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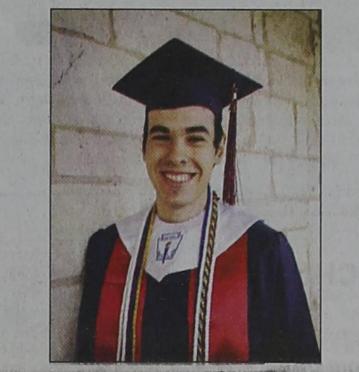


Harmanpreet Kaur, valedictorian of Royse City High School, plans to attend Baylor University and major in biology/premed. Courtesy photo/ **Rockwall County News**



Megan Buhr is the Valedictorian at Poetry Community Christian School with a GPA of 4.1957. She has attended PCCS for 6 years during which time she played on the varsity volleyball team and assisted in defending its TCAL State Championship 3 years running. She was also captain of the varsity girls basketball team, guitar player on the school praise team, Vice President on the Student Council for 2 years, and was part of this year's school mission team to the Rio Grande Valley. She has been an active member of Wills Point International Outreach Church her entire life, being part of the praise team, as well as teaching children's church. Megan will enter the Honors Program at Texas Woman's University on a Presidential Scholarship (1 of 36) and a full tuition scholarship; she will work towards a Bachelor of Science in dental hygiene with a minor in photography.

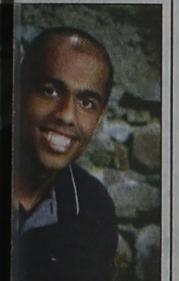
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Danell Horan is the 2014 Salutatorian at Poetry Community Christian School with a GPA of 4.1801. Danell has attended PCCS since the school opened in 2002. During her high school years at PCCS, she earned her black belt and the Leadership Award in the Christian Soldiers Karate program, a program recognized by the American Martial Arts Association. Her passion is writing and she competed and qualified as a finalist in the Annual National Novel Writing Month competitions 2009-2013, and authored the school's puppet scripts as well as a school play. She has seven novels written as well as poetry, drama scripts, nonfiction, and short stories. She was awarded 1st place and 2nd place in Creative Writing at the TCAL State Academics Meets in San Antonio. Danell is a member of the National Honor Society and the school's Honors Connect mission trip team. Although her favorite classes are in the English department, she has also enjoyed learning physics and pre-calculus this year. She lettered in 2012 and 2013. This fall, Danell will be attending Belhaven University, the only Christian university offering a Creative Writing bachelor's degree, where she will major in Creative Writing. She was granted a \$42,000 scholarship from the university based on her academics and creative writing portfolio. She will miss her teachers and friends at PCCS but looks forward to a future in authorship.

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Academy is Patrick Kwong. He plans to attend TWU where he will major in social work. Courtesy photo/

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: Jean Coppedge

16, Lorne Megyesi, Lance Megyesi and Jon Thatcher were o office at 11:30 a.m. by City Secretary Jean Dwinnell at ommunity Center, with family members looking on. Lorne ook the oath of office for mayor of Fate, while Lance Megyesi her took the oath for city councilmen.

19, the newly elected City Council began the regular Fate City eeting with those three being sworn in again, along with the council, given the oath of office. They were Nikki Robinson, , Steve Herrmann and Cameron Cowan, who still had a year previous position.

neeting progressed with the plan of getting all the immediate one, Cowan was elected mayor pro-tem and Joe Burger was puty mayor pro-tem for a period of one year.

Herrmann and Robinson volunteered and under Resolution No. re elected unanimously to the Fate Development Corporation Directors. Mayor Megyesi also will serve on the board. ssing unanimously was a resolution appointing a committee buncil members to review the city's policies, procedures and 5. Appointed were Lance Megyesi, Robinson and Burger.

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The Fulton School Valedictorian Fernando Leal Giannazzo

Fernando Giannazzo is in his third year at Fulton. He has been accepted and will be attending Trinity University to pursue degrees in Biochemistry and Music. Fernando aspires to achieve his Doctorate in Chemical Engineering. As a Fulton student, Fernando served as Student Council President, Robotics Vice President, National Honor Society Vice President, National Art Honor Society Vice President, and Co-Editor of the Falcon yearbook. He received the prestigious Dr. Fulton Award in 2013 and earned over 30 ribbons and medals in TAPPS Art at the District and State level. Fernando competed in the Lincoln-Douglas Debate as well as TAPPS Music. Congratulations to The Fulton School 2014 Valedictorian, Mr. Fernando Giannazzo.

Courtesy photo/ **Rockwall County News**

Pruitt to succeed Sweet as Rockwall mayor

by Brittany Williams

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During executive session during the Rockwall City Council meeting on Monday, May 19, Councilmember Jim Pruitt was appointed mayor pro tem.

Pruitt will automatically become mayor of the city when the current mayor, David Sweet, resigns to assume the position of Rockwall County Judge.

"I am so humbled by this honor and the trust which has been bestowed on me by my fellow council members," Pruitt said. "We have a lot of exciting challenges ahead of us, and I look forward to continuing to

> serve the residents of this great city in this new position."

According to Rockwall's City Charter, Pruitt will serve as mayor until the May 2015 municipal elections. He has confirmed that he will be a mayoral candidate at that time.

His vacant city council seat will



The Fulton School Salutatorian Jada Rodnek Codwell

Jada Codwell is in her fifth year at Fulton. She has been accepted to Austin College, Saint Edward's University, University of Houston, University of Texas at Dallas, and Trinity University. Jada plans on attending Trinity University as a Pre-Med major. Jada's career ambition is to become a Cardiac Surgeon. As a Fulton student, Jada served as National Honor Society President, a member of Student Council, National Art Honor Society, and Co-Editor of the Falcon yearbook. She has been a fierce competitor in Lincoln-Douglas Debate, Fired Arts, and received District and State ribbons and medals in TAPPS Art and Academics. She received the honored Eloise Cullum Scholarship Award in 2013. Congratulations to The Fulton School 2014 Salutatorian, Miss Jada Codwell.

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Heath Area Terrific Seniors to meet

The Heath Area Terrific Seniors will meet at the First United Methodist Church of Heath at 1 p.m. on June 4. The group will screen the movie "Casablanca" while enjoying food and beverages provided by the Mansions. The church is located at 140 Smirl in Heath. Call 972-771-6732 for more details.

Democratic Men's Group to meet June 7

The Democratic Men's Group of Rockwall County will conduct its next luncheon June 7 at Z's Catfish, 127 Kenway St., near downtown Rockwall. This group meets for lunch on the first Saturday of each month at various local restaurants. Local, state and national current events and politics are discussed. Open-minded, progressive men concerned about the future direction of Texas and Rockwall County are welcomed.

'Godspell' auditions set June 7, 8

Auditions for the Rockwall Community Playhouse's Teen Theater production of "Godspell," which will be staged in July and August, will begin at 1 p.m. June 7 and 8 at the playhouse, which is located at 609 E. Rusk. For more details, visit rockwallcommunityplayhouse.org.

Rockwall Bible Church plans VBS

Rockwall Bible Church will host a vacation Bible school, Set Apart:



tured above is the new governing body for the City of Fate. Shown from the left are Joe Burger, i; Lance Megyesi, Place 2; Nikki Robinson, Place 1; Loren Megyesi, mayor; Cameron Cowan, 5 (serving an unexpired term); Steve Herrmann, Place 6; and Jon Thatcher, Place 3. urtesy photo/Rockwall County News

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be filled by council appointment until the May 2015 election. Pruitt took the oath of office on during the May 19 meeting to begin a second term on the council.

A specific use permit was awarded to the Fenton Motor Group to allow for a new car dealership on 4.08-acre tract located on the southeast corner of John King and Interstate 30.

During their meeting on May 13, the planning and zoning commission recommended (Continued on Page 3)

Who is on the Lord's Side?, from 9 a.m. to noon June 9-13. Children ages 5-12 are encouraged to attend and bring a friend. Activities will include Bible stories, crafts, snacks, games, contests and a daily drama. The Friday night wrap-up will include a build-your-own-ice-creamsundae social for children and parents. Register online at rockwallbible. org.

Faith, grief workshop series to begin June 12

The Faith & Grief Ministries workshops, which will begin June 12, will be conducted from 10 a.m. to noon on Thursdays at the First Presbyterian Church, Rockwall, located at 602 White Hills Drive. Cost for the sixweek series is \$25; scholarships are available. To register, contact the church office at 972-771-5702. For more details visit faithandgrief.org.

Soroptimists to host chili cook-off, fair

The Rockwall Soroptimists are looking for cooks to participate in a

chili cook-off scheduled as part of the Rockwall Country Fair, which will run from 4 p.m. to 11 p.m. June 14. No entry fee; chili may be cooked off-site and delivered to the Rockwall Technology Park, the fair's location. Ticketed guests (Continued on Page 3)



Page 2 Rockwall County News • Thursday, May 29, 2014 **RCISD recognizes Top Dogs at annual event**

The Royse City Independent School District Education Foundation hosted its fifth annual Top Dog Spectacular May 14.

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The event is designed to recognize Royse City High School students who excel in academics, extracurricular activities, community service and leadership, as well as their influential teachers.

Students and teachers were presented awards by foundation directors Rhonda Phillips-Black and Kari Hollifield. Bobby Montgomery, foundation president, served as emcee for the event.

Top Dogs and their Most Influential Teachers for 2013 included:

Nathalie Barsoum – Steve Vaughn, RCTV, RCHS

 Cameron Caffee – Brian Rayson, athletics and U.S. history, RCHS Joel Dunn – Shelby Jayroe, athletics, RCHS

 Averi Dyer – David Skidmore, AP history and macroeconomics, RCHS

- Tamiya Echols Vicki Coker, AP biology, RCHS
- Soraya Hernandez Erika Ledford, Spanish, RC Middle School
- Caleb Hessert Brody Ross, percussion band, RCHS
- Dontre' Hooker Natalie Swindle, English, RCHS
- Kylie Jeffrey Kathleen Krumnow, pre-AP English, RCHS
- · Shae Johnston Lisa Posey, AP English III, RCHS

 Harmanpreet Kaur – Kaela Crumpton, Pre-AP and AP chemistry, RCHS

 Sydney Kidd – Paty Weeks, Destination Imagination coach, Miss May Vernon Elementary

• Rachel Lopez - Debbie Smith, gifted & talented, Anita Scott Elementary

• Faith Lunday - Ashley Jones, Interior Design I and Design Studio, RCHS

Rebecca Oldham – Damon Rodgers, powerlifting, RCHS

• Bailee Pereida - Yvonne Recio, sixth grade math, Ruth Cherry Intermediate

 Alexander Ramsey – Russ Stovall, health, football coach, RCHS Amber Simmons – Elizabeth Nolan, second grade and dyslexia, Anita Scott Elementary

 Kali Singleton – Doug Fulwood, band, RCHS Jasen Skipworth – Lauren McAdoo, geometry, RCHS

- Sayre Trette Kristen Knapp, drill team, RCHS
- Bianca Treyvellan Shelba Gorham-Bell, choir, RCHS
- Cynthia Villegas Marianne Collins, counselor, RCHS
- · Ciara Walters chef Cindy Clark, culinary arts, RCHS

The senior students, their families and their teachers were treated to a dinner prepared by Clark and the RCHS Culinary Arts Class. Ashley Jones and the Interior Design students helped create the elegant venue for the event.





Mr. and Mrs. Pete Michelsen

Watson, Michelsen married in Haw

Rachel Watson and Pete Michelsen were married Feb. 16,2 ocean view ceremony in Maui, Hawaii.

The bride, a 2003 graduate of Rockwall High and a 2007 of New York University, is the daughter of Bruce and Susan V Rockwall.

The groom, a 1999 graduate of Claremont McKenna Colle 2004 graduate of Harvard Law School, is the son of Ron and Michelsen of Whidbey Island, Wash.

Family and friends attended the ceremony at the Four Season at Wailea, followed by dining and dancing overlooking the Ocean.

The newlyweds traveled to Japan and Bora Bora for their ho returning to New York City prior to relocating to San Francisco they will reside.

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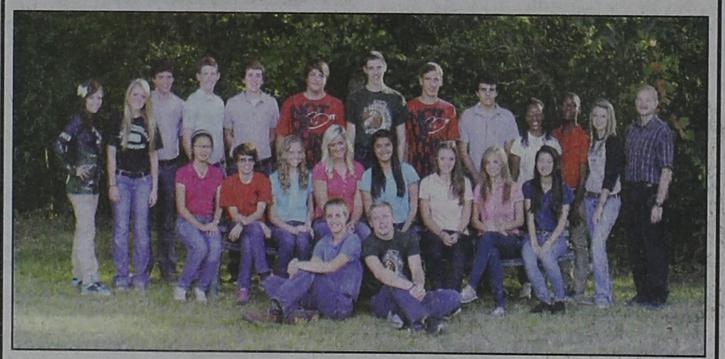
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Royse City Independent School District superintendent Kevin Worthy is shown surrounded by some of the Top Dogs recognized at the district's fifth annual Top Dog Spectacular conducted earlier this month. In the photo are (back row left to right) Kylie Jeffery, Sayre Trette, Nathalie Barsoum, Caleb Hessert, Zein Hooker, Sydney Kidd, Cameron Caffee, Mr. Kevin Worthy, Jasen Skipworth, Joel Dunn, (middle row) Harmon Kaur, Ciara Walters, Soraya Hernandez, Amber Simmons, Rachel Lopez, Bailee Pereida, Shea Johnston, Kali Singleton, Alex Ramsey, (front row) Averi Dyer, Faith Lunday, Bianca Treyvellan, Cynthia Villegas, Rebecca Oldham and Tamiya Echols Photo by Millie Jean Coppedge/Rockwall County News

BLESSINGS TO POETRY COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

SENIOR CLASS 2014:

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart; and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct your paths." Proverbs 3:5-6



PCCS Senior Class of 2014 (back row left to right) Miranda Oberlechner, Emily Ellis, Michael Hartsfield, Tanner Dale, Micah Tomasella, Alex Archer, Joshua Neiman, Vasiliy Yevchik, Joseph Lalumia, Marionna Hearn, Mario Hearn, Reagan Davis (Steve Harrell, Senior Physics and Devotions teacher) (middle row), Allison Chang, Danell Horan, Megan Buhr, Madeline Walls, Danielle Thompson, Veronica Shirocova, Joanna Bantseev, Rebekah Percival, (front row) Joshua Beeson and Jacob Bowling.

Lauren Seale Fryer and William L. Fryer III of Rockwall are announce the birth of their daughter, Adeline Rosadel Fryer, at] April 17, 2014, at Lake Pointe.

The infant weighed 4 pounds, 6 ounces and was 17.5 inches birth.

Maternal grandparents are Nancy Jane and Dick Seale of Sh La.

Paternal grandparents are Dianne and William L. Fryer Jr. o Louis, Miss.



The 2014 Teachers of the Year for the Royse City Independent School District were announce the May 12 school board meeting. They are, left to right, Christie Watts, Royse City High School; I Jackson, Harry H. Herndon Intermediate School; Morgan Power, Davis Elementary; and Mich Richie, Anita Scott Elementary. Superintendent Kevin Worthy, center, congratulated the winners. pictured are Michelle Hudgeons, Fort Elementary; Tanya Hodges, May Vernon Elementary; K McCain, Ruth Cherry Intermediate; and Robert Horn, Royse City Middle School. Photo by Millie Jean Coppedge/Rockwall County News



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Valedictorian Harmanprel and Salutatorian Keaton S. were recognized. The staff recognition fo City High School for the 21 Award for this month Steve Vaughn, video an production teacher and sponsor. The award was p by Zach Snow, RCISD tech coordinator. By hiring two new staff m

the Royse City ISD is add strategic plan action items. James was acknowledged board as the new insur math coach and Dorcas the new special education d Both join the district with a background and many ye devotion to their field. The highlight of the meeting was when the (Continued on Page.)

ockwall County Obituaries

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taste and vote for Best Tasting, Hottest, Most Unique Ingredient, Best Booth Set-up and Best Team Spirit. Tickets may be purchased from Soroptimist member or at rockwallcountryfair.com; cost will be \$20 for adults, \$10 for children ages 4-11, children 3 and younger will be admitted free of charge. Family tickets for two adults, two children ages 4-11, cost \$50. Proceeds will fund projects benefiting women and children. For details call Sue Reeves at 972-722-1646.

Cow Patty Bingo offered

The Rockwall Soroptimists are selling squares for their Country Cow Patty Bingo event that will run from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. June 14. Participants can purchase a 2-foot by 2-foot square for \$20; Bessie will graze until she makes her deposit. The winner will receive \$1,000. Squares can be purchased at rockwallcountryfair.com.

Low-cost spay/neuter shuttle schedule set

The next Spay/Neuter Network Shuttle will be June 26. Pets are picked up at 7:30 a.m. in the SE corner of the I-30 Wal-Mart parking lot and returned at 5:30 p.m. Prices are reasonable; assistance is available through Rockwall PAWS. Dogs should be in non-slip collars, cats in

secure carriers (no cardboard boxes). To make an appointment call 972-472-3500 or email info@spayneuternet.org; hablamos Español.

Student, adult volunteers needed for STAR performances

Student and adult volunteers are needed from 8:45 a.m. to noon Aug. 4-8, 11-15 to assist Down Syndrome and autistic adult actors with lines, cues and choreography during rehearsals for "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown." STAR (Special Theatre at Rockwall) shows are scheduled for Aug. 16-17 at the Rockwall Community Playhouse. For more details, email marythacker@sbcglobal.net or call 214-668-5090. Student volunteers will receive community service hours.

McLendon-Chisholm to hold Spring Fest

McLendon-Chisholm will be host to the Annual Spring Fest on May 31 next to the City Hall beginning at 1 p.m. and ending at 5 p.m. The event will include live music featuring the band Kounterfit. Other events will include a DJ, water slide, bounce house, obstacle course, silent auction, live auction, face painter, and lots of entertainment. Proceeds from this year's event will go to the McLendon-Chisholm Volunteer Fire Department. For more information, contact Debbie Sorensen, City Secretary, at (972) 524-2077 or www.mclendon-chisholm.com.

Rockwall city council considers new dealership ...

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approval for the permit.

"We're going to be here a long time and it is important to us that this facility is not only an asset to the community, but we want to be good stewards of the city's vision of what Rockwall should be now and in the future," Brad Fenton, representative of the Fenton Motor Group said.

According to Fenton, the dealership, a 50,000 square foot facility, will create more than 350 jobs and will be servicing about 20,000 Nissan owners in the area.

"Not only will our employees be a part of this community, but their families will have a great impact on this community. They'll be nurses and teachers and bankers and construction workers and will provide a lot of service and involvement in the community. They'll be involved in schools, civic and church activities. They'll all spend their money and pay their taxes and trade with local vendors," Fenton said.

The dealership will be spending about \$2.5 million a year in marketing to bring in customers to the area, according to Fenton.

Included in the application is a plan to beautify the intersection it will be occupying, including a freestanding wall element. The John King Blvd Design Guidelines Concept Plan introduces an opportunity for a developer to provide enhancements in the area with key features that will serve as an image of the City of Rockwall. The freestanding wall element for this location provides an opportunity to be the first gateway identifying element for the John King Blvd entrance to the city. The freestanding wall element will also incorporate a 10-ft walkway/trail along John King Blvd adjacent to the property and will eventually tie-in to the City's trail system for pedestrians and cyclists.

"We're really exited about it and are ready to put Rockwall on the map," Fenton said.

Notices were mailed to three property owners within 200-ft of the subject property as required by law. Three responses were returned, all in favor of awarding the permit.

The next Rockwall City Council meeting is scheduled for June 3.





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and William L. Fryer pasir their pay. The new ordinance sets a maximum of \$100 per ing r each council member and \$200 per meeting for the mayor. IcDonald suggested that the ordinances become effective as ssible by law.

> sioner David Magness came before the new council and to them that they need to get Fate's opinion regarding their on ideas about the County-Wide Joint Public Safety Radio and ystem.

nan openly asked DPS Director Brian Griffeth if he thought f intent was a good thing. Griffeth acknowledged that he did. Manager Michael Kovacs and Magness agreed that the letter e sent soon, so any of Fate's suggestions can be considered. Il be responsible for seeing the letter is sent.

ere a total of 12 resolutions on the Action Items section of for the purpose of setting a date, time and place for public in the proposed annexation of certain property by the City renda McDonald of the Fate City Attorney's Office said that ne property owners already have received letters notifying they might be annexed. On each resolution it is noted that ecretary will be authorized and directed to publish notices ublic hearings and direct the preparation of a service plan. said the letters that will go to everyone after the council has very property, must also be sent to schools, railroads, etc. The ions were tabled and were to be discussed after the council a executive session. There could be no information obtained action taken on the matter during the executive session. g comments, Cowan told the audience that he encourages them ouncil members if they have a concern. He said he believes

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Final Jon Thatcher said, "I take my job very seriously and thank Recognition for sting for me."

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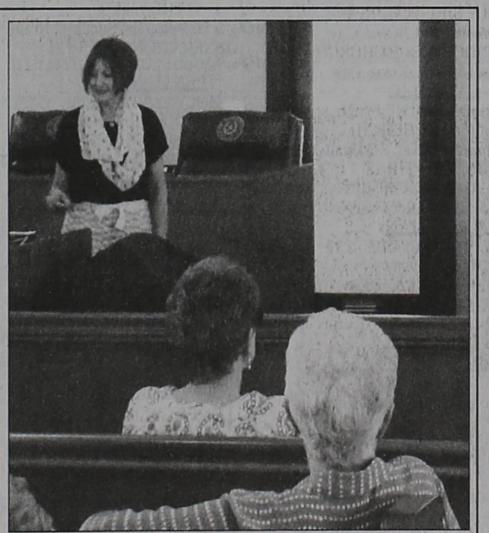


Dennis Lewis (Place 4) was sworn in for a second term on the Rockwall City Council on May 19. Attending the ceremony in support of Lewis were his wife, Clarissa, son, Brett, and grandchildren, Dylan and Taryn.

Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News



Jim Pruitt (right) took the oath of office for the Rockwall City Council on May 19 for a second term. With Mr. Pruitt are his wife Kenda Culpepper and their daughter Kaylen. **Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News**



Mike Townsend (Place 6) took the oath of office for the Rockwall City Council on May 19. Townsend now is serving his second term. Attending the ceremony in his support were his wife, Shelly, and son, Cadyn.

Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

Recognitions, teacher pay raise discussed by RCISD trustees

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Compensation Plan for the 2014-2015 school year was revealed by Jeff Webb, district associate superintendent. The proposed hiring schedule, which will begin September 1, 2014, will give a \$1,150 increase across the board to all teachers and librarians, with an additional \$500 market adjustment increase for teachers and librarians with up to nine years and a \$100 marked adjustment for 10 years. All other staff will receive a 2 percent pay raise. The beginning salary for teachers or librarians is \$42,000.

The schedule also includes a \$1,150 master's stipend, but those currently receiving the higher master's stipend will continue to receive it.

Webb said the schedule is for entry-level salaries, not steps. Those with 25 years of experience will receive a \$1,150 increase, but those coming into the district with the same number of years will make no higher than \$52,610.

Webb also gave the security update concerning the issue of communication. He said the antennas are up and the radios are now on all RCISD campuses. The old radios were one-way, so if an emergency occurred, everyone was on their radios at once, shutting down communication. With the new system, if an emergency occurs, everyone simply listens and follows directions.

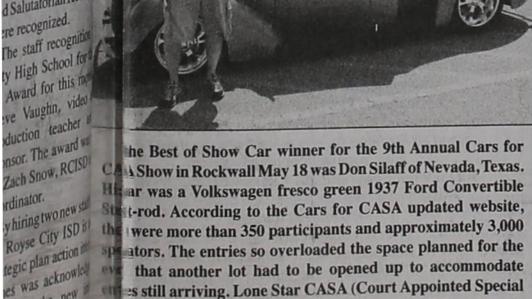
The Royse City High School Graduation will be at 7 p.m. June 3 at the Curtis Cullwell Center. The Royse City Alternative Learning Center Graduation will be at 7 p.m. on June 7 at the Royse City High School Black Box Theater.

The Fourth of July celebration will now be called Celebrate Freedom and will be at the Royse City High School on June 27.

All members of the board were present except trustees Eric Fort and Jerry Richardson.

The next RCISD board meeting will be at 7 p.m. June 9





es still arriving. Lone Star CASA (Court Appointed Special cate for children) will receive 100 percent of the proceeds car show.

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Jo Nell Mellody of Royse City was the guest speaker at the Brown Bag Lecture Series sponsored by the Rockwall County Historical Foundation and the Rockwall County Historical Commission on May 9. Mellody's topic was One American Soldier, and she shared the World War II story of her father-in-law, James Weldon Mellody, and this experiences of being captured in France. Her talk included a PowerPoint presentation, along with a collection of literature, pictures and a large map marked with his tour of service. Also on display was the book written about Weldon by Mellody and her daughter, Casey, titled "James Weldon Mellody -- A Story of One American Soldier." The series takes a summer break begin again in September. Photo by Millie Jean Coppedge/Rockwall County News

Astronaut Gene Cernan, center, was the guest of Congressman Ralph Hall at a recent gathering of the Band of Brothers. Cernan traveled in space three times - as pilot of Gemini 9A in 1966, lunar pilot of Apollo 10 in 1969 and as commander of Apollo 17 in 1972, the final lunar landing. He was the 11th and final man to walk on the moon. Pictured with Cernan are Bob Amick, head of the Band of Brothers, and Hall.

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On God's Word by Timothy W. Burnett A study on salvation and liberty

Romans 10:9-10

Romans 10:9-13 refers to salvation two times. A word study from this angle helps toward understanding the prerequisites found in God's word for obtaining salvation.

To review, Acts 2:4 is the first account of people being filled with holy spirit and speaking in tongues. While explaining what was seen and heard, Peter answered the question "what shall we do?" He said, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and [ye shall] receive the gift of the Holy Ghost."

According to all Biblical Greek-English lexicons, words "ye shall" were not in the earlier known texts. By removing the words "ye shall," the sentence reads "and receive the gift of the Holy Ghost." Being baptized chronologically comes before receiving the Holy Ghost. This account matches Acts 2:4 which puts being filled with holy spirit before speaking in tongues.

The word "receive" was translated from the earlier known Greek word Lambano, which meant to lay hold of or seize unto something. It was used with a sense of permanence.

Peter then said, "save yourselves" (Acts 2:40). It stands to reason that being saved is related to Peter's words in Acts 2:38 and the account in Acts 2:4.

We now turn to Romans 10:9-10 and 13.

Starting with verse 8, "But what say it? 'The word is near thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart:' that is the word of faith, which we preach;"

What is the word of faith that Paul taught?

"That if you shall confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus, and shall believe in your heart that God has raised him from the dead, you shall be saved.'

"For with the heart man believes unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation."

There's that pesky word again, "salvation." Amazingly it appears in the context of two different chronological events. This should be no surprise considering the above information.

Verse 9 and 10 lays it out as a mirror. Verse 9 starts with "confess with your mouth," and ends with "believe in your heart." Verse 10 repeats believing with the heart and ends with confession with the mouth. This type of mirroring in grammar was a figurative tool design to grab the reader's attention to what was being said. It is screaming, pay close attention to what is being said and what is about to be said in context.

The two verses are specific as to the result of each situation.

Confessing with the mouth the Lord Jesus from the dead results in salvation.

Believing with the heart that God raised Jesus from the dead results in righteousness.

God's word does not mix the two. Instead, the results are specifically tagged with the respective conditions.

An important aspect of rightly dividing God's word is to note what

it does not say. In this case, it does not say "confess with y Instead it says "confess with your mouth." It does not say, "co your mouth the Lord Jesus" ... while believing with your hear is Lord. It simply is not there.

The words "confess" and "mouth" are closely related to "speak" in Acts 2:4, which was the ancient Greek word Laleo, referred to the capacity of speech without consideration of spoken. To confess simply meant to declare something.

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By applying the Romans account with Acts 2:4 and 38, 4 ness" is the condition of being filled with holy spirit or bein in the name of Jesus Christ. Once people are filled with holy are in essence baptized in the name of Jesus Christ, and made in God's eyes.

Salvation is the result of "righteous" people "confessing mouth the Lord Jesus" (Romans 10:9-10) or "receiving the He (Acts 2:38).

God is not ambiguous. His word about how to be saved does multiple things according to personal beliefs. There is only o be made righteous and to obtain salvation. The fact that it is 1 in different ways does not change the truth.

To be baptized with holy spirit refers to the same thing as b with holy spirit.

To receive the Holy Ghost refers to the same thing as "confethe mouth."

And to confess with the mouth the Lord Jesus refers to the s as speaking in tongues.

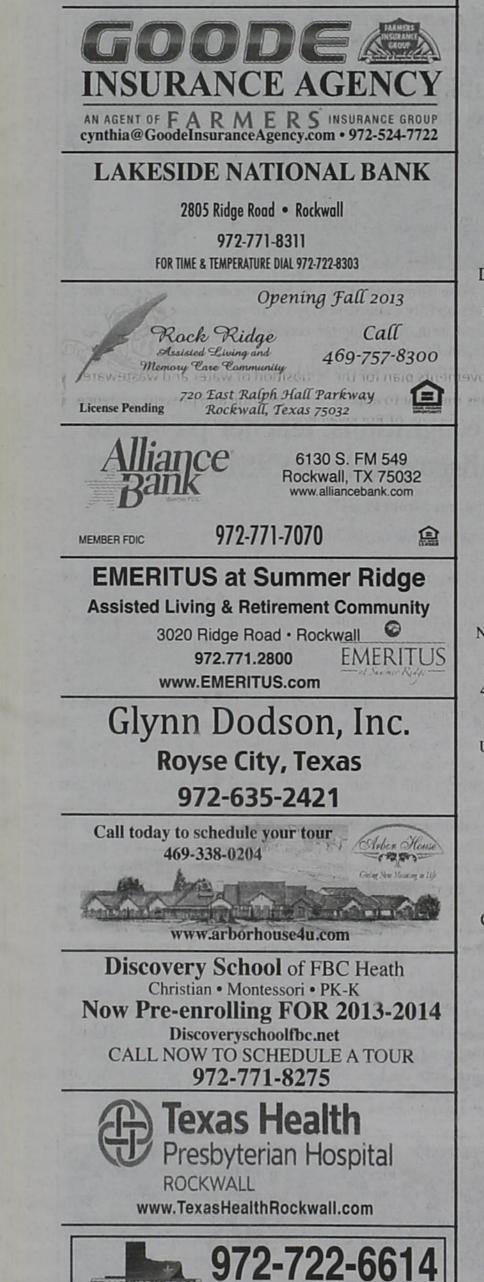


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Z2014-016: Proposed Zoning Change - 5205 S. FM549

Hold a public hearing to discuss and consider a request by Scott W. Blackwood for the approval of a zoning change from Agricultural (AG) District to a Planned Development District for limited commercial/retail land uses on a 12.493-acre tract of land identified as Tract 17-14 of the W. W. Ford Survey, Abstract No. 80, City of Rockwall, Rockwall County, Texas, located west of the intersection of SH-205 [S. Goliad Street] and S. FM-549, and take any action necessary.

Z2014-017: Proposed PD Amendment – Breezy Hill & FM552

Hold a public hearing to discuss and consider a request by Dick Skorburg of the Skorburg Company on behalf of Breezy Hill 405, LTD for the approval of a zoning amendment to Planned Development District 74 (PD-74) to amend the concept plan to allow for additional single-family residential lots and allow for changes to the development standards contained in Exhibit 'C' of Ordinance 12-26 for 405.184-acres of land identified as Tract 7 & 7-1 of the J. Strickland Survey, Abstract No. 187, Rockwall, Rockwall County, Texas, generally located north of FM-552 and west of Breezy Hill Road, and take any action necessary.

All interested parties are encouraged to attend. Please contact the City of Rockwall Planning and Zoning staff at (972) 771-7745 with any questions. Additional information on all current development cases can be found on the City's website: http://www.rockwall.com/Planning/PlanningDevCases.asp

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Rockwall County Entertainment

RHHS Band plans tribute performance

The Rockwall-Heath High School Mighty Hawk Band will ne 7 p.m. May 29 in the RHHS Performing Arts Center. The spring will include "Tribute: Those Who Serve," which was written in of the events of Sept. 11, 2001. The Wind Ensemble will per piece in honor of all first responders.

Journey tribute set June 5

The City of Rockwall's Parks & Rec Department will hosta tribute performed by Escape at the Concert by the Lake event on Live concerts are conducted at 7:30 p.m. on Thursdays at The Har will run through July 24. For a full schedule of performers visit r com/parks/concert.

Show to feature '80s, '90s pop music

The City of Rockwall's Parks & Rec Department will host featuring a variety of 1980s and 1990s pop music perform Razzamatazz at the Concert by the Lake event on June 12. Live are conducted at 7:30 p.m. on Thursdays at The Harbor and through July 24. For a full schedule of performers visit rockw parks/concert.

Beatles tribute show scheduled

The City of Rockwall's Parks & Rec Department will host a tribute show by the Sgt. Peppers Lonely Bluegrass Band at the by the Lake event on June 19. Live concerts are conducted at 7: on Thursdays at The Harbor and will run through July 24. Fo schedule of performers visit rockwall.com/parks/concert.

Lake concert to feature country, rock variety

The City of Rockwall's Parks & Rec Department will host at rock variety show performed by J.D. Monson at the Concert by the event on June 26. Live concerts are conducted at 7:30 p.m. on Th at The Harbor and will run through July 24. For a full sche performers visit rockwall.com/parks/concert.

Family Fun Friday to feature 'Frozen'

The City of Rockwall's Parks & Rec Department will host its Fun Friday on June 27 at Harry Myers Park, 945 E. Washington A and games will begin at 6 p.m., with the feature film, "Frozen," at dusk. Candy, popcorn, snowcones and glow sticks will be a for purchase.

Springsteen tribute show set at lake

The City of Rockwall's Parks & Rec Department will host : Springsteen tribute show performed by Thunder Road at the Cor the Lake event on July 3. Live concerts are conducted at 7:30 Thursdays at The Harbor. For a full schedule of performers visitm com/parks/concert.

Rock variety show scheduled

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Bonded Indebtedness Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$ 337,278,257 * Outstanding principal.

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| Pay Debt Service | \$ | 1.04121 | \$ | 0.41912 * | \$ | 1.46033 | \$ | 6,492 | \$ | 2,482 |
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* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

| Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence | | | | | | | | | |
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| Average Market Value of Residences | \$ | 224,218 | \$ | 237,392 | | | | | |
| Average Taxable Value of Residences | \$ | 209,165 | \$ | 221,611 | | | | | |
| Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value | \$ | 1.46 | \$ | 1.46 | | | | | |
| Taxes Due on Average Residence | \$ | 3,054 | \$ | 3,236 | | | | | |
| Increase (Decrease) in Taxes | | | \$ | 182 | | | | | |

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

For a full schedule of performers visit rockwall.com/parks/conce U2 tribute show set July 17 at lake

The City of Rockwall's Parks & Rec Department will host a U2 by With or Without U2 at the Concert by the Lake event on July I concerts are conducted at 7:30 p.m. on Thursdays at The Harbo full schedule of performers visit rockwall.com/parks/concert.

Metal Shop to perform

The City of Rockwall's Parks & Rec Department will host Concert by the Lake event of 2014 on July 24. Metal Shop will p a 1980s rock variety show at The Harbor beginning at 7:30 p.m.

'Lego Movie' planned for Family Fun Friday The City of Rockwall's Parks & Rec Department will host its Fun Friday on July 25 at The Park at Fox Chase, 4475 Tubbs Activities and games will begin at 6 p.m., with the feature film Lego Movie," to begin at dusk. Candy, popcorn, snowcones an sticks will be available for purchase.

STAR performances of 'Charlie Brown' set Aug. 16-17

The Rockwall Community Playhouse will host its annual (Special Theatre at Rockwall) performances of "You're a Good Charlie Brown" at 7 p.m. Aug. 16 and 2 p.m. Aug. 17. Tickets I ordered online at rockwallcommunityplayhouse.org or by calling 722-3399 or purchased 30 minutes prior to show time at the box 609 E. Rusk.

Family Fun Friday to feature 'The Sandlot' The City of Rockwall's Parks & Rec Department will host its Family Fun Friday at the Leon Tuttle Athletic Complex, 1550 Road. Activities and games will begin at 6 p.m., with the feat "The Sandlot," to begin at dusk. Candy, popcorn, snowcones a sticks will be available for purchase.

Brown Bag Lecture to focus on '63 state champs The Rockwall County Historical Foundation and the Rockwal Historical Commission will present their Brown Bag Lectur event from noon to 1 p.m. Sept. 12 in the second floor court the historic courthouse in downtown Rockwall. The topic will RHS 1963 state championship football team presented by Linda Admission will be free and open to the public. For more details cal awks Spring football g Fowler at 214-926-6466.

'Muppets' to appear at Family Fun Friday

The City of Rockwall's Parks & Rec Department will host its \$ Family Fun Friday at Northshore Park, 609 Highland Drive. Ad ang, Kaitlyn Strother and games will begin at 6 p.m., with the feature film, "Muppet Wanted," to begin at dusk. Candy, popcorn, snowcones and glow will be available for purchase.

Talking Tombstones set Oct. 10

The Rockwall County Historical Foundation and the Rockwall Historical Commission will present the next Brown Bag Lecture event from noon to 1 p.m. Oct. 10 at the historic courthouse in dow Rockwall. The topic will be October's traditional Talking Tombe with residents from Rockwall's past "coming to life to tell the stories." Admission will be free and open to the public. For more call Sheri Fowler at 214-926-6466.

Iron Chef Challenge fundraiser scheduled

The Boys & Girls Club of Rockwall County will host its Irot Challenge from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Oct. 18 at the South Fork 1 Space is limited; only the first 20 teams or 200 people will be allo participate. For more information email mpotter@bgcrockwall@ call 972-722-2462.

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Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is \$1.46 . This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of \$1.46

Fund Balances

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

> Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s) 39,632,365

Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)

8,186,208

Family Fun Friday to feature 'Monsters University' The City of Rockwall's Parks & Rec Department will host i Family Fun Friday of 2014 on Oct. 24 at the Dalton Ranch Park Tannerson Drive. Activities and games will begin at 6 p.m., w feature film, "Monsters University," to begin at dusk. Candy, pl snowcones and glow sticks will be available for purchase.

RISD to offer Summer Food Service Progra

The Rockwall Independent School District will once again spon Summer Food Service Program this summer, according to a district release.

The program will be offered at two locations: Dobbs Elementary. Clark St., and Rochell Elementary, 899 Rochell Court. Meal service schedule will be as follows:

 Dobbs – 8 a.m. to 9 a.m., breakfast; 11:30 a.m. to 12: lunch, Monday through Friday

 Rochell – 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., lunch, Monday Friday

Meals will be free to all children 18 ad younger; there will be no n parent identification or forms to be filled out.

For more information about the federally funded program summerfood.org or call the RISD Child Nutrition Department at 911 8201.

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ration for the Fourth of July celebration of the birth of the United State of America and the freedom we have, the following is the start of a brief history of the sacrifices of life and hat was risked for us. For the next five weeks each article will contain information of the writing the document, concluding with the results on the July 3rd issue of the Rockwall County taining the names of the 56 signers of the document.

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Rockwall County Letters to the Editor

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ing to you in praise of one of Rockwall's finest, Heather McAuley, Badge #928, Patrol Division. IcAuley responded yesterday to a 911 call from a "Good Samaritan" who was here on the grounds, reporting that a woman, accompanied by a child, was writing on our Carriage House ie Good Samaritan had a camera and took a photo of her in the act and also a photo of her car ealed her license plate number, after confronting her about the vandalism to which she replied, chalk" and that others had already done the same. With the advantage of having the license iber, Officer McAuley was able to get the woman's name and address here in Rockwall and visit. Because "it was only chalk" the woman was shocked to learn that it was still an act of y/criminal mischief and according to Officer McAuley, the woman was extremely embarrassed rseful after the Officer spent 30 with her explaining what constitutes criminal mischief under the hal Code. Officer McAuley suggested that the woman telephone me here at the museum today

protected and hid the two men charged. Patriots formed associations pledged to oppose the aggressions of the King by force of arms, which is Treason against England. It was resolved on May 31, 1775 by the North Carolina County Committee of Mecklenburg County resolved that as the king and Parliament had annulled and vacated all civil and military commissions granted by the Crown, and other violations. The Continental Congress was invested with all legislative and executive power, independent of England rule, and Parliament should resign its arbitrary pretensions. The thirteen colonized states revolted against the British rule and declared independence. Thomas Jefferson in 1776 was commissioned to head up the committee to create the Declaration of Independence. The committee, of five consists of John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Jefferson, Robert R. Livingston, and Roger Sherman. The committee agreed for Thomas Jefferson to write the document. On July 2, the Continental Congress voted for independence and refined the Declaration of Independence, then released it to the public on July 4th. Next week the article will cover some of the challenges in signing the document before it could be ratified by the Continental Congress. The publisher would welcome your comments to these articles. The following websites were used for my research.

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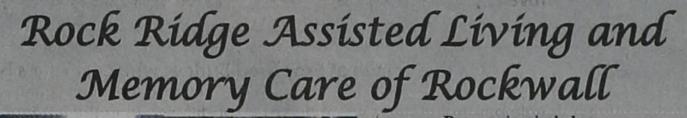
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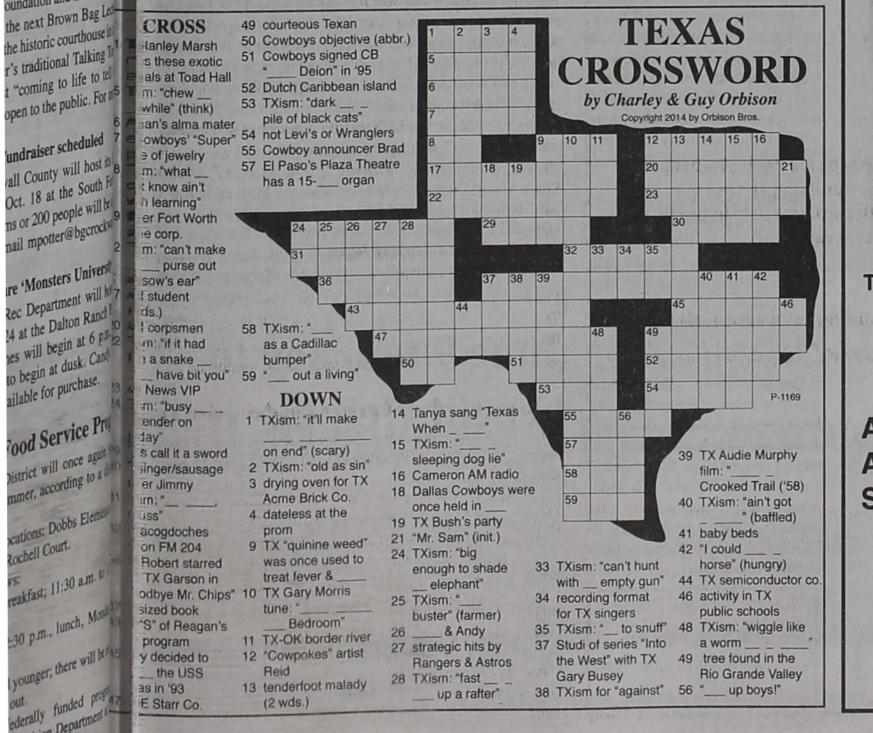
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he new 2014-2015 Rockwall-Heath Highsteppers team performed their strut during the is Spring football game on May 20. Officers from the left are Jr. Lt. Audrey Lawrence, First rooke Sands, Captain Allison Strother, Sr. Lt. Sarah Schneider, Jr. Lt. Shawnee Gillham r. Lt. McKenzie Bryant. Team members pictured are Mckenzee Yang, Karina Wooten, perly Valera, Taylor Transou, Laree Todd, Crystal Aguirre, Juntra Chanthavisa, Emma g, Kaitlyn Strother, Abby Scott, Molly Mosby, Kelsy Dvorak, Brittany Dickison, Aly Smith, a Le, Natalie Jecmenek, Mikayla Armstrong, Tristan Withrow, Kaitlyn Birdsong, Kaitlyn ck. Crystal Vo, Brooke Resseguie, Victoria Steele, Taylor Frisby, Lexi Shields, Jessica iell, Alizay Sardar, Caitlin Lane, Madison Platan, Kaelyn Hurley, Samantha Barnett,

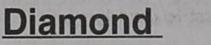
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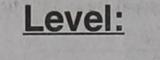




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Lady Jackets' magical journey comes to an end

by Ryan Garrett

The Lady Jackets gave top-ranked The Woodlands all it could handle last weekend, but a late RHS rally fell short Friday as the Highlanders took the 2-1 win to sweep Rockwall in the Region II Finals at Baylor University's Getterman Stadium.

The Lady Jackets were one series short of advancing to the 5A State Tournament for the first time in school history. Ranked sixth in state, they ended the season as the Region II runner up with a 28-8-1 overall record, and were also the District 12-5A Co-Champions.

The Jackets nearly gave undefeated The Woodlands (25-0) its first loss of the season in the second game of the series Friday night.

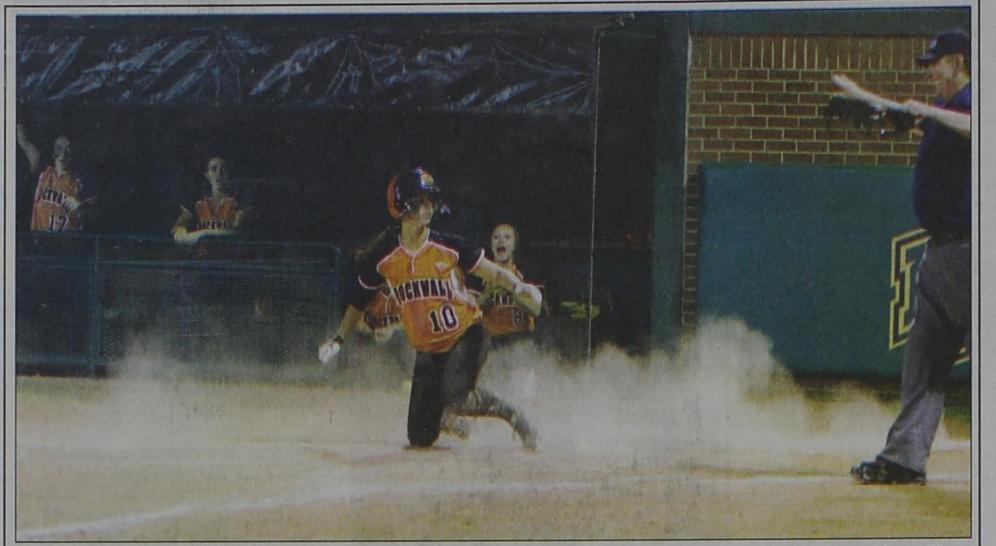
Trailing 1-0 after the first in Friday's game two, Rockwall threatened in

the second with the bases loaded, but the Highlanders got two force outs at home on grounders. The Lady Jackets loaded the bases again in the fifth off a single by Hayley Baker, an error and a single by Bailey Wallace, but Woodlands pitcher and Baylor University commit Abby Langkamp took control with three outs.

In the seventh, Rockwall rallied off a double by Baker and an RBI triple by Alyssa Henry to tie the game and force the Woodlands to work another frame. The Highlanders loaded the bases in the bottom of the seventh and Aubrey Leach hit a walk-off single up the Jackets' infield for the win.

Kayla Vandergriff pitched a complete game six-hitter with three strikeouts and two walks in the Lady Jackets tough loss.

In Game 1 on Thursday, Rockwall held its only lead, 2-1, in the first



Lady Jacket Alyssa Henry (10) slides safely into home after a base hit by Dani Greenlee in Thursday night's 14-9 series opener loss to The Woodlands. Rockwall was on the brink of advancing to the school's first-ever 5A State Tournament, but fell to the top-ranked Highlanders 2-1 in Game 2 Friday night to end the Jackets' season. Photo by Tim Burnett/Rockwall County News

after Henry drew a walk and was doubled home by Wallace and the Greenlee brought home another run on an infield single. The w quickly retook the lead with a three-run second, and then adder three in the fifth.

Rockwall pulled within 7-4 in the fifth with an RBI double Milles and a single RBI by Shelbi Court.

The Lady Highlanders scored five runs in the sixth, but F answered with four on singles by Henry and Jocelyn Myers, a Wallace and RBIs by Greenlee, Court and Emily Cowan, staying four runs at 12-8. Greenlee struck another RBI in the seventh, Woodlands held on to win the series opener 14-9.

Hawks rally fal short in Game of Semifinals

by Ryan Garrett

After taking the first game against Humble Atascocita Th the Regional Semifinals at the University of Mary-Hardin Ba Heath Hawks dropped the next two games to be eliminated from playoffs.

Heath, No. 3 in state, ended their season 32-9 and went under 12-5A for their fifth straight district championship.

In Thursday's series opener, The Hawks scored two runs in the of the sixth with a passed ball and an RBI sacrifice fly by Kell to seal the 3-1 win. Tyler Ivey pitched a complete game for the allowing five hits and striking out six.

Aided by early runs off Heath errors, the Eagles evened the s a 9-5 win over the Hawks. Tyler Pinkston and Clayton Rasbe knocked in doubles, but Atascocita outhit Heath 10 to 7, and Ata Anthony Pagano struck out 10 and went 2-for-4 at the plate w RBIs.

In Game 3, Atascocita took a 3-2 lead in the fourth inning Hawks went up 2-1 on Trey Millender's two-run RBI double the Pinkston and Rasbeary in the second inning.

Rockwall-Heath was six outs from elimination, trailing 3-2 afr frames, when Dorsett smacked a two-out RBI single to bring home Brown.

Cham The Eagles wouldn't go away, however, as Ethan Klosterboer his sacrifice fly in the bottom of the seventh to score Ryan Watkins in to clinch Game 3 and the series. Ryne Randle suffered the loss with two strikeouts over 6.2 inni the mound.

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Hawks senior Trey Millender knocks in a two-run RBI double to score juniors Tyler Pinkston and Clayton Rasbeary in Saturday's Game 3 against Humble Atascocita. Rockwall-Heath's season came to a sudden end as the Hawks fell 4-3 to the Eagles. Photo by Tim Burnett/Rockwall County News

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Rockwall County Sports Notes

MOW benefit tourney set May 30 The 5th Annual Golf Tournament is set for 11 a.m. May 30 at the Buffalo Creek Golf Course. Lunch will be provided when golfers arrive. The tourney will feature a Buy a Drive hole, a Las Vegas hole and a hole-in-one contest - prize is a golf cart. Cash prizes will go to the top three teams, as well as the top male and female golfers, closest to the pin and longest drive. Live entertainment also will be featured. Entry fee is \$100 per golfer, which will feed approximately three seniors in the community for a week. To register, visit rockwallmealson wheels.org.

Club Blue Golf Class, Blue Bash

LaBelle named head coach of **Rockwall Lacross**

Rockwall and Heath Lacrosse went big in hiring a new head coact The organization, which oversees lacrosse programs from high to first grade in the area, hired former Stony Point and Cedar Ridge coach Tim LaBelle as Rockwall Lacrosse's new head coach and d of operations.

LaBelle's Cedar Ridge high school team reached the Division quarterfinals before losing to Keller, which took the DII champion earlier this month.

In his four years as a head coach in the high school age group, Lab teams all reached the playoffs.

Rockwall did not qualify for the 2014 playoffs.

In a news release, Rockwall Lacrosse quoted LaBelle saying. is a great fit for me as the Rockwall & Heath Lacrosse Program successful at the Division II level and seems to be without limits for thanks to the amazing coaches, players and parents at the youth lev

"I know the curriculum I bring will immediately impact the la IQ of every player and coach thus resulting in a major upside involved!"

According to the release, LaBelle's credentials include coaching than 30 Texas High School Lacrosse League All-State, All-I and Honorable Mention award winners, with one player nominal the US Lacrosse Academic All-America team. All of the players four high school graduating classes have been accepted to college universities.

Williams wins twice in Wednesday sailing

Robert Williams sailed "Freight Dog" to first place in two consec-Spring Wednesday Night Series races on Lake Ray Hubbard. In Race 8 May 21, barely a minute separated the first three fin Williams had a 25-second advantage over runner-up Jeff Willis in "O Theory." Willis in turn was just 42 seconds ahead of Kathy Kuipen Jik of Jik Ik" in third place. George Conklin sailed "Audacity" to for A 14-mile-per-hour wind from the south aided the skippers. Race 7 May 14 attracted 12 boats in two fleets. Williams' time

minutes, 3 seconds led to a 41-second advantage in the A Flet runner-up "Orion," skippered by Dan Malak.

Placing third was Kuipers aboard "Rij Jik of Jik Ik," followed by "Chaos Theory" in fourth place and Marshall Mackenzie and "Supe Cape" in fifth.

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The Boys & Girls Club of Rockwall County will host the Club Blue Golf Classic & Blue Bash May 30. Participants are urged to wear blue. Registration and open range will begin at 11 a.m., followed by lunch catered by Soulman's Bar-B-Que at 11:30 a.m. Shotgun start will be at 1 p.m.; the Blue Bash will begin at 6 p.m. at the Rockwall Golf & Athletic Club (each golfer will receive two complimentary tickets). Cost per individual player is \$100. Sponsorship opportunities are available. For more details, call 972-722-2462 or visit the organization's website: bgcrockwall.com.

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The B Fleet winner both weeks was Larry Carpenter in "Odyo "Wind Song" placed second in Race 7.

In Sunday Dam Series Race 6 May 18, Malak and "Orion" tool place. There had been no Sunday racing May 11 because it was Mo Day.

June 9 tourney to benefit Helping Hands

The Rockwall Classic Golf Tournament, set June 9 at the Rockwall & Athletic Club at 2600 Champions Drive, will benefit Rockwall (Helping Hands.

Cash prizes will be awarded to the top three teams, beginning will for the first-place team. Each golfer will receive golf balls, goody in a chance to take home other contest and door prizes. Entry fee is \$125 per golfer or \$500 per team. Sponsors still are needed for the event, which is expected to draw golfers.

Founded in 1976, Helping Hands provides human and health servi the community.

For more details, visit rockwallhelpinghands.com and click on Roc Golf Classic.