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'Hug a GI' Day ...

Hug a GI Day, observed on Friday, March 4, was a big y for Gene Allen, left, who retired from the Army with years of military service. Allen is Tri-County Veterans onor Guard Commander and past commander for e American Legion and Disabled American Veterans. e and his wife, Juanita, shared hugs, special moments d some tears with the residents at Liberty Heights in ockwall. Pictured with Allen is resident Art Hendon. ght, who served in the Coast Guard. Although not a deral holiday, and one many aren't aware of, this day is been celebrated since 1996. Along with Veteran's Day, emorial Day and the Fourth of July, this day is to honor e sacrifices and service of the armed forces of the United ates, past and present.

Photo by Millie Jean Coppedge/Rockwall County News

University scholastic honors

Local students feted at SHSU

eral local students were tapped for honors at Sam Houston State ersity following the fall semester, according to news releases the Huntsville university.

dents named to the President's List, which recognizes full-time graduate students who achieve a perfect 4.0 grade-point average, ded Gregory Daniells of Royse City, a criminal justice major, Rockwall residents Sarah Bigham, accounting, Taylor Mead, ology, Miguel Morales, music, and Juan Vargas, finance.

dents named to the Dean's List, which recognizes full-time graduate students who achieve at least a 3.5 grade-point ge out of a possible 4.0 during a regular semester, included n Ledbetter, a fashion merchandising major from Heath; ory Daniells, a criminal justice major from Royse City; and wall residents Bigham, Mead, Morales, Alissa Powell, mass nunications, Dalia Rizk, criminal justice, Jessica Saunders, nal justice, and Vargas.



Area high school students awarded by DAR

Seven high school seniors received awards from the Rock Wall Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution on Feb. 28. Margaret Davidson, DAR Scholarship Committee chair, is pictured with recipients, from the left, Zenia Jones, Royse City High School, Addie Louise Barch, Wylie High School, Kayley Parke Hernandez, Heritage Christian Academy, Sage M. Wells, Rockwall-Heath High School, Jade L. Brown, Rockwall High School, and Myra Leilani Castillo, North Forney High School, DAR essay winner submitted to state. Leslie Valdelamar of Terrell High School was unable to attend the event.

Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

Rockwall ISD observing School Breakfast Week

Rockwall Independent School District campuses are observing National School Breakfast Week, a weeklong celebration aimed at increasing awareness of the School Breakfast Program among students and parents, March 14-18, according to a recent news release.

National School Breakfast Week was launched in 1989 to raise awareness of the availability of the School Breakfast Program to all children and to promote the links between eating a good breakfast, academic achievement and healthy lifestyles. The 2016 National School Breakfast Week theme, Wake Up & Start Fresh with a Healthy Breakfast, reminds everyone that a healthy school breakfast sets students up for a day of learning and academic success.

Every school day, the Rockwall ISD's breakfast program offers students a breakfast that they need to get set for a busy school day Every school breakfast served meets federal nutrition standards limiting fat, calories and sodium.



Linda Smith, Daughters of the American Revolution member, presented the Rock Wall Chapter's American History Essay Award to Isabella Schmukai, Heritage Christian Academy student, on Feb. 28. Schmukai's essay described life in the early American colonies and the hardships the colonists faced due to increased

taxation. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

pringer students take wins at UIL competition

nger Elementary students earned a number of wins at the UIL

etition conducted Saturday, Feb. 20. ning students, according to a news release from the school,

eading Writing (coach Christina Lee) - Sophia Alvarenga, fifth (fourth grade); Lindsey Thompson, fourth place (fifth grade) ral Reading (coaches Rachael Taylor and Susie Kinney) - Logan , third place (fifth grade); Hanna Mitchell, fifth place (sixth grade)

umber Sense (coach Barbara Wood) - Cody Bostik, fifth place

 Maps, Graphs & Charts (coaches Becky Riemenschneider and Rebekah Hawkins) – Peyton Wingfield, fifth place (fifth grade)

 Storytelling (coaches Stacey Hawkins and Anna Winkley) – Sean Linscott, fifth place (third grade)

• Chess (coach Jenny Kaup) - Brandon Mendoza, second place, Zachary Musson, fourth place, and Sam Eisenbise, sixth place (second/ third grades); David Granger, sixth place, and Carter Eisenbise, first place (fourth/fifth grade)

• Chess Tournament - Reilly Lundberg, second place (fourth/fifth grades); Eli Deen, first place (sixth grade).



Students at Springer Elementary earned several wins in the Feb. 20 UIL competition. Pictured, from left to right, are Springer winners Peyton Wingfield, Hannah Mitchell, Cody Bostik, David Granger, Eli Deen, Lindsey Thompson and Carter Eisenbise and, at front, Reilly Lundberg, Zachary Musson, Logan Kuntz, Sam Eisenbise, Brandon Mendoza and Sean

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Daughters of the American Revolution member Sandra Solomon presented the Community Service Award to Lt. Colonel Gene Allen, U.S. Army (Ret.) on Feb. 28. Through his leadership, the Tri County Veterans Honor Guard was born. Allen received the Community Service Award for his hours of voluntary time in support of the military veteran.

Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

Rockwall County News Briefs

Spay/neuter mobile hospital scheduled

The Spay Neuter Network's hospital bus, in the I-30 Wal-Mart parking lot, offers surgery performed on site the second Friday of every month. Next (Continued on Page 2)



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Deborah Kay Brown

Services for Deborah Kay Brown, 59, of Greenville were conducted at 10 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 22, 2016, in the Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church in Rockwall with Father James Joseph officiating. Burial followed in the Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Fort Worth under the direction of the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel.

She died Feb. 15.

Born Dec. 11, 1956, in Wichita Falls to Albert and Veronica (Journey) Parker, she attended the Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Azle. She was salutatorian at

Owasso High School in Owasso, Oklahoma, and received a bachelor's degree from Tulsa University in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

She enjoyed riding bikes with her husband and reading and sewing. She was a perfectionist who was funny, intelligent, thoughtful, selfless and humble.

Survivors include her husband of 37 years, Daniel Brown; her daughter, Amie Stacy, and her husband, John; her grandchildren, Jude, Gabriel and Luke; her father; her brothers, Scott and Brian Parker; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her mother and her sisters, Kathleen Parker and Karen Real.

Brunson in top 10 of **Arkansas NATS contest**

A Rockwall resident was among 10 Ouachita Baptist University students named as a finalist at the 2016 Arkansas National Association of Teachers of Singing (NATS) conference conducted recently at Henderson State University, according to a university news release. Jessie Brunson of Rockwall, a freshman vocal performance student, earned first place in the freshman women division.

Two other local residents were named NATS semifinalists, according to the release. They include, from Heath, Kenzie Osborn, a freshman musical theatre student, was a semifinalist in the lower college music theatre women division and, from Rockwall, Micah Brooks, a freshman musical theatre student, was a semifinalist in the freshman men division.

Participants auditioned in classical or music theatre divisions. All OBU voice teachers who attended the conference served as judges in the audition process or as collaborative pianists.

"I think it is fair to say that our team of OBU voice professionals are extremely pleased and proud of all our students," said Jon Secrest, coordinator of OBU's vocal studies program and professor of music. "Not only those who were fortunate to win awards, but also those who are building on their performance skillset by participating in activities such as NATS.

"Any live audition enhances the cumulative experience of a singer/ actor," Secrest said in the release. "The NATS audition experience is particularly helpful in that many of the teachers who are giving written feedback have had performing careers of their own. This kind of background often makes their assessment and observations both insightful and helpful."

University Scholastics News

Rivera, Vargas earn SHSU degrees

Lizette Rivera of Heath and Juan Vargas of Rockwall were among students who received degrees during the fall commencement exercises conducted at Sam Houston State University, according to a news release from the Huntsville university.

Rivera earned a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. She graduated eum laude.

Vargas received a bachelor's degree in finance, graduating summa cum laude.

T.J. Epperson

Memorial services for T.J. Epperson, 87, of Rockwall, formerly of Dallas, were conducted at 11 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 19, 2016, in the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel with Bro. Richard Brunson officiating.

He died Feb. 14.

Born Dec. 29, 1928, in Lawton, Oklahoma, to Sidney J. and Junia M. (Walker) Epperson, he was a Methodist and had lived in Rockwall for 38 years.

He served in the U.S. Navy and retired from American Airlines after 42 years as a flight engineer.

He was a 32nd Degree Mason, a Shriner and a private pilot.

Survivors include his wife of 53 years, Laverne Epperson; his children, Scott James Epperson and his wife, Suzanne, Thomas James Epperson and his wife, Pamela, Mark James Epperson and his wife, Toni, and Lynda Chauncy; his grandchildren, Aaron James Epperson, Natalie Paige Hawley, Ashley A. Epperson, Brandy Beurdick, Sarah Epperson, Brian James Epperson, Danny Chauncy, Hilarie Suzanne Hawley and Taylore Gregory Hawley; and many other relatives.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Norma Soday-Thorn Bacon; and two nephews, Michael James House and Ronald James House.

Peggy Joy McDaniel Housewright Graham

Services for Peggy Joy McDaniel Housewright Graham, a Plano resident since 1987, were conducted at 1 p.m. on Sunday, March 6, 2016, in the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel with Brother Al Draper officiating. Burial followed in the Rest Haven Memorial Park.

She died March 2.

Born Oct. 26, 1946, in Rockwall to Jesse and Lois Juanita (Bryan) McDaniel, she attended the First Baptist Church in Wylie and was a loan officer for Community Credit Union.

Survivors include her daughter, Jeanna Kay Melton; her sisters, Mollie Jean McDaniel Lambert and her husband, Kenneth, of Plano and Margaret Ruth McDaniel Turnbow of Rowlett; her grandchildren, Chase Erickson and Kaleb Melton; many nieces and nephews; and her best friend, Felicia Carroll.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Terrell Graham; her son, John Maloy Housewright; her brother, Willard McDaniel; and her parents.

Pallbearers were Chase Erickson, Kaleb Melton, Cary Lambert, Gary Lambert, Bryan Turnbow and Cody Turnbow.

RISD plan special session Monday

Trustees for the Rockwall Independent School District will meet in special session at 5:30 p.m. on March 14 at the RISD Administration/ Education Center, Room 600, at 1050 Williams St., Rockwall.

School board members, according to the meeting's agenda, are scheduled to go into executive session to consult with the RISD attorney and discuss a potential site for a school to be constructed in the Heath area, as well as discuss the ongoing superintendent search.

At 6:30 p.m., trustees will reconvene in open session to consider and possibly approve a contract between the City of Heath and the RISD for the purchase of approximately 15 acres of land to be used as a future school site.

Following the completion of the special session, trustees will go into a work session, which will focus on the Texas Association of School Board Salary Compensation Study, student academic programs and the 2016-2017 budget report, according to the agenda.

There is no fear in love. But perfect love casts out fear. 1John 4:18

RISD to host April 9

job fair

The Rockwall Independent

School District will host a job

fair from 9 a.m. to noon on April

The job fair will take place

at Rockwall High School, 901

Yellow Jacket Lane, Rockwall.

No registration is required.

For more information contact

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Memorial services for (Thelma) Jeanne Crawford Isbell, 88, of Austin held at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 28, 2016, in the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel with the Rev. Karl Hanschen, her grandson, officiating. Burial followed in the Rockwall Memorial Cemetery. The family received friends from

4 p.m. to 7 p.m. prior to the services at the funeral home.

She died Feb. 21.

Born Nov. 18, 1927, in Fate in her Grandmother Lowry's home to

Crawford, the family moved to Levelland when she was 6 weeks. Hiddle School in Ro They resided there for two years and returned to Rockwall williler, is one of the s she grew up around her cousins and friends. After graduating fi 1016 Texas National Rockwall High School, she attended Texas State College for Wor Professional Develop (TWU) in Denton where she enjoyed many friendships and trip April 1. School bees Texas A&M. She fell in love with James Frank (Jim) Isbell and through eighth grat two married before she finished school.

She worked for several years in downtown Dallas. When took an online quality outle's first shild was here. couple's first child was born, they purchased their first house society has invited to became lifelong friends with the Estacado Drive Neighborh in each of the 50 state Bridge Couples. As these families grew, they moved to different p of Defense Dependent of the city, but still remained at 1 of the city, but still remained close. They also were active member ompete in the state of St. Mark Presbyterian Church.

After having four children, the couple moved to El Paso for her Courtesy photo/R reasons. It was there that they joined St. Andrew's Presbyter Church and she went back to college, finishing her degree at Te Western (now UTEP), fulfilling her parents' dream of having the six children graduate from college.

After graduation, the couple landed teaching jobs in Midla where they became members of the First Presbyterian Church. taught kindergarten and first grade as a reading specialist and wor on her master's degree. After 20 years she retired from teaching.

The couple lived in Rockwall for a couple of years before return to El Paso to enjoy their retirement. They enjoyed taking trips in the motorhome and wintering in Arizona each year, becoming snowbi and meeting people from throughout the country. They were ac in the Pebble Hills Presbyterian Church and celebrated their 5 wedding anniversary at Walt Disney World.

Following her husband's death, she moved to Austin in 2006, wh she participated in the Westlake Hills Presbyterian Church. She li in Austin for 10 years. At the time of her death, she was a 14-y lung cancer survivor, having been declared cancer free in the I year and remaining that way until her death.

Survivors include her children, Amy Isbell Hanschen, and husband, Steve, of Austin, John Reese Isbell of Austin, Karen Isl Marszycki and her husband, Roy, of El Paso and Brett Allen Isl and his wife, Chris, of Salt Lake City, Utah; a sister, Maxine Cost of Forney; a brother, Robert Crawford and his wife, Carol, of Dall her grandchildren, Karl, Elizabeth, Jennifer, Joshua, Kathle Patrick and Melissa; her great-grandchildren, Kaitlyn, Peyl Abigail, Rachel, Preston, Rebecca and Alex; and numerous niet nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her husband; a granddaughter, Alli Isbell; her brothers, John Crawford and Edward Crawford; a sis Jewel Bonner; and a niece, Cathy Jo Crawford.

An online guestbook is available at resthavenfuneral.com.

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date is March 11. A \$20 spay for female cats available, as are lo cost surgery packages. Services available throughout the Metrople the Clinic in Crandall, the Hope Mobile or via transport. Free sp neuter is offered in selected ZIP codes. For appointment/informati call 972-472-3500 or 817-423-5500. Be sure dog's collar cannot slipped, cats are in secure carriers. Promoted by Rockwall PAV (Rockwall PAWS @att.net).

Believe It or Not is lecture topic

Tall tales of Rockwall County will be the topic at the SI Stodghill Lecture Series presented by the Rockwall County Histori Foundation and the Rockwall County Historical Commission fi noon to 1 p.m. in the third floor in the historic downtown courtho 10 report no on March 11.

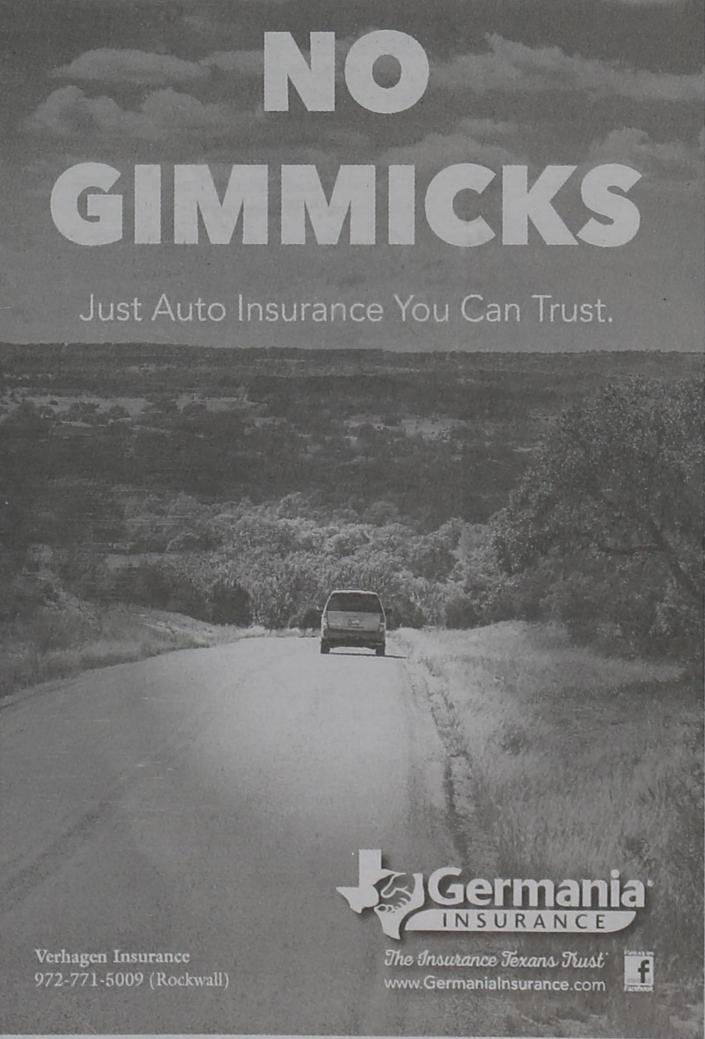
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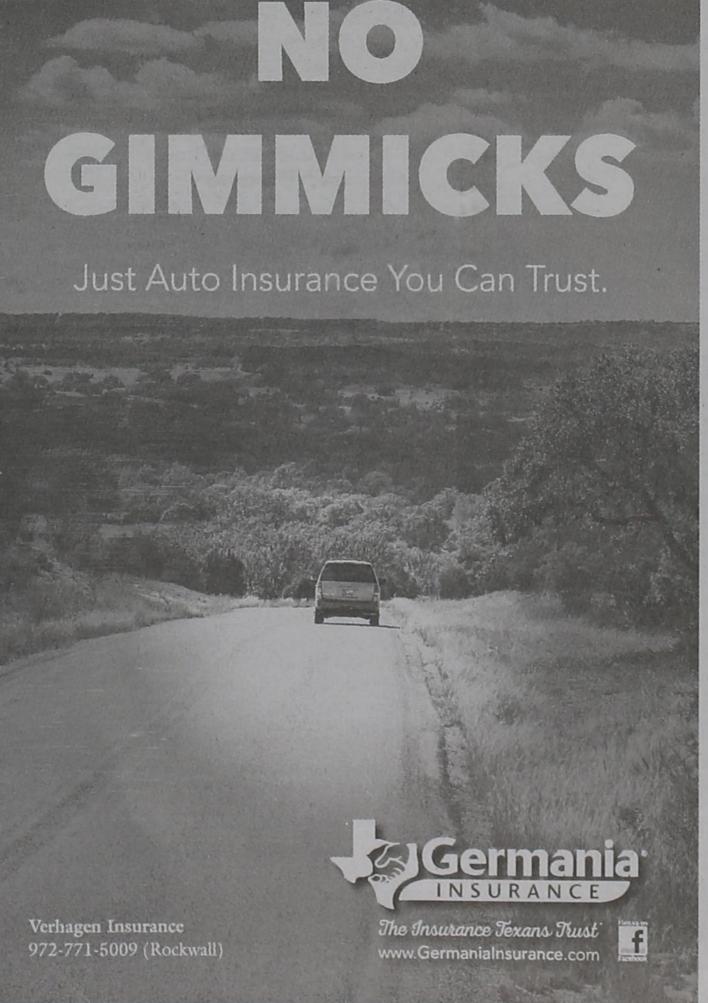
The Rockwall Area Retired Teachers Association will meet at I p.m. on Monday, March 14, at the Rockwall ISD Administrat Bldg., 1050 Williams. The meeting will take place in Room #6 the board room. Todd Williams, county extension agent, will spe about container gardening. Come at 1:15 p.m. for refreshments.

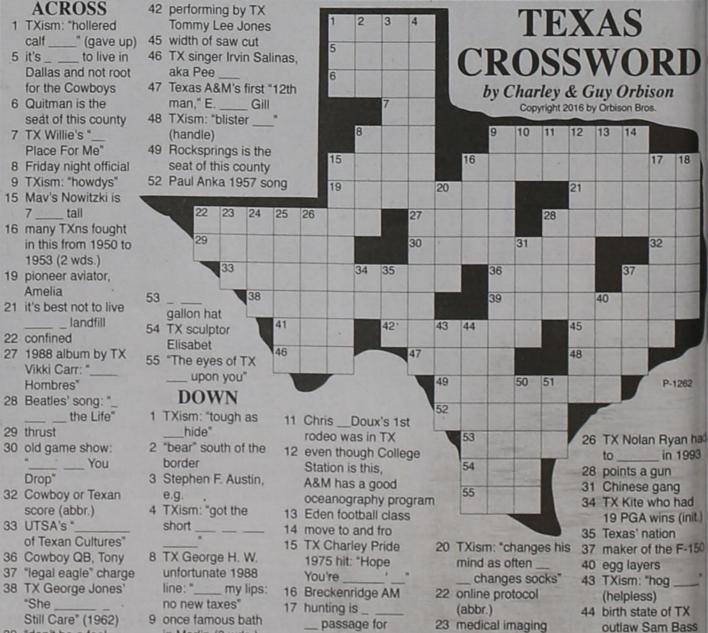
Luncheon honoring first responders set March 16

The Rockwall County First Responders Luncheon, organized the Rockwall Area Chamber of Commerce, will run from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. March 16 at the Thomas H. Nalls Fire Station, 9 Rockwall Parkway. Sponsorship opportunities also are available. more information, visit business.rockwallchamber.org/events/detail partnership-luncheon-first-responders-130754.

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Luke Miller, a seventh grade student at J.W. Williams iddle School in Rockwall and son of Daniel and Carla liller, is one of the semifinalists eligible to compete in the 116 Texas National Geographic State Bee at the Pat May rofessional Development Center in Bedford on Friday, pril 1. School bees were conducted in schools with fourth rough eighth grade students throughout the state to etermine each school champion. School champions then ok an online qualifying test. The National Geographic ociety has invited up to 100 of the top-scoring students each of the 50 states, District of Columbia, Department Defense Dependents Schools and U.S. territories to ompete in the state bees. Miller is pictured above with avid Blake, principal at Williams.

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Justice Jeff Brown, elected to the Texas Supreme ourt in 2013, met with Heritage Christian Academy udents recently about the balance of serving God and ne's country and how when modeled correctly are one the same. Brown encouraged the students not to take eir education for granted and answered questions efore visiting a few high school history and government asses. Above, Brown is shown with his cousin and HCA hletic director Don McEvov.

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Timmy DiCapo, a student at Cullins Elementary, is shown casting his ballot in the mock elections conducted on Super Tuesday at the school. During their social studies the students learned about the importance of voting, discussing how every vote counts and how they can impact their community with their vote. Students voted for their favorite Cullins Elementary teacher, as well as for the U.S. president.

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On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

Christian political activism in America ... Rights

Last week we named a number of natural rights that are annotated in the American Declaration of Independence and the Bill of Rights of the Constitution. Readers were encouraged to search the Epistles to ascertain whether the above referenced natural rights are endowed in people by the Creator.

Do not be frustrated if they are not found. The only rights found were life and liberty. A study of the Epistles will reveal a distinction between natural life and liberty, and true spiritual based life and liberty. The former is fought for and secured by people, the latter was fought for and secured by our Lord Jesus the Christ.

Let's search the scriptures for inherent rights that are truly endowed in people by the Creator.

All people have the right to be filled with holy spirit upon believing that the Creator raised Jesus from the dead (see Romans 10:9-10, Acts 2:4). With this includes the right to believe.

Praying to the Creator is an inherent right from the same Creator. The powerful name of our Lord Jesus the Christ bears the Power of Attorney for the Creator's beloved saints and children to come before His throne. Prayer includes people's own understanding, and also prayer by the spirit, which is speaking in tongues (1Cor. 14:15).

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"Let every thing that hath breath praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord."

Psalm 150:6

"That if you will confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord', and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved."

Romans 10: 9-10

"Have I not commanded you; be strong and of a good courage. Be not afraid, neither be dismayed; for the Lord thy God is with thee whereever you go." Joshua 1:9

"A fool's mouth is his destruction, and his lips are the snare of his soul." Proverbs 18:7

"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart, and lean not unto thine own understanding;"

"In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy path;" Proverbs 3:6

"Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known ..." Proverbs 3:6

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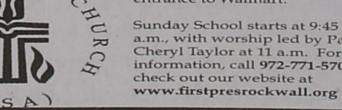
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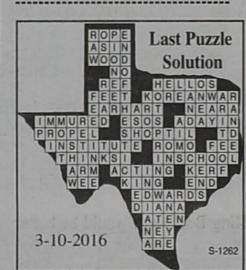
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The Developer, Bloomfield Homes, L.P. will be the Payor for Rockwall County Consolidated Municipal Utility District No. 1.

Plans, specifications and bid documents are available at http://www.civcastusa.com; Keyword: 03003-02D101. Contract Documents may be downloaded or viewed free of charge at this web site. It is the downloader's responsibility to determine that a complete set of documents, as defined in the Instructions to Bidders are received. Printed copies of the Contract Documents may be purchased at the website for the cost of printing. The cost for printed Contract Documents is non-refundable. This web site will be updated periodically with addenda, plan holders lists, bid tabulations, additional reports or other information relevant to bidding the Project.

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Performance and Payment Bonds are required.

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e Republican presidential debates have become so heated and with insults, it almost seems we are watching a pro wrestling n. There is no civility, and I wonder whether the candidates bout to come to blows. But despite what appears to be total reement among them, there is one area where they all agree. all promise that if elected they will "rebuild the military."

hat does "rebuild the military" mean? Has the budget been d? Have the useless weapons programs like the F-35 finally been tlown? No, the United States still spends more on its military the next 14 countries combined. And the official military budget y part of the story. The total spending on the US empire is well one trillion dollars per year. Under the Obama Administration ilitary budget is still 41 percent more than it was in 2001, and percent higher than at the peak of the Cold War.

issia, which the neocons claim is the greatest threat to the United Stas, spends about one-tenth what we do on its military. China, the

other "greatest threat," has a military budget less than 25 percent of ours. Last week the Pentagon announced it is sending a small naval force of US warships to the South China Sea because, as Commander of the US Pacific Command Adm. Harry Harris told the House Armed Services Committee, China is militarizing the area. Yes, China is supposedly militarizing the area around China, so the US is justified in sending its own military to the area. Is that a wise use of the US military?

The US military maintains over 900 bases in 130 countries. It is actively involved in at least seven wars right now, including in Iraq, Syria, Pakistan, and elsewhere. US Special Forces are deployed in 134 countries across the globe. Does that sound like a military that has been gutted?

I do not agree with the presidential candidates, but I do agree that the military needs to be rebuilt. I would rebuild it in a very different way, however. I would not rebuild it according to the demands of the military-industrial complex, which cares far more about getting rich than about protecting our country. I would not rebuild the military so

that it can overthrow more foreign governments who refuse to do the bidding of Washington's neocons. I would not rebuild the military so that it can better protect our wealthy allies in Europe, NATO, Japan, and South Korea. I would not rebuild the military so that it can better occupy countries overseas and help create conditions for blowback here at home.

No. The best way to really "rebuild" the US military would be to stop abusing the military in the first place. The purpose of the US military is to defend the United States. It is not to make the world safe for oil pipelines, or corrupt Gulf monarchies, or NATO, or Israel. Unlike the neocons who are so eager to send our troops to war, I have actually served in the US military. I understand that to keep our military strong we must constrain our foreign policy. We must adopt a policy of non-intervention and a strong defense of this country. The neocons will weaken our country and our military by promoting more war. We need to "rebuild" the military by restoring as its mission the defense of the United States, not of Washington's overseas empire.



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ship shall be forfeited the Royse City News-Times dated Friday, July 15, 1938, ran a vehicle which will hohe) and story about M.L. Knight, founder of the Knight Funeral a public auction if nHc e, noting that the business had been serving the community d on or before MAR(sin early 1924.

hen Knight moved from Garland to Royse City in 1924, he purd the undertaking establishment from Frank Duff.

ie story relates that Glenn Mercer was a part of the business for years and Miss Willie Kirby acted as lady attendant for three

he funeral home boasted that the latest methods and equipment used in its work and it owned its own funeral coach and ambu-. The chapel seated 200, with more than half of the funerals beonducted held in the chapel. Knight also allowed the community ICT NO. 1 will receive the chapel for various gatherings.

surprising bit of information from the story says that Knight

Knight Funeral Home was community fixture

Funeral Home was not only "the best and most modern in North Texas, but that its services were offered to the public free of charge." No more information is given as to how the funeral home was able to survive financially if it did not charge for its services.

A quote from the story says, "There was never a great public need more thoughtfully and graciously supplied that is found by the public of this community in the Knight Funeral Home, nor a more accommodating, efficient staff of funeral directors."

An old photo was archived showing the building with the sign on the front that reads Royse City Funeral Home. It shows the building that is now the Rest Haven Funeral Home located on Main Street.

The photo says the owners of the Royse City Funeral Home were Mr. and Mrs. T.E. Elliott. A handwritten memo was added to the picture saying that in 1940s M.L. Knight was the owner. The building has been changed very little on the exterior during all those years, with only a little modernization done.

lockwall participates in SH 205 planning study

ist year the Texas Department of Transportation began the task anning for improvements of SH 205, which is currently Goliad t through Rockwall. The scope of this TxDOT planning project from SH 78 in Lavon to US 80 in Terrell.

ockwall and all other entities along the route are given the opunity to participate in this planning project, according to a City ockwall news release. The planning project provides an oppory for the City of Rockwall to support the designation of John Boulevard as the route through the city for SH 205 as had been sioned when the roadway was approved by Rockwall voters in

ockwall voters approved a bond election in 2005 that financed construction of the 205 Bypass, with more than 70 percent in r of the proposition. The 205 Bypass, later named John King evard, was built as a four-lane roadway with right-of-way to add additional interior lanes, according to the release. The roadway serves as a bypass route for SH 205, but is not officially designas a state roadway.

onstruction of additional ramps on I-30 at John King Boulevard will be underway to enhance the functional use of John King l. as an effective bypass route, according to the release.

2005, both the city and TxDOT were poised to exchange rightay on Goliad Street and the new John King Boulevard, a transacthat would have made Goliad a city street and designated John as the route for SH 205, according to the release. Whether as a street or as the designated route for SH 205, traffic projections long shown the ultimate need for John King Boulevard to be six . Because of changes at TxDOT, the exchange of right-of-way

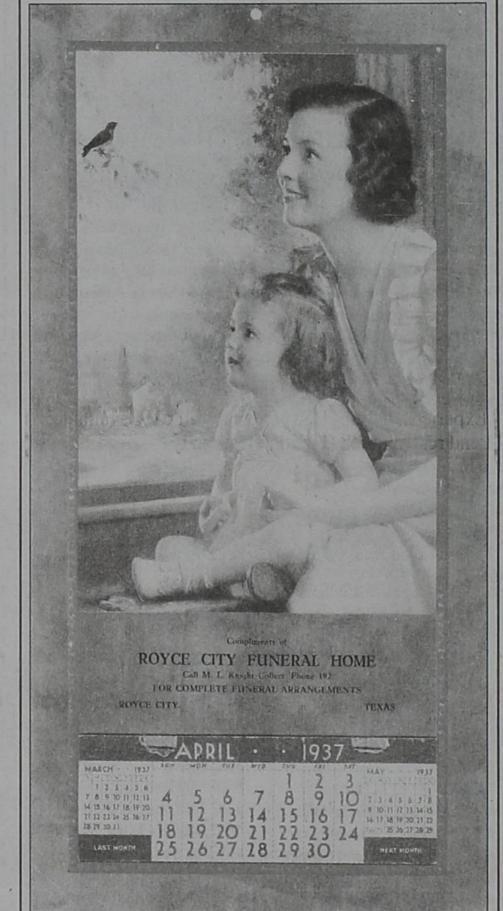
could not be finalized at that time.

There are several reasons John King Boulevard would be better suited as SH 205. The seven-mile roadway can better accommodate the higher volume of through-traffic than the current route through downtown, according to the news release. With the change, commercial truck traffic through downtown Rockwall would not be eliminated, but it would be reduced. Additionally, a decrease in overall traffic volume through downtown will make it safer for pedestrians.

If TxDOT reconstructed the existing route of SH 205, an expansion up to six lanes would negatively impact a significant but as yet undetermined number of homes and businesses north of downtown, because additional right-of-way would be needed for the reconstruction, according to the release. Another option under consideration would have the state constructing a one-way couplet along Goliad Street, which is the existing SH 205 route, and utilizing Alamo Street as the other part of the couplet. This would impact numerous homes and businesses along both city streets.

After discussion by the City Council in a number of public meetings, the city has advised TxDOT that the locally preferred route for the state highway through the city is John King Boulevard, according to the news release. This would designate the roadway as SH 205 and Goliad Street would remain open through the city as a local street. Even as a local street, North Goliad will need to be improved, but the control of that street, its ultimate design and the schedule for those improvements would be at the discretion of the city.

TxDOT continues work on the planning project for SH 205; however, no improvements are funded and no timeline has been established for construction.



The calendar pictured above is dated April 1937. Many businesses like hardware stores, grocery stores, sawmills, feed stores and appliance stores gave calendars to their customers. This one was given compliments of Royse City Funeral Home. The caption on it says to "Call M.L. Knight collect at phone 192 for complete funeral arrangements." This brings back memories of when people made collect calls and phone numbers were just three digits.

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Ouida Springer Elementary School recently named its Principal's 200 Club Winners for February. The Principal's

200 Club is a positive behavior support system that rewards students for exhibiting their BEST behavior. Each student

"caught" exhibiting his or her BEST behavior is given a golden ticket that is redeemed in the office for a spot on the

Principal's 200 Club bingo board. When a row fills up, all the students in that row win the mystery motivator. Pictured at front, from the left, are Brock Villareal, Kynleigh Adams, Cayson Perez and Kezia Patino; middle row, Mark Reyes, Shawn

Gary, Mason Cleverly, Kylie Rambo and Meredyth Ruiz; and, at back, Josslyn Tomaj, Trevor Burgos, Parker Cleavinger,

Bridget Ndogo, Alyssa Lee, Jonathan Carranza and the principal, Brad Helmer. Not pictured is Sanders Williams. The

goal of the Principal's 200 Club is to increase positive behavior and to celebrate the great choices that Springer students

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Rockwall's Got Talent auditions scheduled

Auditions for Rockwall's Got Talent will run from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. March 26 at the Rockwall Community Playhouse, 609 E. Rusk (two blocks off the square in downtown Rockwall). Semi-finals are scheduled for April 8; finals will be April 15. For more details visit rockwallcommunityplayhouse.org.

'What's Your Superpower?' focus of conference

The Rockwall Area Chamber of Commerce and the Executive Women's Alliance will play host to the What's Your Superpower? Women's Conference & Business Expo on Friday, April 1, at The Castle at Rockwall, 2071 Clem Rd. Ext. The event, which will run from 7:45 a.m. to 3 p.m., will focus on "innovative and effective ways that women can make a mark in all aspects of their lives from the office to home and their communities." Tickets cost \$89 for Rockwall Chamber partners and \$109 for prospective chamber members. For more details, contact the chamber at 972-771-5733 or visit rockwallchamber.org/events or facebook.com/rockwall/chamber.

RWL accepting grant requests from nonprofits

The Rockwall Women's League is accepting grant requests from nonprofit agencies that provide services to Rockwall County. To be considered, organizations must be tax-exempt under section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Grant. Requests should include program name, program description, program beneficiaries and

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Williams Middle School gymnastics takes District Championship

On Tue. March 1, 2016, the Williams Middle School boys gymnastics team won the District Championships. The Level 5 team finished with a record-setting score of 168.2, and the Level 6 team break won with a record-breaking score of 160.6.

For the first time, both level 5 and level 6 teams are district champions in the same year. This is also the 3rd year in a row for the level 5 team to win a district meet.

According to Coach Cameron Sweny, the gymnasts saved their best meet for last and finished with record setting scores. They also included the top two all around gymnasts at each level, Will Campbell and Gavin Figert for level 5, and Jonah King and Chase Nowaczyk for level 6.

"This is the largest district championships to date with 5 boys teams and 5 girls teams. There were over 150 gymnasts competing. They have worked extremely hard all season long and have been rewarded the ultimate prize," said Coach Sweny.

In the Level 5 teams, Brandenburg placed 2nd with 157.6, Highland Park placed 3rd with 152; Utley placed 4th with 143; and Cain placed 5th with 129.7.

In the Level 6 teams, Brandenburg finished 2nd with 154.2 and Cain placed 3rd with 96.5.

Level 5 individual (top 10 recognized)

Will Campbell - 1st All Around (56.1); 1st on floor (9.7), 3rd on Pommel horse (9.1), 4th on rings (9.4), 2nd on vault (9.2), 5th on P-bars (9.3), 1st on high bar (9.6)

Gavin Figert - 2nd All Around (55.2); 3rd on floor (9.3), 4th on pommel horse (9.0), 7th on rings (9.0), 5th on vault (9.1), 3rd on P-bars (9.5), 4th on high bar (9.3)

Ben Ashcraft - 4th All Around (53.0); 8th on floor (8.7), 2nd on rings (9.3), 5th on P-bars (9.3), 2nd on high bar (9.5)

Chandler Smith - 1st on rings (9.5), 4th on P-bars (9.4) Garrett Sutherland - 10th on floor (8.6), 1st on P-bars (9.8), 6th on high bar (8.9)

Ben Denny - 4th on floor (9.2), 8th on vault (9.0)

Ryan Hembree - 6th on floor (8.8) tie Cade Edwards - 6th on floor (8.8) tie

Ethan Baker - 2nd on P-bars (9.7)

Jackson Hustings - 2nd on Pommel horse (9.2) Ethan Channell - 6th on high bar (8.9)

Kyle Grimsley - 8th on Pommel horse (7.8) Level 6 individual (top 10 recognized)

Jonah King - 1st All Around (56.0); 2nd on floor (9.5), 2nd on pommel horse (8.9), 1st on rings (9.4), 5th on vault (9.0), 1st on P-bars (9.8), 1st on high bar (9.4)

Burack starts as rookie goalie, helps Brockport secure winning season

Rockwall native, Cole Burack, started the 2015 season as a Freshman on the State University of New York College at Brockport

hockey team. The Rockwall High School graduate formerly played with the New

Hampshire Monarchs (EHL). During January, he was selected SUNY goalie of the week, and

athlete of the week by the college. According to a college release, on Jan. 3, the Brockport team won

the Codfish Bowl tournament at the University of Boston, Mass, and a 5-1 championship victory with Burack in the net.

Cole earned his first shutout game, Jan. 16, against Nazareth College 7-0. Burack stopped 3 Nazareth power play opportunities, which include 6 shots during the six minute span.

Coach Brian Dickinson said, "Cole came into the season with a tremendous work ethic that allowed him to compete for the starting goaltender position from the first day. Once he got the opportunity to play we found that he prepares for each day as if it's his last opportunity on the ice. His mental preparation is outstanding and puts him in the position to be successful every night."

The coach explained that as the season progressed Burack transitioned to the starting position and played the big games into the playoffs. The Freshman's first collegiate win in the net was November 20, 2015 against Fedonia 4-3. He helped the team beat Plattsburgh, which was ranked second in the country at the time.

"This was the first year in our history that we did not lose a game to Plattsburgh. We're excited to have Cole in our program for the next three seasons and look forward to him building on this year's success," concluded Coach Dickinson.

According to statistics provided by the college, Burack posted a 6-4-4 conference record on the season with a 3.49 goals against average after allowing 49 goals in 843 minutes of play. He logged 14 goal saves overall.

On the season, the rookie goalie made 425 saves for a .897 save

Rockwall ISD high school

Softball schedules

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softball and baseball schedules

Titans FC forming new Select, Academy teams

Titans Fútbol Club is forming new Select and Academy teams

in its East Division. Teams practice two to three times each week

throughout the year at the Rise, 2922 S. Goliad Hwy., Rockwall.

Teams 06 and 07 practice from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesdays/

Thursdays and 10:30 a.m. to noon Saturdays; teams 02, 03 and 04

practice from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays/Thursdays and from 9

a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Saturdays. Open teams: 02/03 Boys (players born

between Jan. 1, 2002, to Dec. 31, 2003); 03 Boys (players born in

calendar year 2003); 04 Boys (players born in calendar year 2004); 06

Boys (players born in calendar year 2006); and 07 Boys (players born

in calendar year 2007). Practice information is available at: Boys 02,

03 and 04. Paige Garcia, manager, at 214-864-2584; Boys 06 and 07,

Daniel Smith, manager, at 214-500-6721; or coordinator coach Oscar

Rojas, 806-224-8980. For details, visit titansfutbol.com.

RHHS

3/15 7:00 p.m., at N. Forney

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3/18 7:00 p.m.at W. Mesquite

3/24 7:00 p.m. at Royse City

3/29 7:00 p.m. S. Garland

4/1 7:00 p.m. Mesq. Poteet

4/12 7:00 p.m., W. Mesquite

4/15 7:00 p.m., at Forney

4/19 7:00 p.m. Royse City

Varsity Baseball

Tournament at Richardson

3/15 7:30 p.m., Forney

4/22 4:00 p.m. at S. Garland

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3/18 7:30 p.m., at N. Forney

3/22 7:30 p.m., at S. Garland

3/24 7:30 p.m., Mesq. Poteet

4/1 7:30 p.m., Rockwall-Heath

4/5 4:30 p.m., at W. Mesquite

3/29 7:30 p.m., at Terrell

4/8 7:30 p.m., at Forney

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The Brockport team posted an overall season record 11-11-4 and conference 6-6-4.

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Rockwall native, Cole Burack, starts in the net as

Freshman during the 2015-2016 season at State University

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of New York, College at Brockport.

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amount requested. Grant requests should be submitted in writing and mailed to P.O. Box 383, Rockwall, TX 75087, attn..: Patti Poole or contact Poole at 972-771-7343 or ppoole@bjpoolelaw.com for more details. Grant requests also may be emailed to Poole. Deadline for submission is April 1.

Texas History in 1861 is topic of April 8 event

To secede or not to secede was the question posed by Gov. Sam Houston (aka Mike Donegan) and Texas Ranger John Salmon "Rip" Ford (aka Jay Webb), which will be explored April 8 at the Sheri Stodghill Lecture Series presented by the Rockwall County Historical Foundation and the Rockwall County Historical Commission from noon to 1 p.m. in the third floor in the historic downtown courthouse. The presentation will explore the cultural, economic and political issues driving forces during this time period.

Household hazardous waste collection set April 23

The City of Heath will join the City of Rockwall to host the 16th Annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day rain or shine on April 23 at Rockwall's Service Center, 1600 Airport Rd., in Rockwall. The event will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and be open to Heath residents who must obtain a free voucher to participate, according to the City of Heath's website. Household pesticides, paint products, household cleaners, herbicides, motor oil, automotive chemicals, pool products and tires (no rims) will be accepted. Document shredding and electronics recycling also will be offered. To volunteer as neighborhood coordinator or to obtain a participation voucher, go by City Hall or call 972-771-6228.

One American Soldier is May 13 lecture topic

The May installation of the Sheri Stodghill Lecture Series, presented by the Rockwall County Historical Foundation and the Rockwall County Historical Commission, will focus on an encore recorded presentation focusing on the service and capture of Weldon Mellody, World War II soldier from Royse City, as shared by his daughter-inlaw, JoNell Mellody. The May 13 event will run from noon to 1 p.m. in the third floor in the historic downtown courthouse.

Rockwall County Entertainment

Magic Genie to offer library storytelling

Genie Hammel, aka the Magic Genie, will use puppets and "a bit of magic" for a storytelling for children ages 4-8 at the library beginning at 11:15 a.m. on Thursday, March 10.

Tea Luncheon planned to benefit MOW

Meals on Wheels of Rockwall County will host its third annual Gardening Tea Luncheon from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday, March 18, at the Rockwall Golf & Athletic Club, 2600 Champions Drive, Rockwall. Cost is \$40 per ticket, which will feed one senior for a week. Tickets should be purchased by March 11 in person at 950 Williams St., Bldg. C or online at rockwallmealsonwheels.org. Seating for this event will be limited.

Easter Bonnet Tea set at county library

Rose-Mary Rumbley will be the featured speaker at the Friends of the Rockwall County Library's Easter Bonnet Tea set for 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, March 22, at the Rockwall County Library's Community Room, 1215 E. Yellow Jacket Lane. Tickets to the fundraising event cost \$25 each and must be prepaid. To purchase tickets, call 214-600-3937 or 972-771-3105; seating is limited. Participants are urged to wear Easter bonnets.

RSM membership drive scheduled

Rockwall Summer Musicals soon will begin its spring membership drive. The goal is to increase membership by at least 50 percent in 2016. Information on membership soon will be available on the RSM

website, rockwallsummermusicals.org.

Chase Nowaczyk - 2nd All Around (55.5); 1st on floor (9.6), 1 on pommel horse (9.1), 2nd on rings (9.3), 8th on vault (8.7), 2nd on P-bars (9.4), 1st on high bar (9.4)

Bryan Kottke - 6th All Around (48.4); 7th on floor (6.7), 6th on pommel horse (6.6), 5th on rings (8.6), 4th on vault (9.1), 6th on P-bars (8.5), 3rd on high bar (8.9)

Scott Mackenzie - 7th All Around (40.5); 8th on Pommel horse (5.8), 3rd on rings (8.9), 10th on vault (8.6), 4th on P-bars (8.9), 7th on high bar (8.3)

Williams MS girls gymnastics in District meet

The Williams Middle School girls gymnastics team competed Tues. March 1, for the District Championships.

The level 5 team placed 3rd in the team competition. Utley Middle School placed 1st, followed by Cain. Brandenburg placed 4th, and Highland Park finished 5th.

The girls had their best meet of the season and all of them improved their score from all previous meets.

"They have worked extremely hard all season long and have overcome many injuries and set back throughout the season. I an so incredibly proud of all our girls! Congratulations to our girls gymnastics team," said Coach Stephanie Tyson.

Level 5 individual (top 10 recognized)

Juliet Delgleize-7th on bars, 3rd on bars, 3rd on beam, 5th on floor 4th in the all-around

Kennedy Anderson- 2nd on vault, 5th on bars, 6th on floor, 5th i the all around

Hope Wilding- 10th on bars, 2nd on beam Leila Kavazi- 10th on beam

Ashton Daniel- 4th on beam

Results from I-30 Relays, held Fri. March 4, 2016 Hosted by Rockwall and Rockwall-Heath High Schools

Women varsity

Garland - 123 points; Rockwall - 122; Wylie East - 96; South Gran Prairie - 90; Garland Lakeview Centennial - 73; Rockwall-Heath Ocal re 65: Richardson Pearce - 34; North Garland - 32. Women J.V.

Rockwall - 121; Centennial 113; Garland 110; Rockwall-Heath 8 South Grand Prairie 72; Wylie East 49; North Garland 38; Richardson, Saturday, March Men varsity

South Grand Prairie 120; Wylie East 99; Garland Centennial 9 Rockwall 91; North Garland 90; Rockwall-Heath 89; Garland 61 Richardson Pearce 38. Men J.V.

North Garland 118; Garland 108; Garland Centennial 98; Rockwa 95; Wylie East 74; South Grand Prairie 59; Rockwall-Heath 57 Richardson Pearce 10.

1st place winners varsity

Distance Medley

RHS - Liah Collins, Ariell Hopkins, Chika Iwuamadi, 12:55.02 100M Hurdles

RHHS women – Quaniece Burns 15.84

100M Dash

RHHS women – Chiamaka Ene 12.84 1600M Run

RHS women - Ariell Hopkins 5:29.60; 2nd place Sarah Ripp Iniversi

RHS men - Damon Lewis 4:50.15; 2nd place Austin Shumak Palmerduc

4:55.83; 3rd place Jose Olivares 4:57.20 4x400M Relay

RHS women - Collins, Morgan Hickmon, Iwuamadi, Rose Njoki 3:58.02. During the 2015 State meet, Houston Cyp. Lakes finished i

6th place with a time of 3:58.03. Long Jump RHHS women – Morgan Talley 16-06.00

Pole Vault RHS women - Micaela Vavra 9-06.00; 2nd place Savana

McKenzie 9-00.00 RHS men - Clark Norris 14-06.00

Triple Jump

RHHS women - Talley 33-05.00; 2nd place Burns 34-04.50; 3r place Bianca Chukwukelu 34-04.50

Triple Jump

RHHS men – Tyler Zivney 40-07.50

1st place winners J.V.

3200M Run Ana Gonzalez in 13:22.75

Jack Hittson-Smith 11:16.76 800M run

RHHS men - Chukwuemeka Okwuolisa 2:10.64

100M Hurdles

RHHS women – Abby Clark 17.86

400M Dash

RHHS men – Preston McMahon 55.30

1600M Run

RHS - Ana Gonzalez 6:12.15 RHS men - Hittson-Smith 5:08.6

Discus Throw

RHS men – Alston Orji 122-05

High Jump

RHHS women - Clark 5-00.00

RHS men - Michael Taylor 5-08.00

Long Jump

RHS – Zola Bell 15-11.25; 2nd place Jordan Mathis 15-04.25

Triple Jump RHS women - Bell 34-00.00

RHHS men – Jordan Kempf 38-09.25

Heath details plans for Fun & Fit in the Parl

The City of Heath's March 26 Easter Saturday celebration w

include the Heart of Heath 5k and an enhanced one-mile Fami Run. Specifics include a USATF-certified 5k course with chip-time start and finish lines; 5k awards for the top three overall plus to three males and females in each age bracket; a one-mile Fami Run integrated into the 5k course with awards for the top three bo and girls; long-sleeved Dri-FIT T-shirts for participants; giant-size games (chess, checkers, Jenga and Connect 4); a kids' Easter cra complimentary mini fruit smoothies and juice; prize drawings; at appearances by the Easter bunny. Rain or shine, the event will beg in Towne Center Park with an 8 a.m. warm-up. Register online visiting heathtx.com.

Rockin' R Relays slated April 8

The 7th Annual Rockin' R Relays will take place April 8 Wilkerson Sanders Stadium. Field events will begin at 1:30 p.n 3200 at 4 p.m. and running finals at 6 p.m. Admission will cost \$3 f students, \$4 for adults.

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