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- And the Lady Broncos defeat the girls from Groom.
- All this and much more as The Enterpris reports in this week's amazing edition!

Enterprise holiday schedule announced

THE CLARENDON ENTERPRISE set its printing schedule, deadlines, and office hours for the

Christmas holidays.

This year's Christmas edition and Santa Letters will be printed next week and distributed sual schedule

AN EARLY DEADLINE has been set for the December 26 edition. All ads, articles, and photos needing to be published in the December 26 edition must be turned in to the office by this Friday, December 13, at 5 p.m. The paper will be distributed and mailed on December 26.

The ENTERPRISE will be closed December 23-25 for the Christmas holiday.

Deadline for Santa Letters is today

Santa letters for this year's Christmas edition of the Enterprise are due in the office no later that 5 p.m. this Thursday, Decem ber 12. Letters may be delivered to the office at 105 S. Kearney or emailed to news@clarendonon-

Weather delays city meeting with TABC

City Hall says the Clarendon Board of Aldermen's meeting with the Texas Alcoholic Bever-age Commission scheduled for last Friday, December 6, was canceled due to weather and will be rescheduled after the first of the

Several angels still on tree to be adopted

As of Wednesday morning, there were 32 angels still available for adoption from the Community Angel Tree at the Burton Library.

Please stop by and take an angel from the tree and return your gifts to the Library by December 20. Each Angel card has the shirt and pant size along with a toy wish for kids 12 an under. Donations for the Angel Tree

can be made at Pilgrim Bank or mailed to PO Box 45 Please call the Library at 874-3685 or Janet at 874-2007 for more information.

DPS partnering with Toys for Tots

The Texas Department of Public Safety is serving as a Toys for Tots collection center.

Toys should remain in their

original packaging. Toys for children ages 0-2 and 12-13 of either gender are in the most demand.

Residents are invited donate toys by December 13 at the Clarendon Highway Patrol Office at 723 W. Second.

Four-way county judge's race emerges

A horse race has developed in Republican Primary with four candidates now jockeying for posisucceed Donley Co Judge Jack Hall.

Jack Craft is the most recent addition to the lineup. Filing on the deadline day Monday, Craft is a local rancher and businesman who spearheaded the petition drive that led to Donley County voting to allow alco-

ales this year.

Gary Campbell was the first candidate to step forward several United States Navy and serves as the weeks ago. He is a retired haz-mat chairman of the Clarendon College

rently representing Clarendon on the Greenbelt Water Authority Board.

Randy Bond is also seeking the county's top job. He has more than 30 years in law enforcement and is currently Donley County's chief deputy as well as a local business-

Last week, Dr. John Howard threw his hat in the ring. In addition to serving as the community's medi-cal doctor, Howard is active in the

Board of Regents.

All four men will face each other in the March 4, 2014, Republican Primary. If one candidate does not get more than 50 percent of the vote, the top two candidates will be in a run-off election. The top Republican is facing no opposition in the November General Election.

A competitive primary race has also developed for the Precinct 2 County Commissioner's seat cur-rently held by Donnie Hall, who is not seeking re-election. Three candidates will be on the March ballot. Daniel Ford signed up last week and joins Mitchell Martin and John Grady in the race.

Two competitive races have emerged for the November election Precinct 1&2 Justice of the Peace Connie Havens is running for re-election as a Democrat and is being challenged by Republican Pam Mason. Precinct 1 County Commissioner Dan Sawver seeks re-election to his post on the Republican ticket and faces a November challenge from Ricky Rattan on the Democratic side

(R) and County/District Clerk Fay Vargas (D) are unopposed for re

Vargas (D) are unopposed for re-election as is Precinct 3&4 Justice of the Peace Denise Bertrand (R). Also of local interest, State Rep. Ken King (R-Canadian) and State Sen. Kel Seliger (R-Amarillo) have both announced their filings for reslection.

reelection.

US Rep. Mac Thornberry (R-Clarendon) is also running for reelection and is being challenged by Dr. Pam Barlow of Bowie and Elaine Hays of Amarillo



Sounds of the Season

npson. Minnie Buckhaults, Taylon Knorpp, and Seth Greer play with the Clarendon High School Bronco Band during the annual Christmas Concert in the Colt Gym Sunday afternoon

Late Night Shopping continues downtown

Entries now being take for first annual Chili Challenge

Late Night Shopping continues this week and next with Clarendon business making shopping at home fun and easy, and the first ever "Great Bowls of Fire" Chili Challenge is right around the corner

Local merchants are keeping their doors open until 8 p.m. this Thursday, December 12, and next Thursday, December 19, for your shopping convenience. Santa Claus will be on hand both nights, and wagon rides will be available.

Cathy's Christmas Candies and

the Nazarene Church's handmade crafts will be available December 12, and St. Mary's Catholic Church will be serving pasole, tamales, and sopapillas that night at LaVelle's Coffee Shop

Late Night Shopping will close ut on Thursday, December 19, with the main attraction being the first "Great Bowls of Fire" Chili Chal-lenge sponsored by the Clarendon Economic Development Corp. and the Chamber of Commerce.

Ed Montana will provide the

musical entertainment for the Chili Challenge, which is also will be inside LaVelle's, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. as businesses go up against one another for bragging rights and their

chance at a traveling trophy.

Monday, December 16, is the entry deadline for chili teams. The cost is \$25 per team. The winners will be selected on a "people's choice" basis, and admission is \$5 per person. All proceeds from the challenge will go to the Mulkey Theatre project.

Challenge details and entry forms are available from Chandra Eggemeyer at the Clarendon Visitor Center inside the Mulkey Theatre.

Local merchants and the Donley County State Bank are also making shopping at home easy this year with zero interest loans available for the holidays for those who qualify. Contact the bank at 874-3581 for details.

Christmas is a great time to

support the merchants who support

Christmas Bazaar is Saturday

The Clarendon Christmas Bazaar will have its debut this Saturday, December 14, at the Donley County Activity Center from 2 p.m

to 8 p.m.

The first of what is expected event is being to become an annual event is being hosted by the Chamber of Commerce and will seek to provide local shoppers with all the choices they need to find that perfect gift for everyone on

their Christmas list.

Drawings will be held every half hour for door prizes and gift certificates, and a gift wrapping service will be available at the show.

The Happy Toy Maker will be featured at the Bazaar with his

handmade Western toys from Happy, Texas, and more than 20 vendors are registered to display their seasonal

Local and area vendors include Sandy Anderberg, Kevin Johnson Bits & Spurs, Wild Wine Collection, Pink Zebra, Simply Sweetz, Amanda's Country Whims, Saints' Roost Museum, Stuff It Taxidermy, The Cowgirl's Home, Campbell Online Marketing, Straight Off the Ranch, Big Texas Hair & Highlights, Every Nook & Cranny, Diva Bling, Henson's, Farm Girl Frosting, Hippy Heart Headbands, Don Stone Signs, Alexis' Treasures, Burrow's Buckles & Spurs, and Buffalo Gold - Herd

St. Mary's Catholic Church will have a concession stand available and will also be serving stew at the

Santa Claus will be available for photos from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., and the Clarendon Volunteer Fire Department will have one of its trucks at the Bazaar for tours at 5 p.m.

For an afternoon of family fun and shopping, visit the Clarendon Christmas Bazaar this Saturday. Call 940-655-4220 or 806-262-8158 for more information.

Donley County enacts burn ban during red flag events

Donley County Commissioners to ignition and give the dispatcher enacted a burn ban during their a burn location, a contact phone regular meeting Monday, December

No outdoor burning is allowed 24 hours prior to or on the day of a forecasted Fire Weather Watch or a Red Flag Warning issued from the National Weather Service in Amarillo.

Under Donley County's Burn Ban conditions, anyone engaging in outdoor burning must contact the Donley County Sheriff's office prior

number, and approximate burn time. The persons

persons engaging in outdoor ing needs to be present on site of the burn until the burn is completed.

Anyone engaging in any form of outdoor burning is asked to burn with extreme caution at all times. Forecasters can issue

watch or warning for all or selected portions within a fire weather zone. The Red Flag event is verified when the weather and fuel conditions

listed below are met simultaneously for any three hours or more during the period.

The following weather and fuel conditions must be forecast to occur or already occurring before issuing a Fire Weather Watch and/or Red Flag Warning for the Oklahoma and Texas Panhandles: Minimum relative humidities equal to or less than 15 percent; 20 foot winds of 20 mph or higher and/or gusts to 35 mph or higher; and an NFDRS adjective fire danger rating of "high" or higher.

regarding, log onto www.srh.noaa gov/ama/ or contact the National Weather Service in Amarillo

The burn ban will stay in effect for the next 90 days.

In other county business Monday, commissioners approved Justice of the Peace Denise Bertrand's request to lead up a group of people to decorate the courthouse lawn for Christmas next year. County Judge Jack Hall said Bertrand will work on planning the effort, and

For additional information the county will put money into the project over a three-year period.

Commissioners also approved a contract for assessment and collection services presented by the Donley Appraisal District, and the court voted to cast the county's support to Jerry Green and Bonnie Campbell for seats on the appraisal district board.

A motion was approved to authorize the county's participation in the Texas Association of Counties Risk Management Pool.



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Entry forms available at the Clarendon Visitor Center inside the Mulkey Theatre

Let a unified Chamber lead the way

The Christmas spirit is alive in Clarendon with special programs and opportunities at every turn Several organizations are doing their part to make section of an activities the season brighter for those less fortunate, and loca businesses are working hard to provide fun activities for local families while encouraging them to shop at

This holiday season there is reason to be opti-

istic about Clarendon and Donley County. If you look, you can see signs of progress and hints of good things to come. We have a city council that is working together in a positive manner; and while there may be an occasional disagreement on a particular issue, they seem to be unaninous in wanting to move our city forward.



editor's commentary

We see signs of increased business activity in our community, and a report from the state comptrol-ler that will be printed next week will show another month of dramatically increased sales tax revenues for Clarendon. We have welcomed new businesses to Kearney Street where, again, we see signs of improve ment, most notably with the Mulkey Theatre lighting

But one area that we still need to improve on is working together in our business community by furthering the revitalization of the Chamber of Com

It is exciting to see a new event – the Clarendon Christmas Bazaar – being held this weekend, spon-sored by the Chamber and organized by some of its newest board members. And it is exciting also to see the return of Late Night Shopping in downtown. These are great opportunities for local citizens and local businesses. But in your editor's observation, coordination of the two events has been something of a problem because we have the Chamber doing one and the Merchants Association doing the other and sometimes there has been something lost in the communication

ween the two groups.

Which brings up the question of why do we have two groups that really should have the same goal? That goal, of course, being the promotion and fostering of commerce in our city. It would be for the good of the entire community for there to be one organization that all businesses could join and have everyone rowing in the same direction.

The logical outlet for such a movement would the Chamber of Commerce, but for such an idea to be successful though, the Chamber needs to further the revitalization it has been experiencing. This column has in the past called for certain reforms to be adopted by the Chamber, and some have been implemented. But for us to really get on the road to progress more

needs to be done.

In addition to restructuring the Chamber's member benefits and dues structures, the primary reform needs to be to the Chamber board itself. This is not to slight any current board member, but we need the dues-paying members of the Chamber to take a stake in the organization and get more involved with its leadership. The organization has not had a full board for more than a year, and board members are only supposed to serve three years before stepping

The Chamber has been fortunate to attract som energetic new members, but again more people need to get involved in the process. The most needed reform is that we need to have an actual election of board members. The Chamber, this month, needs to put forth a slate of board nominees (which can include current board members), accept other nominations from its members, and then mail ballots to the members or hold a general membership meeting. Once the new board is elected, officers should be elected from the board.

In this way the Chamber will best represent its members, and a member-driven organization led by local business people can effectively lead efforts to promote commerce in Clarendon and Donley County.

A wise man, the late Dr. Charles Devhle, told your editor more than once that there is nothing that people of Clarendon cannot accomplish if they would work together, and he's right. So too it is with our businesses if they worked together toward common goals under the unified umbrella of a reformed Cham ber of Commerce. We all want the same thing – a vibrant downtown, successful businesses across our community, and growth for Donley County. Let's join together to make those goals reality.



America's great economic stagnation

economic power over? Even though America's job growth seems to be modestly rebounding – as evidenced by the US economy adding 203,000 jobs in November - America will experience slower GDP growth in the years ahead. Since 1960, the rate has been 3.3 percent. Even so, the Federal Reserve predicts a rate of 2.1 to 2.5 percent in the future, and J.P. Morgan actually projects a rate of less than 1.75 percent. The longer time frame is even grimmer U.S. economic growth has been steadily decelerating for scores of years, from a 70 year average of 3.6 percent (1939-2009) to a 10-year average of a miserly 1.9 percent (1999-2009).

Rather than bore our valued readers with a bunch of numbers, please allow me to point out that many prominent economists, including Robert J. Gordon and Tyler Cowen, acknowledge that all these numbers are signs of a long-term economic slowdown. This slowdown will most likely continue until the middle of the 22nd Century. Adding fuel to the fire, in a November 8, 2013 discussion at the International Monetary Fund, former Treasury Secretary Law rence Summers – one of the culprits that caused the Great Recession, I might add – speculated that the United States might be stuck in "secular" – which is to say, long-term – "stagnation." Robert J. Gordon was a little more forceful when he circulated a paper with the all-caps headline "IS U.S. ECONOMIC GROWTH OVER?"

Yes, folks, 'tis true - long-term growth is slowing, and the grandest party ever may be coming to an end. Or, is it? Maybe it is not all bad news. Let us all take a deep breath and remember that slow growth is not no growth; any rise whatsoever in per capita GPA helps boost our standard of living. Moreover if we can get our government off high center, good policies that improve productivity have the potential to boost overall growth.

Now for those who have not

brushed up on their economic principles recently, especially our Congress, GDP

driven mainly by two factors: labor-force growth, due to increases in population and labor force participation; and productivity growth, the ability & fred



to produce more goods and services using the same number or fewer workers, due to inno-vative technology or organization. Our demographic trends are, without a doubt, ig the first factor in danger, with both American population growth and labor-force participation in long-term decline.

America's birth rate has dropped from 3.5 in the 1950s to 2.1 today. Meanwhile, labor-force participation, the percentage of the working-age popula-tion in the workforce, is expected to drop from 67.1 percent in 2000 to 62.5 percent by 2020, primarily as a result of the aging of the Baby Boomers – even without factoring in lingering unemploy ment from the Great Recession. As our population growth slows and our laborforce participation declines, the growth of the U.S. labor force is expected to fall dramatically until 2020, then accelerate even faster from 2020 to 2050. In other words, our national economic productivity is in deep trouble.

increase labor-force growth is limited. Policies to increase national birthrates have failed or shown limited results in other industrialized countries, and expanding opportunities for legal immi-gration, especially in light of our gridlocked political parties and Congress is highly problematic

If the United States is to reverse slowing growth, increasing our productively is probably our best hope. The contribution of labor-force growth to GDP growth has plummeted, from 46 percent in the 1960s to less than 20 percent beginning in the 2000s - which means productivity, in comparison, now accounts for 80 percent of that growth. In short, growth of the Ameri-can economy in the future will depend almost exclusively on improvements in the speed and quantity of our production capability.

As usual, many economists are

pessimistic about growth because they see the age of innovation as all but over. They negatively think that the rapid progress of the past 250 years is over, and that we should only expect to go downhill from here. They suggest that we are at the absolute pinnacle of our economic success. They say that all the revolutionary technologies have already been invented and that there is nothing but decay ahead for the American

Well, I think these economists are full of beans. Innovation is not dead. Good grief! Actually, I think it is only beginning. As long as there are gifted. motivated people American civilization will continue to advance. It is our nature and our will to innovate, adapt, and conquer. It is the American exceptionalism of the future. Our Manifest Destiny is as

Progress continues in many of science and technology (S.T.E.M.). Hydrogen as a stable source of pow ing transportation is just around the corner. Wind and solar energy are in their infancy, and harnessing the power of our seas is not too distant into the future. Microbiology and chemistry are pregnant with promise, as are most of

productivity as measured in GDP, but it would be a terrible mistake to sell

America short. If we stick to the basics, including free markets and modest overnment investment in basic R&D. public education, and infrastructure, we should be able to see a continued rise in America's standard of living, even if GDP grows at a slower rate.

tion is a myth.





The Idle American: Wherefore art thou, simpler stage?

By Dr. Don Newbury
In his play, As You Like It, debuted

some 410 years ago, Will Shakespeare said "all the world's a stage." We can only guess whether theatre audiences nodded in agreement or shook their heads vigorously to object. Most of them likely were ambivalent, much like "players" on the world's stage today, when we face more issues than anyone cares to count.

So let us consider an addendum to is quote: "and cameras as well as micro-

More info whizzes about in cyber-than mere mortals can imagine. The US mail, though, provides sobering

One came in a foreboding enve-lope from the City of Fort Worth the other day. It was addressed to me, and I opened it hastily, not dreaming that contents
would apply to my wife, not to me.

Lo--and throw in "behold," too--

Lo-and throw in "behold," too-the document, somewhat harshly worded,
alleged that a motorist driving a vehicle
registered in my name "did then and
there commit the following violation...
failure to stop at a red light." Supporting
evidence included photos shot from three
angles, as well as a video. The "knock-

out" blow was unmistakable-a picture "front and center" of my car's license plate.

I did what any spouse with a lick of sense would do. Racing to my calendar, I prayed that it would provide proof of my being other-where on the fateful day.

Hallelujah! I was in Dallas--driving our "good" car. I was "committing" a speech in the morning and visiting with a friend's family gathered in a hospital surgery waiting room in the afternoon.

After establishing innocence, it was mine to inform my wife that she had committed a grievous traffic infraction and to contact the county tax office. After all, it seems best to get both our vehicles in her name. That way, she can open future such notifications herself...

She doesn't believe she had done anything wrong, of course. After all, she's been driving for a full half-century,

NEVER having received a citation.

Stopped just once for driving a
"teensy-weensy" bit over the speed limit, she cried real tears that rolled down reddened cheeks. The officer put away his citation pad, apologizing for causing for

officer, they do no good for an emotionless camera. The \$75 check for the fine has been mailed, so officially, the matter is closed. The saga continues verbally, however...

The recent holidays were joyous with convergence of kids and grandkids. At mid-morning, though, "technological At mid-morning, though, "technological overkill" tempered Thanksgiving joy. Daughter Jana and her hubby received frantic phone calls from Tyler. Police, they learned, had converged on their home, responding to a "911" call. Relax, it was a false alarm. After all, no one was home. Some phone line fault triggered the "911" call. (Emergency responders, responders, responders, responders). the "911" call. (Emergency responders explained that such calls are often the result of such breaches.)

Jana was chagrined. Kinfolks and neighbors inspected every room, making sure the home was free of intruders. With disarray associated with both the holidays and "getting out of town," Jana had postponed housecleaning until right AFTER Thanksgiving. She winced at the thought of others seeing the, uh, mess

Ah, this stage on which we mortals strut may be far better illuminated than

causing any inconvenience.

Alas, while tears worked on the

Dr. Newbury is a speaker in the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex.

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The Bridge goes digital and completes expansion project

campaign entitled, Building a Stronger Bridge for a Brighter Tomorrow, has been completed. The Center located at 804 Quail Creek, Amarillo, has finalized construction and will host an open house on Thursday, December 12, 2013 from 4-6 p.m.

In January 2012, The Bridge embarked on a capital campaign in order to expand the existing facility, adding new offices, and a brand new Education Conference Center. This goal was initiated through a strate-gic plan which involved the board, staff and representatives from partner agencies. In May 2013, funding of the more than \$600,000 project was complete. The renovation added approximately 1800 square feet to the existing building and a garage to house vehicles used in rural travel.

'We are excited to have completed construction of our project and show the community our new Education Conference Center. We are grateful to everyone that has supare graterut to everyone that has sup-ported us in our efforts," Says April Leming, Executive Director of The Bridge. Major contributors to the project include: Amarillo Area Foun-dation, Dr. Kent Roberts and Hana dation, Dr. Kent Roberts and Ilene Balliett Foundation, C.J. and Syble Fowlston Charitable Trust, Gilliland Family Foundation, Mary E. Bivins Foundation, High Plains Christian Ministries Foundation, Josephine Anderson Charitable Trust, The J.E. and L. E. Mabee, Mays Foundation, Meadows Foundation, several anon-ymous donors, individual donors and the board and staff of The Bridge.

Also new at The Bridge, is a digital upgrade of its forensic interview equipment. The upgrade has been made to each location of The Bridge and to mobile interview equipment used in rural areas. The and has satellite offices in Pampa, Dumas and Hereford. The improve-ment of this mobile forensic technology will go a long way to help nology will go a long way to help underserved child victims of abuse in our area," said Leming. "We are grateful to the Governor's Office and Children's Advocacy Centers of Texas (CACTX) for providing the resources that will significantly increase the availability of services and resources for underserved children and families who have been vic-timized by sexual abuse."

Law enforcement, prosecution and Child Protective Services across the state rely on trained staff at children's advocacy centers (CACs) to conduct forensic interviews of suspected child victims and wit-nesses. CAC forensic interviewers are professionally trained to interview children about their experience in a non-leading, legally defensible manner. This interview is digitally recorded and often becomes a key piece of evidence in these difficult cases. Traditionally, interviews are conducted onsite at a local CAC. These facilities provide a neutral, child-focused environment which can lessen the trauma to victims and

Unfortunately, some suspected child victims are unable to travel to our center due to geographic distance and/or hospitalization. The use of mobile forensic interview equipment alleviates such barriers by allowing investigators and interviewers to travel to the child. The equipment package includes a video camera, a specially-equipped laptop and microphone.

The Bridge CAC in Amarillo is no stranger to having to cover a large territory with one full facility and

covers 26 Texas counties with a staff of 10. This equipment will bring the technology to the 21st century, allowing interviews to be recorded

digitally.

The Bridge (www.bridgecac.
org) was the first children's advocacy center in the state of Texas, opening its doors in 1989. The Bridge started utilizing mobile forensic interview (MFI) equipment in 1995; however this equipment required heavy lift-ing and a large vehicle to transport. In 1996, The Bridge went to Ama-rillo Media Systems to look for a better solution and they were able to deliver developing a concept that is still utilized today but has made advancements in the recording process through the years. Through the use of MFI equipment, The Bridge has been able to reach more victims who cannot travel to one of their facilities due to distance or other cir-cumstances. This method has been proven to be a creative and efficient way to deliver high quality services to children in all 26 counties. Since that time, the Bridge

has provided services to more than 20,000 children who have been victims or witnesses of crime in the Texas Panhandle. In 2012, the Bridge interviewed 1,038 children in the Texas Panhandle, and provided community education to more than 3,000 adults and safety education programs to more than 700 children, ages 5-10. The Bridge strives to bring a comprehensive approach to child abuse investigation, facilitating communication among 72 partner agencies in the top 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle. Our Mission is: To Provide a Child's Path to Healing



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Shade; Koyt Lords, Frincelles Warren
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8th Grade: Alix Bilbrey, Grayson Burch,
Joshua Cobb, Kade Hunsaker, Raylyn
Shelton, and Kendra Weatherton
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Jack Moore, Aubryanna Powell, Sarah
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We salute these kids for striving to be the best in our schools.

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December 12

Bulldogs v Northwest Tech • 6 • Dawg house

December 13

Owls & Lady Owls v Stratford • 6 p.m. • Stratford

Broncos & Lady Broncos v Valley • 4/5/6:30/8 p.m. • Clarendon

Owls & Lady Owls v Lefors • 6 p.m. • Lefors

December 20

Owls & Lady Owls v Darrouzett • 3 p.m. • Hedley

December 30 bwls & Lady Owls v Jayton • 1 p.m.

December 31 roncos & Lady Broncos v Memphis 12 p.m. • Memphis

January 2

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Broncos v Childress • 6:30/7:30 p.m. • Childress

Lady Broncos v San Jacinto • 5/6:30

Lady Owls v Silverton • 6:30 p.m. •



December 16 - December 20

Donley County Senior Citizens
Mon: Baked chicken enchilada,
refried beans, tossed salad, lemon
pudding, iced tea/2% milk.
Tue: Beef stew, potato, carrots,
onions, cornbread, garden salad,
oatmeal cookle, iced tea/2% milk.
West: most turker, broad deses. Wed: roast turkey, bread dress-ing, seasoned broccoli, cranberry squares, wheat rolls, iced tea/2%

milk. Thu: Chicken cordon bleu, mashed potatoes, Italian green beans, whole wheat roll, raspberry peaches, iced tea/2% milk. Fri: Lasagna, garlic bread, Brussels sprouts, sliced pears, iced tea/2%

Hedley Senior Citizens

tea/2% milk. Tue: Roast beef/graw, mashed pota-toes, carrots, broccoli/cauliflower salad, benane pudding, wheat roll, iced tea/2% milk. Wed: BBQ chicken, roast ranch potatoes, summer squash, tossed salad, wheat roll, peach cobbler, iced tea/2% milk.

salad, wheat roil, peach coboler, iced reta/2% milk. Thu: Beef stew, tossed salad, com bread, orange pineapple cup, custard, iced tea/2% milk. Fri: Turkey & dressing, sweet potatose, green beans, wheat roll, fruit salad, iced tea/2% milk.

Clarendon ISD

Breakfast Mon: French toast sticks, fresh fruit,

Tue: Scrambled eggs, biscuit & gravy, muic juice, milk.

Wed: Breakfast club, fresh fruit, milk.

Thu: Chicken-n-waffles, fruit juice, milk.

Breakfast burrito, fresh fruit,

milk.
Lunch
Mon: BBQ rib sandwich, pinto beans,
salad, hot cinn. apples, milk.
Tue: Hot dog, potato rounds, fresh
veggle cup, fresh fruit, milk.
Wed: Chicken nuggets, salad, green
beans, apple, milk.
Thu: Burrito, corn, baby carrots,
peaches, milk.
Fri: Ham & cheese sandwich, chips,
fruit snack, fresh fruit, milk.

Hedlev ISD

Breakfast

Mon: Waffles w/ syrup, sausage
patty, cereal variety, fruit juice, milk.

Tue: Breakfast quiche, Texas toast,
cereal variety, fruit juice, milk.

Wed: French toast bake, bacon,
cereal variety, fruit juice, milk.

Thu: Bannan bread squares, cream
of wheat, cereal variety, fruit juice,
milk.

Fri: Muffins, cereal variety, fruit juice.

Tue: 2 crispy tacos, tortilla chips, garden salad, charro beans, salsa,

garden salad, charro beans, salad, clinn, applesauce, milk. Wed: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, carrot coins, strawberries & bananas, rolls, milk. Thu: Hot dog, sweet potato fries, cucumber dippers, milk. Fri: Sack lunch.

Online shoppers, beware of shipping Email scam

Houston for Christmas then back in January, Lord willing. Don't let mer, house or car burglar, or ID thief ruin your Christmas Now is the time to be extra careful.

Scammers are taking advantage of the holiday shopping season with fake email shipping notifications that pose as FedEx, UPS or the United States Postal Service. Don't let these scams fool you into opening a virus on your computer. How the Scam Works: You receive an email message that appears to be a shipping notification for a package. You've been doing your holiday shopping online, so you figure it must be something you've ordered. Curious, you open the email and attachment. When you click on the file, you find that it isn't a tracking notification after all. It's really a virus that will download to your computer. Typi-cally, these viruses phish for personal and banking information on your machine. But the FBI recently warned about the resurgence of a type of virus called "ransomware."

Hi, gang! Made it back from Once downloaded, this virus will ston for Christmas then back lock your computer and urge you to anuary, Lord willing. Don't let pay a ransom to the scammer responsible

Like all scams, this one has many variations. Scammers have posed as FedEx, UPS, USPS and even big online retailers, like Amazon. They also change up the email content. A common version of this scam is a fake delivery failure notification. Scammers claim the attached virus is the receipt you need to collect your package from the local office

Tips to Avoid Email Scams: Spot common email scams by following these tips: Don't believe what you see. Scammers make emails appear to come from a reputable source. Just because it looks like an "@ups.com" address does not mean it's safe. Be wary of unexpected emails that contain links or attachments. As always, do not click on links or open the files in unfamiliar emails. Beware of pop-ups. Some pop-ups are designed to look like they've originated from your com-

puter. If you see a pop-up that looks like an anti-virus warns of a problem that **bob's** needs to be



of urgency, it may be a scam. Watch for poor gram-mar and spelling. Scam emails often are riddled with typos. Immediate action is necessary. Scam emails try creating a sense of urgency. Don't fall for it.

For more information about scams, see BBB's Scam Stopper.
Check out FedEx and UPS websites for more information about fake shipping emails and examples of typical scams. Note: FedEx and UPS are BBB Accredited Businesses.

Scam Email Poses As Award Message From Microsoft A malware scam is posing as an award email from Microsoft.

congratulations as the email claims; it's a virus. How the Scam Works You receive an email message that appears to be from Microsoft. The appears to be from Microsoft. Ine email says you were randomly selected as a winner of the "2013 Microsoft Edinburgh Products Anniversary Award." There's an attachment, which the message claims is a letter of congratulations. When you click on the file, you find that it is in't a congratulatory note after all. It's a congratulatory note after all. It's really malware that will download to your computer. Typically, these viruses phish for personal and banking information on your machine.

The email above is just one ver-sion of this scam. A popular variation claims that you won a lottery conducted by Microsoft and you need to pay a fee to collect your prize. In another version, the recipient is urged to claim the money by replying to the email with personal information. Tips to Avoid Email/ Sweepstakes Scams: Spot common email and lottery scams by watching

You need to buy a ticket or complete an application to enter a contest or lottery. Be very careful if you've been selected as a winner for a contest you have never heard of. The lottery is overseas: Sweepstakes scams such as the one above, often claim to take place overseas, frequently in the UK. Don't believe what you see. Scammers make emails appear to come from a reputable source. Just because it looks like a legitimate business email address does not mean it's safe. Be wary of unex-pected emails that contain links or attachments: As always, do not click on links or open the files in unfamil-

Watch for poor grammar and spelling. Scam emails often are rid-

dled with typos.

For More Information, check out Microsoft's "Safety and Security Center" website for more informa-tion about scams and malware. Stay Safe out there during this

Christmas season.

Use the winter chill to make Jell-O

It is cold. I know you folks were opened and quickly closed. around Houston complain at 40°F, A hot water but we are talking serious cold in Howardwick. It is the middle of the morning and the temperature has warmed to 22°F.

One day (Saturday I think) the low was 3°F, and high was around 15°F. The Lord was good to us because we were spared the wind and ice storm that covered Ft. Worth winter

and Dallas, but the cold lingers on.
Growing up on the ranch, our houses were cold, and I remember one particular cold winter in the late 1940s. We had no electricity or running water with a couple of wood stoves for heat except my bedroom, which caught some heat when doors Jell-O, set it in my bedroom and

bottle slipped under the pile of quilts to warm the bed and the only bad memory have of that was

'wick picks attempting turn or move positions

under the pile of quilts. That cold bedroom served another good purpose – making Jell-O. Yes, my purpose

served it for supper fully gelled. I wish I had thought of that one this weekend, the utility room was cold and I think we could have had cold-

weather Jell-O.

Our condolences to the family of Bobby Murdock who passed away last week. He and Donna lived in Howardwick for a number of years where both were very involved in the running of the community. Bobby was an alderman for several years and helped keep our roads and other parts of the community running smoothly. They moved a few years ago because of his health but kept the friendship alive. Please keep this family in your prayers and God



Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. White celebrate their 60th wedding anni versarv.

Christmas program to be held in Hedley

Hedley First Baptist Church Anniversary on Saturday, Decen wants to invite everyone in the community to attend our Christmas Program and Service at 6:00 p.m. on December 15, 2013.

Baby, it's cold outside! Keep warm and keep your pets warm. If it is cold to you outside, then it is cold to them. If you have your pets chained up outside, make sure their shelter is warm and dry. If you have pets, it is your responsibility to keep them out of bad weather. A little work goes a long way. How would you like to be chained up with no

Binger & Burgers will be cancelled for December. We will begin again on the second Saturday in

ber 14, at the Lions Club from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. No Gifts just come by and

celebrate with By the time you read **chatty** this

this Santa **kathy**would have by kathy sp already been

here for his visit. The grade school kids made ornaments for the tree, we had cook-ies and chocolate milk, sang Christmas Carols and visited with Santa. Wonderful time

Bacon-Cheese Biscuit Bites: 1 Mary Ruth and Harold White legland's Best Egg, 1 tablespoon celebrate their 60th Wedding 2% milk, 1/3 cup real bacon bits,

1/4 cup shredded Swiss cheese tablespoon dried minced onion, (OR chopped green onion), 1 large plum tomato, seeded and finely chopped, divided, 1 tube (10.2 ounces) large refrigerated flaky biscuits. In a small bowl, beat the cream cheese, egg and milk until smooth. Stir in the bacon, cheese, onion and half of the tomato; set aside. Cut each biscuit into four pieces; press each piece into a greased miniature muffin cup. Fill with cream cheese mixture; top with remaining tomato. Bake at 375° for 14-16 minutes or until a knife inserted near the center comes out clean. Yield: 20 appetizers.

Merry Christmas everyone! Let's keep Christ in Christmas! May god bless us everyone! The beauty of Christmas is not in the presents, but

Whites mark 60th anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. White Gibson of Amarillo; Tamra Floyd will be honored with a reception in celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary on Saturday, Decem-ber 14, from 2 pm until 4 pm in the Hedley Lion's Den. Harold married Mary Ruth Sargent on November 22, 1953, in Memphis, Texas. He is the son of Obie and Lydia Ogletree White and was raised north of Quail. She is the daughter of O. C. and Merylene Blanks Sargent and was raised in Hedley. They have lived in Hedley their 60 years together where they are engaged in farming.

The Whites have four children: Tanya Gibson of Amarillo; Renee Shields and husband Gary of Lelia Lake; Shauna Herbert and husband Tim of Amarillo; and Bob White and wife Pat of Clarendon. They also have 10 grandchildren: Tara

and husband Nathan of Clarendon Carrie Hicks and husband Jeremy of Clarendon; Heather Brown and husband Seth of McLean: Landon Shields and wife Lauren of Hedley; Dana Ford and husband Mitch of Panhandle; Dustin Monroe and wife Courtney of Hedley; Mandi Gay and husband Michael of Havelock, NC; and Holli Jo White of Amarillo. They are also blessed with 10 greatgrandchildren: Payton and Kaylin Hicks; Mekinna and Collin Ford; Farrah Shields; Keslea and Kinlea Ford; Madisen, Alex and Maddex

The couple and their family would like to invite everyone to attend their celebration of 60 years together. They respectfully request no gifts.

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When I was told that in the past year I had a heart attack, I was shocked and scared. Oddly, my heart attack wasn't due to blockage or buildup. I have spasms that are made worse by stress and high blood pressure (weight). Even if my stress and weight were where they need to be, I would still have the spasms, but less frequent and severe. If I take medication, try to relieve stress, and watch my food, my heart has the capacity to heal. I've already seen some evidence of this on an ultra-sound. The enlargement that was so pronounced on one side is much better. The doctor was pleased and so was I.

But, before I knew what I know now, I thought the damage would be irreparable. It is not! This line of thinking got me to thinking about our Christian "hearts" and our capacity to heal those, with God's help of course. There are times that Christians lose zeal or some tragedy causes them to leave God's presence. You might say, "They have "lost heart." Obviously we teach that we can overcome these types of things but sometimes I don't think we believe it. I've heard brethren who have left the church say that they have no desire or that their heart isn't right. We need to understand that our spiritual hearts have a capacity to heal also. But, they must be filled up with good things.

(Philippians 4:8) "Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is any virtue and if there is any virtue and or there is any virtue and or hear is advice every day and expect to see some improvement? God has the cure and no one is beyond reach if they have just a little conscience left. As my doctor told me, "Take your medicine, and you will be o.k." The Great Physician gave us a cure for every spiritual thing. You just gotta take the medicine. gotta take the medicine.

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Dr. Phil Shirley and Darlene Spier (far left) were honored during a recent retirement luncheon at Clarendon College. Shirley retired as president of Clarendon College after serving three years, and Darlene is retiring after 33 years of service to the College. Also shown here are CC Regents Jack Moreman, Susie Shields, John Howard, Ruth Robinson, Doug Lowe, Jerry Woodard, and Delbert

McAnear All-District quarterback

By Sandy Anderberg Senior Clarendon football player Chance McAnear has been unanimously selected as the District 1-1A quarterback by the participat-ing teams in the district. McAnear has been instrumental in the suc-cess of the Clarendon Broncos all four years of his high school football career. Fellow senior Tres Hommel was also selected to the team as a defensive lineman and has also been a standout for the Broncos while at CHS. Stratford, Sunray, Panhandle, and Memphis also had selections to

Other awards were given as well. The Coach of the Year award went to Eddie Metcalf from Stratford. Rett Schoonover was the District Most Valuable Player, Tyler Hall from Panhandle was the offen-sive player of the year, and Eze-quiel Rodriguez from Memphis was selected as the defensive player of

Several Claren ndon players were selected to the All-District Second

Team as well. Selected as receivers were Zack LaRoe and Cedrick McCampbell. David Johnston was named to the defensive line and Dustin Crump and Zach Watson cap-tured linebacker selections. Chance McAnear and Charles Mason were named to the team as secondary players. Head Coach Gary Jack noted that several players received honorable mentions as well. Those honored on offense were Tres Hommel, David Johnston Zach Cornell Jonathon Cartwright, Brandon Miller, Charles Mason, Zack Watson, Montana Hysinger, Caleb Cobb, and Taylon Knorpp. Defensive honors went to Zach Cornell, Zack LaRoe, Montana Hysinger, Caleb Cobb, Bryce Hatley,

Hysinger, Caleb Cobb, Bryce Hatley, and Taylon Knorpp.

The District also recognizes an Academic All-District Team. Named to the academic team are Chance McAnear, David Johnston, Zach Cornell, Cedrick McCampbell, Montana Hysinger, Caleb Cobb, and Bryce Hatley. Congratulations to all e receiving All-District honors



All District: Back: Dustin Crump, Chance McAnear, Tres Ho Charles Mason, David Johnston; Front: Zach Watson, Zack Lar and Cedrick McCampbell.



Academic All-District: Cedrick McCampb Montana Hysinger Chance McAnear, David Johnston, Caleb Cobb, Zach Cornell.

Sheriff's Report

December 2, 2013 9:12 a.m. – EMS assist Clarendon Family Medical Center 11:31 a.m. – Out @ Clarendon Elemen-

tary 11:42 a.m. – EMS assist 100 block

North sully 3:01 p.m. – To jail with one in custody 6:00 p.m. – EMS assist 4800 Greenbelt Way

Way 6:15 p.m. – EMS assist 100 block Lakeview Lane

December 3, 2013

December 3, 200 block
Angel St - Howardwick
1:15 a.m. – Out in 100 block Bailey St
1:48 a.m. – EMS assist 500 block West

2:28 a.m. – Kid walking 5th & Ellerbee 6:36 a.m. - Courtesy ride to county line 9:15 a.m. - Out @ Clerk's Office 11:55 a.m. - EMS assist 200 block East

5 a.m. – Levis 2nd - Hedley 3 p.m. – EMS assist 200 block East 7:14 p.m. – EMS assist 200 block East 2nd - Hedley 11:43 p.m. – Report of suspicious

6:30 p.m. – Loose livestock HWY 70 South

walking

December 5, 2013

10:50 a.m. - Standby 1100 block East

2:53 p.m. - EMS assist 500 block East

4:53 p.m. - EMS assist 600 block Bur-

khead 9:21 p.m. – EMS assist 200 block East 2nd - Hedley

December 6, 2013
12:18 a.m. – Disabled vehicle HWY 70
North & Co Rd I
9:56 a.m. – Out on 1000 block Parks

Street 10:20 a.m. – Power pole down @ Base ball field

9:40 p.m. – EMS assist 300 block Koogle

December 7, 2013 5:28 a.m. – Courtesy ride to town

We invite all our customers and friends to come enjoy refreshments and lunch during our annual

Customer preciation Day December 18 Wednesday, 9:00-3:00





Colts corral the Longhorns

The 7th and 8th grade Colts exe-d a great offensive plan against Vega Longhorns last Monday at had one.

McCleskey had six, Payton Hicks
Christopher had two.
Coach Brad El
with the win and h cuted a great offensive plan against the Vega Longhorns last Monday at home, which in turn led to two big

wins for the junior high players.

The seventh grade left no doubt and won 49-19.

and won 49-19.

The Colts jumped out to the early lead while holding their opponent to single digits in the first two quarters of play. The Colts' great offense and solid defense helped to stifle anything the Longhorns tried to do. Preston Elam and Bear Smith Jed the Colts on the scoreboard firm. led the Colts on the scoreboard finishing in double figures with 15 and 14 points respectively. Noab Elam finished with nine points, Ryan

The eighth grade picked up where the seventh grade left off and won 48-14. Just like the seventh grade, the eighth grade Colts held their opponent to single digits for three quarters, and thanks to solid defense, allowed them no points the entire first quarter of play. After setting a tempo for the game in the first half of play, the Colts were able to cruise to the win. Colt Wood hit three three-pointers and racked up 31 total points in the win and Damarjae Cortez helped with nine. Nathan Shadle added six points and Justin

Coach Brad Elam was happy with the win and how his players took control of the game.

"I was really pleased with both games and they were very similar," Elam said. "We started off a little rough at times, but we were able to wear them down in the second half and really pull away." Elam knows the season is early and the kids have to improve. "We still have a long way to go and a lot of things to improve on, but for the third game of the year, the kids played well.'

The Colts will travel to White Deer December 9 beginning at 7:00

Lady Colts fall to Lady Longhorns

Both the seventh and eighth grade Lady Colts fell short against Vega on the road Monday night. The seventh grade lost 11-41, and the

eighth grade was defeated 21-35.

The game began similar for both teams, as they got off to a slow start in the first quarter of play. After falling behind by 10 points in the first quarter, the seventh grade Lady Colts matched the Lady Longhorns almost point for point before the break. A slow offensive third quarter proved to be too much and Clarendon took the loss, Brandalyn Ellis and Chardy Craft put in four, Jessica Lowrie had

two, and Kyla Dunham had one.
"The seventh graders improved from their last game," coach Johnny Nino said. "I feel like the girls are understanding the offense and defense better. The execution was much better this game." much better this game.'

The eighth grade Lady Colts were very much in the game in the opening first half, but like the seventh grade, had a slow shooting third quarter that made the difference between getting the win and taking a loss.

Shaelyn Owiti ended the game with nine points to lead the Lady Colts and Hannah Hommel helped with five. Abby Ceniceros put in four and Trinity Stribling had three.

"The eighth graders played better as well," Nino said. "We had some turnovers in the third quarter that hurt us. Hannah Hommel had a good game on the offensive and defensive end of the floor, and Shae-lyn Owiti had a good game offensively. Abbie Ceniceros had a good game on the defensive end of the

The Lady Colts will travel to White Deer Monday, December 9, and play at 5:00 p.m.

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C. diff infections typically infect people who stay at a hospital or long-term care facilities after taking strong antibiotics for a long time. While older people are more likely to get infected, the nfection rates have risen in young and healthy persons as well.



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Broncos defeat Groom

Chance McAnear brought the heat against the Groom Tigers on the road last Tuesday night and racked up 19 points in the Broncos' 48-40 win. Several Broncos stepped up the intensity of their game and aided in the win.

Clarendon had the upper hand on the Tigers, never relinquishing their lead after each period of play. They stayed focused throughout and ed the win with their biggest

We did a good job of crashing

the offensive boards," coach Brandt Lockhart said. "We just need to get better at finishing our shots. were able to extend the lead in the fourth quarter and get the win."

Also scoring: Cedrick

Also scoring: Cedrick McCampbell 9, JoJo Cartwright 5, Ashton Smith 5, Charles Mason 3, Bryce Hatley 3, Chance Lockhart 3, and Chesson Sims 1

The Broncos will play at home on Tuesday, December 17, against Valley beginning at 8:00 p.m. They will play in the Canadian Tourna er the Christmas holidays.

Lady Broncos slam Groom

The Lady Broncos made the e look easy as they rolled to a 66-15 win over the Groom Lady

Tigers Tuesday night.

The Lady Broncos were on fire in the first half of play and played strong defense to hold the Lady Tigers scoreless in the first half of play. Taylor Degrate added 18 points in the game, Brittney Braim helped with 13, and Taylor Gaines added 11. Head coach Molly Weatherred was more than pleased with the effort. "We started the game off with

lot of energy on the defensive end, which allowed us to get steals and shoot layups to jump start our offense," Weatherred said. "I thought we ran the floor well and did a great job of getting the ball to the open girl."

Also scoring: Ryann Starnes 7, Deborah Howard 6, Phara Berry 6, Camra Smith 3, and Haley Ferguson

The ladies will play Valley at home December 17 at 6:30 pm and participate in the Canadian Tourna-ment after Christmas.

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Former Lady Bronco and Tarparticipated in the NCAA Division II National Cross Country Championship at Plantes Ferry Athletic Complex in November in Spokane, Wash., and finished 160th out of a field of 244 runners. The Tarleton team placed 24th in the event. Shelton will start preparing for the spring track season at Tarleton after the Christmas break.



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Boat racers

Nathan Estlack (center with trophy) holds up his championship award following the Raingutter Regatta held by Clarendon Cub Scout Pack 437 recently. Twenty boys competed from four dens in the competition in which Cubs blow homemade boats down ten-foot raingutters. Cubs and their families enjoyed a Thanksgiving meal following the race.

Extension to offer marketing program in Vernon

VERNON - The Master Mar- ing. It teaches participants how to Grain Sorghum Producers Board, keter Program, only offered in a region about every five years, is set to return to the Rolling Plains in 2014, according to Stan Bevers, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service economist in Vernon.

The training dates will be Jan.

22-23 at the Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center near

The 64-hour curriculum is offered as four, two-day sessions held every two weeks, and is the most intensive marketing/risk management training provided by Extension anywhere in the U.S., Bevers said. Other dates are Feb. 5-6, Feb. 19-20 and March 5-6.

The Master Marketer Program s a national, award-winning curricu-um that provides in-depth, intensive risk management education traindevelop marketing plans, evaluate marketing alternatives, manage pro-duction and price risk, and helps teach the skills and discipline neces-

sary to execute those plans, he said.
"It's been six years since the
last Master Marketer training was
held in Vernon," Bevers said. "If a producer ever thought about attending the training or a past graduate wants a refresher, they need to sign up early. It may be their last chance for a while."

The registration fee is \$340, which includes meals and materials. The registration fees fall short of covering all costs of the program, he said.

Most of the costs are covered by grants and partnerships with other organizations, including the Texas Corn Producers Board, Texas in the training.

Texas Farm Bureau, the Cotton State Support Committee, Texas Wheat Producers Board and the U.S. Department of Agriculture Risk

Management Agency.

Anyone interested in attending can get more information by contacting their local AgriLife Extension county agent or by calling Bevers at 940-552-9941, ext. 231. Registration is available online at http://agrilife-register.tamu.edu. Due to the handson nature of the course, attendance is limited. The deadline for registration is Jan. 15.

Bevers said in post-training Bevers said in post-training surveys in the previous years, 186 Vernon Master Marketer partici-pants indicated their gross income increased on average \$34,000 annu-ally based on what they had learned

"There is no reason that program graduates shouldn't receive this level of increased returns for the next 10 years," he said.

next 10 years," he said.
"Interested participants should weigh carefully the registration fee, the time commitment and travel costs associated with the program against the potential of a \$250,000plus increase in returns over the next decade when considering signing up for the program. Personally, I think it is a no brainer."

The instructors are top professionals from industry and universities from around the country, Bevers

Case studies, group discussions and simulation exercises will be utilized to provide students with experience using real tools they can apply on their farm and ranch operations when they leave the class, he said.







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And the winners are...

Taylee Ehlert and Harrison Howard were the top winners in two age divisions for this year's Enterprise Christmas coloring contest. Internet voters were still polling as the paper went to press this week with only one vote separating the two kids at presstime. The winner's art will be the cover of next week's Christmas Edition of the Enterprise.

Campaign promotes Merry Christmas law

By David Maly, Texas Tribune

Politicians, advocates and even a Santa Claus turned up at the Capi-tol on Monday to promote a new law that aims to protect Texans' right to wish one another "Merry Christ-

political advocacy organization, on Monday hosted an educational event to make sure that parents, students and others know about House Bill 308, the so-called Merry Christmas Law that the Texas Legislature passed this year. The law is meant to to ensure that public school districts can educate students about the history of traditional winter celebra-tions and can use traditional winter greetings, such as "Merry Christ-mas" and "Happy Hanukkah," with-out fear of litigation.
"School districts for too long

have either wanted to or thought that they had to be speech police," Jonathan Saenz, president of Texas Values, said Monday.

Critics of the law, however, say the Texas Values campaign is unnecessary, because the right to say

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"Merry Christmas" and use other holiday expressions was never at risk.

"It's crazy to think that some-"It's crazy to think that some-how there is a war on Christmas when the vast majority of people cel-ebrate Christmas," said Dan Quinn, a spokesman for Texas Freedom Network, a political organization that advocates for the separation of church and street. church and state.

Saenz told The Texas Tribune on Friday that one has only to look to recent conflicts in public schools to see the need for the law and the

Texas Values campaign.

"For many years, there have been court cases in the state of Texas where students have been restricted from making these expressions and told that they cannot say 'Merry Christmas,' and even not being allowed to wear the colors red and green at parties during this time of year," Saenz said.

He pointed to a recent instance at Nichols Elementary School in Frisco in which a member of the parent teacher association who was organizing a "Winter Party" sent out an email forbidding red, green, Christmas trees and references to Christmas or other religious holidays at the party.

Following local media coverage and concern from state Rep. Pat Fallon, R-Frisco, the association released a statement reassuring the public that the school was in compli-ance with the new law.

"Our December celebration is

called a 'Winter Party' in an effort to include all holidays celebrated in our Nichols community," the statement said. "Our effort is focused on allowing all children to celebrate any winter holiday without excluding anyone.

Saenz said the Frisco incident and recent court cases, includ-ing a federal lawsuit against Katy Independent School District over removing a Christmas card from a fundraiser sale and other actions, are evidence that the campaign is necessary. Lawsuits against school districts can be costly for taxpayers, so he said it's important to make sure the new law is followed.

Saenz said the campaign, which

cities, is mainly meant to educate students and parents about the law, so that they can advocate for themselves if school districts attempt to restrict holiday expressions that the law allows.

But Quinn, of the Texas Freedom Network, said he believes the intent of the Texas Values campaign promoting the law is more secular in

"It's a great fundraising tactic for them," Quinn said. Justin Butterfield, a staff attor-

ney for Liberty Institute, a national organization that advocates for religious freedom, said the Merry Christmas Law simply makes clear what is allowed under the US Constitution and what's not.

"It sets those bright-line rules and makes things a lot easier for the school districts, the parents, the students and for everyone involved," Butterfield said.

State Rep. Dwayne Bohac, R-Houston, who authored the leg-islation, said states, such as Oklahoma, are making similar proposals.

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"Historically, the holiday season brings an increased potential for drinking and driving incidents, and these enhanced DPS patrols will help save lives," said DPS Director Steven McCraw.

"Impaired driving can easily

turn a holiday celebration into a tragic situation. By designating a sober driver or finding alternative transportation if drinking alcohol is expected, Texans can do their part in keeping our roadways safe and making the holidays memorable for the right reasons."

The increased patrols that target impaired driving are funded through

a grant from the Texas Departr of Transportation (TxDOT).

DPS offers the following additional tips for safe travel during the

Don't drink and drive. Desig-

nate a driver or take a cab.

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cle – it's the law. Slow down – especially in bad weather, construction areas and heavy traffic.

Slow down or move over for police, fire, EMS and Texas Department of Transportation vehicles and tow trucks that are stopped on the side of the road with emergency lights activated – it's the law.

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