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ny Little Town in Texas,' an image captured following a February snow in Rockwall, is scheduled to be included in an anthology to be published later this year by the international Boulevard of Photographers organization. The photo was snapped by local shutterbug Sheree Morris and includes a stray beagle that seemed to be enjoying the winter weather.

'Little Town' shot lands Sheree Morris in 2010 photography book

A local photography enthusiast will see a sample of her work published later this year.

Sheree Morris of Rockwall has been notified that her photo, 'Just Any Little Town in Texas,' has been selected for publication in the Boulevard of Photographers' Best of 2010 Photography Anthology book.

"I love to take pictures, and I think the best pictures are the ones that make you feel something," Morris wrote in an e-mail to *Rockwall County News*. "This little picture is a little like a Norman Rockwell photo. I named it 'Just Any Little Town in Texas,' but now only you and I know it's our little town of Rockwall."

The photo was snapped on Feb. 11, Morris' birthday. Her husband had just given her a new camera.

"And of course I had to try it out right away," she said. "It had snowed all night, and I knew I could get some great shots."

The photo was taken at the end of the Morris' block at Misty Ridge and Hickory Ridge.

"We had to stop at a stop sign when this little pooch ran by," Morris said. "We thought it was so funny. Looked like everyone wanted to play in the snow that day."

Morris shot the photo in digital color, but reproduced the image in sepia tone to give the picture a more "old time, old town" look.

The inclusion of Morris' photo in the organization's 2010 anthology will be the first time she has had her work published.

"I have always done this for myself," she said. "I've never tried to put my work out there until now, but I'm getting rave reviews from club members on my work."

Boulevard of Photographers is a photography club for amateur and professional photographers from all over the world. Each year the organization publishes a 300-page anthology of the best photos submitted in its competitions.

Morris, a Dallas native and Rockwall resident for the past seven years, said she has a passion for photography. She's self-taught and has no professional training. She enjoys shooting landscapes and catching "that unique or special moment," she said.

"I have been told I have an eye or knack for this," Morris said. "Personally I think you have to love what you do to do it well, and I love this."

Rockwall's first Distinguished Citizen now go to 'Foreclosure Angel'

Rockwall's Marilyn Mock, who drew national attention in 2008 when she helped a neighbor about to lose her home at auction, was recognized as the city's first Beyond the Horizon Distinguished Citizen Award recipient on June 7.

The award, created to recognize residents for extraordinary contributions to the community, was presented to Mock by the Rockwall City Council.

Bill Crenshaw said Mock was recognized for her "spirit of giving and kindness that she showed in making a difference in the lives of others," according to a City of Rockwall news release.

Mock became known as the Foreclosure Angel after she purchased the home her neighbor was about to lose and sold it back to the neighbor at a lower cost. Since that time, Mock has helped other homeowners through the Foreclosure Angel Foundation, a group of "neighbors helping neighbors."



Rockwall County Republicans help set new direction at state convention

Rockwall County Republicans descended upon Dallas to attend the Republican Party of Texas Convention with 36 delegates.

The three-day event kicked off its first day of convention to set the future direction of the state party in the Dallas County area. The exhibit area was filled with booths involving

officials in their bid for election such as Gov. Rick Perry and Susan Combs. The exhibits did not just involve Texas, but people all over the country like political humorist and author Eric Golub, who promoted his Tygrrr Express book series from California.

The excitement actually started heating up on day two with district caucuses convening and the process of selecting the next chair

for the RPT began. State Chairman Cathie Adams of Dallas opened the convention and was followed by an energy-filled speech by Perry. Ending the convention floor events were speeches from Steve Munisteri, Cathie Adams and Tom Mechler for state chairman.

The evening brought excitement to the table with the RPT banquet. Minnesota Rep. Michelle Bachmann spoke to rally the attending Republicans. Various ice cream socials concluded the night.

The 5,000 attending delegates went to work on day three. The day opened for Rockwall County delegates at breakfast with State Senator Bob Deuell. The delegates then started convention with rules, platforms and election of officers in which John Cook and Vickie Slaton were chosen as SREC representatives for Senate District Two. Afterwards, the convention was brought to order on the floor.

The convention floor kicked off with speeches by candidates from across the state including District 30 candidate Stephen Broden, who put forth an electric message. Some caucuses were still in contention and missed the fiery keynote speech delivered by Mississippi Gov. Haley Barbour. Behind the scenes delegates like David Sweet asked him about a future presidential bid. His response: "All in good time."

Things really began to stir up with the election of state chairman that brought the vote to the floor. With more than 4,000 votes from delegates wanting a new direction to support, Steve Munisteri was elected next chairman. His vision includes a reinvigorated grassroots party, a plan for a better party and a message that is clear in 2010. Melinda Fredricks of Conroe was elected vice-chair.

'June Tenth' Celebration in Rockwall Saturday

A full day of activities are planned Saturday in observance of "June Tenth" hosted by the Southside Neighborhood Coalition. Events will be held at Ross and Davy Crockett. The New Caladonia Baptist Church is conducting a garage sale, bake sale and offering food treats for sale, beginning at 8 a.m. Saturday.



Rockwall County delegates participating at last Saturday's Republican Party Texas state convention were (back row, left to right) Jeff Pruitt, Howard Antrobus, Bill Gibson, Mary Puckett, Eddie Conger, County Party Chairman Paul Wilson, Cliff Dawson, Ken Dickson, John Harper, Tim McCarty, John Coble, Charles Vickers, Jordan Williamson. (middle row) Theresa Culpepper, Jay Broderick, Patti Muggeo, Laverne Kennimer, Alan Smith, Judy Dickson, Brenda Zielke, Patricia Pullarra, Kristy Moore, (front row) Brian Williams, Mark Russo, David Sweet, Dalton Kennimer, Jerry Fisher, Marisa Hettinger, and Ralph Mount.

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Rockwall: No funds for record-setting workout

Members of the Rockwall City Council held off on granting \$5,000 requested by a group trying to conduct the world's largest community workout this fall.

Tony Woods pitched the idea to the council, arguing that the event would benefit the city. He estimates the total budget necessary to run the event at \$20,000 with plans to provide T-shirts to 3,000 to 5,000 participants and pay for the Guinness Book to certify the record.

The event date is Oct. 2, with Oct. 16 set as a rain day. Participants will be asked to join a 30-minute group workout.

While the city has the funds available by using funds already over-allocated to various city departments, council members were hesitant to grant the request, which would be in addition to waiving the harbor-use fees. While expressing a commitment to fitness, the council voted against the grant, but asked staff to put it back on the agenda at the next meeting.



Summer Ridge Assisted Living and Retirement Center's recent fund raising event "Bead Party" collected more than \$1,600 to assist Uganda women.
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Christ for India Ministries, based in Rockwall, presented four graduating seniors with Dr. P.J. Titus Memorial Scholarships. Kaeun Parks and Samantha Bigham of Rockwall High School and Macall Smith and David White of RHHS each qualified for one of the \$500 scholarships that are earmarked for students who desire to help the less fortunate in foreign countries. CFI board members Sheila Howell and Judy Pogue, center, are pictured above with Smith and White. Titus, for whom the awards are named, was passionate about excellence in education. For more information about Christ for India Ministries, visit christforindia.org.
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Weldon Collier, his sister Guyrene Randles and niece Carolyn Bryan

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Birth

Xavier Price

Dorian Anne Price and Lawrence Russell Price III are proud to announce the birth of their son, Xavier Price, at 2:02 p.m. on June 11, 2010, at Lakepoint Medical Center.

The infant weighed 7 pounds 14 ounces, and was 20 inches long at birth.

He was welcomed by a 2-year-old brother, Lawrence Russell Price III.

His maternal grandmother is Sandra Johnson of Los Angeles.

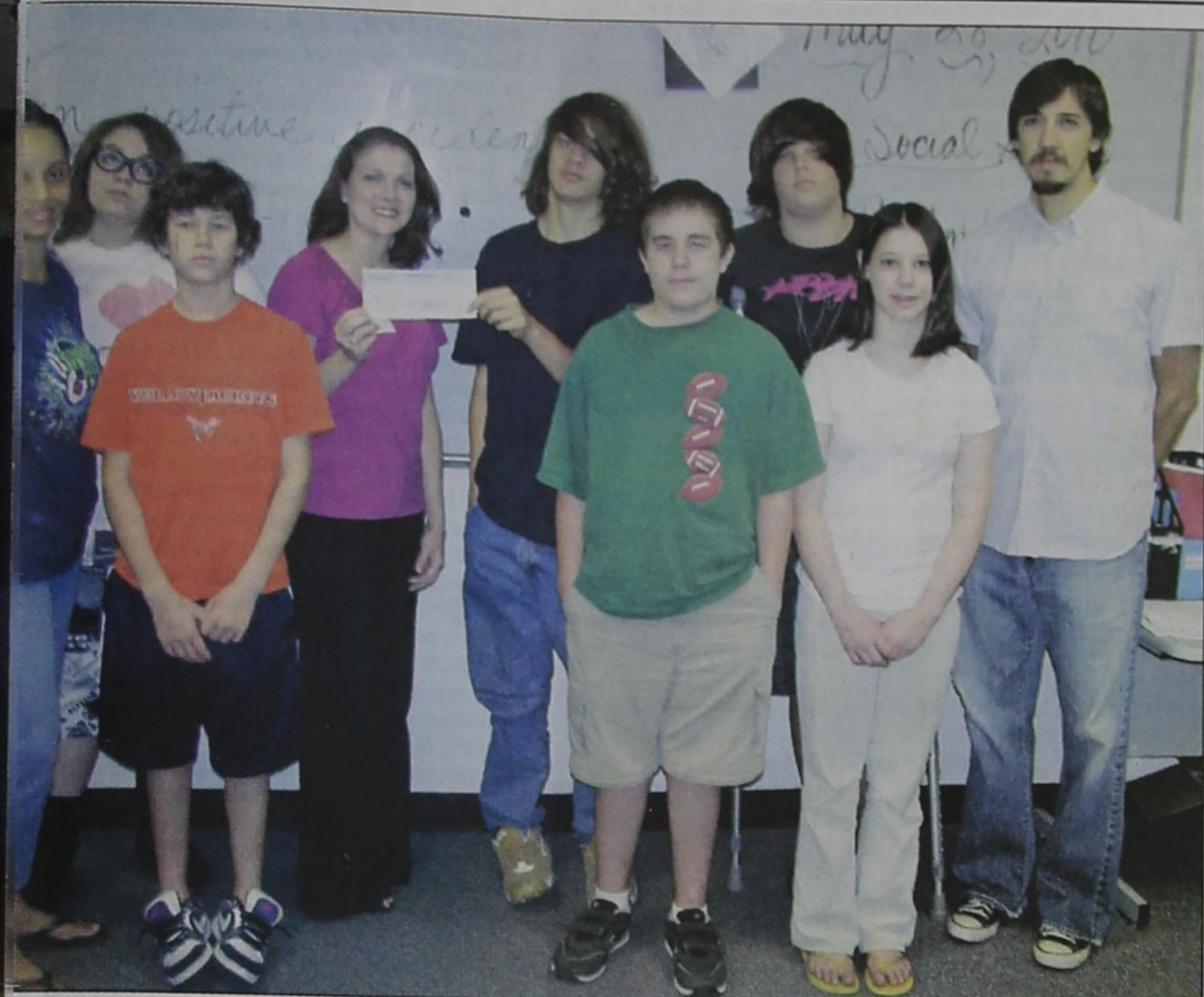
His paternal grandmother is Linda Price of Pittsburgh.



Just Say You

It In

"The County News"



A nonprofit organization in Wylie that provides therapeutic aid for children and adults with disabilities, was robbed in handise and supplies totaling more than \$150,000. After hearing about Equest's losses, Dakota Merchant, a student in the Middle School Transitions Class, rallied his classmates and fellow students to raise \$275 to help. The funds were presented to a Therapeutic Horse Ranch representative on May 28. Pictured are, at back, Emma Reyes, the Equest representative, Dillon Kistan Weatherford, and, at front, Marvalee Barrett, Dakota Reyes, Dakota Merchant, Kaitlynn Radisovich and Jason

Photo/Rockwall County News



Taylor Scott LeMaster and Ashley Claire LeBlanc

LeBlanc, LeMaster to marry in New Orleans

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur LeBlanc and Mr. and Mrs. Mark LeMaster are proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Ashley Claire LeBlanc and Taylor Scott LeMaster.

A 2000 graduate of Saint Thomas More Catholic High School in Lafayette, La., and a 2004 graduate of Louisiana State University, the bride-elect is employed by The Dallas Morning News in Dallas.

The prospective bridegroom is a 1999 graduate of Rockwall High and a 2003 graduate of Centre College in Danville, Ky. He is employed by the John Bowles Co. in Dallas.

The couple plans to wed on Aug. 21, 2010, at the Immaculate Conception Jesuit Church in New Orleans, La. A reception will follow at the Ritz-Carlton.

Following the wedding, the couple will reside in Dallas.

Just Say You Saw It In "The County News"



Helping Hands gets special attention

Id, her sisters Margot Montemayor and Dr. Adela Alfaro and Alfaro's husband, Jose, of the jewelry the women design and create for the Helping Hands Rockwall Thrift

Photo/Courtesy Helping Hands/Rockwall County News

Royse City Health & Rehabilitation Center

"A family atmosphere"

That's the way Theresa Toohey describes her rehabilitation experiences at Royse City Health & Rehabilitation Center following back surgery earlier this year.

"I was worried about being in a nursing home environment," she recalls. "But Royse City Health & Rehab is a true family atmosphere, just made for quick recovery. I was out of my brace in 17 days and have already returned home successfully after rehab. Theresa's surgery was performed by Dr Mike-Meyer at Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Rockwall. "I was so pleased with my care at the hospital," she adds. "Everyone is really there for you!"



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Rockwall County Obituaries

Ruby Dell Andrew

Services for Ruby Dell Andrew, 94, of Rockwall were conducted at 2 p.m. Sunday, June 13, 2010, in the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel with Dr. Joe Pool officiating. Burial followed in the Rockwall Memorial Cemetery.

She died June 10.
Born Aug. 11, 1915, in Prissilla to Allie Cuen Barnes and Exer Lena (Cooper) Barnes, she retired from the Rockwall Independent School District where she worked as a cafeteria worker for many years. She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and the First United Methodist Church of Rockwall.

Survivors include her daughters, Sandra Bennett and her husband, Rick, of Mesquite; her granddaughter, Paula and Dennis Clark of Roysie City; her great-grandsons, Paul David Aussicker and Taylor Clinton Oden, both of Roysie City; one brother, Ace Barnes of Odessa; and her sisters, Helen Stafford of Arlington and Mae Townsend of St. Augustine, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Paul R. Andrew; a grandson, Hugh Thomas Sorrells; and two sisters, Allie Williamson and Bertha Carr. The family has suggested memorials may be made to Seasons Hospice

Care of C.C. Young, 4829 W. Lawther Drive, Dallas, TX 75214.

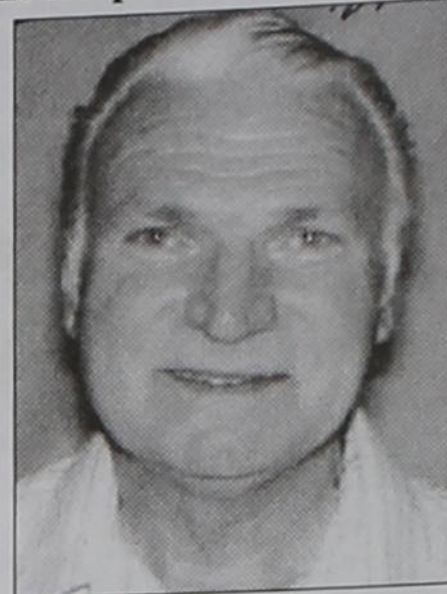
Charles Wayne Harper

Services for Charles Wayne Harper, 77, of Dallas were conducted at 11 a.m. Thursday, June 17, 2010, in the United Pentecostal Church in Rockwall. The Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

He died June 11.
Born Sept. 2, 1932, to Albert Deese Harper and Mable Jewel (Holly) Harper in Quitman, he was a longtime owner/operator of the Whitaker Apartments in Dallas and a part-time painter. He was a member of the United Pentecostal Church in Rockwall.

Survivors include two daughters, Kay Maynard of Rockwall and Charlotte Hamric and her husband, Jesse, of California; three sons, Larry Harper and his wife, Pam, Bobby Harper and Johnny Harper and his wife, Carol, all of Odessa; a stepdaughter, Corrine Medley of Temple; a sister, Bertha Louise Tovar of Oklahoma; a brother, Kenneth Bondurant of Florida; four grandchildren, Jack, Dee Dee, Teresa and David; three great-grandchildren, Adrian, Brittany and D.J.; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Oleta; and two sons, Jerry Wayne and David Charles.

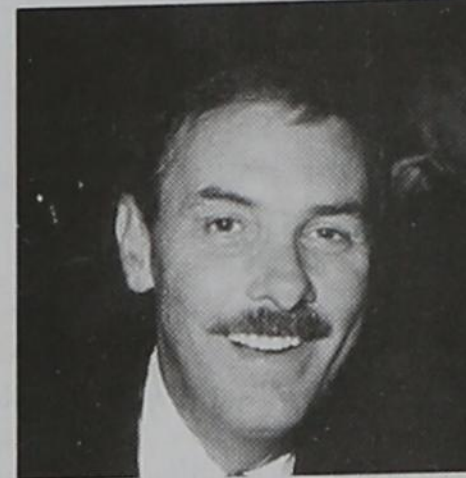


Dennis 'Ross' Wilcox

Memorial services for Dennis "Ross" Wilcox, 63, of Rockwall were conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 16, 2010, in the Northplace Church in Sachse with Pastor Bryan Jarrett officiating. The Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

He died at his home surrounded by his family on Saturday, June 12, following a battle with cancer.

Born Dec. 8, 1946, in Dallas, he



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Chisholm Baptist plans Bible school

For more information, visit the church website at chisholmbaptistchurch.org.

Chisholm Baptist Church will conduct a vacation Bible school, "Backyard Bible Club," from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday in the Quail Creek subdivision off of FM 1139.

The evenings will consist of Bible study, a bounce house, games, songs and obstacle courses. Snacks, including popcorn and snow cones, will be provided.

To get there from I-30, take Hwy. 205 (Goliad) south for approximately two miles, turn left (east) on FM 549, in less than one-half mile, veer right to continue on FM 1139 for 2.2 miles. Quail Creek Road will be on the left.

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We encourage the submission of Letters to the Editor. The publishing of letters is at the sole discretion of the editor and may be edited for brevity, grammar and accuracy. Letters which are considered libelous or an attack of an individual's character will be rejected, as well as those promoting political candidates. Letters must be signed and include telephone number or address for verification.

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Martin Stiller

Downtown Rockwall to host July 3 parade

Rockwall's Fourth of July parade will roll out one day early – on July 3 – in Old Town Rockwall.

The annual event will begin lining up at 10:30 a.m. on Kaufman Street just west of Fannin Street.

The parade will begin at 11 a.m., featuring members of the Rockwall County Sheriff's Posse, community leaders and dozens of families.

The parade will travel west on Kaufman to the square, turn south on San Jacinto, east on Rusk, south on Fannin, then east on Washington to Clark, north on Kaufman and back to the square where cold beverages will be served.

Coordinators are urging all local residents to dress in red, white and blue and join the parade – walking, in decorated wagons or riding decorated bikes and ATVs. Classic cars and canine participants also are welcome.

Parade sponsors this year are Community Bank and Friends of Old Town Rockwall.

Sidelining the parade will be the City of Rockwall's Farmers Market on the square, both before and after the event.

For more information, contact Sheri Fowler at 214-926-6466.

Local firefighters team up for propane training session

Firefighters representing the Rockwall, Royse City, Heath, McLendon-Chisholm and Fate fire departments attended a free propane training class sponsored by Cadenhead Servis Gas and the Railroad Commission of Texas' Alternative Energy Division.

The class was led by Kent Watts of the commission's propane training session.

"Using and handling propane safely is very important to us," said Larry Baty of Cadenhead Servis Gas. "The commission's propane

safety training for local fire departments is designed to increase firefighters' knowledge of propane and help them respond effectively in any situation."

Cadenhead worked with state officials to custom-design a four-hour class to meet local needs. The class included propane safety topics ranging from barbecue cylinders to residential tanks and commercial bulk installations.

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God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

Matters...1 Corinthians 14 continued

touched on the subject of speaking in tongues with and prophecy in the context of church assemblies.

at a popular part of most churches, this will offer a disorderly applications of the manifestation of holy experiences. Whether or not the assembly is order- is important. We know this because God teaches author of confusion, and to let all things be done in a manner.

re are basically two different categories of prophecy, words given in advance by revelation, which may or or written later, or words given at the time the speaker ng. In all cases, prophecy is designed to edify the other some cases, the words may be to address something others or a specific person about something.

s examples of God's saints who warned a believer ul was determined to go to Jerusalem, but during at ferent saints prophesied that he should not go. This is e to learn from, because inherent in it is the truth that Paul by the spirit in him. Christians are encouraged to they expand their spiritual lives to include prophecy. lies.

1: All members in the assembly were allowed certain moments ophec g" at the same time. As a visitor, I was a bit confused benefit from it because I heard everyone speaking at the what they were doing, and learned they were giving I had no reason to doubt that each person speaking f prophecy. The problem was that I could not hear and them.

2: An individual believer would speak in tongues. Afterward d give the "interpretation" of what was spoken by the tongues. At the same time other people were independ- ing, singing and saying things. Two problems should be scenario.

giving the interpretation must be the same person who another person appears to be giving an interpretation, e that they are simply giving words of prophecy not from the person speaking in tongues. Second, it leads other people are dancing, singing and speaking aloud ving words of prophecy or speaking in tongues with can be very distracting for the believers who should ng from.

3: An individual speaking a prophecy tells another person in needs to take a certain action in his personal life. The already knows the facts surrounding the situation and elp out words from his own imagination thinking that he was ns for the other person. It turns out, the other person me direction by God directly. Although, the individual ood intentions, sadly in the end, he falsely represented by the spirit of God.

1: The person leading the assembly would call on different ongues and interpret, one at a time. This may vary dur- meetings. The same leader might allow people in the it without prompting. This works as long as everyone tands the importance of taking turns. The same is true eader would typically know who is comfortable with rit, and would therefore not call on someone who is not e with it yet.

2: A on speaks in tongues and interprets. The interpreta- that were not according to God's rightly divided word. eaching, or following the church assembly, the leader lity the difference between the interpretation and the truth, hree experienced believers present. This is related to 29-31 about others judging what is spoken.

ld not be discouraged by the possibility of making mis- d and patient. As we jump in there and start acting on ll make mistakes at times. Yet God is right there pa- grow spiritually as we step out there with believing. helps us is through other believers who can rightfully speak something that is not according to truth, or was ot come from God.

enced believers (elders) are not sure about the manifes- , then all can dive into the scriptures together and learn w together with love and patience toward each other, ect and powerful word.

Rockwall County's Newspaper of Record

Weather system slated for municipal airport

ther system is scheduled to be installed at the City of Rockwall Municipal Air-

A survey of airport clients indicated the system was a top safety priority, according to a City of Rockwall news release.

Boyd said some of the information the system will provide in-

cludes temperatures, wind speed and direction, visibility and thunderstorm detection.

The grant will be administered by the Texas Department of Transportation's Aviation Division.

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Rockwall County News Briefs

Church plans two-day garage sale

A Rockwall area parish-wide garage sale set for today and Saturday, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., will be conducted by the Episcopal Church Women at Holy Trinity on Smirl Road in Heath. Funds raised will benefit outreach programs.

Fairy Princess Camp set

A Fairy Princess Camp open to girls ages 5-8 will run from 11:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. June 21-25 at the RISD Education Center gym. Participants will learn about dressing for the occasion, manners, making friends, importance of school, cooking tips and many other topics. Cost is \$95 for Rockwall residents, \$143 for non-residents. For more information, visit rockwall.com/parks.

Lego Logo event planned

A Lego Logo event for youths ages 8-12 will be offered from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Participants will build robots, traffic lights, race cars and other items. June 21-25 in the RISD Education Center gym. Cost will be \$95 for Rockwall residents, \$143 for non-residents. For more information, visit rockwall.com/parks.

Lego Mania offered

Lego Mania, an innovative program for Lego buffs ages 5-7, will run from 11:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. June 21-25 at the RISD Education Center Gym. Cost is \$95 for Rockwall residents, \$143 for non-residents. For more information, visit rockwall.com/parks.

Youth fashion designer program set

A program for fashion designers, ages 8-13, will run from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. June 21-25 in the RISD Education Center gym. Participants will learn about sketching, color, pattern, texture coordination, fabrics and other topics. Cost is \$95 for Rockwall residents, \$143 for non-residents. For more information, visit rockwall.com/parks.

Library to offer computer classes

The Rockwall County Library will offer basic computer classes beginning at 10:30 a.m. Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays on June 21, July 12, July 19, Aug. 16 and Aug. 23. Reservations are required; contact the reference librarian, Gavin Sheaffer, at 972-204-7700 or visit the upstairs reference desk.

RCP camp performances slated

The Rockwall Community Playhouse's Camp Broadway will present "Honk Jr." in performances set for 7:30 p.m. June 22-26 and 2 p.m. June 27. Tickets cost \$8 and are available online, rockwallcommunityplayhouse.org, or by calling the box office at 972-722-3399.

Eagles cover band to play

The Concert by the Lake series continues Thursday at The Harbor Amphitheater. This week's band is the Eagles cover band Fast Lane. Admission to all concerts, which begin at 7:30 p.m., is free. Participants are urged to bring blankets or lawn chairs to the amphitheatre, which is located behind the Hilton.

'Always... Patsy Cline' slated

The Roysse City Chamber will host a presentation of "Always... Patsy Cline" on June 25 at the RCHS auditorium. Tickets may be purchased at the chamber office, 216 N. Arch St., at the RC City Hall or at several local businesses. Tickets cost \$10 each and will be available at the door.

Kamp Kinder Dance scheduled

Three sessions of Kamp Kinder Dance, an educational camp that combines dance, gymnastics and fitness with numbers, colors and shapes, will be offered from 10:15 a.m. to noon June 28 through July 2; July 12-16; and July 26-30 in the Myers Community Center. Cost is \$70 for Rockwall residents, \$105 for non-residents. For more information, visit rockwall.com/parks.

Robot Mania 2010 offered

Robot Mania 2010 will be offered to youths ages 6-12 from 9 a.m. to noon June 28 through July 2 in the RISD Education Center gym. Participants will learn about technology, all types of robots, circuits and sensors and will build their own working robots to take home. Cost is \$165 for Rockwall residents, \$248 for non-residents. For more information, visit rockwall.com/parks.

Adventures in Art Camp set

An Adventures in Art Camp for youths ages 5-13 will be offered from 2 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. June 28 through July 1 at The Center. Cost will be \$120 for Rockwall residents, \$180 for non-Rockwall residents. For more information, visit rockwall.com/parks.

Duct Tape Mania planned

Duct Tape Mania will take place June 29 at the Rockwall County Library (time to be announced). Those planning on attending should register at the library.

Rotarians accepting grant applications

The Rockwall Breakfast Rotary Club is now accepting applications to its 2010 Community Grant Program, the purpose of which is to help subsidize material humanitarian efforts or projects in Rockwall County. The programs grants up to \$1,000 each to local charitable organizations and is in its fifth year. More than \$25,000 has been awarded since the program began. Applications must be postmarked by June 30; winners will be announced at the club's upcoming Dallas Race Week event in July. For more details contact George Russell at brgeo@att.net.

Grenadines to perform

The Concert by the Lake series continues July 1 at The Harbor Amphitheater. This week's band is The Grenadines. Admission to all concerts, which begin at 7:30 p.m., is free. Participants are urged to bring blankets or lawn chairs to the amphitheatre, which is located behind the Hilton.

City of Heath to close for holiday

City of Heath offices will be closed July 2 in observance of the Fourth of July holiday. Normal business hours will resume on July 5. Area residents are reminded that the use of fireworks within the Heath city limits is prohibited.

Library closing for holiday observance

The Rockwall County Library will be closed July 3-5 in observance of the Fourth of July holiday. The facility will reopen July 6.

Scouts plan breakfast fundraiser

Boy Scout Troop 314 will sponsor a pancake breakfast fundraiser from 7 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. July 3 before and during the annual Heath Independence Day Parade. Pancake pick-up will be located at the corner of Smirl and Hubbard Drive at the American National Bank ATM drive-thru. To-go meals will be \$5; proceeds will help fund troop activities. To purchase tickets contact Mary Thacker at 972-722-1215 or marythacker@sbcglobal.net.

Rockwall parade slated July 3

The annual Rockwall Fourth of July parade will wind its way through downtown beginning at 11 a.m. July 3. The parade will form at 10:30 a.m. on Kaufman Street just west of Fannin Street and will go west on Kaufman to the square, turn south on San Jacinto, east on Rusk, south on Fannin, then east on Washington to Clark, north on Kaufman and back to the square. For more details call Sheri Fowler, 214-926-6466.

Heath plans July 3 parade

The City of Heath's annual Independence Day parade and Popsicles in the Park event will take place July 3. Staging for the parade will begin at 8 a.m., with judging and awards at 8:30 a.m. The parade will begin at 9 a.m. at Amy Parks-Heath Elementary and will run along Laurence Drive. Veterans are invited to ride the Veterans Flat. For more details call Kim Dobbs at 972-771-6228 or visit heathtx.com.

Music, fireworks planned July 4

The City of Rockwall's is planning a Fourth of July fireworks display. Synchronized to patriotic music, the display will begin at dusk at Harry Myers Park. Suggested parking areas outside of the park include the Tuttle Athletic Complex, Dobbs Elementary and the RISD Education Center gym.

Camp to focus on earth topics

Earth: The Amazing Planet will be offered to youths ages 6-12 from 9 a.m. to noon July 5-9 at the RISD Education Center gym. Participants will learn about several areas of science, including biology, engineering and chemistry. Cost is \$165 for Rockwall residents, \$248 for non-residents. For more information, visit rockwall.com/parks.

Ballroom dancing classes available

Ballroom dancing classes for individuals ages 18 and older will be offered from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesdays July 7-28 and Aug. 4-25 at The Center. Cost is \$48 for Rockwall residents, \$72 for non-residents. For more information, visit rockwall.com/parks.

Double Ace to perform

The Concert by the Lake series continues July 8 at The Harbor Amphitheater. This week's band is Double Ace. Admission to all concerts, which begin at 7:30 p.m., is free. Participants are urged to bring blankets or lawn chairs to the amphitheatre, which is located behind the Hilton.

Ouachita Nat'l Forest camp event set

Youths ages 10-17 can participate in the Ouachita National Forest Day Camps set for July 12-16 and July 26-30. The program will emphasize leadership, teamwork, self-confidence, "leave no trace" and advanced survival skills. Cost is \$395 for Rockwall residents, \$593 for non-residents; all camping and backpacking gear, transportation, food and entrance fees included. For more information, visit rockwall.com/parks.

Tot-Teams of Tomorrow offered

TOT-Teams of Tomorrow will be offered to preschoolers ages 3-5 July 12-15 and July 19-22. Activities will run from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the RISD Education Center gym, with participants learning ball-handling skills and educational concepts such as space, rockets, sun, moon and constellations. Cost is \$68 for Rockwall residents, \$102 for non-residents. For more information, visit rockwall.com/parks.

DA to discuss 'senior scams'

Rockwall County DA Kenda Culpepper will give a free presentation on how to recognize and avoid senior scams beginning at 10:30 a.m. July 14 in the Rockwall County Library Meeting Room. Topics will include identity theft, Internet scams, phone scams, mail fraud and door-to-door solicitation. She also will provide info on new legislation involving seniors and tips for avoid elder abuse and exploitation. No reservations required; light refreshments will be provided.

Bon Jovi cover band to perform

The Concert by the Lake series continues July 15 at The Harbor Amphitheater. This week's band is the Bon Jovi cover band Blaze of Glory. Admission to all concerts, which begin at 7:30 p.m., is free. Participants are urged to bring blankets or lawn chairs to the amphitheatre, which is located behind the Hilton.

AARP Defensive Driving class planned

The AARP 55 Alive Defensive Driving class for individuals ages 50 and older will run from noon to 4 p.m. July 16 at The Center. Class attendees are eligible for a discount on their auto insurance (class good for insurance purposes only). Cost is \$12 for Rockwall residents (\$14 if a non-AARP member), \$18 for non-residents (\$21 for non-members). For more information, visit rockwall.com/parks.

Day camp planned at M-Wells

A day camp for individuals ages 10 and older will be offered July 31 at the Mineral Wells State Park's Penitentiary House. Participants will enjoy a full day of rock climbing while learning new techniques and having fun. The day will begin with a techniques and safety session. Cost is \$75 for Rockwall residents, \$113 for non-residents. For more information, visit rockwall.com/parks.

Stingerette dance clinic set July 20

The RHS Stingerette Dance Clinic will run July 20-23 at the Rockwall School. Girls entering grades K through 8 can participate. Instructors will teach dance technique; a routine will be performed at the final day. Participants will receive clinic T-shirts and individualize their Stingerettes. Participants will perform with the Stingerettes game spirit line at the first RHS football game. Cost is \$70 for Rockwall residents, \$80 at the door. Contact Gail Crawford at gcraw4@rockwall.com or 972-743-5655 to register.

Intro to Computers class slated

An Intro to Computers class for individuals ages 50 and older will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at The Center. Cost is \$20 for Rockwall residents, \$30 for non-residents. For more information, visit rockwall.com/parks.

Professor D to perform

The Concert by the Lake series continues July 22 at The Harbor Amphitheater. This week's band is Professor D, a variety band. Admission to all concerts, which begin at 7:30 p.m., is free. Participants are urged to bring blankets or lawn chairs to the amphitheatre, which is located behind the Hilton.

Wii bowling event planned

The Rockwall Parks & Rec Department will play host to a Wii bowling event at 10 a.m. July 26. For more information, visit rockwall.com/parks.

Spy Masters camp scheduled

Super Sleuth: Spy Masters will be offered to youths ages 6-12 from 9 a.m. to noon July 26-30 in the RISD Education Center gym. CSI-style activities will be conducted. Cost is \$165 for Rockwall residents, \$248 for non-residents. For more information, visit rockwall.com/parks.

Surfing the 'Net for seniors

Learn about browsers, search engines, e-mail and the Internet. Surfing the 'Net class for individuals ages 50 and older. The class will run from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays July 20 and Aug. 12 at The Center. For more information, visit rockwall.com/parks.

'80s music is lakeside fare

The Concert by the Lake series continues July 29 at The Harbor Amphitheater. This week's fare will include live '80s music. Admission to all concerts, which begin at 7:30 p.m., is free. Participants are urged to bring blankets or lawn chairs to the amphitheatre, which is located behind the Hilton.

Adventures in Art Camp set

An Adventures in Art Camp for youths ages 5-13 will be offered from 2 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. Aug. 2-5 at The Center. Cost will be \$120 for Rockwall residents, \$180 for non-Rockwall residents. For more information, visit rockwall.com/parks.

Youth camp to focus on chemistry

Bubbles, Smoke & Explosions will be offered to youths ages 6-12 from 9 a.m. to noon Aug. 2-6 in the RISD Education Center gym. Participants will make a crystal garden, synthesize slime, build a rocket and learn about the solar system. Cost is \$165 for Rockwall residents, \$248 for non-residents. For more information, visit rockwall.com/parks.

Cardio Ballroom classes slated

Cardio Ballroom classes, open to individuals ages 16 and older, will be offered from 10 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. Wednesdays Aug. 4-25 at The Center. Cost is \$32 for Rockwall residents, \$48 for non-residents. For more information, visit rockwall.com/parks.

Pip Pops to perform

The Concert by the Lake series continues Aug. 5 at The Harbor Amphitheater. This week's band is the Pip Pops, a variety band. Admission to all concerts, which begin at 7:30 p.m., is free. Participants are urged to bring blankets or lawn chairs to the amphitheatre, which is located behind the Hilton.

CS&N cover band to play

The Concert by the Lake series continues Aug. 12 at The Harbor Amphitheater. This week's band is the Crosby, Stills & Nash cover band CS&N. Admission to all concerts, which begin at 7:30 p.m., is free. Participants are urged to bring blankets or lawn chairs to the amphitheatre, which is located behind the Hilton.

Doggie Splash Day scheduled

The Rockwall Parks & Rec Department will host its annual Doggie Splash Day beginning at 10 a.m. Aug. 14 after the pool closes. Activities include a swimsuit contest, a dog paddle race and a retrieving contest for man's best friend. Cost is \$5 per dog; swimming pet owners must have proof of rabies vaccinations will be required.

Final concert to feature Texas country

The Concert by the Lake series concludes Aug. 19 at The Harbor Amphitheater. This week's performer is Tommy Alverson, who has performed in Texas country. Admission to the 7:30 performance is free. Participants are urged to bring blankets or lawn chairs to the amphitheatre, which is located behind the Hilton.

Vendors needed for craft shows

Vendors are needed for three upcoming craft shows at Rockwall. The PTA will host its annual event from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 11 at The Center. Band will host craft fairs on Sept. 11 and Dec. 11 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at The Center. Vendors are needed for one, two or all three events. Contact Lisa Spradling at 972-772-1846 for more details.



Rockwall City Council member Glen Farris recently was named to serve a one-year term as the municipality's mayor pro-tem. "It is an honor to be elected by council members as mayor pro-tem," Farris said in a city news release, "and I look forward to continue serving the citizens of Rockwall." An 11-year resident of the city, Farris was elected to the council in 2007. He is serving his second two-year term. Farris takes over the mayor pro-tem position from council member David Sweet.

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Glenna Phillips, left, was awarded the Celia Hays Volunteer Awards at the Friends of the Library May business meeting. Phillips has served as GED coordinator for the Rockwall County Library's Reading for Adults program for more than five years, donating more than 2,500 volunteer hours to the program. A book was placed in the library in her honor. The Celia Hays award, named for a longtime volunteer and generous donor, was established in 2001 to honor outstanding volunteers. Pictured above with Phillips is Marlene McCulley, library director.

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Local residents earn Texas A&M degrees, honors

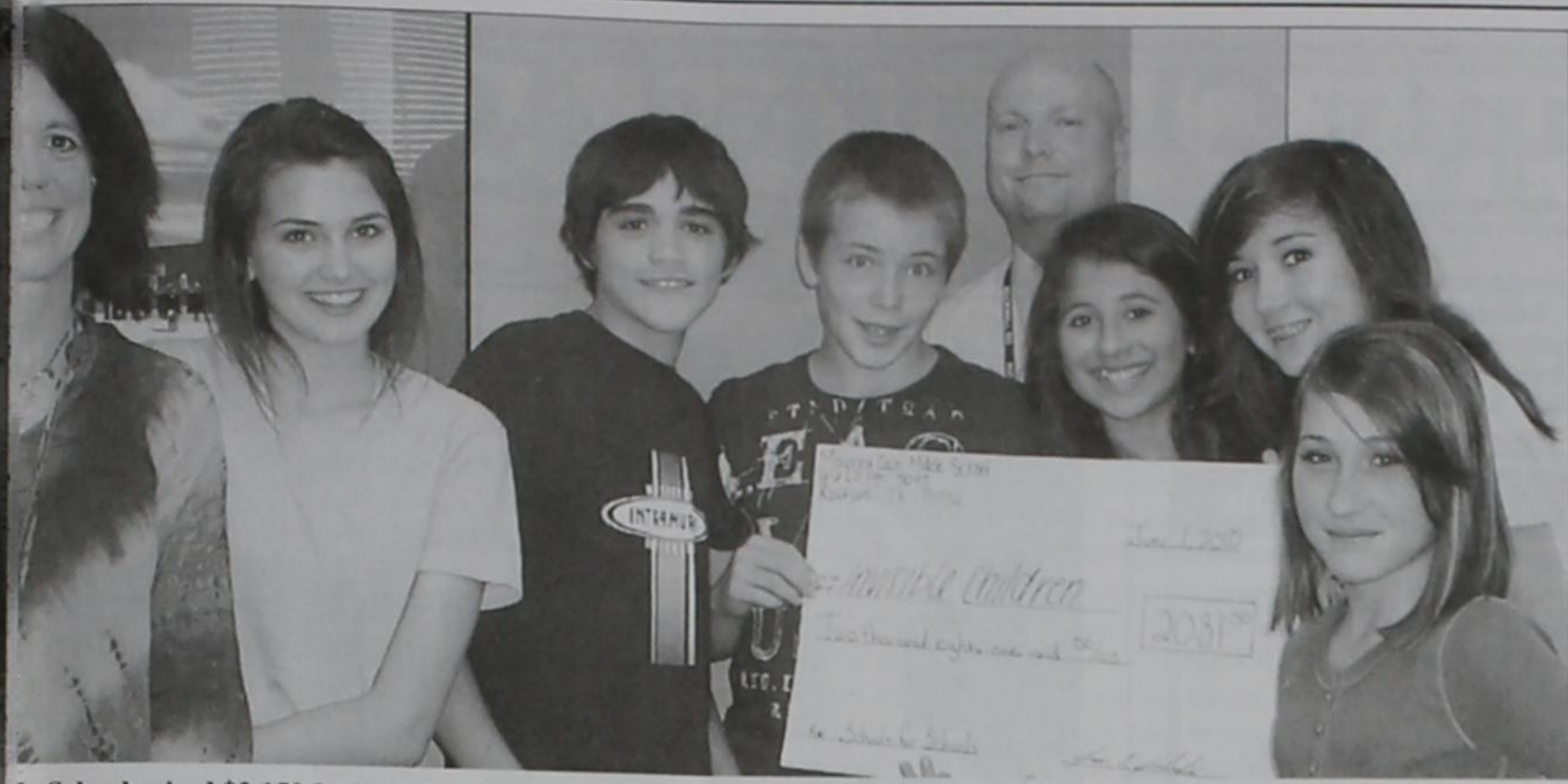
Several local residents were among the record 6,250 graduates of Texas A&M University during spring commencement ceremonies.

Those receiving degrees included Jennifer M. Albrecht of Heath, Bachelor of Environmental Design; Brooke L. Cantrell of Rockwall, Bachelor of Communication; Renee E. Dirke of Rockwall, Master of Science in Management; and Bachelor of Business Administration, accounting; Charles Farrell of Rockwall, Bachelor of Science, wildlife and fisheries management cum laude; Marlena J. Griffey of Rockwall, Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary studies, summa cum laude; and Brian A. Kasper of Heath, Bachelor of International Affairs.

Also, Rebekah M. Kinser of Rockwall, Bachelor of Science, international studies, magna cum laude; Savannah B. Naumann of Heath, Bachelor of Science, biomedical sciences; Stephen D. Eohler of Rockwall, Bachelor of Science, aerospace engineering; Robert T. Pike of Rockwall, Bachelor of Business Administration, accounting; Amana N. Smith of Rockwall, Bachelor of Science, recreation, park and tourism; Michael J. Spivey of Rockwall, Bachelor of Business Administration, finance, magna cum laude; and Danielle A. Sparks of Rockwall, Bachelor of Business Administration, finance.

Rounding out the list provided in the university news release are: Spradling of Rockwall, Bachelor of Business Administration, marketing; Brittney G. Stephenson of Rockwall, Bachelor of Business Administration, marketing; Jennifer A. Sullivan of Rockwall, Bachelor of Arts, communication; Taylor J. Trammell of Rockwall, Bachelor of Business Administration, marketing, magna cum laude; and Monica S. Wurster of Rockwall, Bachelor of Arts, communication.

Just Say You Saw It In the "County News"



Rockwall County Middle School raised \$2,150 for Invisible Children to help students in war-torn northern Uganda have a better life and a chance in a two-month period, seventh and eighth grade students collected money through the Change for Change program and a four-hour walk-a-thon, "The Night Commute," to symbolize the four-hour daily trek many Ugandan students must endure to get to school. More than 60,000 children have reportedly been abducted over the past two decades and sent to military service or to be child brides. Pictured above, from the left, are Cain's Invisible Children club sponsor Susan Vitela; his, outgoing club vice president; Jurgen Anderson, incoming president; Luke Glastad, incoming secretary/treasurer; Janna Cain principal; Bianca Muniz, outgoing secretary/treasurer; Nikki Dewberry, outgoing president; and Niki Swiercinsky, vice president and the individual who brought in the biggest donation -- \$382 -- from the Night Commute event.



Henry is a terrier/Chihuahua mix. He has tested heartworm positive, but upon adoption his treatment will be paid for by Rockwall PAWS. To get to know Henry better, visit the Rockwall Animal Adoption Center.

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Rockwall County News Opinions

Can Black Americans Afford Obama?

Walter E. Williams' column "Is Obama Ready for America?" started out by asking whether America is ready for Obama. The much more interesting question is whether Obama is ready for America and even more so, whether black people can afford Obama. Let's look at this.

Jackie Robinson, in signing a contract with the Brooklyn Dodgers, broke the color bar in Major League Baseball. In 1950, three blacks joined the National Basketball Association (NBA): Earl Lloyd (Cleveland Cavaliers), Chuck Cooper (Boston Celtics) and Nat "Sweetwater" Clifton (New York Knicks). Their highly successful performances paved the way for other blacks to follow -- peaking at 27 percent in Major League Baseball and 80 percent in the NBA.

In sports, the first blacks, relative to their white peers, in professional sports were exceptional. There's no sense of justice that should require that blacks be as good as they were in order to get a job. But the order to deal with racial hostility and stereotypes of inferiority had to be first rate and possess character beyond question. Only important for their careers, it was important for their fellow blacks that the sports color bar was being broken, black people could play. Today, black people can afford stumblebums in several sports. In fact, black people can afford for the Philadelphia Sixers to put a white player in their starting lineup. Any person watching me mess up royally on the court is unattractive to say, "Those blacks can't play basketball." The question is whether we like it or not, whether for good reason or bad reason, whether fair or unfair, people make stereotypes, and stereotypes affect.

relieving dose from voting for a black man to be president, but it is a problem for future generations of black Americans.

Walter E. Williams is a professor of economics at George Mason University.

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Slick Is as Slick Does

by Bill O'Reilly
President Obama is angry. His brisk demeanor while giving a speech at Carnegie Mellon University a few days ago signaled that loud and clear. No cute remarks, no comic relief -- just straight-ahead knives directed at the oil companies and the Republican Party.

Somehow, it is all going wrong for the president these days. The Rasmussen daily tracking poll among likely voters has the president's job approval rating hovering at around 45 percent, and even stalwart Democrat James Carville yelled at him the other day.

Obama has big problems on the following fronts: illegal immigration, terrorist trials, Israel's aggressive posture and, most importantly, the economy. But it is the oil spill that, I believe, galls him the most. There is simply nothing the president can do. No one on this earth has come up with a way to cap that oil gusher a mile beneath the Gulf of Mexico. I mean, they are even consulting with "Avatar" director James Cameron, who once shot an underwater flick. What is he going to do? Send Leo DiCaprio down to plug the hole?

Some folks, like Carville, are actually blaming the president for disaster-related events. Carville is demanding the prez "come down heeah." And then what? Obama has already made an appearance on the Louisiana shoreline wearing pants better suited for lunch at The Capital Grille. The president looked forlorn -- but not as forlorn as the oil-covered pelicans.

Fed up with being a pinata, Obama has now ordered his attorney general, the fearsome Eric Holder, to launch a criminal investigation into British Petroleum Corporation. I just hope Holder doesn't demand the trial be held in New York City. Also, the president is promising to "roll back billions of dollars in tax breaks to oil companies so we can prioritize investments in clean energy research and development."

That means big oil will most likely sell more product to China and India, even as the Obama administration spends more money on energy that might work someday. I'm kinda thinking Jimmy Carter and long gas lines at the pumps. Remember that horror in 1979?

Intellectually honest people understand that Obama had nothing to do with the spill, and even with all the power the United States has, the country has no gizmo to fix the problem. For anti-Obama people, the fact that the president is getting slimed by the slick is karma. For pro-Obama folks, it's very bad luck.

There comes a time when fate can determine success or failure. Obama is a man who is used to controlling his environment. But this environmental disaster in the Gulf is out of everybody's control. And Obama knows it.

Veteran TV news anchor Bill O'Reilly is host of the Fox News show "The O'Reilly Factor" and author of the book "Who's Looking Out For You?" To find out more about Bill O'Reilly, and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at www.creators.com. This column originates on the Web site www.billoreilly.com.

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The City of Rockwall is holding an on line Surplus and Unclaimed Property Sale beginning June 28, 2010 and closing on July 19, 2010 at 10:00 am. The on line sale will be conducted by Rene' Bates Auctioneers Inc., Texas License Number 6644 on www.renebates.com. Property includes equipment and furniture. All property will be sold as is, where is with no warranties or guarantees of any kind. The City reserves the right to remove and add property to this auction at any time. The auctioneer will determine forms of payment accepted. It is the buyer's responsibility to pay in full and remove the property purchased within 10 days of the auction closing date. Property not picked up after the 10 day period will be subject to re auction. Surplus property is located at the City of Rockwall Service Center, 1600 Airport Rd., Rockwall, TX. For additional information contact Lea Ann Ewing or Lisa Frausto at 972-771-7700.

Surplus and Unclaimed Property will be available for public inspection between the hours of 1 pm and 4 pm, July 8th and July 9th only.

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RFP 10-07.05-114

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The Rockwall Independent School District will be receiving proposals for the above mentioned products/services. Proposal packages will be available for distribution on Friday June 18, 2010 they may be requested by email to dmacdonald@rockwallisd.org. The District anticipates award at the July 2010 board meeting. Proposals should be submitted in a sealed envelope to the attention of the Director of Purchasing and marked with the proposal number and name. Proposals will be received until 2:00 PM on July 5, 2010 at the Administration Center located at 1050 Williams Street, Rockwall TX 75087 at which time said proposals will be publicly opened but not read.

The district will hold a pre-bid conference on June 28, 2010 at 8:00 AM so prospective bidders can have an opportunity to examine the equipment and the storage facility (The Dobbs Annex, 901 E. Interurban St., Rockwall, TX 75087.) Vendors are not required to attend the pre-bid conference to submit a bid.

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Rockwall County Sports

Hawks dominate All-District baseball selections

Heath baseball team swept through District 10-4A's major season completely as the Hawks swept to an undefeated district

major awards, all of the recipients were from RHHS, except that first baseman-pitcher Jake Thompson shared the Most Valuable Player award with Collton Newman Smith's Brandon Mims. The senior was drafted Tuesday by Major League Baseball's Toronto Blue Jays.

Heath also had the Offensive MVP, sophomore third baseman Hernandez; Defensive MVP, shortstop Trevor Holland. Hawks' Steve Baune is a unanimous choice as Pitcher of the Year, and Greg

Yellowjackets' Holcomb named district MVP

Yellowjackets' Holcomb has been voted the Most Valuable Player of the All-District team for her role in leading Rockwall to its district championship.

It was injury early in the season, and partly as a result, the Lady Hawks' record when they began district play. After a 5-4 loss at which Holcomb took as a personal affront, RHS won its final 13

games in 15 in a row overall until running into Waco Midway in the II-4A semifinals. They finished the season 21-13-2. Midway advanced to the state tournament.

DeLoach, Anderson, Bean named first-team All-District

Rockwall baseball players received All-District first team recognition to senior catcher J.D. DeLoach, junior pitcher Thomas Anderson and sophomore second baseman Steve Bean for their contribu-

Lady Hawks' Whittern named Catcher of the Year

Heath senior Dakota Whittern was named the Catcher of the Year of the District 10-4A All-District softball team.

Whittern and the first team were three senior teammates - pitcher Kaeliegh Lutz and shortstop Sarah Deimling. Other team members included junior left fielder Katie Robertson and sophomore right fielder Kacie Rice. Receiving Honorable Mention was fresh-

man right fielder Ashlee Reese.

Harvey was the 10-4A coach of the Year. Thompson batted .444 with seven home runs and 54 runs batted in in 42 games. He also had a 9-2 pitching record with a 1.52 earned run average and 108 strikeouts in 69 innings. Hernandez led the team with a .514 batting average, 11 homers and 64 RBI. Baune's pitching record was 12-1 with a 1.53 ERA and 92 strikeouts in 78 innings. Holland batted .475 with four homers, including two in the playoffs, and 37 RBI.

Three other RHHS players joined the award winners on the All-District first team. Senior designated hitter John Branum (.309 average) and junior utility player Tyler Harding (.311) were unanimous choices, and senior left fielder Armando Villa (.376, 31 stolen bases) also was a first-team selection.

The pitcher was not alone in producing Rockwall's success. Senior center fielder Amanda Harmon was named the district's Defensive Player of the Year. Joining Holcomb and Harmon on the first team were four under-

classmen - junior catcher Audrey Farfan, sophomore second baseman Carlie Jenkins and shortstop Cyndi Bertrand and freshman first baseman Taylor Lemons. Senior left fielder Jamie Bain and two sophomores, utility player Kennedy Harrison and third baseman Shelby Wood, were named to the second team. Receiving Honorable Mention was freshman pitcher-outfielder Katie Page.

to the Yellowjackets' fourth-place finish and playoff berth this season. In addition, senior pitcher Wesley Cox was named to the All-District second team.

Rockwall County Sports Notes

Tennis team development workouts

Tennis limited will offer a tennis development workout for juniors 12-18 from 10:30 a.m. to noon beginning Wednesday. The drop-in will take place each Wednesday until July 28 at the Wilkerson-Sanders Courts. Cost for RTU members is \$15, \$20 for non-members. Visit www.rockwallcountytx.com for registration and information. Anyone planning to drop in should e-mail Lana Fulkerson at lanafulkerson@rockwallcountytx.com or Patricia Parmer at parker@rockwallcountytx.com.

Tuesday Yoga starts June 29

Yoga open to individuals ages 15 and older, will run from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on Tuesdays June 29 through Aug. 17 at The Center. Cost for Rockwall residents, \$83 for non-residents. For more information, visit www.rockwallcountytx.com.

Monday Yoga to begin July 12

Yoga will run from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Mondays July 12 through July 26 at The Center. Learn proper breathing and balance techniques to improve flexibility and circulation. Class is open to individuals ages 18 and older. Cost is \$32 for residents, \$48 for non-residents. For more information, visit www.rockwallcountytx.com.

Lil Tots Sports Sampler set

Children ages 3-5 are invited to come learn the basics about soccer, basketball and the Lil Tots Sports Sampler that will run from 6 p.m.

to 6:45 p.m. Mondays from July 19 through Aug. 23 in the RISD Education Center gym. Cost is \$30 for Rockwall residents, \$45 for non-residents. For more information, visit [rockwallcountytx.com/parks](http://www.rockwallcountytx.com/parks).

MOW Golf Classic planned

The Rockwall County Committee on Aging will host its first Meals on Wheels Golf Classic from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. July 23 at Buffalo Creek Golf Course, Heath. All proceeds will benefit the senior nutrition program in Rockwall County. To register or help sponsor a team call 972-771-9514.

Little Kickers scheduled

The Little Kickers soccer program, open to youths ages 3 1/2 to 5 years, will run Mondays from 6 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. Aug. 30 through Oct. 4 at Harry Myers Park. Skill-building, age-appropriate drills and exercises are taught. The first four classes are non-competitive; the final two will include games. Each participant will receive a T-shirt. Cost is \$30 for Rockwall residents, \$45 for non-residents. For more information, visit [rockwallcountytx.com/parks](http://www.rockwallcountytx.com/parks).

Little Sluggers T-ball dates set

The Little Sluggers T-ball program, open to youths ages 3 1/2 to 5 years, will run Tuesdays from 6 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. Aug. 31 through Oct. 5 at Harry Myers Park. Children will learn fundamental skills - throwing, fielding, hitting and base running - and the final two weeks will include "games." Each participant will receive a T-shirt. Parent participation is encouraged. For more information, visit [rockwallcountytx.com/parks](http://www.rockwallcountytx.com/parks).

Academics receive honors at Texas A&M

Students from among Texas A&M students honored for their academic achievements in the spring semester according to a university list.

Students named to the Dean's Honor Roll include Distinguished Student. The Dean's Honor Roll recognizes students taking at least 15 hours in the spring semester who have a 3.75 or higher grade

point out of a possible 4.0. The Distinguished Student designation recognizes those who earned a 3.5 to 2.74 grade point while taking at least 15 hours in the spring.

Among those recognized were Rachel K. Bryant of Rockwall, a sophomore history major, Distinguished Student; Adger S. Colley of Heath, a senior leadership and development major, Dean's Honor Roll; Catie A. Colvin of Royse City, a senior interdisciplinary studies major, Distinguished Student; Jenne Crider of Rockwall,

a junior interdisciplinary studies major, Dean's Honor Roll; Kara L. Cummings of Rockwall, a junior majoring in business administration, Dean's Honor Roll; Sarah C. Eisenbraun of Rockwall, a junior majoring in psychology, Distinguished Student; and Blayne J. Johnson of Rockwall, a senior civil engineering major, Distinguished Student.

Also, Blake S. Marley of Rockwall, a junior computer science major, Distinguished Student; James A. McClintic of Rockwall, a sophomore biology major, Dean's

Honor Roll; Bethany A. Tolson of Rockwall, a sophomore biomedical science major, Dean's Honor Roll; Jacqueline E. Uthlaut of Rockwall, a senior nutritional sciences major, Dean's Honor Roll; and Audrey G. Walls of Heath, a senior construction science major, Dean's Honor Roll.

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tion. On the second team were senior catcher Drew Benefield (.268, five home runs), freshman second baseman Bret Boswell (.338), junior shortstop Patrick Gonzales (.375), senior center fielder Drew Baxter (.353, seven home runs) and junior right fielder Nick Petersen (.299).

Royse City Bulldogs' Lane a unanimous All-District pick

Royse City senior Scot Lane finished his baseball career with the Bulldogs by being voted unanimously to the All-District 10-4A first team as a pitcher.

Sophomore center fielder Mitchell Venhaus was named to the All-District second team.

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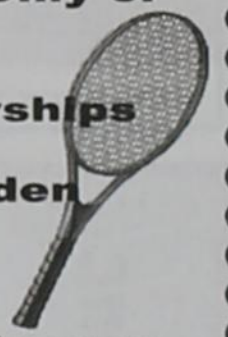
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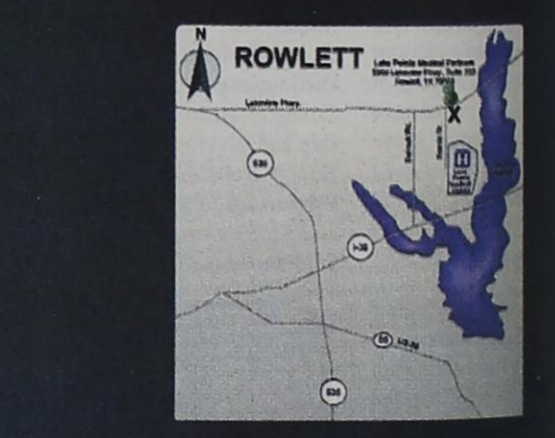
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er, Johnson to lead Fulton School sports program upgrade

School athletic program will go into the 2010-11 school year is, in part because of two coaches in new leadership with Brian Peters, who joined the Falcons' staff last year as director in April. Fulton hired Josh Johnson to become the football

team's offensive coordinator and boys' basketball assistant coach. His duties will include upgrading the girls' and middle school basketball programs. Matthew Burgy remains the Falcons' head football coach. During the past year, Johnson has been an assistant football coach at Fort Worth Glenview Christian and the head basketball coach at Duncanville ChristWay Academy. Glenview Christian was the TCAF Division II runner-

up. He played football at Southwestern Assemblies of God College, where he led the NAIA in pass receiving in 2004. Johnson later played one year for the Intense Football League's Odessa Roughnecks.

Malak guides Orion to two sailing wins

Dan Malak sailed his boat, Orion, to first place in both Spring Wednesday Night Series Race 10 June 9 and the most recent Sunday night race on Lake Ray Hubbard.

Finished behind Orion in the A Fleet were Superman's Cape, piloted by Marshall Mackenzie, second; Three Sheets, Roy Kuipers, third, and Swale, Chris Hunke, fourth. First in the B Fleet over the same course was Robert Cummings in Flying Scot.

Brian Taylor skippered Rented Mule to first place in the A Fleet of the Wednesday Night Race 9 June 2.

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Rockwall Rebels 8U win Memorial Showdown

Rockwall Rebels 8U team coaches and players winning the Memorial Showdown in Greenville, Texas, during Memorial Day weekend. (left to right) Assistant Coach Jason Hendricks, Head Coach Brian McCrary, Assistant Coach Cody Thomas (middle row) Mason Scott, Colby Thomas, and Colin Ethridge, (front row) Jacob Boling, Bryxxton Ramirez, Reagan McCrary, and Mitchell Jackson. The Rebels went undefeated for the weekend in both pool and tournament play. The Rebels defeated teams from Farmersville, Greenville and Canton. The tournament was a USSSA qualifier sponsored by Piney Woods. The Rebels will compete in a State tournament this weekend in Mansfield.

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Poetry Community Christian School athletes return with medals

Poetry Community Christian School junior high girls winning first place medals during last month's Christian School Athletic Federation (CSAF) District Meet held in Hurst are (left to right) Rebekah Neiman, Sarah Horan, Sarah Neiman and Danell Horan. The team was also awarded the CSAF Champion Relay Award. This team of two different sets of sisters was given permission to include a fourth grade age and fifth grade age runner on this junior high relay. In spite of their ages, the team ran the relay in five minutes which would have medaled them in the high school meet held the same day. The girls brought home other medals including Sarah Horan's first place in the 400, Rebekah Neiman third place and Danell Horan's fifth place in the 800m, a second place finish by Rebekah Horan in the mile run and Danell Horan's fifth place finish in the mile. With the close of the CSAF season, the girls will begin conditioning practices with the Texas Amateur Athletics Federation (TAAF) summer track team next week.

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Fighting Titans win Silver medal in the Spring Games

The Rockwall County Special Olympics Fighting Titans team won the Silver Medal in its division with a record and one loss. Photo Courtesy/Rockwall County News

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