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Soccer in Salado?

Parents ask for athletic addition when SHS goes 3A

By TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

With the recent announcement that Salado High School will be 3A for the 2010-2012 seasons, many soccer parents in Salado hope that the district will consider adding soccer to its list of athletics. A 3A school may compete in University Interscholastic League (UIL) spring soccer, but does so in the 4A division.

Salado Youth Soccer Association President Stephanie Rembert presented reasons to Salado school trustees at their Feb. 15 meeting why SISD should add soccer to its list of athletics offered at the high school level. Sports already played at the high school level include football, volleyball and cross country in the fall, basketball in the winter and baseball, softball, track, golf and tennis in the spring.

Rembert reported to trustees that almost 10 percent of Salado school children are active in the SYSA program. Most of those players are at the younger age brackets, but the SYSA fielded a team

of 18 under 14 year olds and a team of 16 under 16 year olds. These do not include Salado students who compete on select and club teams in the area.

Of the 142 Salado students enrolled in SYSA, 108 are under 12.

Soccer begins to see attrition as students reach junior high for several factors, including the cost of playing club soccer (sign-up fees, meals and travel) as opposed to the cost of playing a certified team sport (none).

“Many parents encourage their kids to participate in other school-sanctioned sports since Salado has no soccer program even though the child’s favorite sport might be soccer,” Rembert said.

Soccer could be a relatively inexpensive sport of SHS to sponsor.

It requires a regulation field of 100-120 yards in length by 65-80 yards in width. A standard football field is 100 yards by 53 yards wide. Many Texas schools use their football field for spring soccer by remarking the lines.

It is unclear if the current football field could be

adapted for use as a soccer field. There could be issues of drainage outlets and sprinkler heads to contend with, if the current field were to be used.

SYSA has soccer fields at the Salado Youth Association land on Rose Lane. It has ample room for a regulation field, but cannot provide the lighting necessary for high school games that would usually be played in the evening twice a week.

Other needs besides an adequate field would include referees, timekeepers and ball handlers for home games, soccer goals, soccer balls, cones, uniforms and shinguards and coaching staff.

The UIL soccer season consists of three invitational tournaments plus 15 games. Games are played twice a week and tournaments are held on Fridays and Saturdays. Playoffs begin in early April.

The district would need to send a letter and plan for participation to UIL no later than March 15 to participate in the 2010-2011 school year.

The realignment for soccer has not been announced



If Salado High School is to have soccer in the 2010-2011 school year, the district must send a letter to University Interscholastic League no later than March 15.

by UIL. According to the current UIL alignment for soccer, Salado would likely play in District 33 or in District 48.

Following are the teams in the current District 33 and their enrollments turned in for the 2008 realignment: Cameron Yoe (437), China Springs (609), Gatesville (794), Lorena (480.5), Mexia (592), Robinson (742), Waco La Vega (650), Waco University (1,215), Waco Midway (1,912) and Waco High (1,807). Seven of those teams are 3A and

three are 4A. Cameron will move down to 2A with the 2010-2012 UIL Realignment.

Following are teams that are in District 48 soccer currently: Taylor (943), Del Valle (2,079), Elgin (1,060), Giddings (560), LaGrange (593), Lockhart (1,252), Manor (1,096) and Smithville (513.5). Four of those teams are 3A and four are 4A. Del Valle will be 5A in 2010.

The board took no action, but Superintendent Billy Wiggins told trust-

ees that he would investigate the feasibility of a soccer program in Salado schools.

In other business, trustees approved contract extensions for all SISD Administrators. Those receiving extensions on their two-year contracts were High School principal Kay Matthews, Intermediate School principal Andrea Gonzales, Elementary School principal Lisa Nix, Athletic Director Jeff Cheatham, High School **SEE TRUSTEES, PAGE 13A**

Chamber seeks volunteers for Adopt-a-Unit

The Third Armored Cavalry Regiment, over 5,000 soldiers strong at Fort Hood, is preparing for a late summer deployment to Iraq.

Veteran Sonny Jaramillo wants to be sure that the soldiers and their families know how much their sacrifices are appreciated back home.

Jaramillo volunteered to head the Salado Chamber of Commerce Military Affairs committee and coordinate the Chamber’s adopted unit, the 3rd ACR “Brave Rifles.”

The Military Affairs Committee is calling on

Saladoans to join in the effort of supporting the military and their families that comprise the 3rd ACR.

An organizational meeting of volunteers will gather at 8:30 a.m. Feb. 24 at the Salado Visitors Center, 841 N. Main St.

“There are lots of jobs to do and we need the help and support of local residents,” Jaramillo said.

You need not be a member of the Chamber of Commerce to volunteer for the Military Affairs committee.

“As an Army brat myself, I feel that this work is very important,” Cham-

ber director and Military Affairs volunteer Tim Fleischer said. “When I was growing up, there was not a lot of connection between the local civilian population and the military and its families. Even when the soldiers were deployed to Vietnam, there was not much support from the local communities back home.”

That has changed with the Adopt-a-Unit program that connects civilian businesses and groups to local military units.

The most important thing that a local group can do when adopting a mili-

tary unit is maintain communication. Groups can also support their units by showing up and suiting up. “When a unit is deployed or has a homecoming, we should be there for the ceremony,” Jaramillo said.

Beyond that, volunteers can call or write their unit, can be alert to a soldier’s needs and those of his family by remaining in contact with Family Readiness Groups and keep in contact with soldiers when they are deployed.

Care packages to deployed soldiers could include homemade baked goods that will not melt,

personal notes, handy wipes, newspapers, magazines and books, batteries, boot socks, puzzles, eye drops, powdered drink mixes, calling and gift cards, board games, CDs/DVDs and electronic games.

Even sports team items like baseball caps and jerseys or footballs, basketballs, soccer balls and volleyballs. “Soldiers will give these out to Iraqi children as gifts from America,” Jaramillo said.

“The Adopt-a-Unit exists to promote civic-military understandings and to build communities of



support,” Jaramillo said. “It should not be used to promote any other cause or marketing strategy.”

If you would like to participate in the program, please attend the organizational meeting on Feb. 24. If you would like to participate, but cannot attend the meeting, please e-mail Fleischer at tflischer@saladovillagevoice.com.



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Filing continues in races

Filing continued this week in local races. Filing for the Salado ISD Board of Trustees are incumbents Darrell Street and Chris Seaton. Carol Walls filed for the Village of Salado Board of Aldermen and Merle Stalcup filed for Mayor. Filing for the Salado Public Library Board of Directors were Dave Carr, Dr. Bob Denton, Bill Kinnison and Taylor Willingham. The last day to file is March 8.

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An Open Exchange of Ideas



The potent tea party

No one has vested more hope in the tea-party movement than the Democrats. For all the scorn and abuse they've heaped on the tea-partiers, they've counted on them for salvation.

The tea-partiers would push the GOP out of the mainstream. They would tar the party with their bumptious extremism. They would stoke a Republican civil war. The tea-partiers would, in short, redeem the Obama administration's political fortunes no matter what.

This was the oft-repeated theory, shot through with a perverse hopefulness and woeful misunderstanding. One wonders if Democrats can overcome their contempt for the tea-partiers long enough to notice that the devoutly wished-for GOP internal blood bath isn't materializing?

The National Tea Party Convention recently met in Nashville in the afterglow of Republican victories in Virginia, New Jersey and Massachusetts. The GOP candidates in these states mobilized the conservative grass roots, including tea-party activists, while appealing to the center in purplish or deep-blue states. According to the cartoonish version of proto-Nazi, racist tea-party fanatics, this should have been an impossible stretch. In her convention keynote address, Sarah Palin said that "in many ways Scott Brown represents what this beautiful movement is all about." She spoke about the new Massachusetts senator, who is pro-choice, shrugs at gay marriage and amassed a record in the state Senate that makes him look like Noam Chomsky compared with most of the convention attendees. He is lionized nonetheless.

If the tea-partiers were to split from the GOP, or be spurned by it, that would indeed spell disaster for Republicans. It's an unlikely prospect, though. In a survey for the National Review Institute, pollster John McLaughlin found that tea-party activists and their sympathizers self-identify as Republicans, and 68 percent of them voted

Rich Lowry



for John McCain. They are pro-life, pro-tax cuts and pro-defense -- in other words, mainstream conservatives who are particularly engaged by the debt-fueled growth of government.

Palin's rapturously received speech in Nashville could have been delivered almost line for line at a Republican Convention. She skipped the social issues, but otherwise rehearsed unalloyed conservative orthodoxy on national-security and fiscal issues. This is not the stuff of ideological fissure or self-immolation.

Scott Brown and Sarah Palin are such heroes to the movement because they represent a relatively unpolished, plain-spoken conservatism untainted by association with the Republican compromises and failures in Washington during the Bush years. As Brown proved, with the backlash against President Barack Obama's big-government grandiosity building, this sensibility appeals to the middle as well as the tea-partiers.

This gives the tea-party movement its potency. Consider the alternative: Would it be better for Republicans if a segment of their political base weren't so energized? If it weren't spontaneously organizing rallies and protests? If it weren't promoting anti-establishment candidates in this, the year of roiling discontent with an out-of-touch Washington? The Democrats don't get it. If they understood their true interests, they wouldn't place their hopes in the tea-partiers; they'd wish they never existed.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review. (c) 2010 by King Features Synd., Inc.

Column switches to "good-bad" news format featuring Perry-Palin event; Customer revenge; and a greed card

Today's column falls into the "good news, bad news" category for obvious reasons: "Bad news" was last week's massive winter storm, that isolated most of the mid-to-northeast sections of the nation, and firmly "blanketed" the District of Columbia.

The same weather surprisingly created the "good news" that Congress and the White House were "snow-bound" - thereby keeping those resident "Nabobs of Nada" from pursuing their normal havoc-producing legislation, coupled with inane "earmark" shenanigans.

America was also spared (for a few days) from having to watch the abysmal in-fighting between partisan ingrates who masquerade as lawmakers in a representative government.

MORE GOOD-BAD NEWS

The balance of our "Good-Bad" news offerings are divided between political stuff that's both humorous and recessional; hopefully designed to produce, at least minimally, some "non-grimacing" faces during today's twin-whammies: Weather and the dawdling depression.

Readers may have already decided our direction is headed for the porcelain facility, but we'll carry-on with this week's dissimilar format and see what happens: Starting first with a report on last week's campaign spasm down in Houston, which we've termed the "Perry-Palin-Profusion."

PERRY EVENT "INTERESTING"

Unless there is an alternate definition for the word "obtuse" (dumb-stupid) then Governor "Landslide" Perry has once again missed the boat: This time during his blatherskiting introduction of Sarah Palin at a Republican reelection pep rally in Houston on Super Bowl Sunday.

Here's what Guv Goodhair belated (for starters) to his supporters: **"I doubt there is another public figure in our country who gives liberals a bigger case of the hives than our special guest today....."**

However - if "obtuse" does have a secondary meaning that includes "spontaneous happiness and "jumping for joy" euphoria" then the decade-long Governor, inadvertently, managed to turn the long suffering Texas Democrats "on-fire-with-joy" politically.

Particularly when the Guv continued his trumpeting of the attributes of his new best friend - the ultra conservative, Tea Partying, "you betcha" rising star: **GOP's thought-scattering Sarah Palin - who promised folks in the Bayou City that she will run for president.** To be accurate - she did add the coy qualifier "if IT would help the country" - which of course she "believes" (hopes, prays, dreams, wishes) that "IT" would.

PALIN CANDIDACY DELIGHTS DEMOS

Just the thought of a "flibbertigibbet" like Palin, as a GOP candidate for anything, is enough to gladden the hearts of Democrats in general, and the Obama camp in particular, regardless of the political constipation that has our country in its partisan grip.

It would also help the presumed Democratic contender for the Texas Governorship - **Bill White:** Who will be happy to use Palin as a political foil

Off the Record by Ken Clapp



to complicate Perry's campaign against all things evil - especially bad old liberals disguised as moderate (non-partisan) Democrats.

Tossing Palin's disarranged political ideas and thoughts back at "The Rickster" (if he's nominated) would not only be politically effective for Houstonian White - but also great fun during the gubernatorial run-up to November.

And hopefully would help retire the current ten year resident of the Governor's Office: And finally unleash the poor guy from the business community's choke-collar.

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SECOND THE MOTION

Did you catch the TV news-flash that individual depositors, large and small - nationwide, along with a number of States, are moving their money from the giant (too-big-to-fail) banks into smaller community and regional banks: Smaller, when compared to the behemothian money-changers, who helped cause our current depression, and are now profiting from their perfidious handiwork.

We happily "second the motion" that more hometown folks do likewise and in this way, tell the banking giants we're tired of being ripped-off with obscene credit card interest charges; and then having to accept minimal interest on our savings - while they lend-out our dollars at usurious rates.

Some may feel it's "too little, too late" but as of last week, billions of dollars had been shifted, and when you're talking about "bucks by the billions" - you know the "big-time" bankgroupies are squirming: and that should give us a warm fuzzy feeling during today's cold recession - that these same shylocks helped create.

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MORE FROM THE GREED FRONT

One of our "Do-No-Gooder" pals received a personal invitation from an unknown (to him) bank on the usury coast (Atlantic seaboard): Barkley's Delaware Visa "Black Card" offering "The World's Most Prestigious and Versatile Credit Card." And with that flamboyant intro, our DNGer proceeded (with help from his handy magnifying glass) to decipher the "really fine" print from the abracadabra styled verbiage that both "giveth and taketh" away: Including a near \$500 annual membership fee; variable annual interest starting at 13.24 percent and soaring to 30.24 percent for late payments; and might (they mentioned slyly) remain at that atmospheric level indefinitely.

Needless to say - this wise Saladoan opted not to become an "elite card-member" at least until after his next session with his shrink. It was, however a great example of money-lenders trying to get ahead of the tough federal credit card regulations that go into effect sometime this month - like next Monday!

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AND FINALLY.....

Preview of coming attractions: **Next week's "Off The Record" will include the "true" value of a million bucks as seen by both Republicans and Democrats.** You'll be surprised - but not really shocked!

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When China rules? Not very likely

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There's lots of loose talk these days about how China will some day "rule the world." Some people who look forward to a "post-American world" seem to assume that China will either emerge as a great power equal to the United States or take on sole outright leadership of the world.

China is indeed on the rise. Its economy grew at an 8.7 percent rate last year. It is modernizing its military with a vengeance, thanks to double-digit growth in defense spending each year since the early 1990s. And its official holdings of around \$800 billion in U.S. Treasuries lead some to fear that China has become America's banker.

But China has a long way to go to replace America as a world leader. Concerns about its influence and control over the U.S. economy are overblown. So, too, are predictions that its rising military power will lead to world leadership.

Yes, China may someday surpass the U.S. as the world's largest economy, but this does not mean that it would become the world's economic leader. China's economy is as large as it is because it has well over a billion people, not because it has unlocked any great secret to economic prosperity. Its economy remains largely closed, as indicated in its abysmal ranking of 140 out of 179 countries graded on this year's Heritage Foundation/Wall Street Journal Index of Economic Freedom. Its undervalued currency, state-controlled export policies and closed domestic economy are wholly out of step with what truly makes a global economic leader - namely, economic liberalization.

Nor should we fear China's ownership of U.S. debt. As my colleague, Derek Scissors, explains, there is little danger that China will be able to control America's economy. Official Chinese holdings of Treasuries amount to less than 7 percent of U.S. Treasury debt. That's a lot of money, unfortunately, but it's hardly enough to exercise control.

Not only that, China's ownership of our debt is actually a sign of dependence on us, rather than the other way around. The Chinese have no choice but to buy U.S. bonds, because ours is the only market sound enough and big enough to park their excess funds. Since China's currency

is tightly controlled, they can't spend those dollars on their own economy. They invest even more in the U.S. economy, thus funneling billions of dollars we spend on Chinese goods right back to us.

If anything, China's investment in U.S. bonds reflects domestic weakness. If Beijing's economy were freer, the Chinese could invest in their own economy instead. But they know this is bad idea under current conditions. China's authoritarianism is like a yoke around its own neck. It both fosters investment in the U.S. economy and blocks domestic reforms that would enable China to compete in an open economic system.

China's authoritarianism is, in fact, its Achilles heel as a potential world leader. The recent crack-down on Google and the Internet shows its paranoia about the outside world. It also shows how out-of-sync China is with the future. No nation can lead others in the information age by warring against the globalization of information and technology.

However, with its growing military power, China could make an actual war on its neighbors. At worst, its threats frighten people; at best, they do not engender trust or attract friends and allies. These days, military power alone is not enough to attain great leadership status. China can bully its neighbors and throw its weight around Asia, Africa and the United Nations, but it will never create a system of trusted allies as the United States has done.

Put simply, China is too authoritarian, insular and untrustworthy to be a world leader. It's one thing to push others around in an old-fashioned assertion of brute power and influence. It's another to lead by example and to attract friends and allies who share your values. In the end, only a democracy can lay true claim to world leadership.

This is not merely an academic question. Most believers in China's rise to global leadership also think that means it must be accommodated. Were it to bully Taiwan or prevent tough sanctions on Sudan, or Iran, Burma and North Korea, the thinking goes, well, that's a small price to pay to win favor with the potential new masters in Beijing.

This approach is unnecessary and extremely unwise. China does not need "strategic reassurance," as a senior Obama

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100 Years of Boy Scouts

This month, we celebrate the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Boy Scouts of America. When a boy takes the Scout Oath, he promises on his honor to do his best, to do his duty to God and his country and to obey the Scout Law. For 100 years, Scouting has prepared young boys to become leaders to give them the tools to become good citizens of this great nation. Many Boy Scouts have gone on to become great national leaders, including 18 Presidents of the United States who have been involved in Boy Scouts. In Congress today, 212 members were involved in Scouting either as a youth or as an adult Scout leader.

As a former Girl Scout, I know the values and traditions of Scouting helped me gain confidence and develop leadership skills. And now both my children are involved in Scouting as well. My son, Houston, is a proud member of Cub Scouts and my daughter, Bailey, is a Brownie. Scouting prepares our youngsters to become principled and accomplished adults in whatever their chosen field.

Boy Scouts and patriotism also go hand-in-hand. Service to country and honor are hallmarks of Scouting, and we can see many Scouting "alumni" serving in today's military. As a matter of fact, more than 35 percent of the cadets at West Point were once Boy Scouts. More than 30 percent of the Air Force Academy cadets were Boy Scouts, as were more than 25 percent of the Naval Academy mid-

Capitol Comment



Kay Bailey Hutchison
U.S. Senator



shipmen. And more than 57 percent of America's astronauts were once Boy Scouts! And I have had many former Eagle Scouts serve on my staff in both my Capitol and State offices.

All across Texas, the Scouting tradition continues to be passed from one generation to another. For over 100 years, parents have shared with their sons the Boy Scout lessons of being trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent. These are the attributes that not only do we want our sons to aspire to, but we, too, should make our goal in our daily lives.

The Boy Scouts of America have stood strong for these core American values for 100 years. Scouting has made a positive and enduring impression on its members. Scouting is not easy. The boys work hard for their merit badges. A badge is not given; it is earned. Boy Scouts are taught to handle failure as well as success. They learn that true achievement is not reached by a glide path, but often requires an arduous trek over rough terrain. Boy Scouts test their individual limits and strengths; but they also develop strong teamwork camaraderie. They forge friendships; they are mentored and they mentor. They always strive to do their best.

Boy Scouts not only work to better themselves, they also work to better their community. Service has always been a major component of Scouting. Community service is an integral part of the Boy Scout mission. In 2008, 2.8 million Boy Scouts members and adult volunteers provided more than 35 million service hours. Scouts provide countless hours of service to the U.S. Forest Service helping preserve our national forests. Scouts are at the forefront of local litter clean-up and beautification projects in their communities, as well as the collection and distribution of food for the needy.

More than 112 million boys have been involved in Boy Scouts of America during its first 100 years. As we celebrate their second century of service, let us remember that these young boys will help shape the future of this nation. The values they are learning in Scouting today will make them better men and better leaders.

Congratulations to the Boy Scouts of America on their Centennial. We join you to celebrate your past - and your future.

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A GOP leader's economic plan



Jim Hightower

Those who say that Republican Congress critics are just a gaggle of naysaying boneheads with no economic plan of their own haven't been listening to Rep. John Linder (R-GA).

This Georgia right-winger is irked that America's food-stamp program will grow to more than \$60 billion this year. "This is craziness," Linder barked to a New York Times reporter. "We're at risk of creating an entire class, a subset of people, just comfortable getting by living off the government."

Comfortable? When was the last time this pampered lawmaker experienced the "comforts" of the food stamp life? Linder's been "living off the government" for 18 years, but at the high end—drawing \$174,000 a year in pay, plus subsidized health care and a fat pension.

So what's his economic plan: "You improve the economy by lowering taxes," he explains. That's his whole plan.

Perhaps this multimillionaire has forgotten that Washington tried that plan throughout the last decade—a decade in which there was no net-job creation, wages plummeted, middle-class incomes declined, health care costs soared, housing prices tumbled, and millions of families fell into poverty.

So that "subset of people" on food stamps who Linder denigrates is actually his own spawn. The food stamp program has had to grow because the tinkle-down economy that he pushed wrecked America's middle class.

Indeed, talk about a subset, there are now some six million Americans who are living entirely on food stamps—they've lost their jobs and have no other income. That's one in every 50 of us, and their number continues to grow rapidly.

Linder and his ilk have not hesitated to throw hundreds of billions of our tax dollars at failed Wall Street bankers. But he would literally take the food out of the mouths of people in real need. That's not a plan, it's a scandal.

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More about Robertson Plantation

To the Editor,

After last week's complimentary "Letter to the Editor" from Sterling Ambrose, so many people have contacted me! It seems everyone really enjoyed their tour of the Robertson Plantation during Founders Day weekend and expressed their appreciation to the Historical Society for helping prepare the home.

Your Voice

Letters to the Editor

Special recognition should go to the "Every Monday" clean-up volunteers: Judy and Hans Fields, Nancy Kelsey, Ann Bienski, Dr. Wallace and Patsy Davis, and Charlene and Maurice Carson. Congratulations on a great job over many months. Also thanks to Mary Mendez for accommodating our schedule and to the Robertson family for this opportunity to participate directly in history of Texas.

So what's next for the plantation? Lots of exciting things. The best way to find out is by listening to Gregory Free during our Annual Pot Luck Supper on March 1, at 6 p.m. in the Civic Center. Everyone is welcome. There is no charge, simply bring a side dish or dessert if you can. We'll provide the meat and drinks.

Free is the nationally-renowned restoration specialist who has been engaged by the Robertson

family to bring the home back to its historical glory. He will discuss their plans, answer questions, and share many wonderful stories and pictures. The Historical Society will also present our annual "Person of the Year" award, introduce our new "Historical Note Pads" and provide a quick update on our many other projects. Hope to see you there.

Thanks to everyone for helping preserve and share Salado's wonderful history.

Jim Bienski
Secretary & Past President
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administration official put it. Rather, the rest of the world needs accountability from China - for its irresponsible international behavior, its increasingly belligerent attitudes, its human rights abuses and its alarming military modernization.

The rest of the world can trust China only when the Chinese leadership becomes accountable to its own people. Until that day, don't count on China for global leadership. It may become a force to reckon with. But it will not inspire the kind of trust that made the United States the leader of the free world.

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Growing government debt hurts small businesses

By TOM PAUKEN, CHAIRMAN
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In late January, the U.S. Senate voted to raise the United States' debt ceiling to \$14.3 trillion, or \$45,000 for every man, woman, and child living in America. Our massive federal deficit levels should send up warning flares to all who are interested in the short- and long-term health of our nation's economy.

Economists have taken notice of what is happening on the government debt front. Recently, Barron's Magazine published the first part of its annual Roundtable talks of 2010 on the nation's economy. Many of the participants warned of the long term consequences to the American economy of the explosion of government debt over the last decade. The total debt (the sum of government and privately held debt) of the United States doubled from 2000 to the present from \$26 trillion to \$53 trillion. This drove the debt (both public and private) to 370 percent of GDP or Gross Domestic Product, the highest since the Great Depression. Excessive government borrowing reduces resources available for private investment, prolongs the economic recession and sets the stage for a "jobless recovery" -- that is, if the

economy recovers at all.

As economist Martin Hutchison has pointed out, large government budget deficits are particularly harmful to small businesses by "crowding out" the credit available to the companies that create a majority of the new jobs in our economy. Here is what Hutchison has to say on that subject:

Both the Bush and Obama administrations have emphasized government "stimulus" packages designed to get the American consumers to spend our way out of this serious national recession. As I have said repeatedly, this approach is nothing but a short term fix and won't do anything in the long term to get our economy moving again. Consumers aren't going to spend if they are worried -- as they are today -- about whether they will have a job tomorrow, or about the survival of their businesses. Instead, Americans are saving again -- putting money away for their own "rainy day" fund. That is why the best long term "stimulus" program is the encouragement of savings and capital investment in order to create private sector jobs here in the United States.

At the same time, the federal government has to get serious about making substantial reductions in

federal spending to bring down these unsustainable government debt levels. The Fed also needs to end the policy followed by Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan and Ben Bernanke of keeping interest rates artificially low, well below the true rate of inflation. These policies fueled the credit excesses which led to the creation and bursting of the first debt bubble and are setting us up for yet another bubble that will ultimately burst -- the government debt bubble.

Again, economist Martin Hutchison makes a sound case for setting short-term interest rates in the 5 percent to 6 percent range, a level that would be "above the current and impending rate of inflation."

It may be a short term fix to pile on more government debt, as a means of "stimulating" the economy; but, in the long term, it only digs us into a deeper hole. Monetary policy which keeps interest rates artificially low, also makes a bad situation worse in the long run.

Government spending

has to come down while interest rates should be set at an appropriate level, taking into consideration inflationary trends. These actions may cause us some short term pain, but they are essential elements of a long term economic policy to get small businesses creating jobs again and putting Americans back to work.

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Masonic Lodge searching for pictures to fill long line of its Past Worshipful Masters

Salado Masonic Lodge #296 has a rich history in Salado as its founding members were influential if not indispensable in the establishment of the community and the college.

Established in 1867 with Col. E.S.C. Robertson as its first Worshipful Master, the roster of Past Masters of Salado Masonic Lodge reads like a "Who's Who" for Salado. Names like Robertson, Jones, Rumpy, Berry, Aiken, Barton and Rose dot the list of Past Masters.

The current members of the Salado Lodge are working to connect those dots. The lodge members

are trying to collect portraits or photographs of the Past Masters that are missing from its wall.

The descendants of Col. Robertson are providing the photo of the first Worshipful Master of the Salado lodge, but there are many others whose spaces are left blank.

The Masons need your help to complete this undertaking. If you know of any portraits or photographs that might exist of these missing Masons, please contact Tim Fleischer at tfleischer@saladovillagevoice.com or 254-947-5321.

"We only want to be

able to scan or photograph the original. We will return it immediately to its rightful owner," Fleischer said.

Those missing Masters are the following. The year(s) that they served as Master is included to give a time reference. W.A. Davis (1867-68), Thomas H. Jones (1868-69), J. Hendrickson (1869-70), W.J. King (1870-71), J.M. Tomlinson (1871-72), W.P. Hancock (1874-75, 1885-86), W.F. Moore (1875-77, 1879-80, 1883-85), J.H. Biles (1881-82), W.D. Jarrell (1882-83), T.F. Rumpy (1886-88), E.A. Berry (1891-92, 1915-18, 1932-34), J.C. Smith (1895-96),

G.W. Cole (1897-98), W.J. Stanlee (1898-99), J.E. Love (1899-1900), J.A. Aiken (1900-01), S.H. Barton (1902-03), W.S. Rose (1903-04, 1920-21), J.E. Guthrie (1905-06), Charles H. Aiken (1909-10), A.C. Griffin (1910-11), B.F. Fisher (1911-12), E.P. Spruill (1912-13, 1919-20), W.T. Randolph (1913-14), I.A. Griffin (1921-22), Frank M. Guest (1922-23), Paul E. Pirtle (1926-27, 1928-29, 1939-40, 1947-48), Sterling C. Robertson (1927-28, 1945-46), J.W. Wilson (1937-38), Charles J. Armstrong (1940-43) and Thurston Votaw (1961-62).



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Shinkle discusses America's space achievements at Rotary luncheon

By: DALE GORE

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But for Ron Shinkle, it's space and everything he can learn about it. At Salado's Rotary Club meeting Feb. 9, he shared numerous "visual aids" and, in his words, gave "a short course" on America's achievements in space.

A graduate of Abilene Christian College and a



Ron Shinkle shares Space with Rotary members

six-year veteran of the U.S. Air Force, Shinkle was a pilot with United Airlines for several years. Over the years he has acquired an extensive collection of books and artifacts, models and photographs of the space age.



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Photo Left: Caleb Little signed a letter of intent to play football for the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor in Belton recently. Little was a three-year letterman on the varsity Eagles. He was a two-year starter at defensive tackle and tight end. He is shown above with his parents Craig and Kim Little and coach Jeff Cheatham.

Photo Right: Caleb Hayslip signed a letter of intent to play football for West Texas A&M University recently. Hayslip was a two-way starter for the Salado Eagles as an offensive tackle and defensive lineman. He was a two-year letterman on the varsity Eagles. He is the son of Buddy and Tina Hayslip and is shown above with his parents and coach Jeff Cheatham. CORTESY PHOTOS

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The young Salado varsity Eagles finished up their basketball season in fourth place in district with a 6-6 record and a 14-15 record overall.

Salado 47
Jarrell 56

Salado Eagles fell to the top-20 ranked Jarrell Cougars during the last game of district Feb. 15.

Jarrell held a narrow 19-18 lead at halftime and a 38-35 after three periods of play. The Cougars outscored Salado 18-12 in the fourth quarter.

Braxton Tucker led the scoring for Salado with 12 points. He was followed by Koby Spears with 11 points.

Also scoring for the Eagles were Caleb Little, 8 points, Shannon Ponder, 6 points, Colton Meiman, 5 points, Jacob Heiner, 3 points and Hunter Ward, 2 points.

Salado 54
Florence 29

Salado Eagles jumped

out to an early 20-7 lead of the Florence Buffs Feb. 12, coasting to a 54-29 win at home. The Eagles led 31-12 at the half.

Tucker led the scoring for Salado with 16 points on three-of-four shooting from the field and 10-of-11 shooting from the free throw line. He grabbed 6 rebounds, as well as 3 steals. Tucker made 1 assist and 1 shot block.

Every team member scored for the Eagles.

Scoring in the game were these: Ward, 8 points, 1 rebound, 2 steals; Heiner, 6 points, 3 assists, 2 rebounds; Meiman, 6 points, 2 assists, 1 rebound and 2 steals; Caleb Little, 5 points, 1 assist, 1 block, 6 rebounds; William Cleveland, 3 points, 1 block, 1 rebound; Spears, 3 points, 1 rebound, 1 assist; Ponder, 3 points, 1 assist, 1 rebound and 1 steal; Warren, 2 points, 1 rebound and Jada Kornegay, 2 points, 1 rebound.

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Shannon Ponder battles under the net against Florence. PHOTO BY KATHY HOWERTON

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Boys

Salado 64
Rogers 36

Salado Eagles beat Rogers Feb. 9 64-36, outscoring the home team 30-19 in the first half.

Tucker led the scoring for Salado with 13 points on four-of-six shooting from the field. He also had 6 rebounds, 2 assists, 1 block and 1 steal.

Spears followed with 12 points on four of six shooting from the field. He had 5 rebounds, 2 assists and 3 steals.

Also scoring for the Eagles were Warren, 7 points, 2 rebounds and 1 steal; Heiner, 6 points, 4 assists, 2 rebounds and 1

steal; Best, 6 points, 2 assists, 3 rebounds and 1 steal; Ponder, 6 points, 3 rebounds and 1 steal and Ward, 4 points, 1 assist and 1 rebound.

JV Red 34
Florence 27

Jim Wentreck, 2 points; Jon Franz, 4 points; Tony Sager, 4 points; Bubba Luna, 4 points; Kyle Bradley 8 points; Trey McGlothlin, 2 points; Johnny Jordan, 10 points.

JV Red 33
Jarrell 44

Sager, 17 points; Luna, 4 points; Bradley, 6 points; McGlothlin, 2 points; Jordan, 4 points.

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JV White 49
Moody 2

Cooper Cox, 6 points; Andrew Warren, 4 points; Austin Adams, 11 points; Bandon Womac, 4 points; Marshall Mann, 8 points; Reece Nicholson, 9 points; Josh Oyler, 2 points; Sam Barrett, 4 points; Jim Jimmerson, 2 points.

JV White 49
Jarrell 42

Cox, 6 points; Warren, 9 points; Mann, 8 points; Nicholson, 2 points; Womac, 11 points; Oyler 3 points; Barrett, 10 points; Jimmerson, 2 points.

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Ladies win district face Smiley in playoffs

Salado Lady Eagles won the district basketball championship and will face Smiley in the playoffs Feb. 19. The girls finish the regular season as repeat District Champions with a district record of 8-2 and an overall record of 23-9. The Girls finish the season ranked 25th. Check the newspaper website (www.saladovillagevoice.com) for the results of the Smiley game.

Varsity Girls 38
Thorndale 35

The Varsity Girls team defeated Thorndale in a playoff warm up game.

Eagles baseball season will be brighter than recent weather

The season for the 2010 Salado Eagle baseball team looks a lot brighter than the weather has been lately. The Eagles haven't been able to practice much the last two weeks, but once it dries up, with seven returning starters Salado should be playing for a while.

Salado returns six starting position players. That and nine players who saw time on the mound last year gives the Eagles loads of experience.

Defense will be the key to the Eagles success. With a returning catcher (Colt Norman), shortstop (Taylor Rudduck), second baseman (Bubba Luna) and centerfielder (Cole Calder), all of which made at least second team all-district, the Eagles should be strong up the middle. Add in second team all-district players at first base (Clint Scarborough) and right field (Hunter Ward) and the Eagles should be as solid as they have ever been.

The most acclaimed of the returners is junior Cole Calder. He was a first team all-district outfielder last year and was an honorable mention all-state pick. Cole hit .423 on the year with 2 homeruns and stole 18 bases.

Sophomore Bubba Luna was named New Comer of the year in district for the 2009 season. He hit .403 on the season.

Junior Colt Norman stepped in behind the plate

in the first quarter to lead 13-6. The Lady Eagles would score 7 points in the second quarter and would enter the half with a 20-14 lead. In the third quarter the Lady Eagles scored 6 points for a score of 26-22. Salado would maintain the lead in the fourth quarter for a final of 38-35.

Hadley Joiner led Salado scoring 16 points. Followed by Carling Urben scoring 10 points.

Also scoring for Salado were: Katy Clark and Kirsten McGillick, 4 points each; Billi Pipes and Meredith Ward, 2 points each.

for the Eagles last year and did an excellent job defensively. It was his first season to ever catch and he earned second team all-district.

Acrobatic shortstop Taylor Rudduck was also named to the second team all-district. He had many dicing and sliding plays.

Junior first baseman Clint Scarborough is also a returning second team all-district player. He hit .333 in district last year.

Hunter Ward a second team all-district outfielder became an offensive force during district last year. He hit .375 during district play and will be counted on heavily to spark the offense this year.

Scarborough and senior Trent Wagnon are the most experienced pitchers returning. Scarborough was 3-1 last year while Wagnon was 2-3. Norman, Rudduck, and fellow juniors Colby Schiller and Braxton Tucker will also see mound time. Sophomores Luna and Joey Davila will also be asked to contribute on the mound.

Other lettermen who are expected to contribute this season include seniors Tyler Laughland and Caleb Little and juniors Paul Warren, Jacob Heiner and Dustin Barton.

District 25AA will be tough. Pre-season number 8 Rogers is picked to win it. Salado is picked for second with Lexington, Jarrell, and Academy battling for third.

Trustees

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assistant principal Lee Vi Moses and Curriculum Director Janet Kemp. Junior high principal Harry Miller was given a two-year term. Those receiving one-year employment agreements were Finance Director Lyndal Cabaniss, PEIMS Coordinator and Superintendent Secretary Darlene Kirk, Food Services Director Brenda Hodges, Technology Director Earl Bragg and Maintenance/Transportation Director Danny Agee.

The board will consider teaching contracts at its March meeting.

The board also called for the May 8 election, which will be held jointly with the Village of Salado and Salado Public Library District elections.

Trustees also heard presentations from the Salado elementary music program and a special education program.

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Williamson speaks to Republican Women about grass roots politics

Vice President of Programs at Texas Federation of Republican Women, Rebecca Williamson of Hunt, Texas will be speaking to the Salado Area Republican Women noon Thursday, February 25 at Johnny's Barbecue, 301 Thomas Arnold Road in Salado.



Rebecca Williamson

Registration starts at 11:30 a.m. Williamson, long active in Republican Women's politics, will discuss the grassroots design of political parties including precinct conventions, Party structure, and how to get involved.

Lunch is \$15 with reservation/check needed by Feb. 22.

Checks may be mailed to SARW, Pac; P.O. Box 373; Salado, TX 76571. More information may be obtained by contacting First Vice President, Ellen Staples, at texazona@embarqmail.com or 254 947-8687.

UMHB Provost Honor Roll and Dean's List for Fall 2009

The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor announced that 247 students have been listed on the fall 2009 Provost Honor Roll. To receive this recognition a student must achieve a 3.7 grade point average (GPA) or better on a 4.0 scale.

Students from Salado listed on the Provost Honor Roll are Robyn Christine Allison and Katie Elizabeth Finch.

In conjunction with this, 382 students have been listed on the fall 2009 Dean's List. To receive this recognition, a student must achieve a 3.5 – 3.69 grade point average (GPA) on a 4.0 scale.

Saladoans Megaen Lee Birdwell, Blake P. Heller, Larissa L. Ingalsbe, Leslie A. Pipes, Christopher John Drew Wilson were named to the Dean's List.

One Voice in concert Feb. 18

One Voice, a choral ensemble at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, will present a concert on Thursday, February 18, at 7:30 p.m. in Hughes Recital Auditorium in Presser Hall on campus. The concert is free

and open to the public.

Spirituals, barbershop quartets, jazz, classical and contemporary will all be included in the concert. One Voice is a Department of Music and university public relations ensemble

that travels representing UMHB around the state, nation and world. They will perform in Spain and Portugal in May.

One Voice is under the direction of Matt Crosby.

UMHB Ministers Forum held Feb. 18

The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor College of Christian Studies will hold a Ministers Forum on Thursday, Febr 18, in the Shelton Auditorium from noon to 1 p.m.


Dr. Michael Robinson will present Charting the

Waters of Theological Determinism. A summation of three rationales often offered for believing that God determines human actions and five or so criticisms of that perspective. Among the rationales for

divine determinism are that divine grace demands it, the nature of God requires it, and divine foreknowledge implies it.

The Ministers Forum is free and open to the public. Bring a brown bag lunch if you desire.

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Obituaries



MARIE BUTSCHER

Services for Marie Butscher, 96, of Temple, formerly of Toms River, New Jersey will be Feb. 21, 2010, at Salado Cemetery with Brady Johnston, associate pastor United Methodist Church, Salado presiding. She died Sunday, December 27, 2009 after a brief illness.

Butscher was born to Otto William Fuhrmann and Anna Kamm in Buffalo, New York after they had immigrated to the United States from Russia. On May 19, 1940 she married Jack Butscher and lived in Toms River, New Jersey until his death in 1993. She moved to Texas to be near her only son, Bruce of Salado. She was a homemaker all her life.

She was preceded in death by her mother and father, and her husband, Jack.

She is survived by her only son, Bruce Butscher of Salado. She was the Grandmother of two.

Broecker Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

SPECIALIST

JOHN CARL LARSON

Fort Hood officials have released the name of a Soldier who died Tuesday, Feb. 9 in Copperas Cove, Texas.

Specialist John Carl Larson 31, of Phoenix, AZ., joined the military in February 2008 as an Infantryman. He was assigned to Bravo Company,

3rd Battalion, 8th Cavalry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division since June 2008.

Spc. Larson deployed in Support of Operation Iraqi Freedom from December 2008 through December 2009.

Spc. Larson's decorations and awards include the Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Overseas Service Ribbon and Army Service Ribbon.

The circumstances surrounding the incident are under investigation.

GRIFFEN DAVID WILLIS

Services are set for Griffen David Willis, 82, of Salado who passed away Feb. 14, 2010 at his home in Salado. Funeral service will be held 2 p.m. Feb. 17, at the Heartfield Funeral Home Chapel in Belton with Bert Allen Alpha officiating. Interment will follow in Live Oak Cemetery in Youngsport.

Griffen was born November 25, 1922 in Bell County to Joel Andrew and Ruth Ann (Wallace) Willis. He was married to Betty Ruth Cothren on September 22, 1945. She preceded him in death Dec. 3, 1993.

In 1952, they moved to Houston where Griffen was employed at Apex Portable Buildings for the next 46 years. They moved back to the Belton area in 1992. Griffen was a member of the Cedar Valley Baptist Church in Salado since 1951.

Griffen was preceded in death by his parents; his wife; one son John Robert Willis; two grandchildren, David Lee Lourey and Susan Leigh Cason; and two brothers, Joel Robert Willis and Floyd Lee Willis.

Survivors include two sons Jackie L. Willis of Salado and Griffen Andrew Willis of Belton; four daughters Laura Ruth Wofford of Salado, Freida C. Welborn and husband Don of Salado, Linda F. Cason and husband Larry of Houston, and Yreva Lyn Walker and husband Mike

of Salado; one brother Herman Garth Willis of Florence; one sister, Naomi Mae Sutton of Salado; nine grandchildren; thirteen great grandchildren and one great-great-grandson.

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Thousands Mark BSA's 100th Anniversary

Nearly 6,000 Scouts from across Texas marched through downtown Austin, and then updated Governor Rick Perry on the community service performed by Scouting throughout the state, in the 61ST annual Report to State and Scout Parade.

This year's parade and Report marks the 100th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America. The United States Congress chartered BSA in 1910, with Scouting officially coming to Central Texas in 1912. Since that time, the Boy Scouting program has grown to include Sea Scouting in 1912, Cub Scouting in 1928 and Venturing in 1998. Both the Sea Scouting and Venturing programs are co-ed.

Round Rock I.S.D. Superintendent Jesus Chavez (Eagle Scout) and heroic U.S. Army

Medic Alan Babin served as the Scout Parade Marshals.

High in the sky, Austin's Falcon Flight experimental aircraft flying team participated in the parade by performing three flyovers over the downtown Austin route.

At the end of the parade Scouts presented the Report to Governor Perry and other members of State government. Perry, an Eagle Scout, then joined in the Scout Oath.

Participating from Salado were Lainey Sirois; Boatswain Mate, Sea Scout Ship Captain Morgan and vice president, program for Venturing Crew 150. Brenna Sirois; Specialist, Sea Scout Ship Captain Morgan and member of Crew 150. Allen Sirois, Quartermaster for Troop 232.

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Kinky's "Twenty-Ten Tour" makes stop in Salado Feb. 19

Texas music legend Kinky Friedman, touring Texas Feb. 18 – 28 to share his tunes and stories and to read from his latest book, will appear at the Silver Spur Theater (108 Royal St.) in Salado at 8 p.m., Feb. 19.

The man that the Washington Post called, "...the last public intellectual in Texas since the death of (columnist) Molly Ivins,"



Kinky Friedman

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Sometimes outrageous and irreverent, the mystery author and one-time front man for his "Texas Jewboys" band, will regale the audience with his signature brands of songs and colorful stories, from the whimsical to the metaphysical. And then, there is that serious, populist side.

"Kinky, who played here in 2008, joins a growing line-up of musical acts for our 2010 season," said Grainger Esch. Esch is co-founder of the Silver Spur Theatre, a seven-year-old, 156-seat entertainment venue just off Interstate 35 in historic Downtown Salado.

"The Silver Spur is delighted to host Kinky. Patrons can expect some humorous political tales and other surprises from this frequent Texas Monthly contributor and seasoned observer of the political landscape. (Friedman regularly appeared with Fox News commentator Bill O'Reilly right up to the 2008 election, dissecting the campaign's hot topics.)

is making 10 stops in 10 days around the state. Billed as the "Twenty-Ten Tour," the "Kinkster" will read from his book "Heroes of a Texas Childhood."

Friedman, who calls himself a true, "man of the people," as he runs for Commissioner of Texas Agriculture, (www.Kinky-Friedman.com) said:

"I want a chance to talk to the people of Texas, to share stories of my childhood heroes and to sing some songs. I think the people of Texas appreciate a guy who rides, shoots straight and tells the truth . . . the kind of guy I am."

Friedman styles himself in the mold of such popular American satirists as Will Rogers and Mark Twain.

Cleve Hattersley, founder of the seminal Austin band "Greezy Wheels," and fiddler "Sweet" Mary Hattersley will open for Friedman. Expect them to serve up a large helping of classic Southern comfort in the form of songs like "Peace in the Valley."

Kinky will be available for interviews and comments after each show. Tickets are \$30 a person by reservation and at the door. Inquiries and reservations can be made at saladosilverspur@earthlink.net

Architect will update plans for Robertson Plantation

The Salado Historical Society invites all of its members and prospective members to the Annual Pot Luck Supper at 6 p.m.

March 1 upstairs in the Salado Civic Center

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Society supplies meat and drinks for everyone.

Everyone is invited, member and non-members!!

Speaker is Gregg Free, the renowned Austin restoration specialist who is working on the Robertson Plantation.

The Historical Society's annual "Person of the Year" Award will be presented

The Society will also unveil new Historical Note Pads (and a chance to buy them).

If you have not joined the Historical Society, there will be an opportunity to join during the pot-luck supper.



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FEBRUARY 18

Village of Salado Board of Aldermen, 6 p.m. Village Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Rd. Meeting is open to the Public.

FEBRUARY 19

Free Computer Class, "Email I: Setting Up an Account" taught by Jeanie Lively, 1-2:30 p.m., come early, class size limited, Salado Public Library.

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FEBRUARY 20

THROUGH MARCH 13

Yoga for Life Workshop series on Saturdays, 12:15-2:15 p.m. at Salado Fitness and Tanning Center. The theme for the series is

Uncovering Your Heart's Desire. Contact Yoga instructor Tiffany Schreiner at tiffyoranch@gmail.com.

FEBRUARY 22

Salado Masonic Lodge #296 stated meeting, 7:30 p.m. at the Lodge, 90 N. Church St.

FEBRUARY 23

Salado Rotary, 11:30 a.m. Stagecoach Inn.

February 23

Free H1N1 vaccine available at Salado Volunteer Fire Station, N. Stagecoach Rd. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Provided by the Bell County Public Health District. Anyone six months of age and over is eligible to receive the free vaccine. Women in their second or third trimester are asked to bring a doctor's note

saying that it is okay for them to receive the vaccine.

FEBRUARY 24

Salado Lions Club luncheon meeting, 11:30 a.m., Salado Civic Center.

FEBRUARY 24-26

Abstract Acrylic Design workshop with Sharon McGlasson at Salado Village Artists building, Main and Van Bibber, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Cost \$160 non members. Point of contact is Joan Hoffman at 947-0073.

FEBRUARY 26

Fourth Friday Gospel singing at Cedar Valley Baptist Church, eight miles west of Salado on FM 2843, starts at 7 p.m.

FEBRUARY 26-28

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FEBRUARY 27

Salado Recycles Day, 9 a.m.-noon, Village of Salado Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Rd.

FEBRUARY 27

Salado Creek Outfitters Trade In/Trade Up of Baseball Equipment, Salado Ballpark, Parents can bring used/outgrown equipment to the ballpark and trade it for the size they need. For more information, call 254-947-8239.

MARCH 1

Salado Historical Society Pot Luck dinner and General Membership meeting, 6 p.m. Salado Civic Center. Come find out more about what the Salado Historical Society does to promote and preserve history in the Village of Salado.

MARCH 2

The Village of Salado will hold a training session at 4 p.m. for anyone interested in the duties and responsibilities of the position of Alderman or Mayor. Election Day is May 8. First day to file an application for a place on the ballot is Feb. 6. Last day to file is March 8 by 5 p.m.. For more information, please contact the Village office at 254-947-5060.

MARCH 2

Primary voting, 7 a.m.-7 p.m. at Salado Church of Christ Activities Center, 225 North Church St.

MARCH 2

Salado Rotary Club, 11:30 a.m. Satecoach Inn.

MARCH 4

Salado American Business Woman's Association meeting, 6 p.m., McCain's Deli and Bakery, corner of Main Street and Van Bibber.

MARCH 4

Village of Salado Board of Aldermen, 6 p.m. Village Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Rd.

Meeting is open to the Public.

MARCH 6

Jammin' on the Lawn, 4-7 p.m. Enjoy a glass of Texas wine and music by The Leisure Seekers. 841 N. Main Street, 254-947-8011.

MARCH 8

Salado Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet and Awards Program, 6 p.m. Tenroc Ranch. More details to be announced.

MARCH 9

Salado Businesses Mean Business meeting, 8:30 a.m., Robertson room at the Stagecoach Inn. This meeting, sponsored by the Salado Chamber of Commerce, is open to ANY and EVERY Salado business. Come get involved in promoting Salado businesses and ideas.

MARCH 9

Community Emergency Response Team of Salado (CERTS) meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Rd. All interested community members and volunteers are invited to attend.

MARCH 10

Salado Lions Club luncheon meeting, 11:30 a.m., Salado Civic Center.

MARCH 11

Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary, 9:30 a.m. social time, Salado Civic Center. "Mini Antiques Road Show" with Donna Gantenbein of Salado Creek Antiques.

MARCH 12

Brown Bag Noon Book Review, Salado Public Library.

MARCH 13

Salado Recycles Day, 9 a.m.-noon, Salado Municipal Building, 301 N. Stagecoach Rd.

MARCH 15

The 14th Annual Denver Mills Golf Tournament To Benefit Tablerock. \$75 entry fee, shotgun starts at 1 p.m. call Denver Mills 947-9205.

MARCH 19

Free Computer Class, "Email II & Beginning Internet: Advanced Email Techniques and Internet Search Engines Explained" taught by Jeanie Lively, 1-2:30 p.m., come early, class size limited, Salado Public Library.

MARCH 26-28

Texas Packard Meet at Salado. This meet has been featured in the national Packard Club magazine as well as in Hemming's Classic Car magazine and Old Car's Weekly. For information and to register, visit www.texaspackardmeet.com.

MARCH 27-28

10th Annual Wildflower Art Show. Salado Civic Center grounds. Artists and artisans from Texas and throughout the Southwest feature oil, acrylics, watercolors, pastels and mixed media including woodwork-SEE CALENDAR, PAGE 3B



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ing, sculpture, jewelry, glassworks, metal work and handmade clothing. Salado Chamber of Commerce, www.salado.com or call 947-5040.

MARCH 27-28

Rogue Art and Texas Wine Fest, Noon- 4 p.m., Salado Wine Seller will host 25 Texas wineries. Texas wine tastings, music, art and food. 841 N. Main Street. 254/947-8011. www.saladowine.com.

MARCH 27

Smokin Spokes Bicycle Race, Salado Fire Department, 254-947-8961.

MARCH 29

The Central Texas Master Singers will be performing at Salado United Methodist Church, 7:30-9 p.m. The Central Texas Master Singers presents "HYMN Resurrected!" A Holy Week Celebration. Anthems of praise, worship and remembrance sure to inspire and revive! This is a non-ticketed event open to all! For more information go to www.centraltexas-mastersingers.com or call 254.258.6844.

APRIL 1

Death By Chocolate, 3-5 p.m. at Salado Public Library, sponsored by Friends of the Salado Pubic Library. All ages are invited to enter this contest with a dish that include chocolate with enough samples for judging. The public will sample these chocolate entries 3-5 p.m. and vote on their favorite dish.

APRIL 3

Keep Salado Beautiful Trash Off. Gather your friends, family, church groups, special interest club or civic organization for a day of Salado Beautification. 9 a.m.-noon, Litter Clean-up and branch/leaf pick-up. 12-1 p.m. Complimentary lunch. If you are interested, please RSVP to dcharbonneau@saladotx.goc or call 254-947-8634.

APRIL 10

Village-wide Garage Sale, sponsored by The Public Arts League of Salado (PALS). PALS will accept all items that are in good condition except clothing and bedding. Donated items will be accepted during the month of March and April 9. More information to be announced.

APRIL 14-16

Salado Village Artists workshop with Angie Brown (in either watercolor or oil): Planning com-

position and Florals. Her work is available in Griffith Gallery. Point of contact is Joan Hoffman at 947-0073 afternoon/evening.

APRIL 16

Salado Masonic Lodge Annual Fish Fry, 5-7 p.m. at the Salado Intermediate School Cafeteria. Proceeds this year will benefit the Salado Schools Band program as they raise funds for their trip to Disney. Tickets are \$6 per person. Tickets will be available soon at *Salado Village Voice* or First State Bank-Salado. Call 254-947-5321 for more information.

APRIL 17-18

First Annual Renewable Energy Stampede and Green Living Fair, Salado Civic Center. Learn solutions to global warming and how you can make a difference. Solar, Wind, Geothermal, Water Use & Reuse, Energy Conservation, Rainwater Harvesting, Green & Sustainable Building, Organic Growing, Alternative Transportation, Straw Bale Construction, Exhibits, Free Guest Speakers, Natural Food and Family Activities. For more information, call 877-376-8638 or the Salado Tourism office at 254-947-8634.

APRIL 24

Divine Desserts 2010, is an event to benefit the Children's Advocacy Center of Central Texas. This event will be held at Tenroc Ranch in Salado. All proceeds go directly to the Children's Advocacy Center of Central Texas; a non-profit corporation offering specialized services to the unfortunate victims of child abuse. Contact Michelle Farrell or Jan McLaughlin at 254-939-2946 for tickets or additional information.

APRIL 30-MAY 1

The 13th Annual Gospel Festival Jim Woodul - 254-634-4658, Friday 6-9 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m.- 9 p.m. \$5 adults \$3 child

MAY 6

Chisholm Trail ABWA Style Show, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Sirena Room of Tenroc Ranch, doors open at 10:30 a.m. Call 947-8610 for more information.

MAY 7-9

Texas MG Register in Salado. Weekend long gathering of car collectors. Events will be at Stagecoach Inn and Pace Park. 35th Anniversary of the Texas MG Register... 35 years of British cars gathering in Salado every

Mother's Day weekend. For more information, visit the TX MG Register website at www.tmgr.org, or contact TMGR President Russell Read at 972-291-4543. As they say in the MG club... "safety fast!"

MAY 8

Salado local elections, 7 a.m.-7 p.m. Elections for Salado ISD Board of Trustees, Village of Salado Board of Aldermen and Salado Public Library District Board of Directors.

MAY 8

Fine Art Gallery Trail 5-9 p.m. For info call 254-947-3930 or visit salado.com.

JUNE 7- JULY 16

Rehearsals for Salado Legends by scene 7-9:30 p.m.

JUNE 12

The Annual Salado Reunion will be held at the Salado Intermediate School cafeteria from 9:30 a.m.- 3 p.m. A catered meal will be served at noon. Any former Salado students, teachers, former or current residents of Salado invited to attend! A wonderful opportunity for visiting with old friends or making new ones. For more information, call 254-760-3799 or 254-947-5783.

JULY 3

Annual Fourth of July Picnic, 6 p.m. Pace Park, sponsored by Salado Historical Society. Pot luck picnic. Historical Society will provide iced tea and fried chicken. Bring a salad, side dish or dessert to join your friends in the Salado community in celebrating our Independence.

JULY 18, 24, 31, AUGUST 7

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AUGUST 7-8

44th Annual Salado Art Fair - Salado Chamber of Commerce 254-947-5040 salado.com. Over 100 artists and crafters from Texas and throughout the Southwest feature oil, acrylics, watercolors, pastels and mixed media including woodworking, sculpture, jewelry, glassworks, metal work and handmade clothing.

SEPTEMBER 24-26

Annual Salado Chocolate and Wine Weekend. Visit saladochocolatefestival.com for details.

OCTOBER 2

Fine Art Gallery Night. 5-9 p.m. For information call 254-947-3930 or visit salado.com

OCTOBER 8-9

Christmas in October. at Salado Civic Center Christmas shopping, bake sale, style show, vintage car show and raffle. Admission is free. Sponsored by Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary. For information, call 254-947-5040 or visit salado.com.

OCTOBER 9-10

Auditions for A Christmas Carol and Fright Trail. 3 p.m. either day. Harry Sweet 624-8822 Jackie Mills 947-9205.

OCTOBER 16

Salado Education Foundation Cattleman's Ball Fundraiser, 6:30 p.m. Tenroc Ranch.

OCTOBER 22-24

Salado Heritage Weekend. Visit saladoheritageday.org for details.

OCTOBER 30-31

Fright Trail along Tablerock's 1/2 mile walking trail. Open 7:30 p.m. close at the witching hour of

10 p.m. call Jackie Mills 947-9205 \$5 adults \$3 children.

NOVEMBER 12-14

49th Annual Central Texas Area Museum Gathering of the Scottish Clans. 254-947-5292 or visit ctam-salado.org

DECEMBER 2

Salado Annual Christmas Parade, Royal Street and Main Street, 5 p.m. 254-947-5040 for information.

DECEMBER 3-4, 10-11

Dickens' famous Yuletide story "A Christmas Carol," adapted to the stage by Harry Sweet. 7 p.m. \$10 adults \$5 Students \$3 children (12 and under).

DECEMBER 3-5

Salado Historical Society's Christmas Homes Tour. Call 254-947-5722 for information or visit www.saladohistoricalsociety.org.

DECEMBER 3-5, 10-12

Salado's Christmas Stroll. Enjoy the magic of Christmas with late night shopping, home tours, live nativity along with productions at Salado Silver Spur Theater and Tablerock Amphitheater. Sponsored by Salado Chamber of Commerce. Call 254-947-5040 or click salado.com

To have your event listed here, email information to news@saladovillagevoice.com. The deadline for submission is 5 p.m. Friday for the following week's newspaper.

Puppy Love raises APAC funds

Suzy Wiest, owner of Portraits by Suzy (www.SuzysPortraits.com) in Salado, and APAC (www.MyHappyTails.org), are joining forces to raise money for pets in need. During this event, Portraits by Suzy is offering \$50 mini-sessions for your pet dog or cat. The entire session fee will be donated to APAC to benefit pets needing adoption as well as other services they provide to the area.

Wiest works with each pet and their owner to create photographic fine art options to decorate clients' homes. From classical art portraits to whimsical, bright colored backgrounds, Suzy and her staff are preparing to pamper pets during the upcoming event. "We have goodie bags for the pets and puppy chow for the adults. We are look-

ing forward to a day of fun and fur," said Suzy. "Even though the event is called Puppy Love, I hope people bring in cats too."

Pets can be photographed by themselves or with their owners. Clients will be invited to return to the studio to see the poses and make their selections. Prints may be purchased a la carte or you may wish to choose a money-saving print package. Ask your local veterinarian, kennel or any APAC member for a special \$50 discount card available for print purchases \$150 and up.

Puppy Love event is happening Feb. 19-20 at the Portraits by Suzy Studio, located at 227 N. Main in Salado. All sessions are by appointment. Only a limited number of sessions are available. Please call Wiest at 254-541-2347.

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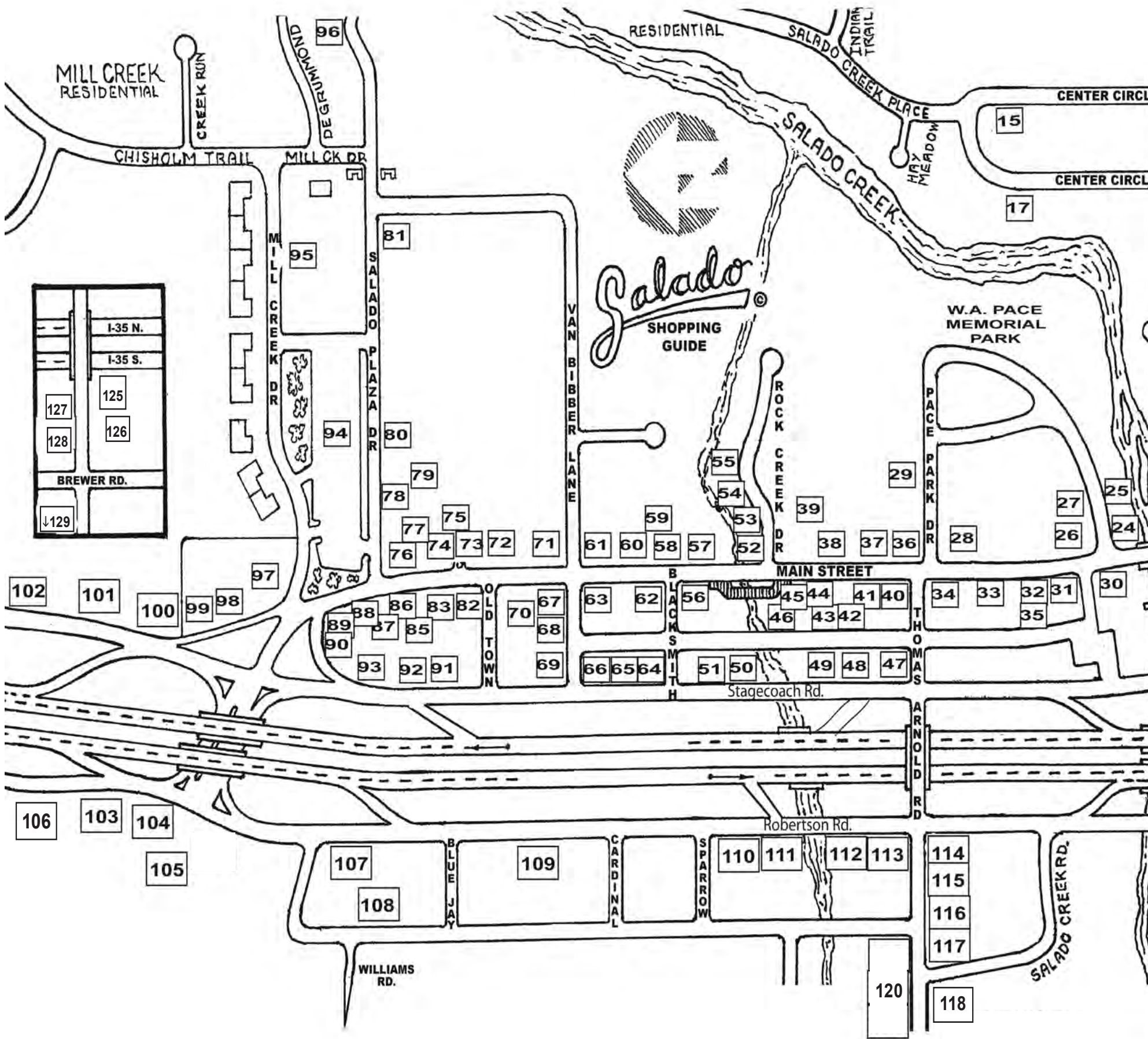
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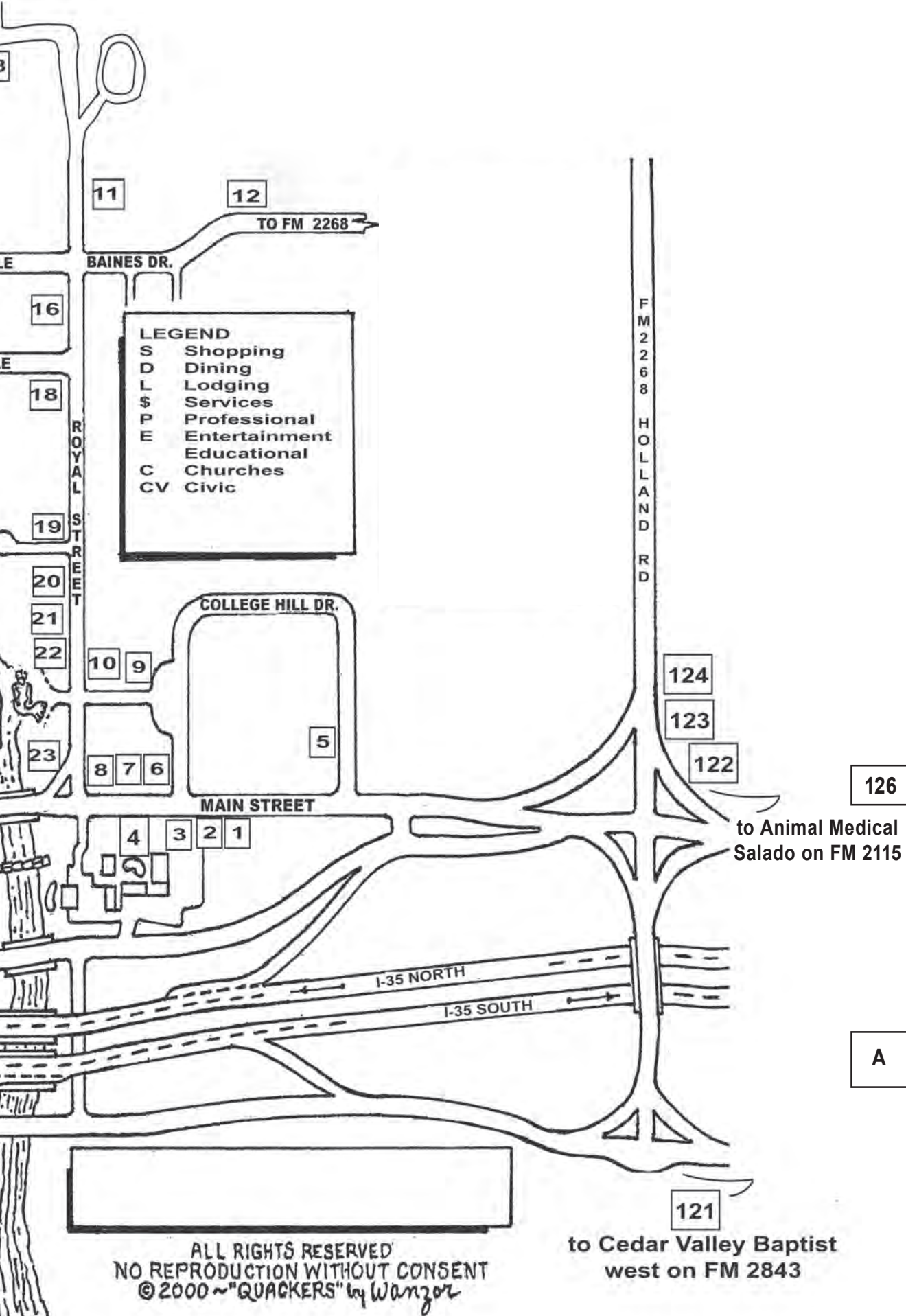
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| Gregory's | 254/947-5703 | S | First Community Title | 254/947-8480 | \$ | 56. Upscale Interior Consignments | 254/947-8098 | Village Art Center | |
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| 30. First Baptist Church | 254/947-5465 | C | 51. Salado Church of Christ | 254/947-5241 | CV | 68. A Serenity Spa | 254/947-8833 | \$ | 93. First Salado, A Horizon Realty |
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| | | Salado Junior High | 254/947-5429 | E | | | |
| | | 121. Cedar Valley Baptist Church | 254/947-0148 | C | | | |
| | | 122. National Ropers Supply | 254/947-8080 | S | | | |
| | | 124. St. Stephen Catholic Church | 254/947-8037 | C | | | |
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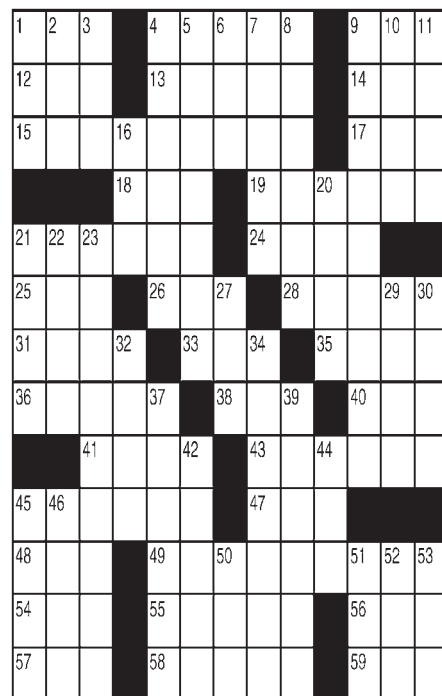
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By Steve Becker

At the same time that the U.S. team was crushing Brazil in the Bermuda Bowl final for the 2000 world championship, the U.S. women's team was finishing second to the Netherlands in the Venice Cup by the narrowest margin in the history of a world championship event — one-half of an International Match Point.

The fractional margin was the result of slow-play penalties assessed against both teams in one of the eight 16-deal sets. Because the Americans were judged to have been more responsible for the slow play, they incurred a 3.75 IMP penalty, while the Dutch were penalized 1.25. That minuscule difference ultimately decided the world title.

Just how slender and tenuous the final margin was is exemplified by today's deal — the very last one of the 128-deal match — that began with the U.S. trailing by half an IMP. The write-up in the American Contract Bridge League's monthly magazine, the Bulletin, describes what transpired as follows:

"On the last deal of the event, the U.S. still had a chance to win, but the team's fate depended on an opening lead.

"The auction was short and sweet at both tables — three clubs by North, three notrump by South. In the closed room, West led a low heart and the U.S. declarer wrapped up eleven tricks for plus 660.

"It was clear to the Vu-Graph audience that a spade lead by the U.S. West would hold declarer to 10 tricks and earn the U.S. the IMP that would give them the gold medal. There was no compelling reason for a spade lead, however. A heart seemed the normal lead and much more likely.

"When West put the heart seven on the table, the Dutch partisans in the room erupted in wild applause. The final score in the Venice Cup had yet to be made official, but they knew that the trophy belonged to the Netherlands for the first time."

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

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Answers

King Crossword

Weekly SUDOKU

Death by Chocolate April 1

By KAREN KINNISON

Before we read, here is a heads up on some future events.

Don't forget our computer class at 1 p.m. Feb. 19. This month's class is on "Setting up an E-Mail Account." Our own Jeanie Lively teaches the computer classes. Spots are first come, first served in the library conference room and are limited to 8 people. Bring your own laptop computer or borrow one of ours.

On April 1, the Friends will sponsor a Death by Chocolate contest! NO FOOLIN! If you like chocolate---wait, did I say IF???---silly me! For all of us who LOVE chocolate, here is an opportunity for us to make a favorite chocolate recipe, show it off, and win a prize! Start pulling out those recipe books. More on this later.

On April 4, the library will have a ceremony dedicating an old bell donated

Check It Out

News & Notes from Salado Public Library



to us by the estate of Ruth Howe. Ruth was the first person to act as "librarian" for the fledging new library back in the 80's.

Also--- Book Ends Book Shop has received a large donation of books on gardening, cooking, sewing, dogs and cats, and field guides for trees and insects and birds. If any of these are your thing, please stop by for some fantastic bargains from the library's used book store.

And now more new books for February:

"Winter Garden" by Kristin Hannah: Pacific Northwest apple country provides a beautiful but chilling setting for this family drama of female bonding ignited by the death of a loving father whose two daughters have grown

apart from each other and their acid-tongued, Russian-born mother. How these three women connect with the help of vodka and a trip to Alaska competes with the story-within-a-story of WWII Leningrad.

"The Wild Zone" by Joy Fielding "This is how it starts. With a joke." Two brothers and a friend met in a South Beach bar called the Wild Zone and make a bet on who can seduce a young woman drinking there alone. Little do they know the secrets she hides from the outside world.

Fielding delivers another heart pounding suspenseful story of a seemingly casual bet gone terrifyingly awry.

"Shadow Tag" by Louise Erdrich: Erdrich's latest is a brilliant but bleak cautionary tale of the havoc willfully destructive, self-centered spouses wreak on all around them. She ties several themes together in this domestic tragedy set among highly educated, sophisticated Native Americans—their beliefs about portraits as shadows of the soul, the inner lives of children, and alcoholism.

Until next week.

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The First Annual Renewable Energy Stampede & Green Living Fair is coming to Salado this spring.

The First Annual Renewable Energy Stampede & Green Living Fair is brought to North Central Texas by organizers with over 25 years experience in renewable energy and healthy green living and 10 years of fair organizing. Festivals co-organized by TREIA and TXSES have rallied exhibitors, sponsors and over 8,000 returning fair goers for unparalleled events connecting businesses and customers for sustainable, healthy green living solutions sought by Texans.

The April 17-18 fair is located at the Salado Civic Center, 601 N. Main. St. in

Salado, tickets are \$10 April 17, \$7 April 18, and \$15 for the weekend while children under 12 are free.

The Stampede showcases eco-friendly products, green energy services and renewable energy resources from a growing number of Texas-wide companies. Texans will find a format that is interactive, entertaining and informative. The fair special activities include Workshops; Panel Discussions: State and Federal Rebate Information, Water Needs; Keynote Speakers; Live Music; Kid's Learning Activities; Healthy Cooking Demos and Natural, Organic Food Cafés

Hear about state and national rebate opportunities for green energy savings

while planning for sustainable living needs. Explore solutions that meet the needs of our changing green energy needs and smart grid oriented economy. This two-day event will showcase eco-friendly products and renewable energy solutions that help preserve our environment.

"People are looking for choices that are recyclable, renewable, and reusable. When options are available, people tend to lean towards a green lifestyle that is organic; sustainable; locally produced; energy efficient; and less toxic," said Russel Smith, Executive Director of the Texas Renewable Energy Industries Association and co-organizer. "The

fair provides an outlet for community members to gain invaluable information and resources that can benefit future quality of life."

First Annual Renewable Energy Stampede is co-organized by Texas Renewable Energy Industries Association and Texas Solar Energy Society, in cooperation with the Village of Salado and the Texas Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association. Event proceeds benefit TREIA and TXSES, two non-profits striving to increase understanding and awareness of renewable energy applications and promote their wide use.

For more details log on to www.renewablestampede.org or call 877-376-8638.

Barnard will show works in local banks

By ALICE COOPER

Mardie Barnard loves to paint, quilt, piece together mosaics and jump in with both feet into whatever other styles of art the Salado Village Artists decide to try. She has lived in Salado for 26 years, but only became involved with the arts in the last 10 years.

She has taken art classes

from several local artists and Salado Village Artists members including Joan Hoffman, Sharon McGlasson, D.K. Nichols and Andy Phair. Local quilter Jo Griffitt has been her quilt teacher, as well as mentor. She learned mosaics on her own with friends. She thinks that quilting and mosaics are a lot alike. "It's like putting together

a puzzle." The fun part is seeing the outcome.

She believes that everybody can be an artist but many people don't have the courage and/or confidence to give it a try. The Salado Village Artists members have been her confidence and courage, and she encourages others to join the group and discover the artist within.




Mardie Barnard

Mardie is the current President of the Salado Village Artists organization, which meets on Tuesdays at the building at the rear of the Civic Center.

Mardie's varied work will be on display at local banks and the Salado Public Library for the months of February and March.

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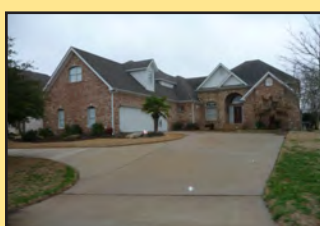
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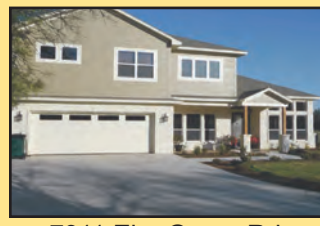
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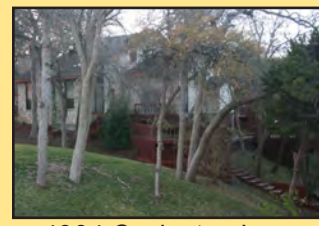
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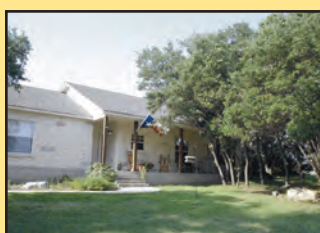
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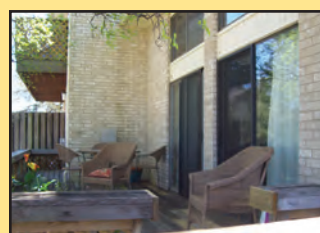
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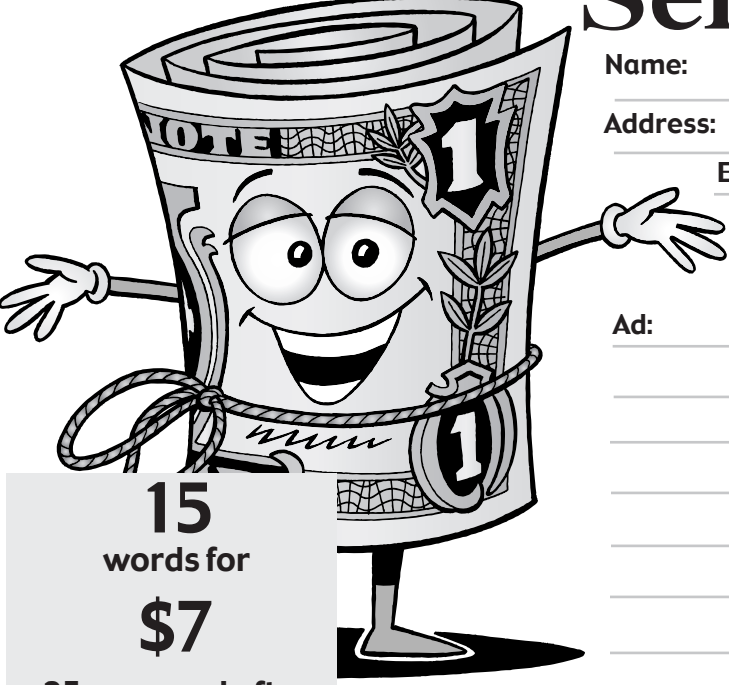
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1. ENACTMENT CLAUSES

A. Purpose
This Ordinance is adopted so that the Board of Aldermen may promote the public health, safety, morals and general welfare within the Village through the registration of contractors that perform certain construction activities.

E. Effective Date
This Ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and publication as may be required by governing law.

3. REGISTRATION REQUIRED

4. ENFORCEMENT

A. Civil and Criminal Penalties
The Village shall have the power to administer and enforce the provisions of this Ordinance and the codes adopted by this Ordinance as may be required by governing law. Any person violating any provision of this Ordinance or the codes herein adopted is subject to suit for injunctive relief as well as prosecution for criminal violations. Any violation of this Ordinance is hereby declared to be a nuisance.

PASSED AND APPROVED on SECOND READING this, the 4th day of February, 2010, by a vote of 5 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 abstentions of the Board of Aldermen.

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Notice of PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday, March 9, 2010 at 1:30PM** at the municipal building, 301 N. Stagecoach Rd. to consider a request to amend the Zoning Ordinance Use Chart to include New and Used Auto Sales within the Historic District.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids addressed to the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen will be received at the office of Dianna Zulauf, the Village Secretary, Village of Salado, Salado Municipal Building; 301 N. Stagecoach Road; Salado, Texas 76571 until **10:00 A.M.** on **Tuesday, March 2, 2010** for the construction of the Winner's Circle Culvert Replacement in the Village of Salado, Texas. The bids shall be labeled:

Winner's Circle Culvert Replacement
Salado, Texas

Bids must be submitted on the Bid Form provided and must be accompanied by a cashier's check, certified check or acceptable bidder's bond payable without recourse to the Village of Salado, Texas in an amount not less than five (5) percent of the bid submitted as a guarantee that the bidder will enter into a contract and execute a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond within ten (10) days after the notification of the award of the contract.

The bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in the meeting room in Salado Municipal Building at **10:00 A.M.** on **Tuesday, March 2, 2010.** The Board of Aldermen will officially review the bids at their next regularly scheduled meeting and award the contract as soon thereafter as practical.

The Village of Salado reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids, as the best interest of the Village may require, and to waive any informality in bids received. The Village of Salado also reserves the right to award the Contract as may be advantageous to the City.

Plans, specifications and bidding documents may be secured beginning **Monday, February 8, 2010** at the Salado Municipal Building for a non-refundable cost of **\$50.00** per set. Checks shall be made payable to Village of Salado.

A non-mandatory pre-bid conference will be held in the meeting room at the Salado Municipal Building; 301 N. Stagecoach Road; Salado, Texas at 10:00 A.M. on Friday, February 19, 2010.

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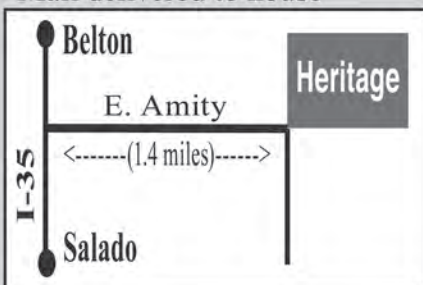
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Do melting ice caps affect the salt content of the oceans? Recycling old ski boots and other hard plastics.

Dear EarthTalk: If the ice caps are melting, what is happening to the salt content of the oceans? And might this contribute to weather patterns or cause other environmental problems?
George Boyer, via e-mail



It's true that the melting of the polar ice caps as a result of global warming is sending large amounts of freshwater into the world's oceans. Environmentalists and many climate scientists fear that if the climate heats up fast enough and melts off the remaining polar ice rapidly, the influx of freshwater could disturb ocean currents enough to drastically change the weather on the land as well.

The Gulf Stream, a ribbon of ocean water that delivers heat from the tropics up to the North Atlantic, keeps northeastern U.S. and northwestern Europe weather much milder than other areas at the same latitude around the globe. In theory, less salt in the ocean could stall out the Gulf Stream and rob some of the world's great-

est civilization centers of their natural heating source, plunging the two continents into a cold snap that could last decades or longer—even as the rest of the globe warms around them.

The Gulf Stream keeps running because the warmer water travelling north is lighter than cold water, so it floats on top and keeps moving. As the current approaches the northern Atlantic and discharges its heat, it grows denser and sinks, at which point it flows back to the south, crossing under the northbound Gulf Stream, until it reaches the tropics to start the cycle all over again. This cycle has allowed humans and other life forms to thrive across wide swaths of formerly frozen continents over

thousands of years. But if too much dilution occurs, the water will get lighter, idling on top and stalling out the system.

Some scientists worry that this grim future is fast approaching. Researchers from Britain's National Oceanography Center have noticed a marked slowing in the Gulf Stream since the late 1950s. They suspect that the increased release of Arctic and Greenland meltwater is to blame for overwhelming the cycle, and fear that more warming could plunge temperatures significantly lower across land masses known as some of the most hospitable places for humans to live.

Of course—not surprisingly—others have noted a contradictory trend: Some parts of the world's oceans are getting saltier. Researchers from the UK's Met Office and Reading University reported in a recent issue of the peer-reviewed journal *Geophysical Research Letters* that warmer temperatures over southerly sections of the Atlantic Ocean have

significantly increased evaporation and reduced rainfall from Africa to the Caribbean in recent years, concentrating salt in the water that's left behind.

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In fact, the Atlantic in this region is about 0.5 percent saltier than it was four decades ago.

But given how little we really know about the future effects of our carbon loading of the atmosphere, calling these two trends contradictory might be premature—as the two regions of ocean interact with one another and are part of a larger whole. Looking instead at the big picture, it's clear that climate change is already having a relatively large effect on the world's oceans by fundamentally altering evaporation and precipitation cycles. Only time will tell how dramatic the results of these changes will be.

CONTACTS: National Oceanography Center, www.noc.soton.ac.uk; Met Office, www.metoffice.gov.uk; Geophysical Research Letters, www.agu.org/journals/gl/.

Dear EarthTalk: Where do I recycle old ski boots (hard plastic)? My recycling center does not take hard plastic.

Americans recycle more plastic than ever these days, but there are



The melting of the polar ice caps is sending large amounts of fresh water into the world's oceans. PHOTO COURTESY OF GETTY IMAGES

still plenty of items that are not accepted by municipalities, including many hard plastic items like ski boots.

If such items are still usable, consider donating them to a local Goodwill or Salvation Army store, which can sell them and put the money earned toward housing and feeding those less fortunate. Another option would be to sell or give them to a second-hand sporting goods store, which might even give you trade-in credit toward an upgrade. If you can't find somewhere local, you can ship them to Colorado-based Boulder Ski Deals. The company accepts ski boots (along with skis, bindings, poles and snowboards) for recycling, donating usable

equipment to charitable programs and shredding the rest for re-use in making new products.

The fact that it is so difficult to recycle hard plastic items is a growing issue as we all try to minimize our impact on the environment. Everyone involved with the lifecycle of a given item—from manufacturer to retailer to consumer—can share the blame when something ends up taking up precious space in a landfill instead of being recycled in one way or another. Concerned consumers should make sure that a given item is easy to recycle when its usefulness runs its course before buying it in the first place. It also can't hurt to let a manufacturer know that you didn't purchase a given product because it didn't meet your recyclability standards. Manufacturers want to make products that people will buy and such feedback can go a long way to getting them to re-think their practices.

The good news is that there are plenty of firms that are happy to take back otherwise difficult-to-re-

cycle stuff. The non-profit Earth911 offers up a free searchable online database of different types of recyclers keyed to the user's zip code anywhere across the United States. If no local provider comes up, the site will refer users to a place that accepts shipped items. Another good resource is the consulting firm Eco-Officiency's concise yet comprehensive online list of companies around the country that accept different types of hard plastic and other hard-to-recycle items.

Consumers should keep in mind that they may have to pay for the privilege of recycling certain items, as well as shipping costs. If you can swing it, think of it as a tax for buying something less friendly to the environment. Maybe next time you'll look for one made out of easier-to-recycle materials.

CONTACTS: Boulder Ski Deals, www.boulderskideals.com; Earth911, www.earth911.org; Eco-Officiency's Recycling and Donation Resources, www.eco-officiency.com/resources_recycling.html.

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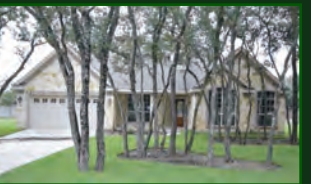
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Don't miss out on this fantastic property! Beautiful home on 20+ acres. Open floorplan, fireplace and solid surface kitchen counters. Great for horses or livestock with woods, creek, outbuilding. Barn with electricity. Call Ryan 541-2255. **\$499,999.**



Enjoy the fine living and custom craftsmanship of this David Foust custom home. Amenities include wood beams, granite counters, Travertine and hardwood floors throughout, etc. **\$379,900. 330 O.W. Lowery Dr.**



Beautiful Austin stone home tucked away behind the live oaks in Salado Oaks subdivision. Granite countertops, large open living areas, spacious master suite. **Price Reduced to \$314,999. A Must See!!!** Call Ryan TODAY. 1017 Salado Oaks



In the heart of Mill Creek, this 4 BR/3 BA home is located in a quiet cul de sac. Large oak trees with a beautiful backyard and storage shed. **\$214,900** Call Keith today for a showing 913-1202.



Wow!! Great 3 bedroom 2 bath home on a beautiful, unique lot in Mill Creek with Huge trees. **\$189,900** Schedule a showing today!! Glenn 718-2000



Great location in Mill Creek!! Very nice updated 3/2 in Salado with large fenced in backyard with patio. Open floor plan. **\$172,500.** Ryan 541-2255



Beautiful Rock home 3 bedroom 2 bath, metal roof, carport and storage building. Call Glenn 718-2000 for a showing of this great property. **\$159,900.**



Several Beautiful small acreage lots in Eagle Rock Ranch. Excellent home-sites. **\$33,900-\$46,900** Call Ryan 541-2255

Lots

Indian Trail Lots, \$30,000.

Under 10 Acres

- 2.27 Acres Lot 243 Hidden Park Ct. in Hidden Springs. Has well in place great home-site. \$55,000 Keith 913-1202
- 2 acres, lot 165 Western Trl. in Hidden Springs Great homesite with live oak trees. \$29,999 Keith, 913-1202.
- 2 acres, lot 238, Hidden Springs of Salado Creek, \$33,500.
- 2.51 Acres, Eagle Rock Ranch, \$33,900.
- 2.63 acres, lot 6, Eagle Rock Ranch, \$34,900.
- 2.5 acres, lot 10, Dove Hollow Lane, \$34,900.
- 3.25 acres, lot 8, Dove Hollow Lane, \$35,900.
- 2.6 acres, lot 1, Eagle Rock Ranch, \$37,500.
- 3.29 acres, lot 7, Dove Hollow Lane, \$46,900.
- 3.85 acres, Bartlett, \$59,900.
- 5.00 acres, Sam Neil Lane, Salado, \$64,500.
- 5.00 acres, Morning Dove, Hidden Springs of Salado Creek, \$54,900.
- 5+ acres, lot 280, Hidden Springs of Salado Creek, \$49,900.

10 to 100 Acres

- 18 acres, FM 2843, spring-fed tank, \$197,900.
- 20.68 acres, FM 2115, with outstanding views and nice pond, \$194,900.
- Approx. 25 Acres on Moon Creek. Great home site with lots of trees overlooking Moon Creek . \$299,900.
- 27 acres fronting on Salado Creek, Outstanding home sites.
- 41.38 acres, Harold Clark Road, Bartlett, \$199,000.
- 44 acres, overlooking Stillhouse Hollow Lake off Brewer Road.
- 55.38 acres, Bell Street in Bartlett, productive Blackland adjoining residential area on NW side of Bartlett. \$193,830.
- 60 acres with 2800 ft. plus of Salado Creek, Huge pecan tree overlooking creek.
- 74 Acres, Salado. Beautiful rolling hills, excellent development potential. **SOLD UNDER CONTRACT**
- 94 acres, excellent development potential fronting FM 2268 \$5,900 per acre.

Over 100 Acres

- 176 acres. 5,000 ft. plus of creek frontage 2 miles west of Salado.
- 540 Acres with three miles of Little River frontage, live water creek, large lake, large century Live Oak trees, large pecan trees, rolling topography, on Sullivan Road.
- 600 Acres: Beautiful Rolling Hill country Topography, fully game proof fenced, pecan grove, tanks, live water creek, Large live oaks, smooth bottom field land with Hill country hills surrounding, **OUTSTANDING** home sites EXCELLENT hunting. 718-2000

Commercial

106 North Main Street Salado, Excellent Retail within the walk area of downtown Salado, \$399,500.