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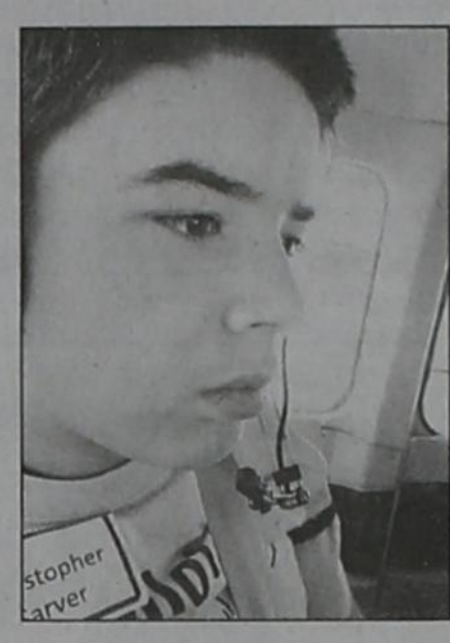
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Springer Elementary instructional coach Sabrina West represented the Rockwall ISD at the 2016 Teaching Learning Coaching Conference conducted Nov. 3-4 in Dallas. West was selected to receive a scholarship to attend the event based on her essay about her journey with High Impact Instruction. She also will write a blog about her conference experience. During the conference she met Jim Knight, a leader in instructional coaching. They are pictured above.



The Sarver family, of Rockwall County, recently had the opportunity to participate in Challenge Air for Kids & Friends. The organization hosts events at local airports for families with children with special needs. The family include three children enrolled in the Rockwall ISD - Desiree, a junior at Rockwall High; Chris, an Uteley Middle School student; and Joshua, a second grade student at Doris Cullins-Lake Pointe. According to the release, both boys are autistic. The Sarvers went to Dallas Executive Airport, where Josh and Chris had the opportunity to attend "pilot school," participate in booths and activities, and watch planes take off and land throughout the day. Each also got to co-pilot a plane, flying to Waxahachie and back, and received a co-pilot certificate to mark the accomplishment. Pictured above is Christopher Sarver (right), preparing for takeoff, and, in the group photo (left), John Sarver, the children's father; Desiree Sarver; the pilot; and Joshua Sarver.

Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

RCISD finances earn Superior rating

Royce City Independent School District officials recently announced that the district received a rating of Superior Achievement under Texas' Schools FIRST financial accountability rating system for financial soundness. The Superior Achievement rating is the state's highest, demonstrating the quality of Royce City ISD's financial management and reporting system, according to a RCISD news release.

Royce City ISD chief financial officer David Carter presented the criteria and detailed information on the rating at the Nov. 14 board of trustees meeting. "The finance office and our campus administrators work diligently to be good stewards of public funds while adequately providing for our teachers and students," Carter said. "As a fast growth district, this focus on financial soundness will serve Royce City ISD well when looking at future needs in the district."

The Schools FIRST accountability rating system assigns one of four financial accountability ratings to Texas school districts, with the highest being Superior Achievement, followed by Above-Standard Achievement, Standard Achievement and Substandard Achievement.

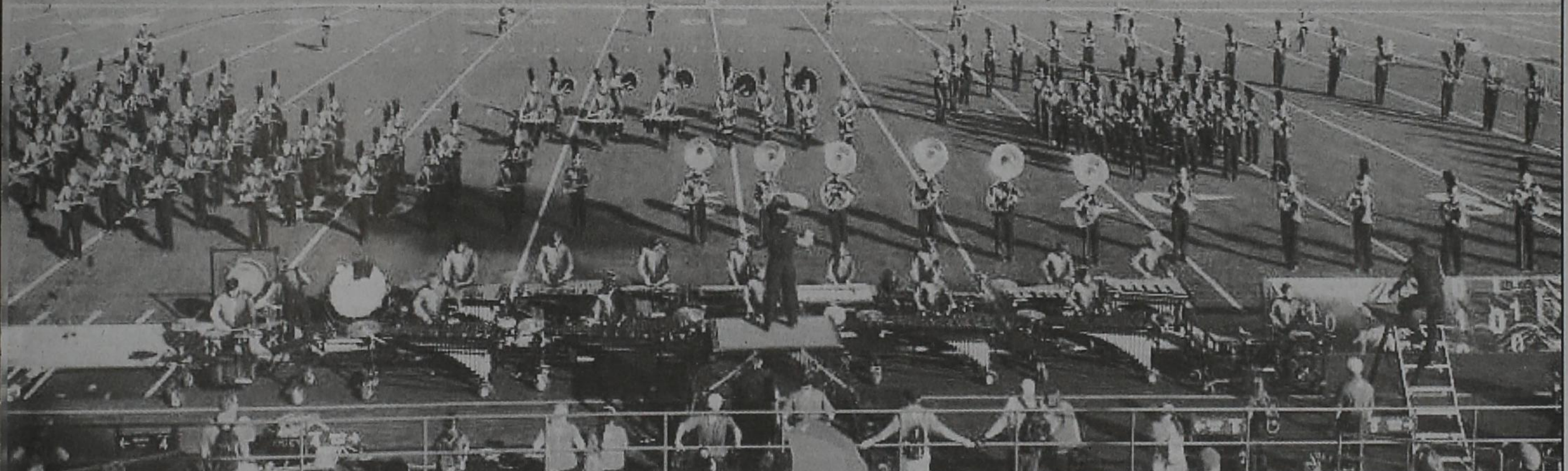
University scholastic honors

Green named to Dean's List

Erin Green of Rockwall was named to the Dean's List at Kansas Wesleyan University's College of Adult and Graduate Studies for the semester, according to a news release from the Circleville, Ohio, university. To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must achieve a semester grade point average of 3.5 or better and be enrolled in at least 12 semester hours.

Montine part of KWU Fall Concert

Christopher Montine of Royce City was among performers participating in the Kansas Wesleyan University Fall Concert on Tuesday, Nov. 15. The concert featured the KWU Wind Ensemble, String Orchestra and Philharmonic Orchestra.



The Rockwall High School Orange Wave Band, pictured above, competed Saturday, Oct. 29, at the UIL Area C Marching Contest. The band gave its best performance of the year, according to those on hand for the competition, and finished 11th out of 24 bands in the preliminary contest, missing finals by a single position. The finish marked the best ever by the Orange Wave at the 6A area marching competition.

Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

Rockwall ISD breaks ground for new school

Officials with the Rockwall Independent School District hosted a groundbreaking ceremony for Elementary School 14 on Wednesday, Nov. 9.

The new school is scheduled to open in August, according to a RISD news release. "It is with great pride that we celebrate today's groundbreaking ceremony for our school district and community but most importantly for the children who will soon walk its halls," John Villarreal, superintendent, said in the news release.

In attendance were members of the Rockwall ISD Board of Trustees, Rockwall ISD staff, members of Stantec Architects, members of NorthStar Builders and community members. Also in attendance were Lori Grinnan from Congressman John Ratcliffe's office, Mayor Brian Berry from the City of Heath, Rockwall County Commissioner Lee Gilbert, Dana Macalik and Mike Mishler from Rockwall Chamber of Commerce and Sheri Franza from Rockwall Economic Development Corporation.

Elementary School 14 is a facility of approximately 92,000 square feet.

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Rockwall County News Briefs

Rockwall city offices closed for holiday

City of Rockwall offices will be closed Thursday, Nov. 24, and Friday, Nov. 25, in observance of Thanksgiving, according to a city news release. Garbage and recycling pick-up scheduled for Thursday will be handled on Friday. Friday's scheduled services will be taken care of on Saturday, Nov. 26.

Newcomers & Friends plan Dec. 8 meeting

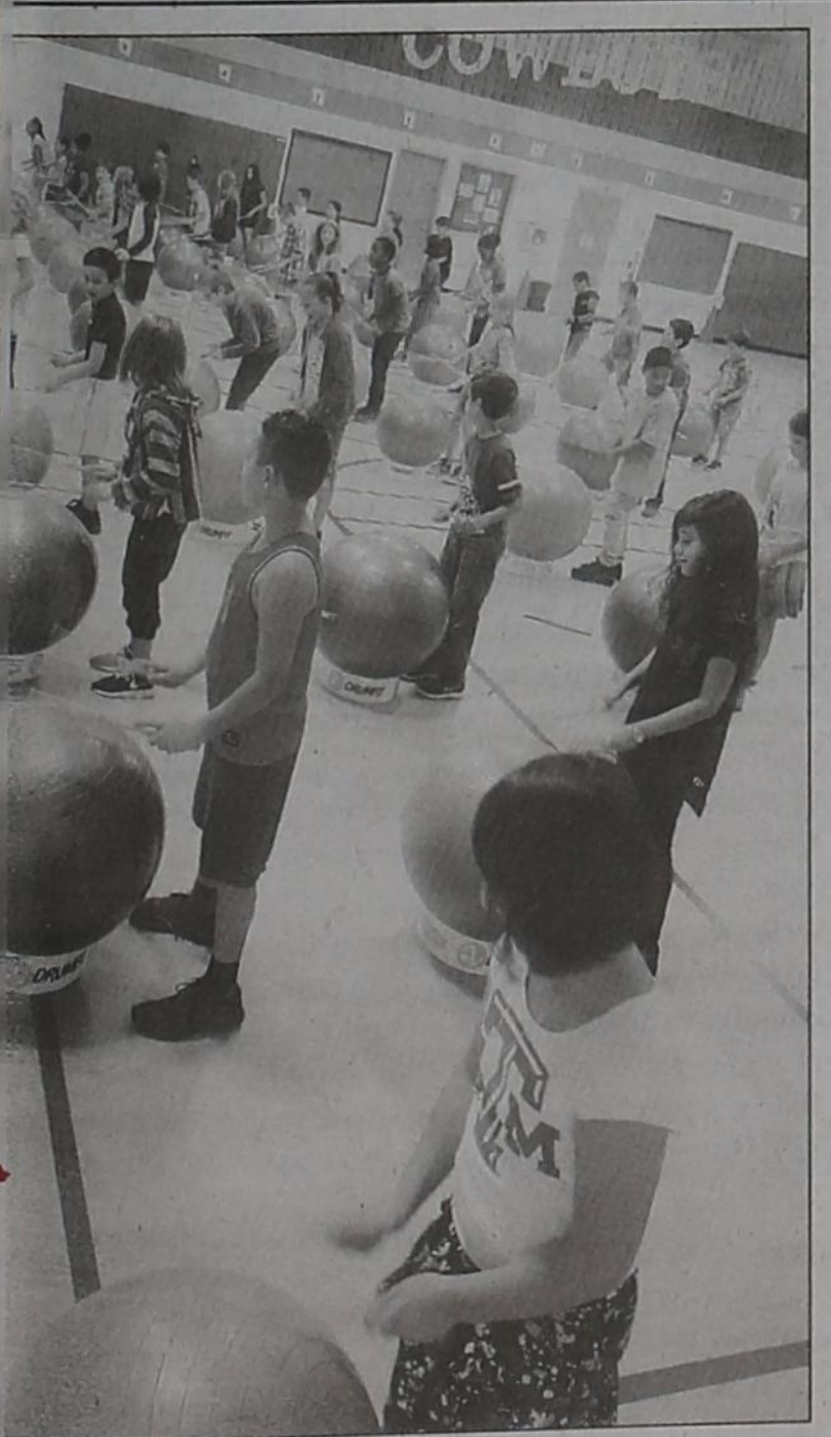
The Rockwall County Newcomers & Friends will meet at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 8, at Occasions at Stone River in Royce City. A group of comedic actors will demonstrate how to experience the humorous side of the holiday season. Luncheon reservations must be made by Nov. 28. Call Becky 1-712-202-6916 or Cathy 972-400-9934. This social organization is for new residents and women who have lived in Rockwall County for many years.

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.

Rock Wall to be revisited Dec. 11

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



Students at Cullins-Lake Pointe Elementary, pictured above, recently participated in the Drum Fit program during physical education classes. Students followed the program, using yoga balls and drumsticks to stay physically fit in a unique way. Drum Fit helps students who are inactive, stressed and stressed learn how to stay engaged during the school day.

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Rockwall County Obituaries

Olivia Larisa Munoz

Celebration of life services for Olivia Larisa Munoz, 28, of Rockwall were conducted at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 19, 2016, in the St. Mark Presbyterian Church in Dallas.

She died on Nov. 6 in Irving.

Born in Medias, Romania, on May 17, 1988, she was adopted by Thomas and Suzanne Munoz when she was 2½ years old. She graduated from Rowlett High School in 2007 and from Everest College with a certification in medical assisting in 2013.

She married Ernesto Moscosos in October 2014.

Her family and friends were very important to her.

Survivors include her husband, Ernesto; her children, Alex, 7, and Sophia, 1½; her sisters, twin Florentina and Katy; her parents; and her grandparents, Maria Munoz and Paul and Jo Ann Sites.

She was preceded in death by her paternal grandfather, Larry Munoz.



Pamela Pierson Treni

Memorial services for Pamela Pierson Treni, 64, of Rockwall will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 10, 2016, in the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel with Pastor Rick Donaho officiating.

A second memorial service will be conducted in the spring of 2017 in her hometown of Mt. Carmel, Illinois. Arrangements will be announced at a later date.

She died Nov. 14.

Born Jan. 19, 1952, in Princeton, Indiana, to Raymond Edward Pierson and Betty Lou Johnson, she worked as a legal secretary for 33 years for Locke Lord LLP in Dallas. Prior to that she was a secretary for five years for Admiral Morrison at the Pentagon in Washington, D.C.

She was a great humanitarian and animal lover. A loving aunt and sister, she was a fun, kind, sweet and all-around amazing person.

Survivors include her mother, Betty Compton of Rockwall; her sisters, Sandra Heflin and her husband, Jerry, of Rockwall, Sally Wilkerson of Evansville, Indiana, and Lee Ann Compton Macy and her husband, Kevin, of Tampa, Florida; her brothers, Scott Compton and his wife, Marilyn, of Johnson City, Tennessee, and Steve Compton and his wife, Margaret, of Vincennes, Indiana; her nieces and nephews, Ashley Heflin Burns and her husband, Bruce, Erin Heflin Dale and her husband, Russell, Brett Heflin, Derrick Compton and his wife, Lauren, Drew Compton, David Compton, Christy McPherson and her husband, Doug, Keesha Peterson and her husband, Chad, Jacqueline Slatter and her husband, William, and Scott Wilkerson and his wife, Susan; her great-nieces and great-nephews, Ryder Elms, Bruce Burns Jr., Clayton Dale, Allie McPherson, Ethan Peterson, Brayden Peterson, Trevor Peterson, Taylor Miller, Jordan Miller, Katelyn East, Arron Wilkerson and Jarod Wilkerson; and many great-great-grand-nieces and nephews; her cat, Carlos; and a host of cousins and other family members.

She was preceded in death by her father, Herbert D. Compton; her brother-in-law, Jerry Wilkerson; and her grandparents.

The family has suggested memorials may be made in her name to the SPCA of Texas, 2400 Lone Star Drive, Dallas, TX 75212 or spca.org/memorizingiving or by performing an act of kindness in her name.



Thirty area professionals visited Cain Middle School on Wednesday, Nov. 9, to share information about their careers and college/career readiness. Careers discussed ranged from the medical field to technology to professional football. Deja Beasley, the eighth grade student pictured above, said Career Day was exciting and provided her ideas about various paths that can be taken. She is pictured here with Rockwall ISD Superintendent Dr. John Villarreal, who also served as a guest speaker.

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TEXAS CROSSWORD by Charley & Guy Orbison. Includes crossword grid and clues for Across and Down.

Marlett, Ackerman joined in lakeside wedding

Meredith Mae Marlett of Lubbock and Mitchell Brent Ackerman of Lubbock were married Oct. 1, 2016, in a sunset lakeside ceremony at Lake Oaks Ranch in Bridgeport.

The bride is the daughter of Mike and Ruth Miller and David Marlett of Rockwall.

The groom is the son of Kevin and Diane Box and Randy and Beth Ackerman of Rockwall.

The ceremony site is the home of the bride's grandparents, Robert and Carolyn Marlett.

Nick Stoddart officiated the ceremony. Music was provided by soloist and pianist Josh Miller, brother of the bride.

For her wedding the bride wore a custom-designed gown of silk charmeuse overlaid with French lace. She carried a bouquet of blue delphiniums, white roses, white stock, baby's breath and eucalyptus.

She was escorted by her father.

Caroline Marlett served as maid of honor for her sister. Matron of honor was Loren Kelly Hallmark. Bridesmaids were Kathleen Marlett and Sarah Miller, sisters of the bride, and Renee Costello, Jennifer Hardcopf and Brittney Kiewit.

The bridal attendants wore floor-length sage green chiffon dresses and carried bouquets of baby's breath and eucalyptus.

Best man was Patrick Ackerman, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Taylor Torres, brother of the groom, David Feigen and Mike Summers, cousins of the groom, and Connor Defebaugh and Ahsan Niazi.

A barbecue dinner and dancing followed the ceremony.

The couple left the lakefront wedding by boat under a display of fireworks and sky lanterns. The newlyweds plan a December honeymoon in the Florida Keys.

The bride and groom are Rockwall High School graduates. They are attending the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Pharmacy and School of Medicine.



(Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Ackerman)

Heath holiday event set Dec. 2

The City of Heath's Holiday in the Park event, hosted in Towne Center Park, will kick off the Christmas season on Dec. 2, rain or shine.

The event will include food trucks, children's activities and miniature train rides. The Christmas tree lighting program will feature holiday music, and Santa's arrival is scheduled for 7 p.m.

Activities will run from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Rockwall County Entertainment

'Miracle on 34th Street' tickets available

Tickets for the next Rockwall Community Playhouse production "Miracle on 34th Street," are currently available for \$10. Performances will run Nov. 25-27 and Dec. 2-4 and 9-11. Friday and Saturday shows will begin at 8 p.m.; Sunday matinee performance will begin at 2 p.m. For more 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 8:30 p.m. Activities include the tree-lighting ceremony at 7 p.m.; dinner at Winter Village; complimentary hot cocoa and coffee and arrival. For more details visit heathtx.com or facebook.com/heathtx.

Kiwanis planning Christmas parade

The 47th Annual Kiwanis Christmas Parade will wind through Towne Rockwall beginning at 9 a.m. on Dec. 3. This year's parade will celebrate the Spirit of Rockwall. For more information and to register, visit http://www.rockwallkiwanis.org.

Christmas tree lighting set in Rockwall

The 33rd Annual Christmas Tree Lighting on the lawn of Rockwall City Hall, 385 S. Goliad St., will begin at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 10, at The Center. An all-you-can-eat buffet of pancakes, sausage and orange juice will be served as well as live music and photo opportunities with Santa are planned.

Breakfast with Santa set Dec. 10

The City of Rockwall's Parks & Rec will host Breakfast with Santa on Saturday, Dec. 10, at The Center. An all-you-can-eat buffet of pancakes, sausage and orange juice will be served as well as live music and photo opportunities with Santa are planned. Parents should bring their cameras to the memories. Cost is \$7 per person or \$5 per person for Rockwall residents (children ages 1 and younger will be admitted free). Register visit playrockwall.com/program/breakfast-with-santa.

Daddy/Daughter Dance planned

The Rockwall Parks & Rec's annual Daddy/Daughter Dance will run from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 21, at the Hills Harbor. Each girl will have her photo made with her father and a flower at the end of the night. Light refreshments will be provided. Cost is \$99 or \$65 for Rockwall residents; each additional child from the same household will cost \$25. A limited number of tickets will be offered; sales begin Nov. 1 at The Center. For more details visit playrockwall.com/program/daddy-daughter-dance.

PCCS completes accreditation scores high in education quality

Poetry Community Christian School completed its third accreditation process with AdvancEd/SACS, according to Administrator/President Anne Horan.

The international accrediting organization accredits 34,000 private and public schools, as well as colleges and universities. According to Horan, the re-accreditation review occurs every 12 years, and evaluates schools based on six standards and 42 indicators of educational quality. Some of the indicators include teaching, learning, faculty credentials, educational technology, financial leadership, and communications.

Horan explained, "the school was recommended for re-accreditation and was informed that its Indicator of Education Quality cumulative score was the highest the team had seen in 32 years of accreditation evaluations, with the school's 'sense of community' and 'Parent Partnership Program, Communication Portal, and Student Leadership' program gaining high scores."

ISD holiday schedules

Rockwall ISD students will be released early, Wed. Dec. 21, for Christmas/Winter break.

Classes will resume from break, Mon. Jan. 9, 2017, with Development days set, Jan. 5-6.

Dobbs Elementary band and choir are set to perform, Tues. Jan. 3, at the elementary school.

Royse City ISD students will be on Thanksgiving break, Nov. 21 thru Fri. Nov. 25, 2016. Staff development days will be on Mon. and Tues.

Royse City ISD Christmas break will start Fri. Dec. 16 thru Jan. 3, with classes starting back on Wed. Jan. 4, 2017. Mon. and Tues. will be a professional development day.

October Ribbon Cuttings/Grand Openings

- Rockwall Dance Academy, 447 E. I-30, Rockwall
- Shoreline Pediatric Dentistry, 2435 Ridge Rd., #117, Rockwall
- RISE (Rockwall Indoor Sports Expo), new ownership, 2922 S. Goliad St., Rockwall

November Ribbon-Cuttings/Grand Openings

- Royse City Tractor Supply, 772 W. I-30, Royse City
- NTX Indoor Digital Billboards, 214-460-3388
- Safira Studio, safirastudio.com/safira-social

There is no fear in love. But perfect love casts out fear. 1John 4:18

On God by Timothy Know the basic... element of mankind... and the earth is... We know what He did... certain people over the... largely include rescuing... with the general understand... They are under the bonda... of the devil with t... that binds two strange... who is saved will always b... who to bless the savior in... did something that r... of death. He mu... of a woman who was o... His son. His son willingly did His... in the Jewish-run... recognizable by people... evildoer, by being nail... that we are thankful f... But this act... His Daddy did three days a... his son from the dead and m... and power. There were... later to his new and glor... right before people's eye... they were all truly thankf... Jesus was resurrected. That's... Jesus was after waking up... His Daddy, that he continu... in heaven. Faithfully prepared his... of the grace of God, it... (2:1-4). The Jesus ascende... to sit with all power a... people who believe with th... the dead will absolutely... of righteousness. They start declaring with t... Messiah, they obtain true... become the brothers an... (2:9). account of people being... found in Acts 2:4. Letter to the Corinthian Chr... be absolutely thankful fo... not sleep, but we shall al... of an eye, at the last tru... shall be raised incorru... (1:5:51-52). wishes with something ex... shall have put on incorr... mortality, then shall be... "Death is swallowed up in... boldly exclaims, "O de... your victory? The sting of... to God, which gives... Christ." to the Creator of the he... from the law, and rela... over death and the gra... Messiah who is seated at th... His Daddy, the Creator. wrote about the children, "great love wherewith He... (sin-nature), has quick... are saved.) And has raise... heavenly places in Chr... in the ages to come He mi... in His kindness toward... you saved through faith;... God, not of works, lest any... God's grace, and not by... faith, but by the faith of our... precious gift of salvatio... (1:3:13-18 provides... (i.e., rapture). "I love, my beloved brethe... abounding in the work of... labor is not in vain in t...

On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

Know the basics ... thankful

...ing element of mankind's relationship with the Creator and the earth is related to what the Creator did for us to know what He did for mankind by way of His word to certain people over the ages, and the records of His acts in the ages.

...rgely include rescuing, blessing and healing people. It is the general understanding that all of mankind are in a bondage under the bondage of death and the fear of death, bondage of the devil with the power of death (See Hebrews 2:14-15).

...that binds two strangers is where one saves the other. The one who is saved will always be thankful to his savior, and may wish to bless the savior in return. ...or did something that resulted in saving others from the bondage of death. He miraculously conceived His Messiah in the womb of a woman who was of the line of King David. Thus, the Messiah is His son. ...son willingly did His will by allowing himself to face trials in the Jewish-run courts, be scourged to the point of being recognizable by people closest to him, and be killed as a sinner, by being nailed on a stake. ...that we are thankful for what Jesus did by allowing himself to be crucified. But this act would be in vain had it not been for the fact that Daddy did three days and three nights later. The Creator brought the dead and made him to sit at His right hand of power. There were witnesses to Jesus' resurrected body to his new and glorious body that could appear and be seen by people's eyes.

...were all truly thankful to the Creator. This includes the Creator as resurrected. That's right, Just imagine how absolutely thankful we are after waking up from the dead. It was a thankful Daddy, that he continued to serve Him, even to this day in heaven.

...fully prepared his disciples for the start of the work of the grace of God, that occurred on the next Pentecost (Acts 2:1-4). The Jesus ascended up into a cloud right in front of us, to sit with all power and authority from his Daddy. ...ple who believe with their hearts that the Creator raised the dead will absolutely be filled with holy spirit unto the end of righteousness.

...y start declaring with the mouth the Lordship of Jesus Christ, they obtain true salvation and become born from above to become the brothers and sisters of the Lord Jesus (See John 1:9).

...ccount of people being filled with holy spirit and getting baptized in Acts 2:4.

...er to the Corinthian Christians, Paul clearly laid out what we are absolutely thankful for, "Behold, I show you a mystery; while we sleep, but we shall all be changed. In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed" (1 Cor. 15:51-52).

...hes with something extremely exciting, "So when this mortal shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have become immortal, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, 'Death is swallowed up in victory.'" (From Isaiah 25:8).

...boldly exclaims, "O death, where is your sting? O grave, where is your victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law."

...ks to God, which gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

...o the Creator of the heavens and the earth, who gives us life from the law, and related transgressions; who gives us life over death and the grave; all through our Lord Jesus the Messiah who is seated at the right hand of all authority and is our Daddy, the Creator.

...te about the children, "But God, Who is rich in mercy, toward us whom we love wherewith He loved us, Even when we were in our sin, has quickened us together with Christ, (by His grace ye are saved); And has raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus;"

...at the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His kindness toward us through Christ Jesus. For by His grace ye are saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest any man should boast" (Eph. 2:4-10).

...od's grace, and not by our own works and laws; it is not of us, but by the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ; that people can receive the precious gift of salvation and everlasting life.

...onians 4:13-18 provides more information about the Day of Wrath (a.k.a., rapture).

...ere, my beloved brethren, you be steadfast, unmoveable, firmly grounded in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as you know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord" (1 Cor. 15:54-58).



Springer sixth grade students, pictured above, recently participated in a service project to help Helping Hands feed families this holiday season. The students collected items needed to complete Thanksgiving Baskets to be delivered to local families. They collected enough food to create 11 complete baskets for Thanksgiving dinner and even more cans to donate to the pantry. The baskets will be delivered to families in time for the holidays. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

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Mosquito spraying continues in RC

Royse City continued its ground spraying for mosquitos on Friday, Nov. 18, after a sample from the 1300 block of Josephine Street tested positive for the West Nile Virus.

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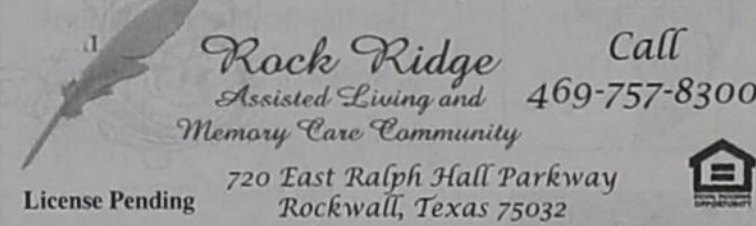
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"Let the peace from God rule in your hearts, to the which also you are called in one body, and be thankful ..." Colossians 3:15

"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

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 TO: DYLAN MCGRIFF
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Petition, at or before ten o'clock A.M. of the Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days after the date of issuance of this Citation on TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2016 AT 10:00 A.M., before the Honorable 439th District Court of Rockwall County, Texas at the Rockwall County Courthouse, 1111 Yellowjacket Lane of said County in Rockwall, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition, was filed in said Court on 06/27/2016, A.D., in this numbered 1-16-0610 on docket of said court, and JACQUELYN TAYLOR DYLAN MCGRIFF, A brief statement of the facts of this suit is as follows, wit: Injury/Damage – Mr. Vehicle.

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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 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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Dr. Phillip Paul and Mary Johnson (the turkey) greeted everyone entering the fellowship hall last week for the Annual Senior Thanksgiving Luncheon at Fellowship First Baptist in Roysse City. This marked the 20th year for what often is called Dr. Paul's Thanksgiving Luncheon. He began the luncheons to show the seniors of Roysse City how much he appreciated their kindness and all they have done for him. Dr. Paul and Johnson are involved in many areas of the lives of Roysse City senior citizens. When the luncheons began, the event took place in the Roysse City Senior Citizen Center with fewer than 50 in attendance. Soon, it had outgrown the center and was moved to the Melody Room at City Hall. Last year, the luncheon was moved again, this time to the Fellowship First Baptist to accommodate the crowd. A traditional Thanksgiving meal is served each year.
 Photo by Millie Jean Coppedge/Rockwall County News



Select Honors Band students competed Nov. 12 and Nov. 14 to earn spots in the UIL Region 25 All-Region Band. With nearly 1,000 students trying out from Allen, McKinney, Lovejoy, Rockwall and Wylie school districts, WMS band director Ryan Straten was happy to announce that 11 of students earned a spot in the Section 1 Middle Honorees pictured are, front, Kaitlyn Niesen, Noella Barron and Lindy Sachse; middle row, Sarah Lawton, Ryan Harrison, Al Martinez and Riley Kleinschmidt; and, at back, Kyle Grimsley, Josh Pos Braden Wills and Alec Lawson. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

Opinions

Spending to the next administration: Defense spending must be for actual defense

Paul
 Institute
 disturbing indication of how difficult it would be to bring spending in line with actual threats overseas, House Armed Chairman Rep. Mac Thornberry (R - TX) told President last week that his war funding request of \$11.6 billion for the year was far too low. That figure for the last two months of the year is just supplemental, not actual "defense" spending! More are being sent to Iraq, Syria, Afghanistan, and elsewhere. Supplemental request is a way to pay for them without falling under "sequestration" limits.
 question is whether this increase in US military activity and overseas actually keeps us safer, or whether it simply keeps state and the military-industrial complex alive and well.

cut anything from the defense budget. We need a robust defense of the United States and it would be foolish to believe that we have no enemies or potential enemies.

The military budget is something very different from the defense budget. The military budget is the money spent each year not to defend the United States, but to enrich the military-industrial complex, benefit special interests, regime-change countries overseas, maintain a global US military empire, and provide defense to favored allies. The military budget for the United States is larger than the combined military spending budget of the next seven or so countries down the line.

To get the military budget in line with our real defense needs would require a focus on our actual interests and a dramatic decrease in spending. The spending follows the policy, and the policy right now reflects the neocon and media propaganda that we must run the rest of the world or there will be total chaos. This is sometimes called "American exceptionalism," but it is far from a "pro-American" approach.

Do we really need to continue spending hundreds of billions of

dollars manipulating elections overseas? Destabilizing governments that do not do as Washington tells them? Rewarding those who follow Washington's orders with massive aid and weapons sales? Do we need to continue the endless war in Afghanistan even as we discover that Saudi Arabia had far more to do with 9/11 than the Taliban we have been fighting for a decade and a half? Do we really need 800 US military bases in more than 70 countries overseas? Do we need to continue to serve as the military protection force for our wealthy NATO partners even though they are more than capable of defending themselves? Do we need our CIA to continue to provoke revolutions like in Ukraine or armed insurgencies like in Syria?

If the answer to these questions is "yes," then I am afraid we should prepare for economic collapse in very short order. Then, with our economy in ruins, we will face the wrath of those countries overseas which have been in the crosshairs of our interventionist foreign policy. If the answer is no, then we must work to convince our countrymen to reject the idea of Empire and embrace the United States as a constitutional republic that no longer goes abroad seeking monsters to slay. The choice is ours.

2016 Thanksgiving for military veterans

Matthew Shores
 all, Texas
 Thanksgiving will find my 90 year old aunt in heaven. She passed away on Monday, November 14, 2016 to join her two sisters and her husband to be with Jesus.
 Kenneth E. Shores am the last living person that lived on my aunt's farm and stone quarry in Windsor Indiana. This history dates back to 1759 when the Shores family migrated to America. My great-grandfather was in the New Orleans area and became part of American history. He had four uncles that served in World War II that lived to see their families.
 My uncle Lois Smith, married Melvin Daniel Smith in Oakland, California, October 1, 1945. Melvin was a returning hero from the United States Army as a tank driver in the European Theater of Operations. He was assigned sometimes to General Patton in the assaults on Germany. During the war, his Thanksgiving was spent fighting

to protect our country. Lois' sister Betty Carey passed away several years before in Muncie Indiana. Betty's husband, Tom Carey also served in the Navy during World War II.

Their oldest son Tommy Joe served and was killed in action during the Vietnam War. Betty and Tom became very bitter until Betty found out she had cancer and only six months to live.

Betty immediately spent many hours daily volunteering at Veterans Administration hospitals all over Indiana. Betty and Tom lost their bitterness, and Betty lived for 30 plus years more. She received many awards from officials in and outside of Indiana.

My uncle Paul Shores and Uncle Francis Shores also served in the military during World War II. Paul served in the Navy and Francis in the Army.

My father, the oldest of the Shores brothers was not called into the military during World War II. Each of my uncles returned home after the war and raised good families.

I still remember when we lived in Chicago, my father coming home

from work one evening. This was shortly after the announcement of December 8, 1941 of the Pearl Harbor bombing. My father first gave my mother a loving hug and told her that he could not talk about his work; that she sometimes would have to take care of the family as he may not be home and may be away for a great period of time.

Years later I found out he was making bomb sight equipment during the war time. This is the reason he was not drafted into the service.

This Thanksgiving we should be thankful for all that served in the military and other war time duties performed, to keep us free and also be thankful for all the people that has been in our lives.

God will also be pleased with us when we care for others. Say a thankful prayer for all our family and friends that are still with us and those that are no longer here.

Make this Thanksgiving a special day to reflect on everything you are thankful for. Always remember that God is in control of everything for which we can be very thankful.

Rockwall OKs additional funding for private transportation services

Rockwall City Council approved additional funds for transportation services in Rockwall at its Nov. 7 meeting. The council previously approved \$55,200 in the 2017 operating budget to fund the continuation of transportation services in the city in response to the change in STAR previously received from state and federal resources, according to a city news release.
 According to the minutes of the Nov. 7, 2016 meeting, the council closed session to discuss an "Interlocal Cooperative Agreement" between STAR Transit and the City of Rockwall.
 Pro Tem Mike Townsend made a motion to approve the agreement which was seconded by Mayor Jim Pruitt.
 Councilmembers did not inquire into what services STAR has been providing for the City of Rockwall, and whether the agreement met the statutory criteria to qualify for said services.
 According to the minutes, City Manager Rick Crowley will be amending an agreement on behalf of the City, with STAR. The amendment would include a "change in scope of services" to include needs for the elderly and disabled for an additional six months allowing the City time to review further options.
 The City has been paying revenues to a private company that provides transportation services for the general public in and outside of Rockwall County, with an agreement that the company will provide transportation services for the elderly and disabled living in

The council approved the measure 6 to 1, with David White opposing.

STAR Transit has been the provider in Rockwall County for more than a decade. As a result of the 2010 Census, Rockwall County was redefined from a rural area to an urban service area. This designation changed the available state and federal funding sources from which STAR could receive assistance for operational costs associated with providing transportation services to citizens of Rockwall, according to the release.

Currently, 75 percent of all riders in the city limits of Rockwall are either elderly or disabled and 25 percent are general population riders, according to the release.

A public meeting was conducted on Oct. 25 to inform customers of the funding limitations, gather feedback and concerns and hear how the potential changes will impact Rockwall residents.

The City Council now has approved \$10,020 per month for six months beginning in December for services to continue, uninterrupted at its current level. During the first six months, the city and STAR will work together to identify ways to improve upon concerns identified as a result of conversations with our residents and from the public meeting. A formal agreement will be finalized soon.

Following the executive closed session, the council authorized Crowley to execute a lease agreement with the Hance Family "as discussed in executive session."

In other business, the council approved the consent agenda which included:

- Approval of the Oct. 17, 2016 meeting minutes.
- A request by James Shaw for approval of an ordinance for a Specific Use Permit to allow for an accessory building that does not meet the minimum requirements of the Unified Development Code for a 1.4692 parcel of land in Sterling Farms Addition at 1910 Copper Ridge Circle (second reading).
- Approve an ordinance amending the Rockwall Code of Ordinances in Chapter 38, Subdivisions; Article I. In General; Section 38-23 Standards for Design of Developments within Subdivisions Adopted to reflect the 2016 update to the standards.
- Approve funding recommendation from the hotel occupancy tax committee regarding supplemental requests from Aspasians and Noon Rotary.
- Award a bid to Sam Pack's Five Star Ford authorizing Crowley to execute a Purchase Order for a new 3 yard dump truck totaling \$57,935 to be funded out of General Fund Reserves, Streets and Drainage Operating Budget.
- Authorize Crowley to execute a contract amendment with Tyler Technologies, Inc. for an upgrade to the Rockwall Police Department Dispatch Center CAD software, approving purchase of related hardware in the amount of \$202,704 to be paid from general fund reserves. It is unknown at this time whether the City Manager confirmed legal qualification of the company to offer said services.
- Authorize Crowley to enter into an agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation under the City Pride Program for the installation of signage recognizing the Historic Bankhead Highway at the intersections of State Highway 66 and First Street, and Second Street, and Olive Street, and Interurban Street.
- Resolution renewing Fiduciary Consulting Group, Inc. to continue to act as named Fiduciary and Named Plan Administrator of the City of Rockwall's 457(b) Plan; to engage Ascensus Trust to provide direct trust services including an annual trust report on the Plan assets, and authorizing Crowley to sign a Fiduciary Engagement Agreement and appoint an Oversight Committee. It is unknown whether the City Manager confirmed legal qualifications of the companies to offer said services to the city.
- Award a bid to Interstate Trailers and authorizing the Crowley to execute a Purchase Order for three new heavy equipment trailers in the amount of \$45,031 to be funded out of the General, Water and Sewer Funds.
- Authorize Crowley to execute an agreement with WME Entertainment in the amount of \$45,000 to be funded from Hotel Occupancy Taxes for headline entertainment for the 2017 Founder's Day Festival.
- Approve a request by Jason Lentz of Atticus Real Estate Services, Inc. for a resolution abandoning a .095 acre portion of the excess right-of-way adjacent to Summer Lee Drive.

The councilmembers were hotly divided on the issue of an ordinance to grant a change in zoning by amending the permitted land uses to allow The Brewery and Distillery (Excluding Brewpub) land use for a 25.97-acre portion within the B.J.T. Lewis Survey.

Residents who live near the proposed location expressed disapproval of the Brewery near their neighborhoods. Local resident, Kathryn Lyle, expressed concern about its location next door to Planet Fitness on Ridge Road, which is a 24-hour establishment.

Speaking in opposition were Lyle, Madison Lyle, Erica Lyle, insurance adjuster David Mitchell, Martha Keegan. There were no voice of assent.

The applicant is Kasey Weadon of New Craft Brewing, L.L.C. The ordinance was approved 4 - 3, with Townsend, Pruitt and Kevin Fowler opposing.

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Rockwall-Heath High School's International Thespian Society troupe #7119 recently participated in Trick or Treat So Kids Can Eat, a national community service program for ITS-member schools to collect canned and dry goods for local charities and food banks. Theater students from Rockwall-Heath High School collected cans on campus with other RHHS student organizations. On Oct. 28, the RHHS theater students pictured above delivered 1,021.5 pounds of canned goods to help support their canned food drive for Rockwall Helping Hands food pantry. Through TOTS Eats, thousands of pounds of food will be collected across the state, giving organizations the ability to feed thousands of local people.
 Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

Heritage Christian rolls over Watauga 54-8, advances to TAPPS State semifinals against Midland Trinity

The Heritage Christian Academy Eagles football team defeated Watauga Harvest 54-8 in the regional finals of the TAPPS Division 1, District 2, Six-Man State Playoffs Fri. Nov. 18, 2016, at Prince of Peace Christian School in Carrollton. The Eagles finished the first quarter 20-0 over Watauga.

Max Mitchell pitched the ball to Tyler Treadway for two of the TDs, and handed the ball to Brendan Schroeffer for the third TD.

During the second quarter, Watauga scored the first with a Luke Young pitch to Luke Veoukas who ran for the score from the 29 Yard Line. HCA added two more TDs. Mitchell pitched to Treadway for a 41-yard TD run, and later for a 11-yard TD. The Eagles defense also scored a TD when Mitchell intercepted a Cade Griffin pass, and carried the ball in for 6 points.

HCA will advance to State Semifinals against Midland Trinity. The game details will be posted in the Rockwall County News Facebook

page. HCA won in two quarters of play.

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WH	0	8	8
HCA	32	22	54
Team stats			
	WH	HCA	
1st downs	2	12	
Rushing	69	206	
Passing	4/18	2/4	
Passing yards	3	18	
Total plays	30	26	
Total Offense	72	224	
Fumbles lost	1/0	1/1	
Penalties/yards	3/28	1/5	
Defensive sacks/yards lost	0/0	1/10	

Individual

Mitchell - 31 Yards From Scrimmage, 6 Points, 1 Pass of 2 for 14 yards, 1 Penalty for 5 yards, 1 Solo Tackle, 2 Tackles.

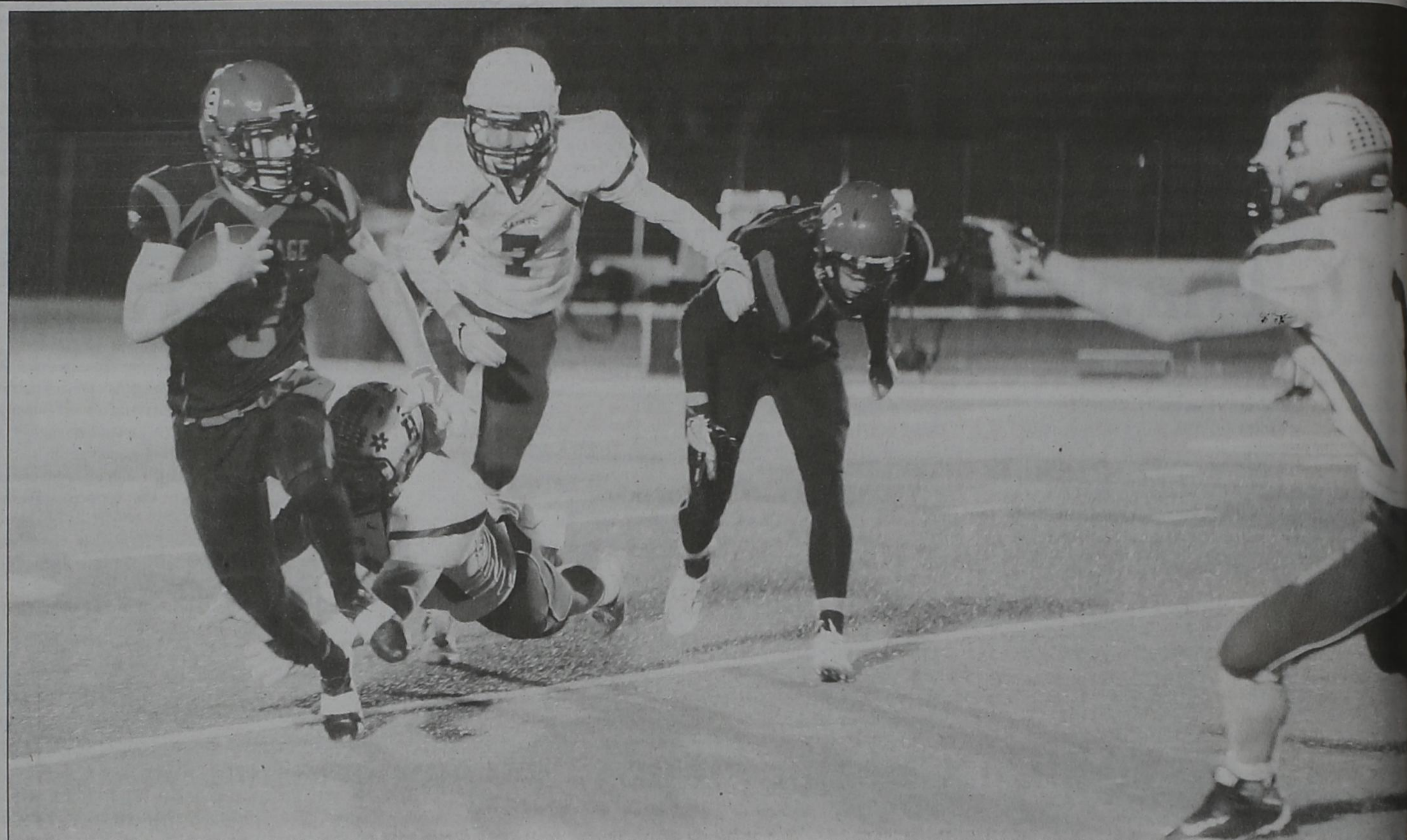
Schroeffer - 18 YFS, 6 P, 3 carries for 18 yards and 1 TD, 2 ST, 4 AT.

Christian Pettit - 14 YFS, 1 PC of 2 for 4 yards, 1 Pass Received of 2 for 14 yards, 4 AT.

Will Treffinger - 4 YFS, 1 PR of 1 for 4 yards, 1 AT.

Tyler Treadway - 155 YFS, 30 points, 2 ST, 3 AT, 2 ST For Loss, 1 ATFL.

Phillip Hawthorne - 2 YFS, 8 Kick Offs for 180 net yards, longest of 51 yards, 6 Point After points of 7 Attempts.



HCA Eagles Senior Tyler Treadway (9) scores his fourth touchdown of his five touchdown performance for a game-long 41 yards, Fri. Nov. 18, 2016, against Watauga, during the TAPPS Regional finals playoff game at Prince of Peace Christian School in Carrollton. Also assisting was Senior Will Treffinger (#5). Not shown at left is Brendan Schroeffer, who assisted with blocking and receiving possible pitch-out from Treadway.

Photo by Debra Webb/Rockwall County News

Rockwall gymnastics start 2016 season with win at Bell Invitational

The Rockwall High School men's varsity gymnastics team took first place, Wed. Nov. 16, 2016, at the season opening L.D. Bell Invitational. The Rockwall team finished with 168.6 points. Rockwall-Heath placed third with 163.4 points.

Team results

- 1st - 168.6 Rockwall
- 2nd - 165.0 Trinity
- 3rd - 163.4 Heath
- 4th - 162.8 Boswell
- 5th - 158.4 L. D. Bell

INDIVIDUAL: (top 10 recognized out of 70 athletes)

Mckay Larman - 3rd on Vault, 4th on P-bars, 5th on Rings, 6th on Pommel Horse, 8th on High Bar, 5th All Around

Jake Hodges - 4th on Rings and P-bars, 6th on Floor and Vault, 9th on Pommel horse

Lady Jackets named to UIL All-District team

Rockwall High School Lady Jackets volleyball players were named to the UIL All-District team with honors.

Senior Bayleigh Scott was named District Most Valuable Player (Co-MVP).

Other teammates earning honors

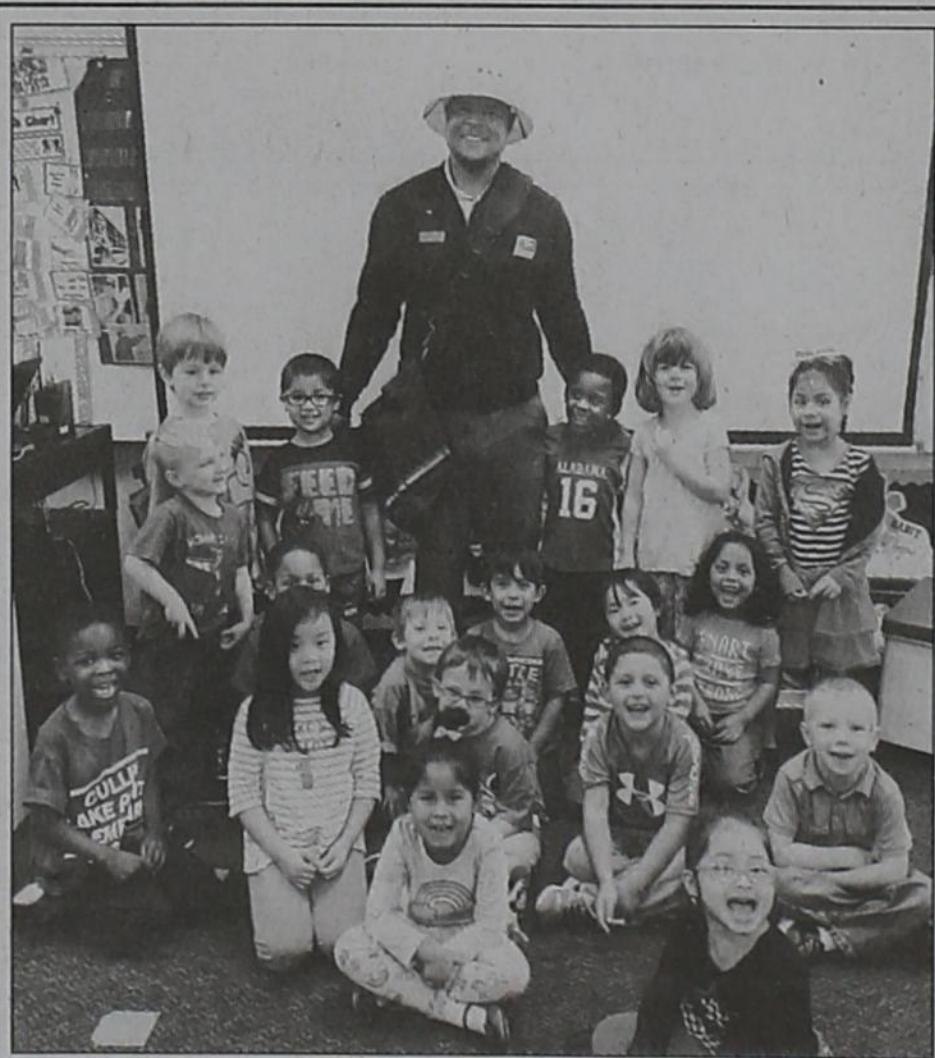
District's Outstanding Server - Ginger Stephenson (Jr)
 District's Outstanding Blocker (Co) - Maddie James (Jr)
 First Team All District - Marissa Roof (Sr) and Kimberly Iwunze (Sr).

Second Team All District - Emily Chapin (Sr), Kaylee Chuang (Sr) and Victoria Garza (Jr).

Honorable Mention All District - Breanna Compton (Jr) and Ashlie Frederiksen (Sr).

Academic All-District - Victoria Garza, Ginger Stephenson, Maddie James, Emily Chapin, Kaylee Chuang, Ashlie Frederiksen and Marissa Roof.

- Preston Gage - 1st on P-bars, 6th on Vault
- Aaron Cory - 3rd on Vault, 5th on High Bar
- Zach Dougal - 1st on Pommel Horse
- Wyatt Logan - 4th on Pommel Horse
- Ryan Szafran - 7th on Rings
- Wilson Farris - 9th on Rings
- Keil Pauga - 10th on Pommel Horse



Pre-kindergarten students in Debbie Schmucker's class at Cullins-Lake Pointe are learning about people in their community. One of the people they have been learning about is the postal worker. They had a visit from Titus Brown, a local postal worker who spent the day with class and started out by reading them a book about the different things a postal worker does and how a letter makes it from one place to another. The students wrote their own letters and mailed them to their own home addresses. They were excited to learn about postage stamps and to wait for their own mail to arrive. Pictured, at back, are Vandiver Schyuler, Jaden Angell, Brown, Titus Brown Jr., Melaina Saylor and Tinzley Gutierrez; third row, Timothy Soltan, Jayden Najera, Alyna Nguyen and Juliette Hensel; second row, C.J. Bell, Mason James, Reid James and Pedro Sebastian Olguin; and, at front, Vanessa Cervantes and Christina Ruiz.

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Rockwall County Entertainment

'Miracle on 34th Street' tickets available

Tickets for the next Rockwall Community Playhouse production "Miracle on 34th Street," are currently available for purchase. Performances will run Nov. 25-27 and Dec. 2-4 and 9-11. First Saturday shows will begin at 8 p.m.; Sunday matinee performances will begin at 2 p.m. For more 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 8:30 p.m. Activities include the tree-lighting ceremony at 7 p.m.; dinner at Winter Village; complimentary hot cocoa and coffee and more. For more details visit heathtx.com or facebook.com/heathtx.

Kiwanis planning Christmas parade

The 47th Annual Kiwanis Christmas Parade will wind through downtown Rockwall beginning at 9 a.m. on Dec. 3. This year's theme is Celebrating the Spirit of Rockwall. For more information or to register, visit <http://www.rockwallkiwanis.org>.

Christmas tree lighting set in Rockwall

The 33rd Annual Christmas Tree Lighting on the lawn in front of 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.

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 buffet of pancakes, sausage and orange juice will be served as children ages 10 and under visit with Santa. Candy canes and activities will also be provided. Parents should bring their cameras to capture the memories. Cost is \$7 per person or \$5 per person for Rockwall residents (children ages 1 and younger will be admitted free). Register visit playrockwall.com/program/breakfast-with-santa.

Daddy/Daughter Dance planned

The Rockwall Parks & Rec's annual Daddy/Daughter Dance will run from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 21, at the Hilton Harbor. Each girl will have her photo made with her father and receive a flower at the end of the night. Light refreshments will be provided. Cost is \$99 or \$65 for Rockwall residents; each additional child the same household will cost \$25. A limited number of tickets will be offered; sales begin Nov. 1 at The Center. For more details visit playrockwall.com/program/daddy-daughter-dance.

Area Entertainment

Symphony Orchestra Christmas concert set

The Mesquite Symphony Orchestra will perform "A Christmas to Remember," 5:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., Sat. Dec. 17, 2016, at the Mesquite Arts Center located at 1527 North Galloway Ave. For more information call 972-216-8132. Tickets may be ordered online at www.mesquitesymphony.org

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