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**Bailey, Puckett head for Precinct 3 runoff**

By MARCUS FUNK  
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The Texas primary is over for one open seat on the Rockwall County Commissioners Court - but not the other.

Dennis Bailey took the lead in replacing retiring Bruce Beaty for the Precinct 3 seat, but did not clear the majority threshold needed to avoid a runoff election. Bailey received 809 votes (46 percent) while Randy Puckett took 543 votes (31 percent). Leon Tuttle placed third with 22 percent.

Bailey could not be

Wimpee claims victory in Precinct 1 commissioner race

reached for comment, but said previously he hopes to properly coordinate development with different departments and use a common sense rubric while evaluating decisions.

Puckett said he was optimistic despite his current deficit, and said the campaign had been clean and focused on issues. The future of the seat, he said, was up to

the voters.

"We'll just have to wait and see how it turns out. I'm a little behind, but hopefully I'll knock it up in the runoff," Puckett said. "I don't have anything negative to say about my opponents, we just have different priorities and different backgrounds."

Tuttle said he was disappointed in the result, but thanked his voters for supporting him and his opponents for conducting clean campaigns.

"The voters have decided,"

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Dennis Bailey



Randy Puckett

**Hall nabs another easy win**

Evenson cruises past challenger Tuggle to remain county sheriff

By MARCUS FUNK  
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U.S. Rep. Ralph Hall won an overwhelming victory in the March 4 Republican primary, as did most local incumbents.

In Rockwall County - Hall's home - the 14-term incumbent scored 6,348 votes and nearly 86 percent of the total for that race. His four challengers each received less than 6 percent of the vote in Rockwall, and fared only slightly better throughout the 4th District - together they captured 27 percent of the 16-county total, leaving Hall just under three-quarters of the votes.

Hall said he appreciated the support, which he said re-energized him for his work in Washing-

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**Arroundtown**

**Youth Fair**

The 55th annual Rockwall Youth Fair is scheduled for Saturday, April 5. On Friday, April 4 Heritage Land Bank in conjunction with the Rockwall Youth Fair will host the second annual Heritage Land Bank School Day.

**Harbor Easter**

Ridgeview Church and community of Rockwall will host an Easter celebration at 10 Sunday, March 23 at the Harbor Amphitheater. easterattheharbor08.com or (972) 771-2661.

**Spasian's Art Fair**

Spasian's Art Fair will be from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 5 in downtown Rockwall. The fair features vendors for home decor, handmade jewelry, baby gifts, fun boutique items and more. All money raised from booth rentals goes to local high school students for college scholarships.

**Newcomers Club**

The Rockwall Newcomers Club will celebrate St. Patrick's Day at 10 a.m. Thursday, March 13 with entertainment by Irish ballad singer Cynthia Bennett at the Shores Country Club. Becky Cecil, (972) 3362, or Carol East, (972) 3362, for reservations before 6 p.m. Monday, March 10.

**American Legion**

American Legion Post 117 in Rockwall will meet at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, March 16 at the American Legion Center. (972) 771-1851 or wallpost117@hotmail.com.

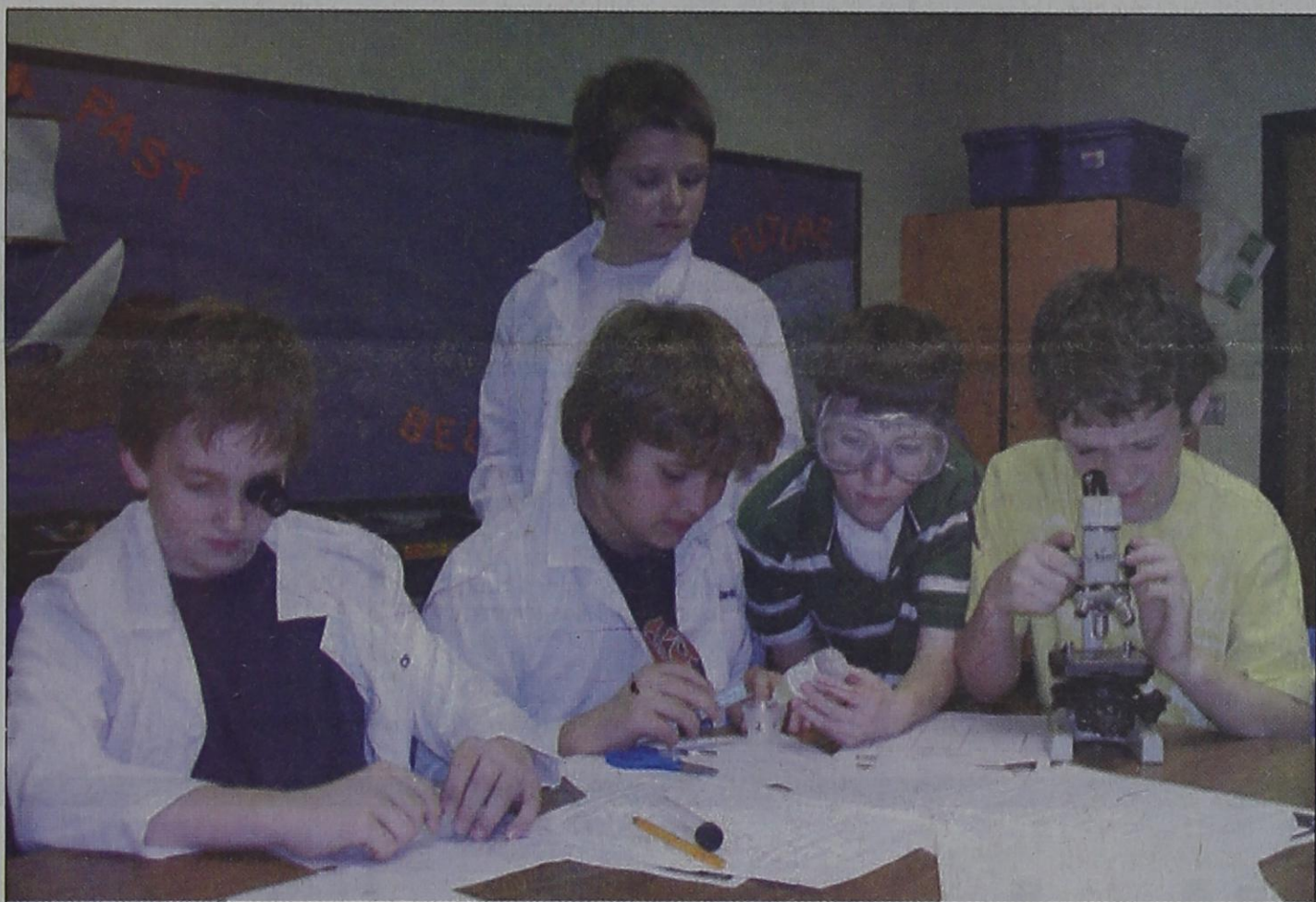
**Lady Hawk Soccer**

Rockwall-Heath Lady Hawk Soccer team will play McKinney North on Friday, March 7 at 7:30 p.m. The first 50 students at the game are receiving a free T-shirt and at halftime of the game, five people will be selected from a raffle to participate in a shootout. JV game will begin at 5:30 p.m. and the varsity will kick off at 7:15 p.m.

**Community Center**

The annual meeting of the Heath Community Center will be held at 7:30 p.m. Monday, March 10 at Heath City Hall. Bill Way, (972) 771-5259.

**CSI REINHARDT**



Fifth-graders (from left) Michael Bricker, Michael Bonfante, Sam Evans, Noah Shipp and Joe Martin (standing) make keen observations, conduct experiments and review the evidence in an effort to solve a simulated crime.

**SAGE students try their hands at crime solving**

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The classroom was filled with excitement as SAGE students at Reinhardt Elementary engaged in a simulated crime scene investigation.

Like real-life forensic scientists, the students classified, compared, measured, observed, examined and drew conclusions based on the given clues. With a "minds-on" approach for scientific inquiry, this real-world

application helped students become active researchers, confident team builders and engaged learners.

A variety of mysteries intrigued students of all ages as they sifted through the evidence and formulated their conclusions. These realistic experiences encouraged better writing skills and offered a true purpose for reading. Older students worked in stations to compare handwriting samples, fingerprints, chemi-

cal reactions and chromatography. Younger ones solved crimes such as dog-napping, vandalism or theft, through the use of animal tracks, maps, charts and other primary resources.

Funding for this project came in the form of a grant from the Rockwall Education Foundation. This grant provided Reinhardt's junior scientists an authentic approach to learning.

**Getting A Head Start**

**Rockwall ISD hosting parents' info session for pair of programs**

By BRITNEY TABOR  
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A meeting will be held March 6 in Rockwall to inform parents of how to register their children for enrollment in Head Start and pre-kindergarten programs for the 2008-2009 school year.

From 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., representatives from the two programs will meet with parents at Dorothy Smith Pullen Elementary School, located at 6492 Farm-

to-Market Road in Rockwall, for a briefing on what is required to qualify for Head Start and pre-K, what documentation is needed for enrollment and how to apply. During the program, child care will be provided for parents with children 3-12 and a translator will be available for Spanish-speaking parents.

Rebecca Peurifoy, Rockwall bilingual and ESL coordinator, said this is the second year an informational meeting has been offered to

parents to receive information on the programs. She said in addition to receiving information, the meeting is an early registration for both programs in which representatives will assist with helping parents fill out registration applications.

In the past, a two-day window was offered allowing parents to apply for the programs, she said. Parents would arrive as early as 7:30 a.m. waiting in long lines

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**Castro bounces back in Week 3 of 'Idol'**

STAFF REPORT

Twenty-year-old Rockwall resident Jason Castro redeemed himself this week after his rendition of Leonard Cohen's "Hallelujah" was certified as one of the best performances of the night on FOX television's "American Idol" male contestant semifinals show.

For the first time since the start of the all-male contest, Castro took to the stage without his guitar and seemed to impress judges and gain their approval. While judge Paula Abdul called the per-



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Jason Castro

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## Traveling West Texas on the information superhighway

One day, as I was surfing the Internet, I came across RoadsideAmerica.com Web site on Texas tourist attractions and oddities. Being an almost lifelong Texan, I decided it would be interesting to see how many of these places I'd seen, or, for that matter, even heard of over the last four and a half decades.

Being from West Texas, I was quite surprised at the number of attractions right in my own backyard that I had somehow missed along the way.

If I'm anything like the rest of you, there's quite a number of these "attractions" that leave you scratching your head and saying, "what?" or even more often, "why?"

Since the list is in alphabetical order, the first place I came across that grabbed my attention was my hometown of Amarillo - home to no less than nine attractions. Sadly enough, I did not have a clue about three of them including a "huge pair of legs," "The Texas Tornado Museum," and a "swimming pool shaped like Texas." In my defense, I haven't lived there in more than 20 years. Nonetheless, I still have relatives there who should have clued me in about the tourist hotspots in my hometown. However, in hindsight, at least one of them - the Texas-shaped swimming pool - has probably been around since the 1980s.

After a little additional research, I discovered that the man behind the huge pair of legs was no other than Stanley Marsh 3 (yes, that's 3, not III). I should have known. Marsh, whose quirky public art projects have created quite a stir over the years, is also the co-creator of the infamous Cadillac Ranch, a row of 10 graffiti-covered cars (1949 through 1963 models) buried nose down in the dirt, outside of Amarillo along Route 66.

I don't know when the Texas Tornado Museum was established, but apparently I can no longer put it on my list of places to visit. According to an entry posted by a Web site visitor in 2005, the museum, which was located next to the Big Texan Steak Ranch, is



Alison Walker

now closed.

At the risk of being accused of leaving out this little tidbit out because I'm a vegetarian, I'd better mention the Big Texan's own Claim to Fame - a free 72 oz. steak dinner to anyone who can eat it in an hour. However, before you decide to put their offer to the test, make sure you realize that the word "dinner" is key here since diners also are required to consume a salad, potato and roll. Beware, if you don't clean your plate, the dinner will cost you \$50. No matter how hungry think you are, rest assured there aren't many who've managed this challenge successfully. According to the menu, of the more than 27,500 who have attempted this feat, most of their eyes were apparently bigger than their stomachs since less than 5,000 have succeeded.

According to the restaurant's menu, pro wrestler Klondike Bill ate two dinners in an hour back in the '60s, while one apparently famished patron polished off the famous four- and-a-half-pound dinner in nine and a half minutes.

As for the swimming pool shaped like Texas? It's also on the Big Texan property. However, at the risk of down playing its uniqueness, I have to tell you it's only one of five Texas-shaped pools across the state that made the list.

Just down the road in Canyon, tourists can visit Tex Randall, tout-

ed by locals as the "Biggest Texan." At 47 feet, Tex Randall is about 5 feet shorter than Big Tex of the State Fair fame, but still quite massive when you consider he weighs in at 7 tons.

Also a short drive from Amarillo, in Groom, visitors can get their eye full of not one, but two attractions that made the list - a leaning water tower and the second largest cross in the Western Hemisphere.

According to the Web site, the water tower is the last surviving piece of the Britten U.S.A. Truck Stop. The leaning tower was reportedly brought to the town by Ralph Britten to serve as a tourist attraction and a gimmick designed to encourage travelers to stop at his truck stop.

I'll have to say I have a different opinion than one of Web site visitors who said she was more impressed by the water tower than the cross. Even though I know some of the Britten boys from my Texas Tech days, I'd have to say the cross definitely wins out as the dominant attraction in my book.

Just in case that isn't enough to entice you to visit West Texas, consider what the town of Shamrock has to offer. A fragment of the original Blarney Stone, pried from the ruins of Blarney Castle, is located in a concrete monument in the city park. Each year, a festival is held around St. Patrick's Day where Miss Shamrock is crowned.

So, for those of you wondering what you were going to do for Spring Break, I've just mapped out one heck of a road trip to visit some of West Texas' finest attractions and witness the crowning of Miss Shamrock to boot. Or, if you'd rather head in a different direction, the Website offers more than 300 other attractions located throughout the state.

Even if you decide that gas is too pricey to take a road trip, you owe it to yourself to visit this web site. It will definitely leave you saying, "Only in Texas."

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### Finding a hidden in the communi

Last night (Feb. 7) I had the opportunity to attend the annual celebration dinner for the Boys and Girls Club of Rockwall County. It was a lovely event; music by Rockwall-Heath High School jazz band, student-led individual tours of the facility and an inspirational program with club and board member participation.

One of the highlights of the celebration was the extremely moving presentation of the outstanding award in honor of the late Jack Rambo to Chris Burton and the Community Volunteer Award to Dr. George Burton.

I am ashamed to say that I had not realized the extent of this organization dedicated to providing a positive experience for its members each day, that has been serving the youths of Rockwall County for three years. Luckily however, many community partners, groups and individuals had their donations of furniture, tables, large screen TVs, video games, computers, toys, board games, books, art supplies, athletic equipment and so many more items are a further testament to Rockwall's continual wide reaching generosity. It is through this amazing financial, resource and volunteer support that the Boys and Girls Club was able to provide a healthy, safe and fun environment to more than 500 young people in 2007.

I am sure that Tony Ivers, chief volunteer officer, or Nan Ross, chief professional officer, would welcome the chance to show you their facility, located at 901 E. Interurban St., and offer a chance to become involved with such a valuable program in our community.

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# Hall

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ton and gave a strong start to the general election.

"Of course I feel good. I hadn't expected to have that great a percentage over four opponents, and I'm very grateful," Hall said from his Capitol Hill office. "And it's great to run well at home, that's the best feeling of all, 'cause home is where I'm going to be when it's all over."

Other contested local races were just as decisive. Incumbent Sheriff Harold Eavenson won 77 percent (4997 votes) in the race against challenger Teresa Tuggle, who took 1,484 votes (23 percent). Bill Broderick also defeated challenger Mary Lou Curtis by nearly a two-thirds margin in the race for Republican Party chairman in Rockwall County.

In other election news, Rockwall County mirrored the state average for U.S. president and senate results - more or less. Local Demo-

cratic primary voters gave New York Sen. Hillary Clinton a slightly smaller advantage than the average - 50.35 percent here, compared to 51 percent statewide - and 43 percent of local voters supported Rick Noriega for U.S. Senate compared to 51 percent statewide.

On the Republican side, Rockwall voters gave Arizona Sen. John McCain a smaller lead - 47.75 percent here, compared to 51 percent statewide - but gave former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee a much larger slice of the remainder. In Rockwall County, 44.62 percent of Republican primary voters supported Huckabee - more than six percent less than the statewide average. Those numbers gave McCain the official party nomination, and Huckabee has since withdrawn from the race.

Rockwall voters also supported incumbent Republican Sen. John Cornyn slightly more than statewide averages - 84 percent compared to 81 percent.

# No Bull

On Feb. 22, students at Dobbs Elementary were treated to an interactive and fun "Anti-Bullying" program presented by the Morris Brothers. The presentations covered such concepts as following rules, including everyone, showing respect and practicing teamwork. One of the major themes covered was "Together Everyone Achieves More."



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to enroll their children of the two programs to discover that their did not qualify for one two programs or both. foy said that by holding informational meetings its know learn exact- at is required to enroll kids in the early child- programs and long are eliminated.

ot only will [parents] a early start on the ap- tion process, they don't to wait in long lines," said. "By streamlining I doing the process we now, it's more effective customer friendly." eneral qualifications are considered for stu- enrolling in the two- rams are that they must rockwall resident who is a low-income family or a parent in the military. ents who have language disability needs are also ble for qualification in l Start and pre-K. ead Start is a federally ed program offered to

students ages 3 to 4 where in addition to educational learning, students and their families receive health, nutritional and social resources. Pre-K is a state-funded program offered only to four-year olds. A series of qualifications can be considered for the pre-K program including children who come from low-income homes, are not able to speak English proficiently, fall under the Homeless Act or have parents who are actively serving in the military.

Currently, three schools in Rockwall are open to pre-K students who qualify as a bilingual students while two campuses are open for students who come from low-income homes or have a parent serving in the military. One school, Dobbs Elementary, is open for Head Start students while an additional Early Head Start program offered for kids ages infancy to 3 is offered through the Early Head Start Center on Townsend Drive. Peurifoy said in the event that a student does not qualify for the two early childhood programs, they can still be eligible for a tuition-based pre-K program. Registration for all

the programs are ongoing.

Jennifer Diaz, secretary at the Rockwall Parent Education Center, said that rather than students who are eligible for the programs waiting until kindergarten to start school, the programs give them an advantage to where they are prepared. In Head Start and pre-K, they learn skills like the alphabet and numbers, things they may not have the opportunity to learn at home. The programs provide an educational foundation and it sets structure for the students involved, Diaz said.

"It's really a good start for them," she said.

Peurifoy said she encourages parents to attend Thursday's meeting because that will give her department a better idea of how many parents are interested in enrolling their child. This then helps the department to plan for additional classes and teachers if need be so that class schedules are balanced.

"The sooner [parents] start the process, the sooner they finish their application process and we can get a class list [started] for next fall," Peurifoy said.

For more information on Thursday's meeting, call (972) 772-2073.

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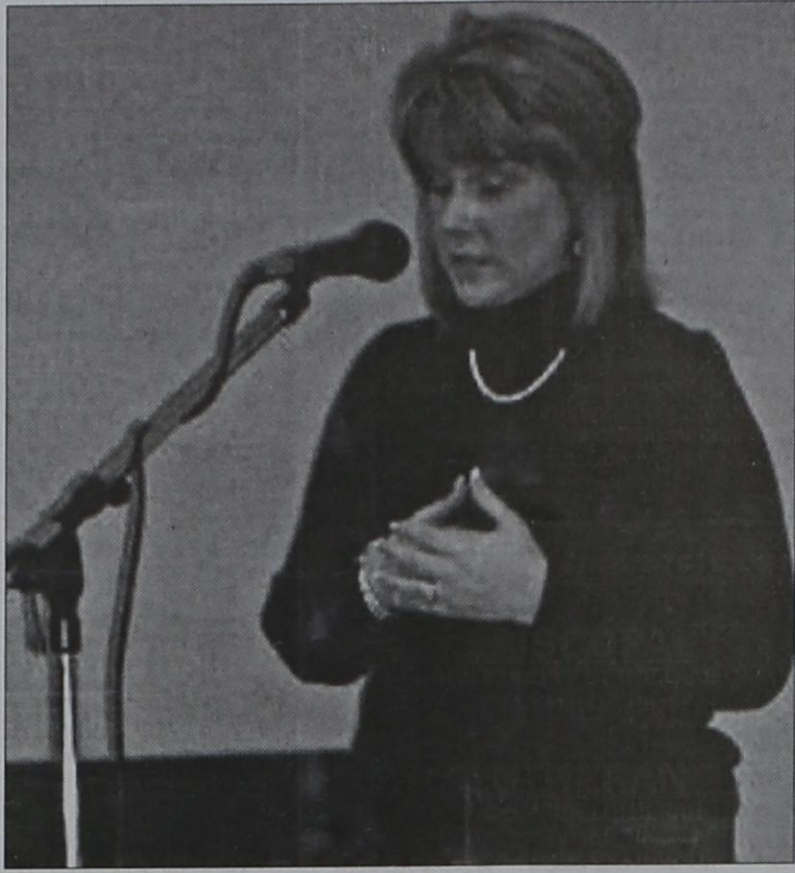
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# Testimony under way in Sumrow trial

STAFF REPORT

DALLAS - Rockwall County District Attorney Galen Ray Sumrow wasn't in his office on the morning of March 5, instead he was in Dallas with his attorney, defending himself on five indictments of taking public money and using taxpayers' money to have a wireless computer installed in his home.

And in testimony March 5, Sumrow faced some possibly very damaging testimony from a former employee of the DA's office.

Sharon Larey, a former administrator, testified that she would often stay silent about any large amounts of cash that was being kept in the office because she was afraid the money would turn up missing and she would be blamed.

The best news for Sumrow and his defense team was that Larey's testimony came with the jury out of the courtroom and State District Judge John Nelms ruled that the information would not be allowed to be introduced to jurors.

The jury was, however, allowed to hear testimony from another employee - Sue White - that several coworkers felt "uneasy" about Sumrow's frequent purchasing of computer equipment that never made its way in the office.

Defense attorney James Wheeler has said the investigation - which Rockwall County Sheriff Harold Eavenson began in the fall of 2006 at the behest of former County Treasurer Shereé Jones - was a vendetta initiated after Sumrow prosecuted Jones for taking and then repaying \$2,100 in county money and carried out by Eavenson.

Jury selection for Sumrow's trial began March 3.

Sumrow has another felony hearing for a Travis County indictment slated for April 2.

The indictments against Sumrow, 57, allege that he took public money and electronic equipment, forged

a signature on a personal purchase bill the county for less computer equipment than his home and the funds were deposited in Sumrow's personal account.

The charges against Sumrow range from statutory offenses, which are punishable by up to 180 days in jail and two years and a fine of \$10,000, to second-degree felonies, which are punishable by two to 20 years in prison and up to a \$10,000 fine.

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The Lord instructed Joshua to prepare the people of Israel to cross the Jordan River into the land He was about to give them. He said, "I will give you every place where you set your foot, as I promised Moses. Your territory will extend from the desert to Lebanon, and from the great river, the Euphrates all the Hittite country to the Great Sea on the west. No one will be able to stand up against you all the days of your life. As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will never leave you nor forsake you.

"Be strong and courageous, because you will lead these people to inherit the land I swore to their forefathers to give them. Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the law my servant Moses gave you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, that you may be successful wherever you go. Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful. Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go."

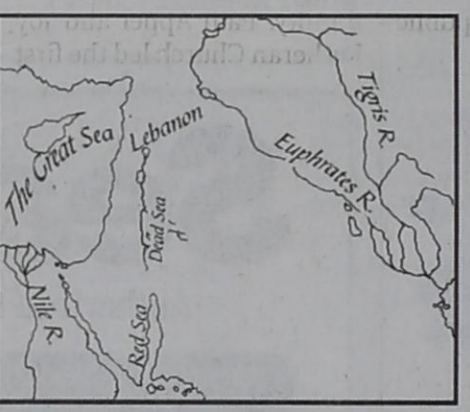


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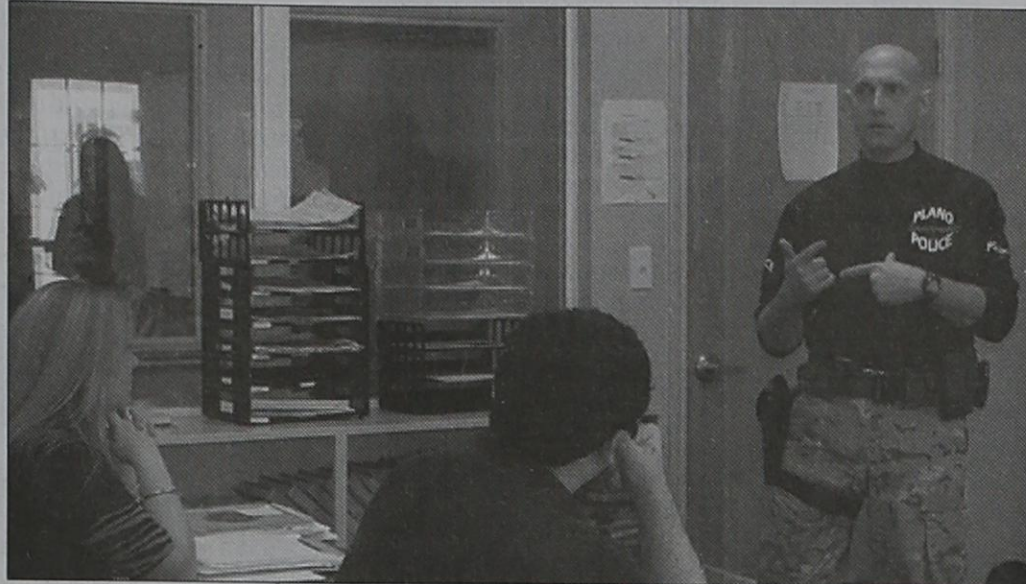
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# Tactical Training



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High school students at The Fulton School were visited recently by Officer Ulmer of the Plano Police Department's tactical team. Ulmer discussed the training and education necessary to become a police officer and how that training allows officers to make critical decisions regarding force options in a given situation. He discussed some of the types of situations officers deal with and brought along his tactical gear and an array of weapons to help illustrate the variety of responses officers are equipped and trained to make. Officer Ulmer's visit corresponded to a criminal justice class being offered to high school students at The Fulton School.

# Runoff

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and that's it," Tuttle said. "The others won fair and square, and I congratulate them and wish them success."

The story is simpler in Precinct 1.

Multi-term incumbent Jerry Wimpee, county commissioner in Precinct 1, had nearly twice as many votes as challenger Bruce Clark. Wimpee received 1,356 votes (66 percent) to Clark's 708 votes (34 percent).

Wimpee said during the campaign that he hoped to continue working on his open space initiative, which will enter a new phase this

year, as well as keeping taxes and operating costs low.

Clark said he had mixed feelings about the results. While strong beliefs about taxation compelled him to join, he said he thoroughly enjoyed his current career and lifestyle. He thanked his supporters and campaign staff and congratulated Wimpee.

"What I've likened it to is that saying, 'You're watching your mother-in-law go over the cliff in your brand new Cadillac.' I've got mixed emotions," Clark said. "But things worked out all right for me, I don't feel bad at all. And Jerry [Wimpee] is a good man, he's just a bureaucrat and they do things a certain way."

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# RISD media fair participants advance

On Jan. 24, the Rockwall ISD Digital Media Fair showcased original projects created by students in grades K-12. The event was held at Rockwall-Heath High School and allowed students from across the district to display their projects in a variety of categories including audio, power point, movies and printed publications.

More than 500 entries

were included in the fair with 72 students placing first, second or third in their respective categories. These participants will advance to the state contest on March 29. Participation in the event increased by more than 65 percent from last year's contest.

A total of nine categories are included in the curriculum-based competition. Students typically initiate the

projects in their classrooms.

The Texas Computer Education Association will hold the upcoming 2008 Student Technology Contest in Austin. The contest is designed to reward and recognize excellence in technology education. The annual contest has become a longstanding TCEA tradition in which hundreds of students and teachers participate every year.

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# Lenten services scheduled at Joy Lutheran

The Rockwall Ministerial Alliance is sponsoring a Lenten series of noon worship services every Wednesday through March 19 at Joy Lutheran Church, 302 N. Goliad in Rockwall, just north of the downtown square. Parking is available in the public lot south of the church.

Rockwall area residents are invited to join in this journey to the cross and resurrection in these 20- to 25-minute services. Each week, prayer, music and meditation will be led by a different minister/pastor in the community. Paul Appel and Joy Lutheran Church led the first

service on Feb. 13. The service on Feb. 20 will be led by Fr. Peter Getz of Holy Trinity by the Lake Episcopal Church in Heath.

All participants are invited to bring a brown bag lunch and remain afterward for fellowship. Tea and coffee are provided by Joy Lutheran.

# ISD wins award for budget excellence

The Association of School Business Officials International has awarded the Merit Budget Award for excellence in the preparation and issuance of a 2007-2008 school system annual budget to the Rockwall Independent School District.

The Meritorious Budget Award Program was designed by ASBO International and is a business management award that recognizes school administrators who have achieved excellence in budget preparation. The program is designed to build a foundation in the skills of developing, analyzing and presenting a budget.

The administration and staff of the Rockwall Independent School District are to be commended for their excellent budget preparation, said an ASBO representative. "It meets the criteria of the MBA and provides the community with an excellent overview of the finances of the Rockwall Independent School District."

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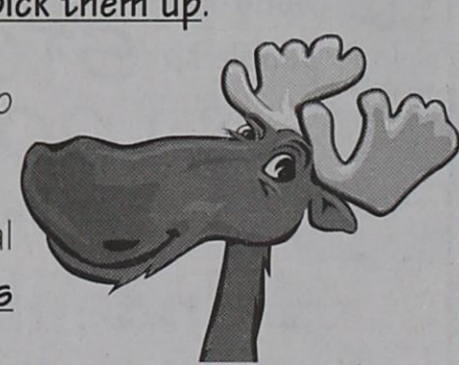
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# today'sdeaths

### DORA NELL BARNES

Dora Nell Barnes, age 63 of Garland, Texas, passed away Feb. 28, 2008. She was born on Dec. 20, 1944 in Mead, Okla. to Leon Vic-



tor and Dorothy Nell (Shaw) Barnes. Dora was a LVN and a lifetime member of Pleasantview Baptist Church. She was a loving sister, friend, and favorite aunt, and was affectionately known as "Sarge."

Dora is survived by her sisters: Rita Robertson and husband Billy Joe of Mesquite, Barbara Baker and husband Johnny of Rowlett, Margaret Barnett and husband Jim of Paris, Alyce Peterman of Forney, and Judy Sullivan of Rowlett; 20 nieces and nephews, and numerous grand nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; and nieces, Amy and Sally.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m., Monday, March 3, 2008, at Rest Haven Funeral Home. Interment followed in Rest Haven Memorial Park. The family received friends Sunday evening at the funeral home.

### ROGER HEDSTROM

The Rev. Roger Hedstrom, age 64, of Mesquite, Texas, passed away Feb. 28, 2008. He was born on July 9, 1943, in Berkeley, Calif. The Rev. Hedstrom was a minister in the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, serving congregations in California and Ari-

zona.

He is survived by his son: Andrei Hedstrom and wife Sherry of San Francisco; daughters: Christina Hedstrom of Burlingame, and Deidre Meitus of Denver; parents: Ralph and Phyllis Hedstrom of Rockwall; sister: Patricia Lemons and husband Reed of Rockwall; and grandchildren: Rainey Hedstrom, Alexander Meitus, and Andrew Meitus. The Rev. Hedstrom was preceded in death by his wife, Yvonne.

Memorial services were held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, March 1, 2008, at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 3003 Horizon Rd., Rockwall, Tx. 75032 with Pastor Paul Ferguson and the Rev. Richard Mayerhoff officiating. The family received friends Friday evening at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the LCMS Seminary, 1333 S. Kirkwood Road, St. Louis, MO 63122-7295.

### PATRICIA 'PAT' PONDER

Patricia "Pat" Ponder, age 72 of Nevada, Texas, passed away March 2, 2008. She was born Jan. 5, 1936, in Roysse City, to Harvey Truitt and Adedele (Winters) Bass. Pat was a member of First United Methodist Church of Nevada.

She is survived by her husband of 51 years: Bryson Ponder of Nevada; daughters: Denise Boyd and husband Lanny of Garland, and Diane Strickland and husband Chris of Nevada; sons: Craig Ponder of Nevada, and Keith Ponder of Wylie; grandchildren: Landon and Julie Boyd, Amber and Hope Strickland, and Bryson Ponder. Pat was preceded in death by her parents and three brothers.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m., Wednesday, March 5, 2008, at Rest Haven Funeral Home-Royse City Chapel with the Rev. Clint Bratcher officiating. Interment will follow in Nevada Cemetery.

The family received friends Tuesday evening at the funeral home.

### BURNACE W. O'NEAL SR.

Burnace W. O'Neal Sr., age 89 of Rockwall, Texas, passed away March 4, 2008. He was born July 4, 1918 to Ernest W. and Fannie (Crump) O'Neal.



Mr. O'Neal married Loretta Camp on Oct. 10, 1941. He farmed in Caddo Mills, drove trucks for Red Ball Motor Freight and Lance Trucking, and was a member of the Teamsters Union. After retirement, Mr. O'Neal worked in sporting goods at Wal-Mart, and was a member of First Baptist Church Rockwall.

He is survived by his daughter: Dianna Munro of Newport Beach, CA; several nieces, nephews and cousins; and a host of friends. Mr. O'Neal was preceded in death by his parents; wife: Loretta; son: Walton; daughter: Rhoda; brothers: Bill, Ernest, Woodrow, and an infant brother; and sisters: Velma, Adeline, and Fannie May.

Funeral services will be held 10 a.m. Friday, March 7, 2008, at Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel with Pastor Steve Swofford and Jesse Crouch officiating. Interment will be in Rest Haven Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday evening at the funeral home.

# Mountain lion prowls county

By TEREASA NIMS news@rockwallcountynews.com

A recent mountain lion sighting in Rockwall probably won't be the last.

"I get a report of one or two every six months," said state game warden Jenny Simpson of the Texas Parks and Wildlife.

Simpson said housing development in Rockwall County is taking over their habitat.

"Basically, they're being pushed out of their habitat," Simpson said. "As Rockwall continues to develop and farm land is built up, it's going to cause more sightings of big cats. Not just mountain lions and bobcats, but coyotes."

Simpson said that not only are the animals pushed from their habitat, but their hunting land is also being abolished.

Rockwall resident Ron Gilleland reportedly stood 30 feet from a mountain lion Feb. 26. He went outside to see why his dogs were barking at his Meadowdale Drive home and found the mountain lion holding his Boston terrier in its mouth. The big cat reportedly dropped the dog and fled over Gilleland's fence. The dog is recovering from its injuries.

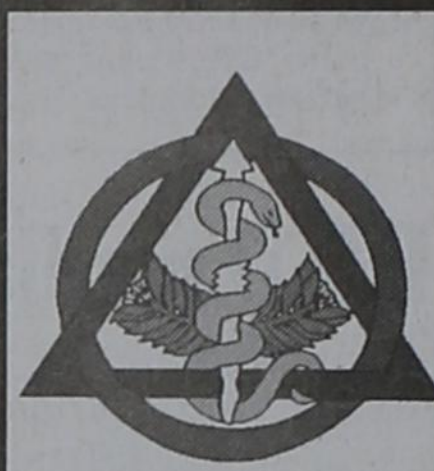
Simpson said it's rare for mountain lions to attack people. She said they normally try to avoid human contact.

Simpson said mountain lions, which are the most widely distributed cat in the Americas, tend to follow creek beds and railroad tracks and that the one Gilleland saw was probably passing through.

Mountain lions are unspotted cats with a small head, black-tipped ears and a long black-tipped tail. The adult males are more than 8 feet from nose to end and with approximately 140 pounds. The female are approximately 7 feet long and weigh between 65 and 90 pounds. Unlike most cat species, experts say the mountain lion may be active during the day.

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## RISD receives distinguished budget award

The Government Finance Officers Association announced that the Rockwall Independent School District has received the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award honoring the preparation and issuance of the 2007-2008 school system annual budget.

The award represents a significant achievement based on the commitment of RISD to meeting the highest principles of governmental budgeting. The budget award is based on several guidelines including a policy document, a financial plan, an operations guide and a communicative device. RISD was rated proficient in all four categories.

Chief Financial Officer Mike Singleton and Executive Director of Finance Vickie Benbow earned a Certificate of Recognition for Budget Presentation.



### Ebby Halliday Realtors Honor Roll

Pictured is Dee Evans, Aidan Flores and Patty Turner at the yearly Ebby Halliday Realtors Honor Roll Party. This is when the company recognizes and honors 61 of the top 1600 agents that have excelled in service and production. Out of 29 offices it is unusual for one office to have this many receive such high rankings. It was held at the Starlight Room in the West End and these three agents along with Judy Harris, manager, and Office Administrator Brenda Kennedy were escorted in style with a Limo to escort them to the Red Carpet entrance.

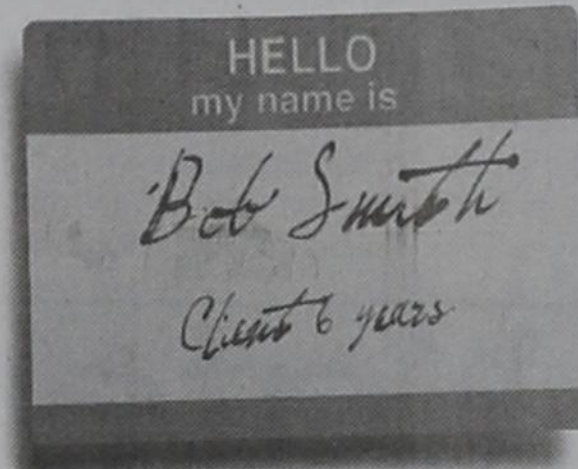
Patty Turner was recognized for the "Best Customer Service Award" for the entire company; Dee Evans was given the award for the Most Buying Units of sales for 2007 for the entire company; Patty Turner was Runner Up for the Most Buying Units for sales for the 2007 for the company.

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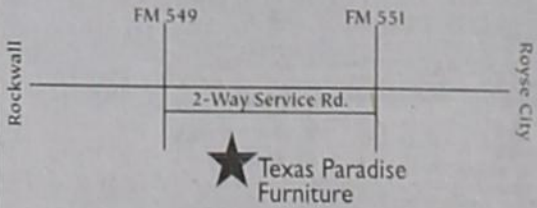
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T&T awards college scholar to Rockwall

AT&T Foundation - corporate philanthropy organization of AT&T Inc. announced that it has awarded two \$2,500 college scholarships to children of employees in Rockwall.

recipients are Mi- Daugherty, son of employee Roy Daugherty and Tyler Lunday, son of employee Eric Lunday. Lunday is a sophomore accounting major at the University of Texas at Dallas. Lunday is majoring in Business Administration and is majoring in Accounting.

AT&T Foundation scholarship program has promoted more than \$50 million in scholarships since its inception in 1993. For the 2007-2008 school year, 36 students in Texas will receive AT&T Foundation scholarships for the first time.

The scholarship program is a natural extension of the foundation's commitment to make higher education more attainable for students," said David Ar- AT&T regional vice president of external affairs for Texas. "It is also a way to support our dedicated AT&T employees and their families."

AT&T Foundation scholar-

Rockwall County Republican awarded Congressman Ralph M. Hall 4th District of Texas an honorary lifetime membership for his continued support and contribution to the club.

The award will be presented at a club meeting at the Rockwall County Young Men's Club.

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## AT&T awards \$5,000 in college scholarships to Rockwall students

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ships are awarded to students pursuing undergraduate study at accredited four-year and two-year colleges and universities, as well as military academies, in the United States. Students who maintain specified academic guidelines can annually renew their scholarships.

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Daugherty

cluding academic achievement, leadership skills, work experience, awards and honors and participation in school and community activities. Special consideration is given to students who are in the first generation in their family to attend college.

## Honored by Young Republicans

Rockwall County Young Republicans awarded Congressman Ralph M. Hall 4th District of Texas an honorary lifetime membership for his continued support and contribution to the club. The award will be presented at a club meeting to be determined. Rockwall County Young

Republicans wish to thank Hall for his consistent leadership, commitment and contribution, including supporting the club's efforts in raising money for the USO, supporting America's troops in Iraq and Afghanistan and sponsoring civic events such as the annual candidate forum.

## Severe storm program scheduled for March 13

### Severe weather observing, safety to be emphasized

The 2007 storm season in North Texas was one for the history books.

Widespread devastating flooding, large destructive windstorms, tornadoes, and hail all made appearances in our area. The toll on life and property was significant, with dozens of casualties and damage in the tens of millions of dollars.

The 2008 severe weather season is just around the corner. Are you ready for whatever this year has in store? Do you have a severe weather plan at your home and your workplace? Can you recognize the clues that suggest large hail, flash flooding, or a tornado is possible? Do you want to become part of the severe weather warning system in your county?

As part of its areawide weather preparedness campaign, the National Weather Service in Fort Worth will answer these and many other questions in a severe storm

spotter training program from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. March 13 at the RISD Administration Building, 1050 Williams St. (Highway 66 East), and will be co-sponsored by the Rockwall Emergency Management Office and the Rockwall County Amateur Radio Emergency Services.

The 2008 program will emphasize three fundamental concepts for severe weather events: observing, reporting, and safety. The program will discuss thunderstorm formation, severe weather production, and features associated with severe storms. The presentation will also review tornado formation and behavior, and safety when thunderstorms threaten. The program will discuss spotter operations and recommended procedures when spotting. The two-hour presentation will be in multimedia format, featuring numerous pictures of storms and nearly 25 minutes of storm video clips.

"We have some new material in the 2008 spotter training program," said Gary Woodall, warning coordination meteorologist at the Fort Worth NWS office. "Nearly all of the photos and video clips are different this year. We'll have many more

identification cases, and we'll discuss the operational aspects of storm spotters in more detail."

"By coming to this program, you will learn a lot about thunderstorms," Woodall said. "Even if you don't become an active storm spotter, you will learn about how storms work and the visual clues you can iden-

tify when storms are in your area. We will discuss severe weather safety tips. This will better prepare yourself and your family for the threats that storms pose."

The Rockwall County severe weather program is one of more than 40 that the Fort Worth NWS office will conduct between January and early April.

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# Students, faculty join forces in cancer fundraiser

## Amy Parks team makes plans for upcoming walk

The Amy Parks Relay For Life team will be participating in the American Cancer Society's 12-hour fundraising event for the third year. They have won Best Decorated Tent two times in a row and are back to claim the title again.

"The first year the theme was Mardi Gras, and our tent was decorated with beads, masks, streamers and balloons. The second year the theme was Cinco de Mayo. We strung pepper-shaped lights and hung sombreros. The children from Amy Parks made tissue-paper flowers in art class and Mrs. Folleras' fifth-graders made pinatas," said Janice Longino, Amy Parks' physical education teacher.

Karen Folleras got involved with Relay, because one of her students had a mother who was a two-time cancer survivor and a huge supporter of Relay.

"Relay is a wonderful cause. We are seeing more and more cancer these days, and it effects all of us. I think it's neat to have my students participate in Relay."

One year she let her pupils decide what they should do as a fundraiser. The children voted to sell tickets to see which teacher in the school would get hit in the face with a pie. Folleras used the pie fundraiser to teach math. Her students counted tickets and money and did lessons in probability.

"Our principal helps us earn money for Relay, too. This year Mr. Crawford has volunteered to dye his hair pink and do his impression of Vanilla Ice for the class that raises the most money," Folleras said. "He also lets faculty members donate \$1 to Relay for the privilege of wearing jeans to school. We may also let the kids donate money, so they can wear slippers to school."

Sha Henry, who is the



Relay for Life team members from Amy Parks-Heath Elementary (from left) Janice Longino, Sha Henry and Karen Folleras.

school's aide, participates in Relay to honor the memory of her aunt who died from cancer at 32. Henry enjoys the fellowship with her teammates and the crazy themed laps that occur during Relay.

"Sometimes you get to wear funny hats during a lap or they make you walk backward. It's always fun."

Since the event is from 7 p.m. May 2 to 7 a.m. May 3, participants have to stay up all night long.

"We don't have any problems staying awake," laughs Janice Longino. "It's like a Ladies Night Out—pure adult time. We talk and laugh the whole time."

This year's theme is "A Night At The Movies." The Amy Parks team is already making plans for an amazing tent. To form a Relay team, contact Mary Thacker (972) 722-1215.

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# Heath DPS encourages residents to be prepared for severe weather

HEATH - Spring is the peak season for severe weather and tornados, and the Heath Department of Public Safety is reminding residents to take time now to review safety procedures and emergency plans with their families.

"The chance of a tornado or damaging wind occurring increases significantly between March and May," said Chief Terry Garrett, the city of Heath's director of public safety. "A tornado can strike quickly, with little or no warning."

According to the National Weather Service, Texas leads the nation with an average of 139 tornado strikes per year and often suffers the highest resulting death toll of any other state. Additionally, Texas endures the second-highest level of lightning fatalities and often leads in the number of flash flood deaths per year. A majority of these vic-

tims suffer due to fail to take proper precautions during these emergencies.

"We are encouraging residents to have a plan of and to pay close attention to weather forecasts on the radio and television throughout the season," Garrett said. Online reports can be obtained at <http://www.weather.gov/nwr>. If the wall County region is under a tornado warning or see any warning signs should take shelter immediately. A current weather can also be viewed at [www.heathtx.com](http://www.heathtx.com) by clicking on the temperature on the entry page.

Danger signs to look for in an approaching storm include a dark, often greenish, large hail, or a large, low-lying cloud, particularly if it is rotating. The sound of a tornado is most frequently compared to the loud rumbling of an oncoming freight train.

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## Elective



## Easter Celebration

Rockwall Bible Church begins at noon on Good Friday, March 21 followed by a buffet lunch. Easter sunrise service by the pond, featuring special music and testimony. Will be held on Easter morning, March 23, at 6:45 a.m. followed by a buffet breakfast in the gym. (972) 771-6179.

## Grand Opening

Pointe Church is hosting a grand opening from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 8 at the Lake Rockwall Estates Community Center.

## Easter Party

Rockwall Preschool Association's annual Easter party is scheduled for 9 a.m. Friday, March 7 at First United Methodist Church in Heath. Reservations are required. Call Webb, (972) 722-4599.

## Republican Women

The Rockwall County Republican Women will hold a membership brunch at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, March 8 at the home of Laverne Kenner, 730 N. Munson Road, Poyse City. Speaker will be Rep. Jodie Laubenberg. Cost is \$5 at the door. Paula Burks, (972) 771-3332.

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Rockwall Helping Hands needs volunteers to work in the thrift store and the boutique. Patti Muggeo, thrift store manager, (972) 922-0190, ext.232. Helping Hands, located at 950 Williams St., is a nonprofit assistance agency that has served Rockwall County for more than 30 years.

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# Electives Fair



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Rockwall High School's Career and Technical Education Department recently participated in the RHS Electives Fair. Students were given the opportunity to learn about programs and youth organizations available in the CTE classes. Shown (from left) are Drew Young, Keller Coleman, Deanne Whipple, Kyle Morris and Rebekah Radney.

# Deadlines

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In Royse City, incumbents in two of the three open seats have filed for re-election. Gary Gregory and Russell Summers hope to win another term while newcomer James Branch hopes to capture incumbent Leonard Anderson's seat. Anderson has not filed for re-election. Royse City City Hall is located at 305

N. Arch Street.

In Fate, Mayor David Hill and Council Members Sheri Garber and Steve Skipworth are running for re-election. Fate City Hall is located at 105 E. Fate Main Place.

In McLendon-Chisholm, three members have filed for another term - Mayor Mike Donegan and Councilmen Steve Hatfield and Jack Pullen. McLendon-Chisholm City Hall is located at 1248 S. State Highway 205.

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## Meals On Wheels

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munity with the assistance of volunteers. (972) 771-9514.

## Preschool Moms

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# A SURVIVOR'S STORY

## Cancer free since June 2005, Anne Nightengale looks forward to upcoming Relay for Life

It started in such a small way. Anne Nightengale had a cyst on her breast.

Her primary care physician had reassured her that it was nothing to worry about. Luckily, a friend at church encouraged her to seek another opinion.

"Dr. Carol Poole literally saved my life," Anne said. "When I called for an appointment, she told me to come in right away. She drained the cyst, sent the fluid into the lab and referred me to a hospital for an ultrasound and mammography. The cyst came back twice, so she was then referred to a breast surgeon."

The next step was a lumpectomy, which removed the cyst and the surrounding tissue. That was on a Monday. When the pathology report came back positive for cancer on Wednesday, Anne's husband, Jeff, took the day off from work to be with her. They drove to White Rock Lake, watched the birds that live around the lake and reassured each other.

"We decided that it must not be a big deal. We were feeling pretty good about things."

But when they went into the doctor's office on Friday, the news was not good.

"They told us that the cancer was very invasive, very aggressive. And it was either a Stage 3 or Stage 4."

An appointment was set up with an oncologist. When Anne and Jeff got home, they faced their fears together.

"Jeff told me, 'You can't leave me,'" Anne said. "I told him that I would fight this. And if I didn't make it, I would do whatever I could from the other side."

She and Jeff sat down and made up a list of friends who would help.

Anne's sister in Oklahoma cared for her three girls during her surgery. Anne was alone in the house on Saturday. Her friends had told her they would get together and pray for her starting at 1 p.m. Anne sat in a quiet spot in her home and prayed.

"I was crying and scared. I was worried about how Jeff would cope with three small children."

Holly was in the third grade and her twin daughters, Marlie and Darcie, were in the first grade. Around 2:30 p.m. Anne was suddenly filled with a sense of peace. Her friends' prayers had worked.

Two of Anne's friends in Oklahoma volunteered to drive her children home to Rockwall. After she was sure the children were on the way home, she called her sisters and told them the news. She knew it would be hard for them to hear, especially since their mother and their grandmother had had breast cancer. She knew they would be worried about their own risk of developing cancer.

Before her appointment, Anne meditated on Psalm 139:13-16: "For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful ... All the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be."

When Anne walked into the offices of her breast surgeon, every room she walked into had that scripture in it. It was on a vase, framed on the wall. It was everywhere.

"The nurse was comforting, too. She told me that she was a breast cancer survivor, and that she was grateful to have had it. Before her cancer she was always too busy to enjoy life. Now she pulls her car over on the way home just to watch the sunset," Anne remembered.

It was decided she would have chemotherapy to shrink

the cancer before her breast was removed. She started with a five-hour session and would have a total of four treatments every three weeks. Before her mastectomy surgery, Dr. Sally Knox held her hands and prayed that she would serve as God's healing hand.

Once she had recovered from her surgery, there were another four rounds of chemotherapy. The side effect was overwhelming fatigue.

"I was supposed to read a book in Holly's classroom. I parked in the handicapped parking and walked to the office. I had to stop and rest before I could make it to the third-grade wing," Anne remembers.

Next was a course of 30 radiation treatments. By the time she was halfway through, she developed a terrible migraine headache that lasted for days. She was brought into Baylor for an MRI, which proved that the cancer had spread to her brain. Her course of treatment was changed to triple-dose radiation to the head, oral chemotherapy and steroids. Once she was discharged, she stayed in a recliner in the family room. An allergic reaction to the steroids made her legs swell so they had to be wrapped in bandages and elevated. Even so, the skin on her legs split down the middle.

"I was not a pretty sight. I was bald, my face was swollen and the steroids caused me to gain 70 pounds."

By this point her friends and neighbors had stepped in to help with meals, babysitting and driving her girls to and from school. A nurse came daily to assist in her care. A physical therapist came two times a week, and an occupational therapist came three times a week. It was while she was attempting to take a few steps using a walker that she passed out. She was rushed to the hospital. Blot clots had formed in her legs and had traveled to her lungs. A filter had to be surgically implanted into her vena cava to prevent clots from traveling through her body. It was December when they found her brain tumors, one in the front of her brain and one in the back, were not responding to treatment. She had developed a sinus infection that could not be cured with antibiotics. Her vision was blurry and she was experiencing hallucinations. She was afraid to go to sleep, because she was sure she would die if she did. The doctors sent her home and advised her husband to contact hospice care.

Miraculously, a surgeon was found who would attempt two separate operations, days apart, on her

brain tumors. Dr. Sam Finn performed two craniotomies within three days on Anne and removed the tumors. After her recovery, Anne was sent to rehab for six weeks to re-learn how to walk. It was a miserable time for her, but Jeff was a devoted husband. He brought the girls as often as he could and found family projects they could work on together at the hospital. He also brought Anne a laptop computer so she could watch videos and surf the internet.

Anne was finally released from rehab in March and began driving short distances in May. However, during the summer she began experiencing pain in her arm.

"I just knew it was bone cancer. I could feel it," Anne recalled. "I was reaching up to get something out of a cabinet, and the bone just snapped."

She had two surgeries to repair the bone using titanium implants. Then during a routine MRI, the doctors found five tiny brain tumors. They were successfully treated with gamma knife technology, which uses highly focused rays of radiation to target cancer cells.

Anne has been cancer-free since June 2005. She par-



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Cancer survivor Anne Nightengale with her husband and daughters Holly, Marlie and Darcie.

ticipated in the Survivor's Lap at the Rockwall Relay For Life in 2005. She walked while her husband and children pushed her wheelchair behind her. In 2006, she walked two laps with teenagers from her church giving her high fives as she crossed the finish line. She is looking forward to walking again this year. She has fought hard and long against cancer and has definitely earned her victory laps.

Rockwall's Relay For Life will be held at Cain Middle School May 2-3. To register your team, contact Mary Thacker at (972) 722-1215.

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## Un-super councilmen back down

By Marcus Funk  
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They just weren't feeling super enough to talk about it.

With six of the seven members present at its last meeting, the Rockwall City Council voted to table a potentially controversial discussion that would require an absolute - or super - majority to pass. Such a majority would require at least six votes, and council members opted to postpone the discussion until all seven seats could be filled at a meeting - April 7.

Most council business requires only a simple majority of present voters, and a super majority is uncommon. In this case, a possible overturn of a committee decision and fifteen concerned citizens brought about the requirement.

The Rockwall planning and zoning committee recently met and rejected a residential development request near Independence Pass street. The original proposal called for detached single family housing on the site, and when notices were sent out to nearby homeowners, 15 opposed the zoning change - saying the

properties would effectively be townhomes. Robert LaCroix, director of planning and zoning, said the developer has since changed his plans to allow detached single family units, but the planning and zoning committee voted down the initiative 3-2.

The city council may reverse that decision, but because so many residents opposed it, approval would require a "super majority" of the council - six of the seven total votes. Because Councilwoman Margo Nielsen was absent, and since Councilman Glen Farris will be away during the next regular meeting, the council voted to postpone the discussion until April 7.

The move prompted an exodus of grumbling residents from the council chambers, but councilmen Cliff Sevier and Matt Scott said it would be best to wait

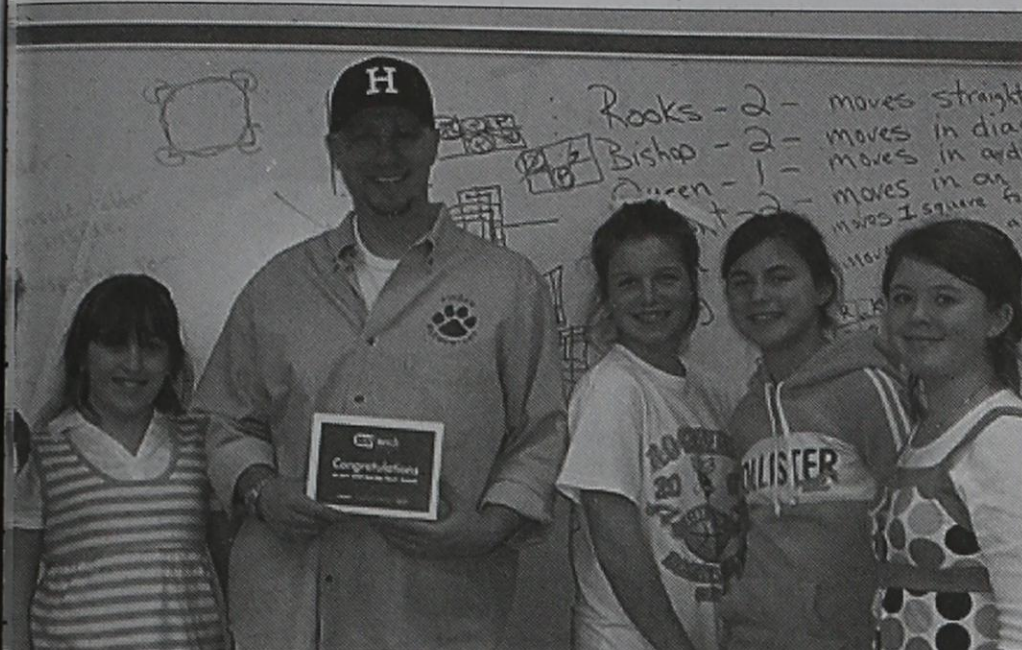
for a full council before discussing a super majority vote.

"I would like to see this tabled until we have the last council member present," Sevier said at the meeting. "I think it's an important vote, and when it has to be a super majority like this I think we need everyone here."

In other council news, Mayor Bill Cecil declared March 3 "Caden Shaulis Day" in honor of a brave 5-year-old Rockwall resident.

Cecil read a proclamation describing events a month earlier, when Shaulis noticed that a friend was "in distress" during nap time. He notified his teacher, who called 911 and helped the child to a speedy recovery.

"You're very courageous," Cecil told a bashful Shaulis. "You did a very special thing, and we're all thankful."



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Leaders (from left) Cynthia McLaughlin, Ashley Davis, Jillian Granstaff, Rachel Simard and Devin Nelson with Best Buy Award winner Jason Mitchell.

## Ellen teacher awarded grant

Elementary sixth-grade science teacher Jason Mitchell was recently honored with the Best Buy Award. A fellow colleague, Tara Cahill, presented the award to him in the contest last fall, says Mitchell.

"We are going to use the money from this grant to film and create movies about the design, building and launching of our rockets. This will be a great opportunity for our school and students to be engaged while learning about space science. Hopefully, it will make learning a fun experience for our students. We have some great kiddos, and they are the ones who will really benefit from this grant."

"This grant was originally written to go along with a grant that I wrote for the Rockwall Educational Foundation. I will find out in early March if I received that," Mitchell said. "We are going to use the money from Best Buy to film and create movies about the design, building and launching of our rockets. This will be a great opportunity for our school and students to be engaged while learning about space science. Hopefully, it will make learning a fun experience for our students. We have some great kiddos, and they are the ones who will really benefit from this grant."

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### Spring Break

March 18 S & D Puppets presents "Mother Goose Loose." There will be shows at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. This show is best for ages 3-7.

March 20 there will be an Easter craft show and go from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. to make an Easter craft. This is best for ages 3-7.

Library Book Sale will be held April 25-26 at the Harry Myers Community Center. The hours on Friday are from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. and on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The proceeds benefit the Rockwall County Children's Summer Reading Program.

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# Community Snapshots



Howard Dobbs Elementary students and their families enjoyed Family History Night on Feb. 21. **Carson Pittman** dressed as Uncle Sam, participated in the living museum presented by the second-grade students. The evening's activities began with an ice cream sundae party hosted by the PTA and included Michelangelo art projects, history bingo and researching family trees.



It's all about peace and attitude for Pullen fourth-grade lunch pals **Jordan Cooper, Alex Nolan and Madison Echblad.**

Second-graders **Maggie Archinal, Kynia Wembley and Shalon Alford** get up close and personal with a snake brought to school as part of Rochell Elementary's "Animals Up Close" visit from the Dallas Zoo.



**Amy Parks-Heath Elementary** sixth-grade students teamed up with Heath Police officers **Dee Livingston and Lance Ludtke** to discover how the worlds of math and science are used in crime scene investigations.



Kindergartener **Cody Rollins** is pictured with **Nebbie Williams Elementary** Principal **Karen Aikman**. Cody chose to be "Principal for the Day" as his prize for being a top fundraiser for the school's walk-a-thon.



The National Charity League Lone Star Chapter were honored Feb. 10 at their annual mother-daughter Valentine tea. These 15 seniors will be presented on April 5 at the annual NCL senior presentation event at the Hilton Bella Harbor. Shown are **Julia Conrad, Lauren Smith, Lisa Belew, Deanne Whipple, Andrea Wilkinson, Laura Bennett, Heather Adams, Chandler Wilde, Kelly Case, Megan Kinney, Kelli Jennings, Kelli Burkhardt, Rebekah Radney, Julie Ballou and Megan Kinney.**



January's Rockwall Newsers Club included an auction of jewelry and accessories. **Marilyn Rose and Kath Holcomb** show some items. **Marcus Thompson** (newcomer).



The cafeteria at Rockwall High School was filled with exotic sounds and smells as Feb. 1 performances March 1 at the Jones Relays in Forney. **Frausto** - who won a state title in the 400-meter run last year - won gold in that event as well as the long jump silver medal in the long jump to lead the Lady Dragons to a third-place finish in the team standings. **Stahm** won the high jump competition. **Bell** won the pole vault competition to give the Lady Dragons the bulk of their points. **Frausto** turned in a time of 57.67 in the 400-meters, an almost a year ago, but it was enough to lead the field at Bank Stadium. She also posted jumps of

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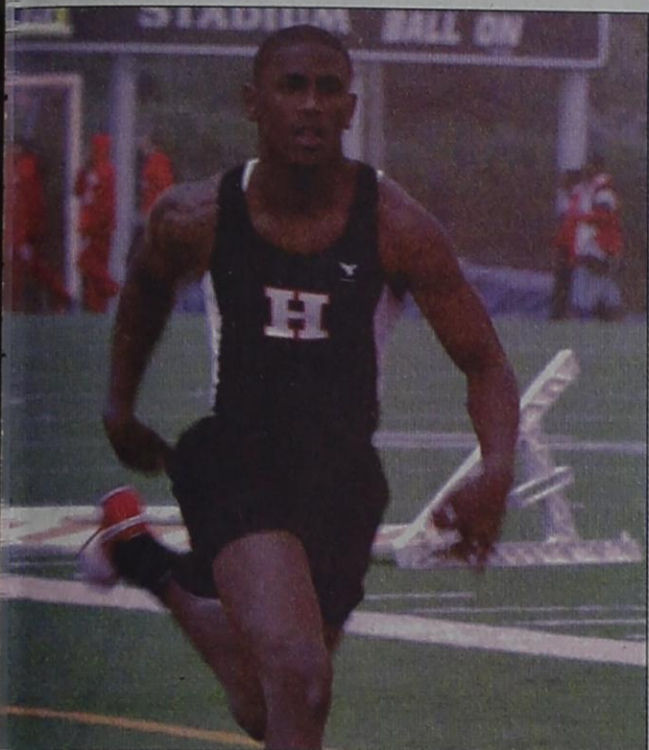
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Rockwall-Heath's Darius Jones captured gold in the 300-meter during the Clay Jones Relays in Forney on Mar. 1.

## RISD track teams trade blows in Mesquite

STAFF REPORT

MESQUITE – Rockwall and Rockwall-Heath High School's battled the field and each other Saturday at the Carl Norris Invitational meet in Mesquite.

Rockwall's Lady Jackets got the best of the Lady Hawks in the team standings with a third place finish to fifth place for RHHS, but the Rockwall-Heath boys posted a second-place finish in the team standings while the RHS boys ended sixth.

Rockwall-Heath's boys finished with 117 points, behind only North Mesquite (156.5) while Rockwall finished with 36 points.

Darius Jones and Travis Cunningham each earned a gold and silver medal to lead the Hawks. Jones won the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 41.64 and finished second in the 100-meter hurdles with a 16.03 mark.

Cunningham won the 400-meter

dash after a time of 48.77. Desmond Randle finished second in the event. Cunningham also went second in the 100-meter dash while teammate Matt Tanner finished third.

Cunningham and Randle also finished 2-3 in the 200-meter dash and Cunningham won the long jump with a leap of 21-0.5 while Randle came in third with a jump of 20-4.

Heath's Logan Callier and Cameron Wilson earned gold and silver, respectively, in the high jump as each cleared 5-10 and Rockwall's Ryan Hughes won the pole vault with a height of 14-0.

Rockwall's girls finished third with 104 points behind Mesquite Horn (184) and Plano East (113) while Heath managed just 67 points.

Shelbie Kennard led the Lady Jackets with a gold medal in the pole vault. Kennard cleared 12-0 in the event, while teammates Heather Dawe and Alicia Janke each cleared 9-6 to finish second

and third.

Jasmin Williams won the only gold for the Lady Hawks, with a time of 12.61 in the 100-meter dash.

She also finished second in the 200-meter dash while RHS' Raven Turner ended third.

Another Lady Jacket, Ariel Coleman, finished second in the 300-meter hurdles and also helped the 800-meter relay team finish second as well as helping the 1600-meter team claim third.

Other Rockwall medalists include Katie Roland, third in the 3,200-meter run and 100-meter dash, Randi Soldat, third in the 100-meter hurdles and Dawe, who also finished third in the long jump.

For Rockwall-Heath, Aly Coughlin was second in the 800-meter run, Cybill Owusus was third in the discus and Nadia Thomas finished third in the shot put.

## RHS, Heath boys runner all-district basketball honors

STAFF REPORT

Her team was able to make the postseason, but did have players receive recognition for the season in their respective classes.

Rockwall had three players named to the Boy's 10-5A district basketball team while the Hawks placed two players in District 10-4A boys

Jackets finished in fifth after posting a record with a 6-8 record, but still managed to put Kyle Sandlin on the first team, while Jordan Ontree and Braden each received honorable mention.

Sandlin led the Jackets during at 15 points per game and hit a team-high 68 percent.

Ontree averaged 10 points per game while Smith averaged 4.3 points, 2 rebounds and 3.2 assists for Rockwall.

Garland won the district title with a 13-1 league record and its coach, Garland, was named Coach of the Year while senior Charlie was named Offensive Player of the Year.

The remainder of the season went to Rowlett's Crook (MVP), North's Kevin Nealand (defensive POY) and Garland's Marcus Thompson (Newcomer).

Heath senior Chris Buttermore was selected to the 10-4A first-team after a 9-21 season during which the Hawks finished seventh with a 3-11 mark.

Buttermore led the Hawks with 10 points and nine rebounds per game.

Junior guard Dustin Morett was a second-team selection after putting up over six points and three assists per game.

He led the team with 46 3-pointers.

The MVP and Coach of the Year awards were split between Richardson Pearce and Highland Park, after each won a share of the district title.

Troy Alexander (HP) and Bryan Parker (Pearce) shared MVP honors while coaches David Phielor (HP) and Marc Johnson also shared the Coach of the Year.

Terrell's Antwain Thomas was named Offensive Player of the Year after scoring more than 22 points per game and hitting 171 3-point shots to lead all Texas players.

Defensive Player of the Year honors went to Pearce senior Trevoy Dunn.

Pearce junior Bruce Smith was named Newcomer of the Year.

Highland Park led all schools with six selections among the two teams, Pearce was second with four selections.

## Celebrate Good Times



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The Heritage Christian Academy Lady Eagles overcame a slow start to win third place in the Swing into Spring tournament hosted by Carrollton Christian Academy on Mar. 1. HCA lost the opener to Denton Calvary playing just eight players but bounced back to defeat Sunnyvale and McKinney Christian, 9-1, in the third-place game.

## Bulldogs use extra-base hits to claim victories

STAFF REPORT

The Royse City Bulldogs found extra-base hits easy to come by in a pair of victories during the Mesquite ISD tournament Feb. 28-March 1.

Royse City (5-3) opened the tournament with a 12-5 win over Class 5A Garland, behind 13 hits from the Bulldogs.

Scot Lane picked up the victory on the mound but had support from five extra-base hits.

Richard Morrison slugged a home run, Scotty Arterberry legged out a triple and Carlos Gallegos, Dalton McAden and Chaz Quinn each hit a double.

That game was followed with a 15-0 loss to Mesquite Poteet but the bulldogs bounced back to win an 11-7 decision over Carrollton Creekview on March 1.

Each team had 11 hits but Royse City made them count with doubles by Lane, Gallegos, Morrison, Cameron Nichols and Eric Schneider.

Quinn and McAden went yard for Royse City. Nichols earned the victory while Lane closed the game to pick up the save.

The Bulldogs will compete in the Edgewood tournament March 6-8 before hosting Ferris on March 11.

The Lady Bulldogs suffered their first defeat of the season but went 2-1 in the Little Elm tournament to up their season mark to 6-1.

Royse City fell, 4-0, to Tulsa (Okla.) Holland Hall before bouncing back Feb. 29 with a 16-1 beating of Greenville.

On Mar. 1, the Lady Bulldogs closed out the tournament with a 10-6 win over Prestonwood Christian.

Devani Harrison knocked a double and Sarah Stutts belted a home run while Courtney Kelley picked up the win.

The girls will host Caddo Mills on March 7.

## Frausto paces RC girls at Jones Relays

STAFF REPORT

FORNEY – Royse City junior Megan Frausto turned in one of the top individual performances March 1 at the Clay Jones Relays in Forney.

Frausto – who won a state title in the 400-meter run last year – won gold in that very event as well as the long jump silver medal in the triple jump to lead the Lady Bulldogs to a third-place finish in the team standings.

Strahm won the high jump competition while Smith won the pole vault competition to give the Lady Bulldogs the bulk of their points.

Frausto turned in a time of 1:07 in the 400-meters, a 57.40 time she ran in almost a year ago, but enough to lead the field at Bank Stadium.

Smith cleared 6-0 to win the high jump and Beck won the pole vault competition with a 14-7 clearing.

Wynn Posey cleared 13-0 to finish third. Farrar finished second in the 400-meter run.

The Lady Bulldogs also finished third in the 400- and 800-meter relays and earned 103 total points, behind only Forney (195) and Wylie (159).

The Bulldogs earned just four medals and finished sixth in the team standings with 49 points.

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Wynn Posey cleared 13-0 to finish third. Farrar finished second in the 400-meter run.

## Lady Jackets use loss as motivation

BY LARY BUMP

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In a week when Rockwall won four softball games, the best sign might have come from a loss.

The Lady Jackets lost two of three games Feb. 28 in the Wylie tournament, then faced the prospect of playing their District 10-5A opener against Garland, the two-time defending state 5A champion.

On Feb. 29, RHS played Garland and ace pitcher Tomi Garrison on even terms for six innings.

In last year's district opener, the Lady Owls beat Rockwall 14-0, with Garrison pitching a no-hitter.

This time around, Laycee Holcomb allowed just four hits over the first six innings and drove in both Rockwall runs with a first-inning single. Garrison was pitching on equal terms, and had driven in the tying run with a single in the third inning.

Garland broke through for five runs in the seventh for a 7-2 victory. Garrison broke

the tie with a two-run double, then scored on Fra'Shekia Knight's two-run triple.

Acosta said, "Next time around, our players will not only say it, but know it. I think they're believers now."

But could there be a letdown the next day when they had to return to play in the Wylie tournament?

Indeed, the Lady Jackets went back to Wylie on March 1 and won all three games – against Odessa Permian, W.T. White and Rockwall-Heath – to finish second in the tournament.

In a 12-2 victory over Heath, Haley Lemons and Kat Brown hit home runs. First baseman Lemons, shortstop Shelby Frierson and left fielder Amanda Harmon made the all-tournament team.

Now the Lady Jackets (6-4-2) will be concentrating on district games and returning to the playoffs. On March 3, Rockwall had been scheduled to play Lakeview Centennial. But inclement weather postponed that game.

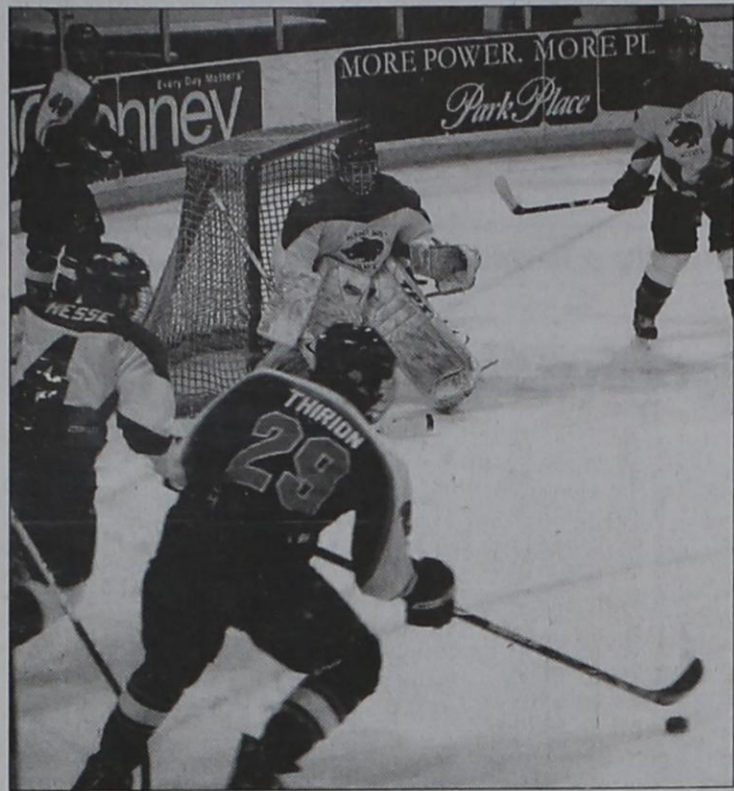
It was scheduled to be played March 5. Results were not available at press time.

## Here's Your Prize



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The Rockwall-Heath Lady Hawks varsity gymnastics team celebrate their second-place finish at the Saginaw Invitational Meet held Feb. 21. Sophomore gymnast Lori Williamson also took home 2nd in the All-Around competition. Pictured are: (back from left), coach Jennifer Bolli, Miranda Nelson, Lauren Statham, Lauren Vandiver, Allison Beck, Naje Watkins, and coach Dana Giametta. (front from left) Megan Hasenyager, Regan Allen, Lori Williamson and Michelle Diaz.



Rockwall junior Chris Thirion (27) sets up a shot against Plano West with Morgan Cook (top left) moving into position on the weak side.

# Rockwall hockey team checked by tough Plano East squad, 3-0

PLANO - The Rockwall Ice Hockey team (10-8-2) outshot the Plano West Wolves (13-8-0), 26-14, and led most of the game but wound up on the short end of a 3-2 on Feb. 28. The loss at the Dr. Pepper Star Center in Plano closed out what was a disappointing month for the Rockwall club. In the first period, Rockwall saw many scoring chances as the Wolves fell into penalty trouble early, including a long 5-on-3 advantage, but couldn't take advantage of the mistakes. Good special teams effort by Plano allowed them to survive a blistering Rockwall attack and keep

the visitors out of the net. However, midway into the period the Wolves jumped on a Rockwall penalty and took the lead. Rockwall answered two minutes later with a hard wrister from Roysse City senior Jory Tedder off a pass by Wylie junior Morgan Cook. The goal was Tedder's 17th point of the season. In the second period, Rockwall continued to pressure the Plano West zone with good scoring chances that kept the Wolves on the defense. The pressure eventually put Plano into penalty the box. Late in the period, the

Rockwall power play put the team in the lead. Rockwall senior Dustin Roy pushed the puck deep in the Plano West zone to a waiting Chris Thirion. Thirion's hard wrist shot was blocked but Cook was in the right place and buried the rebound in the net for his 10th point of the season. In the third period, Rockwall tried to build on their lead with an aggressive up-tempo offense that continued to pressure the Wolf zone. However, midway through the period, Plano West's top scorer, Dakota Stieber, stole the puck and

caught the Rockwall offense flat-footed, taking in for a solo score. Less than two minutes later, the Wolves found seam in the Rockwall defense for the goal score and never again. Rockwall will meet McKinney (4-15-1) Monday at the Dr. Pepper Star Center in Frisco, then Plano (11-9-1) March 13 in Frisco. The Rockwall Ice Hockey Club competes AT&T Metroplex School Hockey League. The team is composed of young athletes Rockwall, Roysse City and Wylie ISD's.

# Hawks turn in lackluster effort in tournament at Kilgore

### District opener rained out

By Matt McGillen  
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KILGORE - Playing perhaps as poorly as they had played well the week-end before, the Rockwall-Heath Hawks dropped two of three games at the Kilgore baseball tournament Feb. 28-Mar. 1.

The Hawks, now 6-3 on the year, were scheduled to open District 10-4A action Mar. 3 at Poteet, but the game was postponed due to rain.

That game was rescheduled to Mar. 5, but results were not available at press time.

Looking like they would pick up where they left off at the Granbury tournament, where the Hawks went 4-1 and brought home the tournament title.

Heath won their opener at Kilgore, blanking Bullard, 4-0.

Drew VerHagen and Colton Court combined to toss a three-hit shutout, with Court picking up the save, his second of the year.

VerHagen (2-0) fanned eight in just four innings and didn't allow a hit while Court allowed all three hits while striking out two.

Zach Frazier led Heath at the plate, going 2-for-3 with a double while Drew Benefield (1-for-3) and Sean Graves (1-for-2) also doubled for the Hawks.

The victory over Bullard would be the Hawks' last hurrah in Kilgore.

They fell to Pine Tree, 5-1 and Lindale, 7-1 and were eliminated from contention, much to the displeasure of coach Greg Harvey.

"Overall, this was a disappointing tournament," Harvey said. "We didn't do a very good job in any aspect of the game. We need to refocus and develop that hungry desire to win that championship teams have."

Benefield (1-1) took the loss against Pine Tree, giving up all five runs, though only two were earned, on nine hits with two strikeouts and one walk.

Offensively, VerHagen went 1-for-3 with a double while Graves went 1-for-2.

Micah Headley was the loser in the game with Lindale, surrendering just

two earned runs in five innings.

Headley (1-1) gave up three hits while striking out four and walking five.

Graves went 1-for-3 with a double in the loss.

Heath returns to action Mar. 6-8 at the McKinney tournament.

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# IS trounced in Mesquite tourney

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The week's highlight was the game against West Mesquite, stopped early because of a run-rule.

Pacing Rockwall's 12-hit attack were Michael Hatcher with a triple and Richard Parson and Jordan Ham-montree with doubles.

Travis Ballew and Ryan Harris combined for a two-hit shutout.

"Our pitchers are getting better every week," Payne said. "Most of the runs we're giving up are unearned."

"I haven't put the guys in the best place to succeed, and I haven't had them confident and prepared to play. Hopefully, we can turn things around soon and get some district wins early on here."

The Jackets have their third and final tournament this season coming up this weekend.

They're scheduled for four games in the Richardson ISD Tournament - against Richardson Berkner on Mar. 6, Mesquite Horn again Mar. 7 and both Justin Northwest and Lake Highlands on Mar. 8.

After that, Rockwall's boys (2-5) will play its home opener, and second district game, Mar. 11 at 7 p.m. against Lakeview Centennial (2-3). A good sign for Rockwall is that injured catcher Jake Inmon should be able to return to the lineup in a week or so.

Rockwall's baseball team of four games last in the Mesquite tournament, then lost March 3 to open District 10-5A.

Weather post-district opener the Yellowjackets and Garland (3-4) to 5. The results were available at press time.

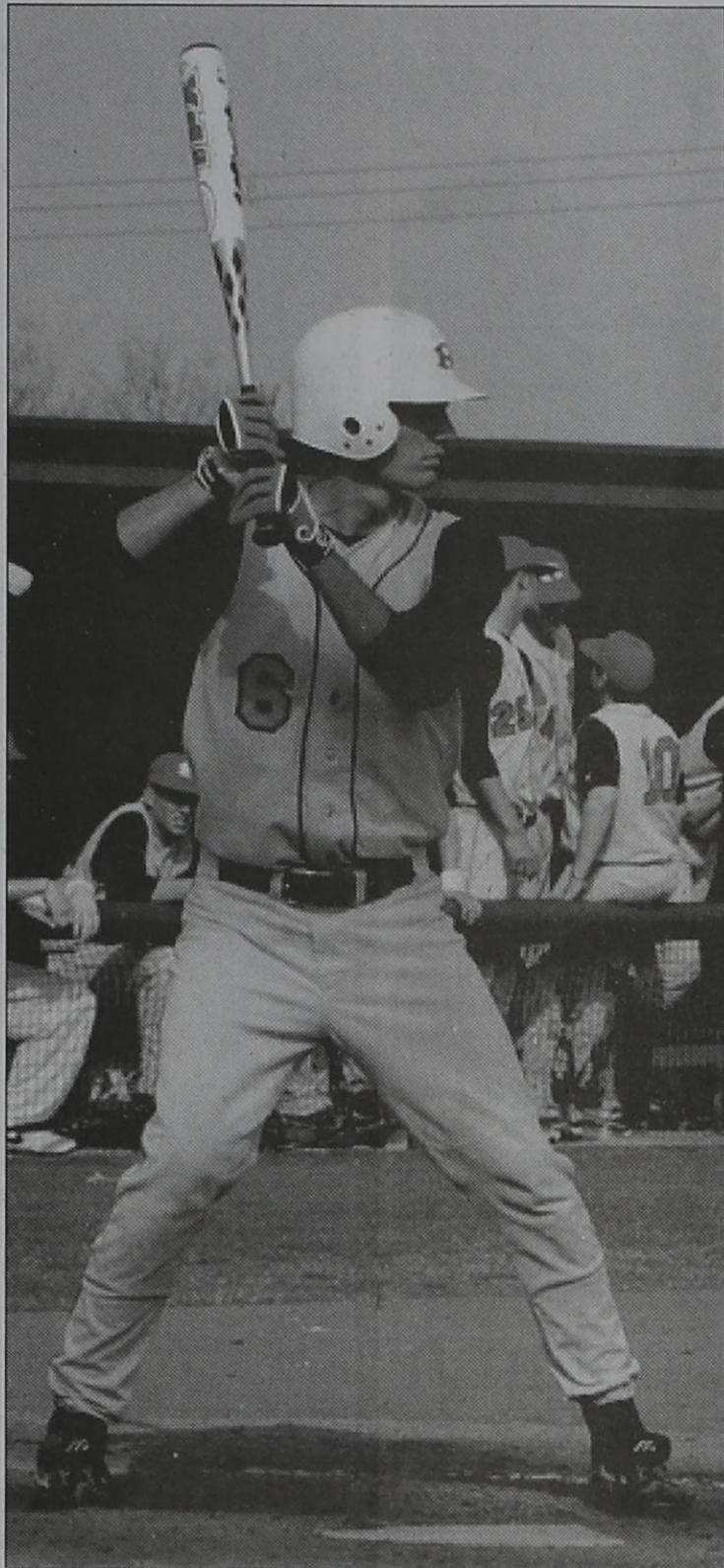
While, coach Jeff was figuring out ways the problems that his team at Rich-

losing 9-2 to Mesquite and 7-6 to Alvarado. The Jackets pounded Mesquite, 14-0, before a 6-2 decision to Alvarado.

Against Alvarado and Horn, we were playing with much success. "We are in a tight now where every we make just crippling things are going, the mistakes don't hurt, but our mistakes untimely at the end and we are paying for it."

was particularly against Alvarado, managed just six hits and advantage of four errors.

also held Mesquite to six hits, but walks led to the loss for Cody Fields.



Rockwall senior Troy Grant sits in his stance while waiting from a pitch during a recent game against West Mesquite.

# Crunch set for final preseason scrimmage

The Kaufman County Crunch, a newly-formed indoor professional football team, is gearing up for their second scrimmage March 15 against the Texas Regulators from Alvarado.

The scrimmage will be held at the Blue Sky indoor soccer facility located at 7801 Main St. in The Colony.

The scrimmage will begin at 10 a.m. and conclude around noon.

The Regulators, formerly of Ft. Worth, are entering their second season as members of the American Professional Football League.

The Regulators are coming off a rough 2007 season, during which they went winless with an 0-8 record and a last-place finish in the APFL.

The Crunch are coming off a tough scrimmage against the Frisco Thunder on Feb. 21.

The Thunder belong to the Intense Football League.


The Crunch defense played well and held their own and although the offense started slow, they were able to finish strong.

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The WMS gymnastics team poses following their competition against Birdville.

## WMS gymnasts win another title

The girls gymnastics team from Williams Middle School kept its winning streak intact last week, sweeping a meet in Haltom City against Birdville Middle School.

The WMS team allowed just two Birdville competitors to place and has won every meet it has participated in this season.

Rachelle Perry led to team and was named first all-around after finishing first in

beams, first in floor exercise and fifth in bars.

Sarah Beasley (bars) and Shelbi Crawford (vault) also captured first-place finishes. Beasley (beam), Emily Pettett (bars and floor) and Crysta Hollins (vault) won silver medals.

Beasley also finished third in floor exercise while Monica Baldwin finished third in the vault.

Pettett, along with Kaitlyn

Stoddart and Paige DeLette, earned a fourth-place finish.

Hollins and Hayden Raney earned fifth-place finishes, Loy had a finish if sixth and both Brityn Gilman and Faith Shambeck earned seventh-place finishes.

The team will host one more home meet against Cain Middle School before the district championships April 3 at Brandenburg Middle School.

## Lady Hawks find win column

By MATT MCGILLEN  
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WYLIE - Finally getting their offense untracked, the Rockwall-Heath Lady Hawks erupted for 36 runs on 45 hits as they broke into the win column for the first time this season, going 4-2 at the Wylie tournament Feb. 28-Mar. 1.

Heath's scheduled District 10-4A opener at Mesquite Poteet on Mar. 3 was rescheduled to Mar. 5 due to the recent rain.

The results were not available at press time.

Having entered the tournament 0-4 for the year, the Lady Hawks (4-6) easily snapped that streak by pounding Cleburne, 13-2, behind Victoria Combs' four hitter.

Combs struck out six in picking up the victory while Sarah Long delivered a triple.

Combs did even better in Heath's next game, firing a no-hitter in a 15-0 demolition of W.T. White.

Combs fanned five in picking up the win. Kaeleigh Lutz and Taylor McLoughlin each

hit triples to back Combs' shutout with Sarah Deimling adding a double.

Although touched for nine hits in her next outing against host Wylie, Combs hung on for the win as the Lady Hawks supported her by pounding out 10 hits in a 6-3 win.

Combs struck out four while Long and Deimling contributed doubles.

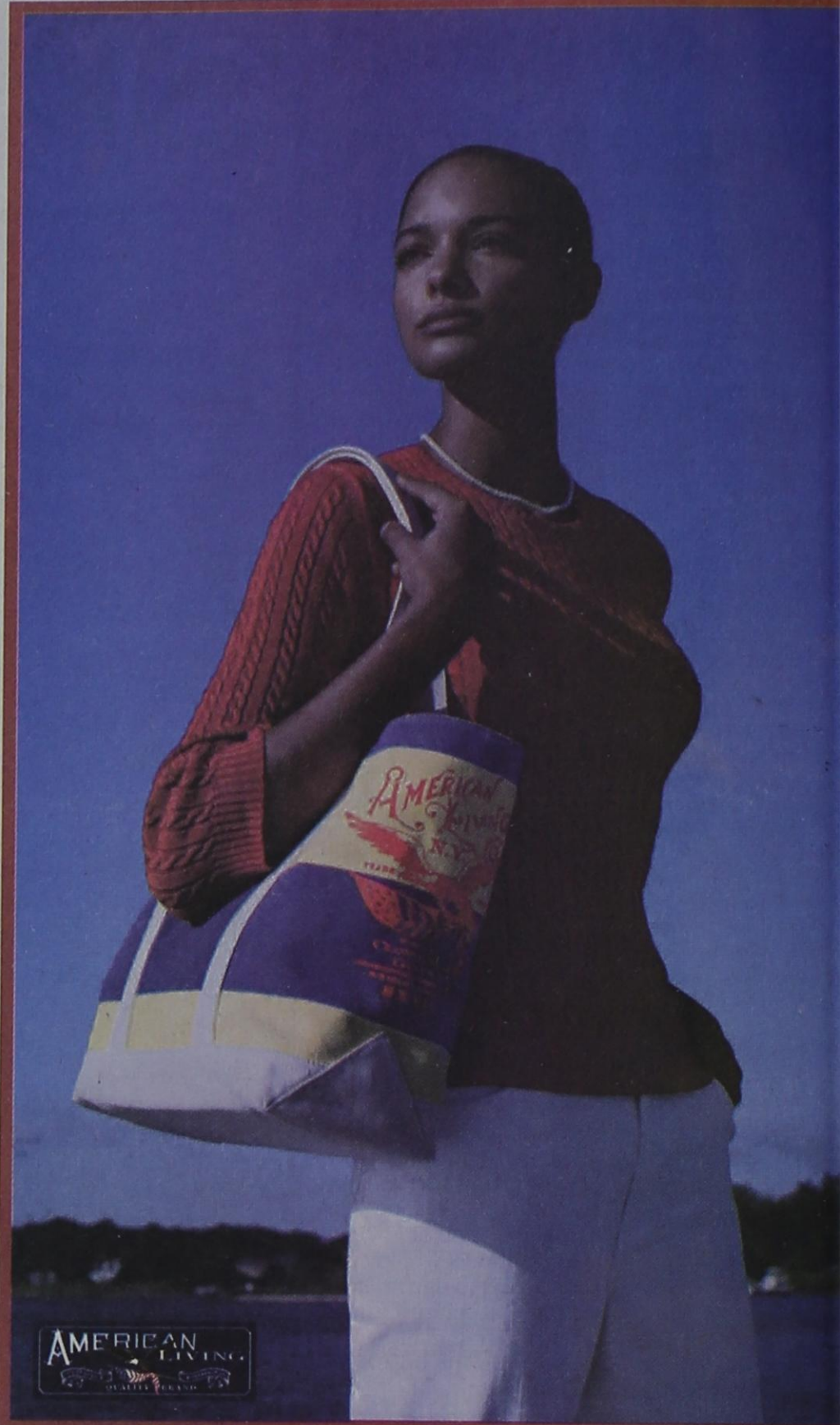
The Lady Hawks' streak ended at three as they lost to Horn, 7-1, in a game in which they had as many errors as they did hits - three. Hailey Galloway doubled to lead Heath at the plate.

Heath bounced back to down Permian, 5-1 behind Combs' two-hitter, that featured eight strikeouts.

Jessica Jones had a triple for the Lady Hawks with Kristen Embrey and McLoughlin producing doubles.

The Lady Hawks ended the tournament with a 12-2 to loss to Rockwall. Heath had seven hits against the Jackets but committed four errors.

Heath entertains Forney in its home district opener March 7.



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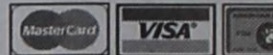
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The Plans, Contract Documents and Specifications may be examined at the following:  
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2553 East Loop 820 North  
Fort Worth, Texas 76118

Copies may be obtained at the office of DeOtte, Inc., 2553 East Loop 820 North, Fort Worth, Texas 76118.

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**-Public Notice- City of Rockwall, Texas**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ADOPTION OF ROADWAY IMPACT FEES**

**DATE:** Monday, April 7, 2008  
**TIME:** 6:00 p.m.  
**LOCATION:** Rockwall City Hall, City Council Chambers, 385 S. Goliad, Rockwall, TX 75087

The purpose of this hearing is for the City Council to consider adoption of an impact fee that may be imposed for roadway facilities. The maximum assessable impact fee per service unit is \$597 in Service Area 1, \$225 in Service Area 2, \$321 in Service Area 3, and \$468 in Service Area 4. The City Council may impose an impact fee per service unit less than the maximum.

Any member of the public has the right to appear at the hearing and present evidence for or against the impact fee adoption. Please contact the City of Rockwall Planning and Zoning Department at (972) 771-7745 with questions. More information, including the detailed report to be reviewed by the City Council, can also be found on our website at [www.rockwall.com/planningzoning](http://www.rockwall.com/planningzoning).

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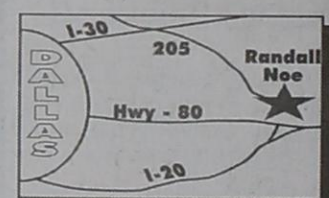


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**Roundtown**  
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Add your calendar for May from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. when Rockwall County Master Gardeners will host the annual Tour of Gardens. Tickets are \$10. For more information, contact the Extension office, (972) 882-9375.

**ROP Production**  
Directed by Aimee Thibodeau and assisted by Catherine Tompkins, the Rockwall Community Playhouse's performance dates for "The Importance of Being Earnest" March 21-23 and 28-30. Tickets can be bought online www.rockwallcommunityhouse.org or by calling ROP Box Office at (972) 722-3399.

**Babysitter Training**  
The American Red Cross is offering a babysitter training course from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 19 at the Rockwall branch at 109 S. Drive, Ste. 700. Cost is \$10. For more information, call (972) 563-1030. ASmith@crossdallas.org to reserve a spot.

**Youth Fair**  
The 55th annual Rockwall Youth Fair is scheduled for Saturday, April 5. On Friday, April 4, Heritage Land Bank in conjunction with the Rockwall Youth Fair will host the second annual Heritage Land Bank School Day.

**Harbor Easter**  
The Ridgeview Church and a community of Rockwall will host an Easter celebration at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 23 at the Rockwall Harbor Amphitheater. www.easterattheharbor.com or (972) 771-2661.

**Hispanic's Art Fair**  
Hispanic's Art Fair will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 26 in downtown Rockwall. The fair features vendors of home decor, handmade jewelry, unique baby gifts, fun clothing and more. Money raised from booth rentals goes to local high school students for college scholarships.