



ROCKWALL CITY NOTES

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Experience the Free Live Music Capital of North Texas

The Concert by the Lake Series comes to a close at the end of July, but have no fear, there is still plenty to experience in the Free Live Music Capital of North Texas. In fact, Rockwall hosts more than 150 free live music events annually, and one of the most popular is the San Jacinto Plaza Music Series, set in the heart of historic downtown Rockwall.

The cozy outdoor space is the perfect setting for the eclectic and singer songwriter-type performances. The San Jacinto Plaza Music Series runs every Thursday through Saturday from 6:30-9 p.m. and features the best and brightest talent from in and around Rockwall and the DFW Metroplex area. For a detailed list of upcoming activities and live music performances in the downtown area, please visit rockwall.com/mainstreet.



**HELP PREVENT
VEHICLE CRIMES**

**LOCK YOUR CAR
TAKE YOUR KEYS
HIDE YOUR VALUABLES**



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Remembering Summer Safety

As the summer months continue to get hotter, it's natural to want to leave car windows open to let air circulate and keep your car cooler when you return. However, leaving your car open or unlocked can help facilitate a crime of opportunity. The Rockwall Police Department urges caution from residents to help make people and property safer.

Whether it's at home or in your car, prevention is key. Don't make it easy for criminals. For your vehicle, remember the three easy steps: lock, take and hide. It sounds simple, but it's highly effective: lock your car, hide your belongings and take valuables with you if possible.

In and around your home, don't leave bicycles, lawn equipment or valuables unattended. In addition, don't leave packages on the porch. Have a friend pick them up. For more helpful tips, please check out [facebook.com/cityofrockwall](https://www.facebook.com/cityofrockwall).



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, August 11

Mother Son Rockstar Dance, Springhill Suites, 6-9 p.m.

Friday, August 24

Family Fun Friday, The Lion King, Shores Park, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, September 4

*Rockwall Baseball and Softball League (RBSL)
Fall Season Starts, Tuttle Athletic Complex,
Pre-registration required

Friday, September 14

*Family Fun Friday, The Emoji Movie,
The Park at Fox Chase, 6 p.m.*

*For more information:
Rockwall.com, PlayRockwall.com*

Out and About in Rockwall



Family Fun Friday

Start the weekend off right with a movie and fun family activities outdoors. Family Fun Fridays offer an opportunity to connect with nature and enjoy a movie in one of Rockwall's beautiful parks. The next event happens at Shores Park on Friday, August 24. Find more at playrockwall.com.



Summer Dog Days

Rockwall Dog Days offers low-cost pet vaccinations and microchipping, and free pet registrations. The next one happens on Saturday, August 4. Visit playrockwall.com for all the details.



Athlete of the Year

The Rockwall City Council honored Cole Randolph for being named Male Athlete of the Year by the Texas Special Olympics. A few of the sports Cole competes in include, basketball, cycling, and flag football.



Mother Son Rockstar Dance

The mother and son event of the year is back with a twist. This time we're calling out to all rockstar families. On Saturday, August 11, moms and their sons get ready to jam to hits through the decades, and pump up for an epic Guitar Hero battle. Visit playrockwall.com for more information.



Groundbreaking on New Reservoir

The North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) recently broke ground on the area's first major reservoir in nearly 30 years. Located in Fannin County, the newly renamed North Texas Municipal Lake will help to provide water for the quickly growing region for decades to come. The nearly 17,000 acre lake is expected to deliver water to customers in 2022.



Listening to Neighborhood Leaders

Twice a year, the City of Rockwall meets with neighborhood leaders to stay in touch with the issues that matter most to Rockwall residents. The meetings provide an opportunity to engage with groups and encourage an open dialogue about important topics.

If you would like to learn more about these meetings, please email Bbrowning@rockwall.com.

Love Your Landscaping... What's Wrong with My Lawn?

Two of the most common types of grass for lawns in this area are St. Augustine and Bermuda. While both of these are hearty, each one can be susceptible to insects. But thankfully, there are ways to detect and combat the pesky critters and keep your lawn looking beautiful.

St. Augustine grass has grub worms and the chinch bug, which is about the size of a grain of rice, easily identifiable by the X on its back. If either of these attack, the sign will be the turf turning yellow then brown and thinning in blotches or circles that keep getting larger. The treatment for both is a granular insecticide that you apply like fertilizer.

Bermuda grass can be attacked by mites that are blackish orange and microscopic. A telltale sign that you have Bermuda grass mites can be seen in tufts of grass that look like a broom. To combat the mites, mow a little lower than normal and bag the clippings, then water and fertilize to outgrow the damage.

