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## School leaders dismiss scores

BY BETHANY KURTZ  
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

Parents should not worry about their children's education following the Texas Education Agency's (TEA) A-F Accountability in-progress report released this month, local superintendents say.

The Texas Legislature is currently developing a new rating system for public schools in Texas, according to the TEA's website, that will score each school based on student performance.

Preliminary results, released as required by the Legislature, included four of the five domains outlined in the grading calculation. The domains were student achievements and student progress measured by the STAAR test, closing performance gaps measured by STAAR test scores of economically disadvantaged students and postsecondary readiness. The results are available on the TEA website.

Granbury ISD was given a grade of 'C' in the first, second and fourth domains and 'D' in the third domain.

Granbury High School scored a 'C' in the first and fourth domains and a 'D' in the second and third. Crossland Ninth Grade Center scored a 'B' in the first and third domains and a 'C' in the third. It was not rated in the fourth domain.

Education commissioner Mike Morath issued a statement reminding Texans the rating system is a work in progress and is likely to change.

"No inferences about official

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**BLAZE DISPLACES 15:** The homes of 15 residents are unlivable after a fire broke out at the Towne Lake Apartments just east of the Pearl Street Lake Granbury bridge Sunday afternoon. No residents were injured, but two firefighters were treated at Lake Granbury Medical Center. All residents have been relocated to homes of friends and family, city officials said.

## Fire guts apartments

Blaze displaces 15 residents

BY ROGER ENLOW  
EDITOR

Monty Hoyler and his wife Teri were heading home from shopping Sunday afternoon when he noticed something not right.

"I had never seen that much smoke come out of a chimney," he said.

Monty said he "busted a U-turn" for the smoke at Towne Lake Apartments just east of the Pearl Street Lake Granbury bridge.

He saw more than smoke. "Flames were coming out of the chimney," he said.

He called 911 while his wife ran to bang on doors and alert residents of their burning building.

"Nobody knew what was going on," he said.

Firefighters arrived to attack the blaze, which may have started in a chimney, according to some at the scene. However, City Fire Inspector Kevin Jones said he's not sure. "It's still under investigation," he said.

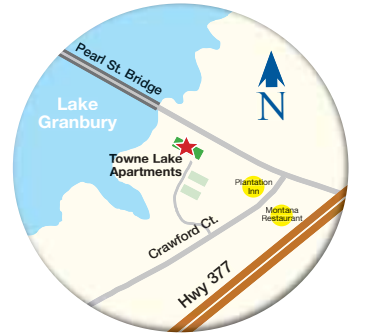
The blaze heavily damaged the two-story building, making all 12 units unlivable.

Fifteen residents were displaced. The fire destroyed most of their possessions in the apartments, Jones said.

All residents have been relocated to homes of friends and family, according to City of Granbury Public Information Officer Bethany Kyle.

No residents were injured, but two firefighters were taken to Lake Granbury Medical Center. One suffered a knee injury when he fell through the second floor and another had smoke inhalation. Fire Marshal Ray Wilson said. Another was slightly injured and did not go to the hospital.

Seventy-five firefighters from



★ Site of apartment fire

the county's nine fire departments plus Erath and Somervell battled the eight-hour blaze, Wilson said. Two ladder trucks - one from Granbury and one from Tolar - were used to fight the fire.

The American Red Cross arrived on the scene and assisted residents with housing and financial aid. Residents should contact Mission Granbury for clothing assistance.

The fire closed nearby business highway 377 for about eight hours.

One of the apartment residents, Andrew Keeler, 27, could only stand and watch firefighters try to save what they could.

He lost valuable personal possessions, such as his young daughter's birth blankets, photographs, clothes and firearms.

"It hasn't sunk in yet, but it will," Keeler said.

The young man was at work at Wolf Hollow Generating Station when a friend called and said his apartment was on fire. He had lived there only since July, fulfilling a dream of residing close to the water. His apartment was just steps away from the lake.

Despite his loss, the Army veteran remains optimistic.

"If I can survive 13 months in Iraq, I can survive this," he said.

## Healthy move Tolar renovates shoddy ag barn

BY CHRISTINE DORAN  
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

In years past, Kinsey Lane's show animals would get sick.

The Tolar FFA vice president said some of her FFA classmates even had animals die before the stock show, in part because of the terrible conditions of the Tolar ag facilities.

"It's very stressful when the animals get sick," Lane said. "A lot of the animals last year

would get sick."

The ag barn for Tolar High School was in shambles last spring when ag teacher Nathan Newton decided to make some changes.

The barn only had three walls, leaving the animals open to the weather and disease.

They had issues with the septic and drain, and often had septic backups.

Hot in summer and cold in winter, the barn was missing a

large portion of the ceiling from tornadoes that hit years ago.

A door had been ripped off.

Birds, snakes, raccoons and other unwelcome creatures frequented the barn.

Ready for change, Newton gathered a team of students' parents, and they started planning renovations.

They spent the next six months working every day, put-

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## Going for the grand

Tolar's Kinsey Lane has been showing animals for nine years. She will be showing a sheep and a hog at

this week's 62nd Hood County Junior Livestock Show and hopes to win big.

## Stock show weather? Not bad?

BY CHRISTINE DORAN  
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

Hundreds of people flock to the Hood County Junior Livestock Show annually to enjoy the animals, food and fellowship.

Lonnie Johnson, president of the Hood County Livestock

Raisers Association, said he's concerned the weather will be a problem for the four-day show, which starts today at the Granbury Reunion Grounds.

"You always think the worst, but it turns out the best," he said. He expressed hope that the fickle weather would change in his favor.

Temperatures are expected to be in the 70s today and tomorrow, but Friday and Saturday may bring cooler weather and rain. No freezing temps are expected.

Johnson began showing animals the first year of the event, 62 years ago, with his hog, and

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**POLITICAL PASSION:** Blue dog Democrat Charlie Stenholm (left) recalls being a congressman for 26 years. P. 5A



# SCHOOL: District letter grades not final

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district or campus performance in the 2015-16 school year should be drawn from these ratings, and these ratings should not be considered predictors of future district or campus performance rating," he said.

The A-F Accountability system will not officially be used to measure schools until August of 2018, according to the TEA. Campuses are currently rated using the School Report Card system.

All Granbury, Tolar and Lipan ISD schools in Hood County "met standard," the highest rating available, under the School Report Card for 2015-16, according to the TEA's records.

Rather than worrying about the report, parents should consider what they have seen the district and students do, said Granbury ISD Superintendent James Largent.

"At parent meetings, they see the projects their kids are working on, and they see the excitement their kids have every day when they get home from school. They also witness concerts, productions, parent nights, see our successes in ex-

tracurricular activities and see our students excelling in college, technical schools and the workforce when they leave us," Largent said.

Instead of the A-F accountability scores, he would like to see the state require schools meet the basic requirements and the rest be left to the individual districts.

"What we see in these results is the state continuing to use a once-a-year bubble test to assign grades to individual campuses across our state and pit campuses against each other," Largent said in a press release on Jan. 6. "Out of the four domains, three of them rely solely on STAAR test results."

Those tests, he said, have proven unreliable especially after online tests were deleted for no apparent reason last year.

Lipan superintendent Cindy Edwards said she did not feel the scores her district received reflected her ISD's accomplishments either.

"I think we do a much better job than is reflected," she said.

Edwards said she has attended training sessions on the new

rating system.

"I think they are trying to be fair, but I don't think they are quite there yet," she said.

The Tolar ISD did well compared to other schools and districts in the area, said Tolar superintendent Travis Stilwell. But he also found room for improvement in the rating system.

"Given that this system is based primarily on test scores, I do not believe it provides an accurate reflection of the education that is provided daily to our students," he said. "I want our parents to know that we care about their kids. Our teachers and administrators are committed to the children within the Tolar ISD."

The Tolar ISD constantly adjusts instruction to meet student needs and will continue to do so regardless of the accountability system the state chooses, Stilwell said.

When the official report is released for the first time in a year and a half it will score campuses based on different information than in this preliminary report. One more domain will be added and only the best

School/ISD	Domain I: Student Achievement	Domain II: Student Progress	Domain III: Closing the Gaps	Domain IV: Postsecondary Readiness
<b>Granbury ISD</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>C</b>
<b>Acton Elementary</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>C</b>
<b>Acton Middle School</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>C</b>
<b>Crossland Ninth Grade Center</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>B</b>	—
<b>Emma Roberson Elementary</b>	—	—	—	—
<b>Granbury High School</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>C</b>
<b>Granbury Middle School</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>C</b>
<b>Brawner Intermediate School</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>C</b>
<b>Mambrino Elementary School</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>F</b>
<b>Baccus Elementary School</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>D</b>
<b>Oak Woods School</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>C</b>
<b>Stars Accelerated High School</b>	—	—	—	—
<b>Tolar ISD</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>B</b>
<b>Tolar Elementary School</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>B</b>
<b>Tolar High School</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>B</b>
<b>Tolar Junior High</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>B</b>
<b>Lipan ISD</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>
<b>Lipan Elementary School</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>A</b>
<b>Lipan High School</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>

of domain one and two will be used to determine each campus's score, according to TEA guidelines.

The new rating system is designed to help the state achieve its 60x30 plan: at least 60 percent of Texans ages 25-34 have

a post-secondary certificate or degree by 2030.

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# Conaway votes to repeal U.N.'s anti-Israel resolution

Congressman Mike Conaway (R-Midland) voted last week to pass House Resolution 11 - to reject the anti-Israel U.N. resolution.



Conaway

Conaway stated: "Israel is our strongest ally in an increasingly unstable region, and to allow a resolution to pass the United Nations Security Council that states that Judaism's holiest sites are an 'occupied territory' is absolutely unacceptable."

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"The United States has a long history of voting down anti-Israel resolutions at the United Na-

tions Security Council - in fact, the United States has vetoed 42 anti-Israel resolutions since 1972."

### CRITICAL OF PRESIDENT

Conaway criticized the Obama administration for ignoring the "special relationship" between the U.S. and Israel, calling it "reprehensible."

"We must continue our nation's long tradition of standing with Israel," Conaway's statement read.

# TOLAR: No sick animals this year

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ting in new doors, putting up the fourth wall, tearing out old concrete to make room for new concrete floors and redoing the electric work.

Working in the Texas heat was hard for the team.

"It was extraordinarily hot in there this summer," Newton said.

According to Newton, the new facility has greatly reduced the deaths and sickness of animals.

"There's been a huge increase in the health of the animals," Newton said.

The animals are now inside the climate-controlled barn, with new metal pens and four

walls surrounding them, insulated with yellow foam spray insulation.

"The new facilities have helped a lot with animal production. It's so much more efficient than it was last year," Lane said.

This year, Lane and Newton said they haven't had any sick animals, which they credit to the cleaner and warmer facilities.

The students are now more equipped to prepare for the stock show this week.

Lane began showing animals nine years ago.

The junior at Tolar High

School will be showing a hog and a sheep.

She said she's learned not to name her animals so she doesn't get too attached before sending them to the butcher.

However, her mom named her hog Boss. The sheep is simply called "big sheep."

Lane, who plans to be a large-animal veterinarian, is anxious as she prepares her animals for the show.

"I'm a little stressed out," she said. "But I'm really excited."

All about competition, Lane said this year she's hoping to win big. She said she's "going for the grand."

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2 p.m. - Rabbit Show  
6:30 p.m. - Livestock Skill-a-thon Contest

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11 a.m. - Family Living Division Judging  
1 p.m. - Agricultural Mechanics Division Judging  
4 p.m. - Market Swine Show  
6 p.m. - Family Living silent auction opens

### Friday, Jan. 13

6:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. - Pancake Breakfast (4-H fundraiser)  
6:30 a.m. - Family Living silent auction continues  
8 a.m. - Market Goat Show  
1 p.m. - Heifer Show  
1:30 p.m. - Market Steer Show

### Saturday, Jan. 14

11 a.m. - Buyers Buffet and Public Meal begins  
Noon - Family Living silent auction ends  
1 p.m. - Premium Auction Sale

## SHOW

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continued to show through high school.

The inaugural event in 1955 was held off Houston Street near the railroad tracks.

His kids also showed animals when they were younger, and the event makes him reminisce on his days showing in the event, he said.

He said the experience taught him and his kids responsibility, and "gave them something to do except run up and down the streets."

This year, an average turnout is expected for the stock show's 62nd year.

Johnson said he hopes "everybody will show up and have a good time. I hope everybody's warm and happy and we'll have a good turnout."

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# Houston couple commits to Granbury for wedding venue

BY KATHY CRUZ  
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When Paula McDonald discussed with her husband Mark what their retirement would look like, she ended up with a new business (so much for taking it easy) and a decision to go back to her roots.

The McDonalds lived in Houston when that conversation took place. Now they're in Granbury, where Paula graduated in 1978.

"I had only been back for class reunions," she said of the four decades that have passed since then. "My parents moved away when I was a freshman at North Texas."

The idea for a wedding venue came when the couple's daughter planned her own nuptials.

Paula's varied professional history made operating a wedding venue seem like, well, a piece of cake.

She has been a high school biology teacher, has owned a cheerleading and gymnastics facility in The Woodlands, has been a real estate broker for 12 years and even has worn the hat of inspirational speaker.

"My wife has always been a bit of an entrepreneur, and I caught the bug," said Mark, who worked in the oil and gas industry for a Fortune 500 company.

After the couple studied a map of Texas, eyeing lake towns within easy driving distances from major cities, it was Mark who suggested Granbury.

"I've always liked Granbury," he said. "This is a neat little place for people to come to for a nearby destination."

"It's going to be good for hotels, restaurants and shops."

Paula needed no convincing to come back to her hometown, where she feels that care has been taken to preserve Granbury's beauty and history.

"For me, having been away for 40 years, it's changed a lot on the perimeter, but the flavor of Granbury has not changed, in



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**PIECE OF CAKE:** Paula McDonald, a 1978 graduate of Granbury High School, has worn a lot of different hats in her professional life and sees no reason why she and her husband, Mark, (left) can't operate a successful wedding venue in their "retirement." Last week, the City Council approved rezoning, a preliminary plat and

a Special Use Permit (SUP) for Chateau Chevaux, which will be on 13 acres east of the City Cemetery and across from the Hood County Senior Center. Paula chose younger schoolmate Brian Gaffin (right) to be the project's architect.

my opinion," she said.

Last week, the couple's wedding venue, called Chateau Chevaux, passed its first hurdles with the city.

The City Council approved the McDonalds' request for rezoning and a Special Use Permit (SUP), as well as their preliminary plat.

Paula said she doesn't think Chateau Chevaux will necessarily compete with other area venues because "every wedding venue has its own personality and its own flair."

She added: "We feel like we're going to be pulling from the Dallas-Fort Worth area a lot."

The McDonalds plan to start booking events as soon as everything has passed muster with the city.

"The minute we know everything's approved and we're good to go, we'll start booking those events before we put sticks in the ground," Paula said.

**SCENIC SETTING**

The venue will be on 13 acres

on East Moore Street, east of the City Cemetery and across from the Hood County Senior Center.

There will be two buildings – a chapel and a reception hall.

The reception hall, which Paula said will be "country chic" and decorated in "brighter, neutral colors" that will blend with all color schemes, will be rented out for other events as well, such as class reunions and galas.

Paula said she envisions the future reception hall to be "a really neat, big barn" with open rafters and "beautiful chandeliers hanging down."

The architect for Chateau Chevaux is Brian Gaffin – whom Paula knew when she was friends with his sister in high school.

"Brian was in the class below me," she said.

Paula hopes to find old church pews for the chapel, which will have Granbury stone and "lots of big picture windows" that will afford views of a pasture with dozens of oak and pecan trees.

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**ROCKIN' THE HOUSE:** John Mueller is Buddy Holly in "John Mueller's Winter Dance Party: A Tribute to Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens and The Big Bopper" on stage this weekend at the Granbury Opera House. The show is a recreation of the final concert of the talented trio, which took place just before they died in a plane crash on Feb. 3, 1959. Linwood Sasser plays the role of The Big Bopper (J.P. Richardson), and Ray Anthony is Valens.

# Oh boy!

## Music of Holly, Valens, Big Bopper at Opera House this weekend

BY KATHY CRUZ  
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

Feeling blue because your blue Christmas has come and gone?

Got the winter doldrums? A blast from the past, with help from a "high voltage" band, might blow you out of that funk.

The Granbury Theatre Company has brought the acclaimed "John Mueller's Winter Dance Party: A Tribute to Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens and The Big Bopper" to the Opera House for a two-weekend engagement.

It only has one weekend left. The two-hour show recreates the final concert of the talented young performers, who died in a plane crash after a performance at the Surf Ballroom in Clear Lake, Iowa, on Feb. 3, 1959.

The tragedy has been dubbed "The Day the Music Died."

Mueller plays the role of Holly. Linwood Sasser is The Big Bopper (J.P. Richardson) and Ray Anthony is Valens.

A four piece band (drums, stand up bass, guitar and saxophone) includes Grammy

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Mueller, a native of Wichita, Kansas, who now lives in Los Angeles, is the former star of the U.S. touring version of the London/Broadway hit musical "Buddy, the Buddy Holly Story."

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The show got "really good reviews," he said, but some critics felt the script was "kind of hokey."

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"We had 1,000 people on a Monday night in Green Bay, Wisconsin," Mueller stated. "I guess the music really didn't die. People still care about it."

Despite the show's name, the group doesn't just perform in the winter. Their shows are year-round. They've performed for more than two million people.

Mueller said that last weekend at the Opera House was "fantastic," with "really full houses."

He stated that, unlike many audiences, the Granbury crowds tended to applaud after solos.

"They seem very attentive," he said. "They pick up on a lot

of nuances, which is great for us."

While the show apparently has thrilled its Granbury audiences, last weekend there was a thrill as well for those in the show.

One audience included a woman who had been at that final concert in 1959, shortly before the three performers boarded a Beechcraft Bonanza headed for Moorhead, Minnesota. The woman brought her granddaughter to see the Granbury show.

"They loved it," Mueller said.

He added that he enjoys introducing that era of music to young people who may have had little or no exposure to it. "That's kind of what keeps us going, keeping that music alive for a new generation," Mueller said.

Show times for the group's final weekend are 7:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

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For tickets, go to [www.granburytheatrecompany.org](http://www.granburytheatrecompany.org) or call 817-579-0952.

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## Obituaries

### Paul Eugene Drake

Paul Eugene Drake, of Granbury passed away Thursday, Jan. 5, 2017, at the age of 74 after a short battle with lung cancer.

Funeral: 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 8, 2017, at Stonewater Church in Granbury.

Graveside service: 10 a.m. Monday, January 9, 2017, at Holly Hills Memorial Park. Viewing: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 7 and on Sunday, Jan. 8, at Wiley Funeral Home in Granbury.

Memorials: In lieu of flowers, please make donations in Paul's memory to Habitat for Humanity or Stonewater Church.

Paul was born Jan. 27, 1942, to the late Cline and Marie Drake in Dallas. He was a devoted husband, loving father, grandfather and a great friend.

Paul devoted his life to the service of others. One of his greatest joys was building houses with Habitat for Humanity, where he served on the board of directors. Another was serving in various capacities in his beloved Stonewater Church. Most of all, he loved his Lord Jesus and devoted his life to sharing the love of Christ with others. The ripple effect that he had on the lives of others is truly remarkable.

Paul had a passion for life and never sat still. He lived life to the fullest and with gusto. He was a graduate of Lubbock High School and in his younger days raced stock cars at Lubbock Speedway. Paul was also president of the South Plains Racing Association. He loved riding his motorcycle, playing golf and fishing. He worked



for Lubbock Electric Company, where he rose to the position of sales manager, and retired after 45 years of service. Paul proudly served leadership roles in numerous organizations, the Children's Home Foundation, Optimist Club, Habitat for Humanity, Texas Cotton Ginner's Association, Hugh O'Brien Youth Foundation and Texas Boys Ranch.

Paul was preceded in death by his brother, Flavil Drake in 2016.

Survivors: Wife, Susie Drake; daughter, Melissa (husband, Steve) Chesher; sons, Devin Drake and Tim Drake; grandchildren, Will (wife, Brittney) Chesher, Katie Chesher, Ben Chesher, Tabitha Drake, Sam Drake, Jack Drake and Alex Drake; brothers, Charles Drake and James Drake; and several generations of nieces, nephews, cousins, other family members and a multitude of friends.

Arrangements made by Wiley Funeral Home.

### Rick Harvey

Rick Harvey, 75, of Granbury passed away Jan. 6, 2017, in Granbury.

Memorial service: 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 14, 2017, Triple Cross Cowboy Church in Granbury where he was a member. He loved this church and his church family.

Rick was born Sept. 24, 1941, in Abilene to Richard and Mary Jo Harvey.

Rick graduated from Texas Tech University in Lubbock and served in the U.S. Army. He was a well known advertising executive in Dallas handling national campaigns, president of the Dallas Society of Visual Communications and an incredible artist with pieces sold all over the United State with emphasis on cowboys, cattle and Indians.

He was an avid horseman and taught all three of his children how to ride and love of the country.

Rick was preceded in death by his parents; his son, Eric Harvey



and his dog, Phoenix.

Rick is survived by his children, Kristian Harvey and Ashley Watt, and two grandchildren, Abigail Watt and Samuel Watt.

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The deadline for obituaries is noon Monday for the Wednesday paper, and noon Thursday for the Saturday paper. Obituaries can be emailed to [obits@hcnews.com](mailto:obits@hcnews.com).

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- TXism: "he's all beer and no \_\_\_"

# Mr. Stenholm goes to Washington

## Retired congressman reflects on 26 years in House

BY CHRISTINE DORAN  
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

The phone rang as Charlie Stenholm sat at the judge's stand at the Texas Cowboy Reunion in Stamford.

Someone said the call was for him.

On the line was Omar Burluson, the local congressman.

On July 4, 1977, Burluson, at his farm seven miles from the rodeo, told the Stamford native he had made up his mind not to run again.

He wanted Stenholm to run for Congress.

When Stenholm got off the phone, he immediately called his wife, Cindy Stenholm.

He had three children in school.

They took a vote on how the kids felt about him running for Congress.

They voted unanimously in favor of him running if he wanted to.

"I found out later they didn't think I had a chance of winning. If they'd thought I had a chance of winning, maybe they'd have voted differently," he laughed.

When Stenholm graduated from high school, he never imagined that one day he would work as a congressman.

Politics were nowhere on his radar.

Set on being a farmer, he took a vocational agriculture course at Tarleton State University with no plans to earn a degree.

His professor, Joe Autry, told him he was wasting his time and his parents' money by taking only one class.

He encouraged him to stay for a four-year degree.

"Whatever he said there convinced me that I ought to change my major and go ahead and get a four-year college education, so I changed to agricultural education," Stenholm said.

He taught high school ag for three and a half years, "never dreaming of politics," Stenholm said, before he was approached



**ONCE FARMERS:** Charlie Stenholm didn't plan to go to college. He wanted to be a farmer. Despite that, he earned his bachelor's and master's at Texas Tech University. He still farmed for some time before going into politics. Left to right: Charlie Stenholm, Rosalynn Carter, Jimmy Carter and Cindy Stenholm.



**CONGRESSIONAL CALLING:** Charlie Stenholm, a retired U.S. congressman, started his career as a farmer. He had no intention of pursuing politics, but eventually became passionate about politics. In the photo are Stenholm (left) and George H. Bush (right).



**PRESIDENT'S PAL:** Charlie Stenholm served in the U.S. Congress for 26 years. He was a blue dog Democrat, who worked with five U.S. presidents. In the photo are Charlie Stenholm (left) and Bill Clinton (right).

by members of the Rolling Plains Cotton Growers, who asked him to join their organization. He made his first trip to Washington with them as a lobbyist.

"I began to get a little interested in politics, from the standpoint of how you get things done," he said.

He then joined Stamford Electric Cooperative and continued as a lobbyist for nine years.

He was elected to the State Democratic Executive Committee in 1974.

He eventually quit the electric cooperative to farm full time.

"People began to say, 'Some-time Omar Burluson' - who had been our congressman from that area for 32 years - 'some-day he is going to retire, and you ought to run for it,'" Stenholm explained.

He didn't take the suggestion seriously.

But, after the conversation with Burluson in July of 1977,

he ran for Congress.

He ran on the ideas of balancing the budget and adding agricultural policies in the 17th district in Texas, which spanned 35 counties and 645,000 people, according to Stenholm. "They were folks I loved to represent," he said.

In 1978, he moved his family to Washington, D.C., "never dreaming it would be for 26 (years)," he said.

He was part of the coalition of Boll weevils and blue dog Democrats from the South who held conservative views.

"I ended up getting much more involved on the budget. I served on the budget committee for six years," he said.

"It's easy to know what should be done - easy to get a policy, like balancing the budget. But you've got to get 217 to agree with you and then you've got to get 60 senators, and then you've got to get a presidential signature. And that's when the

hard work comes in," he said.

"No one that gets elected to Congress can fully appreciate the challenge of the job until you've been there."

He joined Congress during the second half of the Carter Administration, but didn't get to know him well. Early in Ronald Reagan's administration, Stenholm's phone rang.

"On about the first of February, I received a call saying, 'The president would like to see you this afternoon at 2 o'clock,'" Stenholm recalled.

He drove to the White House, approaching it from the South Lawn.

At precisely 2 o'clock, he stood before President Reagan and Chief of Staff Jim Baker.

"I knew what they were wanting, because we were going to have to increase the debt ceiling through the one trillion dollar mark," Stenholm explained. "That was always a political issue."

The president told Stenholm he needed Democrats to vote for increasing the debt ceiling.

According to Stenholm, the issue was too controversial for the Republicans to vote to pass it.

"I said 'Okay, Mr. President, we'll give you the necessary votes to get to 218. Cause we've got to, but only after 100 Republicans,'" Stenholm recalled with a smile. "If you're going to work together, you're going to have to cast some tough votes too."

Stenholm said it was fun watching the Republicans lobby

for raising the debt ceiling.

In 2004, Stenholm was redistricted into a heavily Republican area.

The odds were against him in the new district. "It was like a snowball in hell - and we were the snowball," Cindy Stenholm said, laughing.

Stenholm lost the election, but he still serves on the board of the Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget. He and Cindy live in Granbury.

"I'm semiretired now and getting more so," he said. "It was a great experience - quite an honor."



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**TOLAR DEFENSE:** Perennial power Brock pulled away in the second half for a 50-22 win over the Tolar Lady Rattlers Friday night in Tolar.

## No. 2 Brock pulls away from pesky Tolar

The Tolar girls stayed close to perennial basketball power Brock Friday night in Tolar, but the visitors pulled away in the second half for a 50-22 district win.

Brock, ranked No. 2 in Class 3A, led only 15-9 at halftime

### NEXT

**Basketball**

Tolar girls

at Peaster

Tuesday, 6:15 p.m.

but outscored the Lady Rattlers 19-8 in the third quarter and 16-5 in the fourth.

Allison Lee led Tolar with eight points, followed by Grace Jones' five, Jordan Berry's four, Lauren Franklin's three and Baylee Morton's two.

Franklin led the Tolar rebounders with four, while Jones raked in three, and Allison Lee and Berry two each.

Tolar, 1-4 in district and 8-15 on the season, has a bye Friday night. Next Tuesday the Lady Rattlers travel to Peaster.

## Tolar Rattler boys play state-ranked Brock tough



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The determined Tolar boys basketball team played the Class 3A No. 6-ranked Brock tough Friday night, but the visitors pulled out a hard-fought 54-36 district win.

"Our guys played hard," Tolar coach Kent Caruthers said. "It was a five-point game going into the fourth quarter. We went cold and gave up four three-pointers to Brock."

Tolar led after the first quarter 11-9, but Brock assumed the lead in the second quarter and held a 23-19 halftime advantage.

Brock was ahead 37-32 after three quarters and saved its best quarter for the last, scoring 17 to only four for Tolar.

Michael Golba led the Rattlers with 13 points, Devin Hodges had 11, Derian Morphew five, Bryce Farmer five and Will Bonnell two.

Tolar (7-13, 0-3) is off Friday and plays at Peaster Tuesday at 8 p.m.

### NEXT

**Basketball**

Tolar boys at Peaster

Tuesday, 8 p.m.

**TOUGH NIGHT AT TOLAR:** Tolar's Bryce Farmer attempts to leap into a position to score against visiting Brock during Friday night's varsity basketball game at Tolar High School. Tolar Rattlers put up a fight, but Brock came out on top with a 54-36 win.

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## Granbury girls prevail over Joshua, 56-49

The Granbury Lady Pirates turned in a gritty performance to hold on to a 56-49 district basketball win over visiting Joshua Friday night.

"We gutted it out a little longer than the other team," Granbury coach Steve Schmidt said. "We needed a win."

The win improved Granbury to 3-2 in district. Joshua fell to 1-4.

Granbury jumped out to a 14-5 first-quarter lead and held a 29-21 halftime advantage. The Lady Owls, however, cut the deficit to 40-37 after three quarters.

In the closing minutes Granbury went down low to Gabbie

### NEXT

#### Basketball

Burleson Centennial at Granbury Friday, 8 p.m.

Nunn who scored with buckets and free throws. Nunn led the Lady Pirates with 22 points.

Maddie Samuelson dropped in 14 points, McKenzie Scott and Amber Strange had eight each, Taylor Parrish had three and Jayla Hall had one.

The Lady Pirates, 7-12 on the season, host Burleson Centennial Friday at 8 p.m.



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### In it to win it

Pictured during a recent home game against Crowley, Taylor Parrish and the Granbury Lady Pirates basketball team hit the home court again Friday night for a 56-49 district basketball win over Joshua, improving Granbury to 3-2 in district. The Lady Pirates host Burleson Centennial 8 p.m. Friday at the James Wann Sports Center.

## Granbury soccer girls 1-1 in Arlington

The Granbury Lady Pirates soccer team went 1-1 in the Arlington tournament last week.

On Thursday the Lady Pirates lost to Arlington Lamar 1-0 but rebounded on Saturday and defeated South Grand Prairie 3-1.

Their game on Friday against Bell was cancelled because of the cold weather.

On the win over South Grand Prairie, Granbury coach David Winkleman said, "Baylee Eliason (Buggy) made a fantastic save to keep them out in the first half."

Other top defenders were Kayla Manzano, Ashlyn Denholm, Caitlin D'Souza, Laynee

Pence, Lauren Hammond and Raegan Brown.

"We had great play by our wingers Kira Weeks, Miriam Espinosa and Kaitlyn (Buzz) Washburn," Winkleman said.

The first goal was scored by Weeks, assisted by Espinosa.

The second goal was scored by Espinosa, assisted by Emily Rees and Kennedy Roy.

The third goal was scored by Roy, assisted by Weeks.

Winkleman said, "We are looking forward to a great challenge in the Lubbock Invitational Tournament Thursday through Friday."

## Granbury passing key to 66-45 district win

Unselfish play keyed the Granbury Pirates to their first district basketball win of the season, a 66-45 home triumph over Joshua Friday night.

The Pirates are 1-2 in district and 15-7 on the season.

Granbury coach David Breazeale was pleased with his team's passing, pointing out the 17 assists as a squad. Mason Hix, Michael Horne and Eric Kirchner led with three assists each.

Kirchner paced the scorers with 26 points, followed by Cade Dudley, Hix and Horne with 10 apiece. Cory Cheek and Dalton Kennington had four

### NEXT

#### Basketball

Burleson Centennial at Granbury Friday, 6:30 p.m.

each, and Ryan Dimas had two. Hix led with 11 rebounds, and Kirchner had nine.

The Pirates led 10-4 at the end of the first quarter and widened the gap to 32-12 at halftime. The Pirates took a commanding 47-21 into the fourth quarter.

The Pirates host Burleson Centennial Friday at 6:30 p.m.

## Top-ranked Lipan boys cruise past Moran, 68-16

The No. 1-ranked Lipan boys basketball team waltzed to an easy 68-16 win over Moran Friday night in Moran.

Lipan remains atop the district at 3-0, Huckabay and Lingleville are 2-0, Gordon is 2-1, Gorman is 0-2, and Strawn and Moran are 0-3.

Eleven players got into the scoring column for the Indians, led by Derrick Cook's 13 and Layton Sharp's 12 (all three-pointers).

Other Lipan scorers were: Bryce Shockley, 10; Ty Phillips, eight; Tyler Rice, six; Ty Bryant, five; Santana Martinez, four; Hayden Richardson, three; Carter McFadden, three;

### NEXT

#### Basketball

Lipan at Gordon Friday night Girls 6:15 Boys 7:30

Eric Miller, two; and Braydean Jones, two.

The Moran girls forfeited to Lipan. Coach Amber Branson said she was informed earlier in the week that the Moran girls cancelled their season.

Lipan plays at Gordon Friday with the girls tipping off at 6:15 p.m. and the boys to follow.



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# Winnie the whisperer

## Therapy dog offers calmness during times of stress

BY CHRISTINE DORAN  
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

Winnie's eyes were getting heavy. The Australian shepherd and sheltie mix was falling asleep at the soothing sound of a young boy reading a book in the Hood County Library. "Winnie, wake up and pay attention!" the little boy demanded. Winnie and the boy were surrounded by several children, all of whom were at the library to read with the therapy dog. Janice Neal brought Winnie to the library for the summer reading program. The dog offers a listening ear for kids who are self-conscious about reading, Neal said.

According to Neal, kids are more willing to read if they have Winnie nearby, because it's a non-judgemental ear. "The dog doesn't care if you make a mistake," she said. Some kids may not feel comfortable reading in front of parents and teachers because they do not want to be critiqued, according to Neal. "They learn to read and enjoy it because the dog is there," Neal said. Kids will, according to Neal, begin dragging their parents to the library suddenly, to read with Winnie. One little boy would attempt to read his book as fast as possible to read with Winnie, Neal said. "Every day you go and there's

another cute thing," she said. Hood County Library even gave away "paw-graphed" books with Winnie's paw print inside the cover this summer. As a therapy dog, hospitals, schools and libraries are Winnie's places of employment, and she loves it. "She's just a little ambassador," Neal said. When around many children in a library or a hospital, it's Winnie's job to keep her cool and offer a safe environment for others. The needs for therapy dogs are endless. Universities, hospitals, disaster areas and libraries all have used therapy dogs to bring comfort and security to children and adults. "There are so many opportu-

nities," Neal said. At hospitals, kids would suggest a trade. They would offer their own dogs in exchange for Winnie, according to Neal. Neal has also taken Winnie to memory care centers, where she provided comfort to the patients. "It's amazing what dogs can understand and know," Neal said. Neal and Winnie love the experience. "It's a fabulous thing to do," Neal said. "We get a lot of fun out of it." Neal said Winnie loves the attention. Nevertheless, Winnie's favorite thing to do is still to go outside and chase squirrels.



COURTESY  
**CALMING EFFECT:** Janice Neal takes her dog, Winnie, to various hospitals and locations as a therapy dog. Winnie adds comfort and security to those around her.

## GHS pupil wins 'App Challenge'

Granbury High School student Shane Smiskol is the winner of Congressman Mike Conaway's Congressional App Challenge (CAC). The competition for high school students is held in congressional districts throughout the nation. Conaway represents Texas' District 11. The purpose of the contest is to enhance and promote STEM education - science, technology, engineering and mathematics. It is sponsored by the Internet Education Foundation and the House of Representatives, with assistance from CAC representatives and administrators. Students were encouraged to use their technical knowledge to code on their choice of a programmable device, on any topic of their choosing. Smiskol's app gathers the user's sent SMS, runs it through a Markov chain algorithm and outputs randomly generated sentences for the purpose of entertaining its users.

**Last Wednesday's crossword puzzle was an incorrect puzzle. The correct puzzle is found on page 4A of this issue. We apologize for any inconvenience**

**JANUARY 4, 2017 SOLUTION**

**Last Puzzle Solution**

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**JANUARY 11, 2017 CROSSWORD**

**TEXAS CROSSWORD**  
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**ACROSS**

- 1 in East TX: "Lake \_\_\_\_\_ Pines"
- 5 lawyer payments
- 6 stringed instrument on a big frame
- 7 TXism for "against"
- 8 TX pecan, e.g.
- 9 TXism: "greenhorn"
- 16 TX Randy Quaid 1988 film: "\_\_\_\_\_ Solid Perfect"
- 18 this tribe inhabited the TX coast
- 21 TXism: "don't \_\_\_\_\_ off half cocked"
- 22 "Caddo \_\_\_\_\_" is on TX-LA border
- 23 TXism: "sour enough to pucker a \_\_\_\_\_"
- 24 nickname for famed 36th Infantry Division of TX Camp Bowie
- 30 undertakers
- 34 pos. for Cowboy Jason Witten (abbr.)
- 35 TX-based gas station company
- 36 \_\_\_\_\_ Park, TX
- 37 this Ford was in 1953 film "The Man from the Alamo"
- 39 law officers or Arlington ball team
- 43 TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ up with" (married)
- 44 cattle-buffalo cross
- 45 co. prosecutor
- 46 a credit card corporation
- 47 snuggled
- 49 Craig of TX-based "Buchanan Rides Alone" (1958)
- 52 "Cowpokes" artist, Ace (init.)
- 53 "yes," south of the border
- 54 "he is just \_\_\_\_\_ you"
- 55 TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ a bunkhouse rat"
- 58 TXism: "can't \_\_\_\_\_ candle to him"
- 59 TXism: "he could fall \_\_\_\_\_ well" (clumsy)
- 60 archaic "your"

**DOWN**

- 1 card cheat uses "sleight \_\_\_\_\_"
- 2 in Freestone County on U.S. 84
- 3 "\_\_\_\_\_ Museum" in Big Spring
- 4 global sports network
- 9 state bigger than TX (abbr.)
- 10 common ducks
- 11 Aries astrological sign (2 wds.)
- 12 TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ a look see" (check it out)
- 13 TX-based "ALON USA \_\_\_\_\_, Inc."
- 14 Britain (abbr.)
- 15 it ain't country music
- 17 popular TX game
- 19 in "My Blue Heaven," TX-born Steve Martin was in the \_\_\_\_\_
- 20 list of items to be considered at a city council meeting
- 24 how most watch the Cowboys and Texans
- 25 an extra point for the Cowboys or Texans (abbr.)
- 26 this Baldwin is in 2016 film "Rules Don't Apply" with TX Dabney Coleman
- 27 TX culture
- 28 the "Wink Sink" or the "Kermit \_\_\_\_\_"
- 29 party-givers
- 31 wet, muddy ground that can be found in East TX
- 32 wonderment
- 33 messy persons
- 38 "\_\_\_\_\_ out a living"
- 40 TXism: "wet as a drowned \_\_\_\_\_"
- 41 "Texas, our Texas! \_\_\_\_\_ hail the mighty state!"
- 42 bath nights
- 48 chili is the state \_\_\_\_\_ of TX
- 50 TXism: "como \_\_\_\_\_ (how are you?)"
- 51 by way of
- 56 TXism: "down in the \_\_\_\_\_" (sick)
- 57 "\_\_\_\_\_ and omega"

## A good business bank has resources for small businesses. A great one has Leslie and Mark.

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PATRICIA LOCKE

**TAKING IT ALL IN:** Diana Vasquez, husband Marco Paredes and son, Caleb, had a memorable trip to New York City to ring in the New Year. They thought Diana would be interviewed for a story about veterans helping veterans. The "interview" was interrupted by an announcement from Operation Finally Home that Diana and her family will be moving into a new home in Pecan Plantation.

# Starting off with a bang

BY DEBBIE SCHNEIDER  
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

It was a New Year's Eve like no other.

Army veteran Diana Vasquez, husband Marco Paredes and their 9-year-old son Caleb were flown to New York City under false pretense.

"We were told that I would be part of a FOX News segment to honor veterans, and that I would be talking about veterans helping other veterans," Diana said.

"I was happy with that," she said from De Leon last week. "Just getting a trip to Times Square in New York was great."

Briefly into the interview, the course of the evening changed.

Diana's family was joined by Dan Wallrath, founder of Operation Finally Home, and John Anthony of Anthony Estate Homes. In a live TV broadcast, Diana learned her family would be getting a new, custom home in Pecan Plantation – mortgage free.

"My jaw just dropped. My heart was pounding. I get emotional just thinking about it," Diana said. "It's a huge blessing. This is an amazing thing they are doing for us."

A custom home builder in Texas for 30 years, Wallrath established the nonprofit Operation Finally Home in 2005. It was his vision to provide custom-built, mortgage-free homes for America's military heroes.

"I never dreamed something like this would happen," Diana said. "I am very, very grateful for this gift."

Diana grew up in a family of migrant farm workers who lived in De Leon, but traveled from state to state to follow the seasonal work.

"My parents settled in De Leon in the 1960s. They taught

## FAMILY THANKFUL FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY

In this letter, Army veteran Diana Vasquez expresses her gratitude to everyone who worked to make her new home a reality through Operation Finally Home.

First of all, I would like to praise the good Lord for this wonderful blessing he has bestowed upon my family and I. Without Him, none of this would be possible. He has blessed us beyond measure.

Secondly, I would like to thank Patricia Prince Locke - without her working as a double agent, this would not have been possible.

Thanks to John Mac Weaver (aka Papa), whose wisdom, kindness and heart of gold, has always guided us to the right path.

A big thank you to Dan Wallrath, Operation Finally Home, who is a true hero to every extent of the word, for all he does for "us" veterans. And to John Anthony of Anthony Estates for their kindness and caring hearts that are blessing us with building our dream home!

There are countless others who work behind the scenes, that made this possible for us, for that we are forever and eternally grateful.

My heart is full! We are thankful, blessed and still in shock!

Last but not least, the community at Pecan Plantation, and Granbury for welcoming us to our new community!

I hope and pray to one day make an impact on this rock that we inhabit called earth!

Blessings to all!

Stay safe, stay blessed, and continue to be a blessing to others!

Much love from the Vasquez Paredes family,

Diana Vasquez, a grateful veteran



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us the value of hard work," she said.

Diana felt a calling to serve in the military and protect her country. In the Army she first worked as an aviation mechanic. Due to the wear and tear on her knees, she was medically discharged in 1998.

Diana was back on active duty in 2001, this time working in the intelligence field as a cryptologic linguist. "We collected information in targeted areas," she explained.

She was deployed in 2002 for a year in Afghanistan. One month after her return to the

states, she volunteered to go with her unit to Iraq. "I wanted to stay with the same unit. We had been together for my first deployment," Diana said of her allegiance.

While in Iraq, Diana began to have more health issues, including breathing difficulties and an undiagnosed illness with vomiting. About two months into her deployment, the Army sergeant was medically evacuated from Iraq. She earned the Army Achievement Medal and Good Conduct Medal and got out of the service in 2005. She's had numerous surgeries on her



PATRICIA LOCKE

**IT'S FOR YOU:** Operation Finally Home Founder/President Dan Wallrath hugs U.S. Army Sgt. Diana Vasquez after she learns she and her family are receiving a custom-built, mortgage-free home thanks to the nonprofit Operation Finally Home and Anthony Estate Homes.

*"Who'd have thought someone who grew up as a migrant field worker could become a home owner in Pecan Plantation? We are blessed."*

**Diana Vasquez**  
Army veteran

Brothers John and Ben Anthony look forward to building a new home for Diana's family.

The Anthonys have a long-time connection with Pecan Plantation. Their grandfather bought the property in 1948. "He planted the pecan trees," John said.

Development in Pecan Plantation began in the early 1970s when lots were sold and homes started going up. Later, the Anthony family bought the remaining property from the Leonard family, John said.

When Operation Finally Home contacted John and Ben about the opportunity to work on Diana's home, they were ready to get on board.

"We have some members of the Anthony family that have been heavily involved with this agency over the past year and a half. Now we are on board for this project," Ben said.

Diana calls the announcement on New Year's Eve a dream come true.

"We usually stay home with family for New Year's Eve. My mom makes Mexican Bunu-elos/elephant ears. We stay up til midnight, wish each other Happy New Year and have black-eyed peas. We also have 12 grapes for good luck each month," Diana said.

"Our little boy is so excited for our new home," she said.

"We are just so grateful for everything that is happening," Diana said. "Who'd have thought someone who grew up as a migrant field worker could become a home owner in Pecan Plantation? We are blessed."

Wallrath, the founder of Operation Finally Home, will speak at the Pecan Breakfast Club meeting Jan. 18. The groundbreaking ceremony for the home construction follows the program.

For more information or to make donations, go to [www.operationfinallyhome.org](http://www.operationfinallyhome.org)



PATRICIA LOCKE

**SURPRISE:** Army veteran Diana Vasquez, husband Marco Paredes and son Caleb, 9, (on right side) were surprised on New Year's Eve with an announcement by (from left) John Anthony, of Anthony Estate Homes, and Dan Wallrath, Founder/President of Operation Finally Home. Diana's family thought their trip to New York was for an interview with FOX reporters (center). Instead they learned they will be getting a new home.

## A mulching we shall go

Hood County 4-H Clubs and the Hood County road and bridge department joined forces in the freezing cold Saturday morning at the Hood County Brush Collection Facility. They were all on hand to receive Christmas trees and turn them into free mulch. Pine needles are naturally acidic as they break down, making them excellent for mulching around plants that prefer acidic soils. Pine needles also tend to stay put and not wash away during heavy rains, making them an excellent choice on slopes.



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**Kid Scoop Puzzler**

**Let Freedom Ring**

After years of struggle, the Civil Rights Act made discrimination against the law. However, Dr. King knew it would take more than a law to change people's hearts and minds. He continued to teach people that discrimination was unfair.

Each year on his birthday, Americans remember this man who believed the dream of equality and freedom should ring true for all.

Find the two bells that are exactly the same.

Standards Link: Visual discrimination. Follow written directions.

**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY OF SERVICE**

Make your celebration of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day "a day on, not a day off." This year, thousands of people will do just that by volunteering.

**Missing Words**

Use the words in the word list to complete this news article.

**100 Hours of Service**

Longmont, Colo. – Julie Kraus, a \_\_\_\_\_ at Longmont High School, is working to \_\_\_\_\_ a few of her own volunteer hours into 10,000 \_\_\_\_\_ of community service.

Kraus \_\_\_\_\_ a club with 100 students at her school who each \_\_\_\_\_ to volunteer 100 hours by the \_\_\_\_\_ of the school year. When 100 students volunteer 100 hours, that \_\_\_\_\_ 10,000 hours of community \_\_\_\_\_.

**Fortune Shines on Freckled Faces**

SPOTTVILLE, USA – The Spottville school board passed a new rule last night giving Spottville children with freckles more privileges than children without freckles.

Student Myron Fleming feels the new rule is "long overdue."

Many non-freckled children find the Freckle Rule unfair. "This rule stinks!" cried Alison Smythe, age 11. "I can't help it that I don't have freckles. Why can't I eat in the same cafeteria as my friends with freckles?"

Many children with freckles also disagree with the new Freckle Rule. "I plan to fight against this dumb idea," said Dottie Darling, a student at Spottville Elementary School. "Dr. Martin Luther King's message is that discrimination is always wrong, and this new rule is discrimination."

"Disgruntled nonsense," said school board president Spotz McDotter. "The rule is fair to the people that really matter most – people with freckles."

**Could this be true?**

What if this news story were true? Are the schools in Spottville treating all children equally?

**Dottie Darling Disagrees**

Dottie and lots of kids from her school are speaking out against the Freckle Rule. Use the code to see what their signs say.

Spots or not, we all have a lot in common. Can you find at least 5 ways that each of my classmates and I are the same?

for

EQUAL RIGHTS FOR ALL!

CODE

A	B	C	D	E	F	I	K	L
M	O	Q	R	S	T	U	Y	

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow written directions.

**Dr. King's Dream of Equality**

Dr. Martin Luther King knew what it was like to be discriminated against. He had been called names and told he could not do all of things other people could do. It wasn't because of freckles that Dr. King had these problems. It was because his skin was black.

In the 1950s and 60s, many Americans, black and white, spoke out and even fought against unfair laws that discriminated against black people. Dr. King was one of the leaders of this struggle called the Civil Rights movement.

Standards Link: History: Students understand the importance of individual action and character.

Did Dottie and her friends get rid of the Freckle Rule? To find out, color the spaces with two dots RED and the squares with one dot BLUE.

Standards Link: Follow simple directions.

**FROM THE LESSON LIBRARY**

**Is the Dream Alive?**

Has Martin Luther King's dream come true? Look through the newspaper for examples that show the dream is alive. Do you see examples that show that his dream still isn't alive for all people?

Standards Link: History/Social Science: Students recognize the forms of diversity in their school and community and the benefits and challenges of a diverse population.

**Write On!**

**Leadership**

What are the qualities of a good leader? Who do you know that is a good leader? Why do you think of that person?

**Kid Scoop-doku**

Complete the grid by using all the letters in the word DONATE in each vertical and horizontal row. Each letter should only be used once in each row. Some spaces have been filled in for you.

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**GRANBURY LIONS CLUB**

"We Serve"

Meeting 1st & 3rd Tuesday @ Noon

at Spring Creek BBQ  
317 E. Highway 377 in Granbury

# Calendar

The Community Calendar is a free listing in the Hood County news to inform readers of community programs, special meetings and nonprofit events.

To be considered for publication, organizations must include the agenda for the meeting, or the speaker's name and topic. Information should be submitted two weeks prior to the event for consideration.

Please do not submit a listing for all meetings the entire year. Monthly updates work best. Email information (including the location and street address) to [calendar@hcnews.com](mailto:calendar@hcnews.com).

## THURSDAY, JAN. 12

**C&W DANCE** at Senior Center featuring Outcast, 7 to 9:30 p.m., 501 E. Moore St.

## SATURDAY, JAN. 14

**BOOK RELEASE** party for "Honey's Second Chance" will include appearance by author Brandy Herr and Honey the dog, noon to 3 p.m. at Second Chance Farm's General Store, 1458 E. Highway 377. A majority of profits benefit Second Chance Farm.

## MONDAY, JAN. 16

**ELIZABETH CROCKETT** Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution presents Hood County Good Citizens Awards and Hood County American History Awards to area students, 10 a.m., First Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall, 301 S. Bridge St.

## TUESDAY, JAN. 17

**LIONS CLUB** will meet at noon with speaker Capt. Eric Payne. The luncheon is at Spring Creek Barbeque, 317 E Hwy 377. The public is invited, 817-573-7302.

## WEDNESDAY, JAN. 18

**REPUBLICAN WOMEN** honor past presidents and Republican women, 10:30 a.m., Fillin' Station, 100 N. Crockett.

## THURSDAY, JAN. 19

**C&W DANCE** at Senior Center featuring Outlaw Run, 7 to 9:30 p.m., 501 E. Moore St.

## TUESDAY, JAN. 20

**CHAMBER LUNCHEON** with David Arbuckle from Texas Central Partners as guest speaker, 11:30 a.m., Pecan Plantation Country Club, 8650 Westover Court, \$15 per person, 817-573-1622.

## THURSDAY, JAN. 26

**C&W DANCE** at Senior Center featuring Cowboy Country Productions, 7 to 9:30 p.m., 501 E. Moore St.

# Life



**LOVE HISTORY LIKE WE DO:** The Young Texas Heroes teen board works to keep Texas history alive. Standing, from left: Caylen Smith, a senior at Cornerstone Christian Academy; Lydia Long and Regan Mastick, both freshman at Lakeside Baptist Academy. Micah Young (center) is also a freshman at Lakeside Baptist Academy.

## Teen board working with Independence Day events

BY LYDIA LONG  
YOUNG TEXAS HEROES BOARD

George Santayana once said that "those who don't remember the past are condemned to repeat it."

The Texas Heroes Foundation's (THF) goal is to tell our state's fascinating past to current and future generations. The Young Texas Heroes teen board (YTH) help pass down that history.

Five teenagers are currently serving on the board. Their ambitions, along with the other passionate individuals on the THF board under the leadership of Danny Shipman, include holding local celebrations to encourage the study of Texas History.

The main event in 2017 will be March 2, 3 and 4. Area students are invited to enter the THF Student History Fair and attend the THF Texas History Stroll.

Jeff Mastick and Peggy Freeman serve as co-chairs of the event and meet with the teen board on a regular basis to plan the festivities and share information, personally and via social media. The YTH help plan the March celebrations and constantly learn new facts about their heritage.

Caylen Smith commented, "Being a Young Texas Hero has opened my eyes to the community's need to learn the price Texas paid to become an independent country and then a state."

Not only have the YTH learned about Texas history, but they have also learned how to serve the community and communicate with younger children who want to learn Texas culture.

The team has set individual goals, such as learning and

### TEXAS HEROES FOUNDATION SPONSORING PROGRAM FOR TEXAS INDEPENDENCE DAY

**TEXAS** Independence celebration on March 2-4 at Acton Baptist and Acton Cemetery.

**MEET** the heroes as community volunteers portray Davy Crockett, William B. Travis and others.

**STUDENTS** may win cash prizes by entering the Texas History Fair.

**SENIOR** scholarships awards are also given.

**MORE** information can be found at [www.texasheroesfoundation.org](http://www.texasheroesfoundation.org)

growing in Texas history and even becoming accomplished history teachers.

Freeman sees the Young Texas Heroes' history knowledge benefiting them far into their future. There are many scholarship opportunities in Granbury, and Freeman adds, "When a student's college application shows 'Young Texas Hero - Teen Board' membership, it shows leadership and service."

The THF offers a scholarship to college applicants in the North Texas area.

The scholarship is based on points derived from an entry in the history fair, helping with and attending the Stroll Through Texas History celebration, promoting Texas History, participating in service programs, and writing a brief essay.

Looking forward to his first Texas Independence Day as a YTH, Micah Young sees being a Young Hero benefiting him his whole life in a unique way. "I am learning leadership skills that will serve me well in life," he said.

Just as the YTH seek to be role models, they look up to Texas history role models themselves. Regan Mastick

admires Stephen F. Austin and his hard work ethic. Each of the Young Heroes looks forward to helping serve the community, learning Texas history and spreading Texas's story for many generations to come.

These events involve a great deal of work by the Texas Heroes board and many, many volunteers.

In 2017, students will be competing in the history fair under the theme of "Taking a Stand in Texas History." Deadlines for entries begin Feb. 15.

The YTH will be on hand March 2, 3 and 4 when the THF will host the three-day event at Acton Baptist Church. Events will include meeting characters portraying Texas heroes, Texas Rangers and gunfighters, as well as a memorial ceremony at Elizabeth Crockett's grave with members of the Crockett Family.

To recommend a student for the Young Texas Heroes, please contact Freeman at 214-675-5752, send an email to [March2Texas@gmail.com](mailto:March2Texas@gmail.com), or visit [www.TexasHeroes-Foundation.org](http://www.TexasHeroes-Foundation.org).

## Fast and fun style can make history lessons enjoyable

History presentations continue at the Hood County Library, 222 N. Travis St. for kids from 5 to 75.

In a fast, fun style, Dave Stotts explores the rich history of Boston, Pennsylvania and Philadelphia in a video series. Topics include stories about the Boston Freedom Trail, John Adams, Paul Revere, Bunker Hill, the Liberty Bell, Betsy Ross, the Declaration of Independence, the U.S. Constitution and more.

"As always, Dave includes the Christian influences that have

shaped history," said Mike McMahon, coordinator for the history series.

The Episode 4 presentation is featured again at 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 14.

Episode 5 presentations are at 7:15 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 17 and again Saturday, Jan. 21 at 10 a.m.

Episode 6 presentations are at 7:15 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 24 and again Saturday, Jan. 28 at 10 a.m.

For more information, contact McMahon, 817-894-0370.

### HELPING HANDS

#### KIWANIS CLUB SPONSORING PASSPORT WONDER SHOW FOR FAMILIES

A one-man show starring David Hira will showcase street performance styles from around the world. The program is at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 26 at Granbury High School.

Sponsored by the Granbury Kiwanis Club, the benefit helps fund programs for children including Terrific Kids, Super Citizens and Granbury High School Key Club.

Tickets are \$11 and can be purchased at the Hood County News, or by calling 817-279-2598. Tickets will also be offered at the door.

#### GET READY FOR GED TEST AND LEARN ENGLISH

Free classes for GED prep and English for adults are planned at Granbury First United Methodist Church and at the Ruth's Place branch in Oak Trail Shores.

No documentation is required to enroll.

Both GED and English classes are from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Tuesday and Wednesday mornings at Granbury First Methodist, 301 Loop 567.

The ESL class at Ruth's Place, 2723 Maplewood (Oak Shores), is from 9 a.m. to noon on Mondays and Thursdays.

Forward Training of Hood County is working to schedule GED classes in February.

For more information on these or other classes, call 817-202-1108.

#### NEW CHILDREN'S BOOK CHRONICLES DOG'S REHABILITATION

A book release party for a new children's book highlighting animal rescue is set from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 14 at Second Chance Farm's General Store, 1458 E. Highway 377.

"Honey's Second Chance," written by Brandy Herr of Granbury and released by Who

Chains You Publishing, tells the story of a golden retriever rehabilitated by the local animal rescue facility Second Chance Farm.

Herr will be on hand to sign books, and Honey herself will make a special appearance.

"By not only telling the story of an actual dog saved by animal rescue, but also telling it in the dog's point of view, I hope to bring a closer sense of compassion between children and animals," said Brandy Herr.

"Children can learn about the reality of animal abuse and rescue, told in a child-appropriate manner, while putting themselves in Honey's perspective."

Half of the author's profits and royalties from the sale of Honey's Second Chance will be donated to Second Chance Farm in Granbury.

The illustrations found in "Honey's Second Chance," stylized by illustrator Tamira Ci Thayne, come largely from actual photos of dogs rescued by Second Chance Farm.

For more information, go to [www.AuthorBrandyHerr.com](http://www.AuthorBrandyHerr.com).

#### MATCHING GIFT INCREASES VALUE OF DONATIONS FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

You can team up with generous benefactors creating a matching fund for Habitat for Humanity of Hood County.

The match gives a boost to build more homes for families in need of simple, decent shelter in 2017.

Donations received through Jan. 31 will be matched up to the amount of the fund. Matching fund sponsors include First National Bank of Granbury, Inge Foundation and anonymous donors.

Mail donations to Habitat for Humanity of Hood County P.O. Box 1866, Granbury, 76048.

You can also donate online at [www.habitatofhoodcounty.org](http://www.habitatofhoodcounty.org)

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## BUILDING PERMITS

Granbury building permits for November and December show six non-residential permits, while the majority of permits are residential.

A non-residential permit in November was issued for Lake Granbury Medical Center with a value of \$48,972 for ASC Central Sterile renovation.

In December non-residential permits were given to the following.

- GLH Enterprises for interior framing at 1803 E. Highway 377 for \$40,000
- Cardinal Ridge LLC for finish out for Deluxe Nails and Spa, 3801 Highway 377 for \$65,000
- Snap Fitness addition at 1030 Highway 377 for \$30,000
- Foothill Enterprises for elevator at 201 E. Clifton Road for \$55,000.
- Performance Communications II for upgraded cell tower at 2301 Highway 377 for \$18,000.

### NOVEMBER RESIDENTIAL PERMITS

A total of 16 residential permits were issued in Granbury

during the month of November.

- 1212 Sunset Bay Court, new single family, \$341,893, Kelley Homes, Inc.
- 1000 Quarry Court, new single family, \$417,480.90, Park 51 LLC/Hopper Custom Homes.
- 1012 Quarry Court, new single family, \$530,356.20, Ann Whitecotton Homes, LLC.
- 4600 E. Highway 377, pipe fencing, \$2,000, Formack Welding.
- 1312 Lipan Highway, new chain link fence, Sandy Cox.
- 1202 Carmel Court, new single family, \$382,108.80, Cuoto Homes Inc.
- 4318 Logan Circle, new single family, \$190,040.55, Premier Homes.
- 414 Rucker W., fence, Sidney Marshall.
- 339 Paddle Boat Drive, new single family, \$261,348, J Allen Homes.
- 318 Oar Wood Drive, new single family, \$261,348, J Allen Homes.
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- 301 Oar Wood Drive, new single family, \$261,348, J Allen Homes.

- 3225 Boat Landing Trail, new single family, \$261,348, J Allen Homes.

- 1004 Quarry Court, new single family \$457,359, Park 51, LLC/Hopper Custom Homes.

- 1005 Quarry Court, \$352, 594.50 Park 51, LLC/Hopper Custom Homes.

- 112 Sunset Bay Court, new single family, \$349,665.50, J Allen Homes, Inc.

### DECEMBER RESIDENTIAL PERMITS

Only four residential permits were given by the city of Granbury for the month of December.

- 3421 Abes Landing Drive, new single family, \$352,819.80, Audience Homes.
- 1017 Sunset Bay Court, new single family, \$343,357.20, Cou-to Homes.
- 908 Joshua Court, new single family, \$275,091.30, Premier Homes.
- 719 N. Avalon Court, wood fence, Ted Dickie.

# You can turn your car into a real 'smart' vehicle

While you are waiting for smart cars/driverless cars to be mass produced, you may be able to create your own "smart car" in 2017.

Family County Extension Agent Kelly Pittcock, of Hood County, said the main incentive for smart cars is that they will eliminate driver error from causing a crash. Studies show that most crashes are in fact due to driver error.

Driverless, or smart cars, will not suddenly drift out of their lane, which is usually due to driver distraction.

"Multi-tasking behind the wheel is dangerous. Change your driving habits so that you will always be focusing on the road ahead and prepared for any sudden changes," Pittcock said.

That means eliminating distractions while driving, such as shutting off your cellphone and other devices that take your eyes off the road, refraining from eating, drinking, reading, grooming, smoking and any other activity that takes your mind and eyes off the road.

Smart cars will not get caught speeding - and

neither should yours.

"Drive the posted speed limit and reduce your speed when conditions are not optimal, including at night when visibility is lower," she added.

Slow down when the roadway is wet or icy, or if there is a limit on visibility due to fog.

Pittcock also noted that smart cars will not be following the car in front of them too closely, which is the cause of many rear end collisions.

Most importantly, smart cars will not be traveling with unbuckled occupants.

"Making sure that all of your passengers, young and old, are properly buckled up is one of the smartest steps you can take to prevent injuries and deaths due to a traffic crash," Pittcock said.

You can check with Hood County's certified child passenger safety technician, Monica Harris, to make sure that your car seat is appropriate for the child's age, weight, and is installed correctly facing the right direction.

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*Studies show that most crashes are in fact due to driver error.*

# Devotion Page

## A New Service for Boys Escaping Their Mother's Wrath!

I am going to start a new business venture. My empty nest is going to become a place of refuge for teenage boys who need to escape maternal wrath. When mom is fired up, it's just best to leave the country. You need a refuge that is owned and operated by an empathetic male who has raised boys of his own.

One of my favorite middle-school age boys is Teddy (not his real name - I have changed the names to protect the guilty). I met Teddy not too long after he was potty-trained. We go way back. He's a great kid! Teddy is intelligent, articulate, and it appears he is going to be favored among the ladies. But poor Teddy is on the receiving end of some maternal wrath at the moment.

It seems that Teddy told his mom another boy at school punched him. And it happened more than once. They don't make moms any better than Teddy's. She went up to the school and had a firm, but respectful, chat with the assistant principal. She doesn't want her sweet Teddy being bullied!

After a follow-up discussion, the truth finally surfaced. It turns out that my friend Teddy was bullying a boy that is two years his senior. And the kid finally got enough,

### GUEST COLUMN



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so punches were thrown.

At this point, any self-respecting male has to feel empathy for Teddy. His mother's blood pressure is slightly elevated. Teddy is one step away from maternal wrath. He is instructed to apologize to the older boy. That's a done deal. Boys make up quickly and easily. But he is also told to issue a sincere apology to the assistant principal. At this point, a life sentence on the island of Alcatraz sounds better to Teddy. But he accomplishes that feat as well.

Teddy should not go home. Under no circumstances should he get in his mother's car after school. Nothing but wrath awaits that poor boy. He needs to come to my place of refuge. We will calmly discuss the entire event over ice cream. And then we might take the train over to the American Airlines Center and take in a Mavericks game. There is nothing quite like a refuge owned and operated by a veteran dad who has raised boys.

Actually, Teddy's mom is a rarity in a culture that is out of control. She has taught her son what accountability looks like. He has learned some valid life principles in this incident. Such ideals as humility, confession, and reconciliation have been firmly, and most likely, permanently imbedded on his heart. A good boy is going to grow up to be a fine man.

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Various positions available. General labor help needed, able to lift 50 pounds, landscaping, temporary work and temp to hire. Truck drivers with CDLA. Install technician for door and window company. General manager/sales for door and window company, must be good with people. Assembler and finisher for a commercial cabinet company. Forklift operator/labor hand.  
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**Public Notices**  
LEGAL AD  
Hood County Commissioners' Court has received an application to consider a revision of the plat for:  
LOT 133R, BLOCK 1, BENTWATER ON LAKE GRANBURY  
The Hood County Commissioners' Court will meet to consider the application and to hear any protest to the revision on Monday, January 23, 2017, at 9 a.m. in the Central Jury Room of the Hood County Justice Center, 1200 West Pearl Street, Granbury, Texas 76048.

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
Application has been made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for the renewal of a private club registration permit by Felecia & Douglas Grossnickle, dba, Boozers Granbury Club, located at 211 M and M Ranch Road, Granbury, Hood County, Texas. Officers of said corporation are Felecia Grossnickle, President, Douglas Grossnickle, VP, Amanda Truchan, Committee Chairman, Bradley Tyus, Committee Member and Angela Chandler, Committee Member.

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## Public Notices

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Steven Lee Hadley, Deceased, were issued on January 3, 2017, in Cause No. P08157, pending in the County Court of Hood County, Texas, to: Carrie Ann Hadley. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and the manner prescribed by law.  
c/o: Robert J. Glasgow, Jr.  
GLASGOW, ISHAM & GLASGOW  
Attorney at Law  
1401 West Pearl Street  
Granbury, Texas 76048  
DATED the 6th day of January, 2017.  
GLASGOW, ISHAM & GLASGOW  
1401 West Pearl Street  
Granbury, Texas 76048  
Telephone: (817) 578-8700  
Facsimile: (817) 573-6168  
SIGNED: Robert J. Glasgow, Jr.  
State Bar No.: 24034459  
E-mail: jrglasgow@giglawfirm.com  
Attorney for Carrie Ann Hadley

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of William Inzer Kay, Deceased, were issued on January 3, 2017, in Cause No. P08161, pending in the County Court of Hood County, Texas, to: Pamela Sue Steen. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and the manner prescribed by law.  
c/o: Maurice G. Walton  
Attorney at Law  
107 E Pearl Street  
Granbury, TX 76048  
DATE the 3rd day of January, 2017.  
SIGNED: Maurice G. Walton  
Attorney for Pamela Sue Steen  
State Bar No.: 20826700  
107 E. Pearl Street  
Granbury, TX 76048  
Telephone (817) 573-8872  
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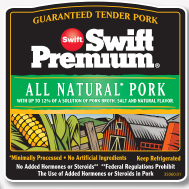
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TRAY PACK

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Strawberries  
1 LB PKG OR  
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LB

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Budweiser, Bud  
Light, Miller Lite,  
Coors Light, Tecate or  
Tecate Light  
12 PK 12 OZ CANS

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Beans  
19 OZ

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or Cracker Barrel  
Cheese  
6.4-9.6 OZ

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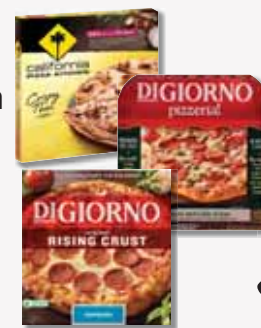
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Coke or Sprite  
8 PK 12 OZ BOTTLES OR  
12 PK 12 OZ CANS  
MUST BUY 3

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DiGiorno or  
California Pizza  
Kitchen Pizza  
SELECT VARIETIES  
13.6-34.2 OZ

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XXL Lay's  
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9.5-10.5 OZ

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8.8-14.4 OZ

2/\$5



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Hy-Top  
Sugar  
4 LBS

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