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BC local option election set v. 8 for Royse City voters

Aug. 9, 2016, the City of Royse City unanimously voted to hold a Local Option Petition election to be held Nov. 8, 2016. The purpose of submitting to voters of Royse City is to "Legalize the legal alcoholic beverages in mixed beverages." Secretary Deborah explained that the petition was submitted to her office on July 1, and it was verified on July 11, with 546 signatures, far exceeding the required 482 signatures.

The council unanimously approved the resolution ordering a special local option election. City Attorney Jason Day advised the council that because the city received a valid petition from the voters of the city, state law requires that the city puts it on the ballot to give it back to the voters. Day did not cite the state law that limits the petition signatures to "voters."

Day did not advise the city on the state laws that regulate publication of the required notices related to the election. To date, the required TABC and city notices, related to the local option election, have not been published.

The city council approved entering into contracts with the county elections administrators of Rockwall, Hunt and Collin counties to execute the special local option election for the people of Royse City in the respective counties.

Rockwall mayor proclaims October Dysautonomia Awareness Month

Rockwall Mayor Jim Pruitt issued a proclamation recognizing October as Dysautonomia Awareness Month in the city. Nicole Watson, a Dysautonomia International volunteer, requested the proclamation. Shown with the Proclamation are (left to right), Regan Watson, Nicole Watson and Tori Cooper.

High School. She was diagnosed with Postural Orthostatic Tachycardia Syndrome, a form of dysautonomia, in her freshman year, according to her mother. She went from being an active teen, a competitive equestrian and an honor student to struggling to get out of bed most days.

Dysautonomia is an umbrella term used to describe various medical conditions that cause a malfunction of the autonomic nervous system that controls the "automatic" functions of the body such as heart rate, blood pressure, digestion and constriction of the pupils, temperature control and other functions. Those living with various forms of the disorder have trouble regulating these systems.

More than 70 million people worldwide live with some form of dysautonomia, for which there is no cure, according to the news release.



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The Williams Middle School students pictured above were selected to the 2016-2017 Region 25 TMEA All-Region Orchestra on Oct. 15 at Allen High School. Taking all-region honors were violinists Carissa Heimer, who placed fourth in the region, Mia Vu, Calliegh Crumrine and Chase Crayne and cellist Alexander Hoang. More than 400 students auditioned to be a part of the all-region group. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

Heath approves 2017 budget, over \$3M for public safety

The Heath City Council held a special meeting, Tues. Sept. 20, 2016 to discuss and act on the proposed budget for fiscal year 2016-2017.

During the public hearing, Gini Seely and Ginny Jackson spoke in favor of the budget.

Laurie Mays, Director of Finance, presented information and answered questions regarding the proposed tax rate. She explained that the proposed tax rate of 41.7311 cents per \$100 of valuation is a "slight reduction of the current year's tax rate."

Councilmember Richard Krause made the motion to approve ordinance number 160920-A to approve and adopt a budget for the city for fiscal year Oct. 1, 2016 through Sept. 30, 2017; providing that expenditures for said fiscal year shall be made in accordance with said budget; and declaring an effective date and including the unfinished project balance brought forward.

Upon a second by Barry Brooks, Mayor Pro Tem, the council unanimously approved the Budget.

The city did not publish the required notice of budget and tax rates.

Based on the language of the budget document, it would raise more revenue from property taxes than the previous year by an amount of \$476,080, reflecting an 8.82% increase from last year's budget.

The property tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year is \$148,059.

The total amount of outstanding municipal debt obligations secured by property taxes is \$22,916,689. The total amount of self-supporting outstanding debt obligations is \$13,483,311, to be secured by utility and sales tax revenues.

The fiscal year 2017 principal and interest requirements for debt service are \$2,042,500 for property tax supported debt, and \$1,948,700 for self-supporting debt.

The total budgeted revenues for fiscal year 2017, from all sources come to \$8,584,358.

The total budgeted expenditures are \$6,289,500.

Out of all the city government divisions, the highest anticipated expenditures will be in \$3,016,000 for the Public Safety Division.

It has been noted that the budget includes \$7,500 for anticipated "legal publications/advertising."

Based on a review of past publications, the Rockwall County News has verified that the City of Heath has not published required notices since fiscal year 2009.

Nov. 8 general election early voting and election day information

The below early voting and election-day information was published, as required notices, Sept. 29, 2016, in the Rockwall County News.

Early voting will continue through Fri. Nov. 4 at the following locations:

- Heath – Heath City Hall, 200 Laurence.
- Rockwall – County Library, 1215 E. Yellowjacket Lane.
- Royse City – City Hall, 305 N. Arch Street.
- Rowlett – Cullins Lake Pointe Elementary, 5701 Scenic Drive.

Weekday schedules will be 8:00 a.m. thru 5:00 p.m..

Weekend schedules will be Sat. 9:00 a.m. thru 3:00 p.m. and Sun. 11:00 a.m. thru 3:00 p.m.

On Thurs. Nov. 4, will early voting will last from 7:00 a.m. thru 7:00 p.m.

Election Day will be Nov. 8, 2016, from 7:00 a.m. thru 7:00 p.m., at the following locations:

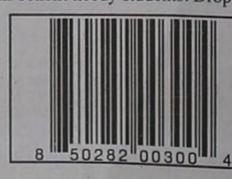
- Precinct 1 – Reinhardt Elementary, 615 Highland Drive, Rockwall.
- Precinct 1A – Lake Pointe Education Center, 9400 Lakeview Parkway #113.
- Precinct 1B – Ridgeview Church, 1362 FM 552, Rockwall.
- Precinct 1C – Nebbie Williams Elementary, 350 Dalton Road.
- Precinct 2 – Student Ministry Building of First Baptist Church, 710 S. Goliad, Rockwall.
- Precinct 2A – Our Savior Lutheran Church, 3003 Horizon, Rockwall.
- Precinct 2B – Cullins Lake Pointe Elementary, 5701 Scenic Drive, Rowlett.
- Precinct 3C – City Hall, 200 Laurence Drive, Heath.
- Precinct 3 – Expansion Church, 418 E. Bourn Avenue, Rockwall.
- Precinct 3A – Amanda Rochell Elementary, 899 Rochell Court, Rockwall.
- Precinct 3B – Dorris Jones Elementary, 2051 Trail Glen, Rockwall.
- Precinct 3C – Pullen Elementary, 6492 FM 3097.
- Precinct 3D – McLendon-Chisholm City Hall, 1371 W. FM 550, McLendon-Chisholm.
- Precinct 4 – Rockwall ISD Administration Building, 1050 Williams Street, Rockwall.
- Precinct 4A – First Baptist Church of Fate, 813 Holiday (Highway 66), Fate.
- Precinct 4B – City Hall, 305 N. Arch Street, Royse City.
- Precinct 4C – Ernest Epps Education Center, 812 E. Old Greenville, Royse City.



The Royse City Lions Club president, Ada Mooney, presented a check for \$1,000 to Brent Stowers, Royse City parks director, on Tuesday night, Oct. 11. The shelter has been placed under the jurisdiction of the City Parks Department. The presentation took place at The Well Coffee Lounge. Bingo, the source of collecting the money, takes place the second Tuesday of each month with proceeds going to help with the needs at the shelter. Others pictured are, at back, left to right, Robert Mooney, Herldine Radley and Kathleen Tyre and middle center, front row, Bonnie Hannon, Kimberley Wheeler and Celena Ramirez, animal control officer. Anyone interested in joining or supporting the Royse City Lions Club may contact Mooney at 972-771-5551 or may email rajmooney@gotmail.com. The Lions Club meets at 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at Charley's Old fashioned Hamburgers, Royse City. Photo by Millie Jean Coppedge/Rockwall County News

Rockwall County News Briefs

Coat drive underway in Rockwall
The Rockwall ISD, Chick-fil-A and The Flower Box have teamed up to organize a coat drive that will benefit needy students. Drop by the Ridge Road restaurant or the florist and select a student tag; purchased coats must be dropped off with the tag at Chick-fil-A or the florist shop.
Democratic Men plan Nov. 5
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Rockwall County Obituaries

Aaron Scott Crane

Services for Aaron Scott Crane, 37, of Roysse City were conducted at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 20, 2016, in the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel with Duane Crane and Daniel Ledford officiating. Burial followed in the Rest Haven Memorial Park.

He died Oct. 14.

He was born April 14, 1979, in Blytheville, Arkansas, to Pastor Duane and Brenda (Hill) Crane.

Survivors include his parents, Brenda and Duane Crane of Roysse City; his brother, Chad Crane, and his wife, Stephanie, of Walhalla, North Dakota; his sister, Erika Sullivan, and her husband, Aaron, of Kennath, Germany; and a niece, Tinsley Crane, and a nephew, Keegan Crane, both of Walhalla.

His grandparents, George L. and Catherine E. Crane, preceded him in death.



Services for Tommy Reece Lacy, 76, a Rowlett resident for 33 years, were conducted at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 19, 2016, in the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rowlett Chapel with Robert Jackson officiating. Burial followed in the Mt. Carmel Cemetery in Wolfe City.

He died Oct. 15.

Born July 2, 1940, in Celeste to Alvin Lee Lacy and Ella Mae (McAbee) Lacy, he served in the U.S. Army, holding numerous positions during his working life, including three years with the Dallas Police Department. He also worked at jobs in banking, insurance and auto sales. Most recently he was a bus driver for the Rockwall Independent School District.

A member of the Lake Pointe Church in Rockwall, he was an amazing husband, father and Papa.

Survivors include his wife of 53 years, Ramona Lacy; his daughter, Sandy Lee Lacy; his son, Michael Reece Lacy; his grandchildren, Lindsie Renee Allen, and her husband, David, Dalton Reece Lacy and Austin Michael Lacy; his great-grandchildren, Ryleigh Nicole, Harlee Jade and Andrew Reece Allen; his brother, Charles Alan Lacy; and his sisters, Betty Bost and Bobbie Jean Kurkwood.

His parents preceded him in death.



Kandra M. Hall Mueller

Services for Kandra M. Hall Mueller, 43, of Heath were conducted at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 20, 2016, in the Lake Pointe Church in Rockwall with Pastor Steve Stroope officiating. Graveside services followed at 2 p.m. in the Rest Haven Memorial Park.

She died peacefully on Oct. 16 following a courageous battle with breast cancer.

Born Aug. 22, 1973, in Arkadelphia, Arkansas, to Farrell and Wanda Hall, she grew up in Arkansas, having started grade school in Arkadelphia. She graduated from Bismarck High School in 1991. She earned a master's degree from Arkansas State University in 1995, and later earned real estate license and insurance license.

After college she moved to Dallas where she became the director for the Dallas Cowboys Cheerleaders. She served as the organization's show group at USO events around the world during this time she met and married the love of her life.

She later served as vice-president of marketing for Sears and vice-president of Associa.

Her greatest joy in life was being a mother. She was a member of the Lake Pointe Church, serving as leader in her Life Group. She was a member of the Phi Mu fraternity and the Junior League. She was an incredible daughter, sister, wife, mother and friend.

Survivors include her husband, Jason; her children, Madison Bronson of Heath; her parents, Farrell and Wanda Hall of Arkansas; her brother, Tim Hall, and his wife, Carrie, of Arkansas; her brothers-in-law, Barry Mueller of Yakima, WA, and Matthew Mueller, and his wife, Corrie, of Perth, Australia; nephews and nieces Barrett Hall of Bismarck and Evan Eloise Mueller of Perth.

The family has suggested memorials may be made to the High School Scholarship Fund, 11636 Hwy. 84, Bismarck, 71929.

Michael James Redmond

Services for Michael James Redmond, 62, of Rowlett will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 27, 2016, in the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel. Burial will follow in the Rest Haven Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends prior to the services beginning at 10 a.m.

He died Oct. 22.

Born Sept. 15, 1954, in Queens, New York, to John Joseph and Eleanor (Entenmann) Redmond, he was a Rowlett resident for 30 years and a member of Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church in Rockwall.

He is remembered by his family and friends as the sweetest and most compassionate person. He loved to travel, spontaneous and outgoing and never met a stranger.

Survivors include his siblings, John Redmond and his wife, Jim of Fayetteville, Georgia, Karen Smith and her husband, Jim, Barbara Richardson and her husband, Randy, of Rockwall, Redmond of Rowlett and Kathy Davis and her husband, Rowlett, and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts and uncles. His parents and a brother, William Francis Redmond, preceded him in death.



Whitson is War Hawk

Claud Whitson of Rockwall is a member of the McMurry War Hawk football team, according to a university news release.

The McMurry University Athletics Department is dedicated to the academic success and progress toward graduation of its student-athletes, as well as the development of skills necessary for lifelong social responsibility and service, according to the news release.



The Rockwall Area Retired Teachers Association met on Oct. 10. The meeting included a style show of fall fashions modeled by a few members. Hostesses, pictured above, from the left, were Linda Harris, Joan Wells, Pam Hogue and Linda Garrett.

Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

Candidate list for November 8, 2016 General Election, TABC special option

Local

- Judge, County Court at Law
- J. Brian Williams (Republican)
- Sheriff
- Harold W. Eavenson (Republican)
- County Tax Assessor-Collector
- Kim Sweet (Republican)
- County Commissioner, Precinct 1
- Cliff Sevier (Republican)
- Constable, Precinct 1
- John Benedetto (Republican)
- Constable, Precinct 2
- Trey Chaney (Republican)
- County Commissioner, Precinct 3
- Dennis Bailey (Republican)
- Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3
- Mark Russo (Republican)
- Tim Wells (Democrat)
- Constable, Precinct 3
- Tom Egan (Republican)
- Justice of the Peace, Precinct 4
- Liana Bell Whitten (Republican)
- Constable, Precinct 4
- Randy Earl Parks (Republican)
- City of Roysse City Special Election

- Proposition – "The legal sale of all alcoholic beverages including mixed beverages."
- [Require notices, related to the Roysse City Special Election, were not published.]

State

- Railroad Commissioner
- Wayne Christian (Republican)
- Grady Yarbrough (Democrat)
- Mark Miller (Libertarian)
- Martina Salinas (Green)
- Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3
- Debra Lehrmann (Republican)
- Mike Westergren (Democrat)
- Kathie Glass (Libertarian)
- Rodolfo Rivera Munoz (Green)
- Justice, Supreme Court, Place 5
- Paul Green (Republican)
- Dori Contreras Garza (Democrat)
- Tom Oxford (Libertarian)
- Charles E. Waterbury (Green)
- Justice, Supreme Court, Place 9
- Eva Guzman (Republican)
- Savannah Robinson (Democrat)
- Don Fulton (Libertarian)
- Jim Chisholm (Green)
- Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2
- Mary Lou Keel (Republican)
- Lawrence "Larry" Meyers (Democrat)
- Mark Ash (Libertarian)
- Adam King Blackwell Reposa (Green)
- Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 5
- Scott Walker (Republican)
- Betsy Johnson (Democrat)
- William Bryan Strange, III (Libertarian)
- Judith Sanders-Castro (Green)

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- Roysse City - Tiger Mart, Main Street (coin rack), McDonald's (coin rack), Walmart
- Fate - Fate Grocery Store.

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ACROSS

- 1 San Antonio TV
- 5 one meaning of "tejas"
- 6 TX Don Henley co-wrote "I Can't Get to the Sun"
- 7 TXism: "skedaddle out of"
- 8 TXism: "best I can do"
- 17 (exceptional) River
- 18 TX A.J. Foyt's profession (2 wds.)
- 21 TX Kristofferson's "Love the Way"
- 22 transgressions
- 23 a perfect place, or a town in TX
- 24 TXism: "a _____ a skillet would have more fun" (bored)
- 29 set of a typeface
- 30 TX Jordan Spieth won the U.S. _____ in 2015
- 31 "Star Trek's" TX Roddenberry (init.)
- 32 TX B.J. Thomas' "I'm _____ I Could Cry" (1966)
- 34 picnic spoilers
- 35 this Cruz is a U.S. Senator from TX
- 36 SW Houston suburb
- 37 "_____ fair in love and war"
- 38 skin opening
- 39 "Big Tex" (2 wds.)
- 41 bag for a pitcher or bronc rider
- 42 this Richards was the 45th gov. of TX

DOWN

- 1 this TX Porter wrote "Ship of Fools"
- 2 most T-shirts have short ones
- 3 this James was 33rd gov. of TX
- 4 this city is "Rose Capital of the World"
- 9 TX-based "Terms of Endearment" star: Shirley Mac _____
- 10 uncle's wife
- 11 _____ Katy bar the door"
- 12 TX Willie's "Why I Have to Choose" _____ explodes
- 14 this TX Billy won a Super Bowl ring with the Patriots
- 15 college course (abbr.)
- 16 drink a small amount
- 19 West African republic
- 20 "Fort Worth Water _____"
- 22 Travis Tritt sang "_____ for Me"
- 24 Sinatra of "4 for Texas" (init.)
- 25 what TXns Bonnie & Clyde did to banks
- 26 a TX Gene Tierney husband, Cassini _____
- 27 James Fannin was killed in the "_____ Massacre"
- 35 Conway Twitty sang "_____ My Angel Cry"
- 37 TXism: "_____ lie" (big lie)
- 38 La _____ TX
- 40 inflict
- 41 TXism: "skinny as a _____"
- 44 don't _____ your eyes when eating a jalapeno
- 47 there's four of these in a gallon
- 49 small TX tributary of the Colorado: _____ Creek

Heath holiday event slated Dec. 2 at Towne Center Park

The City of Heath's 2016 Holiday in the Park event is scheduled for Friday, Dec. 2, at Towne Center Park.

The event will run from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Activities, according to a City of Heath news release, include:

- Flip the switch on the Christmas tree with city officials beginning at 7 p.m. The program will include performances by the Amy Parks and Dorothy Pullen elementary school honor choirs and the Rockwall-Heath High School Jazz Band.
- Dinner in the Winter Village, featuring food trucks, an outdoor dining area warmed by holiday lights, rides on two miniature trains, activity booths for kids (including a holiday craft) and a holiday photo booth. The Cain Middle School orchestra will serenade diners from 6:15 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.
- Warm up with complimentary hot cocoa and coffee throughout

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Democratic Men's Group to host luncheon

The Democratic Men's Group of Rockwall County will host a luncheon at noon on Saturday, Nov. 5, at the Cotton Patch on E. I-30, Rockwall. The group meets for lunch on the first Saturday of each month at various local restaurants. Open-minded, progressive men concerned with the future of Rockwall County and invited to attend.

CAC Board plans fundraiser, book-signing event

The Child Advocacy Center Board of Directors, with the Soroptimists, will host a luncheon fundraiser and book-signing from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Nov. 9 in the Rockwall County Courthouse Liberty Hall. Author Carter Hopkins, a 1992 graduate of Rockwall High School, will sign his newly released book, "The Prophecy." Carter is an attorney in the cyber security industry. His fictional mystery novel begins in Rockwall. Proceeds from the luncheon and signed book purchases will benefit the CAC at the Soroptimist House. Luncheon tickets cost \$20 at rockwallCAC.org or by calling 214-274-4270. Books purchased at the event at a cost of \$15 each.

Prayers for reconciliation, unity planned

Prayers for reconciliation and unity will be offered at the Presbyterian Church of Rockwall, 602 White Hills Dr., at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 9. Pastor Cheryl Taylor invites the community to come together to pray for unity and heal the brokenness in the wake of a grueling and divisive election season. The service is intended to provide peace and solidarity as the community moves into a new year that ultimately is in God's hands.

Fisher to be recognized Nov. 10

Terry Fisher, the first Rockwall soldier to be killed in World War II, will be recognized by Dick Clark, member of American Legion Post 117, at the Sheri Stodghill Lecture Series presented by the Rockwall County Historical Foundation and the Rockwall County Historical Commission from noon to 1 p.m. in the third floor in the downtown courthouse on Nov. 10. The Rockwall post, named in honor of Fisher, is one of the oldest in the U.S.

Soroptimists offer educational, training grants

Women who are the primary wage earners for their families and seek to continue their education or receive training can apply for Soroptimist Live Your Dream: Education and Training Awards. A \$1,000 cash grant is available to each award recipient who will advance to the regional level, where she could receive additional funding. Recipients can use the funds to offset tuition, books, childcare, carfare or any other education-related expenses. Application deadline is Nov. 15. Apply at soroptimist.org/live-your-dream-awards.html or by contacting Judy Cantelero at 760-419-5224 or judycan41@gmail.com.

Rock Wall to be revisited Dec. 11

The history of the rock wall will be re-examined at the Stodghill Lecture Series presented by the Rockwall County Historical Foundation and the Rockwall County Historical Commission from noon to 1 p.m. in the third floor in the historic downtown courthouse on Dec. 11. The program also will explore the most recent developments regarding Rockwall's unique underground formation.

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• Robert Burns...
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City preparing to annex party in Hunt County

Roys City began the process of voluntary and annexation actions related to property located in Hunt County.

Sept. 27, 2016 regular meeting, the council opened the floor for testimony concerning the voluntary annexation of 3.8 acres, Abstract No. 176, 10.49 acres, situated along Floyd Road in Hunt County.

The council held a closed meeting concerning the legal status of the planned development with Bob Sandlin, Developer, for Parker Survey, Abstract No. 176, and George M. Parker Survey, Abstract No. 177, 59.57 acres north of interstate 30 in Roys City was taken by the council.

At the Oct. 11 meeting up for testimony related to the proposed involuntary annexation actions:

James, Tract R500, .5 acres situated along I-30 in Hunt County.

On May 11 different tracts situated along I-30 in Hunt County, Lot 33, 2.99 acres, situated along CR 2597 and lot 32, 1.91 acres in Hunt County.

County School Land, 13 tracts situated along I-30 in Hunt County.

Notices of the hearings were not published.

Carly Alsbrook provided an update of current road projects.

That the TxDOT FM 2642 project will begin Nov. 2016 and will come down in about a year. The work on Shaw Road will begin sometime between Nov. and the first part of 2017.

Project M 548 from Highway 205 to Highway 66 has started. The project will end at Roys City.

Project 66 project will be a rebuild with shoulders from I-30 to Highway 66.

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Candidate list for November 8, 2016 General Election ...

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Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 6

- Michael E. Keasler (Republican)
 - Robert Burns (Democrat)
 - Mark W. Bennett (Libertarian)
- Member, State Board of Education, District 9
- Keven M. Ellis (Republican)
 - Amanda M. Rudolph (Democrat)
 - Anastasia Wilford (Libertarian)
- State Representative, District 33
- Justin Holland (Republican)
 - Karen Jacobs (Democrat)
 - Rick Donaldson (Libertarian)

Justice, 5th Court of Appeals District, Place 4

- Lana Myers (Republican)
 - Gena Slaughter (Democrat)
- Justice, 5th Court of Appeals District, Place 7
- David John Schenck (Republican)
 - Dennise Garcia (Democrat)

District Judge, 382nd Judicial District

- Brett Hall (Republican)

District Judge, 439th Judicial District

- David E. Rakow (Republican)

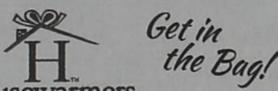
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President/Vice President

- Donald J. Trump/Mike Pence (Republican)
 - Hillary Clinton/Tim Kaine (Democrat)
 - Gary Johnson/William Weld (Libertarian)
 - Jill Stein/Ajamu Baraka (Green)
- United States Representative, District 4
- John Ratcliffe (Republican)
 - Cody Womack (Libertarian)

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On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

Know the basics ... who is the Bride?

God's word refers to the Bride in the context of Israel and the Church of the Body of Christ. Let's start with the Bride as Israel.

Isaiah 54:5-6, "For thy Maker is thine husband; the Lord of hosts is His name; and thy Redeemer the Holy One of Israel; The God of the whole earth shall He be called. For the Lord has called you as a woman forsaken and grieved in spirit, and a wife of youth, when you were refused."

Jeremiah 3:14, "... for I am married unto you ..."

Hosea 2:16, "And it shall be at that day, says the Lord, you shall call Me Ishi; and shall call Me no more Baali." The word Ishi meant "My husband," and Baali meant "My Lord."

Based on the above verses, it would appear that God was married to Israel. There is one problem -- God is not a person, and unable to really be married.

Acts 2:34-36 provides more information that helps to understand. Here, Peter was explaining to everyone in the Temple what they saw and heard after all of the disciples started speaking in tongues.

Peter finished by saying, "For David is not ascended into the heavens: but he said himself, 'The Lord said unto my Lord, sit on My right hand, Until I make your foes your footstool.' Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God made that same Jesus, whom you have crucified, both Lord and Christ."

This signified a huge shift in relationship between Israel and the Creator of the heavens and the earth. Moreover, it revealed a huge spiritual paradigm shift for all people.

During the Old Testament period of time, the Creator was considered to be "Lord." Thus it fits that the Old Testament refers to Israel as the "wife" of the Creator.

Peter declared the truth, which was that the Creator made His son Jesus to sit at His right hand of all power and authority as His first-born son, and made Jesus to be called "Lord" and "Christ."

Revelation 21:2, "And John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband."

Revelation 19:7-8, "... for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife has made herself ready." The Lamb refers to God's son.

Rev. 21:9-10, "... I will show you the bride, the Lamb's wife." It goes on to describe the "New Jerusalem."

Rev. 14:3-4 refers to the 144,000 which will be redeemed, and will follow the Lamb wherever he goes.

Rev. 7:3-8, "And I heard the number of them which were sealed ... an hundred and forty and four thousand of ... Israel."

Who is the Lamb? "These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb" (Rev. 7:14).

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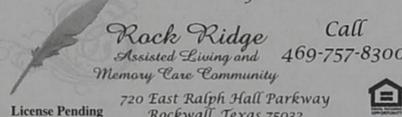
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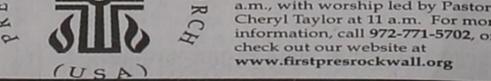
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Economic ideas The ancient Romans, who went from rule of law to corrupting inflation and price controls

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Edward Ebeling
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 Ancient Romans failed to leave any systematic body of thoughts or ideas, just like the ancient Greeks had failed to. Indeed, many of the ideas the Romans expressed on such economic themes were borrowed from the Greeks. The Romans were mostly concerned with practical matters, and have sometimes been referred to as "doers" rather than philosophers on these matters. They did leave a body of thought, and one that has had a lasting influence and significance for future generations, in the West up until our own time was in the area of law and government. Their main contribution has been seen to be the legal order which is founded part of the Western economic traditions of commerce and exchange.

Spending, Inflation and Economic Controls Under Diocletian

The most famous episode of price controls in Roman history was the reign of Emperor Diocletian (A.D. 244-312). He assumed the throne in Rome in A.D. 284. Almost immediately, Diocletian began to curtail huge and financially expensive government spending. There was a massive increase in the armed forces and military expenditures. A huge building project was started in the form of a planned city for the Roman Empire in Asia Minor (present-day Turkey) at Nicomedia; he greatly expanded the Roman bureaucracy; and he forced labor for completion of his public works projects. Because of all these government activities, Diocletian dramatically increased taxes on all segments of the Roman population. These resulted in expected disincentives against work, production, savings, and investment that have long been seen as the consequences of high levels of taxation. It resulted in a decline in commerce and trade, as

The result of this was inevitable, too. Since in terms of the actual gold and silver contained in them, these legal tender coins had a lower value, traders would only accept them at a discount. That is, they were soon devalued in the market place. People began to hoard all the gold and silver coins still actually containing the higher gold and silver content and using the debased coins in market trading.

This, of course, meant that each of the debased coins would only buy a smaller quantity of goods on the market than before; or expressed the other way around, more of these debased coins now had to be given in exchange for the same amount of commodities as before. The price inflation became worse and worse as the Emperor issued more and more of these increasingly worthless forms of money.

Diocletian also instituted a tax-in-kind, that is, the Roman government would not accept its own worthless, debased money as payment for taxes owed. Since the Roman taxpayers had to meet their tax bills in actual goods, this immobilized the entire population; many were now bound to the land or a given occupation, so as to assure that they had produced the products that the government demanded as due it at tax collection time. An increasingly rigid economic structure, therefore, was imposed on the whole Roman economy.

Diocletian's Edict Made Everything Worse

But the worst was still to come. In A.D. 301, the famous Edict of Diocletian was passed. The Emperor fixed the prices of grain, beef, eggs, clothing, and other articles sold on the market; he also fixed the wages of those employed in the production of these goods. The penalty imposed for violation of these price and wage controls, that is, for any one caught selling any of these goods at higher than proscribed prices and wages, was death.

Realizing that once these controls were announced many farmers and manufacturers would lose all incentive to being their commodities to market at prices set far below what the traders would consider fair market values, Diocletian also proscribed in the Edict that all those who were found to be "hoarding" goods off the market would be severely punished; their goods would be confiscated and they would be put to death.

In the Greek parts of the Roman Empire, archeologists have found the price tables listing the government-mandated prices. They list over 1,000 individual prices and wages set by the law and what the permitted price and wage was to be for each of the commodities, goods, and labor services.

A Roman of this period named Lactantius wrote during this time that Diocletian "... then set himself to regulate the prices of all vendible things. There was much blood shed upon very slight and trifling accounts; and the people brought no more provisions to market, since they could not get a reasonable price for them and this increased the dearth [the scarcity] so much, that at last after many had died by it, the law was set aside."

The Consequences and Lessons from Roman Economic Policy

Roland Kent, an economic historian of this period, has summarized the consequences of Diocletian's Edict in the following way:

"... The price limits set in the Edict were not observed by the traders, in spite of the death penalty provided in the statute for its violation; would-be purchasers finding that the prices were above the legal limit, formed mobs and wrecked the offending traders' establishments, incidentally killing the traders, though the goods were after all of trifling value; traders hoarded their goods against the day when the restrictions should be removed, and the resulting scarcity of wares actually offered for sale caused an even greater increase in prices, so that what trading went on was at illegal prices, therefore, performed clandestinely.

The economic effects were so disastrous to the Roman economy that four years after putting the Edict into law, Diocletian abdicated claiming "poor health" - a euphemism throughout history that if the political leader does not step down from power, others will remove him, often through assassination. And while the Edict was never formally repealed, it soon became a dead letter shortly after Diocletian left the throne.

Michael Ivanovich Rostovtzeff, a leading historian on the ancient Roman economy, offered this summary in his, *Social and Economic History of the Roman Empire* (1926):

The same expedient [a system of price and wage controls] have often been tried before him [Diocletian] and was often tried after him. As a temporary measure in a critical time, it might be of some use. As a general measure intended to last, it was certain to do great harm and to cause terrible bloodshed, without bringing any relief. Diocletian shared the pernicious belief of the ancient world in the omnipotence of the state, a belief which many modern theorists continue to share with him and with it.

Finally, as, again, Ludwig von Mises concluded, the Roman Empire began to weaken and decay because it lacked the ideas and ideology that are necessary to build upon and safe-guard a free and prosperous society: a philosopher of individual rights and free markets. As Mises ended his own reflections on the civilizations of the ancient world:

The marvelous civilization of antiquity perished because it did not adjust its moral code and its legal system to the requirements of the market economy. A social order is doomed if the actions which its normal functioning requires are rejected by the standards of morality, are declared illegal by the laws of the country, and are prosecuted as criminal by the courts and the police. The Roman Empire crumbled to dust because it lacked the spirit of [classical] liberalism and free enterprise. The policy of interventionism and its political corollary, the Fuhrer principle, decomposed the might empire as they will by necessity always disintegrate and destroy any social entity.

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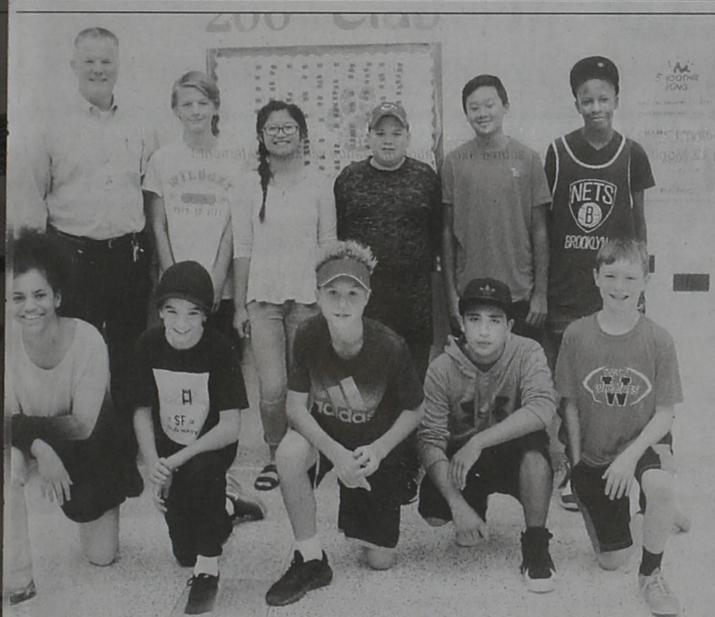
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Middle school band students representing Utley and Cain middle schools recently lined up to learn from professional performers and teachers prior to the all-district band audition next month. Pictured above are a few of the saxophone players participating in the event.
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The Rockwall County Sheriff's Office and the Rockwall Police Department are seeking information about an incident that occurred during the morning hours of Oct. 18.

At 11:07 a.m. on that date, lawmen from the two offices responded to the Rockwall County Republican Headquarters at 112 Kenway Drive following a report of a terroristic threat, according to a news release from the police department.

An unknown individual had called on the phone and made a threat against the office, according to the report.

The two law enforcement offices are working the case together and the FBI has been called in to assist.

The police department did not provide the subject and text of the alleged threats, whether the callers voice was male or female, and from where the call originated.

To report information regarding this incident, call the sheriff's office at 972-204-7001 or the police department at 972-771-7724.

The Republican Party County Chair is Laverne Kennimer.

Bill Broderick serves as Vice Chair.

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Heath holiday event slated ...

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Evening while Mrs. Claus and her elves serve complimentary cookies, home-baked and donated by the National Charity and Rockwall Women's League.

Rockwall County Helping Hands will be on site to collect unwrapped toys or cash to purchase toys for needy children.

The Heath Holiday Shoppe will be open, where locals can purchase and edition 2016 Heath Christmas ornament and spirit wear.

The arrival will take place during the tree-lighting program. He will arrive with each one in his vintage sled. Parents should plan to bring cameras to capture the memories.

Royse City annexation ...

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Rockwall County to Hunt County line, and will begin the first quarter of 2017.

Alsbrook anticipated the Jones and Old Greenville Road project should have finished by the end of Sept.

Alsbrook told the council about an anticipated increase in homes at approximately 2,200 to 2,300 homes.

The city did not publish the required notice of budget for fiscal year 2017.

[Publisher's note: Follow the Rockwall County News for legal publication of each required notice related to the voluntary and involuntary annexation actions.]



Poetry Community Christian School (PCCS) women's volleyball team advancing to the state tournament, Oct. 27-29, in San Antonio are (back row left to right) Shelby Blake (Assistant Coach), Emily Williams, Emily Coleman, Heather McCarthy (Head Coach), Mackenzie Buhr, Trisha Gracy, Baylee Roberts, (front row) Elisabeth Barbee, Cara City, Sarah Neiman, and Taylor Darland, The Lady Pioneers are ranked first in the league with a 11-1 record, and will draw the number one seed at the Texas Christian Athletic League's State Tournament. Their first game will be Fri. Oct. 28 at 11:30 a.m. for the first round. The school will host a send-off pep rally for the team, Thurs. Oct. 27 at PCCS.

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Lady Hawks Senior Brooke Renfro (14) sets the ball for a strike by Lauren Smith (4), Fri. Oct. 21, 2016, during game one of the match against Mesquite at the RHHS gym in Heath. The Lady Hawks went on to win 3-0, 25-12, 25-18, 25-9. With the win, the Lady Hawks clinched the District 11-6A Championship. Ready to assist at back is Senior Avery Morey (2).

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Hawks Senior Half Back Grant Buckholt finds a hole for more yards against Mesquite, Fri. Oct. 21, 2016, at Wilkerson-Sanders Stadium in Rockwall. Rockwall-Heath (District 11-6A, 3-2) defeated Mesquite 52-24. Ready to assist with blocking are J'corrian Jimmerson (10) and Chad Gardner (74). The Hawks are set to play against Longview, 7:30 p.m., Fri. Oct. 28, at Rockwall. Photo by Tim Burnett/Rockwall County News

Lady Hawks volleyball take District Championship

The Rockwall-Heath Lady Hawks (Overall 29-13, District 11-6A 13-0) varsity volleyball team clinched the District Championship after their win against Mesquite, Fri. Oct. 21, 2016, during the Season Night game at RHHS gym in Heath.

"This has been an enjoyable ride here at Rockwall-Heath," said Head Coach Maggie Younger. "To build a program from scratch starting in 2005, and now to be 5-times Undefeated District Champion in just 11 years is overwhelming."

Offensive leaders in District play were Sophomore Maddie Parnelly with 103 Kills out of 246 attempts for 41.9% and Lauren McNeil (Sr) with 101 K out of 187 attempts.

McNeil logged a total of 31 Blocks, with 15 Block Solos and 16 Block Assists.

Berkley Adams (Jr) led on defense with 131 Receptions and 15 Digs.

"It has been an honor and a privilege to serve this campus, community and above all the women athletes I have coached throughout the years. This 2016-17 season has been a hard working one for me, but I am very proud of this group of young ladies and can't wait to see them shine during post season," exclaimed Coach Younger.

According to the UIL schedule, Bi-District round of playoffs will be held Oct. 31 - Nov. 1. Area round will be Nov. 3-5; Regional Quarterfinals, Nov. 7-8; Regional Semi-finals Nov. 11; Regional Championship will be 12:00 p.m. or 6:30 p.m., Nov. 12. The State Tournament will be Nov. 16-19.

Other Lady Hawks are:
Nicolette Dillard (Sr) - 69 K out of 168 ATT, 3 Aces of 10 Receptions, and 38 Digs.

Lauren Smith (Sr) - 67 K out of 159, 3 Block Solos, 13 Block Assists, 15 Digs.

Nicole Sands (So) - 63 K of 123, 1 A of 2, 8 BS, 10 BA, 5 D.

Kayla Cook (Jr) - 50 K of 136, 18 A of 88, 1 BS, 7 BA, 28 R.

Bomi Agunlari (Fr) - 19 K of 50, 4 A of 7, 1 B, 1 BA, 7 R, 2 D.

Noelle Helms (Jr) - 13 K of 22, 15 A of 163.

Savonna Payne (So) - 11 K of 35, 4 A of 10, 1 BA, 8 R, 2 D.

Berkley Adams (Jr) - 4 K of 29, 20 A of 106, 131 R, 116 D.

Taylor Jones (So) - 4 K of 8, 13 A of 111, 33 D.

Avery Morey (Sr) - 3 K of 6, 5 A of 45, 22 R, 12 D.

Caitlyn Lozano (Sr) - 1 K of 6, 8 A of 45, 1 BS, 23 R, 24 D.

Brooke Renfro (Sr) - 1 K of 1, 3 A of 40, 1 R.

Olivia Lohmiller (So) - 9 A of 106, 74 R, 69 D.

Shey Scroggins (Sr) - 10 A of 59, 28 R, 20 D.

Eagles dominates Dallas Lutheran in District opener

The Heritage Christian Academy Eagles six-man football team stormed into District play with a 54-8 win, in 3 quarters, over Dallas Lutheran, Thurs. Oct. 20, 2016, at Rockwall.

The Eagles entered District play with a 7-1 record. The overall record was 72-30 against Tioga.

HCA logged a total of 404 yards, with 336 running and 68 passing. The Eagles defense held Dallas Lutheran to 154 yards, 46 rushing and 108 passing.

The Eagles scoring plays included 6 running plays and one passing play.

The running plays involved a combination of hand-offs and passes by Max Mitchell to Brendan Schroeffer and Tyler Treadway. In one play, Schroeffer pitched the ball to Mitchell for a touchdown. Another play featured a Treadway pass completion to Brock Mitchell for a TD.

Lutheran's lone touchdown was off a Logan O'Brien pass completion for a 65 yard run into the endzone.

Treadway led the scoring with 18 points and 197 Yards, followed by Schroeffer's 12 and 64 Yards, Hawthorne's 12 points, Mitchell's 6 points and 81 Yards, and McCarty's 6 points and 25 Yards.

Treadway completed 3 passes out of 5 for 56 yards, and Mitchell completed 1 of 4 for 12 yards.

Leading in shutting down Dallas Lutheran's offense were Treadway with 6 solo tackles and 5 assists including 2 solo quarter back sacks.

Mitchell recorded 4 solo tackles and 6 assists including 2 sacks. Jacob Smith logged 4 solo tackles and 1 sack.

The Eagles will travel to Lakehill Preparatory School for a 7 p.m. game, Fri. Oct. 28.

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HCA	16	24	14	54
DL	0	8	0	8

10/28, 7:30 p.m., Royse City football at Highland Park.
10/28, 7:30 p.m., Rockwall football at Mesquite Hanby Stadium.

Rockwall County Sports Notes

ACS Ribbon Run set Oct. 29 in Rockwall

The American Cancer Society will host the Rockwall Ribbon Run on Saturday, Oct. 29, in Harry Myers Park. The event will include a 5K, a 5K Youth event (6 and older) and a one-mile fun run (minimum age). Each race participant will receive a T-shirt. Check-in/late registration will begin at 7 a.m., followed by the start of the race at 8:45 a.m. For race information or to register, visit playrockwall.com/rockwall-ribbon-run.

Rockwall Chamber of Commerce host clay shoot

The Rockwall Area Chamber of Commerce will host a clay shoot beginning at 8 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 3, at the Rockwall Gun Club. Call 972-771-5733 or email savanna@rockwallchamber.org.

Fishing Derby set Nov. 5 at Harry Myers Park

The City of Rockwall's Parks & Rec Department will host a Fishing Derby for youths ages 3-14 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 5, at Harry Myers Park. The pond will be stocked with catfish; register to win Heaviest, Longest, Most Fish in the age group. Participants should bring their own bait (any type is allowed) and a limited amount of worms. Catfish bait will be available at the site. Cost to participate will be \$5 per fisherperson. To register, visit playrockwall.com/fishing-derby-2.

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