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## Citizens attending town hall meeting object to outsourcing library proposal

A crowd of 200 gathered Monday evening, June 13, in the courthouse. Rockwall County Judge Jerry Hogan presided over the meeting, which he called to specifically address public comment on the first draft budget proposal to outsource library services to a private corporation. The meeting was held at the Commissioners Court meeting to take place the next morning, and to call for a vote to issue a Request for Proposals to find a contractor to operate the library with anticipated annual revenues of \$300,000.

Some cheered the demands of one speaker who insisted the county should fight the state's unfunded mandates that require increases in court and constable staffing. Hogan maintained that such a battle against the requirements of Texas' own constitution would be "a waste of time." Others drew applause as they attacked the expenses of the new county courthouse construction, calling it "extravagant," and questioned county expenditures in other departments. While some constituents said they would support a tax increase in order to continue maintaining the library, others emphatically refused to pay more taxes for library services while other county government spending continues, particularly the courthouse construction. A number of attendees criticized the idea of outsourcing library services based on their observations that, with outsourcing, comes a reduction in the quality of that service. Several speakers praised individual members of the library staff for their service to the community on and off the clock, and expressed

concern that a private corporation, with its own "private interests," would not be interested in serving the community to such an extent. Others said they absolutely would not volunteer at a library operated by a for-profit company, and, believing much of the community would respond the same way, pointed out how this would compound the issue with lack of service if the library's operations were outsourced. Some speakers even questioned the integrity of the only company that provides this service, which would certainly be selected by default if the RFP were issued. Although an attorney who spoke of the library's impact on his life claimed to be the youngest taxpayer in the audience, two much younger constituents took the microphone to share their own sentiments about the library's value. A middle-school boy broke the tension with charmingly sincere comments about his love for reading and how much he depends on the library. "It's the only place to get books in the summertime," said the young man, then laughing, "well, except the book store, but that costs money." The rest

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## Commissioners work through budget items

by Jana Edwards  
 The regular meeting of the Rockwall County Commissioner's Court on Tuesday, May 14, was well-attended in the wake of a lively town hall meeting the night before, with a number of budget items on the agenda. During the open forum, speakers addressed their concerns about how budget cuts would impact various departments, from the library to public safety, urging the court to "explore every possible option" to reduce expenses without impacting services. Two services were, in fact, approved for outsourcing: health care for Rockwall County Jail inmates and custodial services for all county facilities. The county auditor was authorized to proceed with contract negotiations for the lowest of three bids received for custodial services. The court also approved an agreement with the winning bidder to provide medical services to inmates. The 24/7 service would replace three nurses currently working in the jail in this cost-saving measure that was originally proposed by the sheriff's department. Item 12 on the agenda, regarding the library administration outsourcing was, as promised, pulled from the agenda by the county judge. Among major items on the agenda was an agreement with the Texas Department of Public Safety to grant funding for a remote records management project. Rockwall County is eligible to participate in the grant-funded pilot program because it lacks an interface with certain state and national records systems that would enhance law enforcement abilities. The funding would not cover maintenance fees and extra enhancements that would amount to \$32,000 per year, but the court was advised that the \$25,000 in maintenance fees could certainly be funded. The system would allow officers access to all local records to investigate pending cases, rather than working within the confines of only Rockwall County records systems. The court approved renewal of several lease agreements pertaining to properties currently housing county offices on a month-to-month basis. These offices will soon be relocated to the new courthouse facilities, at which time the leases will be terminated. Currently, the county is incurring nearly \$7,000 per month to lease these offices. Consent agenda items were all passed 4-0 with no discussion, as was a lengthy list of property acquisitions assets dispositions. No action resulted from the court's executive session.



Above are five of the six Dorris Jones Elementary students who participated in the Region 10 Junior Visual Art Scholastic Contest at Coppell Middle School North. Pictured are Kaitlyn Strother, Francesca Salluzo, MacKenzie Camp, Kaleb Jones and Molly Mosby. Not shown is Molly Mosby. Photo/Rockwall County News

## Rockwall ISD principals named for Shannon, Rochell

Two principals have been named for Sharon Shannon Elementary and Rochell Elementary, according to a news release issued last week by Rockwall Independent School District. Kaitlyn Strother has been selected principal for Shannon Elementary, replacing a Hasse, who has been tapped as the district's new director of assessment and professional development. Sherry Packer will serve as principal for Rochell Elementary. She will follow Terry Peters, who is retiring from the RISD. Packer has been serving as assistant principal at Dorris A. Jones Elementary for six years. She holds a bachelor's degree in education from Baylor University and received her master's degree in administration from East Texas State. She is presently completing her doctorate at Texas A&M-Commerce. Packer's classroom experience includes both public and private schools in the Dallas area. She served as an instructional specialist in the Garland Independent School District, working directly with teachers to review data and align instructional strategies to support academic achievement. She joined the RISD as principal in 2004. Packer's most recent service to the district was as principal of Quest Elementary, the district's alternative learning program. There, she implemented various initiatives for the benefit of students and their families. Packer earned her bachelor's degree in education at the University of North Texas and a master's degree in education from Texas A&M-Commerce. She is currently doing doctoral work. Packer has served as a math teacher, coach, summer school teacher for middle school students and assistant principal at Spring Hill Elementary. During her career in education, she also has been an independent contractor for Region 10 and a high school math teacher in the Rockwall and Rowlett-Rosser school districts.



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Henry Strong, a 2007 Rockwall High School graduate, was commissioned as an officer from the U.S. Navy in Annapolis, Maryland. He will report in September to Florida for pilot training.

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**Outsourcing proposal**

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of the room laughed along.

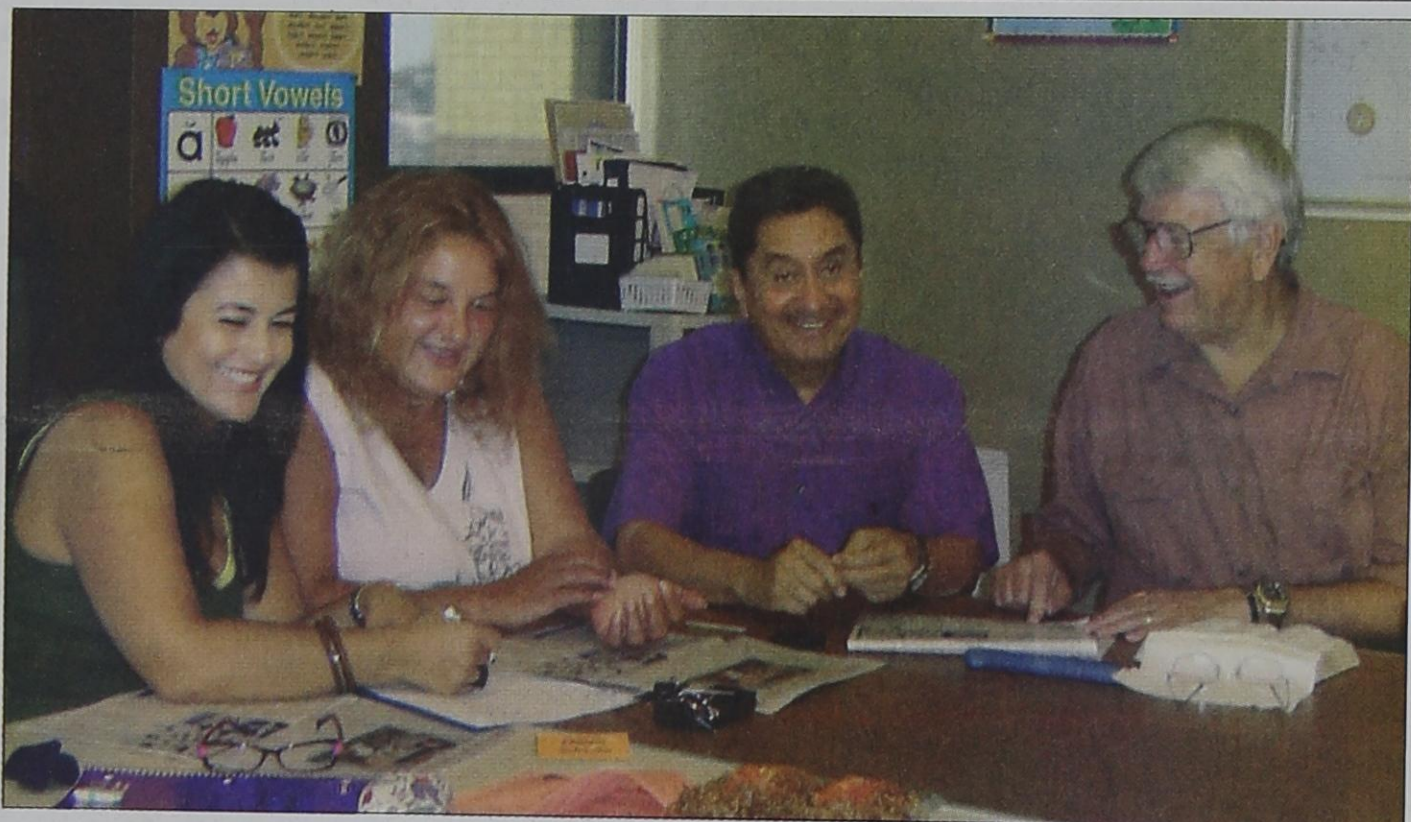
A young girl delivered a passionate plea to preserve the library she had spent more than 100 hours volunteering there. She asked with a question directed at Hogan himself: "Please... can't we keep the library?"

After hearing dozens of speakers over the hour and a half, he vehemently opposed to the plan, Hogan announced that he would remove the vote to issue an RFP from the agenda. "I believe the people have spoken," he asked the audience not want to outsource the library?" They responded with applause.

The controversial proposal was one among several budget options outlined in Hogan's first draft proposal for the 2011-2012 originally presented in a regular Commissioners Court meeting. Other outsourcing options included janitorial services for the library.

As attendees continued to shout out comments and questions, he wrapped up the meeting with an announcement that he would issue an RFP for library outsourcing from the Court's meeting agenda following morning. The library, he explained, would instead be \$250,000 from its budget, which the director had assured would be difficult, but possible.

See the video recording of the town hall meeting at [www.rockwallcounty.com/online.com](http://www.rockwallcounty.com/online.com)



The Rockwall Women's League recently awarded the Rockwall County Library Reading for Adults program a \$250 grant. The RFA program provides free educational support in English as a Second Language (ESL), GED studies and preparation, U.S. citizenship preparation and adult literacy. Pictured discussing current events in a recent class are students in the English Conversation Class, from the left, Diana Mejia, Claudia Schwalm and Carlos Lopez, along with volunteer tutor Jerry Rubush. The RFA program has almost 300 adult students from 35 countries served by 75 volunteer tutors. Since it was chartered in 1973, the Rockwall Women's League has provided more than \$2 million in grants and scholarships to nonprofits and high school seniors in Rockwall County.

*Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News*

**Animal shelter urgently needs cat foster homes**

The Rockwall Animal Services and Adoption Center is in urgent need of foster homes for cats. A number of mother cats and kittens have been surrendered to the shelter and are running out of room to shelter all of the animals. The shelter is reaching "critical mass" and is seeking help from the public.

Because of the volume of cats and kittens on hand, euthanasia is particular is "being done at an alarming rate."

This also would be a good time for anyone interested in adopting a kitten to do so. Adoption rates are reasonable, and some are high. All cats that are old enough will be spayed/neutered and vaccinated.

Anyone who can provide temporary housing for kittens or cats with a problem with dogs is growing as well - should call the adoption line at 972-771-7750.

**UNT recognizes local students**

Several area students were recognized for academic achievement following the spring semester awards ceremony at the University of North Texas.

According to a news release, seven Rockwall students were included on the UNT List of Honorees including Anne Benson, Kimberly Kiara Ke'Andre Brown, James Burmania, Lauren Jason L. Ruffing and Elizabeth Schultz.

To be named to the List, an undergraduate student must complete a minimum of 10 academic hours with a 4.0 average.

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Dean's List honorees from Heath, Kyle Blahnik, Sarah Beth Jackson, M. Lossing, Mallory Ann Mollory Brooks Turner, Royse City, Laura Avila, Chandler, Jocelynn Elmer and Sean Raleigh Smith. Rockwall honorees include H. Alberts, Megan Bonny, Miles Lawrence, Christopher Fultz, Catherine Gilmore, Katherine L. Robert Taulbee, Hodgson, Mariah M. Kostra, Nadia Kay Aaron David Moore, Owolo, Michael Andrew Syed Danyal Hussain and Michelle M. Wood.



Weldon Collier, his sister Guyrene Randles and niece Carolyn Bryan

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## Local students named to OBU Dean's List

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Honorees included Jacob Way from Heath and Jordan Miller and Rachel Spencer from Rockwall.

To be named to the Dean's List, a student must maintain a minimum 3.5 grade-point average and be classified as a full-time student with a minimum of 12 semester hours.

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## Miller, Liebrum Wed Aug. 6

Michael Miller and Suzanne Miller of Rockwall are proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Cory Rile Liebrum, son of Dr. and Mrs. Chris Liebrum. Cory graduated from Rockwall High School, received a bachelor's degree from Texas A&M University-Commerce. She plans to graduate from South Garland High School, receive a master's degree from Howard Payne University in Brownwood, and continue her professional development from Dallas Baptist University as minister to students at the First Baptist Church. A wedding is planned at the Inn at Palmer Divide in Rockwall, and the reception is set for Aug. 27 at the First Baptist Church.

## SD plans public hearing on budget

Rockwall Independent School District Board of Trustees will conduct a public hearing for the 2011-2012 school year budget at 6 p.m. June 23 at the Central Administration Building, 1050 Williams St., Rockwall.

The board plans to meet to discuss the budget, which will be adopted at the meeting.

Public comments are invited. The hearing will be held at 6:30 p.m. on the 23rd of each month in Room 600 of the Central Administration Building. For more information, visit the RISD website, www.rockwallisd.com.

## Methodist Church Hosts Summer Mission Camp

The Methodist Church of Rockwall will host a Summer Mission Camp from 9:30 a.m. to noon July 18-22.

The camp will feature the church's motto, "Feel the Love, Be the Love," throughout the community to learn about organizational projects. Planned activities include caring for animals at the shelter, helping for the elderly at the Summer Ridge Retirement Home, helping with Meals on Wheels recipients; helping make mats for the homeless; and creating patriotic artwork for English as a Second Language class members.

The camp will be conducted on the final day of camp. Activities include pizza, a campfire, and a camp T-shirt. The camp is open to youths in grades kindergarten through eighth. For more information, contact Mary Thacker at marythacker@sbcglobal.net or call 972-771-2151. The camp is located at 602 White Hills, next to Wal-Mart.

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# On God's Word

Speaking in tongues & prophecy...1Cor. chapter 14 Part 1  
by Timothy W. Burnett

Following his emphasis on the great importance of God's love shown in Christians' lives, Paul changes subjects and distinguishes between speaking words that are understood by others unto edifying, and speaking in tongues.

"Follow after charity and desire spiritual gifts, but rather that you may prophesy" (1Corinthians 14:1). The word "gifts" was added by

the King James writers. The word "spiritual" is translated from an earlier Greek word that meant spiritual matters. Seek after the love of God and endearingly desire spiritual matters in our lives. But at the same time desire greatly to prophesy.

"For he that speaks in a tongue speaks not unto men, but unto God. For no man understands him, howbeit in the spirit he speaks mysteries. But he that prophesies speaks unto men to edification and exhortation and comfort. He that speaks in a tongue edifies himself. But he that prophesies edifies the church" (1Corinthians 14:2-4). When we speak in tongues we are not speaking to other people, but to God. This is simply the way God designed it to be. Speaking in tongues is not meant to be understood by others.

We also learn that speaking in tongues involves speaking mysteries, among other things. We might ask how speaking in tongues edifies the one speaking if what is spoken is not understood. Christians are identified by the spirit of God that is in them. It's God in Christ, and Christ in us (Ephesians 1:27). That unique spirit that we are identified by is actually what is being edified. Because our spirit in us is edified, it stands to reason that we will ultimately be edified.

"I would that you all spoke with tongues, but rather that you prophesied. For greater is he that prophesies than he that speaks with tongues, except he interpret, that the church may receive edifying" (1Corinthians 14:5). The contextual setting is the assembly of believers. Speaking for God, Paul clearly states that all Christians

should be speaking in tongues in their personal context of Christian assemblies, he would prophesied. For during the church gatherings to prophesy than to speak in tongues with the who believe to give the interpretation of their speech. "Now brethren, if I come unto you speaking shall I profit you, except I shall speak to you by knowledge or by prophesying or by doctrine without life giving sound, whether pipe or harp distinction in the sounds, how shall it be known? For if the trumpet give an uncertain sound himself to the battle?" What a fantastic analogy sound of the emergency horn that announces: What if that horn belted out one loud tone the would know what it meant.

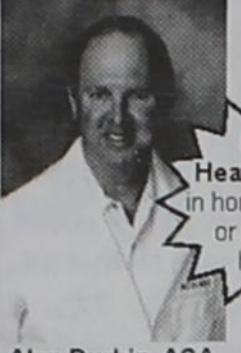
During an assembly of believing Christians, confused if somebody started speaking in tongue manner without believing to give the interpreted spoken. As it says in verse 9, "So likewise except tongue words easy to be understood, how shall it be spoken? For you shall speak into the air." The orderly sound frequencies, but the church received understood.

Based on His word, God wants all His saints in tongues as part of their personal prayer lives. special type of prayer that will only be available nistration of the grace of God, which began on the recorded in Acts 2:1-4. And it will no longer be Day of Christ (the rapture).

1Corinthians chapter 14 mentions speaking in for a reason. God set things up so that His saints and prophecy in their own languages, but that the with the spirit of God by speaking in tongues of prayer lives.

During the next few weeks, this column will cover chapter 14 in more detail.

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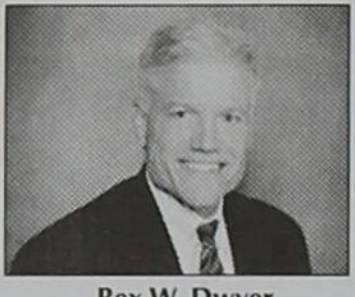
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# Rockwall County Obituaries

**Helen Cunningham**

Funeral services for Helen Cunningham, 103, of Rockwall will be in the Rest Haven Chapel in Rockwall, 2011.



Helen Cunningham, 107, in Des Moines, Iowa, and Emma Pearl Cunningham, 107, in Des Moines, Iowa, were a legal couple for more than 20 years. She was born in Iowa and moved to Rockwall in 1974. She was a caring family member and a resident of Rockwall, she loved dogs, cats and other animals. She enjoyed family camping trips to Arizona, Michigan and Maine, and watching the Dallas Mavericks. She was preceded in death by her son-in-law, George Hall of Rockwall; her grandchild, Heath and Debra Barraclough of St. James, Mo.; her daughter, Andrea, Dillon, Brady, Kale, Matt and Jesse; and her grandchildren, Sydney and Evan. She was preceded in death by her parents; her brother, Thomas; her son, Butch Cunningham; her daughter, a grandson, Tom Hall.

Suggested memorials may be made to The Greyhound Lines, P.O. Box 703967, Dallas, TX 75370-3967.

**Jackie Ray Jackson**

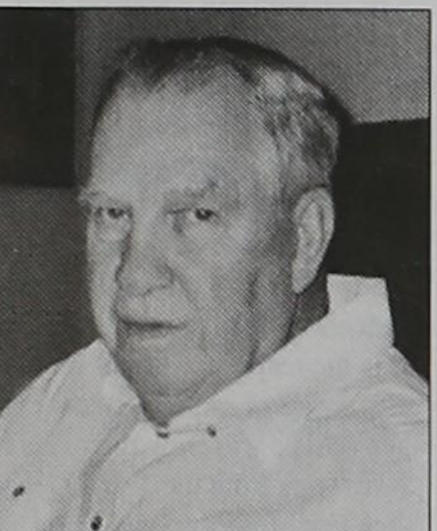
Funeral services for Jackie Ray Jackson, 74, of Quinlan were conducted at 2:30 p.m. in the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel. A friend, officiating. Burial followed in the Rest Haven

Funeral services for William Newton and Edith Jackson, 1937, in Mesa, Ariz., to William Newton and Edith Jackson. He was preceded in death by his wife, Barbara Jackson of Quinlan; his wife, Donna, of Quinlan, Perry Jackson Jackson and his wife, Dana, of Cash and Dennis Jackson; his grandchild, Kelli Jackson Martin, Pyle, Grant D. Jackson, Sevrin N. Jackson, Gavin R. Jackson, Jacky S. Jackson, Gage W. Jackson, Dawson Donly and Daniel Donly; and his great-grandchildren, Jackson Martin.

He was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers. Suggested memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 972-255-6900 or diabetes.org/honor.

**Arnold Glen Sisson**

Funeral services for Arnold Glen Sisson, 77, were conducted at 2 p.m. in the Rest Haven Chapel in Rockwall.



Arnold Glen Sisson, 77, was born in 1934, in Pine Bluffs, Ark., to Earl Sisson and Mae Sisson. He served in the U.S. Navy (Guam). He married on July 11, 1953, in the University of Texas with a degree in electrical engineering. The family resided in Denver, Colo.; San Antonio, Okla.; Malvern, Ark.; and Garland. Following his wife's death, he and his wife made their home in Rockwall. In Rockwall, he began collecting seashells and accumulated a collection. An avid sports fan, he enjoyed coaching Little League basketball and football. He also enjoyed furniture-making and he designed and built in the pages of Architectural Digest. His ultimate woodworking project was the home he built for his wife and his wife lived for the past 20 years. He enjoyed playing Dixieland jazz and bluegrass music. He was diagnosed with Hodgkin's lymphoma, but at a great cost to his health, he had not enough strength to conquer his illness. He spent two weeks in ICU at Presbyterian Hospital, Dallas. He was preceded in death by his wife of 58 years, JoAnn Sisson of Rockwall; his sister, Tustin, Calif.; his daughter, Glenda Sisson Morris, and his son, Alan Sisson of Rockwall; six grandchildren, Wylie, Willy Sisson of Detroit, Mich., Billy Sisson of Key West, Fla., Matthew Sisson of Rockwall; three great-grandchildren; nephews and

# Baylor names local grads, honor students

Baylor University awarded degrees and recognized several local residents at the close of its spring semester, according to news releases issued by the university.

More than 2,000 students received degrees during commencement exercises that took place May 13-14 in the Ferrell Center on the Baylor campus. Local students receiving degrees were as follows:

- Heath - Meredith Lynn Gordon, BA, speech communication; Jaime Marie Gumm, BSN, nursing; Alan Norris, BBA, marketing; Lauren Alexandra Ward, BA, speech communication
- Rockwall - Daniel Andrew Brezik, BBA, finance, management; Tanya Pauline Cadena, BSN, nursing; Alan Norris, BBA, information systems; Madison Elise Oldham, BSED, early childhood/fourth grade; Tanner Luke Osborn, BA, film and digital media; Sarah Elizabeth Radney, BBA, finance; Elyse Nicole Rimmer, cum laude, BSED, early childhood/fourth grade; Sarah Kathryn Shelton, cum laude, BSED, mathematics/8-12th grade; Richard Wade Watkins, BBA, finance, economics
- Roysce City - William Taylor Gheen, BBA, management, entrepreneurship

Many local students also were named to the Dean's Academic Honor List for the semester. Honorees included:

- Heath - Joshua Ryan Arnold, Brooke B. Buchanan, Candice Lin Lu, Megan Marie McKenna and Adam Russell Nedella
- Rockwall - Daniel Andrew Brezik, Lillie Therese Coltharp, Gregory Chandler Fox, Courtney Renee Murphy, Madison Elise Oldham, Tanner Luke Osborn, Elyse Nicole Rimmer, Sarah Kathryn Shelton, Christina Nicole Walther and David Edward White

To be named to the Dean's List, a student must be an undergraduate with a minimum grade-point average of 3.7 while enrolled in a minimum of 12 semester hours.

# Hungry Harry

A Rockwall County News Exclusive

**Hungry Harry gets hand caught in Candy Jar**

Last weekend I popped into my Blu-Ray movie "Back to the Future." It is a timeless classic and it caused me to reflect how entertainment wise times have changed. There was a time where you would go to drive-in to catch a double feature.

Maybe you would have headed on to the five-and-dime or the pharmacy to pick up a soda. Depending on the parts of Texas you may be from you might have celebrated your local sports team win at the soda or malt shop. It is just me, but things used to be simpler. Today, you need you iPhone or smartphone to place food orders, check prices or use it as your map. Everything is rushed and service doesn't seem as personal and friendly as it used to be. It used to be you could ask your pharmacist for advice and it would be good helpful advice. Today, thanks to new laws, not so much. I guess as we get older so do ideas.

After I finished watching "Back to the Future" I decided to hop in the Hungrymobile (which is not a DeLorean) and pay a visit to the Candy Jar Malt Shop. It was kind of just taking a step back in time. It is a small, quaint place that harkens back to that simpler time. It has a Dr Pepper logo on the wall and serves a personal favorite treat -- Blue Bell Ice Cream. The feel in the store is stress-free and along the wall is a vast selection of candy treats. The food menu is simple, with hot dogs and such, but that suits me just fine.

The customer service is like placing an order with an old friend. The prices seem to be like they are in the past as well. The only negative I can say is there isn't a close place to park to visit. However, the walk is well worth the visit. It is a great place to take the kids or grand-kids in the "future."

Atmosphere: Family-friendly, nostalgic  
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(EDITOR'S NOTE: Hungry Harry is a local resident who enjoys eating out. The writer receives no compensation or benefit from any food establishment.)

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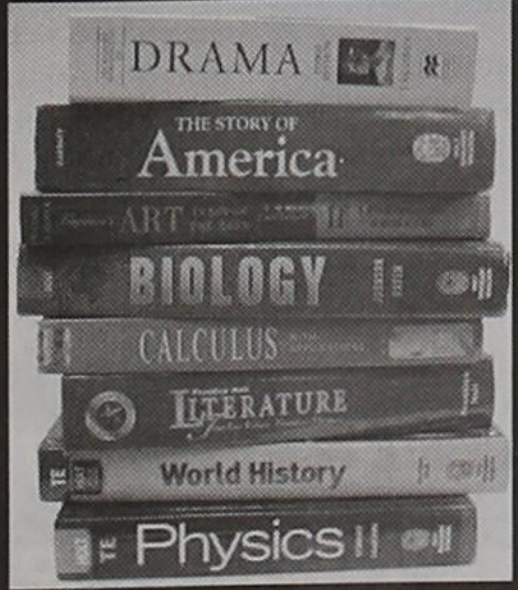
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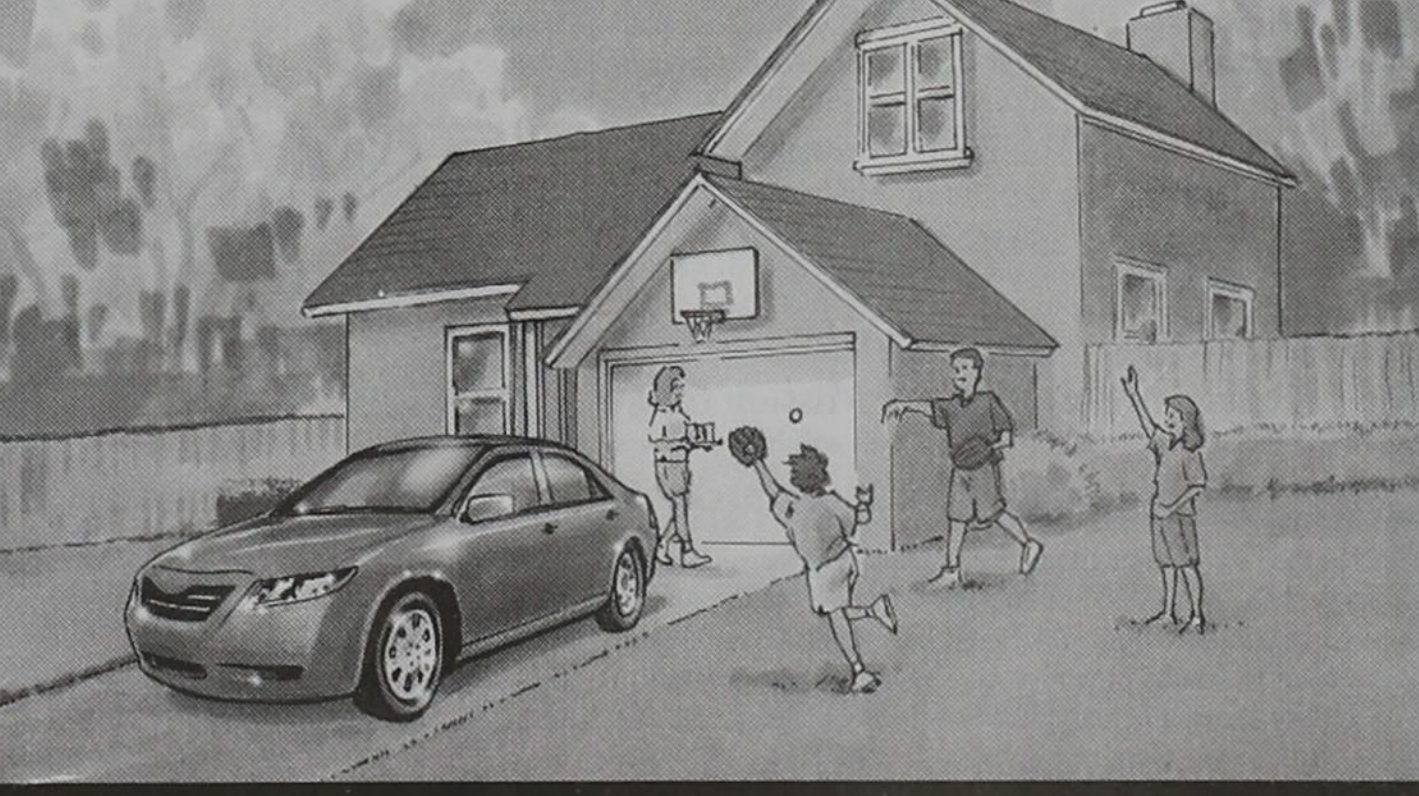
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# Rockwall County News Briefs

## RHHS cheer camp set June 17

The RHHS cheerleaders will host a skills camp for children ages 5-13 on June 17 at Cain Middle School. The event will run from 9 a.m. to noon. Participants will be divided into skills-appropriate groups. Cheerleading skills, jumps, cheers and tumbling will be taught. Cost is \$30. T-shirts will be available at a cost of \$10. For more details or to receive a registration form via email contact Kelli Delozier at kdelozier@idi.com or Debbie Goodwin at dgoowdin@idi.com.

## Habitat workday planned for June 18

Roofing work will continue at 801 Peter's Colony on June 18. Roof work is extremely hot, particularly in current weather conditions, so volunteers should plan accordingly. Plenty of water will be available on site. Work will begin at 6:30 a.m. so more work can be done before the heat gets intolerable. Work likely will end at or shortly after the lunch hour. For updated or last-minute information visit rockwallhabitat.blogspot.com.

## Vacation Bible school set at Bible Church

Rockwall Bible Church, 801 Zion Hills Circle, will host a vacation Bible school from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. June 20-24. Theme of the event will be Faith's H-11 Heroes. Youths ages 5 to 16 are eligible to participate. Dramas, crafts, Bible stories and games are planned, followed by an ice cream social for families on June 24. For more details call 972-771-6179 or visit rockwallbiblechurch.org to register.

## Volunteer in Parks day set June 25

The next Volunteer in Parks (VIP) workday in the City of Rockwall will be June 25 at Lynden Park at Market Center and Tubbs. The volunteer effort will run from 9 a.m. to noon. Individuals and groups are welcome. For more information contact the Parks & Rec Department at 972-771-7761.

## Stars and Stripes Luncheon planned

The Rockwall Parks & Rec Department will host a Stars and Stripes Luncheon for individuals ages 55 and older from noon to 1:30 p.m. July 1 at The Center. Hamburgers and all the fixings, hot fries and pie will be served free of charge.

## Rockwall Fourth parade set July 2

Rockwall's 11th Annual Old-Fashioned Fourth of July Parade will take place July 2. Anyone may participate free of charge, riding a bike or tricycle, walking, driving or riding in strollers or wagons. Pets will be welcome as well, as long as they're on leashes. The parade will form at 10:30 a.m. on Kaufman Street east of Fannin Street. There will be a new route. Prizes will be awarded and complimentary drinks and watermelon will be served. For more details visit oldtownrockwall.com.

## City of Heath offices to close for holiday

City of Heath offices will be closed July 4 in observance of the holiday. They will reopen on July 5.

## Heath plans parade, popsicles event

The City of Heath will once again host its annual Independence Day parade and Popsicles in the Park on July 4. Parade staging will begin at 8 a.m. at Amy Parks-Heath Elementary, 330 Laurence Drive, followed by judging and awards at 8:30 a.m. and the parade at 9 a.m. Veterans of all U.S. military branches are invited to ride in the parade on the veterans float. Following the parade, observers are invited to gather at the Towne Center Park pavilion for popsicles provided by the City of Heath Special Events Board. For more details, contact Kim Dobbs at 972-771-6228 or visit heathtx.com.

## Fireworks show viewing sites named

The Rockwall Parks & Recreation Department's old-fashioned Independence Day fireworks show, slated to begin at dusk on July 4, will be visible all over the city, but the best viewing areas will be at Harry Myers Park, Dobbs Elementary, Tuttle Athletic Complex and the RISD Education Center. The show will be synchronized to music.

## Jumpstart Kindergarten event set

The Rockwall Parks & Rec Department will offer Jumpstart Kindergarten, a fun, fast-paced program designed to develop self esteem, confidence and motivation for the reading experience, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. July 5-8 at the Harry Myers Community Center. The program will be open to children ages 4-6. Cost will be \$147 or \$98 for Rockwall residents. For more details visit rockwall.com/parks.

## Highsteppers offer mini-camp

The RHHS Highsteppers drill team will host a summer mini-camp for girls in kindergarten through sixth grade from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. July 11-14. Activities will take place at the RHHS school gym. Participants will be grouped according to grade level. Each participant will receive a T-shirt. Cost for the camp is \$60 per child. For more details, contact Stephanie Statham at stepstatham@gmail.com.

## Intro to Computers class offered

An Introduction to Computers class open to individuals ages 55 and older will be offered from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. July 13-14 at The Center. The course is designed to familiarize participants with basic computer operation fundamentals. Cost will be \$30 or \$20 for Rockwall residents. For more details contact the Rockwall Parks & Rec Department at 972-771-7740.

## Event to focus on kite-making

The Rockwall Parks & Rec Department will host Kite Making 101 from noon to 2 p.m. July 16 at The Center. Children ages 5-12 are invited to make their own kites and fly them in the city park. Cost will be \$45 or \$30 for Rockwall residents; supplies will be provided. For more details visit rockwall.com/parks.

## Church to host Summer Mission Camp

The First Presbyterian Church of Rockwall will host a Summer Mission Camp from 9:30 a.m. to noon July 18-22.

Participants will experience the church's motto, "Feel the Love, Be the Love," as they travel throughout the community to learn about organizations that help others. A pool and pizza party will be conducted on the final day. Cost will be \$10 per child, which will include the camp T-shirt. The event will be open to youths in grades kindergarten through eighth. To register, contact Mary Thacker at marythacker@sbcglobal.net or call 972-722-1215.

## 'Math Mania' set July 18-22

A math program that will utilize games to help children ages 8-10 learn math skills will run from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. July 18-22 at The Center. The emphasis will be on having fun while reviewing age-appropriate math skills. Cost is \$120 or \$80 for Rockwall residents. For more details call the Rockwall Parks & Rec Department at 972-771-7740.

## Surfing the Net class offered for seniors

A course designed to teach individuals ages 55 and older about browsers, search engines, email, contacts and other computer-related topics will be offered from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays July 19 through Aug. 4 at The Center. Cost will be \$75 or \$50 for Rockwall residents. For more details contact the Rockwall Parks & Rec Department at 972-771-7740.

## Spay/Neuter Shuttle to run July 21

The low-cost Spay/Neuter Shuttle sponsored by Rockwall PAWS and KCAAP will depart at 7:30 a.m. July 21 from the southeast corner of the I-30 Wal-Mart parking lot. Dogs must be on leashes and cats in secure carriers. The shuttle will return at 6:30 p.m. after the animals are spayed/neutered. For an appointment call 1-972-472-3500 (hablamos Español). Prices may be viewed online at spayneuternet.org. For more details call Rockwall PAWS at 972-310-1354.

## 'Earth: The Amazing Planet' offered

Youths ages 6-10 are invited to participate in Earth: The Amazing Planet from 9 a.m. to noon July 25-29 at the Harry Myers Community Center. The day camp will cover multiple areas of science, including biology, engineering and chemistry. Cost is \$248 or \$165 for Rockwall residents. For more details call the Rockwall Parks & Rec Department at 972-771-7740.

## Volunteer in Parks day set July 30

The next Volunteer in Parks (VIP) workday in the City of Rockwall will be July 30 at The Park at Hickory Ridge, 1910 Walnut Ridge. The volunteer effort will run from 9 a.m. to noon. Individuals and groups are welcome. For more information contact the Parks & Rec Department at 972-771-7761.

## Doggie Splash Day set

Aug. 13

The Rockwall Parks & Rec Department will host its annual Doggie Splash Day at 10 a.m. Aug. 13. A swimsuit contest, dog-paddle race and retrieving contest will be conducted for dogs. Cost will be \$5 per dog; swimming owners will be admitted free of charge. Owners must bring proof of rabies vaccinations for their pets to be allowed entry. For more details call 972-771-7740.

## Final VIP day of the year planned

The final Volunteer in Parks (VIP) summer workday in the City of Rockwall will be Aug. 27 at Harry Myers Park, 815 E. Washington. The volunteer effort will run from 9 a.m. to noon. Individuals and groups are welcome. For more information contact the Parks & Rec Department at 972-771-7761.

## RHS groups needs vendors for craft fair

The RHS Band/Senior Class will host a craft fair Oct. 8. Vendors of all types are needed for the event, which will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Plenty of parking also will be available. The fair also will include a senior class fundraiser - a haunted house game booth event. Contact Liz Tarter at 972-772-1846 for more details.



Sandy Daniels (right), a motorcycle accident survivor, received a Proclamation from the City of Heath, John Ratcliffe, claiming May to be Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month. Courtesy Photo/Rockwall County News

# Rockwall County Entertainment

## 'Open Season 3' set for Family Fun Friday

Another Family Fun Friday, organized by the Rockwall Parks & Rec Department, is set for 6 p.m. June 17 at Fox Chase Park. Games, including an obstacle course, contests with prizes and a bounce house, are planned. "Open Season 3" will be screened beginning at 8:45 p.m. on a large portable movie screen. Participating families should bring snacks and blankets or lawn chairs. There is no cost to participate.

## Django Walker to perform

Country band Django Walker will be the featured performer at the Concert by the Lake event beginning at 7:30 p.m. June 23 at the Harbor Amphitheatre. Admission will be free.

## Three Step & Cruisin' at SJ

Three Step & Cruisin' will perform at Southern Junction, 5374 Hwy. 276 in Rockwall, on June 23. For more details call 972-771-2418 or visit southernjunctionlive.com.

## Final 'Family Fun Friday' slated

The last of this season's Family Fun Fridays will kick off at 6 p.m. June 24 at the Shores Park. Contests and games will kick off the evening's activities, followed by a screening of "Shrek 3" beginning at about 8:45 p.m. Admission is free; participating families should bring their own snacks and blankets or lawn chairs to this event, which is organized by the Rockwall Parks & Rec Department.

## 'Sound of Music' slated June 24-26

Rockwall Summer Musicals will offer performances of "The Sound of Music" at 7:30 p.m. June 24, 25 and at 2 p.m. June 26 at the Performing Arts Center on the Utley campus. Tickets cost \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors and students, and may be purchased online at rockwallsummermusicals.org or by calling 1-888-71-TICKETS.

## Jimmy Buffett tribute planned

Hanna's Reef, a Jimmy Buffett tribute band, will perform at the Concert by the Lake event at 7:30 p.m. June 30 at the Harbor Amphitheatre. Admission will be free.

## Three Step & Swamp Thing set at SJ

Three Step & Swamp Thing will perform at Southern Junction, 5374 Hwy. 276 in Rockwall, on June 30. For more details call 972-771-2418 or visit southernjunctionlive.com.

## Mystery theater benefit dinner slated

"Knot by a Long Shot," a mystery play where the audience solves the crime, will be offered from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. July 9 at the Church of Prayer Christian Fellowship, 5326 Rochelle Rd., Rockwall, by the nonprofit organization This is Your Season Ministries. Appropriate for ages pre-teen to adult, the benefit event calls for semi-formal attire. Tickets cost \$15 per person or \$80 for a table of six. Tickets are available at Hidden Treasures, Rockwall; at the church; or at thisisyourseason.org. For more details call 972-772-4411 or 972-961-0101.

## King Creole performance set July 7

King Creole, a variety band, will perform at the Concert by the Lake event at 7:30 p.m. July 7 at the Harbor Amphitheatre. Admission will be free.

## Double Ace to perform

Double Ace will perform at the Concert by the Lake event at 7:30 p.m. July 14 at the Harbor Amphitheatre. Admission will be free.

## Classic rock concert slated

The classic rock band Railhead will perform at the Concert by the Lake event at 7:30 p.m. July 21 at the Harbor Amphitheatre. Admission will be free.

## Professor D to give concert

The variety band Professor D will perform at the Concert by the Lake event at 7:30 p.m. July 28 at the Harbor Amphitheatre. Admission will be free.

## Country band to take stage Aug. 4

King Buck's, a country band, will perform at the Concert by the Lake event at 7:30 p.m. Aug. 4 at the Harbor Amphitheatre. Admission will be free.

## Eagles tribute band scheduled

The Eagles tribute band Fastland will perform at the Concert by the Lake event at 7:30 p.m. Aug. 11 at the Harbor Amphitheatre. Admission will be free.

## Cajun/Zydeco concert to end season

Ponty Bone, a Cajun/Zydeco band, will give the final performance of the Concert by the Lake 2011 series at 7:30 p.m. Aug. 18 at the Harbor Amphitheatre. Admission will be free.

# City of Heath promotes Motorcycle Safety

Representing motorcyclists from all walks of life, Ms. Daniels urged drivers to "Look twice, look three times, because we're not always seen." If we rev up our engines, or honk our horns, if you can't hear us, you to hear us".

Ms. Daniels survived a motorcycle accident that involved a half of multiple surgeries and physical therapy. She was 60mph while sitting on her motorcycle in stopped traffic. "Motorcycle Safety & Awareness is very personal to her because of her accident, but because of the loss of her big brother who was killed by a negligent driver.

"We as motorcyclists have equal rights to roadways as other drivers. We would like to have mutual respect from other drivers as well. We have lost way too many friends and family members to motorcycle accidents. We have families too."

It is the responsibility of all who put themselves behind the wheel to come aware of motorcyclists, regarding them with the same respect as other vehicle traveling the roads in our city and the surrounding areas.

A few tips from the Texas Department of Transportation on "Twice For Motorcycles, Seeing Them Is Saving Them":

Look left, look right, then look again at intersections - especially left turns.

- Give riders their full lane
- Check your blind spot often
- Maintain safe following and stopping distances
- Slow down in poor conditions

# Rockwall County Recipe

A healthy diet is often mistaken for one that is devoid of fats and proteins. But just because a diet is healthy doesn't mean it's not delicious as well. A few easy modifications to your favorite recipes can make a diet healthier without sacrificing taste.

Many nutritionists say that the average person should consume between 1,600 to 2,000 calories and 45 to 80 grams of protein per day. There are many different diet plans available that curb hunger and increase energy. However, it is important to agree that moderate caloric reduction and an increase in protein are the best bets for healthy, long-term weight maintenance.

Ideas to curb caloric intake include using cooking sprays instead of heavy oils to grease pans; replacing butter and salt with spices to add flavor; or trading regular white bread for whole wheat varieties. Scaling back portion sizes of increasing portion sizes of vegetables to feel full is another approach.

For those who love a muffin in the morning but want a healthier option, try this Oatmeal Raisin Muffin recipe.

- Oatmeal Raisin Muffins
- 1 cup oats
  - 1 cup skim milk
  - 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
  - 1/2 cup wheat flour
  - 1 teaspoon baking powder
  - 1 teaspoon baking soda
  - 1 dash salt
  - 1 teaspoon cinnamon
  - 2 egg whites
  - 1/2 cup sugar
  - 1/2 cup applesauce
  - 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
  - 2/3 cup raisins
- Preheat oven to 375 F and spray muffin tins to grease. Sift together the flour and baking powder. Mix together the egg, sugar, applesauce and vanilla. Blend the wet ingredients and the oats. Fold in the dry ingredients. Spoon batter into muffin tins. Bake for 15 to 20 minutes. Let cool. EL116956

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# Royse City News

## This Week in Royse City

... proven to be busy. Heat and the lack of rain have been conversations.  
... not just talking about ways to beat the heat, they are going out it. While many physically active people have been walking trail, the young and the young at heart have been in the Splash Park. Adults have been seen frolicking in the water. Another venue to beat the heat is to frequent the Elm Street. Tammy Becknell does her best to keep a positive attitude just about anyone who comes by.  
... noticed the flags flying on Main Street. They are pro-Royse City Club and can be ordered from Bill Ellis. He may be reached at 2566.

... field a banquet at the Dallas Athletic Club for the installation of 2011 officers. Ellis was installed as president. Regular meetings are held on Thursday mornings at 7 a.m. at the Senior Citizens Center.

... held the first meeting of the Old Town Merchants Association. The next meeting will be 8 a.m., June 24, at The Well. They are actively seeking new members.

... welcomed the ladies of the Rockwall Red Hat Society when they met on Tuesday. The women enjoyed a catered lunch and tour at the Red Hat. After lunch, they shopped on Main Street.

... certainly not least, the city has been remodeling the Melody Room named for former mayor Jim Melody, who served from 1993, 2003 and 2005. The Melody Room hosts weddings, birth-anniversary celebrations. The room is located at City Hall on Arch Street.

... bring Kelsie Rogers to perform a benefit concert supporting the RCHS student in her venture to the Grand Canyon. The trip sponsored by the Phonak Hearing Aid Company. Kelsie is currently in Royse City going. The trip is planned for July 30.

... have even more to come in the following weeks and months. For more events next week, I hope you all have a great weekend. Write to me at rcn.paula@rcn.com

## City takes steps to stimulate commercial development

... development Corporation has partnered with The Retail Coach, a recruitment and development consulting firm, to identify the community's economic development opportunities.  
... excited about working with The Retail Coach firm to bring commercial development to the City of Fate," Mayor Bill Broderick said in a release from the city. "We are prepared to offer several incentives to companies ready to relocate or build new facilities."

... National Census data identified the City of Fate as the fastest growing city in the state of Texas for the past decade. Our city also boasts the highest population density in the area at 2,469. We are in a very good position to attract new businesses that promote job opportunities and community development.

... to the census data, Fate's explosive population growth went from 2000 to more than 6,300 in 2010. The municipality is the state's fastest-growing city in Texas in 2010, with a population increase of 179 percent.

... ne that is designed to capitalize on this distinction with an aggressive strategy to attract new businesses to the community, according to the news release.

... offer the advantage of being a part of Rockwall County, which is recognized as the fastest growing county in Texas with a population increase of 80 percent," said C. Kelly Cofer, president and CEO of The Retail Coach. "The county is very attractive to retailers, restaurants and businesses, and we are helping the community achieve its development goals."  
... ward recruitment and development consulting firm, The Retail Coach has assisted local governments, chambers of commerce and other organizations in more than 50 Texas communities as well as throughout the United States during the past 10 years.  
... Cofer has an inherent understanding of our potential and is committed to our ability to achieve results that will improve the quality of life in our community and expand our tax base," said Broderick.

... et Your Local News Daily at [RockwallTexasOnline.com](http://RockwallTexasOnline.com)

## Royse City Police Blotter

- June 3-9
- Saturday, 4 June: Public intoxication arrest, 100 block I-30 NSR; Assault, 100 block E. Main Street; Verbal disturbance, 3100 block Overstreet Lane
  - Sunday, 5 June: Dallas County warrants arrest, Corner of I-30 NSR and FM 35; Possession of drug paraphernalia/Possession of alcohol by minor, 900 block I-30; Noise disturbance, 600 block Center Street; Welfare check, 1600 block Lesli Drive; Medical assistance, S. Erby Campbell; Suspicious activity, 100 block W. Main Street; Welfare check, 900 block Live Oak Street
  - Monday, 6 June: Alarm, 200 block E. Main Street
  - Tuesday, 7 June: Possession of marijuana/Fate Municipal Court warrant arrest, I-30 at the 77 mile marker; Theft, 200 block Welch Road; Criminal mischief, 1400 block Eagle Point; Theft, 900 block Joe Bailey Street; Medical assistance, 400 block Rustic Meadow Drive
  - Wednesday, 8 June: Criminal mischief, 100 block Arch Street; Theft/Credit card abuse, 100 block E. I-30; Reckless driving, I-30 at the 74 mile marker
  - Thursday, 9 June: Theft, 1100 block E. Main Street; Theft, 1100 Brazos Court; Driving while license invalid arrest, I-30 at the 77 mile marker

## Savage earns math degree

Nicole Rochelle Savage of Royse City was one of the 615 graduates who received degrees May 14 at commencement exercises for Midwestern State University.  
According to a university news release, Savage received a bachelor's degree in science degree in math. She was a participant in the university's honors program.

## Habitat workday planned for June 18

Roofing work will continue at 801 Peter's Colony on June 18. Roof work is extremely hot, particularly in current weather conditions, so volunteers should plan accordingly. Plenty of water will be available on site. Work will begin at 6:30 a.m. so more work can be done before the heat gets intolerable.  
Work likely will end at or shortly after the lunch hour.  
For updated or last-minute information visit [rockwallhabitat.blogspot.com](http://rockwallhabitat.blogspot.com).

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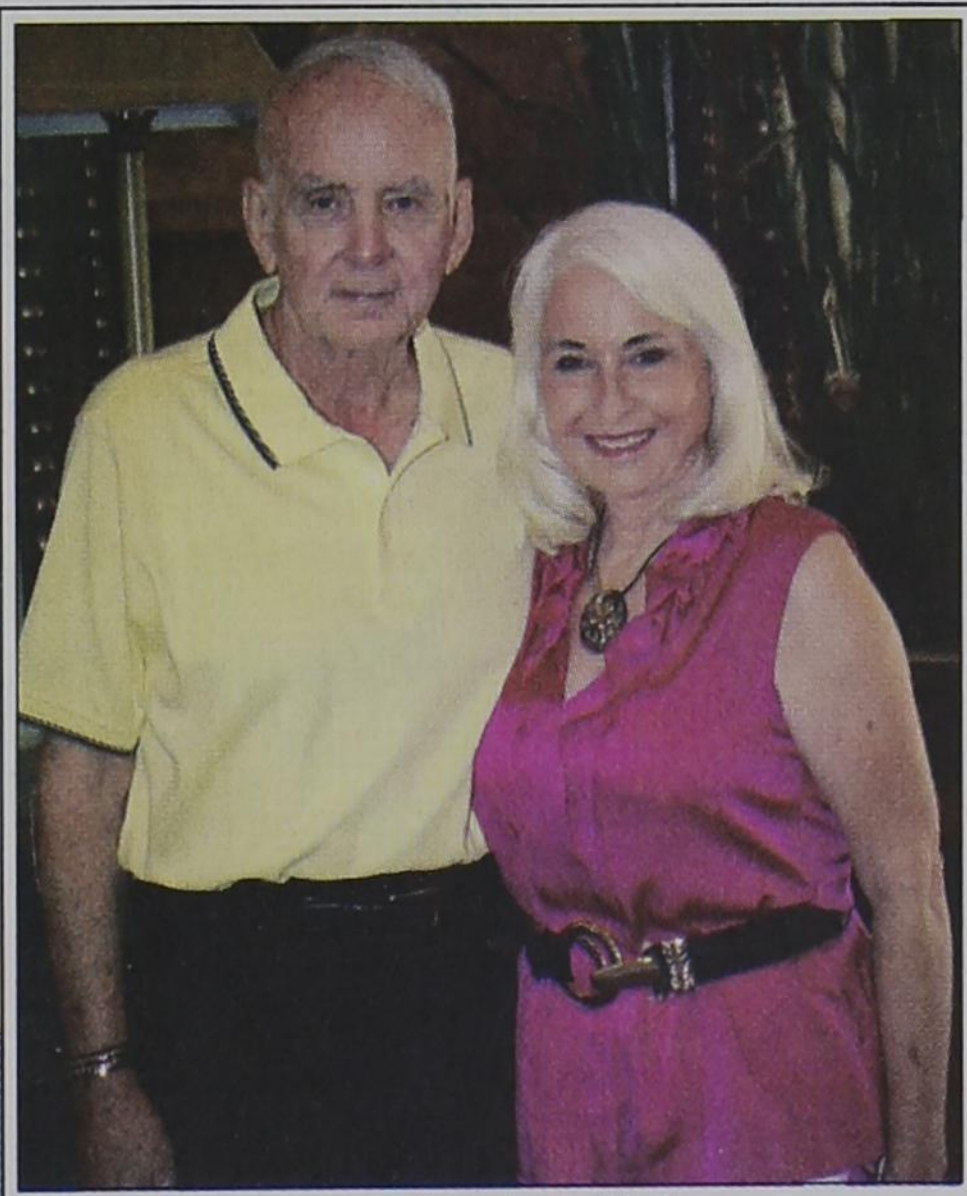
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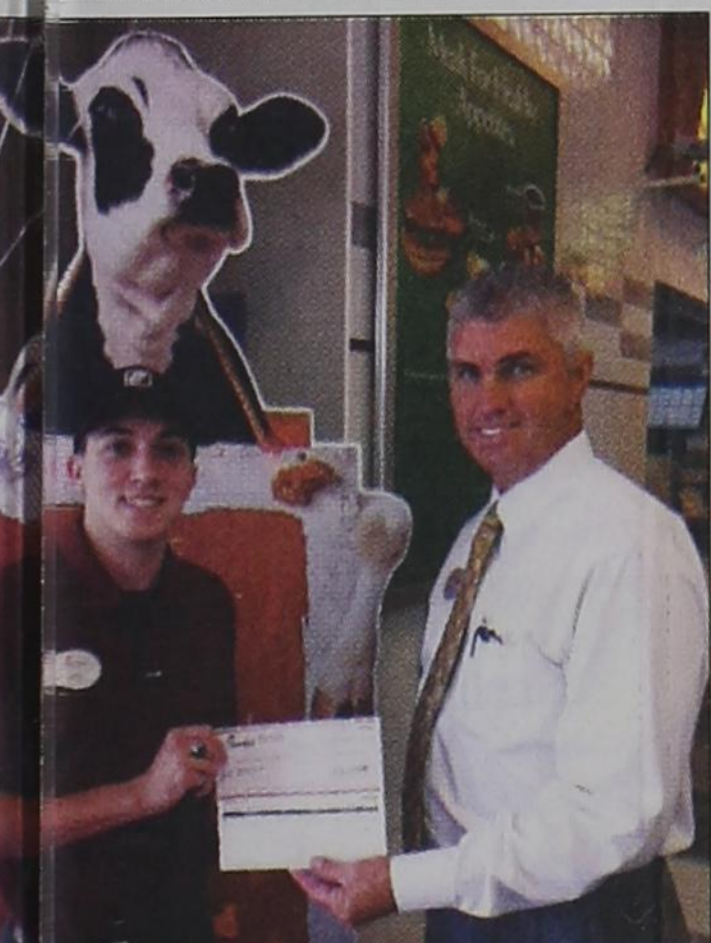
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... Jackson Moore recently received a \$1,000 Leadership Scholarship from Chick-fil-A. He is pictured with Tim Seley, operator of the local restaurant. Moore now is eligible for the Truett Cathy Scholar Award, which is awarded to the top Leadership Scholarship recipients each year.

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New members of the Rockwall High School 2011-2012 Stingerettes include, at front, from left, Tewoh Kabbah, Alisha Lewis, Bailey Fergeson, Taylor Schmitt, Whitnee Bomkamp, Mikayla Taylor Minty, Acacia Davis and Amber Helton; middle row, Hailey Shelton, Emily Cuzick, Gunter, Julie Dickerson, Savannah Miller, Cristyn Ritchey, Elisha White and Kaitlyn Garrback, Mackenzie Mrva, Haley Birdwell, Kaitlyn Hart, Maddie Frizzell, Kara Killingsworth and Oursbourn. Not pictured is Kaitlin Hulse.  
Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

## In Memory of Donna Renee Reber Hale

Donna Hale fell into a peaceful sleep and went to the Lord at her home in Mertzon, Texas on June 12, 2011 following several years of battling Pulmonary Alveolar Proteinosis, a very rare lung disease.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. June 16, 2011 at the Sherwood Cemetery near Mertzon. Rev. Mark Smith, First United Methodist Church of Mertzon led the service, assisted by Wesley W. Burnett of Rockwall and Don Voyles of New Deal.

Family and friends visitation was held the evening of June 15 at Johnson Funeral Home in San Angelo.

Donna was born December 9, 1962 in Lebanon, Pa. to Marylon Joyce (Voyles) and Leroy Thomas Reber.

Donna and Harvey were married in a beautiful front yard wedding at their Mertzon home on July 22, 1995.

She is survived by her loving husband Harvey J. Hale of Mertzon, two wonderful sons: James Earl Gamble II and his daughter Cadence Gamble of Corpus Christi, Texas and Keith Jerome Hale of Mertzon; her father Leroy T. Reber and his wife Joy of Bethel, Pa., her brother Ronald M. Reber and his wife Debi of Choctaw, Okla., their children Nicole Reber and Jeremy Reber of Choctaw; her sister Linda Lee Neff and her husband Scott Neff of Sonora, Texas and their children Brandy and Dustin of Sonora;

Her father-in-law Harvey K. Hale of Mertzon; a very special Aunt Pat Burnett and her husband Wes of Rockwall, Texas; her Uncle Rex and Aunt Johnnie Voyles of Lubbock; very dear cousins Don Wayne Voyles, Vicki Weaver, Paula Moncrief, Tim Burnett, James Burnett and Kimberly Dolberry; her second mom, dad and sister Phyllis and Leon Standard and Lee Standard of Mertzon and a very dear person Jim Wilson of Prairie Village, Kansas;

She is preceded in death by her mother on April 17, 2003 in Houston, Texas; her mother-in-law Bernie Ann Hale, her maternal grandparents Alton and Lorene Voyles and her paternal grandparents Charles and Mary Reber.

Donna enjoyed her life of cosmetology and specialized in nail art. She also served as bookkeeper for various Mertzon businesses and was an active volunteer EMT with the Irion County EMS for many years and a board member of the San Angelo Emergency Corp.

Donna spent her early school years at U.S. Air Force bases in the U.S. and England. She attended schools in Abilene and finished the remainder of her school years in Sonora. Her professional career began with attendance at Lane's College of Cosmetology in San Angelo.

She requested special thanks be given to all her many friends and family. She had a very special place for each and everyone in her heart. She was especially thankful to Dr. Stephen Smith, Dr. Elizabeth Noelke of San Angelo; Dr. Mohamad Ayass and his staff at Ayass Lung Clinic of San Angelo and Dr. Luis Angel of San Antonio.

Pallbearers at the service were Clay Knowlton, Jackie Sparks, Dale Harris, John Walters, Randy Gillit and Ty Fincher.

In lieu of flowers, Donna requested donations be made to the PAP Foundation at [www.papfoundation.org](http://www.papfoundation.org) or San Angelo Emergency Corp. or Irion County EMS or the charity of your choice.



Members of the Rockwall High School 2011-2012 Stingerette officer line include Katelyn Lites, lieutenant; Chandler Due, first lieutenant; Emily Auth, lieutenant; Michelle Mason, captain; Rio McGowan, lieutenant; and Darby Kelly, lieutenant.  
Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

### Students enjoy Amy Parks Field Day


Pictured are a handful of the first grade participants in the recent Amy Parks Field Day: Ruby Knox, Sarah North, Jenna Torneten, Bella Statham, Addy Johnston and Caroline Shifflett. Because of inclement weather, the event had to be rescheduled and eventually was conducted indoors.

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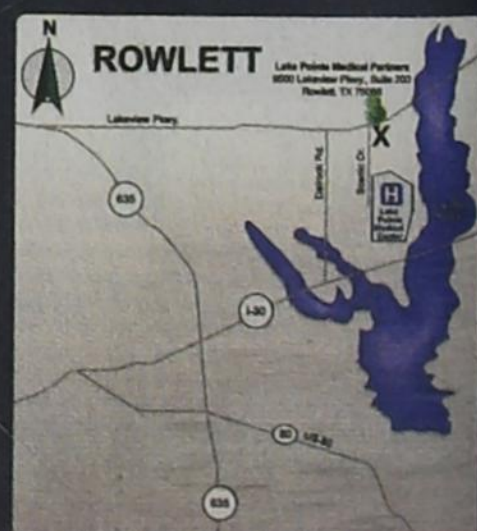


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# Thompson named 10-4A and Hawks' MVP

Thompson was named not only Rockwall-Heath's baseball awards, but also All-District team this spring.

Thompson, pitcher-first baseman, who has verbally committed to play at

## Rockwall wins once on-7 tournament

Rockwall's 7-on-7 football tournament schedule Saturday against a powerhouse team at Plano West.

Rockwall defeated Carrollton Creekview 27-20 before losing to the Plano West 27-6.

Rockwall faces West or Coppell could be in the state tournament next week. Plano West already had qualified for the state event two weeks ago.

Coppell went on to win the Plano Tournament with a 5-0 decision over Duncanville in the final game.

Rockwall has two more chances to qualify, Saturday at Tyler and back home on Saturday, June 25.

## Memorial volleyball tournament resumes Saturday

The Memorial Volleyball Tournament continues Saturday with a coed 4-on-4 tournament on grass courts in front of Eclipse Fitness, 201 East Interstate 30.

The event is open for players from ninth grade through adults, with both boys and girls divisions. An indoor 6-on-6 tournament was played last year at All High School.

The event is a fundraiser for the Jacket Backers. The tournament is held in memory of Jessica Frances Shaw, who died in an automobile accident in 2008, months after graduating from RHS as a 4-year volleyball starter.

the University of Nebraska, was voted the Most Valuable Player for 10-4A. He also received the MVP, Pitcher and Clutch Hitter awards at the RHHS team banquet.

Rockwall-Heath's other major team honor, the Fighting Hawk Award, went to senior center fielder Nick Petersen. He has committed to play next season for the Air Force Academy.

Co-champion RHHS took four of the seven top 10-4A awards. In addition to Thompson, junior Jovan Hernandez was the Pitcher of the Year, sophomore shortstop

Bret Boswell the Underclassman of the Year and head coach Greg Harvey the Coach of the Year.

Hernandez has a verbal commitment to Texas Tech. He, Thompson, Boswell were joined on the All-District first team by Petersen and junior catcher Jake Bledsoe. They both were unanimous selections.

Hawks on the All-District second team were two juniors, outfielder Austin Stewart and designated hitter Timbo Duncan.

## Busy week for happy campers in Rockwall County

Next week will be one of the busiest of the summer for sports camps at Rockwall-County's three high schools.

Rockwall High School is hosting five camps, Rockwall-Heath four and Royce City two between Monday and Thursday. Some camps extend beyond a single week.

RHS camps:

Baseball – grades 1-5, 8-11 a.m., and grades 6-9, noon-3 p.m.

Boys' basketball – grades 7-9, 8-11 a.m., and grades 3-6, noon-3 p.m.

Soccer – grades 1-8, 9-11 a.m.

Strength – grades 9-12, 7-8:30 or 8:30-10 a.m., and grades 7-8, 10-11:30 a.m.

This camp runs through July 21, except for the week of July 4.

Wrestling – grades 1-12, 6-9 p.m.

RHHS camps:

Baseball – grades K-6, 8-11 a.m., and grades 7-9, noon-3 p.m.

Girls' basketball – grades 2-6, 8:30 a.m.-noon, and grades 7-9, 1:30-5 p.m.

Gymnastics – grades 3-12, 9-11:30 a.m.

This camp runs through July 21, except for the July 4 holiday week.

Strength – grade 9-12 girls and 10-12 boys, 8-10 a.m., and grade 9 boys and 6-8 girls, 10 a.m. noon. This camp goes through July 28, except for the holiday week.

For more information on the Rockwall

and Rockwall-Heath camps, go to rockwallisd.org, click on the RISD Athletics link and see the "Handy Links" box on the Athletics page.

Royce City camps:

Boys' basketball – separate camps for grades 1-5 and 6-9, both from 8:30 to

11:30 a.m.

Conditioning – boys 8-9:30 a.m. and girls 9-10:30 a.m. This camp runs through June 30.

For information on the Royce City camps, click on the "Summer Sports Camps" button at rcisd.org.

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- Family fun at The Harbor amphitheater

Join the fun and also watch top champion sailors from around the area race their sailboats on Lake Ray Hubbard!

Proceeds to benefit the community service projects of the Rockwall Breakfast Rotary Club.

Raffle tickets will be sold for a chance to win one of two iPad2's, an overnight stay at The Hilton Bella Harbor with breakfast, and other prizes.

For more information, visit [www.dallasraceweek.com](http://www.dallasraceweek.com) or contact Trenton Cornehl at [trentoncornehl@gmail.com](mailto:trentoncornehl@gmail.com).





# Rockwall County Sports

## Dallas Race Week featured at Lake Ray Hubbard



Boats competing in Chandlers Landing Dam Series Race #9 on Sunday, June 12 are (from left) Rij Jij of Rij Ik/J22 owned and skippered by Kathy Kuipers of Chandlers Landing in Rockwall and Swale/S2 7.9 owned and skippered by Chris Hunke of Dallas. Both boats are shown on the windward leg of Wednesday's course to 182 W1, a buoy located on a compass bearing of 180°, due south of the starting

line 2 NM away. The out and back course Wednesday night totaled 4 NM. Both boats appear to be on a collision course, but Swale has the right of way as even though both boats are on starboard tack, is the leeward boat (furthest from the wind). Rij Jij of Rij Ik finished sixth and Swale seventh in the race.

Photo courtesy of Dan Malak/Rockwall County News

### The summer solstice is coming, and so are the sailboats...

A Lake Ray Hubbard tradition since 1982 on this week of the year's longest days is Dallas Race Week.

The event, which will run from Sunday through Friday, combines three factors – sailboat racing, charitable fundraising and parties. All three will be in evidence again.

Most important, the Rockwall Breakfast Rotary Foundation has a very ambitious goal this year: to raise at least \$50,000 for its community projects. The 2010 Dallas Race Week did well last summer, with \$15,000-plus going to the Breakfast Rotary Club's charities.

We'll find out Friday whether the goal is met, and which organizations will be the beneficiaries of the Breakfast Rotary's largesse. We'll also find out then which skipper and which boat take the top prize.

Last year, 46 boats competed in 6 fleets, with Bay View Yacht Club's Robert Williams winning three of the six A Fleet races in "Hotter Tuna" to take first place.

Racing will begin at 7 p.m. each night, with the longest period of sunshine on the summer solstice coming Tuesday, at Dallas Race Week's midpoint. This year's schedule:

Sunday – Race begins and ends at the lighthouse at the Bella Harbor Hilton, with the post-race party at Paradise Burger in the Harbor.

Monday – Race begins and ends at the lighthouse, with the party at Dodie's Restaurant.

Tuesday – Race begins and ends at the lighthouse, party at Luna de Noche Restaurant.

Wednesday – Race begins at the lighthouse and ends at Rush Creek Yacht Club, party on RCYC's new deck.

Thursday – Race begins at Rush Creek Yacht Club and ends at Chandlers Landing, party at Chandlers Landing's Allure Restaurant, with live music by The Neckties.

Friday – Race begins at Chandlers Landing and ends at the lighthouse, party at The Harbor, with live music by The RUB (Righteous Urban Blues).

The best ways to view the race reportedly are from The Harbor or by going out on the lake in "Seawolf," a 40-foot catamaran.

Details are available at [dallasraceweek.com](http://dallasraceweek.com).

During Dallas Race Week, the regular Wednesday and Sunday races on Lake Ray Hubbard will have a hiatus.

The most recent result was Sunday Dam Series Race 9, which Dan Malak won in "Orion." Scott Self skippered "Soap Opera" to second place.

The Wednesday Night Series Race 8 on June 8 might have been a preview of some of the best boats for Dallas Race Week.

Nineteen boats competed in two fleets. Self and "Soap Opera" took first place in the A Fleet, with Williams second in "Hotter Tuna" and Malak third in "Orion." Behind the leaders were Jeff Willis, fourth in "Cuttin Up"; Marshall MacKenzie, fifth in "Superman's Cape"; Kathy Kuipers, sixth in Rij Jij of Rij Ik", and Chris Hunke, seventh in "Swale."

In the B Fleet, David Lawson placed first in "Respite," with Keelan Manuel second in "Joint Venture."

### Age-group swimmers take over Aquatic Center

The RACE swimming club is hosting swimmers from four age groups, 10 and under through 15 and older, this weekend at the Rockwall ISD Aquatic Center June for the Bill Nixon Memorial Long Course Invitational.

Preliminaries for boys and girls are beginning each day Friday-Sunday at 8:30 a.m., with finals beginning at 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday and at 5 p.m. Sunday.

Friday's events will be the 200-meter freestyle relay, 50 and 200 butterfly, 100 and 200 individual medley, 100 breaststroke and 400 freestyle.

On Saturday, the 400-meter freestyle relay, 50 and 200 backstroke, 100 freestyle, 100 butterfly and 500 individual medley will be contest.

Sunday's schedule includes the 200-meter medley relay; 500, 1,500 and 200 freestyles; 100 backstroke, and 200 breaststroke.

The event is limited to swimmers who have achieved USA Swimming "A" level time standards for their age group. Qualifiers may compete in as many as seven individual events and three relays.

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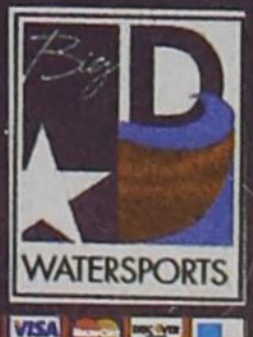
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# Rockwall County Sports

## Steve Bean named 10-4A Defensive Player of the Year

Steve Bean was a unanimous selection as District 10-4A baseball's Defensive Player of the Year on its own merits. Bean joined Yellowjackets classmates Spencer Edwards and Hunter Wade and senior teammates Jake Steward on the All-District first team. Shortstop Edwards, who led the team in home runs, also was a unanimous selection. Anderson, a right-handed pitcher, led the team in wins. Wade

played the outfield and first base, and Steward was the Jackets' center fielder. Two other RHS juniors, outfielder Chris Colacecchi and pitcher Brewer Money, made the All-District second team.

## Rockwall Aquatics Center of Excellence club exceeds goal in fundraiser

Swimmers and coaches from the Rockwall Aquatics Center of Excellence club swimming team raised more than their \$10,000 goal during Saturday's Dallas Swim Across America event in the Rockwall Harbor. The event raised money for cancer research, prevention and treatment at the Baylor Charles A. Sammons Cancer Center. Participants swam half a mile, 1 mile or 2 miles, collecting pledges from sponsors. The RACE club also thanked the many people who volunteered and those who attended Swim Across America.

## Six Jones Elementary students participate in regional art exhibit

Six students represented Dorris Jones Elementary in the Region 10 Junior Visual Art Scholastic Event (VASE) conducted May 21 at Coppell Middle School North. The artists, their media and their rating were as follows:  
• MacKenzie Camp, "Deep Concentration," mixed media, superior rating  
• Molly Mosby, "Fashionista Style," sculpture, superior rating  
• Francesca Salluzzo, "Contemplating Decisions," mixed media, excellent rating  
• Kaitlyn Strother, "Artist at Work," Mixed media, excellent rating  
• Andrew Hutchings, "Middle School Straight," mixed media, excellent rating  
• Kaleb Jones, "Mr. G," mixed media, excellent rating, and "Heath Want-a-Be," oil pastel, excellent rating  
The Texas Art Association has sponsored VASE, the only art event of its kind in the U.S., since 1994. Students are provided the opportunity to bring artworks created in their art classes to the regional event where they are interviewed by a certified juror who evaluates the work based on a standard rubric and the students' understanding of the art processes involved. Only academically eligible students may participate in VASE, according to a news release about the event. VASE is designed to give students confidence in their artistic abilities and enable them to hone their communication skills by explaining their creative processes to professional jurors. In addition to heightening critical thinking and problem-solving skills, the event also provides students with written feedback on their work. Art teacher Cindy Mosby accompanied the students.

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# Opinions

## Student loans and D.O.E. SWATs

Wendy McElroy, Washington Post blogger Valerie Strauss asked a question: "Why is the Education Department purchasing 27 Rem-UMC Model 870 police 12-gauge shotguns?" On 7/24/10, the answer became clear. At 6 a.m. a S.W.A.T.-style team from the U.S. Department of Education's (DOE) Office of General Investigations broke down a door in Stockton, California. (The semi-independent law-enforcement branch of the DOE which handles offenses such as student aid fraud.) The agents had a warrant that had been issued by the DOE. On the other side of the door was Kenneth Wright and his three children ages 3, 7, and 11. None of them were in any law. Nevertheless, an officer grabbed the underwear out of Kenneth's back and dragged him onto the lawn, pinning him to the ground in the back. Eventually, the handcuffed Kenneth and his three children were placed in the back of a patrol car for six hours while the search of the house. What was her crime? At first, the local News 10 reported that she had defaulted on a student loan but, later, the taken down and replaced by one stating instead that the raid "was ongoing criminal investigation." Wright insists that the agents were there over a loan default. The DOE refuses further investigation. The crime being investigated is student aid fraud, which is a problem especially at inner-city colleges. Because of the billions of government grants and loans, students can register for programs under multiple names and Social Security numbers. When they check arrive, the applicants often walk away from the college with no debt. Instead, student money is handed out so freely and with so few conditions that a South Carolina woman was sentenced this week for filing fraudulent applications and spending more than \$120,000 in student aid; she was sentenced to the feat while doing time in a correctional facility. Without the massive fraud, the amount of student debt is staggering. The Project on Student Debt estimates "that college seniors graduated in 2009 carried an average of \$24,000 in student-loan debt, up from \$18,000 the previous year." Other than mortgages, student loans

are now America's single largest source of debt, surpassing even credit-card debt. Paradoxically, the student debts are both highly collectible and among the most difficult to collect: that is, the debt cannot be discharged in bankruptcy and, yet, it is not backed by a tangible asset that can be seized; unlike a house, an education cannot be repossessed. Clearly, the DOE wants to not only be paid but also to stanch the outflow to fraudulent claims. Whatever the specific reason for federal agents to focus on Wright's front door, the motive was money. At every level of government - federal, state, county, municipal - agencies are becoming desperate for money, and the tactics they use to grab it or preserve it will become more draconian as the recession deepens. At that point, it will become clear how powerful various federal agencies have become through the passage of phone-book-thick legislation that few people bothered to read. **A DOE S.W.A.T. Team?** Technically, the federal OIG agents are not a S.W.A.T. team but merely function in a manner identical to one. With the DOE and other government departments, OIG agents are part of a quiet and largely-unnoticed increase in the federal power to coerce. The DOE resembles the Internal Revenue Service in possessing wide-reaching powers to collect unpaid money and punish abuses of the system. The agency can garnish wages, impose liens, and attach tax returns without a court order. It can issue warrants without involving a judge and execute those warrants with its own federal agents. Because it is a closed and non-transparent system, those victimized by the DOE are usually left with no recourse. In the case of Kenneth Wright, for example, local police accompanied the team and, so, gave the appearance of cooperation although they did not participate in the assault. When Wright went to the police department and the mayor to ask for a new door, however, he was told that the operation had nothing to do with them. The DOE's flexing of power comes in the wake of an extreme expansion of its authority. The Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 essentially nationalized the process of granting and administering student loans, so that the DOE provides such loans directly rather than reimbursing banks. In short, the government no longer backs student loans in the private sector. (The provisions are slated to go into full effect in 2014.) Critics point out that the DOE's monopoly on government-backed loans gives it an

unprecedented power to determine who receives assistance, which careers are encouraged, and the curriculum offered by colleges. The monopolization of student loans is also a money grab. In the DOE's Direct Loan program, students may borrow \$20,500 a year at an annual interest rate of 6.8 percent. Since the funds lent out are acquired at an interest rate of slightly under 3 percent, the profit margin is considerable, as is the motivation to collect. Indeed, those promoting the Health Care and Education Act explicitly pointed to student loans as a means of partially financing the bill. Under the circumstances, the DOE is not likely to be reined in. As with the Transportation Security Administration, any excesses that seem to violate constitutional rights will be justified in the name of "administrative policy"; that is, by an appeal to authority of administrative agencies to make internal policies that permit the implementation of law or other mandates. These policies can be overruled only by the executive (i.e., President Obama), whose will the DOE is executing, and by the judiciary, which generally remains on the side lines. **Conclusion** In commenting on the June 7 S.W.A.T. assault, Reason.com called the action "a wake-up call about the militarization of police and criminalization of everything." The raid also unmasked the full extent to which federal administrative agencies, like the DOE, have swollen in power, function, and arrogance. Does the OIG attached to the Department of Energy also issue no-knock warrants at its own discretion? The Department of Health and Human Services has one of the largest OIGs; have they ordered armored vehicles as well heavy weaponry? Does the post office have a S.W.A.T. team? I don't know ... and neither do you. The true wake-up call of July 7 was how unexpectedly powerful and violent the innocuous-sounding Department of Education has become. I expect that none of us will know the true collective power of the federal government until it is breaking through our own doors. Wendy McElroy is the author of *The Reasonable Woman: A Guide to Intellectual Survival* (Prometheus Books, 1998). She actively manages two websites: <http://www.ifeminists.com> and <http://www.wendymcelroy.com>. For additional articles on current events by Ms. McElroy, please visit the Commentary section of our website [fff.org](http://www.fff.org).

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## Providing future job and financial security

Rep. Ralph M. Hall is paying close attention to the ongoing debate over how to address the deficit crisis. Job creation and spending cuts are what the people want, and these two issues will continue to remain the top priorities for Republicans as negotiations proceed. The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) reported the national unemployment rate at 9.1%, with just 54,000 new jobs created in May. President Obama's nearly \$1 trillion in failed stimulus spending, it's clear only the growing is our national deficit. Serious changes must be made to rebuild our American jobs and heal our failing economy. As a member of the House Republican Conference, I am working with my colleagues to promote the following fiscal reforms to promote job growth and to solve the deficit crisis: 1) Implementing spending reductions that would cut the deficit in half next year; 2) Enforcing statutory, enforceable total-spending caps to reduce spending to 18% of Gross Domestic Product (GDP); and 3) Enacting a Balanced Budget Amendment (BBA) with strong provisions against federal tax increases, including a Spending Limitation Amendment (SLA). We do not address the seriousness of our fiscal crisis, we are leading our country and being negligent to our children and grandchildren, leading them further into debt. It is imperative that we

get our economy moving, create jobs, and provide future financial security. Cutting spending is the first critical step to help achieve these goals. The solvency of Medicare and Social Security is another critical issue facing our Nation. We need to honor our contract with those currently retired and near retirement and also preserve these programs for future generations. There have been several proposals to cure long-term solvency, such as a gradual increase in the age for eligibility, but none have yet received a consensus of support. One of the ways to ensure solvency is to create more jobs, thereby producing more revenue for these vital programs. House Republicans also are moving ahead with regular order to complete appropriations for fiscal year (FY) 2012, staying true to the pledge we made to provide effective oversight and change the way Washington conducts business. The twelve FY 2012 Appropriations bills are scheduled to be completed by the end of the current fiscal year on September 30th, with a reduction of nearly \$46 billion from last year's FY 2011 levels for non-security programs. When Democrats held majority last Congress, their failure to pass any Appropriations bills prompted the budget debates earlier this year, nearly resulting in a government shutdown before a final funding bill was approved seven months late. By completing House budget responsibilities in a timely fashion, we can ensure that vital programs and services are adequately funded and that taxpayer dollars are used conscientiously.

As Chairman of the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, I have been working with our Committee Members to provide Congressional oversight and bring fiscal responsibility to agencies under our jurisdiction. Last month we reported a bill out of committee that streamlined programs at the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), thereby cutting wasteful spending while supporting key capabilities. The bill returns the FAA research and development budget to FY 2008 levels, with a total savings from the FAA reauthorization amounting to \$155.9 million. I was proud of this cut. In addition, our Committee reauthorized the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program and saved a total of \$568 million. Likewise, we have conducted several oversight hearings on the Department of Energy (DOE) and Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) aimed at holding this Administration accountable for bloated budgets and duplicative programs. In the coming months, as I continue to chair the Committee, we plan to identify and curtail ineffective programs that do not deliver results for the American people. Times are hard right now and I know everyone's priority, including my own, is security both at work and at home. That is why we are making every effort to continue battling for job growth and spending cuts that will heal our nation's budget crisis and protect the pocketbooks of small businesses, their workers, their children, and American taxpayers.

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THENCE OVER AND ACROSS SAID MAREEN KOCH TRACT THE FOLLOWING COURSES AND DISTANCES:

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ALONG A CURVE TO THE RIGHT HAVING A RADIUS OF 3000.00 FEET, A DELTA ANGLE OF 43°15'56", A LONG CHORD THAT BEARS N 77°17'57" E A DISTANCE OF 2211.94 FEET, AN ARC DISTANCE OF 2265.38 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON ROD WITH YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "CARTER BURGESS" SET;

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ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT HAVING A RADIUS OF 2000.00 FEET, A DELTA ANGLE OF 72°56'32", A LONG CHORD THAT BEARS S 27°32'21" E A DISTANCE OF 2377.67 FEET, AN ARC DISTANCE OF 2546.17 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON ROD WITH YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "CARTER BURGESS" SET;

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N 43°44'22" E, A DISTANCE OF 509.99 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON ROD WITH YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "CARTER BURGESS" SET IN THE NORTHEAST LINE OF SAID MAREEN KOCH TRACT;

THENCE S 45°33'51" E, ALONG SAID NORTHEAST LINE, BEING THE COMMON SOUTHWEST LINE OF TRACT 1, DESCRIBED IN DEED TO UNIVEST PROPERTIES, INC., RECORDED IN VOLUME 1170, PAGE 117 D.R.R.C.T., A DISTANCE OF 5060.88 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, AND CONTAINING 616.211 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS.

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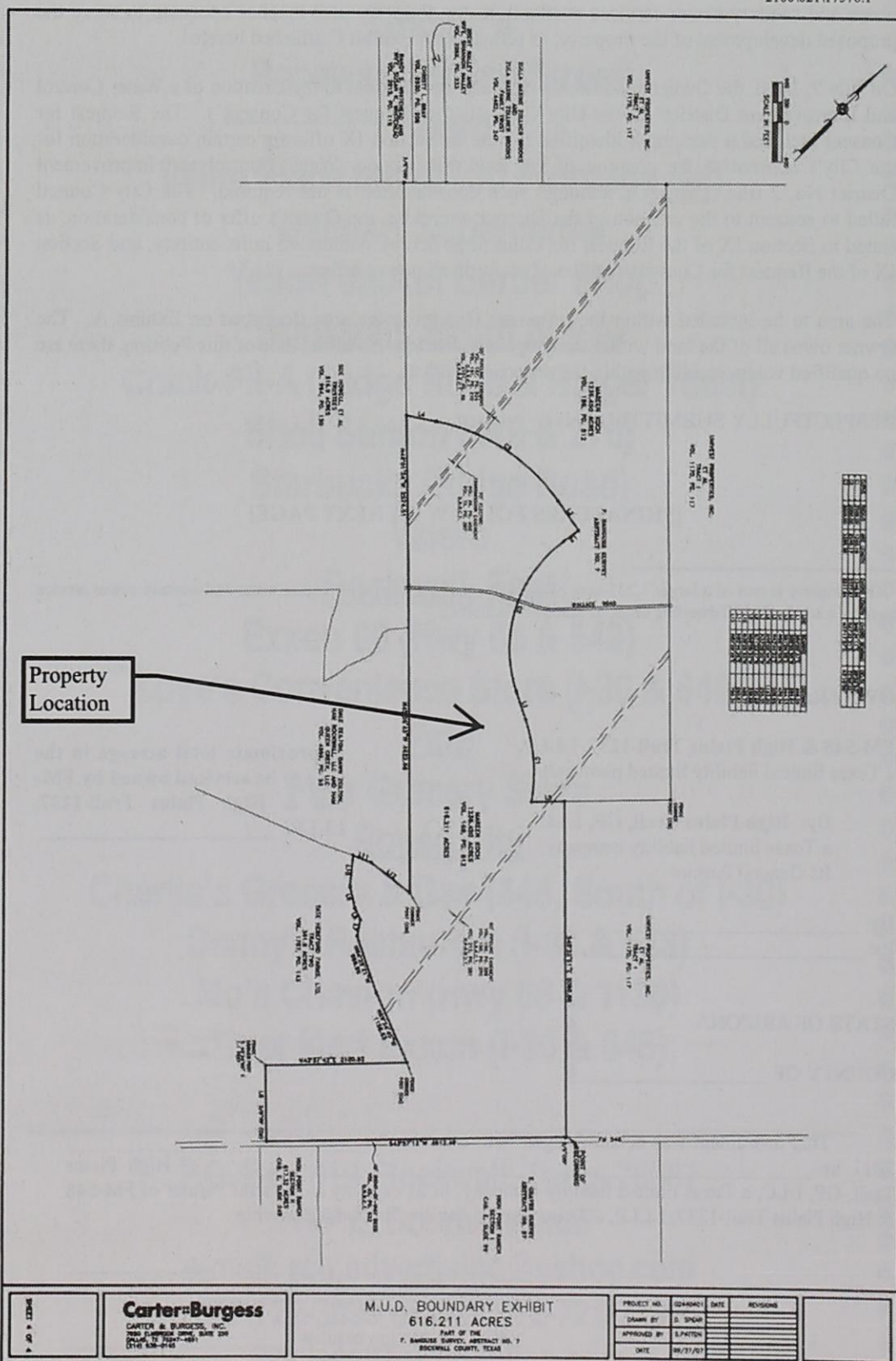


Exhibit B - Plat of Property

PETITION FOR WATER AND SANITARY SEWER SERVICES

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY §

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCLENDON-TEXAS:

FM-548 & High Plains Trail-1237, LLLP, a Texas limited liability limited "Owner", the owner of land situated within the area described by metes and Exhibit A and shown on the plat on Exhibit B attached hereto (the "Property"), the provisions of Section 42.042 of the Texas Local Government Code, hereby City Council of the City of McLendon-Chisholm (the "City Council") to make sanitary sewer services available to the Property in a manner adequate to serve the development of the Property, as reflected on Exhibit C attached hereto.

On MARCH 25, 2011, the Owner submitted a "Request for Consent to the Creation of a Water Control District" to the City Council (the "Request for Consent"). The Request for Consent included a paragraph identified therein as Section IX offering certain consideration for consent to the creation of the Rockwall County Water Control and Improvement District (the "District"), although such consideration is not required. The City Council consent to the creation of the District; therefore, the Owner's offer of consideration, as set forth in Section IX of the Request for Consent, is hereby withdrawn in its entirety, and Section IX of the Request for Consent shall be of no further force or effect.

The area included within the proposed District is the area described on Exhibit A. The entire area of the land within the proposed District. As of the date of this Petition, there are no other owners residing within the proposed District.

THIS PETITION IS HEREBY SUBMITTED, this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

[SIGNATURES FOLLOW ON NEXT PAGE]

This is part of a larger 1,237-acre planned development that will require water and sanitary sewer service for approximately 3,250 dwelling units, as noted on Exhibit C.

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High Plains Trail-1237, LLLP, a Texas limited liability partnership

Approximate total acreage in the area to be serviced owned by FM-548 & High Plains Trail-1237, LLLP: \_\_\_\_\_

High Plains Trail, GP, LLC, a Texas limited liability company, partner

Notary Public in and for the State of Arizona

My Commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

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Exhibit "A"

Metes and Bounds Description of the Property

616.211 ACRE TRACT OF LAND SITUATED IN THE F. BANGUSS ABSTRACT NO. 7, ROCKWALL COUNTY, TEXAS AND BEING A PORTION OF A 1236.450 ACRE TRACT OF LAND DESCRIBED IN DEED TO DALE ZEILTON, RECORDED IN VOLUME 166, PAGE 812 OF THE DEEDS OF ROCKWALL COUNTY, TEXAS (D.R.R.C.T.). BEARING BASIS IS NAD 83 ZONE 4202, BASED ON GPS OBSERVATIONS AND OPUS SOLUTION. THE 616.211 ACRE TRACT BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED BY METES AND BOUNDS AS FOLLOWS:

AT A 1/2" IRON ROD FOUND MARKING THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID MAREEN KOCH TRACT, IN THE NORTHWEST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF SAID MAREEN KOCH TRACT, DESCRIBED IN RIGHT OF WAY DEED, RECORDED IN VOLUME 45, PAGE 63 D.R.R.C.T.;

N 43°57'12" W, ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID MAREEN KOCH TRACT, BEING THE COMMON NORTHWEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SAID F.M. 548 TRACT, A DISTANCE OF 4612.49 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON ROD FOUND AT THE MOST SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID MAREEN KOCH TRACT, BEING THE COMMON SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THAT CALLED 361.9 ACRE TRACT OF LAND DESCRIBED IN DEED TO TATE HEREFORD FARMS, LTD., RECORDED IN VOLUME 187, PAGE 143 D.R.R.C.T.;

THENCE ALONG THE SOUTHWEST LINE OF SAID MAREEN KOCH TRACT, BEING THE COMMON NORTHEAST LINE OF SAID TATE HEREFORD FARM TRACT THE FOLLOWING COURSES AND DISTANCES:

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N 02°45' W, A DISTANCE OF 1158.63 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON ROD WITH YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "CARTER BURGESS" SET;

N 02°29'21" W, A DISTANCE OF 896.96 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON ROD WITH YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "CARTER BURGESS" SET;

N 02°56'05" W, A DISTANCE OF 255.35 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON ROD WITH YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "CARTER BURGESS" SET;

N 02°33'37" W, A DISTANCE OF 190.98 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON ROD WITH YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "CARTER BURGESS" SET;

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N 02°05'33" W, A DISTANCE OF 338.88 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON ROD WITH YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "CARTER BURGESS" SET;

N 02°26'33" W, A DISTANCE OF 468.77 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON ROD WITH YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "CARTER BURGESS" SET AT THE MOST SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID TATE HEREFORD FARM TRACT IN THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID TATE HEREFORD FARM TRACT DESCRIBED IN DEED TO DALE ZEILTON, DAWN ZEILTON, HAM ROCKWALL, LLC AND HAM ROCKWALL, LLC, RECORDED IN VOLUME 4566, PAGE 53 D.R.R.C.T.;



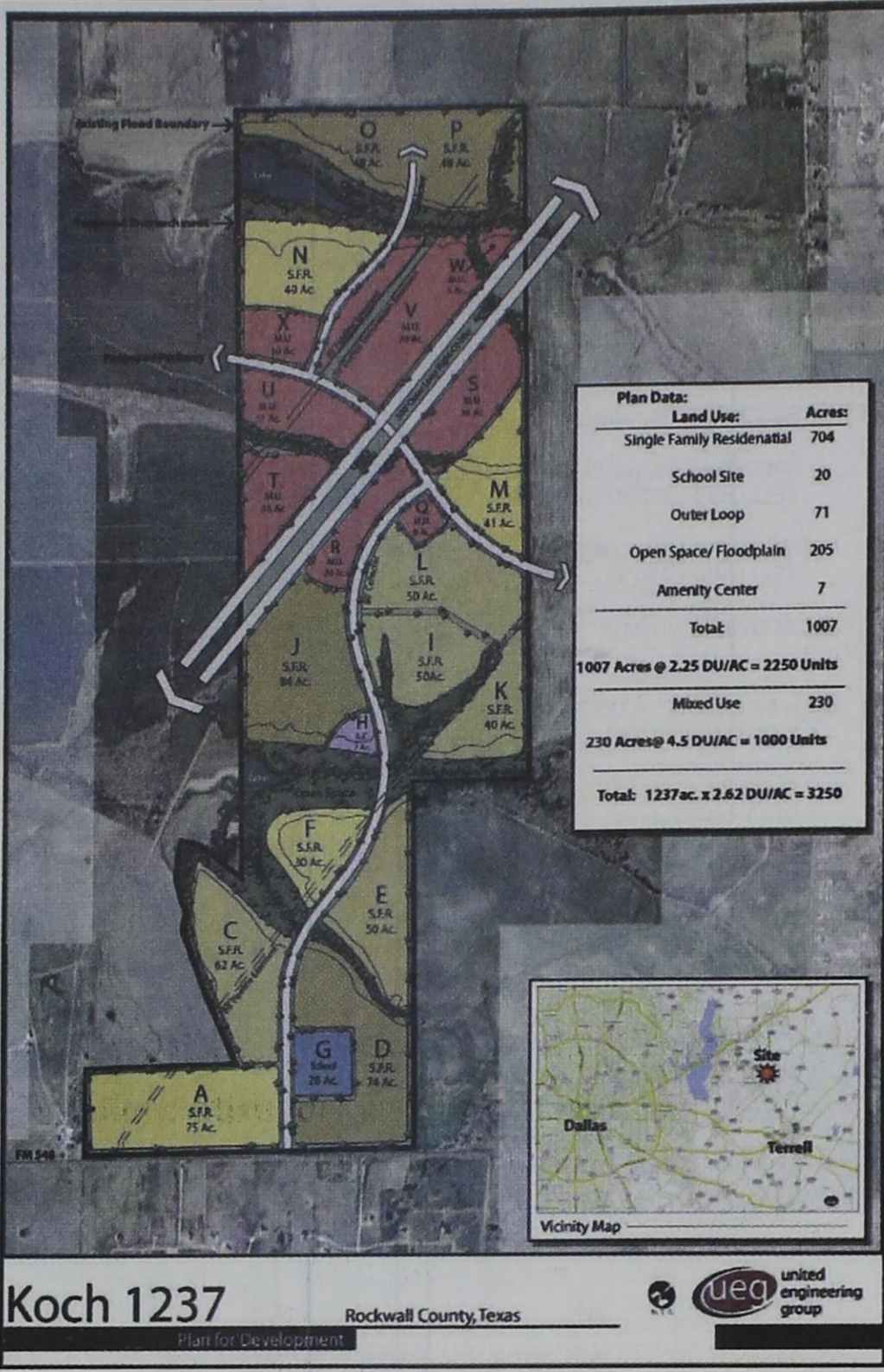


Exhibit "A"  
Metes and Bounds Description of the Property within the District

BEING A 619.511 ACRE TRACT OF LAND SITUATED IN THE F. BANGU SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 7, ROCKWALL COUNTY, TEXAS AND BEING OF THAT CALLED 1236.450 ACRE TRACT OF LAND DESCRIBED IN DEED MAREEN KOCH, RECORDED IN VOLUME 166, PAGE 812 OF THE DEED RECORDS OF ROCKWALL COUNTY, TEXAS (D.R.R.C.T.). BEARING BY 1983 GRID, ZONE 4202, BASED ON GPS OBSERVATIONS AND OPUS SAID 619.511 ACRE TRACT BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AND BOUNDS AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT A 5/8" IRON ROD FOUND MARKING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID MAREEN KOCH TRACT AND THE COMMON MOST NORTHERLY CORNER OF A 316.9 ACRE TRACT OF LAND DESCRIBED IN DEED TO HOWELL, ET AL, TRUSTEES, RECORDED IN VOLUME 994, PAGE 150 D

THENCE N 44°47'40" E, ALONG THE NORTHWEST LINE OF SAID MAREEN TRACT, A DISTANCE OF 4032.48 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON ROD WITH YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "CARTER BURGESS" SET AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID MAREEN KOCH TRACT;

THENCE S 45°49'03" E, ALONG THE NORTHEAST LINE OF SAID MAREEN TRACT, BEING THE COMMON SOUTHWEST LINE OF TRACT 1, DESCRIBED TO UNIVEST PROPERTIES, INC., RECORDED IN VOLUME 1170, F.D.R.R.C.T., A DISTANCE OF 9293.21 FEET TO A FENCE CORNER POST AT THE MOST NORTHERLY SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID MAREEN KOCH TRACT;

THENCE S 43°44'22" W, ALONG A SOUTH LINE OF SAID MAREEN KOCH AND OVER AND ACROSS SAID MAREEN KOCH TRACT, A DISTANCE OF 1246.89 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON ROD WITH YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "CARTER BURGESS" SET;

THENCE CONTINUING OVER AND ACROSS SAID MAREEN KOCH TRACT FOLLOWING COURSES AND DISTANCES:

ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT HAVING A RADIUS OF 2500.00 FEET DELTA ANGLE OF 28°52'53", A LONG CHORD THAT BEARS N 49°30'58" E, A DISTANCE OF 1260.19 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON ROD WITH YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "CARTER BURGESS" SET;

N 64°00'37" W, A DISTANCE OF 446.26 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON ROD WITH YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "CARTER BURGESS" SET;

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ALONG A CURVE TO THE RIGHT HAVING A RADIUS OF 2000.00 FEET DELTA ANGLE OF 72°56'32", A LONG CHORD THAT BEARS N 27°32'58" E, A DISTANCE OF 2546.17 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON ROD WITH YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "CARTER BURGESS" SET;

N 08°55'55" E, A DISTANCE OF 284.64 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON ROD WITH YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "CARTER BURGESS" SET;

N 81°04'05" W, A DISTANCE OF 544.23 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON ROD WITH YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "CARTER BURGESS" SET;

ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT HAVING A RADIUS OF 3000.00 FEET DELTA ANGLE OF 43°15'56", A LONG CHORD THAT BEARS S 77°17'17" E, A DISTANCE OF 2265.38 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON ROD WITH YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "CARTER BURGESS" SET;

S 55°39'59" W, A DISTANCE OF 470.34 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON ROD WITH YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "CARTER BURGESS" SET IN THE SOUTHWEST LINE OF SAID MAREEN KOCH TRACT, BEING THE COMMON NORTHEAST LINE OF SAID SUE HOWELL TRACT;

THENCE N 46°01'34" W, ALONG SAID COMMON LINE, A DISTANCE OF 351 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, AND CONTAINING 619.511 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS.

THIS DOCUMENT WAS PREPARED UNDER 22 TAC 663.21, DOES NOT REFLECT RESULTS OF AN ON THE GROUND SURVEY, AND IS NOT TO BE USED TO CREATE OR ESTABLISH INTERESTS IN REAL PROPERTY EXCEPT THOSE RIGHTS OF INTEREST IMPLIED OR ESTABLISHED BY THE CREATION OR RECONFIGURATION OF THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION FOR WHICH IT WAS PREPARED.

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Exhibit "B"  
Plat of the Property

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Exhibit "D"  
Affidavit of Publication

[TO BE ATTACHED FOLLOWING PUBLICATION]

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PETITION FOR WATER AND SANITARY SEWER SERVICES

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
ROCKWALL COUNTY

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCLENDON-CHISHOLM, TEXAS:

The undersigned, FM-548 & High Plains Trail-1237, LLLP, a Texas limited liability limited partnership (the "Owner"), the owner of land situated within the area described by metes and bounds on Exhibit A and shown on the plat on Exhibit B attached hereto (the "Property"), pursuant to the provisions of Section 42.042 of the Texas Local Government Code, hereby petitions the City Council of the City of McLendon-Chisholm (the "City Council") to make water and sanitary sewer services available to the Property in a manner adequate to serve the proposed development of the Property, as reflected on Exhibit C attached hereto.

On July 7, 2010, the Owner submitted a "Request for Consent to the Creation of a Water Control and Improvement District" to the City Council (the "Request for Consent"). The Request for Consent included a paragraph identified therein as Section IX offering certain consideration for the City's consent to the creation of the Rockwall County Water Control and Improvement District No. 2 (the "District"), although such consideration is not required. The City Council failed to consent to the creation of the District; therefore, the Owner's offer of consideration, as stated in Section IX of the Request for Consent, is hereby withdrawn in its entirety, and Section IX of the Request for Consent shall be of no further force or effect.

The area to be included within the proposed District is the area described on Exhibit A. The Owner owns all of the land within the proposed District. As of the date of this Petition, there are no qualified voters residing within the proposed District.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_, 2011.

[SIGNATURES FOLLOW ON NEXT PAGE]

<sup>1</sup> The Property is part of a larger 1,237-acre planned development that will require water and sanitary sewer service to serve a total of 3,250 dwelling units, as noted on Exhibit C.

OWNER:  
FM-548 & High Plains Trail-1237, LLLP,  
a Texas limited liability limited partnership  
By: High Plains Trail, GP, LLC  
a Texas limited liability company,  
Its General Partner

Approximate total acreage in the area to be serviced owned by FM-548 & High Plains Trail-1237, LLLP: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Its: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF ARIZONA §  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ §

This instrument was acknowledged before me on the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_, 2011 by \_\_\_\_\_ of High Plains Trail, GP, LLC, a Texas limited liability company, in its capacity as General Partner of FM-548 & High Plains Trail-1237, LLLP, a Texas limited liability limited partnership.

Notary Public in and for the State of Arizona  
My Commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

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Pictured above are the varsity, junior varsity and freshman cheerleaders and mascots for Heath High and Rockwall High School. The groups came together for a photo following the ceremony at NCA Cheer Camp conducted June 8-11 at Southern Methodist University. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

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## Lumpkins tapped as RHS nutrition department Employee of the Year

Stephanie Lumpkins, Rockwall High School child nutrition specialist, recently was announced Employee of the Year for the school's child nutrition department.

Lumpkins is "an integral part of (the) RHS cafeteria staff," according to Madeline D. Miller, child nutrition manager at the school.

The honoree has been employed on the RHS campus for about seven years. "She mainly works in the back of house, but when you see her dedication to the students and staff and her smiling face, you will never forget her," Miller said in a news release from the school. "She exemplifies the meaning of the word 'team player.'"

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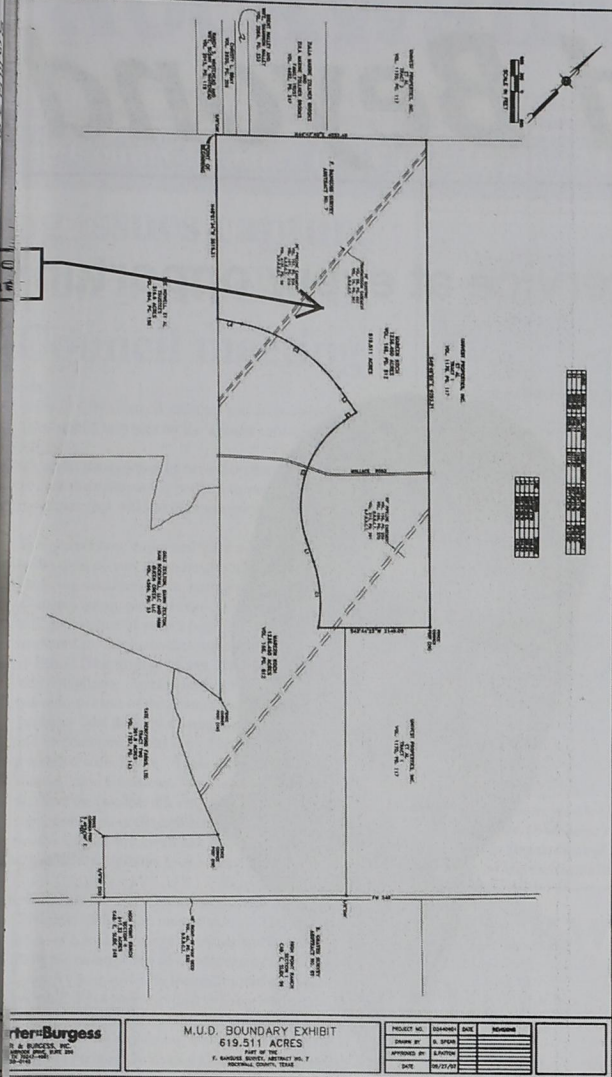


Exhibit B - Plat of Property

Exhibit "C"  
Plan for Development for the Property

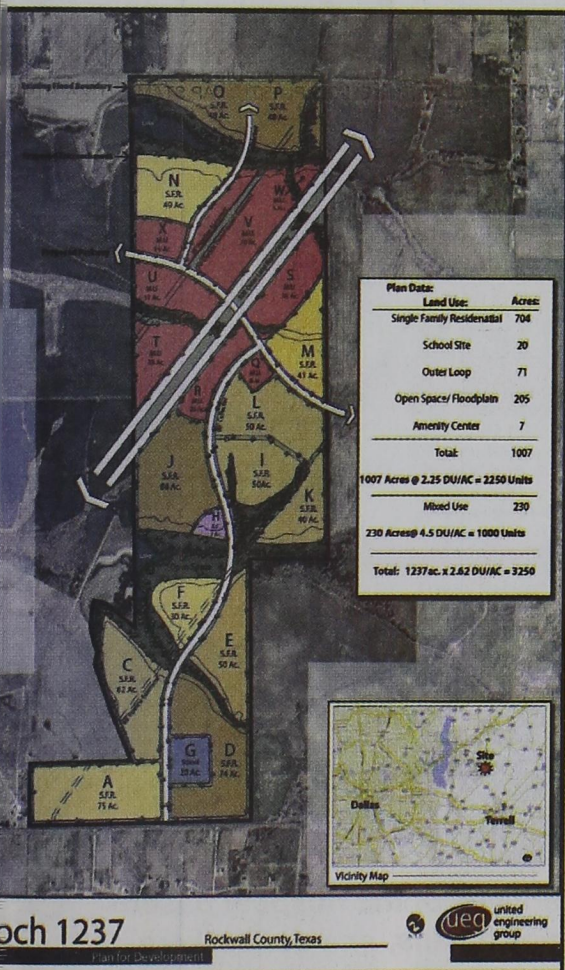


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