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Fate continues curfew, citizen addresses parents' rights

On Monday, Dec. 15, the City of Fate unanimously voted to readopt and continue a juvenile curfew for the period of another three years. All council members were present for the public meeting.

Based on the council minutes, Director of DPS Brian Griffith reported citations were issued for violations of the ordinance during the past year. He said the curfew is important as a law enforcement tool for reduction of property crimes and criminal mischief.

The council conducted a public hearing about the curfew during the 11 and 15 meetings. During the Dec. 1 meeting, Fate citizen Michael Yovitch spoke out against the Juvenile Curfew Ordinance. He insisted "people should be able to designate their own time to come and go, the ordinance is not real apropos if there were only three citations per year for ordinance violations in the past three years."

Griffith countered Drayovitch's comments by explaining, "Juveniles could not be allowed to designate their own curfew."

City attorney Brenda McDonald was not asked to advise on the issues related to whether parents and guardians have the right to designate curfews for respective juveniles, and the legal implications involving waiver of a natural right.

Research of state law revealed that the city council was required to review the ordinance effects on the community and on problems the ordinance was intended to remedy (Local Gov. Code Title 11 Public Safety Section 370.002 (1)).

The city council did not discuss the ordinance effects on the community

based on the comments from Drayovitch about the right of the people to determine personal curfews.

According to the Juvenile Justice Code Section 51.02 Definitions, the term "child" "means a person who is (A) 10 years of age or older and under 17 years of age; or (B) 17 years of age or older and under 18 years of age who is alleged or found to have engaged in delinquent conduct or conduct indicating a need for supervision as a result of acts committed before becoming 17 years of age."

The council passed the consent agenda unanimously, which included approval of Resolution R-830 related to a preliminary plat in the Woodcreek Subdivision and applicants David Booth, Pat Sessions and Kirby Jones.

During discussion, Council member Lance Megyesi asked about the single entrance into the subdivision that was shown in the preliminary plat. DPS Director Griffith clarified that as the plat moves to the final stages, an additional means of ingress and egress will be added.

During the citizens' comments phase of the meeting, Scott Appelquist of Fate requested the removal of a stop sign located in front of his house at the intersection of West Fate Main Place and Payton Way. He suggested relocating the sign to the intersection of West Fate Main Place and Harper Drive. No action was taken on the issue.

Bob Fisher of KSA Engineers in McKinney shared general information about the business. He spoke of interest in the opportunity to provide services to the City of Fate. No action was taken by the council.

Other items:

- Joe Burger moved to adopt Resolution R-831 to award a contract for Comprehensive Planning Firm to Freese & Nichols for the city's Comprehensive Plan Update. There is no record that required notices were published in accordance with state law.
- Resolution R-833 approving the interlocal cooperation agreement between Rockwall County and the City of Fate regarding municipal judge services related to the DWI "no refusal weekends" during certain holidays. The resolution passed, with Jon Thatcher abstaining.
- Resolution R-834 to approve the interlocal agreement between Rockwall County and City of Fate for participation in the Interoperability Radio Network. The resolution passed with Thatcher abstaining.
- Resolution R-835 appointing citizen representatives to the County Open Space Master Plan Steering Committee. Passed with Mayor Lorne Megyesi abstaining.
- Council went into executive session to secretly discuss "commercial or financial information that the City has received from a business prospect that the city seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the City of Fate and with which the city is conducting economic development negotiations; and to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to the business prospect." No action was taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

'Romeo & Juliet' to open on RCP stage in February

"Romeo & Juliet," Shakespeare's classic tale of love, will open in February at Rockwall Community Playhouse.

Director Steve Golin, who is usually found onstage, is director for the drama.

"I love Shakespeare. There's a care and thoughtfulness to every syllable just not found with most other writers. Watching the 'light come on' when the actors find the meaning for themselves in those sometimes foreign phrases is a joy," Golin said in a RCP news release.

They say that couples who play together stay together. RCP veterans Victoria Sawyer (Apothecary) and Preston Wells (Paris) are a newly-engaged couple who believe the saying to be true. They starred together in the RCP production of "The Foreigner" last fall. With a wedding date set in early 2016, the two are just one of the couples who are part of the cast.

Married 21 years, Ike and Mary Thacker are experiencing their first time together onstage. However, they have been cast as mortal enemies, as Ike is playing the role of Montague and Mary is Lady Capulet.

"It's pretty unusual to have both my stage husband and my actual husband always wanting to kill each other," Mary Thacker said.

Another offstage couple, Kenzie Osborne (Juliet) and Micah Brooks (Tybalt), are both seniors at Rockwall-Heath High School where they are active in the drama department. When asked if she finds it uncomfortable kissing another man in front of her boyfriend, Osborne laughed.

"It's not as strange as when I had to kiss his brother in a play last summer," she said.

Both Osborne and Brooks are veterans of the RCP stage, appearing together in "Godspell" last season. Brooks also was in the cast of "Forever Plaid" with Cam Golin (Sampson) and Michael Logue (Mercutio).

Brandon Whitlock is new to the RCP stage. He originally sought the role of Mercutio, but when he read the part of Romeo, the director could not imagine him as anyone other than the star-crossed lover.

Doug Luke (Capulet) was last seen on the RCP stage in "To Kill A Mockingbird," as was Rachel Granville (Nurse). Betsy Cooley (Lady Montague) and daughter, Vanessa (Page), were in "Best Christmas Pageant Ever" with Anne-Marie Thacker (Balthazar), who was acting stage manager for the December production. Rounding out the cast are Rob Richard (Friar John), Phil Alford (Escalus), Caleb McCabe (Benvolio), Emily Miller (Chorus), D.J. Sommers (Watchman), Vance (Friar Laurence), Chris (Watchman), Tommy Redfearn (Watchman), Shay Tapia (Dierdre), Avery Mahan (Sirrah) and Leah Davis (Sirrah).

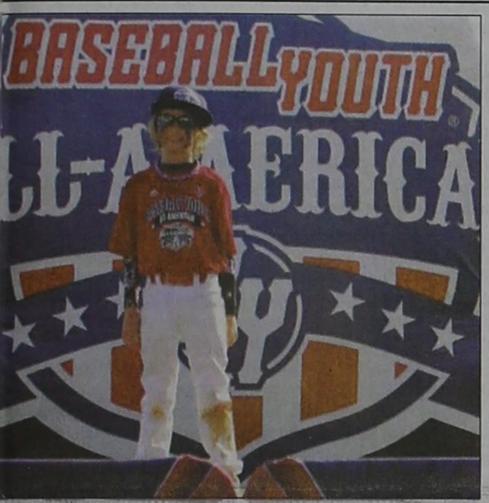
Assistant Laura Blenk and Joetta Currie are responsible for the set that will transport the audience back to the time of Romeo and Juliet.

Performances are scheduled for Feb. 6-8, 13-15 and 20-22, with Friday and Saturday night shows at 8 p.m. and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m.

Tickets may be purchased online at rockwallcommunityplayhouse.org, by calling 972-722-3399 or at the box office 30 minutes before show time.



Brandon Whitfield and Kenzie Osborne, pictured above, are shown during a recent rehearsal of the upcoming Rockwall Community Playhouse production of "Romeo & Juliet." Performances are set for Feb. 6-8, 13-15 and 20-22, with Friday and Saturday shows set at 8 p.m. and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. Tickets are available online at rockwallcommunityplayhouse.org, by calling 972-722-3399 or at the box office 30 minutes prior to show time. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News



Rockwall Baseball and Softball League player Conner Helms, pictured above, was selected by the Baseball Youth All-American program to participate in its 2015 Winter Games in Vero Beach, Florida, earlier this month. Helms was one of four 8U/9U Texas players to participate in the event, which drew representatives from 36 states and Puerto Rico. Helms has played baseball with the North Texas Lumberjacks since the age of 5, playing on both T-ball and coach-pitch teams at the Rockwall YMCA. He joined the RBSL as a 6U T-ball player, playing three seasons. He participated in the 2014 USSSA 'A' Division State Tournament with the 7U Lumberjacks, where they placed second, and was a member of the 2014 USSSA 'A' World Series Champion 7U Lumberjacks. He now plays for the NT Lumberjacks - Helms 'AA' team within the RBSL. He had a strong showing at the event, competing against some of the top 8U and 9U players in the U.S. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

Rockwall appoints Lewis to mayor pro-tem position

During the Monday, Jan. 5, Rockwall City Council public meeting at city hall, Dennis Lewis was appointed to serve as mayor pro-tem for the council went into executive session to discuss the appointment.

Scott Milder moved for the appointment in open session, which was seconded by Bennie Daniels.

Mike Townsend was absent from the meeting while attending the Tuesday, Jan. 6 swearing-in ceremony, in Washington, D.C., for newly elected U.S. Congressman John Ratcliff from the 4th Congressional District of Texas.

The meeting began with an executive session to secretly discuss:

- A possible claim related to Oncor;
- Economic development prospects;
- A possible claim or settlement agreement related to enforcing the city's sign ordinance regarding a billboard; and
- The appointment of city council subcommittees, board liaisons and designation of mayor pro-tem.

No action resulting from the closed-door session, except for appointment of mayor pro-tem, was taken in open session.

During a public work session, Dick Skorburg spoke to the council about proposed residential development project that is generally located at the northwest corner of FM 552 and John King Boulevard, along with potential residential projects in the Stone Creek subdivision.

Skorburg explained that the project was first purchased in 2006. The average size of the two-story townhouses will be about 1800 to 2000 square feet and will include five to seven units per building.

In reply to David White's request for clarification of the average price, Skorburg stated that the average price would be about \$200,000 to \$400,000. He expressed how building and "life is getting expensive."

The council unanimously passed the consent agenda, which included consideration of the following:

- Approval of the minutes from the Dec. 15 regular city council meeting.
- Authorizing the Rockwall fire chief to execute an interlocal agreement for purchase of radio equipment for the fire departments of Rockwall, Heath, Fate, Roysse City and McLendon-Chisholm.
- Second reading by City Secretary Kristy Ashberry of Planning and zoning ordinance Z2014-035, as a request by Chris & Jill Blasé for approval of an ordinance for a zoning change.
- Ordinance P2014-041 request by Dave Hanby of TKC CLXXXVI, LLC on behalf of the owner Rick Sharp for approval of a replat.
- Ordinance P2014-042 request by John Spiars of Spiars Engineering LLC on behalf of Bill Lavin of Security Holdings LLC for a replat approval.



Air Force Airman Megan C. Robinson, daughter of Ann and Matthew Robinson of Roysse City and Julie Robinson of Terrell and granddaughter of Albert Robinson of Roysse City, graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio. She completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness and basic warfare principles and skills. Airmen who complete basic training earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

Kevin Fowler to run for Rockwall Council, Place 3

Kevin Fowler has announced he will run for the Place 3 position on the Rockwall City Council in the May 9 municipal election.

Fowler plans to run for the seat vacated by Bennie Daniels, who recently announced he would not seek re-election.

Fowler is a board member on the Rockwall Economic Development Corporation, the Rockwall YMCA and Rockwall MusicFest, according to a news release. He is a Rockwall Rotary Club member and a member of the Rockwall Area Chamber of Commerce.

He previously has served on the board of the Rockwall Business Education Council, building Better Roads Bond Committee, the Rockwall Youth Fair, Lone Star CASA and Boy Scout Troop 83.

Fowler is a 2014 graduate of Leadership Rockwall.

Fowler is city president of MidSouth Bank and a longtime resident of Rockwall County. He is a graduate of Louisiana State University and the Southwestern Graduate School of Banking at Southern Methodist University.

"It is a known fact that our city will continue to grow, and I have a vision that includes long-range strategic planning, continued development of parks and connectivity of hike and bike trails, conservation of our open spaces and most important, communication and accessibility to the citizens," Fowler said.

H-Hands seeks volunteers on National Service Day

Monday, Jan. 19, is observed as Martin Luther King Day, but it also is known as a National Day of Service. The local Helping Hands agency is hoping local community members will volunteer in one of three ways:

- Help out at the primary Helping Hands building, 950 Williams St., Rockwall. Volunteers can help clean out and stock the food pantry or help clean and sort merchandise for the Centsible Thrift Store. Two-hour time slots are available from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; to sign up for a time slot, visit mysignup.com/helpinghandsdayofservice (must be 17 or older to volunteer on site).
- Commit time to go throughout the neighborhood to collect items for the emergency assistance and relief arm of Helping Hands. Collect used coats, winter gear, blankets and canned food and drop them off at Helping Hands' primary location.
- Medical professionals are needed to volunteer at the Reeves Medical Center, 102 S. 1st St. Sign up at mysignup.com/helpinghandsdayofservice.

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American Legion Post 117 to meet Jan. 15

The Rockwall Terry Fisher American Legion Post 117 will meet at 6:30 p.m. Jan. 15 in the Civic Center next to the pool in Harry Myers Park, 815 E. Washington, Rockwall. Dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by the 7 p.m. quarterly meeting. Air Force Col. Stu Mabberry will give a (Continued on Page 2)



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Rockwall County Obituaries

Thomas 'Tom' Sylvan Acord

Graveside services for Thomas "Tom" Sylvan Acord, 76, of Greenville will be conducted at 2 p.m. Jan. 16, 2015, in the Ridgeview Memorial Park, 2525 Central Expressway, in Allen. Pastor Rick Donaho will officiate and the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel is in charge of arrangements. He died Jan. 10.

Born March 6, 1938, in Farmersville to William Sylvan Acord and Sadie Vivian (Pherigo) Acord, he served 10 years in the U.S. Army Reserves and enjoyed his job as a fabricator in auto restoration. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Allen.

Survivors include his wife, Bonnie Acord of Greenville; four children, Steven Acord and his wife, Deidre, of Austin, Robert Acord and his wife, Julie, of Austin, Tommi Boyd and her husband, Doug, of Campbell and Lisa Torres of Weseca, Minnesota; a sister, Mary Ann Harper of Howe; a sister-in-law, Gail Acord of Merit; 15 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, William Ray Acord; a sister, Sandra Kay Hardin; and a grandson, Christopher Loya.

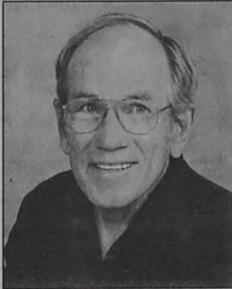
Patricia Ruth Benton

Services for Patricia Ruth Benton, 78, of Rockwall were conducted at 10 a.m. Jan. 14, 2015, in the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel with Pastor Rick Donaho officiating. Burial followed in the Rest Haven Memorial Park.

Born Dec. 14, 1936, in Brownfield to Denver A. and Ruby (Key) Kelly, she was a Protestant. She worked for the Internal Revenue Service and was a member of several bridge clubs.

Survivors include her husband, Darrell Benton; her son, Kelly Noblett, and his wife, Christy, of Rowlett; a daughter, Tammy Harvey, and her husband, Steve, of Mineola; two stepsons, Darrell Benton Jr. of Rockwall and Craig Benton and his wife, Sandy, of Dallas; a stepdaughter, Kristy Bell of Dallas; a brother, Royce Kelly, and his wife, Charlotte, of Fort Worth; her grandchildren, Samantha Harvey, Jessica Harvey, Corey Noblett and Lauren Noblett; a great-granddaughter, Jordyn Pearson; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, a son, Stanley Noblett, and a sister, Betty Sue Brown.



Nancy Doré Hall

A memorial service for Nancy Doré Hall, 52, of Rockwall was conducted at 11 a.m. Jan. 10, 2015, in the Lake Pointe Church, Pier 419, Rockwall with Pastor Greg Bradford officiating.

Born May 31, 1962, in Lake Charles, Louisiana, to Carl Doré Sr. and Gloria (Monty) Doré, she was a public school teacher and a member of Lake Pointe Church.

Survivors include her children, Jessie Hall and Jamie Hall, both of Rockwall; her parents, Carl Sr. and Gloria Doré of Katy; her siblings, Carl and Tamra Doré of Katy, Guy Doré of Austin and Dee and Jeff Mulkey of Rockwall; her best friend, Norb Hall of Rockwall; her nieces and nephews, Drew, B.J. and Callie Mulkey and Brent and Mark Doré; and numerous other nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Ouida and Otis Monty and Roy and Emily Reaux.

The family has suggested memorial contributions may be made to the Genesis Women's Center, 2675 N. State Hwy. 34, Kaufman, TX 75142 or to gobehope.com, a Vietnamese Lagi orphanage.

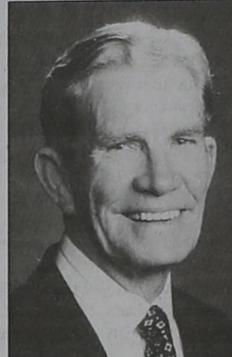


Roy L. Hance

Services for Roy L. Hance, 94, of Rockwall were conducted at 2 p.m. Jan. 7, 2015, in the First United Methodist Church in Rockwall with Dr. Joe Pool officiating. Burial followed in the Rest Haven Memorial Park under the direction of the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel.

Born Nov. 21, 1920, in Randolph to Roy Lee and Ola Belle (Musser) Hance, he founded and organized the Rockwall Sheriff's Posse and served on the board of Equest, as well as the Rockwall Chamber of Commerce and the Rockwall/Kaufman/Van Zandt Counties Water Conservation Board. A resident of Rockwall since 1966, he was a member of the Rockwall Rotary Club since 1992 and the First United Methodist Church of Rockwall. He owned and operated Hance Paint and Body in Dallas.

Survivors include his wife of 66 years, Randa (Barton) Hance of Rockwall; a son, Larry Hance, and his wife, Jill, of Dallas; and three grandchildren, Ryan, Braden and Macy Hance.



Smith tapped for Dean's List

Maryellen Smith of Rockwall was among the almost 1,000 Bob Jones University students named to the Dean's List for grades recorded in the fall 2014 semester, according to a university news release.

To qualify for the Dean's List, a student must earn a grade-point average of 3.00 to 3.74, according to the release. Smith is a junior biology major.

Mier recognized on Dean's List

Alberto Mier of Rockwall was one of the more than 180 Bethany College students to receive semester honors for their academic performances during the fall 2014 semester.

Mier, a finance major, was named to the Dean's List, according to a university news release. To qualify for the Dean's List, a student must be enrolled full-time and earn a semester grade-point average of 3.5 or higher.

Bethany College is located in Lindsborg, Kansas.

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presentation on his war experiences in Iraq. Interested members and all Rockwall County veterans are invited. Email gallen65@sbcglobal.net to RSVP for the dinner.

Dems plan Jan. 17 breakfast meeting

The local Democratic Party will host a breakfast meeting, their first meeting of the new year, beginning at 9 a.m. Jan. 17 at the Harry Myers Community Center. Michael Handley, political director, and Mike Rawlings, chair of the Collin County Democratic Party, will be guest speakers. Participants will discuss the changing demographics in Rockwall County.

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Ask Dr. Danette

by Danette McNew, D.D.S.



ROOT CAUSE AND EFFECT

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Royse City once home to a saloon on main street



MILLIE JEAN COPPEDGE Reminiscing Royse City

by Millie Jean Coppedge

If you asked anyone in Royse City where the saloon used to be located, their response probably would be, "We never had a saloon in this town!"

But our community did have one, long, long ago. The saloon was located where The Main Street Cafe and Grill is now located, at the corner of Arch and Main Streets.

Saloons became popular in the 1800s and according to the Wikipedia website for "saloons" information, "... was a term that began to appear in dictionaries and common usage as a term for an establishment that

Three locals named to Harding Dean's List

Three local residents were among the more than 1,200 students included on the Harding University Dean's List for grades achieved during the fall 2014 semester at the Searcy, Ark., university.

Honorees included Julie White, a junior journalism major from Rockwall; Grant Johnson, a senior finance major from Rockwall; and Linda Ferelle, a senior electronic media production manager from Royse City.

Catinchi named to ASU Dean's List

Alexis Catinchi, a Rockwall native, received academic honors from Arizona State University by making the university's Dean's List for the fall 2014 semester, according to a university news release.

Undergraduate students who earn 12 or more graded semester hours during a semester in residence at ASU with a grade-point average of 3.50 or higher are eligible for the Dean's List, according to the news release.

Services for Jimmy Lee Pannell, 77, of Rockwall were conducted at 2 p.m. Jan. 13, 2015, in the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel with Pastor Paul D. Ecker Sr. officiating. Burial followed in the Rest Haven Memorial Park.

He died Jan. 10.

Born Sept. 11, 1937, in Dallas to Bert Wayne Sr. and Catherine (Lewis) Pannell, he married Chrystal Moody on Dec. 16, 1978, in Dallas. He owned and operated Pannell Auto Sales and was an avid antique car collector. He and his wife were owners of the Route 66 Diner and 66 BBQ in Rockwall. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Chrystal Pannell of Rockwall; his daughters, Paige Pannell of Rockwall and Shelli Pannell and Bill Carroll of McKinney, Pam Wood and her husband, Audie, of Dallas and Linda Smith and her husband, Ron Kilgore, of Rockwall; a brother, Bo Pannell of Wills Point; his sisters, Lilian Duckworth of Sunnyvale and Teresa Bauman of Wills Point; his granddaughters, Brittany Wood and Ashley Smith; a grandson, Kris Gibson; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Bert Wayne Pannell Jr.

Jean (Emma Jean Watson) Peak

A family funeral for Jean (Emma Jean Watson) Peak was conducted on Jan. 5, 2015, at the Rest Haven Funeral Home. A memorial wake was conducted Jan. 9 at the Peak home in Rockwall.

She died Jan. 1 in Rockwall. Born Feb. 12, 1928, in Clarksville, Texas, to Virgil and Murtie Watson she was one of seven children. By the early 1940s, the family lived in Dallas. She met the man she would marry, Bill Peak, at Adamson High School in the Oak Cliff area. They were married June 17, 1944, in Rockwall by a justice of the peace. He served in World War II, with the remaining his faithful wife, friend, lover and companion throughout. The couple celebrated 70 years of marriage in 2014. Until recently, the twined in their home in Heath where she enjoyed hosting events, parties, holiday observations and any other excuse to have all of her relatives get together.

She was full of wit and wisdom, advice and counsel and even a "stink eye look" for those who got out of line.

Survivors include her three children, Rebecca, Ricq (Joane) and John (Flossie); numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and a sister, Ann Hennessey, and her husband, Bob, of Kiowa.

Lt. Col. Norman L. Seligman (Ret.)

Services for Lt. Col. Norman L. Seligman (Ret.), 76, of Rockwall were conducted at 2 p.m. Jan. 12, 2015, in the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel with Pastor Rick Donaho officiating. Burial followed in the Rest Haven Memorial Park.

He died Jan. 8.

Born April 1, 1938, in Boston, Massachusetts, to Michael and Fanni (Seligman) Seligman, he served in the U.S. Army in Vietnam and worked as a systems analyst at a computer programming company. He served his city in many capacities as a volunteer member of such organizations as the Tri-County Veterans Honor Guard, the American Legion, the Rockwall Police Department's Citizens on Patrol and the Rockwall Fire Department's Citizens Emergency Response Team.

Survivors include his wife, Anita (Feldman) Seligman of Rockwall; his daughters, Lisa Seligman and Jodie Seligman Meza, both of Dallas; his granddaughter, Taylor Nicole Meza; and two nephews, Eddie Seligman and Howie Seligman.

The family has suggested memorials may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, KS 66675 or woundedwarriorproject.org.

specialized in beer and liquor sales by the drink, with food and lodging as secondary concerns in some places."

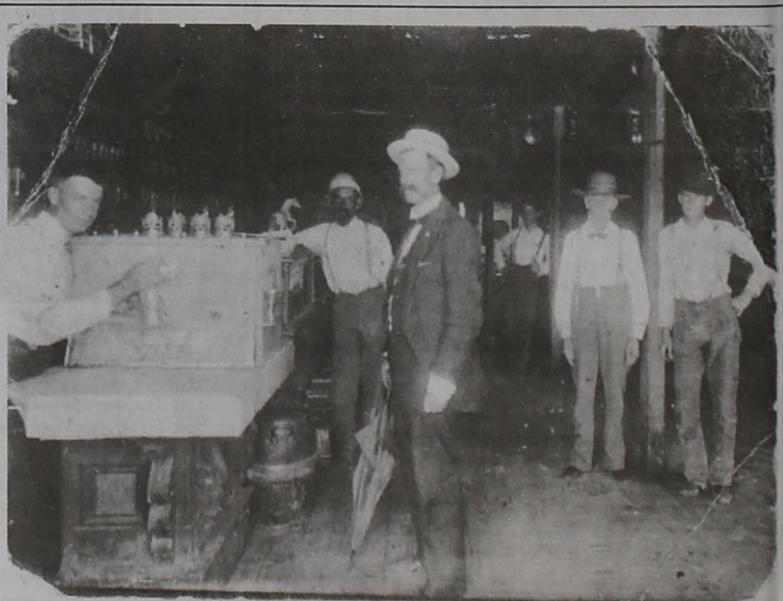
Originally, the wooden building had a dirt floor and it was pre-1890s. From Dec. 1 until Feb. 1 of every year, chicken fights were conducted in the saloon. It is known that the building was frame because brick buildings did not begin to come about until 1890.

Royse City Councilman Bill and wife, Lucille, Mayor Jerrell Baley Lois Small, Don and Peggy Becknell, Florelle Burks and several other citizens who are considered historians of Royse City were surprised to learn there was once a saloon in their town.

On the back of the photo, the surnames of the men are Charvick Lovejoy, Terrell, Bass and Loyd. It is not known if the names are in a certain order or whether the photographer or photo's owner simply wrote names of recognition.

It is thought that the man identified as Terrell was Alex Terrell, Ruth Sisk's father and Florelle Burks' grandfather's brother. Ruth Sisk died roughly 25-30 years ago. Florelle Burks will be 92 on Jan. 12 and has been a great asset in collecting history about Royse City and Rockwall County.

The photo and information for this article came from Lois Cross Ballard, curator and docent of the Zaner Robison Historical Museum and Sheri Stodghill Fowler's book, "Images of America -- Royse City."



Royse City once had a saloon, but there is no one still living who can remember it. In this case, the old saying "a photo is worth a million words" rings true -- as evidenced by the photo above, which was taken in the Royse City saloon.

Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

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TxDOT secures grant agreement for DWI program with Fate

During the Monday, Dec. 1, public meeting of the City of Fate, the council voted to authorize City Manager Michael Kovacs to sign a grant agreement for the Fate DPS to participate in a Texas Department of Transportation Traffic Safety Program.

Resolution R-829 would legally bind the City of Fate into a DWI enforcement grant agreement to conduct "Impaired Driving Mobilization" (IDM).

Cameron Cowan relayed his concerns that Fate Public Safety Officers could be used as an extension of the Texas Department of Public Safety, and "a slave to work the grant program."

Cowan then moved to approve the resolution, which passed unanimously.

According to the TxDOT Traffic Safety Manual, the IDM "provides grant money for local law enforcement agencies to conduct DWI enforcement waves and increase DWI arrests as part of the statewide Drink, Drive, Go to Jail" public relations program held in conjunction with the national IDM campaign. IDM Grants require a 25 percent minimum matching share from the subgrantee."

The manual explains that TxDOT Traffic Operations Division - Traffic Section identifies areas of the state with the highest percentages of alcohol related crashes and invites local agencies in the areas to participate in the grant program.

The projects conduct quarterly enforcement mobilizations during periods of time including Christmas/New Year, Spring Break, Independence Day and Labor Day. The manual emphasized the importance of high visibility during each mobilization project.

The Fate DPS will receive \$3,969.20 for overtime purposes for participation in the TxDOT program.

Other items included:

- Discussion about the Municipal Development District (MDD) Board composition. Kovacs stated that citizens of Fate voted in the MDD. The council will consider an ordinance to create the MDD and appoint the board of five members. No action was taken.
- The first public hearing on the juvenile curfew ordinance to consider whether to readopt, abolish, continue or modify the ordinance. The council unanimously passed the ordinance after the second public hearing during the Dec. 15 meeting.
- A public hearing related to amendments to the Zoning Ordinance for off-premise and on-premise sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages, outside dining for restaurants, drive-up and drive-thru retail establishments, and development standards for convenience stores. There were no public comments. Ordinance O-1389 amending the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 40, "Zoning," Article VII, "Districts and District Regulations." With no discussion, the council unanimously passed the ordinance. The Rockwall County News did not receive a request to publish a legal notice in accordance with state law, related to the ordinance.
- Ordinance O-1390 to amend Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances, and to add Article VIII Code of Ethics. Passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.



Jordan Paul (22) drives the ball in for a basket against Lenard Davis (3), Fri. Jan. 9 during the local Special Olympics basketball game held during halftime of the game between the Hawks and Forney. At back is Cole Randolph (23).

Photo by Tim Burnett/Rockwall County News

Rockwall recognizes Chief Poindexter ...

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- Approval of a resolution for a co-op grant application to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.
- Approval of the Facilities Agreement for the Breezy Hill Estates, Phase Four water line installation.

Lee Daniels nominated Kathleen Morrow and Rockwall County Judge David Sweet to serve on the Arts Review Team. It passed unanimously after a second by Mayor Jim Pruitt.

The council passed a resolution recognizing Fire Chief Mark Poindexter for 35 years of service in the Rockwall Fire Department. Poindexter began his career as fire chief in October 2000.

Milder announced the city received from the State Board of Architectural Examiners, a list of all registered architects located within the Rockwall city limits, that the city will use to find a legally qualified candidate. City Attorney Frank Garza was not asked by the council to address the legal importance of choosing a candidate that meets statutory requirements for qualification, or the legal implications associated with choosing an unqualified candidate.

City Manager Rick Crowley briefly reported on the city's ongoing efforts to address frequent power outage issues with Oncor Electric. The city is looking at reliability issues and comparing with general standards.

Pruitt asked the attending Cub Scouts Pack 833 if they had experienced electricity outages, and then explained how their experiences are related to the present communications with Oncor.

Pruitt adjourned the meeting at 6:23 p.m.

[Publisher's note: It is unknown at this time whether the city representative will publish each required legal notice in a newspaper that is legally qualified under Texas Gov. Code Sections 2051.044 and 2051.048(b). The legally qualified newspaper must be published in Rockwall, and hold a USPS periodical matter permit in Rockwall County, as required by state law. Readers and potentially affected parties to the city's actions are invited to check the Rockwall County News classified section for official publication of each required legal notice.]

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1-15-2015 S-1203

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Kuwait was under British protection from 1889 to 1961. In 1923 Kuwait and Iraq were joined together. In 1961 when British protection ended, Kuwait joined the Arab League. Iraq objected strongly and claimed that Kuwait was part of their territory and Kuwait formed its constitution on January 1963.

August 2, 1990, Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait to regain their land for Iraq. The invasion also included rockets fired into Israel. November 29, 1990, the UN authorized the use of force if Iraq did not withdraw from Kuwait by January 15, 1991.

January, 1991, Congress and the Senate authorized the Gulf War. President Bush sent Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney and General Schwarzkopf to meet with King Fahd of Saudi Arabia to brief him on the Pentagon's plans, which the King approved. Within minutes of the meeting, orders were issued, and thus began the largest buildup of American forces since the Vietnam War.

Within a short period, members of the 82nd Airborne Division, as well as 300 combat aircraft, were headed for Saudi Arabia. President Bush called for prayer and churches throughout the United States and throughout the world began to pray a quick war for God to save lives. President Bush did his praying in a chapel service at Camp David, Md. (I was a member of a 24 hour prayer team until the war was over.) Dictator Hussein ignored the deadline and on February 24, 1991, Allied troops led by U. S. Marines attacked Iraq, beginning the War Desert Storm.

February 26, 1991 the war ended with the largest tank battle in history.

The Iraqi Republican Guard and their tank forces were destroyed without losing any of our tanks. The total war casualties were U.S. – 148 battle deaths and 145 non-battle deaths and of the Iraq's 545,000 troops – estimated 100,000 killed and 300,000 wounded. Through the many prayers to God throughout the world prayers were answered regarding the three day war. Many miracles also were witnessed during this time.

This is evidence of the power of God and the great number of soldiers who became Christians during the conflict. Media reports of troops praying, attending Bible studies and church services abounded. There were even reports of miracles which took place during the action. In contrast to the tens of thousands of predicted casualties, there were only a few hundred Americans who died and even fewer injuries. The mighty hand of God was at work during the war, no doubt due to the prayers offered for the protection of our troops and for the promotion of the Gospel in that area of the world. Although war is a horrible thing, God had a purpose which he accomplished through Desert Storm; and those who prayed for our troops were partners in the effectiveness of His purpose.

God changed Hamas rocket Target

During the July and August Hamas rocket attack on Israel, the rocket defense Iron Dome saved many Israel lives. The Iron Dome System intercepted the rockets and exploded them harmlessly. The Iron Dome System is capable of also charting the course of each rocket as to where they would hit. On one occasion the Iron Dome calculated its trajectory that one particular missile was going to hit either the Azrieli Towers, the Kirya (Israel's equivalent of the Pentagon) or [a central Tel Aviv railway station]. Hundreds could have died. The commander fired the first [interceptor]. It missed. Second [interceptor]. It missed. This was very

rare. The commander claims that the divine intervention stopped the death of hundreds of Israeli citizens. Israel's Iron Dome system allows it to shoot down incoming rockets or mortars headed toward major population centers in Israel. The commander explains that with 'just four seconds' until the missile landed the military warned emergency services to be on standby. 'Suddenly, the Iron Dome calculating a major wind coming from the east, and the strong wind sent the missile into the sea. Everyone was all stunned, and shouted, 'There is a God!.' 'The commander witnessed this miracle with his own eyes. It was not told or reported to him. "I saw the hand of God send that missile into the sea".

An earlier, unconfirmed report floating around the Internet had a Gaza resident attributing the lack of Hamas accuracy to Israel's God, moving the rockets off-course to protect His people.

"We do aim [our rockets], but their God changes their path in mid-air," a Hamas commander was said to have told someone who wondered why Gaza-based militants can't seem to hit their targets.

My articles can be viewed on my book website www.isthereagod7.org under ARTICLES.

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http://articles.latimes.com/1991-01-13/news/mn-374_1_persian-gulf

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Rockwall County Sports

Wanton leads Royse City Lady Bulldogs' rout of Terrell High School

Except for the girls' 73-31 home victory over Terrell Friday, the Royse City basketball teams had a difficult week.

The Lady Bulldogs had lost 53-24 Tuesday, Jan. 6, at Mesquite Poteet, and the varsity boys lost both at home against Poteet Tuesday and at Terrell Friday.

Alexus Wanton was RC's high scorer in both girls' games. She provided most of the offense against Poteet with 16 points, and added 25 against Terrell.

Against Terrell, the Royse City girls improved to 3-2 and in the thick

of the playoff race in District 12-5A. They broke to a 29-19 halftime lead, and outscored the Lady Tigers 44-12 in the second half. Belle Munoz contributed 18 points.

Poor second halves hurt the RC boys.

They led Poteet 25-14 at halftime, but scored just 10 second-half points against the Pirates.

Joseph Steffen had team highs of 9 points vs. Poteet, and scored more than half (22) of the Dawgs' 43 points at Terrell. Royse City trailed just 35-33 after three quarters, but Terrell had an 18-10 advantage to pull away in the fourth quarter.

SOCCER: The RC boys' team is scheduled to play Thursday-Saturday at the Rockwall tournament. The Lady Bulldogs had a home match scheduled Tuesday against Paris. They would play at home again Tuesday night, Jan. 20, against North Garland.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Poteet	6	8	19	14	47
RCHS boys	9	16	8	2	35

Mesquite Poteet – Jonathan Parker 14, Walter Dawn 11, Tracy Jones 6, Kyle Lopes 5, Andrew Anugwom 4, Jonathan Below 2, Brent Moffett 2, Jordan Robinson 2, Javion Cox 1.

RCHS – Joseph Steffen 9, Matt Briceno 8, DeVante Alexander 5, Omar Redic 5, Avery Cowley 3, Jared Richardson 3, Zion Leach 2.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
RCHS girls	6	3	9	6	24
Poteet	10	14	14	15	53

RCHS – Alexis Wanton 16, Belle Munoz 3, Emily Pratt 2, Morgan Sumrow 2, Melanie Sumrow 1.

Mesquite Poteet – Kyle Nelson 13, Jada Jennings 10, Ke'Ambria Richard 10, Victoria George 9, Savannah Doty 5, Haley Balthrop 2, Clarisol Del Campo 2, Sydney White 2.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Terrell	4	15	4	8	31
RCHS girls	14	15	25	19	73

Terrell – Hill 6, Z. Brown 5, Ford 5, Mitchell 5, Wells 5, Hall 3, T. Brown 2.

RCHS – Alexis Wanton 25, Belle Munoz 18, Daryn McMinn 8, Morgan Sumrow 7, Emma Fortier 5, Melanie Sumrow 3, Emily Pratt 2, Jasmine Escobedo 2, Chapa 2, Sanford 1.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
RCHS boys	13	11	9	10	43
Terrell	17	9	9	18	53

RCHS – Joseph Steffen 22, Matt Briceno 8, DeVante Alexander 7, Avery Cowley 2, Ben Yelverton 2, Omar Redic 1, Zion Leach 1.

Terrell – Sylvester Williams 10, Ray'Quan Brown-Mobley 9, Jodeci Herndon 7, Dawnya Tucker 7, Jhase Davis 6, Chandler Kennedy 5, Daylon Thomas 4, Noah Johnson 3, Nick Scott 2.

Schroepfer helps Heritage Christian girls win twice

Madeline Schroepfer led the Heritage Christian Academy girls' basketball team to two victories in three games last week.

After a 68-15 loss at Trinity Christian Academy-Cedar Hill Tuesday, Jan. 6, HCA bounced back to win 46-20 Thursday at Yavneh Academy of Dallas and 48-30 Saturday at Dallas First Baptist Academy.

The Lady Eagles (9-5 overall, 4-2 in TAPPS District 3-3A) moved into a three-way tie for third place with First Baptist and Red Oak Ovilla Christian School. HCA owns a head-to-head tiebreaker over First Baptist, and was scheduled to play Tuesday at Ovilla.

"They got a lot of steals and fast breaks against us," Heritage Christian head coach Van Minter said of the TCA game.

After missing most of the humbling loss to first-place TCA because of an injured left ankle, senior Schroepfer scored team highs of 15 points against Yavneh and 30 at First Baptist. In Thursday's game, she also led the Lady Eagles with unofficial totals of eight steals, seven rebounds and five assists.

Molli Howard scored 13 points as Heritage Christian took the lead for good at 6-4 on Halee Minter's rebound basket less than 3 minutes into the game at Yavneh. HCA had a more difficult time Saturday, but broke open a 15-14 halftime lead by outscoring the Baptists 33-16 in the second half.

The HCA boys dropped to 4-11 and 0-6 with district losses to TCA 73-11 Tuesday, Yavneh 68-28 Thursday and First Baptist 73-43 Saturday.

The highest scorer in any of the three games was sophomore Brendan Schroepfer with nine points at Yavneh.

"That game was over early. The Cougars, undefeated in the district, overcame their only deficit with an 11-0 first-quarter run for a 12-3 lead, and stretched the lead to 26-5 with a 14-0 run later in the first half.

"They played the way we want to play," HCA head coach Don McEvoy said. "They play on the floor because they're not big enough or quick enough to get into a running game."

Yavneh shot nearly 50 percent from the floor and had just nine turnovers.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
HCA girls	6	2	3	4	15
TCA-Cedar Hill	13	25	16	14	68

Fulton defeats Dallas International

The Fulton School boys' basketball team won its only game last week, 46-41 Tuesday against Dallas International School.

The Falcons (3-3 overall, 2-1 in TAPPS District 3-1A) defeated Dallas International 46-41 at Forney Sports Center for their second consecutive victory.

It wasn't easy. Fulton led by 14 points, but DIS rallied within four points before the Falcons held off the visitors.

"We hadn't practiced in 2 weeks, so we were rusty," Fulton head coach Mike Morris said. "We weren't on the same page, and we threw the ball away a lot."

Fulton was scheduled to begin a stretch of five games in 10 days against Dallas Westwood School Tuesday. The Falcons would travel to Nacogdoches Regents Academy Friday, return home to FSC to meet Waxahachie Preparatory Academy Monday at 7:30 p.m. and Irving StoneGate Christian Academy Tuesday, Jan. 20, at 6 p.m. and visit Dallas A-Plus Academy Thursday at 7.

The Waxahachie game would mark the halfway point of the district schedule. Four of the five games are TAPPS 3-1A contests; the A-Plus game is non-district.

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Public meeting to focus on Open Space Master Plan

A public meeting, hosted by the Rockwall County Open Space Alliance, will run from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Jan. 22 in the Jury Room of the Rockwall County Courthouse, 1111 East Yellow Jacket Lane, Rockwall. The OSA was created to lead an open space planning and preservation initiative. For additional information about the project or to volunteer for a committee or stakeholder group, contact Nell Welborn at nwelborn@sb-global.net or Kevin Shepherd at kevin@verdunity.com. Details will also be posted at rockwallosa.org, where you can sign up for the group's email list and follow/participate in the discussion. Visit the Facebook page at facebook.com/rockwallopenpace.

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ACROSS

1 many TX towns have Mardi ___ events

5 Livingston is the seat of this county

6 TX Kristofferson '77 film: "___-Tough"

7 TXism: "got ___ itchy trigger finger"

8 TX girl raised by Comanches: Cynthia ___ Parker

9 J.Lo song: "Could ___ Love?"

15 horse-drawn carriage

16 sheep tenders

19 "___ del Norte" intersects with "El Camino Real" in Nacogdoches

21 TX-born Olympian & football RB, Matson ready to hit? (3 wds.)

27 fly high

28 TXism: "stubborn as a ___ sundown"

29 TXism: "so many you couldn't ___ with a stick"

30 TXism: "take a stab at"

32 this Pilgrim started TX "Pilgrim's Pride"

33 "Bad ___" in "Breaking Training" was filmed in TX

36 class for Abilene's Wylie High School

37 "___ of a gun"

38 Houston beat Lopez ___ Anna ___ well in TX"

39 to So. Padre Island: "Queen ___ Causeway"

41 ___ dance

42 TX Kenny sang "___ Need You"

45 sandwich cookie

46 TXism: "he's as crooked as a dog's hind ___"

47 TXism: "southpaw" (___ hander)

48 union at GM plant in Arlington (abbr.)

49 TXism: "high ___ back" (expensive)

52 DFW restaurants: "El ___"

53 most bldgs. are ___-smoking

54 TXism: "ugly as ___"

55 this TX Ron was NBC's "Tarzan"

DOWN

1 satellite navigation (abbr.)

2 landmark TX case: ___ v. Wade

3 TX reference book

4 TXism for "very thin" (4 wds.)

8 TXism: "use your head for something besides ___ rack"

9 TXism: "it ain't true, ___"

10 TX Paula Prentiss old sitcom: "___ & She"

11 computers have an ___ address

12 debut film of TX-born Cyd Charisse: "Some-thing to ___"

13 TX-based Blue ___ Ice Cream

14 honorary TX Ranger: ___ Stanley Gardner

15 lcky Twerp's ___

16 Venetian blind piece

17 juggling prop

18 Cowboy fans have their sights ___

19 NFL title

20 TXism: "___ of breathing room"

22 ___ 83 runs thru TX

23 Paramount's early TV network (abbr.)

24 TXism: "hog ___" (helpless)

25 dystopian novelist, George

26 Jefferson puts on "Diamond ___ Murder Trial"

28 this TX Jack Valenti created the ___ film rating system

31 ship's upright pole

34 dir. from Uvalde to San Antonio

35 "one ___ a time"

37 TXism: "a whole ___" (a lot)

40 historical periods

43 ___ Smith County

44 TXism: "he ain't got a lick ___" (stupid)

50 TX and CBS news person, Kennard

51 wood chopper

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Second-half surge powers Heath past Jackrabbits

by Ryan Garrett

Rockwall-Heath's power offense and strong second-half defense vaulted the Hawks past Forney 84-35 Friday, January 9 at the RHHS gymnasium. Heath only allowed 11 points in the final two periods as they extended their unbeaten record to 17-0, 3-0 in District 12-5A.

The Hawks jumped to a 25-10 lead after one as Forney (10-8, 1-2) struggled with turnovers and ball control; however, with 14 points in the second half, including a three-pointer at the buzzer, the Jackrabbits pulled within 17, trailing 41-24 at halftime.

After the break, the Heath defense held Forney scoreless for over five minutes as the Hawks went on a 14-0 run, and outscored the Rabbits 14-5 in the third. Heath then ran away with the game in the final period, outscoring Forney 29-6 — the bench took over up 69-34 with just over four minutes, holding on for the 84-35 win.

Tyler Zivney put up 18 points, Jeremiah Sandidge added 14 and Jackson Zivney scored 11. Bryan Knostman chipped in nine, Grant Buckholt and Nathan Stover each added eight, Keldon Pruitt scored five, and Cameron Talley had four.

After traveling to Royse City Tuesday, Rockwall-Heath will host South Garland tomorrow at 7 p.m.

The Rockwall Yellowjackets (6-12, 1-2) traveled across Lake Ray

Hubbard Friday to play Rowlett (6-11, 2-1), dropping a tough match to the Eagles 73-61.

After falling behind 14-8 after one, the Jackets pulled within a point at halftime, 31-30. Rockwall couldn't hold on as the Eagles outscored the Yellowjackets 42-31 in the second half.

Daniel Smith led the Jackets with 16, Joseph Williams added 12, and

Yellowjacket wrestling tops Heath in cross-town dual

by Ryan Garrett

In a cross-town rivalry matchup, the Jacket wrestling team defeated Rockwall-Heath 33-31 in an exciting dual Wednesday, January 7 in Heath.

The match came down to the final pairing of the night between Rockwall's Andrew Hyde and Alyck Hodge of Heath in the 132-pound class. Hyde won by technique fall to give the Jackets the victory.

Other winners for Rockwall include 106-pounder Chase Howerton, 113-pounder Brandon Smith, 145-pounder Jonathan Jonas, 152-pounder

James Taylor, 170-pounder Heath Terry and 182-pounder Jackson Gray.

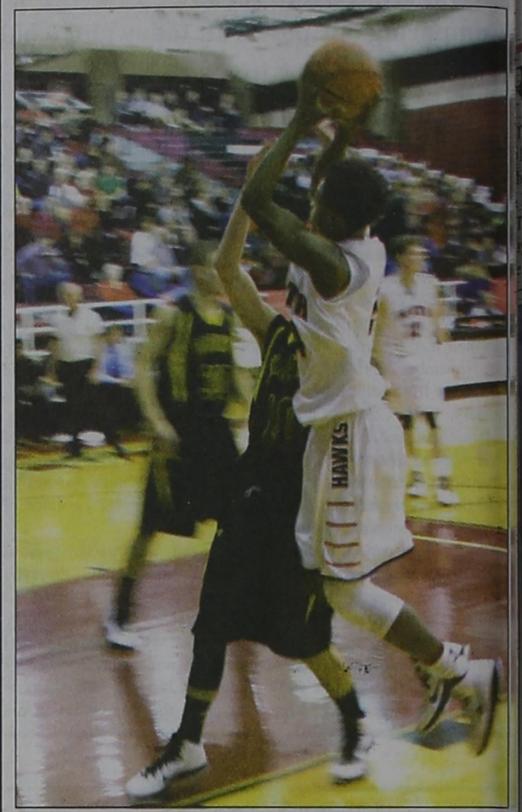
Seven Hawk wrestlers won their matches — Zarik Anderson (120 pounds), Jacob Makelke (126 pounds), Nick Rose (138 pounds), Steve Duncan (160 pounds), Zach Dobbins (195 pounds), Zace Marek (220 pounds) and JJ Nwigwe (285 pounds).

The Yellowjackets returned to action Saturday, January 10, winning their fourth straight tournament in the Cougar Classic at The Colony High School. James Taylor and Jackson Gray took individual championships, while Brandon Smith and 285-pounder Armani Broussard were runners-up.

Ty Thomas, Andrew Hyde, 120-pounder Alex Moore, Jonathan Jonas and Everett Weddle took third-place finishes.

Sheridan Been scored 10. Cameron Schmucker scored nine, Xavi Castille and Sam Edwards each scored four while David Broach, J. Galloway and Travis Lewis chipped in two.

Rockwall played host to Tyler Lee on Tuesday, and will travel Garland tomorrow to face the Owls. Tipoff is set for 7 p.m.



Hawks Cameron Talley (24) soars in for a shot against Forney's Jacob Gonzalez (10), Fri. Jan. 9 at the RHHS gym in Heath.

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Rockwall High School 2012 graduate, Alyssa Lang (32) and the Rice Owls women's basketball team traveled to UNT Sat. Jan. 10 to take on the University of North Texas at the Super Pit in Denton. Assisting at back is Owls teammate Reem Moussa.

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Sports Notes

Fast-pitch softball registration underway

Registration for girls fast-pitch softball is open. Division I games will range from 6U to 14U, and Division II games will be played at the Leon Tuttle Athletic Complex in Rockwall. Registration fees are \$99 or \$65 for Rockwall residents. The deadline is Jan. 26. To register, visit rbsl.org.

Registration open for boys' baseball

Rockwall boys baseball 4U-14U, will begin the week of Feb. 23 (draft divisions, 4U-14U) and non-draft divisions, 7U-14U). All games will be played at the Leon Tuttle Athletic Complex. Game Select Division will run Monday through Fridays; Games in the Draft Division will take place on Saturdays. Registration fee is \$99 or \$65 for Rockwall residents. Register at rbsl.org.

Register now for adult slow-pitch softball

Registration is open for adult slow-pitch softball. Men's D-league and co-ed divisions are available. Games will be played on Sunday nights at the Leon Tuttle Athletic Complex; eight-game guarantee. The season will begin March 15. Team fee is \$32. Teams can drop off a check at The Center, 108 E. Washington, or register at rbsl.org.

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