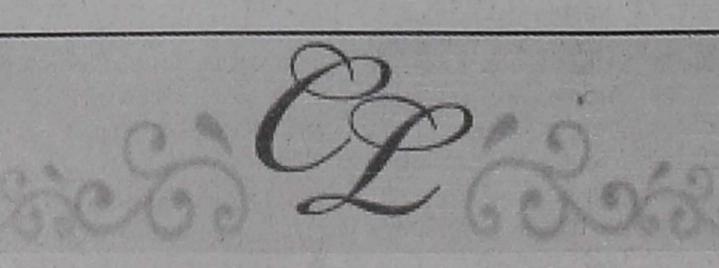
Administrative tools include petitions for Attorney General

Assessments, Audits, Forensic Audits and civil actions.

The people may petition to remove officials by vote, remove any local ordinance/resolution, and even dissolve the government unit altogether.

Those are the tools of real high-octane political activism. Imagine large groups of people in communities joined together in filing petitions, civil/criminal actions, administrative actions against government officials who finally pay in fines and prison time.

This kind of activism would truly reign-in local government.



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Williams MS boys gymnastics teams take District Championship

On Wednesday, March 8, 2017, the Williams Middle School boys gymnastics team won the District meet.

According to Coach Cameron Sweny, there were 68 boys and 5 boys teams participating.

Level 5 team finished with 164.1 points., and the Level 6 team finished with 162.5 points.

This was an undefeated season for the level 6 team. Will Campbell on the Level 6 Team finished first on the Rings, Vault, Parallel Bars, High Bar, and All Around. Campbell finished first All Around.

Jackson Hustings finished first on the Pommel Horse. Following the WMS team in Level 5 were Highland Park with 160.6 points; Brandenburg, 155.8; Utley, 148.8; and Cain, 147.2.

The Level 6 team topped Brandenburg's 153.7 points, and Utley's 48.3 points.

Other individual results

LEVEL 5 INDIVIDUAL: (top 10 recognized)

James Watkins - 3rd all around; 5th floor, 8th pommel horse, 4th rings, 7th p-bars, 4th high bar

Coyt Huston - 5th all around; 9th floor, 3rd vault, 7th p-bars, 9th high bar

David Raglin - 10th all around; 2nd floor, 10th rings, 6th vault, 5th p-bars, 2nd high bar

Michael Gomez - 7th floor, 7th pommel horse, 3rd rings, 2nd p-bars, 3rd high bar

Ethan Channell - 4th pommel horse, 7th rings, 8th high bar Connor Sinks - 2nd on floor

Ryan Ferguson - 6th on vault

Daniel Olivio-Villegas - 10th on rings

Matthew Hafele - 9th on p-bars Kyle Grimsley - 9th on pommel horse

LEVEL 6 INDIVIDUAL: (top 10 recognized)

Will Campbell - 1st all around; 2nd floor, 2nd pommel horse, 1st

rings, 1st vault, 1st p-bars, 1st high bar

Chase Nowaczyk - 2nd all around; 3rd floor, 3rd pommel horse, 2nd rings, 5th vault, 2nd p-bars, 2nd high bar

Ben Ashcraft - 5th all around; 6th floor, 5th pommel horse, 5th rings, 2nd vault, 7th p-bars, 7th high bar

Gavin Figert - 6th all around; 4th floor, 8th pommel horse, 10th rings, 7th vault, 6th p-bars, 5th high bar

Jackson Hustings - 1st on pommel horse

RHS men's gymnastics update

The Rockwall High School men's gymnastics team competed Thursday, March 9, 2017, against Trinity and rival Heath.

According to Coach Cameron Sweny, the team did much better as they continue to heal from prior injuries. Rockwall finished in first place and scored their highest optional score of the season.

Rockwall-Heath finished in second place with 150.2 points, followed by Trinity's 149.7 points, Richardson, and Lake Highlands unreported points.

McKay Larman finished first All Around.

Results

FLOOR: 2nd - Jake Hodges; 4th - Mckay Larman; 7th - Brett Garcia; 8th - Zane Larman.

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POMMEL HORSE: 1st - Zach Dougal; 3rd - Josh Creamer; 5th -Mckay Larman; 6th - Keil Pauga (tie); 6th - Wyatt Logan (tie); 9th -Louis Jelic.

RINGS: 2nd - Jake Hodges; 3rd - Mckay Larman; 5th - Sean Denny; 8th - Scott Mackenzie; 10th - Bryan Kottke (tie); 10th - Wilson Farris

VAULT: 1st - Connor Campbell (tie); 1st - Zane Larman (tie); 4th -Mckay Larman; 10th - Brett Garcia.

P-BARS: 1st - Mckay Larman; 2nd - Jake Hodges; 5th - Garrett Sutherland; 7th - Anael Gomez (tie); 7th - Ryan Szafran (tie). HIGH BAR: 2nd - Connor Campbell; 3rd - Mckay Larman. ALL AROUND: 1st - Mckay Larman; 7th - Jake Hodges.

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Required Notices

Texas Department of Transportation

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING State Highway (SH) 205

Proposed Improvements to SH 205 from United States Highway (US) 80 to SH 78 CSJs: 0451-01-053, 0451-02-028, 0451-03-013, 0451-04-021 The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will conduct a public meeting for proposed improvements to SH 205 from US 80 to SH 78 in Kaufman, Rockwall, and Collin Counties, Texas, a distance of approximately 24 miles. The Segment 6 preferred alternative of the SH 205 project in Rockwall County, which is the John King Boulevard Alternative that was displayed at the July 7, 2016 Public Meeting, will be presented. The meeting will be held on Thursday, March 30, 2017 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at First United Methodist Church Rockwall, 1200 East Yellow Jacket Lane, Rockwall, TX 75087. Representatives from TxDOT, the City of Rockwall, and project consultants will be available to answer questions about the proposed project. It will be conducted in an informal open house format with no formal presentation.

The SH 205 Alternatives Analysis was divided into seven segments and was presented at the July 7, 2016 Public Meeting held at Herman E. Utley Middle School. The project would include TxDOT maintaining the existing John King Boulevard, Segment 6, four-lane facility and the future inside widening for an ultimate six-lane facility when warranted by traffic demand. The proposed improvements to Segments 1 through 4 and 7 of the project include widening the existing two-lane roadway to a four-lane roadway with accommodations being made for an ultimate six-lane facility. Additional ROW is anticipated along existing SH 205 and John King Boulevard.

Maps depicting the proposed project's location and preliminary geometric design will be available for viewing at the public meeting. This information is also on file and available for public inspection at the TxDOT Dallas District Office, 4777 East Highway 80, Mesquite, Texas 75150; TxDOT Rockwall/ Kaufman County Area Office, 2750 S. Washington, Kaufman, Texas 75142; TxDOT Collin County Area Office, 2205 South SH 5, McKinney, Texas 75069; City of Terrell City Hall, 201 East Nash Street, Terrell, Texas 75160; City of McLendon-Chisholm, 1371 West FM 550, McLendon-Chisholm, Texas 75032; City of Rockwall City Hall, 385 South Goliad, Rockwall, Texas 75087; City of Lavon City Hall, 120 School Road, Lavon, Texas 75166. This information will also be available online at www.keepitmovingdallas.com under Upcoming Public Hearing/Meeting.

All interested citizens are invited to attend the public meeting. Written comments from the public regarding this project are requested and will be accepted for a period of 15 calendar days following the public meeting. Written comments may be submitted either in person at the public meeting or by mail to the TxDOT Dallas District Office, Attention Ms. Nancy Peron, P.E., 4777 E. U.S. Highway 80 Mesquite, TX 75150-6643. Written comments must be postmarked on or before Friday, April 14, 2017 to be included in the Public Meeting Summary.

The public meeting will be conducted in English. Persons interested in attending the meeting who have special communication or accommodation needs, or need an interpreter, are encouraged to contact the TxDOT Dallas District Public Information Office at (214) 320-4480 at least two working days prior to the public meeting. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs. If you have general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project, you may contact the consultant project manager, Jeremy McGahan at (214) 346-6371 or by email at jmcgahan@ halff.com or the TxDOT project manager, Nancy Peron at (214) 320-6245 or by e-mail at nancy.peron@txdot.gov.

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried-out by TxDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 16, 2014, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.

Cain MS place third in District gymnastics competition

The Cain Middle School girls gymnastics team competed Wednesday, March 8, 2017, for District Championship at Rockwall

According to Coach Jennifer Holden, the Lady Mustangs Level 4 and level 5 team placed third out of five teams.

The Level 5 team finished with 110.65 points, and the Level 4 team finished with 94.3 points.

Other Level 5 teams finishing were first place Utley with 112.25, Williams, 112.15; Brandenburg, 105.5; and Highland Park, 105.45. Level 4 teams were first place Brandenburg with 103.6; Williams, 100.9; Utley, 92.65, and Highland Park (unreported).

Rachel Schneider placed 5th in the All-Around 37.2, 4th on Uneven

Individual Results Level 5

Fri 3/17

at Home.

Baseball, 7:00 p.m., John Tyler

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Bars 9.5, 5th on Balance Beam 9.5, 8th on Vault 9.0, and 10th on Floor 9.2. Rockwall Tue 3/21 Bsb, 7:00 p.m., RHHS (H).

Marissa Weadon placed 9th in the All-Around 36.45, 2nd on Balance Beam 9.65, 6th on Uneven Bars 9.4, 8th on Floor 9.3. Jayme Reese placed 12th in the All-Around 36.15, 6th on Floor

9.35, and 9th on Uneven Bars 9.2 and Balance Beam 9.2 Berkley Ramos placed 13th on All-around 35.85 and 12th on Vault 8.8 and Floor 9.1.

Kate Achacoso placed 18th in the All-Around and Uneven Bars. **Level 4 Individual Results**

Elizabeth Beem placed 1st on Balance Beam 8.7, 4th in the All-Around 30.75, and 7th on Vault 8.

Kate Seifer placed 5th in the all-around 30.25 and 4th on Vault 8.1 Sarah Cole placed 2nd on Vault 8.3 and 10th in the All-Around. Baylee Perez placed 3rd on floor 8.7 and 11th in the all-around and balance beam 8.0.

Erica Salas placed 11th on vault 7.8 and 15th on balance beam 7.7 Maddie James placed 18th on Floor.

Rockwall-Heath

Fri 3/17 Bsb, 7:00 p.m., Tyler Lee (H). Tue 3/21

Sfb, 7:00 p.m., Mesquite (H).

City of Rockwall monthly report ...

 Enjoy (Rockwall Original Town), CO2017-0002, issued 1/3/2017, active 1/12/2017, 114 North San Jacinto; owner Russell, Ruth Diane of Fort Worth; business owner Dwania Morris of Heath.

Softball, 7:00 p.m.,

Tyler Lee (H).

· Hazel and Olive, Inc. (Rockwall Original Town), CO2017-0005, 306 E. Washington Street B; property owner Sky Interests of Rockwall; business owner Benjamin McMillan of Rockwall.

 Rockwall Neurology (Presbyterian Hospital of Rockwall Addition), CO2017-0006, 3140 Horizon Road 105, issued 1/12/2017, active 1/20/2017; property owner Heath Building Group LLC C/O Mark Hool of Southlake; business owner Dr. Julio Andino of Rockwall.

Rockwall Fire Department calls: Building fire, 1; Cooking fire, 3; Brush, 1; Grass, 4; Outside rubbish, 1; Dumpster, 1; Rescue EMS incident, 1; Medical assist, 4; Motor vehicle accident, 5; Extrication of victim, 2; Watercraft rescue, 1; Gas leak, 8; Electrical, 1; Heat from short circuit, 1; Overheated motor, 1; Power line down, 3; Public service assistance, 3; Assist police or other government agency, 22; Public service, 4; Unauthorized burning; 1; Dispatched and cancelled en route, 2; No incident found, 3; Authorized controlled burning, 1; Smoke scare, 5; Smoke from Barbecue, 1; HazMat release investigation, 2; False alarm, 1; Municipal alarm system, 1; Sprinkler activation due to malfunction, 2; Smoke detector activation due to malfunction, 5; CO detector activation due to malfunction, 1; Smoke detector activation no fire (unintentional), 3; Detector activation, no fire (unintentional), 1; Alarm system activation, no fire (unintentional, 6.

During January, total property dollar loss was \$5,632.50; content

loss was \$2,000; property preincident value \$13,490; Contents pre-incident value \$6,745. Total

Bsb, 7:00 p.m., at Rockwall.

value was \$20,235.

Robbery, 2; Burglary, 5; Larceny, 57; Motor vehicle theft, 8; Family violence, 10; DWI,

Police Report

Police arrests: Felony, 27; Misdemeanor, 80; Warrant arrest, 27; Juvenile, 9.

Accidents: Injury, 20; Multiple injuries 29; Non-injury, 57; Fatality, 0.

False alarms: Residential, 53; Business, 112.

Narcotics unit handled 4 cases, seized 1.725 ounces of marijuana (cannabis), and 268 grams of methamphetamine.

Total calls for service were 1450.

Airport operations, certified by Todd Parks, **Managing Director, Texas** Air Center, L.L.C.

Fuel sales: Jet-A, 708 Gallons \$1,927.20; Av-Gas, 1,616.90 Gallons, \$6,095.50.

Hangar rental revenues: Patio Hangar, \$2,465; Transient Covered, \$0; Enclosed Hangar, \$120; North Community Hangar, \$650.

Hangar occupancy rates: Open T,42 rentable out of 45,31 leased, 73.81% occupancy rate; Closed, 2 of 2, 2 leased, 100%; Open Cap, 1 of 1, 1 leased, 100%.

City fees due: Fuel sales (gallons sold), \$.10 rate, fuel flowage fee \$232.49; City owned hangar rentals, 5% fee rate, Franchise fee due \$161.75.

Animal Adoption Center profit and loss report Total income, \$17,402.51

Total expenses, \$38,342.22 operating income, -20,939.71

Star Transit Demand and Response Ridership Report

Total of 20 service days, for

702 trips.

Total trips purpose: by Medicaid, 36; Medical, 226; Nutrition (Senior Center) 4; Other (adult-day care, beauty salon, friend's homes, etc), 159; Shopping, 77; Work, 200.

Please join us for a Retirement Celebration



Date/Time: Thursday, March 23, 2017 4:00PM - 6:00PM

Location.

Baylor Scott & White Medical Center - Lake

Pointe Café 6800 Scenic Drive Rowlett, TX 75088

Debbie Moeller

Please join us as we honor the career of Debbie Moeller, COO, and celebrate her 37 years of caring as a nurse. She began her career as an Emergency Department Registered Nurse (RN) and later as an Intensive Care RN. She then joined Tenet as Director of Emergency Services, was later promoted to Chief Nursing Officer and later assumed the role of Chief Operating Officer at Baylor Scott & White Medical Center - Lake Pointe. In the community, she started the Rockwall County Sexual Assault Response Team (SART), served on the board for Helping Hands for six years, serves on the board for the Child Advocacy Center, supports numerous other healthcare charities, and remains an active member of First United Methodist Church - Rockwall.

