

Jan. 16-17 Highlights

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I realize this isn't an area race, but several runners from the Fort Worth-Dallas area competed in the **Chevron Houston Marathon**, half marathon and 5K on Sunday, Jan. 17, some trying to earn a spot in the Olympic Trials on this final week of qualifying. The two top finishers from this area were **James Jackson** of Denton and **Becky Angeles** of Murphy. The 49-year-old Jackson continues to impress as he was 71st overall among the 4,751 half marathon finishers and 61st among the males. He also won the 45-49 age division with a 1-hour, 12-minute and 36-second effort. Angeles, 38, was the 116th overall among the 3,017 marathon finishers and 35th among the female finishers with her 2:48:25. Though a great effort, she missed the Olympic Trials "B" standard by 3:25.

* **Manuel Rivera**, 19, of Frisco and **Kevin Carrion**, 16, of The Colony dueled for the overall award at the **Hotcake Hustle** in Addison on Saturday (Jan. 16) with Rivera pulling ahead and winning with a 17:32.3. Carrion came in at 17:57.8. The race for the female overall award also was close as **Allie Lyda**, 12, of Flower Mound beat another 12-year-old, **Rachel Sutliff** of Grapevine, 19:19.1 to 19:30.1. Great times for the young runners. There was a battle for the male masters award, too, with **Matt Celone**, 40, of Flower Mound winning with an 18:27.3 and followed by **TJ Frame**, 40, with an 18:58.0. **Rebecca Taylor**, 46, of Wylie earned the female masters award with a 23:13.8. **Maria Moore**, 55, of Plano was runner-up with a 23:29.3.