



**Representative Cecil Bell, Jr.**

*District 3*

**MERRY CHRISTMAS & A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR**

**FROM THE BELL FAMILY!**




Under the starry skies of Texas  
 'on a cold Christmas Eve,  
 Grazed a longhorn steer  
 awaiting his Master to receive,  
 May we ever stand in strength as  
 the world sounds alarm,  
 Just walking with our Savior,  
 He keeps us safe from harm,  
 Its not about the presents or  
 the words we chose to say,  
 The Lone Star flag a symbol  
 of folks who know the Way.

Original Poem by:  
 Cecil Bell Jr.  
 Christmas 2013

Representative Bell commissioned local artist  
 Barry Carter to decorate the HD3 ornament,  
 to be displayed on the Christmas Tree in the  
 House Chamber at the Texas State Capitol

**In God We Trust**

The district ornament project was initiated in 2009 to give all of the unique Texas communities a place on the Lone Star Celebration Christmas Tree in the Chamber of the Texas House of Representatives. The story of each ornament is displayed in an album in the House Chamber with the tree from Dec. 4 - Jan. 3 and may also be viewed online at <http://www.house.state.tx.us/resources/holiday-ornaments/>.

**Montgomery County Flu Update**

As of Thursday afternoon, Dec. 19th, one additional case of H1N1 has been confirmed in Montgomery County, bringing the number of confirmed cases in the county to two. The patient is currently in an area hospital receiving treatment. Labs are being repeated on all remaining cases by the CDC.

The Montgomery County Public Health District is coordinating with regional and state resources to manage the case investigations. Health officials continue to encourage the public to be vaccinated for the flu, especially those who are at high risk. For more information, go to [www.TexasFlu.org](http://www.TexasFlu.org).

**Unemployment Insurance Debit Card Breach**

This week, JPMorgan Chase notified the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) that personally identifiable information of Unemployment Insurance benefit claimants who use a debit card to receive benefits may have been accessed by unauthorized individuals due to a breach of a Chase server. Approximately 20,000 claimants will receive notification from Chase informing them of this incident and instructing them how to enroll in free credit monitoring. Chase failed to properly notify the TWC and action against Chase may be taken. Are you impacted? Please call (866) 849-5255 or visit <http://www.itacsentinel.com/alert> to enroll in an alert.