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Get your picture taken with a “Rein-Donkey” during the three-day Christmas at Russell Farm festivities. The City’s 30-acre historic farm on the south side of Burleson is the site for fun Dec. 13-15. The hours on Thursday and Friday, Dec. 13-14, are 5 p.m.-9 p.m. Saturday’s hours are noon-9 p.m. The festivities are free.

The fun includes pictures (bring your own camera) with a donkey wearing antlers; checking out the Christmas trees decorated by community clubs and organizations; hay rides; handmade crafts for sale; tours of the historic Russell-Boren house as well as the Russell Farm Art Center gallery; and hot chocolate, cookies and coffee.

What is the historic Russell-Boren House? Martha Russell and her five small children called this farmhouse home when they moved in on Christmas Eve 1877. Then, it was only three rooms. Since then it has been expanded to now include a living room, library, formal dining room, two large bedrooms and a master bedroom suite with fireplace and large sitting area. The original three-room house is the central core of the farm house today.

Russell Farm is located at 405 W. County Road 714. Russell Farm was donated to the City of Burleson in October 2011 by the Boren Family for historical, art and agricultural/natural uses. Charlie and Louise Boren transformed the farm into Russell Farm Art Center. The property was renamed Russell Farm when the farm was donated to the City. The original farmhouse, along with its barns and other restored farm buildings, are all nestled within stands of native Texas oaks and mesquites.

For more information about Christmas at Russell Farm, or to volunteer or to be a vendor, please visit www.burlesontx.com/russellfarm or call 817-447-3316. Russell Farm is also available for rental for private events.