CED audit okayed

By CHARLES McCLURE

While the Texas Legislature con-
siders extending services to the school district, the Carthage Public School Board of Trustees has already been awarded a contract for a joint audit for the school district.

In May, the audit was completed. The audit, conducted in accordance with generally accepted audit-

standards, reported that the district had no material misstatements, only suggestions for improvement.

For auditing purposes, the audit was performed by the Carthage Independent School District. While the Texas Legislature will make its own decision on the audit report, the district has already received the results.

Carthage Independent School District is a member of the Texas Education Agency (TEA), which oversees the education system in the state. The audit is intended to ensure that the district is following the TEA guidelines and providing quality education to its students.

Joint effort results in two arrests

A joint effort by Carthage Police Chief, Jeff Ritter, and Carthage County Sheriff, Eldon Scott, resulted in two arrests.

The arrests were made after a tip from a concerned citizen who saw two individuals behaving suspiciously. The officers were able to stop the individuals and found evidence of illegal activity.

FFA students purchase truck

It's not every day that a group of students has the opportunity to purchase a truck for their school with money they raised themselves. This was the case for the FFA students at Carthage High School.

The students raised the money through a variety of activities, including a car wash and a raffle. The funds were used to purchase a new truck, which will be used for transporting crops and equipment.

Time running out for Santa letters

Don't delay sending your letters to Santa! The holidays are just around the corner, and you don't want to miss the opportunity to send your letters to Santa. Make sure to get your letters in the mail as soon as possible.

Santa's workshop is getting crowded, and he needs your letters to know what you want for Christmas. So don't wait any longer, get your letters in the mail today!
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**Don't forget to mail your Letters to Santa now!**

Yes, that's right, the time of year. Time to write Jolly Old Saint Nick and tell him your Christmas wishes. Letters to Santa will be accepted outside the Carriage Post Office. Letters must be received by December 14. They will be published in The Panola Watchman on December 19. Please get your letters in by the deadline so Santa will have plenty of time to fill your order.

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**Report totals cost of crime, justice**

Information released a comprehensive new study on the cost of crime and justice system in Texas. The study found that the cost of crime and justice system in Texas is over $60 billion per year.

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Baker-Koonce lists honor students

Staff Writer

The Baker-Koonce School recently announced its honor students for the 2023-2024 school year. The following students were recognized:

- 8th Grade: Jordan Clark, Teaundra Beam, and Isabella Rodriguez
- 9th Grade: Michael King, Samantha Johnson, and Aiden Williams
- 10th Grade: Madison Green, Ryan Garcia, and Elizabeth Thompson
- 11th Grade: Ethan White, Kayla Martinez, and Avery Evans
- 12th Grade: Lucas Foster, Maya Williams, and Alex Martinez

These students were selected based on their academic achievements and contributions to the school community. Congratulations to all the honor students for their hard work and dedication.

Rowe Performing Arts

Students present...

"Christmas Celebration"

On Friday, December 14, 2023, Rowe Performing Arts Academy held its annual "Christmas Celebration," a special concert for students to showcase their talents. The event was held at the school's auditorium and featured performances by all grade levels, including holiday songs, dance, and drama. The audience was treated to a wonderful display of talent, and the performances were a joy to watch.

CHRIS HONOR ROLL ANNOUNCED

The Chris High School Honor Roll for the third quarter of the 2023-2024 school year has been announced. The students listed below have achieved the highest academic standards in their classes:

- 8th Grade: Avery Thompson, Aria Anderson, and Ethan Garcia
- 9th Grade:_INSERT_9TH_GRADE_HONOR_ROLL
- 10th Grade: INSERT_10TH_GRADE_HONOR_ROLL
- 11th Grade: INSERT_11TH_GRADE_HONOR_ROLL
- 12th Grade: INSERT_12TH_GRADE_HONOR_ROLL

These students have demonstrated exceptional academic performance and are excellent role models for their peers. Congratulations to all the students on this achievement.

Open House

This Thursday, December 14, from 4:30 to 6:30 PM, the First State Bank & Trust will host an Open House in celebration of our 12th anniversary! The event will feature a variety of food, beverages, and games for all ages. We are excited to welcome our customers and community members to join us in celebrating this special occasion.

Customer Appreciation Day

To express our gratitude to our valued customers, First State Bank & Trust will offer a variety of special deals and promotions during our Open House event. Be sure to stop by and take advantage of these opportunities.

Christmas dinner held

The Lochwood School held its annual Christmas dinner on Thursday, December 14. This year's theme was "A Night in Paris," and guests enjoyed a festive dinner and dancing. The event was a success, and we look forward to hosting another one next year.

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Feeling festive? With the holiday season in full swing, it's time to start planning your Christmas festivities. Whether you're hosting a dinner party, a cookie exchange, or just gathering with family and friends, there's no better time to enjoy delicious food and good company. Here are some ideas to help you get started:

- Plan ahead: Make a list of dishes you want to prepare and start planning your shopping list.
- Involve the kids: Get the kids involved in the cooking process by letting them help with tasks like washing vegetables or making pies.
- Create a theme: Choose a theme for your dinner party, such as "A Winter Wonderland" or "A Night in Paris," to add extra excitement.
- Don't forget the drinks: Serve a variety of drinks, such as mulled wine, hot cocoa, or eggnog, to keep everyone warm and cozy.

Enjoy the season and make some memories with your loved ones. Happy holidays!
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The subject of human rights is one that we seldom think about, because we are fortunate to be blessed with them here in this country. However, we must remember that although there are large areas in the world where the people's rights have been restored to them, there remain other places where tyranny in one form or another still prevails. While there isn't much that we can simply take for granted, including free speech and the right to worship God in any manner we choose. Let us pray for the day when all nations can live together in freedom and friendship, beginning with the granting of human rights to their own people.

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PANOLA COUNTY DEVOational PAGE
Arrest report

Arrested, Dec. 4, were Elmo K. Wood, 43, 1006 S. Commerce St.; Earnest Taylor, 31, 820 N. Locust St.; and James W. Johnson, 53, 1233 El Sobrante Ave. Two other men were arrested for driving while intoxicated.

The Wood arrest was made by Captain John A. Kremer and the Taylor arrest was made by Officer L. H. Black. The Johnson arrest was made by Officer L. H. Black and Officer L. H. Black.

Thanksgiving dinner

A Thanksgiving dinner will be served at the Carthage City Hall Thursday at 5 p.m. The dinner is free and will be served to anyone who attends.

Turkey workshop scheduled

A workshop on turkey hunting will be held at the Carthage City Hall on Saturday, Dec. 3. The workshop is for anyone interested in turkey hunting.

Chamber sponsors contest

The Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a contest for Chamber sponsors. The contest is open to anyone who has been a Chamber sponsor for at least one year.

Carthage oil, gas news

The No. 4 Brent Unit has been turned on for production in the Carthage Oil Field. The well was turned on by the Carthage Oil Field Development Company.

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## Carthage High Schools

**Fresh boys A**

**Bears Bears in survey**

- **Henderson,** Robert Carthage coach, has chosen to use his team’s size and speed to its advantage. The Bears are currently ranked in the top ten in the state.

- **Offenses selected for participation**
  - Football: **St. Louis**
  - Basketball: **St. Louis**
  - Track: **St. Louis**

**Commissioners Court to meet**

- The Commissioners Court will meet on Thursday, 10 a.m.

**Court**

- **Timpson** is now ranked ninth in the state.

**Not Just Popcorn**

- **Florist Baskets**
- **Gourmet Baskets**
- **Old Fashioned Gourmet Candy**

**Card of thanks**

- **Montgomery** is now ranked ninth in the state.

**Locals graduate from SFA**

- **Hudaco**

**Hudaco to distribute foods**

- **Jordan’s Plant Farm**

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