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# lockwall council agrees ofall triathlon route

er week of discussion with church leaders, city staff, local business ent officials, the Rockwall city council voted Monday to nday, October 7 date and race route for the third annual en Triathlon to be held in the city.

have been considering several course changes based on the previous two races to reduce the impact on Sunday traffic. After visiting with area church leaders most impacted te, city staff and race officials, who took to the streets on les to stigate traffic patterns, the city council agreed to support on 2. Of on 2 will take the running portion of the triathlon through Landing and Signal Ridge Condominiums neighborhoods so iave to cross Ridge Road at Summer Lee twice as they have balance of the run, which begins at The Harbor, will take bor District.

e biking ortion will also begin in The Harbor, proceeding east on ner Lee ive, crossing Ridge Road and heading to Tubbs Road and on allace L. Bikers will then make their way to SH 205, which will be Hown fre just south of SH 276 to just north of FM 549. They will take nt turn of John King Blvd., turn around at the SH 276 intersection and make their way back to The Harbor.

Streets that will be shut down for the race will be reopened as the last racers go across.

Option 1 would have kept the same race course as last year.

Brad Davison from Lifetime Fitness and the local organizing race director for the Toyota U.S. Open Triathlon, said organizers will have additional spotters at certain intersections this year to record the actual impact on closing down SH 205 and other key intersections.

"We do not know the traffic impact on 205. Once the traffic impact is known, in future years we could maybe open southbound lanes instead of closing the entire road during the race," he said.

Davison said organizers hope this feedback will allow them in future years to relieve traffic bottlenecks "in real time" rather than finding out after the fact where the issues were.

"I think it's an option (Option 2) that shows the commitment of all the community to try to work together to achieve some of the objectives that the council and the city of Rockwall want," he said.

Organizers had looked at the possibility of moving the race to a Saturday but, after talking with business owners and city staff, decided that Saturday traffic in Rockwall is heavy enough that closing streets and putting athletes

# gan Gist is new principal Doris Cullins-Lake Pointe

has been hired for Doris Cullins-Pointe elementary School, rding a Rockwall pendent chool District news ise issue Tuesday afternoon. st currily serves as an nentary assistant principal Wylie dependent School

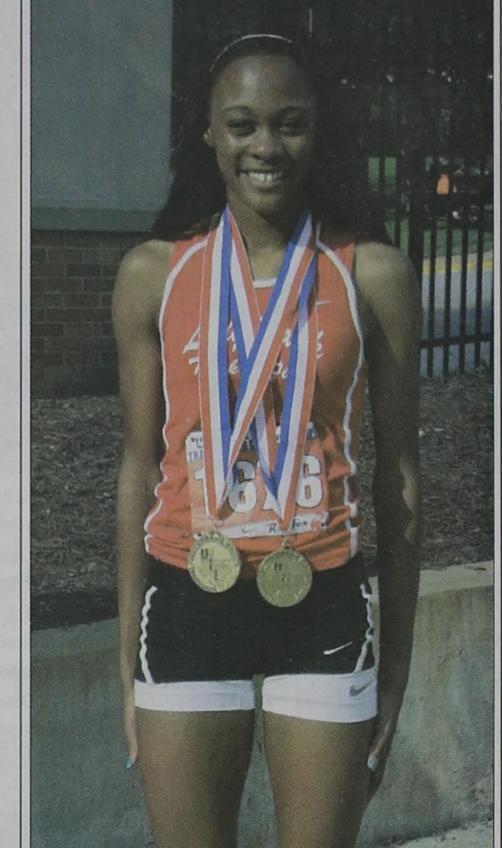
ist hold a bachelor of arts element, education from thwester State University of a master's degree educati al administration n Texas A&M University-

nmerce. e has five years of administrative experience in grades K-6. aroughor her career in education, Gist has also held positions in the o Indep dent School District, Paris Independent School District, two Louisiana districts and the Rockwall ISD, where she was a fifth grade social studies and language arts teacher at Dorris A. Jones Elementary School. During her previous time as an employee for Rockwall ISD, she served on the staff development committee, an elementary zoning task force and on the field based student teacher interview committee.

"I am very excited to be returning home to Rockwall ISD. Cullins-Lake Pointe Elementary is a fantastic community of learners," Gist said. "It is an honor to have the opportunity to serve and partner with the students, staff, families and community to develop our students into extraordinary 21st century leaders."

"Ms. Gist brings valuable experience to her new position as principal at Doris Cullins-Lake Pointe Elementary," said Jeff Bailey, superintendent of RISD schools. "We are glad to welcome her back to Rockwall ISD and I know that she will continue the tradition of strong leadership for that campus."

Gist replaces current principal Cory White ,who will assume his new position as director of special education this summer.



Brianna Richardson from Rockwall-Heath High School earned gold medals in the Triple Jump and Long Jump events at the May 11 UIL State Track and Field Meet held at Meyers Stadium at the University of Texas in Austin. For the full feature story, see Page 9.

Photo by Tim Burnett/Rockwall County News



Chasy and Nikki Stewart of Rockwall (left and center) pick fresh produce from Carolina Teamann at the Rives Family Farm booth at the Rockwall Farmers Market. The Reeves Family Farm is located in Princon. The market features fresh produce, fruits, homemade soaps, baked goods, seafood, plants, and othe items from local farms and businesses each Saturday through September 29 on the Rockwall downto: Square. The market is open from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. Pho by Kathy Williams/Rockwall County News

# Carry the Load relay omake local stop

The Care he Load relay team will make a stop at the new Rockwall Veteran's Memorial at the courthouse on

llowjack Lane at 4 a.m. May 27.

Everyone; invited to turn out and show support for the Carry the Load mission: to highlight the meaning of emorial by across the U.S. The 1,70 mile relay from West Point to Dallas is designed to foster awareness and restore reverence to the true

aning of femorial Day, according to a Carry the Load news release. The event has been organized to "united mmunity tembers in a collective effort to remember and celebrate" American heroes. Veteran : I former SEAL Clint Bruce founded Carry the Load in 2011 with a one-day walking event in Dallas. give the community a way to share in honoring the nation's military heroes by helping them "carry

: load! Funds raid during the cross-country walk and through sponsorships are distributed to existing nonprofits already pporting ilitary families: Heroes on the Water, Assist the Officer Foundation, Tip of the Spear, Friends of Dallas

refighting the Snowball Express, the Yellow Ribbon Fund and the RWB Team. Resident re invited to join the walk, sponsor a leg of the relay or just turn out to cheer on the team as it passes rough Re wall County.

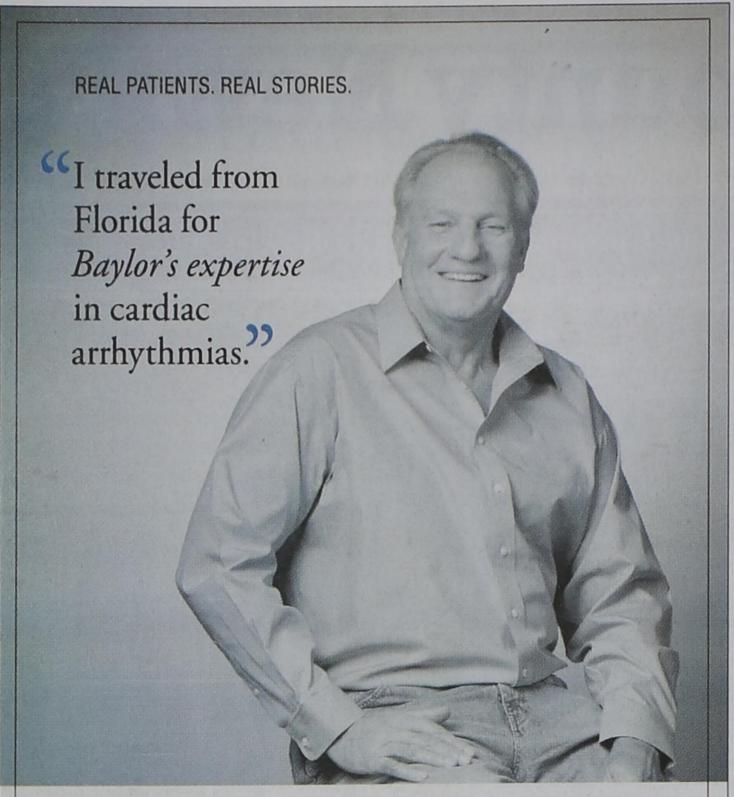
To view interactive map showing the team's route, visit carrytheload.org.



Andrew Hesser, 5, shows off the face painting he had done during the City of Rockwall's annual Founders Day event conducted May 19 on the downtown square. The event featured numerous events and activities, including a children's area, several giveaways and a free concert by the Little River Band. City officials estimate that between 6,000 and 8,000 people attended the event. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News





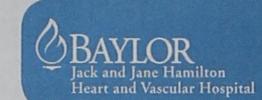


Dave Amman of Melbourne, Florida, enjoys running, biking and swimming. But when a heart arrhythmia started to seriously compromise his active lifestyle, he looked into having an ablation. Research showed there was an advanced technique called cryoablation that uses cold or freezing energy to selectively destroy the abnormal heart cells that are causing the irregular heartbeat. When Dave and his wife learned Baylor Jack and Jane Hamilton Heart and Vascular Hospital in Dallas had participated in the clinical trial and was one of the first hospitals to offer the procedure, there was no question they would make the thousand-mile trip. At Baylor, Dave was the second person nationally to undergo the new procedure. "I'm back to doing exactly what I want to do. I've never felt better."

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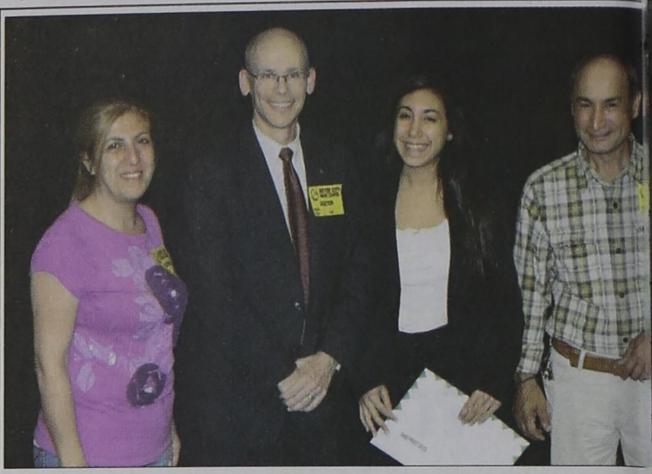
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Christina Barsoum, salutatorian of the graduating class of Royse City High School, recawarded a \$1,000 scholarship from the Knights of Columbus' Todd White. The organization scholarships each year in memory of four of its deceased members. Pictured with the honoree are Barsoum's parents, Christina and Gabriel Barsoum.

Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

# RISD offers summ camps, childcare

The Rockwall Independent School District's after-school care program, ROCK, will offer childcan the summer for the first time.

Beginning June 4, ROCK will offer childcare at Amanda Rochell Elementary from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. ages 5 and older. Full-day and half-day options will be available.

ROCK summer care will be based on an African adventures curriculum, allowing students to st cultures. Three options will be available at registration: Option 1 at a cost of \$150 per week for full-day 2 at a cost of \$90 per week for half-day care (either 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. or 12:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.); a for full daily care at a cost of \$35 per day.

A \$30 supply fee will apply to each enrollee. That fee will include a ROCK T-shirt.

Reduced pricing will be made available to qualifying households.

ROCK summer care ends Aug. 10.

Additionally, summer camps will be conducted in June and July for both ROCK and non-ROCK che camps will be from 9 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. Mondays through Thursdays. Offerings will include guitar lesso drama classes, ARC of Dallas special education courses, art, TOTs and Camp Invention, a hands-on sci Summer camp costs begin at \$60 per week, and all activities will be conducted at Amanda Rochell which is located at 899 Rochell Court, Rockwall.

For a complete listing of camps visit rockwallisd.com/rock or call 972-771-0605. Registration for I summer care and summer camps can be found online.

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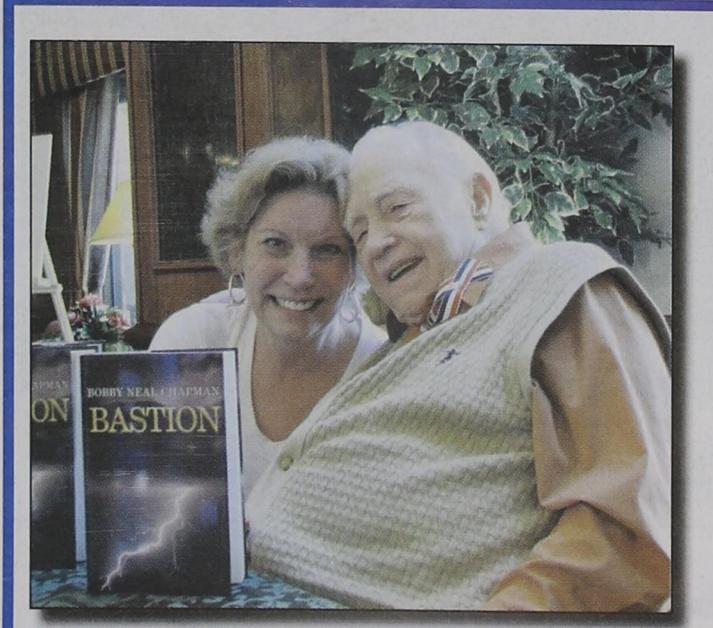
# Ayala, Greenawa to wed June 16

Veronica Ashley Ayala and Derek Gene Greenawalt have at their plans to marry June 16, 2012.

The bride-elect, the daughter of Albert and Maryann Ayala of I a 2005 graduate of DeSoto High School. She holds a bachelor's kinesiology from the University of North Texas.

The prospective bridegroom is the son of Timothy and Greenawalt of Rockwall. A 2003 graduate of Rockwall High earned a bachelor's degree in kinesiology from UNT.

The couple plans to reside in Rockwall



Resident Bob Chapman with his daughter Degie during his recent book signing at Emeritus at Summer Ridge Assisted Living and Retirement Community.

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# **Rockwall HS** student tapped for Nat'l Merit Scholarship

Rockwall High School student Andrea C. Pujol was named one of the more than 2,500 winners of National Merit Scholarships financed by U.S. colleges and universities.

The announcement of winners was made Wednesday in a news release from the National Merit Scholarship

Pujol's probable career field is applied mathematics. The scholarship is from Baylor University.

Officials of each sponsor college selected their winners from among the finalists in the 2012 National Merit Scholarship Program who plan to attend their institution. Awards provide between \$500 and \$2,000 annually for up to four years of undergraduate study at the institution financing the scholarship.

### **Portion of Quail** Run marked for construction

The City of Rockwall's contractor will begin drainage construction on Quail Run Road between John King Boulevard and FM 1141 on May 29, according to a city news release issued earlier this week.

That portion of the roadway will be closed to through traffic until mid-August. Signage will be in place.

The box culverts under the road will be removed and replaced during the project. Following the culvert installation, Quail Run Road east of John King will be reconstructed with asphalt for a distance of approximately 600 feet, according to the release.

Questions should be directed to Jim Raines, construction inspector, at 214-543-3255 or Kathleen Lappen, city project manager, at 972-771-7746.

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Mrs. Scott Steinkruger of Amarillo are proud to announce the nt and approaching marriage of their daughter, Christina Denise r, to Jordan Braxton Adamson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chris of Rockwall.

e-elect, a 2009 graduate of Bushland High School, is a 2012 graduate of Dallas Baptist University where she was a threeball letter-winner.

spective bridegroom, a 2007 graduate of Rockwall High, also cum laude from Dallas Baptist University. There he was a pasketball letterman. He plans to begin studies at the Southern University Dedman School of Law in the fall.

, 2012, wedding in Amarillo is planned.

# e take degrees m Ouachita Baptist

ckwall residents were among graduates who received degrees y 14 commencement exercises at Ouachita Baptist University, to a university news release.

aduates included Audrey Craven, who earned a Bachelor of thematics and secondary education; Emily Easton, Bachelor of nunication sciences and disorders; Katy Krikorian, a cum laude ho earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in business administration/ ent; Rachel Spencer, a magna cum laude graduate who received r of Arts degree in Christian studies/Christian missions and nmunication; and Hannah West, who earned a Bachelor of Arts



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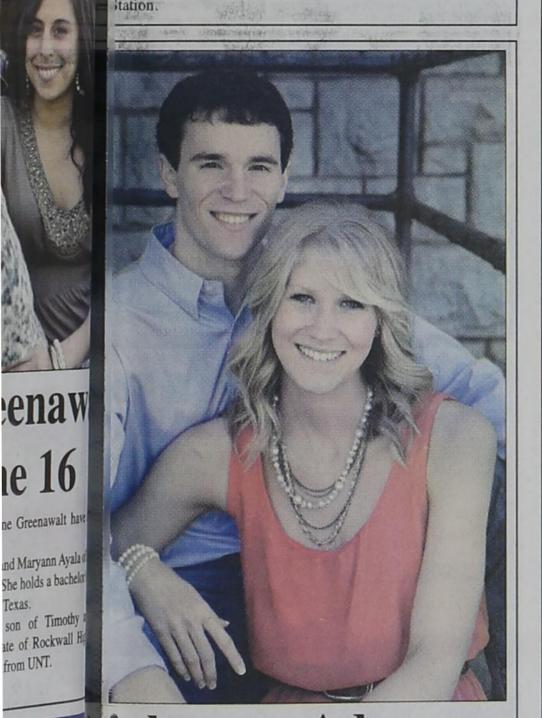
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March 3 in Bryan

Kay Timmermann of Bryan and Jeremy Robert Tarpley

Station were married March 3, 2012, in the Westminster

Church in Bryan in a ceremony officiated by Pastor Allen

is the daughter of David and Lisa Timmermann of Rockwall

s sister, Lindsey Timmermann of Hamburg, Germany, served

onor. Bridesmaids were Erin Thiem of Allen; Rachel Watters

e bride's cousin, Amanda, from Frisco; and Rachel Moore of

s best men were the groom's brothers, Brian Tarpley of

.C., and Steven Tarpley of Carlsbad, Calif. Groomsmen were

ey, the groom's cousin, from Houston and Trent Burford and

man, both of College Station. Ring bearer was Logan Watson

ere Kyle Timmermann, Rob Parsons, Randy Parson, Matt

the ceremony was provided by Jason Kinnard, Jenn Bacak

on in the Westminster Fellowship Hall followed the ceremony.

is a 2004 graduate of Rockwall High School and a 2008 Texas A&M University. She is currently employed as a teacher High School in Navasota. The groom, a 1999 graduate of

a honeymoon to Vancouver, Canada, the couple is at home

served a fajita dinner from Papa Perez in Bryan.

gh in El Paso, graduated from Texas A&M in 2004.

parents are Bill and Linda Tarpley of El Paso.

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### God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

## **Continuing with Jesus Christ's** prayer to his Father...John 17:1-14

Jesus Christ continued to pray, "I pray not that you should take them out of the world, but that you should keep them from the evil. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. Sanctify them through your truth. Your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth" (John 17:15-19). Very important lessons can be learned from Jesus' prayer.

Jesus told his Father that he was not praying that He should take them out of the world, but that He should keep or guard them from the evil of the world. He prayed according to the truth. If it were necessary to take them out of the world, then he would have prayed as such. Instead he specifically clarified to God that he was not praying to take them out.

To be taken out of the world very likely referred to death. If, as is popularly

believed, death sent people directly to heaven, then Jesus would have no doubt prayed for them to die. Even during the days that Jesus Christ lived on earth there were very powerful religious systems that believed death was the direct passage to a better or worse life.

In John 11:24 Martha told Jesus, "I know that he [Lazarus] shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day." Pertaining to the born again children of God who have died, we have 1Corinthians 15:51-54 and 1Thessalonians 4:13-18 both of which teach about the dead being made alive again. According to Hebrews 2:14, death is from the devil. Jesus Christ understood the truth of God's word concerning death, and knew not to pray for this. Another thing to learn is that Jesus was sending them into the world just as God sent him. To be sent basically meant to be called into a service. See 1Peter 1:20, "Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you." This verse is talking about Jesus Christ.

Now go to Romans 8:29, "For whom He did foreknow, He also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of His son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren." This is talking about God's born-again children during the age of the grace of God. The truth that God had foreknowledge of His people does not mean that they were walking around in heaven with God in the beginning. It just means that He knew of their future existence from the beginning. "Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word. That they all may be one, as you, Father are in me, and I in you, that they also may be one in us, that the world may believe that you have sent me. And the glory which you gave me I have given them, that they may be

one, and that the world may believe that you have sent me. And you gave me I have given them, that they may be one, and tha know that you have sent me, and have loved them, as you have I

Jesus Christ, the first born son of God, prayed for us while he on the earth. That's fantastic! Also, please note that to be one wit to be one in purpose. In this case it meant to be one according to Jesus' prayer ended with John 17:24-26, "Father, I will that they have given me, be with me where I am, that they may behold I you have given me. For you loved me before the foundation righteous Father, the world has not known you. But I have know have known that you have sent me. And I have declared unto the and will declare it, that the love wherewith you have loved me i and I in them."

Jesus' prayer came to pass in that it is now available for people again children of God.

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# Nana Pat's Kitch

by Pat Burnett

**Banana Nut Cake** 

Ingredients:

3 cups flour

2 cups sugar

3 eggs 1 ½ cups cooking oil

1 (8 oz.) can crushed pineapple, drained

1 cup nuts

1 teaspoon baking soda

1 teaspoon salt

1 teaspoon cinnamon

1 teaspoon vanilla

2 cups mashed bananas

or sandsjen5@yahoo.com.

Mix dry ingredients in a large bowl. Make a well in the cen adia pineapple, nuts, oil, vanilla and bananas.

Stir; do not beat (will take only a few stirs to mix).

Pour into a greased and floured tube pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 75 minutes.

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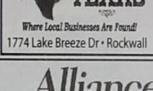


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### July dance camp The Rockwall-Heath High School Highsteppers Drill Team war nual Highsteppers Mini Summer Camp July 16-19. The session Girls in grades K through 6 are invited to join for lots of fun w dance like a Highstepper. Campers will learn dance routines, te

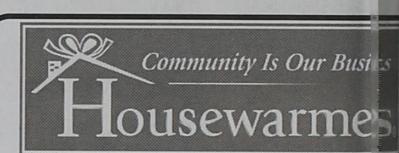
crafts and much more. Cost is \$75 For more information or to register, contact Jennifer Sands at \_9

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Two Rockwall residents were among students named to the spr 1011

President's Honor Roll. An undergraduate student who earns an A in each of 12 or m aour semester is qualified for the President's Honor Roll.



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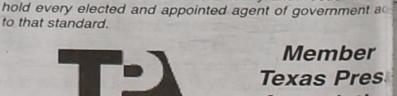
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s include his wife, Tammy Barker; his children, Clay his wife, Collette, of Irving, er and his wife, Karen, of yla Delagarza and her husband, Henderson, Cody Baumeister

Lake, Felicia Crow of Wills Point, Korey Bates of Tomball and Drew orney; his grandmother, Nancy Reeder of Paris, Texas; his brother, n Barker of Rowlett; his sister, Debra Kirby, and her husband, Brian, 11; his grandchildren, Maci, Kynleigh, Brayden and Conner; and nuces, nephews and cousins.

preceded in death by his parents, Homer M. Barker and June (Reeder) one brother, Martin Busse.

#### Charles Cocca

for Charles Cocca, 70, of ere conducted at 11 a.m. May in the Our Lady of the Lake Church in Rockwall with the ge Monaghan officiating. The en Funeral Home-Rockwall s in charge of arrangements. May 14.

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s include his children, Chris d his wife, Melissa, of New ol Highsteppers Drill Team 12 Id., and Scott Cocca and his amp July 16-19. The session lifer, of Rockwall; his grand-

Camille, Caroline, Mason and Andrew; his brothers, Steve Cocca, and vited to join for lots of fun w Vicki, of Gowanda, Tom Cocca and his wife, Marty, of Rochester, will learn dance routines. John Cocca and his wife, Helen, of Albany, N.Y.; and several nieces, nd other relatives.

preceded in death by his parents and his wife, Evelyn Cocca.

#### Jack Eric Michael Copus

family services for Jack Eric Copus are planned. The Rest neral Home-Rockwall Chapel e of arrangements.

May 18, 2012, in Rockwall, d by family and friends, folong battle with cancer.

n. 20, 1930, in Southend-Oniversity, according to a now x, England, U.K., he enlisted ajesty's Royal Navy as an unathan Edward Bertrand we are cruit in 1947, learning the craft cian while on a naval aircraft Ie married Patricia Vickers cend pass on Aug. 5, 1950, in n, Essex, England and immi-Canada in 1957. After three

vorking as an electrician in the mines of western Ontario, he moved back to the South Shore area near Boston, Mass. He became a master 1, building and operating a thriving electrical contracting business, and general contractor, building new homes and renovating and restoring

his wife became American citizens in 1976, the bicentennial year, proud to vote in every U.S. election after that time. In 1976 the coud to Houston. He was known as Jack by most and Johny by many in He was an avid family man.

ors include his four children, Steven John Copus of Lexington, Va., Gail opus Spann and her husband, Jim, of Rockwall, Mark Harry Copus and Brenda, of Crockett and Robert Patrick Copus and his wife, Shelia, of 11 grandchildren, Josh, Dylan, Skye, Ryan, Jeremy, Elizabeth, Trevor, Zoe, Erin-Margaret Dejano-Hurley and Caitlin Patricia Hurley; and six ndchildren, Iain, Jack, Deryn, Kaylee, Bryce and Liam.

preceded in death by his wife of almost 61 years, who died July 5. ed for the past 18 years. heir home in Bacliff on the Galveston Bay waterfront where the couple

### Lawrence Dale Lane

es for Lawrence Dale Lane, lockwall were conducted at 2 y 24, 2012, in the First United Are You t Church in Rockwall with Dr. officiating. Burial followed in Haven Memorial Park under tion of the Rest Haven Funeral ood or Ba ockwall Chapel.

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ors include his wife, Harriett Lane; his sons, Jimmy Lane, and his sty, and John Lane, all of Rockwall; his daughter, Julie Hamilton, and and, Jeff, of College Station; and his grandchildren, Blair, Brooks and Lane and Jessica, Jonathan and Jack Hamilton.

smily has suggested that memorial contributions may be made to the

### Lynnwood Motl

ounty Ne es for Lynnwood Motl, 75, of Il were conducted at noon May 2, in the First United Methodist in Royse City with the Rev. Ann officiating. A private burial serfamily members followed under ction of the Rest Haven Funeral Lockwall Chapel.

ed May 22. Sept. 8, 1936, in Bell County ard William and Albina Fannie Motl, he served in the U.S. Army, d by 10 years in the National

He worked as a quality assur-Chnician in engineering. He was per of the First United Methodist of Royse City. yors include his wife, Janell

son) Motl of Rockwall; his sons, Doug Motl, and his wife, Ann, of Allen g Motl and his wife, Nicole, of San Antonio; his grandchildren, Blake, Caleb, Clint, Ryan and Avery; and numerous nieces, nephews and other

as preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Ruby Dana. amily has suggested that in lieu of flowers memorial contributions may to the First United Methodist Church for local missions in Royse City or scular Dystrophy Association, ALS Research, P.O. Box 78960, Phoenix, Ret. Lt. Jerry Payne

A memorial service for Ret. Lt. Jerry Payne, 67, of Royse City was conducted at 2 p.m. May 22, 2012, in the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel with Police Chaplain Steve Swofford officiat-

He died May 18.

Born Nov. 3, 1944, in Sterling City to Leslie and Annie Ruth (McCleery) Payne, he graduated from East Texas State University with a bachelor's degree and played basketball at ETSU, Trinity Valley Junior College and Texas A&M. He spent 36 years in law enforcement with the Greenville and Allen law enforcement departments before retiring from the Rockwall Police Department in 2004

Survivors include his wife, Ann (Watson) Payne of Royse City; his sons, Jason Payne, and his wife, April, of Stafford, Va., Jarrett Payne of Ben Wheeler, Mike Franks of McKinney, Mark Franks and his wife, Rhonda, of Rockwall and Donny Franks of Rockwall; his mother, Annie Ruth Payne of Roswell, N.M.; his brothers, Mike Payne and his wife, Charlann, of Ruidoso, N.M., and Alan Payne and his wife, Sharon, of Ruidoso; his sister, Carolyn Turney, and her husband, Larry, of Georgetown; and 12 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father and one granddaughter, Casey.

#### **Hagan Reed Tutt**

Services for Hagan Reed Tutt of Rowlett, 5-month-old son of Troy Tutt and Ashley Carson, were conducted at 2 p.m. May 18, 2012, in the First United Methodist Church in Royse City with the Rev. Ann Willet officiating. Burial followed in the Rest Haven Memorial Park under the direction of the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel.

He died May 15. Born Dec. 6, 2011, in Plano, he attended the First United Methodist Church of Royse City with his family, who are members of the church.

Survivors include his parents; his grandparents, Darrell and Linda Carson of Carrollton and Ricky and Dolores Tutt of Royse City; his aunts, Angie Carson of

Carrollton and Amy Tutt of Royse City; a cousin, Clint Carson of Carrollton; and numerous other relatives.



# Rockwall County

**News Briefs** 

No Habitat workday planned Because of the Memorial Day holiday, no workday is planned this weekend for

#### Rockwall Habitat for Humanity volunteers. Rockwall Farmer's Market now open

The Rockwall Farmer's Market, sponsored by Friends of Downtown, is now open Saturdays beginning at 8 a.m. Items to be offered include fresh produce, local honey, handmade soaps, dry mixes, grass-fed beef, farm eggs, fresh-baked breads, dipping oils and fresh fruits and vegetables. The market will be open until noon each Saturday through Sept. 29.

#### SAR meeting set June 14

The East Fork-Trinity Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution will meet at the Texas Land & Cattle Steak House on Lake Ray Hubbard beginning at 7 p.m. June 14. Visitors are welcome to come at 6 p.m. and join the membership

for dinner. Drake Peddle, president of the Denton Chapter and chairman of the Council of Chapter Presidents for the Texas Society, will appear as Capt. Jonathan Haraden, a privateer captain from Salem, Mass., for his presentation of "Privateering: Pirates or Patriots?" The East Fork-Trinity Chapter serves Rockwall, Fate, Royse City, Rowlett, Sunnyvale, Mesquite, Forney and Garland.

#### Farmers Market plans event Just for Kids

Just for Kids, an extension of the Rockwall Farmers Market, has been planned for June 16. The morning event will offer interactive activities for children: crafts, games, face painting and entertainment at little to no

#### Low-cost spay/neuter shuttle scheduled

The low-cost spay/neuter Rockwall PAWS/KCAAP shuttle will depart at 7:30 a.m. June 21 from the southeast corner of the I-30 Wal-Mart parking lot and return to the same location at 6:30 p.m. after procedures have been completed. Dogs must be on secure leashes, cats in secure carriers. Prices can be viewed and appointments made at spayneuternet.org or by calling 1-872-472-3500 (hablamos Español). For more details call Rockwall PAWS at 972-310-1354. Upcoming dates are July 19, Aug. 16 and Sept. 20.

# Locals named to UNT honors list

Eight local students have been named to the President's List following the University of North Texas' spring semester, according to a university news release.

Honorees include Christian Michelle Moore from Heath; Jocelynn Elise Denham from Royse City; and Alec James Burmania, Alysha S. Joseph, Lea Chelsea Sarodjo, Ashley Neeltje Stephens, Courtney Shea Talley and Dylan Thomas Wooten of Rockwall.

To be named to the President's List, an undergraduate must complete at least 12 academic hours with a perfect 4.0 grade point average.

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# **Rockwall County** Entertainment

#### Tea, fashion show planned

Keep the Cup Tea & Fashion Show will be conducted from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. May 26 at The Well on Main in Royse City. Fashions from several local stores will be featured and delicious desserts will be served. Cost is \$12 per person; proceeds will benefit the museum. Tickets may be purchased at Royse City Hardware, the museum and at several Royse City shops. Call Annie Cornelius, 972-816-9626 for more details.

#### Bon Jovi tribute band slated May 31

Blaze of Glory, a Bon Jovi tribute band, will perform at the May 31 Concert by the Lake event. Admission to all concerts in the series is free; events begin at 7:30 p.m. at The Harbor (directly behind the Hilton). Concertgoers are encouraged to bring blankets or lawn chairs.



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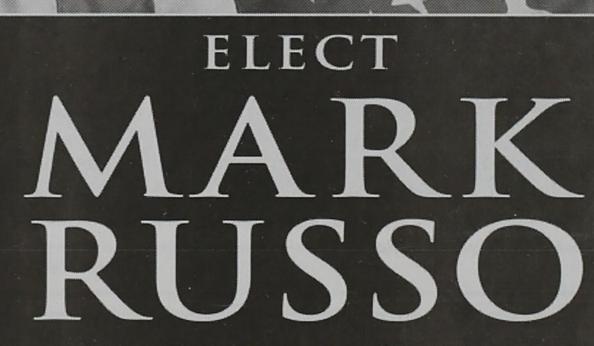
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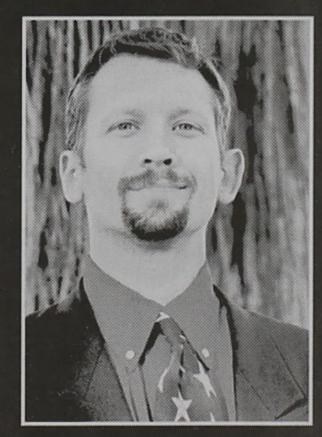
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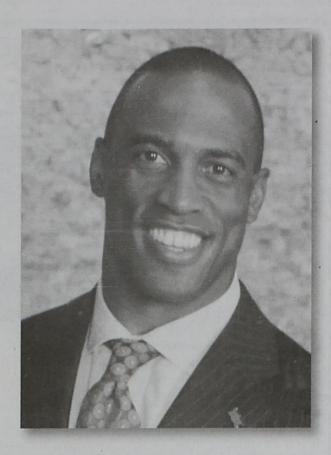
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- Johanna Runnels Rockwall

"As an educator with 30+ years experience, I want Scott Turner in the Texas House because his heart is with the kids and the future of Texas. Scott listens intelligently to the views and needs of our area and I can count on him to vote for what is in the best interest of kids, not politics."

- Dr. Joe Vaughan Royse City "As longtime residents of Rockwall County, we are pleased to offer our support for Scott Turner. We are most impressed by his character, leadership qualities, and his deep and sincere commitment to live out his Christian faith. Scott Turner is a humble man who will be a true public servant while serving as our state representative. We urge our friends, neighbors and fellow citizens to join us in standing behind this man who will represent Rockwall County with integrity."

- Dr. Gene and Judy Lamberth



"Elizabeth and I will be enthusiastically voting for Scott Turner. He's a true conservative, and I want a conservative to represent me in Austin. I appreciate that his strong family values align with my own values. It's also refreshing to have someone of his character who can be a role model to our students. Many people I know and trust are backing Scott, and I'm pleased to do the same."

- Dr. Ron Taylor, Rockwall

"We appreciate Scott Turner's strong adherence to the Judeo-Christian values upon which this country was founded, and his courage in publicly declaring those principles. Scott is a man of strong integrity who understands the role of a public servant. We've lived in Rockwall over thirty years, and are thrilled to have the chance to vote for a man such as Scott Turner."

- Ron and Judy Minth, Rockwall





"With much gratitude for Scott who has pledged to serve the citizens of District 33, I wholeheartedly support him with my time, signage and money. In these difficult days I want a man who loves God, family and country to be speaking for me. Please join Paula and me in supporting Scott Turner."

- Fred Lively, Rockwall

"I'm pleased to support Scott Turner and recommend him wholeheartedly to my fellow Rockwall County Citizens. Scott is a businessman who understands that we must keep taxes, regulations and government interference at bay. Scott Turner will bring a common sense, conservative philosophy to Austin, and I know he will represent our county well. Please join me in voting for him."

- Bart Davenport, Rockwall County

"Scott Turner is a Texas original. He's conservative, he's honest, and he shares our Christian values. He has a great life story, one which demonstrates the Texas values of hard work, perseverance, and integrity. As a small businessman, I appreciate that he will work to keep taxes low and help free enterprise thrive. Lisa and I are thrilled that Scott Turner is running for office."

Sammy Walker Founder, Sammy Walker Bar-B-Que Native Texan and Former Olympian





"We are proud to support Scott Turner. In the challenging times that lie ahead, we need leaders like Scott who are committed to defending traditional family values and restoring our state and nation to our founding principles."

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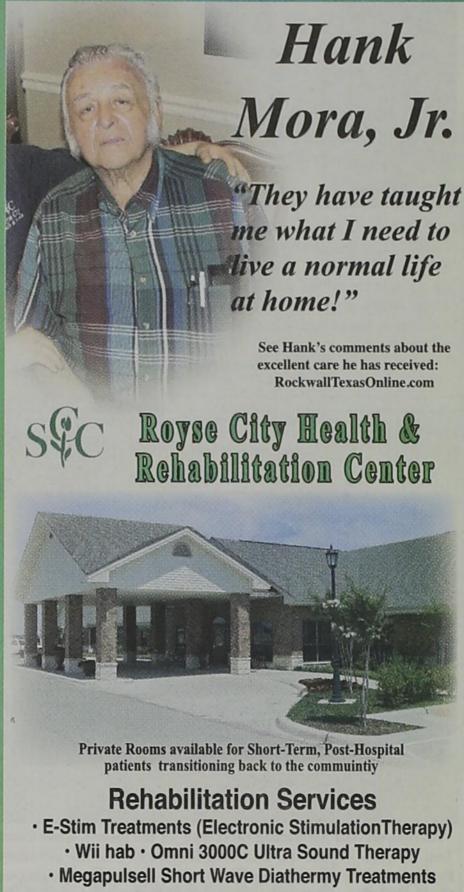
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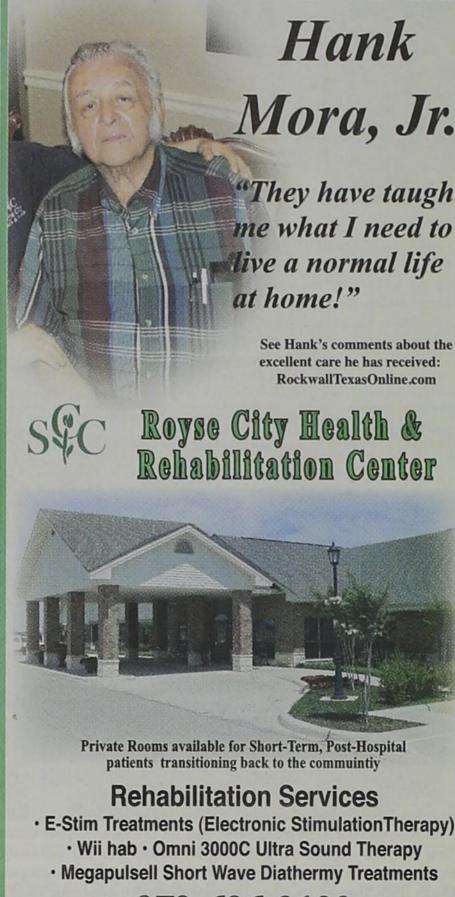


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all-Heath High School principal Tom Maglisceau is pictured with the school's 2012-2013 head cheerleaders. Shown are McKenzie and Kelsey Goodwin, varsity; Emily Alexander and Bailey Varner, junior varsity; and Bailee Schuster and Lauren Story,

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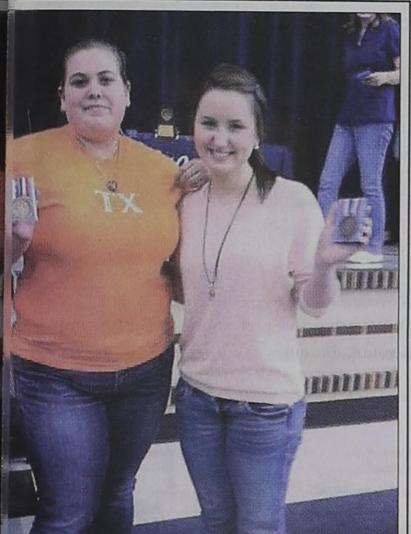
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red are the UIL computer applications district winners kwall High School coached by Kim McKenzie. Brooke , left, took first place at district, while Kailyn Reed earned ce. The students also competed in the regional meet. tesy photo/Rockwall County News

Michelle Kirkpatrick, Michael G. Lossing and Chelsey J. Paschall, and from Royse City, Sean Kyle Jacques, Sara Beth Simons, Sean Raleigh Smallwood and Devon Brianne West.

Those from Rockwall who made the honor list include Kimberly Brown, Miles Lawrence Carrington, Stephen C. Clark, Robert Edward Conger, Anthony James Corsaro, Elizabeth L. Eldson, Connor Martin French, Katherine Lane Greaves, Kathleen Elizabeth Hanrahan, Zachery M. Hill, Hannah Rebecca Horton, Puneetpal Singh Janday, David M. Keane, Brittany M. Kostra and Ben F. Lawling.

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Mojica earns SAU degree

Mickey Mojica of Royse City recently graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in computer science from Southern Arkansas University, according to a university news release.

Mojica was among the 338 students receiving degrees during the university's May 4 commencement

## Cecil tapped for SAU scholarship

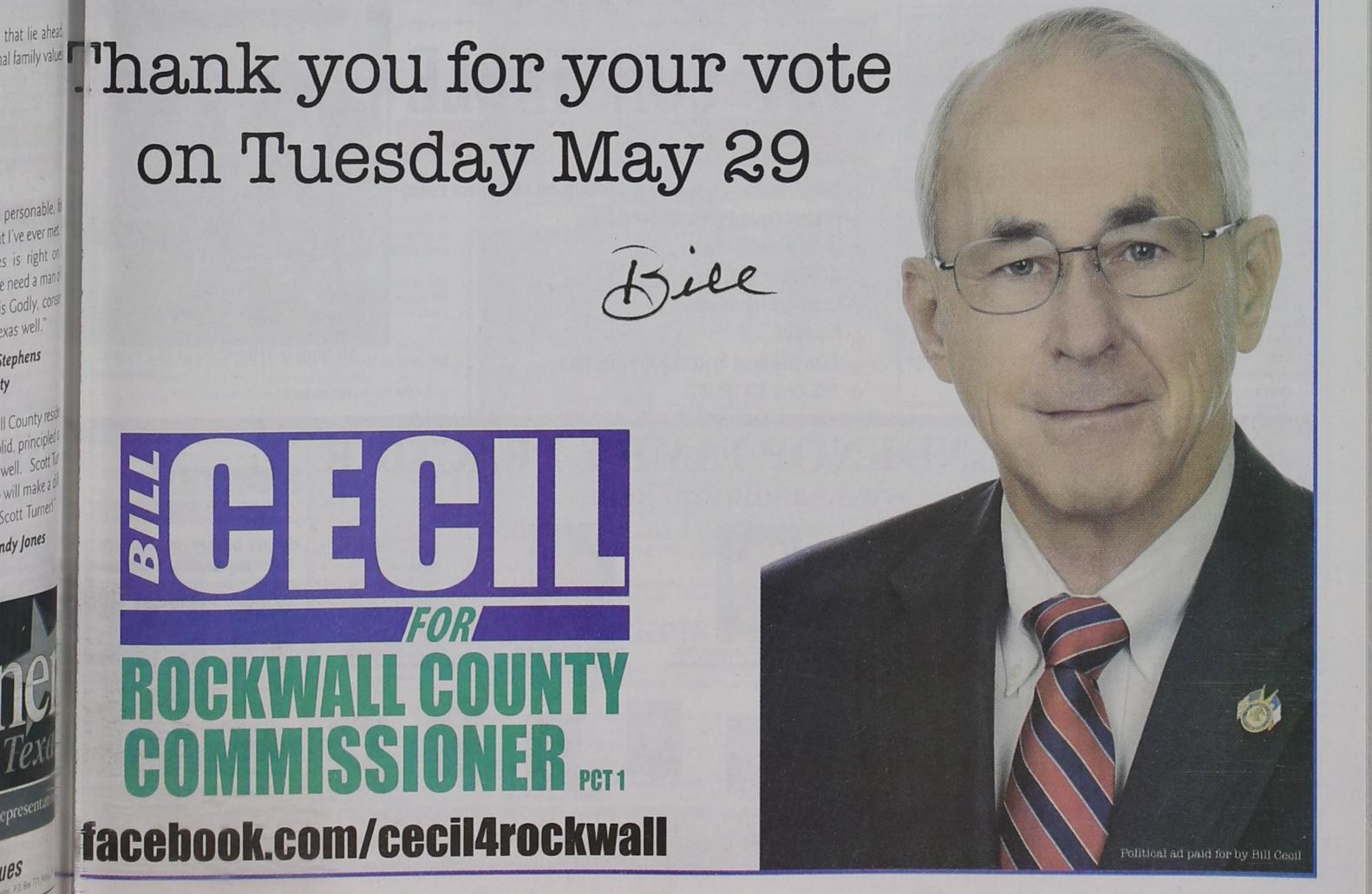
Allie Cecil of Rockwall, a senior at Rockwall High, has been selected to receive a scholarship from Southern Arkansas University, according to a university news release.

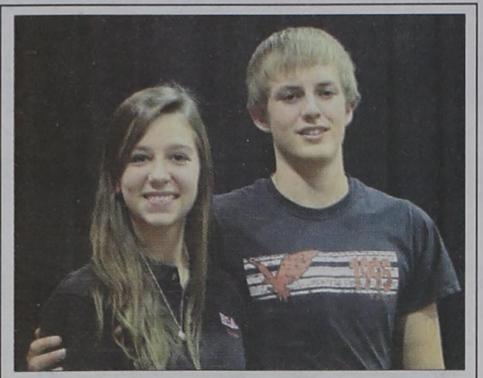
Cecil's scholarship includes \$4,500 per semester for a four-year value of

\$36,000. She is the daughter of Troy and



Rockwall Chmaber of Commerce members celebrated the recent grand opening ceremony for WW Women's Health, located at 2504 Ridge Rd. Suite 201.





Caroline Walker and Christian Jordan are the 2011-2012 recipients of the Heritage Christian Academy Middle School Student of the Year Award. The award recipients are voted on by middle school staff members. Awards were presented to an eighth grade boy and girl who demonstrated academic excellence, leadership, character and service to school, church and community.

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Mary Hanrahan, left, was the recipient of the Hartman Award at the final meeting of the year for the Friends of the Rockwall County Library. The award is given annually to a Friends member who has performed "over and above" the requirements of their position and has promoted the library and organization. It was established in 1980 to recognize Alfred and Grace Hartman. Alfred Hartman was an early librarian who was instrumental in the organization of Friends of the Library. Shown presenting Hanrahan with her award is Carolyn Duckworth, last year's Hartman recipient.

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Library director Marcine McCulley, right, introduced Parrish as the recipient of the 2012 Celia Hays Award final meeting of the year for the Friends of the Rockwall Co Library. The award is named for a former libraria presented to a library volunteer for services performed Rockwall County Library. Much of Parrish's volunteer to spent in maintaining the Book Alcove where donated book displayed for sale. Sales have been brisk this year, bring almost \$6,000 in income for the organization.

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Astronauts Neil Armstrong (first man on the moon), Gene Cernan (last man on the moon), Lt. Gen. Tom Stafford (Apollo 10) and Tom Hendricks (Shuttle astronaut) visited the Utley Middle School's Performing Arts Center recently where they spoke to graduating seniors from Rockwall High, Rockwall-Heath High, Royse City High, Heritage Christian Academy, The Fulton School and the Rockwall Home School Organization. Accompanying the astronauts was Congressman Ralph Hall. The group also visited with the congressman at his home where people from the community were able to meet the astronauts. Shown above, from the left, are Hendricks, Armstrong, Stafford, the congressman's sister-in-law, Doris Jane Hall, Hall and Cernan.

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### **Royse City Police Blotter**

May 11-17

• Friday, 11 May: Suspicious person, 400 block E. I-30; Alarm, 200 block W. I-30; Alarm, 1200 block High Meadow Drive; Warrant service, 6700 block W. I-30; Reckless driver, I-30 at the 71-mile marker; Accident, Area of FM 548; Suspicious person, Area of Hidden Creek Drive; Suspicious person, 600 block Center Street

• Saturday, 12 May: Driving without valid driver's license/Driving without insurance arrest, I-30 at the 79-mile marker; Suspicious person, Area of Leslie Drive; Reckless driver, Area of FM 549; Suspicious person, 700 block Kim Lane; Unauthorized use of vehicle, 1700 block Audrey Drive; Family disturbance, 600 block Skelton Street; Warrant service, 4600 block PR 2671

• Sunday, 13 April: Possession of drug paraphernalia/Failed to maintain financial responsibility, 1000 block E. Main Street; Driving without valid driver's license arrest, 100 block W. Main Street; Criminal mischief, 200 block S. Houston Street; Theft, 1300 block Cypress Court; Suspicious person, Area of Preston Drive

 Monday, 14 April: Criminal mischief, 700 block S. Bulldog Boulevard; Noise disturbance, 500 block Ame Lane; Welfare check, I-30 at the 79-mile marker; Criminal mischief, 1700 block Leslie Drive; Suspicious person, Area of Kim Lane; Accident, 100 block E. I-30 SSR

• Tuesday, 15 May: Medical assistance, 500 block E. County Line Road; Immigration violation arrest, I-30 at the 77-mile marker; Possession of drug paraphernalia/Driving under the influence by minor/Consumption of alcohol by minor, 900 block E. I-30; Theft, 2800 block Ernest Epps Road; Accident, Corner of FM 548 and I-30; Medical assistance, 500 block E. County

 Wednesday, 16 May: Unauthorized use of vehicle, 1600 block Ranch Road; Accident, 200 block W. I-30; Reckless driver; 1300 block E. Hwy 66; Suspicious person, 2400 block E. I-30; Disturbance, I-30 at the 76-mile marker; Suspicious person, 1300 block Live Oak Street

 Thursday, 17 May: Reckless driver, Area of E. I-30; Family disturbance, 300 block Rustic Grove Lane; Suspicious person, Corner of Orchid Boulevard and Peach Street; Alarm, 400 block Ame Lane; Disturbance, 700 block FM 2642; Suspicious person, Area of Preston Drive



Nicole Castillo and her brother, Juan, are shown paying for one of the gifts they selected for their mother for Mother's Day. Helping Hands selected the Castillo children to receive a \$50 gift card from a local dress shop as part of the shop's To Mom With Love program, which provides gift cards to less-fortunate children. Ten families were selected to participate.

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# wks fly high, reach Regional Semifinals again

rought high-flying offenses into last weekend's Region IIplayoff baseball series between Rockwall-Heath and Frisco

ived four games, with Centennial sweeping all four by an f 11-3. RHHS won three of four by an average margin of 9-2, District shutout loss to Frisco tarnishing that record. and Centennial played virtually even for 5 1/2 innings in the

e best-of-3 series. Playing at home Thursday, May 17, RHHS

e series was all Rockwall-Heath. The Hawks scored four runs f the sixth that night for a 7-2 victory. The second – and last – ries was no contest. RHHS' offense overwhelmed the Titans' the Frisco team's offense continued to have little success wks. The series ended with a 16-3 victory and a two-game

ed the Regional Semifinals for the fourth consecutive year. een the Hawks and their third trip in a row to the Region a best-of-3 series that was scheduled to begin Thursday at d conclude Friday at Rockwall-Heath. Game 2 would be at e followed by Game 3 if necessary.

uite a battle. The Hawks (30-8) are ranked fourth among the is, with Whitehouse (28-4) fifth.

nal series didn't start well for RHHS. Centennial scored two of the first inning, and could have had more if the Titans bases loaded.

caught up quickly. Leadoff batter Jake Baxter singled and her Jovan Hernandez's double. Pinch runner Dillon Brown base and continued home on a throwing error.

well after the first inning," said Hawks head coach Greg 1 is a competitor. When he gave up those two runs, he knew at ad to battle. He has done it for us 4 years now."

tiful Chris

RHHS took the lead for good. Baxter again led off with a red on Jake Thompson's single.

Elayton Rasbeary keyed the Hawks' sixth inning with a single.

Bret Boswell (17) makes throw to 1st for the double play riday Iay 18, during game 1 of the UIL Region Quarterfinals risco Centennial at Frisco Centennial High School. by Carl McClung (flickr.com/photos/carls\_sideline\_pics/)/ County News

# HIS Two-time gold ecal winner Richardson ol; beyond graduation

chardson said she almost didn't notice that her graduation from ath is coming up in less than 2 weeks.

ot of other things on her mind:

o events at this year's track and field 4A State Championships

to compete in regional- and national-level competitions this

o compete next year for Baylor University, one of the United

rack and field programs. n actually snuck up on me. Now it's the last couple of days of

senior said. June 5 ceremony, Richardson has a trip to Albuquerque, N.M.,

Southwest meet May 31-June 2. mpetition was at the State Championships in Austin May 11 oncentrating not so much on defending the triple jump title she

ior as on moving up from last year's second-place finish in the win that event as well this year. ger to win the long jump," Richardson said after winning both

onships. "My mindset on the triple jump was that I was going to I went in (seeded) second in the long jump, and I hadn't been vell. I had a heel bruise and an Achilles strain." ne what Richardson might have done if she wasn't hurting. She le jump at 40 feet, 5 1/2 inches, and took the long jump at 18-

op three attempts in each event were better than anyone else's hat, the conditions at the University of Texas weren't ideal. It was really hot and humid. It was supposed to rain, but

didn't rain until later. I just had to stay hydrated. less training than normal. When I would do it, I felt any types

already had curtailed her schedule before the state meet skipping a State Qualifiers Meet a week earlier. She said her edule isn't likely to be as busy as in other years.

keeping it open. Most of the big meets, the best athletes get nistake, Richardson is one of the best athletes. Her 42-foot triple fexas Relays was the third-longest in the United States this year

pretty fun," she said, recalling the Texas Relays. "It brought

yes. That was my main goal." hat Richardson isn't perfect, she didn't reach her long jump goal

season; she went a mere 19-6. this summer will be on preparing for college track and field.

it will be a big jump. I know I will be nervous."

n doesn't seem nervous when she competes, but she said, "I'm ng my nervousness."

y is it that she will have success in college? g 12 meet, a girl from Baylor was second at 43-3, so I'm pretty lacing in meets. I'll be going there for the triple jump. They said

'If you want to long jump, you can long jump.' iding her emotions, Richardson said she was "really excited" to Baylor, where she plans to study physical and occupational

really my dream school. At Baylor, the people felt like they nomey. I liked the campus, and I loved the religious aspect. And oach has been calling since my junior year. She wasn't giving Baxter drove in a run with his fourth hit of the game, Hernandez singled to score another and the final run crossed home plate on another throwing

Harvey said, "It's the time of year when your best guys show up. Baxter has been a hot hitter. We got a big game out of him; he really produced.

We needed to score a few more. Rasbeary, a freshman, gave us a chance when he got that hit, that's one of the little things that win games." In Friday's game at Centennial, RHHS struck for 16 hits to complete the

sweep by a combined margin of 23-5.

Winning pitcher Thompson hit a home run and a double. Grayson Lewis

drilled two two-base hits, and Russell Hughes had one.

Whitehouse swept Red Oak by a combined margin of 19-0 to reach the Regional Semifinal. The Wildcats will have to contend with at least the 1-2 pitching punch of Hernandez and Thompson, with Baxter available to start

Thompson is expected to be selected within the first few rounds of the Major League Baseball draft June 4. Some projections also indicate that Hernandez could be taken by the 10th round. The Hawks won't have to contend with another Texas top prospect, Whitehouse resident A.J. Minter, who plays for Bullard Brook Hill.



Rockwall-Heath's Cade Flory (3) tags out Frisco Centennial runner Jacob Atchley (3) Friday May 18 during the UIL Regional Quarterfinals game 2 at Frisco Centennial. Bret Boswell (17) is ready to assist at back. Photo by Carl McClung (flickr.com/photos/carls\_sideline\_pics/)/Rockwall County News

# 2nd-ranked Forney knocks Lady Jackets from Regional playoffs

by Lary Bump

Rockwall lost one softball game early and another late as Forney eliminated the Lady Jackets from the Region II-4A Semifinals.

RHS (25-12) had won three playoff series to reach that level for the third time in four years.

In the first game of the best-of-3 semifinals Thursday, March 17, at Forney's Williams Middle School, the state's second-ranked team took a 3-0 first-inning lead and went on to win 8-1. The loss ended the Lady Jackets'

17-game winning streak. The next night's result at RHS' Campbell Complex - an 8-2 defeat - was similar, but the games were not.

Again the Lady Jackrabbits (30-6-2) scored in the first inning, with Taylor Leflore's two-out double driving in a run.

That time, though, the Lady Jackets stayed in the game.

After Leflore's double, RHS starting pitcher Emily Cowan retired 10 of the next 11 batters, and the one batter who reached base was erased on a doubleplay line drive to third baseman Stormy Herrera.

So the score remained 1-0 when Rockwall batted in the bottom of the fourth inning. With two out, Bailey Wallace doubled over the left fielder's head. Kennedy Harrison followed with a single to center field, but Wallace couldn't score because the ball was hit too hard.

The Lady Jackets failed to score in that inning, and also when they left two runners on base in both the fifth and sixth.

Meanwhile, the game turned in the top of the fifth. Cowan walked the first batter, then retired two batters on fly balls. Three consecutive singles led to

At that point, Kayla Vandergriff, the losing pitcher in the first game, relieved Cowan for 14th-ranked RHS. Forney's Taylor Penn hit a popup just over Herrera's head. Neither she nor shortstop Cyndi Bertrand could catch the ball, which fell for a two-run double. Another run scored on another double by Leflore, giving the Lady Jackrabbits a 6-0 lead.

The margin grew to 8-0 before the Lady Jackets batted in the bottom of the seventh. They loaded the bases with no outs. A walk to Carlie Jenkins, who had driving in Rockwall's only run in Game 1, forced in one run. Bertrand then hit a sacrifice fly for another run, but when the next two batters were retired the game ended.

In 2013, RHS will feel the loss of five seniors who received All-District 10-4A honors for the district champions. Seven other players, including four freshmen, who also made the All-District team are expected back next



Lady Jackets' Katie Page (6) scores on a hit by Cyndi Bertrand JSaturday May 19, during the UIL Regional Semifinal game 2 at Rockwall.

Photo by Roy Heath (royheath.exposuremanager.com)/Rockwall County News

# Lady Jackets take 3 major All-District awards

on the All-District team announced after the Lady Jackets were eliminated from the playoffs.

Senior center fielder Kennedy Harrison was voted the district's Defensive Player of the Year. She moved from left field after Katie Page was injured, and provided the defensive glue that helped RHS win 17 games in a row,

including its final 12 in the district. Freshman Haley Baker was named the 10-4A Catcher of the Year. She guided an almost equally young pitching staff, which included two freshmen

through the district season with a 13-1 record. Head coach Shadie Acosta received the Coach of the Year Award. The Lady

Jackets have won the district championship 4 consecutive years, and have

District 10-4A champion Rockwall took three of the seven major awards reached the Region II-4A Semifinals in three of those seasons (including

Joining Harrison, Baker and Acosta on the All-District first team were senior first baseman Ashton Atwell, senior second baseman Carlie Jenkins, senior shortstop Cyndi Bertrand, freshman right fielder Bailey Wallace and freshman pitcher Kayla Vandergriff. Bertrand also was named to the Academic All-District team.

Second-team honors went to two outfielders, sophomore Mallory Taylor and freshman Kindal Sauter.

Receiving Honorable Mention were senior pitcher Madeline Taylor, junior third baseman Stormy Herrera and freshman pitcher Emily Cowan.

# White tops Orange in Rockwall High School spring gam

by Lary Bump

A successful 3 weeks of practice led to a successful spring football game for Rockwall Friday, May 18, according to head coach Scott

The team designated as White won both the varsity and junior varsity scrimmages on the RHS soccer field.

Danny Garrett quarterbacked the White varsity to a 36-21 victory over the Orange squad picked by coaches. In the JV game, White outscored

Smith said, "I thought it well, the spring game and the whole spring. We were able to answer a lot of questions as far as what teams players will start on, and the players moving positions.

"The kids worked hard. The coaches kept it simple. We were doing the same things over and over."

The coach said the team came through the spring without a major injury

In the varsity game, White led 22-14 entering the fourth quarter. Two series of plays during those final 12 minutes proved decisive.

After Orange fumbled the ball away, White's Chris Minor was involved in three game-changing plays. As a running back, he was stopped on fourth down at the Orange 10 yard line. On the next play, as a defensive end, Minor stripped the ball away from Orange's Curtis Turner and White recovered. That set up a touchdown - by Minor on a 3-yard run.

His two-way play is an exception this year. "One of our changes is that

# Edwards, Williams make state tournament team

Rockwall Christian Academy's baseball team didn't come back from the TAPPS 1A/2A State Tournament empty handed.

Pitcher John Edwards and first baseman Jordan Williams, two players who helped RCA reach the final four teams before losing in the semifinals, were named to the State All-Tournament team.

Edwards, a senior, also was named to the All-State first team. Freshman catcher Robert Rodriguez and sophomore third baseman Colton Jones made second-team All-State, and freshman shortstop Austin Dean received Honorable Mention.

The TAPPS District 2-1A/2A championship brought first-team All-District honors to five Warriors - Edwards, Rodriguez, Jones, Dean and junior Tanner

On the All-District second team were Williams, senior center fielder Taylor

# New people in new places at Fulton

Added to some new players at The Fulton School's spring football game Friday, May 18, were coaches with new responsibilities.

Head coach Josh Johnson, who has been named Fulton's athletic director, presided over the White varsity team that defeated the Blue team 3

Johnson had been serving as interim AD for the Falcons. Now that title has been made more permanent, and is added to his positions as head coach of football and basketball, and lower school principal.

Dewey Hargraves, who has been promoted to defensive coordinator, coached the Blue varsity.

Todd Treadway, who will be a junior in the fall, scored both Blue touchdowns. His classmate, Hayden Leverett, scored twice for the White. The third touchdown was by Conner Cleveland, a transfer student from

The quarterbacks were Reid Stockton for the White and Branden Williams for Blue.

Another transfer, Colin Graves, caught two passes and made an

"I've been coaching 6 years, and this is the best spring I've had," Johnson said. "Kids at school have talked about spring football every day."

The Falcons had 12 players in the varsity scrimmage and 13 in the junior high competition, won 2-1 by White over Blue. The new head junior high coach is Matt Burgy, also the head of school. He guided the White squad over Johnson's Blue unit.

To help ease Johnson's play-calling and game-management responsibilities, Kevin Cobb has moved up to co-offensive coordinator.

For the next academic year, Fulton is planning to add volleyball and girls' basketball as varsity sports.

# Perry signs to play football in North Dakota

Johnny Perry wasn't able to play sports as a senior at Rockwall Christian Academy, but he will be playing football in the fall at Trinity Bible College in North Dakota.

Perry moved back to the Metroplex last summer from South Carolina. He had played high school football during his junior year there.

RCA athletic director Caleb Palmer expected Perry to start at running back

for the Warriors' football team and at point guard in basketball.

However, TAPPS declared that Perry was ineligible, and upheld that ruling

For a time, he was home schooled, which made him eligible to play for the Dallas Home School Athletic Association. After football season, he returned

Perry's play for HSAA gave him additional football credentials. Thus, Dustin Morgan, the head coach at Trinity, came to RCA Wednesday, May 16, to sign Perry to a letter of intent. The 4-year college in Ellendale, N.D., is a member of the National Christian College Athletic Association.

#### Rockwall County high school varsity results May 16-22

Rockwall-Heath 7, Frisco Centennial 2 Rockwall-Heath 16, Frisco Centennial 3

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### **Rockwall County Sports Schedules**

Rockwall-Heath High School Hawks

Friday, May 25 - Varsity baseball: home vs. Whitehouse for Game 2 of best-of-3 Region II-4A Semifinal playoff, 5:30 p.m.

# **Rockwall County Sports Notes**

June 8 tourney to benefit MOW

The Rockwall County Meals on Wheels program will benefit from the June 8 Golf Classic at Buffalo Creek Golf Club. Various levels of sponsorship and participation are available. The tournament will include men's and women's brackets, prizes, mulligans, raffles and a free dinner. Register online at rockwallmow.com or call 972-771-9514.

### Golf Classic set June 18

The Rockwall County Young Life 13th Annual Golf Classic is scheduled for June 18 at the Buffalo Creek Golf Club. For more details, contact Sue Almond at 972-772-2212 or email almond.family@gmail.com.

### New RISD football season tickets on sale June 4

Season ticket passes for Rockwall and Rockwall-Heath varsity football at Wilkerson-Sanders Memorial Stadium will go on sale for new season ticket buyers Monday, June 4.

Tickets may be purchased at the RISD Athletics Office at 1193 T.L. Townsend Dr., just north of Utley Middle School. The office will be open for ticket sales Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Thursday, Aug. 16.

a majority of players will only be on one side of the ball. That will make it easier for them." Ninety-two players dressed for the varsity game.

The next big series of plays came after Orange pulled within a touchdown at 29-21 with 3 minutes, 56 seconds to play.

On a third down, Garrett, who played JV football last fall, kept the drive going by completing a pass to Cody Holloway. On the next third down, Minor plowed ahead, carrying four Orange players with him, to the 6 yard line. Two plays later, with 37 seconds left, Garrett ran 2 yards for the clinching touchdown.

Orange quarterback Dylan Campman, who played wide receiver last season, ran for a long third-quarter touchdown and scored again from 7 yards out for his team's fourth-quarter TD.

Smith said a third quarterback available to the 2012 Yella will be Xavier Castille, who currently is starting at wide received Among the items the coaching staff is emphasizing are gen

up quickly, and avoiding turnovers while seeking more takean Smith said, "Getting lined up fast is the biggest thing defend intent of the offenses is to go fast so the defense can't line up to you line up quickly, there aren't as many options for them one The junior varsity game was marred by turnovers.

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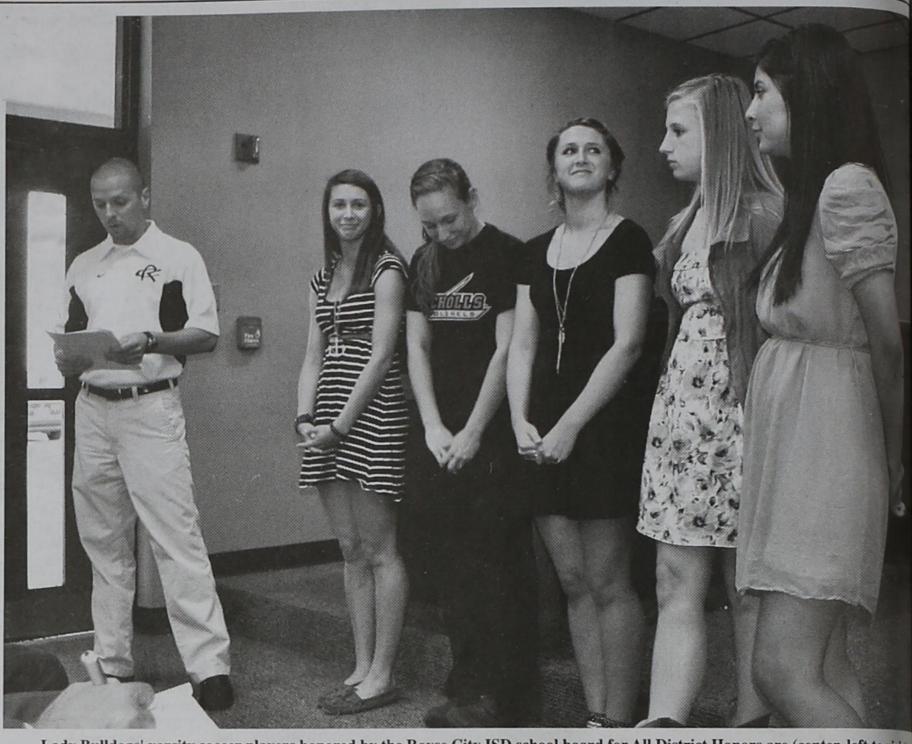
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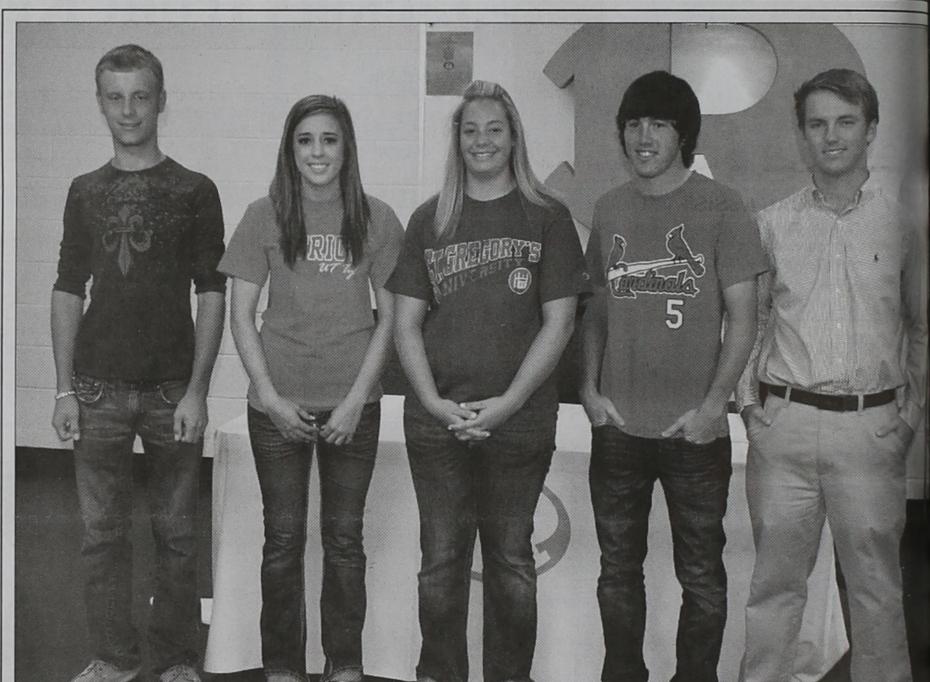
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"We absolutely don't want to turn over the ball, but on della want to pull it out and rip it out," Smith said. "The thing about, game is that you come out 50-50 on every play. One side or



Lady Bulldogs' varsity soccer players honored by the Royse City ISD school board for All District Honors are (center, left to right) Senior Jolee Patterson (First Team All District), Senior Kaylie Daniels (First Team all District), Marisa Patterson (First Team all District) Freshman Kristyn Daniels (Second Team all District) and Freshman Samantha Delbosque (Second Team All District). Coach Derek Greenawalt (left) announced the All District Honors.

Photo courtesy of Martha Patterson/Rockwall County News



Rockwall High School athletes participating in the National Signing Day event Thursday May 17 are (left to right) Teal Willis (Clarendon College, Golf), Brittany Stansburry (University of Texas Tyler, Golf), Sarah Cuzick (St. Gregory's University, Track), Try Manis (Jacksonville, Golf), Christian Rang (Jacksonville, Golf). Photo courtesy of Peggy Willis/Rockwall County News



Rockwall Christian Academy Senior Johnny Perry (sitting) signs with Trinity Bible College in North Dakota Wednesday, May 16 After graduating in June, Perry will attend the school on a Football Scholarship, studying Youth Ministry. Participating in the event (standing, left to right) Rockwall Christian Athletic Director and Head Football Coach Caleb Palmer, Secondary Principal Tony Rorle and Dustin Morgan (Head Football Coach at Trinity Bible College).

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# 18 gall senior athletes will be competing at the college le

k wall senior athletes will be competing at the college level signing letters of intent Friday, May 18. Sarah Cuzick signed to compete in track and field for St.

sity, an NAIA school in Shawnee, Okla. oury signed to play on the women's golf team at the NCAA

ersity of Texas-Tyler. from the Rockwall boys' golf team will be performing at elevel. Teal Willis signed to play for Clarendon College in mmates Christian Rang and Trey Manis will compete on the

golf team at Jacksonville College. The head coach, also the at Jacksonville is Lynn Nabi. Before going to Jacksonville, S boys' basketball head coach.

# Hwks' Rice 1st-team All-District

th placed two players on this year's District 10-4A All-

aseman Madie Rice was named to the first team, and op Katie Webster made the second team.

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ison on Lake Ray Hubbard is heating up almost as fast as

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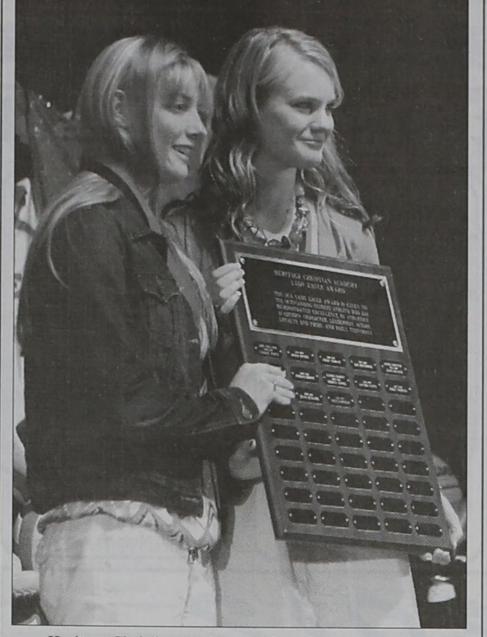
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ailable at http://Founders.RCYC.org. ation for Dallas Race Week opened this week. Sailors can eattanetwork.com/event/5451#\_home for the races June 17-

ll Breakfast Rotary Club organizes the racing as a fundraiser am Series continued last weekend with Race 5. David Carter

onimo" home in first place, with Nigel Brown second in id Dan Malak third in "Orion."



Heritage Christian Academy students Receiving the Lady Eagle Award are (left to right) Chloe Hochstein and Victoria Engel. Hochstein participated in track 1 year, swimming 2 years and tennis 3 years. Engel participated in cheer, dance and track for 1 year and softball for 3 years earning All District honors.

Photo courtesy of Melissa Baskins (HCA)/ **Rockwall County News** 



Heritage Christian Academy baseball pitcher Caleb Cathey receives the Eagle 2011-2012 Eagle Award for outstanding athletic accomplishments. Cathey received recognition for being named to the TAPPS District 2-1A/@A All-District first team in baseball, basketball and football all four years, and the All State team in football. The athlete also qualified for State Track 2 years.

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A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: TERMINATION & ADOPTION

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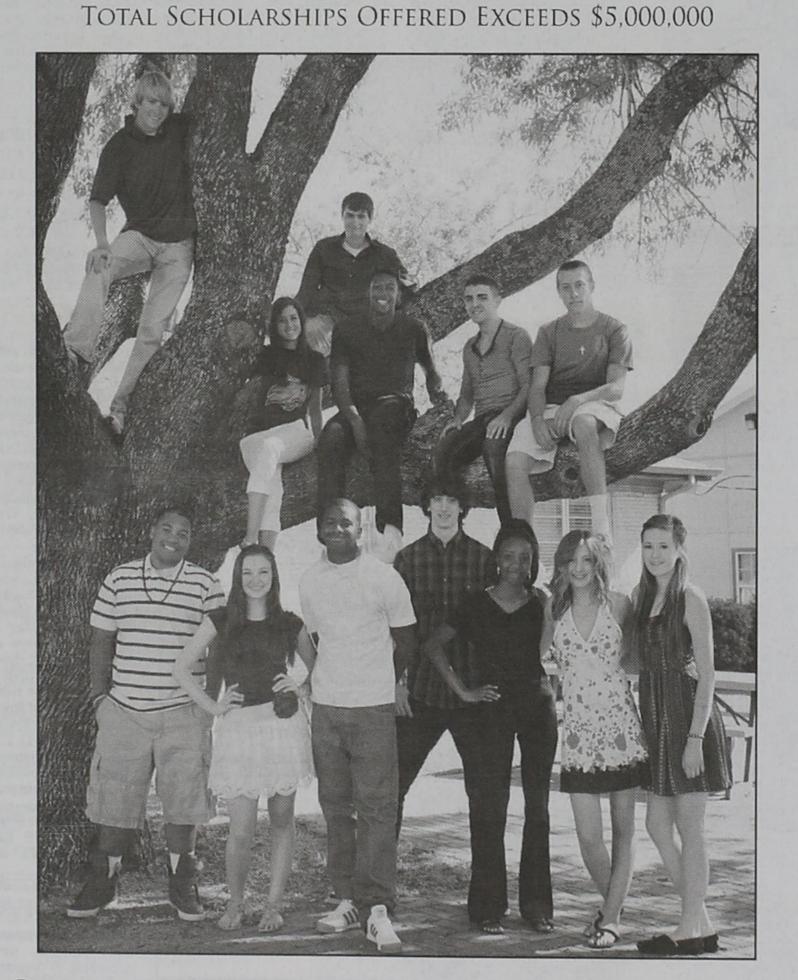
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(Back row, left to right) Holley Noe (Heath High), Caitlin Conley (Rockwall High), Kelsie Murphy (Heath High), Cassie Conrad (Rockwall High), Bethany Smth (Home

(Front row, left to right) Dominic Nigro (Home School), Zackery Kea (Rockwall High) and Brent Musser (Heath High).

# Opinions

# County landscaping and parking issue

by Jerry Hogan

There have been several comments about various aspects of the county that are kind of interesting.

Yes, those of you who complained about the weeds taking over at the new courthouse and the surrounding area were correct. We waited too long before we made some decisions that were needed.

When the new courthouse landscaping was designed and planted, the decision had been made to use plants that were 'hardy and tough and could survive the dry summers of our Texas area.' Some of these plants, quite frankly, look like tall grass and even, some could say, weeds. These plants, and some of the more conventional looking grass, were not to be mowed but once each year and weed control was not to be used as it would also kill the plants. As a result, many of the flower beds quickly started looking like weed gardens and the open fields looked like vacant land that had been abandoned.

After some false starts on a solution, the open fields were mowed and the flower beds were individually weeded. It looks better now, but the area around the courthouse and the library will still look a little scraggly until the plants mature and start filling out. This will probably take until this time next year. Remember how the landscaping on the George Bush highway between 75 and Fire Wheel looked the first year it was planted and then how it looks now. That is the type of difference you should see with the courthouse and the surrounding area next year.

And, yes, those of you who said the lawn around the historic courthouse looked horrible and barren were also correct. The problem here was the shade developed from the surrounding trees that caused the grass to not

grow. Add to this the festivals and various events that ended up being held on the courthouse lawn, and soon there was basically no grass left. Again, several proposals were presented for a permanent solution. Unfortunately they happened just about the same time water restrictions were placed on our area. Since these proposals were expensive and there was uncertainty about being able to irrigate the new lawn, the decision was made to go with an interim solution that should last for some period of time. St. Augustine sod has been placed on the lawn, and since it is a hearty grass that will grow in shaded areas, this should greatly improve the area.

Another area that has drawn recent comments is parking on the downtown square. As the largest land owner and tenant in the square, unfortunately we have drawn the most criticism.

There are about 80 parking spaces on the streets at the downtown square. Forty of these are located on county property for use by citizens going in and out of the courthouse. There is also a parking lot adjacent to the square, which is jointly rented from the landowner by the city of Rockwall and the county. This lot has about 25 additional parking spaces.

The county has just recently completed a series of moves to consolidate office space and reduce costs. Two county buildings are up for sale, two building leases have been terminated and about \$175,000 a year has been saved in operating costs as a result of these actions.

o make this all happen, the driver's license office previously located in the Brookshire shopping center was moved to the old library/JP building on Fannin Street across the street from the city parking lot located in that part of town. While some of the store owners located on the square felt this was taking parking spaces away from the square, since the office is away and since that parking lot is rarely full, our study did not o

The tax assessor's office, previously located in the annex on Fig. has moved to the bottom floor of the historic courthouse. All of the employees park in the parking lot adjacent to the square and not courthouse. In some observations which were conducted, citizen this office range from zero being in line to about 10 to 15 during busy times. The time to actually complete their transaction at their is about five minutes. Their time parking on the square is short on someone going to a restaurant or to shop.

There are currently nine county employees that use some of the parking spaces that surround the courthouse. Most of these employee and out as they have responsibilities in other areas of the county

Parking at the downtown square in Rockwall is tight, especial the noon hour when so many people come to eat in one of the six located in this immediate area.

Gone are the days in the city of Rockwall of parking in front of running in to quickly get your item of interest. Our rapid growthin quickly catch up with us. The adoption by the citizens of the Cityon of the downtown improvements portion of the May 12 bond pack includes parking lots and more street parking, should provide the solution for this issue.

Jerry Hogan is the county judge of Rockwall County. He can ben jerryhogan@sbcglobal.net or 214-394-4033.

## **Rockwall County** Letters to the Editor

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#### Applauding ccuracy in reporting

I would like to highly commend the Rockwall County News on its coverage of the report of an election violations complaint being filed by the official Heath Citizen Poll Watcher. The accuracy and truth in the reporting this paper did on such a serious subject is something for a community to be proud of in these troubled times. Election violations are very serious and should be treated as such.

I understand that Craig Zurek sent a mass e-mail message recently in which he questioned the "credibility" of the County News, which apparently caused his wife a few sleepless nights. He also stated in that email message that an article in a Dallas daily newspaper was the deciding verdict in this issue. I read the article and it seemed to me that it must have been written by Mr Zurek. I believe that I speak for myself and others when I say the truth will be found more often in our own community newspaper.

Good job on this report goes to the Rockwall County News.

Heath Citizen, Dan Winnett

### A Tribute to Paul Keggereis

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The following letter was submitted for publication and originally was published in the Membership Connection newsletter of

One of my favorite members at the Rockwall YMCA recently passed

away. Paul Keggereis was always friendly, funny and loved to tease people. I miss seeing him almost every day when I walk out into the lobby. I am one of many, many people who miss him being here.

Paul Keggereis and his wife, Norma, had been in Rockwall since 2002 and became members at the Rockwall YMCA in 2008 after a parent had been ill and passed away and they become more focused on their own health. She describes Paul as always being an encourager, smiling and positive-minded. He loved cars, motorcycles and was a pilot. He would push her past her comfort zone and taught her to take chances and have adventures as she describes it "that were still legal and not fattening."

Norma says that the thing Paul most taught her was to seize the moment, to discover together, and do things that you may never have the chance to do again when an opportunity arises. In 1985 he convinced her to take a 30 day motorcycle trip up to Canada and back. It was a once-in-a-lifetime adventure and Norma was inspired to write two songs on the trip.

Paul left home at 17 and went into the service where he got his GED. He went on to get multiple college degrees, including a master's and doctorate. Paul joined the ministry at the age of 50, although he says he was called to it at age 25. Norma says they always though the YMCA was for kids and when she turned 65, she received a card from the AARP, letting her know that she was eligible for a free Silver Sneakers membership. When they came to the YMCA Norma enjoyed Group Exercise classes and Paul used the weight room. Paul had previously had heart surgery, and needed to take extra care. They both enjoyed swimming. Norma says that they love the family atmosphere at the YMCA they have lots of casual friends and after time made some very close friends. They would always sit and have coffee together in the lobby after class and talk with their good friends John and

Paul got sick while they were recently on a mission trip to Mexico. On Feb. 22 Paul went into the hospital and both he and Norma were put into isolation because he had symptoms of tuberculosis. It was discovered that

Paul had lung cancer and he passed away on March 24. At the went into the hospital, both Paul and Norma were volunteen YMCA Partners campaign. Norma did not have any symptom required to go into isolation along with Paul in case she had been to tuberculosis. She had 30-40 contacts that she wanted to get in and got her YMCA book to the hospital so she could wrap up h raise money for Partners. People were so surprised when Normac to work on the campaign even while in the hospital and after Paul If there was a person that defined committed it would be Norma. It of the deep connection that she and Paul felt with the YMCA, there work here and our members, and the mission that we work for the so dedicated to the cause.

She said when Paul passed, she has never felt more supported more than the people at the YMCA. People stepped up, watched for her, made meals, whatever she needed. She said everyone woll what it was she needed and they would do it. It is that spirit come she describes it, which bonded them to the YMCA.

Membership & Wellness Director

Rockwall Family YMCA

Liz Jones is the Membership & Wellness Director at Rocked YMCA, located at 1210 N Goliad in Rockwall, TX. She is a write yoga instructor, and wellness coach. She holds a Master's I Organizational Leadership and Strategic Management, with a certificate in Ethics and Leadership. Her undergraduate studies communication, business, writing, art, fitness, and dance.

She is trained in Reiki, Guided Imagery, and various healing She has also trained in Shotokan karate and other forms of marial self-defense. Her background includes non-profit management and with various at-risk populations, women's empowerment works mentoring programs.

Liz Jones can be reached at: ejones@ymcadallas.org or 972-771.

# **District Attorney** announces election complaint decision

by Wesley W. Burnett

Rockwall County Criminal District Attorney Kenda Culpepper has announced that allegations presented in a complaint filed by City of Heath election poll watcher Tina Winnett are insufficient for filing a criminal case. In a statement released Tuesday, May 22, the District Attorney stated the following:

"After reviewing the allegations and conducting an investigation, the Rockwall County Criminal District Attorney's Office has determined that there is not sufficient evidence to file a criminal case."

"The DA's decision to dismiss is not the end of this," the complainant responded. "I am making further complaints to the Sec of State and the Attorney General," Mrs. Winnett reported.

Editor's Note: Last week we incorrectly stated in our story on this subject that the District Attorney had not responded by press time, when in fact she did report the case was under review. Our apology for this error. We will continue reporting on this election day event as information is available.

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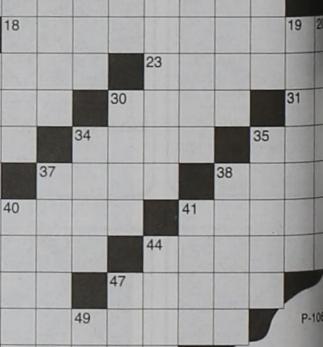
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# Ragland earns degree at Harding

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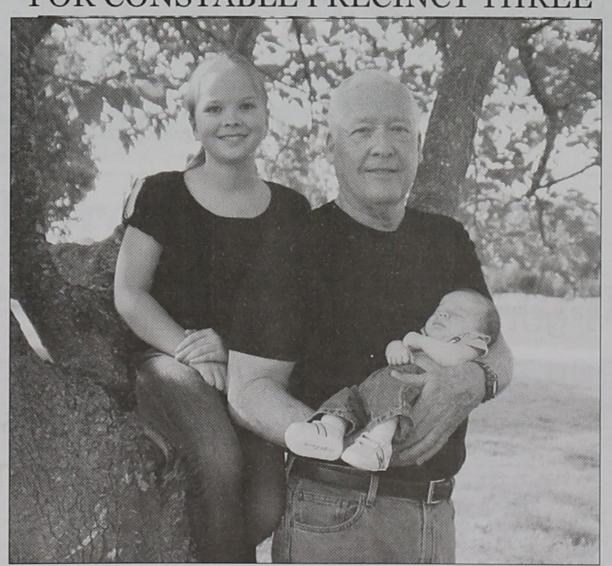
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City High School Interact Club members conducted a garage sale recently to help fellow stuempowerment Katie yers and Royse City community member Lola Moultrie, both of whom suffered recent losses d by use fires. Students raised enough money to present each with a check for \$364.48 to help them lives. Pictured above making the check presentation to Moultrie are Audrey Richardson, en Di k, Alex Lumme and Renee Wallace.

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ctured love are Rockwall High students from Kim McKenzie's Graphic Design & Illustration class compad and placed in the Desktop Publishing One Page category in this year's Rockwall Indepen-Schoe District Digital Media Fair. Shown at front, from the left, are Haley Harris, third place, Haley leely a | Elizabeth Burris, honorable mention. At back are Kenny Lowery, first place; McKenzie; and deposit wary Imordi, honorable mention.

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student om each classroom at Dorris A. Jones Elementary was tapped to participate in an awards breakfast

ed by Cck-fil-A.

Idents ach classroom nominated a student who exemplifies character traits such as kindness, respect, honor, control d responsibility, according to a news release from the school. These students were treated to a special each received a certificate of recognition. The Chick-fil-A Cow was on hand to extend his gratitude e stude honorees and their parents.

Difference cluded Kesia Amaro, Anette Cervantes, Hannah Hunt, Katelyn Abeare, Hallie Curry, James Mansell, okln He on, Laura Adair, Nahom Kebede, Collin McQuiddy, Estefani Herrera, Michelle Estrada, Lillie, Lloyd, mi Mer ola, Bryce Kilgore, Emma Jackson, Mattie, Bell, Karson Hill, Nicole Leverett, Faith Harris, Xan-Melanie Torres, Brenna Mulligan, Marlene Rodriguez, Jorden Gooden, James Johnson, Jenna Tally, ols, Thomas Crouch, Tori Scott, Alonso Rodriguez, Austin Mask, Lexi Britton and Amy Duran.

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