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Commissioners' report reviews financial policies and Courthouse

The 8 meeting of the Rockwall County Commissioners' reviewed several items of interest to Rockwall County residents in a "workshop" agenda—where topics are discussed and shared—no decisions were made.

One item on the agenda was discussion of the Cities Readiness Act amendment with the North Central Texas Council of Governments.

It was under this grant that the County was awarded "Ready" designation. Rockwall County is one of 23 out of 104 counties that has this designation. StormReady is a preparedness program in the United States that encourages local entities and commercial gathering sites to prepare for severe weather. The program, sponsored by the United States National Weather Service, issues recognition to communities and sites across the country that demonstrate severe weather readiness. The program provides communities with clear-cut advice from a team of experts with the local National Weather Service Office, state and local emergency managers, and the media.

The commissioners then discussed the County's financial policies. County Commissioner Bill Sinclair spoke about the County's debt management policies. Court members review certain documents and provide recommendations through the process of preparing written financial policies. "The County will be able to achieve a higher credit rating," he said.

On the topic of the County's new courthouse, Precinct 3 Commissioner Dennis Bailey informed the members of the court that the contractor has started site preparation for the new courthouse.

He said that process will involve bringing in construction materials, install a perimeter fence and erosion silt barriers, and preliminary work. Plans for an official groundbreaking will be discussed at a later meeting.

Plans for the Rockwall County Veterans Memorial, Precincts Lorie Grinnan, Precinct 2, and David Magness, are also being discussed. The county is working jointly on this project and interviewed contractors on Wednesday, May 19. At that time, the commissioners reviewed proposals for construction management, with the proposed Manhattan as No. 1 and Hill & Wilkinson as No. 2.

The commissioners also reported that the court's requests to be awarded "high financing" on two road projects were submitted on May 18. A listing of all submissions will be published by Texas A&M University. The decision on who has been selected will come in June. The decision also reported that the layout for storage spaces in the new Services Building located on Whitmore Drive will be completed in a few weeks.

Attendees were County Judge Chris Florance, Commissioners Magness and Bailey, Brian Williams, District Attorney's Office, County Treasurer Bill Sinclair, and County Auditor Lisa



Donna Crook (center) of Mesquite watches her grandson Cooper Neill (right) of Rockwall sharing a high-five with juggler Jason Chrisensen (left) of Denison. Neill is a student at Nebbie Williams school and Jason has been a performer for many years.
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Rockwall City Council OKs master plan with priority on team sports

At its May 17 meeting, members of the Rockwall City Council voted to approve a parks, recreation and open space master plan that would place a priority on developing facilities for active team sports in the city.

The proposal received votes from all council members, excluding Mayor Bill Cecil who expressed a desire for more swift action on developing the lake-front park proposed near the end of Dalton Road. The plan for that park is a 400- to 500-acre park that would stretch from The Shores golf course to the county line.

"It is still a high priority, it's just that we have so many high priorities that are very costly," parks director Brad Griggs said.

The new plan addresses what councilman Matt Scott called the city's "good job at developing passive parks."

"The biggest thing we lack is youth sports," Scott said.

That need is "enormous," he said, and pointed to the fact that with his son they travel out of town for tournaments each week.

"It's hard to understand how we have the number one high school baseball team in the country and

not one of those players grew up playing select ball in Rockwall because we have no facilities for it," Scott said.

The plan addresses needed facilities for multiple sports and recognized the needs filled by churches, YMCA and the school district.

Parks director Brad Griggs

called sports facilities "economic generators" for cities like Rockwall that have hotel and dining facilities as well.

Also on the list of "high priorities" are Northshore Park, developing 50 acres in south Rockwall as soon as property is available, continued development at Caruth Lake Park and developing trail linkages among others.

Heath eyes refinancing to keep tax rates level

Members of the Heath City Council are reviewing debt-refinancing options that may allow tax rates to remain steady for the next few years.

A financial adviser presented the council with several options at the May 18 council meeting.

With property values flat in a community accustomed to sometimes double-digit growth, Mayor John Ratcliffe called the options "very warming to the heart from my perspective."

"We don't control our appraised values, but we do control our debt and can restructure it," he said. "This could be an opportunity to do what we want to do, not raise taxes and still have funds for capital improvements."

Council members decided to take time to review their options, which include simply refinancing bonds at lower interest rates to stabilize tax rates until 2013 and restructuring bonds to allow funds reallocations.

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The month of May is set aside to recognize senior citizens, and the Rockwall County Committee on Aging celebrated Older Americans Day May 14 with an observance at the Rockwall County Library. One of the many honorees, Charles Allen, along with Congressman Ralph Hall and RCCOA Director Margie VerHagen. Other honorees included Don McCrea, Wally Williamson, David Henson, Odie Lowe, Sandra Solomon, Helen Smith, Kathy Melston, Lorie Kasper, Lynnda Allen, Char Chupid, Darlene Bealmear, Tom Norris, Mary Clay, Gloria Bishop, Ruth Linda Garrett, Gale Bennett, Lorie Wright, Jo Kay Glass, Jerry Glass, Judy Holder, Ruth and Wesley W. Burnett.
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New officers for the Rockwall Newcomers Club recently were elected for the 2010-2011 year. From left, Dianna Rooks, first vice president; Nancy Laspe, second vice president; London, treasurer; Yvonne Tiedtke, president; and Barbara Stenberg, secretary. The group will take a summer break and resume its meeting schedule on Sept. 9.
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Sixth grade students from Amy Parks-Heath Elementary recently penned research papers on community service. Topics included hunger/homelessness, special needs and disabilities, endangered animals, and environment/gardening. Procedural papers followed, requiring students to detail "steps to complete the projects they explored. Sam Selle wrote a paper on deforestation and his goal to plant trees in the City of Heath. When he asked city officials where they'd like trees planted, it was suggested he plant rose bushes instead. Ten other students wrote papers on environmental issues and agreed to pitch in and help. Students raised funds for their project in different ways - Tim Reimer and Jesse Jines, for example, washed neighbors' windows and cars to raise money. The students purchased 30 rose bushes, which were planted earlier this month.
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Sophomore Tim Borgen, a student at The Rockwall School, was named First Male Student of the Year in the school's TAPPS classification, according to a news release from the school. Borgen won a pair of individual State Academic Championships in Advanced Mathematics and Computer Science. He placed fourth in Social Studies and sixth in Ready Writing. He will be recognized June 11 at the TAPPS awards banquet held at the Omni Hotel.
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Derick Lewis feted at banquet

Derick Lewis of Rockwall was among students recognized at the 2010 Awards and Inaugural Banquet for the Student Government Association, Student Programming Association, Student Educators and Leaders and Office of Campus Recreation at Nicholls State University in Thibodaux, La.

Lewis served as a senator-at-large in the SGA, according to a university news release. The event was conducted April 30.



Students' first grade class at Cullins-LakePointe Elementary recently learned about letter writing through a project dubbed "Flat Stanley." Students read a book, "Flat Stanley," which prompted the letter-writing project. Not only did students learn to write letters, they also improved their map skills and learned about different cities and states throughout the U.S. Pictured above, from the left, are Kaitlyn Amacher, Camden Ford and Cody Faaborg, along with the Flat Stanley project bulletin board.



Victoria Reynolds and Tate, trainers at Ponderosa Pets, recently hosted several weeks of dog obedience classes for members of the Rockwall Busy B 4-H group. During that time members learned several simple commands in dog obedience training and got to know their dogs even better. Pictured from the left are Cay Strothers and Dennis Morrow, owners of Ponderosa Pets; Victoria Reynolds and Tate; and Jake, Shannon Taylor; and Austin Taylor with Sassy.

Walthalls listed on Dean's List

Heath residents Shannon Walthall and Tyler Walthall were named to the 2010 spring Dean's List at Southwestern University, according to a university news release.

To be named to the Dean's List, a student must have at least a 3.6 grade point average on a 4.0 scale with a minimum of 12 graded hours. The student also must be in good standing with the university.

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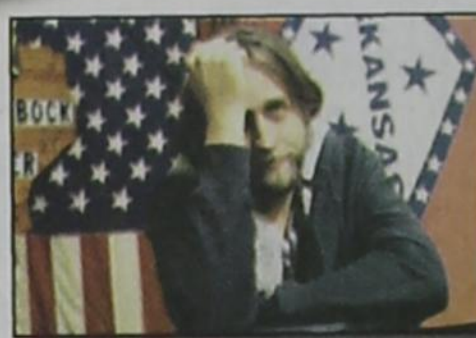


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Three RHS, two RHHS students tapped for National Merit awards

graduating seniors - two from Rockwall High School and one from Rockwall High School - were among winners of the college-sponsored National Merit Scholarship announced last week by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

A news release issued Wednesday by the corporation named Kristin A. Gladstad, Sydney M. Allen and Sydney M. Allen as winners of the National Merit Scholarship.

Both students at Rockwall High School were among the honorees. Also recognized were Scott A. Shelley and Robert H. Bittle of Rockwall High School.

Jonathan J. Walters of Rockwall High School also was named.

Walters, who plans to study journalism, will attend the University of Oklahoma.

Shelley and Bittle also are attending Oklahoma State University, while Bittle's sister, Shelley, is attending Oklahoma State University.

Walters also plans to attend Texas Tech University where he will study electrical engineering.

Walters is one of 2,800 winners of the National Merit Scholarship announced by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

Each sponsor college or university that awards a scholarship win- ning finalist in the National Merit Scholarship Program will provide between \$100 and \$1,000 annually for up

to four years of undergraduate study at the institution financing the scholarship. Another group of scholars will be announced in July, bringing the total number of college-sponsored Merit Scholarship recipients in the 2010 competition to more than 4,900.

This year 201 higher education institutions are underwriting Merit Scholarship awards through the National Merit Program. Sponsor colleges and

universities include 120 private and 80 public institutions located in 45 states and the District of Columbia.

Graves receives degree from Rice

Jeffrey Graves of Rockwall graduated from Rice University on May 15.

He received a Master of Business Administration degree, according to a university news release.



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Rockwall County Obituaries

Rachel Kras

Memorial services for Rachel Kras, 89, of Heath were conducted at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, May 23, 2010, in the First Presbyterian Church in Dallas with Dr. Cynthia Logan officiating. The Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel was in charge of arrangements. She died May 18.

Born Dec. 31, 1920, in Dresden, Tenn., to Rufus and Bera (Cantrell) Maxey, she was an artist who taught drawing and art history to children, as well as a fashion designer and couture dressmaker. She enjoyed cooking with herbs from her own garden and painting personalized watercolor cards for friends and family. She served on the City of Lansing Mental Health Board and was an active member of the First Presbyterian Church of Dallas.

Survivors include her husband, Stephan Kras of Heath; her daughters, Colleen Hanna and her husband, Ron, of Heath and Jaclyn Kras of Greytown, New Zealand; her grandchildren, Paige Hanna of Denton and Lindsey Hanna of Heath; a sister-in-law, Mildred Kras; and her nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her parents-in-law; her sister, Mary Schuon, and her husband, Jack; her brother, Wilfred Maxey, and his wife, Wilma; and her brothers-in-law, Mike Kras and his wife, Loraine, Jim Green and his wife, Alice, and Walt Green and his wife, Margarete.

The family has suggested memorials be made to the First Presbyterian Church Foundation.

Inez Marks

Services for Inez Marks, 82, of Rockwall were conducted at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 23, 2010, in the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel with Pastor Duane Crane officiating. Burial followed in the Rest Haven Memorial Park. She died May 20.

Born Oct. 9, 1927, in Muskogee, Okla., to Sam Daniel and Sarah Viola (Taylor) Lane, she volunteered at the Rockwall Nursing Home, receiving many awards, and was a member of the Bethel Baptist Church.

Survivors include her son, Michael Marks, and his wife, Vibha, of Balch Springs, and her siblings, Ralph Lane, John Lane, Wilma Gann and her husband, John, and Anna Summers, all of Muskogee, Harley Lane and his wife, Madelyn, of Owasso, Okla., and Ellen McClure of Broken Arrow, Okla.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 46 years, Alton Marks; her parents; and four siblings, Roy, Berril, Wanda and Bobby Ray.



Donegan's "dedication and generous contribution of time, talent and energy have benefited the City of McLendon-Chisholm and all of Rockwall County."

"Under Mike Donegan's leadership the City of McLendon-Chisholm and the City of Heath have partnered as friends and neighbors for the benefit of both communities," Ratcliffe said.

RISD trustees give favorable report

Trustees of the Rockwall Independent School District heard success of its staff health center, opinions on the district and plans to finance bonds along with the recognition of teacher awards for its finance staff and progress on construction projects at its 17 board meeting.

Staff reported a successful first year for the health center with 100 percent of all available appointments scheduled and an estimated 10 percent increase in insurance premium savings along with a potential \$880,000 abated through early diagnosis.

A representative from the district's Communication and Consulting reported that data from the "Survey of Attitudes" the opinion of staff, students and parents concerning the district is a "high level of excellence across the board."

The survey shows a marked increase in favorable attitudes at the school level with staff changes occurring for this school year.

The survey showed some declines in how well high school seniors prepared for life after graduation with a dip in appreciation for math and analytical skills and information literacy. Conversely they were more prepared to function as a team and work with diverse backgrounds.

According to the survey 73 percent of Rockwall ISD graduates completed a 4-year college program; 18 percent enroll in a two-year program and 5 percent are involved in other work.

Trustees voted to authorize staff to "pull the trigger" on refinancing at an optimal and efficient time to take advantage of low rates and other economies to save the district money.

News Briefs

Hanna's Reef to perform Thursday

The Concert by the Lake series continues. Thursday at The Hill theater. This week's band is Hanna's Reef, a Jimmy Buffet Tribute Band.

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Courthouse groundbreaking

The Rockwall Courthouse will host a groundbreaking ceremony for the new building located on Jacket Lane. The event is scheduled for 4 p.m. Friday. Entrance is free. The new courthouse is located on Jacket Lane, west of T.L. Townsend.

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1 Peter 1:3, "According as His divine power has given us certain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of led us unto glory and virtue." It's just astounding what for all of mankind through His beloved son Jesus Christ! knowledge can be found in 1Corinthians chapters 12-14 about spiritual matters.

emphasized how that all members in the body of Christ were same spirit from God. Just as God has great care and love for every member, so also should all members show God's care for each other. Chapter 13 placed priority emphasis on the love to mankind. It finished with, "And now abides faith [because of Christ's return for the body of Christ] and charity [God's kind], but the greatest of these is charity."

to 1Corinthians 14:1 where God repeats the emphasis on love, "Follow after charity and desire spiritual matters, but desire prophecy." The repetitive emphasis means that God's highest priority for us to show God's love toward each other. This emphasis does not exclude the desire to walk by the ways mentioned in 1Corinthians 12:7-10, or to serve as gift ministries. But when it comes to spiritual matters, to be by prophecy. The rest of chapter 14 distinguishes between matters of speaking in tongues and the interpretation of tongues. A great deal can be learned from this chapter.

with 1Corinthians 14:2-4, "For he that speaks in an unknown tongue speaks not unto men, but unto God; for no man understands the spirit he speaks mysteries. But he that speaks unto edification, exhortation and comfort. He that speaks in an edifies himself; but he that prophesies edifies the church." "Tongues" means languages that are foreign to the one speaking in tongues is not meant to edify others in the church. It is the person who is speaking.

A more exhaustive study of the word "prophecy" will show various actions. One use is to give revelation related to a specific person or use is by inspiration and involves giving edification, comfort for both the speaker and the others in the assembly.

Acts a man named Agabus prophesied by revelation two years before the death of a great dearth throughout the land. In Acts 11:28 he prophesied of what would happen to Paul if he went to Jerusalem. How and when the words are given is God's prerogative. A prophesy can be found in Luke 1:41-55 where Elisabeth she was filled with holy spirit. With revelation prophesy, words are given before they are spoken. Whereas with inspiration the words are given as the person starts speaking.

In verse 5 it is God's will for all members in the body of Christ to speak with tongues, but rather than to speak for greater is he that prophesies than he that speaks with tongues. For greater is he that prophesies than he that speaks with tongues. The context is spiritual matters that are self, versus edifying for the church.

Every meeting, if a person starts speaking in tongues he edifies himself unless that same one believes to give the interpretation. "except he interpret" is referring to the previous pronoun with tongues. The one who does the speaking also believes in interpretation.

What will truly build up the church is for all the members to apply God's word concerning spiritual matters. God is the author of the subject, and it benefits us greatly to rightly divide the word so that we can teach and direct us toward walking as dynamic and obedient children by the spirit of God.

Legacy School announces first slate of summer classes

Legacy School of Rockwall, a Christian-based non-profit private school dedicated to serving the needs of children who have dyslexia, ADHD and learning differences, has announced its inaugural summer classes. The summer classes will offer a variety of classes ranging from reading and language sciences, to drama, social skills and leadership. Classes will run from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Mondays through Fridays, at Legacy's new location, 1545 East I-30 in Rockwall.

Open to any student with learning differences, not just current Legacy students. During the opening of The Legacy School last year, we have witnessed the academic achievements of our students as well as in their confidence. "We are excited to offer summer classes that meet a need in the community and we are confident this program will lay a solid foundation that these students will carry with them during the coming school year."

Registration for both summer sessions is June 7. For more information, please call 214-771-1655; openings are limited. Class sizes will range from three and a maximum of six students, with the exception of Drama Camp.

Classes will be 55 minutes in length (with the exception of Drama Camp) and will be two hours each day. Each session is \$300 per class; supply fee for each course is included in the course title. Individual classes may be available at a slightly reduced rate. Classes will be intense; therefore, only serious students should apply. For more information, please call 214-771-1655 or visit our website at www.legacyrockwall.com.

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Recognized as one of two Volunteers of the Year for the Royse City Chamber of Commerce this year was Ginger Stephens, right. Shown presenting the award to Stephens is Julia Bryant, executive director of the chamber. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

Royce City Chamber of Commerce distributes awards, recognizes officers

The Royse City Chamber of Commerce hosted its annual awards luncheon May 18.

Those receiving awards at the event included Jaime Torrez, Police Officer of the Year; Tanner Dietz, Firefighter of the Year; Ginger Stephens and Becky Valadez, Volunteers of the Year; Lake Pointe Medical Center, Corporate Sponsor Award; Stonebrook Learning Center, Business of the Year; Julie Fowler, President's Award; Bill and Mary Ellis, Dr. Ron Jones Outstanding Service Award; David Gardner, Big R Pacesetter Award; and Clay Ellis, Zaner Benetin Heritage Hall of Fame Award.

Recognized as new board members were Josiah De La Garza of Lake Pointe Medical Center; Dena Elder of Ebby Halliday; Karen Parks of American National Bank; and Nancy Runge of Farmers Electric Cooperative. Each will serve a three-year term.

New officers recognized included Connie Taylor, Texas Leadership Bank, president; Becky Valadez, American Title of East Texas, vice president; Julie Fowler, Fowler Designs, secretary; and Ginger Stephens, Ginger Stephens CPA, treasurer.



Becky Valadez, right, was one of two individuals recognized as the Royse City Chamber of Commerce Volunteer of the Year at the organization's recent awards luncheon. Shown with the honoree is Julia Bryant, chamber executive director. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

Rockwall County Letters to the Editor

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.

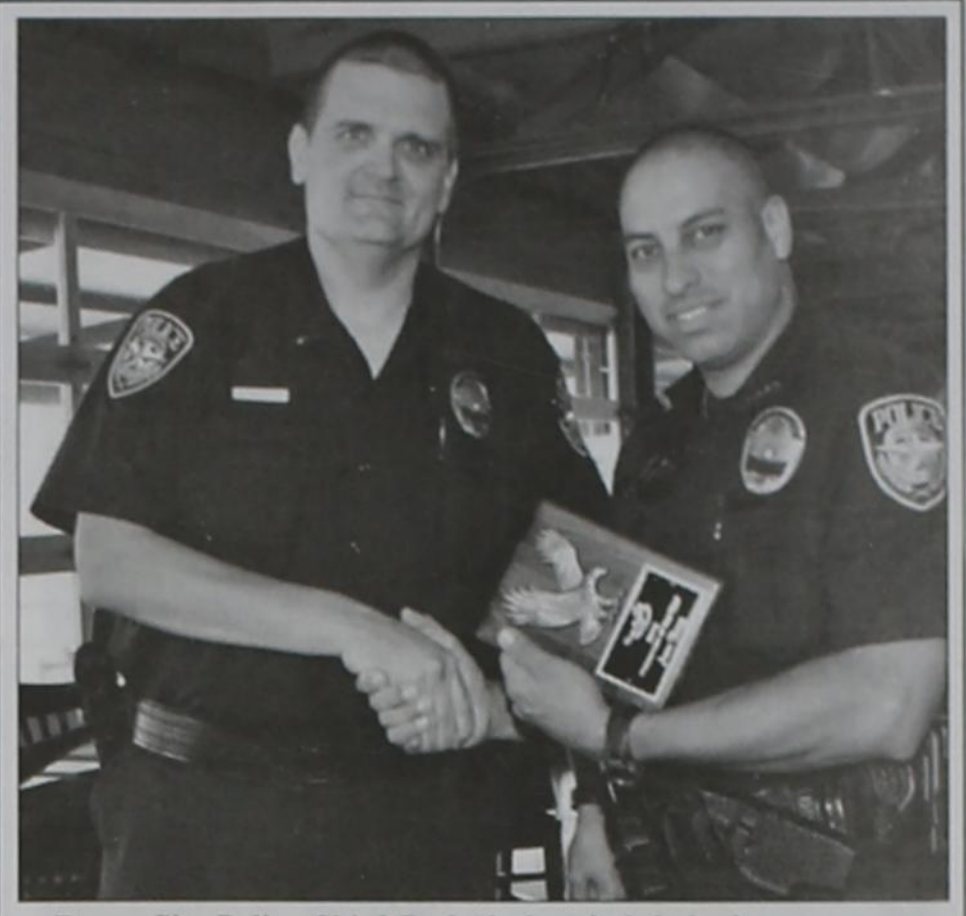
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Royse City Police Chief Carl Alsbrook, left, is shown presenting the city's Police Officer of the Year award to Jaime Torrez. The presentation was made as part of the Royse City Chamber's May 18 awards luncheon. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News



Richard Bell, left, Royse City fire chief, is shown presenting the Firefighter of the Year award to Tanner Dietz, 19-year-old son of Mike and Gisele Dietz of Royse City. Dietz has been involved with the Royse City Volunteer Fire Department since he was 14 years old. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

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Cain Middle School Awards, Mrs Maurine Cain, pictured in green, honored the honorees with her presence. Standing with Cain is school principal Jason Johnson.

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Reese Wilson was named male student of the year during Monday's Cain Middle School awards ceremony. Presenting is Walt Thomas, member of East Fork Trinity Chapter.

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Paige Parent earns female student of the year today's Cain Middle School awards ceremony. Presenting principal Jason Johnson.

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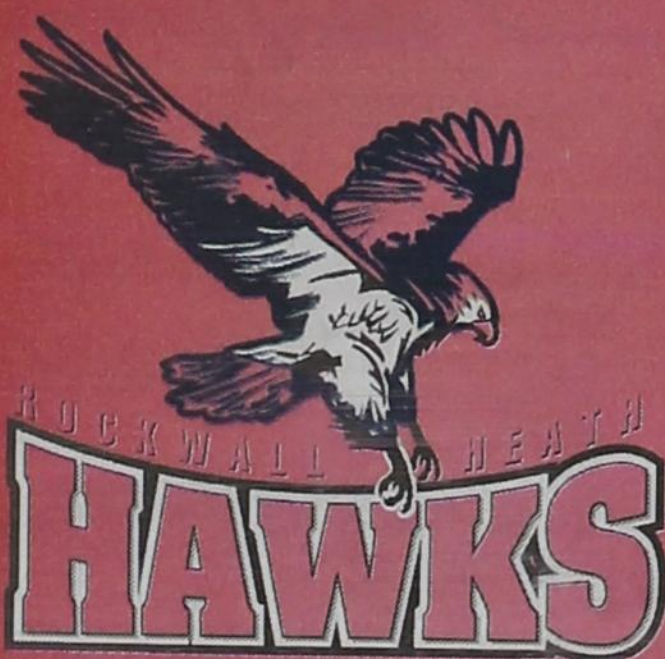
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We would like to give the following families a special thank you for their contribution to our Prom this year:

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- Ty and Nora Harding
- Don and Elizabeth Woods

A Special Thank You to our wonderful RHHS faculty, staff, and principal Mr. Tom Maglisceau, for all their support, as well as a very special thank you to Julie Durst, Senior Class Sponsor, who worked endless hours making Prom the best one yet!

We would also like to thank all the parents who volunteered countless hours in making the Prom and After Prom a huge success!



Janet Nichol, Roysie City City Council member, is shown participating in flowerbed improvement undertaken recently in historic downtown area of her community. Nichol and several other planted 200 begonias. The makeover started in April when RCHS seniors invested 20 hours sweeping sidewalks, pulling weeds, washing windows and picking up litter. The Roysie City Rotary Club and Texas Leadership Bank each donated \$500 for materials used in the bed. Penny of Penny Landscape planted seven yaupon hollies as part of the Main Street Program.

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The Rockwall Fire Department recently introduced a new small brush truck purchased from a Texas Forest Service grant. The grant funded 90 percent of the \$78,000 cost of the F550. The department was notified last year that it would be awarded the grant, which was approved in 2004.

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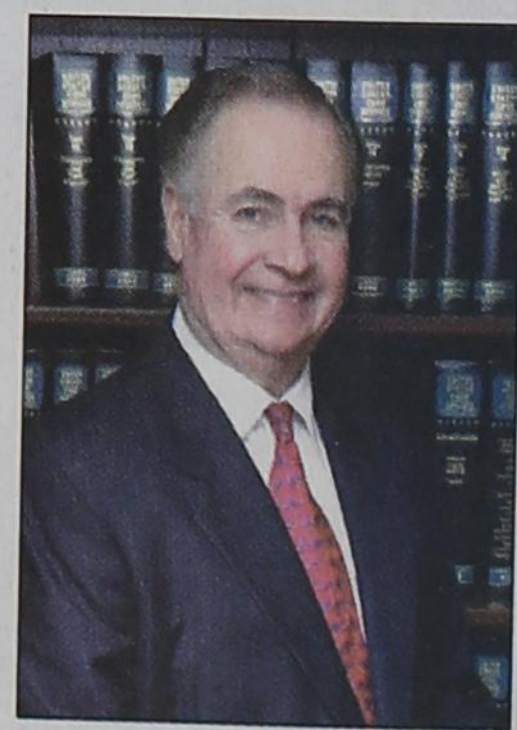
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Ted Lyon of Rockwall was recognized recently by Texas A&M University Commerce as a Distinguished Alumnus. Lyon, who specializes in complex litigation and has spent the past 34 years as an attorney representing clients in more than 150 jury trials, has received verdicts ranked in the top 1 percent in the nation on three occasions, and has been named a Super Lawyer by Texas Monthly magazine.

He completed his bachelor's degree in political science from A&M-Commerce in 1972 before obtaining his juris doctorate from Southern Methodist University in 1975. Lyon served in the Texas House of Representatives from 1979-1983, followed by service in the Texas State Senate from 1983-1993. He has contributed to numerous professional organizations, including the Dallas Trial Lawyers Association, where he was a member and past president. Lyon has been a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates since 1997 and was a founding member and director of the Southern Trial Lawyers Association. Lyon is one of only 112 individuals receiving this recognition from Texas A&M University Commerce.

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Rockwall County News Briefs

Internet safety workshop planned

Internet safety will be offered from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the City Methodist Church, 305 N. Josephine St., Royse City. The workshop, which is for ages 8 through adult, is welcomed to all. For more information, contact Mary Kay Brandow, abradow@marykay.com or call 972-636-4111.

Library closing for Memorial Day

The Rockwall County Library will be closed Saturday through Monday for Memorial Day. The facility will reopen Tuesday.

Heath plans Memorial Day event

The City of Heath will host a Memorial Day Celebration at 10 a.m. Monday at Memorial Park, 2500 State Hwy. 66 East, Rockwall. For more information, contact Sharon Connor at 972-771-8641.

YMCA summer day camp

The Rockwall County YMCA will host a summer day camp for children from June 12-16. Camp Dakota will serve the younger group, ages 5-11, with activities such as archery, riflery, canoeing, swimming, arts and crafts, and field trips. The Teen Adventure Camp will include field trips, swimming and a healthy lifestyle component for teens. Registration will be ongoing through the summer. For more details visit rockwallymca.org or call 972-771-8641.

Republican Lunch Bunch to meet

The Rockwall County Republican Lunch Bunch will meet at 11:30 a.m. at Luigi's Italian Café, Rockwall. Cost will be \$10, which includes a beverage, tax and tip; no reservations required. For more information, contact the social event open to all area Republicans, call Dalton Dalton at 972-636-4034.

Petty Theft to perform

The Lake series continues. June 3 at The Harbor. The week's band is Hanna's Reef, a Tom Petty cover band. 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.

Rockwall to host car, craft show June 5

The Royse City Main Event Car & Craft Show is set for June 5 at the Royse City Main Event Center, 2500 State Hwy. 66 East, Rockwall. Registration will run from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., and the show will run from 3 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Awards will be distributed at dusk. Prizes going to the first 50 entrants. Entry fee is \$15. For more information, call 972-324-1180 or visit gasolineallyearshows.com.

Rockwall Bible offers VBS

The Rockwall Bible Church, Hwy. 66 and FM 549, will offer a free vacation Bible School (VBS) and the Mt. Carmel Truth Contest, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. All children ages 5 through eighth grade are welcome. Bring a friend (Junior High Bible Camp is planned for ages 12 and 13). Activities will include drama, Bible stories, crafts, and contests. On June 11 a build-your-own-ice-cream-sundae social will be conducted for children and parents. Register at rockwallbible.org or call 972-771-6179.

Library offers Ticket to Read

The Rockwall County Library's summer reading program, Your Ticket to Read, offers a cloth book bag or a chance to win a gift certificate to any of the participating vendors, views or listens to five library items - books, videos, or the library blog at rocklibadults.blogspot.com. The program runs from July 7 through Aug. 7.

ESL/GED summer classes to begin

Second Language/GED summer classes will run June 7 through August 13 at the Rockwall County Library. Classes will be offered from noon to 5 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays or Tuesdays and Thursdays. All classes will run from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Intermediate classes will be offered. Registration required. For more information, contact the library's literacy area.

Teen Kickoff set at library

The Rockwall County Library will host its Teen Kickoff from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on June 11.

Mars Hills concert slated

The Lake series continues. June 10 at The Harbor. The week's band is Mars Hill. Admission to all concerts, in 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.

Mental illness support groups to meet

NAMI support groups - one for individuals with mental illness and one for their families (Room 123 B Bldg.) will meet from 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. on June 12 at the First United Methodist Church, 1200 E. Rockwall. Call Hal or Dee Whitfield, 972-412-6030, for more information.

Donations needed for benefit concert

The 12th Annual Harbor Rock Concert, which will benefit the Rockwall County Girls' Club, is in need of raffle items. Suggested items include jewelry, large electronics, trips, etc. Any individual, organization or business can donate an item valued at \$500 or more will receive two VIP tickets to the concert. For more details contact Brenda Keilers at brend1018@aol.com.

Library program set June 15

The Rockwall County Library will offer basic computer classes. Classes will be held on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays beginning June 21, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Reservations are required. Contact the librarian, Gavin Sheaffer, at 972-204-7700 or visit the upstairs computer lab.

Voodoo Blue to perform

The Lake series continues. June 17 at The Harbor. The week's band is Voodoo Blue, a Steve Ray Vaughn tribute 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.

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Zooniversity set at library

The Zooniversity program will run from 3 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. June 22 at the Rockwall County Library.

Eagles cover band to play

The Lake series continues. June 24 at The Harbor. The week's band is the Eagles cover band Fast Lane. 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.

Duct Tape Mania planned

The Duct Tape Mania will take place June 29 at the Rockwall County Library. Those planning on attending should register at the library.

Rotarians accepting grant applications

The Rockwall County Breakfast Rotary Club is now accepting applications to its Grant Program, the purpose of which is to help subsidize humanitarian efforts or projects in Rockwall County. The programs



The Rockwall-Heath High School cheerleaders and mascots shared their Hawk spirit with their peers earlier this month, serving ice cream and bottled water to members of the Mighty Hawk Band following a practice. Pictured above are members of all three groups. Photo courtesy of Krissy Edwards/Rockwall County News



Julie Martin, director of business development at Texas Regional Medical Center at Sunnyvale, left, was among many working at Saturday's Spring Health Fair, which celebrated the official opening of Sunnyvale Medical Plaza medical office building and the early success of the hospital next door. Also pictured are Joe Plumlee, Town of Sunnyvale's fire chief, and Rockwall resident Penny Range, TRMC-Sunnyvale's chief nursing officer. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News



Reading for Adults program manager Gloria Bishop, left, and Rockwall County Library director Marcine McCulley recently accepted a \$3,000 Texas Reads grant on behalf of the RFA program, a nonprofit adult and family literacy program. The Reading for Adults program is one of only four library-based programs in the state named a recipient of a 2010 Texas Reads grant. RFA will provide tutoring from June 7 through July 22. Limited space is available in GED Test Preparation, Beginning ESL Conversation and Intermediate ESL Conversation classes. To register, visit the library's RFA office; for more information e-mail gloriab4@verison.net or call Bishop at 972-204-7705. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News



Brooklin Smith of Royse City is shown dipping candles as part of Lakeland Academy's Camp Soaring Eagle. Located on a ranch near Royse City, the weekly day camp accommodates children in grades 1-5 and runs from June 7 until Aug. 13. Features include paddle boats, nature hikes and activities, horseback riding, trail rides, Native American and pioneer activities, crafts, daily water activities, art and more. Transportation to and from camp also is offered. For more details visit lakelandacademy.org or call 972-636-3777. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

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In accordance with Federal Regulations, Individuals with Disabilities Educational Act, Child Find Identification (34CFR section 300.125, 300.451), this is notification that Royse City Independent School District, Located at 810 E. Old Greenville Road, Royse City, TX has a child find system for indentifying, locating and evaluating all children with disabilities, from birth through 21 years of age, residing in the district, including children with disabilities attending private schools, regardless of the severity of their disabilities, and who are in need of special education and related services.

If you have any questions please call the Special Services office at 972-636-9514.

- Public Notice -

The City of Rockwall Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday, June 8, 2010** at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Rockwall City Hall, 385 South Goliad, Rockwall, Texas, and the Rockwall City Council will hold a public hearing on **Monday, June 21, 2010** at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Rockwall City Hall, 385 South Goliad, Rockwall, Texas, to consider the following items:

Z2010-009: Proposed SUP "Antique/Collectible Sales" - 201 N Alamo Rd.

Hold a public hearing and consider a request by DeAnna Davis of The Consignment Shop for approval of a Specific Use Permit (SUP) to allow for "Antique/Collectible Sales" within the (DT) Downtown district, specifically within the existing building located at 201 N. Alamo Rd, being a 0.28-acre tract known as part of Lot 5 and all of Lots 7-8, Block H, Rockwall OT Addition.

Z2010-010: Proposed SUP "Antique/Collectible Sales" - 106 S. Goliad St.

Hold a public hearing and consider a request by Kim Hoegger of Kim Hoegger HOME for approval of a Specific Use Permit (SUP) to allow for "Antique/Collectible Sales" within the (DT) Downtown district, specifically within the existing building located at 106 S. Goliad, being a .064-acre tract known as part of Block N, Rockwall OT Addition.

- All interested parties are encouraged to attend. Please contact the City of Rockwall Planning and Zoning staff at (972) 771-7745 with any questions. Additional information can be found on all current Zoning cases on the City's website: <http://www.rockwall.com/Planning/ZoningChanges.asp>.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids addressed to Mr. Chuck Todd, P.E., City Engineer, will be received at the office of the Purchasing Agent, 385 S. Goliad, City Hall, 1st Floor, **June 11, 2010**, until the hour of **2:30 PM**, for the following project:

Dalton Road Lift Station Improvements

The project includes bypass pumping, cleaning the existing wet well, removing and disposing of existing base elbows, discharge piping and guide rails, rehabilitating the wet well floor, furnishing and installing new ductile iron discharge piping, base elbows, guide rails, stainless steel hardware and other miscellaneous items. All work shall meet OSHA guidelines for confined space entry.

Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope **externally marked: Dalton Road Lift Station Improvements.**

Bids will be opened and publicly read in the City Council Chambers at the Rockwall City Hall, 385 S. Goliad. No bids will be open or considered if received after the specified time.

Prequalification is not required. Completion time is **30 Calendar Days, NO DAYS EXCEPTED.** The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any irregularities and/or to accept the bid or bids deemed best for the City.

A 5% Bid Bond is due with the bids. A Performance, Payment, and **Maintenance Bond (2-year)** is required for this project.

Contractors must conform to the Prevailing Wage Rates as established by the City of Rockwall.

Plans and specifications may be examined and procured at the City of Rockwall Engineering Department located at the Rockwall City Hall, 385 S. Goliad, 1st Floor, Rockwall, Texas (phone numbers 972-771-7746/fax 972-771-7748) at a non-refundable cost of \$25.00, beginning May 28, 2010. Only those Bids received from Contractors who have purchased the plans and specifications for this project from the City of Rockwall, and are listed on the City's List of Plan Holders, will be opened at the Bid Opening for consideration.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

A public hearing will be held by the City of Rockwall Building & Standards Commission on Thursday, June 10, 2010. The following properties will be addressed during the public hearing: 582 Eva, 281 Yvonne and 315 Ranch Trail in Rockwall, Texas 75032 and 602 N. Alamo in Rockwall, TX 75087. The meeting will be held at 6:30 P.M. in the City Council Chambers, located at 385 S. Goliad, Rockwall, TX 75087. A complete copy of the order to the owners of these properties may be obtained from the Code Enforcement Department of the City of Rockwall.

Legal Notice

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT MARINE QUEST-CHANDLER'S LANDING L.P. DBA CHANDLER'S LANDING MARINA HAS FILED A WRITTEN APPLICATION DATED THE 18TH DAY OF MAY, 2010 TO BE ISSUED A WINE AND BEER RETAILER'S OFF-PREMISE PERMIT, AT HARBOR VIEW DRIVE, ROWLETT, ROCKWALL COUNTY, TEXAS. OFFICERS OF MARINE QUEST-CHANDLER'S LANDING L.P. INCLUDE: MARINE QUEST, INC./GENERAL PTN. IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 61.38 OF THE "TEXAS ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CODE", SAID APPLICATION WILL BE HEARD BEFORE THE HONORABLE CHRIS FLORANCE, COUNTY JUDGE OF ROCKWALL COUNTY TEXAS, LOCATED AT 101 EAST RUSK STREET, 3RD FLOOR, IN ROCKWALL, TEXAS ON THE 24TH DAY OF JUNE, 2010 AT 8:30 O'CLOCK AM. WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE THIS TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2010. LEA CARLSON, CHIEF DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK, ROCKWALL COUNTY, TEXAS.

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You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Original Petition, at or before ten o'clock AM. of the Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days after the date of issuance of this Citation, on MONDAY, 28TH OF JUNE, 2010 AT 10:00 AM. before the Honorable County Court At Law (district) of Rockwall County, Texas at the Government Center, 1101 Ridge Road of said County in Rockwall, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition, was filed in said Court on MAY 12, 2010, AD., in this case numbered 1-09-1358 on the docket of said court, and styled, THE AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK OF TEXAS vs. NICHOLS EDWARD AIKMAN, also known as NICHOLAS AIKMAN.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: SUIT ON NOTE

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates thereof, and make due return as the law directs.

ISSUED AND GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF SAID COURT AT Office, this the 17th day of May, 2010.

KA Y MCDANIEL, District Clerk Rockwall County, Texas
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By: ALVA CARAWAY, Dpt. ROCKWALL COUNTY, 107 E. BOURN AVENUE, BOX 819, ROCKWALL, TX 75087 (Newspaper)
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DEFENDANT

CITY OF FATE PUBLIC NOTICE

The Planning and Commission of the City of Fate will hold a Public Hearing on June 17, 2010 at 7:00 PM at the Fate Community Center, W.E. Crawford, to consider the Riding Club Community Park, Riding Club Road in the City of Fate, Rockwall County, Texas. For detailed information regarding this replat, please the City Hall, located at 10 Main Place, at (972) 771-4200. The City Council of the Fate will hold a Public Hearing and Consider an Ordinance on June 21, 2010 at 7:00 PM, at the Community Center, 1045 W.E. Crawford, to consider the Riding Club Community Park, Riding Club Road in the City of Fate, Rockwall County, Texas. For detailed information regarding this replat, please the City Hall, located at 10 Main Place, at (972) 771-4200. Jean Dwinell, TRMC City Secretary
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Squabble Creek Lift Station

The project includes the construction of a 4 MGD Lift Station (1-35 HP Pump and 2-160 Pumps); Splitter Box; 410 LF 30-inch AWWA C905, DR 21 (Green) PVC Force Main; 227 LF 24-inch ASTM F679, PS 46, PVC Gravity Sewer; 127 LF 30-inch ASTM F679, PS 46, PVC Gravity Sewer; 1- 4-foot Type "S" Manhole; 6- 6-foot Manholes; and other miscellaneous items. All work shall meet OSHA guidelines for confined space entry.

Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope **externally marked: Squabble Creek Lift Station.**

Bids will be opened and publicly read in the City Council Chambers at the Rockwall City Hall, 385 S. Goliad. No bids will be open or considered if received after the specified time.

Prequalification is not required. Completion time is **120 Calendar Days (Operational) 120 Calendar Days (Complete), NO DAYS EXCEPTED.** The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any irregularities and/or to accept the bid or bids deemed best for the City.

A 5% Bid Bond is due with the bids. A Performance, Payment, and **Maintenance Bond (2-year)** is required for this project.

Contractors must conform to the Prevailing Wage Rates as established by the City of Rockwall.

Plans and specifications may be examined Rockwall Engineering Office located at the Rockwall City Hall, 385 S. Goliad, 1st Floor, Rockwall, Texas (phone numbers 972-771-7746/fax 972-771-7748), and procured at the office of the Engineer, Birkhoff, Hendricks & Carter, LLP, 1101 Greenville Ave., Suite 600, Dallas, Texas (phone numbers- 214-361-7900/fax 214-461-8300) at a non-refundable cost of \$50.00, beginning May 28, 2010. Only those Bids received from Contractors who have purchased the plans and specifications for this project from the City of Rockwall, and are listed on the Engineer's List of Plan Holders, will be opened at the Bid Opening for consideration.

Class of 2010 Honor Graduates

Royse City High School



Lauren Pettitt is the valedictorian of Royse City High School. She plans to attend Southwestern Assemblies of God University where she will major in secondary math education.

Heritage Christian Academy



Sam Prater is the number two graduate at Heritage Christian Academy. He was accepted to 15 universities, each of which offered him scholarship money. He has decided to attend Oklahoma State University's Honors College, which granted him a \$40,000 scholarship.



Jordan Miller is the top graduate at Heritage Christian Academy. She received the DAR Good Citizen Award for \$50, as well as a \$56,000 scholarship to Ouachita Baptist University. She plans to attend OBU where she will major in musical theatre.

Poetry Community Christian School



Haley Clair Jones, daughter of Gary and Charisse Jones of Terrell, graduated with a 4.1 grade point average to become valedictorian of Poetry Community Christian School. Her academic achievements include being an active member of the school's Speech Team, a medalist in ready writing, math and history competitions. She also had several athletic achievements. She plans to attend Howard Payne University in Brownwood.



Michelle Marie Williams, daughter of Dave and Betsy Williams of Rowlett, graduated with a 3.95 grade point average to become salutatorian of Poetry Community Christian School. Her academic achievements included being an active member of the school's Speech Team, a medalist each year in prose or poetry and first place winner in poetry interpretation at the TCAL State Meet. She had several other extracurricular achievements. She plans to attend John Brown University in Siloam Springs, Ark., where she will major in early childhood education.

Rockwall Christian Academy

Anthony Kwong, son of Philip and Beth Kwong, is valedictorian of Rockwall Christian Academy. His academic achievements include National Honor Society, Critical Thinking Award 2009, 2009 Calculus Award, 2010 Government Award and the 2010 Economics Award. He plans to attend Texas Women's University and will pursue a career in physical therapy.

Shonda Boulware, daughter of Rhonda and Ken Cates, is the salutatorian of Rockwall Christian Academy. Her academic achievements include National Honor Society, 2010 Student of the Year, 2010 Speech Award and first place in sculpture in the TAPPS State Art Competition. She also garnered several athletic awards. Her plans are to study pre-med at Dallas Baptist University prior to entering Baylor Dental School.



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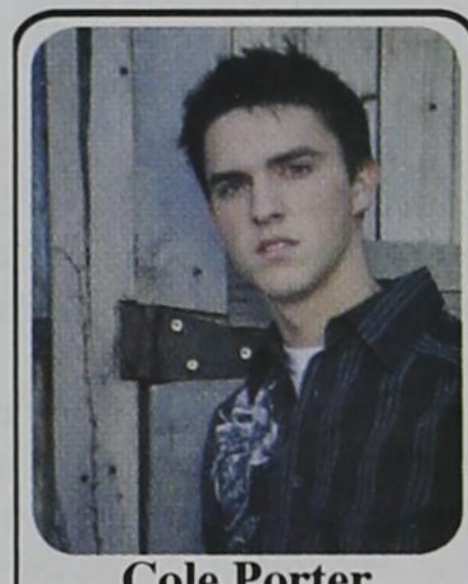
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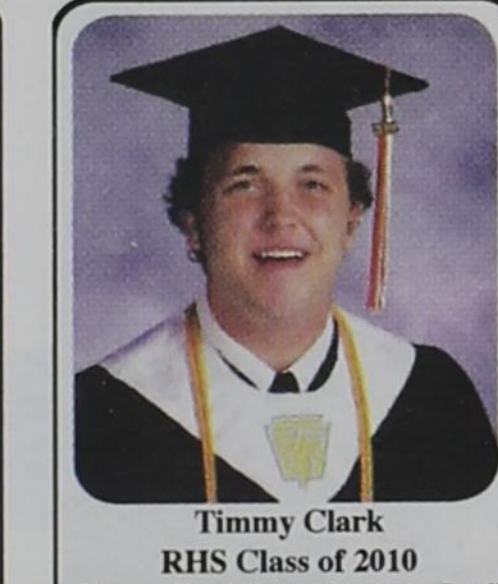


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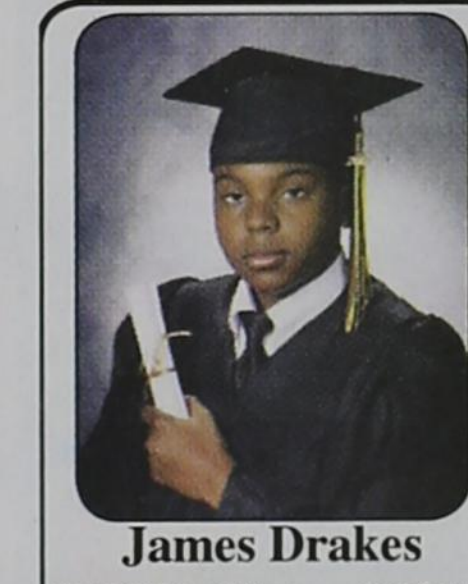
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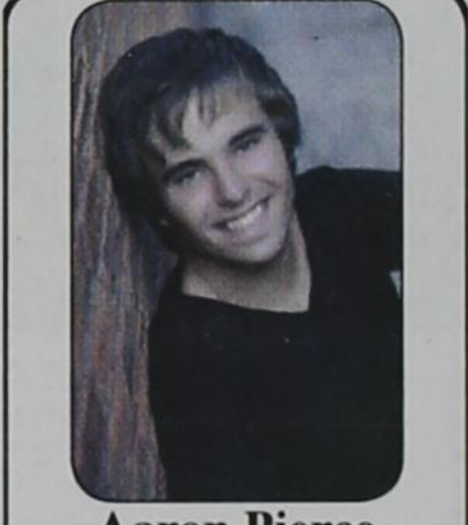


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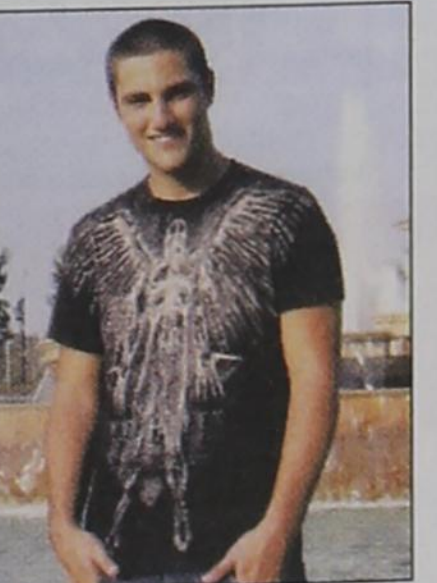
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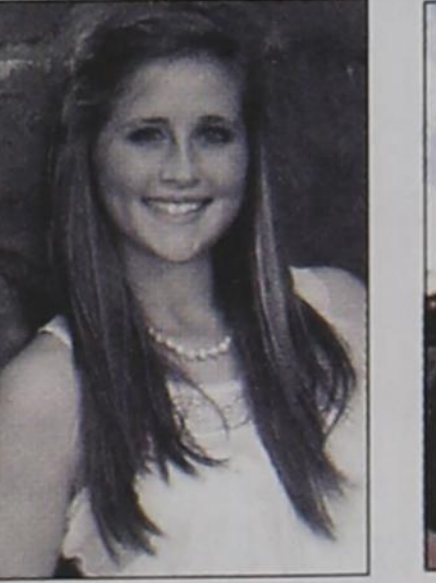
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Dr. Witherspoon is Board Certified in both Family Medicine and Primary Care Sports Medicine. He previously served as Medical Director at the University of Texas at Arlington Health Services Center and also was the Head Team Physician of the Athletic Department. He has served as the Sports Medicine Fellowship Director at Texas Tech University Health Science Center and has worked in private practice in family medicine as well. He has worked with a number of professional and collegiate athletes and enjoys caring for individuals of all ages and abilities.

Dr. Witherspoon grew up in Waco, and attended the University of Texas at Austin as an undergraduate and earned his MD from the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio. Dr. Witherspoon's residency training was with Garland Family Practice and his sports medicine fellowship at Charlton Methodist Hospital.

His wife grew up in Garland and is also pleased to be returning to the area. Dr. Witherspoon and his wife have two daughters. During his free time, he enjoys spending time with his family, golf and is an avid college football fan.



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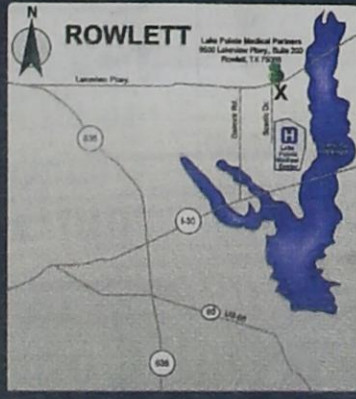


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The Rockwall-Heath Hawks' baseball team kneel in prayer after a pre-game pep talk by Coach Harvey (front) before last week's Regional Quarterfinals game against Newman Smith. The prayer is led by captain, Drew Benefield. Photo by Carl McClung/Rockwall County News. Click on photos/carls_sideline_pics

Year later, Hawks' last loss serves as motivation

Bump Hernandez said he was devastated by the loss of his freshman pitcher because of tendinitis. It was the losing pitcher in the final baseball game against Texarkana in the Region II-4A semifinals. Hernandez said he was devastated by the loss of his freshman pitcher because of tendinitis. It was the losing pitcher in the final baseball game against Texarkana in the Region II-4A semifinals. Hernandez said he was devastated by the loss of his freshman pitcher because of tendinitis. It was the losing pitcher in the final baseball game against Texarkana in the Region II-4A semifinals.

The team has come a long way just this season. They first became the Dallas Morning News' No. 1 4A team in the Metroplex. After winning three early-season tournaments, the Hawks were ranked No. 1 in the state. Then, on April 14, USA Today ranked RHHS No. 1 in the nation!

The news traveled fast in this wireless age.

Sophomore Thompson said, "I got a text from my summer coach. He said, 'You better get a copy of USA Today.' There it was, Rockwall-Heath sitting at number one!"

"I got a text message from a friend in Dallas," said senior center fielder Drew Baxter. "It was pretty humbling."

"My relatives in Arkansas called my mom. I let Coach Harvey know about it, and he said, 'They all know.'"

The Hawks also all seem to know that being ranked number one doesn't mean anything until they win the state title, which still requires advancing through four playoff rounds.

Harvey said, "The unbeaten record is just a by-product of the goal we have to survive each week. If we lose a game and are able to continue on, that's still OK because our ultimate goal is to go all the way and win the state."

Being unbeaten might mean more to his players than the coach knows. They have come through to survive extra-inning scares from Rockwall and Lake Highlands.

"In the close games when we come out on top, that makes us even better," Benefield said.

Thompson added, "Our experience is big when it's the bottom of the sixth and we're behind."

Harvey built his expectations because, "We knew we had all our

pitching back. That was the biggest key. Immediately, that meant we were going to be a good team.

"We've always been able to hit. Now we've exploded into a powerhouse. Experience is definitely a big key. We've built that winning tradition. Our pitching is even stronger because they're all a year older."

Don't think for a minute that this is Rockwall-Heath's one chance to shine.

Harvey said, "You always want to have some older talent mixed in with the young. That's the best of both worlds because you can continue to be good."

On this year's team, sophomores Hernandez and Thompson are the biggest run producers, with more than 40 runs batted in apiece, and are a combined 12-0 as pitchers. Hernandez has joined shortstop Trevor Holland in batting near .500 all season. Of his dual roles, Hernandez is quick to grin and say his favorite is "my hitting. Last year it was all about pitching. Now I've got Jake and James Baune to pick me up."

Benefield said, "At some schools, underclassmen never get a chance. We have outstanding younger guys. Everybody got to know their role."

For such a young program, there's a strong sense of history and tradition, fostered by the Rockwall County community.

Baxter said, "Texas High was a special group, the best high school team I've seen since Rockwall in '05 (as the state 5A runner-up)."

"We're trying to build on what Rockwall had," Harvey said. "Kids in Rockwall all grow up wanting to be a Yellowjacket. Now they want to be a Heath High Hawk too."

Sports Notes

Registration for the Rockwall Hawks' Basketball camp will be held on June 14-17, is through May 31 (particulars not listed early to attention 10 a.m. to 9 a.m. serving those who will be in the camp. Session 2 will be in grades 3-5 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. per camper, scholarships

are available and discounts offered to families with multiple campers. Both sessions will take place in the RHHS gym. For more details or to register contact Brad Waters at 214-538-2622 (bwaters@rockwallisd.org) or Justin Morett at 432-770-0601 (jmorett@rockwallisd.org).

MOW Golf Classic planned
The Rockwall County Committee on Aging will host its first Meals on Wheels Golf Classic 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.

High school schedules

Rockwall-Heath Hawks
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Hawks' first baseman Jake Thompson makes the catch and out off a throw by shortstop Trevor Holland during last week's Regional Quarterfinals game against Newman Smith.
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Cleburne next confident Hawks

It's 37-0 for Rockwall-Heath's baseball team, with a chance to win by this weekend.

The Hawks overcame District 10-4A rival Carrollton Newman Smith the third time this season Thursday, May 20, to win a one-game 4A quarterfinal 6-0.

Neither team scored until the third inning, when Trevor Holland drove in Armando Villa and Jovan Hernandez followed with a two-run homer for a 3-0 lead.

A throwing error and Holland's second double of the game put the Hawks in the fifth, and Drew Baxter doubled and scored the sixth.

RHHS' James Baune improved his personal record to 11-0 by striking out seven Trojans in 5 1/3 innings.

The game was played on Newman Smith's turf, Kelly Field in Cleburne because the Hawks lost coin flips both for the site and number of the series.

This weekend's Region II-4A semifinals will be a best-of-three series again the Hawks will to on the road – to Cleburne (29-10). There's a flip. Cleburne agreed to a possible three-game series if it could have two games. The series was scheduled to start Thursday, with games to begin (if necessary) beginning at 2 p.m. Saturday.

"We're very happy with it," said RHHS head coach Greg Harvey. "We have one really good left-handed pitcher, Ty Taylor. He's tough, and he's in the mid-80s."

The Hawks coach prefers best-of-three series, no matter what is played, because he doesn't believe an opponent could win two of three games against Rockwall-Heath pitchers Baune, Jake Thompson and Holland.

Harvey said, "Pitching and defense is (Cleburne's) strength. It's not a big scoring team. They play small ball, bunt, hit-and-run. It's enough when a team has good pitching."

That might not matter against the Hawks. Harvey said, "I feel like

Lady Jackets' offense shut down by Midway pitcher

Rockwall had stormed through the latter part of its softball schedule to reach the Region II-4A quarterfinals.

There, the Lady Jackets ran into more powerful weather in the form of Waco Midway pitcher Kermitria Ward.

RHS -- which had won 15 consecutive games by a combined score of 186-17, including 55-6 in four playoff games -- appeared to have enough offense to compete. The Lady Jackets had been shut out just twice in 35 games.

Ward, however, was something else. She ended Rockwall's season by shutting out RHS 1-0 on Thursday, May 20, at the Campbell Complex and 2-0 the next night at Baylor University in Waco.

She improved her personal record this season to 28-1.

Rockwall's Laycee Holcomb was doing her part. She allowed just five hits and only an unearned run in the first inning of the first game. That was enough for Ward, who struck out 15. The only hit she allowed was Kennedy Harrison's fourth-inning double.

The next night, Midway managed just two runs against Holcomb, but again Ward took away the Lady Jackets' bats. She struck out 13 in the shutout.

RHS can look back at a successful season when it repeated its District 10-4A title and advanced through three rounds of playoffs. Most of the team will return.

Graduation will take away four Lady Jackets -- starting outfielders Jamie Bain and Amanda Harmon, plus Maddy Canon and Taylor Townley.

Jackets come up short in regional quarterfinals

by Lary Bump

There were so many ways Rockwall could have defeated Frisco Wakeland to stay alive in the baseball playoffs.

But if there was a way for the Yellowjackets to make a mistake, even if only one error showed up in the linescore, the Jackets seemed to do just that.

In the end, RHS' 10-7 loss that gave Wakeland a sweep of a best-of-three Region II-4A quarterfinal series came down to the three fourth-inning runs that spoiled an otherwise spectacular relief effort by Chris Colavecchi.

The Jackets had developed an unhealthy pattern in the opening innings Friday, May 21, at McKinney Boyd. They'd score a run or two one inning, then give up more runs to the Wolverines.

Coming off a 4-1 loss in the series' first game a night earlier, Rockwall jumped on top with two runs in the bottom of the first inning. Wesley Cox singled to drive in one run, then scored himself on a throwing error.

At that point, the Jackets seemed to have regained control. It was Wakeland scrambling, with an error and two wild pitches.

It didn't appear to be a big deal when Josh Deloach struck out to end the inning, leaving Blake Turner on third base. However, it was foreshadowing of a game in which RHS would strand 10 runners, seven of them in scoring position, and have two others thrown out at home plate.



Lady Jackets' shortstop Cyndi Bertrand feeds the ball to second baseman Carlie Jenkins who tagged for an out during last week's Regional Semifinals game against Waco Midway.
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Rockwall's lead and control were short-lived. With one out, Cox hit Frisco's Landon Baker with a pitch. He scored and Wakeland had a runner at second base, but with two out and Kyle Leafgren, ninth in the order, at bat.

However, Leafgren ripped a double to tie the game and scored on Willie Schwanke's single. Eric Swann's home run made the score 5-2.

The Jackets came back with a run in the third, but left two runners on base. Wakeland answered that run with Sean McCracken's solo homer. After Joe Swanner singled, Colavecchi relieved Cox. He allowed Swanner to score on a sacrifice fly before retiring the side with the score 7-3.

With a warm breeze picking up, RHS received a break. With two out and two runners on base, Hunter Wade hit a high pop up virtually straight up. When the ball landed in front of catcher Greg McCall, Blake Turner scored from second base, but the other runners advanced only one base. When Cole Harris followed with a single, Swann was able to cut down another run at the plate.

Colavecchi retired the first two Wolverines in the fourth before McCall hit

a pop up. Jackets shortstop Spencer Edwards moved back, but not fast enough as the ball landed behind him and McCall hustled to a double. Colavecchi couldn't retire the next three batters, so Wakeland scored three runs for a 10-4 lead.

Rockwall came back with two runs in the fourth on singles by Josh Deloach, but left two runners on base. The Jackets cut the lead to 10-6, but had another runner thrown out when J.D. Deloach struck out. He hesitated, then took off and was out at home. The inning ended with two at second and third bases.

Over the last three innings, Colavecchi held the Wolverines in check. At that time, the Jackets had used their energy leaving runners on base. Wakeland's Jeff Oracion retired them in order.

Thus ended an up-and-down season that featured a strong playoff effort. RHS coming back from a game down to upset McKinney North in a sweeping Dallas Hillcrest in two hard-fought games. The Jackets finished with a 23-15-1 record.



Yellowjackets' Spencer Edwards rounds third base as Coach Jeff Payne relays a signal.
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NOTICE OF DISTRICT PETITION

TCEQ Internal Control No. 03222010-D03

Lavon Water Supply Corporation (Petitioner) has filed a petition with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to convert Lavon Water Supply Corporation to a Utility District (District) and transfer Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) No. 10066 from Lavon Water Supply Corporation to Lavon Special Utility District. The Utility District's business address will be: 16881 C.R. 541, Lavon, Texas 75166. This petition was filed pursuant to Chapters 13 and 65 of the Texas Water Code; 30 Texas Administrative Code Chapters 291 and 293; and the procedural rules of the TCEQ.

The purpose of the petition are for the conversion of Lavon Water Supply Corporation to a Utility District and the organization, creation and establishment of Lavon Special Utility District under the provisions of Article XVI, Section 59, Texas Constitution, and Chapter 65 of the Texas Water Code, as amended. The District shall have the purposes and powers provided in Chapter 65 of the Texas Water Code, and CCN No. 10066 shall be transferred as provided in Chapter 13, Texas Water Code, as amended. The nature of the services presently performed by Lavon Water Supply Corporation is to purchase, own, hold, lease and otherwise acquire sources of water supply; to build, operate and maintain facilities for the transportation of water; and to sell water to individual members, towns, cities, private businesses, and other political subdivisions of the State. The nature of the services proposed to be provided by Lavon Special Utility District is to purchase, own, hold, lease, and otherwise acquire sources of water supply; to build, operate, maintain facilities for the storage, treatment, and transportation of water; and to sell water to individuals, towns, cities, private business entities and other political subdivisions of the State. Additionally it is proposed that the District will protect, preserve and restore the purity and quantity of the water within the District. It is anticipated that conversion will have no adverse effect on the rates and services provided to the customers.

The District is located in Collin and Rockwall Counties and will contain approximately 14 acres. The territory to be included within the proposed District includes all of the unincorporated service area covered by CCN No. 10066 and is set forth in the following boundary description designated as Exhibit "A" hereto. The proposed District is also depicted in the following vicinity map designated as Exhibit "B" hereto.

CCN No. 10066 will be transferred after a positive confirmation election.

CONTESTED CASE HEARING. The TCEQ may grant a contested case hearing on this petition if a written hearing request is filed within 30 days after the newspaper publication of this notice.

To request a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a partnership, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) the name of the petitioner and the TCEQ Internal Control Number; (3) the written request a contested case hearing; (4) a brief description of how you would be affected by the petition in a way not common to the general public; and (5) the location of your property relative to the proposed district's boundaries. You may also submit your proposed amendments to the petition which would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address provided in the information section below.

The Executive Director may approve the petition unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 30 days after the newspaper publication of this notice. If a hearing request is filed, the Executive Director may not approve the petition and will forward the petition and hearing request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. If a contested case hearing is held, it will be a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in district court.

FORMAL HEARING. Written hearing requests should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 103, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087. For information concerning the hearing process, please contact the Public Interest Counsel, MC 103, at the same address. For additional information, individual members of the general public may contact the Districts Secretary at 1-512-239-4691. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-512-239-4691. General information regarding TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.tceq.state.tx.us.

May 27, 2010

Exhibit "A"

CCN BOUNDARY
NO. 10066
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- THENCE S. 88 deg. 54 min. 25 sec. W. with Prince Road, a distance of approximately 3981.16 feet to a point for corner;
- THENCE S. 01 deg. 05 min. 35 sec. E. a distance of approximately 1378.55 feet to a point for corner;
- THENCE S. 88 deg. 54 min. 26 sec. W. a distance of approximately 1299.77 feet to a point for corner, State Plain Coordinates being N - 7037319.7, E - 2613815.0;
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- THENCE S. 01 deg. 05 min. 37 sec. E. a distance of approximately 119.12 feet to a point for corner;
- THENCE N. 74 deg. 02 min. 35 sec. W. a distance of approximately 1143.36 feet to a point for corner;
- THENCE N. 01 deg. 11 min. 33 sec. W. a distance of approximately 684.07 feet to a point for corner, State Plain Coordinates being N - 7045276.3, E - 2614417.8;
- THENCE N. 89 deg. 59 min. 37 sec. W. a distance of approximately 3889.77 feet to a point for corner within N. Smith Road;
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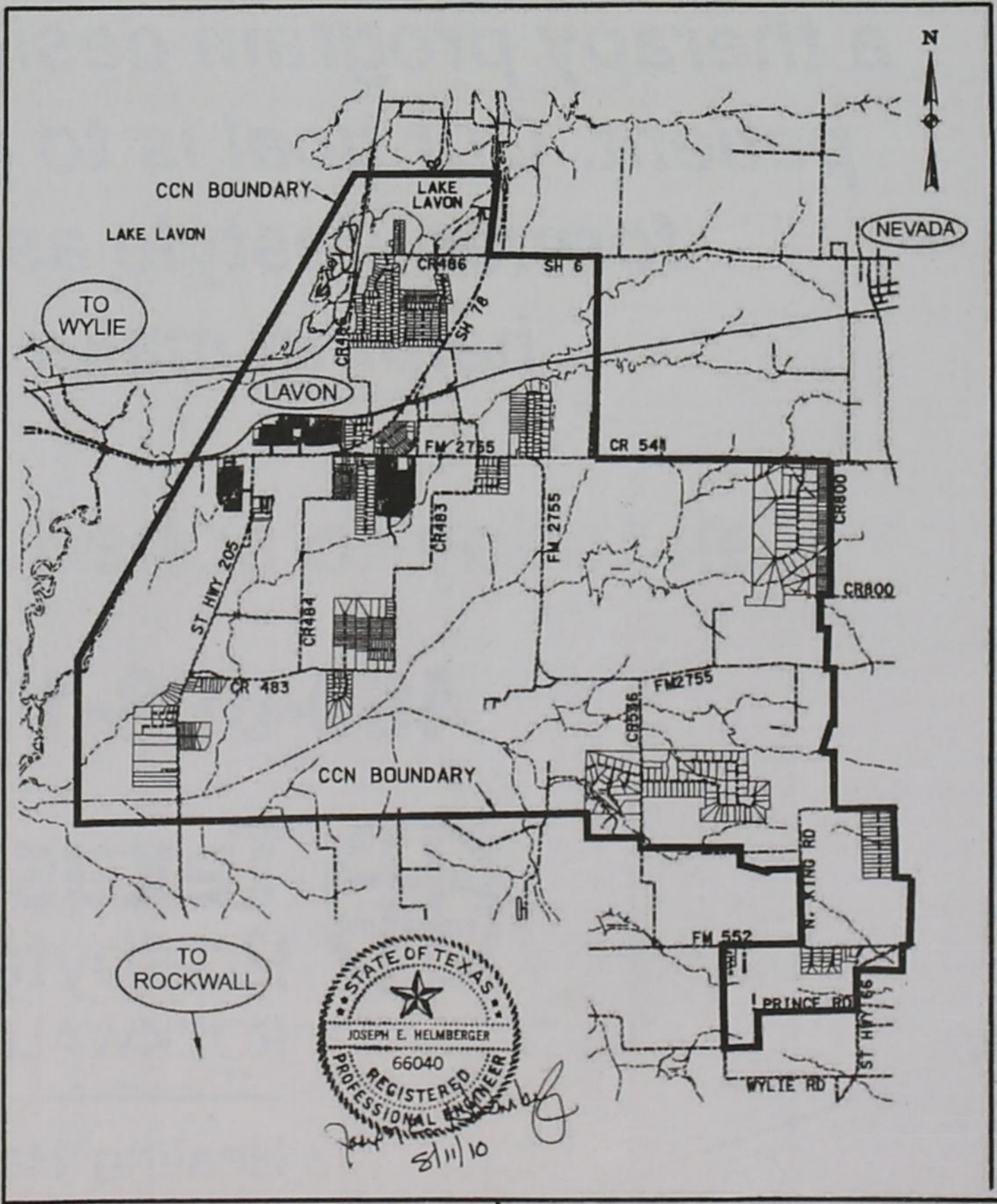
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