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Greeter Ruth Rash, 93, still hard at work



People greeter Ruth Rash, left, welcomes shopper Mildred Brown as she enters the Wal-Mart Super Store in Rockwall. Rash, 93, loves her job and the customers love her.
Photo by Millie Jean Coppedge/Rockwall County News

Millie Jean Coppedge
A 93-year-old Ruth Rash, a people greeter at the Rockwall Wal-Mart Super Store, was asked if she would like to be interviewed by the newspaper about her job, her quick reply was, "Oh, heck yea!" These three words sum up the delightfully funny personality of Rash. Born on March 25, 1922, in Claxton, Georgia, Rash has worked for Wal-Mart almost eight years and has not missed a day, except for a brief recovery and recovery.
"I come to work every day," she said, "whether I feel like it or not. I love my job and everyone I work with. I love the customers and especially the little children. They come in the door and run straight to me for their hugs. I don't even know their names, there are so many of them. But I sure love their hugs. I do remember every one of their little faces. They are so sweet. Many of them tell me that they love me. I love being that."
Rash said that her sweet husband leaves her a note every morning, saying, "I love you and I am sorry you have to go to work." She worries about me working at my age," she said. "I have such a wonderful husband."
Rash can be recognized by her pretty red hair, but it is her contagious smile that grabs peoples' attention and draws customers to her. She said she gets pretty cards from customers telling what a good job

she is doing and how much they enjoy seeing her at the front entrance. Some bring her candy and offer her words of encouragement.
Rash, who has lived in Rockwall for more than 33 years, worked at the Rockwall Union 76 Truck Stop for 25 years, but wanted to make a change. She decided she would like to be a greeter.
"I went to the store every day for two weeks until they got tired of me and finally gave me a job," she said. "I've been here ever since and plan to work here for the rest of my life or until I can't work anymore. It makes me feel so good every day to visit with so many people and know they really enjoy my being at the front door. Hardly anyone passes by me that they don't speak or stop and talk for a little bit. It is especially nice when they call me by my name. A 'good morning, Ruth' means so much to me."
"Several people have told me that I am an inspiration to them, still working at my age and always so happy and cheerful," she said. "When I tell the little children that I went to school in a buggy pulled by a horse, they just can't believe it. They just laugh. They just love to hear my stories of when I was a child. One little girl about 12 gave me her regular hug and told me that she hoped I didn't die, that she would cry. Isn't that sweet?"

Rash has two hobbies -- butterflies and cats. She collects accessories such as rings, necklaces, pair pens, etc., that look like butterflies.
But the cats are another story. They are all real -- all 28 of them. Four cats stay in the house, the others are outside cats.
"It takes a lot to feed that many cats," she said as she laughed and shook her head.
Many people think that the store's greeters are strictly volunteers, but they are paid.
One thing is for sure. Rash doesn't need to be paid to smile, hug and radiate her affectionate, warm, outgoing personality. It just comes naturally.

Mayors' Prayer Breakfast, community event set May 7

The City of Rockwall will host the Mayors' Prayer Breakfast beginning at 7:30 a.m. Thursday, May 7, at The Center, 108 E. Washington St., in downtown Rockwall.
The event will coincide with the National Day of Prayer and mayors from communities throughout the county are invited to participate, according to a news release from the city.
The event will be followed by a Community Noontime Prayer from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the grounds of the Rockwall City Hall, 385 S. Goliad St. Prayers will be offered by pastors and community leaders.
The events are not political, according to the release, but created to "encourage people ... to join their neighbors in a call to pray" for the nation.

RISD trustees to meet April 6

Trustees for the Rockwall Independent School District are scheduled to meet at 6:30 p.m. April 6 for a work session, according to the meeting's agenda.
The school board will redo the Retake Committee Report and work on the 2015-2016 school year budget. Consideration will be given to staffing recommendations and compensation, according to the agenda.
The meeting will take place in Room 600 of the Rockwall Administration/Education Center, 1050 Williams St., Rockwall.



Shelby Schefferstein (10) recently competed at the Level 6 Texas State Meet in Euless where more than 400 gymnasts were competing in various age divisions. Schefferstein earned first place finishes in bars, floor (shown below), vault and all-around with a score of 38.625. She has been invited to attend the state awards banquet on June 28 at the Irving Convention Center. She has been a gymnast at United Elite for more than five years. The young gymnast, who competed on the United Elite team, spent more than 20 hours per week in the gym.
Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News



Habitat seeks meals, water

The Rockwall Area Habitat for Humanity is in need of breakfast and lunch foods for its volunteers each Saturday. Bottled water also is needed.
Anyone interested in helping out should contact the agency's volunteer coordinator at rockwallhabitat@yahoo.com.

Easter Week Briefs

First Christian Church Rockwall to host Easter celebration
FCC Rockwall (Disciples of Christ) invites the community to share in during East week activities. On April 3, the church building will be open for Good Friday Watch. Prayer materials will be available in the library, and Stephen Ministers will be available to pray with attendees. Sunday April 5, 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m., will start the Easter Sunrise Service (Sonrise Pasch) while the sunlight shines through the east-facing glass.

Holy Trinity plans Holy Week activities
The Holy Trinity by the Lake Episcopal Church of Heath/Rockwall/Forney has several Holy Week activities planned. At 7 p.m. Thursday, April 2, a Maundy Thursday Eucharist is planned (all-night vigil and labyrinth walk). At noon on Friday, April 3, a Stations of the Cross observance is planned, followed by a 7 p.m. Good Friday service. On Saturday, April 4, an 8 p.m. Easter vigil with baptisms is scheduled. Sunday, April 5, will include an 8:15 a.m. Easter service, a 9:30 p.m. Easter egg hunt; and a 10:30 a.m. Easter service. The church is located at 1524 Smirl Drive, Heath.

First Presbyterian Church Rockwall
FPC Rockwall will host a Maundy Thursday Tennebrae Service starting at 7 p.m. on April 2. Easter celebration will last from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. with children's easter egg hunt activities nestled between the two worship services.

Rockwall County News Briefs

Democratic Men to meet
The Democratic Men's Group of Rockwall County will host its next luncheon beginning at noon April 4 at Napoli Italian Restaurant, 407 S. Goliad, Rockwall. The group meets at noon on the first Saturday of each month at various local restaurants to discuss local, state and national current events and politics. Open-minded, progressive men concerned about the future of Texas and Rockwall County are invited to participate.

Republican Women to host mayoral debate
The Rockwall County Republican Women will host a mayoral debate for candidates Jim Pruitt and Dennis Lewis on April 9 in the Rockwall High School cafeteria. The event will begin at 6:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend to hear how the candidates stand on issues facing Rockwall.

Hope Mobile spay/neuter hospital to visit

The 45-foot hospital bus operated by the Spay/Neuter Network (spayneuternetwork.org) will be in Rockwall Friday, April 10, at the
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Haley Finkenbinder and Kody Shipley

Finkenbinder, Shipley to marry in September

Kody Shipley and Haley Finkenbinder were engaged Feb. 14, 2014, and will be married at Christ Church in Plano in September.
The bride-elect is the daughter of Kurt and Andrea Finkenbinder of Pearl City, Illinois. A 2010 graduate of Pearl City High School, she attended Southern Methodist University where she earned a bachelor's degree in financial consulting. At SMU, she was a Hilltop Scholar and a member of the Chi Omega Sorority.
She is employed with American Airlines in revenue management at its corporate headquarters in Fort Worth.
The prospective bridegroom is the son of Rick and Kristi Shipley of Dallas and Renee and Justin Press of Arlington. A 2007 graduate of Dallas Christian High School, he attended the University of Oklahoma where he earned a bachelor's degree in economics and political science. At OU, he was a President's Community Scholar, University of Oklahoma Student Association Representative and Committee Chairperson, and State of Oklahoma Student Government Association regional director.
He is employed with the GE Capital Corporation in risk management as a Colinas.

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Rockwall County Obituaries

Helen Atkins

Services for Helen Atkins, 100, of Rockwall were conducted at 2 p.m. Thursday, March 26, 2015, in the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel with Dr. Joe Pool officiating. Burial followed in the Rest Haven Memorial Park.



She died March 23. Born April 11, 1914, in the Parmer County community of Friona, she was one of the four daughters of T.J. and Ella Floy Knode Crawford, pioneer Texas Panhandle settlers. The Crawfords made their way to the Panhandle shortly after the opening of the region with the arrival of the Santa Fe railroad. Her father arrived in Friona in 1907, working, as manager of the Rockwell Brothers Lumber Co., and sold the lumber for the first house built in the community. He operated a general merchandise store for many years. Her mother arrived in Friona in 1909 and worked as a schoolteacher and piano teacher.

She graduated from Friona High as its 1931 valedictorian and attended Texas State College for Women (later Texas Women's University) in Denton prior to transferring to the University of Texas at Austin. She played the flute in the orchestra at both schools. She married George Wayne Atkins on June 3, 1935, in her sorority house, Alpha Xi Delta, in Austin on the same day she received her bachelor's degrees.

The couple moved to Rockwall and worked in the family business, A.L. Atkins Dry Goods, which opened in 1908. She also worked as a substitute teacher for the Rockwall public schools during the 1930s.

In 1946, her husband and his brother, Charles, started the Atkins Brothers Dry Goods Store, with locations in Rockwall and Wylie. They operated the stores until 1957. The couple then purchased and operated washaterias in Commerce and Grand Prairie from 1958 to 1975.

She was active in the First United Methodist Church's Women's Society of Christian Service, holding several offices and serving two terms as president. She also was the pianist for FUMC in the 1940s and early 1950s, becoming the first organist for the church in 1952 after helping to select the church's first organ.

The couple had five children - Ida Jean Bauereis of McKinney, Dr. Jimmy Atkins (Linda Thompson Atkins) of Fort Smith, Arkansas, Robert Atkins (Ann Holt Atkins) of Rockwall and twins Tommy Atkins of Las Vegas, Nevada, and Marilyn Atkins of West Fork, Arkansas; eight grandchildren, Nannette Weghorst (Allen Weghorst), Charlotte Dumford (John Dumford), Laura Peek (Billy Peek), Andy Atkins (Jenny Atkins), Lane Atkins (Ivonne Atkins), Ladd Atkins (Britani Atkins), Audrey Valdez (Rick Valdez) and Heath Atkins; and nine great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband on March 15, 1995.

Joy Genell Dowell

Services for Joy Genell Dowell, 82, of Rockwall were conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 31, 2015, in the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel with Jimmy Boyles officiating. Burial followed in the Rockwall Memorial Cemetery.



She died March 27 in Lewisville. Born Aug. 28, 1932, in Alba to Everett Leinard and Beatress (Nicholes) Whitus, she enjoyed bingo and traveling to Las Vegas, Nevada, every year with her husband. She loved her family and planting flowers, especially roses. She liked to cook; preparing Sunday morning breakfast was her favorite. She also made wonderful handmade meatballs and apricot pies from scratch. She loved to laugh and was a member of the First Assembly of God in Grand Saline.

Survivors include her children, Sandra J. Terry, and her husband, Ken, and Maxine McCormick and her husband, Martin; her siblings, Harvey, Ray, Windell and Joe Whitus, Jane Curry and Billie Boyles; her grandchildren, Chris Terry, Phillip Hartman, Brandy Foster, Cassandra Allen and Eric Hartman; numerous great-grandchildren; and other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Doss Max L. Dowell; two children, Ralphetta Hartman and Lennard Randolph Dowell; and two siblings, Helen Pomes and E.B. Whitus.

The family has suggested memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association at heart.org.

Virginia 'Ginny' Jeffers

Mass for Virginia "Ginny" Jeffers, 71, of Rowlett will be conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday, April 8, 2015, at the Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church, 1305 Damascus Rd., Rockwall, with the Rev. Monsignor George Monaghan officiating. The Rest Haven Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.



The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 7. Rosary is planned for 7 p.m.

She died March 30. Born Dec. 22, 1943, in Buffalo, New York, to Casimer and Helen (Pank) Jasinski, she was a loving wife, mother and grandmother. She volunteered at Rockwall County Helping Hands and was treasurer for the Council of Catholic Women at Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church where she was a member, as well as a Eucharistic minister. She had her certificate in biblical studies from the University of Dallas. She had worked in the billing department of Texas Oncology.

Survivors include her children, Joseph Jeffers, Catherine Jeffers-Storer, Mark Jeffers and his wife, Jill, and Paul Jeffers and Jay Shinn; her grandchildren, Christina Storer, Cassie Jeffers, Jermaine Jeffers, Jeffrey Kimbrow, Ethan Jeffers and Bella Jeffers; and siblings, Gerald Jasinski and his wife, Maria, Jeanette Clark and her husband, Doug, and Daniel Jasinski.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Richard "Jeff" Jeffers.

Glenn L. Myers

Services for Glenn L. Myers, 87, were conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 28, 2015, in the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel. The U.S. Air Force Honor Guard presented the American flag and played "Taps" at the close of the service. Burial was in the historic Five Mile Cemetery in Dallas.



He died peacefully March 25.

Born May 27, 1927, to William "Roe" and Mattie "Agnes" Myers of Munday, he was one of four brothers. Following his graduation from Sunset High School in Munday, he attended Texas Tech University in Lubbock and Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene before serving in World War II, the Korean War and Vietnam. He served in the U.S. Navy, then served in the U.S. Air Force for 20 years. He continued to serve for 20 additional years in civil service to the State of Texas. During his military career he achieved the rank of chief master sergeant in the Air Force and became a disabled veteran because of his service.

He received numerous awards, including the Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Force Commendation Medal, Air Force Outstanding Unit Award, Air Force Good Conduct Medal, American Defense Service Medal, American Campaign Medal, Asian Pacific Campaign Medal, WWII Victory Medal, Army of Occupation Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Air Force Longevity Service Award Ribbon, NCO PME Graduate Medal, Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon and the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal. He married Bonnie Wilkins Myers on Feb. 3, 1950, in Abilene. When he was in the military, the family lived in Alaska, Hawaii, Texas and other parts of the U.S. The couple had three children and from the discipline of the military influence, an unwavering faith in God, a strong love for family and a great sense of community taught their children tolerance, acceptance and the appreciation of friends.

Survivors include his wife of 65 years; their children, Terry Myers (Candy), Linda Myers Howell (Joey) and Roger Myers (Sherry); his grandchildren, Jearon Myers (Becky), Mitchell Howell, Grace Howell, Marshall Howell, Philip Myers, Andrew Myers, and Matthew Myers; brothers, Kenneth and Gerald (Peggy); and numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Howard Myers.

His seven grandchildren served as pallbearers.

The family has suggested that in lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Five Mile Cemetery Association, 303 E. Mona Duncanville, TX 75137 or to the veterans association of the donor's choice (Disabled Veterans Association, Wounded Warriors, Operation Homefront, Defenders of Freedom, VA hospital, etc., for example).

Norman Ray Schultz

A memorial service for Norman Ray Schultz of Rockwall was conducted at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 28, 2015, at St. Andrew's Catholic Church in Richmond, Indiana.



He died peacefully at his home March 21, surrounded by his family.

Born Dec. 11, 1957, to Norman Fettes Schultz and Betty Katherine Hiatt Schultz in Richmond, Indiana, he lived in Rockwall for the past 32 years.

He traveled the world for more than 35 years while working as an international sales manager for Five Cinetic and although he visited hundreds of cities and countries, there was never a place where he didn't feel comfortable. He filled a new passport every few years with stamps from Mexico, Canada, South America, Europe, Russia, China, India, Eastern Asia.

He married Sharon Turner in 1982. They were best friends and teammates, and their love flourished through thick and thin for 32 years and continues to endure.

His love for his children was evident to everyone. He enjoyed taking his son, Corey, on adventures, but also spent time sitting quietly with him, listening to music. His daughter, Kelsey, whom he lovingly called "punkin' head," shared his sense of humor, temperament and love of music. He was her rock, confidant and best friend. He was a dad to his children's friends and welcomed everyone into his home.

Survivors include his wife; his son, Corey Ray Schultz, and daughter-in-law, Michal Booth Schultz; his daughter, Kelsey "Pie-Pie" Elizabeth Schultz; his sisters, Karla Schultz Carrico and Karen Schultz Bryan; and the family dog, Woodrow.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

The family has suggested that in lieu of flowers, donations may be made in memory of Norman Ray Schultz to the Catholic Medical Mission Board.

Burnis Kendrick Tyer Sr.

A service celebrating the life of Burnis Kendrick (Ken) Tyer Sr. will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 11, 2015, in the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel, 2500 State Hwy. 66, Rockwall.

He died March 27.

Born in Corpus Christi on April 30, 1937, he graduated from Miller High School and Southwestern State University. He enjoyed spending time with his family and friends, playing Skip-Bo and talking sports, especially agonizing over Texas Rangers' baseball.

Survivors include his sister, Rosemary Gatewood; his children, Kimberlee Tyer and her partner, Suzanne Farmer, and Rick Tyer and wife, Michelle; his grandchildren, Nico and Davis; and Jamie Tyer; and extended family.

The family has suggested that in lieu of flowers, donations may be made to autismspeaks.org in his honor.

University scholastic honors

Two locals named to Dean's List

Two local residents were among students named to the Fall 2014 Dean's List at LeTourneau University in Longview, according to a university news release.

The Dean's List recognizes students who have achieved a grade-point average between 3.50 and 3.99 for the semester.

Honorees include Jasen Skipworth of Fate, a computer science/business development major, and Cameron Whitney of Roysce City, a business administration major.

Rockwall County Detention Center February 2015 Statistics

- Average daily population: 167
- Inmates booked into facility: 371
- Inmates released from facility: 266
- Males booked: 260
- Females booked: 111
- Males released: 183
- Females released: 83
- Inmates charged with felonies: 87
- Inmates charged with misdemeanors: 281
- Average length of confinement: 47 days
- Visitors screened: 7,080

Baker reenlists in Air Force

Air Force Airman Blake R. Baker has reenlisted in the U.S. Air Force, according to a military news release.

He is serving as a fire protection apprentice with the 344th Recruiting Station, Greenville.

He has served in the military for six years.

He is a 2013 graduate of Rowlett High School.

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by Danette McNew, D.D.S.



GETTING TEETH INTO BETTER SHAPE

Teeth that are uneven, overlapping, or rotated can significantly detract from the appearance of an otherwise nice smile. Fortunately, as long as sufficient tooth material is preserved, the look of select teeth can be improved by "tooth recontouring." This usually painless procedure involves removing, recontouring, and polishing the enamel to produce a more uniform and natural appearance. Many times, recontouring in this manner is all that is required to significantly improve an individual's smile. If, on the other hand, poor alignment is more pronounced, tooth enamel recontouring might be performed in conjunction with "tooth bonding." This quick and effective cosmetic procedure supplements tooth enamel with tooth-colored resin that is bonded to the tooth surface.

Good cosmetic dentistry can give you a smile that is the envy of others. Tooth recontouring is a safe and conservative way to improve your smile. For a happy, healthy, and good-looking smile, we urge you to have a check-up soon. At McNEW DENTAL our recommendations for dental treatment are always in the best interest of the patient. Our dental practice is devoted to restoring and enhancing the natural beauty of your smile. We invite you to call 469/338-4603 to schedule an appointment. We're located at 1300 E. Ralph Hall Pkwy., Suite 114. "Smiles are contagious and best when shared!" P.S. One of the primary benefits of tooth recontouring is that it enables dental floss to reach pockets and crevices between teeth that were once blocked by overlapping and irregularly shaped teeth.

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The Rock Wall Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution's regent, Mindy Lovell, is pictured with member Sandra Sue Shelton Solomon, who was awarded a certificate of appreciation for her dedication and service as a veteran. The Texas Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution granted the recognition.

Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

Local DAR chapter earns recognition

The Rock Wall Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution recently received multiple awards from state and national DAR representatives.

Speaker was Joy Harrell Cardinal, honorary state regent of Mexico, past recording secretary general, past National Society Daughters of the American Revolution chairman of Units Overseas. Cardinal currently serves as chairman of the NSDAR Tours Committee and discussed the 23 chapters from around the globe.

Following Cardinal's presentation, Mindy Lovell, regent, Rock Wall Chapter, presented the following state conference certificates recognizing the chapter's work, both locally and nationally:

- Sandra Sue Shelton Solomon, a Rock Wall DAR member, was awarded a certificate of appreciation from the Texas Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution for her dedication and service as a veteran of the U.S. armed forces.

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Be devoted to one another with mutual love, showing eagerness in honoring one another. Romans 12:10

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ACROSS

- 1 this Alan starred in TX-based film "The Big Land"
- 5 TXism: "_____ piece" (long way)
- 6 Jacksonville AM
- 7 TX singer _____ Mae Morse
- 8 TXism: "you got two chances:"
- 16 XT Ranch covered _____ counties
- 17 this gov. resigned in '41 to enter the U.S. Senate
- 21 TX "Cowpokes" creator Reid (init.)
- 22 barbed-wire tycoon TX John _____ "Million" Gates
- 23 easily led or taught
- 24 21-across, e.g.
- 29 "spit _____"
- 30 29-across for a mischievous student
- 31 init. of TX Stevie Ray without the "R"
- 32 this woman was famous gambler in early TX
- 34 Kingsville FM
- 35 TX case: "_____ vs. Wade"
- 36 TXism: "lower _____ scum"
- 37 TXism: "packed like sardines in _____"
- 38 TXism: "ole _____ and chain" (spouse)
- 39 hymn: "_____ the Promises"
- 41 TX singer Charley
- 42 TXism: "sells like _____ at _____ the State Fair"
- 43 fast curve by an Astro
- 44 UT has handwritten songs by this Paul
- 45 hockey legend Bobby
- 46 large TX families _____ wheel
- 47 _____ Laguna Madre waterfowl
- 50 TXism: "the bigger they _____, the harder they fall"
- 12 TXism: "close but _____ cigar"
- 13 "_____ out"
- 14 TX poet Shihab Nye name before Exxon
- 15 name before Exxon
- 18 TX Kenny's "The Gambler, Part _____"
- 19 Spanish publication: "_____ Texas"
- 20 adjustable washing machine foot, e.g.
- 22 outlaws south of the border
- 24 nickname for TX Abraham Lincoln Neiman
- 25 TXism: "_____ gut" (liquor)
- 26 class days at a TX univ. (abbr.)
- 27 in Hill Co. on 81
- 28 seat of San Patricio Co.
- 29 a fast food restaurant was named for this Plano, TX woman
- 30 "_____ impasse"
- 33 in Hidalgo Co. off hwy. 83
- 34 El Paso TV station
- 35 surprise attacks
- 37 sum of the parts
- 38 TXism: "_____ home the bacon" old name: "Rio Grande del _____"
- 40 name: "Rio Grande del _____"
- 41 Jason Garrett de-views "game _____"
- 43 TX Chisum cut a _____ in cattle ears
- 46 religious beliefs
- 48 made a mistake in Minute Maid Park

History - Easter History in America

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Comparing our past with today and looking at our future

Kenneth Shores, Rockwall, Texas

This article is my opinion as provided by my research. The world's only true History book is the Bible, which contains many miracles. The most important miracle is life itself. God created Lucifer (Satan) without sin and he assumed responsibility for his own choices. He was chosen to be closest to God out of all the angels. (Ezekiel 28:14-19) When he chose to be equal to God, sin began and Satan was banished to earth before man was created. Adam and Eve, the first people on earth, chose to disobey God as advised by Satan. God kept his promise of death and sin for all mankind for their disobedience (Genesis Chapter 22). The miracle of men and women, was created as the only way people could be born on this earth (we all are descendants of Adam and Eve).

Easter is a time to celebrate the greatest and most important miracle for all mankind. The miracle of God's only son, Jesus Christ who was born without sin. The only way to be born without sin is to be born without man involved. God provided the Holy Spirit (sinless) to replace man (Luke 1:34-35). The reason why this happened is to allow each one of us to be forgiven of our sinful nature and spend eternity with God. God sent His only son to spend 33 years on this earth to teach us how to live a Holy life and promote world peace. God loves each of us so much that He gave us a free gift (John 3:14 - 18). The free gift included forgiveness of all our sins when we leave this sinful earth to spend eternity with God in heaven. This is only possible if we turn our lives over to the Son, Jesus Christ. He gave up His life, taking all of our sins defeating death for each of us. People can believe with their hearts that God in heaven raised Jesus from the dead. Believing this simple truth is how we are filled with God's free gift of holy spirit.

Easter is a time to celebrate the birth, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Jesus was born sinless, at his death defeated Satan by carrying the sins of all people that accepted God's free gift. All those sins were given over to Satan himself, past, present and future for him to carry for eternity. Then Jesus returned to God again to live and rule with His Father. Jesus returned again to earth to prove to mankind that God always keeps His word, including His free gift. Jesus gave final instructions to His disciples as noted The Great Commission in the Bible (Matthew 28:16-20). (16) Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. (17) When they saw him they worshiped him; but some doubted. (18) Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. (19) Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, (20) and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Our founding fathers in creating America as a Godly Christian Nation, designed all of our governing documents by understanding God's free gift. They understood Satan represented Sin and evil when God casted him out of Heaven. Now as the Prince of Earth, Satan works hard at keeping mankind from accepting God's free gift. The lack of peace is due to the people on this earth that believe in the lies Satan uses to convince people not to accept God's free gift. Throughout the history of America, through our strength in following Jesus way of life, we have kept our freedom and peace. That is why so many people from the rest of the world want to move to America. Some however want to live in America and change it where Satan and his servants have the control in the rest of the world.

Easter is a time to remember what God has done to give each of us a chance to spend eternity in Heaven with Him. Wake up America and understand how Greed, corruption and the sinful nature is all part of Satan's way of life. Christians must be willing to work together to restore this country back to a Godly Christian Nation. Through prayer and letting our government know peacefully what changes are required to regain establish this country as the Greatest Country in the World.

You are invited Sunday evening 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM, April 12, 2015 at the Rockwall High school - 901 W. Yellow Jacket, to join others to learn about "SAVING AMERICA THROUGH PRAYER". The event will include a live small band and a guest speaker. Rockwall County Judge David Sweet will lead the opening prayer and serve as guest speaker. Everyone is invited to this free event. This will be the start of "saving our country through our prayers" on the first Sunday Night of each month at the same time. This is not church affiliated, and is open to everyone interested.

For more information contact Mike Kennedy (972) 998-2680 or Kenneth Shores (214) 334-1206 or Jerry Minx (972) 896-7081. My articles can be viewed on my book website www.isthereagod7.org under ARTICLES.

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Dorren Miller (above), Children's Librarian Rockwall County Library was the guest speaker during the Friday Study Club March meeting held in the home of Carolyn Duckworth. Miller discussed children's literature and differences between folk-lore, fables, and fairy tales. She also entertained members with a puppet show of a fairy tale she wrote entitled, "Three Billy Goats Not So Gruff." Fraya Fisk and Ruth Willis served as co-hostesses. Club president, June Frawley, welcomed new member, Margie Noel. Reservations for the Fri. April 17 spring luncheon must be made by April 15.

Photo courtesy of Ruth Willis/Rockwall County News

On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

The motivation behind Jesus' death ...

The central matter related to the persecution and death of Jesus involves the one thing that takes many years for most Christians to truly understand and fulfill.

Jesus perfectly exemplified it, while nailed to the stake of crucifixion, when he meekly asked his Father, "Forgive them for they know not what they are doing."

Roman soldiers marched him to the place of death, spat on him, nailed him to the stake and watched as life slowly drain out of him.

Many people democratically cried out for his death. They continued to mock him while he was nailed to the stake.

Because of this unending law, Jesus voluntarily gave himself as God's perfect and final Passover Lamb, according to God's good and gracious will.

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Royse City elementary music classes using ukuleles

“plucking” sounds heard now in the music classrooms at Royse City elementary schools soon will be replaced by young students strumming songs on ukuleles. That’s a goal of the music teachers who spend time each school day teaching second graders how to play the instrument.

Learning students make music on their soprano ukuleles will be a reward for the teachers and, of course, for the young students as well; however, the benefit for students goes beyond hearing -- and making -- music that is pleasing to the ear.

The students also are learning while they’re creating music. They’re finding out that kids who play musical instruments have better concentration skills, they’re able to achieve goals faster and they do it better because they have to,” Elizabeth Seay, music teacher at Fort Elementary School, said. “You can’t play an instrument without learning to read music. They’re looking at music. They’re looking at notes. They’re looking at counting the number of beats. They’re looking at what chord they’re supposed to be playing or what string they’re playing on. It just allows them to have that freedom to learn in a fun and creative environment. That’s different than just writing something on paper.”

Debi Middlebrook, music teacher at Scott Elementary School, agreed with Seay regarding the importance of the program that was made possible by a grant from the Royse City Independent School District Education Foundation.

There’s been a lot of research that shows that music lessons of any kind increase brain activity and improve test scores, and it gives them a foundation for music in the future,” she said.

Middlebrook provided an example of what she expects to hear soon from all of her students. London Finch, an 8-year-old Scott Elementary School second grade student, strummed along while Middlebrook, who sang “Good Night Ladies.”

London is already at the strumming stage because she requested -- and

received -- a ukulele as an early birthday present. She wanted a ukulele for her own so she could practice at home.

Seay said she was awarded an education foundation grant during the 2013-14 school year for piano keyboards.

“I saw such an amazing benefit to having the keyboards in the classroom I started thinking what other instruments could we teach at the elementary level that we’re not already covering in our curriculum.”

Seay said she thought about “doing something with strings and I came up with the idea of the ukulele.”

The ukulele is ideal for elementary-age students, she said, because the instrument is small and has only four strings.

“For a second grader, a guitar is going to be a little big to handle, but the ukulele is perfect,” Seay said. “It fits right in their hands and it’s a fairly easy instrument to teach.”

The ukulele, she said, is “something they (the students) can visually look at, place their fingers on, and they actually can hear themselves achieve that goal right then and there.”

“That’s what’s so awesome about it. They can walk out of the room and think, I’ve learned three notes or I’ve learned a song. It’s just a real benefit when they leave the classroom. They’ve achieved a goal in that one, 30-minute meeting.”

They may not play the instrument perfectly, she said, but that doesn’t matter.

“They’re building musical skill,” she said.

The ukuleles “give them (the students) another way to experience music,” Middlebrook said.

“And it gives us (the teachers) another avenue to teach music and music appreciation,” she added.

When the kids move on, Middlebrook said, she wants to see them continue making music. The classes have covered “a little bit of everything” and she wants to see the students continue in their later school years by singing, playing the guitar or being a band member.

“We just want the arts to stay,” she said. “We want to keep the kids involved in the arts all the way through high school.”

The \$4,597 education foundation grant purchased 106 soprano ukuleles (27 for each elementary school campus), tenor ukuleles for each music teacher and music books for the students and teachers.

Before writing the grant, Middlebrook said, she got some expert advice from students Harrison Hays, Kyle Carter and Allyson Pendleton. They stayed after school once a week for about two months to test some methods and try out several ukulele books.

“They helped me decide which direction we should go with the instruction,” Middlebrook said.



London Finch, an 8-year-old second grade student at Scott Elementary, strums “Good Night Ladies” on her ukulele. Music teachers at each Royse City ISD elementary school are teaching second grade students how to play the instrument. Each school has 27 ukuleles thanks to grants from the RCISD Education Foundation. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

Webb pitches Heritage Christian to 3 district wins

Heritage Christian Academy defeated Dallas First Baptist Academy 9-2 Monday, March 23, in the Lady Eagles’ first-ever TAPPS 3A district softball game.

HCA (3-2 overall) then defeated McKinney Christian Academy 16-0 on Tuesday, March 26, and Trinity Christian Academy-Cedar Hill 18-0 on Wednesday to take over first place in TAPPS District 2-3A with a 3-0 record.

Against TCA, Conally Webb pitched a one-hitter, allowing one walk and striking out five in three innings.

In a big second inning, Ali Barnett singled to drive in two runs. Brooke Fanny and Emily Benton also had run-scoring singles.

Madeline Schroeffer reached base four times, scored three runs and drew in another.

Against First Baptist, HCA used aggressive baserunning to score four runs in the first. The Lady Eagles took advantage of Benton’s run-scoring ground out and a wild pitch and passed ball by First Baptist.

Sarah Ross reached base three times, including a seventh-inning single and scored three runs. Heritage Christian’s patient batters drew 12 walks.

Webb struck out 14, walked four and gave up three hits in seven innings.

The Lady Eagles scored two runs in the sixth, one on Brittany Mueault’s single, and added three in the seventh.

HCA had opened its season with non-district losses to Waco Vanguard

College Preparatory Academy 8-3 on Tuesday, March 17, and Dallas Christian Academy 2-0 on March 19.

The Lady Eagles are scheduled to play district games against Irving The Highlands School at 4:30 p.m. Thursday on the outdoor field at Rockwall Indoor Sports Expo and at Ovilla Christian on Tuesday and at First Baptist on Thursday, April 9.

BASEBALL: The Eagles didn’t fare as well in their 3A district debut, losing 21-0 to Ovilla Christian on March 17 at Cedar Valley College.

They fell to 0-3 in TAPPS District 3-3A by losing 15-2 on Thursday, March 26, at The Covenant School of Dallas and 26-6 against Dallas Lutheran School on Monday at Baseball Nation.

HCA is scheduled to host district opponent Trinity Christian Academy-Cedar Hill at 4 p.m. Thursday at Baseball Nation. The Eagles also would play at Irving The Highlands School of Dallas Tuesday, April 7, and against Ovilla Christian at Baseball Nation at 4 p.m. Thursday, April 9.

TRACK AND FIELD: Molli Howard, Thomas Tannehill and Ben Breedon each won an event Friday in the Tom Landry Relays at Trinity Christian Academy-Addison.

Howard took first place in the girls’ triple jump at 35 feet, 1 inch, and also was second in the 300-meter hurdles in 52.34 seconds. Tannehill won the boys’ 300 hurdlers in 42.44, and Breedon went a foot higher than any other competitor in the pole vault (12-0).

HCA’s next scheduled meet is Carrollton Prince of Peace’s Meet at Midway on Saturday, April 11.

Gardner leads Lady Hawks to Area round

Madison Gardner scored three goals and assisted on the other as Rockwall-Heath defeated North Dallas 4-0 in a girls’ soccer Bi-District playoff match at Wilkerson-Sanders Memorial Stadium on Friday.

The Lady Hawks (14-4-5 overall) are scheduled to meet Frisco Centennial in an Area-round match at 6 p.m. Friday at Wylie ISD Stadium. Centennial shut out Wylie 1-0 in their Bi-District matchup.

Gardner put in her first goal from the left of the net just 1 minute, 38 seconds into the match.

The score remained 1-0 for more than 30 minutes before Gardner passed to Hannah Harvey for a goal 7:38 before halftime. Five minutes later, Gardner beat the Lady Bulldogs’ goalie to the ball for a 3-0 halftime lead.

Gardner completed her hat trick with less than 8 minutes remaining in the game. She won another race to the ball against a North Dallas defender and kicked the ball into the lower right corner.

The difference in our team since early in the season is that we’re scoring goals,” RHHS head coach Marco Duran said. The Lady Hawks have 12 goals in their last two matches.

“We missed a couple tonight, and those are goals we’ve got to have

in the playoffs.”

BOYS’ SOCCER: The Hawks also advanced to the Area round, after a dramatic 3-2 win in overtime over Carrollton Creekview in a Bi-District match at Wylie on March 26.

Rockwall-Heath is scheduled to play at Wylie again at 7:30 Thursday in an Area-round match against Wylie East.

GIRLS’ GYMNASTICS: The Lady Hawks won the district championship at home on Thursday, March 26, edging Rockwall 221.40-219.40 in the 2-day event. Garland Lakeview Centennial was third at 218.25.

RHHS’ Morgan Hines placed second all-around, with a first-place finish in the floor exercise, second on the uneven bars and balance beam and fourth in the vault.

Teammate Darion Mellorn was sixth all-around, including fifth on the floor. Ali Johnson was second in the vault, and Maddie Lundell tied for third on the floor.

BASEBALL: Rockwall-Heath won its ninth consecutive game to move into first place alone with a 6-1 victory at Forney on Monday.

The Hawks (13-3 overall, 5-0 in District 12-5A) defeated West Mesquite 12-2 at home on Friday. Forney dropped to 4-1 in the district.

Rockwall County Sports Notes

Fulton School without baseball team

The Fulton School will not have a baseball team this spring, athletic director Mike Morris said.

The Falcons had fielded a team in the previous two seasons. Morris said there weren’t enough players to field a representative team this year.

Fulton’s boys and girls will compete in track and field and in golf.

Heath expands Easter menu of activities

The City of Heath’s Easter Saturday, April 4, celebration will include the Heart of Heath 5k, a new Family Run and fitness activities for all ages. The USATF-certified 5k course will feature a chip-timed start and finish lines. Awards in the 5k will be given to the top three, as well as the top three male and female in each age bracket. The Family Run will feature a one-mile course. Prize drawings and T-shirts will be given while supplies last. Also planned are yoga, piyo, zumba and taekwondo demo classes. Rain or shine, activities will begin with a runners’ warm-up at 8:30 a.m. in Towne Center Park. Runs will begin at 8:30 a.m. Activities will continue until 10:30 a.m. Register online at heathtx.com.

Bulldogs edge Terrell in 10 innings

Royse City’s baseball team worked overtime on Monday to gain fourth place, the last playoff position, in District 12-5A.

Despite producing just four hits in 10 innings, the Bulldogs scored the winning run on a sacrifice fly in the bottom of the 10th for a 3-2 victory over Terrell. The decision also meant that RC (7-3 overall, 3-2 in the district) moved a game ahead of Terrell in the race for a playoff berth.

Carlos Carrillo was the winning pitcher for the Dawns. Dillon Carter hit a double.

Before that, Royse City had won at home over South Garland 12-2 on Tuesday, March 24, but lost to Mesquite Potet 11-5 at Copeland Field on Friday.

Winning pitcher Isaiah Moss also hit a double against South Garland. Five of RC’s 10 hits were doubles, including two each by Marcos Trejo and Antonio Carrillo. Coming back just three days later against Potet, Moss was the losing pitcher.

GIRLS’ SOCCER: RC lost 3-0 to Carrollton Creekview on Thursday, March 26, at Wylie in the playoff’s Bi-District round. The Lady Bulldogs finished their season 10-4-7 overall.

TRACK AND FIELD: Dakar Otis won three individual events to lead the Royse City girls in the Raider Relays at Sunnyvale March 26.

Otis won the 100-meter hurdles in 15.84 seconds, 300 hurdles in 48.94 and high jump at 5 feet.

The Lady Bulldogs’ Alicia Hernandez also placed first, with a time of 13 minutes, 58 seconds in the 3,200-meter run.

RC’s Nathan Giles placed first in the boys’ 400-meter dash in 51.64 and third in the triple jump at 44-2 1/2. The Dawns’ 4X400-meter relay also took first place, in 3:33.08.

SOFTBALL: The week started well for the Lady Bulldogs, with Nora Pisano pitching a one-hitter in a 15-0 victory at home over Terrell on Tuesday.

After that, Royse City (10-8, 4-3) and Pisano took two tough one-run losses to fall into a tie for fourth place with Mesquite Potet.

The Lady Bulldogs’ Lexis Ruff and Shelby Byrne each hit a home run and scored three runs against Terrell. Ruff had five runs batted in, and Byrne had two.

Twelve hits weren’t enough for RC in a 4-3 loss to Potet Wednesday, March 25, at the Mesquite Softball Complex. Byrne and Maddie Sisk each hit a double.

Royse City lost back home on Friday to Rockwall-Heath 6-5. Hannah Williams belted a triple, and Sisk hit a double for the Lady Dawns.

Area News Briefs

Foster care, adoption expo planned

Buckner Children and Family Services, in partnership with other agencies, will host a free foster care and adoption information expo from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 25, at its offices at 5200 Buckner Blvd., Dallas. Information on foster care and adoption options in Texas, including foster-to-adopt, Texas Waiting Children and domestic infant adoption programs, will be offered. In Texas there are more than 31,000 children in foster care, with 2,500 of those in Dallas County alone. Of those children, there are approximately 700 in the DFW area waiting to be adopted. For more details, call Mayra Vargas at 214-319-3455 or email mvgargas@buckner.org.

Clay shoot to benefit SpiritHorse Therapeutic Center

The nonprofit SpiritHorse Therapeutic Center in Corinth is currently raising up shooters and sponsors for a May 16 sporting clay shoot to be conducted at Beaumont Ranch in Grandview. Incentive prizes will be awarded to the first five teams that sign up. The center’s goal is “to assist individuals with special needs in reaching their full potential through interaction with horses.” To sign up to participate, serve as a sponsor or volunteer, email jennifer@spirithorsetherapy.com.

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Mayors’ Prayer Breakfast set May 7

The City of Rockwall will host the Mayors’ Prayer Breakfast beginning at 7:30 a.m. Thursday, May 7, at The Center, 108 E. Washington St., in downtown Rockwall. The event will coincide with the National Day of Prayer and mayors from communities throughout the county are invited to participate. The event will be followed by a Community Noontime Prayer from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the grounds of the Rockwall City Hall, 385 S. Goliad St. Prayers will be offered by pastors and community leaders. The events will not be political, but are organized to “encourage people ... to join their neighbors in a call to pray for our nation ...,” according to the city’s news release.

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Rockwall-Heath HS sports ...

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Winning pitcher Tyler Ivey allowed just three hits. For RHHS, Ryne Randle and Caanan Smith each hit a triple and Kadin Morrow and Clay Sherman had a double apiece.

On Friday, Smith and Tyler Pinkston hit home runs in a 12-2 win over West Mesquite. Clayton Rasberry added a double to support winning pitcher Jordan Ankrum.

SOFTBALL: The Lady Hawks (8-6, 5-2) fell into a tie for second place in the district with Forney. Rockwall-Heath rallied from a 7-5 loss at Forney on Tuesday, March 24, to defeat Royse City 6-5 on Friday and South Garland 20-0 on Monday.

In the loss to the Lady Rabbits, RHHS' 12 hits included a triple by Macy Wilson and doubles by Kay Webster and Sereniti Gary.

Cami Duffey, the losing pitcher at Forney, was the winner against Royse City. Webster had a triple and double, and Madison Leggett hit a double.

TRACK AND FIELD: The Lady Hawks broke the RHHS record in the 4X400-meter relay Friday at the Texas Relays. Their time of 4 minutes, 0.49 seconds was good for 32nd place in the showcase event at the University of Texas in Austin.

Senior Will Herrscher had Rockwall-Heath's best performance, placing sixth in the pole vault at 16 feet, 1 inch.

At Friday's Wylie Pirate Invitational, RHHS senior Maia Zeno won the discus at 114-11.



Hawks Marcos Ramirez (2) stops a Creekview attack, Thurs. March 26, during the Bi-District playoff game at Wylie High School. RHHS defeated Creekview 3-2 in over-time.
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**Rockwall County
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Eisenhower focus of May 8 program

A program on Dwight D. Eisenhower, a native Texan who served as 34th President of the United States, will be offered May 8 as part of the Sheri Stodghill Lecture Series, formerly the Brown Bag Lecture Series, from noon to 1 p.m. in the third floor courtroom at the historic downtown courthouse. Lectures are free and open to the public.

**10th Annual Cars for
CASA set May 17**

The Metro East Division of the Dallas Builders Association will host its 10th Annual Cars for CASA Auto Show at The Harbor on Sunday, May 17, to help raise money for Lone Star CASA. This year's show is expected to feature 250 cars. Among the many vehicles expected will be classic Mustangs and Corvettes, several Shelby Cobras, vintage Pontiac GTOs and many others. Lone Star CASA advocates for children in Rockwall and Kaufman counties. For more details, visit lonestarcasa.org or email carsforcasa@lonestarcasa.org.

**Rockwall Country Fair
set May 30**

The second annual Rockwall Country Fair, hosted by the Rockwall Soroptimists, will run from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. May 30 on the land behind the new county courthouse (bordered by the I-30 service road and Townsend Road). The event will include live music, dancing, vendors, food, a kids zone with rides, vintage games sponsored by nonprofit agencies and other activities. Tickets will be sold for vintage game play, rides and beverages; admission will be free. Sponsorships are available. Visit rockwallcountryfair.com. Proceeds will fund projects benefiting women and children.

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