

# Rockwall County News

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## County details tornado recovery role, resources

Rockwall County Judge David Sweet, in a news release dated Dec. 28 and distributed Jan. 4, provided an overview of the resources recently being made available to victims of the EF-3 tornado that razed hundreds of homes and businesses in the county on Dec. 26.

Rowlett and Rockwall County are now in the recovery phase of disaster operations," Sweet said in the release. "The recovery process can take days, weeks and even months for those residences and businesses that were heavily damaged or destroyed."

The cities of Rowlett and Garland, which also sustained tornadoes, have established a Joint Disaster Management Resource Center at the Franger Recreation Center, 1310 W. Ave. F in Garland, Sweet said. The phone number for the center, which offers volunteers, residents impacted by the storm and organizations providing resources a "one-stop" connection, is 972-205-2771.

The center is providing the following three components:

- Volunteer Reception Center – Disaster volunteers will be registered and referred to local agencies to assist with relief efforts.
- Client Disaster Services Center – Residents impacted by the storm can get assistance/access to a multitude of resources and other agencies.
- Donations Management – Voluntary organizations with established donation structures in place can receive and deliver appropriate donated goods to disaster victims.

The resource center will operate from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily, according to the release. DART is offering free bus shuttle service and from the center for residents affected by the storm. Buses will depart from Herfurth Elementary, located on Miller at Chiesa, from 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. each day.

Because of advanced warnings and the actions of first responders, Sweet said in the release, no fatalities as a result of the tornado were reported within the City of Rowlett or Rockwall County.

Additional resources for victims of the storm may be found by contacting the Rockwall County Emergency Management at 972-41-7080 or on Facebook at facebook.com/rcemo or Helping Hands Rockwall County, 972-771-HELP (4357).



Mike Collier, Chief Building Inspector for the City of Jasper, Texas, (shown in the car), assists in assessing structural damage caused by the Sat. Dec. 26, 2015 tornadoes that destroyed many homes in a housing development off Dalrock Road in Rowlett. Representing the Building Officials Association of Texas, Collier left home at 3:00 a.m., Mon. Dec 28 to begin the assessment process and assist as needed. Collier also assisted in the recent flood damage assessment and relief efforts in Wimberly, Texas. Shown at front is a home that was reduced to a large mound of rubble.

Photo by Tim Burnett/Rockwall County News

## City of Rockwall preparing for May 7 council election

The City of Rockwall is expected to call for a May 7 election to determine City Council members for Places 2, 4 and 6, according to a news release issued by the municipality Monday afternoon.

Each of the open positions is for a two-year term, and all three incumbents – John Hohenshelt, Place 2, Dennis Lewis, Place 4, and Mike Townsend, Place 6 – are eligible to run for an additional term if they choose to do so, according to the release.

Information for potential candidates is available at City Hall, 385 S. Goliad, in the city secretary's office on the third floor and online at rockwall.com/citysecretary.asp.

Applications for a place on the ballot will be accepted Wednesday, Jan. 20, through Friday, Feb. 19.

The Rockwall County elections administrator will administer the election.

Early voting will run Monday, April 25, through Tuesday, May 3, at a location to be announced by required notice; early voting will not be conducted on the Sunday during the time period noted above.

Applications for ballots by mail must be requested from and mailed

to the Rockwall County Elections Administrator's Office, 915 Whitmore Dr., Suite D, Rockwall, TX 75087, and received no later than the close of business on April 26.

Questions regarding ballots by mail, voter registration, voting locations, voter identification requirements, absentee voting, precincts and other related topics should be directed to the county elections office by calling 972-204-6200, according to the news release.

Information pertaining to the municipal election should be directed to City Secretary Kristy Cole, at 972-772-6406 or via email at kcole@rockwall.com.

### University scholastic honors

#### Three locals named to Belmont Dean's List

Three Rockwall residents were among students named to the Dean's List at Belmont University in Nashville, Tennessee, for the semester, according to a university news release.

Honorees included Hayley Baker, Raquelle Blackwood and Macy McField, according to the release.

To be named to the Dean's List, a student must carry a minimum course load of 12 hours and maintain a grade-point average of 3.5 with no grade below a C.

About 30 percent of the university's 7,400 students qualified for the Dean's List, according to the release.

#### Smith tapped for President's List

Maryellen Smith of Rockwall was one of about 480 Bob Jones University students named to the President's List following the fall semester, according to a news release from the Greenville, South Carolina, university.

Smith is a senior biology major, according to the release.

The President's List recognizes students who earn a 3.75 or higher grade-point average.

#### Aills, White named to Harding Dean's List

Two Rockwall residents were among the more than 1,300 students named to the Harding University Dean's List for the fall semester, according to a news release from the Searcy, Arkansas, university.

Honorees included Peyton Mills, a communication sciences and disorders major, and Julie White, a journalism major.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must carry 12 or more hours with a 3.65 or higher grade-point average with no incomplections.

#### Morton earns two scholarships

Austin Morton of Rockwall has received two scholarships for the 2015-2016 academic year at Emporia State University in Emporia, Kansas, according to a university news release.

Morton received the Dr. Roy and Judy Johansen Football Scholarship and the Walter and Elizabeth Butcher Scholarship, according to the release.



Children enjoyed petting farm animals and visiting with the people who performed the 10th annual First Christian Church "The Living Nativity," Sun. Dec. 20, 2015 in Rockwall.

Photo by Tim Burnett/Rockwall County News

## Wine & Dine benefit set for R'wall PAWS

Rockwall PAWS will host an evening of "FUNraising" beginning 5 p.m. on Jan. 30 at the Rockwall Golf and Athletic Club, 2600 Champions Drive, in Rockwall.

The event will include a dinner with wine, silent and live auctions, raffle and a cash bar.

Reservations should be made by Jan. 25.

Tickets cost \$55 each. Checks may be mailed to Rockwall PAWS, P.O. Box 44, Rockwall 75087 or purchased through the organization's Facebook page.

Rockwall PAWS is a 501 (c) (3) organization dedicated to helping animals in Rockwall and the surrounding area. Rockwall PAWS funds the treatment of heartworm-positive Rockwall shelter dogs, provides heartworm education and promotes the monthly Spay Neuter Network low-cost spay/neuter Hope Mobile.

For more details, contact Cathy at 214-532-4407 or cathy.bedsole@heartoftexasshs.com.

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### Christmas tree drop-off site offered

City of Rockwall residents can drop off live Christmas trees at the Tuttle Sports Complex parking lot, 1550 Airport Rd., through Jan. 11. All ornaments, lights and stands should be removed from trees prior to drop-off. Drop-offs from commercial operations will not be allowed.

### Republican Women to meet

Dr. Laura Pressley will be the guest speaker for the Monday, Jan. 11, meeting of the Rockwall County Republican Women at the Harry Meyers Community Center. In June, Pressley filed an appeal of a district court decision on her contested District 4 Austin City Council runoff race against Greg Casas in December 2014.

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## Rockwall County Obituaries

### Isabella Victoria dos Santos Muns

Graveside services for Isabella Victoria dos Santos Muns were conducted at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 3, 2016, in the Rest Haven Memorial Park, Rockwall. The Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

She was born and died on Dec. 30, 2015.

She was born in Kansas City, Missouri, to Philip and Lorraine Muns of Brazil.

Survivors include her parents; her brother, Isaac Philip Muns of Brazil; her grandparents, Billy Graham dos Santos, and his wife, Ariane, of Rio, Carla Valeria Almeida of Brazil and Dr. Greg and Laurie Muns of Heath; and her aunts and uncles, Priscilla Santos, Dr. Alan Muns and his wife, Kyla, and Tyler and Jade Muns.

## Blackwood is part of PBS Christmas show

Raquelle Blackwood, a Rockwall native and a commercial music major at Belmont University in Nashville, recently performed in the Christmas at Belmont concert at Nashville's Schermerhorn Symphony Center, a performance taped live and premiered nationally on PBS on Dec. 21.

More than 700 student musicians joined the Belmont School of Music faculty and the Nashville Children's Choir for the taping of the performance, which included traditional carols, classical masterworks, world music and light-hearted seasonal favorites.

## New academy designed to boost local workforce

With the new College & Career Academy in the early planning stages, local community leaders see the project as a sign the community is at the forefront of developing a local, quality workforce, according to a Rockwall Independent School District news release.

At the same time, the academy will help Rockwall ISD meet new Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board goals for students.

The new College & Career Academy, a result of the November bond election, is exciting for many community and local leaders.

"The passing of the school bond is far greater reaching than just preparing our students for college and career," said Rockwall Economic Development Corporation CEO Sheri-Franza. "It truly impacts the culture and climate of our city, our property values, our neighbors and our tax rate."

As the REDC works to broaden and diversify the tax base in the community, it also recruits industry and corporations to the community.

"The number one question asked of a site selector or business owner is 'what is the talent of your workforce?'" Franza said in the news release. "The quality of our workforce puts Rockwall in a position to attract the high-end businesses we want to have in our city. The businesses we attract have a direct impact on our culture and climate and ultimately affects the value of our real estate."

### December Ribbon-cuttings/Grand Openings

- Cavender's, 1880 E. I-30, Exit 70

## Ask Dr. Danette

by Danette McNew, D.D.S.



### FILLING IN THE MISSING PIECES

Tooth loss resulting from accidents, gum disease, unsuccessful root canal treatment, or decay necessitates treatment to restore chewing/biting ability and prevent adjacent teeth from moving into spaces left by missing teeth. While dentures and fixed bridgework used to be the most popular options, dental implants have been gaining ground largely because they look, feel, and act like real teeth. Unlike bridges, dental implants do not rely on neighboring teeth for support, which helps to protect them from damage. Unlike dentures, implants do not cause unwanted clicking noises or chewing difficulties, nor do they lead to the bone loss that is often associated with denture wear. Implants may take longer and cost more, but most patients think they are worth it.

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P.S. According to the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons, 26 percent of adults have lost all their permanent teeth by age 74.

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### Sally May (Rose) Pines

Memorial services for Sally May (Rose) Pines, 75, of Rockwall will be conducted at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 9, 2016, in the First United Methodist Church, 1200 E. Yellow Jacket Lane, Rockwall, with Pastor Joe Pool officiating. A reception will immediately follow at the Lakeside Village Community Center. The Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel is in charge of memorial service arrangements.

She died Dec. 29, 2015.

Born June 9, 1940, in Zanesville, Ohio, to Francis and Margaret (Barr) Rose, she was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Rockwall.

She was a member of the Lake Side Village golf community and a dedicated supporter of the Food Pantry at Helping Hands. For the past 10 years she could be found stocking shelves and filling orders for those in need. She had lived in Rockwall for 21 years.

Survivors include her sons, Tod and Trent Pines; her grandchildren, Tyler Christian Pines, Quaid Jackson Pines, Finnley Crosby Pines, Ashleigh Nicole Erdman and Lindsey Marie Erdman; her great-granddaughter, Paiton Marie Broda; and two sisters, Sandy Bartos and Susan Dorr.

Her husband, John "Jack" Pines, and their best friends, Pugsley and Pugster, preceded her in death.

The family has suggested memorial contributions may be made to the Food Pantry at Rockwall County Helping Hands, 950 Williams Campus, Rockwall, TX 75087 or rockwallhelpinghands.com.



### Bennett Wade

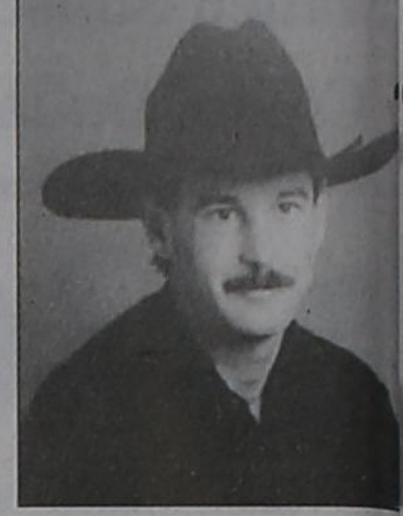
A night of remembrance for Bennett Wade, 64, of Fate will be conducted from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 11, 2016, at the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel.

He died Jan. 1.

Born Sept. 22, 1951, in Dallas to Erval and Mary Louise (Brightwell) Wade, he graduated from Bryan Adams High School in Dallas as a member of the Class of 1970. He was a power equipment specialist for Home Depot in Rockwall.

Survivors include his wife of 20 years, Kathy Pittman-Wade Fate; a son, Zach Wade of Tulsa; a sister, Lisa Wade of Wylie; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

His parents and a sister, Sheila Galloway, preceded him in death.



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She reported election irregularities associated with the tabulation of electronic votes and, as a candidate, has filed a contest of election results. She will speak on Cracking the Code: Electronic Vote Machine Corruption in Texas. Dinner will be at 6:30 p.m., with program starting at 7 p.m.

### Democratic Men to meet Feb. 6

The Democratic Men's Group of Rockwall County will meet Saturday, Feb. 6, at The Mellow Mushroom, 550 I-30 Frontage Road, Rockwall. The group meets for lunch at noon on the first Saturday each month at various local restaurants. Open-minded, progressive men concerned about the future of Texas and Rockwall County invited to attend.

## Rockwall County Entertainment

### 'Cinderella' staged by RHHS students

Rockwall-Heath High School's Theatre Department will stage musical, Rogers & Hammerstein's "Cinderella," at the Perform Arts Center, 801 Laurence Dr., in Heath at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 14, and 16. Tickets cost \$15 for adults and \$10 for students, seniors and children. For each adult ticket purchased, one child may be admitted free of charge. Tickets may be purchased 30 minutes prior to show time. Photos also may be taken with Cinderella and prince at each show's completion.

### Tickets available for Daddy/Daughter Dance

A Daddy/Daughter Dance, sponsored by the Rockwall Parks Recreation Department, will run from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 23, at The Hilton Bella Harbor. Each participating girl will receive a flower at the end of the evening. Light refreshments will be served. Cost is \$99 or \$65 for Rockwall residents (\$25 for each additional child). A limited number of tickets are available; pre-registration is required. For more details visit rockwall.com/parks.

### RHS Theatre presents 'Spamalot'

The Rockwall High School Theatre Department will present Monty Python's "Spamalot" at 7:30 p.m. on Jan. 30 at the RHS Theatre. Tickets cost \$15 each. For more details, call 972-771-7339.

## Area News Briefs

### Rubber Stamp, Scrapbook Show set

A Rubber Stamp & Scrapbook Show is set for Jan 23-24 in Plano Centre, 1000 E. Spring Creek Parkway, Plano. Participants learn to make their own greeting cards and scrapbooks. Admission will cost \$7 at the door, which will be good for entry on both days. Children under 12 will be admitted free of charge. The event will run from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the first day and from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. the show's final day.

### Nature, STEM-based camps offered in Dallas

Registration is open for new nature and STEM-based (science, technology, engineering and math) camps set March 7-18 at the Dallas Arboretum. Organized by grade level, camps are designed for children based on age and interests and led by Arboretum teachers. Spring break camps are new to the Arboretum. Scheduled events include Growing up WILD! (open to children ages 3-5 with a parent); Nature! (kindergartners through fourth grade); and Explore-Connect Create Camps (grades 5-8). For more details visit dallasarboretum.org/education/summer-camps or call 214-515-6515.

For Lake Pointe Health Network CEO and Rockwall Area Chamber of Commerce chair-elect Brett Lee, the new academy represents a collaborative relationship between business and schools.

"The new college and career academy will pair excellent classroom education with practical, hands on experiences provided by local business leaders," said Lee. "This combination will prepare graduates to be successful in a rapidly changing work environment."

The Rockwall ISD has worked collaboratively with community leaders to identify growing industries, such as healthcare, engineering, science and mathematics, according to the release. Students can select one of these focus areas to receive in-depth training as part of their high school experience.

"The result will be graduates that are prepared for college and highly sought-after in the job market," Lee said in the release.

On a broader scale, the College & Career Academy propels the RISD to the forefront of achieving Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board goals as announced recently by Gov. Greg Abbott. The state's goal, named 60x30TX (60 by 30 Texas), tasks educators and industry to ensure at least 60 percent of Texans ages 25-34 will have a certificate or degree by 2030.

The College & Career Academy will offer high school students the opportunity to earn professional certifications and up to a year of college credit by graduation. STEM (science, technology, engineering, math) occupations requiring professional certifications, such as Solid Works, Mastercam, Autodesk, Architectural Revit and cyber security, are high-need areas that place students in an advantageous position for successful entry into the workforce.

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- Fate - Fate Grocery Store.

Be kind one to another with tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake has forgiven you. Ephesians 4:23



Motivational speaker Lloyd Bachrach visited Springer Elementary recently to share a positive message based on his struggles and successes. His message, based on "5 Keys to Success," was designed to empower students to overcome adversity in their daily lives. "Life is a series of challenges," he told students. "We succeed in life by meeting these challenges head on - by overcoming adversity." Courtesy photos/Rockwall County News

## TEXAS CROSSWORD

by Charley & Guy Orbison  
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**ACROSS**

1 TXism: "a Johnny lately"

5 TXism: "active as \_\_\_ in a hen house"

6 TX hardwood tree: bois \_\_\_

7 TXism: "he'll kick you \_\_\_ a funeral home" (mean horse)

8 TX "Watergate" special prosecutor

17 this Tinkle wrote Alamo book "13 Days to Glory"

18 TX Buddy's widow: "Maria \_\_\_"

21 TXism: "bend \_\_\_ elbow" (drink)

22 famous Uvalde cowgirl Evans

23 TX Benson film: "Ode to \_\_\_ Joe"

24 "P" of TX DPS

29 TX Hyer film: "The \_\_\_ of Katie Elder"

30 TXism: "mighty \_\_\_"

31 UT deg.

32 TXism: "useless \_\_\_ on a sow"

34 first performers of "Eyes of Texas": UT \_\_\_ Club

35 TX George Jones' "He Stopped Loving \_\_\_ Today"

36 TXism: "confused as \_\_\_"

37 TX ZZ Top album: "\_\_\_ Hombres"

**DOWN**

1 TX Stanley Marsh Caddy art (2 wds.)

2 TXism: "never sign anything in the glow \_\_\_ light"

3 Cochran Co. seat of former resident of Huntsville?

9 cowboy pants

10 "\_\_\_ well that ends well"

11 tiny

12 TXism: "stands \_\_\_ his own two feet"

13 "Old Yeller's" disease

14 TX pitcher Dave Danforth's pitch: "\_\_\_ ball"

15 Port Arthur AM

16 TXism: "\_\_\_ rattle your teeth!" (threat)

19 TXism for "might do it" (2 wds.)

20 TX Bob Phillips' "Twenty \_\_\_ the Backroads"

22 group "Three \_\_\_" has played at 40-down

24 Gov. "\_\_\_" Ferguson

25 TX's country (abbr.)

26 TXism: "I'll \_\_\_ monkey's uncle"

34 ex-Cowboy DE Ellis (1998-2008)

35 this Kent founded TX Boys' Ranch

37 silver swords? (2 wds.)

38 gold layers

40 "State \_\_\_ Texas" (in Oct.)

41 two Jacks and two Aces in poker

44 TXism: "he's a good judge of horse \_\_\_"

47 puts into office

49 "life \_\_\_ short"



## On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett  
Be available to serve God ...

God in heaven is highly gracious, patient and faithful to teach His beloved saints and children how to walk by His spirit that is in them. During the most troublesome times in life, when it is difficult to believe God would call on us to serve Him, suddenly we stand face-to-face with a calling to serve.

This week, I crossed paths with someone who needed to talk, and I made myself available to listen and visit as the person found it difficult to express thoughts because of the trauma of the recent tornado experience. We had never met before that time.

After I said I would pray, she immediately took my hand and insisted that I pray with out hesitation.

No matter where we are in life, or how we are feeling, be available to serve our heavenly Father as faithful witnesses of our Lord Jesus Christ.

As we continue to walk through life with the love of God, as faithful witnesses for our Lord Jesus Christ, we will absolutely be ready to serve, especially without notice, no matter how we are feeling.

"Be steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for as much as you know that your labor is NOT in vain in the Lord" (1 Corinthians 15:54).



Students named to the Principal's 200 Club for December at Ouida Springer Elementary are pictured above. The club is a positive-behavior support system that rewards students for exhibiting their best behavior; its purpose is to increase positive behavior and celebrate great choices students make during the school day. Students who are seen exhibiting such behavior are given a golden ticket that is redeemed in the office for a spot on the Principal's 200 Club bingo board. When a row fills up, all students in that row win the mystery motivator. Pictured at front are, from the left, James Martinez, Ethan Oldfield, Shayleigh Thomas, Easley Clark, Ash Meade, Michael Terrell and Peyton Wingfield. At back are Alexis Rodriguez, Caleb Hardwick, Trevor Burgos, Collin Renteria, Parker Fox and Brad Helmer, principal. Not pictured are Cooper Fox and Karen Perez. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

### Follow Me

What do I yet lack?  
The rich young ruler asked  
It was his will to be justified by works  
By some great and flowery task

A work that was worthy of his position  
A place that was equal to his success  
Something to quench that constant lacking  
But, an assignment for the very best

Turn your back on all you've accomplished  
And follow me Jesus said  
But the rich young ruler was a leader  
It was not his will to submit and be led

Justified by Jesus or justified by works  
The problem still exists today  
We vacillate, fluctuate, alternate  
Missing the straight and narrow way

Self led and self Justified  
Our pride is still in control  
Working to find a work that's sufficient  
Growing tired and growing old

A constant battle we'll never win  
The constant doubt that lingers  
Working our fingers to the bone  
And proudly displaying our bony fingers

Why can't we just rest in Jesus  
Moving as the Spirit leads  
A yoke that's easy, a burden that's light  
A master who cares for all our needs

So let us yield to the author  
To the finisher of our faith  
To the Father for the gift  
Of the Holy spirit by His grace

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*"Let the peace from God rule in your hearts, to the which also you are called in one body, and be thankful ..."*  
Colossians 3:15

*"Let every thing that hath breath praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord."*  
Psalm 150:6

*"That if you will confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord', and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved."*  
Romans 10: 9-10

*"Have I not commanded you; be strong and of a good courage. Be not afraid, neither be dismayed; for the Lord thy God is with thee wherever you go."* Joshua 1:9

*"A fool's mouth is his destruction, and his lips are the snare of his soul."*  
Proverbs 18:7

*"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart, and lean not unto thine own understanding;"*

*"In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy path;"*  
Proverbs 3:6

*"Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known ..."*  
Proverbs 3:6

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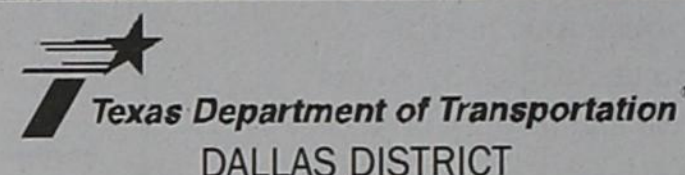
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Honorable Alan White  
Case Code: 30404

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Vs.

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Rockwall, TX 75087

Tresa D. Aussicker  
W6109 Ridge Road  
Pardeeville, WI 53954

Unknown Spouse of David E. Aussicker  
204 Summit Ridge Drive  
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# Opinions

## The fear of terrorism is destroying our freedom

(Continued from the Thurs. Dec. 31, 2015 edition)

by Richard Ebeling

Future Freedom Foundation

This does not mean that he is an "island unto himself," an "atomistic being," as some critics of individualism have attempted to portray his idea. What it does mean is that the individual is free to form his own peaceful, voluntary, and mutually agreed to associations and relationships that advance his purposes, meanings, values and peace-of-mind through which he strives to have a sense of fulfillment for his life.

It is not imposed, commanded, or coerced upon him. In this view of man and society, government is not an enforcer of some asserted common good, or "general welfare" or "national purpose," to which the individual shall be confined and made to conform. Government is merely a human agency – an important one, no doubt – whose purpose is to protect each individual's right to his life, liberty and honestly acquired property; not a violator or abuser of those rights.

### Racial Relations and the Ideal of Individualism

In America, one of the worst carry-overs of the collectivist mindset from the Old World was slavery, and made even more group identifiable since it ended up being based on race in the form of enslaved Africans brought to colonial America and then the United States.

The southern States that seceded from the Union in 1860 and 1861 may have made their case on the right of states to withdraw from the Union; but the primary motivation for their decision to do so, if you read the explanations of secession as publicly made by the state governments of South Carolina, Georgia, or Mississippi, for example, was the perceived threats from the North to the institution of slavery.

A hundred and fifty years after the end of the Civil War, some residues of that forced human association still linger in our society. This past year it was seen in a series of racial conflicts in a number of places around the country from allegations of police misuse of force on the streets of some American cities to the murder of innocent people during a Bible study in the basement of a church.

But we should not forget just how different social, cultural and racial attitudes were and have been changing in many people's lifetime. To pick one example, when black actor Richard Roundtree had a shower scene with a white woman in the 1971 movie, Shaft, it was considered a step beyond the publicly acceptable. Now on the television show, Scandal, the black female lead has affairs – near simultaneously – with two white men, one of who is the president of the United States, and that has become a cultural yawn. Times have changed, and it has become so much the "new normal" that we forget how much of a difference a few decades have made.

It would have been and is difficult enough for people to overcome their tribal and group senses of identity even in a free society based on individual rights and impartial and equal rule of law. This has been made even more difficult by the heavy-hand of government that been reintroducing definitions of identity based on race and ethnicity.

### Racial Tensions and Repoliticized Collectivism

Affirmative action, government set-aside programs and subsidies for "minority" groups, and various group rights based on racial and ethnic classification all have acted as reactionary political processes reawakening people's group-oriented sense of who they are due to how the government uses its power to tax, spend, redistribute, and regulate to benefit some such groups at perceived cost or disadvantage to others.

This has reversed, in my opinion, some of the noticeable advances that had been and were being made, slowly-but-surely within these minority groups and between groups. It is the continued and renewed politicization of race relations, I would argue, that has made this problem a continuing sore in American society.

However imperfectly in practice, the American ideal was to look at and judge people as individuals. Now we are back to the tribal idea that we judge and reward people on their collective identity as pronounced as deserving "special treatment," at the expense of others. All of this, of course, occurs in a political process of manipulation,

propaganda, and control to benefit politicians desiring to have or retain high political office and special interest groups who feed off real and exaggerated grievances that justify their own position and power.

### Terrorist Fears and American Foreign Interventions

The other greatly intensified social concern is the pervasive fear of domestic terrorism after the tragic events in Paris and San Bernardino. Here, too, the concern for personal and public safety threatens a further loss of individual freedom and personal privacy from prying political eyes.

Concerned about religious and political fanatics in far-off parts of the world who commit primitive and barbaric acts of torture and murder in the name of God, and who then bring it to areas outside of the Middle East in the form of mass killings, many Americans and Europeans are ready to raise the drawbridge, build walls and narrow even more people's ability to freely move around the world.

However, what many ordinary Americans and almost all of those active in the political arena are unwilling to seriously consider is that a good part of what we have been experiencing is the unintended consequence of American and European foreign intervention in parts of the Islamic world.

American political and military intervention in the Middle East has been going on for decades. We have propped up some dictators and monarchs and opposed and fought against others. We have toppled regimes, most recently, in Afghanistan, Iraq and Libya, and are increasingly being drawn into the civil war in Syria. And in the process we have unhinged political and cultural balancing acts that may very well be based on coercion and corruption, but nevertheless, reflected the situations on the ground in those countries.

### Making Enemies as Governments are Toppled

Overthrowing or undermining those governments have released religious, ideological and political demons that have set loose a whirlwind of death, destruction and brutality, as well as general societal destabilization.

The old adage says, the friend of my enemy is my enemy. American and European intervention in these countries inevitably and inescapably involves viewing some as the "good" (or "better") guys and others as the "bad" (or more "worse") guys.

Those who are rejected as our "friends" not surprisingly soon come to view us as their "enemy." And when it is in a situation in which the demon forces set loose include some of the worst features of religious intolerance and absolutism, we should not be surprised if their madness and brutal practices are eventually directed against us, as they see American political and military power as a threat to their own designs within their part of the world.

The emotional response is to seal off America to prevent the madmen from coming in, and to want to go forth and crush them at their source through some form of additional political and military intervention.

In the process we threaten and reduce our own freedom. In the name of "national security," all must be placed under the umbrella of comprehensive surveillance and intrusion into anyone's personal affairs and communications. Everyone is to be subject to search and travel restrictions. Everyone must be expected to be an "informer," ever watchful and reporting on one's neighbor's activities if they seem "suspicious." Everyone is further put under the microscope of government observation and extended control – just in case there is "something" the security apparatus needs to know to prevent another violent tragedy.

That our own government's foreign interventions bring at least some, if not all, of this on us is so politically sensitive and charged with negative consequences for those in political power, that it is shunted aside as the out-of-date and "unrealistic" ramblings of "isolationists."

Classical liberals, libertarians, and some non-interventionist conservatives have never argued for "isolationism." They have traditionally called for the widest possible "open borders" and free movement of goods, men, money, and ideas to bring about mutual betterment and improvement in the material, cultural and social conditions of all human beings everywhere.

What they have opposed are political and military entanglements and interventions that thrust America into the affairs of other countries with harmful effects, often, on the people in those foreign lands as well as financial costs, lost lives and reduced freedom for Americans at home.

### Our Terrorism Fears are Costing Us Freedom

Finally, the character of the current American presidential election cycle does not bode well for the cause of liberty, either. Putting aside the personalities of the candidates, their personal attacks on each other, or the circus-like quality of the television debates, the discussions have primarily revolved around how better to limit the freedom of people in the name of border and immigration control or to fight the "war on terror."

The arguments are not focused on how best to limit or prevent criminals or terrorists from entering the country within the context of Constitutional respect for and guarantee of Americans' individual rights or the reasonable right of human beings in general to freely move for any and every peaceful purpose they wish to pursue.

No, the discourse is more on the hysteria of fear that because we can never be sure to have found every terrorist needle in the migration haystack, it is best to devise ways to limit or even prevent people from freely entering the country and peacefully interacting with Americans for lawful and mutually beneficial trades and associations. A Berlin Wall in reverse is the imagery that keeps people out, and throws out any that are placed on the government's list of reasons why they cannot stay, even if it has nothing to do with violence or crime.

There are numerous domestic crimes and acts of violence that very possibly could be reduced or even eliminated in some cases if local, state and Federal government policing agents were not expected and required to recognize, follow and respect Constitutional restraints on violations of the freedom and privacy of people such as those codified in the Bill of Rights.

We accept that sometimes "bad things" will happen; even very bad things. But we take that as part of the price and the cost of our liberty. We should take exactly the same attitude and view when it comes to any issues surrounding violence and crime that may sometimes happen as a result of those who enter the United States from other parts of the world. It is part of the price and cost of being a free country different from many of those abroad that we rightly condemn and criticize for their own lack of practicing freedom.

We should take the lessons of the last year and try to do better in understanding, respecting and protecting our liberty, before another year passes and we have even less than the new year begins with.

## Marriage is a really long race

by Jill Pertler

Slices of Life

Hollywood actress Jamie Lee Curtis has been married for 31 years – consecutive – to the same man. Exclamation point. In Hollywood, this is a big deal. Heck, it's a big deal anywhere.

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Because, let's face it, other people (and their cold toes) can be annoying. When you are married, you are often one of those other people. The ability to ignore and forget about the annoyances helps your spouse (and you) to not bring bodily harm upon one another (or do something nasty like use their toothbrush to clean the toilet). I am grateful almost daily for my husband's recurring temporary amnesia because I am not easy to live with. None of us are.

As far as marriage and longevity goes, thankfully my husband is stubborn beyond words. He's stuck with me for a really long time. We've been together for more years than a marathon has miles. And marriage is a marathon – in the best-case scenario.

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We even took a couple trips to Vegas during our fledgling years. And you know what they say about what happens there.

Then real life hit. Bills. Births. Business. Busyness. The middle miles (or years) contain their fair share of challenges, because you can't catch your breath to think, much less love on a person like they deserve. Despite the leg cramps, dehydration and exhaustion we forged through it together – or mostly together. Somewhere between burping babies and balancing the checkbook – right around mile marker 14 – we developed a rhythm and we just kept going.

Now, more than a few years later, we've been married a really long time. With that accomplishment comes a few perks.

The annoying habits that used to bug you don't so much anymore. You've probably adopted some of those habits yourself.

You appreciate the little things your spouse does to make your day easier. Like making the coffee or making the bed. You try to think of more little things you can do in return.

You've learned he dislikes emptying the clean silverware from the dishwasher so when you are emptying the dishwasher together you do that part first so he doesn't have to.

He keeps tabs on your car's gas gauge and fills it up for you when you get down to about a quarter of a tank. Ditto that for oil changes. Household chores were long ago divided and decided. You let him

empty the garbage. He lets you sweep the kitchen floor. You can't imagine trading, but would and could in a pinch.

When you've been together a long time, you share memories that can't ever be shared with anyone else ever again. Things like human beings (that you created) entering this world. Deaths – of family, friends and even beloved pets. Experiencing things like that together changes your relationship. It deepens it. Time works that way as well. In a good way.

My husband and I have been married a really long time. There have certainly been bumps in the road, but we've always managed to continue moving forward. Step by step, mile by mile, we're in this race together. I know I'm glad to have someone running beside me. And after all these years and all these miles he still takes my breath away. A good race will do that to you.

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## Be an informed electorate and Grand Jury

TWC's over-expanding enforcement of the Unemployment Compensation Act is in direct violation of:

### Texas Constitution Article 1, Section 16

No bill of attainder, ex post facto law, retroactive law, or any law impairing the obligation of contracts, shall be made.

The act of forcing any business and natural person to purchase any kind of insurance for others, who render services, constitutes "impairing obligation of contracts."

The exception is for Federal Instrumentalities engaged in statutory "employment" on the soil of Texas.

See Tx. Labor Code Section 201.101 & 26 U.S.C. 3306 (c) (g) and (j)(1 & 2).

See Texas Penal Code Chapter 39 for criminal offenses related to Official Oppression and Abuse of Official Capacity by government officers.

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# Opinions

## Comparison shopping shows significant price differences

by Millie Jean Coppedge

I recently had an experience that I would like to share. From time to time, I have taken items back to the store where I bought them to get my money back, but usually because items such as a blender was damaged in some way that I didn't notice until I got it home and took an item out of a prepackaged box or I bought something as a gift only to find out that the person I bought it for already has the same item.

But this was the first time that I returned an item to the store because I spent too much money.

For the purpose of this opinion piece, I am going to refer to the stores involved as the big-box store and the small-box store. Both of these stores are two of the most frequently shopped stores in this area.

A big-box store is a physically big retail store and most often part of a nationally known chain or stores. They buy their merchandise in large quantities; thus they can sell their inventory at a cheaper price. Their turnover in the sales of their products is usually fairly quick.

A small-box store is limited on space, buys in smaller quantities and can be privately owned in some way. The small-box store usually has to charge more for their merchandise in order to make a profit.

I recently purchased three items at small-box store. I was in a hurry and simply paid with my credit card and left, not noticing how much I paid for each item.

As I ran my errands, I began to think about the total price of

how much the items had cost. Upon looking at the receipt, I noticed that the lipstick I had bought for years was about double what I normally paid.

As I was about to head home a few hours later, I decided to drop by the nearby large-box store and look at the items there to see if the prices had just gone up that much due to the economy.

With my small-box receipt in my hand, I maneuvered the aisles of the large-box store, searching for the three items I had purchased and making notes to check the identical brand, packaging and weight.

Much to my shock and dismay, I realized I not only had paid way too much for the items in the small-box store, but felt compelled to return the items, request my money back and explain the story to the cashier.

As I returned to the small-box store, sack and both receipts in hand, the cashier recognized me as having been in the store earlier as she had checked out my merchandise.

Laying the sack on the counter I said, "I want a refund on these things I bought in here earlier, but want to tell you why I am returning them. There is nothing wrong with them."

I showed her the sheet of paper where I had written down the price of both stores and noted to her that I had spent over 30 percent more for the same identical items, and that since I live on a limited retirement income, I had to be careful how I spent my money. I also explained that I simply had spent way too much for the same items in her store.

She was very understanding and gave me the requested refund. She smiled and thanked me for the explanation and said, "Please shop with us again when you can."

This is a comparison of the store prices for the items I bought:

| Item                                      | Small-box Store | Big-box Store  |
|---|-----------------|----------------|
| Revlon Super Lustrous Lipstick            | \$8.99          | \$4.97         |
| Caress Daily Skin Bath Wash               | \$5.99          | \$3.97         |
| Vaseline Petroleum Jelly with Coco Butter | \$4.99          | \$3.67         |
| <b>Total cost</b>                         | <b>\$21.62</b>  | <b>\$13.65</b> |

For some people to whom the cost doesn't really matter and convenience of parking and getting in and out of the store quickly is paramount, the smaller-box store might be a good choice of where to shop. But for those on a limited, and especially a very limited income, shopping where the prices of must-have items such as over-the-counter medications and toiletries, groceries and much-needed household items like toilet paper and laundry supplies, the amount they spend may be crucial.

If you haven't thought about there being a large difference in the exact same products from store to store, the next time you are shopping in one of them, make a note of the items and compare them with other stores where you shop. I think you will be amazed at how much you are paying.

## Williams Middle School gymnastics start season against Cain

The Williams Middle School men's gymnastics team competed in their first competition of the season, Wednesday Dec. 15, 2015, against Cain Middle School. The team is coached by Cameron Sweny.

### Results

#### Level 6 Team:

1st - 155.60 Williams  
2nd - 80.20 Cain

#### Level 5 Team:

1st - 160.30 Williams  
2nd - 123.30 Cain

#### Level 6 Individual

Chase Nowaczyk - 1st in the All around, 1st on Rings, Vault, and

Parallel Bars; 2nd on Floor, Pommel Horse, and High Bar

Jonah King - 2nd in the All Around, 1st on Floor, Pommel Horse, and High Bar; 3rd on Rings and P-bars, 5th on Vault

Bryan Kottke - 3rd in the All Around, 2nd on Rings and P-bars; 3rd on Pommel Horse, Vault, and High Bar; 4th on Floor

#### Level 5 individual

Ben Ashcraft - 1st in the All around, 1st on Pommel Horse and High Bar, 3rd on Floor and Rings, 6th on vault, 7th on P-bars

Gavin Figert - 2nd in the All around, 2nd on floor, 3rd on rings, 5th on p-bars, 6th on high bar

Chandler Smith - 3rd in the All Around, 1st on rings, vault, and high bar, 3rd on p-bars, 6th on floor

Will Campbell - 4th in the All around, 1st on p-bars, 4th on pommel

horse and vault, 5th on rings and high bar

Garrett Sutherland - 5th in the All Around, 2nd on p-bars, 4th on floor, 6th on high bar

Cade Edwards - 1st on rings, 5th on floor

Ben Denny - 1st on Floor

Ethan Channell - 8th on pommel horse and rings

Kyle Grimsley - 2nd on pommel horse

Dylan Freaney - 5th on rings

Ethan Baker - 5th on p-bars

Jackson Hustings - 4th on pommel horse

Andrew Nguyen - 6th on pommel horse

## Rockwall County varsity basketball district schedules

### Rockwall Lady Jackets (8-6 Overall, 2-1 District 11-6A)

#### Head Coach Kasie Brewer

Fri. Jan. 2, at Naaman Forest (9-5 Overall, 0-1 District)

1st 2nd 3rd 4th OT1 Final

RHS 8 10 1 12 6 37

NF 9 9 9 4 4 35

Tue. 1/5, Sachse at RHS gym.

Fri. 1/8, 7:00 p.m., at Rowlett.

Tue. 1/12, 7:00 p.m., Tyler Lee at RHS.

Fri. 1/15, 7:00 p.m., at Garland.

Tue. 1/19, 7:00 p.m., at North Garland.

Fri. 1/22, 7:00 p.m., Lakeview Centennial at RHS.

Tue. 1/26, 7:00 p.m., Naaman Forest at RHS.

Fri. 1/29, 7:00 p.m., at Sachse.

Tue. 2/2, 7:00 p.m., Rowlett at RHS.

Fri. 2/5, 7:00 p.m., at Tyler Lee.

Tue. 2/9, 7:00 p.m., Garland at RHS.

### Rockwall Yellowjackets (7-11 Overall, 1-0 District)

#### Head Coach Alan Simmons

Tue. 1/2, Naaman Forest at RHS.

1st 2nd 3rd 4th Final

RHS 14 17 17 23 71

NF 12 12 13 22 59

Individual standouts

Jarrod Winston-Pendleton (Sr), 13 Points, 5 Offensive Rebounds, 7 Defensive Rebounds, 1 Steal, 2 Blocks; Daniel Smith (Sr), 10 P, with one 3-Point, 1 OR, 3 DR; Andrew Taylor (So), 10 P, 1 3P; Cameron Crayton (So), 10 P, 3 DR, 1 B.

Fri. 1/8, 7:00 p.m., Rowlett at RHS.

Tue. 1/12, 7:00 p.m., at Tyler Lee.

Fri. 1/15, 7:00 p.m., Garland at RHS.

Tue. 1/19, 7:00 p.m., North Garland at RHS.

Fri. 1/22, 7:00 p.m., at Lakeview Centennial.

Tue. 1/26, 7:00 p.m. at Naaman Forest.

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Fri. 2/5, 7:00 p.m., Tyler Lee at RHS.

Tue. 2/9, 7:00 p.m. at Garland.

Fri. 2/12, 7:00 p.m. at North Garland.

Tue. 2/16, 7:00 p.m., Lakeview at RHS.

### Violation of Texas "speed limit" is not a punishable criminal offense

Texas Transportation Code Section 545.351 Maximum Speed Requirement, and Section 545.352 Prima Facie Speed Limits, do not include language that designates the violation of a "speed limit" to be a prosecutable criminal offense punishable by a fine.

The Texas Legislature recognized the right of the people to travel freely on the roads and highways of Texas.

The signs are placed as a courtesy for the people assist in preventing accidents; not to punish and seize money from people.

### Rockwall-Heath Lady Hawks (District 12-5A)

#### Head Coach Laura Jenkins

Fri. 1/8, 7:00 p.m., Forney at RHHS.

Tue. 1/12, 7:00 p.m., at Royse City.

Fri. 1/15, 7:00 p.m., South Garland at RHHS.

Tue. 1/19, 7:00 p.m., Poteet at RHHS.

Fri. 1/22, 7:00 p.m., at Terrell.

Tue. 1/26, 7:00 p.m., North Forney at RHHS.

Fri. 1/29, 7:00 p.m., West Mesquite at RHHS.

Tue. 2/2, 7:00 p.m., at Forney.

Fri. 2/5, 7:00 p.m. Royse City at RHHS.

Tue. 2/9, 7:00 p.m. at South Garland.

### Rockwall-Heath Hawks

#### (13-3 Overall, 1-0 District)

#### Head Coach Brad Waters

Fri. 1/2, North Forney at RHHS

1st 2nd 3rd 4th Final

RHHS 16 13 18 24 47

NF 16 13 18 24 71

Fri. 1/8, 7:00 p.m., at Forney.

Tue. 1/12, 7:00 p.m., Royse City at RHS.

Fri. 1/15, 7:00 p.m., at South Garland.

Tue. 1/19, 7:00 p.m. at Mesquite Poteet.

Fri. 1/22, 7:00 p.m., Terrell at RHHS.

Tue. 1/26, 7:00 p.m. at North Forney.

Fri. 1/29, 7:00 p.m., at West Mesquite.

Tue. 2/2, 7:00 p.m., Forney at RHHS.

Fri. 2/5, 7:00 p.m. at Royse City.

Tue. 2/9, 7:00 p.m., South Garland at RHHS.

Fri. 2/16, 7:00 p.m., at Terrell.

### Royse City Lady Bulldogs (District 12-5A)

#### Head Coach Dallas Bookout

Sat. 1/2, at South Garland, 58-22 (Win).

Fri. 1/8, 7:00 p.m., at Terrell.

Tue. 1/12, 7:00 p.m., Rockwall-Heath at RCHS.

Fri. 1/15, 7:00 p.m., at West Mesquite.

Tue. 1/19, 7:00 p.m., at Forney.

Fri. 1/22, 7:00 p.m., North Forney at RCHS.

Tue. 1/26, 7:00 p.m., South Garland at RCHS.

Fri. 1/29, 7:00 p.m., at Mesquite Poteet.

Tue. 2/2, 7:00 p.m., Terrell at RCHS (Senior night).

Fri. 2/5, 7:00 p.m., at Rockwall-Heath.

Tue. 2/9, 7:00 p.m., West Mesquite at RCHS.

### Royse City Bulldogs

#### Head Coach Brian Jacobs

Sat. 1/2, at South Garland, 82-58 (Loss)

Tue. 1/5, 7:00 p.m., at Mesquite Poteet.

Fri. 1/8, 7:00 p.m., Terrell at RCHS.

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Fri. 2/5, 7:00 p.m., Rockwall-Heath at RCHS.

Tue. 2/9, 7:00 p.m., at West Mesquite.

Fri. 2/12, 7:00 p.m., at Forney.

Tue. 2/16, 7:00 p.m., North Forney at RCHS.

### Rockwall County Sheriff's Office

#### December Report

Calls for service - 698

Incidents/investigations:

- Aggravated assault - 1
- Simple assault - 4
- Intimidation - 1
- Shoplifting - 1
  - All other larceny - 3
  - Motor vehicle theft - 2
  - Impersonation - 2
  - Destruction/damage/vandalism of property - 1
  - Drug/narcotic violations - 5
  - Drug equipment violations - 2
  - Driving under the influence - 3
  - Drunkenness - 1
  - Trespass of real property - 1
  - All other offenses - 71
  - Total offenses - 98; total incidents - 83

Arrests:

- Aggravated assault - 1
- Shoplifting - 2
- Motor vehicle theft - 1
- Drug/narcotic violations - 4
- Drug equipment violations - 3
- Driving under the influence - 3
- Drunkenness - 1
  - All other offenses - 62
  - Total charges - 77; total arrests - 51

Accidents:

• Total accidents - 18

Criminal papers:

- Affidavit for surety to go off bond (1716) - 9
- Bench warrant - 6
- Bond forfeiture - 29
- Failure to appear for court - 66
- Insufficient bond - 8
- Motion to adjudicate guilt - 9
- Motion to revoke probation - 7
- Probable cause - 2
- Traffic - 131
- Warrant - 76
- Total criminal papers served - 242; total criminal papers - 343

Civil papers:

- Citation - 24
- Citation by publication - 1
- Criminal subpoena - 3
- Notice of hearing - 1
- Notice to show cause - 3
- Summons - 5
- Temporary restraining order - 1
- Writ of habeas corpus - 1
- Writ of possession - 1
- Total civil papers served - 33; total civil papers - 40