**ROCKWALL CITY NOTES** 

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# Keep on ROCKin' Through Spring Break



Want to help your kiddos ROCK Spring Break this year? Enroll them in ROCK Camp so they won't miss a single day of fun. They'll be occupied and entertained during their entire week of vacation.

Every day, from Monday, March 11, through Friday, March 15, the school-aged children will venture out on field trips to exciting new places around the DFW Metroplex, including the Gentle Zoo, the Crayola Experience and AT&T Stadium. Meanwhile, you get the peace of mind knowing they'll be supervised for

10 fun-filled hours each day. Pre-registration is required, and space is limited. For more information, please visit playrockwall.com.



**Enhancing Fire Safety** 

The Rockwall Fire Department has added six new fulltime firefighters to their team. The increase in staffing levels is a move to continue to enhance the service level the department provides.

The City of Rockwall operates a combination department, with full-time and part-time / volunteer staff. As the city grows, the need for more full-time staff has increased. Also, in 2017 the RFD became a limited First Responder Organization, responding to major medical emergencies. This role has increased call volumes significantly, and has already proven invaluable in saving residents' lives.

The additional on-duty members will help the department continue to provide quality service and enhance the safety of Rockwall residents and visitors.



Happening Around Town

Monday-Friday, March 11-15

Spring Break Rock Camp, Harry Myers Community Center, (815 E. Washington St.), 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Monday, March 18-Wednesday, April 10 Little Athletes, Session One, Harry Myers Park, 5:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 21 Brinner with the Bunny, The Center (108 E. Washington St.), 6-9 p.m.

Saturday, March 30 Woofstock (Low-cost vaccinations and pet registrations), Harry Myers Park, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Saturday, April 13 17th Annual Easter Egg Hunt, Harry Myers Park East, 9:30 a.m.

#### Saturday, April 13

*3rd Annual SNAP (Special Needs and Adaptive Programming), Easter Egg Hunt, Yellowjacket Park, 9:30 a.m.* 

For more information: Rockwall.com, PlayRockwall.com

## **Out and About in Rockwall**



Local Scouts Learn the Ropes

Local Cub Scout Pack 833 visited City Hall to learn more about how municipal government works. The students listened to a presentation and asked tough questions about what it takes to become a decision maker. They even got to sit in the driver's seat and conduct a meeting as true future leaders in training.



Family Fun

The annual Daddy Daughter Dance was a huge success once again. Hundreds gathered at the Hilton at The Harbor in Rockwall for the sold out event. The well dressed families played games, danced and made memories that will last a lifetime.



**Health for Humanity** 

The Rockwall City Council recognized a non-profit organization working to raise awareness about the health benefits of yoga. The goal is to help people achieve better overall health and wellness by practicing the ancient art.



Woofstock Coming Soon

Pet parents won't want to miss the free Woofstock event at Harry Myers Dog Park on Saturday, March 30 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be low-cost vaccinations and micro-chipping, free pet registrations, and more. Dogs must have proof of rabies vaccination and must remain on a leash at all times outside of the dog park.



#### Local Hero Appointed to Housing Authority Board

Rockwall Mayor Jim Pruitt has appointed decorated Vietnam War hero, Joseph P. Lynch, to the Housing Authority Board, which oversees homes for elderly and needy residents.

Mr. Lynch brings unique experience to the board, as he was raised in two different Boston housing projects. To overcome his background, he enlisted in the U.S. Army at the age of 17, where he earned four of the military's top awards before the age of 20: the Silver Star, Purple Heart, Air Medal for Heroism, and the Army Commendation Medal for Heroism.

Joe and his wife of 50 years, Connie, have four sons, nine grandchildren, and a great grandchild. He says he looks forward to his new role. "I will strive to help residents by providing hope, motivation and vision to see that there is always a way to achieve your goals."



### **Brinner with the Bunny**

**Did you Gnow?** You can enjoy "brinner" with the Easter Bunny! It's not quite dinner and it's not quite breakfast—it's breakfast tacos for dinner.

On Thursday, March 21 from 6-9 p.m., at The Center (108 E. Washington), you can hop around and explore egg coloring, face painting, and visit with the Easter Bunny. Be sure to bring your camera to capture the moment. Pre-registration is required, there's a small fee and space is limited. Check out playrockwall.com for the details.



### A Tool to Track Your Trash

Have you tried the Recycle Coach app yet? It can help you track your trash. When you download the Recycle Coach app (formerly known as My Waste), it can remind you about trash and recycling collection days. The tool provides you with personalized collection schedules for web and mobile, as well as an interactive feature to communicate trash issues with the City of Rockwall.

Just snap a picture of a service problem you may have, and send it straight to the Utility Billing Department. The City can also push out schedule updates as needed. Visit rockwall.com for more information and a link to download this service.