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People of all ages enjoy the musical entertainment of Texas Country singer Pat Green, Saturday, May 19, 2017, during the Rockwall Founders Day Festival at Harry Myers Park in Rockwall. Also performing Cory Morrow. Presented by the Rockwall Parks and Recreation Department, the fourteenth annual free event honors the founding of Rockwall. Between the concerts, Rockwall Mayor Jim Pruitt introduced elected government official who played a role in organizing the event. Texas Representative Justin Holland spoke to the audience and fired a T-Shirt toward the audience. It was announced that Holland arranged for a vote in the Texas Legislature to declare Rockwall as the "Live Music Capital North Texas." According to the announcement, the resolution was related to live "free" music. It is unknown how the legislature compared Rockwall's live free music data with Dallas and Denton.

Photo by Tim Burnett/Rockwall County News

Rockwall-Heath Student Named Presidential Scholar

The United States Department of Education recently announced the 53rd class of U.S. Presidential Scholars, including Christian Giadolor, a student from Rockwall-Heath High School, who is recognized as a Presidential Scholar in the Arts.

He is one out of 161 nationwide and one out of eight from Texas chosen for this honor, according to a news release from the Rockwall Independent School District.

Giadolor has been invited to attend the 2017 ceremony at the White House on June 18, where he will receive a Presidential Scholar Medallion.

"He's a great kid," said Tom Maglisceau, principal of Rockwall-Heath High. "When he goes up to the White House later this year, he will likely be making decisions for how he'll re-decorate the place when he's president."

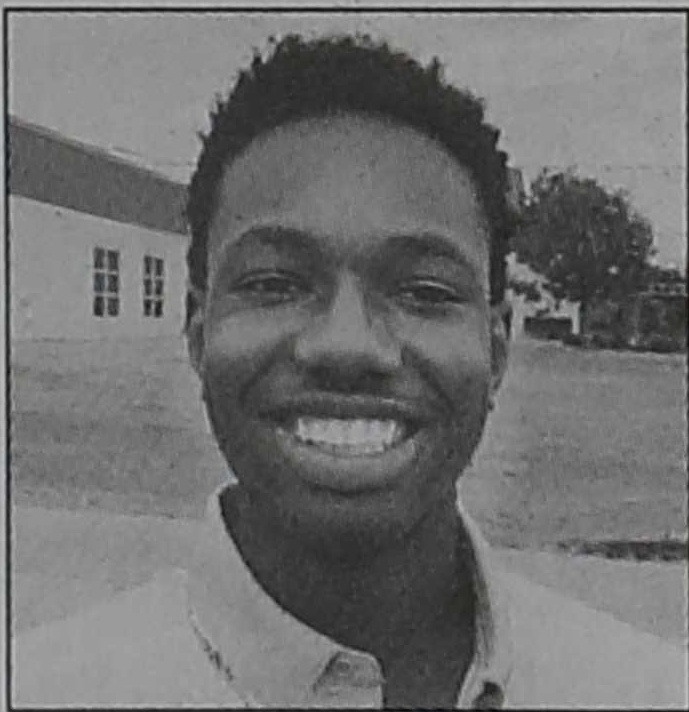
The White House Commission on Presidential Scholars selects scholars annually based on their academic success, artistic excellence, essays, school evaluations and transcripts, as well as evidence of community service, leadership and demonstrated commitment to high ideals.

Of the 3.5 million students expected to graduate from high school this year, more than 5,100 candidates qualified for the 2017 awards determined by outstanding performance on the College Board SAT and ACT exams, through nominations made by Chief State School Officers, other partner recognition organizations or the National YoungArts Foundation's nationwide YoungArts™ competition.

"I congratulate this year's class of Presidential Scholars for their devotion to academic excellence and their parents and teachers who have guided them along the way," said U.S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos said in the news release. "Today's Presidential Scholars are tomorrow's leaders, and I am confident they will continue to be shining examples as they enter the next phase of their academic careers."

The 2017 U.S. Presidential Scholars are comprised of one young man and one young woman from each state, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, and from U.S. families living abroad, as well as 15 chosen at-large, 20 U.S. Presidential Scholars in the Arts and 20 U.S. Presidential Scholars in Career and Technical Education.

Created in 1964, the U.S. Presidential Scholars Program has honored almost 7,500 of the nation's top-performing students with the prestigious award given to honorees during an annual ceremony in Washington. The program was expanded in 1979 to recognize students who demonstrate exceptional talent in the visual, literary and performing arts. In 2015, the program was again extended to recognize students who demonstrate ability and accomplishment in career and technical education fields.



Christian Giadolor



On Friday, May 5, the Williams Middle School Symphony Orchestra and String Orchestra (Combined Sinfonia and Philharmonic orchestras) competed in the Lone Star Showcase of music at the Eisemann Performance Hall in Richardson. The String Orchestra received straight Superior ratings and Overall Best in Class. The Symphony Full Orchestra won straight Superior ratings, Overall Best in Class and the Grand Champion award for the festival.

Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

Leadership Rockwall opens tech lab at Boys & Girls Club

Leadership Rockwall 2017 revealed its year-long project — to provide a state-of-the-art technology lab for the Boys & Girls Club of Rockwall — at an open house conducted Tuesday, May 9, at the Boys & Girls Club of Rockwall, 801 E. Washington St.

A part of the Rockwall Area Chamber of Commerce, the leadership group has been working diligently since last August to achieve its goal of raising the funds to provide computers for students who otherwise may not have them. It's called the Texas Health Rockwall Technology Lab, according to a news release from the organization.

Through this project, Leadership Rockwall 2017 has raised \$87,000 in donations. The result is that the Boys & Girls Club of Rockwall now has a complete technology lab makeover including 10 new desktop computers and 30 tablets with networking and safety features to enhance the students' science, technology, engineering and math, or STEM education. Also included in the project are a series of robotic surgery demonstrations and health classes donated by title sponsor Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Rockwall, according to the news release.

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Meeting to focus on Running a Business Effectively

The RCHRC will host its next community forum with the presentation, Running a Business Effectively, Part 1, beginning at 7 p.m. on May 25 at the Community Room at the Rockwall Chamber, 697 I-30, Rockwall. The forum will help participants get started — determine if you need to register with the state, what you need to do to maximize profit, how to protect yourself and your personal property from business creditors, and more. For more details contact rchrc.info@gmail.com.

RCP to host teen theater auditions May 27

The Rockwall Community Playhouse, located at 609 E. Rusk, Rockwall) will host auditions for its summer teen theater production of "Disco Inferno." The show will feature '70s music and will run July 21 through Aug. 6 (Friday and Saturday, 8 p.m., and 2 p.m. on Sunday). Teens ages 13-19 are welcomed to audition. Auditions will begin at 1 p.m. on May 27.

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Rockwall County Obituaries

Jason 'Jay' Dwire

Memorial services for Jason "Jay" Dwire, 42, of Rockwall were conducted at 11 a.m. on Friday, May 19, 2017, in the First United Methodist Church in Rockwall with Dr. Joe Pool officiating. The Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

A memorial service also will be conducted in Illinois at a date to be determined.

He died May 14.

Born March 16, 1975, in Woodstock, Illinois, to James and Sandra (Schweizer) Dwire, he was known for his amazing sense of humor. He always was joking. He was charming and loved by everyone who met him.

Musically talented, he enjoyed playing the piano, guitar and drums.

The most important things in his life were his boys, his family, the Cubs, the Beatles, "Star Wars" and Elvis. He was a loving father, son, brother and uncle and a tremendously loyal friend.

Survivors include his children, Duncan Baker, Elliott Dwire and Brennan Dwire; his parents, Jim and Sandee Dwire; his brothers, Shawn Dwire and Patrick Dwire; his sister-in-law, Patrick's wife, Kristen; a niece and nephew, Aiyla and Camden Dwire; and the mother of his children, Anna Baker.



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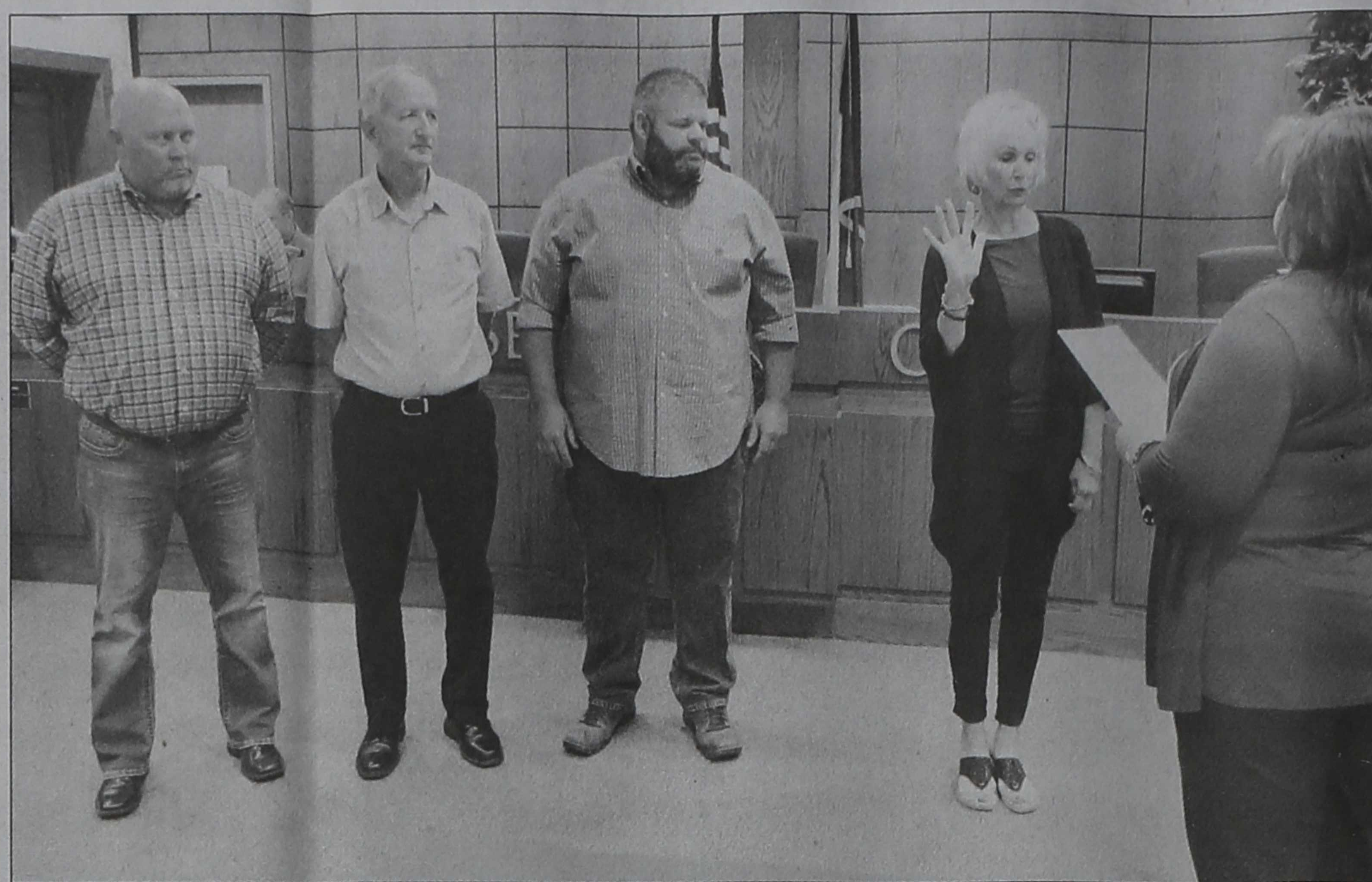
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Royse City News



Deborah Sorensen, City Secretary for the City of Royse City, (front, right), administers the Oath of Office during the council meeting on Tuesday, May 9. Sworn in, from left to right, were James Branch, City Council member, Place 5; Bruce Bradley, Place 3; Charles Houk, Place 1; and Janet Nichol, Mayor. There were no oppositions to these offices, so no election was conducted.

Photo by Millie Jean Coppedge/Rockwall County News

Griffins moniker of RC pro baseball team

The new professional baseball team, to be located in Royse City, will be called the Royse City Griffins, according to a news release issued last week by the Southwest League of Professional Baseball announced.

According to the team owner, the name Griffins was submitted as part of local naming contest.

The name Griffins was chosen because of the name association with the founder of the city, Garrett Burgess Griffin Royse known as "G.B." Royse to people in the area, was the founder of Royse City in 1885.

The logo and mascot will match a griffin, which is the mythical creature that has the head and wings of an eagle and the body of a lion - typically depicted with pointed ears and with the eagle's legs taking the place of the animal's forelegs, according to the news release. "We're thrilled to have the community so engaged in the process of choosing the name," Mark Schuster, SWL president, said. "It's consistent with the tremendous public response we've received since announcing that Royse City will have a team in the league."

The winning name was submitted by Adi Bryant and Dawn Cade, both from Rockwall. Bryant and Cade have won season tickets for life from the Griffins.

"I am just so thrilled that Royse City has been so proactive in creating this quality of life project for not only Royse City, but all of the surrounding communities in East Dallas," Cade said.

"Working for the Royse City ISD I am just thrilled for our kids to be able to use this state of the art facility for a number of our sports teams," Bryant said.

"The chosen name met all three criteria for selection including the name having some tie to the Royse City market, the nickname being unique to professional baseball team names and it's a name that kids will embrace," said Schuster. "We're thrilled to have the community so engaged in the process of choosing the name."

In February, team officials narrowed down the list to just six names from more than 900 submitted. Those names were Rattlers, Wranglers, Buntings, Recaps, Railheads and Griffins.

Since the announcement of the team name finalists, over 1,100 re-voted for their choice for the team moniker, according to the news release.

The new team will play in the Ballpark at Royse City, a new \$11-million stadium located on I-30 Westbound in Royse City. The stadium will feature seating capacity for baseball of 4,000.

The Southwest League will play a 112-game schedule with 56 home games and 56 games on the road.



Memorial to a World War 1 Veteran, for all who died in war

Porter Johnson, Pvt. Co. F, 26th Infantry World War I, of Royse City was born Nov. 28, 1891. He was wounded Oct. 4, 1918 in France and died three days later. His body was brought back and buried in the Royse City Cemetery. Pvt. Johnson's name is embroidered on a special quilt along with many other veterans' names. The quilt was compiled and quilted by the women of Royse City many years ago and is now beginning to fade somewhat. It is displayed in the Zaner Robison Historical Museum in Royse City. There is no other information about him or his family. It is not known if he had a wife and children. It is also not known who donated the photo to the museum and wrote his name and brief information on the back of the photo. WW I began on July 23, 1914, and ended on Nov. 11, 1918, just 31 days after Johnson was killed. More than nine million combatants were killed and more than seven million citizens died. On this Memorial Day, remember those who fought and now are remembered by just a picture hanging on the wall with a handwritten note on the back. Every veteran has a story.

Photo courtesy of Zaner Robison Historical Museum/ Rockwall County News

Leadership Rockwall ...

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As title sponsor, Texas Health Rockwall donated a total of \$20,000 to the project, which earned them the exclusive naming rights to the computer lab.

"This project has been an extremely worthwhile endeavor, and Texas Health Rockwall is proud to play a role in its success," Jason Linscott, Leadership Rockwall 2017 team member and CFO of Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Rockwall, said in the news release. "It is our hope that through this partnership we encourage and promote a love of learning and discovery for future generations."

In its 20th year, Leadership Rockwall is a program sponsored by the Rockwall Area Chamber of Commerce. Leadership Rockwall was founded in 1997 to develop community and business leaders. Candidates for Leadership Rockwall must have the time and desire to participate in the program and be committed to becoming leaders in the community.

Rockwall County Entertainment

Memorial Day Celebration, Concert slated

A Memorial Day Celebration & Concert will begin at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, May 25, at the Rockwall Harbor Concert Amphitheater. The scheduled Concert by the Lake will begin following the ceremony at about 8 p.m. The band will be the David Whiteman Band.

'Pillow Talk' opens at RCP

The Rockwall Community Playhouse will stage its production of "Pillow Talk" 26-28. Friday and Saturday performances will begin at 8 p.m., with the Sunday matinee set at 2 p.m. Tickets are available for online purchase at rockwallcommunityplayhouse.org, by calling 972-722-3399 or at the box office 30 minutes prior to showtime. The RCP is located at 609 E. Rusk, two blocks off the square in downtown Rockwall.

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American Legion to host Iraq/Afghanistan traveling wall

The American Legion Post 100 has secured one of the Iraq/Afghanistan traveling walls to be displayed May 29 at the Royse City City Hall. The event will be open to the public. The traveling wall contains the images and names of all Texas soldiers killed in the global war on terrorism. It was created by a North Texas American Legion member who wanted to honor the sacrifices of military members in the most recent conflict. The American Legion will host a ceremony outside the City Hall at 10 a.m. The public viewing will run from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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

ACROSS

- at start of WWII, TX Nimitz was a _____
- in Hidalgo County on highway 107
- Gilpin who was "Roz" on "Frasier"
- UT course prefix
- this is a tributary to the Frio River
- this Williams was the first manager of the Texas Rangers eliminated
- TXism: "_____ have to get better to die"
- TXism: "sounds like _____"
- Oiler QB Warren Moon also played for Edmonton in this league (abbr.)
- this actress Greer wed a TX oilman
- "do I have _____ in what happens?"
- folding Hamiltons?
- business info. in the Bay Area Observer
- the shape of Delta County, roughly
- TXism: "he's too lazy to _____ flies"
- "it don't _____ up"
- soft leather slipper
- component
- "_____ the course"
- TX George Jones hit in 1964
- TX Cyd Charisse recovered from this disease as a child
- Mr. Houston

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- "Winchester _____ Company"
- TXism: "he couldn't get _____ fiddler general of Texas"
- TXism: "hot _____ tar in July"
- Emory is the seat of this county
- _____ Hill, TX
- TX Swayze was "_____ Main" in TV's "North and South"
- TX-born Debbie Reynolds 1959 film: "_____ One for Me"
- "in the year of our Lord" (abbr.)
- TXism: "hard as dodging _____ a wedding"
- founded in TX in 1977: "_____ Believe It's Yogurt!"
- moving trucks
- arrival guess at Hobby Airport (abbr.)
- noted TX oil well firefighter
- this Wade is a TX culture artist
- TXism: "sneaky _____ -sucking dog"
- Ford two-seater sports car
- TXism: "costs an _____ and a leg"
- early saying: "One _____ one Ranger"
- 17 miles NE of Dallas on hwy. 78
- _____ Aggie.
- Always An Aggie" seat of Jim Wells County
- TX "_____ Sisters" cannon
- TX's nation (abbr.)
- TXism: "_____ rag" (hanky)
- book of maps
- TXism: "_____ earnings on a sow" shoe bottoms
- part of the eye
- TXism: "big frog in the _____" (VIP)
- Belvieu, TX
- this TX Denton implanted the first artificial heart
- TXism: "_____ talk" (coach's instruction)

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On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

Suffering with trust in the true Judge ...

Reading 1 Peter 2 chapter makes for a wonderful comparative study between the life and suffering of the Lord Jesus, and that of the apostles and disciples along with the lives of God's beloved saints and children today.

The Acts includes numerous accounts of God's children as the body of Christ, both in unity of faith and in division. It reveals their suffering for the sake of the ministry and doing good.

The Epistles are packed with fantastic and powerful information for right teaching, reproof, correction. Paul's love and care for the body of Christ is self-evident in his letters. The Acts and Epistles shine light on the sufferings of God's servants, including Stephen, Peter, John, Paul and others. It shows the spiritual and professional way they responded to the attackers with an ongoing attitude of service toward God through the Lord Jesus who is the living Messiah and first-born Son of God.

Starting with 1 Peter 2:19, "For this is thankworthy, if a man for conscience toward God endure grief, suffering wrongfully. For what glory is it, if, when you are buffeted for your faults, you shall take it patiently? But if, when you do well, and suffer for it, you take it patiently, this is acceptable with God.

For even unto this were you called; because Christ [the living Messiah] also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow his steps."

If God wants us to learn from the suffering of His Son Jesus as an example for us, then He knows that we will also suffer for doing good, and for the ministry and service toward Him.

Talking about Jesus, "Who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to Him that judges righteously." God the Father and Creator is able to judge righteously between us and our enemies. Understanding who the true righteous Judge is, makes a big difference in our response.



Ariana Campos (right) received a \$2,500 Leadership Scholarship from Chick-fil-A. Campos is a homeschooled senior who is currently serving on the Rockwall Chick-fil-a management team. She will be graduating this month and plans to study political science and/or business. She will travel to Cambodia this summer 2017 to serve on a mission team from Calvary Chapel Forney. Presenting the scholarship is Tim Mosely (right).
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Royse City HS graduation ceremony

The Royse City High School graduation ceremony is set for Tuesday, May 30, 2017, to be held at Garland ISD's Curtis Curwell Center.

Rockwall ISD high schools graduation ceremonies

Rockwall-Heath High School graduation ceremony is set to begin 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, June 6, 2017 at Garland ISD's Curtis Curwell Center. The graduation ceremony for Rockwall High School is set to begin 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 7, 2017, at Garland ISD's Curtis Curwell Center.

Republican Lunch Bunch to meet June 7

The Rockwall County Republican Lunch Bunch will meet at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 7, at Luigi's Italian Café, Rockwall. Cost will be \$10, which includes lunch, beverage, tax and tip. Pay at the door for this informal social gathering open to all area Republicans. No reservations required. For more details call Dalton Kennimer at 972-636-4034.

Sign-ups underway for RSM Summer Camps

Sign-ups for the Rockwall Summer Musicals 2017 Summer Camps are underway. The "Fiddler on the Roof" Summer Camp will run June 26-30 from 9 a.m. to noon for youths ages 5-7 and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. for those ages 8-18. The "Peter Pan" Summer Camp will run Aug. 14-18, from 9 a.m. to noon for youths ages 5-7 and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. for those ages 8-18. Registration includes the workshop, a final performance, a ticket and a T-shirt. For more details or to register, visit rockwallsummermusicals.org/season/summer-camps-2017/. Scholarships are available; contact rockwallsummermusicals.org/contact/.

Auditions for RCP production slated

Auditions for "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum," a Rockwall Community Playhouse production, will take place at 9 a.m. June 17 and 7 p.m. June 18. The RCP is located at 609 E. Rusk, two blocks off the square in downtown Rockwall. Participants should bring music, resume and a headshot and be prepared to sing one upbeat and/or one ballad that depicts vocal range and ability. Bring your own accompaniment (Bluetooth or audio). You may be asked to do some choreographed movement, so wear appropriate attire. Cold readings will be conducted from the script. For more details call 972-722-3399.

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4th annual Country Fair set June 10

The Rockwall Soroptimist will host its 4th annual Country Fair from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturday, June 10, at the Rockwall County Courthouse, 111 E. Yellow Jacket Lane. The event will include live music and entertainment, vendors, food trucks, a silent auction, and beer and wine. A kid zone will be featured; kids can ride and play all day with a \$10 wrist band. A zip line, bounce houses, petting zoo, rock wall climb, basketball hoops, a maze, a train ride and other activities are planned. Nonprofits will be on hand to provide vintage games at a cost of \$1 a try. Pony rides and a photo booth will be offered. Proceeds will fund the organization's ongoing projects benefitting women and children, including the Children's Advocacy Center. Visit rockwallcountryfair.com for more details.

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Al-Anon Meetings

Call for information and locations in Dallas area, 214-363-0461.

Al-Anon Garland

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Sons of the American Revolution East Fork-Trinity Chapter meets 6:00 p.m., second Thursday each month. 4881 Bass Pro Dr. Garland, Texas. Guests & family welcome. <http://www.txssar.org/EastForkTrinity>.

Rockwall County Kiwanis Club

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Cody Wayne Dotson – Director/President
Leanne Rachelle Smith – Director/Secretary

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
ESTATE OF BRIAN RAYMOND KIRBY, DECEASED
IN THE PROBATE COURT OF ROCKWALL COUNTY, TEXAS
NO. PR17-0042
Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of Brian Raymond Kirby, Deceased, were issued to Deborah Arlene Kirby on May 3, 2017, in Cause No. PR17-0042, pending in the Probate Court of Rockwall County, Texas. Claims may be presented to the Independent Executor as follows:
c/o Scot W. O'Brien
Hallett & Perrin, P.C.
1445 Ross Avenue Suite 2400
Dallas, Texas 75202
All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.
DATED the 19th day of May, 2017.
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Independent Executor of the Estate of
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Deceased
By: Scot W. O'Brien
State Bar No. 15171600
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Notice of Petition for Water and Sanitary Sewer Services

PETITION FOR WATER AND SANITARY SEWER SERVICES

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
ROCKWALL COUNTY §

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCLENDON-CHISHOLM, TEXAS:

The undersigned, Ham Rockwall, L.L.C., an Arizona limited liability company (the "Owner"), the owner of land situated within the area described by metes and bounds on Exhibit A and shown on the plat on Exhibit B attached hereto (the "Property"), pursuant to the provisions of Section 42.042 of the Texas Local Government Code, hereby petitions the City Council of the City of McLendon-Chisholm (the "City Council") to make water and sanitary sewer services available to the Property in a manner adequate to serve the proposed development of the Property, as reflected on Exhibit C attached hereto.

On March 3, 2017, the Owner submitted a "Request for Consent to the Creation of a Water Control and Improvement District" to the City Council (the "Request for Consent"). The area to be included within the proposed Water Control and Improvement District (the "Proposed District") is the area described on Exhibit A. The Owner owns all of the land within the Proposed District. As of the date of this Petition, there are no qualified voters residing within the Proposed District.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, this ___ day of _____, 2017.

[SIGNATURES FOLLOW ON NEXT PAGE]

HAM Rockwall, L.L.C., an Arizona limited liability company

By _____
Harry Zeitlin
Manager

STATE OF ARIZONA
COUNTY OF MARICOPA

This instrument was acknowledged on this the ___ day of ____, 2017 by Harry Zeitlin, Manager of HAM Rockwall, L.L.C., an Arizona limited liability company, on behalf of said limited liability company.

Notary Public, State of Arizona

Exhibit "A"

Metes and Bounds Description of the Property within the Proposed District

Being a tract of land situated in the Franklin Baugess Survey, Abstract No. 7, Rockwall County, Texas, and being the same tract of land conveyed to Robert E Luna by deed recorded in Volume 02761, Page 00086, Deed Records, Rockwall County, Texas, and being more particularly described by metes and bound as follows:

Beginning at a 1/2 inch iron rod found in the approximate centerline of Edwards Road, said point being in the Northeast line of a tract of land conveyed to Isbell Edwards by deed recorded in Volume 406, Page 126, Deed Records, Rockwall County, Texas, said point being at the most Westerly South corner of a tract of land conveyed to Sue Howell Roberts Sloan and Homer V. Howell, as Trustee of the Mathew C. Roberts, III residual trust under section VII of the will of Mathew C. Roberts, III called 316.9 acres by deed recorded in Volume 994, Page 150, Land Records, Rockwall County, Texas;

Thence North 32 degrees 17 minutes 35 seconds East, along the most Westerly Southeast line of said Roberts and Howell tract, a distance of 664.43 feet to a 3/8 inch iron rod found for corner;

Thence North 48 degrees 15 minutes 33 seconds East, along the most Westerly Southeast line of said Roberts and Howell tract, a distance of 385.15 feet to a 3/8 inch iron rod found for corner;

Thence North 48 degrees 34 minutes 06 seconds East, along the most Westerly Southeast line of said Roberts and Howell tract, a distance of 401.63 feet to a 3/8 inch iron rod found for corner;

Thence South 57 degrees 53 minutes 05 seconds East, along the most Westerly Southeast line of said Roberts and Howell tract, a distance of 282.59 feet to a fence post found for corner;

Thence North 70 degrees 18 minutes 45 seconds East, along the most Westerly Southeast line of said Roberts and Howell tract, a distance of 686.17 feet to a fence post found for corner;

Thence North 70 degrees 14 minutes 04 seconds East, along the most Westerly Southeast line of said Roberts and Howell tract, a distance of 959.63 feet to a fence post found for corner;

Thence North 56 degrees 31 minutes 05 seconds East, along the most Westerly Southeast line of said Roberts and Howell tract, a distance of 470.07 feet to a fence post found for corner;

Thence North 73 degrees 10 minutes 51 seconds East, along the most Westerly Southeast line of said Roberts and Howell tract, a distance of 991.58 feet to a fence post found in the Southwest property line of a tract of land conveyed to Mareen Koch by deed recorded in Volume 166, Page 812, Land Records, Rockwall County, Texas;

Thence South 45 degrees 21 minutes 02 seconds East, along the most Westerly Southwest line of said Koch tract, a distance of 2581.51 feet to a 2 inch iron rod found for corner;

Thence South 45 degrees 07 minutes 30 seconds East, along the most Westerly Southwest line of said Koch tract, a distance of 1300.32 feet to a 3/8 inch iron rod found for corner;

Thence South 45 degrees 08 minutes 17 seconds East, along the most Westerly Southwest line of said Koch tract, a distance of 757.01 feet to a 3/8 inch iron rod found for corner;

Thence South 45 degrees 03 degrees 44 seconds East, along the most Westerly Southwest line of said Koch tract, a distance of 1946.04 feet to a point for corner in a lake;

Thence South 81 degrees 53 minutes 43 seconds West, along the most Southerly North property line of said Koch tract, a distance of 878.45 feet to a point for corner in a lake;

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Notice of Petition for Water and Sanitary Sewer Services

Thence South 60 degrees 47 minutes 25 seconds West, along the most Southerly North property line of said Koch tract, passing the North corner of a tract of land conveyed to Tate Hereford Farms, Ltd. by deed recorded in Volume 017877, Page 00143, Land Records, Rockwall County, Texas, at a distance of 566.41 feet and continuing along the Northwest property line of said Tate Hereford Farms, Ltd. tract, for a total distance of 722.86 feet to a 5/8 inch iron rod set with yellow plastic cap stamped (DCA INC) for corner;

Thence South 60 degrees 26 minutes 12 seconds West, along the North property line of said Tate Hereford Farms, Ltd. tract, a distance of 225.77 feet to a 1/2 inch iron rod found for corner;

Thence South 69 degrees 11 minutes 08 seconds West, along the Northwest property line of said Tate Hereford Farms, Ltd. tract, a distance of 2950.83 feet to a 5/8 inch iron rod set with yellow plastic cap stamped (DCA INC) (from which a 1/2 inch iron rod found for witness bears South 69 degrees 11 minutes 08 seconds West, a distance of 55.29 feet) in the Northeast right-of-way line of said Edwards Road (now being a 30 foot right-of-way at this point due to right-of-way dedication recorded in Cabinet B, Slide 150-153);

Thence North 45 degrees 21 minutes 35 seconds West, along the Northwest right-of-way line of said Edwards Road, a distance of 3052.65 feet to a 1/2 inch iron rod found for corner in the approximate centerline of said Edwards Road (at which said 1/2 inch iron rod ends said 30' right-of-way dedication) said point being at the East corner of a tract of land conveyed to Garvin L. Tate by deed recorded in Volume 455, Page 198, Land Records, Rockwall County, Texas;

Thence North 45 degrees 17 minutes 45 seconds West, along the approximate centerline of said Edwards Road and along the Northeast property line of said Tate tract, a distance of 2980.01 feet to the Point of Beginning and containing 27,951,193.01 square feet or 641.6711 acres of land.

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Exhibit "B" Plat of the Property

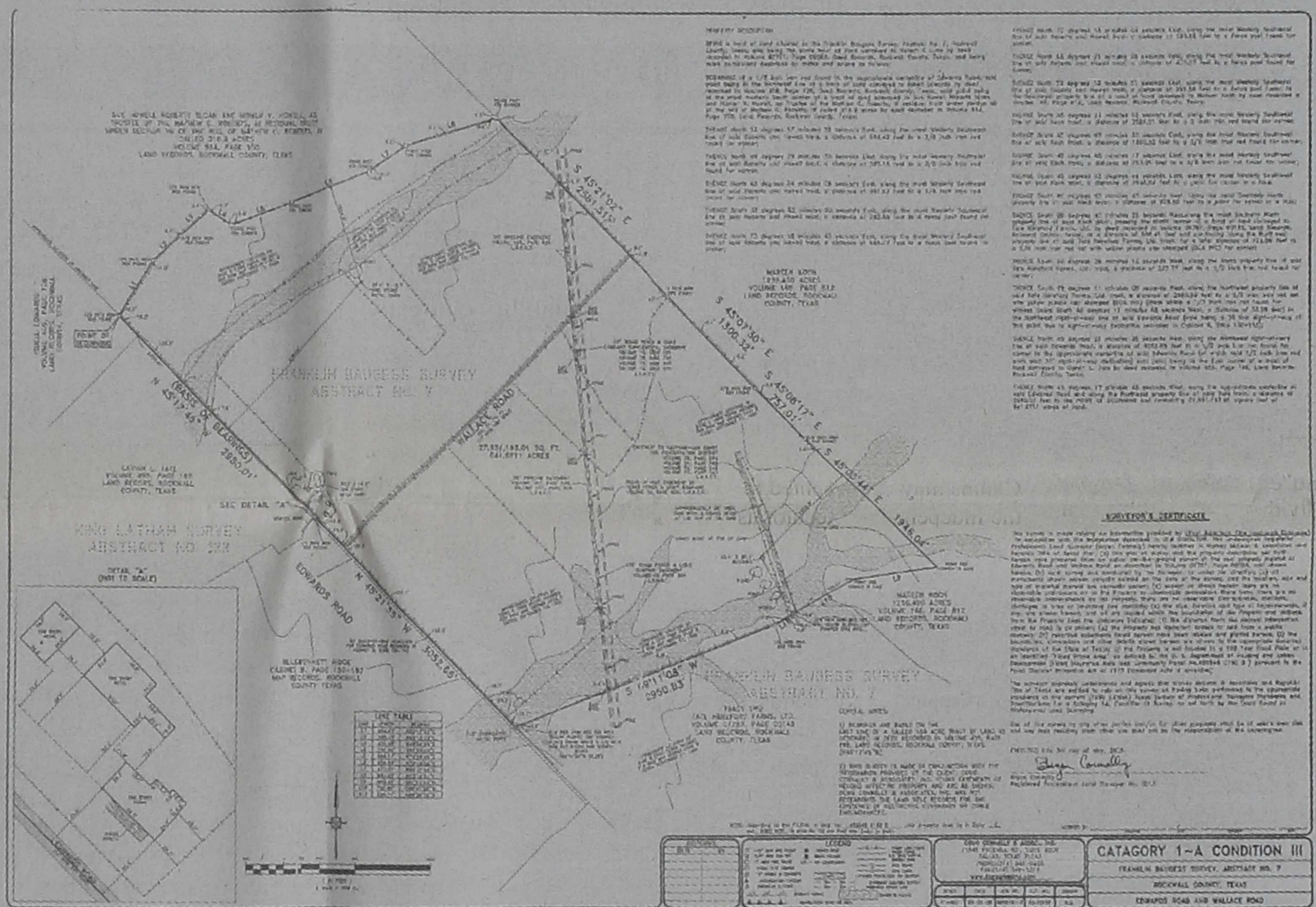


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Exhibit "C" Plan for Development for the Property

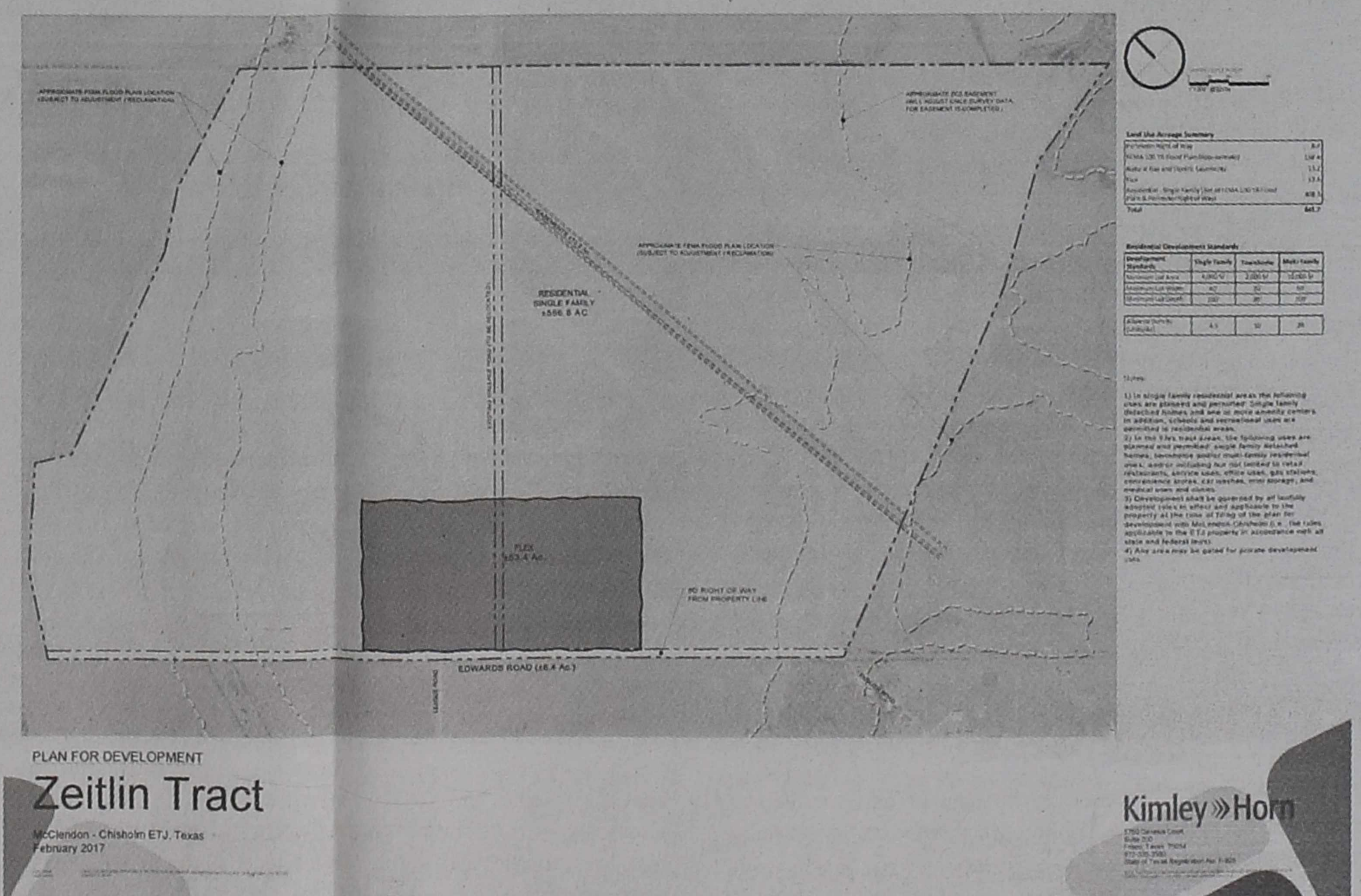


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Exhibit "D" Affidavit of Publication

[TO BE INCORPORATED FOLLOWING PUBLICATION]

Exhibit D – Page 1

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Opinions Property taxes rely on subjective "Market Value"

by Timothy W. Burnett

During the May 1, 2017, City of Rockwall, Inc. regular meeting, Kevin Passons, Deputy Chief Appraiser for Rockwall Central Appraisal District offered a presentation to the city council which included a number of tables showing "Market Value" versus "Taxable Net" data.

Passons attempted to explain the reason for noticeable market value increases during the past two or three years. The increases were said to be connected in some way with frequent turn-over of property ownership.

Following Passons' presentation, Rockwall Mayor Jim Pruitt reminded everyone that if they don't agree with the Appraisal Review Board final decision, they can sue in District Court.

This annual tax collection process raises a question for consideration. "Market Value" determination was not discussed or included in the packet. This is an extremely important issue because, in short, "Market Value" is a highly subjective part of the appraisal process. Who decides "Market Value?" Is the deciding party any more qualified to decide Market Value than any other party in the market place?

All property owners believe their property has good market value. All potential buyers believe the value is lower, until they become the new owners. How is "Market Value" officially determined? and why does it seem to increase at times when government units boast of lower tax rates? This is reasonable question that has come up in conversations with others in the county.

Now, consider the ARB determination. This appeals board has the initial burden of proof. How does the ARB objectively determine that the appraiser's idea of "Market Value" is more reliable and accurate than the property owner's idea? or for that matter, the market's idea of value.

Once on appeal to the District Court, the Judge must come up with a way to determine which party is right when determining "Market Value." The question of what is "Market Value" moves up the chain.

One proposed solution is to repeal the appraisal system of taxation, and establish an objective system which divides the total budget equally between all property owners, or utilizes a formula based on total square feet of property relative to the total budget of the next fiscal year. This would remove the subjective nature, and rely on pure objective data.

Rockwall County Letters to the Editor

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My name is Justin Jacobs and I am a former employee of the Rockwall Animal Shelter. During my time of employment I witnessed my share of questionable activities. As someone who has a love for animals and someone who is an advocate for animals I began to ask questions regarding some of the business practices. I am certain that these questions led to my termination. It is my hope that you can shed some light onto some of the fraudulent practices taking place and that the public be made aware how their tax dollars are really being spent.

1. The shelter has nonprofit status because it is a no kill shelter. This status is based on a 90% live outcome on a monthly basis. There have been months where this rate was not maintained and employees were required to falsify the numbers to keep this percentage. I can think of one former and one current employee who have personally been asked to change the live outcome numbers in a month. To my knowledge this is accomplished by creating false intakes and having them adopted out as to increase the number of adoptions in adoptions to euthanasia ratio. While this does not happen every month, that it happens at all is illegal, unethical and in and of itself is means for an investigation.

2. The monthly budget for the shelter is printed in the Rockwall County News, and for the month of Feb. the shelter received just shy of 100K from the city. (I do not have it in front of me, or I would give an exact number). Also, in that budget it was reported that about 2/3rds of the outgoing budget (\$97,900.00 out of roughly \$142K) was classified as miscellaneous. While I cannot say exactly where that money went, it is absolutely clear that it should NEVER be okay for "miscellaneous" to account for 2/3rds of a non-profit budget.

The shelter survives on donations from the public with bills such as rent and utilities being paid by the city. Employees are consistently told that there is no money in the budget for much needed repairs and maintenance issues. This is despite the shelter receiving a substantial amount from the city, AKA taxpayers, on a monthly basis.

The following are on-going issues that have not been resolved in the year that I was employed:

1) The air conditioning unit frequently fails and for the majority of last summer both the kennel techs and he dogs were without A/C. Despite having multiple people saying the unit needed to be replaced, it would be "repaired" and a week or 2 later it would fail again. Fans were eventually bought to help push around the hot air.

2) The yards, where the dogs go out for daily exercise, are falling apart, both the turf and the surrounding fence. Instead of replacing either of those, rugs are put over the holes, which are promptly chewed up, and zip ties are put on the fences. The temporary fixes allow the dogs the ability to still get out and we have had multiple dogs fight because of this issue. 3. The laundry set up is not capable of handling the daily laundry output and every time a washer or dryer breaks down, we go for days without the ability to wash towels, blankets and other items while we ask people to donate a used machine.

We also ask volunteers to take home items to be washed and have had times where we don't have the amount of linens needed to properly take care of the animals. The amount of laundry that we have would be best served with a commercial washer and dryer, which we have not had in the time that I was employed. These items are expensive costs for the shelter, but given the monthly budget and the fact that there is \$97,000 in one budget month of miscellaneous expenses, these items should be a priority in being taken care of.

As an animal lover, it is disheartening to know that the best interests of the animals are not being served at the Rockwall Animal Shelter. I also know that the first reaction of anyone reading this would be that this is just a disgruntled former employee; I assure you that this is not what this is about.

These concerns fall at the feet of the director. I have also had conversations with multiple volunteers who notice the level of treatment given to the animals and employee concerns. There are several employees at the shelter who go above and beyond in their care and concern for the animals and there are those who would confirm everything I have stated above.

I also have spoken with people who know people who will no longer support or volunteer at this shelter because of what they have seen. I have chosen to speak out about this because I feel the least I can do is give a voice to the animal's as they are unable to speak for themselves.

Justin Jacobs, Rockwall

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Auditions for RCP play set June 17-18

Auditions for "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum," a Rockwall Community Playhouse production, will take place at 9 a.m. June 17 and 7 p.m. June 18.

Participants should bring music, resume and a headshot and be prepared to sing one upbeat and/or one ballad that depicts vocal range and ability. Bring your own accompaniment (Bluetooth or audio). You may be asked to do some choreographed movement, so wear appropriate attire. Cold readings will be conducted from the script.

Rehearsals begin July 31 and will run Monday through Thursday evenings at the RCP. Be prepared to provide a list of possible conflicts at the audition.

Performance dates are Sept. 22 through Oct. 8 (Fridays and Saturdays, 8 p.m., and 2 p.m. on Sundays).

For more details call 972-722-3399.

The RCP is located at 609 E. Rusk, two blocks off the square in downtown Rockwall.



The Rockwall Soroptimists presented a Susan Faulkner Memorial Scholarship to Rockwall High senior Sydney Chalk recently. Scholarship funds are raised at the Soroptimists annual Rockwall Country Fair, which this year will take place from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturday, June 10, at the Rockwall County Courthouse on Yellow Jacket Lane. Pictured above are Susan Reeves, Chalk and Kendall Pierce.

Courtesy photo/Rockwall County News

Oak Ridge ousted by Yellowjackets 2-0

The Rockwall Yellowjackets baseball team ended Oak Ridge's season with a 2-0 series win for the Region 2 Quarter Finals round of playoffs.

Game 1, Thursday, May 18, 5-3 (Win)

Oak Ridge scored 3 points in the first inning.

Rockwall scored one in the fourth.

Rockwall rallied to add three points in the sixth and one more in the seventh.

Diego Muniz held Oak Ridge to three points, 19 First Strike Pitches and 4 Strikeouts.

Brooks Helmer got 3 RBIs.

Game 2, Friday, May 19, 5-4 (Win)

Rockwall took a 2-0 lead in the third inning.

Oak Ridge knocked in 4 points during the sixth inning.

Rockwall added 3 points in the seventh for the win.

Brooks Helmer pitched into the sixth inning, and logged 14 First Pitch Strikes and 4 Strikeouts.

The Jackets advance to the Region 2 Semi-finals against Pflugerville Henderickson, at Texas A&M in College Station.

Game 1 will start 7:00 p.m., Thursday, May 25, 2017.

Game 2, 7:00 p.m., Friday, May 26.

Hawks secure 2-1 win for Regional Quarter Finals

The Rockwall-Heath Hawks defeated The Woodlands in three games for the Region 2 Quarterfinals round of baseball playoffs.

The win pushes the Hawks to the Regional Semi-finals series against Round Rock, starting 5:00 p.m., Friday, May 26, 2017, with all three games being played at Mary Hardin Baylor University in Belton.

Game 2 will be at 7:30 p.m., Friday, May 26.

If necessary game 3 will be at 1:00, Saturday, May 27.

Rockwall-Heath's 6-5 game 3 win was due to a double by Miller Ladusau when the Hawks were in a 5-2 deficit during the sixth inning. Ladusau brought in three runs for the final win.

Cole Stilwell earned the win for Heath Varsity. He threw seven innings, allowing five runs, seven hits, striking out one, and walking one.

Heath Varsity had nine hits in the game. Jake Wade and Asher Cannon each collected multiple hits for Heath Varsity. Wade led Heath Varsity with three hits in three at bats. Heath Varsity didn't commit a single error in the field. Wade had seven chances in the field, the most on the team.

Smith selected for THSBCA All Star game

According to Hawks baseball Coach Greg Harvey, Canaan Smith was selected to play in the Texas High School Baseball Coaches Association All Star game starting 12:00 p.m., June 17, 2017 at Dell Diamond. The ball field is located at 3400 E. Palm Valley Blvd. in Round Rock, Texas.

Rockwall County Sports Notes

City of Rockwall to offer swim lessons

The City of Rockwall will offer swim lessons in coming weeks. The program places children in leveled lessons based on their performance in a swim evaluation by experienced instructors. Classes are provided at a reduced cost for Rockwall residents and are taught at the Harry Myers Pool. The first session will begin June 5. Evening sessions also will be offered this year. Space is limited, so visit playrockwall.com to check class times or to register.

Area News Briefs

Veterans BBQ, open house set May 27

The Memorial Weekend Veterans BBQ and Open House, Military Heritage, will run from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, May 27, at 20798 CR 590 in Nevada, Texas. Admission will be free. Military vehicles and equipment displays are planned, and all food and beverages will be provided free of charge to veterans and military service members. For more details visit militaryheritagecollection@yahoo.com.

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The law gives property owners the right to protest actions concerning their property tax appraisals. You may follow these appeal procedures if you have a concern about:

- the market or appraised value of your property
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- the qualification for an agricultural or timber appraisal
- the taxable status of your property
- the local governments which should be taxing your property
- the ownership of property
- the change of use of land receiving special appraisal
- any action taken by the chief appraiser; appraisal district or appraisal review board that applies to and adversely affects you.

Informal Review

Informal meetings may be scheduled through May 31, 2017 by calling the Rockwall Central Appraisal District at 972-771-2034. Informal meetings are available Monday through Thursday, 8:15-11:30 a.m. and 1:15-3:30 p.m., scheduled in fifteen minute increments for each account.

Review by the Appraisal Review Board

If you cannot resolve your problem informally with the county appraisal district (CAD) staff, you may have your case heard by the ARB.

The ARB is an independent board of citizens that reviews problems with appraisals or other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the CAD to make the necessary changes to solve problems. If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (called a notice of protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing. You will receive written notice of the time, date and place of the hearing. If necessary, you may request a hearing in the evening or on a Saturday or Sunday. Prior to your hearing, you may ask to review the evidence the CAD plans to introduce at the hearing to establish any matter at issue. The law provides that before a hearing on a protest or immediately after the hearing begins, you or your agent and the CAD shall each provide the other with a copy of any written material intended to be offered or submitted to the ARB at the hearing. (Multiple copies of these materials typically must be brought to the hearing so that each ARB member has a copy of all the materials to review.) To the greatest extent practicable, the hearing will be informal. You or a designated agent may appear in person to present evidence or you may send notarized evidence for the ARB to review at your hearing. The CAD representative will present evidence about your

case. You may cross-examine the CAD representative. The ARB will make its decision based on the evidence presented. In most cases, the CAD has the burden of establishing the property's value by a preponderance of the evidence presented.

In certain protests, the chief appraiser has the burden of proving the property's value by clear and convincing evidence. You should review ARB hearing procedures to learn more about evidence and related matters. You can get a copy of a protest form from the appraisal district office or from the Comptroller of Public Accounts at comptroller.texas.gov/forms/50-132.pdf.

Review by the District Court or an Arbitrator or SOAH

After it decides your case, the ARB must send you a copy of its order by certified mail. If you are not satisfied with the decision, you have the right to appeal. If you choose to go to court, you must start the process by filing a petition within 60 days of the date you receive the ARB's order. In certain cases, as an alternative to filing an appeal in district court, you may file, not later than the 45th day after you receive notice of the ARB order, a request for binding arbitration with the county appraisal district. In certain cases you may appeal to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH). An appeal to SOAH is initiated by, not later than the 30th day after you receive notice of the ARB's order, filing with the chief appraiser of the county appraisal district a notice of appeal. Appeals to District Court, Binding Arbitration, or SOAH all require payment of certain fees or deposits

Tax Payment

You must pay the amount of taxes due on the portion of the taxable value not in dispute, the amount of taxes due on the property under the order from which the appeal is taken or the amount of taxes due in the previous year.

More Information

You can get more information by contacting your appraisal district at:

Rockwall CAD Local: 972-771-2034
 841 Justin Road Toll Free: 1-877-438-5304
 Rockwall, Texas 75087 Fax: 972-771-6871
 Email: info@rockwallcad.com

You can additional information on how to prepare a protest from the the State Comptroller's publication Property Tax Basics, available on the Comptroller's Property Tax Assistance Division website at comptroller.texas.gov/taxes/property-tax/docs/96-1425.pdf.

Deadline for Filing Protests with the ARB*

Usual Deadline

On or before April 30 for residence homesteads and May 31 for all other property (or within 30 days after a notice of appraised value was mailed to you, whichever is later).

Late protests are allowed if you miss the usual deadline for good cause. The ARB decides whether you have good cause.

Late protests are not allowed after the ARB approves the appraisal records for the year.

Special Deadlines

For change of use (the appraisal district informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal because you changed the use of your land), the deadline is not later than the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

* The deadline is postponed to the next business day if it falls on a weekend or holiday.

For ARB changes (the ARB has informed you of a change that increases your tax liability and the change did not result from a protest you filed), the deadline is not later than the 30th day after the notice of the determination was delivered to you.

Deadline to protest Real Property:
May 31, 2017

Deadline to protest Business Personal Property
June 15, 2017

If you believe the appraisal district or ARB should have sent you a notice and did not, you may file a protest until the day before taxes become delinquent (usually February 1) or no later than the 125th day after the date you claim you received a tax bill from one or more of the taxing units that tax your property. The ARB decides whether it will hear your case based on evidence about whether a required notice was mailed to you.