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Recognizing the 2013 Rockwall ISD Valedictorians and Salutatorians



Jacob Cariker
Rockwall High School
2013 Valedictorian

RHS valedictorian Jacob Cariker of Rockwall graduated with a grade-point average of 106.478 and plans to attend Hendrix College in Illinois.



Katharine Page
Rockwall High School
2013 Salutatorian

RHS salutatorian Katharine Page of Rockwall, who graduated with a grade-point average of 105.717, plans to attend Pomona College. She plans to study neuroscience.



Nick Schneider
Rockwall-Heath High School
2013 Valedictorian

RHHS valedictorian Nick Schneider of Rockwall plans to attend the University of Texas at Austin. He plans to study mechanical engineering.



Adam Rippetoe
Rockwall-Heath High School
2013 Salutatorian

RHHS salutatorian Adam Rippetoe of Rockwall plans to attend the University of Texas at Austin. He plans to study neuroscience.



Amber Carrington enjoys a sweet and exciting welcome from the Rockwall County community and fans, Thursday June 6, during the Concert by the Lake Series at the Harbor District. Carrington was eliminated the following Tuesday during the semifinal phase of the contest.
Photo by Carl McClung/Rockwall County News

'Voice' star Carrington performs at lake concert

Amber Carrington, a contestant on the NBC television show "The Voice" and a 2011 graduate of Rockwall High, was part of the June 6 Concert by the Lake Series event at The Harbor.

Rockwall Mayor David Sweet presented Carrington with a proclamation in her honor and a key to the city. Carrington then performed for the audience.

Carrington, a member of the J.W. Williams Middle School choir during her seventh and eighth grade years, began singing for audiences at the age of 10, according to her official Facebook page. Today, the 19-year-old has performed in many larger venues. She was the winner of Rockwall's Got Talent and the 2011 talent contest at the Big D Opry at Gilley's in Dallas.

Tuesday night June 11, Carrington graciously accepted the judges' "elimination" decision which allowed three contestants to return for next Monday's final performance.

Carrington was coached on "The Voice" by judge Adam Levine and as of the newspaper's Monday press deadline had survived until the competition's semi-final round.

Family members, friends and supporters of Carrington gathered each week at several local watch parties to cheer on the Rockwall native on the talent search reality show.

Plans underway for Heath's Fourth festivities

The City of Heath is once again making plans for its Independence Day Parade, followed by Popsicles in the Park, on July 4.

The parade will fill Laurence Drive with a sea of red, white and blue. Staging for the parade will begin at 8 a.m., with judging and awards at 8:30 a.m. The parade will begin at 9 a.m. at Amy Parks-Heath Elementary, 330 Laurence Drive.

Awards for "best decorated" will be given in several categories, including float, bicycle, wagon/stroller, golf cart, off-road vehicle, kiddie car and antique car. Awards for Best Costume, Most Patriotic Pet and the Mayor's Award also will be given.

Veterans for all branches of the U.S. military are invited to ride on the veteran's float in the parade. For more details, call Kim Dobbs at 972-771-6228 or visit heathtx.com.

"We have this float so that our community can honor our veterans for their extraordinary gift of service," said Lorne Liechty, mayor of the city. "It is because of them and the many other brave men and women who have served in our armed forces that we are able to celebrate independence."

Rockwall County News Briefs

Volunteers welcomed to aid with Flag Day display

For many years, American Legion Post 117 has placed more than 100 U.S. flags around the Rockwall square on Flag Day. Beginning on Veterans Day in 2011, the Post also began posting 24 flags at the entrance of the new County Government Center. Assistance in placing these flags is welcomed. Volunteers should meet at the north end of the City Hall parking lot at 7 a.m. June 14 to help put out flags around the square. Volunteers will meet again at 6 p.m. in front of Ralph Hall's office to take down the flags.

Flag Day ceremony scheduled at memorial

A brief Flag Day ceremony will begin at 9 a.m. June 14 at the Rockwall Veterans Memorial, 1111 Yellow Jacket Lane, in Rockwall. Jimmy Strohmeyer, consulting architect for the memorial and a longtime Rockwall resident, has donated \$10,000 for an all-weather kiosk to be installed at the site, and the ceremony will include the formal unveiling of this gift. When visiting the kiosk, a visitor will be able to learn about the memorial's design, symbolism and meaning; information about U.S. military branches and specific details about local veterans also will be offered. The public is invited to attend.

Prom king, queen nominations sought

The Centsible Thrift Store will sponsor a Junk Prom/Flea Market fundraiser June 14, and nominations for prom king and queen are being sought. Local organizations and businesses can make nominations by sending them to Melody Hail at melodyhail@rockwallhelpinghands.com. The event will include food, live entertainment, dancing, shopping and other fun; participants are urged to dust off old prom dresses or tuxes to wear to the event. Tickets to the event \$25 at rockwallhelpinghands.com.

Breakfast event to focus on landscaping

The public is invited to attend the next Rockwall County Democratic Breakfast to learn about some of the best ways to keep yards green and flowers blooming despite hot summer temperatures and water restrictions. A Master Gardener from the Texas AgriLife Extension Service will serve as guest speaker. Coffee and doughnuts will be served at the gathering, which will begin at 9 a.m. (Continued on Page 3)

Royse City Boys, Girls Club observes grand opening

Millie Jean Coppedge

The grand opening of the new Royse City Boys and Girls Club was conducted at the Ruth Cherry Intermediate School's free-standing building from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on June 1.

Children and teenagers entered the door ready to try out the board games and see all of the things that await them for the program.

Potter, chief professional officer for the Rockwall Boys and Girls Club of Rockwall County, was the mistress of ceremonies for the event. Representatives gave brief comments about the facility and the club's independence. Royse City's mayor, Jerrell Baley, Royse City School District superintendent Kevin Worthy, the Royse City Boys and Girls Club Advisory Board chairman, Jim Melody, and Rockwall County Advisory Board chairman, Stephen Straughan, their thoughts on the positive impact the Boys and Girls Club can have on a young person's life.

Potter, executive director for the Royse City Chamber of

Commerce, assisted in the ribbon cutting. Several other representatives from the City Council of Royse City and the Royse City School Board were in attendance.

Any students living within Rockwall County who are between the ages of 6 to 18 are eligible to attend. The cost is \$50 a month for the summer months and \$30 a month during the school year, with a one-time \$25 enrollment fee. Up to 150 students can attend.

The Boys & Girls Club is a non-profit youth development agency that offers games, sports, clubs, art, drama and many more activities in a supportive, adult-mentored environment.

The first day will be June 10, the second Monday in June. Summertime hours will be 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. during the school year. The club will be closed on Saturday and Sunday.

For more information visit the Boys & Girls Club of Rockwall County YouTube website or call Potter at 972-722-2462 or 214-862-3434.



The grand opening of the Royse City Boys and Girls Club was conducted at Ruth Cherry Intermediate School at 2 p.m. on June 1. District representatives from the Royse City School Board and City Council, representatives from the Boys and Girls Club of Rockwall County, family members, friends and students attended. Shown above are (back row left to right) Eric Fort, Jim Melody (4th from left), Misti Potter, Janet Nichol, Tom Shelton, Kevin Worthy, Stephen Straughan, Kim Wheeler. The boy cutting the ribbon is Try Lewis and his mother, Tammy Lewis is standing next to him with the glasses on. Lloyd Blaine is on one knee in the front middle.
Photo by Millie Jean Coppedge/Rockwall County News

Rockwall ISD outlines administrative changes

Rockwall Independent School District, in preparation of the 2013-2014 school year, recently announced the hiring and re-assignment of administrative principals.

Administrators are filling vacancies open because of retirement or resignation of new job duties. Changes detailed in a recent news release are:

Ammi Schmitt will serve as the new principal at Celia Hays Elementary. She previously served as the administrative intern at the school.

Ruth Johnson will serve as the new principal at Howard Johnson Elementary. She previously served as assistant principal at Dorris

A. Jones Elementary.

• Teresa Twedell will serve as the new principal at Jones Elementary. She previously served as the principal at Dobbs Elementary.

• Todd Bradford will serve as the new principal at Herman E. Utley Middle School. He previously served as principal of Rockwall Quest Academy.

• Courtney Gober will serve as the new principal at Rockwall High. She previously served as principal of Shepton High School and Jasper High School in the Plano Independent School District.

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Local student's project raises funds for military veterans

Kyle Gershon, a sixth grade student at Grace Hartman Elementary, used his school service project to raise money for an organization that serves wounded warriors.

Gershon raised \$930 for a group called Heroes on the Water, an organization that helps wounded warriors "relax, rehabilitate and reintegrate with society through kayak fishing and the outdoors." He accomplished this by drawing on his musical talent.

Gershon talked his band, Peer Pressure, into donating some of the proceeds from its next concert to his effort. He also utilized some creative marketing ideas, using Instagram and the band's Facebook page to raise money. He met his goal within hours of introducing the project's live webpage.

Over Easter weekend, Gershon volunteered at a Heroes on the Water event and met many members of the organization.

Grace Hartman sixth grade students, after researching the needs of others in and around the community, develop a plan for a service project and are required to complete six hours of service and reflect on the experience and the impact of their actions.

Construction slated for I-30 frontage roads

The conversion of the I-30 frontage roads to one-way operations between FM 551 and FM 548 was scheduled to begin June 13, weather permitting, according to a Texas Department of Transportation news release.

The frontage roads also will be reduced to one lane and will remain so during construction, according to the release.

Following frontage road reconstruction, the frontage roads will retain permanent one-way operation. The work is part of the Erby Campbell Interchange construction project, an almost \$20 million project being handled by Webber, LLC, based in The Woodlands.

Motorists should slow down when driving through the work zone and pay attention to signs, barrels and warnings for the safety of the public and workers on the road, according to the release.

Road conditions and traffic updates are available at drivetexas.org; on Facebook at facebook.com/txdot; and on Twitter at twitter.com/txdot or twitter.com/txdotdallaspio.

For more details about the project, contact the TxDOT Dallas District public information officer, Michelle Releford, at michelle.releford@txdog.gov or call 214-320-4485.



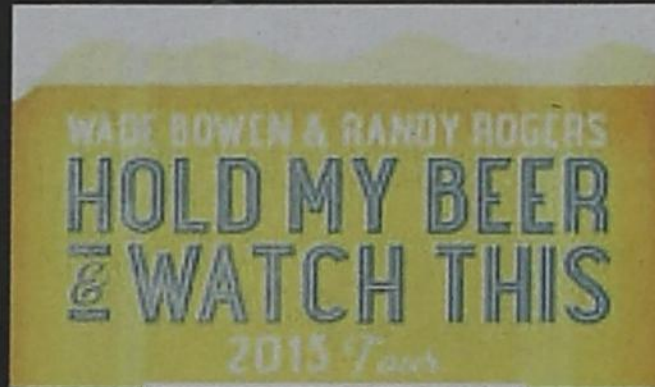
Kyle Gershon, a sixth grade student at Grace Hartman Elementary, recently completed service project, which involved helping wounded warriors. Gershon raised \$930 for Heroes on the Water, an organization that helps wounded warriors relax, rehabilitate and reintegrate with society through kayak fishing and the outdoors. Above, he is shown making a check presentation to Gerry Chrisman, the DFW Chapter coordinator of the organization. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

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Doris Cullins Lake Pointe fifth grade students used their math skills to create and design dream rooms. Pictured at front, from the left, are Kaitlyn Hollifield, Kayleigh Venable and Takyria Turner. At back are Sarah Najafi, Allison Sullins, Anna-Layne Cawthon and Alexis Hile. Students presented the projects to the school and students voted on their favorites. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News



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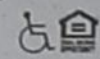
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Teen Read underway at Rockwall County Library

The Teen Read program for teens in grades 5 to 12 (completed) is now underway.

Prizes will be awarded to the teen who completes the first reading log. Additional prizes will be awarded for participation in each Teen Read event counts as two on the reading log. The following activities are planned:

- June 18, 2 p.m. -- Zoom (new selection of animals)
- June 25, 2 p.m. -- "Games" screening, followed by an activity that will allow participants to test their skills against other "tributes" in the Training Center
- July 2 -- Own the Night Art Project; in-person registration required at the Teen SRC (registration begins June 11)
- July 9 -- Special Effects artist Shelly Pinder will lead a hands-on workshop that teaches participants to create cuts, bruises and more; in-person registration required at the SRC table (registration begins June 25)

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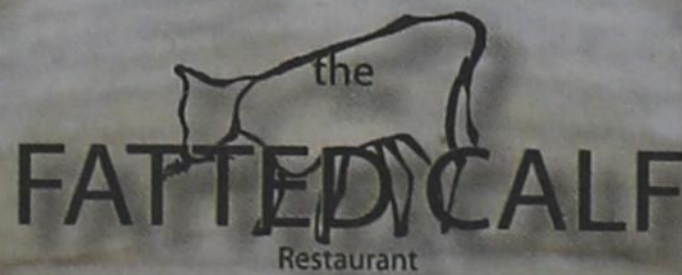
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Rockwall County Obituaries

Jeanne Forté



Funeral service for Jeanne Forté was conducted at 11 a.m. June 12, 2013, in the Rest Haven Home Rockwall Chapel.

She was born June 28, 1920, in Bonham, Texas, to Hendricks Marr and Bernice Marr of Bonham. She was married to the late Robert Forté of Farmington, N.M., in 1941.

She was a loyal and faithful military wife, business partner and mother. After spending most of her life moving from military base to military base while her husband served in the Air Force, the couple used all of their savings to move to Farmington in 1955 where they established Dilworth, Inc., an oil and gasoline distributorship that included real estate investments.

After her husband's death in 1965, she taught middle school for several years in Garland and then in Rockwall, where she had moved in 1972. She retired from teaching in 1982. She traveled extensively, in Texas and usually with family or teacher friends. She also spent a significant amount of time at home.

She was active in the Rockwall Historical Society and wrote a column for the Rockwall News. She also played bridge and was an avid reader.

Over her lifetime, she survived polio as a teenager; an accidental fall from a BB pellet to the thigh; an accidental shotgun pellet to the hip; a family dog bite to the hand; a significant stroke at age 89.

She is survived by her daughter, Dianne Forté Neely (1943-1994), Robin A. Forté (1943-1994), Marty, of Dallas and E.M. (Toby) Forté and wife, Cheryl, of Dallas; grandmothers, Della and Dedra Neely, Holly and Lisa Marceaux; great-grandmother to Annabelle and Andrea Erikson and Brannon Jackson; great-great-grandmother to Aiden Erikson; and cousin to Robert Charles Joplin.

Nell Margaret Upton



Funeral services for Nell Margaret Upton, 93, of Rockwall, Texas, were held at noon June 11, 2013, in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Rockwall, Texas, with the Rev. Rick H. H. H. officiating. The Rest Haven Home Rockwall Chapel was the place of arrangements.

She was born Dec. 1, 1919, in Rockwall, Texas, to Robert Allen Sr. and Nell (Nesbitt) Nesbitt.

Survivors include her sister, Mary Upton of Boise City; her nieces, Debra Howell, Anna Davis and Sandra Donaho, all of Royse City; and her nephews, Stephen and Christianne Fowler of Suffolk, Va.; and her nephews, Stephen and Geoffrey Nesbitt, both of Rockwall, Texas.

She is also survived by her son, Larry Wayne Wells, and her brother, Robert Allen Nesbitt Jr., of Rockwall, Texas.

Funeral arrangements have suggested memorials may be made to the charity of your choice.

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begin at 9 a.m. June 15 at the Harry Myers Community Center, 815 E. Washington St., Rockwall.

Low-cost spay/neuter shuttle scheduled

The monthly Spay Neuter Network Shuttle will pick up pets at 7:30 a.m. June 20 in the southeast corner of the I-30 Wal-Mart parking lot; pets will be returned at 6:30 P.M. Dogs must have no-slip collars; cats must be in secure carriers (no cardboard boxes). To make an appointment call 972-472-3500 (hablamos Español) or email info@spayneuternet.org. Financial assistance is available. Call Rockwall PAWS at 972-310-1354. Upcoming shuttle dates are July 25, Aug. 15 and Sept. 19.

Church plans Summer Mission Camp

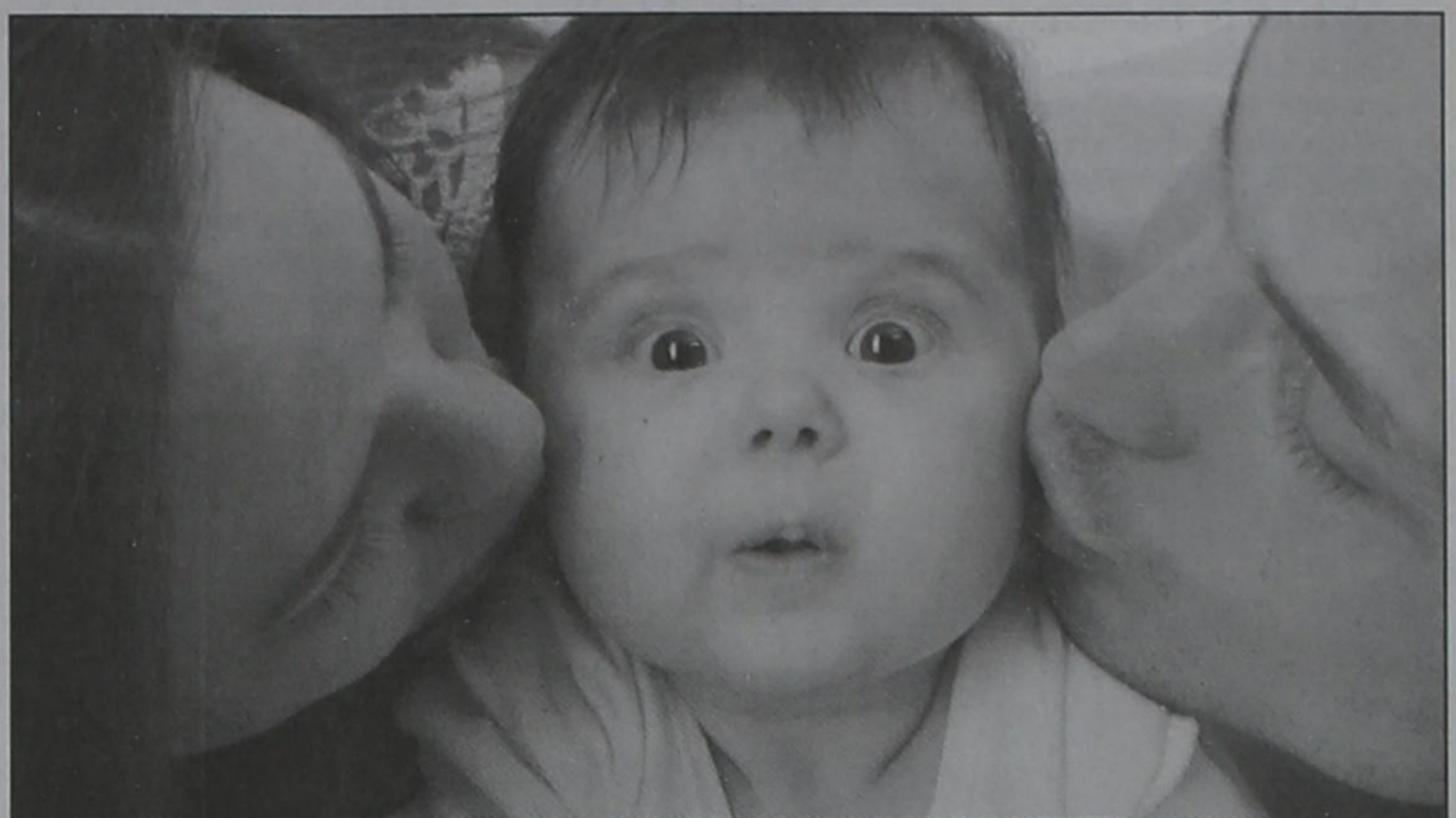
The First Presbyterian Church, 602 White Hills Drive, will host its Summer Mission Camp from 9:30 a.m. to noon June 24-28. Open to students in grades K-8, the event will offer a week's worth of Bible stories and community mission work. Fun daily outings are planned; a pizza party is set for the final day. Cost to participate will be \$15 per child, which includes a T-shirt, one outing and the pizza party. For details visit firstpresrockwall.org or call 972-771-5702.

Master Gardener applications being accepted

Applications to become a Certified Master Gardener of the Rockwall County Master Gardener Association will be accepted until June 26. This is a volunteer development organization that operates through the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service. Master Gardeners are trained volunteers who provide

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7:16 p.m. – Teen Movie Matinee, "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows, Part II"

7:25 p.m. – All About Me Mosaic Art project; participants will create a family wall or bookshelf; in-person registration required at the library (registration begins July 9)

7:30 p.m. – Teen Movie Matinee, "ParaNorman"

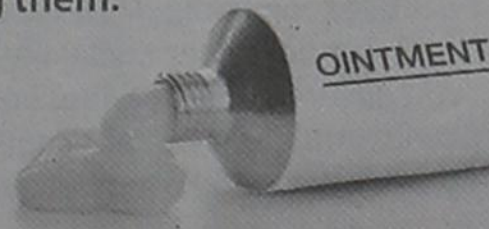
For more information on upcoming events visit www.rockwallcountylibrary.com

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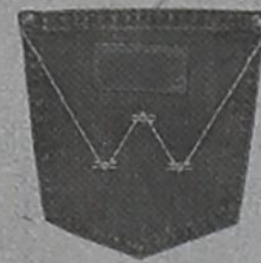
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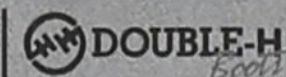
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On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

What is the easy yoke? Matt. 11:29

After Jesus upbraided certain cities because of their unbelief, he humbly prayed to his Father God and then began to say, "Come on to me, all you that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and you shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light" (Matthew 11:29-30).

A word study of the word "yoke" will help immensely toward understanding Jesus' words.



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The word "yoke" was translated from the ancient Greek word zugos. It was literally used for the instrument that kept beasts of burden moving in the same direction. The board is shaped to rest on top of the animals' necks, and locked in place so that animals that are lined up in rows of two will move in the same direction.

Zugos was also used figuratively for troublesome laws imposed on people, bondage or slavery. Although any political system of troublesome and burdensome laws would fall within the category of zugos, the term was primarily used for the Mosaic laws.

The Acts is the basic blueprint of the church of God.

After it was learned that all people on earth could believe with their hearts that God raised Jesus from the dead unto righteousness and receive the Holy Ghost, certain Jewish leaders came to different cities teaching that "except you be circumcised after the manner of Moses, you cannot be saved" (Acts 15:2).

Paul and Barnabas disputed with them about the matter, at which time they sent Paul and Barnabas to Jerusalem to discuss the matter with the apostles and elders.

While in Jerusalem, certain Pharisees who believed that God raised Jesus from the dead, said that "it was needful to circumcise the non-Jewish believers, and to command them to keep the law of Moses."

After much argument over the matter, Peter said, "Men and brethren, you know how that a good while ago God made choice among us, that the Gentiles by my mouth should hear the word of the gospel, and believe. And God, which knows the hearts, bare them witness, giving them the Holy Ghost, even as He did unto us; and put no difference between us and them, purifying their hearts by faith" (Acts 15:7-9).

The record of Peter's ministry for the Gentile is found in 10 where he ministered to Cornelius' household. The record of disciples receiving the Holy Ghost is found in Acts 2:4.

Peter continued, "Now therefore why tempt God, to put the neck of the disciples, which neither our fathers nor we bear? But we believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus shall be saved, even as them" (Acts 15:10-11).

Remember the dispute was about what was needed for us to follow the Mosaic law or follow the grace of God in the name of Jesus Christ.

The underlying purpose for the yoke was to keep the subject in the same direction.

On the day of Pentecost, after Jesus ascended to heaven, change occurred.

The yoke was no longer the laws of Moses, but instead it was the grace of God through Jesus Christ.

Paul said to the Galatian believers, "Stand fast therefore wherewith Christ has made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage" (Galatians 5:1).

Again Paul exhorted the Philippian believers, "Therefore be of the same mind in the Lord" (Philippians 4:1-2).

By walking under the easy yoke of the grace of God through Christ, they were "of the same mind in the Lord."

How do we know this? Paul continued in verse 3, "And I also, true yokefellow."

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Heath city offices to close for July 4

The City of Heath offices will
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Normal business hours will be
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Plans underway for Fourth festivities

The City of Heath is making
plans for its Independence Day
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Proposals will be received until 2:00 PM on July 11, 2013 at the Administration Center
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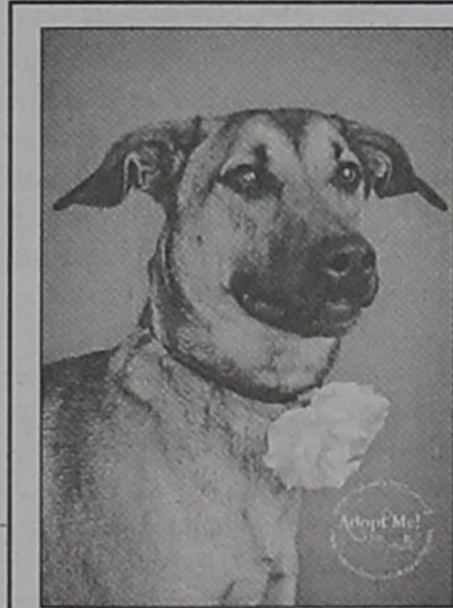
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4 p.m. Aug. 10; prize drawings will be conducted Aug. 12.

Petty Theft to give tribute

Petty Theft, a Tom Petty tribute band, will perform at 7:30 p.m. June
13 at The Harbor as part of the Concert by the Lake Series organized by
the City of Rockwall's Parks & Rec Department.

Family Fun Night set at Northshore

The movie "Hotel Transylvania" will be featured at the Family Fun
Night at Northshore June 14. Activities and games will begin at 6 p.m.,
with the film set to start at dusk. Candy, popcorn, snow cones and glow
sticks will be available for purchase.

Family Car Show slated

Our Savior Lutheran Church, 3003 Horizon Rd., in Rockwall, will
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feature cars, bounce houses, concessions and door prizes; a silent auction
and prize drawing also is planned. Proceeds will benefit the OSLC Youth.
Admission will be free and open to the public. For more details visit oslockrockwall.org/carshow or call Matthias Dinger at 972-771-8118.

Teen Read Zooniversity slated

The Rockwall County Library's Teen Read program will host
Zooniversity, which will feature a new selection of animals, beginning
at 2 p.m. June 18.

Moving Colors concert set

Moving Colors will provide a rhythm and dance concert beginning at
7:30 p.m. June 20 at The Harbor as part of the Concert by the Lake Series
organized by the City of Rockwall's Parks & Rec Department.

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Opinions

Obama speaks with forked tongue on surveillance

by Sheldon Richmond

June 11, 2013 Future Freedom Foundation

It's bad enough the federal government spies on us. Must it insult our intelligence too?

The government's response to Edward Snowden's leaks about the National Security Agency's secret monitoring of the Internet and collection of our telephone logs is a mass of contradictions. Officials have said the disclosures are (1) old news, (2) grossly inaccurate, and (3) a blow to national security. It's hard to see how any two of these can be true, much less all three.

Can't they at least get their story straight? If they can't do better than that, why should we have confidence in anything else that they do?

Snowden exposed the government's indiscriminate snooping because, among other things, it violates the Fourth Amendment protection against unreasonable searches and he had no other recourse.

Director of National Intelligence James Clapper says Snowden should have used established channels to raise his concerns, but there are no effective channels. Members of the congressional intelligence committees are prohibited from telling the public what they learn from their briefings. Two members of the Senate committee, Ron Wyden and Mark Udall, for years have warned — without disclosing secrets — that the Obama administration is interpreting the Patriot Act and related laws far more broadly than was ever intended by those who voted for those pieces of legislation. Their warnings have made no difference.

A court challenge wasn't open to Snowden either. Glenn Greenwald, who published Snowden's leaks in the Guardian, notes that for years the ACLU has tried to challenge the surveillance programs in court on Fourth Amendment grounds, but the Obama administration has blocked the effort by arguing that the ACLU has no standing to bring the suit. It's a classic Catch-22. Since the surveillance is secret, no one can know if he has been spied on. But if no one knows, no one can go into court claiming to be a victim, and the government will argue that therefore the plaintiff has no standing to challenge the surveillance. Well played, Obama administration.

The administration should not be allowed to get away with the specious claim that telling its secrets to a few privileged members of Congress is equivalent to informing the people. It is not. It's merely one branch of government telling some people in another branch. Calling those politicians "our representatives" is highly misleading. In what sense do they actually represent us?

Equally specious is the assertion that the NSA can't monitor particular people without court authorization. The secret FISA court is a rubber stamp.

When Obama ran for president in 2008, he said Americans shouldn't have to choose between privacy and security. Now he says that "one of the things that we're going to have to discuss and debate is how are we striking this balance between the need to keep the American people

safe and our concerns about privacy? Because there are some involved."

What do you take us for, Mr. President? Do you say what your momentary interest?

It's outrageous for Obama to say he welcomes this debate — regime is plotting to capture and prosecute the heroic whistleblower made it possible.

The debate would be bogus anyway. No one has a right security/privacy tradeoff for you. Our rights should not be vote, particularly when a ruling elite ultimately will make it — out of public view!

Americans have learned nothing from the last 40 years if they learned that the executive branch — regardless of party — any power as broadly as it wishes. Congressional oversight than useless; it's a myth, especially when one chamber is co the president's party and the other chamber's majority emp government as long as it carries a "national security" label.

Obama says, "If people can't trust not only the executive also don't trust Congress and don't trust federal judges to that we're abiding by the Constitution, due process and rule of we're going to have some problems here."

That's wrong. If the politicians' only response to revelations violating our privacy is to ask for trust, then we already have

The Texas constitution and statutes agree that the people are free

by Timothy W. Burnett

When police officers stop someone it is automatically assumed they are following the law and enforcing a real law.

When state agents demand quarterly reports and payments for various state services such as unemployment insurance, employment regulations, it is automatically assumed they are following the law and enforcing a real law.

When judges and district attorneys implement judicial procedures, it is automatically assumed they are following the law and protecting the people's right to due process of law.

The people of Texas and the United States must be able to trust their servant elected and appointed officials. It's near impossible for the people to have complete knowledge and experience with government procedures. This knowledge and wisdom is entrusted to their servant government officials.

As more people read the Texas Constitution and subservient controlling statutes, it will become widely known that the servant government officials have sought to enforce non-existent criminal offenses on a mass scale, and have sought to enforce existent statutes upon people and business entities that do not fall within the scope of the Acts.

When servant government officials enforce non-existent criminal offenses against the masses, they in essence commit Official Oppression and/or felony extortion.

When servant government officials enforce existent controlling statutes against people and legal business entities that do not fall within the narrow scope of the Acts, they commit Official Oppression and/or felony extortion.

One example of a non-existent criminal offense is "speeding."

Most people agree that others should drive on the roads and highways at a reasonable and prudent speed. The state of Texas paid for engineers to recommend reasonable and prudent speeds that are annotated in the Texas Transportation Code Section 545.351 and 545.352.

Section 545.352 establishes prima facie speed limits that may be used as evidence to determine evidence to be used toward determining whether dangerous and reckless driving existed.

Speeding in and of itself is not dangerous and reckless under common law. Many speeding drivers clearly seen to be driving safely.

Fact is, Section 545.351 and 545.352 contain no language designating "speeding" as a Class C misdemeanor criminal offense. Nor do the statutes contain any language mandating or requiring any driver to drive at or below a designated reasonable and prudent speed.

The statutes agree that the right of the traveling public to travel freely on the roads and highways is protected. The Texas Workforce Commission is commissioned to enforce the Texas Unemployment Compensation Act (TUCA).

One might assume that it shouldn't be too difficult to follow the Texas Constitution and controlling statutes. What does the Constitution have to do with the state run and enforced unemployment compensation insurance?

A key element to the enforcement of the TUCA is the surgical analysis and regulation of agreements between people/businesses and service providers.

The TWC finds itself in a conflict when exposed to the Texas Constitution Article 1, Section 16 impairing the obligation of contracts shall be made."

The conflict does not exist in the law, but in the actions of the commission members and executives (not to leave out all the lower ranking agents).

There is a little known Section 201.101 which narrows the scope of the Act and removes any conflict with the Texas Constitution, "Conformity with Federal Statutes."

Section 201.101 limits the enforcement authority of the commission to the narrow scope of the unemployment compensation act. It does not give the TWC all encompassing authority and power over all natural people and legal business entities.

The federal unemployment act 26 USC section 3306 definitions reveal the narrow scope of the act to certain instrumentalities of the District of Columbia, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands which are engaged in statutory "employment" activity on the soil of Texas and/or other states in the area of United States.

It's important to understand that corporations are legal business entities distinctly different from other such as limited liability companies. Limited liability companies are chartered by states, and not created by the District of Columbia.

If the Texas Workforce Commission stayed within the narrow scope of the act, its actions would not conflict with the Texas Constitution. Instrumentalities of the District of Columbia and the above mentioned territories do not fall within the protections of the Texas Constitution.

The above examples only touch the tip of the iceberg.

The people of Texas would be much closer to freedom when the government officers stop enforcing existent mandates and criminal offenses, and stop enforcing laws upon people and business entities that fall under the narrow scope.

Two possible solutions are A) vote in judges that will force the government officers to follow the law and inform the Grand Juries of the unlawful actions of government officers.

In the end, when officers enforce non-existent mandates and criminal offenses they may be found guilty of committed Official Oppression under the Texas Penal Code. Officers may also be indicted by Grand Juries enforcing statutes upon people and business entities that do not fall under the narrow scope.

In both examples, if the officers use their positions to force others to pay money, then they may be indicted by Grand Juries for felony extortion.

The Texas Workforce Commission will be under the microscope of the 2014 Texas Sunset Commission.

After a close comparison between the law and TWC history of actions, the legislature may easily determine that the commission has caused so much damage on the people and their businesses in Texas, that it should be repealed and the TWC agency should be absolutely abolished.

Based on the related Texas statutes and Constitution, the people of Texas are free to decide what to drive on the roads and highways, and to decide whether or not to purchase insurance plans for others paid for services rendered.

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Low-cost spay/neuter shuttle scheduled

The monthly Spay Neuter Network Shuttle will pick up pets at 7:30 a.m. July 25 in the southeast corner of the I-30 Wal-Mart parking lot; pets will be returned at 6:30 P.M. Dogs must have no-slip collars; cats must be in secure carriers (no cardboard boxes). To make an appointment call 972-472-3500 (hablamos Español) or email info@spayneuternet.org. Financial assistance is available. Call Rockwall PAWS at 972-310-1354. Upcoming shuttle dates are Aug. 15 and Sept. 19.

Rockwall County Entertainment

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'Timothy Green' planned for Family Fun Night

The movie "The Odd Life of Timothy Green" will be featured at the Family Fun Night at Emerald Bay June 21. Activities and games will begin at 6 p.m., with the film set to start at dusk. Candy, popcorn, snow cones and glow sticks will be available for purchase.

'Hunger Games' part of library's Teen Read

The Rockwall County Library's Teen Read program will offer a screening of the film "Hunger Games" beginning at 2 p.m. June 25, followed by an activity that will test the skills of all participating "tributes" in the library's Training Center.

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- TX Kristofferson album: "Jesus _____ Capricorn" ('72)
- in Concho Co. on 83
- TX Barbara Mandrell sang "When _____ Loves a Woman"
- ex-Astro pitcher, Darryl ('91-'97)
- "The eyes of Texas _____ upon you . . ."
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- rare European sheep breed
- "get the _____ out" (hurry up)
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- "I _____ it is"
- TXism: "brave enough to _____ a boomtown cafe"
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- talkin' without thinkin'? (2 wds.)
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- banking company big in TX (abbr.)
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- TX band: "Asleep _____ the Wheel"
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Royce City ISD Destination Imagination teams mark stellar year

Destination Imagination teams representing the Royce City School District had a stellar year. Teams competed at the regional completion in Mesquite, each of the eight schools in the district, according to release. Of the 31 teams competing at Poteet High School, five teams came home with a medal for their challenge. Five winning teams placed high enough in their challenges to compete at the state level in Katy. Competing in the largest challenge at the state level in Katy, the RCISD once again had a spot at global finals in Knoxville, Tenn. The star Bulldogs Destination Imagination team returned at the state level with a seventh-place finish in the global challenge. The team has earned a spot at this event for three years.



Superstar Bulldogs Destination Imagination team earned a seventh place finish in the global DI competition over Memorial Day weekend. The team has earned a spot at the state level for three straight years. Pictured are Lou Lou Howell, Karina Revilla, Brendan O'Connor, Cade Baridon, Ethan Margot, Sarah Nolan and Kelly Margot.
Photo/Rockwall County News

Team members from Ruth Cherry Intermediate were Cade Baridon, Lacie Howell, Ethan Margot, Sarah Nolan, Brendan O'Connor and Karina Revilla. This year they competed at the middle school level for the first time, going up against 67 teams from 48 states and 30 countries. Competing in the technical challenge, the team was required to design and build small vehicles that were able to reliably and accurately travel specific distances, use at least three different power sources for these vehicles, and present a story about the dangers faced by vehicles that was told from the point of view of one or more vehicles.

The four other DI teams competing beyond the Mesquite regional competition also represented RCISD and the East Region well.

Competing at the elementary level in the theatrical challenge were the Glorious Girls from Miss May Vernon Elementary. The team returned with a fifth-place finish at state level competition. Team members were Abby Stillwell, Ollie Hodges, Toni Redfern, Celeste Conlin, Alicia Weeks, Kaley Francis and Allie Grace Singleton.

Three named to OBU Dean's List

Three Rockwall residents were among students named to the Dean's List following the spring semester at Ouachita Baptist University, according to a university news release.

Honorees included Chelsey Hess, Joyann Jackson and Kelsey Stawasz.

To be named to the Dean's List, a student must maintain at last a 3.5 grade-point average and be a full-time student carrying a minimum of 12 semester hours, according to the release.

Locals named to OBU President's List

Four local residents were among the 265 students at Ouachita Baptist University named to the President's List for the spring semester at Arkadelphia, Ark., according to a university news release.

Honorees included Jacob Way of Heath and Baronger Bieger, Sophie DeMuth and Arthur Johnson, all of Rockwall.

To be named to the President's List, a student must compile a 4.0 grade-point average and be classified as a full-time student with a minimum of 12 academic hours, according to the release.

Locals tapped for honors at Baylor

Eight local residents were among the 3,200 Baylor University students named to the Dean's Academic Honor List following the 2013 spring semester, according to a university news release.

Those recognized included Brendan Michael Mackin of Heath and Rockwall residents Amy Madeleine Adams, Courtney Renee Murphy, Taylor Ashlyn Neely, Andrea Cecilia Pujol, Lori C. Scott, Macall Alexandra Smith and Christina Nicole Walther.

To be named to the Dean's List, a student must be an undergraduate with a minimum grade-point average of 3.7 while enrolled in at least 12 semester hours.

Salter receives degree from HSU

Audrey Salter of Royce City was among graduates of Hardin-Simmons University receiving degrees during the university's May 11 commencement exercises, according to a university news release.

Salter graduated with a bachelor's degree in behavioral science.

Two locals receive bachelor's degree

Two Royce City residents received bachelor's degrees at the spring commencement exercises at the University of Saint Mary in Leavenworth, Kansas, according to a university news release.

Roman Howard Children was awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree, while Justin Crutchfield received a Bachelor of Science degree.

Returning for their second state appearance were the Texas Solvers from Herndon Intermediate. Competing in the elementary level structure challenge, the team also returned from Katy with a fifth-place finish. Team members were Amelia Grantz, Brenna Merillat, Camille Toombs, Connor Padgett, Hannah Odell, Jack Edwards and Prestynn Pogue.

The N.E.R.D.S from Fort Elementary competed in the scientific challenge at the state level for their second year in a row. Team members were Gus Margot, Jenna Kirby, Nicholas Sparks, Parker Hutton, Meghan Nolan and Rowdy Byrne.

The Cookie Eating Zombies in Search of Buda represented the middle school in the service learning challenge for their repeat performance at state level competition. Team members were Johnny Biffar, Chris Biffar, Caleb Fay, Jonathan Bearden, William Sowden, Victor Muniz and Ryan Wilson.

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Rockwall County Entertainment

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Johnny Cash tribute concert planned

A Johnny Cash tribute band, will perform beginning June 27 at The Harbor as part of the Concert by the Lake series organized by the City of Rockwall's Parks & Rec Department.

Madagascar 3' planned for Family Fun Night

"Madagascar 3" will be featured at the Family Fun Night on June 28. Activities and games will begin at 6 p.m., with the movie starting at 7 p.m. Candy, popcorn, snow cones and glow sticks will be available for purchase.

Teen Art Project offered at library

Rockwall County Library, as part of its Teen Read program, will offer a Night Teen Art Project on July 2. In-person registration is required at the Teen SRC table at the library.

Family Fun Night to feature 'Dolphin Tale'

"Dolphin Tale" will be featured at the Family Fun Night on July 5. Activities and games will begin at 6 p.m., with the movie starting at 7 p.m. Candy, popcorn, snow cones and glow sticks will be available for purchase.

Special Effects 101 offered at library

Rockwall County Library, as part of its Teen Read program, will offer Special Effects 101, a hands-on workshop, on July 9. Artist Shelly will teach participants how to simulate cuts, bruises and more. Registration is required at the Teen SRC table at the library; registration begins June 25.

Chinatown to play pop concert

Chinatown will perform pop music beginning at 7:30 p.m. July 11 at The Harbor as part of the Concert by the Lake Series organized by the City of Rockwall's Parks & Rec Department.

Final Family Fun Night set

"The Pirates Band of Misfits" will be featured at the final Family Fun Night of the year set for July 12 at Myers Park. Activities and games will begin at 6 p.m., with the movie set to start at dusk. Candy, popcorn, snow cones and glow sticks will be available for purchase.

Teen Movie Matinee offered at library

Rockwall County Library, as part of its Teen Read program, will offer a Teen Movie Matinee beginning at 2 p.m. July 16. The movie will be "The Deathly Hallows, Part II."

'Zombie Prom' auditions slated

Rockwall Community Playhouse will offer performances of "Zombie Prom," a "campy, rollicking musical with a visit to the atomic age and the golden age of sci-fi horror," July 26, 27 and 28 at 7:30, 8:30, 9:30, 10 and 11.

Iron Chef Challenge planned

The Iron Chef Challenge, a fundraising event for the Boys & Girls Club of Rockwall County, will run from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Aug. 10 at the South Lakes Community Center. Teams of 10 will be matched with an experienced chef who will prepare culinary masterpieces; teams will compete against other teams of corporate, civic and community leaders. The final team will be ranked, with the ultimate award, the Golden Ladle, being awarded to the winning team. Celebrity judges. Other awards also will be given. For more information, contact Misti Potter at misti7@verizon.net or call 972-722-2462.

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Baseball draft takes Coleman, Baune and Hearn

It wasn't the Draftapalooza of a year ago, when six Rockwall County players were selected in the Major League Baseball draft, but one player each from Rockwall, Rockwall-Heath and Royse City was taken last week in the 2013 draft.

The first off the board was Rockwall center fielder Kendall Coleman, in the 11th round (344th overall) Saturday by the New York Yankees. Right-handed pitcher James Baune, a 2010 RHHS graduate who just finished his junior season at Southern Arkansas University, was the Los Angeles Dodgers' 21st-round choice (634th). The Cincinnati Reds drafted left-hander Taylor Hearn, a 2012 Royse City graduate who played this season at San Jacinto College North, in the 36th round (1,095th).

RHS head coach Jeff Payne said Coleman intended to sign with the Yankees instead of accepting a scholarship offer from the University of Iowa.

Baune was drafted later than most college juniors who forgo their senior year to sign pro contracts. He is a Dean's List student at SAU, and could be drafted again (possibly higher) next year.

Hearn was drafted for the second consecutive year, even though he barely pitched during the last two seasons – as a senior at RC or this spring, when he worked just 2 2/3 innings for San Jacinto. He did not sign as the Pittsburgh Pirates' 22nd-round selection in 2012. Pro teams are willing to take chances on 6-foot-5 left-handers such as Hearn.

The most advanced Rockwall County players from last year's draft now are pitching in high Class A minor leagues.

Right-hander Travis Ballew, from Rockwall and Texas State University, was the last of the six area players taken in '12. He's now the closer for Lancaster, the Houston Astros' California League affiliate. Through Monday, he was 2-1 with a 2.86 earned run average, nine saves and 39 strikeouts in just 22 innings.

Righty Drew VerHagen, an '09 RHHS graduate drafted out of Vanderbilt University, had won his last four decisions to improve to 4-3 with a 2.93 ERA for the Detroit Tigers' Lakeland farm team in the Florida State League.

VerHagen's high school teammate Jake Thompson was the Tigers' first

draft pick last season out of RHHS. The right-hander has made

since joining West Michigan of the low Class A Midwest League. Former Yellowjackets Steve Bean, a supplemental first-round pick by the St. Louis Cardinals as a catcher, and shortstop Spencer Evers of the Tampa Bay Rays organization both were drafted out of high school. They were awaiting assignment to a farm team after spending extended spring training.

Two RHS alumni drafted out of Texas Tech in 2008 now are in the Pacific Coast League at the minors' highest level (Triple-A). Fielder Roger Kieschnick is in his third season with Fresno of the San Francisco Giants' organization. He was batting .295 with 10 home runs and 42 runs batted in in 55 games. Left-hander James Leverton, Kieschnick's teammate throughout high school and college, made his Triple-A debut for the Miami Marlins' top farm team at New Orleans on May 15. Kieschnick did not play that night, so they didn't have to face each other. In his first six Triple-A relief appearances, Leverton had a 0-1 record with a 2.13 ERA.

Rockwall ISD has busy schedule of sports camps

For aspiring athletes, there's probably a summer sports camp available at Rockwall or Rockwall-Heath high schools.

Nine boys' sports, and eight for girls – as well as strength and conditioning at RHHS and performance course at RHS – will have camps at one or both high schools this summer. With the exception of the Fourth of July week, at least one camp will be available Mondays through Thursdays between now and Aug. 11.

Most camps are 4 days long. The typical camp is for students entering grades 3-9, usually divided between grade school and middle/high school age groups, and costs between \$75 and \$85.

The cost of all RISD camps includes a donation to the Honor Before Victory program. Most include a T-shirt and have scholarships available.

Here are the camps, listed chronologically:

Through June 13 – RHHS volleyball, boys' soccer and wrestling; RHS boys' basketball, softball and tennis.

Through June 27 – RHS performance course, grades 1-5.

Through July 20 – RHS track and field.

Through July 26 – RHS performance course, girls grades 6-12 and boys grades 6-9.

Through Aug. 2 – RHS performance course, boys grades 10-12.

June 17-20 – RHHS boys' basketball, softball, girls' soccer and football grades K-6; RHS girls' basketball and tennis.

June 17-27 – RHHS boys' gymnastics; RHS boys' gymnastics.

June 17-Aug. 2 – RHS performance course, boys and girls grades 6-12.

June 24-26 – RHHS baseball; RHHS baseball.

June 24-27 – RHHS girls' basketball and girls' gymnastics; RHS wrestling and boys' and girls' soccer.

July 8-11 – RHS golf.

July 8-18 – RHHS boys' gymnastics.

July 8-25 – RHS performance course, grades 1-5.

July 15-18 – RHHS girls' gymnastics.

July 15-25 – RHS boys' gymnastics.

July 22-25 – RHS football and volleyball.

July 29-Aug. 1 – RHHS girls' gymnastics; RHS freshman boys' soccer.

July 29-Aug. 8 – RHS boys' gymnastics.

Aug. 5-8 – RHHS football grades 7-9.

In addition, the Rockwall girls' soccer team will be conducting a camp July 15-18 at the YMCA from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. for girls between 7 and 15 years old. That camp costs \$80.

Details and registration forms for RISD camps are available at <http://www.rockwallisd.com/athletics/community/camps/>

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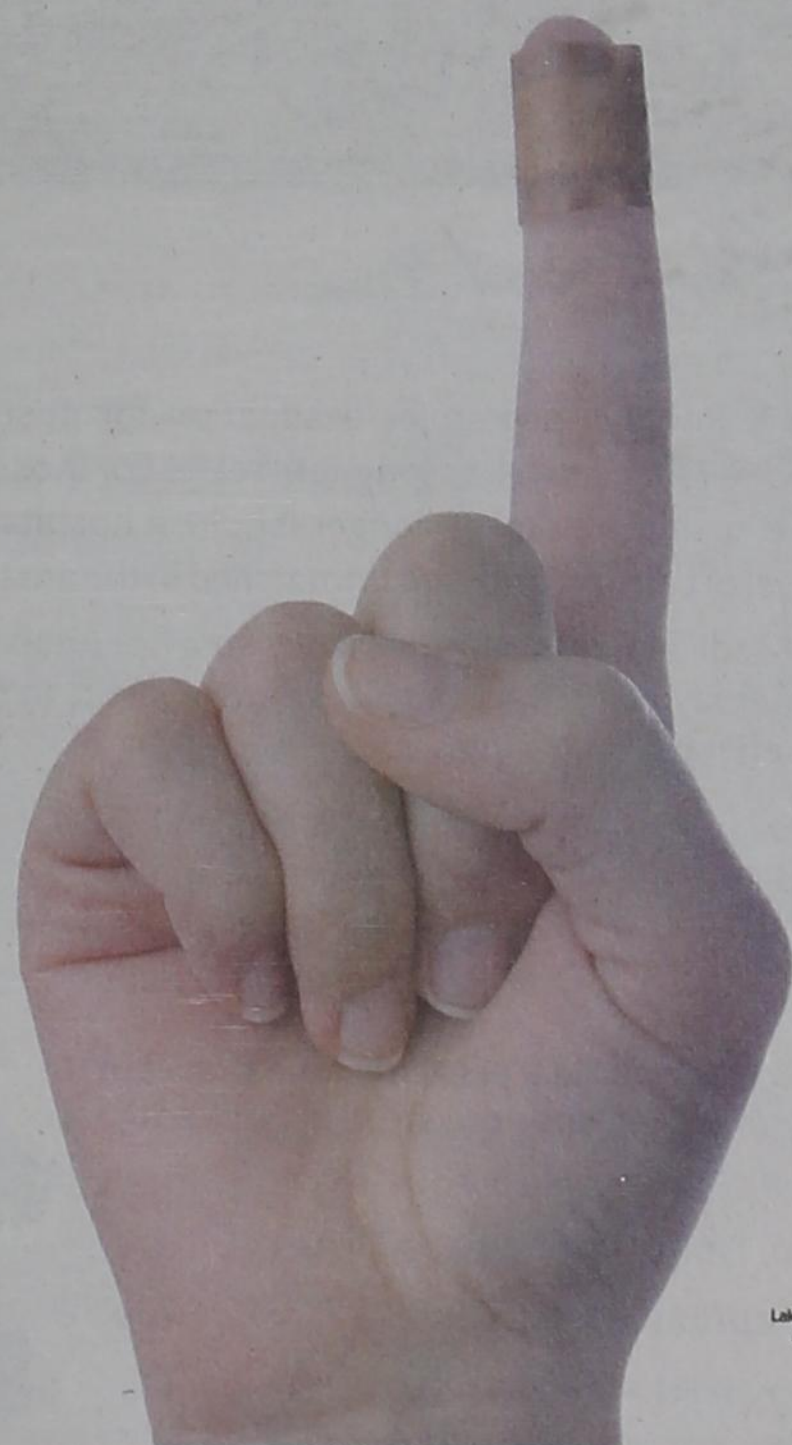
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Hawks, Jackets share major All-District honors

Rockwall-Heath and Rockwall finished first and second in District 12-5A baseball this season and split games they played each other.

As a result, they also split nearly evenly 12-5A's All-District honors.

RHHS senior shortstop Bret Boswell was the unanimous District Most Valuable Player. Junior center fielder Dylan Brown was named the Newcomer of the Year, and head coach Greg Harvey was the district's Coach of the Year.

The Offensive MVP (junior left fielder Cole Ballew) Defensive MVP (junior catcher Garrett Moon) and Pitcher of the Year (senior right-hander Alec Vice) were all from Rockwall.

RHS, which advanced to the Region II-5A Finals, had three unanimous first-team All-District selections. Senior right-handed pitcher Alec Vice, junior left-hander Carter Lilly and junior third baseman Brad Burt were unanimous first-team selections. Senior left-hander Ryan Kinney was named to the second team.

Joining them on the first team were two RHHS outfielders, senior Russell Hughes and junior Dylan Brown. Rockwall's center fielder Kendall Coleman and senior utility player Cason Adams from the Jackets were named to the second team.

The All-District second team included three Hawks underclassmen – junior right-hander Connor Conroy, sophomore righty Tyler Ivey and sophomore designated hitter Tyler Pinkston. Rockwall's second-team selections were senior first baseman Carson Childers, junior outfielder Nick Lutzel and junior utility player Chris Childers.

Hawks' Higbee playing in Oil Bowl

Evan Higbee didn't have time to celebrate after Rockwall-Heath's graduation Tuesday night. Instead, he was on his way to Wichita Falls to report for practice at Midwestern State University for Saturday night's 78th annual Oil Bowl.

It's the longest-running high school football all-star game in the nation. The format has been changed from Texas vs. Oklahoma to East Texas vs. West Texas.

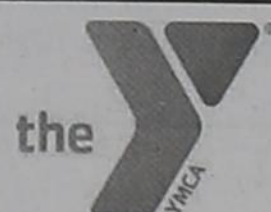
"I found out about it in the spring, and I'm pretty excited about it. This is a game that many Heisman winners have played in," said Higbee, who will play defensive tackle and possibly some at guard for East Texas. "I haven't played on offense since freshman year."

In the fall, Higbee will begin his college football career at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford, Okla. He said he asked the SWOSU head coach about playing in the game, and he had no objections.

"I was a little disappointed I couldn't spend some time with my friends after graduation," Higbee said. However, he may have a chance for celebration after Saturday's 7:30 p.m. game at Wichita Falls' Memorial Stadium. He said, "A bunch of my family and some friends will be there."

Rockwall Open Golf Tourney set June 28

The 21st Annual Rockwall Open Golf Tournament is set for June 28 at the Rockwall Golf & Athletic Club (formerly The Shores Country Club). There will be one shotgun start at 1 p.m., with practice balls 30 minutes prior to tee time. Box lunch will be served at noon. The tournament will be a four-person, Florida-style format. For more information or to enter, visit the Rockwall Chamber's website at rockwallchamber.com or click on Upcoming Events or call Paula at 972-771-5733. Entry forms also are available at the chamber at 697 E. I-30. Fee for individuals is \$150 or \$550 for a foursome. Sponsorships and goody bag donations are needed.



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