

# Rockwall County News

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## Rockwall County News Briefs

**Out-to-Lunch Bunch event set Friday**  
 The Out-to-Lunch Bunch event for seniors ages 50 and over will be held Friday at Mi Cocina in the Rockwall area. The cost will be \$7 for Rockwall residents, \$11 for non-residents. Transportation is provided. For more details on this program, visit [rockwall.com/parks](http://rockwall.com/parks).

**Talking Tombstones is next Brown Bag topic**  
 The next Brown Bag Lecture will feature "Talking Tombstones: Rockwall's Past," which has proven to be a crowd favorite. Lectures are presented by the Rockwall County Foundation and are conducted at noon in the courtroom of the historic Courthouse. The events are free and open to the public.

**Homeowner landscape, design school offered**  
 The Homeowner Landscape and Design School sponsored by the Rockwall Master Gardeners of Rockwall and Hunt counties will begin on Friday, Oct. 30 at the Fletcher Warren Civic Center in Greenville. Instruction will begin at 8:30 a.m. Space is limited to 25 households. The \$85 registration fee will cover the full course, landscape handbook, soil sample kit, landscape design, gardening zoning map, plant varieties adapted for the area and individual household consultations. Pre-registration is required by today. E-mail [ascalf@rockwallcountymastergardeners.com](mailto:ascalf@rockwallcountymastergardeners.com) for more details.

**Benefit concert, poker tourney slated**  
 The second Simple Heart Annual Keep It Simple Benefit Concert & Poker Tournament will begin at 7:30 p.m. Friday at the Rockwall Community Center, 2915 S. Spring Street, Dallas. The event will feature Frank in the Middle and A.M. Ramblers. Admission will be free with donation; \$25 buy-in and \$20 re-entrant. All proceeds will benefit Tucker Hamilton and Heart Inc. For more details visit [simpleheart.org](http://simpleheart.org) or e-mail [concert@simpleheart.org](mailto:concert@simpleheart.org).

**Plant, seed swap scheduled**  
 The Rockwall County Master Gardeners will host a Plant and Seed Swap beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday at the Rockwall County Community Garden, 875 Riding Club Road, Rockwall. Area residents are invited to bring unwanted plants and extra seeds in bags or grocery bags to swap; seeds should be in zip-lock bags with labels. A select group of plants from the Community Garden also will be available. Gates open at 8 a.m.

**R'wall Fire Department sets open house**  
 The Rockwall Fire Department will host an open house from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at the city's newest fire station, 2915 S. Spring Street, next to Springer Elementary. Food, fun and fire safety tips will be served up, including the Fire Safety House with sprinkler demonstrations and vehicle extrication and children's activities, including fire engine inspections and bounce houses.

**Eloise's Closet open Saturday**  
 Eloise's Closet will be open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at the Soroptimist House, 1350 E. Washington St., Rockwall. Clothing and accessories will be provided to women seeking employment. Call Brenda Keilers at 214-500-6332 for more information.

**Republican Women plan annual luncheon**  
 The Rockwall County Republican Women's 5th Annual Luncheon is set for Saturday at the Hilton Bella Harbor Hotel, 10000 Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison Blvd. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m.; silent auction, live auction and entertainment are planned. Tickets cost \$30 and may be purchased at the Harbor Post Office, 105 Shoreline Circle, in Rockwall or at the GOP Office, 10500 Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison Blvd., Rockwall. For information visit the club's Web site: [www.rwca-5th.com](http://www.rwca-5th.com).

**FaithBridge Church schedules Oct. 11 launch**  
 FaithBridge Church is preparing for its Sunday public launch. The new church, being launched by the First United Methodist Church in Rockwall, meets at Celia Hays Elementary, 11141 FM 552 and FM 1141. On pre-launch Sundays in November, Sunday school will be at 9:30 a.m., worship at 10:30 a.m. The public is invited to attend pre-launch and public launch events. For more details visit [faithbridgechurch.net](http://faithbridgechurch.net) or e-mail [frank.rahm@frahm@fumerockwall.com](mailto:frank.rahm@frahm@fumerockwall.com).

**Church to offer flu shots**  
 Seasonal flu vaccinations will be offered from noon to 2 p.m. Sunday at the First Christian Church, 3375 Ridge Road, Rockwall, at a cost of \$21 (no cost with Medicare card). Vaccines are provided for individuals ages 12 and older. Other vaccines include pneumococcal, \$47; tetanus, \$40; hepatitis A, \$75; and hepatitis B, \$55. Corporate Health Management, 11141 FM 552, will supply personnel and supplies. To reserve a time, call the church at 972-771-5526 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday or leave contact information.

**RARTA plans Monday gathering**  
 The next Rockwall Area Retired Teachers Association meeting will be at 1:15 p.m. Monday at the RISD Administration Building. A book review by Janice Byrd will be given. RARTA is open to all retired school employees and their guests. For more information call Becky Cecil at 972-771-3362.

**After-school Academy offered at RCP**  
 The Rockwall Community Playhouse offers an hour-long After-school Academy/Musical Theater class each Monday at 4 p.m. for students in grades 1-3 and at 5:15 p.m. for students in grades 4-6. Barbara Doudt is instructor. The After-school Academy/

## Rotarians, Rockwall ISD launch first phase of mentoring program

The Rockwall Noon Rotary Club and the Rockwall Independent School District are teaming up to organize a student-mentoring program.

Recently, more than 100 local residents joined the Rotarians and school district officials in phase one of the programs, which pairs students with mentors. Each mentor commits to giving an hour a week to his or her students to "foster self-esteem, confidence and a motivation to learn and improve personal and social skills," according to Gene Burton, RISD superintendent.

The beginning of the program can be traced back to 1998 when then-Rotary Club president Cindy Tayem asked a fellow club member, Debbie Devine Tudor, to head up a similar effort. The Rockwall Rotary Literary Mentoring program was formed and saw a continual increase in participation.

In 2001 the Rotarians were honored with the District 5810 Service to a New Generation Service Award for the reading/relationship program.

When Barbara Allen was asked to be the 2009-2010 Rotary mentoring coordinator, she immersed herself in recruiting mentors. In just a few weeks she had more than 100 signed on to help serve.

To celebrate the beginning of the new year's mentoring efforts, Allen asked the Rotary Club membership to donate jars of peanut butter and jelly to help stock the Helping Hands food pantry. Members donated more than 600 pounds of peanut butter and jelly and added another \$750 in food pantry donations, a vivid illustration of the Rotary Club's motto - "Service Above Self" - in action.

Rick Reeder, the RISD's mentoring coordinator, said he is not surprised with the number of mentors who have stepped forward.

"It speaks volumes about Rockwall, Texas," he said. "This is an exemplary community with an incredible support system."

Jon Bailey, a Rotarian, mentor and mentor co-coordinator for Springer Elementary said, "If I can make a difference in the life of a child, that's what I want to do."

Another mentor agreed. "You want to make an impact," said Patricia Keegan, whose



More than 100 local residents joined the Rockwall Noon Rotary Club and the Rockwall ISD in the first phase of a student-mentoring program. The concept of such a program was initiated in 1998 when then-Rotary Club president Cindy Tayem launched the effort. Pictured from the left are Barbara Allen, Rotary mentoring coordinator for 2009; Tayem, Rotary president, 1998-99; and Debbie Devine Tudor, the club's first mentoring chairperson.

promptings resulted in her husband, Michael, becoming a member.

The mentoring program is being expanded to include all elementary, middle and high schools within the RISD, with more than 200 students who have been identified that would benefit from a mentoring relationship.

Individuals interested in becoming a mentor should contact Allan at 972-771-8960 or Reeder at 469-698-7058.

For more information visit [rockwallisd.com](http://rockwallisd.com) and click on the "mentoring" button.

## Fate ordinance adjusts water, sewer rates in coming year

by JoAnna Matejka

Most residents of the City of Fate should see reductions in their water bills but increases in sewer bills thanks to action taken by Fate City Council Monday night to adopt a new water and sewer rate ordinance.

The new water-rate system is to encourage conservation, council member K.C. Erwin said.

"The less you use, the less you pay," Erwin said.

Under the new rate system, typical residents with .75 inch meters who use 0-3,000 gallons will see their water bills drop from the minimum \$23 per month to a minimum \$15 for no usage and \$1.86 for each 1,000 gallon increment up to 3,000 gallons.

The new rate system also provides for increases in base-rates for all water-meter sizes and incremental rate increases for those who use more water. For example, those who use between 5,001 and 10,000 gallons will pay \$2.78 per gallon, a little more than a dollar more per thousand gallons than those who use 3,000 gallons or less.

To gradually work toward making up an estimated \$400,000 shortfall in sewer expenses, the city will move toward a system that

charges customers relative to the amount of water they use called "winter averaging."

Residents' new sewer rate will be determined by the average of the number of gallons used in the months of November, December and January, which are historically the lowest water-usage months.

For example, a resident who uses 5,000, 8,000 and 6,000 gallons in those three months would pay a monthly sewer bill for 6,333 gallons used, \$36.08. Those who use only 3,000 gallons will pay \$30.25.

The new rates will begin in November, but since the winter averaging will not take place until January sewer accounts within the city will all be increased to the 3,000-gallon rate of \$30.25.

Residents who have those .75 inch meters and use 3,000 gallons of water each month will see their total water and sewer bill increase just under \$3.

One Fate resident who attended the public hearing commended the council and city manager, Vicki Mikel, for keeping rates low for city residents.

"I can tell you really looked out for us and made sure it wouldn't increase too much," he said.



Participating in the ribbon-cutting ceremonies for the 21st Annual Pumpkin Patch on Saturday were, from the left, Claudette Hatfield, Robert Shaffer, Bill Cecil and Claudette Johnson. The Patch, featuring pumpkins, mums, gourds, ornamental squash, lawn art and deli items, will be open daily from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. through Oct. 31. It is located in the Ridge Road Shopping Center near Brookshires in Rockwall. For full story on opening day, see page 3. Photo by Roy Heath/Rockwall County News

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D.J. Griffin, shown standing in the photo at left, recently was selected as a freshman member of The Pride, the marching band for the University of Oklahoma. The band's first performance was in the new Cowboy Stadium in Arlington at the season-opening Oklahoma vs. BYU football game. The full band will again travel to the Metroplex for the Red River Shootout between OU and the University of Texas on Oct. 17 at the Cotton Bowl. Griffin, a 2009 Rockwall High School graduate, was a four-year member of the Mighty Hawk Band. He is attending OU on a full National Merit scholarship.

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Rockwall High School Stingerettes got a huge round of applause during their performance Friday's football game between the Rockwall Yellowjackets and Rockwall-Heath Hawks. Photo by Roy Heath/Rockwall County News



The FBC MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) group recently conducted its first two meetings school year. As part of one of the meetings, the steering team organized a skit. The skit's players, who took on the role of a stereotypical mom, were, from left, Julie Syvrd (tech-y); Lindsay Mitchell (coupon); and Christy Phillips (coupon). Shown at back row: Hutton (germaphobe); Sarah Koeneman; Amy Cox (hippie); Amy Pope (shopaholic); Heather Laughtery (business); and Allison Autry (rocker). The MOPS coordinator, Rogers, is shown peeking around a door in the back of the photo.

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## VITAS Hospice at Gold Sea

VITAS Innovative Care of Dallas, which served Rockwall and surrounding counties since 1987, recently was awarded the Commission's Gold Seal of Approval.

According to a survey from VITAS Hospice, the mission conducted and announced, on-site evaluation of the hospice in August. VITAS' dedication to excellence in providing the highest quality of care to our patients is a continuous basis. "In becoming a VITAS Innovative Hospice, we were evaluated against national standards. The Commission's team of experts experienced in hospice services, including Zimmermann, senior director for the commission...

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Workshop takes place on Wednesdays beginning at 4 p.m. in grades 1-3 and at 5:15 p.m. for students in grades 4-6. Wadeaux is instructor. Academy tuition is \$100.

**Boys, Girls Club needs volunteers**  
Rockwall County Boys and Girls Club needs volunteers and Applications and resumes are being accepted from interested in serving on the organization's board of directors. Contact Brenda Keilers, 214-500-6332.

**RHS senior fundraiser under way**  
Rockwall High Class of 2010 is conducting its pansy sale now. Pansies are \$1.00 per flat, which will benefit the RHS prom. Colors include yellow, purple or mixed. Orders will be taken at RHS homes or from any RHS senior. Pansies will be delivered to each customer will be eligible for a \$50 Land Art of gift certificate to be given away. For more details contact nina@aol.com or call 972-670-2229.

**Food Pantry needs items**  
Helping Hands Food Pantry currently has a shortage of staple items: oil, flour, peanut butter, jelly, sugar and canned goods. Items can be dropped at Helping Hands' Building A on Williams Street at Rockwall County Library food drive box in the lobby.

**Volunteers needed for upcoming events**  
Volunteers are needed to assist in flu season and Cities Readiness training exercise activities. Groups and individuals are needed to assist in the distribution of seasonal flu and H1N1 publications; participate in mass point of dispensing exercise at Royse City; and participate in Cities Readiness Initiative Training Groups (healthcare, logistics, communications, etc.). Contact Dave Schwartz with the Rockwall County Department at 972-345-5296 for details.

**Library collecting items for food bank**  
Rockwall County Library is working in conjunction with the library to collect food for the North Texas Food Bank. Non-perishable food items may be dropped off in the box near the library's front desk.

**FOL to have Lunch Basket meeting**  
Friends of the Library will conduct the first Lunch Basket meeting of the year beginning at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Rotary Hall. The meeting will be catered by Jose Molina; cost will be \$15. Reservations should be made by Oct. 9 by calling 972-771-8976 or rplaplans65@aol.com.

**Library plans Teen Movie Night**  
Rockwall County Library will host Teen Movie Night from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Tuesday. The 1953 version of "House of Wax" will be featured as part of this teen movie event.

**Police to host Texas Night Out event**  
Rockwall Police Department will host Texas Night Out, a drug prevention event, beginning at 6 p.m. Tuesday. Local residents are encouraged to lock their doors, turn on outside lights and have fun with their neighbors. Block parties, cookouts, flash mobs and youth activities are being planned. Neighborhoods certified as Crime Watch participants. For details call Sgt. Shippy at 972-772-6708 or Sgt. Andy Villarreal at 972-

**Class to focus on basic sewing**  
A basic sewing class will be offered through the Rockwall County Community Ed program from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Oct. 13, 20 and Nov. 3, 10 in Room 2502, RHS. Sewing machines will be provided. Participants should bring fabric and project supplies. Cost is \$40; instructor will be Debbie Devine, a licensed professional seamstress. For more details visit rockwallisd.com.

**Constitution, law study class scheduled**  
A one-kind class, Constitution and Law Study, will run from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Tuesday in the courtroom of the Rockwall Historic Courthouse. The class is said to be "similar to a civics class, but about Constitutional law." Contact Rick Donaldson, 972-7545 or 469-338-1639 for more details.

**Class on 'Divorce Recovery' set**  
A one-hour class on "Divorce Recovery" will be offered by the Rockwall County Community Ed program from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Oct. 13, 15, 20, 22, 27 or 29 in Room 2512. Cost is \$40; instructor will be Debbie Devine, a licensed professional counselor. For more details visit rockwallisd.com.

**Women are focus of financial management course**  
Financial Control: A Financial Management Workshop for Women will be offered by the Rockwall County Community Ed program from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. Oct. 13 or Nov. 5 in Room 2314, RHS. Cost is \$15; instructor will be "Frannie" Gardner, CFP, CFE, CDFP. For more details visit rockwallisd.com.

**RHHS plans homecoming cookout**  
The class of 2010 of Rockwall-Heath High School will host a homecoming cookout on Wednesday immediately following the homecoming parade. Hamburgers, hot dogs, brats, drinks and candy will be served prior to the entertainment. The event will be located on the tennis courts on the way to the football field. For more details call Cristi Hudecek at 214-668-1084.

**Girl Scouts seek donated items for garage sale**  
Girl Scout Troop 8969 will have a garage sale fundraiser from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Oct. 17 at Amy Parks-Heath Elementary, 330 Lawrence Drive, Heath. Funds will go toward earning badges and uniforms.

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Poetry Community Christian School second-grade teacher Audrey Michaels is pictured with Mei Lin Beilman, Morgan Horan, Maddie Broshous and Jay Triscitti during Fit-For-Life exercises at the school. The Fit-For-Life Challenge, issued by the Cooper Institute of Dallas, was funded through a renewing grant last year as part of the institute's Activity Gram program for students in grades K through 12. The grant provides fitness and physical education equipment and end-of-term awards. This year, the school has stepped up its efforts to meet the Cooper challenge. Each day elementary school students and teachers break out in aerobic and strength-building exercises at 10:15 a.m. Students in the upper grades do daily laps prior to recesses and lunch breaks. The challenge also was extended to teachers, who received new pedometers as part of their challenge to get healthier and receive monetary rewards.

troop activities. Items left over after the sale will benefit the local Goodwill. To donate items to the sale contact Kelly Stine at 972-772-4047 or Jennifer Pihlstrom at 972-722-8049. For item pick-up, call by Wednesday.

**Teen Writers to meet Wednesday**  
The teen writers group will meet from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Rockwall County Library. Those planning to participate should bring samples of their writing to share with the group.

**Women's League plans first evening meeting**  
The Rockwall Women's League will observe its first evening meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the home of Stacy Maul. Theme will be "Treasures From Home," and members will bring treasures from home to have them evaluated for worth. For more information on the meeting, call Amy Butler at 214-763-9614.

**American Legion meeting planned**  
The Rockwall American Legion quarterly dinner meeting, with a presentation by Homeland Security, will begin at 6 p.m. Thursday at the Harry Myers Park Community Building. An unclassified Homeland Security intelligence briefing by an officer of the agency will follow the dinner and social hour. All veterans are welcome.

**Library to host Fall Film Festival**  
The Rockwall County Library's Fall Film Festival will run from 6 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. Thursday. Ridley Scott's PG-rated "The Duelists" will be screened. Refreshments will be served in the meeting room prior to the screening.

**Retirement planning course offered**  
"Retirement Planning Today" will be offered by the Rockwall ISD Community Ed program from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Oct. 15 & 22 or Oct. 20 & 27 in the RHS Lecture Hall. Couples may attend together for a single registration fee. Cost is \$59; instructor is Don Morrison. For more details visit rockwallisd.com.

**Hall will address DAR meeting**  
U.S. Rep. Ralph M. Hall will speak at the 10 a.m. Nov. 7 National Defense Brunch meeting of the Rock Wall Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution at the Rotary Hall, 408 S. Goliad, Rockwall. Brunch will be served at 10:30 a.m., and funds, phone cards, gift cards, toys and comfort items for DAR-supported schools and veterans at the Sam Rayburn Veterans Center will be collected. To make a reservation, send a \$16 check to Rock Wall Chapter NSDAR, Carol Skoglund/Treasurer, 7129 Holden Drive, Rockwall, TX 75087 by Thursday. Seating is limited. For more details call Faye Heil at 972-771-3033 or e-mail fsheil2004@sbcglobal.net.

**Library plans special needs story time**  
The Rockwall County Library will have a story time designated for children with special needs at 11:15 a.m. Oct. 16. Visual aids and cues will be utilized to assist children with transitions. Story-related activities will incorporate fine and gross motor skills while encouraging interaction. A speech language pathologist, occupational therapist and physical therapist will present the program. For more details or to RSVP, contact Doreen Miller at 972-204-7740 or e-mail damiller@rockwallcountytx.com.

**Girl Scouts plan fundraising garage sale**  
Girl Scout Troop 8969 will have a garage sale fundraiser from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Oct. 17 at Amy Parks-Heath Elementary, 330 Lawrence Drive, Heath.

**FunFest slated for Oct. 17**  
The Royse City Chamber's 20th Annual FunFest will take place on Oct. 17, with a children's carnival, live bands, arts and crafts booths, food vendors, karaoke contest, Little Mr. and Miss Royse City Pageant and other contests. Other events include the Stick Robinson Memorial Fun Run, Boy Scout pancake breakfast, Girl Scout spaghetti dinner and an outdoor concert. For details or to reserve vendor space call 972-636-5000.

**Women's group plans rummage sale**  
The annual rummage sale in the parking lot of the First Christian Church of Rockwall will take place from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Oct. 17; no early sales please. The event serves as a fundraiser for the many charities funded by the Disciples Women's Group. The church is located at 3375 Ridge Road, about 1.4 mile south of I-30. Call 972-771-5526 for more details.

**Habitat returning to Royse City**  
Habitat for Humanity is returning to Royse City and is in need of families, church groups, businesses or other organizations interested in providing lunches, breakfast or drinks (cases of bottled water, sports drinks, sodas) for volunteer work crewmembers. Food is needed for 20 to 40 workers per day, depending on the work load, on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Construction begins Oct. 17 and will run through March 2010. For more details call Mike Humphrey at 972-978-4143 or e-mail volunteer.coordinator@yahoo.com.

**RCP Christmas pageant auditions set**  
The Rockwall Community Playhouse will conduct auditions for the upcoming Christmas pageant at 1 p.m. Oct. 17 and 1 p.m. Oct. 18 at

## Patch observes grand opening

Ribbon-cutting ceremonies marking the opening of the 21st Annual Pumpkin Patch, known affectionately as The Patch, were conducted Saturday morning at the Ridge Road Shopping Center location near Brookshires.

Several government officials were on hand for the evening, including State Rep. Jodie Laubenberg; Rockwall Mayor Bill Cecil and his wife, Becky; Bruce Beaty and his wife, Nancy; and Tom Hughes, administrative assistant for Congressman Ralph Hall, who was out of town and unable to attend. Boy Scout Troop 83 representatives Dr. Ken Bernal, scout master, and scouts Chasten West, Will Orr and Ryan Johnston placed flags on the site, and the Rockwall Stingerettes performed.

Also attending the grand opening were many members of the Friends of the Library and the Council of Catholic Women, co-sponsors for the event. Darlene Bealmeier, FOL president, served as mistress of ceremonies.

Recognition was given to the Patch Steering Committee and the many volunteers who helped make this year's event possible. Others lauded for their support included the Knights of Columbus, Rockwall Women's League, Rockwall Area Retired Teachers, Noon Rotary, Daughters of the American Revolution, Rockwall Police Officers Association and Raymond and Elizabeth Cameron. Also recognized were students and volunteers of the National Honor Society and Rockwall leaders and football players who assisted in unloading the more than 50,000 pounds of pumpkins and more than 650 mum plants.

The Pumpkin Patch founders also were recognized. The Patch will be open daily from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. through Oct. 31. Items offered include pumpkins, mums, gourds, ornamental squashes, lawn art and deli items (pumpkin butter, jalapeño jelly, peppered pickles and candied jalapeños).

A children's story time will be offered at 11 a.m. each Saturday, with a come-and-go project set for noon to 4 p.m. The Hay Maze also will be available to youth any time. Other special Saturday events will be offered. For more details, visit rockwallpumpkinpatch.com.

the RCP. Children and adult actors are needed. Visit the RCP Web site for detailed information.

**Farm Bureau convention planned**  
The Rockwall County Farm Bureau directors and agents are inviting all local Farm Bureau members to the annual county convention from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Oct. 17. For further details call 972-771-6936.

**Drummers for Jesus event set**  
Drummers for Jesus will enjoy a night of dining, guest speakers and music from the Sean McCurley Trio and other guest artists beginning at 7 p.m. Oct. 19 in Room C100 of the Lake Pointe Church. E-mail bensoncarlos@hotmail.com for more details.

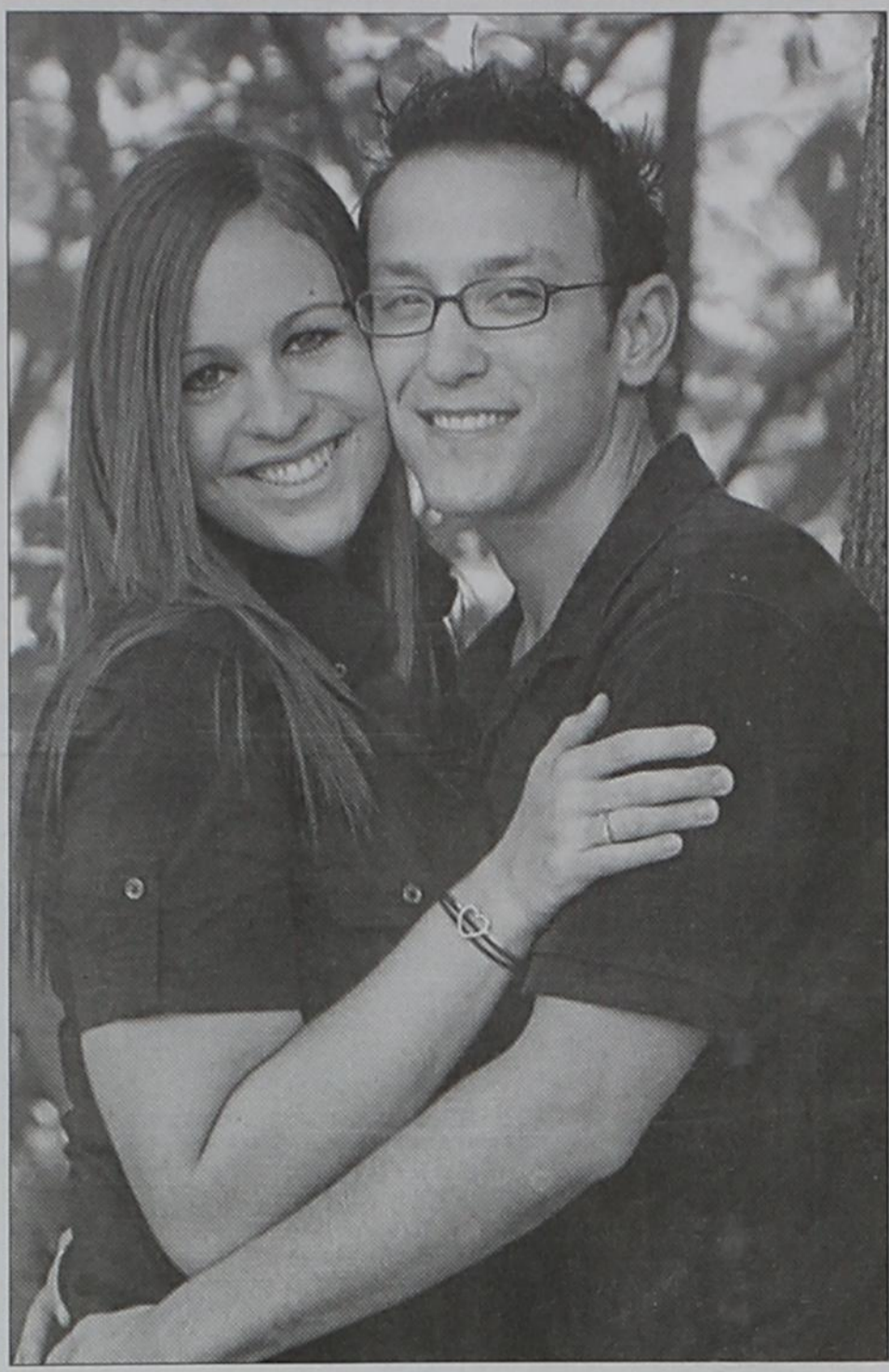
**Teen Movie Night offers 'Frightfest'**  
The Rockwall County Library's Teen Movie Night "Frightfest" continues with a screening of "House on Haunted Hill" from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Oct. 20.

**Class to focus on couponing**  
Couponing 101 will be offered from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Oct. 20, Nov. 19 or Dec. 1 in Room 2310, RHS. The course, sponsored by the Rockwall ISD Community Ed program, will explore finding coupons, organization, local store policies, how to spot deals and stockpiling. Cost is \$35; Angela Johnson will serve as instructor. For more details visit rockwallisd.com.

**Financial management workshop offered**  
The Rockwall ISD Community Ed program will offer a class entitled "The Complete Financial Management Workshop" from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Oct. 20 or Nov. 3 in Room 2314, RHS. Frances "Frannie" Gardner, CFP, CFE, CDFP will instruct the two-hour course. Cost is \$15. For more details visit rockwallisd.com.

**Teen anime group to meet**  
The teen anime group will meet from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Oct. 21 at the Rockwall County Library.

**Celebrating Women luncheon planned**  
Baylor Health Care System Foundation will host its 10th annual Celebrating Women luncheon benefiting research, community outreach and expanded technology for the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of breast cancer at 11:45 a.m. Oct. 22 at the Hilton Anatole Hotel, Dallas. For details call 214-820-4500.



## Tessa Etter to marry Aaron Shaner Nov. 7

Charles and Linda Etter of Rockwall are proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Tessa Carmen Etter, to Aaron Thomas Shaner, son of Rob and Donna Pfluge of Rowlett. The bride-elect is a magna cum laude graduate of Texas A&M University where she received her Bachelor of Science degree in sociology and criminal justice. She is employed as a production assistant for the editorial department at IRMI, a publishing firm in North Dallas. The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Rockwall High School and works as an inside sales and marketing associate for the national accounts team at Interstate Batteries in North Dallas. The outdoor wedding will take place on Nov. 7, 2009, at Stonebridge Country Club in McKinney. Following a honeymoon in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico, the couple will reside in Rowlett.



Stephen Lee and Whitney Elise (Stafford) Wherry of Rockwall are proud to announce the birth of a son, Gaige Michael Wherry, at 7:58 p.m. April 30, 2009, at Rockwall Presbyterian. The infant weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces, and was 22 inches long at birth. Maternal grandparents are Dave Stafford and Stephanie Pritt of Rockwall. Paternal grandparents are Ron Wherry and Delores Wherry of Rockwall. Maternal great-grandparents are Don and Judy Myers of McKinney, and paternal great-grandparents are Ewell and Linda Sue Jones of Lewisburg, Tenn.

## Lake Pointe Health Network observes October Breast Cancer Awareness Month, urges women to 'Picture Yourself Healthy'

Lake Pointe Health Network has developed a novel approach to help women focus on their breast health this October. The hospital asks women to "Picture Yourself Healthy," encouraging each to take the one picture that could save her life – a mammogram.

Picture Yourself Healthy was created by Lake Pointe Medical Center and its sister hospitals as part of a national campaign to promote early detection and testing that could save the lives of the approximately 180,000 women who are expected to be diagnosed with breast cancer this year.

"Picture Yourself Healthy is about more than just remembering to get a mammogram," said Tracy Sifuentes, Director of Radiology with the Lake Pointe Health Network. "It is about women keeping themselves in the picture and making their health just as much of a priority as are their families and careers."

In support of the campaign, Lake Pointe Health Network will be offering many extended weekday and Saturday hours for appointments during the month of October at each of its imaging locations in Rowlett, Rockwall and Forney. To schedule a digital mammogram today, call 1-866-424-5362 for available dates and times. A small gift (a \$6.00 value – while supplies last) will be provided to those women having a mammogram at a Lake Pointe facility during the month of October.

"All of our imaging locations offer fully digital mammography, providing you with the latest in breast imaging technology," explains Sifuentes. "These electronic images are reviewed using high-resolution monitors, which allow the radiologist to adjust the brightness, change the contrast, and zoom in for close-ups of specific areas of interest. Coupled with digital CAD (computer aided detection), essentially a second set of eyes for the radiologists, abnormal tissue areas are flagged to assist the radiologist in the early detection of breast cancer. And, in addition to digital mammography, we offer breast MRI, as well as stereotactic, ultrasound-guided and MRI-guided breast biopsy."

According to the American Cancer Society, more than 1,500 people die each day in the U.S. from cancer. Approximately 559,650 Americans are expected to succumb to the disease this year – one of every four deaths nationwide. Breast cancer is a leading cause of cancer deaths among women.

## Abbott speaks with local conservatives

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott spoke at the Rockwall County Library and entertained a variety of questions from more than 40 concerned citizens at an event hosted Saturday by the Rockwall County Conservatives and Coffee organization.

Abbott addressed the need to take the upcoming elections seriously and get out the vote in Rockwall County to boost performance in statewide races for candidates who believe in limited government and fiscal responsibility. He used the federal government as an example of problems with excessive debt pointing out that the only two ways to eliminate the accumulated deficit will be by increasing taxes or printing money to inflate it away, both of which will have economic consequences for businesses and consumers.

The AG said Texas has traditionally had a good business climate because we don't have an income tax, do have a good regulatory climate and maintain the right to work environment. When asked if job creation has been observed, he replied that Texas not only is creating jobs, but has actually created more than all other states combined in the last year and that many people are moving here from other states because of jobs.

Rockwall city councilman Mark Russo served as master of ceremonies and refreshments were provided by Texas Roast coffeehouse.

## Holiday Market event set Oct. 24

Rockwall County Helping Hands will present "The Holiday Market – Where Fall and Christmas Collide" on Oct. 24 at 950 Williams St.

The event, which will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., will offer "the ultimate holiday shopping experience for bargain hunters and decorators," according to a news release. A truckload of holiday decorations, all affordable, has been set aside for the market event, which will include "pre-loved holiday merchandise."

Sidelining the outdoor shopping will be puppeteer Sharon McLean, who will entertain children beginning at 10 a.m. Breakfast and lunch will be available at the Chiloso Mexican Bistro stand, and indoor shopping at the Thrift Store and Boutique also will be offered.

As part of its go-green initiative, the Thrift Store no longer stocks sacks, so those planning to shop should bring their own bags.

Holiday Market is a fundraiser for Helping Hands, a nonprofit critical assistance agency serving Rockwall County residents.

For more information call 972-771-HELP.

## RHS PTA plans arts, crafts show

The Rockwall High School PTA will host a Fall and Holiday Arts & Crafts Show from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 14 at the high school.

The show will include "treats and treasures," including unique handcrafted home décor and holiday gift items.

A large number of booths is planned, each overflowing with one-of-a-kind items, including custom ordering and personalized pieces.

Admission will be \$1 per person.

## Meals on Wheels needs funding, drivers

Five days a week, dedicated Meals on Wheels volunteers deliver meals and friendship to Rockwall County senior citizens and disabled individuals who need assistance.

These people often are struggling with health issues, some of them severe, and usually have no means of transportation, which can make it difficult for them to obtain nutritious food for themselves.

In some instances, MOW volunteers are the only human contact some of these individuals have in a day, and the volunteers often provide safety checks to help ensure the well-being of the MOW client. The volunteers are the "eyes and ears" of MOW and sometimes alert the program to additional needs a client might have.

Each volunteer usually picks one day a week to come in and deliver an assigned route. Some drivers have delivered the same route for years, developing long-lasting friendships with their clients.

The program has realized a shortage in delivery drivers in recent months, but the community has met the need, with volunteers coming in from local churches and civic and service clubs.

A licensed dietician designs meals prepared for the MOW clients, and currently 120 meals are served daily. That total is about 28,000 for the year.

The MOW mission is to keep the elderly living in their homes for as long as possible.

Eligibility for the program is based on health, age and disability, not income. Recipients are encouraged to donate money to cover the cost of each daily meal; however, many cannot afford to do so.

MOW is the primary program of the Rockwall County Committee on Aging, which is funded by local, state and federal programs. The program does not receive funding from Helping Hands or United Way.

As a result of the recent economic downturn, the nonprofit 501-c3 program has realized a significant reduction in its funding. Financial contributions are needed. All donations are tax-deductible.

The MOW office is located in the Helping Hands Complex, Building C. Stop by and volunteer, make a donation or sign up for meals.

Donations may be made out to Rockwall County Committee on Aging Meals on Wheels and mailed to 950 Williams St., Bldg. C, Suite 200, Rockwall, TX 75087. The program's telephone number is 972-771-9514.

## Pumpkin fundraiser for Helping Hands

Brookshire's grocery store in Rockwall is once again donating 10 percent of all October pumpkin sales to Rockwall County Helping Hands.

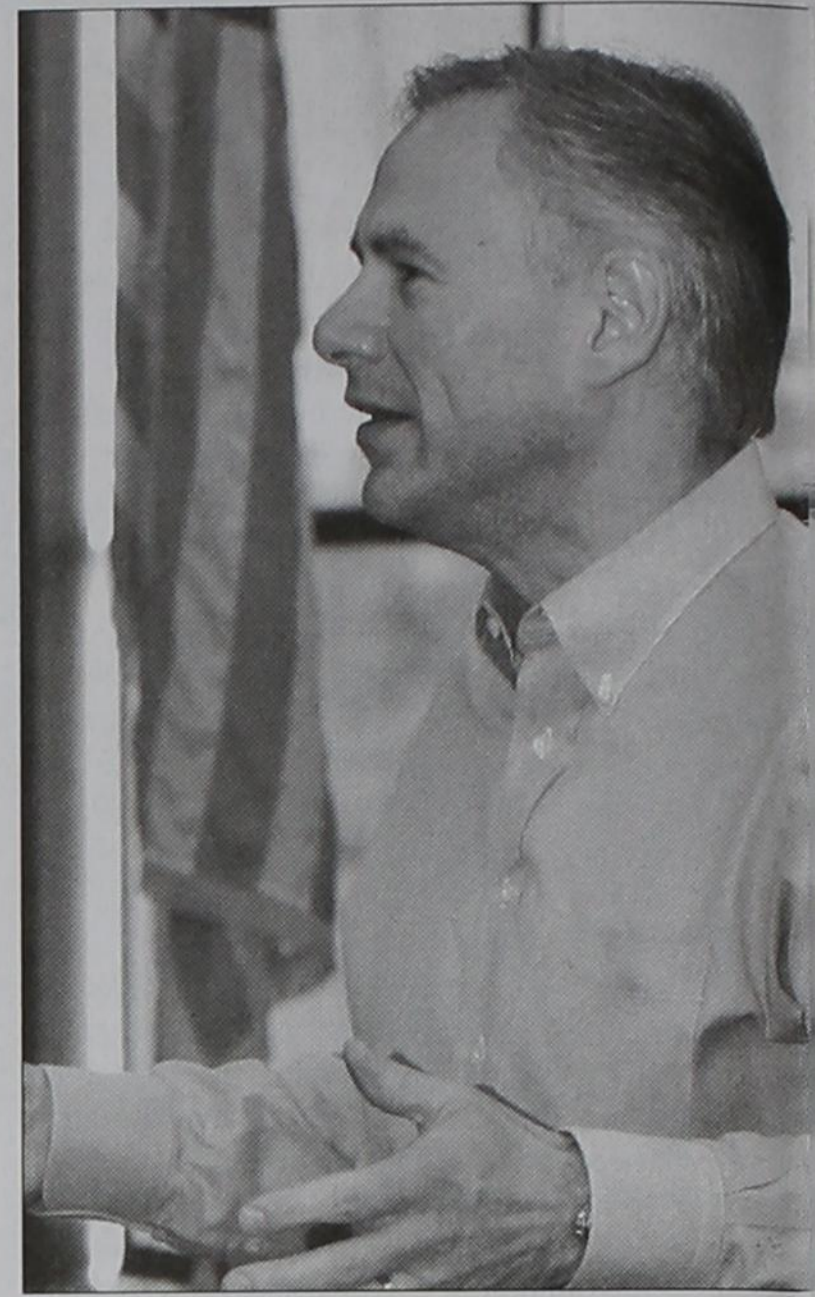
In 2008, Helping Hands provided a record 14,868 bags of food to clients, 4,800 bags more than in 2007. The agency expects another record-breaking year in 2009 due to the harsh economic times.

Brookshire's Manager David Pike is coordinating the pumpkin fundraiser.

Rockwall County Helping Hands is a non-profit agency that has served the community for more than 30 years. It offers critical assistance in critical times for residents by providing a Food Pantry, assistance with utilities and shelter and the Health Center – an affordable medical home for all residents. It also operates the Rockwall and Roysse City Thrift Stores, which provide revenue to help operate the agency and clothing and household items for clients.

For more information, to volunteer or to make a financial or thrift store donation, call 972-771-HELP.

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Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott

## Land use focus of Tuesday M-C city council meeting

by Jo Anna Matejka

At next Tuesday's regular meeting, members of the Chisholm city council expect to hear from both the city and zoning committee and from developers, United Engine

At its last regular meeting, council bumped consideration of establishment of a downtown district and a parks plan

According to city manager Dave Butler, the city's comprehensive plan and land-use chart are dynamic documents which change over time to suit the will of the residents and the city.

City council has worked on the documents for several years, but has been focusing on the downtown issue for more than a year, or Mike Donegan said.

Earlier in September, council members called for an early shop with planning and zoning to study the issue.

"This issue is critical to the city," councilmember Matt said. "We're talking land use, your talking business, people here now, people who may come here in the future."

Mayor pro-tem Steve Hatfield suggested the council articulate more general vision, not designating a specific location for town district and possibly only using the land-use change of types of business that would be wanted along with zoning guidelines.

"We can be non-specific enough," Hatfield said.

For now, council will be working with planning and zoning to decide whether a downtown district should be located in the current general business district along State Hwy. 205, or somewhere else and if it has to be on the map at all.

Council members will also be considering whether the city enter into a developer agreement with United Engineering asking the city to annex 1200 acres on the city's northeast side as the Koch property.

According to Hatfield, annexing the development would give city control what is next to the city limits and protect the city from the city, but since that time, it has been a hurdle is agreeing on housing density. The city's current plan on rural-style residences on lots of 1.5 acres or more.

If the development is annexed, it could provide a future area and an area for commercial development, Hatfield said.

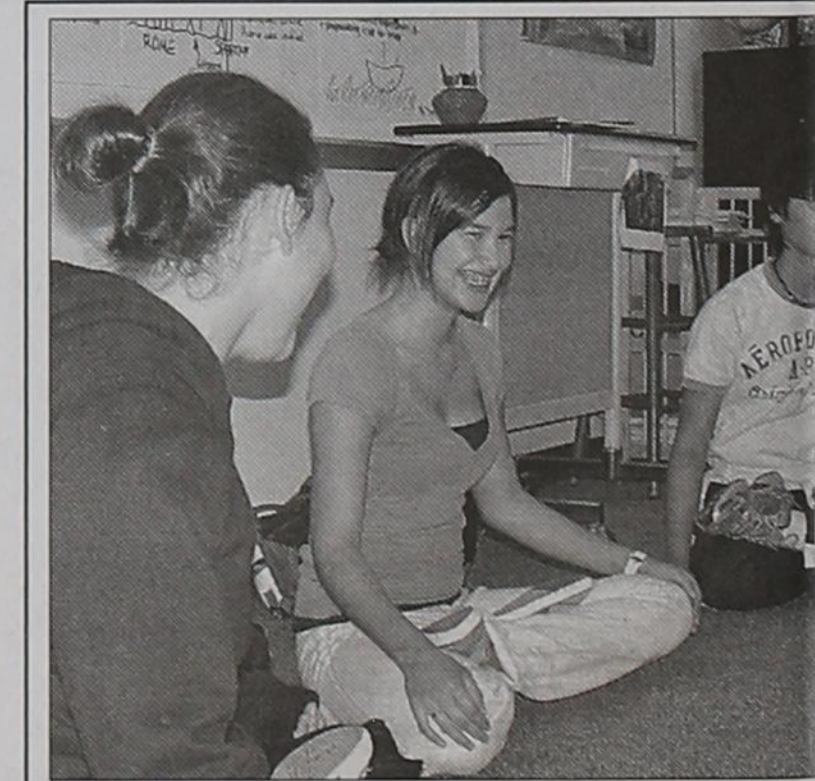
The council's next meeting will be Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at 1248 S. State Hwy. 205.

## Women's League adds six new members

The Rockwall Women's League added six new members at its September meeting.

In keeping with tradition, new members introduced themselves to the membership by creating a skit and performing it at the meeting. To coincide with this year's Fall Social theme, "RWL Idol," new members introduced themselves as RWL Idol judges.

New members are Katie Brewer, Jessica Grundeman, Glidewell, Cathy Bedsole, Deidra Roe and Jane Buie.



Members of the Rockwall High School Yoga Club meet for morning sessions in Becky Elliston's room. Pictured are Lauren Torres Reyes and Eugene Kim, who report being in their classes after enjoying early morning stretching sessions. Clubs are an integral part of RHS. Not only do clubs allow students to interact and enjoy fellowship, but also learn valuable leadership and organizational skills. RHS offers more than 50 teacher-sponsored organizations and clubs.

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# Royse City plays host to Cowgirl Roundup

Annual Cowgirl Roundup was conducted over the weekend at the S Arena in Royse City. Over 56 riders, almost triple the number of participants from last year, participated. Participants came from Arkansas, Mississippi, Washington, Oregon and from throughout Texas. According to results provided by roundup coordinators, the winners were:

**Branch sorting** – Alicia Elliott, Rockwall County News circulation manager, first place; Laura Besse, Neighborsgo community coordinator, second; Angela Chambers, Plano/Murphy editor, third place; Dawn Redig, Rockwall/Rowlett/City Neighborsgo editor, fourth; and Lisa Zimmerman, Neighborsgo editor, fifth place.

**Trainers** – Renee Grider, Sulphur Springs; Belle Mallette, Okla.; Sharol Peddicord, Yamhill, Oregon; Trisha Andress, Rockwall, first place team (each team members received a check and \$375); Zee Sykes, Royse City; Amanda Patterson, Miss.; and Lea Hawkins and Andi Dickerson, both of Royse City (each received custom-made stirrups and \$225); and Tracy Hill, Garland; Heather Hughes of Princeton

and Melissa Bryant, Sulphur Springs, third place (each received an embroidered Bar S halter and \$150); Debbie Rowe of McKinney, Julia Teskey of Aubrey and Terry and Cindy Hinojosa of Bartonville, fourth place (each received a feed bag); and Deanne Bouska of Blue Ridge; Kathleen Hooten of Commerce; Michelle Bakke of Little Rock, Ark.; and Mona Lisa Patterson of Bothell, Wash., fifth place (each received a Cavender's gift certificate).

- First place, Pasture Penning – Renee Grider, Sulphur Springs; Belle Mallette, Blanchard, Okla.; Sharol Peddicord, Yamhill, Oregon; and Trisha Andress, Rockwall
- First place, Barrel Racing – Kathy Gibbs and Tracy Hill, Garland; Heather Hughes of Princeton and Melissa Bryant, Sulphur Springs
- First place, Arena Sorting – Deanne Bouska of Blue Ridge; Kathleen Hooten of Commerce; Michelle Bakke of Little Rock, Ark.; and Mona Lisa Patterson of Bothell, Wash.
- First place, Calf Race – Renee Grider, Sulphur Springs; Belle Mallette, Blanchard, Okla.; Sharol Peddicord, Yamhill, Oregon; and Trisha Andress, Rockwall
- First place, Horse Race – Rachael Helvey, Greenville; L.D. Garrison, Hawkins; Mary Fowler, Arp; and Elisha Sawyer, Quitman.



Alicia Elliott, circulation manager for the Rockwall County News, took first place in the Celebrity Ranch Sorting competition against other media representatives at Saturday's Cowgirl Roundup at the Bar S Ranch in Royse City. Photo Courtesy of Donny Elliott/Rockwall County News

## Jack James is JP candidate in Republican primary

Rockwall County Commissioner Jack James has announced his candidacy for Rockwall County Justice of the Peace, District 4, in the March primary.



Jack James

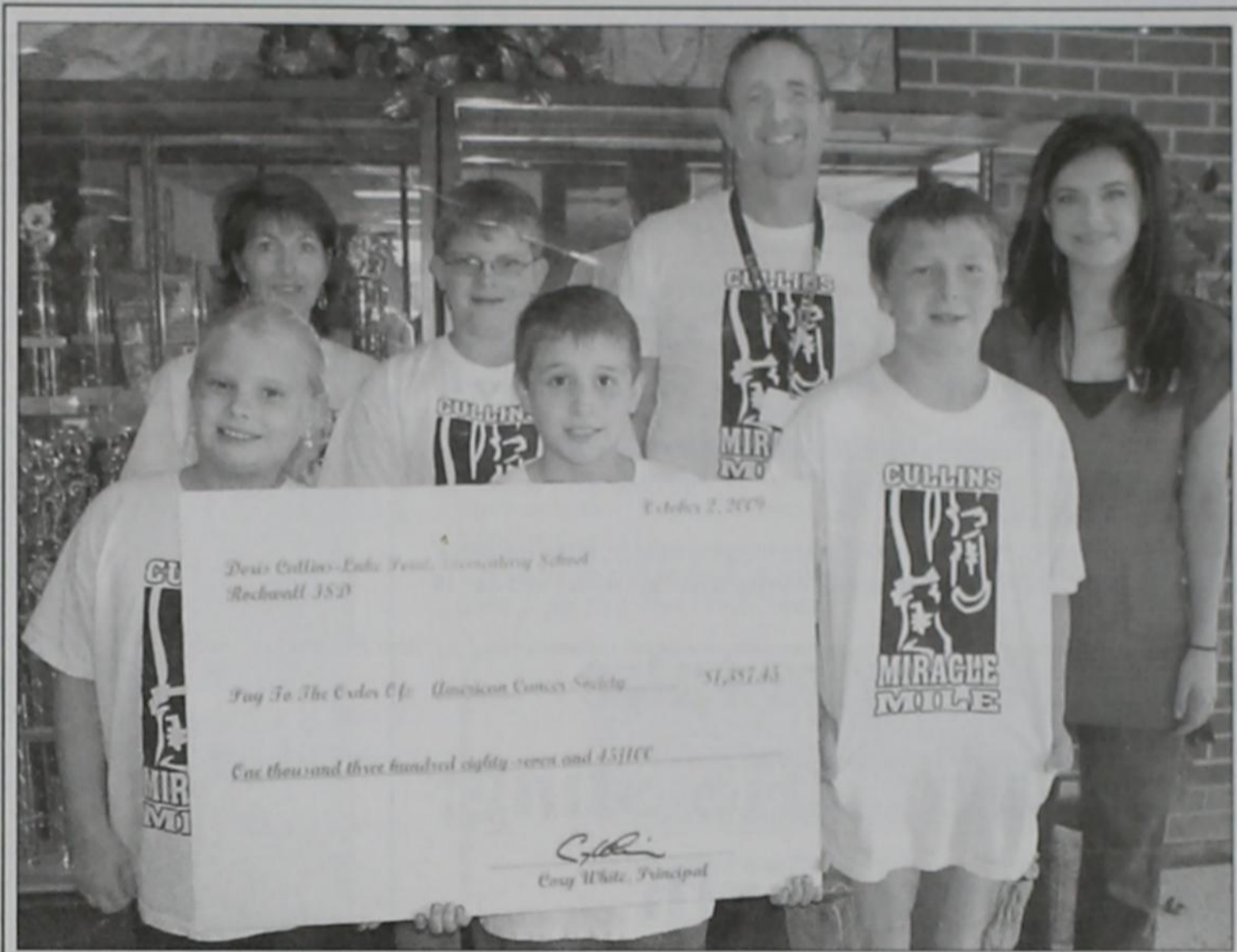
James said he wants to serve the people of Royse City, Fate and Rockwall in a fair and honest manner. "I have no hidden agenda and no desire for personal gain. I do have a set of values which I believe will benefit our great county for the long term."

James said, "I know how to resolve conflict, deal with complaints and make personnel and fiscal decisions that affect many people with different points of view. As Rockwall County continues to grow, these skills will directly transfer to the role of justice of the peace. I have been a public servant my entire adult life and would be honored to serve the people of Royse City, Fate and Rockwall."

A graduate of the University of South Florida with a Bachelor of Arts degree in education, James completed the Executive Fire Officer Program at the National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg, Md., and holds a Master Fire-fighter Certification from the Texas Commission on Fire Protection.

James and his family have deep roots in the community, having lived in Rockwall County for more than 30 years. James' wife of 31 years, Judy, has been a Rockwall Independent School District teacher for more than 14 years and his daughter-in-law, Lindsey Qualls James, is also a Rockwall teacher. His son, Justin James, is a firefighter for the City of Mesquite, and daughter Jennifer James is a CPA/auditor in Dallas.

They are members of Lake Pointe Church.



Cullins-Lake Pointe Elementary School representatives presented \$1,387.45 to Denise Hodges, community manager for development with the American Cancer Society's Dallas office last week. The school conducted a campus-wide service project for the ACS, The Cullins Miracle Mile, to raise the money. Shown are, back row, from the left, teacher Lalene Morrison; sixth grade student Joshua Allen; Cory White, principal; and Hodges. At front are fourth grade student Rebekah Allen; fourth grade student Daniel Chipman; and sixth grade student Ty Thompson. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

## Rockwall County Letters to the Editor

We encourage the submission of Letters to the Editor. The content of letters is at the sole discretion of the editor and will be considered libelous or an attack on an individual's character or will be rejected, as well as those promoting candidates. Letters must be signed and include a return address for verification.

### Historic Royse City home demolished

A bulldozer parked police car prevented any interference, a bulldozer demolished the tall white two-story historic home hidden in the trees off Highway 66 and Josephine. The former owner had meticulously restored a brick circular drive and began restoration for a B&B in the 1990's, but since that time, it had deteriorated. A day care center that moved in next door last year saw the structure destroyed with little regard to the history of the home.

As small towns are disappearing from the Texas landscape, Royse City is seeing the kind of progress that will soon move it from a charming small "home town" to a bedroom community filled with modern housing additions. It is a real loss to the residents, but will scarcely be felt by the citizens who are away on the weekends, having never stepped foot in the real town except for FunFest or the Christmas Parade.

City manager explained the home was not in the historic district and did not fall under those restrictions for demolition.

Comelius, Royse City

### Season Bazaar at FUMC Rockwall Nov. 7

Mark your calendars – Saturday, Nov. 7 is the date for the annual Season Bazaar, Arts and Crafts Fair at First United Methodist Church in Rockwall.

The year's Fair will feature stylish handmade crafts and home decor items, plus yummy baked goods and huge Texas baking specialties, approximately fifty vendors with their own special items will be in the main building. The Cafe will again offer the best homemade items no one can resist!

Proceeds from the Bazaar, as well as vendor booth rental fees and a minimal \$1 admission charge, go to the mission work of the church. The Church is located at 1200 E. Yellow Jacket Lane, downtown from the new Rockwall Library.

### FUMC of Heath plans Fall Bazaar

First United Methodist Church of Heath will host its annual Fall Bazaar beginning at 8:30 a.m. Oct. 31.

The bazaar will open with a breakfast of sweet rolls, juice and coffee. The church will be handcrafted items for sale. Items include, catfish, hushpuppies, slaw, French fries, dessert and more. The bazaar will be served courtesy of the United Methodist Men.

The bazaar's raffle is an outdoor set, which includes a pair of handcrafted Adirondack chairs made by Brett and Cassie Thames. Raffle tickets are currently available at the church office; the winner need not be present to win.

Events scheduled for the day include a children's area, Country Kitchen (baked goods, jams, jellies, etc.), live and acoustic music and a garage sale.

The church is located at 140 Smirl Drive. For more information visit fumcheath.org.

## Auditions, youth classes on Rockwall Community Playhouse fall schedule

The Rockwall Community Playhouse has filled its new season schedule with a variety of classes and productions sure to brighten up even the dreariest of fall days.

The two children's After School Academy classes, including Musical Theater and Acting Workshop, began this week but will continue to accept last minute sign ups for a limited time.

**The After School Academy - Musical Theater** meets each Monday. First grade through 3rd grade meets each week from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.; 4th through 6th grades meet each week from 5:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.

The instructor is Barbara Doudt. Tuition for the Musical Theater Academy is \$100.

**After School Academy - Acting Workshop**, meets each Wednesday. Ages 1st through 3rd grades meet each week from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.; ages 4th through 6th grades meet each week from 5:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.

The instructor is Aimee Thibodeaux. Tuition for the Acting Workshop is \$100.

**Best Christmas Pageant Ever**

Auditions for "Best Christmas Pageant Ever" are at 1 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 17, or at 1:00 Sunday, Oct. 18, at the Rockwall Community Playhouse. This production has a big cast with many children's parts and parts for adults. A detailed list of parts and ages needed can be found on the Playhouse website at [www.rockwallcommunityplayhouse.org](http://www.rockwallcommunityplayhouse.org).

In this hilarious Christmas tale, a couple struggling to put on a church Christmas pageant is faced with casting the Herdman kids - probably the most inventively awful kids in history. Mayhem and fun ensue when the Herdmans collide with the Christmas story head on.

The show is a comedy appropriate for general audiences. Stacey Klutz will direct. Performances will be Nov. 27, 28, 29 and Dec. 4, 5, 6, 11, 12, 13, 2009.

**Nonsense**

Auditions will also be held for five women's parts and one understudy for the musical production of "Nonsense."

Auditions are one day only, at 1 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 7, at the Playhouse. Those wishing to try for a part must have great singing voice, be proficient at singing close harmony, and able to move well (auditions will not include a dance audition). You must also prepare an up-tempo song in your key for the audition and bring sheet music. Selections should be no longer than 32 measures each. Long verses or repeated choruses are not recommended. A piano accompanist will be provided.

A picture and resume are also required and those who audition should be prepared to participate in cold readings from the script.

According to the RCP website, in the show, five of the 19 surviving Little Sisters of Hoboken discover that their cook, Sister Julia, Child of God, accidentally killed the other fifty-two residents of the convent with her tainted vichyssoise. With the deceased nuns on ice in the deep freeze, they decide to stage a variety show in the Mount Saint Helen's School. Participating in the project are Mother Superior Mary Regina, a former circus performer who can't resist the spotlight; her competitive but dignified rival, second-in-command Sister Mary Hubert; Sister Robert Anne, a streetwise nun from Brooklyn; Sister Mary Leo, a novice who is determined to be the world's first ballerina nun, and wacky, childlike Sister Mary Amnesia, who lost

her memory when a crucifix fell on her head.

The musical is designated for general audiences and will be directed by Darlene Singleton. Performances will be Feb. 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 19, 20 and 21, 2010.

The Rockwall Community Playhouse is located at 609 E. Rusk.

### 'Wild About Hartman' fundraiser Saturday

Grace Hartman Elementary is promoting families and health and putting the "fun" back in "fundraising" with its 2009 fall fundraiser, the "Wild About Hartman Wacky Obstacle Challenge." The event will begin at 8 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 10, at Harry Myers Park. Get wild and get wacky as you slip, slide, crawl and bop your way through fun and challenging obstacles like the 50-foot slip and slide, the body bopper and the hotdog homerun. It's fun for the whole family (ages 5 and up). Don't miss out! All proceeds benefit Grace Hartman Elementary School in Rockwall.

## Joy Lutheran Sunday Oktoberfest event

Joy Lutheran Church of Rockwall will host its 2009 Oktoberfest celebration Sunday.

Carolyn Kuhlman, head of the church's Outreach & Fellowship Committee, said in a news release issued this week, "We'll have a band playing oompapa music, and a free lunch featuring German food."

Trombonium Sinfonium, led by Aubrey Williams, a band director in the Greenville Independent School District, will perform at the 10:30 a.m. worship service and outdoors during the following celebration.

Following Sunday school at 9:15 a.m. and the morning worship service, grilled Bratwurst, potato salad, sweet-and-sour red cabbage, hot dogs, desserts and other Oktoberfest delights will be served, Kuhlman said.

Activities will take place both indoors and outdoors. Children's activities also are planned.

Joy Lutheran is located at 302 N. Goliad.

A nursery staffed by an adult attendant is available from 9 a.m. to noon for children ages 4 and younger.

## Correction: Rockwall couple in movie 'Tango For One'

Laura Breen, wife of Dr. Bob Breen, who is on the Board of the Rockwall Community Playhouse, was misidentified in a previous article and correction concerning the participation of Drs. David and Margie McKeon of Rockwall in a movie, "Tango For One." The Breens, along with their daughter, Colleen, have long been involved with film and theater.

The Rockwall County News regrets the errors.

# Rockwall County Sports

## Winless RC Bulldogs host the stumbling Greenville Lions in search of first 2009 victory

By Matt McGillen

ROYCE CITY — For the Royce City Bulldogs, tonight's home game against the suddenly slumping Greenville Lions might just be the calm before the second phase of the District 10-4A storm.

Having already been roughed up by two of the top four teams in the district, Rockwall (1-1, 3-2) and Richardson Pearce (2-0, 4-1), the Bulldogs (0-2, 0-5) and Lions (0-2, 3-2) should be pretty evenly matched.

But once the beatable Lions go back to Greenville, RC will then face the other top two teams in the district, Rockwall-Heath (2-0, 4-1) and Highland Park (2-0, 4-1).

First things first, though.

Greenville, which started the season 3-0 for the first time in many years, has been hammered in its last two games, falling to Heath 38-12 two weeks ago, and then to Highland Park 59-12 last Friday.

The Lions' quarterback, senior Alton Dennis, was averaging 160 yards rushing a game after the Lions trio of opening wins. Since then, however, he was averaged just 36 yards on the ground in Greenville's two lopsided losses.

When he does pass - he only has 64 attempts in five games - he has been moderately effective, completing an even 50 percent for 504 yards and five touchdowns without an interception.

Greenville's leading receiver is Devonte Green, who has 14 catches for 302 yards and two TDs.

The Bulldogs will counter with sophomore Taylor Corbin at QB. Corbin has hit on 76 of 130 throws (58 percent) for 776 yards and three scores but has been intercepted 11 times.

Senior Ryan Fedric, who has battled some nagging injuries, is the Bulldogs' leading rusher with 294 yards on just 28 carries with four scores and has 14

receptions for another 114 yards and one TD.

Leading RC's receiving corp is junior Kristopher Smith, who has hauled in 20 passes for 235 yards and one touchdown.

When the Lions have the ball, it will be up to a quintet of pretty equally matched Bulldog defenders to slow down the Greenville offense.

Ryan Perry, who averages 8.0 tackles a game, is followed by Matt Rich (7.8), Ryon Phillips (7.8), Jr. Arredondo (7.6) and Brody Johnson (6.8).

Who: Greenville @ RC

Where: Royce City ISD Stadium

When: 7:30 Oct. 9

Records: Greenville (0-2, 3-2) lost to Highland Park 59-12, lost to Pearce 55-14

Recent history: RC won 36-10 in 2008

When RC has the ball: QB Taylor Corbin is 76-for-130 for 11 interceptions and three scores. Ryan Fedric has 18 carries and four scores and 14 catches for 114 yards and another TD.

When Greenville has the ball: Senior QB Alton Dennis has 160 yards and five TDs and no picks. He has also run for 552 yards and five TDs.

Injuries: None reported

## Heath volleyball downs Turner to move into for third; travels to Newman Smith tonight

By Matt McGillen

After a less-than-impressive performance against cross-town rival Rockwall last Friday, the Rockwall-Heath Lady Hawks

volleyball team finished the first half of District 10-4A play sitting in fourth place, which if the season ended tomorrow, would get them into the playoffs for the

first time in school history.

"I wish I had some real insights," said Heath coach Maggie Younger, whose team fell to the Lady Jackets in straight sets 25-

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## Lady Hawks take second at RHS Sting; boys finish sixth

Topped by Aly Coughlin's ninth place finish, the Rockwall-Heath Lady Hawks cross country team finished second at the RHS Sting Meet last Saturday at Harry Meyers Park in Rockwall.

The Lady Hawks ended up with 78 points in the nine-team varsity race, just ahead of third-place finisher Forney, which had 82, but well behind the meet champion and host Rockwall, which totaled 41.

Coughlin was timed in 13:19, 26 seconds behind the overall winner, Kelli Hardenbrook from Rockwall, who covered the course in 12:53.

Andrea Moeller was next for Heath in 10th place, also with a time of 13:19, followed by Molly Nelson (26th, 14:00), Mykayla Williams (27th, 14:00) and Aimee Arceneaux 28th, 14:01).

The Heath boys wound up sixth in the boys varsity race, led by Mitchell Howell's 21st place finish in 17:36. He was followed by Carlos Zaldivar (22nd, 17:41), Jesus Carrillo (36th, 18:31) and EJ Macalik (54th, 20:55).

Josh Taylor of Forney, with a time of 16:06, was the individual winner while Rowlett took home the team championship.

Both Heath teams will travel to Hurst tomorrow for the Birdville Invitational at the Tarrant CC Northeast Campus.

### Rockwall-Heath Hawks Schedules

FRIDAY - 10/9

Varsity Football vs. Newman Smith @ Newman Smith @ 7:30

All Volleyball vs. Newman Smith @ Newman Smith @ 5:30/6:30/7:30

SATURDAY - 10/10

Cross Country @ Birdville Invitational @ Tarrant Co. College NE Campus, Hurst

## RCA opens district play at McKinney Christian

Who: Rockwall Christian Academy Warriors vs. McKinney Christian Academy Mustangs

When: Friday, Oct. 9, 7:30 p.m.

Where: McKinney North High School

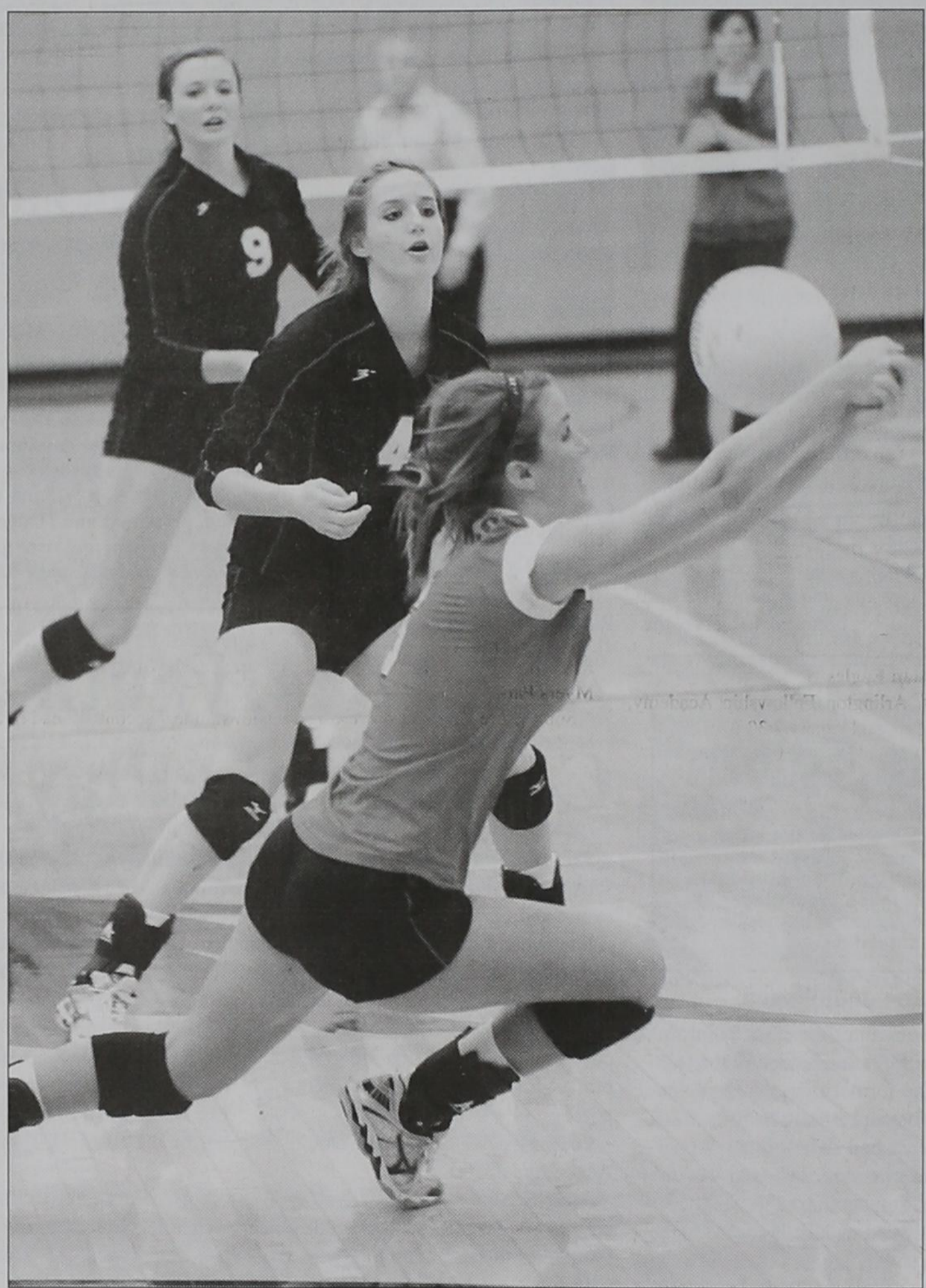
Records: RCA 1-4, McKinney Christian 2-3.

Injuries: Rockwall Christian's all-state linebacker, Cody Wallace, had his first extensive playing time on defense two weeks ago in a 44-41 loss to Dallas Home School Athletic Association. After a week off and wearing a harness to protect his injured left shoulder, Wallace could even return to his usual position at middle linebacker. The week off also could help other injured Warriors, such as center/linebacker Randy Castaneda, recover.

History: This is the second consecutive year the teams have met as TAPPS District 2-IV rivals. RCA won last season at home 45-14 after spotting the Mustangs a 14-0 lead.

What to expect: This should be a very hard-fought game for a district opener because it could determine whether each team would qualify for the playoffs.

Four teams will advance to the postseason from the five-team 2-IV. The district includes Richardson Canyon Creek Christian and Frisco Legacy Christian, both of which again could advance to the state championship game. Also, Irving The Highlands has gone 4-1 in its non-district schedule. So the losing team in the Rockwall Christian-MCA game could be the odd team out of the playoffs.



Heath defensive specialist Courtney Murphy (6) makes a dig in the Lady Hawks sweep of RL Turner Tuesday night at RHH in District 10-4A action. Waiting for the set and kill are Morgan Hawkins (4) and Caley Carpenter (9).

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Both teams feature explosive of-

fenses. McKinney is coming off a 77-66 victory at Garland Christian, when the Mustangs' balanced offense produced 285 yards passing and 273 rushing. Quarterback Thomas LeBlanc ran for 217 yards and three touchdowns and passed for five scores. Alex Farley caught three of the touchdown passes and kicked seven extra points.

The Warriors' offense revolves

around quarterback/wide receiver

Stephan Turner has rushed for 490 yards and 10 touchdowns, and passed for 532 yards and three TDs. He has scored 68 of Rockwall Christian's 123 points. Charlie Wilson is the

leading receiver with 23 catches for

288 yards.

Preceding the varsity game, the RCA and McKinney middle school teams will play at 5 p.m. at McKinney North.

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# Rockwall County Sports

## Hawks take balanced attack to Newman Smith looking to extend winning streak to five

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 year's regional semi-finalist, which was rush-heavy because of wearing number 32 - all-state running back Kendial Lawrence version of the Rockwall-Heath Hawks is almost perfectly loaded of the run/pass equation.

They haven't reached the success level of last year's 13-1 team yet, if multiple plays in their season-opening loss to Sherman, the Hawks defeated, having gone 4-0 since, including a 55-38 dismantling in rival Rockwall last Friday.

They will look to continue their march in defense of last year's dis-sonship with perhaps the heir-apparent to Mr. Lawrence, sopho-

more Dorian Lawry.  
 Lawry exploded for a career-high 227 yards and five touchdowns against Rockwall and is now averaging 116.8 yards per game on the ground and has scored a total of 10 TDs.

Also figuring into the formula is senior Jesse Irokwe, who despite battling injuries, has gained 294 yards and scored four times.

Complimenting that two-headed running threat is a solid passing game led by senior quarterback Kevin Rodgers. Rodgers is averaging 224 yards a game, having passed for 1,121 yards and seven touchdowns with only two picks and has connected with nine different receivers.

His favorite target has been Ryan Peterson, who has team highs in catches (20) and yards (296) and is tied for the team lead in receiving scores with three along with Cameron Wilson, who has 18 receptions for 277 yards.

On the other side of the ball, senior defensive lineman David Tanner is the unquestioned leader of the Hawks' defense, having accumulated seven sacks and averaging 8.8 tackles a game, second only to Justin Powers' 9.8. Deep back Dru Mayfield averages 7.8 stops a game.

Who: Heath @ Newman Smith  
 Where: Carrollton Standridge Stadium  
 When: 7:30 Oct. 9  
 Records: Heath (2-0, 4-1) beat Rockwall 55-38. Smith (1-1, 3-2) beat Turner 48-6  
 Recent history: Heath won 27-3 in 2008

When Heath has the ball: QB Kevin Rodger is 72-for-132 for 1,121 yards and seven scores and two interceptions. RB Dorian Lawry has rushed for 589 yards and 10 TDs. WR Ryan Peterson has 20 catches for 296 yards and three scores

When Smith has the ball: QB Aldo Quiroga has passed for 950 yards and 11 touchdowns and has run for 347 yards. RB Randall Joyner has rushed for 400 yards and 11 scores. WR Al Lasker has 17 catches for 514 yards and eight scores.

## Varsity 2 girls' golfers 2nd in Rowlett Invitational

A balanced lineup carried Rockwall's Varsity 2 girls' golf team to second place in the Rowlett Invitational Wednesday, Sept. 30, at Mesquite Municipal Golf Course.

Cindy Chow and Shelby Vaughn both shot 95, tied for 10th overall; Ashley Southerland was a stroke back at 96, and Sara Clark had 103 to give the Lady Jackets a 389 total, second to Sachem's 349. Even the fifth golfer, Ally Hewer, was close behind at 106.

Led by Katie Almond's 102, the RHS junior varsity finished seventh among nine teams scoring in the tournament. The other scorers were India Spencer with 111, Elise Bentley 112 and Emma McHale 114. Mary-Leigh Winkler shot 115.

Both teams will be back in action Tuesday at 8 a.m. in the Garland tournament at the Fire wheel Old Course.

## Arlington Fellowship is HCA's Homecoming opponent

Heritage Christian Academy Eagles vs. Arlington Fellowship Mustangs  
 Friday, Oct. 9, 7:30 p.m.  
 Hobart Wisdom Field  
 vs: HCA 1-4, Fellowship 2-2

Our team is fairly healthy right now. There has been a mess, but no major injuries," said Eagles head coach Robert ... That means Joe McConnell, who had missed time ear-ly to play.

These teams didn't play each other, but Fellowship scrim-ming-against HCA Aug. 21 at RISE. The Mustangs had the upper hand of the scrimmage. That exposure should be helpful, Huckabee was good to see them earlier in the year in our scrimmage."

expect: There should be plenty of scoring. Both teams have had defensive difficulty at times. Heritage has allowed more than 50 points in each of its losses; Fellowship has given up between 58 and 62 in three of its games.

Rockwall Sports Schedules

Heritage Christian Eagles  
 Oct. 9 - Football: home vs. Arlington Fellowship Academy, Wisdom Field, middle school 5 p.m. and varsity 7:30 p.m.  
 Oct. 12 - Middle school volleyball: home vs. Covenant, 4:30

Oct. 13 - Volleyball: home vs. Greenville Christian, middle school 5 p.m., JV 5 p.m. and varsity 6 p.m.  
 Oct. 15 - Middle school volleyball: at Playoffs

Rockwall Christian Warriors  
 Oct. 9 - Football: vs. McKinney Christian, McKinney North, school 5 p.m. and varsity 7:30 p.m.  
 Oct. 13 - Volleyball: home vs. Poetry Community Christian, 4

Oct. 15 - Volleyball: home vs. Sherman Texoma Christian, 6

Rockwall Yellowjackets  
 Oct. 9 - Boys' golf: home for RHS Golf Fundraiser, 1 p.m.  
 (tennis: home vs. Garland Naaman Forest, Chandlers Landing Tennis Club, 3:30 p.m.  
 ball: at Carrollton R.L. Turner, JV and freshman A, 5:30 p.m., and freshman B, 6:30 p.m.

Oct. 10 - Cross country: at Jesuit Cross Country Classic, (Park, Dallas  
 Oct. 12 - Orange and White boys' golf: at Lake Highlands Firewheel Bridges Course, 8 a.m.  
 Oct. 13 - Varsity 2 and JV girls' golf: at Garland Tournament, Old Course, 8 a.m.

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Oct. 14 - Freshman football: home vs. Richardson Pearce; 7:30 p.m. and Orange 7 p.m.  
 White football: at Richardson Pearce, 5:30 p.m.  
 Orange football: at Richardson Pearce, 6 p.m.

Oct. 15 - Varsity football: home vs. Richardson Pearce, non-Sanders Stadium, 7 p.m.  
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touchdown with a punt St. Paul's thought had been downed. Neither team played last week.

Huckabee said of the break, "We had a good week of practice and are looking forward to getting back out this week."

Fellowship has had greater success on offense, scoring at least 42 points three times. The Eagles reached that level only in their victory over Tyler King's Academy.

Said Huckabee, "Fellowship is a good team and will be a challenge. They are much improved, but hopefully we are as well."

HCA could have an emotion boost from its Homecoming crowd. "It is an exciting time for the students," Huckabee said, "but it also means that there are a lot of distractions as well with all of the activities going on."

## Hardenbrook, RHS finish first in The Sting

Kelli Hardenbrook finished first in 12 minutes, 53 seconds, to help the Rockwall girls' varsity cross country team win The Sting Saturday at Harry Myers Park.

Sophomore Hardenbrook crossed the finish line 7 seconds ahead of South Garland's Jenny Reynoso and Wylie's Kaitlyn Vance. The Lady Jackets placed seven runners among the top 17 to take the team title with 41 points to 78 for second-place Rockwall-Heath.

Rockwall's junior varsity boys also finished first. The JV girls were second and the varsity boys third on an all-around good day for the Yellowjackets.

Backing up Hardenbrook for the girls were Kaitlyn Ross, seventh in 13:14; Sheely Taylor, eighth in 13:18; Angie Boyd, 12th in 13:33; Hallie Elledge, 13th in 13:34; Nicole Salom, 14 in 13:35, and Joanna Gibbs, 17th in 13:39.

The varsity boys' 60 points were third to 35 for Rowlett and 37 for Forney. The Jackets' Jacob Phillips was fourth in 16:22, 16 seconds behind the two Forney runners who tied for first. Thorne Pettigrew placed sixth in 16:40, Sam Grinnin 12th in 17:09, Derrick Yuen 18th in 17:23 and Nathaniel Robinson 20th in 17:25. RHS' next finishers were Ryan Harbin, 35th in 18:31, and Daniel Roland, 41st in 19:12.

Christian Soldat led the JV boys, placing fourth in 18:31. He began a wave of seven junior Jackets among the next nine finishers. Taylor Hein was sixth (19:05), Thomas Anderson seventh (19:09), Matt Hearn and Antonio Harvey eighth and ninth (both in 19:20), Andrew Braun 10th (19:28) and Zach Kuntz 12th (19:33). Rockwall scored 34 points to 77 for second-place Rowlett.

The RHS JV girls' 59 points trailed only Forney with 36. The Lady Jackets' Caitlan White was first across the finish line in 13:54, 14 seconds ahead of Forney's Abi Olivares. Rockwall's other scorers were Killeodare Brahmimaj, sixth in 14:27; Hannah Kreun, 18th in 14:53; Nicole Brown, 20th in 14:59, and Taylor Madie, 24th in 15:02. Other RHS finishers included Bethany Huckaba, 25th in 15:03, and Shelby Scheuneman, 30th in 15:20.

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10/15	Jackets vs J.J. Pearce	Jackets vs J.J. Pearce
10/16	Hawks vs Royse City	Hawks vs Royse City
10/23	Hawks @ J.J. Pearce	Hawks @ J.J. Pearce
10/24	Jackets @ Newman-Smith	Jackets @ Newman-Smith
10/29	Hawks vs Turner	Hawks vs Turner
10/30	Jackets vs Highland Park	Jackets vs Highland Park
10/06	Hawks @ Highland Park	Jackets @ Greenville

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# On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

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## Jesus builds-up Thomas' believing

Last week we looked at the first two accounts of Jesus visiting his disciples who were gathered in a room secretly. He told them to be at peace and then reproved them for not believing the others' report of his resurrection. Next he taught them out of the Old Testament scriptures and showed how they spoke of him

During these visits, 11 of the 12 apostles were present. The missing one was Thomas. Even Judas of Iscariot was there. We don't have any clues as to where Thomas was. Just that he was not there. According to John 20:25, upon his return the other disciples told him all that happened. His reply was, "Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe." Please note that Thomas' honest reply was no different from the others when they first heard. Please keep this in mind the next time we're inclined to call somebody a "doubting Thomas."

In his typically loving and patient manner, our Lord Jesus returned eight days later (John 20:26-29). This time Thomas was present. Our Lord let Thomas touch the prints of the nails in his hands, and thrust his hand into his side. Once this happened Thomas believed and glorified God in heaven by saying, "My Lord and My God." Please understand that Thomas, like the others, knew exactly who Jesus was. They also knew that all these things happened according to the will of God in heaven who was and still is the Father of our Lord Jesus. Thomas was simply acknowledging God's role in what happened, and glorified Him.

Jesus Christ then said, "Thomas, because you have seen me, you have believed. Blessed are they that have not seen and have believed." This must have touched the hearts of all the disciples present.

According to John 20:30-31, our Lord Jesus did many more true signs in the presence of his disciples which are not written. But these were recorded so that we might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the son of God. And that in believing we might have life through the name of our risen Lord and Savior Jesus.

The more time we spend in the Gospels learning about all that Jesus did and said, the more we plant the truth deeper into our hearts. According to Romans 10:9-10 believing with the heart that God raised Jesus from the dead is unto righteousness. This is the simplicity of the truth. Acts 2:4 records the first time people were filled with holy spirit. We find in Acts 1:21-22 that it was necessary for Judas' replacement to have been in the company of Jesus Christ from the baptism of John to the same day that Jesus was taken up into heaven to be with his Father. This way, when holy spirit was first poured out according to Acts 2:2, they would be immediately filled with the same holy spirit because they were

believing with their hearts that God raised Jesus from the dead. Jesus told Thomas and the others that believing with the heart was the key to this more than abundant life. It was necessary for the first 12 to have been with him in order to get things started as recorded in Acts 2:4. But after that time, they went about to teach the truth and help others obtain the same precious life and salvation. The people they taught were not present with Jesus, yet in believing they also were baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Moreover many of them received the holy ghost by speaking in tongues, unto salvation from the great and terrible tribulation period that is still in the future

God made it so simple and easy to entreat. For some of us, it takes more exposure to the Gospels before getting to the point of believing with the heart that God raised Jesus from the dead. For others, it takes only hearing or reading it one time, and in believing they are filled with holy spirit. Praise God for His powerful and simple love, that anybody can believe unto true righteousness. Praise God!

# Rockwall County Obituaries

### Aline Looney

Graveside services for Aline Looney, 88, of Grand Saline were conducted at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2009, in the Rosewood Cemetery in Achille, Okla. The Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

She died Monday, Oct. 5. Born Nov. 19, 1920, in Bedias to Benjamin and Grace (Dollar) Sikes, she was a member of the First Baptist Church of Roysse City. Survivors include her son, Abner Looney and his wife, Malinda, of Grand Saline; eight grandchildren; seven step-grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; 10 step-great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; three step-great-great-grandchildren; her brothers, Dan Sikes of Concord, Calif., and Dale Preston of Lamesa; her sister-in-law, Margaret Sikes of Durant, Okla.; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Abner Looney Sr.; one son, Harold Looney; one daughter, Shalda Riley; and one grandson, Randal Looney.

### Geral Lynn Owen

Memorial services for Geral Lynn Owen, 67, of Roysse City, formerly of Garland, were conducted at 2 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8, 2009, in the First Baptist Church in Roysse City with Pastor Chad Hays officiating. The Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

He died Monday, Oct. 5. Born Jan. 9, 1942, in Fort Worth to William Thomas and Winnie V. (Norris) Owen, he was an electrician with Olympic Electric and A-Electric in Dallas.

Survivors include his wife, Jean Owen of Roysse City; his son, Grey Owen and his wife, Khristi, of Roysse City; his daughter, Lynn Owen

of Garland; his father, Duro E. Seay of Garland; his brothers, Tom Owen and his wife, Beverly, of Garland, David Seay and his wife, Patti, of Grand Saline and Randy Seay and his wife, Kim, of Garland; his sisters, Charlene Morrison and her husband, Gregg, of Garland and Diane Orr and her husband, Tommy, of Madill, Okla.; his grandchildren, Shealee and Bayley Owen of Roysse City; and his "grand-animals," nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

The family has suggested memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Memorial & Honorarium Fund, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-1942.

### Emil Frank Slovak

Services for Emil Frank Slovak, 83, of Garland will be held at 10 a.m. today, Friday, Oct. 9, 2009, in the Sacred Heart Chapel. Burial will follow in the Sacred Heart Cemetery. Haven Funeral Home-Rowlett Chapel is in charge of arrangements. He died Monday, Oct. 5.

Born Jan. 8, 1926, in Ennis to Joe and Louise (Jurik) Slovak, he lived in Garland for more than 30 years and was a member of Michael the Archangel Catholic Church. A dedicated painter, he enjoyed spending time with his family. He was a member of the Rockwall Art Club, enjoyed drawing floor plans, boxing, viewing western movies and listening to Czech music. He retired after 38 years as an insurance agent. He formed Lodge 153 or RVOS Insurance Co. and was a founding member of Lodge 111 of KJT. He was a member of SPJST and WFLA.

Survivors include his children, Ervin Slovak and his wife, Janet Hale and her husband, Bob Jr., all of Rockwall; and nine great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; six sisters; his wife, Mildred Slovak; and two children, Melvin and Renee Slovak.

## FaithBridge opens Sunday

FaithBridge Church, a United Methodist Community, will open its doors Sunday with a time of fellowship at 9:30 a.m. and a worship service at 10:30 a.m.

The new church meets at Celia Hays Elementary School, Rockwall at the corner of FM 1141 and FM 552.

FaithBridge begins as a new church with a sermon series "Building Better Bridges," which examines relationships not only between people, but also between people and God. The series will span three Sundays, Oct. 11, 18 and 25.

FaithBridge Church is being launched by First United Methodist Church of Rockwall.

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 CITY OF ROCKWALL, TEXAS  
 City of Rockwall  
**Ordinances**  
 CITY OF ROCKWALL ORDINANCE NO. 09-41  
 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL TEXAS AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES IN CHAPTER 19 PARKS AND RECREATION, ARTICLE IV, "THE HARBOR PUBLIC AREA" TO PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS IN SECTION 19.50 "THE HARBOR PUBLIC AREA GUIDELINES;" PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY OF A FINE NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500) FOR EACH OFFENSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.  
 /s/ William R. Cecil, Mayor  
 /s/ Kristy Ashberry, City Secretary  
 1st Reading: 09-21-09  
 2nd Reading: 10-05-09

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
 The following Ordinances were passed by the City Council of the City of Fate, Texas on Monday October 5, 2009.  
**ORDINANCE NO. 0-1131**  
 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FATE, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 0-1026 APPROVING AND ADOPTING RATES TO BE CHARGED FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICES TO CUSTOMERS OF THE MUNICIPAL WATER AND SEWER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.  
**ORDINANCE NO. 0-1132**  
 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FATE, TEXAS, REGULATING THE LOCATION OF PLACES OF BUSINESS WHICH DERIVE MORE THAN SEVENTY FIVE PERCENT OF THEIR GROSS SALES FROM THE ON PREMISE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN THE CITY OF FATE, TEXAS, REGULATING SALES OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES WITHIN PRESCRIBED DISTANCES OF CHURCHES, PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND HOSPITALS; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.  
 Jean Dwinell, TRMC, CMC  
 Interim City Secretary  
 City of Fate

**Private Club Registration Permit**  
 Application has been made for a Private Club Registration Renewal Permit for Unincorporated Association of Persons Dba L Trevinos Restaurant at 2555 Ridg Road, Suite 144, Rockwall, Rockwall County, TX. Said application made to the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Code.  
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**STOP LOSS INSURANCE**  
 City of Rockwall is accepting Stop Loss, Fully Insured Medical, Dental and Vision Insurance bids from qualified providers. Proposals will be accepted until 10:00 am, October 23, 2009, at the City's Purchasing Agent, City Hall, 385 S. Goliad, Rockwall, Texas 75087. The City reserves the right to accept or reject all or any part of the proposal, waive formalities or informalities, and award the proposal that best serves the interests of the City. Proposal packet information contact Lea Ann Ewing, Purchasing Agent, City of Rockwall, 972-771-0700.

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In the parking lot of First Christian Church, Sat. October 18, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. No early sales, please. The main fund-raiser of the year for the many charities funded by the Disciples Women's Group. Located at 3375 Ridge Rd, 14 miles

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Bids addressed to Mr. Chuck Todd, P.E., City Engineer, will be received at the office of Purchasing Agent, 385 S. Goliad, City Hall, 1st Floor, October 16, until the hour of 10:00 am, following project:

**Shadydale Roadway Reconstruction Project**

Project includes approximately: 4549 SY 6-inch Concrete Pavement, 5163 SY Lime Treated Sand, 2613 LF 6-inch Curb, 293 LF 24" RCP, 706 LF 30" RCP, 1475 LF 8" Class 200 PVC Line, 6 Each 8" Gate Valves, 4 Each Fire Hydrant Assemblies, and other miscellaneous items.

Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope externally marked- **Shadydale Roadway Reconstruction**.

Bids will be opened and publicly read in the City Council Chambers at the Rockwall City Hall, 385 S. Goliad. No bids will be open or considered if received after the specified time.

Qualification is not required. Completion time is **150 Calendar Days**. The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any irregularities and/or to accept the bid or bids deemed to be the best for the City.

Bid Bond is due with the bids. A Performance, Payment, and Maintenance Bond (2-year) required for this project.

Contractors must conform to the Prevailing Wage Rates as established by the City of Rockwall. Plans and specifications may be examined Rockwall Engineering Office located at the Rockwall City Hall, 385 S. Goliad, 1st Floor, Rockwall, Texas (phone numbers- 972-771-7746/fax 972-771-7748), and procured at the office of the Engineer, PBS&J, 18383 Preston Rd., Suite 110, Dallas, Texas (phone numbers- 972-588-3120/fax 972-380-2609), at a non-refundable cost of \$100, beginning October 2, 2009. Only those Bids received from Contractors who have examined the plans and specifications for this project from the office of the Engineer and are signed by the Engineer's List Plan Holders, will be opened at the Bid Opening for consideration.

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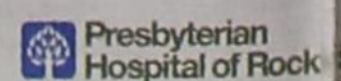
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