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Clay Mobley, of Wylie, performs during the Rockwall Farmers Market, Saturday July 18, on the square. The Farmers Market will be open every Sat. 8:00 a.m. until noon. The market will end on the last Sat. of September.

Photo by Tim Burnett/Rockwall County News

Mother leaves baby at Rockwall Fire Station

A 2-month-old infant was left at Rockwall Fire Station #4, 2915 S. Goliad, in Rockwall on Sunday, July 19, according to a news release from the Rockwall Police Department.

The infant girl was left at the fire station by her mother, according to the news release.

Police were notified of the incident at about 9 p.m. The child was transported to the Lake Pointe Hospital for medical evaluation. She was found to be healthy.

The child's mother later returned to the fire station and advised that she had been the victim of domestic violence in another city and wanted to leave her daughter at a Safe Baby location because she didn't know what else to do, according to the news release.

Child Protective Services representatives were contacted and are working with the mother to find a safe and secure environment for the child, according to the release.

Police are investigating the circumstances surrounding the incident.

The Texas Safe Haven Law, also known as the Baby Moses Law, gives parents who are unable to care for a child a safe and legal choice – to leave their infant with an employee at a designated safe place such as a hospital, fire station or EMS station.

The police department did not disclose the names of the mother and baby, and did not provide the mother's description of the domestic violence incident.

Miller tapped as new R'wall planning director

Ryan Miller has been selected as the City of Rockwall's new director of planning, according to a news release issued last week.

Miller has experience in community development, urban design and historical preservation and is committed to excellent customer service. He has worked for the City of Rockwall since June 2012m serving as the planning manager since January 2014. He previously worked as a planner for the City of Grand Prairie.

Miller holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from Austin College, a master's degree in public administration and a master's degree in city and regional planning from the University of Texas at Arlington, according to the news release. He also is a certified planner with the American Institute of Certified Planners.

"We are extremely excited to promote Ryan Miller to the director of planning and zoning," Brad Griggs, assistant city manager, said in the release. "Ryan has demonstrated an ability to be very aware of the resident's viewpoints regarding potential developments and has worked diligently to integrate those viewpoints into potential projects when considering how a development will be incorporated into the Rockwall community. Ryan is committed to continuing the excellent customer service of the department extended to the residents and the development community. Ryan's education and proven work history were the leading factors in the decision to place him in this very important position."

Miller will assume his new position Aug. 3, according to the release. He will replace the current director, Robert LaCroix, who will close out his 35-year career in municipal government when he retires on July 31.

RISD back-to-school info available online

In preparation for the start of the 2015-2016 school year, the Rockwall Independent School District has organized a web page with several important pieces of information.

The site includes general information for parents, including the following:

- Online registration
- School supplies
- School hours
- 2015-2016 school calendar
- Immunization requirements
- Child nutrition information
- School map and attendance zone
- School directory

Information pertaining to student services also is available, as well as details about the ROCK after-school program.

The website is located at rockwallisd.com/blog/2015/07/16/back-to-school-information-2015-2016.

Rockwall County News Briefs

Pirate Plunge set July 25

The City of Rockwall's Parks & Rec Department will play host to a Pirate Plunge event from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, July 25, at the Harry Myers Park Pool. Participants can participate in a pirate fashion show at 11 a.m.; a dive-for-gold contest, 12:30 p.m.; cannonball challenge at 2 p.m.; and sharks and pirates, 3:30 p.m. Admission will be free to individuals 2 and younger and \$2 for those over the ages of 2 (\$1 discounted fee for Rockwall residents).

Ubarri to perform at Farmers Market

Joseph Ubarri will be the featured performer at the Saturday, July 25, Farmers Market on the downtown square in Rockwall. The market will be open from 8 a.m. until noon.

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Ryan Miller

FOL programs for new year detailed

The Friends of the Library has finalized its programs for 2015-2016, according to a news release issued this week.

The public is invited to participate in all programs, which are held in the Rockwall County Library's Community Room on the first floor (with the exception of the Christian luncheon). The library is located at 1215 E. Yellow Jacket Lane in Rockwall.

Scheduled programs include:

- Tuesday, Sept. 8 – The Astaires, Fred & Adele, Kathleen Hamm (speaker, reviewer and professional dancer)
- Tuesday, Oct. 13 – Watchdog Reporting, Dave Lieber (Watchdog investigative columnist, Dallas Morning News)
- Tuesday, Dec. 8 – 2015 Jazz Band, 13th Annual Christmas Luncheon at Rockwall City Place
- Tuesday, Feb. 9 – All That's New at the Diamond in Dallas from the Aforetum, George Russell

- Tuesday, April 12 – Songs of Broadway, Linda and Larry Petty
- Tuesday, May 10 – Pastel Portrait Artist of the Fallen Soldiers Tribute, Martha Wilcox (artist and speaker); also, installation of officers for 2016-2017 and presentation of the Hartman and Celia Hays Awards

An optional lunch (\$20) may be ordered with a reservation made seven days in advance of each meeting. Deadline is 5 p.m. on the Tuesday prior to the luncheon. Call Leigh Plagens, 972-771-8976 or email cplagens65@aol.com. Unless cancelled by deadline, payment is required.

Membership dues are a large part of the organization's fundraising efforts. Anyone interested in renewing their membership or joining the FOL, pick up a brochure at the front desk or in the lobby of the Rockwall County Library or visit the FOL website at friendsrockwall.com and click on Membership.

University scholastic honors

Locals named to OBU honors lists

Several local residents were among students named to the Dean's and President's lists at Ouachita Baptist University following the spring semester, according to news releases issued by the Arkadelphia, Arkansas, university.

Recognized on the President's List were, from Rockwall, Sophie and Trinity Dial, and Roysse City's Brook East. Named to the President's List, a student must achieve a 4.0 point average and be classified as a full-time student.

Recognized on the Dean's List were Matthew Alderman and Morgan Asbill of Rockwall and Collin Glaess and Skyler Ward of Roysse City.

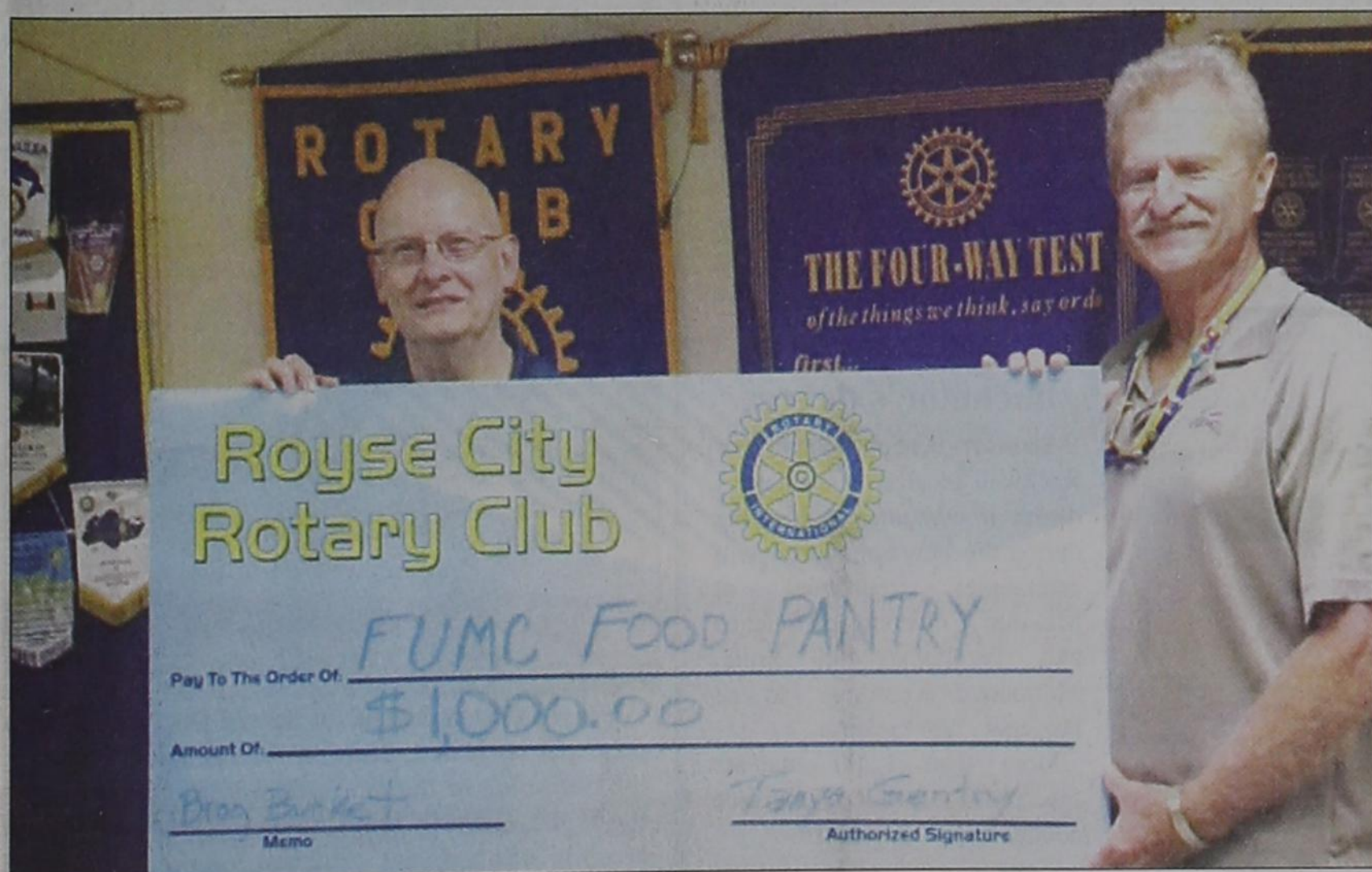
To be named to the Dean's List, a student must complete at least a 3.5 grade-point average and carry a full-time load, according to the

Local named to KU honor roll

Hannelore De Roover of Heath was one of the estimated 5,000 undergraduate students at the University of Kansas who was included on the honor roll for the spring semester, according to a news release from the Lawrence, Kansas, university.

Honor roll criteria vary among the university's academic units. Some schools honor the top 10 percent of students enrolled, some establish a minimum grade-point average and others raise the minimum GPA for each year students are in school. Students must complete a minimum number of credit hours to be considered for the honor roll, according to the release.

The Heath resident is a student in the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences.



The Royse City Rotary Club recently presented a check for \$1,000 to Our Daily Bread, the food pantry for the First United Methodist Church in Roysse City. Beside other monetary donations, the Rotary members donate food, volunteer their time to help stock the pantry and help the clients. Jackie Gilbert, the Rotary secretary, webmaster and historian, said the money is one of the organization's service projects and is collected through the Brag Bucket. The Brag Bucket is money put into a bucket passed around at Rotary meetings; when someone wants to brag on themselves, their family or just want to share something with those in attendance, they drop funds in the Brag Bucket. Pictured are Richard Davis, left, the food pantry coordinator, and Tom Shelton, outgoing president of the Rotary Club.

Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News



1953 MKT train wreck in Royse City remembered



MILLIE JEAN COPPEDGE
Reminiscing
Royse City

by Millie Jean Coppedge

More than 60 years later, the elderly citizens of Royse City still are talking about the images of the horrible train wreck that occurred during church services on a Sunday night in 1953.

On Dec. 13, the town's emergency sirens began blaring and continued to sound for a long time. Startling everyone, people began to pour out of churches and their homes, or wherever they might have been, to see what had happened.

Royse City had endured several huge fires over the years, two of which had destroyed half of the businesses in the downtown area, first on one side of Main Street, then years later, another fire destroyed the other side of Main Street. Houses burning were also not an uncommon event. So the first thing many people thought was that something was on fire.

But what they found was that a Missouri, Kansas, Texas (MKT) streamliner called the Texas Special had hit a car crossing the train tracks.

There were no signs, bells, lights, railroad crossing arms or any other type of signals to warn traffic crossing the railroad tracks that a train was coming.

The accident happened at Arch Street near the Lodge Hall. The building is still there and still houses the Masonic Lodge Hall as well as now home to the Zaner Robison Historical Museum.

An entire family of five was killed along with their maid. No one on the train was injured.

The names of those killed is not known at this time but it was a family from Dallas with twin boys. Nothing is known about the other child. Every Sunday night, the family would drive to Royse City to

pick up the maid and take her home with them for the week. Then on Friday night, they would return her back to her home. The family was driving a station wagon.

The train was headed to St. Louis, Missouri. The man pictured in the photo evaluating the scene was metal-cutter James Winsett.

According to the outline originally ran under the photo for the United Press Telephoto Release, "(L-R) was rear engine, telescoped

passenger car, overturned mail car and derailed passenger car."

Information for this story came from the outline under the photo that originally ran by the United Press. The photo and information courtesy of Deloris Ballard, docent of the Zaner Robison Historical Museum. Florelle Burks also remembers the accident and says deafening sirens seemed to go on forever as the ambulances, and the emergency sirens blared in the dark of the night.



The automobile involved in this tragic train wreck in downtown Royse City in 1953 is unrecognizable in this photo. Photo courtesy of Zaner Robison Historical Museum

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Reception set for retiring LaCroix

A reception honoring Robert LaCroix, the retiring planning and zoning director for the City of Rockwall, will run from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. July 29 at The Center, 108 E. Washington, Rockwall. The city is hosting the come-and-go event, which is open to the public.

Support group meetings scheduled

A support group for those who have suffered with thoughts of suicide or have attempted and overcome, those who have lost someone to suicide and those who care meets the first and third Thursdays of each month from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the First Christian Church, Rockwall. Light Two Candles is not a replacement for medical and therapeutic help, but can be an adjunct to professional support systems. Enter through the church's back (east-facing) door at 3375 Ridge Road, Rockwall. For details call 972-771-5526, email lighttwocandles@gmail.com or visit lighttwocandles.blogspot.com.

Andrada to perform at Farmers Market

Victor Andrada will be the featured performer at the Saturday, Aug. 1, Farmers Market on the downtown square in Rockwall. The market will be open from 8 a.m. until noon.

Democratic Men to meet Aug. 1

The Democratic Men's Group of Rockwall County will host its next luncheon beginning at noon on Saturday, Aug. 1, at Taqueria La Cocina del Tio Mon, 205 Kenwy Rd., Rockwall. The group meets for lunch 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 of Texas and Rockwall County are encouraged to attend.

Farmers Market to feature Mark Franks

Mark Franks will be the featured performer at the Saturday, Aug. 8, Farmers Market on the downtown square in Rockwall. The market will be open from 8 a.m. until noon.

Hope Mobile spay/neuter hospital dates set

Upcoming dates for the Spay Neuter Network's Hope Mobile, a 45-foot hospital bus that is parked in the I-30 Wal-Mart parking lot, are set for Aug. 14, Sept. 11 and Oct. 9. Surgeries are performed on-site. Low-cost packages are available; walk-up vaccinations are offered from 10 a.m. to noon (watch spayneuternet.org for online specials). Call 972-472-3500 for appointments; limited space is available. Be sure dog collars cannot be slipped; cats must be in secure carriers. For more details, visit the nonprofit Rockwall PAWS website at rockwallpaws.com or email rockwallpaws@att.net. The nonprofit funds the treatment of heartworm-positive Rockwall shelter dogs.

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Berry to seek Heath mayoral seat in May

Brian Berry, mayor pro-tem for the City of Heath, announced last week his plans to seek the mayoral seat on the City of Heath Council in the May 2016 General Election, according to a news release.

The post will be vacated by Mayor Lorne Liechty, who will not seek a third consecutive term.

Berry is serving his second term on the Heath City Council and has been a part of many municipal initiatives including the adoption and implementation of the \$20 million Capital Improvement Plan and multiple residential single-family residential developments.

"Heath is at a crucial point in its growth and future planning," Berry said in the release. "We need seasoned leaders with business-minded experience to guide what is best for our citizens. We only get one shot at this and it must be done efficiently."

A resident of Heath since 2009, Berry built a healthcare industry construction firm that was named one of the fastest growing businesses by both Southern Methodist University and Texas A&M University.



Brian Berry

"I am excited about the new chapters ahead in our city's future," Berry said. "Residential, quality retail and much-needed infrastructure projects are on the horizon, and I am ready to usher in the new era of Heath."

"With the help of a dedicated city staff and servant council, we hold the traditions of past leaders close to our hearts and make prudent decisions for the future."

Berry and his wife, Shelley, and their three sons are active members of Lakepointe Church. His community involvement has included activities such as serving in the Aviation Ministry at Lakepointe Church, Dawson State Prison Ministry, Boys and Girls Club, The Last Well, the Dallas A&M Club, according to the release.

Mighty Hawk bandsmen perform at Dallas event

Seventy-five members of the Rockwall-Heath High School Mighty Hawk Band performed on Thursday, July 16, at the Uncommon Athlete College Football Season Kickoff event at the Omni Hotel in Dallas, according to a Rockwall Independent School District news release.

The event was hosted by the Cal Ripken Sr. Foundation Rachel's Challenge.

Master of ceremonies was the Emmy Award-winning sports anchor Newy Scruggs.

Lane closures planned on I-30 through Saturday

Weather permitting, various lanes will be closed on eastbound westbound I-30 between FM 548 and FM 551 and from one mile west of FM 551 to two miles east of FM 551 between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. through Saturday, July 25, according to a Texas Department of Transportation news release.

There also will be a nightly lane closure of the right westbound lane on I-30 between FM 548 and FM 551 from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m.

The closures are necessary for road construction, according to a news release.

The closures will affect one lane at a time. Delays are expected and motorists are urged to seek alternate routes if possible.

University scholastics

Four receive degrees at SFA

Four local residents were among students receiving degrees from Stephen F. Austin State University during its May commencement exercises, according to a news release from the Nacogdoches university.

Degree recipients included Edward Mancias of Royse City, who received a bachelor's degree in law enforcement; Catherine Dorsey of Rockwall, bachelor's degree in art; Bethany Krawietz of Rockwall, bachelor's degree in psychology; and Amanda Rasbury of Rockwall, bachelor's degree in English.

Four locals earn Baylor scholarships

Baylor University in Waco has announced that four recent high school graduates from the area were recipients of scholastic awards based on class rank and/or SAT/ACT scores for the 2014-2015 academic year.

The following students received merit scholarships from Baylor, according to a news release from the university:

- Hannah Adley of Heath, Rockwall-Heath High School, Provost's Gold
- Shelby Dill of Rockwall, Bishop Lynch High School, Provost's Gold
- Christian Mackin of Rockwall, Rockwall-Heath High School, President's Gold
- Lawson Hobbs of Royse City, Heritage Christian Academy, Provost's Gold

Pletta earns bachelor's degree

Andrew Joseph Pletta of Rockwall received a bachelor's degree in computer engineering during the May commencement ceremonies conducted at Missouri University of Science and Technology in Rolla, Missouri, according to a university news release.

More than 1,200 students received degrees during exercises conducted on May 15-16.

Pletta graduated magna cum laude and was an honors academy fellow, according to the news release.



Royse City Independent School District will see a new principal on board, Sean A. Walker (shown above), with the beginning of the new school year. Having worked for the Wylie, Garland and Lubbock school districts, Walker recently was assistant principal for the McKinney North High School, in the McKinney ISD for five years. He and his wife, Lindsay, have two children - Emily, age 6, and Dylan, 3.

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<p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 TX Buddy Holly's "Not _____ Away"</p> <p>5 TXism: "hot as _____ of mesquite coals"</p> <p>6 TX Ray Price hit: "The _____ Old Me"</p> <p>7 this LaFavor was a Cowboy in 2004, but played in no games</p> <p>8 network where TX "Dandy Don" was an announcer</p> <p>9 TXism: "in a coon's _____ (long time)"</p> <p>12 TX Willie sang "On the Road _____"</p> <p>17 Mexican shawls _____</p> <p>19 colorful flowers _____</p> <p>21 unwavering _____</p> <p>22 TXns are rarely this _____</p> <p>23 exploring device _____</p> <p>28 fork prong _____</p> <p>29 TXism: "he _____ barbed wire for dental floss" (tough)</p> <p>30 this Tiffin starred in TX-filmed "State Fair _____"</p> <p>31 this "Latin Lover" Novarro spent a lot of time in TX _____</p> <p>35 incompetent _____</p> <p>36 lizard-like amphibians _____</p> <p>42 a new governor's ceremony _____</p> <p>44 TXism: "_____ line" (fish)</p> <p>46 TXism: "useless _____ on a pig"</p> <p>48 TXism: "_____ nails"</p>	<p>DOWN</p> <p>1 TXism: "_____ rafter" (very quick)</p> <p>2 TXism: "he couldn't see through _____ wire fence" (poor eyesight)</p> <p>3 Weatherford newspaper name _____</p> <p>4 TX Hagman dreamt of this Barbara _____</p> <p>9 TXism: "flat as _____ handle prairie"</p> <p>10 Jeff Luhnow's Astros job (2 wds.) _____</p> <p>11 time zone in which Mavs play the Heat in Miami (abbr.) _____</p> <p>12 TXism: "I _____ to" (intend)</p> <p>13 infolder concern (2 wds.) _____</p> <p>14 helps _____</p> <p>15 TX Tanya's "Can _____ You Tonight"</p> <p>16 "Loch _____ Monster" of Scotland _____</p> <p>18 TX Willie Nelson sang "_____ Blue?" in Austin: _____</p> <p>20 in Austin: "_____ Edward's University"</p> <p>23 TX Paula of "Where the Boys Are" (init.) _____</p> <p>24 namesake of Irion County (init.) _____</p> <p>25 hotel co. based in Dallas: "_____ Hotels & Resorts"</p> <p>26 TXism: "if it had _____ snake it would have bit you"</p> <p>27 city in extreme West TX _____</p> <p>32 Fort Worth's WBAP on 820 kHz, e.g. _____</p> <p>33 "_____ Ferguson was 29th gov. of TX" _____</p> <p>34 TX Buddy Holly's "Rave _____"</p> <p>36 "south" below the Rio Grande _____</p> <p>37 dog's bark _____</p> <p>38 this Bacall was in "The Duke's" last film, The Shootist _____</p> <p>39 Dallas mayor Cabell (1961-64) _____</p> <p>40 TXism: "he _____ his own trail" _____ the Man"</p> <p>41 TXism: "the _____ go" _____</p> <p>45 TXism: "likely _____ not" _____</p> <p>47 where Dez Bryant likes to catch 'em _____</p> <p>48 Lucas of "Leap of Faith" with TX-born Steve Martin _____</p> <p>55 TX actress Judith _____</p>
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On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

Speaking in tongues ... receive the spirit Part 6

Acts chapters 18 and 19 include a beautiful series of events that led to a number of people receiving the Holy Ghost.

The chronology of this story started when Paul came from Athens to Corinth, where he met Aquila and his wife Priscilla. Paul lived with the couple because they shared the same trade.

After a year and a half, Paul brought Aquila and Priscilla with him to Ephesus. Later, Paul departed to Jerusalem, leaving the couple in Ephesus.

After Paul's departure, Apollos came to Ephesus. He was described as "an eloquent man, and mighty in the scriptures ... instructed in the way of the Lord; and being fervent in the spirit, spoke and taught diligently the things of the Lord ..." (Acts 18:24-25).

After listening to Apollos the couple "took him unto them, and expounded unto him the way of God more perfectly" (Acts 18:26). After meeting with the couple, Apollos left Ephesus and everywhere he "mightily convinced the Jews openly showing by the scriptures that Jesus was Christ (the Messiah).

Understanding the "way of God" starts with distinguishing between "baptism of John," and Jesus the living Messiah. Chapter 19 reveals the connection between Jesus the living Messiah and receiving the Holy Ghost.



Toni Anne Dashiell, Republican national committee member from Texas, will be the guest speaker at the annual Women of Influence Tea conducted Saturday, Aug. 15, at Occasions at Stone River in Royse City. Doors will open at 10 a.m., enabling attendees to view silent auction items; the luncheon and program will run from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tickets cost \$30 apiece; table for 10 costs \$300. Final day to purchase tickets/tables is Saturday, Aug. 8. Tickets will not be available at the door. Tickets may be purchased by contacting Tammy Hawkes at 972-989-3103 or Donna Rolater at 972-722-4566. All Republicans are invited to attend.

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HISTORY America versus world countries

Comparing our past with today and looking at our future

Kenneth Shores
Rockwall, Texas
Just celebrated America's 239 years of Independence and beyond any other country in the world. During all those years, what has made America different from all countries? Why do people all over the world want to migrate to our country? Our founding fathers relied on God through prayer and the Holy Spirit. It was revealed to them that at that time most of the population were Christians. Most other countries were controlled not only by a religion, but by only one denomination of that religion. The founding fathers realized America needed to protect religious freedom from government, and let the people vote to make up the government body. Our founding fathers, being mostly Christian of many denominations, had one thing in common as Christians. Regardless of denomination, to be a Christian God gave each of us a right of how to become a Christian. The free gift from God is the same for all Christian Denominations. Our founding fathers realized this, they wrote the first amendment to the Constitution. Through voting, they chose the people that make up our government. Amendment one allows individual freedom of religion. If Godly Christian people are voted into government, then they will make our laws and rules to conform to what God has instructed. Our Supreme Court Justices were selected by the government we elected by vote. If we elected Godly Christian government officials, we believe they would have selected Justices that would uphold God's laws and enforce same sex marriage across all fifty states.

More than fifty percent of the legal registered voters have been practicing Christians. How many of the people that legally voted really researched and believed they would have selected Justices that would uphold God's laws and enforce same sex marriage across all fifty states?

How many of the people that legally voted really researched and believed they would have selected Justices that would uphold God's laws and enforce same sex marriage across all fifty states? The nation of true Christians in America is decreasing because many people do not believe in the teachings of Jesus. Our government grows bigger and we continue to lose our freedoms, because we will soon become just like all the countries throughout this world. Christians must unite together, regardless of church denomination. We must encourage our ministers to speak boldly about current conditions of our government, applying biblical truth. According to God's word, we will set us free. We must unite together about the whole nation, as we really living under our founding fathers documents to America?

Throughout history, when government controlled the church, it controlled their people. When this has happened before in this history, it took the boldness of the church and Christians to return to our founding fathers written rules and laws to keep our freedom of religion. This was labeled "The Great American Awakening".

Christians, we must unite together in prayer asking for our nation and encouraging our pastors to reveal the whole truth about our country according to the word of God. We must always remember our founding fathers sacrificed their lives, family and lives to create the United States of America. The wars we have won were because the American people believed in God through prayer and His directions as illustrated in the Constitution.

In the past hundred years, people and leaders have allowed the will of God to take place instead of yielding to God's knowledge and wisdom. The Declaration of Independence and our Constitution were designed by our founding fathers. Through God's forgiveness, we have a new America.

Everyone is invited to attend a special event, Sunday evening 6:30-7:30 PM, August 9, 2015 at the Heritage Christian Academy - Goliad St, Rockwall, TX. Join others to learn about "SAVING AMERICA THROUGH PRAYER". A live small band and a guest speaker. Everyone is invited to this free event. This will be our fourth year of this event at the same time. This is not church affiliated, and is open to everyone interested. For more information contact Mike Kelly (972) 998-2680 or Kenneth Shores (214) 334-1206 or Jerry Shores (972) 896-7081.

Jerry Shores is the author of the book "Is There A God? How Do You Know? My Life-Changing Experience." Shores' articles can be found at www.isthereagod7.org under ARTICLES.

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Romans 10: 9-10

"Have I not commanded you; be strong and of a good courage. Be not afraid, neither be dismayed; for the Lord thy God is with thee wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

"A fool's mouth is his destruction, and his lips are the snare of his soul." Proverbs 18:7

"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart, and lean not unto thine own understanding;" Proverbs 3:5

"In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy path;" Proverbs 3:6

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County of Rockwall

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Copies of the specifications (Bid #16-06-006) may be obtained on or after Monday July 6, 2015, by contacting Lisa Constant Wylie, Rockwall County Auditor, Rockwall County Courthouse, 1111 E. Yellowjacket Lane, Ste. 202, or by calling 972-204-6050. Technical questions should be directed to David Peek, Rockwall County Treasurer at (972) 204-6100 or e-mail dpeek@rockwallcountytexas.com.

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Any person having an unsecured claim against this Estate which is currently being administered is required to present it within four months after the date of receipt of this Notice or the claim is barred, if the claim is not barred by the statute of limitations (§294). DATED the 16th day of July, 2015.

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Todd W. White

The White Law Firm
503 South Goliad
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PUBLIC NOTICE

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Bid 16-06-015 Hot Asphalt Concrete

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Bids must state a unit price for the materials and be submitted in a sealed envelope marked on the outside with the appropriate Bid Number and Product Name, to Lisa Constant Wylie, Rockwall County Auditor, 1111 E. Yellowjacket Lane, Ste 202, Rockwall, Texas 75087, on or before Friday, August 7, 2015 at 12:00 p.m.

Rockwall County reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT

Rockwall County
Lisa Constant Wylie
Rockwall County Auditor

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ROCKWALL COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 6 will receive bids for the construction of WATER, SANITARY SEWER AND STORM DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS FOR WOODCREEK PHASE 6B; ROCKWALL COUNTY, TEXAS. Sealed bids must be delivered to the office of the DISTRICT ENGINEER (Petitt Barraza, LLC, 1651 N. Glenville Drive, Suite 208, Richardson, TX 75081) no later than 11:00 AM, Thursday, August 13, 2015. The bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at this time and place. Bids received after this time will be returned unopened.

The Developer, D.R. Horton - Texas, Ltd. will be the Payor for the contract for Rockwall County Municipal Utility District No. 6.

Plans, specifications and bid documents are available at <http://www.civcastusa.com>; Keyword: 04021-06B02. Contract Documents may be downloaded or viewed free of charge at this web site. It is the downloader's responsibility to determine that a complete set of documents, as defined in the Instructions to Bidders are received. Printed copies of the Contract Documents may be purchased at the website for the cost of printing. The cost for printed Contract Documents is non-refundable. This web site will be updated periodically with addenda, plan holders lists, bid tabulations, additional reports or other information relevant to bidding the Project.

Pre-bid conference for the project will be held at 11:00 AM, Thursday, August 6, 2015 at the office of the DISTRICT ENGINEER, and is not mandatory.

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

Performance, Payment and Maintenance Bonds are required.

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RHS Stingerettes to host dance clinic

The Rockwall High Stingerettes will host a Storybook Summer Dance Clinic for girls entering Kindergarten on Aug. 10-14 at Utley Middle School. Stingerette officers will teach dance techniques and routine to be performed on the final day of camp. Each camper will receive refreshments daily, a class T-shirt and a photo with the Stingerettes; participants also will be invited to join the Stingerettes in the pre-game spirit line at the first RHS home football game. Cost will be \$90 for those pre-registering before July 20, \$100 after that day or at the door on the first day. The clinic will run from 9 a.m. to noon. Contact Edith Davis at 214-926-8526 or edithj4@att.net for more details.

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Opinions

Iran agreement boosts peace, defeats Neocons

by Ron Paul
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Week's successfully concluded Iran agreement is one of the two most important achievements of this pretty dismal Obama presidency. Along with the ongoing process of normalizing relations with China, this move shows that diplomacy can produce peaceful, positive changes. It also shows that taking a principled position means facing down overwhelming opposition from all sides and holding down. The president should be commended for both of these achievements.

The agreement has reduced the chance of a US attack on Iran, which is a great development. But the neocons will not give up so easily. Already they are organizing media and lobbying efforts to defeat the agreement in Congress. Will they have enough votes to over-ride a presidential veto of their rejection? It is unlikely, but at this point if the neocons can force the US out of the deal it may not make a difference. Which of our allies, who are now facing the prospect of mutually-beneficial trade with Iran, will be enthusiastic about going back to the days of a trade embargo? Which will support an attack on Iran that has proven to be an important trading partner and has also proven reasonable in allowing inspections of its nuclear energy program?

However, what is most important about this agreement is not that US government officials have contacts with Iranian government officials. It is that the elimination of sanctions, which are an act of war, will open up opportunities for trade with Iran. Government-to-government relations are one thing, but diplomacy is people-to-people: business ventures, tourism, and student exchanges.

Who is impressed when travel personality Rick Steves traveled to Iran in 2009 to show that the US government demonization of Iranians was a lie, and that travel and human contact can help defeat warmongers because it humanizes those who are supposed to be dehumanized.

As I write in my new book, Swords into Plowshares: Our current policy with Iran is a perfect example of what the interventionists have given us—60 years of conflict and fear for no justifiable reason. This obsession with Iran is bewildering. If the people were told the truth, they would strongly favor a different way to interact with Iran.

Let's not forget that the Iran crisis started not 31 years ago when the Iran Sanctions Act was signed into law, but 5 years ago when Iranians overthrew the US-installed Shah, but rather 52 years ago when the US overthrew the democratically-elected Iranian leader Mossadegh and put a brutal dictator into power.

Our relations with the Iranians are marked by nearly six decades of blowback.

When the Cold War was winding down and the military-industrial complex needed a new enemy to justify enormous military spending, it was decided that Iran should be the latest "threat" to the US. That's when sanctions really picked up steam. But as we know from our own CIA National Intelligence Estimate of 2007, the stories about Iran building a nuclear weapon were all lies. Though those lies continue to be repeated to this day.

It is unfortunate that Iran was forced to give up some of its sovereignty to allow restrictions on a nuclear energy program that was never found to be in violation of the Non-Proliferation Treaty. But if the net result is the end of sanctions and at least a temporary reprieve from the constant neocon demands for attack, there is much to cheer in the agreement. Peace and prosperity arise from friendly relations and trade – and especially when governments get out of the way.

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Rockwall and Poetry athletes earn gold in TAAF Regional meet

Three pole vaulters were among the five Rockwall athletes taking gold medals last weekend at the Texas Amateur Athletic Federation Region 7 track and field championships.

Clark Norris took first place in the 18-and-under males pole vault, clearing 14 feet.

Noah Sewell won the 16-and-under males championship with a 15-foot vault, and Savannah McKenzie was the 16U females champion at 9-6.

Representing the City of McKinney team, Sarah Horan (of Poetry Community Christian School), returned with two gold medals in 18U. She finished the 400M dash with a first place time of 57.77 seconds; and helped the 4x400M relay team earn a first place finish in 4:03.98.

Horan also placed 6th in girls 200 meter dash 18U, in a time of 26.25 seconds, and 4th place in the 4x100M relay with a time of 49.75.

Other gold medal winners were Samari Garrett in the 12U females 800-meter run in 2 minutes, 32.75 seconds, and Carley Hall in the 10U females shot put 18-6 ¼.

The meet was a qualifier for the TAAF State Games of Texas July 30-Aug. 3 in College Station.

Sewell also placed third in the 16U 110-meter hurdles (16.49 seconds), McKenzie took third in the 16U high jump (5-0) and Garrett also was third in the 12U 400-meter dash (1:01.67).

Rockwall took the first three places in the 16U males pole vault, with Riley Stewart second (13-0) and Caleb Estes third (12-6). Estes added a fourth-place finish in the long jump (18-4 ½), and Stewart was fifth in the high jump (5-6).

Others placing high in two events were Maiya Collins, 18U, second in both the 800 (2:33.08) and 1,600 (6:01.51); Kendelle McCoy, 14U females, second in the 200 (26.75) and fourth in the 100 (13.51); Liah Collins, 14U females, second in the 800 (2:24.14) and third in the 400 (1:00.90), and Canyon Hall, 12U boys, second in both the shot put (29-11 ½) and 80-meter hurdles (14.80).

McCoy and Liah Collins were part of the fifth-place 14U females 4X100-meter relay. Joining them to post a time of 52.96 were Kailah Gilmore and Gabrielle Lapiano.

Lacy Deboskie, Garrett, Jamison Gladney and Makayla Hardy placed second in the 12U females 4X400 relay in 4:14.03. In addition, Deboskie was second in the 400 (1:00.86), Gladney took second in the 800 (2:33.35) and Hardy placed fifth in the 800 (2:37.91).

Also placing in 18U females events were Sarah Rippey, second in the 3,200 (12:51.90); Micaela Vavra, third in the pole vault (9-6), and Morgan Hickmon, fifth in the 400 (1:02.46).

Ben Breeden, a Heritage Christian Academy student, was fourth in the 18U males pole vault at 12-6.

Some Rockwall athletes have qualified for the USA Track and Field National Junior Olympics from Monday through Aug. 2 in Jacksonville, Fla.

Rockwall County Entertainment

Concert by the Lake plans Stones tribute
 Stoneleighs, a Rolling Stones tribute band, will be featured at the July 23 Concert by the Lake at The Lake at 059 Summer Lee. The event will begin at 7:30 p.m. Admission will be free. For more details visit rockwall.com/parks.

Southern Ride to perform July 24
 Southern Ride will perform beginning at 7:30 p.m. July 24 at City Lake Park. The event is part of the Summer Nights series organized by the Roysse City Parks & Recreation Department.

RCP's 'Mattress' performances underway
 Rockwall Community Playhouse's "Once Upon a Mattress," a family-friendly musical comedy, will perform July 24-26 and 31 and Aug. 1-2. Friday and Saturday shows are at 8 p.m.; Sunday matinee performances are at 2 p.m. Tickets are available online at rockwallcommunityplayhouse.org, by calling 972-722-3399 or at the box office 30 minutes prior to show time. The theater is located two blocks off the square in downtown Rockwall at 609 E. Rusk.

Family Fun Friday set at Northshore
 The next Family Fun Friday, sponsored by the Rockwall Parks & Rec Department, will be conducted at Northshore Park on July 24. Family activities such as dancing, games, bounce house and others will be available. Candy, popcorn, snow cones and glow sticks will be available for purchase. "Toy Story" will be screened at dusk.

Art show set in Roysse City
 The Roysse City Art Show will be at 309 N. Arch Street at the C.F. Goodwin Public Library on Thursday, July 30, from 6 p.m.-8 p.m.; Friday, July 31, from 11 a.m.-5 p.m.; and Saturday, Aug. 1, from noon to 4 p.m. The show, free and open to the public, will be sponsored by the Roysse City Senior Citizen Center and will feature paintings, drawings and other artwork available for viewing and/or purchase.

Final weekend of RCP's 'Mattress' nears
 Rockwall Community Playhouse's final performances of "Once Upon a Mattress," a family-friendly musical comedy, will be offered July 31 and Aug. 1-2. Friday and Saturday shows are at 8 p.m.; Sunday's matinee performance is at 2 p.m. Tickets are available online at rockwallcommunityplayhouse.org, by calling 972-722-3399 or at the box office 30 minutes prior to show time. The theater is located two blocks off the square in downtown Rockwall at 609 E. Rusk.

Tickets available for 'West Side Story'
 Tickets for Rockwall Summer Musicals' "West Side Story" production are now available. Performances will be at 7:30 p.m. Aug. 13-15 and 2 p.m. Aug. 16 at the RHS Performing Arts Center at Utley, 1201 Townsend Drive, Rockwall. Cost are \$19.95 for adults, \$17.95 for seniors/students. Tickets are available online at showclix.com/events/9148 or by calling 1-888-71-TICKETS.

Family Fun Friday set at The Harbor
 The next Family Fun Friday, sponsored by the Rockwall Parks & Rec Department, will be conducted at The Harbor on Aug. 28. Family activities such as dancing, games, bounce house and others will be available. Candy, popcorn, snow cones and glow sticks will be available for purchase. "Big Hero 6" will be screened at dusk.

Gospel quartet to perform Aug. 9 in R'wall
 The Pathfinders Gospel Quartet from Midlothian will perform at 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 9, at the First Methodist Church, 1200 E. Yellow Jacket Lane, Rockwall. The group will perform traditional gospel music. Complimentary childcare will be provided with advance reservations (972-771-5500). The Rockwall 1 Squares dance group also will perform. A free-will offering will be collected and a cookies-and-cake reception will follow. The public is invited.

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- RHS Stingerettes to host dance clinic**
 The Rockwall High Stingerettes will host a Storybook Summer Dance Clinic for girls entering K-6th grade Aug. 10-14 at Utley Middle School. Stingerette officers will teach dance techniques and a clinic will be performed on the final day of camp. Each camper will receive refreshments daily, a clinic shirt and a photo with the Stingerettes; participants also will be invited to join the Stingerettes in their home game spirit line at the first RHS home football game. Cost will be \$90 for those pre-registering before Aug. 24 and \$100 after that day or at the door on the first day. The clinic will run from 9 a.m. to noon. Contact Edith Davis at 214-926-8526 or edithj4@att.net for more details.
 - Mobley to perform at Farmers Market**
 Clay Mobley will be the featured performer at the Saturday, Aug. 15, Farmers Market on the downtown square in Rockwall. The market will be open from 8 a.m. until noon.
 - Library Friends to meet Sept. 8**
 The first general meeting of the new year for the Friends of the Rockwall County Library is slated for Tuesday, Sept. 8, in the library's first floor Community Room. The meeting will begin at 11 a.m. Program will include The Astaires, Fred & Adele, given by speaker Kathleen Cunningham, a speaker, reviewer and professional dancer. An optional lunch may be ordered with a reservation made seven or more days in advance (deadline is 5 p.m. Sept. 1); call Leigh Plagens, 972-771-8976 or email cplagens65@aol.com. Reservations will be required unless cancelled by deadline. Visit friendsrockwall.com for more information on the organization or to become a member.
 - Hope Mobile spay/neuter hospital dates set**
 Upcoming dates for the Spay Neuter Network's Hope Mobile, a 45-foot hospital bus that is parked in the Wal-Mart parking lot, are set for Sept. 11 and Oct. 9. Surgeries are performed on-site. Low-cost services are available; walk-up vaccinations are offered from 10 a.m. to noon (watch spayneuternet.net for online specials). Call 972-472-3500 for appointments; limited space is available. Be sure dog and cats cannot be slipped; cats must be in secure carriers. For more details, visit the nonprofit Rockwall website at rockwallpaws.com or email rockwallpaws@att.net. The nonprofit funds the treatment of worm-positive Rockwall shelter dogs.

Thompson ties U.S. record at Pan Am Games

Jake Thompson set a U.S. record for the Pan American Games by striking out 10 Nicaragua batters on Tuesday, July 14.

In seven innings, Thompson allowed only one base runner, on a fourth-inning single. The 2012 Rockwall-Heath graduate walked none in USA's shutout.

The American strikeout record hadn't been equaled since John Dettmer struck out 10 in the 1991 Pan American Games.

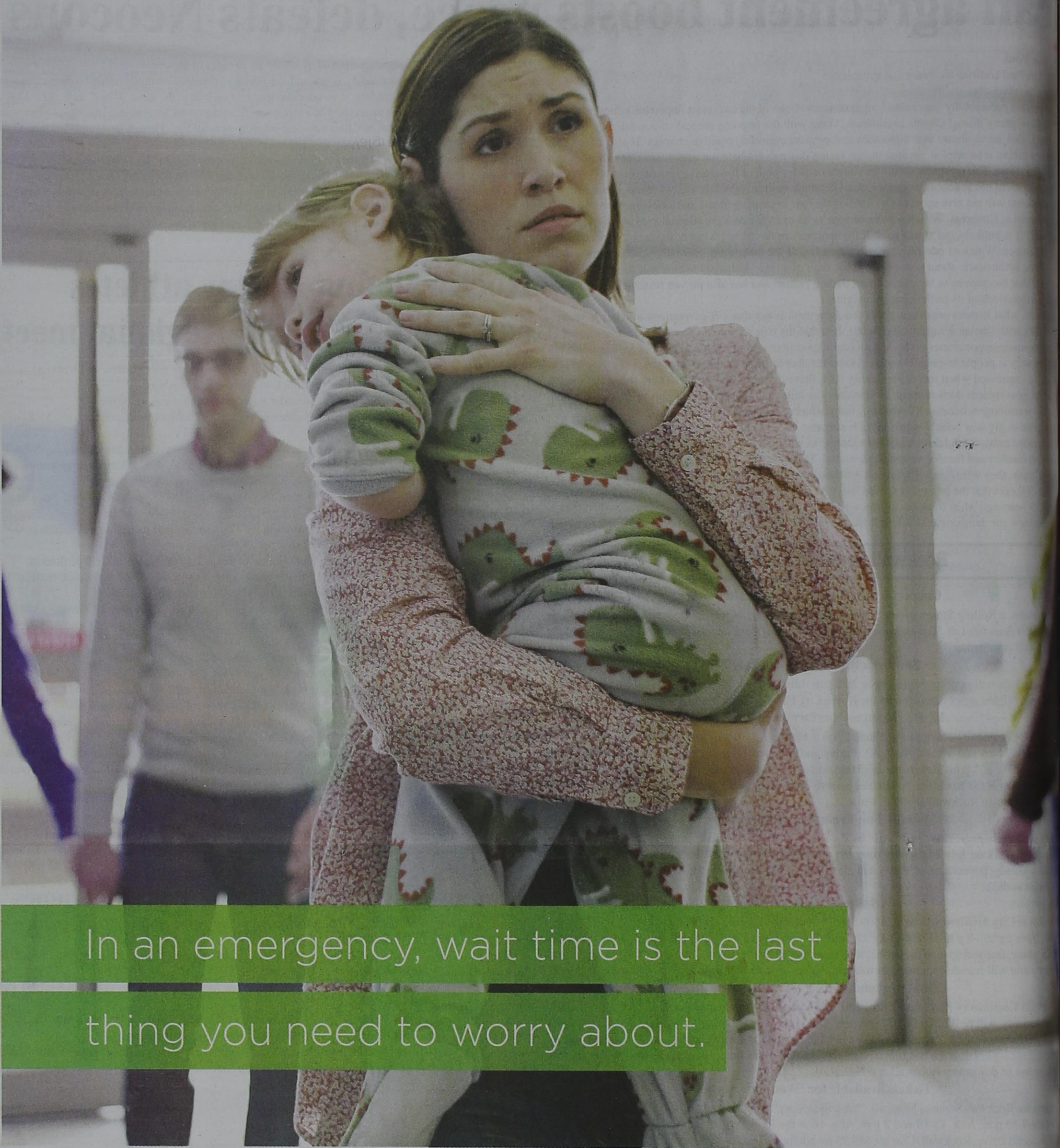
The July 14 game was Thompson's only appearance at this year's games. The USA took the silver medal after losing the gold-medal game on Sunday to Canada, 7-6 in 10 innings.

Thompson will be returning to the Texas Rangers' farm system. He was 6-5 with the Frisco RoughRiders of the Double-A Texas League before leaving for the Pan American Games.

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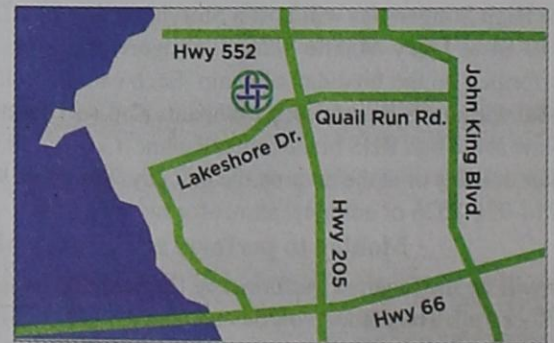
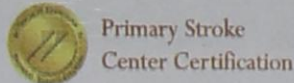
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