

# **Anticipation Builds as Annual Founder's Day Festival Nears**

Fans are already excited about this year's lineup at the Rockwall Founder's Day Festival. Headliner, Easton Corbin (8 p.m.), and opening act, The Bellamy Brothers (6 p.m.) will take the main stage for the big event. It's no wonder that this is one of the most highly anticipated events in the *Free Live Music Capital of North Texas!* This year's festivities take place on Saturday, May 20 at Harry Myers Park from 1 to 9 p.m.. There will be a whole host of family friendly activities to enjoy:

- \* Live music
- \* Food vendors
- \* Bounce houses
- \* Games and fun activities
- \* Unique retail and arts and craft vendors



All events are free, and everyone is welcome! For more information about the day's events, please visit <u>PlayRockwall.com</u>.



### Farmer's Market Opens for Business in May

The Rockwall Farmer's Market kicks off their 16th season on Saturday, May 6! Every year, hundreds gather in Historic Downtown Rockwall for the official opening of the most sought-after farmer's market around. Vendors and patrons come from far and wide to be a part of the fun. All proceeds go to local nonprofit organizations. Last year, Rockwall Farmer's Market donated \$5,000 to Meals on Wheels and another \$5,000 to Patriot Paws.

The seasonal market is open Saturdays from 8 a.m. until noon through September. For more information about vendors and related events, be sure to visit <u>Rockwall.com/</u> <u>mainstreet</u>.



# Happening Around Town

Thursdays, May-July Concert by the Lake Series, The Harbor, 7-9 p.m.

Saturdays, May 6-September 30 Rockwall Farmers Market, Historic Downtown Rockwall, 8-12 p.m.

Fridays-Saturdays, May-October San Jacinto Music Series, San Jacinto Plaza, (Downtown Rockwall), 7-9:30 p.m.

#### Saturday, May 20

Founders Day Festival, Harry Myers Park, 1-9 p.m.

For more information: Rockwall.com, PlayRockwall.com

# **Out and About in Rockwall**



**Concert by the Lake Series Set to Return** 

Residents will be happy to know that the Concert by the Lake Series begins on Thursday, May 4, 7-9 pm. The annual tradition has lively crowds dancing and singing along with the performers. Music lovers can enjoy the events at The Harbor every Thursday evening from May-July. This year, there will be new bands and genres, so be sure to turn out for the fun! For a complete list of the summer lineup, you can visit PlayRockwall.com.



**Rockwall Loves Our Furry Friends** 

Recently, enthusiastic pet lovers congregated once again at the Harry Myers Dog Park for a low cost shot clinic. Residents were able to get low-cost vaccinations for their pets, which is a valuable service. The event was hosted by the Texas Coalition for Animal Protection. The weather was beautiful, and it was nice to enjoy the great outdoors with our furry friends. The next pet event is expected to be this fall.





## Huge Turnout for Spring Fling

Girlfriends gathered to sip, shop and celebrate in Downtown Rockwall. Close to a thousand shoppers turned out for the annual *Spring Fling* premier shopping event, co-hosted by Rockwall Main Street and Downtown Rockwall Association.

#### Love Your Landscape... Mow Mow Mow

We've had a respite from mowing during the dormant winter months, and now it's time to spring into action. Here are some hints to keep your grass in tip top shape:

- Keep your mower blade sharp. It helps grass heal quicker with less browning
- Mow at least twice a week (!) for a dense lawn with fewer weeds and less scalping
- Mow in different directions each cycle to prevent scalping and to stand grass blades up for a better cut
- Mulching versus bagging is a natural way to fertilize your lawn, but bag at least once per month to reduce thatch build up
- Optimum mowing heights:
  - Hybrid Bermuda: 3/4" to 1.5"
  - Common Bermuda: 1.5" to 2"
  - St. Augustine: 2.5" to 3"
  - Zoysia: 1.5" to 3.0"
  - Centipede: 1.0" to 1.5"

\* Fun Fact: Did you know golf greens are mowed daily and sometimes twice a day at heights below .125"