



# ROCKWALL CITY NOTES

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## Excitement Grows for the Annual Founders Day Festival

Every year, the Rockwall Founders Day Festival is one of the most highly anticipated events in the *Free Live Music Capital of North Texas*. Although we can't announce this year's headliner on the Southwest Kia Rockwall Stage just yet—rest assured you will love it! This year's event takes place on Saturday, May 19 at Harry Myers Park from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., and here are a few of the planned festivities:

- Wide variety of food vendors from Texas BBQ to funnel cakes
- Kids' Zone with bounce houses and games for all ages
- Special commemoration of World War I anniversary
- Live music all day on the Dallas Harley Davidson Day Stage
- Main event on the Southwest Kia Rockwall Stage at 6 p.m.



## Happening Around Town

### Saturday, March 24

*16th Annual Easter Egg Hunt, Harry Myers Park East, 9:30 a.m.*

### Saturday, March 24

*2nd Annual SNAP  
(Special Needs and Adaptive Programming)  
Easter Egg Hunt, Yellowjacket Park, 9:30 a.m.*

### Saturday, March 31

*Brunch with the Bunny, The Center  
(108 E. Washington), 10 a.m.-12 p.m.*

### Saturday, April 7

*Woofstock, Harry Myers Community Center,  
10 a.m.-2 p.m.*

### Saturday April 14

*Household Hazardous Waste Day,  
Municipal Service Center, (1600 Airport Road),  
9 a.m.-3 p.m.*

### Friday, April 27

*Family Fun Friday, The Park at Breezy Hill,  
Despicable Me, 6 p.m.*

### Saturday, April 28

*Blue and Red Thank You,  
Hosted by Rockwall P.D. and F.D., Harry Myers Park,  
10 a.m.-2 p.m.*

### Saturday, May 19

*Founders Day Festival, Harry Myers Park,  
10 a.m.-10 p.m.*

*For more information: [Rockwall.com](http://Rockwall.com), [PlayRockwall.com](http://PlayRockwall.com)*



## Efforts to Help Rockwall Residents Continue

As recent flooding in the Lake Rockwall Estates neighborhood displaced residents in about 20 homes, City of Rockwall employees worked quickly to connect them with Rockwall County Helping Hands. The charitable agency helped relocate the families in temporary housing as well as provide food and necessities throughout the immediate crisis.

Efforts continued in the days that followed to assist in recovery from the damage throughout the community. The Rockwall Police and Fire Departments, Street Department, Parks and Recreation Department and Building Inspections Department all assisted with cleanup, and worked tirelessly to help ensure residents were safe.

Families displaced by flooding may contact Helping Hands for assistance at 972-771-4357. Anyone wishing to help families affected by flooding may do so by making a contribution (marked "disaster relief") to Rockwall County Helping Hands, 950 Williams Street, Rockwall, TX 75087.

## Out and About in Rockwall



### State of the City Luncheon

Mayor Jim Pruitt joined the rest of the Rockwall County mayors at the Rockwall Area Chamber of Commerce State of the City luncheon. Each city is working to address the tremendous growth we're experiencing throughout the County.



### Blue and Red Thank You

The Rockwall Police and Fire Departments want to thank the community for all its support! The Blue and Red Thank You event on Saturday, April 28 at Harry Myers Park from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. includes free festivities and delicious food courtesy of In-N-Out Burger.



### Pets Rock at Woofstock

Pet parents won't want to miss the free Woofstock event at Harry Myers Dog Park on Saturday, April 7 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.



### DFW Clean Cities Recognizes Rockwall

Public-sector fleets are taking steps toward cleaner, more efficient operations, and the Dallas-Fort Worth Clean Cities Coalition is highlighting the efforts of many of the top performers.

Rockwall was among 11 cities to receive bronze status, which means they contributed significantly to the region-wide reduction of more than 25 million gallons of gasoline in 2016.

### Love Your Landscaping... Getting Your Lawn Ready for Spring

It's time to start prepping your lawn for spring and summer, and that means getting ready to fertilize and mow again. The first application of fertilization needs to be between late March and early April. Your grass needs approximately four pounds of nitrogen per 1,000 square feet in the growing season.

When it comes to mowing, we typically deal with Bermuda and St. Augustine grass in North Texas. To have healthy and thick turf, you should mow at least 2 times per week. An often overlooked item of importance is a very sharp blade to cut the turf, versus tearing the turf which can cause disease and insects, as well as increased water usage. Your mower blade should be sharpened or replaced at the beginning of every mowing season and sharpened or replaced mid-season.



### Household Hazardous Waste Day

**Did you know?** The City of Rockwall's 18th Annual Household Hazardous Waste Day takes place on Saturday, April 14, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Municipal Service Center, located at 1600 Airport Road.

Nearly a thousand residents dropped off their unwanted chemicals, shredding and electronic waste last year. For more information, please visit [rockwall.com](http://rockwall.com).

