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# Rockwall County News

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## Heath Council OKs new budget, reduced tax rate

Heath City Council adopted a balanced budget last week that does not raise the tax rate for Heath citizens while funding the addition of a public safety officer and a Streets and Parks Maintenance staff position, as well as a Parks Action Plan for improving and expanding the city's parks system.

The budget was prepared with a tax rate of 41.7311 cents per \$100 of assessed value, according to a City of Heath news release. This is a decrease of 0.9289 cents per \$100 from the current rate of 42.66 cents per \$100.

Mayor Brian Berry said in the news release, "I am excited that we were able to lower the tax rate, and at the same time address critical needs such as funding new positions in the Police and Public Works Departments, creating an action plan for improving our parks, and providing equipment needs for the Parks Department."

Other highlights of the 2016-2017 budget include:

- Total operating budget of \$6,289,500
- Assessed value of \$1,407,784,869
- Investment for Utilities Department
- Stewardship of our budget combined with an investment in future Capital Improvements Plans is critical as we continue to oversee quality development as we manage essentially all of the rooftops in Heath in the coming years," Berry said in the release.

The fiscal year for 2017 began Oct. 1. *Note: Follow the Rockwall County News for legal notices of the required notice related to the city's fiscal year 2017.*

## RHS Homecoming Week set Oct. 10-15

Rockwall High School's Homecoming Week will run Oct. 10-15, according to a news release from the school district.

The Homecoming Parade is set for Wednesday, Oct. 12. Lineup is at 5 p.m. and the parade will begin at 6 p.m. at Dobbs Elementary School. The parade route will follow Clark Street from Townsend and will end at the Wilkerson Sanders parking lot.

Following the parade, the Class of 2017 will host its BBQ Bash at 6 p.m. outside the entrance of Wilkerson Sanders Middle School. Chopped beef sandwiches will be available for \$10 each (includes chips, drink and cookie). Tables and chairs will be available.

The parade marshal is Justin Holland, a 2002 Rockwall High School graduate and a sixth-generation Rockwall native. Holland is a hardworking, self-reliant family and learned at an early age the value of personal responsibility and dedication in business. He is a real estate broker and has served as a member of the Rockwall City Council. He also is a member of Rockwall Rotary Club, a member of East Trinity Lodge #157 and a member of the All Republican Men's Club. He is the Republican nominee for representative in Texas House of Representatives District 10. He and his wife, Neely, have been married for eight years and are growing young girls.

On Friday, Oct. 14, in the Performing Arts Center at Middle School, RHS club sweethearts and escorts will be crowned.

At 7:15 p.m. the RHS 2016 Homecoming Court will be crowned in pre-game ceremonies at the football stadium. The 2016 homecoming queen and king will be crowned during the noon Kickoff is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. for the football game between RHS and Mesquite Horn High.

The homecoming dance will take place on Saturday, Oct. 15, at the Renaissance Dallas. The theme of this year's dance is Downtown. Tickets can be purchased during lunches on Oct. 6, 7, 10 and 11 at Rockwall High. More information is available on the RHS website.

## Local girls collect \$1,500 for Royse City Police

Millie Jean Coppedge reports that Callie Garza, a 9-year-old fourth grade student at Fort Elementary, decided she wanted to do something to help the Royse City Police officers who were safer following the July 7 police ambush in downtown Dallas.

Her friend, Callie Godinez, a 9-year-old fourth grade student at Stonebrook Learning Center and Academy, went to work on the event.

On Saturday, Sept. 24, the girls and their mothers, Katie Garza and Callie Godinez, conducted a sale on Main Street. Callie's mother made decal stickers that read "Thin Blue Line," which were sold with cookies and soft drinks.

At the Sept. 27 City Council meeting, the girls presented the cash to Royse City Police Chief Jeff Stapleton and told him they wanted the money to be used for. Stapleton said that the money will go toward threat-level vests and helmets as the girls

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Heath, Rockwall and Fate fire department personnel fight a structure fire at 104 Mont Blanc, in the Promontory subdivision of Heath. According to Heath DPS Director Terry Garrett, two engines and one ladder truck were used on the scene. Heath Fire Marshal Billy Termin stated that the fire was reported at about 6:30 p.m., Sat. Oct. 1, 2016, and the first truck arrived with a four minute response time. Termin explained that there was extensive damage to the house. According to the Fire Marshal, two Heath firefighters experience minor injuries. One had a neck injury and concussion, and the other had a small cut on the face. Termin said the last name of the home owner is Thomas. The fire incident is still under investigation. According to Garrett, Termin will be working with other investigators and the insurance company to determine the exact cause and origin of the fire. Photo courtesy of Mary Thacker/Rockwall County News



A residential structure at 104 Mont Blanc in Heath suffered extensive fire damage, at approximately 6:30 p.m., Sat. Oct. 1, 2016. According to Heath Fire Marshal Billy Termin, the fire is still under investigation. The above photo was taken Tues., Oct. 4, during early morning. Photo by Tim Burnett/Rockwall County News



Royse City Police Chief Jeff Stapleton was presented \$1,500 at the Sept. 27 City Council meeting. Pictured are Callie Godinez, left, Stapleton and Robyn Garza. The girls were prompted to raise money for local law enforcement officials following the July 7 police ambush in downtown Dallas. Photo by Millie Jean Coppedge/Rockwall County News

## Rockwall County News Briefs

### Fire department plans Oct. 8 open house

The Rockwall Fire Marshal Division and the Rockwall Fire Department will host an open house at Fire Station #2, located at 920 Rockwall Parkway, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Oct. 8. The event will include a fire safety house, vehicle extrication exhibitions, free food and a bounce house.

### RARTA to meet Oct. 10

The Rockwall Area Retired Teachers Association will meet on Monday, Oct. 10, at the Rockwall ISD Administration Building, 1050 Williams, in Room 600 (the board room). A fall/winter fashion show is planned. The meeting will begin at 1:45 p.m.; participants are invited to come at 1:15 p.m. for refreshments.

### Republican Women speaker named

The Rockwall County Republican Women will have Virginia Prodan, an attorney with the Alliance Defending Freedom, as their guest speaker (Continued on Page 2)





### Rockwall County Obituaries

#### Athey Mae (Edson) LaCroix

Services for Athey Mae (Edson) LaCroix, 85, of Rockwall were conducted at 11 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 30, 2016, in the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel. Burial followed in the Rockwall Memorial Cemetery.



She died Sept. 26. Born Jan. 17, 1931, in Covington County, Alabama, to Eley Edson and Cora (Blackwell) Edson, she was a loving mother and grandmother. She was religious and enjoyed going to church and studying and reading her Bible. She was a longtime member of the Highway Temple Assembly in Odessa.

She was a hard worker and enjoyed gardening, crocheting and baking wedding cakes.

Survivors include her sons, Robert LaCroix, and his wife, Sandra, of Rowlett and David LaCroix and his wife, Bonnie, of Burleson; her grandchildren, Amber Clark and her husband, Michael, of Winchester, Tennessee, Leslie LaCroix and her husband, Ishaan Abu Tinah, of Garland, Scott LaCroix and Tammie Vaughn of Arlington and Cindy Decker and her husband, Doug, of Odessa; and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Edmond LaCroix; a son, Raymond Dale; her parents; four sisters; and four brothers.

Graveside services for Charley Lee Whiteley, 79, of Roysie City were conducted at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2016, in the Pleasant Grove Memorial Park in Willsboro with Pastor W.T. Holden and Pastor Melvin Merritt officiating. The Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel was in charge of arrangements.



He died Sept. 28. Born Jan. 13, 1937, in Navarro County to Lester Lee Whiteley and Juanita Vivian Rickman, he was a member of the Community Baptist Church in Blackland. He was an auto mechanic for Pruitt Buick.

Survivors include his aunt, Lacy Grider; his uncles, O.D. Rickman and George Rickman; and several cousins, nephews and nieces.

His father, Lester L. Whiteley, and his mother, Juanita Vivian McIntire, preceded him in death.



#### MILLIE JEAN COPPEDGE Reminiscing Roysie City

# Stodghills known for leading parades in Rockwall County

#### Reminiscing Roysie City by Millie Jean Coppedge

Once a year, from 1938 to 1960, Roysie City hosted a homecoming celebration that had nothing to do with the school system as one might think, but was a citywide event. There was food, midway rides, entertainment and fellowship.

Downtown Main Street hosted this elaborate event from Friday night until Saturday night. Groups and individuals from Roysie City would sing and dance during the celebration.

One of the exciting annual performances was the much-anticipated parade.

Willie, whose horse was named Snowbell, and Woodrow, who rode Whitney, led many of the parades and carried the American flag. The couple were members of the Roysie City and the Rockwall Riding Clubs.

Their saddles and made from beautiful ornate black and white leather. From about 1950s to the 1980s, the couple led parades throughout Rockwall County, even when the celebration had been discontinued in Roysie City.

Interesting sites visible in the photo published with this article are the various models of cars and the lack of a huge crowd as might be seen at today's parades. But one has to remember the population of Roysie City was small during these years.

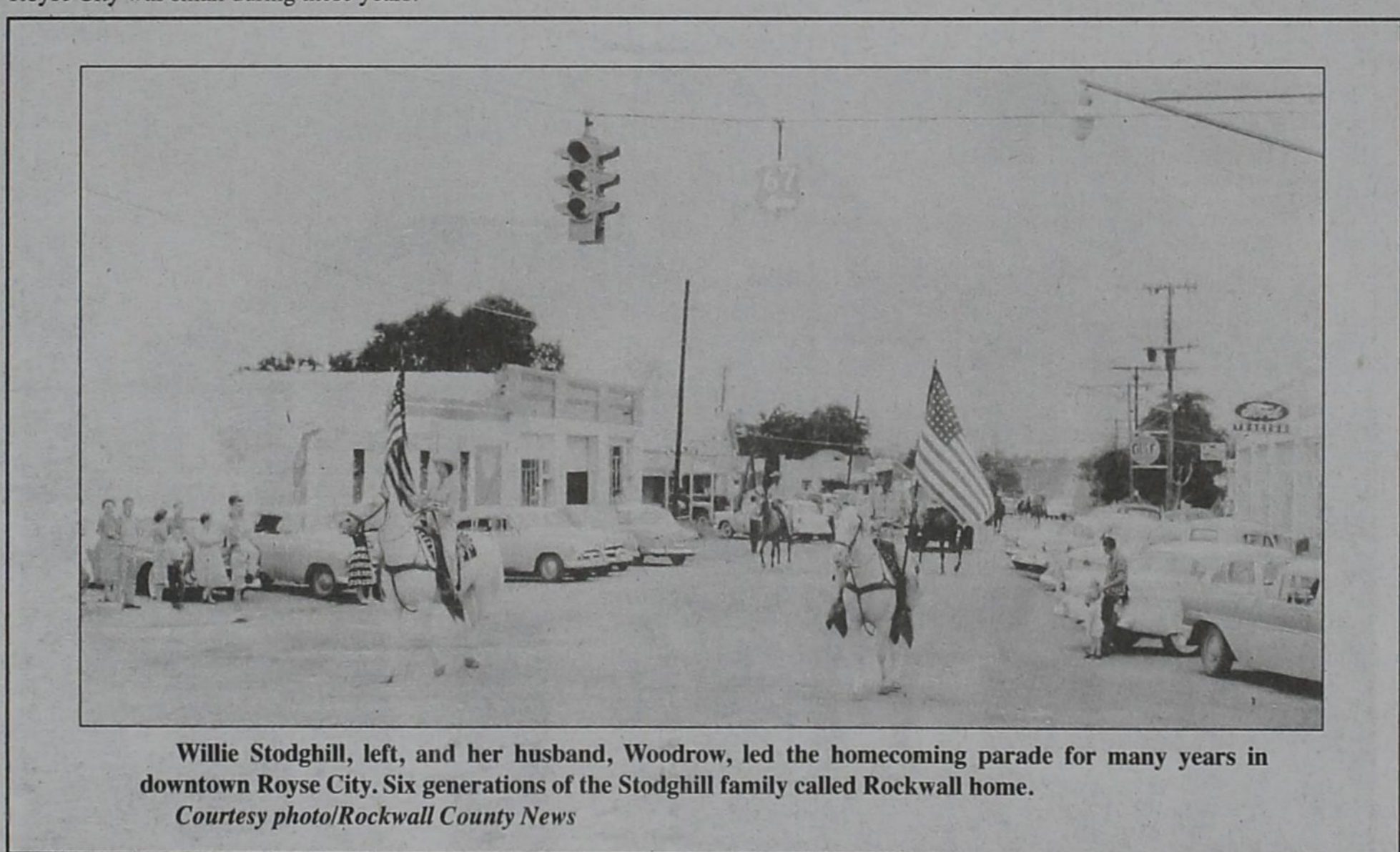
Highway 67, which now is called Hwy 66, can be seen headed toward Rockwall fading into the horizon behind the parade. The Gulf station was located where the cleaners is today, the Dodge House was located next to the Women of the World building and the Ford Dealership can be seen to the far right of the photo.

Willie and Woodrow were parents to Don Stodghill, who died in 2009. Don was married to Patsy Hall Stodghill, a renowned teacher, poet and writer, named Texas Poet Laureate in 1978-1979. She who now lives in Dallas.

Willie and Woodrow were also the grandparents of the late Sheri Stodghill Fowler Parks, who died in 2015 at the age of 47. She was also a prolific writer who wrote books about Roysie City, Rockwall and Rockwall County titled "Images of America" for the Arcadia Publishing Company. Sheri dedicated the one for Roysie City to her grandfather, Woodrow Stodghill.

Six generations of the Stodghill family have called Rockwall home.

The photo and information for this story came from Deloris Cross Ballard, curator and docent of the Zaner Robison Historical Museum, and Sheri Stodghill Fowler's book titled "Images of America-Roysie City."



Willie Stodghill, left, and her husband, Woodrow, led the homecoming parade for many years in downtown Roysie City. Six generations of the Stodghill family called Rockwall home.

Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

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- Fort Worth's "\_\_\_\_\_"
- Carter Museum of American Art
- longest river in the world
- TX favorite: "C \_\_\_\_\_ music"
- Gulf shrimp catchers Rashad: "\_\_\_\_\_ on Fair & Rodeo"
- TXism: "safe as a squirrel \_\_\_\_\_ tree"
- fourth of a gallon
- as of 2015, this type of marriage is legal in TX & U.S. (2 wds.)
- open an envelope
- raise \_\_\_\_\_
- safe to eat
- TXism: "the \_\_\_\_\_ name through the mud"
- widespread
- song in "The Wiz," with TX-born Phylicia Rashad: "\_\_\_\_\_ on Down the Road"
- official command
- Reba McEntire 1990 hit: "\_\_\_\_\_ Has It"
- contingency
- rock group that played at TX Willie's Farm Aid III (1987)
- TXism: "last \_\_\_\_\_ rafter"
- TXism: "mean as \_\_\_\_\_ range cow"
- TX Simone Biles is a \_\_\_\_\_ gymnast
- TXism: "cowboy \_\_\_\_\_" (jukebox)

DOWN

- he founded the TX Waggoner Ranch (init.)
- Air Force Base near Lubbock before it closed
- 1967-68 sitcom starring TX Paula Prentiss: "\_\_\_\_\_ She"
- this TX Rayburn was longest-serving Speaker of the U.S. House (init.)
- Stanley Garner was an honorary TX Ranger
- TXism: "he has short \_\_\_\_\_ and deep pockets"
- Asian surname
- TX high school athletic org.
- TXism: "blister \_\_\_\_\_ (handle)"
- TX Bar-B-\_\_\_\_\_
- beneath the surface of the Gulf
- a lot of TX mohair goes to this continent
- TX civil war soldiers
- "Tall Texas \_\_\_\_\_"
- Greek given name
- Joan Crawford was born in TX as \_\_\_\_\_
- Lucille Fay \_\_\_\_\_ Sueur
- first 2 initials of TX-born Eisenhower
- Kay Granger is a U.S. \_\_\_\_\_ (abbr.)
- Aikman alma mater
- \_\_\_\_\_ at straws
- between Concho and Kimble counties
- TXism: "bone \_\_\_\_\_ on" (study)
- TX Bob Willis' "Take \_\_\_\_\_ Back to Tulsa"
- TXism: "dab it \_\_\_\_\_"
- TX Jobeth Williams 1980 film: "\_\_\_\_\_ Crazy"
- TX choreographer, Tommy
- TXns call 'em swords
- this Shaquille went to high school in TX
- this Greene was in TV's "The Trial of Lee Harvey Oswald"
- TXism: "high tailed it"
- TX Charley Pride's "Then Who \_\_\_\_\_ I"
- TXism: "that'll \_\_\_\_\_ nicely"
- physical features of a stretch of land
- TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ been ringed" (engaged)
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#### Sept. 17 event benefits CAC

The Children's Advocacy Center of Rockwall County hosted Bikes for Tykes-Teddy Bear Ride on Saturday, Sept. 17, at the Rockwall County courthouse on East Yellow Jacket Lane. The event started and finished at the courthouse with a full police escort, and included food, vendors, a silent auction and live music.

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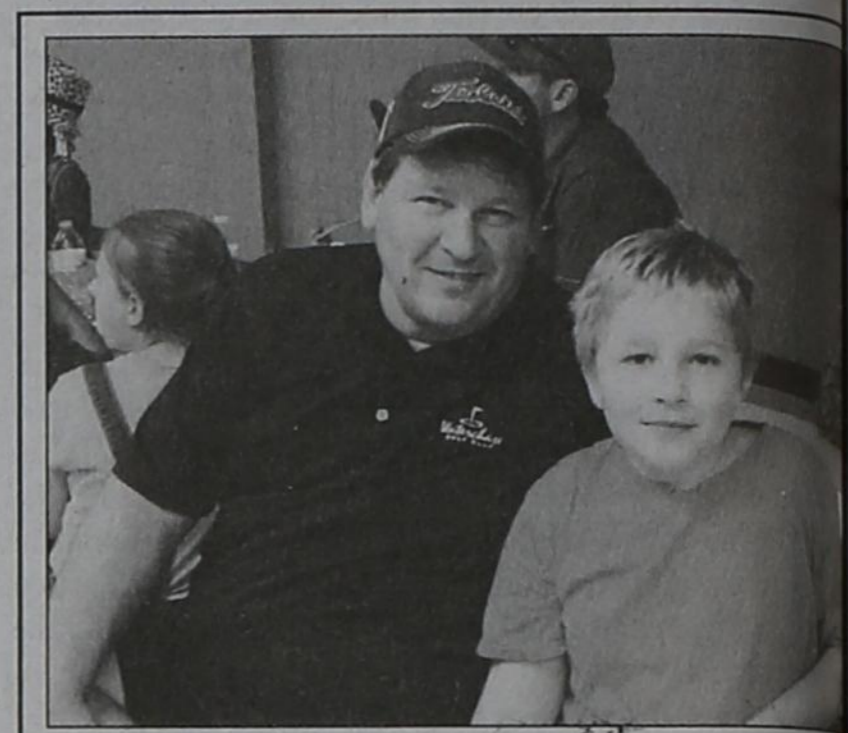
## RCISD: Campuses 'me standard' on state exam

Each campus in the Roysie City Independent School District received a "met standard" rating on the most recent administration of the state accountability exams, according to information on the school district's website.

The "met standard" is the highest rating issued by the state, according to the school district. Roysie City ISD student averages exceeded the state in nearly every subject area tested.

"When it comes to academics and innovation, Roysie City is a destination district," Superintendent Kevin Worthy said on the district's website. "STAAR scores and other accountability measures are helpful tools in calculating academic growth, but we are proud of the successes that our students display every day, from our students, staff and parents for these high marks."

Reading and math were notable areas of success for students in all grades. Data released by the state also shows the percentage of students who perform at advanced levels on these assessments. Numbers of students achieving advanced performance in Roysie City were at or higher than the state in 14 of 22 areas.



Cullins Elementary recently kicked off its Watch DOGS (Dads of Great Students) program, which is in its second year. The program is a school-based father involvement program that works to support education and safety. During the kickoff event, fathers and grandfathers were invited to bring their kids to school for a day and to hear about program benefits and how it benefits the school. Cullins Watch DOGS volunteer during a full day and spend the day with students in the classroom. Pictured above are Mark and Brady Aston, who were present for the event.

Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

### Rockwall County News Brief

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on Oct. 10. As a young attorney in Romania, Prodan became a Christian against persecution; since being exiled in 1988, she has been a human rights attorney, writer and speaker. She will share her story of courage and faith in God. Her book, "Saving My America" will be available for purchase. Her topic will be Your Vote Counts. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m., with the program for 7 p.m. Speaker for the Nov. 14 meeting will be Beth Vetter, mayor of Irving.

#### Last day to register to vote is Oct. 11

The last day to register to vote in the Nov. 8 election is Oct. 11, according to the Texas Secretary of State's website. Voting in the election will run from Oct. 24 through Nov. 4. For details or information about registering locally, visit rockwallcounty.com/voter-information/voter-registration-card.

#### Talking Tombstones lecture set Oct. 14

Meddie Bowles (aka Nancy Beaty) will present the circumstances surrounding the trail and murder conviction of her husband as part of the Oct. 14 installation of the Sheri Stodghill Lecture presented by the Rockwall County Historical Foundation at the Rockwall County Historical Commission from noon to 1 p.m. on the third floor in the historic downtown courthouse.

#### Pullen plans chili cook-off, fall festival

Pullen Elementary will host its second annual chili cook-off and fall festival from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 15. The event will include carnival games, a ninja-style obstacle course, live music and many other activities. Admission will cost \$4 per person (maximum cost \$20 per family). Family-friendly Halloween costumes are welcome. Rainout date is Oct. 22. For more information, visit the event's Facebook page: Chili Cook-off 2016.

#### Republican rally slated Oct. 15

The Republicans Under One Tent Rally, hosted by the Rockwall County Republican Women, Rockwall County Republican Party, the Rockwall County Republican Party and the Rockwall County Republican Hispanic Club, will run from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Oct. 15 at 730 N. Munson Rd., Roysie City. Planned activities include a registration table and time to meet the candidates. Cost will be \$30 per ticket. The event is open to all Republicans. For more details call 972-772-0498.

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### Rockwall County Entertainment

#### Heath Hawks present 'Robin Hood'

The Heath Hawks Theatre Company will present "Robin Hood" in performances set for 7 p.m. on Oct. 6, 7 and 8 in the Performing Arts Center. Tickets will be available at the door for \$5 for students and \$10 for adults. Teachers will get a discount with ID.

#### Roysie City Funfest set

The Roysie City Funfest will be held Saturday, October 15, from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. on Main Street. There will be entertainment, food, and contests. A Runfest will be held at 10 a.m. at the City Lake. All benefits will go to the Roysie City Animal Shelter. Contact Nikki Summers at nikkisummers79@gmail.com for more information.

#### FOL plans brunch, holiday fashion show

Friends of the Rockwall County Library will host a brunch and holiday fashion show fundraiser at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 15, in the library's Community Room, 1215 E. Yellow Jacket Lane. Tickets cost \$25. Reservations may be made by emailing Pat Cullins at pat2792@att.net or by calling 214-738-7547. Tickets also may be purchased at upcoming FOL lunch meetings.

#### Area News Briefs

##### Garland Symphony Orchestra opens new season

The Garland Symphony Orchestra will celebrate its 20th season, Symphony Goes Wild!, at the Granville Arts Center Brownlee Auditorium, in Garland beginning at 8 p.m. on Oct. 15. Season tickets are available at costs starting at \$61. Single tickets are priced at \$17.50, \$27.50 and \$37.50. To purchase, call 972-925-2000 or email info@garlandsymphony.org.

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## On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett  
**Know the basics ... baptism, Part 2**

Continuing on the subject of baptism, our Lord Jesus' words to the Samaritan woman clearly revealed the truth.

Jesus spoke to the woman during a time that his disciples were elsewhere. It's important to understand that Jewish tradition required the Jews to not keep company with Samaritans. Jesus broke that rule, and went one step further by destroying any suggestion that water had a significant purpose in people's spiritual lives.

The account is found in John 4:1-15. The first two verses reveal that it's about baptism. Jesus left Judea after he came to know that the Pharisees heard he was baptizing more people than John. In reality, it was his disciples who were baptizing. This was referring to baptism of water. It was starting to look like a baptism contest in a river of water, and Jesus knew the truth.

Jesus came to Samaria, near the piece of land that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. This is where Jacob's well was located.

Notice the emphasis on water.

When Jesus was tired, he sat on Jacob's well.

At this time, a woman of Samaria came to draw water out of the well. Jesus told her to give him water to drink. Remember that he was breaking a significant religious rule by communicating with the Samaritan woman.

The woman responded, "How is it that you being a Jew, ask drink from me, which am a woman of Samaria? (for the Jews have no dealings with the Samaritans.)" She knew this rule existed.

Jesus responded back to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that says to you, 'Give me to drink,' you would have asked of him, and he would have given you living water."

Here, Jesus figuratively puts water for something else. Why did he refer to "living" water? Water doesn't live, or give life to people.

Jesus is about to distinguish between regular water and something else that truly cleanses and quenches people's true thirst.

The woman said that he had nothing to draw the water out of the ground with, and noted the deep well. She finally asked the logical question, from where do you have that living water? If it's not from the very special well of Jacob that you're sitting on, then where does this water from you come from?

Jesus answered with the basic truth, "Whoever drinks of this water absolutely will get thirsty again; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life."

Jesus clearly exposed the spiritually useless and powerless nature of regular water. It's great for drinking and cleaning off, but people eventually get thirsty again, and must cleanse themselves again.

Jesus knew that the baptism of water was going to be replaced with something greater -- that being the baptism of holy spirit.

The first account of true baptism is found in Acts 2:4.  
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"Let the peace from God rule in your hearts, to the which also you are called in one body, and be thankful ..."  
 Colossians 3:15

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The City of Royse City has been out of compliance with state law related to publication of required notice since before year 2008.

The City of Heath has been out of compliance with state law related to publication of required notice since October 2008.

The City of Fate has been out of compliance with state law related to publication of required notice since October 2012.

The City of McLendon-Chisholm has been out of compliance with state law related to publication of required notice since October 28, 2014.

The City of Rockwall has been out of compliance with state law related to publication of required notice since December 1, 2014.

By the above stated negligence of the respective representatives, the right of the people to be duly notified of each city action in accordance with state law has been impaired on multiple counts.

The Rockwall County News is the only newspaper legally qualified to publish each required notice for the Cities of Royse City, Heath, Fate, McLendon-Chisholm, and Rockwall.

The Rockwall County News meets the criteria established under Texas Government Code Sections 2051.044, 2051.045, 2051.046 and 2051.048 (b) and (c)(1) as a newspaper of general circulation for publication of each required notice in accordance with state law.

The City Secretaries, in their official capacity, have a duty under Oath of Office and Certificate of Commission to select the newspaper in accordance with Texas Gov. Code Subchapter C, Chapter 2051, and to execute each required notice in accordance with state law (See also Texas Government Code Section 2051.049).

All City Secretaries in Rockwall County have repeatedly neglected to send orders for publication of required notices to the Rockwall County News, and have neglected to secure proof of confirmation that the selected newspapers meet the statutory criteria the cities are required to follow when selecting a newspaper for publication of each required notice.

The City Managers, in their official capacity, have a duty under Oath of Office and Certificate of Commission to authorize the release of tax dollars for payment to a qualified newspaper for publication services it can legally offer.

The Rockwall County News has provided official proof of legal qualification to all city units in Rockwall County. Said proof includes the USPS Form 3607 Mailing Transaction Receipt and Form 3625 Annual Statement of Ownerships.

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With one exception, all council members and mayors in Rockwall County voted to authorize the City Secretaries and Managers/Administrators to select a newspaper for publication of each required notice in a manner that was not in accordance with state law.

Council member Gary Lovell (McLendon-Chisholm) opposed the majority, and stood in favor of keeping the city in compliance with state law related to publication of notice.

Respectfully submitted by Timothy W. Burnett, Publisher  
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## Rockwall County News Briefs

### CAC Board plans fundraiser, book-signing event

The Child Advocacy Center Board of Directors, with the Rockwall Soroptimists, will host a luncheon fundraiser and book-signing event from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Nov. 9 in the Rockwall County Courthouse Liberty Hall. Author Carter Hopkins, a 1992 graduate of Rockwall High School, will sign his newly released book, "The Lincoln Prophecy." Carter is an attorney in the cyber security industry and his fictional mystery novel begins in Rockwall. Proceeds from the luncheon and signed book purchases will benefit the Rockwall CAC at the Soroptimist House. Luncheon tickets cost \$20 online at [rockwallCAC.org](http://rockwallCAC.org) or by calling 214-274-4270. Books may be purchased at the event at a cost of \$15 each.

### Prayers for reconciliation, unity planned

Prayers for reconciliation and unity will be offered at the First Presbyterian Church of Rockwall, 602 White Hills Dr., at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 9. Pastor Cheryl Taylor invites the community to come together to pray for unity and heal the brokenness in the wake of a grueling and divisive election season. The service is intended to provide peace and solidarity as the community moves into a future that ultimately is in God's hands.

### Fisher to be recognized Nov. 10

Terry Fisher, the first Rockwall soldier to be killed in World War II, will be recognized by Dick Clark, member of American Legion Post 117, at the Sheri Stodghill Lecture Series presented by the Rockwall County Historical Foundation and the Rockwall County Historical Commission from noon to 1 p.m. in the third floor in the historic downtown courthouse on Nov. 10. The Rockwall post, named for the legendary Fisher, is one of the oldest in the U.S.

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# Opinions

## Economic ideas The ancient Romans, who went from rule of law to corrupting inflation and price controls

By Richard Ebeling

Freedom Foundation (fff.org)

The ancient Romans failed to leave any systematic body of thoughts or ideas, just like the ancient Greeks had failed to. Indeed, many of the ideas the Romans expressed on such economic themes were borrowed from the Greeks. The Romans were mostly concerned with practical matters, and have sometimes been referred to as "doers" rather than philosophers on these matters.

The area in which they did leave a body of thought, and one that had a lasting influence and significance for future generations, especially in the West up until our own time was in the area of law and contract. Their main contribution has been seen to be the legal order in which is founded part of the Western economic traditions of property and exchange.

### Respecting the Local Laws of Diverse Peoples

As the Roman Empire expanded, it increasingly incorporated a wide number of peoples and cultures very different from Rome's own culture and ideas. Indeed, at its maximum, the Roman Empire included much of Western, Central and Southern Europe, nearly all the Middle East, and last portions of northern Africa including the Nile River. It became important to develop concepts and codes of law that could be broad and general enough to encompass the diversity of the empire, yet have a degree of uniformity among its members.

Legal jurists and philosophers came to distinguish between the particular laws for the citizens of Rome and the more general legal code for the empire as a whole.

The Roman citizen – the citizen of the city of Rome, the capital of the Empire – was under the jurisdiction of *jus civile*, the "civil law." This was a code of law that reflected the evolved traditions and customs of Rome, itself, concerning the rights, privileges, and duties of a Roman citizen before the law and his fellow city-members. Each part of the empire was recognized to have, and had related to, the Roman authorities, its own *jus civile*, or civil law, which the inhabitants of that province or region were obligated to obey and which safe-guarded their rights in legal disputes in the various localities.

### Universal Law Reflecting Justice for All Men

In contrast to "civil law" was *jus gentium*, the general or "universal" law. This was meant to serve as the code that would apply to all members of the empire, irrespective of local custom or local law. Since "universal law" was to transcend the particular traditions of the diverse peoples of the empire, it had to be based on concepts and "rights" broader than any one set of customs, even in the past.

Over the development of the "universal law" code emerged the concept of *natura*, or the "natural law."

The Romans distinguished between human law and a "higher" law of nature and justice that reason could demonstrate to be right and just for all men, regardless of to which individual or group it applied. And to which all reasonable men of good will could and should agree and accede.

Over the 100 years it has served as one of the basis upon which men are entitled to have certain inalienable rights that no government could temper with or transgress without violating a code of conduct that no temporal authority has the power or right to abrogate or impair on multiple occasions.

As with all governments and empires, reality of such things often fell far from the ideal. The Romans could be harsh imperial masters, intolerant or tolerant of any serious rebellion or dissent. And they, like the ancient Greeks, were wedded to the institution of slavery, and meant those for whom such notions as "rights" fully applied only to the freeborn. But, nonetheless, one of the important political-philosophical seeds was planted that had its influence on later development in the West.

### Law, Property, and Commercial Prosperity

From the Roman conception of "universal law" developed an extremely comprehensive body of contract and property law that, unlike the Greeks, established a wide latitude and autonomy for the free individual in both his use and disposal of his person and property.

As a result, Roman law over a wide area of transactions came to determine market-determined prices as "just prices," in that they represented the mutually agreed upon terms of trade. It also served as the basis of what became a vast network of empire-wide production, distribution, and commerce among all of the far-flung provinces and regions of the Roman Empire.

It featured a system division of labor and market-based exchange that spanned the entire Mediterranean basin, a large part of Western and Northern Europe, most of the Middle East, and parts of North Africa and the entire economic unit. Given the means of transportation available over land and sea (and it should be remembered that parts of the road network built across Europe by the ancient Romans still exists) the result was a more or less free movement of goods, raw materials and people from the Atlantic Ocean to the Persian Gulf, and from the Nile to the head waters of the Nile.

Of course, the Romans practiced neither real free trade nor laissez-faire, but always the trade in a variety of commodities was overlaid with imperial regulations, and controls.

As the Austrian economist, Ludwig von Mises observed in his book *Human Action*:

It may be left undecided whether or not it is correct to call the economic organization of the Roman Empire capitalism. At any rate, it is certain that the Roman Empire is the second century, age of the Roman Empire, the 'good' emperors, had reached a high stage of the social system of division of labor and interregional commerce. Several metropolitan centers, a considerable number of middle-sized towns, and many small towns were the seats of a refined civilization.

The inhabitants of these urban agglomerates were supplied with raw materials not only from the neighboring rural districts, but also from distant provinces. A part of these provisions flowed into the cities as revenue of the wealthy residents who owned landed estates. But a considerable part was bought in exchange for the rural population's purchases of the products of the city-dwellers' productive activities.

There was an extensive trade between the various regions of the Roman Empire. Not only in the processing industries, but also in agriculture, there was a tendency toward more specialization. The various parts of the empire were no longer economically self-sufficient. They were interdependent.

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| 1      | 3-06-09<br>07/06/16   | 5380-0000-1325-00-0R<br>SEPTEMBER 15, 2016 | ROCKWALL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL VS. BRADLEY RICE, ET AL     | Lots 1325, and 1326, Rockwall Lake Properties Development No. 2, an addition to Rockwall County, Texas, according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 1, Page 79, Map Records of Rockwall County, Texas.  | \$8,100.00     |
| 3      | 3-10-41<br>07/06/16   | 4640-0001-0002-00-0R<br>SEPTEMBER 15, 2016 | ROCKWALL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL VS. TERRY D HERRING         | Lot 2, Block 1, Pecan Grove Addition, an addition to the City of Rockwall, Rockwall County, Texas, according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Cabinet "A", Slide 291, Map Records of Rockwall County, Texas.  | \$25,000.00    |
| 4      | 3-12-39<br>05/08/14   | 820111400J0090000<br>SEPTEMBER 15, 2016    | CITY OF ROWLETT VS. BUENAVIDA HOME AND COMMUNITY SERVICE COMPANY, ET AL | Lot 9 of Heritage on the Lake PH 3 Situated in City Block J in the City of Rowlett, Rockwall County, Texas as shown by deed recorded in Volume 3099, Page 226, of the deed Records of Rockwall County, Texas and more commonly addressed as 9621 Heartstone Lane, Rowlett, Rockwall County, Texas. | \$142,590.00   |

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| 5      | 3-14-39<br>07/06/16   | 0224-0000-0005-00-0R<br>SEPTEMBER 15, 2016 | ROYSE CITY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL VS. LEAH ANN DOOLEY        | All that certain lot, tract or parcel of land situated in Rockwall County, Texas, and being part of the Lewis B. Wilson Survey, Abst. No 224 and part of land in said survey described in deed from Dobson to Taylor of record in Volume 40, Page 500, of Rockwall County Deed Records, and more particularly described and bounded as follows:<br><br>BEGINNING at a point on South bdy. of above named Dobson to Taylor land 1727 feet West from fence corner marking S.E. corner of said Dodson to Taylor land and at intersection of center drain ditch with fence and South bdy. of said Taylor land, an iron stake for marker on E. edge of said drain ditch. and said S.E. corner of Dobson to Taylor land being further identified as being 601.2 varas North from original S.E. corner of said L. Wilson Survey;<br><br>THENCE N. 22 deg. 40 min. W. along center of said drain ditch a distance of 608 feet to corner, an iron stake for marker on Easterly bank of said drain ditch;<br><br>THENCE East 1914 feet to iron stake for marker of Westerly edge of public road;<br><br>THENCE North along Westerly edge of said road 1091 feet to iron stake for corner at N.E. corner of Taylor land;<br><br>THENCE West 2606 feet to iron stake for corner N.W. corner of Taylor land;<br><br>THENCE South 1652.03 feet to iron stake for corner at S.W. corner of Taylor Land;<br><br>THENCE East and along fence 926.3 feet to center of said drain ditch and place beginning, and containing 75.691 acres of land. (12882) | \$399,440.00   |
| 6      | 3-14-44<br>07/06/16   | 3171-0001-0052-00-0R<br>SEPTEMBER 15, 2016 | ROCKWALL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL VS. JOHN ARTHUR CRONK, ET AL | Lot No. 52, Block No. 1 of Buffalo Creek Country Club Estates, Phase One, an Addition to the City of Heath, Rockwall County, Texas, According to the Plat thereof recorded in Slide B, Page 373 of the Plat Records of Rockwall County, Texas. (31064)   | \$389,150.00   |

(any volume and page references, unless otherwise indicated, being to the Deed Records, Rockwall County, Texas, to which instruments reference may be made for a more complete description of each respective tract.) or, upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion of the property described above shall be sold to satisfy said judgment(s), interest, penalties, and cost; and any property sold shall be subject to the right of redemption of the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the time and in the manner provided by law, and shall be subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment(s) rendered in the above styled and numbered cause(s), together with interest, penalties, and costs of suit, and the proceeds of said sales to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

Dated at Rockwall, Texas, September 15, 2016

Sheriff Harold Eavenson  
Rockwall County, Texas

By *R. Darlington 513*  
Deputy

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#### Notes:

The Minimum Bid is the lesser of the amount awarded in the judgment plus interest and costs or the adjudged value. However, the Minimum Bid for a person owning an interest in the property or for a person who is a party to the suit (other than a taxing unit), is the aggregate amount of the judgments against the property plus all costs of suit and sale. ALL SALES SUBJECT TO CANCELLATION WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE. THERE MAY BE ADDITIONAL TAXES DUE ON THE PROPERTY WHICH HAVE BEEN ASSESSED SINCE THE DATE OF THE JUDGMENT. For more information, contact your attorney or LINEBARGER GOGGAN BLAIR & SAMPSON, LLP., attorney for plaintiffs, at (972) 961-0086

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Hawks running back Tanner McCalister (Jr) finds a hole for more yards, Fri. Sept. 30, 2016, during the District 11-6A game against North Mesquite at Wilkerson-Sanders Stadium in Rockwall. Photo by Tim Burnett/Rockwall County News



The Rockwall-Heath Mighty Hawk Band performs their contest show entitled, "An American in Paris," Fri. Sept. 30, 2016, during the football game against North Mesquite at Wilkerson-Sanders Stadium in Rockwall. Photo by Tim Burnett/Rockwall County News

**Rockwall County varsity volleyball results**

**Rockwall-Heath**  
9/27, at Mesquite HS (Win) 3-0, 25-9, 25-7, 25-18.

9/30, North Mesquite at RHHS (Win) 3-0, 25-10, 25-9, 25-17.

10/4, Mesquite Horn at RHHS (Win) 3-2, 25-16, 19-25, 22-25, 25-16, 15-13.

RHHS schedule  
10/7, 6:30 p.m., at Longview.  
10/11, 6:30 p.m., at Tyler Lee.

**Rockwall**  
9/27, Tyler Lee at RHS (Win) 3-0, 25-8, 25-19, 25-18.

RHS schedule  
10/7, 6:30 p.m., Mesquite at RHS.  
10/11, 6:30 p.m., John Tyler at RHS.

**Royse City**  
9/20, at North Forney (Loss) 3-2, 17-25, 25-15, 25-20, 21-25, 15-10.

9/23, Forney at RCHS (Loss) 3-0, 25-11, 25-14, 25-11.

9/27, Mesquite Poteet at RCHS (Loss) 3-0, 25-21, 25-14, 25-21.

RCHS schedule  
10/7, 5:30 p.m., at Wylie East.  
10/11, 6:30 p.m., West Mesquite at RCHS (Senior night).

**Hawks fall to North Mesquite 28-5**

by Timothy W. Burnett  
The Rockwall-Heath Hawks varsity football team hit an obstacle to a loss to North Mesquite 28-52, Fri. Sept. 30, 2016, at Wilkerson-Sanders Stadium in Rockwall.

The Hawks (Overall 4-2, District 11-6A 2-1) held a close margin to North Mesquite pushed ahead 14-24 with 6:27 in the second quarter. The Hawks began with a strong drive from their own 45 YL which end on an 18-yard TD run by J'corian Jimmerson (Sr). The drive included a combination of running plays involving Grant Buckner, Jordan Kempf (Jr) and Jimmerson.

The Stallions introduced their fast-paced passing game that ended with a TD on a Quarterback keeper with 5:52 in the second quarter. After a Hawks punt, North Mesquite drove the ball from their 20 YL to the Hawks 11 YL, from which point they scored on a run play.

With :48 left in the quarter, launched a drive ending with a Tyler Lee (Jr) TD around the left side for a 14-14 tie game. The field opened up for Fort with the blocking of Christopher Teufel (Jr).

Going into the second quarter, the Stallions stalled out at about 40 YL of the Hawks, and settled for a Field Goal and 14-17 lead.

After the Hawks were unable to answer with a score, North Mesquite drove the ball from their own 18 YL to the Hawks 11 YL, ending with a TD off a running play, putting the Stallions further ahead 14-24 with 1:28 in the quarter. The Stallions maintained their fast-paced game, a mix of run and pass plays.

With :23 left in the first half, the Stallions scored a TD for a 14-28 lead. This drive included only running plays.

At the start of the second half, the Hawks defense forced the Stallions into a 3-and-out situation.

The Hawks answered with a drive starting at the Stallions 40 YL. The drive included big gains by Jimmerson and Kempf, and a Jimmerson TD run into the left side of the end zone, to tighten the margin by 21-31.

The Stallions got a break at kick-off due to a Face Mask penalty on the Hawks, which land the North Mesquite team on the Hawks 35 YL. The Hawks up a TD pass that pushed the lead to 21-38 with 9:15 in the quarter.

The next drive was set up after a kick-off return by Kendall Jimmerson to the 49 YL. Nine plays later, Fort experienced a heart-breaking TD while in the red zone, that was recovered by the Stallions. The Stallions set up a quick passing drive and TD for North Mesquite, making the score 21-45 with 3:44 in the quarter.

Later with 1:28 in the quarter, the Stallions drove from their own 40 YL to Hawks 25 YL with a mix of running plays that ended with a TD pass into the right end zone, pushing the score to 21-52, with 5:28 in the game.

Rockwall-Heath took control of the field and put the last score on the board with a drive from their own 33 YL to the Stallions 20 YL. The drive included a mix of running plays involving running back Jonathan Jimmerson (So). The drive ended with a reverse hand-off from Crist to Kempf who ran up the middle for the final TD of the game.

Rockwall-Heath is scheduled to play against John Tyler HS, 7:30 p.m. Fri. Oct. 14, at Tyler Rose Stadium in Tyler.

|      | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | Final |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| RHHS | 14  | 0   | 7   | 7   | 28    |
| NMHS | 14  | 17  | 14  | 7   | 52    |

**Other Rockwall County football results**  
Rockwall (Overall 1-5, District 11-6A 1-2) was defeated by Longview 29-36, Fri. Sept. 30, at Longview.

The Yellowjackets are scheduled to take on Mesquite Horn, 7:30 p.m. Fri. Oct. 14, at Wilkerson-Sanders Stadium.

|      | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | Final |
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| RHS  | 14  | 7   | 0   | 8   | 29    |
| NMHS | 14  | 7   | 2   | 13  | 36    |

The Royse City Bulldogs (Overall 2-3, District 15-5A 0-2) were defeated by Wylie East, 7:30 p.m., Fri. Oct. 7, at Wylie.

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