



# ROCKWALL CITY NOTES

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## The Suspense Builds for Founders Day Festival 2018

Rockwall's Founders Day Festival is a premier event that helped the City cement the honored title of *Free Live Music Capital of North Texas*. This year's celebration takes place on Saturday, May 19 at Harry Myers Park, and it definitely won't disappoint.

The date is getting closer... and we can't announce the headlining act until April 21. Who will it be...? Rest assured, it'll be a toe-tappin' good time! What we can tell you, is that there will be a full day of live music entertainment, leading up to Shooter Jennings taking the Southwest Kia Rockwall stage as the opening act for the yet to be named headliner. Here are a few of the acts that day:

- Whiskey Hat (Grunge Country)
- Benton Lawson (Alternative Pop-Rock)
- Nick Snyder & The Real Deal (Blues Rock)
- Redwine Band (Texas Country)

Visit [PlayRockwall.com](http://PlayRockwall.com) for all the details on the day's events.



## A Flurry of Excitement in Downtown Rockwall

Historic Downtown Rockwall will be buzzing with activity starting on Thursday, May 3. The festivities kick off with the opening weekend of the San Jacinto Plaza Music Series, which runs from 6:30-9 p.m. every Thursday-Saturday, May-October.

Also starting that weekend, Rockwall Farmers Market returns to the Square on Saturday, May 5 at 8 a.m. To help mark the opening weekend, Farmers Market will be combined with Movers Shakers and Makers Market on Saturday, May 5. This event showcases unique handmade wares, as well as creative food bites and fun food trucks.

Then, wrap up the day with the Cinco de Mayo Celebration in Historic Downtown Rockwall. The festive cultural occasion is complete with a Mariachi band, Ballet Folklorico, and it's loaded with talent and excitement for the whole family.

## Happening Around Town

### 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.*

### 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, May 5

*Movers, Shakers and Makers, Historic Downtown Rockwall, 8 a.m.-2 p.m.*

### Saturday, May 5

*Cinco de Mayo Celebration, Historic Downtown Rockwall, 5-8 p.m.*

### Saturday, May 19

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

*For more information:*

*Rockwall.com, PlayRockwall.com*

## Out and About in Rockwall



### Spring Fling a Success

The Downtown Rockwall Association hosted Spring Fling. Hundreds came to shop late and local, stroll and have an all-around good time. There were festivities galore, including a fun photo booth, swag bags, door prizes and loads of good deals.



### Easter Egg Hunt

Families turned out in big numbers to hunt Easter eggs at Harry Myers Park and Yellowjacket Park. The weather was beautiful and there were plenty of tasty treats for everyone.



### Rockwall Receives Community Service Award

The Code Enforcement Association of Texas recently awarded Rockwall the Community Service Award for the City's Hardship Assistance Program. The program helps residents needing repairs on their home that they aren't able, either physically or financially, to do themselves.

The program is a partnership between the Neighborhood Improvement Services Department, various volunteer organizations, and local businesses. Past recipients include elderly residents, single parent families, or those unemployed or incapacitated.



### Concerts by the Lake are Back

Every year, thousands of music lovers attend Rockwall's Concert by the Lake Series at The Harbor. The wildly popular events start up again on Thursday, May 3 at 7:30 p.m. Each week from May through July bands entertain the crowds on the amazing outdoor stage. Check [PlayRockwall.com](http://PlayRockwall.com) for the weekly lineup schedule.



### Volunteers in Parks ?

**Did you know?** The V.I.P. (Volunteers in Parks) Program needs your help to keep our parks beautiful! The program welcomes civic organizations, schools, clubs, scouting troops, and interested citizens.

Anyone who wants to help clean, maintain and upgrade our City parks is welcome to be a V.I.P. There is also assistance for businesses and corporations looking for employee service projects. For more information, please contact Wendy Young at [wyoung@rockwall.com](mailto:wyoung@rockwall.com).

### Love Your Landscaping... the Importance of Watering

Many homes have automatic irrigation systems, and it's important to know that they can waste an enormous amount of water if not set and managed properly. The worst mistake is to set the controller and forget about it. Most irrigation systems run in the middle of the night and we never see them in action. That's why you should run your system during the daylight hours at least once a month to look for leaks, broken sprinkler heads and water spraying on the pavement instead of on landscaping and grass. One broken head or missing nozzle can drastically increase your water bill, so be sure to make repairs immediately. Here's a good irrigation program to get you started:



- Water from 3-5 a.m.
- Separate watering on two different days throughout the week
- Use 10-20 minute run times

Remember, proper watering depends upon site conditions, and changes as temperatures change.