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## Rockwall ISD approves comprehensive annual financial report with no changes

Rockwall ISD Board Members held their regular meeting, Dec. 1, 2016, at the ISD office located at 1050 Williams Street, Rockwall. Board members in attendance were Linda Duran (President) Place 3, Jim Williams (Vice President) Place 7, Russ Childers (Secretary) Place 5, Bailey Place 4, Christopher Cuny Place 1 and Jim White Place 6. Dan Plagens Place 6 was absent from the meeting. The Board unanimously approved the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report ending June 30, 2016. Sara Dempsey of Weaver-White explained that the audit did not require modifications to the financial statements. The audit of the special education program was also completed with no modifications. The Board unanimously approved a bundle of three bond projects. The projects included: 1. Bond for Pullin Elementary parking lot project to be handled by the engineering company, RLK Engineering. 2. Upgrade of gym lighting to LED fixtures for Jones and Cain Elementary, Cain MS, and Rockwall-Heath HS. 3. Project System upgrade to be handled by Chickadee Electrical firm, for Rochelle, Nebbie Williams and Cullins Lake elementary schools. Chief Financial Officer Randy McDowell said the projects would be completed in April, May, and June 2017 time period. The Board approved payment for project completion of the Rockwall parking and practice lot. Northstar handled the project. Required documents were published.

Unanimous approval was given to a resolution regarding an investment policy, investment strategies and investment training providers. McDowell explained the begin investment was \$75M, and the end investment was over \$197M. He clarified the end investment was affected by the recent issuance of \$125M in bonds. A recent notice of proposed termination of an undisclosed term contract employee was unanimously rescinded. The Board discussed the issue in closed session. Chief Administrative Officer Billy Pringle presented an update on student attendance. Pringle reported that 31.6% of students are at risk of not graduating. Pringle clarified the data was not based solely on attendance, but that attendance has been found to be a strong indicator of at-risk students. He reported 37 truancy court cases during 2015-2016, with 15 going on to graduate. Pringle noted a 17% increase in attendance. The Board unanimously approved the District Improvement Plan and the Course Offerings, presented by Becky Prentice, Executive Director of Assessment and Accountability, Secondary Curriculum. Consent agenda items unanimously approved were:  
 • Minutes of the Oct. 17, 2016 regular meeting, and a work session held on Oct. 3.  
 • October Financial Report.  
 • Personnel resignations and employment. The personnel names were not given during the meeting and on the agenda.  
 • Budget amendment.

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Shelby Doroshow, a junior at Royse City High School, has been selected as a video producer for a national documentary called "No Limits: A New View of Disability." The Student Television Network, a national organization that supports and promotes high school video production programs, sponsors the production. Doroshow is a member of RCHS's Advanced Video Production class called RCTV. Only six schools from across the nation were selected to be part of this production. For her application, Doroshow made an audition video where she pitched her story idea to the judges. The producers selected from the various schools will be meeting online to collaborate and coordinate their story ideas. They recently had their first meeting online. The final copy is due in February and will be shown online as well as the national convention for high school broadcasters in Anaheim, Calif., in March. Doroshow, along with all of RCTV, will attend and compete at the convention.  
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## Water Planning Group to hold public meeting Dec. 5 on regular water supply plan

Region C Water Planning Group will conduct its first public meeting at 7 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 5, as part of the fifth round of planning in North Central Texas, according to a media release from the group. The meeting will take place in the first-floor Transportation Council of Governments area, 616 East Avenue, Centerpoint Two Building, in Arlington. The RCPG is currently working to develop an updated 2021 Region C Water Plan that includes recommended water management strategies to meet the rapidly growing region's water supply needs over the next 50 years. As a reference, the final 2016 Region C Water Plan and discussion items for the meeting include: 1. Identifying water supply alternatives on the planning group;

- Appointing a nominating committee for the 2017 slate of officers;
  - Consider authorization of the Trinity River Authority to submit a grand application to the Texas Water Development Board for funding the current planning round;
  - Hosting a TWDB presentation on regional planning and recent rule changes.
- The meeting will be open to the public. Members of the public are invited to participate in a public comment session, according to the news advisory. The full meeting agenda is available for review at [regioncwater.org](http://regioncwater.org).

## Locals named finalists at regional NATS conference

A handful of local residents were named finalists and semifinalists at the 41st annual Southern Regional National Association of Teachers of Singing Conference and Student Auditions that took place recently at Ouachita Baptist University in Arkadelphia, Arkansas, according to a news release from the university. Kenzie Osborn, a sophomore musical theatre major from Rockwall, earned first place in the Lower College Music Theatre Women's division. She was one of four Ouachita students to earn first place honors. "I really enjoy competing in NATS because it gives you experience performing in front of people, and you get critiques on how to improve your performance and do better in future performances," Osborn said. "My voice teacher, Dr. Glenda Secrest, works so hard all semester to help prepare us for the competition. She helps us put the best performance on that we can and I definitely could not have done it without her coaching."

Ouachita students named as NATS finalists included Osborn and Jessie Brunson, who earned fourth place in Sophomore Women. Semifinalists included Brunson, who was named a semifinalist in the Lower College Music Theatre Women division, and Micah Brooks, Lower College Music Theatre Men.



Five Mighty Mustang Band students from Cain Middle School landed spots on the Texas Music Educators Association Region 25 Middle School Honor Band following auditions conducted recently at the Lovejoy ISD. Almost 1,000 middle school students from 17 different schools competed for the open spots. All-Region students included Evan Phelps, bass clarinet; Tre'Ceon Geary, alto sax; Matthew Wibben, trumpet; Matthew Mazraani, trombone; and Jacob White, trombone. Named alternates were Avery Buchanan, alto sax; Jennifer Bell, clarinet; Sophia Bryant, clarinet; and James Miller, euphonium. The All-Region students will participate in the TMEA All-Region Honor Band clinic and concert Dec. 9-10 at Rockwall-Heath High School.  
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## Rockwall County News Briefs

**Coat drive underway in Rockwall**  
 The Rockwall ISD, Chick-fil-A and The Flower Box have teamed up to organize a coat drive that will benefit needy students. Drop by the Ridge Road restaurant or the florist (2760 Hwy. 66) and select a student tag; using the information on the tag, purchase a new coat for that student and drop it off with the tag at Chick-fil-A or the florist shop. For every new coat donation the donor will receive a free sandwich offer card.

**Democratic Men to meet Dec. 3**  
 The Democratic Men's Group of Rockwall County will host its next luncheon at noon on Saturday, Dec. 3, at Arboleda's Mexican Grill, 1103 Ridge Rd., Rockwall. The group meets for lunch on the first Saturday of each month at various local restaurants. All



Rockwall Community Playhouse, 609 E. Rusk, will present "Miracle on 34th Street" weekend performances Dec. 1, 2-4 and 8, 9-11. Pictured are performers Nhira Iverson, Mia Gonzalez, Michelle Coker, Landon Wynne, Abby Cook, Blakeley Lewis and, at left, Ava Lefere. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

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### Rockwall County Obituaries

#### Eugene Lee Green Sr.

Memorial services for Eugene Lee Green Sr., 85, of Rockwall were conducted at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 26, 2016, in the First Baptist Church, Rockwall, with Pastor Steve Swofford officiating. The Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

He died Nov. 22.

Born Jan. 3, 1931, in Fort Worth to Homer Lee Green and Leila (Adair) Green, he served his country as a first lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force and later became president and CEO of Wilson Engraving Co.

A resident of Rockwall since 2000, he was a member of the First Baptist Church in Rockwall. He loved people and was giving and helpful. He was creative and innovative in his life, business and ranch, Green Acres, in Rockwall. He also was chairman of the deacons at the First Baptist Church in Dallas before moving to Rockwall. He was a leader in everything he did. He was a loving husband, father and grandfather and a faithful Christian man.

Survivors include his wife of 64 years, Doris Green of Rockwall; his sons, Eugene Green Jr. and his wife, Cleadie, of Fate, Doug Green and his wife, Kirsty, of Dallas, Kyle Green and his wife, Sue, of Rockwall and Kelly Green and his wife, Helen, of Richardson; his daughter, Jennifer Millet, and her husband, Jon, of Rowlett; his grandchildren, Raychel Sneed, Ben Green, Amanda Childers, Sam Green, Emily Canada, Craig Green, Rory Green, Grace Green, Max Millet, Marshall Millet, Mikayla Millet and Marie Millet; his great-grandchildren, Baylor and Piper; and a sister, Betty Thompson and her husband, Bob.

His parents preceded him in death.



# Heath council approves notice of intent to issue certificates of obligation

The City Council of Heath held its regular meeting, 6:30 p.m., Tues. Oct. 25, 2016 in the City Hall located at 200 Laurence Drive in Heath.

Council members in attendance were Mayor Brian Berry, Mayor Pro Tem Barry Brooks, Joe Chamberlain, Kelson Elam, Rich Krause, Kevin Lamberth and John Main.

The council unanimously approved Resolution No. 161025-A, which directs publication of notice of intention to issue combination tax and revenue certificates of obligation, and resolves other matters relating to the subject. The language of the resolution in the minutes does not include a description of the "other matters."

The Rockwall County News has not received an order from City Secretary Norma Duncan, or from a private law firm, requesting publication of the required notice related to the Resolution.

The required notice has not been published.

Jim Sabonis, Managing Director of First Southwest provided an update to his presentation during the Oct. 11 meeting, about the 2017 General Obligation Refunding bonds, Series 2017 and Combination Tax and Surplus Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2017. The council took no action.

Sabonis provided a summary of various projects to be funded by the loans, including streets, parks/trails, a fire truck, municipal building improvements, and the cost associated with the finance through the issuance of Combination Tax and Surplus Revenue Certificate of Obligation, Series 2017. The city will maintain the existing Debt Service tax rate of \$.147225.

The funding of water and sewer infrastructure, utility buildings, and costs related to financing will be backed by the net revenues of water and sewer system and an additional base fee of \$6 per month. Additional revenues of \$480,000 will come from Forney Lake customers.

Sabonis explained the proposed refunding would result in anticipated savings to the city.

During the Oct 25 meeting, Sabonis offered additional scenarios for the tax-supported portion of the Certificate of Obligation, which included additional funding to the \$6,615,400 and the tax impact.

Following Sabonis' updated presentation, the council voted to

approve the above resolution related to publication of notice.

In other business the council unanimously approved:

- The minutes for the Oct. 11 meeting.
- An application by Cameron Slown, with F.C. Cuny Co. of an Amended Site Plan of Laurence Crossing, a 4.969 acre land situated in the Edward Teal Survey, Abstract No. 20, on the east side of Smirl Drive north of Laurence Drive.
- An application of Cameron Slown, with F.C. Cuny Co. the final plat of Laurence Crossing related to the above Site Plan.
- An application by Chip Chamberlain, with Caprock Homes, related to the Preliminary Plat of J.O. Ranch consisting of 5 residential lots and 43.51 acres of land in the J.O. Heath Survey, Abstract No. 116, located on the west of Terry Lane west of Smirl Drive. Council member Chamberlain recused himself.
- Resolution No. 161025-B authorizing the Mayor to Professional Services Agreement for the Engineering Design/Hubbard Drive roadway Project. According to Captial Imp Project manager, Chuck Todd, the engineer will be F.C. Cuny Co. the fee will be approximately \$215,000. City Manager Elam explained the project would be combined with Rob Whittaker Golf & Yacht Club project.

Berry recessed the meeting into a closed meeting for conference with attorney regarding pending litigation – LUC District 44541, Application of City of Heath re Forney Lake Water Corporation's Services Area in Rockwall County; and to business prospect that the city seeks to have locate, stay, or near the territory of the City of Heath; and to deliberate a financial or other incentive to the business prospect. No action taken after the closed meeting.

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open-minded, progressive men concerned about the future of Rockwall County are invited to participate. This month's speaker will be Peter Hancon, who will speak about his work in U.S. Consulate Service around the world.

### Rockwall County News Brief

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Newcomers & Friends plan Dec. 8 meeting

The Rockwall County Newcomers & Friends will meet on Thursday, Dec. 8, at Occasions at Stone River in Rockwall. A group of comedic actors will demonstrate how to enjoy the humorous side of the holiday season. Luncheon reservations made by Nov 28. Call Becky 1-712-202-6916 or Cathy 9934. This social organization is for new residents and those who have lived in Rockwall County for many years.

#### Rock Wall to be revisited Dec. 11

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

#### Toys for Tots collection sites named

Toys for the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots program will be accepted at the Rest Haven Funeral Homes in Rockwall (SH 66 East) and Rowlett (3701 Rowlett Rd.) through Dec. 15. Unwrapped toys and funds collected are distributed to community agencies; realistic-looking toy weapons and gifts of five or less are accepted. The Rockwall location is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekdays and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays; the Rowlett location is open weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more details call 8641.

### Rockwall County Entertainment

#### 'Miracle on 34th Street' tickets available

Tickets for the next Rockwall Community Playhouse production "Miracle on 34th Street," are currently available. Final performance will run Dec. 2-4 and 9-11. Friday and Saturday shows will run 8 p.m.; Sunday matinee performances will begin at 2 p.m. For details or to purchase tickets, visit rockwallcommunityplayhouse.org/Buy-Tickets.aspx.

#### Heath holiday event set Dec. 2

The City of Heath's 2016 Holiday in the Park event is set for Friday, Dec. 2, at Towne Center Park from 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Activities include the tree-lighting ceremony at 7 p.m. For details visit heathtx.com or facebook.com/heathtx.

#### Kiwanis planning Christmas parade

The 47th Annual Kiwanis Christmas Parade will wind through Town Rockwall beginning at 9 a.m. on Dec. 3. This year's parade is celebrating the Spirit of Rockwall. For more information or entry forms, visit http://www.rockwallkiwanis.org.

#### Christmas tree lighting set in Rockwall

The 33rd Annual Christmas Tree Lighting on the lawn at Rockwall City Hall, 385 S. Goliad St., will begin at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 3. Crafts in Santa's workshop, free cookies and hot chocolate music and photo opportunities with Santa are planned.

#### Seniors invited to free HATS luncheon

The Heath Area Terrific Seniors will have a free Christmas luncheon at noon on Dec. 7 at the First United Methodist Church, 1401 St. The program will be presented by the Amy Parks club. Interested senior citizens are invited to participate. Call the club at 972-771-6732 to reserve a spot.

#### Breakfast with Santa set Dec. 10

The City of Rockwall's Parks & Rec will host Breakfast with Santa from 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m., 10:30 a.m. to noon and 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 10, at The Center. An all-you-can-eat breakfast will be served. Cost is \$7 per person or \$5 per person for Rockwall residents (children ages 12 and younger will be admitted free). All children must be accompanied by an adult. Registration is required. Call 972-771-6732 for more information.

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**Ask Dr. Danette**

by Danette McNew, D.D.S.

**SMOKING CHANGES ORAL ENVIRONMENT**

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, there are 16 million people living in this country with a smoking-related illness. Because more than three-quarters of cases of oral cancer are thought to be linked to smoking, researchers sought to find out why. There are approximately 600 species of bacteria in the human mouth. One study (all participants were age 50 and older) focused on comparing the oral bacteria of smokers with those of non-smokers. It was found that the oral environment of smokers was very different from that of non-smokers and ex-smokers. Levels of 150 species of oral bacteria were significantly higher in smokers, including ten percent more species of Streptococcus, which is known to promote tooth decay.

Today's column further outlines the importance of not smoking. One of the most important parts of oral health care happens at home. Brushing and flossing properly, along with regular dental check-ups, can help prevent tooth decay and gum disease. At **McNEW DENTAL**, we invite your questions about the health of your gums and teeth. We are located at **1300 E. Ralph Hall Pkwy., Suite 114**. Please call **972.771.2213** and let us make an appointment for your next dental health visit.

P.S. Previous studies have found that people with diabetes are less likely to floss and brush as often as people without diabetes. They are also more likely to skip annual dental exams.

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## Wenger tapped honor society

Jamie Wenger of Rockwall recently was initiated into the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest and most selective collegiate honor society for all academic disciplines, according to a Texas State University news release.

Wenger is pursuing a degree in elementary education at Texas State.

He is among approximately 30,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni to be initiated into Phi Kappa Phi each year. Membership is by invitation and requires nomination and approval by a chapter. Only the top 10 percent of seniors and 7.5 percent of juniors with at least 72 semester hours are eligible for membership.

## Rockwall ISD meeting ...

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Acceptance of donations. Superintendent of Schools John Villarreal presented the following recognitions:

• The Rockwall HS Symphony Orchestra was the commended winner in the 2016 Mark of Excellence/National Orchestra Honors Project, presented by Chris Kosterman, Director of Fine Arts. 70 of the top players recorded a piece of music during 2015. He explained there were 236 entries from 36 states.

Prentice presented the Texas State Fair winners. Reese York (Sr) of Rockwall-Heath HS won 1st place in the Light Weight Duroc hog competition. Reece serves as President of the Future Farmers of America, Rockwall Chapter. Trevor Rowe (Sr) of Rockwall HS represented the AgMechanics class in receiving the Champion Trailer Award for the 36-foot Lowboy Trailer. Rowe serves as Secretary for the Rockwall FFA. Ryan Ullom (So) of RHS returned with a 2nd place finish for a restored Farmall B tractor. Ullom's tractor also qualified for the National Delos/Chevron oil tractor restoration contest, during the FFA National Convention.

During the October 17, 2016 regular meeting, the Board unanimously approved adoption of the 2016 Property Tax Roll prepared by the Rockwall County Tax Assessor.

The resolution did not include the appraisal roll and amount of the tax entered into the roll.

During the meeting, Duran adjourned the meeting into closed session under authority of Texas Government Code Chapter 551.071, 551.074 and 551.072. The Board President did not provide the reasons for going into closed session.

2016 National Merit Scholarship semifinalist were recognized: Rockwall High School – Jamie Hall

Commended Scholars were Katherine Berger, Ethan Dupre, Benjamin Fields, Eric Harbin, Grant Miller, Griffin Perkins, Tyler Saathoff, Daniel Scivetti, Dan Ahn Ton, Joshua Villarreal, Abigail White, Thaddeus Whitefield and Maya Wiemokly.

Named National Hispanic Scholars were Brandon Gan, Joseph Molinar and Joshua Villarreal.

Rockwall-Heath HS Commended Scholars were Sydney Best, Jonathan Blackburn, Madeline Christensen, Marley Esch, Elizabeth Gersch, Grayson Smartt, Andrew Spletter and Emma Young.

Named National Hispanic Scholar was Dawson Booth.

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- worry
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- 2016 Olympics network
- poker pot starter
- skins an apple
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**On God's Word**

by Timothy W. Burnett

the basics ... instruction in righteousness

ve different ways of learning different skills. without coaching from others. They might apply what watch and closely observe others who are successful. ple learn skills from detailed and intense instructions g by professionals who are highly skilled and masters ctive trade.

ses, people work toward reaching their highest level of /or mastery.

e early church period as recorded in Acts, some of the ere at a high level of spiritual mastery in their service d and our Lord Jesus Christ. They were meek and der God's will, and desired to speak and do the things

one of those Apostles. Yes – the man who fervently murdering and jailing Christians on behalf of the Jewish vstem, was the same man who later fervently served ther, as a bond-servant of our Lord Jesus Christ.

of his letters to Timothy reveals that he was a student servant who learned from Paul.

3:14-17 reveals the basics of learning to grow toward and mastery in any field, but more specifically, in the atters of life. "But continue in the things which you d and have been assured of, knowing of whom you d, And that from a child you have known the holy which are able to make you wise unto salvation through is in Christ Jesus."

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ter to the Roman Christians, Paul taught that believing heart that God raised Jesus from the dead is unto ess. Paul went on to teach that declaring with the mouth esus is unto salvation from the day of wrath to come (Thess. 5:1-9).

ng with Paul's letter to Timothy, "All scripture is given ion of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, ion, for instruction in righteousness; that the man of e perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works" (5-17).

ords describe the underlying tools for learning and skills, and are put for mastering the spiritual matters s in the scriptures are truly inspired from the Creator of s and the earth. As a side note, please note that the words diluted and corrupted through various translations unto mes Bible, and modern translations. Yet, even with this, ough for life and godliness. Plus, there are wonderful rials by scholars who have compiled the earliest known reek-English, and Hebrew-English Lexicons. Strong's ce to the King James Bible includes references to n numbering system. Young's Concordance is a user- sion of Strong's.

the basics? It is profitable for doctrine, reproof and hich is for instruction in righteousness; mastering the ember, it starts with being made righteous. The Apostles ade righteous until the day of Pentecost came, when filled with the Holy Ghost because they believed with s that God raised Jesus from the dead. Next they began ith the spirit, as the spirit gave the words, declaring with e Lordship of Jesus Christ.

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**Shannon Elementary students experience use of apps for voting**

Students at Shannon Elementary participated in their own presidential election in connection with the national election. Fifth grade students made posters, encouraging their fellow students to get out and vote. All students were given voter registration cards and teachers explained the election process. On Tuesday, Nov. 8, sixth grade students coordinated voting using iPads and Google forms. Like the nation, students voted in favor of Republican candidate Donald Trump.

**Harbor holiday event set Friday**

The 2016 Holidays at the Harbor event will run from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 2, at The Harbor Rockwall, 2091 Summer Lee Drive. Scheduled activities include:

- Pizza with Santa will be offered at Campisi's from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The event will be free, but seating will be limited and pre-registration is required. Those not pre-registered will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis if any seating remains available.
- Story Time with Mrs. Claus and Letters to Santa will be offered at Twisty Treats from 6:40 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.
- The Harbor Tree Lighting with carolers will begin at 7:30 p.m. Bins will be located on site to accept the donations of new and unwrapped toys to Rockwall County Helping Hands.



The Rockwall Area Retired Teachers Association met Nov. 14. Guest speakers were District 10 president Dr. Thalia Matherson and Roysse City superintendent Kevin Worthy. Jill Beam, Ms. Senior Texas 2015, also was on hand at the meeting. Hostesses were, from the left, Linda Ghormley, Jessie Martin, Patsy Fleetwood and Mary Clay.

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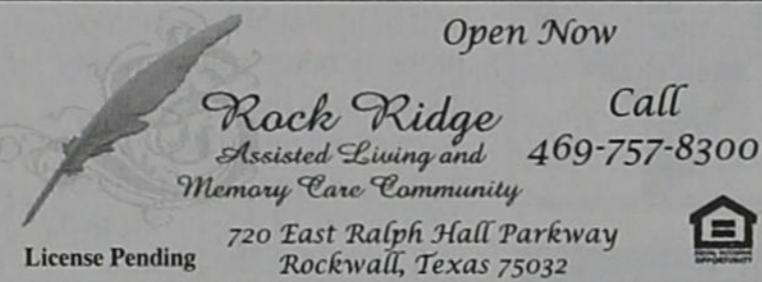
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The Developer, First Texas Homes, will be the Payor for the contract for Rockwall County Municipal Utility District No. 8.

Plans, specifications and bid documents are available at <http://www.civcastusa.com>; Keyword: 04023-05A01. Contract Documents may be downloaded or viewed free of charge at this web site. It is the downloader's responsibility to determine that a complete set of documents, as defined in the Instructions to Bidders are received. Printed copies of the Contract Documents may be purchased at the website for the cost of printing. The cost for printed Contract Documents is non-refundable. This web site will be updated periodically with addenda, plan holders lists, bid tabulations, additional reports or other information relevant to bidding the Project.

Pre-bid conference for the project will be held at 10:30 AM, Friday, December 2, 2016 at the office of the DISTRICT ENGINEER, and is not mandatory.

Bids must be accompanied by a cashier's check or a bid bond from a surety company holding a permit in the State of Texas for an amount equal to 2% of the amount bid. The amount of said cashier's check or bond will be forfeited to the OWNER and the bank or surety shall be liable to the OWNER for the amount in event the successful bidder fails to enter into a contract or furnish bonds as hereafter required within ten (10) days after the date of notice of award.

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## RSM announces 2017 season shows

Rockwall Summer Musicals recently announced shows to be included in its 2017 season. Kicking off the seventh RSM season will be "Fiddler on the Roof," with performances set June 23 through July 2. "Peter Pan" will be staged Aug. 11-20. Visit [rockwallsummermusicals.org](http://rockwallsummermusicals.org) for audition information and advance ticket sales for the two classics.

### City of Heath meeting ...

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The council followed up with unanimous approval of the first amendment to water purchase contract with the City of Rockwall.

During the Oct 11 meeting, the council unanimously approved an application in Resolution No. 161011-A for a variance to fence ordinances in Section 157.02. The action allows the unidentified applicant to construct a five-foot fence in the side and rear yard, located at 600 Rustic Ridge Drive, in violation of the ordinance, which sets a four-foot limit.

In other business, the city unanimously approved:

- A facilities agreement for the Laurence Crossing Addition construction of infrastructure pursuant to the Subdivision Code.
- Tabling an application by Cameron Sloan, with F.C. Cuny Corporation, until the Oct. 25 meeting.
- Tabling an application by Chip Chamberlain, with Caprock Custom Homes, until the Oct. 25 meeting. Joe Chamberlain recused himself.
- An application by Wayne Mershaw, with Mershaw Architects, of a Site Plan for an office development situated on Lot 23, Block A, Cobblestone Farms, Phase 2, City of Heath, located on the terminus of noble Court west of FM 3097.

The council was divided on an application of David Booth, with D.R. Horton, of the Final Plat of Lakeside at Heath, Phase 3C-1, consisting of 109 residential lots and being 31.425 acres of land situated in the J. Canter Survey, Abstract No. 85, City of Heath extra territorial jurisdiction, Kaufman County, located west of FM 740 within the City of Heath ETJ. The application was approved by a vote of 4-3, with Brooks, Elam and Krause opposing. Chamberlain recused himself.

Berry recessed the meeting into a closed meeting for deliberations about an Associate Municipal Court Judge. Berry reconvened the meeting and said no action was taken while in the closed meeting, and that no further actions were needed.

## Local Toys for Tots drop-off sites named

Two local sites have been named drop-off sites for the 2016 U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots campaign, according to a news release issued last week.

The Rest Haven Funeral Homes in Rockwall, 2500 SH 66 East, and Rowlett, 3701 Rowlett Rd. collect toys for the campaign.

New, unwrapped toys for children of all ages are needed. No realistic-looking toy weapons or guns are accepted, according to the release.

Each year the Dallas/Fort Worth Toys for Tots organization collects toys and monetary donations throughout the Metroplex. The toys and funds are distributed to dozens of community agencies throughout the area to make sure they get directly to North Texas children in need, according to the release.

Both sites are open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays. The Rockwall location also is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays.

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# Opinions

## Observations of post-Kennedy assassination events: Robert Kennedy, USS Liberty

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Austive study into the volumes of private and government (on, research and literature on the assassination of President Kennedy, November 22, 1963, helps to identify certain , tactics and strategies toward understanding later high idents.

## America's plunge from republic to empire

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ve crossed the boundary that lies between Republic and f you ask when, the answer is that you cannot make a single ween day and night. The precise moment does not matter. s no painted sign to say, "You now are entering Imperium." s a very old road and the voice of history was saying: you know it or not, the act of crossing may be irreversible." not far ahead, is a sign that reads: "No U Turns."

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fficult to pinpoint the moment at which America crossed ublic into Empire but guidelines exist for doing so. In his ise of Empire (1952), the libertarian journalist Garet Garrett he "first requisite of Empire" to be "the executive power of nt shall be dominant." Arguably, the power most intimately l to Empire or imperialism is conducting foreign policy, es- var.

ca's plunge into imperialism is evident in its abandonment itutional clause. Article I, Section 8, Paragraph 11 (the "War lause") reads, "[The Congress shall have power ...] To de- grant letters of marque and reprisal, and make rules con- aptures on land and water." The form of the declaration is fied but the need to go through Congress is. The ability to ar is coupled with other congressional powers over foreign namely, issuing letters of marque and reprisal as well as rules of capture on land and water. Congress is granted ex- over what are (or were) key areas of foreign policy.

urpose was to rein in the executive, the president, by block- ility to declare war and otherwise initiate foreign conflicts. ecently broken away from a monarchy, the Framers were ed to prevent one from arising on American soil. Since a de- wer of monarchy was what William Blackstone referred to le prerogative of making war and peace," the Constitution d that kingly prerogative. James Madison wrote in a letter is Jefferson (circa 1798), "The constitution supposes, what ry of all Governments demonstrates, that the Executive is h of power most interested in war, and most prone to it. It dingly with studied care vested the question of war to the re."

Alexander Hamilton, an advocate of centralized power, found ry to reassure the public that ratification of the Constitution ot give the executive the power to declare war. In The t Papers, he explained, "The President is to be Commander of the army and navy of the United States. In this respect ivity would be nominally the same with that of the King of itain, but in substance much inferior to it. It would amount g more than the supreme command and direction of the mili- naval forces ... while that of the British King extends to the of war and to the raising and regulating of fleets and armies; y, by the Constitution under consideration would appertain to slature." In short, the president would have the authority to war once a declaration had been approved by Congress.

As ll as restraining the executive, the War Powers Clause makes likely for several reasons. A vote in Congress promotes pub- on the issues surrounding war, including whether there ent cause for a declaration; such debate allows objections natives to be considered. Moreover, an open debate makes ims less likely to prevail. A vote from hundreds of politi- own from the entire nation is more likely to reflect the will tuents — the people — than the "vote" of one man; a war to faction of society could be opposed by those who would pay

A delay, even one counted in hours, allows for negotiation circumstances to change.

the War Powers Clause, World War II was the last war h Congress issued an official declaration of war. Korea, the Persian Gulf, Afghanistan, Iraq, and the shifting police in the Middle East originated through the action of presidents ion akin to those of kings or dictators.

War Powers Clause has been supplanted by Article II, 2, Paragraph 2 which states, in part, "The President shall mander in Chief of the army and navy of the United States, he Militia of the several States, when called into the actual of the United States." The clause is interpreted to mean that utive has a "right" to declare hostilities without involving s.

did the executive wrest the power to create empire away ongress? In brief: the Korean War.

The Korean War watershed  
51, the anti-interventionist Sen. Robert A. Taft contested itutionality of the Korean War. He stated, "[In] the case of here a war was already under way, we had no right to send a nation, with whom we had no treaty, to defend it against y another nation, no matter how unprincipled that aggression e, unless the whole matter was submitted to Congress and a ion of war or some other direct authority obtained."

Korean War (June 25, 1950 – July 27, 1953) is often viewed as te to World War II. In reality, it was a pivot point in American policy. Subsequent wars bear the fingerprints of Korea.

data implicating certain agencies of the federal government in the president's murder.

Garrison wrote the books, "On the Trail of the Assassins: A man's quest to solve the murder of President Kennedy," "A Heritage of Stone," "The Star Spangled Contract," and "In the Company of Angels."

Garrison was co-author with Harold Weisberg of, "Oswald in New Orleans: A Case for Conspiracy with the CIA."

Weisberg's investigation and critical analysis of the Warren Commission Report was self-published in 1965 under the title, "Whitewash." He also published, "Whitewash II: The FBI-Secret

with 103,284 being wounded. The goal of the Barbary Wars was to prevent pirate attacks on American shipping vessels; the Korean War was open-ended and politically motivated. And the Barbary Wars were sanctioned by the passage of at least ten congressional statutes.

The Founding Fathers envisioned circumstances in which a presidential response to aggression would not require congressional approval. A resolution brought before the Constitutional Convention by Madison and Elbridge Gerry reserved the power to initiate war to Congress but "with the reservation that the president need not await authorization from Congress to repel a sudden attack on the United States." The independence of action was meant to counter a sudden attack and not to conduct a sustained conflict.

Korea did not attack America. Nor did the two nations have a treaty. Nevertheless, Harry Truman was eager to intervene.

Three years before, on March 27, 1947, he had announced the Truman Doctrine by which America pledged to assist any country that resisted communist aggression. In the wake of World War II, the United States and Soviet Union vied for global dominance through a Cold War (circa 1947–1991). The Soviet Union encouraged the spread of communism in order to expand its sphere of influence; the United States pursued containment by extending military and financial aid to "vulnerable" nations. The Truman doctrine had been vigorously resisted in Congress by isolationist Republicans who viewed it as a program for imperialism. Rep. George Bender of Ohio accused Truman of authorizing "a program of military collaboration with all the petty and not so petty dictators." The president was aware of how difficult it would be to push war in Korea through Congress. And, yet, Korea epitomized the Cold War politics upon which Truman focused.

Why? Prior to World War II, Korea had been a colony of Japan. After Japan fell, America and Russia divided the peninsula at the 38th parallel, with America in the South, Russia in the North. Subsequent negotiations toward unification failed. Then, in June 1950, North Korea invaded the South with the backing of Soviet tanks and equip- ment.

How did America join the warfare? Congressman Howard Buffett explained,

On June 25, 1950, the U.N. Security Council demanded a cease- fire and called on members to render every assistance to the United Nations in the execution of this resolution. Nothing was said about entering the conflict.... But at 12 o'clock noon, on June 27, President Truman ordered United States air and sea units to give the Korean Government troops cover and support. That order put our military forces into the Korean civil war on the side of the South Koreans. At 10:45 that evening, 11 hours later, the Security Council requested members of the U.N. to supply the Republic of Korea with sufficient military assistance to repel invasion.

The later request was actually a recommendation rather than a demand to live up to UN commitments. The resolution read, "Recommends that the Members of the United Nations furnish such assistance to the Republic of Korea as may be necessary to repel the armed attack and to restore international peace and security in the area." [Emphasis in the original.] In an article entitled "Bush versus I.F. Stone .... and Eisenhower," John Nichols commented, "Instead of going to Congress and asking for a formal declaration of war, the president [Truman] gamed the system by claiming that U.S. participation in the United Nations required him to send American boys to again die in Asia not five years after World War II had finished."

Since Truman, it has become common for presidents to draw upon global authority in order to commit American troops to war without Congressional approval.

### Conclusion

Prior to World War II, a strong current of noninterventionism in- fluenced American foreign policy. The noninterventionists believed that America fared best when it did not militarily intrude into the affairs of other nations except in strict self-defense. World War II derailed their objections but, when war ended, noninterventionism reemerged within some circles.

The Korean War occasioned a neglected episode of history called "The Great Debate" on the propriety of the Korean War and wider principles, for example, when and by whom a declaration of war should be made. The noninterventionists and the U.S. Constitution lost.

One reason was the presence of a new argument — that nuclear war would require an immediate response from the president, who could not waste time seeking congressional approval. But that alleged need cannot explain why the Korean War was declared through what one historian called "a wink and a smile." Nor does it justify presidential declarations thereafter when nuclear war was not threatened. Moreover, if nuclear war was ever plausibly threatened, it could be viewed through the lens of Madison's and Gerry's resolution. That is, a sudden attack required an exception to the otherwise exclusive right of Congress to declare war. As it was, the mere possibility of such an attack was enough to de facto strip Congress of that right in all subsequent circumstances.

George Friedman, geopolitical forecaster, explained how the transfer of that power affected the American Republic. "If there is a single point where these matters [Republic and Empire] converge, it is in the constitutional requirement that Congress approve wars through a declaration of war and in the abandonment of this requirement since World War II. This is the point where the burdens and interests of the United States as a global empire collide with the principles and rights of the United States as a republic." Empire won.

Service Cover-up," "Whitewash III: The Photographic Whitewash of the JFK Assassination," and "Whitewash IV: The Top Secret Warren Commission Transcript of the JFK Assassination."

Retired Colonel Leroy Fletcher Prouty wrote the books, "The Secret Team: The CIA and Its Allies in Control of the United States and the World," "JFK: The CIA, Vietnam, and the Plot to Assassinate John F. Kennedy." Prouty served in the Air Force, and was stationed at the Pentagon during the time period of the assassination, thus the only known "insider" on the subject. Prouty's works implicated the CIA and military special operations in the assassination.

Based on the above mentioned literature, there is enough information to reasonably justify a reconsideration of later high profile incidents. If U.S. military special operations division played a primary role in the assassination, then it is reasonable to ask whether the same team ran later operations on American soil.

### Robert F. Kennedy

According to the official investigation conclusion, Senator Robert F. Kennedy was murdered, just after midnight, June 5, 1968 after declaring victory in the California Democratic primary. It was determined that Kennedy was killed from close range by a Palestinian-American named Sirhan Sirhan.

Not long after the murder, private researcher Fernando Faura began an investigation which exposed buried police and FBI data implicating not one man, but two men and a woman.

Faura eventually wrote the book, "The Assassination of Robert F. Kennedy and 'The Polka-dot File.'"

The website, Global Research includes a review of Faura's book by Edward Curtin.

Faura exposed that the local police and FBI found four bullet entry wounds in the back of Kennedy, and no entry wounds in his front side. It is commonly known that Sirhan was in front of Kennedy when the shootings began.

Faura interviewed a number of witnesses who saw one or two other people shoot Kennedy from behind, and saw the same two people run away while vocally praising themselves for shooting him.

Robert Kennedy served as U.S. Attorney General during the John Kennedy administration. It stands to reason that he had the resources to possibly launch a personal investigation into the murder of his brother.

In both murders, witnesses saw and heard something quite different from the official conclusion; the investigation data was altered; witnesses were harassed into retracting their original testimony; one person was blamed for crimes that very likely involved multiple culprits; the major media outlets promoted the official conclusions..

One big difference is the fall-guy wasn't killed. Instead, they may have relied upon his inability to remember what happened. Plus, killing him would have set off red flags in the minds of people who remember watching Lee Oswald's death on television.

### Remember the USS Liberty!

Less than four years after the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, the USS Liberty (AGTR-5) was attacked by Israel, June 8, 1967, while patrolling in international waters in the Eastern Mediterranean Sea. Used for Naval signals intelligence gathering, the ship was allegedly monitoring the Israel-Arab war.

The surviving crew members set up an organization called the USS Liberty Veterans Association, Inc. On March 29, 2004, the organization submitted a document to Secretary of the Army, "A Report: War Crimes Committed Against U.S. Military Personnel, June 8, 1967."

Based on the report information, the USS Liberty carried a crew of 294 military personnel and three civilians. Of the 294 crew members, 34 were killed in action and 173 were wounded in action. The ship was extensively damaged and never returned to operational missions.

The report described eight Israeli reconnaissance flights during the day prior to the attack. Israel officially acknowledged that the USS Liberty was a U.S. Naval signals intelligence ship, which could not be confused due to the American flag openly displayed on the ship.

At about 2:00 p.m., June 8, 1967, Israeli fighter aircraft launched a rocket attack on the USS Liberty, with repeated firing passes utilizing rockets, cannon fire, and napalm.

The crew reported difficulty contacting the Sixth Fleet to request assistance because of communications jamming. It was clarified that Lieutenant Maurice H. Bennett reported to the Chief of Naval Operations via the high-command radio circuit that the Liberty was under attack by unidentified jet aircraft and required immediate assistance, and that the message was received by the aircraft carrier U.S.S. Saratoga and relayed to Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Europe; Commander, Sixth Fleet, and Commander, Task Force 60.

The report continued to explain that after the fighter jet attacks were completed, three Israeli torpedo boats arrived and began to attack the Liberty for about 35 minutes after the start of the air attack, launching a total of five torpedoes.

One of the torpedoes struck the side of the ship.

As if this were not enough, the report continues that after the torpedo attack, the same boats moved up and down the length of both sides hitting the ship with cannon and machine gun fire. It was reported that the torpedo boats also fired on the inflated life boats launched by the crew.

After the torpedo boats left, two Israeli helicopters arrived with troops to possibly board the ship. The helicopters promptly left when they believed U.S. fighter jets were enroute to protect the crew.

No U.S. President, nor Congress have opened an investigation into the attack.

Why is this incident important to the subject of the assassination of both Kennedy brothers?

During the months leading up to his death, President Kennedy was in communication with the Prime Minister of Israel. Kennedy stood firmly against the development of nuclear weapons by Israel.

The letters reveal a polite and tense stand-off between the two executives. Soon after Kennedy's death, newly installed President Lyndon Johnson allowed Israel to start the development and proliferation of nuclear weapons.

This is significant information, and may help to answer the question of how the 1963 military Coup de'Etat was financed. Congress would not have sanction such an operation.

Thus the funding would have to come from outside sources.

If the nation-state of Israel had such a low attitude toward the U.S., as to savagely assault a marked U.S. Naval signals intelligence ship, then it's reasonable to consider that Israel had the same attitude toward the U.S., when its President was refusing to allow the development and proliferation of nuclear weapons.

Yellowjacket Lane, Rockwall, Texas, a judgment may be taken... You are hereby commanded to appear by filing an answer to the Plaintiff's Original Petition, at a before ten o'clock A.M. on the Monday next after the expiration of forty days after the date of issue of this Citation, on THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2016, AT 10:00 A.M. before the Honorable Judge District Court of Rockwall County, Texas at the Rockwall County Courthouse, Yellowjacket Lane, Rockwall County, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said Court on 06/27/2016, A.D., in case number 1-16-061111. The docket of said court is JACQUELYN TAYLOR DYLAN MCGRIFF. A brief statement of the of this suit is as follows: wit: Injury/Damage to Vehicle. The officer executing shall promptly serve according to requirements of law, and the mandate and make due return to the court. ISSUE AND GIVEN MY HAND AND THE OF SAID COURT on this on the 1st day of November, 2016. KAY MCDANIEL, Clerk Rockwall County, Texas 1111 E. Yellowjacket Ste. 200 Rockwall, Texas 75087 By: Barbara Timberlake Deputy ROCKWALL COUNTY NEWS (Newspaper) Issued at the request of RYAN E ROGERS 1909 WOODALL ROAD FREEWAY SUITE 200 DALLAS TX 75201

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Heritage Christian Academy Eagles Max Mitchell (2) and teammate Brendan Schoepfer show a handoff, holding a Midland Trinity defender back, Fri. Nov. 25, 2016, during the TAPPS State Semifinals at Strawn, Texas. The Eagles went on to defeat Trinity 66-16, and advance to the State Championship game against Austin Veritas, 7:00 p.m., Thurs. Dec. 1, at Midway High School in Waco.  
Photo by Debra Webb/Rockwall County News

# Heritage Christian defeats Midland Trinity 66-16, advances to TAPPS State Championship

The Heritage Christian Academy varsity football team defeated Midland Trinity, 66-16, Friday Nov. 25, 2016, to claim a spot in the TAPPS Div. 1 Six-man Football State Championship.

The Championship game against Austin Veritas, will be played 7:00 p.m., Thurs., Dec. 1, at Midway High School in Waco.

The Eagles dominated the game with 425 total offense yards, while holding Trinity to 190 yards.

HCA scored two Touch Downs during the first quarter. Max Mitchell handed the ball to Brendan Schroepfer at the 39 Yard Line, for a TD. Next, Tyler Treadway completed a pass to Christian Pettit from the 6 YL, for another TD.

During the second quarter, the Eagles scored 8 TDs, with Trinity's 2 TDs.

Treadway took a handoff from Mitchell and scored on an 15 YL carry.

Treadway completed a second TD pass to Pettit who scored the 15 YL.

Schoepfer scored from the 8 YL, off a handoff from Mitchell. Schroepfer returned a Trinity kickoff from HCA's endzone on the other side for a score.

Treadway scored from the Trinity 28 YL of a Mitchell pitchout. Will Trefflinger received a pass from Mitchell, and ran in for a score.

With a 44-16 lead, the Eagles returned to finish the game during the third quarter as Treadway took a pitchout from Mitchell and made the game ending score.

Treadway completed 4 pass out of 4 attempts for 104 yards and 3 TDs, rushed 14 times for 181 yards and 3 TDs, with a longest run of 49 yards. He earned 2 Solo Tackles and 3 Assists.

	HCA	MT
1st downs	12	6
Rushing	290	177
Passing	135	13
Total plays	25	26
Fumbles - lost	1/0	5/0
Penalties - yards	3/20	4/35
Defensive Sacks - Yards Lost	0/0	0/0
3rd Down Eff	4 of 4	0 of 6

**Individual**  
Mitchell completed 1 pass of 1 attempt for 31 yards, and 5 Tackles.

Schoepfer - Rushed 4 for 121 and 2 TDs, longest for 69. 3 AT, 1 Kickoff Return for 80 Yards.

Pettit - Received 4 of 4 for 96 Yards and 2 TDs, longest 38. 4 AT.

Trefflinger - Received 1 of 1 for 39, 3 ST, 3 AT.

Brock McCarty - 1 ST, 4 AT.

Jacob Smith - 1 ST.

Lane Pollock - 1 AT.

Jake Anderson, 1 AT.

Cody McCaffity - 1 AT.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final
HCA	16	44	6	66
MT	0	16	0	16

## Club watches floral arranging demonstration

The Friday Study Club held its Nov. 18 meeting in the Parish Hall of the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Heath.

Co-hostesses were Carolyn Duckworth, Gail Lombard and Nancy Barnett.

Darlene Bealmear led the meeting and introduced florists Lela Yarbrough and Tammy Bradley from the Flower Box.

The two demonstrated arrangements using outdoor fall flowers and foliage to bring the colors inside for the holidays.

After the hostesses served refreshments, club president Kathy Melston conducted the business meeting.

Ramona Dennison will be collecting donations to the Terrell State Hospital until Dec. 25.



Offering a presenting for the Friday Study Club, Nov. 18, 2016, at the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Heath are (left to right), Lela Yarbrough and Tammy Bradley. They shared with the club members ways to make floral arrangements.

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