

Rockwall Announces Main Acts for Founders Day Festival 2023!

Every year, the City of Rockwall works to bring the best of the best for the annual Founders Day Festival. This year is no different. Drum roll please... Announcing this year's main music lineup: the legendary Bellamy Brothers, who are opening for the headliner, modern country artist, Easton Corbin!

Fans flock to the highly anticipated event, which is one of the signature performances in the *Free Live Music Capital of North Texas*. This year's event takes place on Saturday, May 20, at Harry Myers Park from 1-10 p.m., and here are a few of the planned activities:

Wide variety of food vendorsUnique specialty foods, arts and crafts, etc.

- Kids' zone bounce houses & games for all ages
 - Live music 6-10 p.m.







Longtime Volunteer Receives Main Street Award

The Rockwall Main Street Advisory Board has presented longtime Downtown Rockwall business owner and volunteer, Tammy Sharp, with a rare Main Street Legacy Award, which recognizes contributions to the vibrancy and economy of Downtown Rockwall. In his presentation at the City Council meeting on Tuesday, January 17, Board President, Jeremy Standifer, noted that without question, when people think of Downtown Rockwall, they think of Tammy Sharp.

As the President of the Downtown Rockwall Association, going on her third term, Tammy has gone above and beyond in her dedication, especially to the success of events on the square. For years, she has been a behind the scenes dynamo for high profile events such as Spring Fling, Hometown Christmas, and Farm to Feast, just to name a few.

Tammy Sharp has selflessly served for more than a decade. The events are a big part of what draws people to Downtown Rockwall and creates a family friendly, small town environment for residents and visitors to shop, dine and enjoy. "We are so fortunate to have Tammy and her passion for Rockwall," said Mayor Kevin Fowler. "She has contributed, in large part, to the vibrancy of our Historic Downtown District."

Happening Around Town

Monday-Friday, March 6-10 Spring Break ROCK Camp, Harry Myers Park, (registration at Playrockwall.com)

Mondays & Wednesdays, March 13-29 Little Kickers (Soccer), Session 1, Harry Myers Park

Thursday, March 16 Spring Fling, *Downtown Rockwall*, 5-9 p.m.

Saturday, April 1 *Spring Eggstravaganza, The Harbor, 1-4 p.m. (information at Playrockwall.com)*

Saturday, May 20 Founders Day Festival, Harry Myers Park, 1-10 p.m.

For more information: Rockwall.com, PlayRockwall.com

Out and About in Rockwall



Annual Daddy Daughter Dance Dazzles

The annual Daddy Daughter Dance was a success once again. Just as they have done for years, families gathered at the Hilton at The Harbor in Rockwall for the highly anticipated sold-out event.

The festively dressed families laughed until their sides hurt, hula-hooped, played games, danced, snapped pictures, and made memories that will last a lifetime.



Spring Fling is On the Way

Rockwall Main Street and the Downtown Rockwall Association are hosting *Spring Fling*, which is a ladies night out shopping event in Downtown Rockwall on Thursday, March 16, from 5-9 p.m. It's a great way to connect with your girlfriends while supporting the local economy. Downtown businesses roll out the red carpet for their customers, offering refreshments, swag bags, prize drawings and store specials. For more details and store specials, please visit Facebook.com/ downtownrockwall.



Discovery Statue Update

The first statue of the Discovery project has been poured in bronze and is currently being assembled. Wax molds for the second piece are complete and awaiting to be cast and poured into bronze with the third and final piece to follow.

Discovery artist Jim Bryant has been working with Schaefer Art Bronze Casting in Arlington to build the statues, which will be placed at the southeast corner of the downtown courthouse later this spring.

The Discovery statue depicts Terry Utley Wade, Benjamin Boydstun, and William Clay Stevenson, settlers who dug a well in 1852, uncovering a rock wall that runs throughout the City. The City was platted and named for the rock formation two years later.

Love Your Landscape—Waking Up Winter Grass

Although we may still potentially have some cold days ahead, it is time to SPRING into action to perk up your landscape. Here are some steps to take to bring new life back to your lawn:

- Put out your spring pre-emergent between February 15-March 1 to prevent summer weeds
- Inspect your automatic irrigation system to ensure it's running properly
- Cover your landscape beds with 2" of mulch to conserve moisture and prevent weeds
- Make sure your mower blade is sharp for a healthy lawn
- Adjust your mower height down 1 or 2 settings to remove all dead grass and leaves and help wake up your lawn
- Give plants damaged by extreme low temperatures until April to recover and grow

