



# ROCKWALL CITY NOTES

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## Rockwall Fire Department Hosts Annual Open House

Every year in October, the Rockwall Fire Department reaches out to the community in an effort to raise awareness about fire safety and prevention. Historically, large crowds of children and families turn out to share in the fun.

Once again, on Saturday, October 13 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Rockwall FD will welcome the public to Fire Station #2, located at 920 Rockwall Parkway. Some of the activities include fire extinguisher instruction, vehicle extrication demonstration, face painting and bounce house for the children, and In-N-Out burgers provided for the first 1,000 guests from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. All events are free and everyone is invited to attend.



## The Rib Rub Rolls into Rockwall

Get ready for some award-winning BBQ! The 10th Annual Rib Rub Run and Roll is coming up on Saturday, October 6. Start the day by lacing up your running shoes for a race through scenic Rockwall. Meanwhile, the BBQ competitors will be firing up their grills to fight for the chance to take home the title of Best in BBQ!

Some of the day's events include live music all day, a car show and a people's choice wing tasting competition. For complete details on Rib Rub Run & Roll 2018, please visit [playrockwall.com](http://playrockwall.com).

## Happening Around Town

**Thursday-Saturday, May 3-October 27**

*San Jacinto Plaza Music Series,  
Historic Downtown Rockwall, 6:30-9 p.m.*

**Saturdays, May 5-September 29**

*Rockwall Farmers Market, Historic Downtown Rockwall,  
8 a.m.-12 noon*

**Saturday, October 6**

*Rib Rub Run & Roll, Historic Downtown Rockwall,  
8 a.m.-5 p.m.*

**Saturday, October 13**

*Fire Department Open House, Fire Station #2  
(920 Rockwall Pkwy), 9 a.m.-2 p.m.*

**Saturday, October 27**

*Scare on the Square, Historic Downtown Rockwall,  
5-9 p.m.*

**Saturday, October 27**

*Halloween Extravaganza, The Harbor,  
6-9 p.m.*

*For more information:*

*Rockwall.com, PlayRockwall.com*



## Out and About in Rockwall



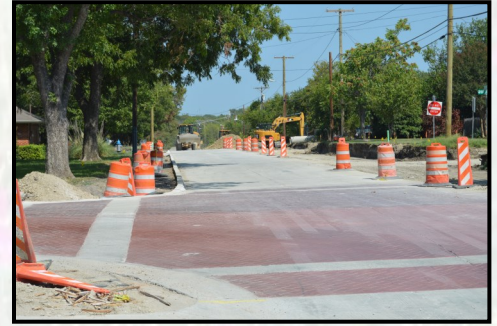
### Slow Down for Students

Students are back in class, and that means school zones are once again in effect. As students fill the streets every morning and afternoon heading to and from schools, parents, police, school officials and concerned residents urge caution in an effort to ensure children are safe in their journeys.



### Mayor for a Day

Stefan Stoller spent his day as Mayor recently. The second grader at Reinhardt Elementary School won the "Mayor for a Day" opportunity at a school fundraiser. Stefan spent time learning more about the Police, Fire and Parks Departments.



### Pardon our Progress

As many Rockwall drivers know, East Boydston Avenue near Downtown Rockwall has been under construction for several months. The project scope is extensive, including rebuilding the existing asphalt road into a curbed concrete structure. The highly travelled road that runs next to the post office is showing signs of progress. Project completion is estimated for March of 2019.



### Have a Haunting Good Time

Coming up on Saturday, October 27, there will be two huge Halloween events that are sure to excite and entertain your young ones. One event happens in Downtown Rockwall; *Scare on the Square* takes place from 5-9 p.m. Festivities include trick-or-treating at the downtown shops, costume parade, games and even a DJ dance party! Check out all the details at [rockwall.com/mainstreet](http://rockwall.com/mainstreet).

Another event at The Harbor, the *Halloween Extravaganza*, takes place from 6-9 p.m. There will be fun games, trick-or-treating, and activities for children, as well as a ghoulish costume contest. For more details, visit [playrockwall.com](http://playrockwall.com).



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### Track Your Trash

**Did you know?** There is an app that can help you better keep track of your trash. When you download the Recycle Coach app (formerly known as My Waste), it can help remind you about trash and recycling collection days.

In addition to providing you with personalized collection schedules for web and mobile, the app provides an interactive tool to communicate trash issues with the City of Rockwall. If you experience service problems, you can snap a picture and send it straight to the Utility Billing Department. The City can also push out schedule updates as needed. Visit [rockwall.com](http://rockwall.com) for more information about this service and for the link to download the app.

## FALL IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER

It may not feel like fall yet, but September is the time to start preparing your landscape for the fall and winter months. Here are a few tips to help ensure you're ready for next spring:

1. Do not trim trees until all leaves have fallen
2. Raise your mowing height between 1/4" and 1/2"
3. Apply pre-emergent and final application of fertilizer

