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## Rock Wall Chapter DAR Annual Awards



The Rock Wall chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution recognized two Heritage Christian Academy students at its Awards Tea on March 4. Senior Chloe Hochstein, right, received the DAR Good Citizenship Award. Caroline Walker, an eighth grade student, won the American History Essay Contest for the Rockwall area.

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Recipients of the American History Award given by the Rock Wall Chapter DAR were recognized earlier this month. Pictured are Tyler Evanson, left, and Alex Chase. Not shown is Ashton Hierholzer. The award is given to high school juniors who exemplify scholastic achievement, leadership and patriotism.

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Recipients of the Rock Wall Chapter DAR's Good Citizen Awards, presented annually to high school seniors who exemplify patriotism, leadership and scholarship, are shown. Pictured are, from the front, Carly Paige Davis, Amy Nicole Wickett, Amanda Alexandra Casco and Andrew Thomas Stone. At back are Chloe Astrid Hochstein and Kalynn Marie Blasingame. Not pictured are Alyssa Lang and Matthew Ryan Stone.

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## Bob Hall ineligible for duel with Deuell

Bob Hall, a retired businessman who had filed to challenge three-term Sen. Bob Deuell, R-Greenville, in the primary race, has been disqualified by the Texas Republican Party based on state residency requirements. At the time of his disqualification, Hall said he may consider legal action asking for an injunction to allow him to appear on the May 29 Republican Primary ballot. Hall was approved as a candidate in December 2011. In mid-March 2012, Hall was informed by state GOP officials that his application had been denied based on residency information given on his application that only showed he had lived in the state for around two years. Hall has stated there was a clerical error on the application and GOP officials should have found the discrepancy sooner. Texas candidates for the state senate must have lived in the state for a minimum of five years. Hall said he has lived in Texas since 2003, having lived in Van Zandt County for two years and one month, owning a home and paying homestead taxes in Rockwall since 2003, and had begun to build a home near Edgewood in 2008. The controversy about Hall's Texas residency surfaced when documents obtained by the Deuell campaign showed Hall had previously lived in Florida, voted in the 2008 Florida general election.

## Bond election seeks to preserve the past, improve for the future

by Kathy Williams

When City of Rockwall voters head to the polls for the May 12 bond election, they will make choices that could bring the past to life while continuing to move the ever-growing area into the future.

The \$59.4 million bond packages, five in all, include a new sports complex, improvements to historic downtown, a heritage park at the site of the original rock wall formation from which Rockwall gets its name, plans for downtown fire safety measures, and improvements to roads.

According to the city's bond information brochure, the total estimated tax impact is 15.6 cents per \$100 valuation. The chart below illustrates the increase based on a home's value.

Home Value	Annual Increase	Monthly Increase
\$100,000	\$156.00	\$13.00
\$150,000	\$234.00	\$19.50
\$200,000	\$312.00	\$26.00
\$250,000	\$390.00	\$32.50
\$300,000	\$468.00	\$39.00

The city's brochure states, "These projections are considered a worst case scenario, where there is no growth in the local tax base and all bonds are issued in a single year rather than phased as the projects are completed over a five-year period."

The brochure also states that City of Rockwall property taxes for senior citizens' homesteads will not be affected by the bond. Taxes are frozen for senior citizens who have filed their homestead and Over 65 exemption applications with the Rockwall County Appraisal District. For information about homestead and Over 65 exemptions, residents can call 972-771-2034 or visit rockwallcad.com.

Listed below is a point-by-point explanation of the details of each bond.

### Proposition 1 - Athletic Complex

\$25,100,000

- 162 acres land acquisition in southern Rockwall
  - 9 baseball fields with grass infields
  - 3 youth softball fields
  - 2 synthetic turf fields – to be used for clinics, practices, games and special needs (i.e.: Angel League)
  - 2 lighted soccer enclaves – will facilitate a wide variety of age groups and field sizes
  - 1 large soccer/football practice area
  - 4 tennis courts
  - 3.1-mile walking/running course
  - 4 playgrounds - one in each complex (baseball, softball, soccer) and one large "discovery" playground that is centrally located
  - 1 large pavilion
  - 3 concession facilities for each section of the park and additional restroom/vending facilities located at the football/soccer practice area and the baseball area
- Potential Tax Impact: 6.6 cents per \$100 valuation (13.1 percent)  
 Operating Budget Impact: \$755,540 2.5 cents\* (4.8 percent)

### Proposition 2 - Downtown Improvements

\$8,625,000

- Street Reconstruction including San Jacinto Street from Houston to Olive; Kaufman Street from Goliad to Fannin; Interurban Street from Alamo to Fannin
  - Reconstruct the "core downtown" sidewalks and construction of connecting sidewalks within the project
  - Construction of parking lots and additional street parking
  - Construction of the San Jacinto Court pedestrian mall
  - Install street landscaping, street and parking lot lighting, signage and furnishings
  - Street enhancements for Washington Street from Goliad to Fannin
- Potential Tax Impact: 2.3 cents per \$100 valuation (4.6 percent)

### Proposition 3 - Historic Downtown Fire Protection

\$1,600,000

- Installing fire protection in historic buildings in the 6 blocks surrounding the downtown square
  - Will include underground fire line, main feed, riser, branch lines and sprinklers
- Potential Tax Impact: .4 cents per \$100 valuation (.8 percent)  
 Operating Budget Impact: \$9,660 .031 cents (.06 percent)

### Proposition 4 - Heritage Park

\$4,950,000

- Uncover the original "rock wall" discovery site
  - 6.2 acres of land acquisition
  - Multiple viewing areas of the "rock wall" with protection features constructed for the wall
  - Restroom/storage facility
  - Open play with interpretive signage
  - Parking area with a bus turn-around
- Potential Tax Impact: 1.3 cents per \$100 valuation (2.6 percent)  
 Operating Budget Impact: \$45,000 .14 cents (.28 percent)

### Proposition 5 - Street Improvements

\$19,175,000

- State Road Projects:
- Addition of on-ramp westbound IH-30 service road, west of FM-740
  - Reverse two IH-30 ramps, east of SH-205
- City participation in two TXDOT projects:
- 1) FM-3097, from FM-740 to Tubbs
  - 2) FM-3549/IH-30 Interchange
- Local Road Projects:
- Reconstruct roadways
  - Boydston, from Goliad to Clark
  - Throckmorton, from Boydston to Bourne
  - County Line Road, from FM-3097 to Renee Dr.
  - Summit Ridge, from FM-740 to South Lakeshore
  - South Lakeshore, from Summit Ridge to SH-66
- Construct left turn lanes:
- SH-66 at Caruth Lane
  - Boydston at Goliad
- Potential Tax Impact: 5 cents per \$100 valuation (9.9 percent)

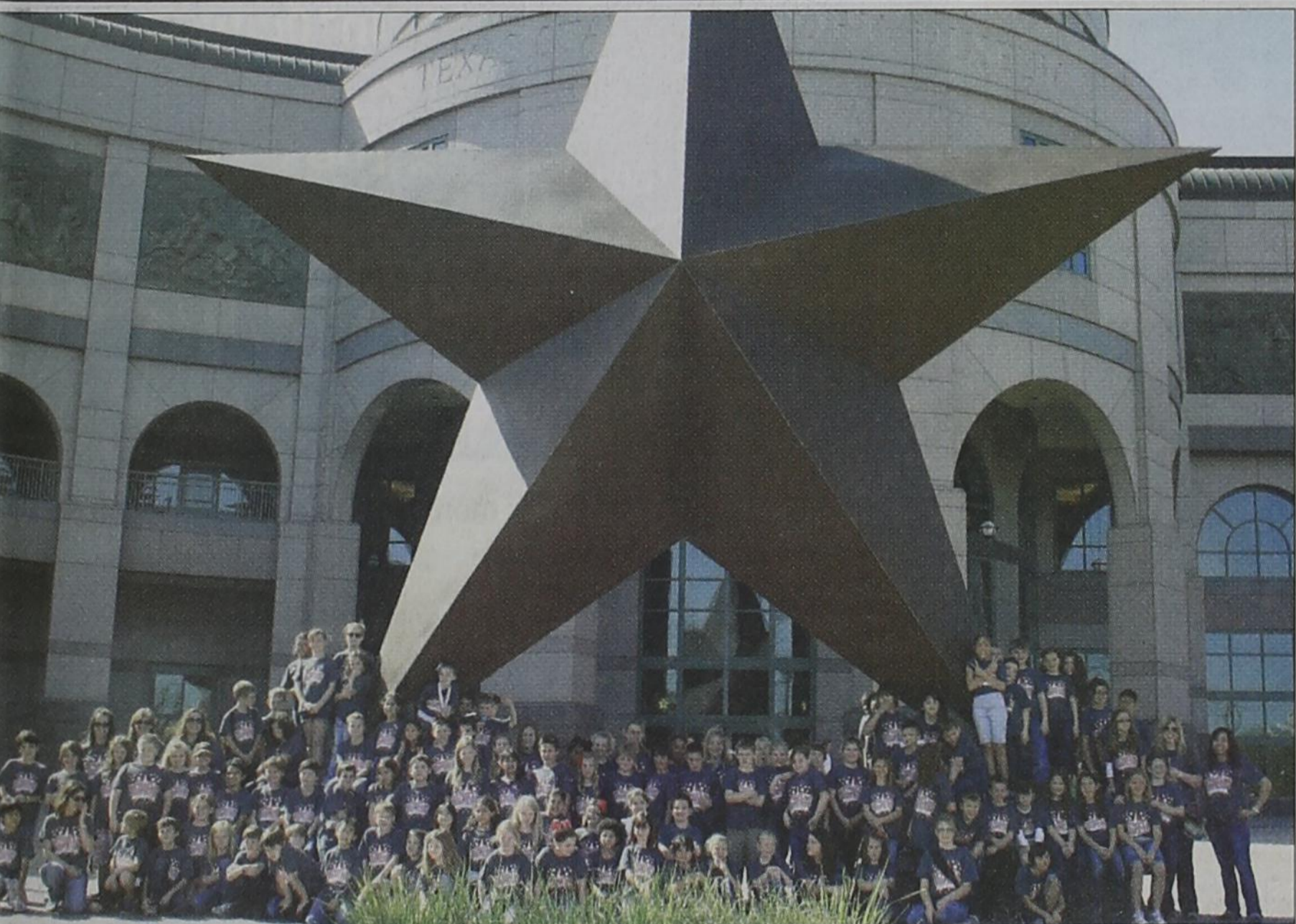
### Early Voting

Early voting runs from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., April 30 through May 5, and 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., May 7 and May 8. Polling places will be set up at the following locations:

- Rockwall County elections office, 107 E. Kaufman Street, Rockwall
- Royse City City Hall, 305 N. Arch
- Heath City Hall, 200 Laurence Drive
- Chisholm Baptist Church, 1388 S. SH 205, McLendon-Chisholm
- Fate Community Center, 104 W. WE Crawford

Early voting will also take place from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. May 3 to May 5, and from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. May 7 and May 8 at Cullins-Lake Pointe Elementary School, 5801 Scenic Drive, in Rowlett. On Election Day, May 12, voting will take place from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Utley Middle School Performing Arts Center, 1201 TL Townsend, in Rockwall.

See Artist Rendering of the proposed Athletic Complex on Page 3



Fourth grade students from Grace Hartman Elementary recently enjoyed a field trip to Austin to visit the Capital building, the Texas State History Museum, the Texas Spirit Theater and Inner Space Caverns. Students were introduced to the history and establishment of the Lone Star State and learned about how Texas government works. The visit to the caverns introduced students to geological formations below the earth's surface and showed how some land forms in the area were created. The trip culminated with a visit to Duke's BBQ for some good, home-braised Texas barbecue. Pictured above is the group in front of the Texas State History Museum.

Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News



# City, REDC team up to develop airport plan

The City of Rockwall and the Rockwall Economic Development Corporation are partnering to develop an Airport Development Plan for the Rockwall Municipal Airport. The goal is to design a long-term enhancement plan that will allow the airport to be a viable asset to the city and to allow it to achieve its potential economic vitality, according to a city news release. The study is eligible for reimbursement at a 90/10 split. The city has asked the Texas Department of Transportation to add this project to its capital improvement program for reimbursement in 2012 or 2013. After conducting a site selection study, it was decided in 2001 not to pursue a new airport but to enhance and maintain the current facility. Of the \$653,310 in enhancements over the last five years, 19 percent of the costs were paid by the city and the remainder by TxDOT aviation grant funds.



Members of Fierce, the All-Star Junior Level 3 cheer team representing a local gym/cheer school, received first place and high point at the American Showdown in Fort Worth on Feb. 5. Members of Threat, the senior-level 4.2 squad, received first place, while Rage Junior Level 2 received second place. Heat Youth Level 2 earned a second-place finish. Fierce and Threat also received first place, while Heat placed third at the Cheer Power Southern Nationals in San Antonio on Feb. 25. Pictured from left to right, back row, are Eryn Moynihan, Taylor Sagraves, Rae-leigh Bradbury, Amberlee Soto, Rose White and Bailey Panchalk. At front are Hannah Powell, Kylie Craig, Kelsey Tomasek, Madison Fitzgerald, Korbyn Tomasek and Emily Panchalk.

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If you'd like Joan Ream to speak at your church, club or organization, please email: [jream@swbell.net](mailto:jream@swbell.net)

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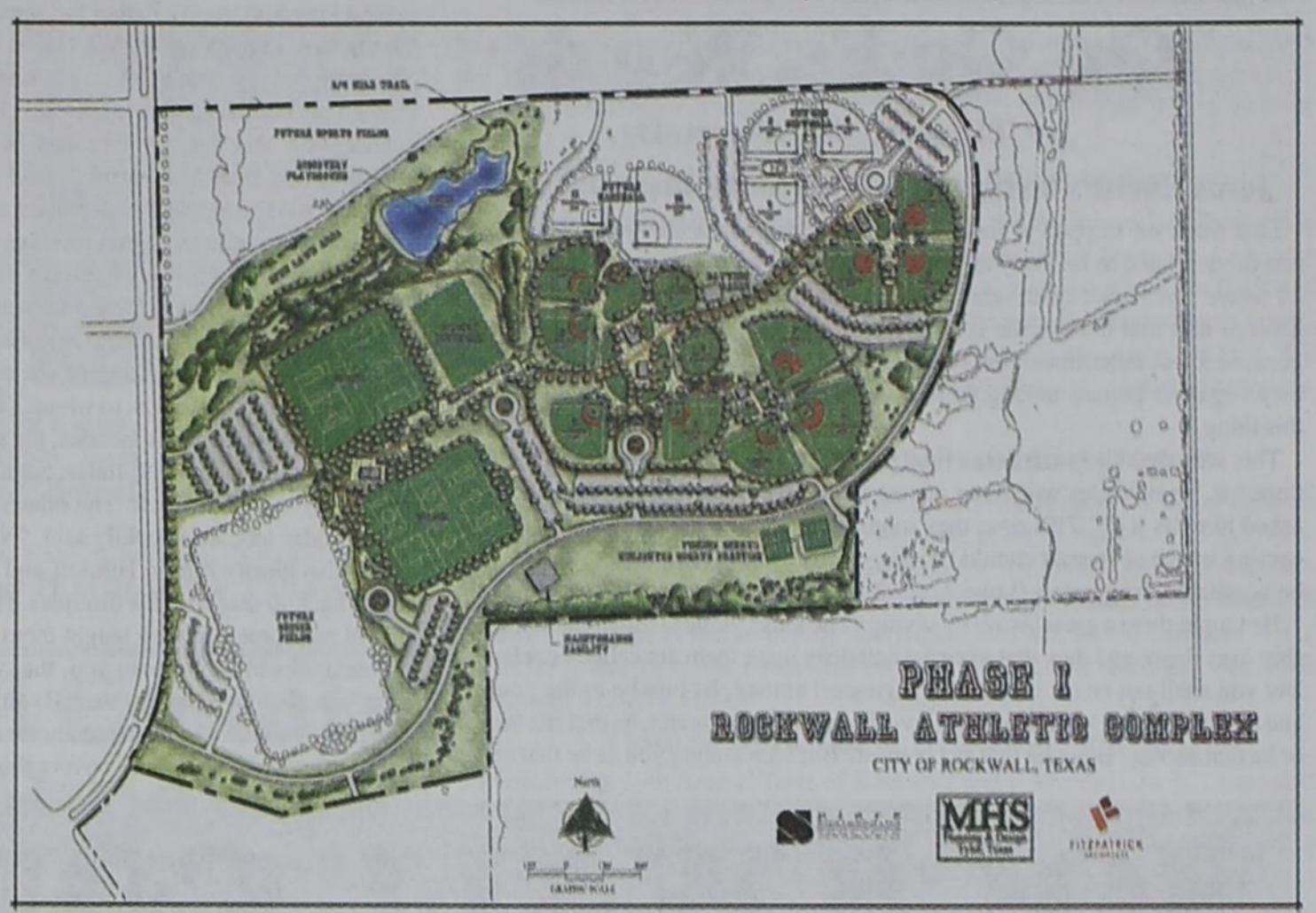
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Featured above are the Rockwall High School junior varsity cheerleaders for the 2012-2013 school year. From front are Rachel Linter, Jane Turner, Heather James, Lexi Grisaffi, Samantha Ruff, Bridges and Adisyn Joplin (mascot). At back are Melissa McNeil (sponsor), Lyric Brown, Marissa Muzic, Abby Childers, Blair Raney, Miranda Wilkinson, Anna Oakes, Ashlee Sanford, Maci Greer, Aly Venzel and Maddie Young.  
Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News



Above is a rendering of the proposed athletic complex to be decided by votes in the May 12 bond election. The complex would include softball and baseball fields, soccer fields, concessions, restrooms, lights for night activities, tennis courts, playgrounds and walking/exercise courses.  
Courtesy of City of Rockwall/Rockwall County News

### REDC hosts Hatfield & Co. groundbreaking

Groundbreaking ceremonies for the relocation of Hatfield and Company to the Rockwall County Park were conducted on Tuesday, March 27. Representatives of the Rockwall County Development Corp. and Hatfield and Company were present at the event. Hatfield and Company is a manufacturer of filtration, instrumentation, valves, steam/air and other piping-related products. The new 50,000-square-foot building is already under way and is expected to be completed by January.

The company plans to build a 50,000-square-foot building. Construction of the new facility, which is being built by general contractors Hill and Wilkinson and Merriman Associates, Architects, is already under way and is expected to be completed by January. Hatfield and Company is a manufacturer of filtration, instrumentation, valves, steam/air and other piping-related products. "Hatfield and Company will be a great addition to the corporate business community in Rockwall," said Sheri Franza, president and CEO of the REDC. "We look forward to supporting them as they grow their organization nationwide."

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# Five DI teams to represent RCISD at state competition

Forty-four Destination Imagination teams of Royse City Independent School District students competed at Potteet High School in Mesquite recently, where five of those teams earned the right to advance to the state-level competition April 13-14 at Corpus Christi.

The Dinamite high school structure team comprised of David Carrillo, Cindy Carrillo, William Brandow, Kevin Hairston, Austin Gibbs, Chris Velo and Sydney Kidd wowed the Mesquite audience with its ability to add weights to its structure while delivering golf balls inside the structure.

The sophomore-level team, We Came for the Food, won second place Challenge C: Coming Attractions and the DI DaVinci Award for outstanding creativity. "This team was by far the funniest team all day," the judges wrote. "It was a creative presentation because the way they acted not only solved a problem, but exceeded standards and entertained all of us.... Well done. Really exceeded. Words cannot describe how well they did, not only were they hilarious, but their solutions were unique, they had us rolling the whole time."

Literally speechless."

The middle school team, The Cookie-Eating Zombies in Search of Buddha, is comprised of Johnny and Chris Biffar, Ryan Wilson, Andrew Cox, Jonathan Beardon, Caleb Fay and William Sowden. Their program "brought tears to the appraiser's eyes" through a community service project involving the elderly and featured on the NBC morning show.

Cherry Intermediate's technical team, The SuperStar Bulldogs, is made up of Brenden O'Connor, Lacey Howell, Sarah Nolan, Ethan Margot, Cade Baridon, Camille Meeks and Karina Revilla. They, too, drew rave reviews.

Two teams from Royse City elementary schools also made the cut. The Fort Elementary scientific team, The Nerds, showcased its knowledge of solar energy in its presentation. Team members include Jenna Kirby, Meghan Nolan, Gus Margot, Parker Hutton, Nicholas Sparks, Lauren Hunt and Chloe Hartley. Engineering skills were evident in Scott Elementary's team's structure ability. The Texas Solvers included Prestynn Pogue, Jack Edwards, Camille Toombs, Hannah Odell, Brenna Merillat, Amelia Grantz and Connor Padgett.

Team managers include Paty Weeks, Laurie Biffar, Lisa Pogue and Kelly Margot.

## Heath radiologist named in Iowa murder-suicide

Dr. Timothy Glenn Roses, 44, a radiologist from Heath who was working in Waterloo, Iowa, shot and killed a woman with whom he was reportedly having an affair then turned the gun on himself March 21, according to authorities in Jesup, Iowa.

Roses was married and his family lives in Heath.

Police said Roses followed 22-year old Lindsay Nichols to her new boyfriend's house in suburban Jesup and after an argument in the street, shot her and then himself as the boyfriend was in the house on the phone to 911.

Roses is reported to have become upset after seeing a change in Nichols' Facebook status announcing her new boyfriend.

Roses worked for a company called Health Care Solutions, which places specialists from different cities in hospitals around the country to assist staff. He had worked in the radiology department of Covenant Medical Center in Waterloo for at least four years. Nichols was a recent graduate of the Covenant Medical Center School of Radiology and was preparing to take her board exams.



We Came for the Food, the sophomore Destination Imagination team from Royse City earned the 2012 DaVinci Award at a competition conducted recently in Mesquite. Pictured are members Seth Thompson, Cheyenne Davis, Selena Ibarra, Rachel Lopez, Nathalie Barsour and Bailee Pereida.

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Pictured above are the 2012 delegates to Boys and Girls State Conference sponsored by American Legion Post 117. Shown from the left are Stephanie Shell, Julie White, Matthew Akins, Sawyer K. U.S. Congressman Ralph Hall and Amanda Zabolotny. The students will attend a summer camp at University of Texas and Texas Lutheran University in Seguin to learn about how government works and meet other students and lawmakers from throughout the state and to participate in a mock congress.

Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

## Banquet marks 93 years for American Legion Post 117

The American Legion celebrated its 93rd birthday March 18 at its annual banquet.

Commander Milt Wittig opened the ceremony with the Tri-County Veterans Honor Guard presenting the colors.

U.S. Congressman Ralph Hall was featured speaker. He talked about patriotism, honoring service members and women and American's talented youth. He asked for prayers for the nation's governing leaders. Bill Cecil presented the Great American Service Award to Rockwall County Commissioner Lorie Grinnan.

Lee Gilbert spoke about the Rockwall County Veterans Memorial and the importance of encouraging others to visit with their children and grandchildren.

Marvin Fleetwood presented red roses to Clara Laing and Jesse Martin, widows of post members. The post's next meeting is set for April 19 at Harry Myers Park.



Chase Crayne, center crouching down, uses all his strength to launch a catapult across the field and into piles of boxes at Saturday's Rockwall ISD Student Serving Others Day at Wilkerson-Sanderson Stadium. This year's event had a green theme, with participants encouraging students to "leave their mark" by acting responsibly towards our environment. Teams of students fanned out across the stadium for beautification and improvement projects, while booths with games, displays, crafts and community assistance information were set up at the stadium. Some of the participants were members of all the Rockwall elementary, middle and high schools, Helping Hands, Rockwall County Meals on Wheels, American Cancer Society, Atmos Energy, Keep Rowlett Beautiful, The Shoe Bank, Rockwall County Committee on Aging, Women in Need, Rockwall Lions Club, Rest Haven Funeral Home, City of Rockwall, Rockwall Habitat for Humanity and others.

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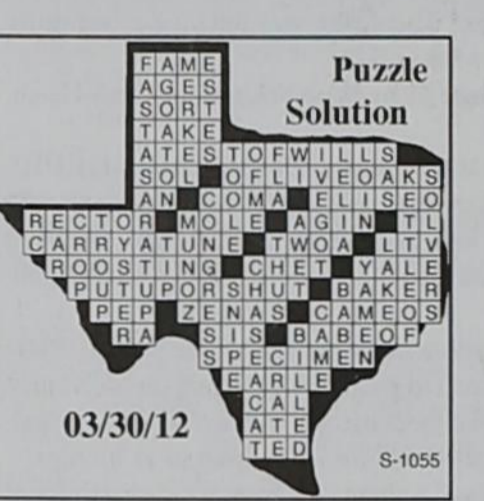
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## Rockwall County Sports Notes

**2nd Annual Springer Stampede slated**  
The 2nd Annual Springer Stampede 5K and 1 Mile Run/Walk will take place March 31. Walk-up registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. or participants may register online at active.com. Races will begin at 8:30 a.m. Carnival games will operate as a sideline to the event from 8:30 a.m. to noon. Activities will take place at Ouida Springer Elementary, 3025 Limestone Hill Lane (Across from RISE). For more details call 972-772-7160. Proceeds from the event will benefit the school through the provision of programs and supplies.

**YMCA youth sports registration under way**  
Sign-ups for summer sports at the Rockwall County YMCA are now open and will run through March 31. This year's offerings include baseball, T-ball and softball, ages 4-14; flag football, ages 6-12; and volleyball for those in grades 3-6. Late registration will run April 1-15, ending when all teams are full. Registration fees are reduced for those who register in March, and returning players who register prior to April 1 are guaranteed to return to the same team. Registration fees are posted on the YMCA website at rockwallymca.org or quickscores.com/rockwall.

**Lion's Dash set March 31**  
Providence Academy, a Christian transitioning university-model school, will host its second annual Lion's Dash 5K Race and Fun Run on March 31. The event is for runners as well as all members of the family. A bounce house, food, face painting, vendors, music and door prizes are planned. The event will benefit students at the academy. For more details email rhunt@providencelions.org or visit providencelions.org. To register for the event visit active.com.

**Heart of Heath 5k Run set April 7**  
The Heart of Heath 5k Run/Walk will take place April 7, beginning at 8:30 a.m. at Heath City Hall, 200 Laurence Drive. Online registration may be completed at heathtx.com or in person at City Hall. Early registration fee is \$20; after April 5 the cost will be \$25. Youth registration will be \$10 in advance and at the race.

**Little Kickers Soccer scheduled**  
Little Kickers soccer for children ages 3.5 to 6 years of age will run from 6:15 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Mondays April 16-May 21 at the Harry Myers Park Ball Fields. Participants will learn soccer skills in a fun interactive team environment. Registration fee is \$45 or \$29 for Rockwall residents. For more details visit rockwall.com/parks.

**Little Sluggers T-ball season set**  
The Little Sluggers T-ball season will run from 6:15 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesdays April 17-May 22 at the Harry Myers Park Ball Fields. Participants ages 3.5 to 6 years of age will be split into team where they will learn the fundamental skills of throwing, fielding, hitting and base running. Registration is \$45 or \$29 for Rockwall residents. For more details visit rockwall.com/parks.

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# Bulldogs clinch first District, seeded 4th in Bi-District playoffs

City Bulldogs clinched the District with a 0-0 tie game against Wylie Friday March 16 at home. In the playoffs, the Bulldogs is set to play their first ever Bi-District game. The team was started during the 2007-2008 season, against Dallas Jefferson. The Bulldogs' momentum got a boost following their 1-0 victory over Lovejoy

Friday March 23 at home.

The Leopards came into the second half pounding on the Bulldogs' goal at least seven times, all of which were saved by Royse City Goal Keeper Jacob Sanchez. The Bulldogs would not let the Leopards' team return with a second win after their 2-0 victory on February 28 in Lovejoy. With about 34 minutes left in the game, Logan Humphries scored the winning

goal for Royse City.

The Bulldogs (4-3-3 in District, 7-10-6 overall) finished third in District behind second place Lovejoy and first place Rockwall, and in front of fourth place Wylie East.

The Bi-District playoff game is set for 7:30 p.m. Friday March 30 at Forney Citibank Stadium.



City Bulldogs' Goal Keeper Jacob Sanchez (green jersey) stops a shot to the goal Friday March 23 against Lovejoy at the RCISD Stadium. The Bulldogs defeated Lovejoy to advance for Bi-District playoff action against Dallas Jefferson Friday March 30, 7:30 p.m. at Citibank Stadium in Forney.

# Yellow Jackets move into 1st-place tie with Wylie in District 10-4A

Patience have paid off for the Rockwall softball team. The Yellow Jackets won three games last week. Those victories, coupled with a win over McKinney North Tuesday, pulled RHS (13-10 overall, 6-1 in

the district) into a tie with Wylie for first place in District 10-4A. Possibly more important, Rockwall had a different winning pitcher in each win - 3-1 over McKinney North, 13-0 over Wylie East and 12-2 over Richardson Pearce.

Freshman Kayla Vandergriff allowed just three hits Friday, March 23, to MNHS (5-2 in the district). The next day, senior Madeline Taylor personally outthrew Wylie East 3-2. Freshman Emily Cowan scattered six hits in Tuesday's victory against

Pearce. Said RHS head coach Shadie Acosta, "We have three pitchers right now. If we get to the playoffs, all of them would have had time on the mound." Charlie Jenkins' triple was the key hit in the victory over North.

## Color qualifies for Texas Relays

Rockwall's lone qualifier for this weekend's Texas Relays at the University of Texas in Austin. The team is scheduled to compete at 2:30 p.m. Friday in the boys' 100-meter dash. Rockwall finished a time of 10.81 seconds, the ninth-best in the state this year, in the second-best time among sophomores.

## Richardson leads RHHS qualifiers

Rockwall-Heath girls qualified and are competing at this weekend's Texas Relays at the University of Texas in Austin. The defending state 4A champion in the triple jump, will compete in the long jump as well as in her specialty. Yorlynn Engmann qualified in the triple jump, along with the Lady Hawks' 4X100-meter relay team. Also competing in the Thursday-Saturday event are Ashley Baynes, Maddie Mishler, Taylor Smith and Annika Smith.

## District tennis coming to Rockwall

Rockwall and Rockwall-Heath will be among the eight teams competing Monday and Tuesday in the District 10-4A tennis singles and doubles championships at the Rockwall Tennis Facility.

Singles play is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. Monday, with boys' and girls' doubles starting at 10 a.m. and mixed doubles at 10:30 a.m.

Players in each of those divisions would compete through the semifinals Monday. Tuesday's finals are scheduled to begin at 3:30 p.m., followed by playbacks to determine which players would advance to the Region II-4A Championships.

## RCA dominates with 2 no-hitters

Potent pitching and heavy hitting helped Rockwall Christian Academy roll past two baseball opponents by a combined score of 52-1 last week.

Neither Greenville Christian School nor Dallas Fairhill managed a hit against the Warriors.

Senior John Edwards was the winning pitcher Saturday in a combined no-hitter at GCS. RCA needed just seven hits in its 26-0 victory. On Monday, the Warriors supported Tanner Haley with 18 hits as they defeated Fairhill 26-1.

## Falcons lose historic 1st game

The Fulton School took an early 7-1 lead in the first varsity baseball game in the school's history, but couldn't hold it.

Helped by the wildness of Fulton's pitchers, Waxahachie Vanguard Prep came back for a 19-11 Thursday, March 22.

The Falcons now are preparing for their first home game, which will be at 5 p.m. Tuesday against Westlake Academy at Cody Park in Garland.

## Treadway, Leverett pace Fulton

Tanner Treadway and Hayden Leverett stood out Saturday as The Fulton School opened its track and field season at the Arlington High Point meet.

Treadway placed third in both the 100-meter hurdles and long jump, and was fourth in the triple jump.

Leverett placed third in the 100-meter dash in 11.5 seconds. Falcons athletic director Josh Johnson said the meet included four sprinters likely to qualify for the TAPPS 1A state meet.

## Rockwall County high school results

- Baseball: Heritage Christian 19, Heritage Christian Academy 8
- Softball: Rockwall-Heath 2 (11 innings)
- Baseball: Wylie East 1
- Baseball: McKinney North 4 (8 innings)
- Baseball: Christian Academy 26, Greenville 0
- Baseball: Christian Academy 26, Dallas Fairhill 1
- Baseball: Rockwall-Heath 9, Rockwall 0
- Baseball: Longview Prep 19, Fulton 11
- Baseball: Rockwall-Heath 0
- Baseball: Invitational (12 teams)
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- Gymnastics: Championships
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- Soccer: District 3, Rockwall 1
- Soccer: District 7, Wylie 0
- Soccer: District 8, Quinlan Ford 0
- Soccer: District 2, Wylie 2
- Soccer: District 1, Waxahachie 1
- Track & Field: District Park 6, Rockwall-Heath 5
- Track & Field: District 3, McKinney North 1
- Track & Field: District 13, Wylie East 0
- Track & Field: District 12, Richardson Pearce 2
- Track & Field: District 15, Rockwall-Heath 5



Rockwall-Heath's Morgan Hines gracefully floats through the Floor routine during the Wednesday March 21 District Gymnastics meet in the RHHS gym.

Photo by Marcia Hasenyager/Rockwall County News

## RHS and RHHS gymnastics advance to Regional Meet

The boys' and girls' teams from both Rockwall and Rockwall-Heath will advance to the Regional Championships April 10 and 11 at the Irving Convention Center. District all-around champions were Michael Weidman and Sarah Beasley of RHS.

Event champions among the boys included RHHS' Alex Milner in the pommel horse and still rings, the Yellowjackets' Zach Bennett on the high bar and floor exercise and the Hawks' Trevor Newell on the parallel bars. Newell and Weidman tied for first in the vault.

The girls' district event champions were all from Rockwall -- Tori Hedges in the vault, Jenna Jeffrey on the uneven bars, Kailea Coles on the balance beam, and Coles and Beasley tied in the floor exercise.



Rockwall's Zach Bennett maintains form and focus in the high bar during the Wednesday March 21 District Gymnastics meet in the RHHS gym.

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# Rockwall County Entertainment

### Agave plans Open Mic, Karaoke Nights

Agave restaurant & bar at The Harbor District will host Open Mic Night on Wednesday, April 4 at 7:30 p.m. Karaoke Night on Wednesday.

### School to host Art Fair April 10

Art classes at Miss May Vernon Elementary will be transformed into an art fair from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. April 10 when original artwork by students in grades K-5 will be exhibited. Art teacher Marlis Wadley has been in partnership with KidsArt Fairs on an art enrichment program that will include the one-night exhibit. Paintings created by students whose parents plan to attend will be professionally framed and displayed. Frames may be purchased for \$15 (tax included), and proceeds will benefit the art program. The art fair will be held in conjunction with the Talented and Gifted program's annual Expo. Anyone interested in volunteering for the evening should contact Lindy Hitt, volunteer coordinator, at 469-964-2624.

### Taste of Rockwall, Business Expo planned

The Rockwall Area Chamber of Commerce will present its 19th Annual Taste of Rockwall and Business Expo from 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. April 19 at Rockwall High School. Entertainment and businesses will highlight the evening. Approximately 25 restaurants will showcase their foods, and 85 businesses are scheduled to be available to answer questions. Advance tickets cost \$10 per adult, and children ages 5-12; tickets will cost \$12 for adults and \$5 for children. Tickets are available at the RACoC or online at rockwallchamber.org/rockwall. Businesses interested in reserving exhibitor space should call 469-972-7711-5733.

### Laughs on the Lake (LOL) benefit event set

The Laugh on the Lake (LOL) for Rockwall Children's Charities will begin at 6 p.m. on April 28 at Allure Restaurant in Chandler's Landing. The event, presented by the Rockwall Preschool Association, will benefit the Rockwall County Library, the Boys/Girls Club of Rockwall, Helping Hands, Lone Star, and the Pregnancy Center. The event will feature a cash bar, four-course dinner at sunset, and silent auction and other activities. Tickets are \$150 per couple of \$600 for a table of eight (special raffle drawing for purchase tickets prior to April 1). To purchase tickets or serve as an event volunteer, visit rockwallpreschoolassociation.com/gala.html.

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