

# Rockwall County News



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## Funds needed to repair historic local windmill



Strong winds damaged the historic windmill, which has been at Rockwall's Harry Myers Park since 1984. Photo by Rockwall County News

It's All About the Windmill, a fundraising spaghetti dinner and program, has been organized to help make repairs to the historic Hartman windmill.

The windmill was damaged recently during a heavy spring storm that included strong winds, hail, lightning and heavy rain. The aging windmill structure atop the 65-foot tower was knocked to the ground.

The windmill dates back to 1866, just one year after the Civil War, when J.A. Hartman erected a windmill over a 45-foot, hand-dug well to provide water to the cotton gin that would bear his name. Among the first such contraptions to be installed in Rockwall County, the Hartman Mill's steel tower was erected on oak pilings to extend its elevation and was topped by an 8-foot blade system and gearbox.

It stood its ground, tall and proud, until 1900 when it was moved to the top of the hill at the corner of Hartman and Renfro Streets where a new and improved steam-driven cotton gin was located. At its new location, the windmill crowned a 65-foot well. The well served the needs of local residents as well as the gin.

On July 26, 1984, the historical windmill was moved once again to its present location in the Harry Myers City Park behind the Manson-Lamoreaux-Hartman House, which serves as the Rockwall County Historical Museum. It is loved and viewed by many and this story is told to children on school tours as well as families and individuals who visit the museum to learn about our history of Rockwall County.

Following the damage done to the windmill, the Rockwall County Historical Foundation is in the process of repairing the 400-lb., 8-foot-wide blade span of the windmill fan mechanism. Jim Mills has tirelessly spent many volunteer hours straightening the blades and reassembling the parts to the fan.

The Hartman windmill may be the oldest remaining windmill in the county and is a treasured link to the county's history and the time when cotton was king.

The fundraising program will begin at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 23 at a

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## City of Rockwall conducts "911 Remembrance Day"

**Edwards**  
*Rockwall County News Exclusive*  
The five proclamations delivered at Rockwall's City Meeting this week, recognition of 9/11 Remembrance Day, and first in interest. Top local public safety officials, including the Police and Fire Chiefs, received the proclamation from Mayor David Sweet. The proclamation, although rather lengthy, commanded the attention of the audience from start to finish. The proclamation for 9/11 Remembrance Day urged the city to observe the day that changed American lives forever in silence, bells, or other means, at exactly 12:00 p.m. on September 11th. On behalf of Public Safety Officials, Mayor Sweet urged additional vigilance by every citizen, to hopefully prevent another tragedy. The proclamation also included a gesture of appreciation to Senator Dan Claitor for championing a bill to resolve a major Rockwall issue regarding water rights and availability, as regulated by the state. Mayor Sweet declared the first Rockwall Yellow Jackets Day, in

honor of the many youth in the community who strive for excellence in their academic and athletic careers each day. The proclamation saluted their work ethic and commitment, acknowledging them as future community leaders. The Mayor and Councilmember David White personally congratulated a number of representatives from Rockwall High School organizations, including basketball, cheer, and National Honor Society Members. The final Proclamation honored three new graduates from Rockwall University, an employee development program designed to educate employees about city operations while providing leadership training. Budget discussions continued, with a public hearing held to receive comments from the public about Rockwall's proposed 2011-2012 fiscal plan, but, despite the overflow crowd in attendance, only one speaker came forward. The proposed budget does not include a tax increase, nor does it include any layoffs for city employees. The Police Department has requested one additional position, to be funded from several sources, including property seizure funds and court transfer security fees. The proposal also includes requests for a portable restroom facility for the Parks Department, and refurbishment of the

fuel truck at the airport. The agenda also adopting outside dining guidelines in the Harbor District, downtown sidewalk upgrades, and a number of zoning issues and a proposal to add streetlights to Henry M. Chandler Drive. Council engaged in lively debate on several topics, being particularly divided on proposals some said could be perceived as "overstepping our bounds" with regard to regulation of privately owned businesses. The Council Meeting, in its entirety, may be viewed at [www.rockwalltexasonline.com](http://www.rockwalltexasonline.com). Following the meeting, Mayor Sweet summed up the activities of the evening in a video commentary, also available at [www.rockwalltexasonline.com](http://www.rockwalltexasonline.com) introducing a new feature, "Mayor's Minute."

Visit [RockwallTexasOnline.com](http://RockwallTexasOnline.com) to see exclusive video of this Public Meeting

## Weather conditions blamed for loss of fish

Area lakes have experienced naturally occurring fish die-offs, according to a news release issued this week by the City of Rockwall. Fish die-offs are the natural result of triple-digit temperatures and reduced oxygen levels in lakes. Most oxygen depletions occur in warm weather – June through September. Warm water holds less oxygen than cold water, and when the air and water temperatures rise, winds that help mix oxygen within the lake decrease. The oxygen level in lakes can drop because of this lack of mixing at the surface level of the lake. Additionally, fish require more oxygen as water temperatures increase, according to the release. The City of Rockwall is monitoring the fish die-offs at lakes throughout the municipality, according to the news release.

## Changes noted to IH-30 traffic flow

Westbound traffic on IH-30 was switched to the new bridge beginning Sept. 8, according to a City of Rockwall news release. On Sept. 15, eastbound traffic also will be switched to the new bridge. The on- and off-ramps will remain closed, according to the news release. Once traffic is switched to the new bridge, the construction project contractor will begin building the bridge center lanes and service roads. This work is scheduled to begin Sept. 19. One lane of traffic will be maintained on the service road. The project is scheduled to be completed by August 2012.



Participants in Tuesday's City of Rockwall "911 Remembrance Day" were Tony Raymond, Brett Merritt, Bruce Winkelmann, Mark Smith, David Sweet, Jason Frankenfield, Mark Russo, Ronnie Pettis, Bob Deuell, Bennie Daniels, David White, Cliff Brannon. Photo by Kristy Ashberry/Rockwall County News



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Carla Brooks, Stephanie Abadie, zumba instructor Isiak Holiday and Vicki Lucius are ready for one of Holiday's zumba classes at the First United Methodist Church of Health. In honor of money for the 2012 Relay For Life event, Holiday is offering a free week of zumba lessons to anyone who makes a \$5 or larger donation to his church team, Walkers of the Light.  
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**Isiak Holiday's expanding role lends support to Relay For Life**

by Mary Thacker  
 Isiak Holiday Jr. was born and raised in Huntsville. "Out of the prison system," he said, "I was raised with two brothers and two sisters by parents who have been married for 40 years and still reside in Huntsville."  
 From the time he was very young, Holiday confesses to being "a music nerd." He took piano lessons at the age of 12, practicing his technique on his family's old, upright piano. "Half the notes didn't work, so I had to imagine the music," Holiday said.  
 He served as choir director of the Sweet Home Missionary Baptist Church at the time he was in college. "I plunked along on the piano, teaching mostly by rote, because our small congregation didn't have money to buy sheet music," he said.  
 He started attending Sam Houston State University in 1991, but didn't receive his degree until 2006. "I had two classes left for years and years," Holiday said. "But I was putting myself through school and had to work."  
 His jobs included driving the school bus, serving as church choir director on weekends and giving private voice and piano lessons.  
 In 2006, a friend and former classmate encouraged him to apply for his current position as director of First United Methodist Church of Health. Holiday chuckles when he remembers the conversation. "I told her that those white people aren't going to hire me," he said. But last month he celebrated his fifth anniversary at FUMC. "The people here have been great to me. God will send me to the right place."

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This year Holiday has taken on a new role at First Methodist Church as a certified zumba instructor. He teaches classes from 8:30 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays.  
 Using simplified moves to make the workout more accessible to all age groups, he encourages his participants to increase the intensity of the workout depending on their fitness level.  
 "I tell them to find their happy place," he said with a smile. "We have a lot of fun, but all my ladies are sweaty by the time the class is over."  
 FUMC has been involved in Relay For Life, the signature fundraising event for the American Cancer Society, since 2000. In fact, Holiday led the first Relay For Life choir, which performed at the 2008 Relay and around the Metroplex at several American Cancer Society gatherings. Since then he has continued to participate in Relay with his church team, the Walkers of the Light.  
 In order to raise money for the 2012 Relay For Life, Holiday is offering a free week of zumba lessons the first week in October in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month to anyone who donates a minimum of \$5 to Walkers of the Light. Donations can be made in person at any zumba class.  
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Former Rockwall resident Jerry Halstead, 77, of Seminole, Fla., was a contestant on the TV game show "The Price Is Right" and won \$1 million. He wants to be a contestant on the show this week. Halstead is currently residing above with the show's host, Meredith Vieira.  
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# Grad's internship aids African women



In a bustling African city in central Rwanda, a woman rhythmically pushes her sewing machine through its paces to create a vibrant African purse. She is a single parent from a small village and this is her livelihood. The woman is unaware that, within weeks, the same purse will be sold 8,400 miles away in Heath to help pay her bills.

This is the mission of an organization called Amani ya Juu, the Swahili term meaning "Peace from Above." It is a sewing and reconciliation project that supports marginalized African women. It arrived in Texas courtesy of Amani's summer marketing intern, Baylor senior Emily Kirwan.

"Last summer, I visited Rwanda on a study abroad trip and met women working on sewing machines in Kigali," said Kirwan, an international business and nonprofit marketing major who was part of the first graduating class from Rockwall-Heath High School in 2008. "Listening to their stories, I learned that they were self-employed refugees or victims of HIV or AIDS and the only providers for their families."

The women danced for Kirwan's group in thanks after they purchased handmade bags and accessories.

"They work, dance and pray alongside each other in unison, despite the fact that they are from different tribes," said Kirwan. "Literally, women sat next to each other whose husbands may have killed each other during the intense civil conflicts in the past 20 years so it puts our stateside difficulties in harsh contrast. It takes an impressive amount of peace and grace to be such strong women."

Kirwan was moved by the organization, tracked them down, applied and was awarded a marketing internship last summer with Amani ya Juu in Washington, D.C. It serves as the non-profit's marketing and product development office for retail centers in Kenya, Rwanda, Burundi and Liberia. The group aggregates the different women's products that are made in remote villages and then sells them to tourists in Africa as well as in a D.C. store and on the Web.

The first Dallas area trunk show featuring these items is set for Sept. 10 at Heath Hair and Day Spa in Heath.

"My internship was amazing because I found the spirit I had fallen in love with in Africa was alive in the U.S. as well. So, I wanted to share it with my friends back home," Kirwan said.

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# Rockwall, County prepares for natural emergencies

Rockwall County officials are prepared to respond goes out with a bang rather than a whimper. The county continues every weekend in September at Rockwall Parks, for sunset picnics under outdoor movies. Before the entertainment, however, Rockwall County Emergency Management has the advantage of having captive audiences, distributing information to the men, women and children in attendance.

"The nature of tornadoes, it is important for your family to have a plan of severe weather," states a cautioning reminder letter issued by emergency management officials in Rockwall County.

Rockwall County are unaware that there is no community warning is issued, it is best to find an interior, ground floor room with no windows. We also recommend that you have a basic necessities and multiple ways to receive NOAA weather radio or through the Nixle emergency

Service, launched in April, allows Rockwall County to send important, valuable safety information directly to your mobile text message and/or email, instantly. Messages are sent during emergencies and other urgent notifications. The service is free and does not require a phone number to be included.

Rockwall County can immediately begin receiving pertinent information via text message to your mobile phone. To receive alerts via email and text message, visit [www.nixle.com](http://www.nixle.com) for full registration.

Rockwall County issues with a particular part of the population, the County Committee on Aging and the Rockwall Fire Department have an Emergency Alert and Preparedness Program for seniors and older adults throughout Rockwall County. After a risk assessment to identify the vulnerability of persons in the Rockwall County area, the County Committee on Aging and the Rockwall Fire Department ded with an all-out effort to bridge this gap and do what they can to reduce the number of fatalities and

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## Rockwall CRI seeks volunteers

The Rockwall County Cities Readiness Initiative is seeking individuals interested in serving local residents.

The goal of the program is to "inform and prepare the residents in the event of a natural or manmade disaster," according to a news release on the program.

CRI was developed as a means of distributing medication to all county residents in the event of a biological or pandemic flu threat.

Anyone interested in participating should call Rockwall County Emergency Management at 972-204-7080 or email [volunteers@rockwallcountytx.com](mailto:volunteers@rockwallcountytx.com). For more details about the CRI program, visit [bt.cdc.gov/cri/facts.asp](http://bt.cdc.gov/cri/facts.asp).

## Helping Hands Health Center offers evening appointments

The Rockwall County Helping Hands Health Center will begin offering evening appointments three days each week beginning Sept. 12, according to a recent news release.

The center is expanding appointment availability in order to "better meet the needs of our patients," according to the release.

For more details, visit [rockwallhelpinghands.com](http://rockwallhelpinghands.com) or visit the center's Facebook site. To schedule an appointment, call 972-771-8194.

The Health Center is located at 102 S. First St., Suite B. It is a program of Helping Hands designed to offer medical services at reasonable costs, including a sliding scale fee for those who qualify.

## Windmill repairs ...

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of \$15 per person in the Community Center in Harry Myers Park. It will be catered by J. Carino's Country Italian Restaurant. Guests will be limited to the first 100 people who make reservations to either [rchfoundations@netscape.com](mailto:rchfoundations@netscape.com) or 972-722-1507.

Cash donations also are being accepted for the Windmill Fund established by the Rockwall County Historical Foundation. Donors may send a check to RCHF, P.O. Box 916, Rockwall, TX 75087.

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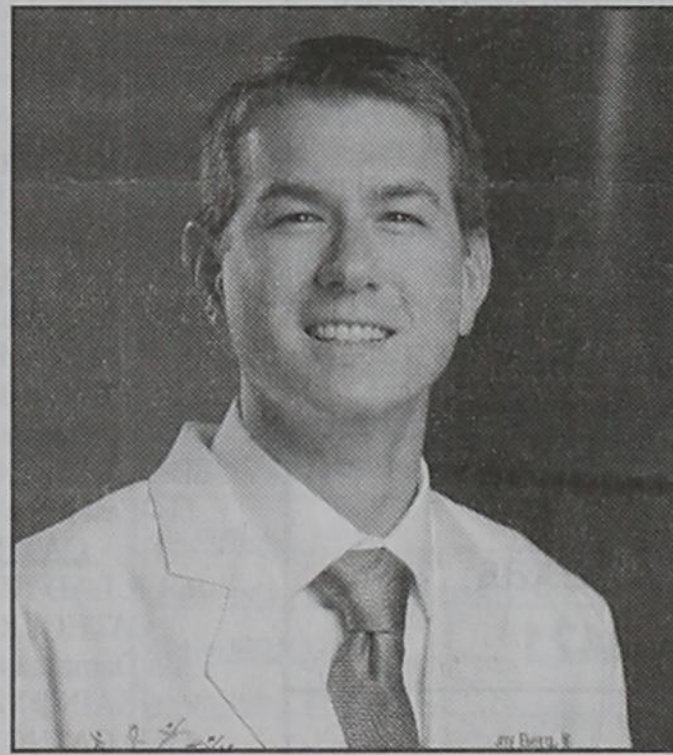
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# On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

Paul: more on the resurrection 1 Corinthians 15:29-35

In 1 Corinthians 15:29-37, Paul continues to reason with the believers concerning the resurrection of the dead. We have already seen that some in the church were teaching that there was no resurrection of the dead.

"Else what shall they do which are baptized for the dead, if the dead rise not at all? Why are they then baptized for the dead? And why stand we in jeopardy every hour? I protest by your rejoicing which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die daily" (verses 30-32). He was basically saying what good did it do for the dead believers to have been baptized while still alive. Moreover, why did he and other believers jeopardize their lives daily for the gospel of Jesus Christ. What a ludicrous thing it would be for him to be putting his life in danger for the gospel of Jesus Christ if there is no resurrection of the dead.

"If after the manner of men I have fought with beasts at Ephesus, what

advantage is it to me, if the dead rise not? Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die" (verses 32-33). The reference to "beasts" figuratively refers to people who labored against his service toward God. Like thorns in his side, they stuck close to him pretty much every where he went, trying to hurt him and disrupt his ministry. He then used a very logical line of reasoning, if the dead rise not then let us party with food and drunkenness because some day we will surely die.

"Be not deceived. Evil communications corrupt good manners" (verse 34). Paul warned them and us to not be deceived by them who teach that there is no resurrection of the dead. This kind of evil communications corrupts our godly manner of life if we give it lots of attention. It is interesting to note that the word "communications" was translated from an earlier Greek word that referred to closely associating with others.

"Awake to righteousness, and sin not. For some have not the knowledge of God. I speak this to your own shame. But some will say, 'How are the dead raised up? And with what body do they come?'" (verses 34-35). Wake up and understand the righteousness from God that is in us and do not practice a lifestyle that is contrary to righteousness, by embracing and teaching false things like the dead will not be raised. In fact, there are Christians who do

not have an accurate knowledge of God's word. Some dead be raised up? Or what kind of body will they have?

This is not about simple curious questions by they who about people who mockingly ask these questions to the believing the truth.

Guess what... Paul does not leave the questions unanswered later in this chapter.

## A Rockwall County News

# Hungry Harry

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### Hungry Harry goes looking

The Ancient Greeks used food as the source of conversation. Today, entertainment is the key to most people.

Bowling, go-carts, video games, miniature golf, laser tag have filled up our time.

Shenanigans has become the entertainment epicenter of Rockwall County. The challenge can be providing so many amenities in a short. However, in this case Shenanigans does a great job of fun things to do. The bigger problem may be more likely to pay for everything you want to do. It is great having entertainment.

Rozie's Grille is the restaurant located in Shenanigans. myself is with all the offerings it provides would the food short answer is no. The menu is reflective of the business has a wide offering.

The appetizers are different like the stuffed meatballs, plentiful. I usually don't glow about side dishes, but the beans are possibly the best thing I ever have tasted. The exceedingly well. The service was excellent and attentive.

The food price was higher than what would be expected is fair since it is more an entertainment place. Overall, completing a fun experience.

Service: Prompt, friendly  
Food: Great  
Price: \$-\$\$  
Overall: Three out of four smiles  
Location: 1290 E. I-30, Rockwall  
(EDITOR'S NOTE: Hungry Harry is a local resident. The writer receives no compensation or benefit from this assignment.)

## Nana Pat's Kite

by Pat Burnett  
Stay In Bed Stew  
Okay, here's one to consider this time of the year.  
Ingredients:  
2 lbs. stew meat  
4 medium sized potatoes  
2 small bell pepper  
1 small onion  
3/4 small celery  
3 carrots  
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Cover with foil tightly, then place lid on top  
Bake five hours (that's when you "stay in bed") at 250  
Do not peek!

## Home for the Holidays scheduled

Home for the Holidays, a benefit event for Rockwall Hands, is set for Nov. 5 at the Hilton Bella Harbor.

The event will include Festival of the Trees, a holiday Gala.

Also planned is Breakfast with Santa, which will be at Wonderland, Cinnamon Station and Prancer's Pancake breakfast will be \$20 per person, with three seatings of 10 ned from 9 a.m. to noon.

The event also will accept new, unwrapped toys for toy drive.

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#### Concerning Dangers from Dissensions Between the States For the Independent Journal.

Alexander Hamilton

To the People of the State of New York:

THE three last numbers of this paper have been dedicated to an enumeration of the dangers to which we should be exposed, in a state of disunion, from the arms and arts of foreign nations. I shall now proceed to delineate dangers of a different and, perhaps, still more alarming kind--those which will in all probability flow from dissensions between the States themselves, and from domestic factions and convulsions. These have been already in some instances slightly anticipated; but they deserve a more particular and more full investigation.

A man must be far gone in Utopian speculations who can seriously doubt that, if these States should either be wholly disunited, or only united in partial confederacies, the subdivisions into which they might be thrown would have frequent and violent contests with each other. To presume a want of motives for such contests as an argument against their existence, would be to forget that men are ambitious, vindictive, and rapacious. To look for a continuation of harmony between a number of independent, unconnected sovereignties in the same neighborhood, would be to disregard the uniform course of human events, and to set at defiance the accumulated experience of ages.

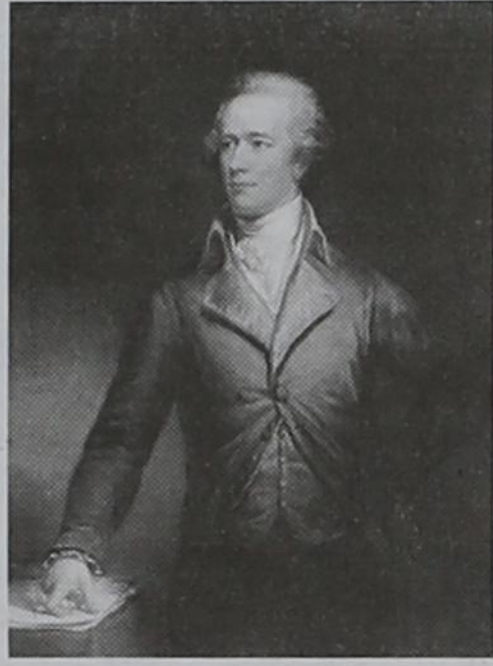
The causes of hostility among nations are innumerable. There are some which have a general and almost constant operation upon the collective bodies of society. Of this description are the love of power or the desire of pre-eminence and dominion--the jealousy of power, or the desire of equality and safety. There are others which have a more circumscribed though an equally operative influence within their spheres. Such are the rivalships and competitions of commerce between commercial nations. And there are others, not less numerous than either of the former, which take their origin entirely in private passions; in the attachments, enmities, interests, hopes, and fears of leading individuals in the communities of which they are members. Men of this class, whether the favorites of a king or of a people, have in too many instances abused the confidence they possessed; and assuming the pretext of some public motive, have not scrupled to sacrifice the national tranquillity to personal advantage or personal gratification.

The celebrated Pericles, in compliance with the resentment of a prostitute, 1 at the expense of much of the blood and treasure of his countrymen, attacked, vanquished, and destroyed the city of the SAMNIANS. The same man, stimulated by private pique against the MEGARESIANS, 2 another nation of Greece, or to avoid a prosecution with which he was threatened as an accomplice of a supposed theft of the statuary Phidias, 3 or to get rid of the accusations prepared to be brought against him for dissipating the funds of the state in the purchase of popularity, 4 or from a combination of all these causes, was the primitive author of that famous and fatal war, distinguished in the Grecian annals by the name of the PELOPONNESIAN war; which, after various vicissitudes, intermissions, and renewals, terminated in the ruin of the Athenian commonwealth.

The ambitious cardinal, who was prime minister to Henry VIII., permitting his vanity to aspire to the triple crown, 5 entertained hopes of succeeding in the acquisition of that splendid prize by the influence of the Emperor Charles V. To secure the favor and interest of this enterprising and powerful monarch, he precipitated England into a war with France, contrary to the plainest dictates of policy, and at the hazard of the safety and independence, as well of the kingdom over which he presided by his counsels, as of Europe in general. For if there ever was a sovereign who bid fair to realize the project of universal monarchy, it was the Emperor Charles V., of whose intrigues Wolsey was at once the instrument and the dupe.

The influence which the bigotry of one female, 6 the petulance of another, 7 and the cabals of a third, 8 had in the contemporary policy, ferments, and pacifications, of a considerable part of Europe, are topics that have been too often descanted upon not to be generally known.

To multiply examples of the agency of personal considerations in the production of great national events, either foreign or domestic, according to their direction, would be an unnecessary waste of time. Those who have but a superficial acquaintance with the sources from which they are to be drawn, will themselves recollect a variety of instances; and those who have a tolerable knowledge of human nature will not stand in need of such lights



to form their opinion either of the reality or extent of that agency. Perhaps, however, a reference, tending to illustrate the general principle, may with propriety be made to a case which has lately happened among ourselves. If Shays had not been a DESPERATE DEBTOR, it is much to be doubted whether Massachusetts would have been plunged into a civil war.

But notwithstanding the concurring testimony of experience, in this particular, there are still to be found visionary or designing men, who stand ready to advocate the paradox of perpetual peace between the States, though dismembered and alienated from each other. The genius of republics (say they) is pacific; the spirit of commerce has a tendency to soften the manners of men, and to extinguish those inflammable humors which have so often kindled into wars. Commercial republics, like ours, will never be disposed to waste themselves in ruinous contentions with each other. They will be governed by mutual interest, and will cultivate a spirit of mutual amity and concord.

Is it not (we may ask these projectors in politics) the true interest of all nations to cultivate the same benevolent and philosophic spirit? If this be their true interest, have they in fact pursued it? Has it not, on the contrary, invariably been found that momentary passions, and immediate interest, have a more active and imperious control over human conduct than general or remote considerations of policy, utility or justice? Have republics in practice been less addicted to war than monarchies? Are not the former administered by MEN as well as the latter? Are there not aversions, predilections, rivalships, and desires of unjust acquisitions, that affect nations as well as kings? Are not popular assemblies frequently subject to the impulses of rage, resentment, jealousy, avarice, and of other irregular and violent propensities? Is it not well known that their determinations are often governed by a few individuals in whom they place confidence, and are, of course, liable to be tinged by the passions and views of those individuals? Has commerce hitherto done anything more than change the objects of war? Is not the love of wealth as domineering and enterprising a passion as that of power or glory? Have there not been as many wars founded upon commercial motives since that has become the prevailing system of nations, as were before occasioned by the cupidity of territory or dominion? Has not the spirit of commerce, in many instances, administered new incentives to the appetite, both for the one and for the other? Let experience, the least fallible guide of human opinions, be appealed to for an answer to these inquiries.

Sparta, Athens, Rome, and Carthage were all republics; two of them, Athens and Carthage, of the commercial kind. Yet were they as often engaged in wars, offensive and defensive, as the neighboring monarchies of the same times. Sparta was little better than a wellregulated camp; and Rome was never sated of carnage and conquest.

Carthage, though a commercial republic, was the aggressor in the very war that ended in her destruction. Hannibal had carried her arms into the heart of Italy and to the gates of Rome, before Scipio, in turn, gave him an overthrow in the territories of Carthage, and made a conquest of the commonwealth.

Venice, in later times, figured more than once in wars of ambition, till, becoming an object to the other Italian states, Pope Julius II. found means to accomplish that formidable league, 9 which gave a deadly blow to the power and pride of this haughty republic.

The provinces of Holland, till they were overwhelmed in debts and taxes, took a leading and conspicuous part in the wars of Europe. They had furious contests with England for the dominion of the sea, and were among the most persevering and most implacable of the opponents of Louis XIV.

In the government of Britain the representatives of the people compose one branch of the national legislature. Commerce has been for ages the predominant pursuit of that country. Few nations, nevertheless, have been more frequently engaged in war; and the wars in which that kingdom has been engaged have, in numerous instances, proceeded from the people.

There have been, if I may so express it, almost as many popular as royal wars. The cries of the nation and the importunities of their representatives have, upon various occasions, dragged their monarchs into war, or continued them in it, contrary to their inclinations, and sometimes contrary to the real interests of the State. In that memorable struggle for superiority between the rival houses of AUSTRIA and BOURBON, which so long kept Europe in a flame, it is well known that the antipathies of the English against the French, seconding the ambition, or rather the avarice, of a favorite leader, 10 protracted the war beyond the limits marked out by sound policy, and for a considerable time in opposition to the views of the court.

The wars of these two last-mentioned nations have in a great measure grown out of commercial considerations--the desire of supplanting and the fear of being supplanted, either in particular branches of traffic or in the general advantages of trade and navigation.

From this summary of what has taken place in other countries, whose situations have borne the nearest resemblance to our own, what reason can we have to confide in those reveries which would seduce us into an expectation of peace and cordiality between the members of the present confederacy, in a state of separation? Have we not already seen enough of the fallacy and extravagance of those idle theories which have amused us with promises of an exemption from the imperfections, weaknesses and evils incident to society in every shape? Is it not time to awake from the deceitful dream of a golden age, and to adopt as a practical maxim for the direction of our political conduct that we, as well as the other inhabitants of the globe, are yet remote from the happy empire of perfect wisdom and perfect virtue?

Let the point of extreme depression to which our national dignity and credit have sunk, let the inconveniences felt everywhere from a lax and ill administration of government, let the revolt of a part of the State of North Carolina, the late menacing disturbances in Pennsylvania, and the actual insurrections and rebellions in Massachusetts, declare--!

So far is the general sense of mankind from corresponding with the tenets of those who endeavor to lull asleep our apprehensions of discord and hostility between the States, in the event of disunion, that it has from long observation of the progress of society become a sort of axiom in politics, that vicinity or nearness of situation, constitutes nations natural enemies. An intelligent writer expresses himself on this subject to this effect: "NEIGHBORING NATIONS (says he) are naturally enemies of each other unless their common weakness forces them to league in a CONFEDERATE REPUBLIC, and their constitution prevents the differences that neighborhood occasions, extinguishing that secret jealousy which disposes all states to aggrandize themselves at the expense of their neighbors." 11 This passage, at the same time, points out the EVIL and suggests the REMEDY.

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# The Destruction of the World Trade Center: Why the Official Account Cannot Be True

by David Ray Griffin

Authorized Version (with references & notes)

In The New Pearl Harbor: Disturbing Questions About the Twin Towers Attack of September 11, 2001 (2004), I summarized dozens of reports that cast doubt on the official story about 9/11. Commission Report: Omissions and Distortions (2005) shows how these various facts and reports were treated by the official story, namely, by distorting or simply omitting them. I have taken a picture approach, with its cumulative argument, in my lectures on 9/11 (Griffin, 2005b and 2005d). This approach to every aspect of the official story to be problematic, providing a challenge to the official story.

But this way of presenting the evidence has one special advantage when used in lectures and essays: It means that every particular issue must be quite brief, hence can thereby be led to suspect that a more thorough particular issue might show the official story to be wrong. In the present essay, I focus on one question: Why did the building 7 of the World Trade Center collapse. One reason, besides the fact that it allows us to go into considerable detail about the destruction of the World Trade Center provides one of the best ways to allow us to look at revelations contained in the 9/11 Commission Report were recorded by the New York Fire Department and released to the public only in August of 2005.

I will begin with the question of why the Twin Towers collapsed, raise the same question about building 7.

### 1. The Collapse of the Twin Towers

Shortly after 9/11, President Bush advised people to reject all conspiracy theories about the attacks of 9/11 (September 2001). Philip Zelikow, who directed the work of the 9/11 Commission, likewise warned against "outrageous conspiracy theories." What do these men mean by this expression? They mean we should reject all conspiracy theories about 9/11, because the official account is a conspiracy theory, with the conspirators being al-Qaeda. They mean only that we should reject all conspiracy theories about 9/11, because the official account is a conspiracy theory, with the conspirators being al-Qaeda. They mean only that we should reject all conspiracy theories about 9/11, because the official account is a conspiracy theory, with the conspirators being al-Qaeda. But what distinguishes an outrageous theory from a reasonable one? This is one of the central questions in the philosophy of science, confronted by rival theories--let's say Neo-Darwinism and Intelligent Design--scientists and philosophers of science are better and why. The mark of a good theory is that it is a coherent way, all or at least most of the relevant facts are dictated by any of them. A bad theory is one that is contradicted by the relevant facts. An outrageous theory would be one that is contradicted by virtually all the relevant facts.

With this definition in mind, let us look at the official theory of the Twin Towers, which says that they collapsed because of the impact of the airplanes and the resulting fires. FEMA said: "The structural damage sustained by each tower, combined with the ensuing fires, resulted in the collapse of each building" (FEMA, 2002). This theory clearly belongs to the category of outrageous theories, because it is contradicted by virtually all the relevant facts. Although this statement may seem extreme, it is not.

### No Prior Collapse Induced by Fire

The official theory is rendered implausible by two major facts: first is the simple fact that fire has never--prior to or after 9/11--caused steel-frame high-rise buildings to collapse. Defenders of the official theory seldom if ever mention this simple fact. Indeed, the supposed report put out by NIST--the National Institute for Standards and Technology--even implies that fire-induced collapses of large buildings are normal events (Hoffman, 2005). Far from being outrageous, such collapses have never occurred, except for the alleged collapse of the World Trade Center.

Defenders of the official theory, of course, say that the towers did not simply by the fire but the fire combined with the impact of the airliners. The towers, however, were designed to withstand almost anything, including hurricanes, and to withstand an airplane hitting [them] (Bollyn, 2001). And even Thomas Eagar, a professor of materials engineering who supports the official theory, says that the impact of the airplanes would not have been significant: "the number of columns lost on the initial impact was small and the loads were shifted to remaining columns in this highly ductile manner" (Eagar and Musso, 2001, pp. 8-11). Likewise, the official theory discussing how the impact of the planes contributed to the collapse is primarily on the claim that the planes dislodged a lot of steel from the steel.

The official theory of the collapse, therefore, is essentially implausible, so it cannot be emphasized too much that fire has never caused steel-frame buildings to collapse--never, whether before 9/11 or anywhere in the world on 9/11 except allegedly New York City. One might say, of course, that there is a first time for everything, and a truly extraordinary fire might induce a collapse. Let us examine what would count as an extraordinary fire? Given the proposed official theory, the fire would need to be very hot, very big, and very long-lasting, and the towers did not have even one of these characteristics. There have been claims, to be sure, that the fires were very hot, but vision specialists claimed that the towers collapsed because the steel melted. For example, an early BBC News report by Hyman Brown as saying: "steel melts, and 24,000 gallons of molten steel." Another man, presented as a structural engineer, said that the fire that killed the buildings. There's nothing that survives those temperatures with that amount of fuel burning.

### The columns would have melted" (Barter, 2002)

These claims, however, are absurd. Steel does not even melt until it reaches almost 2800° Fahrenheit. And yet open flames from hydrocarbons, such as kerosene--which is what jet fuel is--do not reach 1700°F, which is almost 1100 degrees below the melting point of steel.

We can, accordingly, dismiss the claim that the towers collapsed because their steel columns melted. Most defenders of the official theory do not make this absurd claim. They say merely that the towers fell to the point where it lost so much of its strength that it collapsed. For example, Thomas Eagar, saying that steel loses 80 percent of its strength when it is heated to 1,300°F, argues that this is what happened on 9/11. This claim to plausible, the fires would have still had to be very hot.

But they were not. Claims have been made, as we have seen, that jet fuel. But much of it burned up very quickly in the minutes after the planes hit the buildings, and rest was consumed in minutes after they were struck show few flames and lots of smoke. A sign that the fires were oxygen-starved. Thomas Eagar, who supports the official theory, says that the fires were "probably only about 1,200 or 1,300°F."

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## Heath Residents Reflect on Memories of 9/11

by Darcy Rocha

"I was out walking my daughter in the stroller when my husband called. By the sound in his voice it was like the whole world was under attack," said Robin Spear. "I can remember it so clearly. I came home and saw everything unfold on TV."

When asked about memories of the morning of Sept. 11, 2001, most people recall exactly where they were, what they were doing and what their first thoughts were when they first heard the news.

Those in our community of Heath openly shared their recollection of that day and how it still affects their lives now that 10 years have passed since the events of that fateful day.

Maria Dempsey was getting ready for work when she heard Diane Sawyer report on an airline crash in New York. But by the time Dempsey arrived at work, the second plane had hit the other tower and the reality of a terror attack here in the U.S. was starting to sink in. She feared for what the threat may be to other parts of the country, including Austin where her son was at the time.

"Our nephew was a recent high school graduate at that time," remembers Dempsey. "After Sept. 11 he made the decision to enlist in the Marines. In fact, he is being deployed to Afghanistan next month."

Heath DPS officer John Taylor was not yet working in public service. In fact, he had been contemplating the idea of becoming a firefighter, but had not yet taken all the steps necessary.

"My plans were off-track," said Taylor. "But 9/11 motivated me to pursue my goal."

Taylor has been a part of the Heath DPS force for 6 1/2 years and a volunteer firefighter in Crandall for 10.

Lynette Chan was living in Tucson, Ariz., at the time, and because of the time difference, she learned about it when her parents called in the early morning for what she thought was to wish her a happy birthday.

"Not knowing the nature of the attacks, I worried if any of us were safe, especially my husband Billy who had already gone to work," said Chan. "I was glued to the TV all day. We were supposed to go on a trip to Canada a few days later and had to completely cancel the trip."

Cathy Wicker was driving to work on I-30 when she heard the news on her radio and describes her reaction as complete shock.

"No one worked that day," recalls Wicker. "We watched the news on TV and listened to the radio. I felt like I was in a daze all day because it was such a shock."

Spear said the experience changed the way she thinks about the sacrifice people make. She always had been supportive of the military because of members in her own family, but it that this terrible set of events helped to bring everyone together to appreciate our military more and realize the true risk that these people, and their families, undertake.

Taylor said that 9/11 showed that lack of communication at the scene to be crippling. Since then, the need for better communication heightened the need for more substantial training, which has been a positive improvement.

When asked about how her perspective has changed in the ten years that have passed since that day, Chan said she feels much more jaded now, unsure if what she hears on the news is really the whole story.


Wicker said that day was a wake-up call because before we had all felt as if something of that magnitude would not happen here. She thinks that perhaps because we are all much more vigilant that we won't let it happen again.

Personally, that day was filled with disbelief, sadness and pause in the face of such tragedy. At the time I was the executive director of the Miss Portland Scholarship Program and because our titleholder had taken the crown at Miss Oregon over the summer, on Sept. 11 our girl, Katie Harman, was in Atlantic City, N.J., preparing for the Miss America Pageant. The thought of her being so close to the locations of the attacks was unbelievably frightening. But in one of the most emotional experiences of my life, 11 days later Katie went on to grasp the title of Miss America, reminding me and the rest of our country that our spirits and our pride could not be broken.

As a community we collectively look back to what our experiences were 10 years ago Sunday morning, each one of us profoundly affected by the events that day and the actions that resulted from it. Our lives and perspectives were forever altered. With gratitude we honor those who step forward to protect our freedoms and keep us safe, and remember that to love and respect one another in our own communities is our not only our responsibility, but a great blessing.

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# Rockwall County Sports

## Highlights Heath Hawks' victory over Wakeland

defence dominated an opponent for the second game this season, broke a 7-7 tie 42 seconds into the game. Heath struck back on Cody Court's second drive, a 76-yard play, 23 seconds later to pull a 13-7 lead.

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Mario makes a reception with eight Wakeland defenders surrounding him. He was just making some good cuts. It was all him.

"Cody was a little more consistent throwing the ball. He was better in the second game than he was in the first, and we expect him to have a better game in the third."

"A little bit we felt like it should have been an easier win. In the second half, we came out and took control. We had a chance to run out the clock. At the end, we came out with a victory."

In the game, Rockwall-Heath held the Wolverines to 59 rushing yards. The Hawks had won their season opener 19-7 over West Mesquite.

Fields finished with four catches for a game-high 119 yards. Hernandez led all rushers with 88 yards in 18 carries.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
RHHS	0	13	7	0	20
Wakeland	7	7	0	0	14

Wakeland - Devaughn Childress 76 pass from Nick West (Zach Paul kick)

RHHS - Amaris Fields 35 pass from Cody Court (Parker Swanson kick)

Wakeland - Jonathan Weisheit 8 pass from West (Paul kick)

RHHS - Fields 76 pass from Court (kick failed)

RHHS - Hernandez 8 run (Swanson kick)

	RHHS	Wakeland
1st downs	18	15
Rushes-yds.	43-180	21-59
Comp-Att-Int	9-16-0	18-35-2
Passing yds.	168	215
Total yds.	348	274
Punts-avg.	7-19.4	4-36.3
Penalties-yds.	9-69	6-57
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0

### Individual statistics

Passing - RHHS: Cody Court 9-16-0-168; Wakeland: Nick West 18-34-2-215, Dan Harrington 0-1-0-0.

Receiving - RHHS: Amaris Fields 4-119, Tyler McKay 1-19, Shyon Motlagh 2-13, Alan Wilcoxson 1-13, Rico Henderson 1-4; Wakeland: Devaughn Childress 4-92, Dan Harrington 7-52, Jonathan Weisheit 3-33, Brad Sicula 2-21, Turner Smiley 1-9, Andrew Adlof 1-8

Rushing - RHHS: Jovan Hernandez 18-88, Cody Court 13-34, Rico Henderson 6-24, Jeremy Armstrong 4-17, Amaris Fields 1-12, Brandon Young 1-5; Wakeland: Nick West 12-25, Devaughn Childress 6-19, Jonathan Weisheit 1-14.

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Mario Henderson (4) follows the ball for an interception against Frisco Wakeland Friday game at Pizza Hut Park in Frisco. Photo by Carl McClung/Rockwall County News

## Hawks hope for repeat victory over Garland Lakeview

Who: Rockwall-Heath Hawks vs. Garland Lakeview Centennial Patriots  
Where: Wilkerson-Sanders Memorial Stadium  
When: 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 9

Records: RHHS is 2-0 after coming behind to win 20-14 at Frisco Wakeland Friday, Sept. 2. The Patriots' 37-34 home loss to Sulphur Springs that night left them 0-2.

History: The teams met for the first time last season, when the Hawks took a 31-17 victory at Homer B. Johnson Stadium in Garland. Lakeview was driving toward a game-tying touchdown, when Parker Wood intercepted a pass and returned it for a Rockwall-Heath TD. Mario Henderson also picked off a pass and scored with it.

Injuries: Hunter Seales and Brandon Holquin will not play for RHHS.

What to expect: Opponents and the media are beginning to notice the Hawks' defense, which has allowed just 23 points in two games.

The offense hasn't yet matched the defense's intensity, but showed more signs of life against Wakeland than in the 19-7 opening-game home victory over West Mesquite.

RHHS head coach Mickey Moss said, "Lakeview is a little like West Mesquite. They're athletic, but they throw and catch better. They've got a good balance of running and throwing."

The Patriots have a fairly standard offense, but their defense is more risk-taking.

"They'll roll the dice," Moss said. "They do lots of blitzing. They'll bring people from many different directions. We've just got to get a body on a body and we can get things done."

The blitzing pass defense could help the Hawks' running game. Moss said, "We can get a body on a body and create some openings."

## Lady Hawks bounce back to beat Royse City, N. Mesquite

As they have all season, the Rockwall-Heath Lady Hawks bounced back into the win column after their loss to Rowlett Friday, Sept. 2.

The five-game loss - 25-17, 15-25, 17-25, 27-25, 15-11 - to the Lady Eagles was just the third this season for RHHS (28-3), and the second to 5A Rowlett.

The Lady Hawks had come back after losing to Rowlett in the semifinals to finish third in the Garland ISD Tournament. And after losing to Denton Guyer in the Lewisville/The Colony Tournament final, Rockwall-Heath swept its opponents to win the Frisco ISD Tournament the next weekend.

This time, the Lady Hawks won two matches Tuesday at home. Royse City put up quite a fight, losing in five games 25-8, 18-25, 25-12, 11-25, 15-10. North Mesquite started to play well late but dropped a three-game decision

## 's dilemma: To score or not to score

ool football team keeps finding itself in places where it hasn't been before. Opening game Aug. 26, the Falcons scored a Fulton-record 85 points. They won a game by six-man football's 45-point mercy rule at halftime for the first time. Victory over Fort Worth Hill School Friday, Sept. 2, at Rockwall-Heath High School. Frustrating because Fulton has never been at this point," said Falcons head coach Josh Johnson. "We had two running plays and one pass play and scored every time. That made it tough for us to make a dent.

at to get anyone injured. Right at the end of the second quarter, we spiked the ball to get another play. Went 35 yards for a touchdown to make it 45-(plus) points."

ly can't for sophomore Leverett, who had scored six touchdowns in Fulton's 85-59 opening-game

efense was greatly improved against the Hawks. Defensively we came out and were really aggressive. Coach (Matthew) Burgy talked about bend but they were stepping up on big, money downs."

interceptions by Tanner Treadway and Jasten Reese for the second consecutive week. scored a touchdown on each of his two running plays, totaling 38 yards, and threw a 52-yard pass Reese for a TD. Reese's two catches went for 85 yards and two touchdowns.

ell ran for a score and caught a 53-yard scoring pass from Qwe' Terrious Conley, who was 3-for-3 for two TDs. Anthony Aaron also scored a rushing touchdown.

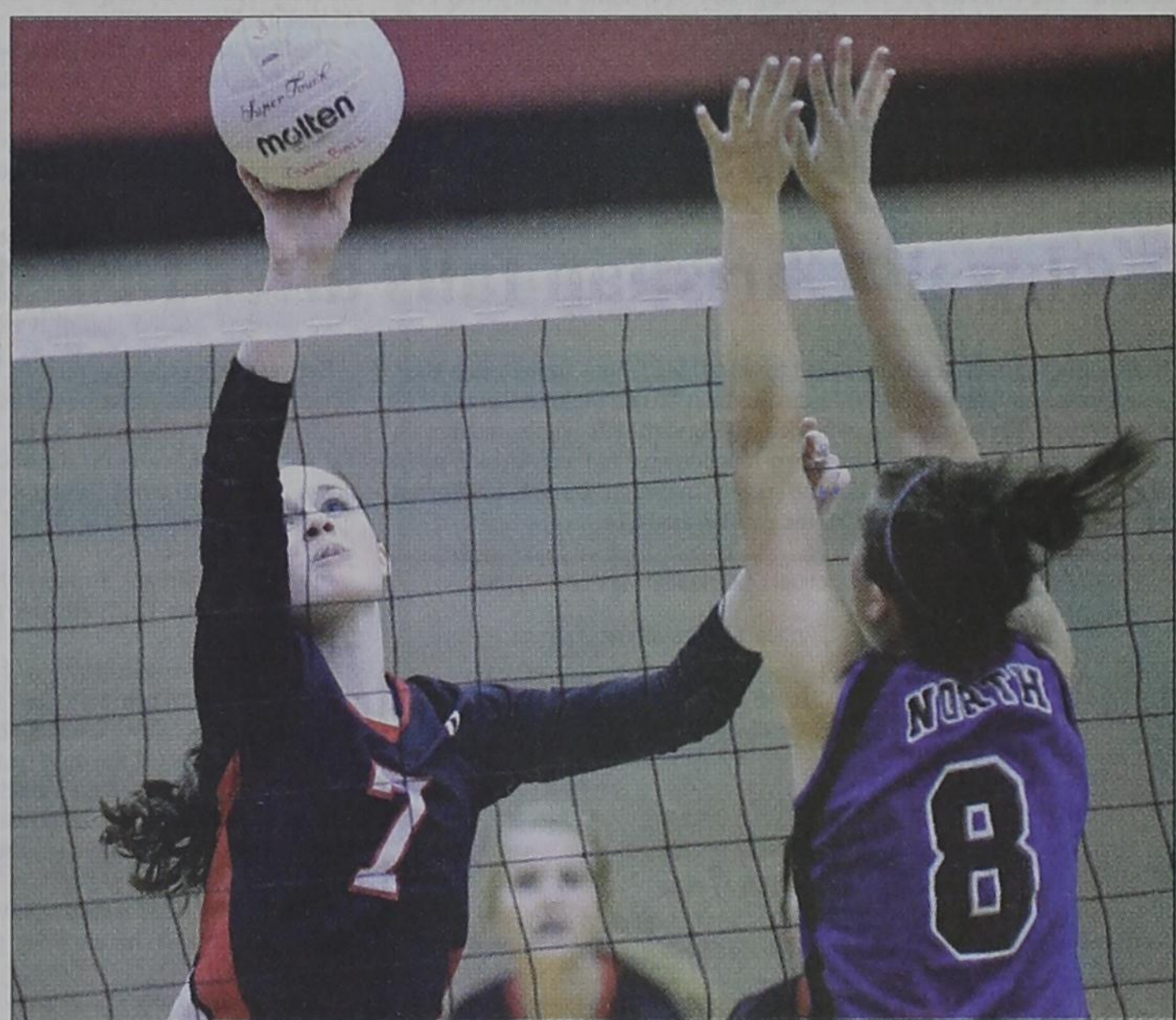
"We had exceptional offense. Defensively, we got after them pretty early. The special teams did a They moved an onside kick."

2-0) new will play Wylie Preparatory Academy in a game that has been moved to 7:30 p.m. Friday k in Wye.

See the Fulton football preview story on page 13



ons' Haven Leverett (11) escapes tackles and dashes down field for the game winning touchdown during the last 10 seconds of the first half against Fort Worth Hill last Friday at the field in Heath. Assisting in the play at back is Qwe' Terrious Conley (4). Fulton won 54-6, by point rule. Photo by Tim Burnett/Rockwall County News



Lady Hawks' Sophomore Claire Carpenter (7) gently taps the ball out of the path of a North Mesquite defender during Tuesday's match in the RHHS gym. At back is Kailey Peters. Photo by Carl McClung/Rockwall County News

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# Rockwall County Sports

## Yellowjackets win total yards, hit speed bump in loss to Rowlett

by Lary Bump

Rowlett took a 21-0 second-quarter lead that was too much for Rockwall to overcome in a 34-14 loss Friday night at Wilkerson-Sanders Memorial Stadium.

"They jumped on us," said Rockwall head coach Scott Smith.

The Yellowjackets (0-2) rallied with Wesley Davis running 4 yards for a touchdown in the second quarter, and Chris Minor scoring on a 1-yard TD run in the second half to pull the home team within 10 points at 24-14.

The Eagles (1-1) came back to score the game's final 10 points.

RHS gained more yardage (375-329) than the Eagles, who were more efficient when they moved close to the goal line. Davis, the Jackets' quarterback, completed 18 of 28 passes for 229 yards. Seven of the passes went to Andrew Hinckley for a team-high 90 yards. For the second consecutive week, Alex Ntchobo was the leading rusher, with 8 carries for 50 yards.

Smith said, "We went in feeling we could play-action pass, and we had some success. We threw over the linebackers and under the defensive backs.

"We were hoping to be able to run the ball a little bit better. They were squeezing the inside gaps, trying to make us go outside.

"We're seeing improvement, but we're not hitting on all cylinders offensively. The kids kept fighting."

Quarterback Grant Bothun led Rowlett. He ran for two touchdowns as the Eagles took a 14-0 lead in the first quarter, and scored the game's final TD on a 10-yard run in the third quarter. Bothun finished with a game-high 92 rushing yards in 12 carries.

In the second quarter, backup quarterback Colton Kalmus threw a 20-yard scoring pass to Rashid Turner. That 21-0 lead proved to be enough for the Eagles to win.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Rowlett	14	10	7	3	34
RHS	0	7	7	0	14

Rowlett – Grant Bothun 2 run (Nick Bruno kick)

Rowlett – Bothun 6 run (Bruno kick)

Rowlett – Rashid Turner 20 pass from Colton Kalmus (Bruno kick)

RHS – Wesley Davis 4 run (Tyler Bonny kick)

Rowlett – Bruno 45 FG

RHS – Chris Minor 1 run (Bonny kick)

Rowlett – Bothun 10 run (Bruno kick)

Rowlett – Bruno 24 FG

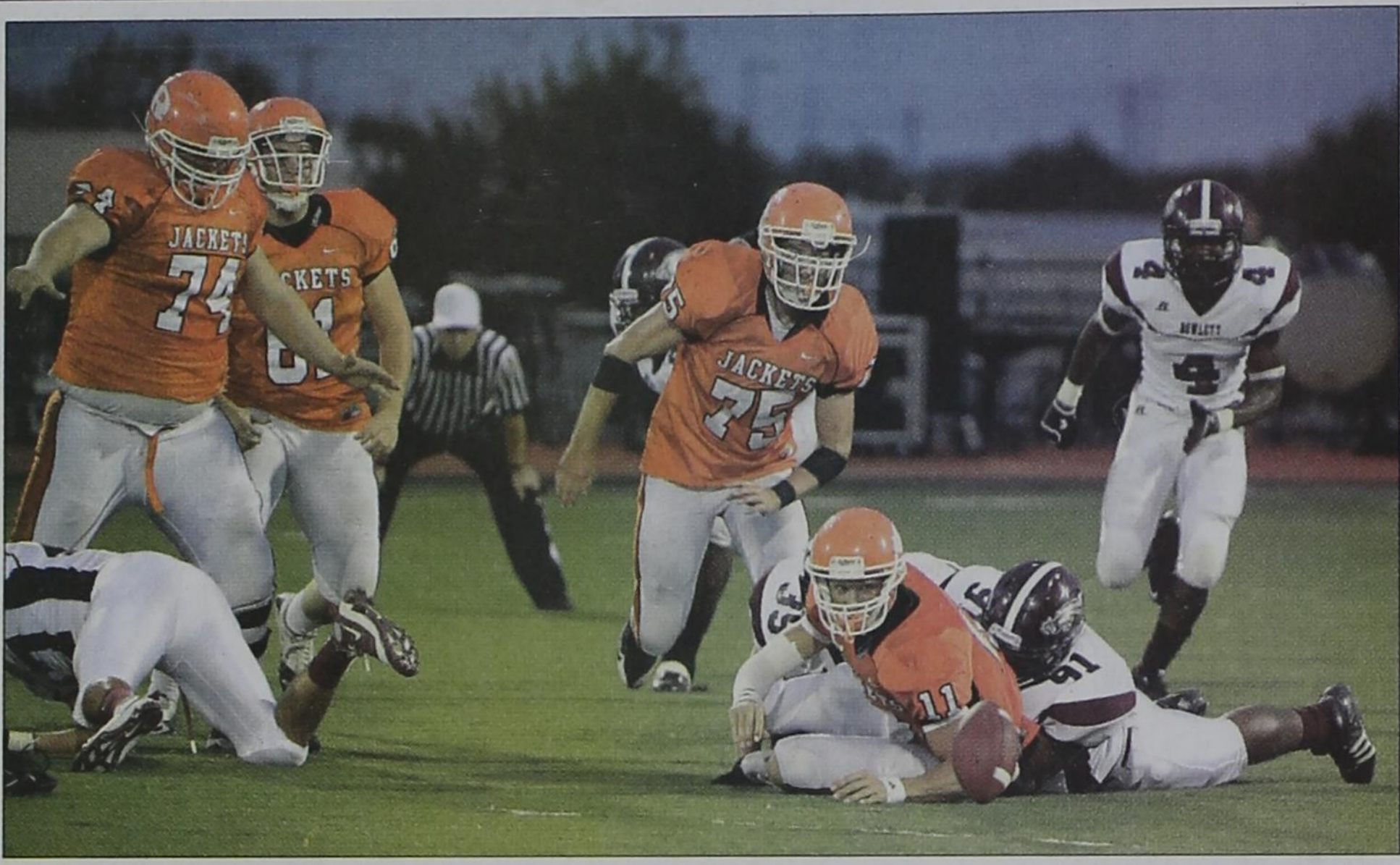
	Rowlett	RHS
1st downs	16	22
Rushes-yds.	36-224	42-147
Comp-Att-Int	10-15-0	18-28-0
Passing yds.	105	229
Total yds.	329	375
Punts-avg.	4-40.0	6-38.0
Penalties-yds.	6-50	4-41
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-0

Individual statistics

Passing – Rowlett: Colton Kalmus 4-5-0-60, Grant Bothun 1-1-0-10; RHS: Wesley Davis 18-28-0-229.

Receiving – Corey Chappell 5-35, Corey Manges 1-20, 2-24, Jonathan Williams 1-14, Ryan Foreman 1-4; RHS: Andrew Hinckley 7-90, Zach Farrow 3-37, Alex Ntchobo 3-33, Coan Calabrese 1-17, Matt Moses 1-12, Zach Berryman 1-10.

Rushing – Grant Bothun 12-92, Corey Chappell 5-61, John 57, Nigel Hasty 3-7, Colton Kalmus 3-7; RHS: Alex Ntchobo 8-50, Black 10-35, Wesley Davis 9-33, Chris Minor 8-13, Zach Berryman 3-5.



Rockwall quarterback Wesley Davis (11) fumbles the ball after being tackled by a two Rowlett defenders during last week's game in Wilkerson-Sanders Stadium, Rockwall. The fumble was recovered by Yellowjackets' running back Baylor Black (24). Also in the play are offensive linemen Joseph Martinez (74), Nick Noble (75), and Matt Akins (62).  
Photo by Roy Heath (royheath.exposuremanager.com)/Rockwall County News

## Lady Jackets break even on southern trip

Rockwall's volleyball team has been winning one match and losing most of this season.

So it was little surprise that on the Lady Jackets' trip to Santa Fe weekend, they split six matches. Those results left their record 15-14.

Despite breaking even in matches, it was a successful trip as their losses came against the teams that finished first and second in the Santa Fe Tournament, and RHS won a game in each match.

The first tournament match Thursday, Sept. 1, was a 25-12 loss to Waller, which went on to win the Santa Fe title. After that Rayburn, Rockwall played a match Friday at Mont Belvieu. The Lady Eagles, also taking a day off from the tournament, won in four games and went on to finish second at Santa Fe.

On Saturday, Rockwall swept its first two matches – from 14, 25-13 and Goose Creek Memorial – before losing two games to host Santa Fe.

The Lady Jackets are scheduled to open their District 10-4A season night at Richardson Pearce.

## Taylor, Jones finish first in final Summer Series sailing

Bryan Taylor sailed "Rented Mule" to first place in the ninth, and final, race of the Summer Wednesday Night Series at Lake Ray Hubbard.

The first race in the Sunday Fall Series, scheduled for Saturday, was canceled because of winds gusting to 43 miles per hour. The race was open instead this Sunday at 1 p.m.

The Fall Wednesday Night Race Series was scheduled to begin on Saturday night, Sept. 7.

In the final Summer Series race, the breeze was a more consistent 15 miles per hour from the southeast. Robert Williams followed the finish line in "Hotter Tuna." David Carter was third in "Crazy." Scott Self fourth in "Soap Opera," Jeff Willis fifth in "Crazy." Greenwood sixth in "August Blaze."

Mike Jones and "Wings" again won the B Fleet competition. Robert Cummings second in "Dulcinea" and Keelan Manned Venture.

## Fulton Falcons could face a challenge from Wylie Prep

Who: The Fulton School Falcons at Wylie Preparatory Academy Patriots

Where: Founders Park, Wylie

When: 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 9. The game was moved from 2 p.m. Saturday.

Records: The Falcons are 2-0 following their 54-6 home victory over Fort Worth Hill School Friday, Sept. 2. Wylie Prep is 1-1, but won last week's game 66-20 over McKinney Cornerstone Christian.

History: Fulton and Wylie Prep have never met in football.

Injuries: Fulton's C.J. White, scheduled to undergo shoulder surgery, is expected to miss the remainder of this season.

What to expect: The Falcons, who have scored 139 points in just six quarters of football, could try to tire Wylie's big linemen.

Said Fulton head coach Josh Johnson, "They're big and fundamentally sound on defense. They do a good job tackling downfield, but they're not fast. They may give us a challenge, but I think our speed will get to them."

Cornerstone might have had a similar game plan. But after taking a 20-6 lead, the McKinney team gave up 60 points and lost by six-man football's 45-point mercy rule.

The Panthers run a Diamond Spread offense. Johnson said, "They like to run and pass out of it, but they like to get a little tight and keep it on the ground."

Fulton most likely will run out of a Spread formation.

Sixmanfootball.com has predicted that Fulton would win by 45 points.

## Rockwall Christian falls after fast start and QB's injury against Cumby

Rockwall Christian Academy rolled to a 14-0 lead, but Cumby came back to overpower the Warriors 38-20 Friday night at Trojan Field in Cumby.

Quarterback Taylor Corbin, who led RCA with 101 yards rushing in 10 carries, scored the game's first two touchdowns and ran for a 2-point conversion in the first quarter. For the second consecutive week, he threw a touchdown pass to Austin Dean for the game's final TD.

Between those scoring plays, Corbin left the game because of a sprained ankle, taking most of the Warriors' offense with him.

"We ran the ball kind of at will with Taylor," said RCA head coach Caleb Palmer. "We were running a speed option out of the 'Gun. We marched right down and scored twice. When we got the ball the third time, we dropped a ball on a post pattern that would have been another touchdown. We could have been ahead 21-0."

Instead, quarterback Brandon Heer began marching the Trojans up and down their home field. He ran for two touchdowns and passed for two 2-point conversions.

Cumby's halftime lead still was just 16-14.

Palmer said, "When we went into the half, we felt good. We made some adjustments and felt we could really get back into the Gun and run it at them. On the first series (of the third quarter), Taylor went down."

The Trojans stretched their lead to 23-14 after three quarters and to 38-14 before RCA's fourth-quarter touchdown.

For the game, Cumby out-gained the Warriors (0-2) by piling up 435 yards to the visitors' 217.

"We dropped three passes that were in our hands and out. We kept having penalties here and there on big plays. We had a few mishaps on snaps," Palmer said.

"They broke some long runs. We had way too many missed tackles. I realized that we got tired when we weren't tackling. We're not in good shape."

With two consecutive weeks off, Palmer outlined an obvious course of action for the team's practices. "Every day we'll hit and tackle, catch and condition."

The first part of that plan was altered after three Warriors suffered

concussions from hits during practice.

Palmer said he expected Corbin and the three players who were injured to be ready to play when the schedule resumes Sept. 23 at Irving. Running back Daniel Ruiz, who has transferred to Dallas Christian Academy, will be with the Warriors.

Individual statistics

Passing – RCA: Taylor Corbin 7-19-0-97; Cumby: Brandon Heer 1-37.

Receiving – RCA: Austin Dean 2-60, Daniel Rorie 3-28, 1-14, Jonas Poland 1-minus-5; Cumby: Caleb Penland 1-17, 2-15, Arsenio Ugaldo 1-5.

Rushing – RCA: Taylor Corbin 16-101, Austin Dean 8-18, 3-0; Cumby: Justin Smith 4-140, Brandon Heer 13-101, Colton Clayton 1-1.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
RCA	14	0	0	6	20
Cumby	0	16	7	15	38

	RCA	Cumby
1st downs	11	12
Rushes-yds.	27-120	40-404
Comp-Att-Int	7-19-0	4-10-1
Passing yds.	97	37
Total yds.	217	441
Punts-avg.	5-28.6	2-31.0
Penalties-yds.	12-80	12-90
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1

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Rockwall Christian Academy Warriors' Samson Figueiredo (55) pursues the Cumby quarterback during last Friday's game at Cumby.  
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# Rockwall County Sports

## Raccoons bite Bulldogs to spoil home opener

Age of three fumble recoveries and a porous Roysie Strahm, "What we wondered was 'Does one game identify that person as really good?'"

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	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Frisco	7	13	14	14	48
RCHS	0	7	0	3	10

Frisco - Carlos Harris 3 run (Kyle Fischer kick)  
 Frisco - Austin Zoda 34 run (run failed)  
 RCHS - Jared Tumbleton 20 pass from Wes Brookshire (Sean Pollock kick)  
 Frisco - Harris 17 run (Fischer kick)  
 Frisco - Harris 77 kickoff return (Fischer kick)  
 Frisco - Harris 83 run (Fischer kick)  
 RCHS - Pollock 37 FG  
 Frisco - Jake Battaglia 19 run (Fischer kick)  
 Frisco - Deon Kingston 3 run (Fischer kick)

	Frisco	RCHS
1st downs	18	17
Rushes-yds.	46-341	21-48
Comp-Att-Int	3-5-0	19-36-0
Passing yds.	72	237
Total yds.	413	285
Punts-avg.	1-43.0	4-29.8
Penalties-yds.	11-92	3-22
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	3-3

### Individual statistics

Passing - Frisco: Eric Allen 3-5-0-72; RCHS: Wes Brookshire 19-34-1-237, Aaron Disroe 0-2-0-0.

Receiving - Frisco: Drake Hardy 1-25, Carlos Harris 1-24, Austin Cravens 1-23; RCHS: Michael Webb 5-93, Jake Horbacz 5-59, Jared Tumbleton 4-48, Torrell McQueen 3-32, Sean Wilson 2-5.

Rushing - Frisco: Carlos Harris 16-180, Jake Battaglia 3-46, Austin Zoda 2-38, Ben Cole 7-25, Andre Horton 2-18, Eric Allen 2-17, Darrion Baca 5-10, Deon Kingston 2-5, David Bleasle 1-3, Ashton Shepard 2-0, Jordan Daniels 2-0, Matt Nollman 2-minus 1; RCHS: Wes Brookshire 9-22, Sean Wilson 10-19, Aaron Disroe 2-7.



Jared Tumbleton (20) catches a touchdown Friday's game against Frisco High at RCISD City.

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## Tough loss at Heath could help Lady Bulldogs in district

Roysie City prepared for Friday's opening District 13-4A volleyball match by defeating Paris in four games and narrowly losing to powerful Rockwall-Heath in five games Tuesday.

The Lady Bulldogs (14-9) roared back after losing the first game to Paris 25-23 to win the next three games - 25-19, 25-16, 25-20.

They also lost the first game (25-8) and won the second (25-18) at Rockwall-Heath. However, RHHS scored a 25-12 victory in the third game and, after RC took the fourth game 25-11, came back to win the fifth 15-10.

Roysie City will begin its district schedule at home Friday against Mount Pleasant.

## Water polo players gain experience at Junior Olympics

The five teams that included Rockwall players at the Junior Olympic Water Polo tournament all played some close games.

A number of the Rockwall boys and their parents also had a close call on the way home, when their flight from Los Angeles to Dallas made an emergency landing in Abilene. After spending the night on cots, they arrived home the next day.

The 14-and-under and 16-and-under boys' teams each finished with a 2-4 record, with two close losses apiece. The 14-and-under boys defeated Stockton 15-11 and Bakersfield 11-8, but lost close battles against Clovis 13-10 and Windy City from Chicago 12-10.

In the 16-and-under competition, the local players won handily over Conqueror 16-8 and Bear 14-5. Their close games were even closer than the 14 boys' contests. The 16 boys lost 11-9 to CHAWP White and 3-1 in a shootout after tying United White 6-6 in a defensive struggle.

The 18-and-under boys were 1-6. The close games were an 11-9 win over Raider and an 8-6 loss to Rockford.

The 18-and-under girls representing North Texas split a pair of shootouts. They tied Scorpion 9-9 but lost the shootout 1-0. The most exciting game was a 10-10 tie with the Texas Wildcats that went to 7-6 before the local team won the shootout. The team was 1-6, but the girls did bring home Texas bragging rights by defeating the Wildcats.

Jordan Hummingbird of Rockwall played for the Houston 14-and-under girls' team that went 3-4. Its close games were victories over Napa 11-9 and Trojan 14-12, and a 10-10 tie with Aliso that ended with a 4-3 shootout loss.

The close games especially gave

the local water polo players valuable experience. Said head coach Andres Rodriguez, "My perspective is that the level of our players continues to rise. We were more competitive against better teams than ever before."

The Rockwall Water Polo Club now is focusing on the Fall League schedule, which runs from Thursday through Nov. 3. Game days are scheduled in Southlake and Denton, with the Fall League Finals at the Rockwall ISD Aquatic Center.

Ages 8-18 are encouraged to play. Practices are at the Rockwall ISD Aquatic Center on Thursday evenings, 6-7:15 p.m. for those 12 and under, and 7-9 for those 18 and under.

More information is available at [www.rockwallwaterpolo.com](http://www.rockwallwaterpolo.com).



Jordan Hummingbird rears back to shoot and score past the Napa, CA goalie in an 11-9 victory for her team.

Photo courtesy of Jim Hummingbird/Rockwall County News

## Simmons tapped for Starfish Saver award

Rockwall High School teacher and coach Alan Simmons was the recipient of the 2010-2011 Starfish Saver Award.

Department chairs from each area of the school nominate teachers they believe model the award's ideals. These names are considered by the administrators, principal and assistant principals to determine the award winner, according to information from the school.

"It is never an easy decision because there are so many teachers at RHS who are quietly saving students all day every day and never tout their own horn," Shelley Garrett, assistant principal wrote in an email to the Rockwall County News. "Coach Simmons is a perfect example of this humility. I have known him for four years. I know about his integrity and character. I know how the varsity boys basketball players feel about their head coach, and I know the respect the entire staff have for Alan; however, I did not know the great lengths he goes to help the struggling math students he teaches."

In addition to serving as head coach for the boys varsity basketball squad, Simmons also teaches geometry and math models.

"He goes out of his way to help those students who have not had academic success in past math classes, especially those who have struggled with state-mandated tests," Garrett wrote. "He received this award because he came early, stayed late and did whatever it took to make sure every single student in his class passed the high-stakes, state-mandated math test that is necessary for high school graduation."

## Leau leads HCA to 4th McKinney Tournament

Christian Academy volleyball team won six of its first season, including a fourth-place finish at the McKinney tournament Aug. 26 and 27.

Leau, the Lady Eagles' captain and setter, made the most of her opportunity at McKinney.

She won at Dallas Lakehill Prep 25-23, 25-19, 25-10. She will open defense of their TAPPS District 4-2A play at Greenville Christian School.



Anabell Burke (11) slams the ball into Dallas during last Friday's match at the RISE in McKinney.

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## McKnight repeats state Bull Riding title

Montana McKnight spent part of his summer vacation the same way he did during the state championship at Saginaw in Open Bull Riding and Youth Bull Riders.

Heath High School senior was the only rider to cover his second title, which all but gave him his second consecutive state even title.

McKnight competed in the Cinch World Youth Bull Riders event, taking first place in Bull Riding last Saturday in Lonestar High School's first event of the high school season.



Montana McKnight

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