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Hettinger steps down, Smith assumes CWA leadership role

Michelle Smith was recently named state director of Concerned Women for America of Texas.

Michelle Smith, state director, Ann Hettinger, stepped down from her position with the organization after 20 years of service.

Michelle Smith, who joined the CWA more than 20 years ago, has been named state director of the organization. She has played a major role in working on public policy under Smith's leadership, according to the CWA press release.

Smith, a former Rockwall City Council member, a staff member at First Baptist Dallas and as the secretary at Trinity Southern Baptist Church in Lewisville. She has served in numerous roles including as a crisis pregnancy counselor for many years, a camp leader for Lake Highlands School camp, the PTA board and local boards. Smith and her husband of 20 years, have three children ages 19, 15 and 13. She is honored to serve as state director of



Michelle Smith

Texas," Smith said. "I know that I have some very big shoes to fill, and Ann has been the best example of a Titus 2 woman to me. She saw in me what I did not see in myself at times. Concerned Women for America has been my passion for many years. I see a decline in our culture, and the battle for our families is real. It is certainly a privilege to work in public policy, but I know that the only way to change a culture is through prayer...."

"We seek to serve God through prayer, then through education and finally through action," she said. "I am looking forward to what lies ahead for CWA of Texas."

"For the last 20 years it has been my great joy to serve Concerned Woman for America in various roles," Hettinger said in the news release. "From the beginning, I have been a staunch supporter of the concerns and goals of the organization because they are part and parcel of my being. However, God sometimes turns the pages of our playbook, and I believe He has done that in my life."

Hettinger's resignation from the Rockwall-based organization was effective Aug. 1.

"We have enjoyed many successes in our tussle with the state legislature, and we have lost some. But Concerned Women for America of Texas will never give up the fight for righteousness in our culture," she said.

Kenda Bartlett, CWA executive director, said, "CWA of Texas has benefited from Ann's years of service; the organization has grown and prospered under her leadership. The name of CWA of Texas is respected far and wide and is known for operating with integrity. We could not have asked anything more from her leadership."

Arts, science center opens at Boys & Girls Club

More than 100 area residents gathered in the game room of the Boys & Girls Club on July 31 to honor State Sen. Bob Deuell for the grand opening of the Robert F. Deuell, M.D. Center for Performing Arts & Science.

Located in the Boys & Girls Club of Rockwall County Dobbs Annex Building, the new center consists of a library full of books and resources for homework and research, a performing arts center complete with a stage and a professional recording studio, as well as a science laboratory that has the technological capabilities and functionality to facilitate fun and engaging science experiments.

Through a gift made by the Texas Construction Association, the renovation of the space took only a few months and will go into use immediately.

"I'm so very pleased that the Texas Construction Association could support the creation of the Robert F. Deuell, M.D. Center for Performing Arts and Science at the Boys & Girls Club. The youth of Rockwall now have an outstanding enhancement for their experience at the club. The center is a worthwhile tribute to Sen. Deuell who has a wonderful connection with the Boys & Girls Clubs, performing arts, and science," said Raymond Risk, Texas Construction Association president and CEO.

"I have never thought that I would receive an honor like this," said Deuell, who attended a Boys Club while growing up in West Virginia. I was recently by my old club and was overcome with gratitude for my mother, a single, working parent, and her wisdom to send me to a place where my brother and I could participate in wholesome activities. I now realize all the support that went in to our club, and I have the same gratitude today for the Texas Construction Association and all the staff and volunteers of the Rockwall Club."

This area comes on the heels of a national movement through Boys & Girls Clubs of America to strategically focus on the academic success of all kids to ensure they graduate from high school, prepared and with a plan for their future. In keeping with the passion and professional interests of Deuell to develop a Performing Arts & Science Center seemed the most appropriate and most timely in meeting the needs and direction of youth and the Boys & Girls Clubs.

"It was the perfect opportunity," said Misti Potter, Boys & Girls Club president and CEO.

The revived space transformed from general classroom, storage and meeting areas to an intentional destination in the club where academics and the arts will come together.

"The majority of our members would not be able to afford private lessons or specialized academic programs; which is why we are so appreciative for the Texas Construction Association's gift. All children deserve a chance to explore their talents and to be given the necessary tools to achieve their dreams," Potter said.

Club members will have the opportunity to continue to take advantage of after school tutoring and academic support, learn to play musical instruments from the guitar to the piano, participate in vocal lessons, record, edit and cut their own CDs, as well as learn from professional dance and theatre instructors. In addition, because of the new science laboratory youth will engage in topics from ecology, biology, physics, aerodynamics, chemistry, engineering, robotics, plus more and all at no additional cost.

The club is in need of individuals who would like to volunteer to teach music or provide academic support services to kids ages 6-18 throughout the school year. Anyone interested in getting involved and being part of helping the Boys & Girls Club of Rockwall County should email bgerl@yahoo.com or call 972-722-2462.

Rockwall County News Briefs

Auditions set at RCP for 'Mockingbird'

Auditions for the Rockwall Community Playhouse's rendition of "To Kill a Mockingbird," which will be performed Sept. 20-22, 27-29 and Oct. 4-6, will take place at 1 p.m. Aug. 10 and 7 p.m. Aug. 12 at the playhouse, which is located at 609 E. Rusk. For more details visit rockwallcommunityplayhouse.org.

Heath town hall meeting slated

Heath residents are invited to attend a town hall meeting set to coincide with the 6:30 p.m. Heath City Council meeting on Aug. 13 at City Hall. Focus of the meeting, according to the meeting's agenda, will be the city's capital improvement plan, which includes street, public utilities, trails and other infrastructure projects. A presentation about the plan will be made by the mayor. Residents will have the opportunity to ask questions and share input. A list of proposed project can be viewed in the mayor's July column available at heathtx.com. Project information also may be obtained by calling the city at 972-771-6228.

Local Democrats plan breakfast meeting

The Rockwall County Democratic Party will host a breakfast meeting beginning at 9 a.m. Aug. 17 at the Harry Myers Community Center, 815 E. Washington St., Rockwall. Individuals interested in increasing the Democratic presence and voice in Rockwall County are urged to attend. The County Elections office will conduct deputy voter registrar training, and Jeff Casper from Battleground Texas will be on hand.

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Dozens of area residents gathered July 31 for the official grand opening of the Robert F. Deuell, M.D., Center for Performing Arts & Science at the Boys & Girls Club of Rockwall County. Pictured above are Dennis Lewis, Rockwall City Council member; Misti Potter, CEO; Deuell; Raymond Risk, Texas Construction Association president; and Stephan Larson, BGC director of program services.

Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

Tickets to RSM's 'King & I' available

Rockwall Summer Musicals, now in its third year, is preparing to stage Broadway's most popular shows, Rodgers and Hammerstein's "The King and I" on the heels of the production of "1776."

Audience wants as close to a Broadway-style experience as we can get. David Johnson, president of RCN. "To enrich the experience of the show, we brought together a 28-piece orchestra along with 25 gifted actors and actresses with plans to more than double the number of actors and actresses."

Each season's operations are evaluated through the collection of surveys after each performance where all facets of the productions are reviewed. The survey addresses ticket sales and audience satisfaction, sound systems, set construction, show selection, and other information critical to RSM's continued improvement. It is our goal to ensure the best experience for an ever growing audience. Success of each function is critical to the production company's success as they continue to fine-tune for the next performance.

Rockwall Summer Musicals has given us the opportunity to invest in our first set for "The King and I," said director Barbara Doudt. "This set adds richness and character to the show, but will have me in the back of the truck it 1,500 miles back to the East coast."

As the elements of a big Broadway-style musical come together

Best conductor chosen for

13 Greater Rockwall Philharmonic Orchestra

Rockwall MusicFest, the production of the Greater Rockwall Philharmonic Orchestra, has named the orchestra's 2013 guest conductor will be Michael J. Manley. Manley recently received his bachelor's degree from Hardin-Simmons University and his master's from the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He has done extensive study in conducting with internationally known conductor James Levine at Westminster Choir College. He has served as music consultant and conductor in Zimbabwe, Africa. For the past 13 years he has served as the First Church of Christ in Rockwall's minister of music and worship. Manley will conduct the orchestra in "A Toast to Musical America" beginning at 8 p.m. on Aug. 31 at The Harbor. Admission to the event will be free.



Michael Manley

over the coming weeks of rehearsals, actors and audience members alike will be absorbed in the lavish presentation of the classic story of romance and culture-clash involving a Siamese King and a British teacher.

All RSM shows perform at the group's home venue, the Rockwall High School Performing Arts Center at Utley Middle School, located at 1201 T.L. Townsend. Tickets for the musical, set for Aug. 15-18, are available by calling the RSM ticket hotline at 1-888-71-TICKETS (718-4253). For group sales of 10 or more (\$1 off per ticket), dial RSM at: 972-771-3700 or visit rockwallsummermusicals.org for more details.

Adopt-a-Student Drive offered through H-Hands

Rockwall County Helping Hands has organized a project to help families in need prepare for the new school year.

Through the Adopt-a-Student Drive, local residents can help families in the community by assisting them in preparing school-aged children for the new school year. Assistance can be provided through school supplies or immunizations.

The following all-inclusive packages have been created:

- Elementary – Provide a complete school supply package and shots for one elementary-age student, \$88
- Middle school – Provide a complete school supply package, a sports physical and shots for one middle-school student, \$128
- High school – Provide a complete school supply package, a sports physical and meningitis shot for one high school student, \$220

School supply assistance can be provided as follows:

- Elementary school supplies for one child, \$15 – includes scissors, crayons, pencils (12), colored pencils, glue, glue stick, eraser and two packages of 200-count wide-rule paper
- Middle school supplies for one child, \$15 – includes pencils (12), colored pencils, 200-count wide-rule paper, 70-count spiral composition notebooks (four), 12 black and blue pens, six red pens, and three 80-count spiral notebooks
- Elementary and middle school supplies for one child, \$30 – all items above, plus one USB flash drive, a pair of earbuds, one box of facial tissue, a ream of copy paper and one package of AAA batteries
- A complete elementary "wrap pack," \$60
- A complete middle school "wrap pack," \$75


Shots and physicals can be provided as follows:

- One shot -- \$15
- Two shots -- \$18
- Three shots -- \$22
- Four shots -- \$28
- Sports physical -- \$25
- Meningitis shot -- \$95 (mandatory for college entrance)

For more information, call Helping Hands at 972-771-4357.

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Evelyn Burkett (right) and her Daughter Kathy Bass

From Pearl Harbor to Roys



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Reminiscing Roys
by Millie Jean Coppedge

Memories of Pearl Harbor still are alive in her head today, some days more than others.

Evelyn (Zaleski) Summers, age 86, born on Aug. 7, 1927, in Pennsylvania, was the daughter of a coal miner.

"The scene at Pearl Harbor was an awful sight for anyone to see," Summers said. "I arrived there two years after the bombing. Things over there were still a mess with such destruction, devastation, heartache, pain and unbelievable misery.

"The hospitals were all full, everything that could serve as a hospital type facility was used. So as they brought in the ships and even submarines with wounded servicemen, we went aboard the ships and tended to their needs there. The nurses were shuffled back and forth from the shore facilities/hospitals to those on the water. The nurses did everything. We gave IVs, bathed them, whatever the servicemen needed, we did. There just weren't enough doctors or other personnel to go around. We had to do what had to be done.

"I wrote many letters home to families. If the parents were divorced, I wrote a letter to both the mother and father. The families had no addresses or any way of contacting their loved ones, so the nurses tried as best we could to get messages home as to how their loved one was doing.

"When the severe wounded came in by ship and had to be transported to the hospital for more serious treatment, the nurses climbed into the back of the ambulance with the wounded and escorted them to the hospital. I rode with hundreds

serviceman in ambulances. I only weighed 98 pounds the entire time I was in the service and we put in long hard days, with a lot of heavy lifting and overwhelming stress in dealing with the various situations."

According to Summers' eldest son, Jack, her father signed the papers for her to go join the Navy at age 17. She entered the service on Oct. 21, 1943, at Palm Beach Florida; after training, she was sent to Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. She became a nurse in the Navy Medic-Core.

Summers and Seeley, her future husband, met aboard a U.S. hospital ship at Pearl Harbor. He drove the ambulances and help transfer wounded servicemen from the ships to the hospitals.

Her nickname at Pearl Harbor was Smiley and Seeley's nickname was Tex because he was from Texas.

She served a little more than two years at Pearl Harbor. In July 1945, she and Seeley were married, and on Nov. 10, 1945, she was discharged from the service.

In 1946 the couple moved to Atlas, Penn., where Evelyn Summers was from. Seeley went to work in the coal mines, which was what the occupation almost everyone in that part of the country did. There was just not much other work. Coal mining families had a rough time, with many dying of Black Lung Disease or fatal mine cave-ins. Summers' father and maternal grandfather had both died of Black Lung Disease.

There were several cave-in at the mines during the time Evelyn and Seeley were in Pennsylvania, so after a really bad one, the couple decided to move back to Roys City, where he was born and raised.



Evelyn Summers, 86, frequently recounts her war experiences at Pearl Harbor to her friends at the Roys City Senior Citizen Center during their daily lunches.

Photo by Millie Jean Coppedge/Rockwall County News

"In February 1947, I was born," Jack said. "In September 1947 we moved back to Roys City. We lived in several rent house in Roys City. Then dad had a small house built at 802 N. Houston, which was called Maple Street at the time. That was about 1953 before I started to school. My brother, Bob, was born 18 months later, then when I was 6 years old, Joseph was born. Our dad worked for the Texas Highway Department in Roys City.

"Mother became a LVN, then a registered nurse for the State of Texas. She practiced until the early 1980s at many facilities including Baylor Hospital in Dallas, Doctor's Hospital in Garland and several nursing homes.

"Mother wouldn't hardly ever talk about the war or Pearl Harbor. I do know that mother worked a lot in the operating rooms as they brought in the injured. She did a

lot of plastic surgery. Some terrible things I have to have been horrible to her but she just kept going herself," Jack said.

"Mother did talk a lot about her childhood and her father, Frank, was born in the coal mines in Pennsylvania. Her job was to lead the team that pulled the coal-loaded cars from the coal mines. Her mother was of Polish parents in America. She worked as a seamstress," Jack said.

Evelyn's beloved Seeley died March 13, 2003.

Yes, there was a time about Pearl Harbor. Evelyn Summers doesn't even have to say "Hello" you will hear her stories and also understand why she is Smiley. She keeps friends at the Roys City Center and at the Senior Center where she has lunch well entertained with teasing friends about things, until she turns and informs them on all the details of Pearl Harbor.

What a wonderful time to have been to the mines suffering and lonely so far away from home. Summers, thank you for your service during your time in the military and for not letting down what our country endured this tragic time in our history.



Evelyn (Zaleski) Summers, pictured above at the time she served at Pearl Harbor during World War II. This photo was taken at boot camp at the Roys City College in 1943. She now has made Roys City her home for about 60 years.

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Back-2-School Bash set Aug. 8 in Roys

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Local businesses, organizations and volunteers are needed with the following:

- Host a game (costume contest, ring toss, face painting, balloon animals, etc.)
- Help with the event (rental has been provided; volunteers just operate during the event)
- Distribute candy or frozen popsicles provided; volunteers just help make the cotton candy, distribute it)
- Distribute supplies (local businesses distribute pens, pencils, notebooks, etc.; items with company logos are acceptable)

Anyone whose business organization would like to participate or interested should contact Paula at 972-524-4846 or paula@royscity.com.

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Public vote could boost RCHF grant

The Rockwall County Historical Foundation has received a \$2,000 grant, but that number could be boosted by \$10,000. The foundation received the grant money through the efforts of The Fite Agency and Safeco Insurance. The agency approached the foundation and offered to provide volunteers to assist in the Vintage Base Ball fundraisers. After helping out the foundation, the agency submitted an entry in the Safeco Insurance Make More Happen Awards and won \$2,000 for the RCHF. The foundation now has the chance to increase that amount. In coming weeks, Safeco Insurance will build on its Make More Happen campaign by providing a vote-off that could translate into an extra \$10,000 for the RCHF. Currently, The Fite Agency is one of the top four vote-getters. Individuals ages 13 or older can vote for their favorite volunteers - to vote for the RCHF, vote for The Fite Agency - once each day until the contest ends at 10 a.m. PDT on Aug. 19. To cast a vote, visit safeco.com/about-safeco/community/make-more-happen-vote. A link to the voting site also can be found at safeco.com.

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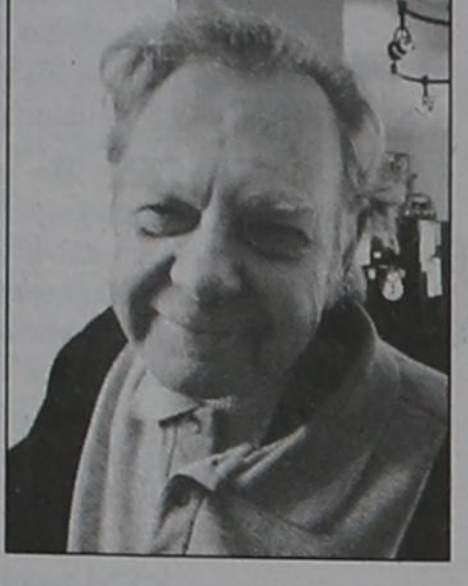
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Clarence D. Lively

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Picasso, a greyhound-shepherd mix short-coated adult male, was surrendered by a family to the shelter. When he arrived, he was frightened and had a large laceration on his head that required sutures. Rockwall PAWS provided heartworm treatment, so the 8-year-old Picasso is ready to go to his new home. He is current on vaccinations, neutered and housebroken; can be "cat-tested" if needed; however, he is great with children and other dogs. For more details, visit the Rockwall Animal Adoption Center, 1825 W. Airport Road, Rockwall or visit rockwalladoptions.com. Courtesy photo/ Rockwall County News

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Women of Influence Tea set Aug. 17

Women of Influence Tea sponsored by the Rockwall Republican Women will be conducted Aug. 17. The doors of the Stone River will open at 10 a.m. to allow everyone to bid on silent auction items. Lunch will run from 2 p.m. with Kim Watson of GOPbuzz serving as keynote. The event will include entertainment and recognition of women of influence. Tickets cost \$30 each; a reserved table for \$300 will receive special recognition. Space is limited; reservations should be made soon. For more details call Marcia 972-711-1780. For tickets contact Donna Kirby at donna@...

Butteground Texas volunteers to meet

Butteground Texas volunteers will meet from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Harry Myers Community Center, 815 E. Washington...

STARS seeking donations for quarterly lunch

(Somerset Toasting Area Retired Citizens) is seeking donations for a quarterly lunch for the residents of Reece Manor (retirement facility) in Rockwall. For more details contact Kellye at 972-998-6116.

Lakeside Civic Chorus seeking singers

Lakeside Civic Chorus, now beginning its 30th year, is seeking singers. No audition is required; potential singers simply undergo a voice placement for the best section match. Interest in joining the chorus should be at the First United Methodist Church in Rockwall at 7 p.m. Aug. 20. For more details visit lakesidechorus.org.

Royston City site of Aug. 23 Back-2-School Bash

The HOTRC will host a Back-2-School Bash from 9 p.m. Aug. 23 on Main Street in Royston City. Businesses or individuals that would like to participate or those who would like gear should contact Paula Morris at 972-524-4846 or paula.morris@roystoncity.com.

Helping Hands plans school supply drive

Rockwall County Helping Hands has organized a school supply drive to help provide the less fortunate children in the community with supplies needed for a successful school year. In lieu of donated supplies, monetary donations and gift cards also will be accepted. Items may be dropped off or mailed to Helping Hands, 11111 Building A, Rockwall, TX 75087. Donations also may be made online at rockwallhelpinghands.com. For more details visit rockwallhelpinghands.com.

School supply drive set for Boys & Girls Club

Parents can help send Boys and Girls Club members from Rockwall County back to school with the tools they need to dropping school supplies at one of these community partner locations: Chase Bank (Rockwall locations), Culvers, Old Navy and Staples. All items are delivered to the local club and distributed to members prior to the start of school.

Doggie Splash Day set Sept. 7

Rockwall Parks & Recreation Department's annual Doggie Day will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 7 at the Harry Myers Community Center, 815 E. Washington. Cost will be \$5 per dog; owners get in charge. Proof of rabies vaccinations will be required for each dog to enter to the pool. Owners will be held responsible for their dog's behavior.

Duck Dash to sideline Rubber Duck Regatta

This year's Rockwall Rubber Duck Regatta will include a 5K race, a Duck Dash which will raise funds for the Rockwall Boys & Girls Club and Meals on Wheels Senior Services of Rockwall. The Duck Dash will begin at 8 a.m. Sept. 21, followed by the Family Walk and 5K at 8:30 a.m. Registration costs \$35 for the 5K and \$20 for the 1K. Duck Dash T-shirts will be distributed; racing caps will be provided for the first 600 registrants. The best dressed male and female costume will each win a pair of Newton running shoes. The event will be managed by Event Southwest, using ChronoTrack timing technology. More than 1,000 runners are expected. To register, visit register@azumedia.com/reg/form?eventID=3087.

Artisan Fine Arts Festival slated

Rockwall County Alliance for the Arts will host The Harbor Fine Arts Festival Sept. 21. Works from some of the most prominent artisans will be featured in the day-long festival. Items scheduled to be featured include sculpture, glass, fiber, painting, drawing, wood, fiber, jewelry, digital, ceramics, photography, mixed media, printmaking and graphics. Entertainment also will be featured. A portion of the proceeds from the festival will benefit the Alliance. A limited number of artist spaces remain available. For more details visit rockwallarts.org.

Rockwall firefighters plan Oct. 12 open house

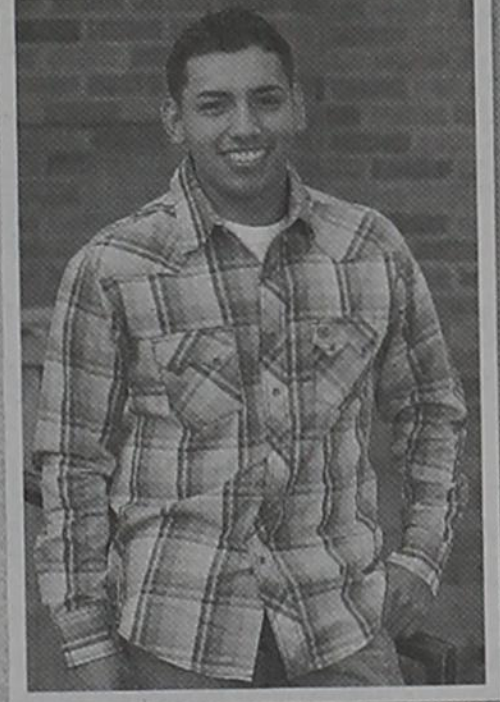
Rockwall firefighters will host their 10th annual open house from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Oct. 12 at Fire Station #2, 920 Rockwall Parkway. The event will include food, activities, fire safety tips for the family, and the opportunity to visit with firefighters and view firefighting equipment.

Auditions set at RCP for 'Foreigner'

Auditions for the Rockwall Community Playhouse's rendition of "Foreigner," which will be performed Feb. 7-9, 14-16 and 21-23, will be held at 1 p.m. Dec. 14 at the playhouse, which is located at 1111 E. Russell. For more details visit rockwallcommunityplayhouse.org.

CAVENDER'S BACK-2-SCHOOL SALE

Sale Ends Aug. 13th

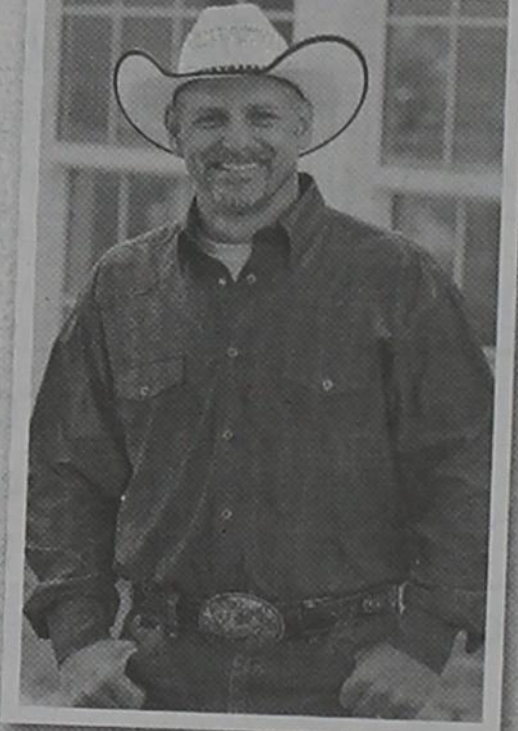


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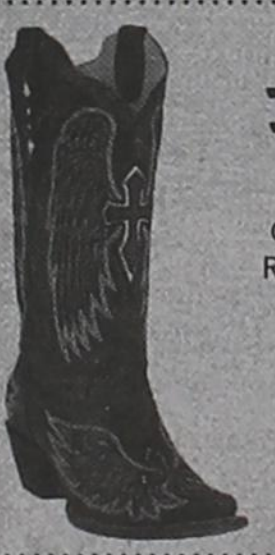
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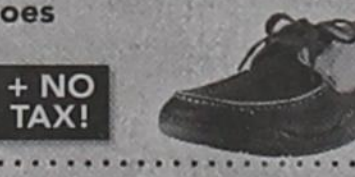
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Helping Hands Food Pantry needs items for shelves

The Helping Hands Food Pantry is in need of several items to help fill its shelves, according to information distributed by the agency last week.

Current items needed include cereal, peanut butter, jelly, macaroni and cheese, fruit, Pop-Tarts, applesauce, cheese, spaghetti, crackers, canned fruit, bread, Hamburger Helper, canned meats, flour and sugar. Individuals with gardens also are encouraged to donate fresh produce.

The agency also is in need of box fans to be provided to individuals and families without air conditioning.

Last year, Helping Hands distributed 28,000 bags of food valued at

more than \$250,000.

For more information, contact Helping Hands at 972-771-4357.

Anyone interested in conducting a food drive to benefit Helping Hands should contact Marsha Chapman, program manager, at 972-771-4357 or marshachapman@rockwallhelpinghands.com.

Rubber Duck Regatta, Duck Fest Sept. 20-21

The Rockwall Rubber Duck Regatta & Duck Fest is set for Sept. 20-21 at The Harbor.

On Sept. 20, activities will run from 3 p.m. to 10 p.m. Vendors, food booths, a free concert and fireworks are planned. Activities will be "cooler friendly," according to promotional materials.

On Sept. 21, vendors, food and a kid zone will sideline the Rubber Duck Beauty Pageant and Rubber Duck Races. A 5K run also is planned. Activities will run from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information visit rockwallduckrace.org or visit the Facebook page at facebook.com/rockwallduckrace.

Proceeds will benefit the Boys & Girls Club of Rockwall and Meals on Wheels of Rockwall.

Rockwall County Entertainment

'Zombie Prom' scheduled at RCP

The Rockwall Community Playhouse will offer "Zombie Prom," a "campy, rollicking musical with a vintage of America and the golden age of sci-fi horror," Aug. 15-18. Shows will be at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, 2 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets visit rockwallcommunityplayhouse.org or call 972-722-2462.

Iron Chef Challenge planned

The Iron Chef Challenge, a fundraising event for the Club of Rockwall County, will run from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the South Fork Ranch. Teams of 10 will be matched with a professional chef who will help create culinary masterpieces; teams will compete against other teams comprised of corporate, civic and individuals. The final dishes will be ranked, with the ultimate award being presented by celebrity judges. Other awards will be given. For more details contact Misti Potter at misti7@rockwallclub.org or 972-722-2462.

RSM to offer 'King and I'

Rockwall Summer Musicals will stage its production of "King and I" Aug. 15-18 at the Rockwall High School Performing Arts Center, 1201 T.L. Townsend. Performances will begin at 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, 2 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets visit rockwallsummermusicals.org.

'Grease' set at RCP

The Rockwall Community Playhouse will offer its production of "Grease" at 7:30 p.m. Aug. 17 and 2 p.m. Aug. 18. Tickets may be purchased online at buy.ticketstothetheatre.com/event_id=2492.

Philharmonic performance set Aug. 31

The Greater Rockwall Philharmonic Orchestra will present "Musical America" beginning at 8 p.m. Aug. 31 at The Harbor, Rockwall. Admission will be free of charge. For more information call 972-771-3573.

Royse City FunFest scheduled Oct. 19

The Royse City Chamber of Commerce will host its Royse City FunFest Oct. 19. The event will include a children's carnival, arts and crafts vendors, food, a children's pageant, dog show, eating and Hula Hoop contests, a truck pull and a professional performance. Scheduled is the inaugural RunFest, as well as the Boy Scout Breakfast, Girl Scout Spaghetti Dinner, blood drive and more. For more details or to reserve vendor space, call 972-636-5000 or email info@roysecitychamber.com. Activities and rules are available at roysecitychamber.com.

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Notice is hereby given that the District Judges of the 382nd and 439th Judicial
District Courts of Rockwall County, Texas, will conduct a public hearing at 8:00
a.m. on the 27th day of August 2013, in the 382nd District Courtroom located in the
Rockwall County Courthouse at 1111 E. Yellowjacket Lane in Rockwall, Texas.
The purpose of this public hearing is:

- To receive public comment on the proposed annual compensation for the County Auditor, Assistant Auditors, and Court Reporters, and on the proposed budget for the Office of County Auditor for the budget year ending September 30, 2014.
- To set the annual compensation for the County Auditor, Assistant Auditors, and Court Reporters, and set the budget for the Office of County Auditor for the budget year ending September 30, 2014.

Written comments received prior to the public hearing will become part of the hearing record. The public is invited to attend and make comment.

Public Notice
Rockwall County invites sealed bids on the following bid numbers for road construction materials for the Road & Bridge Department:

Bid 13-08-015 Hot Asphalt Concrete	Bid 13-08-019 Flex Base
Bid 13-08-016 Asphalts & Emulsions	Bid 13-08-020 Corrugated Metal Pipe
Bid 13-08-017 Gas and Diesel	Bid 13-08-021 Lime Slurry
Bid 13-08-018 Aggregate for Surface Treatment	Bid 13-08-022 Aggregate Hauling
Bid 13-08-023 Cement Treated Material Super Slurry	

Bid specifications are on file in the Rockwall County Auditor's office, 1111 E. Yellowjacket Lane, Ste 202, Rockwall, Texas.

Bids must state a unit price for the materials and be submitted in a sealed envelope marked on the outside with the appropriate Bid Number and Product Name, to Lisa Constant Wylie, Rockwall County Auditor, 1111 E. Yellowjacket Lane, Ste 202, Rockwall, Texas 75087, on or before Friday, August 23, 2013 at 2:00 p.m.

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NOTICE OF HEARING
ON THE PROPOSED ANNUAL COMPENSATION FOR THE COUNTY
AUDITOR, ASSISTANT AUDITORS, AND COURT REPORTERS, AND
THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE OFFICE OF COUNTY AUDITOR
STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF ROCKWALL

Notice is hereby given that the District Judges of the 382nd and 439th Judicial
District Courts of Rockwall County, Texas, will conduct a public hearing at 8:00
a.m. on the 27th day of August 2013, in the 382nd District Courtroom located in the
Rockwall County Courthouse at 1111 E. Yellowjacket Lane in Rockwall, Texas.
The purpose of this public hearing is:

- To receive public comment on the proposed annual compensation for the County Auditor, Assistant Auditors, and Court Reporters, and on the proposed budget for the Office of County Auditor for the budget year ending September 30, 2014.
- To set the annual compensation for the County Auditor, Assistant Auditors, and Court Reporters, and set the budget for the Office of County Auditor for the budget year ending September 30, 2014.

Written comments received prior to the public hearing will become part of the hearing record. The public is invited to attend and make comment.

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2013 Property Tax Rates in City of Heath

This notice concerns 2013 property tax rates for City of Heath. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:

Last year's operating taxes	\$2,850,118
Last year's debt taxes	\$861,739
Last year's total taxes	\$3,711,857
Last year's tax base	\$1,081,228,457
Last year's total tax rate	0.343300/\$100

This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$3,810,170
+This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$1,079,678,617
=This year's effective tax rate	0.352800/\$100

This year's rollback tax rate:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$2,929,306
+This year's adjusted tax base	\$1,079,678,617
=This year's effective operating rate	0.271300/\$100
×1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	0.293000/\$100
+This year's debt rate	0.079700/\$100
=This year's rollback rate	0.372700/\$100

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If City of Heath adopts a 2013 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of 0.352800 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2012 taxes by \$ 179,821.

Schedule A: Unencumbered Fund Balances:

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
M&O	2,019,449
I&S	799,053

Schedule B: 2013 Debt Service:

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
2013 Certificates of Obligation	30,000	62,090	0	92,090
2013 Refunding	0	34,559	0	34,559
2010 Refunding	225,000	72,125	0	297,125
2007 Certificates of Obligation	261,474	215,099	0	476,573
2004 Refunding	155,000	8,740	0	163,740
Capital Lease for Fire Truck	49,760	5,478	0	55,238
Debt for Pistol Range	24,662	1,587	0	26,249
Debt for Animal Shelter	30,077	4,960	0	35,037
Total required for 2013 debt service				\$1,180,611
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A				\$278,000
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources				\$0
- Excess collections last year				\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2013				\$902,611
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 100.000000% of its taxes in 2013				\$0
= Total Debt Levy				\$902,611

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 841 Justin Road, Rockwall, TX 75087. Name of person preparing this notice: Ray E. Helm Title: Chief Appraiser Date prepared: July 29, 2013

Opinions

Why Won't They Tell Us the Truth About NSA Spying?

by Ron Paul
Ronpaulinstitute.org
In 2001, the Patriot Act opened the door to US government monitoring of Americans without a warrant. It was unconstitutional, but most in Congress over my strong objection were so determined to do something after the attacks of 9/11 that they did not seem to give it too much thought. Civil liberties groups were concerned, and some of us in Congress warned about giving up our liberties even in the post-9/11 panic. But at the time most Americans did not seem too worried about the intrusion.

This complacency has suddenly shifted given recent revelations of the extent of government spying on Americans. Politicians and bureaucrats are faced with serious backlash from Americans outraged that their most personal communications are intercepted and stored. They had been told that only the terrorists would be monitored. In response to this anger, defenders of the program have time and again resorted to spreading lies and distortions. But these untruths are now being exposed very quickly.

In a Senate hearing this March, Director of National Intelligence James Clapper told Senator Ron Wyden that the NSA did not collect phone records of millions of Americans. This was just three months before the revelations of an NSA leaker made it clear that Clapper was not telling the truth. Pressed on his false testimony before Congress, Clapper apologized for giving an "erroneous" answer but claimed it was just because he "simply didn't think of Section 215 of the Patriot Act." Wow.

As the story broke in June of the extent of warrantless NSA spying against Americans, House Intelligence Committee Chairman Mike Rogers assured us that the project was a strictly limited and not invasive. He described it as a "lockbox with only phone numbers, no names, no addresses in it, we've used it sparingly, it is absolutely overseen by the legislature, the judicial branch and the executive branch, has lots of protections built in..."

But we soon discovered that also was not true either in another Guardian newspaper article last week that "X-Keyscore" program allows even low-level analysts with no prior authorization through vast databases containing the chats and the browsing histories of millions of Americans.

The keys to Rogers' "lockbox" seem to have been everyone but the janitors! As Chairman of the Committee on Intelligence Rogers was supposed to be most in the loop on these matters, it seems the rest of us. It sure would be nice to know which one of the rest of us.

Likewise, Rep. Rogers and many other defenders of the program promised us that this dragnet scooping up electronic communications of millions of Americans stopped "dozens" of terrorist plots against the United States. NSA director General Keith Alexander claimed that the bulk collection of Americans' phone and other electronic records "foiled 50 terror plots."

Opponents of the program were to be charged with being against our security.

But none of it was true.

The Senate Judiciary Committee yesterday heard dramatic testimony from NSA deputy director John C. Inglis. According to him, "The NSA has previously claimed that 54 terrorist plots were disrupted 'over the lifetime' of the bulk phone records program. The separate program collecting the internet habits and communications of people believed to be non-Americans. On Wednesday, he admitted that at most one plot might have been disrupted by the records collection alone."

From dozens to "at most one"?

Supporters of these programs are now on the defensive, competing pieces of legislation in the House and Senate to rein in an administration and intelligence apparatus that is out of control. This is to be commended. What is even more commendable, though, is for more and more and more Americans to stand up for themselves about our precious liberties and to demand that our government abide by the Constitution. We do not have to lie to -- or spied on -- by our government.

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ACROSS

- 1 TXism: "___ as hen's teeth"
- 5 TXism: "beats anything I ___ saw"
- 6 TX Willie's 1985 benefit: Farm ___
- 7 TX Swayze film: "Red ___" ('84)
- 8 TXism: "give ___ rest!" (shut up)
- 9 disorderly crowd
- 12 TXism: "all over but the shouting"
- 17 TX Nolan Ryan had ___ clause in last Ranger contract
- 19 Fiesta Texas' "Iron Rattler" was ___ before steel
- 21 TXism: "fast as ___ lightning"
- 22 this Tubb was the "Texas Troubadour"
- 23 take away the six-shooter
- 28 "___ in Peace"
- 29 TXism for "pond"
- 30 TXism: "call ___" (quit)
- 31 Denton's Ann Sheridan was the "___ Girl"
- 35 TX phrase in the Texas Crossword
- 36 TXism: "too big for ___"
- 42 early TX cattleman "___ Pierce"
- 44 former Aquarena Springs had "___ the Diving Pig"
- 46 estate inheritor
- 47 can do
- 49 "truth" so. of the border
- 50 this Lanham was 23rd gov. of TX (init.)
- 51 TX computer maker
- 52 Colo. ski destination
- 53 west TX climate
- 54 Ripley's "Believe ___ Not"
- 55 TXism: "shoots ___ eye bullets" (good shot)
- 57 Kristin was ___ mistress on series "Dallas"

DOWN

- 1 TXism: "you're ___" (thinking alike)
- 2 one description of TX Howard Hughes
- 3 in Bowie Co. on 67
- 4 a pen name for TX Sandra Brown: St. Claire
- 9 transit in Dallas or Houston
- 10 "Tallahatchie Bridge" song of 1967
- 11 TX Farrah film: "The Burning ___"
- 12 female sheep
- 13 no. Waco suburb
- 14 actor Drake in film "Son of Belle Starr"
- 15 this Barbara was TX Hagman's "Jeannie"
- 16 office furniture item
- 18 UT dropout Pat Hingle film: "Norma ___"
- 20 Cleveland OC Norv who was Cowboy OC in '91-'93 (init.)
- 23 ___ boll, TX
- 24 global manufacturing co. based in U.S.
- 25 jazz instrument of TX Ornette Coleman
- 26 TXism: "limp as ___ rag"
- 27 skin eruptions
- 32 TXism: "got knocked down a peg ___ two"
- 33 former Cowboy "Playmaker" (init.)
- 34 JFK's boat ___ 109
- 36 ___ Bissinger wrote "Friday Night Lights" about TX football
- 37 TX Trini's "If ___ Hammer"
- 38 cavalry
- 39 a Man
- 40 TX Mer
- 41 '65 film of Kate
- 41 "spic" ___
- 43 TX leg
- 45 many TX mot
- 48 TXism: "the ___"
- 49 Jerry ___
- 1994
- 56 TX ___

2013 Property Tax Rates in City of McLendon-Chisholm

This notice concerns 2013 property tax rates for City of McLendon-Chisholm. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:

Last year's operating taxes	
Last year's debt taxes	
Last year's total taxes	\$177,000
Last year's tax base	0,097,000
Last year's total tax rate	

This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	
+This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$180,000
=This year's effective tax rate	0.097400

This year's rollback tax rate:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	
+This year's adjusted tax base	\$180,000
=This year's effective operating rate	0.097400
×1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	0.105192
+This year's debt rate	0.000000
=This year's rollback rate	0.105192

Statement of Increase/Decrease
If City of McLendon-Chisholm adopts a 2013 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of 0.097400 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2012 taxes by \$ 11,291.

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 841 Justin Road, Rockwall, TX 75087. Name of person preparing this notice: Ray E. Helm Title: Chief Appraiser Date prepared: July 29, 2013

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 Thomas Jefferson

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City Council of the City of Rockwall will hold a public hearing to hear comments regarding the proposed 2013-2014 budget. The hearing will be held on Monday August 19, 2013 at 6:00p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 385 South Goliad Street. All interested parties are encouraged to attend.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET

Royse City I.S.D.
 (name of school district)
 will hold a public meeting at 6:30pm, August 26, 2013
 (time, date, year)
 Epps Education Center Board Room, 810 Old Greenville Rd.
 (name of room, building, physical location)
 Royse City, TX
 (city, state)

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

Applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is provided for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	% increase or 3.39 % (decrease)
Debt service	6.28 % increase or % (decrease)
Total expenditures	% increase or 2.14 % (decrease)

On July 8 Texans received the news that Gov. (Rick) Perry will not run for re-election. After 12 years of Rick Perry's policies it is time to have a real discussion about the issues that matter to Texas' families.
 Texans deserve better than they got from 12 years of Rick Perry. Under Gov. Perry and the Republican-led legislature Texas lost expanded healthcare access for more than a million Texans, saw billions of dollars in funding gutted from public schools at a time when Texas has fallen behind in education standards. Texas leads the nation in repeat teen pregnancy, yet legislators refused to promote evidence based sex education in schools. Perry refused to sign a bipartisan pay equity bill that would address the wage discrimination women face every day. His refusal of federal funds left the state with insufficient transportation funding and a third expensive special session of the Texas Legislature.
 Given the current Republican-led legislative playbook, it's no wonder people all over Texas are standing up and making their voices heard in Austin. On April 9, Blue Ribbon Lobby Day, 400-plus Democrats, mostly women, from all over Texas traveled to Austin to speak to their legislators about the issues that matter to Texas women: healthcare, education, women's rights and equal pay for women. On June 25, Sen. Wendy Davis stood up on the Senate floor for 11 hours to filibuster Gov. Perry's extreme anti-woman legislation.
 Sen. Davis's filibuster awakened Texans all over the state. Thousands of people went to Austin and hundreds of women gave testimony. Millions of people worldwide followed these events on the internet and social media.
 In 2014 Texans will elect a new governor. I think Texans are ready to engage in serious conversations on serious issues: access to affordable healthcare, excellence in education, equal treatment under the law for everyone, equal pay for women, protecting our air and water for our children and grandchildren, taking care of our veterans, jobs that pay a living wage. These are real issues effecting real Texas families.

Texans say they are tired of politicians who hold extremist views on issues that matter to their family. I believe Texans will be turning to credible sources for information on issues because they are ready to engage in serious conversations.
 Judith Matherne
 County Chair
 Rockwall Democratic Party

Rockwall seeks applicants for Youth Advisory Council

The City of Rockwall is accepting applications from students interested in serving on the 2013-2014 Rockwall Youth Advisory Council.
 A student must be a high school student residing within the city limits of Rockwall to be considered as an applicant, according to a city news release.
 The purpose of the Rockwall YAC is to provide participation by local youth in municipal government and to teach students about local government operations. The YAC takes initiatives directed toward effective change that benefits local youth and provides community impact through organized participation in various city-sponsored activities and events.
 For more information or to submit an application online, visit rockwall.com/youthcouncil. Applications deadline is Aug. 30.
 At least one letter of recommendation is required from each applicant; once applications are reviewed, interviews to fill vacancies will follow.
 For more information, contact Kristy Ashberry, city secretary, at 972-772-6406 or email kashberry@rockwall.com.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Royse City I.S.D.
 (name of school district)
 will hold a public meeting at 6:30pm, August 26, 2013
 (time, date, year)
 in Epps Education Center Board Room, 810 Old Greenville Rd.
 (name of room, building, physical location)
 Royse City, Texas
 (city, state)

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The school district has elected to adopt a tax rate before receiving the certified appraisal roll from the chief appraiser(s) of the appraisal district(s) and before adopting a budget. In accordance with Texas Tax Code, Section 26.05(g), the chief appraiser(s) of the appraisal district(s) in which the school district participates has (have) certified to the assessor for the school district an estimate of the taxable value of property in the school district as provided by the Texas Tax Code, Section 26.01(e). In accordance with the Texas Education Code, Section 44.004(j), following adoption of the tax rate, the school district will publish notice and hold another public meeting before the school district adopts a budget.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$ 1.17	/ \$100	(Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax	\$ 0.50	/ \$100	(Proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)
Approved by Local Voters			

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value

(as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year*
Total appraised value** of all property	\$ 1,287,260,692	\$ 1,314,961,418
Total appraised value** of new property***	\$ 24,177,336	\$ 32,126,253
Total taxable value**** of all property	\$ 1,087,148,683	\$ 1,111,619,466
Total taxable value**** of new property***	\$ 22,720,928	\$ 31,524,008

* All values identified are based on estimate(s) of taxable value received pursuant to Section 26.01(e), Tax Code.
 ** "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.
 *** "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.
 **** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$ 107,257,668
 * Outstanding principal.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$ 1.17	\$.50	\$ 1.67	\$ 3.758	\$ 5.094
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$ 1.19066	\$.55207	\$ 1.74273	\$ 3.684	\$ 5.262
Proposed Rate	\$ 1.17	\$.50	\$ 1.67	\$ 3.700	\$ 5.273

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ 141,079	\$ 141,621
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 125,953	\$ 126,535
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ 1.67	\$ 1.67
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 2,103.42	\$ 2,113.14
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$ 9.72

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.67
 (the school district rollback rate determined under Section 26.08, Tax Code)

This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.67
 (the school district rollback rate)

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$ 7,064,588
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$ 401,050

Lawrence's TD makes the difference as Cowboys

When the Dallas Cowboys defeated the Miami Dolphins in their first preseason game Sunday night, the difference between a win and a loss was a 7-yard touchdown run in the fourth quarter by Rockwall-Heath graduate Kendal Lawrence.

Before a live crowd of 22,364 and a national television audience, Lawrence took a handoff from rookie quarterback Alex Tenney, ran through a hole at left tackle and broke to the outside to reach the end zone. The extra point gave the Cowboys a 24-13 lead with 1 minute, 57 seconds to play.

Miami came right back to score a touchdown but because of Lawrence's

TD, instead of earning a 20-17 victory the Dolphins came up short in a 24-20 loss in the Hall of Fame game at Fawcett Stadium in Canton, Ohio.

It was a good day for Dallas. In addition to the Cowboys' victory, their fans saw former guard Larry Allen and former head coach Bill Parcells inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

The touchdown run was the longest of Lawrence's five carries. One of five running backs on Dallas roster, he played just the final 5 minutes. He gained 14 yards for an average of 2.8 yards per carry. He had a chance to gain a first down on third and 1, but was stopped short. The 2009 RHHS graduate, who graduated from the University of Missouri this spring as one

of the 10 leading rushers in Tigers history, is listed at 193 pounds and unable to penetrate a Miami defensive line studded with

Dallas scouts liked what they saw of Lawrence at Miami taken in April's NFL Draft, but the Cowboys signed him to a contract.

In case you missed the televised game, you can see Lawrence run and hear the NBC-TV commentary online at <http://www.nfl.com/videos/nfl-game-highlights/0ap2000000226209/Kendal-Lawrence-7-yard-TD>

Kieschnick off to hot start in major leagues baseball

Roger Kieschnick made an immediate impact in his debut with the San Francisco Giants, the defending World Series champions.

After being recalled from the Triple-A Fresno Grizzlies, the 2005 Rockwall graduate batted in the major leagues for the first time in the first inning of the Giants' July 31 game in Philadelphia against the Phillies. Kieschnick lined a single to drive in a run. His next time up, in the third inning, he hit another run-scoring single to help his new team win 9-2.

The left-handed batter wasn't in the lineup the next night against a left-handed starting pitcher, but pinch hit in the ninth inning with San Francisco trailing 1-0. Against a right-handed reliever, Kieschnick again delivered a run-scoring single to pull the Giants into a 1-1 tie. They went on to win 2-1.

Through Monday, when Kieschnick added two more singles, he was batting .353 with three runs batted in. He had played in five games, during which the Giants won four times. They are fighting to move up from fifth place in the National League West.

Expect Kieschnick to continue playing left field mostly against right-handed starting pitchers. Right-handed-hitting veteran Jeff Francoeur, a former Texas Ranger, is likely to start most games against left-handers.

Back in the minor leagues, 2010 Rockwall-Heath graduate James Baune earned his first professional win July 31 as the Ogden (Utah) Raptors defeated Grand Junction (Colo.) in a Rookie Class Pioneer League game. In two innings that night, the right-handed pitcher struck out two batters while allowing a run on three hits.

That same night, catcher Steve Bean (RHS '12) hit his first home

run this season and second of his pro career for the Johnson City Cardinals of the Rookie Class Appalachian League. It was a special because Johnson City was playing that night against the (W.Va.) Rays and shortstop Spencer Edwards, Bean's teammate.

In a pre-game radio interview the next night, Bean said of Edwards, "On the field, he can't be my friend because we're opponents. He has been my friend ever since I remember, so I'm going to catch up with him." You can listen to the interview at http://www.milb.com/multimedia/vpp.jsp?content_id=293

Mago jumps from JV to elite football

It was no surprise that Rockwall junior running back Chris Warren was invited to last month's select Football University Top Gun national camp.

But RHS' Armoney Mago? Like Warren, Mago played football for the Yellowjackets last fall as a sophomore. But while Warren was the Jackets' leading rusher in 2012, Mago was playing on the junior varsity.

In fact, he came out of spring practice ticketed to return to JV football. He played in only one of Rockwall's 7-on-7 games this spring.

However, the staff at the FBU

regional camp liked what Mago showed, and invited him to the elite camp in Dublin, Ohio.

"I know I worked hard for it," Mago said. "I have improved in many different ways."

But was the 5-foot-10, 180-pound wide receiver up to the challenge in Ohio, in front of a staff full of former NFL coaches and players.

He said, "It was really competitive. There were a lot of really good athletes there. The coaches told me they liked what they saw."

One coach who took a particular interest in Mago was former Atlanta Falcons wide receiver

Stacey Bailey.

"Coach Bailey was throughout the day, how to run a certain play," Bailey said.

He has a new vision of what it's like to be a varsity receiver. "I like our offense. As a whole team likes to impress new coaches," Bailey said. "I'd like to be a varsity receiver. It's a good that keeps everyone that plays it. You learn life too."

RACE's Brown takes 1st place in 2 TAGS

Jace Brown placed first in two events and among the top 10 in eight individual or relay events to pace the Rockwall Aquatic Center of Excellence's strong showing in the Texas Age Group Swimming Long Course Championships.

Brown won the 11-12-year-old boys' 50- and 100-meter butterflies in 28.90 seconds and 1 minute, 2.70 seconds. He barely missed another gold medal with a second-place finish in the 50 backstroke (31.23).

Brown was seventh in both the 200 fly (2:33.80) and 200 freestyle (2:14.91), and ninth in the 200 back (2:31.95).

Once he caught his breath, he swam a leg each in the eighth-place 400 free relay (4:22.47) and ninth-place 200 free relay (1:59.11) at the Lee and Joe Jamail Texas Swim Center in Austin. Swimming in both events with him were David Johnston, Christian Weaver and William Harbin.

For the 11-12 girls, Ruth Huffman was a standout. She placed second in the 200 fly with a sectional-qualifying time of 2:32.23, was fourth in the 100 fly (1:08.95) and anchored the 200 free relay that finished second in 1:58.06 and the 400 free relay, fourth in 4:19.75.

Among the 13-14 girls, Marcy


Johnston achieved second in six events - four backstroke (2:26.46), 1,500 free (17:50.20), 800 free (9:20.61), 400 individual medley (5:19.19) and 22nd in the 100 backstroke.

Ahead of her in IM was teammate Manly, seventh in

David Johnston placed 10th in the 200 free

The 11-12 girls' relay team, Emma Hultquist, Sarah Janelle Hummingbird, placed in the 200 free relay, fourth in the 400 free

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- Williams Middle School

Providence Academy to start middle school sports program

The 4-year-old Providence Academy in Rockwall is adding a school athletic program this year.

The Lions will field teams in football, basketball and track and field for students in grades 6-8 at Providence or those who are home-schooled. Jeff O'Shields, formerly at Cain Middle School, will coach the sports.

Providence, a private Christian school, has no home stadium or athletic facilities, so its games during this academic year will be held at the school at Lakes Church.

The Lions will practice football on the church's activity field at Rockwall's Chilton YMCA and track and field at Cain.

When the school opened in 2009, it had just five kindergarten students. It expects to enroll more than 100 this year.

More information is available at www.providencelions.org.

Hot Rocks more than just a bike ride

There will be something for just about everyone when Hot Rocks Bike Ride comes to Wilkerson-Sanders Memorial Park Saturday.

The event, scheduled to begin at 7:30 a.m., will include races through the area's countryside at distances of 13, 23, 33 and 43 miles. New this year will be loops of 3 and 6 miles for children.

Hot Rocks, a fundraiser for the Rockwall Noon Rotary, will feature BMX stunt shows, bounce houses, games and other activities.

Volunteers will be asked to give racers drinks, ice and fruit along the route. Applebee's is providing lunch for the racers, competing for cash prizes for the top three finishers among both men and women.

Last year's champions were Ginny King, winning for the women, and Brett Crosby.

Proceeds from the entry fees of \$35 for adults and \$15 for children go toward the Noon Rotary Club's college scholarships.

TxDOT award contract for I-30 project near Fate

The Texas Department of Transportation recently approved a contract for a planned I-30 interchange improvement project near Fate.

The project will rebuild the I-30 interchange at FM 551 and taking the interstate over a newly widened FM 551, providing access to both sides, according to a TxDOT news release.

The 2.5-mile project was awarded to contractor Webber Construction for an amount of \$30.8 million.

Construction start dates will be determined in upcoming negotiations between TxDOT and contractors. Once work begins, the project is expected to take approximately 24 months to complete.

Road conditions and traffic updates will be available on the TxDOT website, on Facebook at facebook.com/txdot, and on Twitter at twitter.com/txdot.

For more details, contact TxDOT Dallas District public information officer Tony Hartzel at tony.hartzel@txdot.gov or 214-320-4481.