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Kaufman County murder trial underway in Rockwall

By Millie Jean Coppedge
Kaufman County murder trial of Eric Lyle Williams, 47-year-old justice of the peace for Kaufman County, began Monday, Dec. 1, in Rockwall.
The capital murder case is actually a triple-murder case, but prosecutors are trying to prove the defendant on Cynthia McLelland's murder in the course of burglary and the murder of her husband.
The death penalty will be sought.
In January 2013, assistant district attorney Mark Hasse, 57, was fatally shot in the parking lot of the Kaufman Courthouse.
The night before Easter Sunday, two months later, Cynthia

McLelland, 65, and Mike McLelland, 63, were murdered in their home. McLelland was district attorney at the time.
Williams is accused of committing the murders as a "revenge killing," according to reports. Hasse and Mike McLelland had brought a case against Williams for stealing county computers and monitors. In 2012, Williams received probation on the charges, but lost his JP position and eventually, his law license.
Williams was arraigned shortly before 9:00 a.m. Monday in the Auxiliary Court of the Rockwall County Courthouse. He pled not guilty before the presiding district judge, Mike Snipes.
Snipes spoke to those in the courtroom, warning them that an outburst

from anyone could cause a mistrial and he would hate to see that happen. He said he wanted the courtroom quiet and there would be no talking at all.
Before the jurors entered the courtroom, Snipes informed the public that a television show, "Criminal Minds," had aired about the second week of November at 11 p.m. on a Wednesday. The show was watched by 2.2 million people, he said, and referenced the Kaufman murders. In the event that any of the jurors had watched the show, they might be biased toward the defendant. He recessed for 10 minutes while he talked with the jurors.

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Traveler saved by local constable and emergency personnel

By Millie Jean Coppedge
"I hadn't been for those two officers, this little dog or I wouldn't be here today."
The emotional words were the beginning of a heart-warming story about a 64-year-old Jack Key of Quinlan and Rockwall Constable and Earl Parks.

van and force the driver to slow down by ramming my car and eventually coming to a stop, but with oncoming traffic, that was an extremely dangerous idea. I decided to try pulsating my siren, hoping the driver would hear it and slow down or stop.
"Relieved, I saw the tail lights light up on the van and it began to slow down, then finally stopped. Upon approaching the van, I noticed the driver was having trouble getting out of the vehicle and was sweating profusely.

me that if I continually rubbed the driver's chest in a vigorous motion (a sternum rug), it might help keep him alert. Kindred got on the radio dispatch to the Sheriff's Department. Both of us continued to work with the driver.



Jack Key and his dog, Tattoo, are alive today, in part because a Rockwall constable was diligent, other officers and medical first responders knew what to do and hospital personnel carried through with a life-saving event.

Photo by Millie Jean Coppedge/
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"Wednesday morning," Key said, "on Wednesday morning, around 10:30, I gave myself an insulin diabetic shot as usual and went out the door. My sugar level was 100 while I was ordering my sausage McMuffin and coffee at McDonalds, I was feeling shaky and dizzy. The next morning, I woke up in an ambulance from McDonalds."

"I had recently taken a course in the procedures of working with a diabetic individual and recognized the odor of the suspects breath as that of possibly being a diabetic, rather than that of alcohol. Diabetics who are about to go into a diabetic coma are often mistakenly thought to be intoxicated.

"I asked the driver several times if he was a diabetic," Parks said, "and finally he said he was. I called the sheriff's department for back up and EMS. The driver was falling in and out of consciousness, so I began shaking him in an attempt to keep him alert and trying to avoid him going into a diabetic coma."

"Deputy Ryan Kindred of the Rockwall Sheriff's Department arrived on the scene and informed

"I located the driver's wallet in an attempt to find out who he was or get some information that might help us know more about his condition. This is how Officer Kindred and I found out that the man was a retired Marine who served in Vietnam. His name was Jack Key.

"The Rockwall Emergency Medical Services arrived and were giving emergency medical care to Key, trying to keep him conscious. Key flat-lined while he was still at the scene, in the ambulance, awaiting transport. The EMTs continued to work. Key, who had tested with a 170 sugar level less than 30 minutes before, now had less than a 10 reading. The paramedics said that their machine only read as low as 10 and the machine would not even register, thus they knew it was below 10. His heart rate was 20."

At one point while conscious, Key had repeatedly asked the paramedics where was Tattoo. At approximately the same moment, Key's dog had bolted from the van and was running toward oncoming traffic.

Parks knew the dog was about to be killed. When Parks heard Key asking for Tattoo, he realized that the dog's name must be Tattoo. Parks shouted, "Tattoo! Tattoo!"

Tattoo stopped, turned and ran straight to Parks.
What a joyful moment to have the dog safe in his arms.

Kindred stayed with the vehicle and cared for Tattoo as Keys was transported.

The dog was taken to the Rockwall Animal Shelter when the incident was over. A card was located in Key's wallet that had the name of a veterinarian at the Blair Dog Center in Wills Point. The veterinarian was called and he told Parks that the Tattoo was a service dog and could not

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John Hohenschelt appointed to Rockwall Council Place 2

By Brittany Williams
The city has been utilizing the Rockwall County News as the newspaper of record for a number of years, but Monday night, the Rockwall/Royse City Herald Banner was appointed as the newspaper of record for the city.

According to Article XI, Sec. 11.02 of the city charter, "The City Council must designate annually a newspaper of general circulation in the City to serve as newspaper of record. All ordinances, notices and other matters required by this Charter, City ordinance, or the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas must be published in the newspaper of record."

submit pricing information. All newspapers asserted that they do meet the statutory requirements.

Once staff received and began comparing the replies, it was noted that all respondents assessed fees differently (i.e. by word; by column inch; by line, etc.).

According to information in the packet provided by the city, in an effort to glean more "sample data" on fees charged, staff sent a subsequent letter with more sample publications (P&Z public hearing notices; bid proposal ad; notice of intent to issue COs; surplus unclaimed property sale; and notice of tax rate). Each newspaper respondent was asked to not only quote on these exhibits but also submit information concerning their subscriptions in Rockwall and their publication deadlines.

According to information gathered by the city, the total cost of publishing notices in the The Rockwall County News would cost approximately \$19,695. For the same notices published, the Dallas Morning News would cost the city approximately \$42,299.70; by the Dallas Morning News NeighborsGo publication, \$14,721.87; \$14,958.50 for notices published in the Rockwall/Royse City Herald Banner.

City Attorney Frank Garza verbally advised the council that it was required to follow four criteria under the law when selecting a newspaper of record. The referenced criteria fall under Texas Government Code Section 2051.044, and include

- At least 25% general interest items
- Published at least once a week.
- Entered as a Second Class Postal Permit in the county where published (the term was changed by the USPS to Periodical Matter Permit).
- Has been published regularly and continuously at least 12 months.

Garza advised that all of the entities that submitted proposals qualified under the above criteria.

Following a presentation by City Secretary Kristy Ashberry, Mayor Sweet reiterated that all entities that submitted proposals were "legally sound and fit the requirements." Sweet then moved to run legal notices in the Royse City/Rockwall County Herald Banner.

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Monday night, during executive session, the Rockwall City Council filled the vacancy Council Place 2 with John Hohenschelt. Hohenschelt was named on the Rockwall Economic Development Corporation board in 2008.
Council Place 2 on the council will become vacant at the end of the year when Mayor Pro Tem Jim Pruitt will replace Mayor David Sweet who will be making his place as county judge beginning in 2015.
Other appointments made by the council were P&Z Annie Fishman and Matt Nielsen who will be taking a place on the REDC board with Nielsen, Dale Cherry were also appointed to REDC.
Billie and Cherry will be replacing the expiring terms of Bill Houser and John Hohenschelt.
Gabe Bunch was also reappointed for a three year term on the REDC.
The REDC board member terms will be held through December of 2017.

Several weeks ago the city sent a letter requesting proposals to the following newspapers: Rockwall County News, the Royse City/Rockwall Herald Banner, and the Dallas Morning News/NeighborsGo. Respondents were asked to confirm that they meet the statutory requirements to be designated as a newspaper of record, and send quotes on what they would charge for various types of publications. Three exhibits were initially sent - one notice of bond election; one ordinance caption; and one request for proposals ad. They were also asked to

Tree lightings, parades welcome holiday season

By Brittany Williams & Millie Jean Coppedge
The twelfth month of the year is upon us and many are looking for ways to do with their family members as the holidays inch closer and closer.
No fear. Rockwall County has plenty of events to fill hearts with and this December with sparkling lights, hot chocolate and Santa

fun activity booths for the kids.
Atmos Energy will warm everyone up with plenty of complimentary hot cocoa, while Mrs. Claus and her elves serve Christmas cookies, home baked and donated by the National Charity League and Rockwall Women's League.

Of course, the star of the evening will be Mr. Claus. After his grand arrival, he will visit, share stories and take photos with the children in his vintage sleigh. Be sure to bring the cameras and dress for the weather.

The City of Heath's Holiday in the Park is presented by the City of Heath Special Events Board with the support of community volunteers and sponsors.

Royse City

Special holiday events for Royse City will begin Thursday, Dec. 4, from 5:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. The annual tree-lighting ceremony will be at the City Hall at 305 N. Arch Street. Choirs from Royse City elementary schools will provide the entertainment and KKVI-FM will provide live coverage. Santa will also be on hand.
On Saturday, Dec. 6, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m., an open house will be conducted at the Royse City Fire Department at 234 E. Main Street in downtown Royse City. Firefighters will be on hand to meet and greet everyone who comes by. Along with free hot dogs, an appearance of Sparky the Fire Dog, a fire truck bounce house and slide, there also will be fire safety demonstrations.

On Saturday, Dec. 13, the Annual Lighted Christmas Parade will take place beginning at 6:30 p.m. The theme this year is A Candy Christmas. The parade route will begin at Ruth Cherry Intermediate School and head west through downtown on SH 66, according to the Royse City website.

Rowlett

On Saturday, Dec. 6, Rowlett will bring Main Street alive with holiday sparkle, including activities for the kids, letter-writing to Santa, food, school choir performances, photos with Santa, Touch a Truck and a fireworks show.
Festivities begin at 3 p.m. in downtown Rowlett, located at 4000 Main Street. Admission will be free.
All the festivities will be followed by the Exchange Club's 28th Annual Holiday Parade at 4 p.m. This year's theme is Playground Christmas. Then, enjoy live music by Dallas-based cover band, The Wonderfols, starting at 5 p.m. for the holiday light show as Main Street is lit up for the season.

Rockwall
Beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 6, and continuing throughout the day the City of Rockwall will host a fun-filled day of events. The day begins with the 44th Annual Kiwanis Christmas parade, followed by photos with Santa & Mrs. Claus at the Historic Courthouse in downtown. Arts and crafts, games, train rides and more will be offered throughout the day on the downtown square. Wrap up the day with the City of Rockwall tree lighting ceremony and nostalgic horse-carriage rides.

The year's parade theme is Hometown Christmas - Rockwall, Texas
Throughout the day, carolers in vintage clothing will be spreading holiday cheer, strolling elves with giveaways, a photo booth complete with props for pictures for holiday cards and a toy drive benefiting the Life House will be ongoing. The Life House also will fill the air with the aroma of coffee to warm your heart and excite taste buds.
From 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Santa and Mrs. Claus will be at the downtown courthouse for photos. At 5:45 p.m., a processional parade will begin at City Hall.
At 7 p.m., the annual Christmas tree lighting will take place.
Horse carriage rides will be available from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.
All events will be free of charge.

Heath

Whether it rains, shine or snow, Santa Claus is coming to Heath.
From 5:30 p.m. until 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5, the City of Heath's Holiday in the Park will be conducted at Town Center Park
Local favorites like the Amy Parks and Dorothy Pullen Elementary school choirs will charm as always, with a few fun twists added with performances by the addition of Rockwall-Heath's Infinity pop choir and jazz band.
To have dinner in the new Winter Village, where some of Dallas' popular food trucks will include Ruthie's Rolling Café, Easy and Sorelle's Wood Fired Pizza. There will be a cozy outdoor area warmed by holiday lights, plus a miniature train ride and

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MOW Holiday Hunger campaign underway

The 2014 Holiday Hunger campaign, Nourish Rockwall Seniors, is underway. A project of the Meals on Wheels Senior Services of Rockwall County, the project has been created to help feed seniors in Rockwall County. A \$32 donation will feed a senior citizen for a week. Visit rockwallmealsonwheels.org/donate/ to make a donation.

ARC Blood Drive planned

An American Red Cross blood drive will run from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dec. 6 at Lowe's, 851 N. Steger Town Dr., Rockwall. All blood types are needed. A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of ID are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age, weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. To donate, download the ARC donor app, visit redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED-CROSS to make an appointment.

Democratic Men to meet Dec. 6

The Democratic Men's Group of Rockwall County will conduct its next luncheon beginning at noon Dec. 6 at La Cocina del Tio Mon, 105 Kenway Road, Rockwall. The group meets at noon on the first Saturday of each month at various local restaurants to discuss local, state and national current events and politics. Open-minded, progressive men concerned about the future direction of Texas and Rockwall County are welcome.

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Kaufman County murder trial ...

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Upon returning to the courtroom, Snipes called jurors in, one at a time, and questioned them about the show. After asking each of the 12 jurors and two alternates if they had watched the show, he got a "no" response from each one. Then he asked each if they thought they could make a just decision on this case. Each responded that they could. He warned jurors to have no contact with the media and not to speak to anyone about the case, read any newspapers or watch television where the case might be mentioned. The judge told the jurors there would be no note-taking, going into details as to why that was one of the rules. He explained how to select

a presiding juror to be in charge and that opening statements are not evidence. He reminded jurors that the defendant is never required to prove his innocence.

At this point, Judge Snipes announced that there was such an overflow of people wanting to get in the courtroom that a room downstairs had been set up with a screen to allow people to watch a live feed from the courtroom. The courtroom accommodates about 60 people and it was full long before starting time for the proceedings, with people lining the walls. The judge invited those standing to move downstairs into the overflow room; the excess people cleared the room and the proceedings continued.

Mathew Seymour was the defense attorney and Bill Wirskye was the prosecuting attorney.

Wirskye presented the indictment and read the charges. "Williams shot Cynthia in the top of her head, causing her brain matter to come out. He shot her husband, then after Mike was on the floor, stood on him and just kept shooting," Wirskye told the jurors.

Wirskye went on to say that Williams sent the authorities what he thought was an anonymous email confessing to the crime. Later the email was traced back to Williams.

The D.A. further explained to the jury that Williams asked a friend, Roger Barton, to rent a storage unit and gave him cash to pay for a year's rent; unit #18 was rented at Gibson's Storage; and Larry Mathis is the owner of the storage company.

The jury heard Wirskye further expound that Williams bought a car under a fake name and stored it in unit #18 along with many guns, ammunition and an abundance of other items that later would be found to connect him to the case, according to the information presented.

Wirskye said Williams went to the McLelland home to get revenge for what he thought Mike McLelland had done to him. While Williams' now estranged wife waited in the car, he shot Cynthia McLelland in the head when she opened the front door.

"He fired at least 20 rounds in under two minutes, leaving both dead," Wirskye said, raising his voice louder and louder with emotion.

During the investigation, a search warrant was served to search the Williams' home. There law enforcement officials found the title to the

car Williams had stored in Unit #18, a white Crown Victoria; this car was used to commit all three murders, Wirskye said.

According to Wirskye, Williams' estranged wife has confessed to in the car both times and has agreed to testify against him.

"Evidence in this case is staggering," the prosecuting attorney said he finished.

Kaufman County Judge Michael Chitty, judge for the 422nd Judicial Court, testified for the prosecution. He said that after Williams suspended from his position as JP, then eventually removed from office and convicted in 2012, Williams dropped out of sight.

The defense did not cross-examine Chitty.

C.J. (Charles) Tomlinson, 31, was called to the stand. He is a Texas police officer, but did not testify as a law enforcement officer. He and his wife of two years live in Forney. His wife is Mike and Cynthia McLelland's daughter. It seemed difficult for Tomlinson to testify, his voice often breaking as he told how the McLellands were found, said he had known the couple about two years before he married the daughter.

Wirskye asked Tomlinson if Cynthia McLelland had any medical conditions. Tomlinson said that she was in the early stages of Parkinson disease and had trouble walking and working with her hands. Wirskye said he asked the question to point out that she might have had a chance of defending herself.

Tomlinson said that early Saturday evening, he and his mother were trying to call the McLellands, but couldn't get through to either of them. He and his parents drove to the McLelland home, but got an answer when they knocked on the door. When he pushed the front door open, Tomlinson said, he took two or three steps and his mother behind him went to her knees. She had seen the shell casings lying on the floor. He said shell casings were under his feet and he knew some were wrong. He called for his father-in-law, then saw Cynthia McLelland on the living room floor, covered in dried, coagulated blood.

His first thought was to get his gun out of his Jeep, as whoever did this might still have been in the house, Tomlinson said. He and got his pistol. His dad, Skeet, started through the house and found Mike McLelland's body. The Tomlinsons called the sheriff, then Texas Rangers arrived.

Wirskye showed the jury big, chart-sized photos of the outside scene as those in the courtroom saw them on a screen. Afterward, the jury gave a short recess.

Texas Ranger Rudy Forrest testified next, also for the prosecution. His primary experience is in the processing of violent crime scenes. He said that it took about 12 hours to process this crime scene. There was a cover in the McLellands' home. There was no sign of forced entry.

Forrest said the McLellands were dressed as if ready for bed. McLelland had on no shirt and the flip-flop shoes he was wearing lying on the floor as if they had fallen off his feet. Cynthia McLelland had her underpants on, but no bra. He did not mention if she wore type of top or sleepwear.

Wirskye said he was going to show photos of the bodies, but prosecutors tried to bring them up on the screen, the images were displayed, so he asked Forrest to stand behind the jurors and the jurors would watch them along with the jury. Those in the courtroom couldn't see the photos, but could hear the in-depth descriptions of photo. As each photo was shown, descriptions of how and where the body was positioned were given.

Forrest described the pools of coagulated blood under each one's splatters of blood over their bodies, as well as the walls, furniture and floor. There was a lot of blood near the entertainment center and the hall. Authorities found many spent cartridges, and one was found near Mike McLelland's body. It was found when the body was being removed from the house. Bullets were found in the walls and holes were found in the entertainment center from where bullets had gone through it.

Forrest discussed the body wounds and blood evidence, such as splatter patterns and blood on window seals. Mike McLelland still had his glasses on.

Several close-up views of bodies were shown to the jury. Most of the jurors appeared in a frozen state while staring at the photos. Forrest and Wirskye described "pieces of human matter on the wall" to the jury.

Shortly before the court dismissed for lunch, a video of the crime scene, including the McLellands, was shown to the jurors. Again, the general public could only hear the descriptions.

Earlier in the morning, Wirskye had given his opening statement, he had mentioned things he would prove by the end of the week when he gave his closing statement.



Kaufman County Prosecutor Bill Wirskye (Left) and Defense counsel Matthew Seymour (Right) review evidence during the first day of the trial for Eric Williams, Mon. Dec. 1 at the Rockwall County Courthouse.

Photo by George Dellos/Rockwall County News

Dozens on hand for 18th annual turkey luncheon in Royse City



Dr. Phillip Paul stands by while Julia Bryant, executive director of the Royse City Chamber of Commerce, Mary Johnson, president of the Rockwall and Royse City House Warmers, and Vivian Brown, president of the Royse City Chamber of Commerce, cut up and have a good time. This was the 18th annual Thanksgiving Luncheon for the Royse City senior citizens sponsored by Dr. Paul.

Photo by Millie Jean Coppedge/Rockwall County News

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At noon on Friday, Nov. 21, a crowd of between 150 and 200 people filled the Melody Room at the City Hall of Royse City for the 18th annual Thanksgiving Luncheon sponsored by chiropractor Dr. Phillip Paul.

Mary Johnson was the emcee and Paul hosted the event. Music was provided by the Royse City High School Show Choir and the Royse City Jazz Band.

This was a joyous, festive occasion and everyone laughed, shared good conversations and ate a Thanksgiving meal with all the trimmings and a mouthwatering assortment of desserts. Door prizes were given at the close of the luncheon.

Many stayed to visit with friends and neighbors afterwards, already excited about next year's luncheon.

The event, once conducted at the Senior Citizen Center on Main Street, outgrew the small building and was moved to the city hall. It already has been decided that because of the packed room at the Nov. 21 event, the next year luncheon will be at the First Baptist Church of Royse City, a facility large enough to handle bigger groups.

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RARTA schedules Dec. 8 meeting

The Rockwall Area Retired Teachers Association will meet Dec. 8 at the Rockwall ISD Administration Building, 1050 Williams, Room 800. The meeting will begin at 1:45 p.m. Participants are urged to drop by at 1:15 p.m. for refreshments. The Amy Parks Elementary School choir will perform.

Mobile animal spay/neuter hospital set Dec. 10

The Spay/Neuter Network's 45-foot mobile hospital bus will be in Rockwall Dec. 10 in the I-30 Wal-Mart parking lot. Surgeries will be performed on site. Low-cost surgery packages will be available; walk-up vaccinations will be offered at reduced prices from 10 a.m. to noon. Call 972-472-3500 for an appointment; space is limited. Dogs should be wearing non-slip collars and cats should be in secure carriers. The mobile unit is sponsored by Rockwall PAWS, a local 501c3 that treats heartworm-positive shelter dogs and offers spay/neuter financial assistance.

Nonprofit plans parade, open house

Jake E's Riding Round Up Horse Therapy & Healing Center, 10626 FM 429, is planning a Christmas parade and open house Dec. 13. The open house will run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Christmas goodies, hot chocolate and face painting are planned. The parades, featuring nativity characters and Jake E's Riders, are set for noon and 2 p.m. For more information about the nonprofit agency in Kaufman, visit jakeESRR.org.

HCA shoe drive underway through Christmas

The Heritage Christian Academy Class of 2016 is conducting a shoe (any size, any condition) collection drive through Christmas to raise funds to benefit microenterprise ventures in developing nations and to keep shoes out of local landfills. All donated shoes will be redistributed to microenterprise partners through Funds2Orgs and used in developing nations for impoverished people to start, maintain and grow business opportunities that feed, clothe and house families. Used shoes may be dropped off at the school, which is located at 1408 S. Goliad, Rockwall. For more details contact Beth Cathey, 972-571-8644, or email bethcathey1@me.com.

Christmas tree drop-off set in R'wall

City of Rockwall residents can drop off their live Christmas trees at the parking lot of the Tuttle Sports Complex, 1550 Airport Road, beginning Dec. 26. The drop-off will remain open until Jan. 11. All ornaments, lights and stands should be removed from the trees prior to drop-off.

Rockwall County Entertainment

Tickets available for Daddy/Daughter Dance

The Rockwall Parks & Rec department is planning its annual Daddy/Daughter Dance, which will run from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Jan. 31 at the Hilton Bella Harbor. Tickets, which will cost \$55 per resident couple, are on sale at The Center. Pre-registration is required.

RCP to stage 'Best Christmas Pageant Ever'

The Rockwall Community Playhouse will present performances of "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" at 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays and at 2 p.m. Sundays through Dec. 14. Two 7:30 p.m. performances have been added on Dec. 4 and 11. Tickets cost \$20 for adults and \$15 for students and adults 62 and older. To purchase tickets, visit rockwallcommunityplayhouse.org.

Ladies Night Out event to benefit MOW

A Ladies Night out event will run from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Dec. 4. Check-in will begin at 5:15 p.m. at the Lake Pointe Church west parking lot (next to the Rockwall Area Chamber). Motor coaches will leave the church parking lot at 5:30 p.m. to travel to The Springs Event Center in Poetry. Cost for the event, plus a chance to win a diamond or designer purse, will cost \$100 per individual ticket. Register online at rockwallchamber.org/events. A portion of the proceeds will be used to help pay for the Meals on Wheels' annual holiday dinner.

RHHS students plan Dec. 5 Tour of Homes

The Rockwall-Heath Class of 2015 will host the annual Tour of Homes from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Dec. 5. The tour will include Heath-area homes decorated for the holidays. Tickets cost \$15 in advance and may be purchased at Heath Hair, Roma's, Bella's House, the chamber and at the front of the high school. Tickets will cost \$20 at the door. Email RHHS_Tour_of_Homes@yahoo.com for more details.

Heath Holiday in the Park set Dec. 5

The 2014 Heath Holiday in the Park will run from 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Dec. 5 at the Towne Centre Park behind City Hall at 200 Laurence Drive, Heath. Presented by the city's Special Events Board, the event will include students choirs from Amy Parks and Dorothy Pullen Elementary; a dinner in a new Winter Village, which will feature food trucks, an outdoor dining area and children's activity booths; a miniature train ride; and complimentary hot cocoa and Christmas cookies home-baked by the National Charity League and Rockwall Women's League and served by Mrs. Claus and the elves; and Santa's grand arrival. Parents should bring their cameras. For more details visit heathtx.com.

Tree-lighting festivities scheduled in Fate

The annual Christmas tree lighting festivities at Old City Park, 111 E. Greenhill Lane, Fate, will begin at 6 p.m. Dec. 5. Live entertainment by school choirs is planned, hot chocolate will be served and Santa is expected to make an appearance. For more details, visit cityoffate.com.

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Ask Dr. Danette

by Danette McNew, D.D.S.



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Rockwall County Obituaries

Chaplain Bruce Ray Coltharp Jr.

Memorial services for Chaplain Bruce Ray Coltharp Jr., 83, of Rockwall will be conducted at 10 a.m. Dec. 2, 2014, in the chapel at Lake Pointe Church, 701 E. I-30, Rockwall. Chaplain Jerold Preston and Dr. James D. Williams will be officiating. Graveside services will be at 12:30 p.m. in the V National Cemetery, 2000 N. Creek Parkway, Dallas. The First Haven Funeral Home, 11111 E. I-30, Rockwall, is in charge of arrangements.

He was born July 13, 1931, in Channing, Texas. He was preceded in death by his parents.

He was a member of the U.S. Air Force and was a retired member of the Lake Pointe Church in Rockwall. He was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his wife, June Coltharp of Rockwall; a son, Bruce R. Coltharp III and his wife, Karen, of Rockwall; his daughters, Kathy June Coltharp and her husband, Ken, of Colorado Springs, Colorado, Jennifer Coltharp and her husband, Michael, of Dunn Center, North Dakota, and her husband, Michael, of Dunn Center, North Dakota; a brother, Arthur Wayne Coltharp; 11 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren, with one on his way.

He is preceded in death by his parents. The family has suggested that in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions be made to the Wounded Warrior Project (woundedwarriorproject.org), Lake Pointe Church Mission Fund (lakepointe.org), the J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research (michaeljfox.org) or American Home Hospice, 216 W. Moore Ave., Terrell, TX 75160.

Franklin B. Shaver

A memorial service for Franklin B. Shaver, 80, of Quinlan will be conducted at 7 p.m. Dec. 2, 2014, in the Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel with Pastor Paul Appel officiating.

A second memorial service is set for 2 p.m. Dec. 6 at the Beckwith Funeral Home Chapel, 916 Main St., in Larned, Kansas.

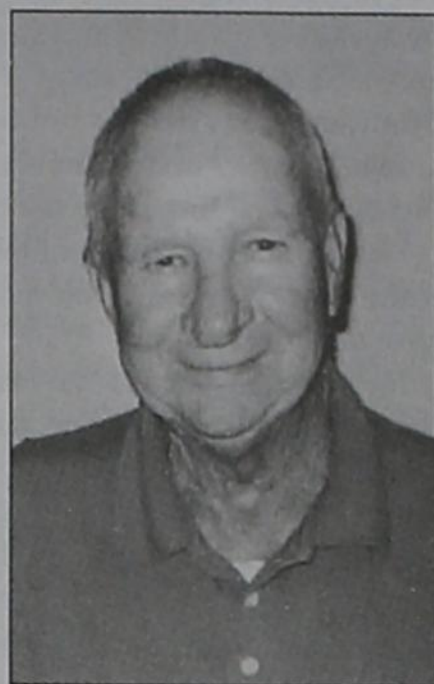
He died Nov. 29.

Born Feb. 5, 1934, in Belpre, Kansas, to David and Clara (Buhner) Shaver, he was retired from Wal-Mart after having spent 25 years in the sporting goods department. He had been a resident of Quinlan for 17 years and The Broadmoor in Rockwall for the past seven months.

Survivors include his wife of 36 years, Betty (Younger) Shaver; his daughters, Nancy Karst and Lonnie Philburn of Great Bend, Kansas, and Rhonda (Karst) White and her husband, J.D., of Roysie City; his brother, Walter "Ike" Shaver and his wife, Judy, of Larned; his sisters-in-law, Ruth Shaver and Maxine Shaver; and a brother-in-law, Bob Vlahos.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Phil; his brothers, Charles, Harold and Ted; his sisters, Betty, Mildred, Myrtle, Nellie and Helen; and his beloved dog, Sam.

The family has suggested memorials may be made to the Joy Lutheran Church, 302 N. Goliad, Rockwall, TX 75087 or Kans for Kids, P.O. Box 178, Hoisington, KS 67544.



Royse City Council eyes retail upcoming construction, events

by Julie Jean Coppedge

The City Council of Royse City observed its regularly scheduled meeting on Nov. 25.

Dec. 2 is the target date to begin construction of the new Wal-Mart and the City Council of Royse City observed its regularly scheduled meeting on Nov. 25.

Mayor Carl Alsbrook said everything is running on schedule. He discussed the elevation/site plan/design for the CVS pharmacy to be built at the northeast corner of I-30 and Erby Campbell Road. "Designs Standards, requiring plans to be submitted to staff, Planning and Zoning Committee, and City Council for approval" was discussed.

According to Alsbrook, the following holiday events are scheduled: Social holiday events for Royse City will run from 5:30 p.m. until 7 p.m. Dec. 4. The annual tree lighting ceremony will be at the City Hall, 30 N. Arch Street. Choirs from Royse City elementary schools will provide the entertainment and KKVI-FM will provide live coverage. Santa will be on hand.

An open house will be conducted from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Dec. 6 at the Royse City Fire Department, at 234 East Main Street in downtown Royse City. Firefighters will be on hand to meet and greet everyone. Along with free hot dogs, an appearance of Sparky the Fire Dog, a fire truck bounce house and slide, there also will be fire safety demonstrations.

On Dec. 13, the Annual Lighted Christmas Parade will take place beginning at 6:30 p.m. The theme this year is A Candy Christmas. The parade route will begin at Ruth Cherry Intermediate School and head west through downtown on SH 66, according to the Royse City website.

Fourth grade art students participated in the Christmas Poster Contest. Paula Morris, the Main Street director, said all the artwork will be on display at the Well Coffee Lounge on Main Street this month. The first place winner of the art contest was Kymbree Maxwell of Davis Elementary. She will be honored by lighting the tree on Dec. 4, then will ride with Santa during the parade on Dec. 13.

The mayor and all Royse City Council members were present, with the exception of Matt Wheatley.

The next regularly scheduled council meeting will be at 7 p.m. Dec. 9 at the Police and Courts Building, 100 W. Main Street.

Rockwall city council ...

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During discussion, councilmember Townsend asked for clarification about payment. It was explained that payment would be made for placement in the Rockwall County Herald Banner, and the notices would be dropped into the Rockwall County Herald Banner for free. No explanation was offered about why the city needed to pay for placement in the Rockwall County Herald Banner.

Upon further inquiry by the Rockwall County News the Post Master confirmed, Tues. Dec. 2, that no Periodical Matter Permit was held at the Royse City Post Office.

The city attorney did not verbally address the council about whether the city's decision was in compliance with Texas Government Code Section 2051.048(b).

The city council also considered and discussed request by Amy and Mark Stehr for the approval of an amendment to Specific Use Permit to allow vehicles to be stored outside overnight at their business, Christian Brothers Automotive, located at 129 E. Ralph Hall Parkway.

Currently, the SUP which was approved in 2011 allows for an "auto repair garage, minor" with a condition that "no vehicles, equipment, parts or inventory shall be stored outside overnight." According to a letter from the applicant, the facility occasionally stores vehicles overnight due to parts not being available for the vehicle or customers dropping off or picking up vehicles after hours.

The applicant is requesting the amended SUP for the purpose of allowing outside storage of vehicles for customers needing to drop off or pick up vehicles after hours and vehicles in need of parts which are unavailable at the time of service. The vehicles would be parked and stored in the parking spaces located on the east side and at the rear of the building until parts arrived and the vehicle could be serviced.

The applicant is requesting to utilize the 11 striped parking spaces located on the east side of the building and six spaces at the rear of the building. The site currently contains an additional eight parking spaces at the front of the building that will not be used for overnight storage of vehicles.

On October 31, 2014, staff mailed 55 notices to property owners within 500 feet of the subject property. Staff also notified one the Lynden Park HOA by e-mail.

Additionally, staff posted a sign on the subject property as required by the Unified Development Code.

At the time the report from the city was drafted, staff has received three notices in favor of the request and no notices in opposition to the request.

On November 25, 2014, the Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval of an amendment to the SUP to allow for the outside storage of vehicles in the 6 parking spaces on the north side of the building for a maximum of 72 hours by a vote of 4-2, with Commissioners Renfro and Jusko against and Commissioner Nielsen absent.

Council approved the request with the recommendations from P&Z. The next city council meeting will be held on December 15.

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The Terry Fisher American Legion Post 117 recently conducted a fundraiser to generate support for the Boys and Girls State Scholarship Fund. A FN-15 series .223-caliber rifle was given away Nov. 29 at the old courthouse on the square in Rockwall. Pictured at center is Terry Garrett, winner of the rifle, along with Gene Allen, post commander, and Lee Gilbert, newly elected Rockwall County commissioner.

(Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News)

Traveler revived by medical personnel ...

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Key was kept in an animal shelter with other dogs. He said he would come to the tattoo and keep the him until the family could come get him. He was the facility where Tattoo was groomed and medically cared for, but he did not know him well.

Rockwall EMS transported Key to Presbyterian Rockwall. During treatment at the hospital, he flat-lined again and the hospital personnel were unable to revive him.

Rockwall Constable Tom Eagan had arrived at the hospital, at which time hospital staff told Parks and him that Key would recover.

Remembering back to the incident, Parks said that when he stopped Key's food and coffee was still in the seat beside him.

Key has two daughters, and one reported back to Parks that her dad was in the car. She said that he served in Vietnam and had fought the Vietnam War near Cambodia.

Key's Account: Key was a retired, honorably and medically discharged veteran from the U.S. Marine Corps, who was involved in the incident and talked about his past.

While serving in the Vietnam War, he was fighting the Viet Cong near Cambodia. On Aug. 12, 1969, I was shot in the right upper arm. He shot me in the right upper arm. The bullet went in just above the bend of my arm and came out the other side of my arm, up a little higher. It blew the bone and muscle out of my arm.

"Where it tore my arm up," he said as he raised his shirt to show the wound, "it was still so evident. I was medevaced (medical air transport) to the hospital, then to a South Viet Nam hospital, moved to a hospital in Illinois, to Scott Air Force Base Hospital in Illinois, to Corpus Christi Air Station and finally arrived at the VA Hospital here in Dallas for treatment. I was treated at these hospitals until January 1970.

After I was treated at these hospitals until January 1970, I was sent to get a shot off at the Viet Cong, but my gun misfired. From that point on, I have radial palsy. From serving in Viet Nam and being sent to Agent Orange, I now have diabetes, suffer from neuropathy and severe depression and suffer from PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome).

Key received the Purple Heart for being wounded in combat. He also got a tattoo for my wife. He is a 3-year-old Markie, a cross between a Weimaraner and a Yorkie. Then my wife died of cancer two years ago.

My depression really gets bad sometimes, so much has happened to me. A strange thing happened during my diabetes crisis. I thought an angel was beating me on the chest, but vaguely remember the incident. It was from the sternum rub or the CPR in the ambulance? We may never know which it was, but I know an angel was with him."

Key said the officers involved in helping save Key and Tattoo's lives say they are thankful to God that it all worked out.

"I'm a walking miracle and everything from now on is gravy," Key said. He later told Key.

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On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

The Creator's love ...

The Creator of the heavens and the earth is the true and original source of love and power. He gave His words of salvation and the true Messiah to many prophets. They hoped and looked for that day with faith in His word.

The Messiah was conceived by the Holy Ghost inside of a meek and humble young woman named Mary.

It is popularly said that he was named "Jesus," but a more accurate translation is "Joshua," or "Yshua," which meant "God is with us." Well - "God" is not the best translation. A closer study of His names will help us to understand the name used for Him in the name Joshua.

The name given to the Messiah was the same name given to Joshua, the son of Nun, who led Israel into a land promised by the mighty Creator of the heavens and the earth.

This article will attempt to explore the use of names that are closer to the earlier translations.

The first prophet to see the Messiah was a man named Simeon. According to Luke 2:26, "it was revealed unto him by the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's

Christ." It goes on to say that he was led by the spirit into the temple to see the child, and he prophesied. Later, a woman named "Anna," was led by the spirit into the temple, and she also prophesied.

The fulfillment of the conception and birth of the Messiah is one part of the Creator's love. His love was completely fulfilled when His son gave his life as the final Passover Lamb. It's impossible to fully understand the meaning of his death without understanding the significance of Passover.

John chapter 3 describes a conversation between a Pharisee named Nicodemus and Joshua the son of the most High.

First, Joshua prophesies of the new birth, which was not available at the time. Nicodemus did not understand, and asked "How can these things be?"

Joshua explained that "no man has ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, the son of man which is in heaven." Of course, the son of the Most High was not actually in heaven during the time of the conversation. Instead, he spoke of heaven as his home because he was conceived by the Most High. Likewise, he was not transported down to earth, but came down from heaven in that he was conceived by the Most High who created the heavens and the earth.

Joshua continued, "And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the son of man be lifted up: That whosoever believes in him should not perish, but have eternal life."

He then emphasizes, "For God [the Most High Creator of the heavens and the earth] so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten son, that whosoever believes in him should not perish, but

have everlasting life" (John 3:16).

Please notice that there is no mention of the Messiah's conception and birth in the Acts and Epistles. The Gospel focuses primarily the death and resurrection of the Messiah, and what is available all who believe because the Most High made His son to sit at right hand of all authority.

As His first-born son, the living Messiah Joshua has a name is highest in authority and power over all names of people on earth and all angels.

Because of this true love, people can believe unto being filled with holy spirit. They become members of the true body of the living Messiah, the Lord Joshua.

As Peter explained to the people in the temple after the Holy Ghost first came upon people, "Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that [the Most High Creator] has made that same [Joshua] whom you have crucified, both Lord and Christ [the living Messiah] (Acts 2:26). Before that time, only the Most High was called "Lord." But the conditions changed in that He made His first-born son to Lord.

Guess who is the head of the body even to this day? That's right the Lord Joshua, the living Messiah who is alive and in heaven seated at the right hand of his Father.

By this true love, every member of the body of Christ can be comforted and edified by the spirit in them.

When they fully acknowledge their weaknesses with meekness and humility under His mighty hand, they can see power from the Most High be accomplished and fulfilled in their lives.

Paul understood this completely. The Most High Creator gave Him these words that are applicable for all of His beloved saints and children, "My grace is sufficient [strong] for you: for My strength [power] is made perfect [accomplished] in weakness." Paul finishes the line by saying, "for when I am weak, then am I strong."

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Rockwall Chamber hosts premier Ladies Night Out December 4

The Rockwall Area Chamber of Commerce will host a community-wide Ladies Night Out on Thursday, Dec. 4. The premier La Tee Da-La La event is open to all area women and includes motor coach transportation to The Springs Event Center in Poetry.

The event will run from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Transportation will be provided from Lake Pointe Church's parking lot.

Activities will begin on the bus as door prizes are given away. Upon arrival, participants will enjoy food, spirits, music, shopping with local vendors and pampering passes from some of Rockwall's elite salons. Rockwall Mayor David Sweet, along with other special guests, will be decked out in tuxedos to serve the ladies and present prizes throughout the evening. All of this is included with the purchase of a \$100 ticket, which includes dinner, dessert, spirits, a keepsake or ment and a "pamper pass."

A portion of the event's proceeds will benefit Meals on Wheels Services of Rockwall County, providing the special annual holiday meal to the homebound elderly and disabled in our community.

"We are proud to be able to give back to Rockwall County Meals on Wheels. They are an organization in need of community support, especially this time of year, and we are excited to facilitate it. It is going to be great fun for a great cause," said Darby Burkey, director of market and communications for the Rockwall Area Chamber.

Participants need not be chamber members to attend. Registration is available online at rockwallchamber.org. Call Burkey at 972-771-5700 for more information.

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before the Honorable 439th District Court of Rockwall County, Texas at the Rockwall County Courthouse, 1111 E. Yellowjacket Lane of said County in Rockwall, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition, was filed in said Court on JANUARY 13, 2014, A.D., in this case numbered 1-14-45 on the docket of said court, and styled, JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION vs. CHRISTINE A. WOODS BOOKER AND THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF RICHARD WOODS. A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF RICHARD WOODS, PLAINTIFF JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS BY AND THROUGH ITS ATTORNEY OF RECORD, ANTHONY WADDELL OF MCCARTHY, HOLTHUS & ACKERMAN, L.L.P. 1255 WEST 15TH STREET, SUITE 1060, PLANO, TEXAS 75075, AGAINST CHRISTINE A. WOODS BOOKER AND THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF RICHARD WOODS AND ANY OTHER PERSON CLAIMING ANY SUBORDINATE RIGHT, TITLE, INTEREST OR 216 AME LAND, ROYSE CITY, TEXAS 75189 AND LEGALLY DESCRIBED TO WIT:

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Rockwall County Entertainment

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Rockwall holiday celebration slated

The City of Rockwall, the Kiwanis, the Downtown Merchants Association and Friends of Downtown will team up for a daylong holiday event in downtown Rockwall Dec. 6. The annual Christmas parade will begin at 9 a.m. Carolers, train rides, refreshments and Mr. and Mrs. Claus will take place throughout the day downtown. The annual Christmas tree lighting will run from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at City Hall. Free cookies, hot chocolate and coffee will be provided, as well as live holiday music and a visit from Santa. Free carriage rides will be offered from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Rockwall Christmas Parade plans told

Planning is currently underway for the 45th Annual Christmas Parade beginning at 9 a.m. Dec. 6 in downtown Rockwall. This year's parade, sponsored by the Kiwanis and the City of Rockwall, will follow a new route thanks to ongoing road construction. The route will begin at Uteley Middle School, proceed north on Townsend Road, then west on Boydston, north on Fannin and east on Rusk, ending near Dobbs Elementary. Theme will be Hometown Christmas-Rockwall Texas Style. Entries still are being accepted; visit rockwallkiwanis.org or call 972-722-6001.

Christmas tree lighting set Dec. 6

The 31st Annual Christmas Tree Lighting will run from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Dec. 6 at the Rockwall City Hall. The evening will include old-fashioned holiday fun and music. Children will be able to make crafts in Santa's workshop, and free cookies, hot chocolate and coffee will be served. Santa will be on hand to visit with children.

Children's Chorus plans Christmas Concert

The Rockwall Children's Chorus, a community chorus comprised of area children in grades 2 through 8, will offer its annual Christmas Concert beginning at 7 p.m. Dec. 8 at the First United Methodist Church, 1200 E. Yellow Jacket Lane, in Rockwall. Music will include holiday favorites, both traditional and contemporary, performed in English, Latin and Hebrew. Admission will be free; a reception will follow. For more details contact Cathy Knoff at 214-535-7811 or visit rockwallchildrenschorus.com.

RCHS students plan holiday performances

Royse City High School's theater arts department is planning its second performance of the current school year. The story revolves around Christmas-time in Payro, Texas, and the Futrelle sisters are not in the mood; however, they find a way to pull together and present a Christmas program that their community will never forget. Shows will be at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 11-12, with a 3 p.m. matinee on Dec. 14. Tickets cost \$5 for adults and \$3 for students/children; tickets may be purchased at the door at performances at the RCHS auditorium.

Brown Bag Lecture Series to revisit rock wall

The Rockwall County Historical Foundation and the Rockwall County Historical Commission will present the next Brown Bag Lecture Series event from noon to 1 p.m. Dec. 12 at the historic courthouse in Rockwall. The topic will re-examine the history of the rock wall and developments since The History Channel's "America Unearthed" episode aired. Admission will be free and open to the public. For details call Sheri Fowler at 214-926-6466.

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Opinions

History – Reality of Miracles

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Comparing our past with today and looking at our future
by Kenneth Shores, Rockwall, Texas

This article is my opinion as provided by my research
Definition of MIRACLE – Webster Dictionary
Function: noun

Etmology: Middle English miracle “a miracle,” from early French miracle (same meaning), derived from Latin miraculum “a wonder,” from mirari “to wonder at” --related to ADMIRE 1: an extraordinary event taken as a sign of the supernatural power of God 2: an extremely outstanding or unusual event, thing, or accomplishment

My next three articles will address several miracles from history and what is shown as to why and who was responsible for each miracle.

The MIRACLE of OBERAMMERGAU in 1633

In 1633, the residents of Oberammergau, Bavaria, Germany, promised God if their lives were spared from death from the bubonic plague that was spreading through-out the region, they would produce a play thereafter for all time portraying the life and death of Jesus. The adult death rate slowly subsided to one in the month of July 1633. The villagers believed they were spared after they kept their part of the vow when the play was first performed in 1634. Word spread throughout the region about the play, and because it became too expensive to perform every year, the town decided that every 10 years would be appropriate.

The play is now performed repeatedly over the course of five months during every year ending in zero. 102 performances took place from 15 May until October 3, 2010. The next scheduled performance is in the year 2020. The production involves over 2,000 performers, musicians and stage and media technicians. All personnel involved with the play are selected only from all 2 years (the year of the play) or more residents of the village. The play consists of spoken dramatic text, musical

and choral accompaniment, which are scenes from the Old Testament portrayed for the audience by motionless actors accompanied by a verbal description. These scenes are the basis for the interrelationship between the Old and New Testaments, of the play. There are three performances a week that are approximately 8 hours long. Currently approximately over half a million people from all over the world attend in the year of performances.

This is an example of the opening and first act of the play. The prologue and chorus greet the audience. Two scenes are presented. In the first scene, Adam and Eve, are wearing sheepskins and are banished from the Garden of Eden by a winged angel who holds a sword in the form of a flame. Behind the angel stands a burst of gilded rays symbolizing the tree of forbidden fruit. The second living picture traditionally shows a number of girls and smaller children surrounding a cross at center stage. This represents the time in 1633 when villagers swore their vow before a huge crucifix bearing a twelve-foot-high Jesus.

Act 1 Jesus and the Money Changers. Jesus enters Jerusalem atop a donkey to the shouts and rejoicing of the people on Palm Sunday. He drives the money changers and traders from the Temple then returns to Bethany.

For the miracle that God performed, the people continue to keep their promise and all that attend continue to hear about our Lord through a dramatization of Jesus's story. I personally attended the play in 2000 and can say that it was the best and most touching experience I have ever had.

Posted 2nd June by The Gospel Truth Newspaper

It was World War II. The date: November 13, 1944. Doc Long, a US soldier then, could not forget the day. He is 90 years old now. The shrapnel from a Bazooka shell thrown at him by the enemy could have entered his heart. And what prevented that from happening was a pocket Bible that he was carrying in the war. Doc Long was only 19 when he

joined the army. His aunt May gave him the Bible as a gift. “I want you to read it daily and carry it with you wherever you go in pocket over your heart,” she told him. When he accompanied the second Armored Division in the war against the Germans, it indeed frightened. The Germans fired the bazooka shell which hit the tank the French. Such was the impact of another blast that he was thrown some distance away. He needed medical help. He wished that someone would come to his rescue. “God, have mercy,” he prayed. That was all. He remembered the word of God. Psalm 23 came to his mind: “though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear evil, for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.” Because of the impact of the blast, the next morning he was found with right hand being paralyzed. He subsequently was discharged from hospital. He looked at his army uniform and his shirt pocket. Yes, it was there, his pocket Bible. He took a closer look at it. There was shrapnel which had pierced into the Bible. If the Bible wasn't there, it would have gone straight into his heart. “I think what saved my life, was the answer to my prayers. God had mercy on me. He did. He did. He had a purpose for me, and His purpose for me was to speak so the youth would know Mr. Long says. God is positively in the miracle business.

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The following are some of the websites used for research
<http://www.infoplease.com/encyclopedia/entertainment/passion.html#ixzz3KZfLBe00>
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Oberammergau_Pass
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<http://www.thegospeltruthnewspaper.tk/2014/06/no-weapon-for-against-thee-shall.html>

The High Cost of Obama's Executive Amnesty

by Phyllis Schlafly

Barack Obama has announced the particulars of his executive amnesty for an estimated five million of the many more foreigners who broke our laws to get into the United States. This amnesty will, of course, become a magnet for more illegals to work the same racket, hoping for the same reward.

Obama's action makes us wonder if he really wants to terminate the rule of law and replace it with rule by executive fiat. His executive action gives the lawbreakers exactly what they sought when they violated our laws.

Thanks to a New York Times expose, we know that details of this grab for extremist executive power were developed in tightest secrecy by a small group headed by Jeh C. Johnson, Secretary of Homeland Security.

Our burdened middle class, already losing jobs to cheap labor waiting “in the shadows,” will now be faced with competition from poorer, hungrier newcomers. Their children will be crowded into our public schools carrying diseases not before known in the U.S. such as EV-D68, a polio-like virus.

We should build the border fence that was voted for by Congress years ago and signed into law by President George W. Bush in front of TV cameras. The fence should be designed not only to keep out illegals, but for the humanitarian purpose of keeping those travelers away from long stretches of desert that are death traps because of bandits and lack of water.

Obama's executive amnesty will not only save the illegals from deportation, but will make them full participants in our taxpayer-subsidized Social Security and Medicare systems. White House spokesman Shawn Turner confirmed that “if they pay in, they can draw.”

Robert Shapiro, who had been a Clinton adviser, admitted that the recipients of Obama's amnesty will draw more money out of the system than they contribute, like other Social Security recipients who work low-paying jobs. Heritage Foundation poverty expert Robert Rector predicts that Obama's executive amnesty for \$4 million will cost U.S. taxpayers \$2 trillion, i.e., total benefits minus what the illegals pay based on expected earnings of an individual with the typical illegal's level of education. The minute Obama's executive amnesty goes into effect, tens of thousands of American workers will be in jeopardy of losing their jobs. Obama's executive amnesty gives employers a significant financial incentive to lay off Americans and hire an illegal whom Obama has just made a legal resident.

Here's the way this scheme works. Current law states that all em-

ployers of 50 or more employees must provide Obamacare health coverage for their employees or pay a fine of \$3,000 a year per employee.

But employers are forbidden to provide Obamacare coverage for the new illegals just admitted by Obama. That gives employers a \$3,000-per-employee incentive to hire illegal aliens rather than native-born workers.

As Dick Morris said, “It will be a great line to feature on your resume: you came here illegally but are not eligible for Obamacare.” That should put illegals at the head of the line of job applicants.

As Rep. Lamar Smith (R-TX) commented, Obama's amnesty gives employers a \$3,000-per-employee incentive to hire illegals. He “just moved those who came here illegally to the front of the line, ahead of unemployed and underemployed Americans.”

I didn't make up this nonsense. It was confirmed by a Department of Homeland Security official, and the White House declined to com-

ment. We certainly hope the new Republican Congress will show some fight to protect middle-class jobs against this \$3,000-per-employee incentive for businesses to hire illegal aliens rather than native-born workers.

The Congressional Research Service advises us that Congress has the power to defund President Obama's executive amnesty. A report by the nonpartisan Congressional Research Service, Congress's research arm, states: “In light of Congress's constitutional power over the purse, the Supreme Court has recognized that ‘Congress may always circumscribe agency discretion to allocate resources by putting restrictions in the operative statutes.’” According to the Census Bureau,

out of 8 million new jobs created since 2008, 6 million have gone to people who are not native-born American citizens. They won't immediately cash on all federal welfare handouts, but you can bet they will eventually get it. Any “path to citizenship” is an open invitation to another amnesty. There's such thing as a one-time amnesty, as was proved by Ronald Reagan's same-

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<p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 swindle</p> <p>5 TX-bred Fulghum's “... Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten”</p> <p>6 “... in peace”</p> <p>7 Astro lumber (2 wds.)</p> <p>8 Dallas-based Pizza ____, Inc.</p> <p>9 TXism: “she could sell __ cubes to Eskimos”</p> <p>12 TX atheist Madalyn Murray</p> <p>17 vivid red</p> <p>19 in Aransas Co. on 35</p> <p>21 TXism: “as far as an outhouse __ morning”</p> <p>22 TXism: “loose as __”</p> <p>23 country shirt trim</p> <p>28 weather-affecting current: “El __”</p> <p>29 TXism: “roosters crow, __ deliver”</p> <p>30 Pres. __</p> <p>Polk pushed for annexation of TX</p> <p>31 Sam Bass: “Texas __ Hood”</p> <p>35 the first doctor in TX: __ Jalot</p> <p>36 in San Antonio: “Garden”</p> <p>42 in TX, convicted are __ by lethal injection</p> <p>44 TX Kristofferson band: Border __</p> <p>46 Anahuac: “I'm at the Capital of TX”</p>	<p>48 TX Didrickson was called “Babe” cause she could hit __ as Babe Ruth</p> <p>49 mother of TX Ginger Rogers</p> <p>50 TXism: “he's a real hard __ (mean)”</p> <p>51 TXism: “__ as a calf crying for mamma”</p> <p>52 Tyler TV station</p> <p>53 TX Gary Morris' “The Love She Found”</p> <p>54 Cincinnati baseball team stat for Astro Scott Feldman</p> <p>56 N.Y. time zone</p> <p>58 golf peg</p> <p>DOWN</p> <p>1 businesswoman who built Dallas' 1st hotel</p> <p>2 Johnson Co. seat</p> <p>3 Castroville was started by __ settlers</p> <p>4 glove for ex-Ranger “Pudge”</p> <p>9 TX George Jones' “The Face __”</p> <p>10 location of Gov.'s mansion (2 wds.)</p> <p>11 TXism: “I'm at the __ of my rope!”</p> <p>12 TXism: “at the drop __ hat”</p> <p>13 TX bandit singer: Willie</p> <p>14 Valley medicine plant</p> <p>15 TXism: “put __ the back burner”</p> <p>16 TX Perot</p> <p>18 1101 in old Rome</p> <p>20 dir. to Paris, TX from Dallas</p> <p>23 “coffin nail” maker</p> <p>24 TX Lyle Lovett's “Here __”</p> <p>25 county coroner (abbr.)</p> <p>26 distribute the poker hands again</p> <p>27 TXism: “as unnecessary __ grease on a jackrabbit”</p> <p>32 TXism: “dab it __”</p> <p>33 TXism: “let it __”</p> <p>34 “__ Anybody Going to San Antonio?”</p> <p>36 moonshine jar</p> <p>37 TXism: “sharp as __”</p> <p>38 bluebonnet part</p> <p>39 TXism: “can't hold a candle __”</p> <p>40 TXism: “wipe the slate clean”</p> <p>41 TXism: “sounds like __ axle” (bad singer)</p> <p>43 TX Bush's old agcy.</p> <p>45 TX Duvall (int.)</p> <p>47 back-up gear</p> <p>48 groove-billed birds in the Valley</p> <p>55 social outing</p>
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Rockwall's Warren selected to U.S. Army All-American Bowl

by Ian Garrett
 Yellowjackets senior running back Chris Warren has been selected to join an elite group of high school All-Americans for the 2015 U.S. Army All-American Bowl. Warren was presented with his Army Bowl jersey in a ceremony held Thursday morning, Nov. 13 in the RHS library.
 The annual East vs. West matchup featuring the nation's top 90 high school players will be held in San Antonio, and all the 2015 U.S. Army All-American Bowl players, were selected not only for their ability on the field, but also because they demonstrate mental, emotional and physical toughness – similar strengths of our Army Soldiers," said Mark S. Davis, deputy assistant secretary of the Army for marketing.
 In the 2014 UIL Playoffs, Warren was the Dallas/Fort Worth area's leading rusher, racking up over 1,000 yards on the ground, and helped lead the Yellowjackets to a perfect 10-0 regular season and undefeated 11-0 District Champions, and helped lead RHS to a 12-1 overall record.
 Warren's selection to the prestigious bowl game, Rockwall head coach Rodney Webb is invited to travel to San Antonio to attend the U.S. Army Coaches Academy and participate in bowl week activities.
 Selected to the U.S. Army All American Bowl west team from Rockwall Independent School District is Rockwall-Heath Hawks senior outside linebacker Trevor Elbert.



Rockwall senior running back Chris Warren was presented with his jersey for the 2015 U.S. Army All-American Bowl in a ceremony held Nov. 13 in the RHS library. The game will be held at the Alamodome in San Antonio, January 3 at 1 p.m. Pictured with Chris, from left to right, are Sergeant First Class Jeffrey Carman, Sergeant Ethan Smith and Staff Sergeant James Krottner. Courtesy Photo/Rockwall County News

Lady Eagles' Hill named All-State

Madison Hill, Heritage Christian Academy's junior outside hitter, has been voted on to the TAPPS 3A All-State volleyball team.
 Hill was named to the TAPPS 3A All-State Tournament team after leading the Lady Eagles to district, area and Regional championships and the State Semifinals.
 Hill is one of five HCA players to receive TAPPS All-District 3-A honors. Hill already has committed to play at NCAA Division I Marshall University in Huntington, W.Va.
 Hill's sophomore setter Baylee Hawkins, freshman middle blocker Lindsey Hill and freshman Mikayla Smith were named All-District first team. Junior libero Brooke Fauley was named second-team All-District.
 Hawkins joined Madison Hill as one of 12 players on the All-State Tournament team.

Big plays edge Westfield past Rockwall, Jackets fight to the end

by Ian Garrett
 The Yellowjackets never let up, but fell just short 43-38 in their regional final matchup with Spring Westfield Saturday at Georgetown ISD stadium. Rockwall's memorable and historic season came to an end with a 12-1 overall record. They are the District 11-6A Champions with

an undefeated 7-0 record, and advanced one more round than they did a year ago.
 For the second straight week, Xavier Castille did a little bit of everything with 14 receptions for 128 yards, along with an additional 88 yards rushing on 14 carries.
 Castille had two touchdowns, including a fourth-quarter scoring play to give Rockwall the 38-37 lead with 7:28 remaining — he took a direct snap and pitched a lateral to Will Reed, who was lined up at wide receiver. Reed then fired a pass back to Castille for a 31-yard touchdown.
 The Mustangs (11-2) responded at the 2:38 mark with a 72-yard game-winning reception by Tyrie Cleveland. The Jackets had one final opportunity, but after a high snap and a sack pushed them back, Rockwall's season came down to a fourth-and-22 with 1:09 left inside Mustang territory, which resulted in an incomplete pass.
 The Jackets jumped out in front to start the game with a nine-yard run by Chris Warren and then, after forcing the Mustangs to punt a second straight time, RHS scored on a 15-yard pass to Wyatt Miller. Rockwall led 14-7 and the end of one quarter.
 After a three-yard scoring run by Tamba Juanah and a 28-yard field goal by Jacob Viquez, the Jackets held a 24-20 lead with just over two minutes left in the half; however, the Mustangs took advantage of two Rockwall turnovers to take a 34-24 halftime lead.
 In familiar territory down at halftime, the Yellowjacket offense appeared to be settling down as they started the second half with a 16-play scoring drive that ate up over half of the third quarter. Reed had two crucial fourth-down completions and found Sam Crawford for 30 yards on a fourth-and-six to put the Jackets on the three-yard line. Four plays later, Castille caught a one-yard pass, cutting the deficit 34-31.
 The Mustangs scored a 32-yard field goal to start the fourth, along with their game-winning touchdown to seal the victory and advance to play

local rival Spring in the regional final next week.
 Reed was 18-for-27 passing for 181 yards, three touchdowns and an interception. Warren, who returned after sitting out last week with an ankle injury, had 16 carries for 72 yards and a touchdown.
 For the Rockwall defense, Jaylen Veasley, Dante Thomas, Chib Ihehwa Luke Termin and Kenneth Tobias each accounted for sacks on Mustang quarterback Dillion Sterling-Cole, who was 13-of-21 for 222 yards and five touchdowns.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Rockwall	14	27	0	7	38
Westfield	7	10	7	9	43

	Rockwall	Spring Westfield
1st Downs	20	20
Rushes-Yds	50-191	37-146
Comp-Att-Int	18-27-1	13-21-0
Passing Yds	181	222
Total Yds	372	368
Penalties-Yds	7-59	10-85
Punts-Avg.	4-29.5	4-57.5
Fumbles-Lost	3-1	0-0



Yellowjackets tight end Luke Termin (11) is ready to catch a pass from quarterback Will Reed (18), Sat. Nov. 15 during the Regional Semifinals game against Spring Westfield at Georgetown. Blocking at left is Will Morris (10). At far right is Jay Galloway (1). Photo by Bill Carter (billcarterphotographyzenfolio.com) Rockwall County News

Second-half rally not enough, Hawks fall in regional semifinal

by Ian Garrett
 Being held scoreless at halftime, the Hawks' second-half rally was not enough to stop John Tyler's power offense as Rockwall-Heath fell to the Lions in the regional semifinals 49-21 Friday at McLane Stadium in Waco. Heath ends its season with a 10-3 overall record, 6-1 in district 12-5A.
 After shutting their two previous playoff opponents in the first half and allowing six points in the first two rounds, Heath was on the other side of the coin as they jumped out to a 21-0 halftime lead. Turnovers and miscues plagued the Hawks in the first two periods as the Lions limited Heath to 138 yards of offense with just three passing yards.
 Heath outscored the Lions 14-7 in the third quarter, and pulled within 28-21 at the 9:24 mark in the fourth quarter when Chandler Rashbrook punts down the left sideline the length of the field for a 100-yard kickoff return to score the games' final two touchdowns.
 On their first drive of the second half, a nine-yard run by Tyler McCollister put up the first points for the Hawks. Dean Cline hauled in a 31-yard pass from Jordan Hoy with 4:30 in the quarter to cut Tyler's lead to 34-14.
 Hoy and McCollister combined for 279 yards rushing on 50 carries.

Jordan was 4-for-14 passing for 51 yards, a touchdown and a late-game interception.
 Though they struggled to stop the big plays, the Hawks forced John Tyler to punt twice, and held them to just 42 rushing yards in the second half. Wyatt Leath, Rigo Villarreal, Lawrence Johnson, Quinten Wooten and Tristen Carstarphen led the Heath defense with several big tackles.

Tyler quarterback Geovari McCollister passed for 269 yards and three touchdowns while running backs Jeremy Wilson and Nicholas Cain combined for 205 yard rushing with four touchdowns as the Lions put up 499 yards of offense.
 John Tyler (12-2) advanced to the Regional Quarterfinals against McKinney North this weekend.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Rockwall-Heath	0	0	14	7	21
John Tyler	14	7	7	21	49

	Heath	John Tyler
1st Downs	21	20
Rushes-Yds	50-279	39-230
Comp-Att-Int	4-14-1	13-20-0
Passing Yds	51	269
Total Yds	330	499
Penalties-Yds	5-35	12-115
Punts-Avg.	2-35	2-46.5
Fumbles-lost	2-2	1-0

Passing – RHHS: Jordan Hoy 4-14-51-TD-INT; JTHS: Geovari McCollister 13-20-269-3TD Receiving – RHHS: Dean Cline 1-31-TD, Chase Peterson 1-11, Chandler Rashbrook 1-6, Caanan Smith 1-3 Rushing – RHHS: Jordan Hoy 24-154, Tyler McCollister 26-125-TD



Hawks Chandler Rashbrook (14) returns a John Tyler High kick-off for a touchdown during the 4th quarter of the Regional Semifinals game, last Friday Nov. 28, at Baylor University's McLane Stadium in Waco. Photo by Tim Burnett/Rockwall County News

Bulldogs sweep Emory tournament title

Rockwall County, Texas Yellowjackets Lady Bulldogs swept three games.
 On Monday, RC opened with a 48-27 victory over Mount Vernon, and defeated Whitewright 52-36 in the semifinals.
 The 61-36 final-game win Tuesday over Hallsville, tournament Most Valuable Player Joseph Steffen scored 18 points and DeVante Alexander scored 10.
 Chad Richardson was the Bulldogs' high scorer in the semifinal game with 22 points.
 The Royce City girls fell behind Longview 28-10 after one quarter. The Lady Lobos won all four tournament games to improve to 7-0.
 On Tuesday, 11 Lady Bulldogs, led by Emily Pratt with 15 points, won in a 72-19 victory over Daingerfield.
 The offense also was in high gear in a 74-36 win over Greenville. McMinn led the way with 20 points. Alexis Wanton added 15, and Munoz had 13 and Pratt scored 10.

Heritage Christian opens district schedule Tuesday

The Heritage Christian Academy boys' and girls' basketball teams are stepping up their schedule after returning from the Thanksgiving break.
 The Eagles and Lady Eagles (both 1-0) were scheduled for a home doubleheader Tuesday against Dallas Lakehill Prep.
 After that, HCA is scheduled to play Friday at Campbell. District play would begin Tuesday at Irving The Highlands School.
 The girls would play at 6 p.m. and the boys at 7:30 both Friday and Tuesday.



Mike Coggins (Rockwall) got a Hole-In-One, Sunday Nov. 9, 2014, at Woodridge Golf Club in Wylie. According to the club's notification release, Coggins used a 9 Iron and white tee to drive the ball 124 yards on hole nine. Witnesses included Rick Montgomery, Feron Yong and Joe Rochier. Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

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	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
HS girls	18	17	22	15	72
Daingerfield	5	5	3	6	19

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
HS girls	23	12	19	20	74
Greenville	8	8	11	9	36



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