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BULLETIN BOARD

■ Operation Graduation will hold a parent meeting at 5 p.m. Jan. 25 at the high school cafeteria. For more information, call Lisa Maple at 903-570-4830.

■ Cherokee County Republican Chair Josie D. Schoolcraft invites everyone to an open house of the new Republican Party Headquarters, located at 311 N. Jackson St., in Jacksonville (on U.S.69 N. next door to NAPA Auto Parts) from 2-4 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 24. Refreshments will be served.

■ Bullard High School is hosting a college financial aid workshop beginning at 6:30 p.m. on Feb. 4. The workshop is open to students, parents and guardians of students grades sixth through twelfth, as well as community members. Devon Wiggins, director of financial aid at Tyler Junior College will speak, and there will be door prizes. For more information contact Bullard principal Scott Franks at 903-894-3272 or via e-mail to scott.franks@bullardisd.net.

■ Bullard High School host its first college fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Feb. 6 at the high school gym. More than 29 colleges are set to attend, as well as Stone School of Massage and branches of armed forces. Tyler Workforce and TJC's director of financial aid on hand. The fair is open to all high school students and community members. Arp, Frankston and Winona high schools will be in attendance as well.

■ Bullard Band Boosters meet at 7 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month at the Bullard High School band room. All band parents and other interested in supporting the bands are invited to attend.

■ Bullard "Moms In Touch International" meets from 2-3 p.m. every Tuesday at the home of Rena French. The group is two or more moms who meet for one hour each week to pray for their children, their schools, their teachers, and administrators. For more information, call Anne Moody at 903-825-7171.

Chamber readies for annual bash

By Lori Mellinger
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Bullard chamber members are in the final stages of preparing for the year's annual banquet, and members are encouraging the community to celebrate with them.

"This is a time for the chamber to really showcase itself," said President Danny Ray. "And we want all the com-

munity to join us."

The annual banquet, set for 6:30 p.m. Jan. 28, will be held at Eagle's Bluff Country Club.

A committee has already picked winners for the annual awards handed out by the organization.

"It was a tough decision," said committee member Brian Capps. "We believed each and every candidate for an award was deserving, but we had the

BANQUET

Tickets for the annual banquet, set for 6:30 p.m. Jan. 28 at Eagle's Bluff Country Club, are \$25. They may be purchased at the office, 114 N. Houston St. For more information, call 903-894-4238.

difficult job of counting ballots and picking winners."

Each year the chamber recognizes a Man of the Year, Woman of the Year, Chamber Member of the Year and Business of the Year.

Last year a new award was started.

The Cecil D. Harper Humanitarian award, named for the late Cecil Harper, goes to any person in the community

who has made significant contributions to the welfare and benefit of Bullard.

Last year's award went to humanitarian award went to Hazel Mason, founder of FUMC's Mission House.

The chamber elected new officers and new board members in December.

More than 50 people

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INKY, BINKY AND JOHN



-- Bullard Banner photo by Kelly Griffith-Fields

Above, with Inky Ching by his side, author John McCloskey autographs a copy of his book for fourth-grader Binky Newburn.

Local children's book writer visits campus

By Kelly Griffith-Fields
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Local author John McCloskey made an appearance at Bullard Intermediate school bringing with him two of his books, "Warrior

Ching" and "Inky and John" as well as Inky, a Pekingese and the inspiration of the book.

McCloskey shared the story of his relationship with Inky and how the books and columns came to be.

"It is hard to come up with another story week after week but

all I have to do is spend five minutes with him," McCloskey said. "He's an inspiration."

McCloskey then took time to answer any questions the students had before letting them pet Inky and get their copies of either book autographed.

Taylor lays out program details

By Kelly Griffith-Fields
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Athletic Director Jim Taylor came to Bullard with 11 years of experience and new goals for the Panther's athletics program.

As athletic director and head football coach he brought fresh ideas to the field; with new workout regiments. All of this in an effort to give the team the tools they need to succeed, he said.

With new sports seasons opening, parents and community members were concerned of Taylor's focus.

"As the athletic director the important job is overseeing the entire athletic program," Taylor said

And that was exactly what was brought into question at January's school board meeting; whether or not Taylor was over-

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HENRICHSON WINS TEEN SOUTHLAKE

Heather Henrichson is enrolled in a college preparatory school where she is taking AP classes to pursue a degree in communications.

She is co-choreographer captain of her cheerleading squad, was selected Homecoming Duchess and has performed in seven school musicals.

She has traveled to six countries and will be traveling to France this spring.

At the scholarship award program, Heather performing a Opera Vocal "Think of Me" from the musical "Phantom Of The Opera."

Her platform is: S.T.A.R.T. - Stand Tall And Resist Temptation.



Heather Henrichson, left, poses with Miss Southlake Ashley Melnick.

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