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Celebrating Rockwall Founders Day May 30

The Sixth Annual Rockwall Founder's Day Festival is set for Saturday, May 30 at the Rockwall Downtown Square, with food, fun and entertainment for the whole family. Vendors booths open at 10 a.m. and entertainment for kids starts at 10:30 a.m. Topping off the entertainment-filled day will be The Redneck Tenors at 8:30 p.m. Billy Bob, Billy Joe and Billy Billee mix NASCAR with Beethoven in what promises to be an exciting, fun filled performance. Thrill to the Critterman's Wild creatures of

Texas, then slow the pace with a Sip & Stroll around the Square. From arts and crafts to food, fun and great entertainment, the Rockwall Founder's Day Festival adds up to a great day for the entire family. For more information, call (972) 771-7740. (Watch for more details in Friday, May 29 edition)

Photo Courtesy of the Rockwall County Historic Foundation

Wy. 66 changes set by Rockwall

Wy. 66 from John King Road east to Davis Street will be reduced to a single lane in both directions daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. beginning today.

Signage is scheduled to be in place to notify drivers along the route, and flagmen will be on site to help direct traffic, according to a City of Rockwall

news release.

The changes are needed to accommodate a planned waterline construction project.

Construction is expected to last about two months.

Questions regarding the project may be directed to Jeff Persful, City of Rockwall construction inspector, or Kathleen Lappen, the city's project manager, at 972-771-7746.

News Briefs

Graduates eligible for free RCN subscription

Class of 2009 graduate of a Rockwall County high school is eligible to receive a free one-year subscription to his/her home newspaper – the Rockwall County News – as a congratulatory gift. Just e-mail name, mailing address, phone number and name to rcn.news@yahoo.com to get a subscription start-

Lunchbox Series 2009 continues

The latest in a series of updates on state and federal laws will be presented from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday in the Rockwall Council chambers. Cost for the catered lunch is \$10. Register at the Rockwall Area Chamber at 972-771-5733. Cancellation must be made by Tuesday.

RHHS theater event planned

Students from Rockwall-Heath High will present an evening performance with Centerstage Productions' Senior Directed Scenes Theatre II class' original "Stylized Fairy Tales" at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the RHHS Black Box Theatre. Tickets will cost

Concert to feature Me and My Monkey

City of Rockwall's Concert by the Lake Series event for May will feature the band Me and My Monkey. Admission to the concert, which will begin at 7:30 p.m. at The Harbor Amphitheater, will be free. Those planning to attend should bring blankets and lawn chairs. For more information call 972-771-7740.

Stars on the Rock set Thursday

A stargazing class offered by members of the Texas Astronomical Society will be offered from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Thursday at Myers Park. The event will be open to individuals ages 18 and older. For more details, visit rockwall.com/parks.

RHHS plans Drama Camp

Rockwall-Heath High School Theatre Arts Department will offer its third annual Drama Camp from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. June 22-24 in a final showcase performance set for 2 p.m. June 26 in the RHHS Black Box Theatre. Students entering grades 1-8 this year are eligible. Cost is \$125 per camper, \$100 for each additional camper in the same family. Enrollment limited to 30. For details call Reid at 469-698-2600. Registration due by Friday.

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Rockwall Soroptimists Janis Greiser, the group's president, left, and Sandy Hansen, right, are shown presenting Rockwall High School senior Noel Crane with a \$4,000 scholarship. Crane plans to attend the University of Texas. The Soroptimists, now celebrating their 25th anniversary, have been providing scholarships to local graduates for several years. (See Pages 3 and 5 for more RHS awards)



Friday Study Club members conducted their final meeting of the year recently in the Rockwall County Library Community Room. The group heard a report on growing library patronage, new library programs and the number of items being check out monthly. The club then presented a check to the library to continue its ongoing support of the facility, and members donated books, videos and DVDs to sell in the Friends of the Library book alcove. New club members also were installed, including, from the left, June Frawley, assistant reporter; Jinksie Patton, second vice president; Gail Lombard, corresponding secretary and treasurer; Nancy Hill, reporter; Billye Wood, parliamentarian; Becky Cecil, first vice president; and Leigh Plagens, president. Not pictured is Patsy Flowers, the recording secretary for 2009-2010. Hostesses for the meeting included Doris Hall, Hill, Nita Walker and Wood.

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News Briefs

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Defensive driving course slated

A four-hour AARP 55 Alive Defensive Driving course will be offered from noon to 4 p.m. on Friday and July 31 at The Center. Open to individuals ages 50 and older, cost will be \$12 for AARP members who are Rockwall residents and \$14 for non-member Rockwall residents, \$18 for non-resident AARP members and \$21 for non-members who live outside of Rockwall. For more details, visit rockwall.com/parks.

Older Americans Day event set

The Rockwall County Committee on Aging is planning an Older Americans Day celebration. Each May, local organizations, city officials and individuals nominate outstanding seniors to receive an award for making a difference in the community. This year's event will feature Congressman Ralph Hall beginning at 1 p.m. Friday in the Rockwall County Library. For details call 972-771-9514.

Founders Day Festival is Saturday

The daylong 6th Annual Founders Day Festival will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday in Rockwall's historic downtown square. The celebration will include vendor booths, children's activities, food and live entertainment, including The Three Redneck Tenors at 8:30 p.m. A sundown concert will begin at 6:45 p.m. Admission will be free. For more information call 972-771-7740.

Farmer's Market takes week off

The Downtown Farmer's Market, sponsored by the Friends of Downtown and the City of Rockwall, will not open Saturday in observance of the community's Founder's Day celebration. The market will reopen June 6.

Church to host Parents Night Out

The First United Methodist Church of Heath will offer a Parents Night Out from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday. Children from newborn to the sixth grade are invited to come to the church at 140 Smirl Drive in Heath. Cost will be \$25 per child plus \$5 for each additional child in a family. The adult-supervised youth from the church will have crafts, snacks, movies and games for the children.

Drum Circle set Monday

A community drum circle will begin at 5:45 p.m. Monday at the Granger Recreation Center in Garland. During the event, each participant will be given a hand drum to play while the facilitator leads the group in an interactive effort to create music involving a chorus of drums, percussion and vocals. Anyone can participate, regardless of musical background. Admission will be \$7; drums will be provided. For details call David Cox at 940-867-0646.

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Rockwall County Obituaries

Ida Jo Cameron

Services for Ida Jo Cameron, 80, were conducted at 10 a.m. Friday, May 22, 2009, in the Lake Pointe Church in Rockwall. Burial followed in the Rest Haven Memorial Park.

She died May 18.

Born Oct. 26, 1928, in Hopkins County, Texas, to Lillie and Ed Smith, she married Bill, her lifelong partner, while attending East Texas State Teachers College in Commerce. She and her husband and his brother, Raymond, established a development business in Rockwall that helped shape the budding community. An active member of Lake Pointe Church, she was devoted to her Lord, her husband and her family.

Survivors include her son, Don Cameron, and his wife, Becky; her daughter, Suzanne Mosley, and her husband, Dan; a brother and sister-in-law, Raymond and Elizabeth Cameron; a sister-in-law, June Cameron; former daughter-in-law, Michele Musser; her grandchildren, Rob, Jacob, Jennifer, Chris, Jenni, Katie, Emily and Taylor; and her great-grandchildren, Hannah, Zebulun, Sarah, Elianna, A.J., Max, Maddie, Cody, Liberty, MacKelvey, William Jude and Cason.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Bill; her parents; one son, Rex; her brothers and sisters, Homer, Seton, Lorenzo, Frances and Edna; and one grandson, Kirk.

The family has suggested memorial contributions be made to The Gideons International, P.O. Box 2046, Rockwall, TX 75087-4446.

Sherry Earnheart

Services for Sherry Earnheart, 61, of Rockwall were to be at 2 p.m. today, Tuesday, May 26, 2009, in the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel with Dr. Timothy Warren officiating. Burial was to be in the Rockwall Memorial Cemetery.

She died Saturday, May 23.

Born Aug. 16, 1947, in Bowie to Bob and Mavis (King) Roland, she was an active member of the Lake Pointe Church and will be remembered as a loving wife and mother. She had lived in Rockwall for 35 years.

Survivors include her husband of 41 years, John Lewis Earnheart; her sons, Jason Earnheart of Rockwall and Damon Earnheart and his wife, Shelia, of The Colony; her mother, Mavis Roland; her sisters, Kristi Hand and Kathy Gilmore of Bowie; and her brother, Kent Roland of Bowie.

She was preceded in death by her father; one son, Shawn Dale Earnheart; and two brothers, Don and Mack Roland.

Markie Clyde (Mack) George Sr.

Services for Markie Clyde (Mack) George Sr. of Heath were conducted at 2 p.m. Friday, May 22, 2009, in the First Baptist Church in Heath. Burial followed in the Rest Haven Memorial Park.

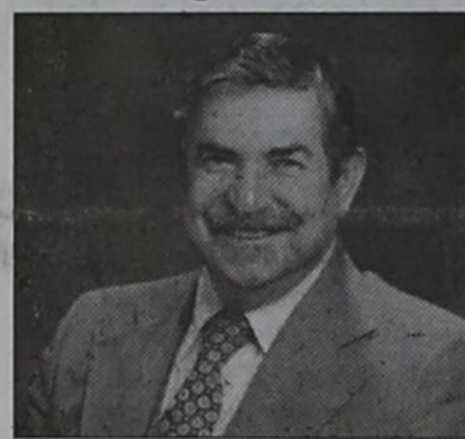
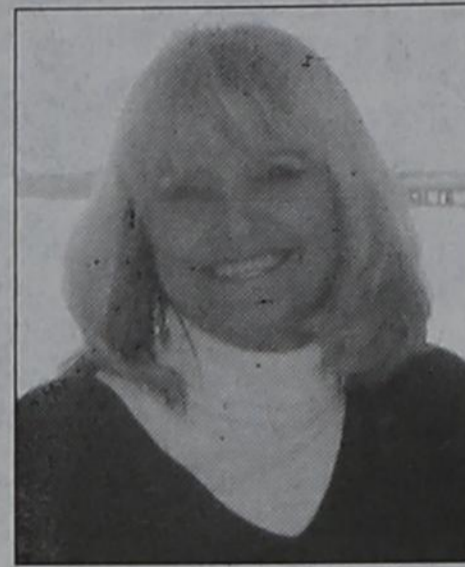
He died May 19 at his home.

Born Feb. 21, 1918, in Eskota, he moved to Dallas in 1938 and was a member of the Pipefitters Local 100 for more than 60 years. He enjoyed fishing, gardening and hunting rattlesnakes, believed in honesty, hard work and being fair with others, and had a mischievous sense of humor. He was a man with faith in God and devotion to his family.

Survivors include his wife of 30 years, Lena Mae; his sons, Markie C. (Buddy) Jr. and his wife, Toni, of Heath and Jerry Dan of Richardson; his daughters, Sharla Pauline Richardson and her husband, Carl, of Heath, Patricia Wilson and her husband, Michael, and Kathy Davis; his grandchildren, Jana Youngblood and husband, Mike, of Poetry, Rachel Sepmoree and her husband, Shawn, of Royse City, Trent Richardson and his wife, Jennifer, of Grapevine, Vance and Cooper Richardson of Heath and Tara Davis; his great-grandchildren, Dylan, Ashton and Brennan Youngblood of Poetry, Alden and Jillian Sepmoree of Royse City and Addison and Leyton Richardson of Grapevine; his sisters, Tommie Harvey of Abilene and Opal Bounds of Houston; and a brother, Henry Carl of Sunnyvale.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Henry Carl and Sarah Elizabeth George; his first wife of 34 years, Martha Pauline Miller George; his brothers, Wesley, Grady and Clarence; and his sisters, Annie Mae McWhirter, Helene Bayer and Lucille Harvey.

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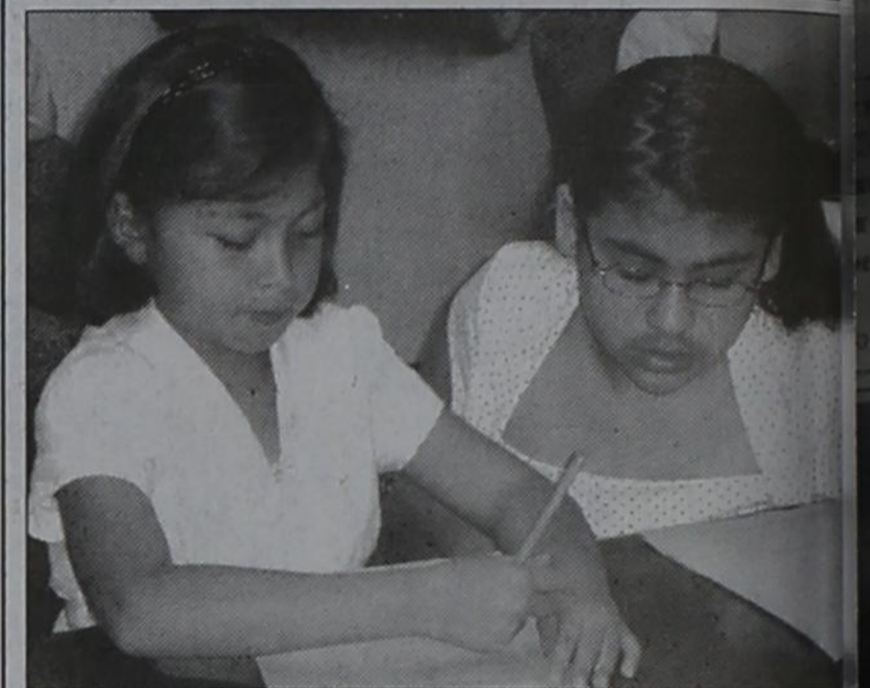
Rockwall Area Retired Teachers Association member Plagens, center, is shown presenting a check on behalf of Rockwall ISD Education Foundation for membership Century Club. The presentation, made at the May luncheon conducted in Royse City, was given in appreciation for RA's use of monthly meeting space in the Administration/Ed Center and in honor of the foundation and its mission of awarding grants to innovative and creative teachers within the district. Pictured with Plagens are, at left, Cindy Benefield, foundation member, and Dr. M. Joan Terry, assistant RISD superintendent.

Community Playhouse Theater auditions June 6-

Auditions for the Rockwall Community Playhouse Community Teen Theater production of "Get Smart" will take place Saturday, June 6 and Sunday, June 7 at the Playhouse. Felicia will direct the show.

Auditions will be open, cold readings from the script. No experience necessary. All roles are available for this teenage production. Performance dates are July 24, 25, 26, 31, Aug 1, 2, 3.

The Rockwall Community Playhouse invites everyone to no experience necessary. The Rockwall Community Playhouse is located at 609 E. Rusk in Rockwall.



Genesis Beteta and Maria Garcia are shown reviewing details on their "loan applications," which were a part of the Annual Fourth Grade Hall Mall at Springer Elementary. He is an instructional unit used to integrate math, reading, writing social studies lessons into simulated situations similar to what world companies go through in order to be successful. As the event, American National Bank gave student the opportunity to experience the loan application and interview process. She met with loan officers who either approved or denied loans on accurate budget projections and profitability. Students obtained loans will purchase items needed for products and services and begin advertising through "billboarders" and Stallion TV commercials. Hall Mall will take place on June 29. Profits from the project will benefit the students' fifth grade Sky Ranch.

June H.A.T.S. event planned

The Heath-Area Terrific Seniors, or H.A.T.S., will meet to take a trip to the Dallas Holocaust Museum exhibit, We Shall Not Forget. The event will begin with a brunch at IHOP, followed by a trip to the museum from noon to 1:30 p.m. Admission will be \$5. RSVP to Judy at 972-771-1605 or Barbara at 972-771-0817.

Republican Lunch Bunch to meet

The Rockwall County Republican Lunch Bunch will meet at 11:30 a.m. June 3 at Luigi's Italian Cafe in Rockwall. Cost is \$10, which includes lunch, beverage, tax and tip. No reservations required for this informal social gathering open to all area Republicans. For more information call Dalton Kennimer at 972-636-3807.

Night for Networking scheduled

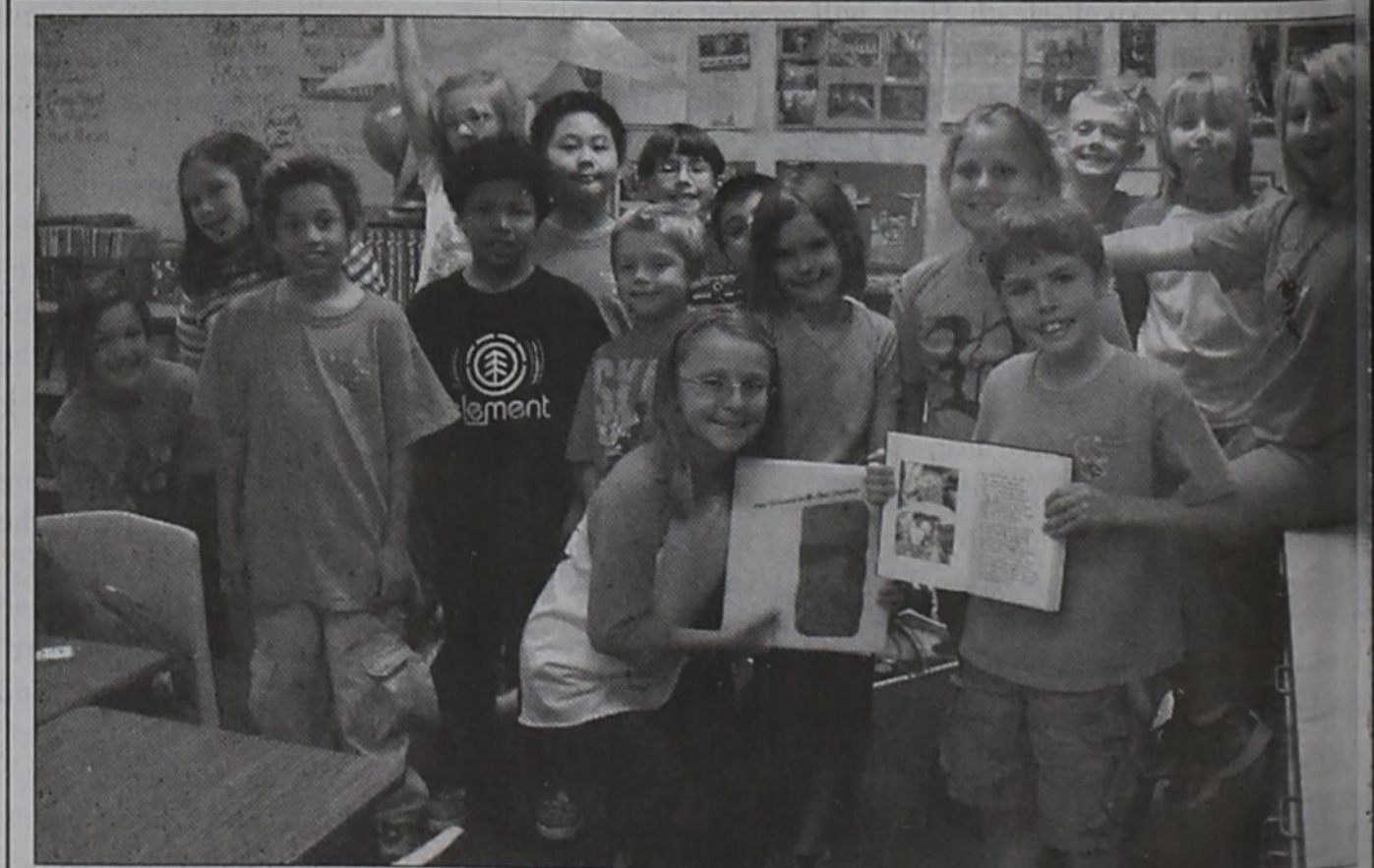
Harbor Mail's Night for Networking will run from 4:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. June 3 in the Harbor Mail Store. Participants are encouraged to bring business cards, samples and coupons to share with other business representatives. For more information call Alma at 972-3807.

Concert by the Lake slated

Admission is free to the Concert by the Lake events conducted weekly at The Harbor. Upcoming bands include, on June 4, Glory; June 11, VooDoo Blue; June 18, Hanna's Reef; and on June 25, Professor D. Performances begin at 7:30 p.m.

Pools to open June 5

The Harry Myers Park Pool and the Gloria Williams Park Pool will be open for the season on June 5. Pools will be open Monday through Friday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.



Tonni Kimbrell's third grade class at Nebbie Williams Elementary School have been reading "Stanley" as a part of their integrated reading, writing, social studies and math curriculum. Students mailed a paper doll of Stanley all over the world. The person who received Stanley sent him a postcard. Stanley visited in their area. This year, he traveled to Australia, Holland, Germany, Norway, New Zealand and all across the United States. Welcoming Stanley back to Rockwall were (back row from left) Alexis Morris, Hannah Snyder, David Wong, Wilson Ferris, Justin Art, Morgan Lewis, Clayton Wilson, Everett Willis, (front row from left) Lauren Baker, Devin Johnson, Chris Bass, Nathan Elliot, Anna McKee, Cate Frazier, Nicholas Morris and Summer Fathke.

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Rockwall High School students presented awards and scholarships

High conducted its annual awards show on May 12 in the area, with students receiving thousands of dollars in money. The awards included almost \$600,000 in local area scholarships. Total awards totaled more than \$1.5 million. Honorees included Jan Barnett, science; Becky Elliston, art; Annie Foster, art; David Gear, ACDEC/English; and

Liz White, English department chair, who was selected by two students. "This is the reason that we are in education so we can have a positive influence on students," said Erica Crump, associate vice principal. More scholarship money is expected to be awarded in coming days, according to school officials. The RHS graduation ceremonies will be at 10 a.m. June 6 at Lake Pointe Church. Each graduate is allowed 10 tickets.



Rockwall High School senior Travis Griswold received an appointment to the United States Merchant Marines Academy from Paul Pecena at the school's May 12 awards ceremony. The appointment is in the amount of \$335,000.



Rockwall High School science teacher Jan Barnett (right) was honored as a Most Influential Teacher by RHS senior Haley Loftis (left). The RHS students who received the Robert and Cecilia Hawk Citizenship Foundation Scholarships named their most influential teacher, who each received a \$2,000 award at the school's May 12 award ceremony. Photo Courtesy of Mack Fleming

RHS Awards Photos Courtesy of Mack Fleming



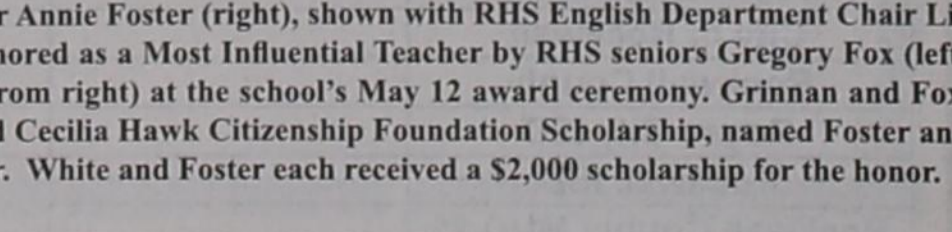
Rockwall High School student Zachary Jones (right) was recipient of the \$10,000 Blane Thompson Memorial Scholarship. The presentation was made as part of the school's May 12 awards event. Photo Courtesy of Mack Fleming



Rockwall High students Lauren Bushnell, left, and Kelly Mathews, right, were recipients of scholarships awarded by the Aspasians on May 12. Each young woman received a \$10,000 scholarship. Also pictured are Carrie Varner, Aspasians president, and Dina Rowe. Photo Courtesy of Mack Fleming



Rockwall High School Art teacher Annie Foster (right), shown with RHS English Department Chair Liz White (second from left), was honored as a Most Influential Teacher by RHS seniors Gregory Fox (left) and Kimberly Grinnan (second from right) at the school's May 12 award ceremony. Grinnan and Fox, who each received the Robert and Cecilia Hawk Citizenship Foundation Scholarship, named Foster and White as Most Influential Teacher. White and Foster each received a \$2,000 scholarship for the honor. Photo Courtesy of Mack Fleming



High School senior Katherine Noel Crane (left), a Robert and Cecilia Hawk Citizenship Foundation Scholarship award winner, was honored as Most Influential Teacher, RHS English Department Chair Liz White (right), at the school's May 12 awards ceremony. White awarded a \$2,000 scholarship as a Most Influential teacher. Photo Courtesy of Mack Fleming



High School ACDEC/English teacher David Gear (left) awarded a \$2,000 scholarship as a Most Influential Teacher at the school's May 12 awards ceremony. His student, Travis Kasinger (right), a Robert and Cecilia Hawk Citizenship Foundation Scholarship winner, presented Gear with the award. Photo Courtesy of Mack Fleming



Rockwall Women's League distributed \$50,000 in scholarship funds at the Rockwall High School event conducted May 12. Pictured from the left are recipients Chad Geiger, Samuel Garner, Vitiello, Katherine Noel Crane and Trevor St. John-Gilbert. Photo Courtesy of Mack Fleming



Rockwall High student Katherine McBee, second from right, was recipient of the \$5,000 Texas Tech Tommy Memorial Scholarship during the school's May 12 awards event. Pictured with the honoree are, from left, Teddi Cherry, RHS department chair counselor; Dale Cherry; and Margie Hooper. Photo Courtesy of Mack Fleming

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2009 Appraisal Notices

The Rockwall Central Appraisal District (RCAD) mailed Appraisal Value Notices on May 15, 2009. Most property throughout Rockwall County went down by 1/2 percent to 1 or 2 percent. Approximately 65% of the property in the county went down in value, approximately 25% stayed the same and approximately 10% increased in value mainly due to new construction, add-on and renovations. Approximately 15,000 appraisal notices were sent to property owners that met the required criteria: new owners, all personal property, all owners that have an agent, all property that went up more than \$1,000 (market or assessed), all owners that possibly could qualify for a homestead exemption but has not applied. Also, all residents that resided in the City of McLendon Chisholm will receive a notice because the City is looking at levying a tax rate for 2009.

If you do not receive a notice the chief appraiser encourages you to go to the district web site www.rockwallcad.com to see what your 2009 value is proposed. You can pull up your information by owner name, street address or property id number.

The appraisal district's job is to appraise all property in the County at fair market value and the assessment date is January 1st, 2009. Property owners who feel that their appraised values are higher than their property would sell for should contact the appraisal district at 841 Justin Road in Rockwall or call 972-771-2034 and discuss how the value was determined.

If, after an informal meeting with the RCAD staff, and agreement is not reached a property owner may file a written protest. The deadline to request a hearing before the Appraisal Review Board (ARB) is Monday June 15, 2009. If for some reason a property owner is unable to meet informally with a RCAD Appraiser, the Chief Appraiser recommends filing a written protest before the deadline to preserve their appeal rights.

The appraisal Review Board (ARB) is an administrative review arm of the property tax system, and the ARB is an independent board with responsibility to resolve disputes between property owners and appraisal district. The ARB is a separate entity from the appraisal office.

A property owner has the right to appeal ARB decisions through district court or binding arbitration.

If the property owners through district court files an appeal within no more than 45 days after receiving the Order Determining Protest, that is the way you file under the judicial system. But if a property owner seeks binding arbitration of an ARB order determining real property you must meet the following criteria (1) the appraised or market value, as applicable, of the property as determined by the order is \$1 million or less (2) a appeal does not involve any matter in dispute other than the determination of the appraised or market value of the property. Property owner must file this within 45 days of receiving the notice of determination from the ARB and include a \$500 deposit. If the arbitrators value decision is closer to the value the property owner claims to be correct then \$450 of the \$500 deposit is returned to the property owner, and the Appraisal District pays the arbitrators fee. The Comptroller will retain \$50 to cover administrative costs.

Most protest and ARB actions concern market value. The Tax Code defines market value is the price at which a property would transfer for cash or its equivalent under prevailing market conditions if:

- exposed for sale in the open market with a reasonable time for the seller to find a purchase.
- both the seller and purchaser know of all the uses and purposes to which the property is adapted and for which it is capable of being used and of the enforceable restriction on its use.
- both the seller and purchaser seek to maximize their gains and neither is in a position to take advantage of the other.

If you ask yourself should I protest consider these facts:

- Is the proposed value of your property too high? (Fair Market Value).
- Is your property valued unequally compared with other property in the area?

If you have any questions about the appraisal of your property please call the Rockwall Central Appraisal District at 841 Justin Rd. Rockwall Texas (972)-771-2034.

2009 VALUES VS. 2008

Entities	2009	2008	%
	Prelim. Value	Certified Value	
City of Fate	406,469,056	369,366,841	10.0%
City of Heath	1,087,000,000	1,073,053,599	1.00%
City of Roysse City	386,356,000	380,615,361	1.5%
City of Rockwall	3,321,000,000	3,264,830,638	1.7%
Rockwall County	6,826,570,000	6,738,939,685	1.3%
Royse City ISD	803,000,000	775,265,270	3.5%
Rockwall ISD	5,776,692,000	5,707,908,687	1.0%
Rockwall County MUD #1	198,908,000	177,143,247	12.0%

2009 NEW CONSTRUCTION VALUE

Entities	2009
City of Fate	46,423,220
City of Heath	34,230,890
City of Roysse City	24,980,340
City of Rockwall	136,485,260
Rockwall County	289,608,420
Royse City ISD	58,211,650
Rockwall ISD	231,376,180
Rockwall County MUD #1	25,564,900

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- former TX basic skills test (abbr.)
- TXism: "mosey" to the trough"
- TXism: "running" (spouse)
- TXism: "out" (gusher)
- Rangers league (abbr.)
- pie mode
- Glen Campbell tune: "Little Kindness"
- Sam Houston's last wife Margaret
- "supper" is one
- TX Paula Prentiss TV series: "She"
- TX actress of TV series "Mission Impossible"
- El Paso Indians
- chili
- carne
- TXism: "fits like sardines" can"
- TXism: "play close to the vest"
- Sierra TX
- TX Henley wrote "Take The Limit"
- TXism: "fought tooth and"
- TX ZZ Top album: "Grange"
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- rusted cattle
- TXism: "good ol'"
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- time zone for U.S. Rep. Ted Poe (abbr.)
- Lee Harvey Oswald & John Wilkes Booth
- TX Orbison (int.)
- TX "Racehorse" Haynes job (abbr.)
- LBJ's last words: "Mike immediately"
- Colinas, TX
- draw or bring out in Hidalgo Co.;
- Santa National Wildlife Refuge
- nevertheless
- in Harris Co. off hwy. 249
- TXism: "he's got the morals of"
- cat"
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- TXism: "he's live by bread alone"
- TXism: "he could shoot the eye out of a"
- Houston TX army at San Jacinto
- Andrews or Iowa Park h.s. class
- TXism: "took everything but" in my lungs" (robbed)
- antique auto
- a boat that handles well
- Lufkin is seat of this county
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Defense lets down Lady Jackets in regional softball semifinals

after Bailey Frierson sacrificed her to third base.

"When you get a double to lead off an inning, that kind of breaks your momentum," Acosta said.

The momentum never went back to Rockwall after the Lady Pirates seized it with their big third inning.

Spieker led off with a single and Brown walked Jordan Hart-sell. Poteet's next four batters all hit the ball on the ground,

but the Lady Jackets got just two outs on those grounders.

First, Baker's bunt eluded third baseman Ashton Atwell to load the bases. Carly Taylor then hit a grounder back to the mound, but it went off Brown's glove for a game-tying hit.

The next two batters forced runners at home, but a wild pitch and MacKenzie Middlebrook's single pushed the score to 4-2. Middlebrook went to second base on the throw home, and

scored on Jessi Black's two-run single.

During the inning, Acosta removed freshman Atwell and Brown, who finished her senior season with a 14-7 record that included three playoff wins.

Atwell had committed the error that led to Poteet's runs Friday night.

"Errors are going to happen, especially for infielders who have so many opportunities to be part of the game," Acosta

said. "We have tons of confidence in Ashton. I wish she could see the potential we see in her. I think she'll do that. I know she'll mature."

Laycee Holcomb restored order, getting the final out in the third inning and retiring the first seven batters she faced. Meanwhile, the Lady Jackets had a chance to get back in the game against Poteet's 25-game winner, Bradie Baker. They loaded the bases with two out in the fourth inning, but Baker retired Shelby Frierson on a ground ball.

Harmon led off the fifth with a single. That was Rockwall's 25th – and last – hit in the three games against Baker. With the big lead, she mixed pitches to keep RHS batters off balance and put out the last nine of them. The Lady Pirates broke through against Holcomb in the sixth for their final three runs, one of which was unearned.

Poteet will move on to play District 15-4A rival Forney (35-6) in the regional final despite losing the first game of the series against Rockwall. In that game,

Brown held the Lady Pirates to five hits. The Lady Jackets' 10 hits included Shelby Frierson's double and three singles, and Lemons drove in two runs.

On Friday, Holcomb (13-6) took a tough loss. RHS out-hit Poteet 8-7, but Baker left eight Lady Jackets stranded, including the bases loaded in the third inning. Farfan's double was Rockwall's only extra-base hit.

"I'm proud of the girls," an emotionally drained Acosta said. "When you look at us from beginning to end, we started out pretty rocky – especially around spring break, when we had a (six-game) losing streak. That was a big obstacle for them to overcome."

"It was a young team. Unless Kat started, there were only two seniors on the field. We'll miss all four of them (Brown, Lemons, Shelby Frierson and Sunny Allen). They all definitely brought different aspects to the team."

"I look forward to the coming seasons. We should have a bright future."



Receiving awards, with coaches, during the May 11 RHS Golf Banquet are (left to right) Coach Watkins, Ari Lara, Andrew Waldie, Angelo Ramirez, Coach Henderson (back row) Mike Furlong, Jake Claver and Gabe Antony. Not pictured is Matt Kinnear.



The Lake Ray Hubbard Texas Exes distributed \$8,150 in scholarships to Rockwall High School students on May 12. Pictured from the left are Chris Carter, Travis Kasinger, Russell Ramirez, Meg Reynolds and Katherine Noel Crane.

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Rockwall County Sports

Hawks face Texarkana following two-game sweep of Highland Park

Baune shuts down Dragons 17-10, 5-1

by Matt McGillen

If you want to know anything about the Rockwall-Heath baseball team's offense, a five-pitch sequence against Highland Park ace Crayton Bare (9-4) May 22 will tell you all you need to know about the surging Hawks.

After Drew VerHagen launched his second 400-foot plus homerun in as many nights to tie the score 1-1 in the bottom of the second inning, John Branum ripped the next pitch into the right center gap for a double.

Three pitches later, Drew Baxter hammered a 2-0 fastball well over the wall and the trees above it in right field for a two-run homer to give Heath a sudden and all but insurmountable 3-1 advantage.

If you want to know anything about the grit of the Hawks' ace James Baune (8-2), just look at the string of six zeros on the scoreboard after he allowed the Scots to score that run in the top of the first.

And if you want to know anything about Heath's defense, count up the errors they have made in six playoff games: one. One. One.

Add it together and you have a team on an incredible roll, including a 17-10 and 5-1 sweep of their best-of-three series with Highland Park in the 4A Region II quarterfinals May 21-22 at Scotland Yard.

Winners of 19 of their last 20 games, the Hawks (27-8) will now face Texas High School (25-6) in another best-of-three series next weekend in the semifinals with only eight teams remaining in the quest for a 4A state championship. Texarkana swept 15-4A champion Mesquite Poteet (24-6) to earn their date with the Hawks.

The Scots, meanwhile, ended their season 23-14.

"We're just doing what we've been doing," said Heath coach Greg Harvey.

What the Hawks have been doing is winning, including a school-record 16-game winning streak that began on March 24 - when the Hawks were a so-so 7-7 - with a 10-0 win over Royse City and finally ended with a 1-0 loss to Frisco Centennial May 15.

That loss was made moot, though, as it was sandwiched between 15-0 and 11-1 thrashings of the Titans in the Bi-District round.

The Hawks also thrashed the Scots in the series opener, pounding out 13 hits while taking advantage of a mind-boggling seven Highland Park errors.

"We've got guys that are just hitting the ball really well," Harvey said. "They are seeing the ball really well and striking the ball really well. We've got some guys who are just one fire."

And no one is probably more on fire than VerHagen. The 6-4 senior has left the yard three games in a row, with each one seemingly traveling higher and further than the one that preceded it.

VerHagen finished the Highland Park series 2-for-6 with five RBI.

As a team, the Hawks' power numbers are way up compared to the regular season. After hitting just a dozen homers in the first 29 games of the year, Heath has launched eight dingers in their six playoff games, including seven by the Drews: VerHagen (3), Benefield (3) and Baxter (1).

And no one is more focused on the mound than Baune, who took the loss in the Hawks streak-ending defeat, despite a great individual effort.

In fact, for Harvey, one word covered it all to describe the 6-1 junior's performance in the series clincher against Highland Park.

"Masterful," said Harvey. "That game was James Baune at his best. He took charge of that game from the first pitch to the last. He made a couple of mistakes, but not enough to hurt us."

Baune finished with a six-hitter, struck out three and walked one and hit one while throwing just 91 pitches.

Bare, meanwhile, held the Hawks to just five hits while striking out three and walking three and also hit a batter.

Those pitching numbers were in sharp contrast to the slugfest the opener turned out to be.

Heath's starter, Benefield, struggled to locate his pitches and fell behind 3-0 after one inning after giving up two walks and two hits.

The Heath offense got one run back in the second before erupting for four in the third and five in the fourth for a seemingly safe 10-3 lead.

The Scots, however, used two walks, a single and a two-out, bases-loaded double by Clark Wilson to score three runs to cut the score to 10-6 and chase Benefield and bring in reliever Cody Sargent.

Sargent, however, gave up a two-run homer on just his second pitch to make it 10-8 before getting a strikeout to end the inning.

After a scoreless fifth, the Hawks scored a run in the top of the sixth without a hit, using a walk and three Scots' errors to push the score to 11-8 before Sargent surrendered another two-out, two-run blast in the bottom of the inning to cut the lead to 11-10.

At that point, Harvey went to freshman Javon Hernandez, who had started the game catching Benefield and then moved to third when Sargent came into pitch.

The talented ninth-grader struck out the Scots No. eight hitter to preserve the Hawks' slim lead.

A slim lead that soon ballooned to a seven-run advantage when Heath scored half a dozen runs in the top of the seventh.

Baxter and Charlie Martin had RBI singles while Connor Lewis added a two-run double and VerHagen a sacrifice fly as the Hawks took a 17-10 lead.

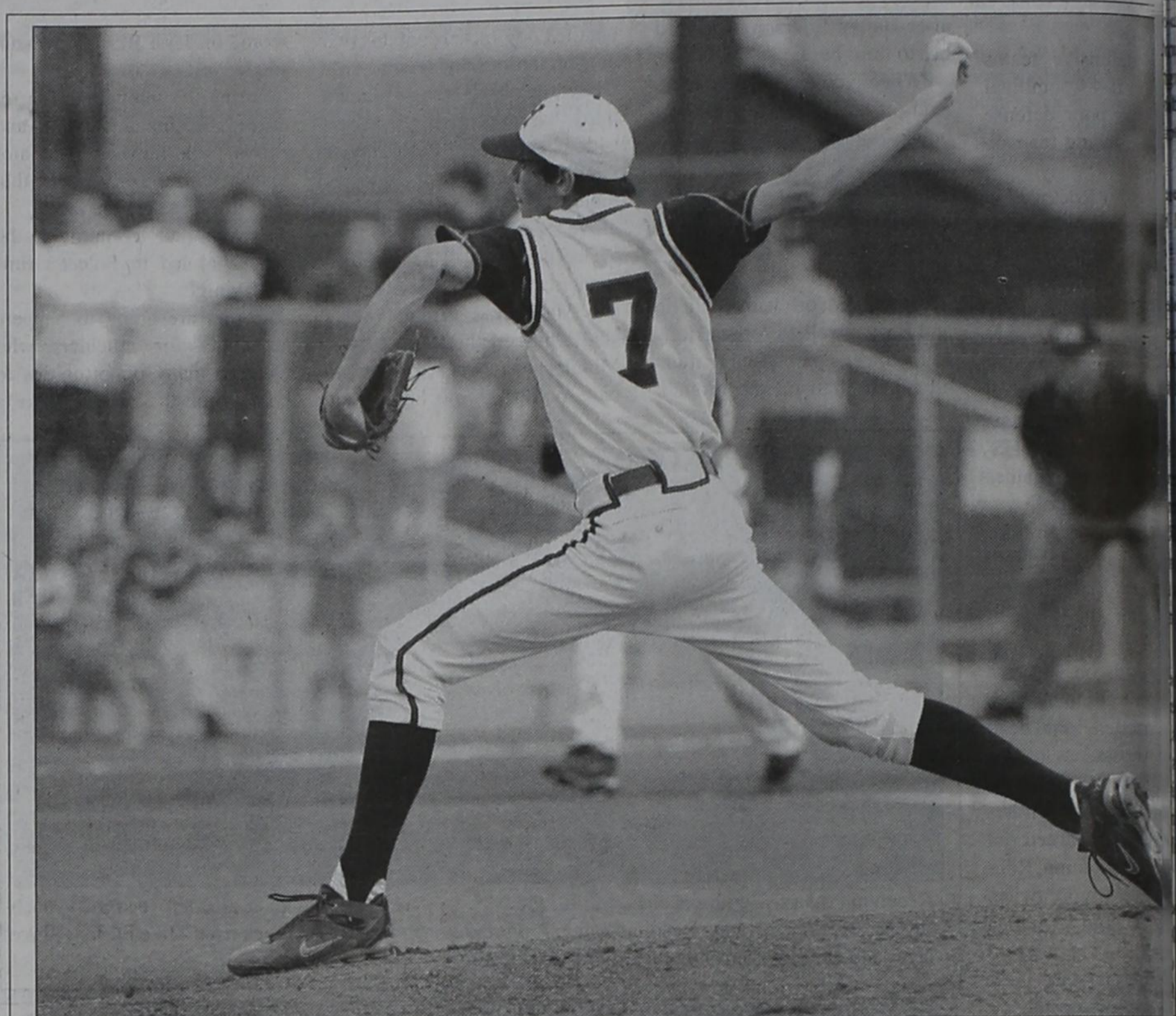
Hernandez, who went 2-for-5 with two RBI at the plate, then closed out the game by striking out two of the three Highland Park hitters he faced in the bottom of the seventh to get the save and make a winner out of the undefeated Benefield (4-0).

The win gave the Hawks a rare season sweep against the Scots. "It's great to beat them four times in one year," said Harvey. "I wouldn't expect that to happen every year. We've got a good group of kids."

Such a good group, that, according to Harvey, no matter what lineup he runs out the Hawks are a team to be reckoned with.

"Our bench has a lot of guys that don't start that would be starting on other teams," he said. "We can put a lot of different guys in there with no drop off."

The only drop off at this point, it seems, is other teams dropping off the postseason bracket.



James Baune pitched two outstanding championship games for the Rockwall-Heath Hawks, advancing to the Regional Semi-Final competition against Texarkana High School. The series begins at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 28 at Texas High School, followed by

Game 2 at 7:30 p.m., Friday, May 29 in Heath. The third game if needed will begin at 8 p.m. Saturday at North East Community College in Mt Pleasant. Staff Photo by Carl McClung

RC's Strahm won't name a favorite to replace Morrison

Royse City's first spring football practice has been a success, according to head coach Greg Strahm.

He said, "It's new for everybody, including some of the coaches, but it has been very, very positive."

"The kids have been working extremely hard. That could be because there's a lot riding on this. A lot of positions are still open and up for grabs because we had so many seniors."

One of those positions is quarterback, where Richard Morrison will be graduating and taking his talent to the University of Arizona.

"It's been a while since a Division I player came through Royse City. Now we have Richard and (offensive tackle) Brock Wempa. Those positions will be extremely tough to fill. It's going to be a different team. We can't rely now on Richard's ability to make a pinpoint pass."

Aside from the players, don't expect big changes in the 2009 Bulldogs. Even without Morrison, and without Wempa's pass protection, Strahm said, "We're not going to get away from our system or our playbook. We'll stay with our philosophy and tweak it to make it better for our kids to identify things a little better."

Strahm said three, or even four, Bulldogs are in the battle to become the starting quarterback. Who are they? "I'm not ready to say. We're not spotlighting players yet."

On Saturday, May 30, RC fans will have a chance to see the quarterbacks and others among the 105 players working out for positions with the varsity or junior varsity. Royse City's spring game is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. that night.

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"There's competition within the positions," Strahm pleasantly surprised with the way some young guys have looked at different options. We'll have 11 players and we want to make it the best 11 we have. If a person is one of the 11 best on offense and one of the 11 best on defense, we'd just have to make sure he was in shape enough to play."

"We may be down in numbers, but we have quality players who have looked at different options. We'll have 11 players and we want to make it the best 11 we have. If a person is one of the 11 best on offense and one of the 11 best on defense, we'd just have to make sure he was in shape enough to play."

Soldat sisters, Salom win Lady Jacket soccer awards

Sisters Shelby and Randi Soldat and Nicole Salom were named Most Valuable Player, Newcomer of the Year and Most Spirited Award at the Rockwall girls' soccer banquet.

Shelby Soldat was named Newcomer of the Year and Most Valuable Player. Randi was the Offensive MVP. Salom received the Most Spirited Award.

The Lady Jackets, who received the Region II quarterfinal trophy, honored their All-District 10-4A performers. Randi Soldat, Michelle Kelley, midfielder, and Jessie Givens and Dani Aronson were first-team selections. On the second team were Shelby Soldat and Ellen Stein, and midfielder Allie Wentz. Honorable mention from RHS were Salom, Bekah Barton and Lowery.

Fate softball player named MVP Paris Junior College sports banquet

Makesa Richey of Fate, a sophomore at Paris Junior College, was awarded the Verno Carter Cup as the softball MVP at the school's All-Sports Banquet on May 5. PJC softball coach Corey Lyons presented the award.

Richey was also one of five players to receive All-Region Honors for the year. The others were sophomores Shay Ristau of Denton, Jessica Wilson of Irving, freshman Kaci Crawford of Paris and Megan Brigrance of Flower Mound.

Kaitlin Vasquez of Garland won the Volleyball MVP Cup, presented by PJC Volleyball Coach Justin Maness. Vasquez, along with Stefanie Barnett and Logan Anglin of Paris, Jamie McFratridge of Brookston, Amber Cantu-Curry of South Padre and Morganne Fikes of Rowlett received Region XIV All-Conference Honors.

Most Valuable Player winners are chosen each year by their team members.



Paris Junior College presented the 2009 All-Sports Awards on Tuesday. Shown left to right are Most Valuable Player Justin Miller of Paris, who has signed with Southeastern Oklahoma State University; Softball's MVP Makesa Richey of Fate, considering offers; Golf's MVP and McLemore Cup winner Jordan Barry of Frisco with the Bobby Walters Cup for highest GPA is considering offers; Basketball's MVP Kenny Gabriel of Charlotte, NC, has signed to play with Auburn University; Women's Basketball's MVP Brittany Bennett of Del City, OK, has signed to play with University of the Incarnate Word in San Antonio; and Volleyball's MVP Kaitlin Vasquez of Garland has signed with the University of Texas-Panhandle State in Amarillo.