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## Father proves to be a miracle for his son

By Millie Jean Coppedge

Jenado Benjamin Sr., of Rowlett, is just one of the many miracles in his son's life.

Seven-year-old Jenado Benjamin Jr. is excited about starting the grade school year. But his dad wasn't sure for most of his son's life that he would live to see this day.

Months before Jenado Jr.'s birth at Children's Hospital of Dallas, doctors realized something was wrong. The baby's kidneys weren't working properly. When he was born Nov. 4, 2008, there was a serious blockage of his kidneys and he had other grave health issues.

For the first six years of Jenado Jr.'s life, it was just father and son. Jenado Sr. was the sole caregiver of him from the time he came home from the hospital. It was hard. My mother who lives in Mesquite helped Jenado Sr. to find a job to work to make money for his medical care. It was just a struggle we really bonded," his dad said.

Jenado Jr. was in the hospital the first six months after he was born. He was finally able to come home, then had to go back into the hospital many times. He has had 13 surgeries. Basically, he has spent most of his life in the hospital," his dad said.

Jenado Jr. was put on peritoneal dialysis shortly after birth. This was to surgically insert a catheter into his abdomen. A dialysate called dialysate is pumped through the tube into the abdomen and wastes are pumped out of the body through the tube. The procedure was performed three times a week, with trips to Children's Hospital for every treatment.

Due to continual infections from the tube and the procedures, Jenado Jr. went on hemodialysis in 2010. He now has a GJ (gastrostomy, or feeding tube) in his abdomen where the dialysis is performed and all nutrition and medications are administered through the tube. He has been on a feeding tube since he was born. PediaSure, a nutritional supplement, is administered through the GJ.

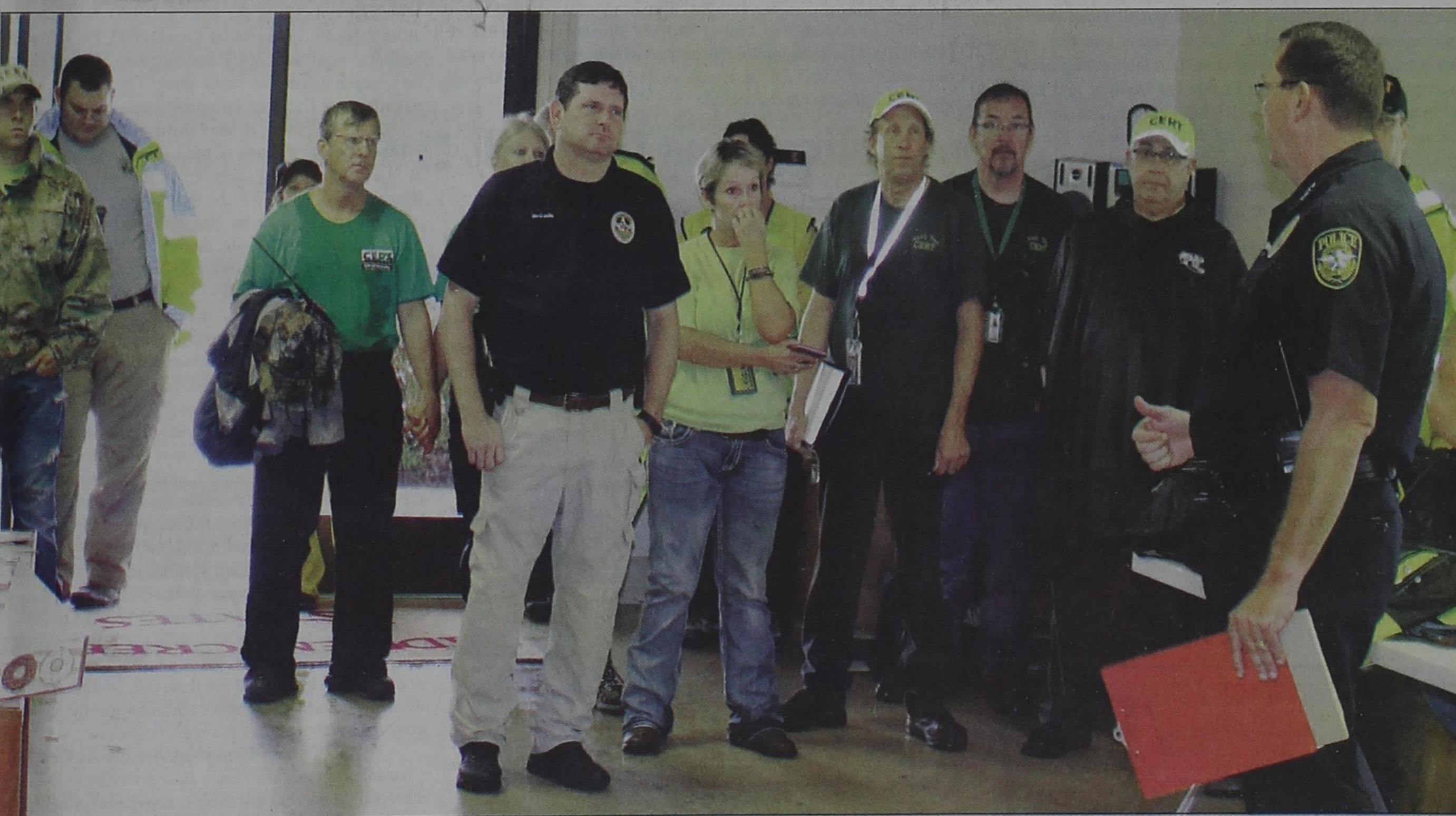
On March 28, Jenado Jr. received a kidney transplant from an anonymous donor. He had been on the donor waiting list since he was born because neither of his kidneys worked.

Having one non-working kidney, Jenado Jr. has gone to dialysis. That is the procedure where blood is pumped out of the body and into an artificial kidney machine, cleaned of waste, then pumped back in. He now only has to have the dialysis once a week.



Seven-year-old Jenado Benjamin Jr., far right, has spent more than two years of his life in Children's Hospital of Dallas. He was born needing a transplant for both kidneys and suffering from multiple health issues. Pictured from the left are his stepmother, Jasmine Chanel Benjamin (Williams), siblings 2-month-old Chanel Benjamin and 3-year-old Terrance Elijah Wofford. The family lives in Rowlett. Photo by Millie Jean Coppedge/Rockwall County News

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Royse City Chief of Police Jeff Stapleton (holding red folder), debriefs about 40 participants of a mock child abduction training exercise held in the Hidden Creek Estates. The neighborhood had been notified a week earlier through many avenues and signs were placed throughout the neighborhood advising of police training.

Photo by Millie Jean Coppedge/Rockwall County News

## Missing/Abducted Child Training in Royse City a Success

By Millie Jean Coppedge

Dark rains fell and dark clouds loomed during the three hours of scheduled mock training exercise from 8-11:30 a.m., held on August 20 in the Hidden Creek Estates. But the bad weather didn't detract from the realism of the event held by the Northeast Texas Abduction Response Team (NETX-CART).

Raymond Rambo and Royse City Chief of Police Jeff Stapleton, along with other officers for the NETX-CART staged a scenario which involved a

missing or abducted child. Law enforcement officials from Rockwall, Kaufman and Hunt counties were present for the training along with Rockwall and Hunt County Sheriff's Units, K-9 teams, Regional Community Emergency Response Teams and other volunteers aided in the scenario training.

The scenario for this training was that a frantic mother had called 911 about 7:25 a.m. to report her child missing. She advises the

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### Rockwall County News Briefs

#### Farmers Market open through September

The Farmers Market offered from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturdays on the square in Rockwall will be open through September. For more details visit [rockwallfarmersmarket.org](http://rockwallfarmersmarket.org).

#### Democrats plans candidate forum

Candidates for the Texas House of Representatives in District 33 and Rockwall County Justice of the Peace Place 3 have been invited to appear in a forum hosted by the Rockwall County Democratic Party at 7 p.m. Aug. 26, at the Harry Myers Community Center, 815 E. Washington, in Rockwall. Candidates will speak for five minutes and respond to questions. The public is invited to submit questions to [chair@rockwalldems.com](mailto:chair@rockwalldems.com). The event will be free and open to the public.

#### Literacy training scheduled for Aug. 27

Training for adults interested in volunteers to help with GED, ESL, Citizenship and Basic Literacy will be held on August 27. (Continued on Page 2)



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# Habitat needs help at Lamar location

Rockwall's Habitat for Humanity needs volunteers to help erect its latest home, this one located at 801 Lamar in Rockwall.

Groups and individuals are needed to assist with the Mathis Family home on Saturday morning beginning in September.

To sign up, call 972-839-3046. Groups need to schedule volunteer time in advance, while individuals can let Habitat know the day before they plan to work.

Breakfasts, lunches and snacks, as well as bottled water and sports drinks, also are needed.

To find the house, travel north on South Goliad Street, turn right on East Ross and right on Lamar (don't believe the map on your phone). The house is at the end of the street.

## Mock child abduction training ...

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dispatcher that the family had been doing yard work before the rains moved in, when she discovers her 7 year old son is missing. An officer was dispatched to the scene to evaluate the situation and obtain information about the child. The officer called the supervising officer on duty, who notified the chief of police.

Once it was established that the child was indeed missing, his photo and pertinent information and description of the boy was posted on social media. Search teams were notified, as was CART and The Hidden Creek Home Owners Association.

Police did an initial and a secondary search of the boy's home but had found nothing.

Through further investigation, it was established that a worker in the neighborhood had noticed a boy fitting the description wandering down the side of the street alone and tried to talk to the boy but he ran away.

Another worker had seen the boy take a man's hand and walk away, so he had assumed that it was the boy's father. It was not. Then the police knew they had a perpetrator involved.

Lee Reed - Team Consultant from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children was a part of the training as was Jim Walters, Program Administrator for the Amber Alert Program.

Rambo, the coordinator of NETX-CART advised Walters to begin a search of the sex offenders list for the area, then surrounding counties.

At 9:27 a.m., the call comes in to Stapleton that the child had been found safe and was being returned to his mother. The Chief sent the call out for all participants to return to the command post for a debriefing of the event.

Once everyone returned, Stapleton gave them a step by step account of what had occurred for the entire scenario.

He said that a K-9 team who was assisting in the search for the boy had been given a towel the boy had used. The dog was trained as a scent tracker. The dog led the team and law enforcement to a house where the boy was found inside and the individual suspected of taking the child was also identified.

Stapleton said that at this point in the scenario, medical personnel would have been called to examine the boy.

Stapleton debriefed everyone of how the entire scenario went down. He praised everyone for their efforts and cooperation. With feedback from those who participated, areas that needed improvement were discussed. The scenario's mother, son and suspect were brought in and introduced to the training teams.

According to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, one case of every 10,000 children that are reported missing/endangered results in the child's homicide. The statistics show that 47% die within the first hour, 76% within the first three hours, 1% survive more than a day, and 40% were DEAD before they were reported missing.



The Rockwall County Newcomers & Friends Club recently elected officers for 2016-2017. Officers, pictured above, include Deanna Allison, president; Lisa Paul, first vice president/programs; Barbara Bowman, second vice president/membership; Karen Nelson, secretary; and Audrey Baxley, treasurer. The group provides a social outlet for women who reside in Rockwall County; new residents and women who live in Rockwall County are welcome. The club has groups that meet for bunco, book clubs, art, canasta, bridge, Mah-Jong and other activities. To learn more or make a luncheon meeting reservation call Cathy at 972-400-9934 or Becky at 1-712-202-6916. Luncheon reservations should be made by Aug. 29. The first meeting of the new year will be Sept. 9 at Occasions at Stone River in Royse City. The club meets on the second Thursday of each month.

Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

## Rockwall Philharmonic Orchestra to perform Sept. 11

The Rockwall Philharmonic Orchestra is set to perform a free Patriotic/Pops Concert 6:30 p.m., on Monday September 11 at the First United Methodist Church of Rockwall.

Mayors or other city leaders in Rockwall County will introduce their police and first responders to be honored at the concert.

The orchestra will perform Patriotic Music and Americana Pop.

The RPO Board is inviting singers from choirs throughout Rockwall to come and participate in a Community-Wide Choir singing with the full orchestra.

Interested signers may contact Musical Director and Conductor, Michael J. Manley at michaeljmoto@gmail.com for access to music and rehearsal CDs. The music will also be made available through several of the area choir directors.

## Applications for CSL Program accepted

Rep. John Ratcliffe (R-Texas) recently announced the launch of the Congressional Student Leadership Program for high school students in Texas' 4th District.

The program aims to teach students about the role of the federal government and functions of a congressional office while allowing them to engage with their congressman and discuss public policy issues affecting our country, according to a news release from Ratcliffe's office.

"It's important to realize that today's students will be tomorrow's leaders. I'm proud that the Congressional Student Leadership Program will offer young folks in Texas' 4th District the opportunity to grow the skills they need to make a real impact in their communities - now and in the future," Ratcliffe said in the release.

"We've got a lot of bright students throughout the 18 counties I'm proud to represent, and I'm sure the work they accomplish through the program will be quite impressive," he said.

Each fall, the program will include a group of students to participate for the duration of the school year who will be selected based on their academic achievement, extracurricular involvement and demonstration of leadership

Texas District 4 of the United States House of Representatives serves an area that includes some counties along the Red River north of the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex including Rockwall County.

Applications for the 2016-2017 school year must be submitted by Friday, Aug. 19.

## Rockwall Council to meet Thursday

The Rockwall City Council will meet at 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 25, in the Municipal Court Building, 2860 SH 66, in Rockwall.

Council members will undertake a budget work session, discussing the city's 2017 fiscal year budget, according to the meeting agenda.

[Publisher's Note: Readers may follow the Rockwall County News for legal publication of the official 2017 fiscal year budget.]

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Literary classes will be conducted from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 27, in the Rockwall County Library Literacy Center, for adults living in the Rockwall area will begin on Monday, Sept. 12, for Monday/Friday morning sessions and Tuesday, Sept. 13, for Tuesday/Thursday evening classes. For more information contact Carol Cease, literacy coordinator, at 972-204-7705 or carol@rockwallcountytexas.com.

### RARTA plans Sept. 12 meeting

The Rockwall Area Retired Teachers Association will meet Monday, Sept. 12, at the Rockwall ISD Administration Building, 1050 Williams, in the Board Room, #600. Pat Knowles, outreach coordinator at UT Southwestern Medical Center, will present research updates on brain aging. The meeting will begin at 1:15 p.m. Come at 1:15 p.m. for refreshments.

### Friends of the Library to meet Sept. 13

The Rockwall Friends of the Library September meeting will be at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 13, at the county library's Conference Room. The program will be Remembering 9-11 Through the Eyes of a Survivor, given by Samantha Horwitz, former U.S. Service agent, author, wife, mother and founder of Heroes 4 Healing. An outreach program founded in Mesquite to help first responders and military vets who suffer from PTSD. Horwitz's book, "Above All," will be sold at the meeting; proceeds will help Heroes 4 Healing. An optional luncheon catered by Zachary's will be \$20. Nonrefundable reservations must be made to cplagenst@rockwalltx.com by 5 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 6.

### Lecture to focus on Flight of our Fathers

The Sept. 9 installation of the Sheri Stodghill Lecture presented by the Rockwall County Historical Foundation, Rockwall County Historical Commission from noon to 1 p.m. in the third floor in the historic downtown courthouse. The speaker will be the history of the No. 1 British flight training school in Rockwall, Texas, commanded by Joe M. Hood, USN (Ret.), will share the story of the largest facility of its kind was used to train more than 2,000 British and American pilots between 1941 and 1945.

### Last day to register to vote is Oct. 11

The last day to register to vote in the Nov. 8 election is Oct. 11, according to the Texas Secretary of State's website. Voting in the election will run from Oct. 24 through Nov. 4. For details or information about registering locally, visit rockwallcountytx.com/voter-information/voter-registration-card.

### Talking Tombstones lecture set Oct. 14

Meddie Bowles (aka Nancy Beaty) will present the circumstantial evidence surrounding the trail and murder conviction of her husband, James Earl Ray. (Continued on Page 3)

## Rowlett boy receives kidney transplant

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Following a recent automobile accident, Jenado Sr. was hospitalized for several days. He was born with three kidneys, one on the right side and two on the left. Doctors say all three are healthy and functioning.

"This is just the beginning of my remarkable story that will benefit from because prayer and hope made this miracle possible," Jenado Sr. said. "Doctors have told me that by the time my son is born he may need another kidney. I've been tested and I am a match. So when he needs another kidney, he won't have to be on the donor's waiting list. I will give him one of mine, another blessing for my son."

Jenado Jr. is taking two expensive anti-rejection drugs daily against his body rejecting the new kidney. He also is taking other medications daily.

On Dec. 19, Jenado Sr. and Jasmine Williams, his fiancée, married. Jenado Jr.'s new siblings are a 2-month-old Chanel and a 3-year-old Terrance Elijah Wofford.

Jenado Sr. said he wants to be a motivational speaker. He wants to share his story with other parents, especially single parents, and help them understand the struggles and blessings of raising a child with health challenges.

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Perhaps you sent a lovely card, or sat quietly in a chair.  
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Perhaps you spoke the kindest words, as any friend could say.  
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Whatever you did to console our hearts, We thank you so much whatever the part.  
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1 TX zoo critter: gazelle  
5 TXism: "camps out in the corner" (religious)  
6 UT golfer Betsy Rawls won this trophy in 1959  
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8 San Angelo has a big one (2 wds.)  
17 Cowboy Hall-of-Fame CB, Renfro TXism: "cold heart"  
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22 TXism: "bright as penny"  
23 black comedy about a Carthage, TX murder (2011)  
24 "unofficial" of the West: "Home on the Range"  
29 TX Ivory Joe Hunter wrote "Since You Baby" (1956)  
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31 TXism: "dab it"  
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16 reliever Robb who was drafted by the Texas Rangers  
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22 gathers in large numbers  
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25 where many TXns fought in 1960s and 1970s  
26 cable cars  
27 TXism: "he's all no cattle"  
28 meatloaf, e.g.  
29 TX B.J. Thomas sang "Lonesome I Could Cry"  
30 TXism: "high tailed it"  
33 TX-born critic, Rex  
34 a real skinny person  
35 "out" (gets fatigued)  
37 TXism: "he'd have a half wit"  
38 TXism: "goat" (country boy)  
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# Government-Civilization-The Devil

**Timothy W. Burnett, Rockwall, Texas**  
 Following is the definition of GOVERNMENT, CIVILIZATION and DEVIL (Webster's Dictionary)  
**GOVERNMENT:** the group of people who control and make laws for a country, state, etc.  
**CIVILIZATION:** the condition that exists when people have developed effective ways of organizing a society and care about art, science, etc.

The most powerful spirit of evil in Christianity, Judaism, and Islam is often represented as the ruler of hell. Throughout history, countries and territories, their civilization has been ruled by government without individual freedom of choice or prior to the United States of America. Julius Caesar (100-44 B.C.) declared himself dictator for life. He established a government to rule by his choices and religion. Julius Caesar is remembered as one of the greatest military minds in history for laying the foundation for the Roman Empire. World War I officially began in 1914, when Germany occupied Belgium following many years of economic depression resulting from World War I and the 1919 Treaty of Versailles that divided Germany into different states. Hitler's move to reunite Germany prompted France and Britain to declare war on Germany. Hitler realized it was not to silence and/or change German Churches. In 1937 started an attack on the Catholic Church arresting bishops etc. However, there was never a total shutdown of the Catholic Church in Germany. Hitler signed an agreement with the Vatican in 1933, promising not to interfere in political matters. Hitler demanded full religious freedom for the Church, a promise he did not keep. Hitler silenced and took over all the Churches, including Protestant churches.

When World War II began when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor Naval and Hickam army air corp. station on then U.S. territory of Hawaii. Upon this attack, and with the urging of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, the U.S. Congress voted to declare war on not only Japan, but Germany. The European war against Germany and Japan ended on the Japanese surrender Sept. 2, 1945. This is only a brief sample of the history of our country.

The founding fathers of America used God's roadmap to change the course of choice and religion, to the individual population forming our government. This country is the only country that has the choice of government to be determined by individual voting to determine our government.

At the birth of our country, so it is today, that each adult citizen has the responsibility to vote for the best candidates that make up our government; and become appointed government officials. They have a moral obligation to protect the people by complying with their duties and Certificates of Commission. The founding fathers used the Bible and prayer to determine how to write these documents. We need only read the words of our Lord Jesus in order to understand whether government officers are doing the will of the Devil. Jesus said, "The adversary comes not but to steal, kill and destroy" (John 10:10). Our constitution and Bill of Rights protect the freedom of individual choice and religion, and establishes a judicial system as an essential check and balance in issues of government. The will of the adversary to steal (rob), murder, and destroy. The church is the only place we can trust for the whole truth. The church who are providing the attendees with God's teaching, must compare the truth with what is happening in the world.

It includes the devil's influence outside of the church. Satan wants to keep as many people as possible from receiving God's love before death. That is why that we are in the time of selecting candidates for our government, citizen voters must take serious time to evaluate each candidate. Allow yourselves the flexibility to change your mind if someone you like is not your best choice at the time you vote. Timothy W. Burnett's articles can be viewed online at [www.isthereagod7.org](http://www.isthereagod7.org) ARTICLES.

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## On God's Word by Timothy W. Burnett Know the basics ... fear

Throughout the ages, mankind has dealt with a common problem in the individual's psychology and social-psychology.

We can safely conclude that every person throughout history has at some time experienced fear and anxiety.

God's word helps us with a basic understanding of His opinion and solution for fear and anxiety.

The Bible is filled with numerous examples of people experiencing, expressing, reacting to fear.

Nearly all uses of the word fear are translated from ancient words that mean terror, timidity or reverence.

Timidity is generally associated with fear. It should not be confused with non-action out of godly prudence or wisdom.

In one of his letters to Timothy, the apostle Paul said, "For God has not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind" (2Timothy 1:7).

Here, the word "fear" is translated from the ancient Greek word "deilia," which meant timidity or cowardness.

This one verse is packed with important information. It puts fear or timidity in contrast with power, love and soundness of mind. It also contrasts between a "spirit" of fear, and a spirit of power, love, and soundness of mind.

The word "power" was translated from the word dunamis, which meant physical power, force, might, ability, efficacy or energy. The context is typically related to released energy compared to stored energy, and is directly connected with spiritual power from God.

The word "love" was translated from the word agape which referred to endearing benevolence, good will, or esteem. It is always used in the context of love from God the Creator to mankind, thus love from God shown between people.

The word "sound mind" came from a word that meant self control, self discipline, or prudence and wisdom. Thus, it is connected with using sound judgement.

Think about the decisions and actions arising out of fear and anxiety. Consider how powerful people of the world use fear and anxiety to provoke anticipated actions from others, for "safety."

What is the best solution? "Be [anxious] for nothing; but in everything ... let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace from God ... shall keep and guard your hearts and [thoughts] through Christ Jesus." When our hearts and thoughts are guarded by true peace from God, our responses will be with true power, love and soundness of mind. This is also addressed in 1Peter 5:6-7, where it is put in the context of humbling ourselves under God's power.

To fear is often translated from a word the meant to reverence. Who will we reverence? The scary monster? or God?

God knows we will fear. Good news -- He gave us the solution. Visit [Facebook.com](http://Facebook.com) for the archives of On God's Word.

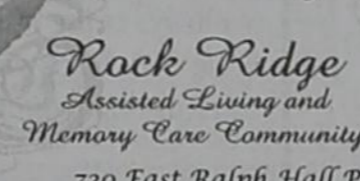
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All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. DATED the 17<sup>th</sup> day of August 2016.

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## Rockwall County News Briefs

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as part of the Oct. 14 installation of the Sheri Stodghill Lecture Series presented by the Rockwall County Historical Foundation and the Rockwall County Historical Commission from noon to 1 p.m. in the third floor in the historic downtown courthouse.

### Fisher to be recognized Nov. 10

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

### Rock Wall to be revisited Dec. 11

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

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The County of Rockwall will only consider those proposals which include an unconditional stipulation that there will be no "lasing" or individually specified deductible assignments initially or at each subsequent renewal period.

The effective date of reinsurance coverage is to be October 1, 2016. Proposals must be delivered to the office of The Director of Human Resources by 1:00 pm CDST on Friday, September 9, 2016. Proposals must be sealed and contained within an envelope marked by the following designation: "Individual Specific Stop Loss Reinsurance Proposal for the County of Rockwall Due 1:00 pm CDST on September 9, 2016."

Any questions or requests for additional information should be directed via email to: Darendia Smith  
Gallagher Benefit Services, Inc.  
[Darendia\\_Smith@ajg.com](mailto:Darendia_Smith@ajg.com)

## Rockwall County Sheriff's Office July Report

Calls for service - 737

Incidents/investigations:

- Rape -- 1
- Aggravated assault - 2
- Simple assault - 4
- Burglary/breaking & entering - 2
- Theft from a motor vehicle - 2
- All other larceny - 4
- False pretenses/swindle/confidence game -- 1
- Impersonation - 2
- Stolen property offenses - 1
- Destruction/damage/vandalism of property - 4
- Drug/narcotic violations - 24
- Drug equipment violations - 6
- Weapon law violations - 3
- Bad checks - 1
- Curfew/loitering/vagrancy violations -- 1
- Driving under the influence - 14
- Drunkenness - 3
- Liquor law violations - 1
- Trespass of real property -- 1
- All other offenses - 86
- Total offenses - 163; total incidents - 120
- Simple assault - 2
- All other larceny - 1
- Destruction/damage/vandalism of property - 2
- Drug/narcotic violations - 27
- Drug equipment violations - 3
- Weapon law violations - 2
- Curfew/loitering/vagrancy violations -- 1
- Driving under the influence - 14

- Drunkenness - 2
- All other offenses - 84
- Total charges - 137; total arrests - 66
- Accidents:
- Total accidents - 15
- Criminal papers:
- Affidavit for surety off bond (1716) - 11
- Affidavit for surety off bond (1719) - 6
- Bench warrant - 2
- Bond forfeiture - 32
- Failure to appear for court - 9
- Insufficient bond - 8
- Motion to revoke probation - 28
- Probable cause - 2
- Traffic - 62
- Warrant - 34
- Total criminal papers served - 283; total criminal papers - 194
- Civil papers:
- Arrest warrant - 1
- Citation - 13
- Criminal subpoena - 2
- Injunction - 1
- Notice of hearing -- 2
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- Writ of possession -- 1
- Total civil papers served - 30;
- total civil papers - 27

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# Opinions

## The entitlement state and America's fiscal crisis

(Continued from the Thurs. Aug. 18, 2016 edition of Rockwall County News)

by Richard Ebeling

Freedom Foundation (fff.org)

### Making the Moral Case for Liberty

Another way of saying this is that we must reawaken the moral case for liberty. The starting point for such a moral case is the rejection of the collectivist conception of man and society. Collectivists of all types – socialists, communists, fascists, interventionists, and welfare statisticians – believe that the group, the tribe, the “nation,” or the social class takes precedence over the individual. He is to serve and his individuality must be sacrificed for the “common good” or “general welfare” since the individual has neither existence nor “rights” apart from the collective to which he belongs.

Compare this with the unique and starkly different philosophy of man and society captured in the American Declaration of Independence: “We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness. That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed.”

Rights precede government, and are not something given to man by any political authority. Each of us possesses rights that may not be taken away or undermined by those in political power. We all possess an inalienable right to our life, liberty, and property. We own ourselves, and by extension we have a property right to what our creative minds and efforts have peacefully produced. We may not be enslaved, sacrificed, or plundered by others, whether they are private individuals or organized governments.

The individual, not some mythical collective, is the center and starting point of society. The free market is the arena in which people form relationships for mutual benefit on the basis of voluntary exchange. The free man finds his own meaning for life, guided by the philosophy or faith of his choice. He refuses to coercively impose his will on others, just as others may not use force against him. He persuades others to live and act differently through reason and example, and not with the bullet or the bayonet. And no political authority can make claims against his life, liberty, and honestly acquired property, because the function of a limited government is to secure his freedom from predators and plunder.

This is the philosophy of individualism and capitalism that must be reawakened in our fellow men if we are to free our society from the stranglehold of Big Government and its ocean of debt. It requires a confident belief that we are right, that both reason and history have demonstrated the value and benevolent

results of what Adam Smith once called “the system of natural liberty.”

### The Importance of the Battle of Ideas

Such an appeal to a battle of political and economic ideas is essential. The social political and economic crises of our time are the outcome of an earlier battle of ideas that the enemies of freedom and capitalism succeeded in winning to a great extent. They indicted the society of liberty; they distorted the reality of capitalism and its brilliant triumphs in freeing man from poverty; and they imbedded in the minds of many the conception of political entitlements that serve the power ends of political paternalists and which requires the plundering of the peaceful and productive members of society.

Our society is living under a paternalistic and plundering political system that threatens to bring its productive potentials to, if not a halt, then at least a sluggish crawl compared to its free market potential. In the extreme, it could lead to a situation of capital consumption, under which the government's taxing, spending, and borrowing policies take so much away from the private sector that it becomes impossible for private enterprises to maintain the productive capacity upon which our standard of living is dependent. Civilizations have regressed in the past. And it can happen again.

Whether the final phase of the fiscal crisis of the government's redistributive and entitlement system is reached in ten years, twenty years or thirty years, the question then will be, what will follow the failure and collapse of the Fiscal Leviathan State? Our society will stand at a crossroads. And when that time comes it is essential that there are enough people who understand, can explain, and are willing to defend the ideas and ideals of individual rights, economic liberty, and the free market system. If not, the future may see a tragic return to a less civilized and much poorer past.

## Rockwall County Letters to the Editor

We encourage the submission of Letters to the Editor. The publishing of letters is at the sole discretion of the editor and may be edited for brevity, grammar and accuracy. Letters which are considered libelous or an attack on an individual's character will be rejected. Letters must be signed and include telephone number or address for verification.  
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Many homeowners and businesses located in the City of Rockwall would be surprised to learn that today the Rockwall Fire Department does not have even one fully manned, full-time fire company assembly of any of their four fire stations. They still rely on the antiquated method of having volunteers fill out the manpower needs, yet the city population has exploded to right at 40,000 residents.

There may have been an only option 50-100 years ago, but comparable cities like Greenville (population of 26,000) to the east, Terrell (population of 16,000) to the south and Rowlett (population of 15,000) to the west has had a full-time, fully paid fire department in the last 20 years that has a first responder program. The City of Heath in Rockwall County even has public safety officers that can provide an EMS first responder service to their citizens.

What does this mean to the average home or business owner located in the city? Because of this outdated policy, the Rockwall Fire Department does not have a first responder dispatch protocol. The northern fire station has only one man assigned full time.

Let's say there is a major accident along I-30 with multiple injuries at the two of the three Rockwall County ambulances responding along with the EMS supervisor. At that same time, a child gets shocked, there's a near drowning, a shooting victim or someone has a stroke or heart attack along the northern side of the city. The Royce ambulance would be the only option. The EMS response time included in the price could be double or even triple (depending on weather conditions) while a critically injured person may need immediate basic life support which a first responder is equipped and trained to do.

As it stands today, there would not be an automatic dispatch by the Rockwall Fire Department due to them not being a fully paid and manned fire department. The central and northern fire stations could be one or two away from the emergency location, but there would not be any response from them.

On Tuesday, Aug. 16, 2016, I attended the city-sponsored public presentation in downtown Rockwall. During his portion of the presentation, Fire Chief Mark Poindexter made it a point to show the citizens present that by being a partially paid fire department was saving the citizens of Rockwall about \$302 per year in taxes. He went on to show the fire department budget was about \$3 million per year.

Police Chief Kirk Riggs never once mentioned cost-saving measures during his presentation, but rather he related the stellar, award-winning services that the Rockwall Police Department has received from its 80 sworn officers and 21 civilian employees. His budget was approximately \$10 million per year. Service, not savings, was the chief of his material.

As a taxpaying citizen of this great city, I am demanding that city leaders wake up and address the gross neglect of a critically important public safety agency. You couldn't adequately run the police or fire department on volunteer responses, so why do city leaders continue to choose this ludicrous mindset involving the fire department that is just not acceptable in this day and time.

Only two years ago, I spoke before Mayor Sweet and City Council expressing my concerns in this matter and was told, “We are looking into it.” I was given the same exact response to my question from city leaders at this recent public meeting.

For, if it were my wife, son, daughter-in-law, granddaughter or other family member critically injured and needed attention immediately, having \$25 a month on taxes would be the furthest thing from my mind. I would want the best public safety service available to me as a taxpayer. It can be a reality if all the citizens become aware of his kept secret held by the leadership of the City of Rockwall.

Richard Taylor  
Houston Fire Department  
Captain/Paramedic/Arson Investigator-Retired

A widely recognized problem in Texas and local governments is selective compliance with state law (Texas constitution, public laws, state statutes and subordinate ordinances).

Solution: Call on the House and Senate to amend

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#### COUNTY OF ROCKWALL

In compliance with Chapters 111.006, 111.007 and 111.0075 of the Local Government Code, the Commissioners Court of Rockwall County, Texas does hereby give notice that a public hearing on the proposed FY2017 County Budget will be held on the 13th day of September 2016, in the Commissioners Courtroom on the third floor of the Historic Courthouse, 101 E. Rusk St., Rockwall, Texas at 9:00 a.m.

In compliance with Chapter 152.013 of the Local Government Code, the Commissioners Court hereby gives notice that the following salary / compensation amounts are proposed for Elected Officials of Rockwall County. The proposed increases in salaries and allowances shown below, if approved, will become effective October 1, 2016.

Elected Officials Longevity	FY2016	FY2017 (Proposed)	Proposed Increase
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County Sheriff	2,520	2,700	180
Justice of the Peace Precinct 1	0	600	600
Justice of the Peace Precinct 2	0	600	600
County Clerk	0	600	600
County Treasurer	0	600	600

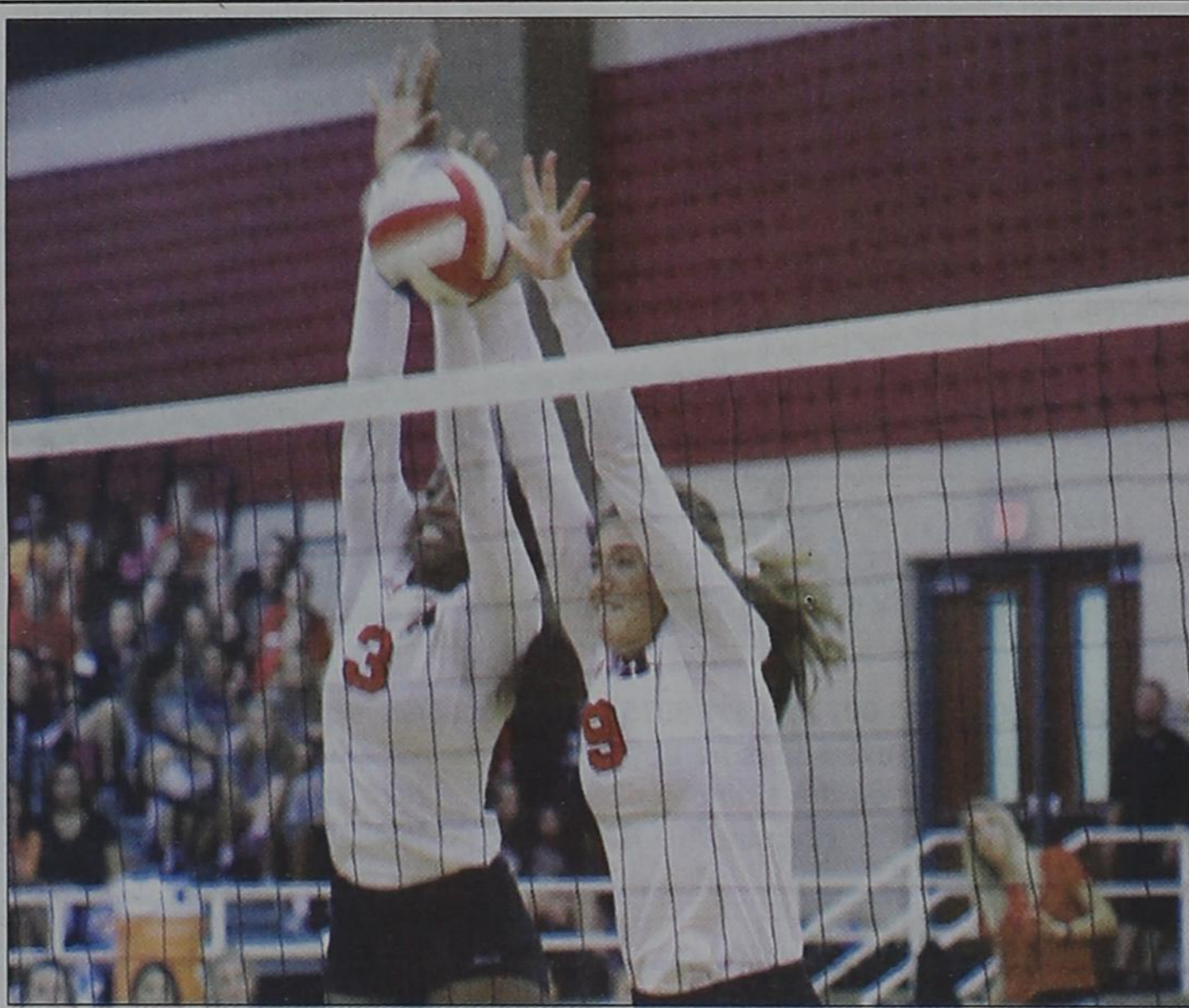
Elected Officials Salary	FY2016	FY2017 (Proposed)	Proposed Increase
Constable Precinct 1	59,202	60,978	1,776
Constable Precinct 2	59,202	60,978	1,776
Constable Precinct 3	59,202	60,978	1,776
Constable Precinct 4	59,202	60,978	1,776
Justice of the Peace Precinct 1	72,814	74,998	2,184
Justice of the Peace Precinct 2	72,814	74,998	2,184
Justice of the Peace Precinct 3	72,814	74,998	2,184
Justice of the Peace Precinct 4	72,814	74,998	2,184
Commissioner Precinct 1	71,167	73,302	2,135
Commissioner Precinct 2	71,167	73,302	2,135
Commissioner Precinct 3	71,167	73,302	2,135
Commissioner Precinct 4	71,167	73,302	2,135
County Judge	88,960	91,629	2,669
County Sheriff	95,275	98,133	2,858
County Clerk	75,912	78,189	2,277
District Clerk	75,912	78,189	2,277
County Tax Assessor	75,912	78,189	2,277
County Treasurer	75,912	78,189	2,277

#### Explanatory Notes:

1. The Sheriff and Constables are each provided a County vehicle.



Rockwall High School Coach Brad Frantz prepares the varsity defense for the next drive, Fri. Aug. 19, 2016, during the scrimmage against Hebron, at Wilkerson-Sanders Stadium in Rockwall. Hebron won the scrimmage 14-0. The Yellowjackets are set to take on Highland Park, 7:30 p.m., Fri. Aug. 26, at Highlander Stadium. Photo by Tim Burnett/Rockwall County News



Rockwall-Heath Lady Hawks Sophomore Maddison Parmelly (9) blocks the ball for a point against a hard-hitting Plano attack, Tue. Aug. 23, 2016, at the RHHS gym in Heath. Parmelly went on to log over 8 Kills. Assisting is teammate Lorin McNeil (3), who earned at least 3 Blocks and 3 points with 1 Kill. The Lady Hawks defeated Plano 3-0, 25-22, 25-22, 25-20, and are scheduled to play against Naaman Forest, Tue. Aug. 30, at the RHHS gym. Photo by Tim Burnett/Rockwall County News

### Rockwall-Heath Lady Hawks, District-11-6A (Overall 11-8) Varsity Volleyball

- 8/9/2016, at Sachse (Win) 3-0, 25-11, 25-21, 25-20.
- TAV Tournament**
- 8/12, Carroll (Southlake) (Win) 2-1, 25-22, 23-25, 26-28.
- 8/12, McKinney North (Win) 2-0, 25-5, 25-14.
- 8/12, Chisholm Trail (Win) 2-0, 25-20, 25-10.
- 8/12, Plano East (Loss) 0-2, 19-25, 19-25.
- 8/13, Tascosa (Amarillo) (Win) 2-1, 25-27, 27-25, 27-25.
- 8/13, Plano (Loss) 0-2, 24-26, 16-25.
- 8/13, Liberty (Frisco) (Loss) 0-2, 16-25, 23-25.
- 8/16, Wakeland (Frisco) (Loss) 0-3, 17-25, 13-25, 21-25.
- Northwest Tournament**
- 8/18, Ursuline Academy (Dallas), (Win) 3-0, 25-17, 25-22, 25-19.
- 8/18, Grapevine, (Loss) 1-2, 19-25, 25-20, 17-25.
- 8/19, Denton, (Loss) 0-2, 20-25, 17-25.
- 8/19, Sante Fe, Texas (Win) 2-0, 15-25, 12-25.
- 8/19, Frenship (Wolforth, Texas) (Win) 2-0, 25-21, 27-25.
- 8/19, Victoria West (Victoria, Texas) (Win) 2-0, 25-12, 25-16.
- 8/20, Mansfield (Win) 2-0, 25-17 25-21.
- 8/20, Lake Highlands (Dallas) (Loss) 1-2, 28-26, 15-25, 19-25.
- 8/20, Friendswood (Loss) 2-0, 13-25, 23-25.
- Regular schedule**
- 8/23, Plano at RHHS, (Win) 3-0, 25-22, 25-22, 25-20.

### Rockwall County Sports Notes

#### Yellowjackets to play in Cotton Bowl game

The Rockwall Yellowjackets will take on the Rowlett Eagles at the Cotton Bowl on Saturday, Sept. 3. General admission tickets are available online at a cost of \$8 (\$9.27 with service fee). Tickets may be purchased at [brownpapertickets.com/event/2550679](http://brownpapertickets.com/event/2550679).

#### Register now for fall ball

Registration is underway for the Rockwall Parks & Recreation's baseball and softball league. The week fall season will run Sept. 5 through Oct. 24; a total of two games per week are possible. Cost for fast pitch softball is \$85 per person or \$55 for Rockwall residents. Cost for baseball is \$99 or \$65 for Rockwall residents. Register online at [playrockwall.com/rbsl](http://playrockwall.com/rbsl). Deadline is Aug. 19. Call 972-771-7761 for more information.

### Area News Briefs

#### Photo exhibit to focus on nat'l parks

The George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum will host an exhibit celebrating the National Park Service's centennial. The exhibit, featuring iconic black-and-white photos taken by American photographer Mark Burns, will run through Aug. 30. For more information about the exhibit, visit [georgewbushlibrary.smu.edu](http://georgewbushlibrary.smu.edu).

#### 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb set in Dallas

The 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb, set to run from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Sept. 10, at Renaissance Tower, 1201 Elm St., Dallas, is currently registering participants. The sixth annual event is not a race, but a tribute honoring the sacrifices of fire responders – 343 firefighters, 70 law enforcement officers and 10 EMTs – who died at Ground Zero with the collapse of the World Trade Center's twin towers on Sept. 11, 2001, in New York City. Participants will climb 110 floors, the height of the former World Trade Center twin towers. Most climbers (firefighters, law enforcement and EMS personnel from North Texas) will bring their personal protective equipment; all climbers wear the name and photo of the hero for whom they are climbing. For more details or to register or volunteer visit [dallasstairclimb.com/about.html](http://dallasstairclimb.com/about.html).

#### Salsa contest planned in Hunt County

Hunt County's first Best Salsa contest, Hot Havana Nights Salsa Showdown, will take place Sept. 24 in the Emerald Ballroom, 2316 Johnson St., Greenville, and will benefit Women in Need. Judging begins at 4:30 p.m.; judging for People's Choice will run from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Entry fee is \$100; space is limited. For more information contact Cheryl Bahm at 903-445-4612 or [cbahm@wintexas.org](mailto:cbahm@wintexas.org).

### Rockwall County Entertainment

#### 'Brave' to be featured at Family Fun Friday

"Brave" will be the featured film at the Aug. 26 Family Fun Friday event at the Park at Hickory Ridge. The screening is part of the Rockwall Parks & Recreation Department's Movies in the Park event. For more details, visit [playrockwall.com](http://playrockwall.com).

#### Celebrate Fate! set Sept. 3

The third annual Celebrate Fate! event is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 3, at the Smith Family Park. The event will include food, activities, live music and vendors. Fireworks will be set off at 8 p.m. For more details, visit [playrockwall.com](http://playrockwall.com).

#### Family Fun Friday set in Yellowjacket Park

"Monsters University" will be the featured film at the Sept. 23 Family Fun Friday event at Yellowjacket Park. The screening is part of the Rockwall Parks & Recreation Department's Movies in the Park event. For more details, visit [playrockwall.com](http://playrockwall.com).

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