

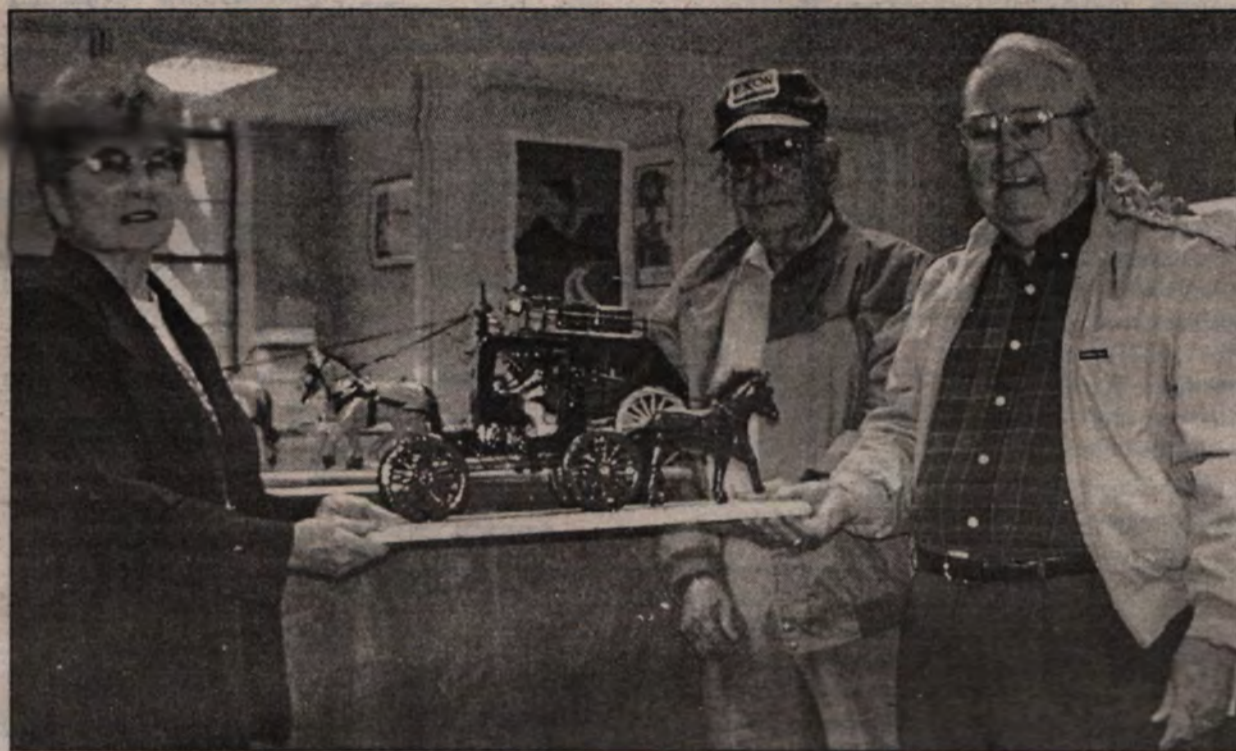
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FIRST AUCTION DONATIONS.....are shown above being presented by Wilbur and Jessie Foster to Salado Civic Center Foundation's First Vice President Jim Patterson. Each year Wilbur donates a number of his hand crafted stagecoaches (seen in background) and other early transportation items such as the buggy (shown being handed to Patterson) ever since the civic center held its first auction some eight years ago. Mrs. Foster was a member of the first Board of Directors of the Civic Center Foundation and has been an active supporter ever since the idea of renovating the old school building was first discussed back in 1991. The stagecoaches, buggies, wagons and old timey cars created by Mr. Foster are considered collector's items and bring top dollars at the annual auction, as will again be the case when the civic center opens its Eighth Annual Auction on Saturday, March 3, at the Salado Middle School Cafeteria. The annual auction begins at 6 p.m. on March 3, with a full fledged barbecue dinner prepared by Lucye's Place followed by the auction, led by Texas' finest auctioneer Bill Hall, who will kick things off promptly at 7 p.m. Salado businesses and other interested citizens donate outstanding items to the auction that attracts bidders from throughout the area for an evening of great food, fellowship, fun and of course spirited bidding during the auction part of the evening's proceedings.

Salado to hold 3 concurrent elections Filing begins Feb. 19

The first day to file as a candidate in three local elections is Feb. 19.

Applications for candidates in the Salado Independent School Board of Trustees election, the Salado Public Library Board of Trustees election and the Village of Salado Board of Aldermen election can be picked up at the Salado Civic Center.

Two positions on the Sisd Board of Trustees come up for election in May. Those positions are currently filled by Frank Carlson and Carse Williams.

Two positions on the Library Board come up for election. Susan Shobe and Lynn Epps currently fill the positions. Applications for the library board election are available at the Salado Public Library in the Salado Civic Center.

In the village election, the positions of mayor, marshal and all five alder-

men come up for election. Applications for candidates for mayor, marshal and alderman are available at the Village office in the Salado Civic Center.

Mayor Charlotte Douglass, Marshal Alan Rogers and all five aldermen have expressed an interest in seeking re-election to the board of aldermen. Aldermen are Rick Ashe, Dr. Raymond Carver, Michael Cooper, Vic Means and Jackie Mills.

The last day to file an application to be a candidate in any of the three local elections is March 21.

Early voting will be at the Salado Civic Center 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. weekdays April 18-May 1.

Extended hours for early voting will be 4:30-7 p.m. April 25.

Election day, the polls will be open at the Salado Civic Center 7 a.m.-7 p.m. May 5.

Bell County Sheriff's Reports for Salado Area January 2001

Date	Offense Reported	Location
01/01	Burglary of a building	South IH-35
01/02	Burglary of a building	FM 2843
01/02	Theft under \$50	Robertson Rd.
01/03	Burglary of a habitation	Brewer Rd.
01/05	Illegal dumping	Mill Creek Dr.
01/05	Information only	Salado Springs
01/06	Minor in possession of alcohol	Oak Park Lane
01/07	Criminal mischief/burglary of habitation	Gravel Crossing
01/07	Mental health evaluation	FM 2843
01/09	Theft under \$50	IH-35, exit 282
01/09	Burglary of a building	Paradise Lane
01/12	Burglary of a vehicle	Salado Springs
01/12	Criminal mischief	Santa Maria
01/13	Theft under \$50	Robertson Rd.
01/15	Theft over \$500, under \$1,500	Main St.
01/15	Theft over \$500, under \$1,500	Main St.
01/22	Burglary of a habitation	Armstrong Rd.
01/23	Criminal mischief, value unknown	Thomas Arnold Rd.
01/24	Theft under \$50	Robertson Rd.
01/26	Criminal mischief, value unknown	DeGrummond Way
01/27	Criminal mischief, under \$1,500	Robertson Rd.
01/27	Criminal mischief, over \$50, under \$500	Elizabeth Circle
01/28	Theft under \$50	Robertson Rd.
01/29	Theft over \$50, under \$500	Robertson Rd.
01/29	Theft: Felony 3rd degree	Main St.
01/29	Theft, value unknown	Mill Creek Dr.
01/29	Deadly conduct, felony 3rd degree	FM 2484
01/30	Criminal mischief (value unknown)	Whispering Oaks
01/30	Unsafe speed	Irene Lane
01/31	Criminal mischief over \$50, under \$500	Thomas Arnold Rd.

Logo contest may determine the new look for Village of Salado

The Village of Salado is conducting a village logo contest, in which the winner will be announced April 16. "The newly incorporated Village of Salado is in need of a logo for official use on stationary, signs, posters, newsletters, Village property and various items," stated Jackie Mills, Village of Salado marketing committee chairman.

"Salado Village and the surrounding cities have many talented citizens," she added. "Both professional and amateurs are invited to submit an entry."

Rules for the logo contest are as follows:

1. The logo needs to depict the essential character of Salado.
2. Submit a simple drawing on white paper in black ink.
3. Colored or shaded drawings may be submitted in addition to black and white.
4. Entries are due by March 23 at the Salado Civic Center on Main St.
5. Name, address and phone number must accompany each entry.
6. All entries will be on

display at the Salado Wildflower Art Show March 31-April 1.

7. Winners will be announced April 16.

8. No prizes will be given. Awards will be public recognition and letters of recognition for each entry.

9. The winning entry or entries will become the property of the Village of Salado.

10. The Marketing Committee reserves the right to reject any and all entries.

For further information, contact the Village secretary at 947-5040 weekdays 9-11:45 a.m. and 1-4 p.m.

Delisi proposes health care bill

State Rep. Dianne White Delisi (R-Temple) filed legislation Feb. 12 that would provide teachers and their dependents with state-employee comparable health benefits.

Rep. Delisi's proposed plan, a defined care health benefit program, provides district and state-supported health coverage to public school employees. The plan also provides major financial support from the state for employees' dependent coverage

costs. "My defined care health benefit proposal ensures that teachers will have health benefits that are comparable to what state employees currently receive," Rep. Delisi said. "My defined care plan cuts the financial liability for teachers with dependents in half, and doubles the financial support the average teacher receives."

The Delisi Defined Care proposal is affordable to the state and doubles the

number of public school employees and dependents who have state-comparable insurance. The Delisi Defined Care plan could be fully-funded for the next biennium despite tight budget restrictions.

"Alternative proposals range in cost from \$1.5 billion to \$3.6 billion a year," Rep. Delisi said. "My defined care proposal has a fiscal impact of about \$500 million a year. At that cost, we can definitely pass it into law."

What's happening around here? Calendar of events

FEBRUARY 15
Salado Historical Society general meeting 7 p.m. at Meadows Auditorium in the Salado Civic Center

FEBRUARY 16
The Law offices of Jones & Harrell, P.C. Phillip Arrien, Attorney at Law open house at 805 N. Main St. from 9-11 a.m.

FEBRUARY 16-18
Texas Federation of Fiber Artist meet at Stagecoach Inn

FEBRUARY 17-18
An exciting weekend full of the best ropers. On Feb. 17, the Third Annual Wildfire Ranch Open to the World Team Roping. \$25,000 added money. \$22,500 to Average Win-

ners. Sing up at 10 a.m. Rope at noon. Six steers for \$150/man. World champions will be here to compete for the big dollars. Also, that weekend, Wildfire Ladies Team Roping Championship with \$5,000 added money and Gist buckles to average winner. Sign up at 8 a.m., rope at 9 a.m. 4 steers for \$60/woman. Business Man's Roping Feb. 18. \$500/man limited to 150 teams. First place \$30,000 plus Double J Ostrich saddles based on 150 teams. These exciting ropings will be open to spectators at the Wildfire Ranch Arena at the corner of I-35 and Holland Rd. For more information, call 947-9988.

MARCH 31-APRIL 1
Wildflower Art Show at the Civic Center Grounds, sponsored by the Salado Chamber of Commerce. For more information, call Chamber at 254/947-5040.

APRIL 7
American Business Women's Association (ABWA) - Annual style show. Call Barclay McCort 947-3617.

APRIL 10
ABWA Chisholm Trail Chapter 6 p.m. social, 6:30 p.m. meeting with speaker Shirley Culver presenting a program on Finance at Texas Roadhouse B&B on Van Bibber Lane Call for dinner reservation 947-0561 Cost \$10

APRIL 14-15
Wildfire Ranch Shoot-out. \$50,000 added money and prizes. Entry fee of \$100 per man. Books open 8 a.m. Sat, roping begins 9 a.m. For information, call 947-9988.

MAY 8
ABWA Chisholm Trail Chapter 6 p.m. social, 6:30 p.m. meeting Volunteering Opportunities presented by MaryBelle at Texas Roadhouse B&B on VanBibber Lane. Dinner \$10 Call for reservation 947-0561

MAY 10
Salado Community Chorus Spring Concert 8 p.m. at the Civic Center

JUNE 5
Salado Legends begins rehearsals 7-9:30 p.m. at Tablerock Amphitheater

JUNE 6-9
Third Annual Judy & A.C. Greene Literary Festival sponsored by the Living Room Theatre, featuring performances of works by prize-winning short story writers in homes of Salado hosts. Time and places to be announced.

JUNE 12
ABWA Chisholm Trail Chapter 6 p.m. social 6:30 p.m. meeting presented by Crystal Mears "Utilizing the Internet" at Texas Roadhouse B&B on Van Bibber Lane Dinner \$10

Reservations: 947-0561

JULY 10
ABWA Chisholm Trail Chapter 6 p.m. social 6:30 p.m. program on Travel Etiquette presented by Rita Williams at Texas Roadhouse B&B on VanBibber Lane. Dinner cost \$10 Call 947-0561 for reservation.

JULY 21
Salado Legends performance at Tablerock

JULY 28
Salado Legends performance at Tablerock

AUGUST 4
Salado Legends performance at Tablerock

AUGUST 4-5
35th Annual Salado Art Fair in Pace Park. For more information call

947-5040.

OCTOBER 12-13
Christmas in October at the Civic Center. For information, call Salado Chamber of Commerce, 254/947-5040.

Nov. 30 - Dec. 11
Christmas Stroll and Homes Tour. First and second weekend of December each year. Sponsored by Salado Business Association and Salado Historical Society. For information, call Salado Chamber of Commerce, 254/947-5040.

To list your Salado event, call 254/947-5321.

Regular meetings

Mondays

Monday Club: 1st Mon., 2 p.m., Salado United Methodist Church.

Salado Chamber of Commerce Board: 2nd Mon., 6 p.m., at Civic Center.

Salado I.S.D. Board of Trustees: 3rd Mon. at 6 p.m., at Salado Civic Center.

Salado Library District Board: 4th Mon. at 5 p.m., at Salado Public Library.

Salado Masonic Lodge #296: 8 p.m. on the Mon. on or before the full moon.

Salado Village Artist Quilters meet from 1-4 p.m. on the second and fourth Mondays in the Salado Village Artist Building which is located behind the Civic Center.

Storytime: 11-11:30 a.m. every Monday at the Salado Public Library for preschool age children. (ages 3-5)

Salado 4-H Club: 7 p.m. first Monday of each month at the Civic Center

Tuesdays

Salado Rotary Club: 11:30 a.m., Salado Mansion.

Salado FFA meeting: First Tuesday at 7 p.m. at SHS ag shop.

Salado Village Artists: First Tuesday at 10 a.m. at Salado Art Center.

Yoga Classes: 6:45 p.m., Salado United Methodist Fellowship Hall.

Salado Family Relief Fund: 2nd Tues. 1 p.m. Salado Intermediate School in the Community Schools room #209 in west wing.

Chisholm Trail Chapter ABWA: 2nd Tues. 6:30 p.m. Texas House, 310 Van Bibber Lane. For more info. call 947-3617

Salado High School Band Boosters: 2nd Tues. of every month 7 p.m. in the Band Hall.

Salado Community Chorus 5 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center

Wednesday

Salado Business Association: 1st Wednesday, 8:45 a.m. Salado Civic Center

Salado Creekside Cloggers: 6:30-8:30 p.m., Info: 947-5845.

Salado Youth Baseball Association meetings 6:30 p.m. at Civic Center.

Lions Club: 2nd & 4th Wed. at 11:30 a.m., Creekside. Board meets 2nd Wed. 8 a.m.

Mill Creek Community Association Board: 3rd Wed., 6 p.m., at Civic Center

Thursdays

Village of Salado board of aldermen. Regular meetings on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of month, 6:30 p.m. at Salado Civic Center unless otherwise posted. Agenda posted at Salado Civic Center 72 hours prior. Call 947-5060.

Salado Ladies Auxiliary: 2nd Thurs., 10 a.m., Salado Civic Center

Salado Water Corporation Board of Directors: 3rd Thurs., 4 p.m. Corporation office.

Salado Historical Society board of directors, 3rd Thursday, 7 p.m. Salado Civic Center.

PTC (SIS Parent Teacher Co-op) meets the 2nd Thursday 3:45 p.m. in Room 101 at SIS.

Saturdays

Food Pantry: 2nd and 4th Saturday at First Baptist Church. 9 a.m.-10 a.m.

To have your meeting listed here, call 254/947-5321. Meetings of Salado organizations are listed free of charge. If your group changes its meetings time or location, please call us to update this list.

THE BEAT

Please note: the correct date for the Historical Society members to meet is Feb. 15

The general meeting of the Salado Historical Society will meet for the first time this year 7 p.m. Feb. 15 in Meadows Auditorium of the Salado Civic Center on Main St.

Members, friends, and new residents are invited to attend this meeting.

Pat Barton, a Salado resident and former president of the Society, and local historian, will present the program, "Birdseye View of Salado," which will afford listeners a chronological history of the village and will feature slides.

Democrat women to meet Feb. 17

Bell County Texas Democratic Women will meet Feb. 17 at the Bell County North Annex (USDA Service Center) at 1605 N. Main St. in Belton.

Social time will begin at 9:30 a.m. followed by the 10 a.m. meeting.

The program will be an all-member discussion of Legislative issues.

SHS band hosts spaghetti supper

The Salado High School Band will present a Concert and Spaghetti Dinner on Feb. 15 at the Intermediate School Auditorium.

The concert begins at 6 p.m. and will feature the music of three action movie theme songs. A spaghetti dinner will follow at 6:30 p.m.

Meal tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children age 10 and under. Proceeds will benefit the students spring trip to Dallas.

Cemetery Friends to gather Feb. 17

Friends of Salado Cemetery Association will hold its annual meeting at the Salado Church of Christ building on Stagecoach Rd. 2 p.m. Feb. 17.

"Friends" are those who own burial spaces in the cemetery, those who have family members buried there and those who are interested in the history, maintenance and upkeep of the cemetery.

President MaryBelle Brown will give her annual report. All committee chairmen will also give reports. The treasurer will report on the financial standing of the group.

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To find out if the Lady Eagles won their game against Comfort and qualified for the next round of the playoffs, call 947-5429 for details.



BALLROOM DANCING IS FUN AND HEALTHY. SEE STORY ON PAGE 1B

Check it Out! New Books at Salado Library

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| Patterson. | Protect and Defend |
| Hickham | The Coalwood Way |
| LeCarre. | The Constant Gardener |
| McMurtry. | Boone's Lick |
| Woodward. | Maestro |
| Braun. | The Cat Who Smelled a Rat |
| Myers. | The Crepes of Wrath |
| Kelton. | Badger Boy |
| Koontz. | From the Corner of His Eye |
| Brown. | Riley in the Morning |
| Silva. | The Kill Artist |
| Meltzer. | The First Counsel |
| Rice. | Dream Country |
| Hayes. | Mad Dog & Englishman |
| Killan. | A Killing at Ball's Bluff |
| Kamensky. | The Big Silence |

Lions to meet at Civic Center for lunch Feb. 14

The Salado Lions club will meet for lunch at 11:30 a.m. at the Salado Civic Center, Feb. 14.

Guest speaker is Donald W. Jones, Senior Vice President for Chapter Services of the American Red Cross.

Lt. Gen. Jones retired from the U.S. Army in Aug. 1991. Over his military career, Jones was the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Military Manpower and Personnel Policy, Office of the Secretary of Defense. Other key appointments have been as the Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel, Headquarters, U.S. Army. Jones has also served as Commanding General, Military Personnel Command.

Jones served as Assistant Division commander of the 1st Cavalry Division at Fort Hood 1983-1985.

Jones began his military career as a 2nd Lt. in Field Artillery upon graduation from Officer Candidate School at Fort Sill, OK, in 1958.

His other military education includes completion of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College and the Army War College.

UIL team takes 1st

Salado High took first place at the UIL Academic Meet at Connelly High School Feb. 10, scoring 220 points. Waco Midway High School was second with 215 points. At the meet, 26 schools competed in academic events.

Results for Salado are as follows:

Computer Applications: Ashely Kelley, first; Jeremiah Bradhurst, fifth; Jon Teer, eighth.

Poetry: Mandy Tsosie, first; Adria Raley, second.

Literary Criticism: Sara Culver, first; Brian Miller,

second. Literary Criticism team of Brinn Newmen, Culver, Miller took first place.

Spelling and Vocabulary: Jon Teer, first place with a perfect score; Stacy Blodgett, second place; Kelli Cook, third place.

Spelling and Vocabulary team of Teer, Blodgett and Cook took first place.

Number Sense (11th and 12th): Chris Ray, first; Miles Wallace, third; Jeremy Grimm, fourth.

Number Sense (9th and 10th): Devon Rex, second; Matt Brown, sixth.

Calculator Applications (11th and 12th): Clint Marshall, first.

Calculator Applications (9th and 10th): Sara Culver, first; Matt Brown, fourth; Evan Clements, fourth (tie).

Mathematics: Sara Culver, fourth.

Mathematics team: Culver, Ray and Rex, second.

Note: when the team competed in the Round Rock meet recently, they scored enough in four events to claim second place overall

Public Notice:

To obtain a copy of the 2000 Year End Financial Report for the P&R Foundation write to:
P&R Foundation
109 Royal View Rd.
Salado, TX 76571

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News From The Library

Trustee Election for Salado Public Library District

The Salado Public Library District will hold an election Saturday • May 5, 2001, for the purpose of electing 2 Trustees to 2-year terms of office.

Individuals interested in becoming candidates may pick up and file applications at the Salado Public Library during its regular operating hours from Monday, February 19 through Wednesday, March 21.

Candidates must be residents of the Salado Public Library District and registered voters in Bell County.

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It's Baseball Time Again!

The Salado Youth Baseball Association is having it's

2001 Baseball Sign up's

on **Saturday, February 10** at Brookshire Brothers Grocery from 9 a.m. til 1 p.m. and on:

Saturday, February 17 & 24 at the Elementary & Middle School Gym from 9 a.m. til 1 p.m.

Cost is \$50 for 1, \$80 for 2 & \$20 for each additional child.

Play day will be March 3

Any new player to SYBA or child moving to a new division must be at play day!!

The last day for sign ups is Saturday February 24!!!

NEEDED! WANTED! HELP!
Items for the Eighth Annual Civic Center Auction

Please check around the house or garage for those great auctionable items that give true meaning to the term "premier" when talking about the annual civic center auction.

Bring your special gifts for the auction to the Civic Center Office or call 947-8300 for pickup. We need to get these items in place for publicity purposes.

Salado businesses will be personally contracted during the next few days to solicit help in making the 8th Annual Auction - the best ever!

Auction to be held on Sat., March 3, 2001 in the intermediate school cafeteria. Barbecue, sausage and all the trimmings will be served at 6 p.m. with auction to follow at 7 p.m.

Meal tickets - \$7.50 each
On sale at Compass Bank, First State Bank and the Civic Center office.

Proceeds from this year's auction will once again go towards the maintenance of the civic center including the painting of all offices, hallways and auditorium plus the increased operational cost including the rising cost of utilities.

The Junior League of Bell County wishes to thank Mud Pies Pottery for their donation and the Salado Village Voice for their coverage of the 3rd Annual New Year's Eve Celebration. Thank you for making a difference in the lives of Children who have been abused and neglected.

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Trustees will consider principal contracts

Salado I.S.D. Trustees will consider contract extensions for campus administrators, counselors and athletic directors during their regular meeting 7 p.m. Feb. 20 at the Salado Civic Center.

Superintendent Robin Battershell will present her report to the board with the following items: safe campuses, personnel resignations, curriculum and instruction, state and national standards, parent/community involvement, dropout prevention, technology, facilities, fiscal, audit and enrollment updates, legislative update, Ft. Hood report and recognition of outstanding students.

The following business

items are on the tentative agenda: blood borne pathogen plan, drug free schools plan, administrator contract recommendation, approval of \$500 to support wastewater collection and treatment system study.

The following committees of the board will make reports: public relations committee, policy committee concerning transfer policy, public relations committee concerning master teacher.

During the facilities/maintenance committee report, the board will consider the following items:

- Approval of funding method for high school roof and air conditioning;
- Proposition A items

and costs;

- Proposition B items and costs;

• Approval of donation of basketball goals for elementary gym.

• Approval of donation of sport court for elementary gym.

The following items will be discussed during the curriculum and technology committee report:

- Technology update;
- English as a Second Language (ESL) update and request for 2001-2002 school year staffing;
- Dyslexia update;
- Scheduling.

The board will approve the following consent items before adjourning:

- Approve minutes of January board meeting.

• Bookkeeper's and tax collector's report.

• Approve bills and order payments.

Prior to the open session at 7 p.m., the board will convene in closed executive session at 6 p.m. to discuss personnel items.

Any citizen who would like to address the board of trustees must sign up prior to the meeting to speak during the public forum section of the meeting.

The final agenda for the Feb. 20 meeting will be posted at the Salado Civic Center at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.

For more information, call the Superintendent's Office at 254/947-5479.

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Election for the Village of Salado Officials

The Village of Salado Officials will hold an election Saturday • May 5, 2001, for the purpose of electing a Mayor, 5 Aldermen and a Marshal.

Individuals interested in becoming candidates may pick up and file applications at the Village office in the Civic Center during its regular operating hours from Monday, February 19 through Wednesday, March 21.

Candidates must be residents of the Village of Salado and registered voters in Bell County.



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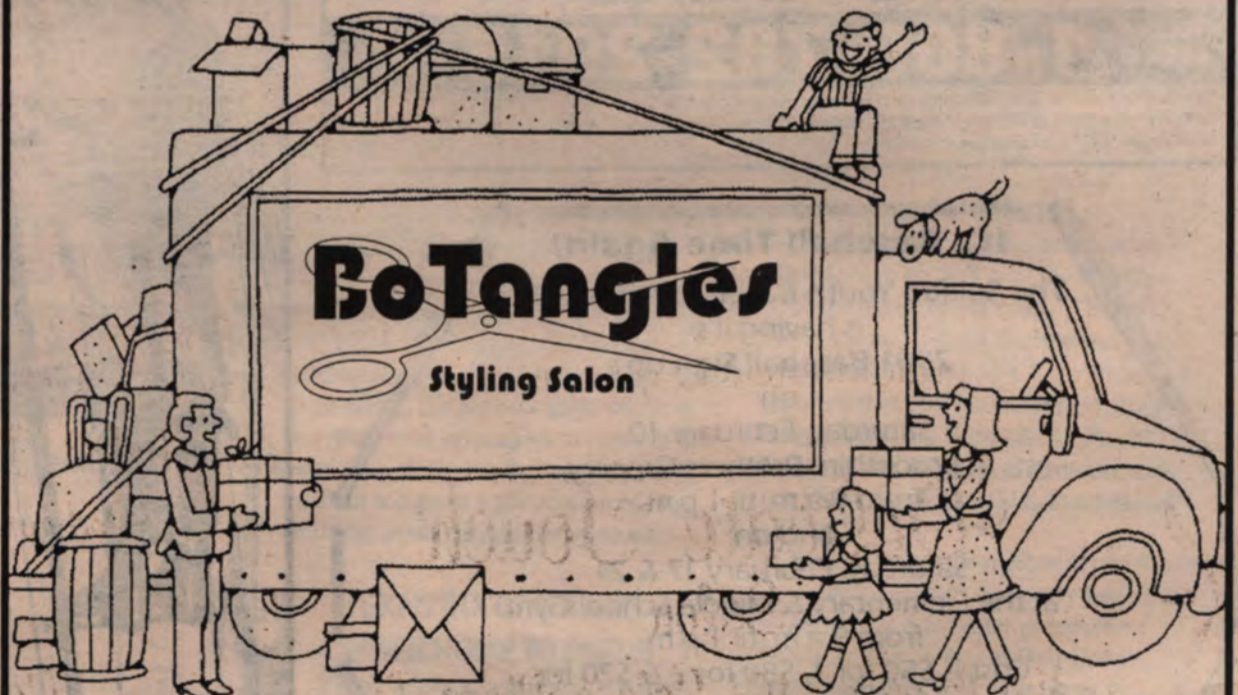
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BoTangles Styling Salon
is moving to Royal Street Commons
(corner of Royal & Center Circle)
Open at new location Feb. 27th

Gilliam in inauguration parade

The inauguration of George W. Bush was an exciting and very cold-experience for Melodie Gilliam, a member of Salado High School's Class of 2000. Melodie traveled to Washington, D.C., with the University of Texas Longhorn Band. She is a freshman member of the band's drum line. The 356 member band, the first civilian group in the inaugural parade lineup, was rewarded with a "Hook 'Em Horns" sign from the new president as they marched past him on the 1.9-mile parade route.

While waiting for the parade to begin, Melodie saw such celebrities as Drew Carey, Kelsey Grammer, Wayne Newton and Bo Derek who were also participating in the parade.

In the two days preceding the inauguration, Long-

horn Band members had a full schedule of sightseeing. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison joined them in the Rotunda of the Russell Senate Building for a photograph. Highlights of their many tour stops included the Smithsonian Institute, Capitol Hill and the Viet Nam, Korean War and Lincoln Memorials. At Arlington National Cemetery, they witnessed the changing of the Guard, which Melodie said was so moving it gave her the chills, and viewed the Eternal Flame at John F. Kennedy's grave. A tour guide at the White House broke from the regular tour and took Melodie's group to the back of the White House so they could see the moving vans. The band enjoyed an evening view of the Washington, D.C., skyline from



Melodie Gilliam

the roof of the Kennedy Center.

This was the first election in which Melodie, a

public relations major, was able to vote. It proved to be more memorable than she could have imagined.


Senior adults offered Defensive Driving

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service and Bell County Extension Education Clubs are co-sponsoring a defensive driving course for senior adults on Feb. 26-27 in Belton. The eight hour course is scheduled for 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. each day.

The 55 Alive workshop will be taught by Jeter Cook, Assistant AARP State Coordinator and Instructor. Successful completion of the two sessions can result in a three year reduction for your auto, insurance, but does not excuse traffic tickets.

Any senior adult interested in registering for the Defensive Driving Course should contact the Bell County Extension Office at 254-933-5306 or 1-800-460-2355, Ext. 5306 to request a registration form. Cost of the training is \$10 per person. Space is limited to the first 25 senior adults who register.

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Church News

Clubs first gift to church is red carpet

What is the Monday Club?

The Monday Club is a non-denominational fun group with no rigid rules or regulations and no dues. It is open to all ladies in the area. The purpose of the Club is to enjoy and promote friendship and to contribute to the church and community projects with time, energy and funds.

On Oct. 1, 1965, Salado Methodist women held a bazaar to raise funds for a red welcome carpet for the sanctuary. They made and sold baked goods, jams and jellies, pot plants, Christmas ornaments and sandwiches. The Bazaar was a great success, the church got the red carpet and the ladies had a very good time.

The following year, on Oct. 23, 1966, the Monday Club was organized, so-called because they decided to meet on the first Monday of each month. There were 18 Charter



The Monday Club of the Salado United Methodist Church enjoyed the Salado Thomas Arnold Elementary 3rd Grade Choir directed by Ruth Simpson. The choir performed during the Monday Club's February meeting.

members, three of which are still members: Sadie Lou Holland, who was the first secretary; Prudie Capps, who was the Altar Chairman, and Virginia Kinnison Matthews, who was Bazaar Chairman.

The first Salado Country Cooking cookbook was compiled and published that year (1966). The ninth edition came out and was dedicated to the Monday Club Charter Members. The Heritage Edition was

published in August 2000, and was the 10th edition for the cookbook. These are for sale at several Salado locations and at the Salado United Methodist Church office for \$18.50.

The Monday Club continues to meet the first Monday of each month at 2 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the Salado United Methodist Church. All ladies in the community are invited to come for an afternoon of fellowship.

VBS, Retreat and Transportation on schedule

The Salado United Methodist Church has selected the Polar Express Expedition as the theme for the 2001 Vacation Bible School. The Expedition commences at SUMC June 11 and ends June 15. Children participating in this expedition will enjoy igloos of Bible stories, cool crafts, blizzards of games, and polar bear snacks. The guide and coordinator of the Polar Express Expedition is Betty Renfro.

Children desiring to be a part of this exciting Vacation Bible School will have the opportunity to register in May.

Women's Retreat

The Salado United Methodist Church Women will spend a day of study, worship, and prayer at Peaceable Kingdom Feb. 17.

The subject of the Retreat, is "Completing our Puzzle Serving Christ."

Participants will study the four personality types and learn how to enhance and improve their social, professional, personal and spiritual relationships.

Leaders of the Retreat are Janet Crews, a Certified Personality Trainer and Counselor, and Kay Coulter, a Recording Artist and Songwriter.

When not in study and worship, the women will enjoy movies, hiking, relaxing, and fellowship.

Women from the community are invited. A registration form may be obtained from the church office. Cost for the day is \$10.

The Women's Ministry Team of the Salado United Methodist Church is co-chaired by Sandra Fritsch and Kathy Keller.

Transportation

The Salado United Methodist Church Mission Committee, chaired by Bea Stewart, will continue their Transportation Program for people who lack transportation or need assistance getting to doctor and other appointments.

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Social work is topic of program on Feb. 15

The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor department of social work will be the topic of the program for National Association of Social Workers/Texas (NASW/TX) Central Counties Unit at the Golden Corral in Temple, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Feb. 15.

The program is set to focus on the social work program at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor.

Several Speakers will provide information in the meeting. Tonya Blackwell, President, Social Work Club, who will talk about activities of the Club and about her experience attending the annual meeting of NASW/Texas in Fort Worth.

Christy Jackson, UMHB senior social work major, will discuss a special project she completed in her field placement at Communities in Schools at Belton Intermediate School.

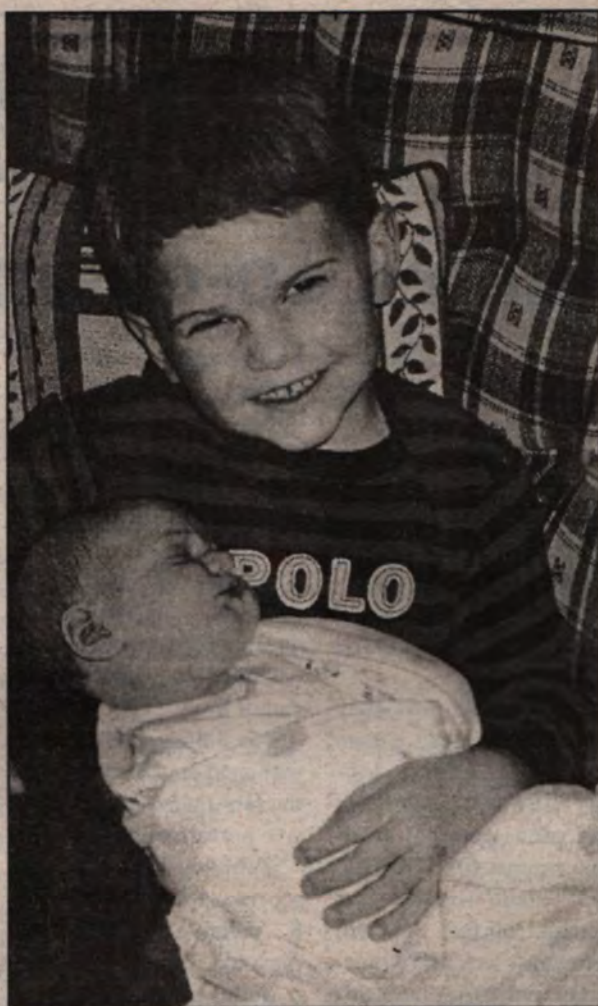
Charles Jenkins, recent graduate of UMHB, who is a social worker at Child

Placement in Killeen. He will speak about his current experiences. Kirsten Kirkley, LSW, recent graduate of UMHB, who is a social worker at Scott & White Hospitals in the emergency room and the psychiatric unit will also speak about her experiences.

On Tuesday, Feb. 20, twenty-nine social work students from UMHB's Social Work Program will be attending the Social Work Student Day at the Legislature in Austin.

During a full day of meetings and rallies, students will learn about the legislative process, hear from legislators and legislative aides and participate in a meeting with State Representative Dianne White Delisi.

This biennial event is sponsored jointly by the Texas Association of Social Work Deans and Directors, and the National Association of Social Workers/Texas Chapter.



Colby Medlin welcomes his new brother, Trace Capps, born 8:55 p.m. January 29. Trace weighed 7 pounds 3 ounces and was 18 1/2 inches long. Proud parents are Jenny and Jason Medlin of Salado. Grandparents Cecil and Virginia Cosper of Salado and Dennis and Marilyn Medlin of Temple. Great Grandparents are Clyde and Wilma Capps of Salado and Thelma Cosper of Salado.

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February 15: French Toast Stick, Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk

February 16: Cinnamon Rolls, Sausage Patty, Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk

February 19: No School

Lunch Menu

February 13: Nachos with Ground Beef, Rice, Corn, Salad, Hoagie, Milk

February 14: Pizza, Corn, Salad, Baked Potato, Hoagie, Fruit, Milk

February 15: Lasagna, Broccoli, Hot Rolls, Salad, Baked Potato, Hoagie, Apples, Milk

February 16: Cheeseburger on Roll, Burger Salad, Hoagie, Fruity Freeze, Milk

February 19: No School

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Ladies co-champs, in playoffs

Salado Lady Eagles varsity basketball team are co-champions in district play, sharing the spotlight with Rogers.

Salado lost to the Rogers Lady Eagles in a one-game playoff to determine which team would get a bye in the first round of the playoffs.

Since Salado lost, they played the third-place team in District 26AA at Liberty Hill Feb. 13. Results of that game were not available at press time Feb. 12.

If Salado won the game against Comfort, they will face Van Vleck, the winner of District 28AA later this week. Call Salado High School at 947-5479 for details about the girls' playoffs.

**Lady Eagles 28
Rogers 48**

Salado did not have much bounce in their rubber match with perennial nemesis Rogers Lady Eagles Feb. 6.

Rogers jumped out early with a 14-9 first quarter lead, which they extended to 23-14 at the end of the first half.

No Salado Lady Eagle managed double figures in the less-than-stellar offensive performance.

Whitney Taylor led the scoring for Salado with 8 points, followed by Amanda Tumey, who had 6 points coming off the bench.

Also scoring for Salado were Robyn Womac, 5 points; Meagan Joiner, 4

points; Julie Couchman, 3 points; and Lindsay Quirk and Lindsey Pruitt, 1 point each.

**Lady Eagles 65
Moody 41**

Salado did much better in their last district match against Moody, winning 65-41 and forcing a tie for first place with Rogers.

The Lady Eagles scored as many points in the first quarter as Moody did in the first half, taking a 22-11 lead.

The girls led 38-22 at the half and 49-31 at the end of the third.

Taylor and Joiner both had 14 points to lead the scoring for Salado, followed by Pruitt and Tessa Schreiner, who both had 7 points.

Also scoring were Couchman, 6 points; Tumey, 3 points; and Womac, 2 points.

**Lady Eagles JV 44
Moody 15**

Salado Lady Eagles JV finished the season at the top of district with a 13-1 district record and 21-5 overall record.

They beat Moody in their last game of the season 44-15, scoring 14 points in the first period.

Laramie Jackson led the scoring with 19 points, followed by 15 points by Heath McLaughlin.

Also scoring for Salado were Staci York, 4 points; Michelle Houston, 3 points; Kim Dillon, 2 points and Johnna Konzen, 1 point.

Eagles split games last week

Salado Eagles split their district games last week against Moody and Thorndale for a 6-7 district record and 17-17 overall record going into their final game this week.

**Eagles 76
Thorndale 66**

Salado trailed 13-17 at the end of the first period, before taking a 31-28 half-time lead against Thorndale Feb. 9.

Salado extended the lead to 8 points at the end of the third period, 49-41 before an explosive fourth period during which the two competitors combined for 52 points.

Salado scored 27 points in the fourth quarter, led by Stephen Fewell's 8-point quarter.

Fewell led the scoring for Salado with 23 points on the night including three three-pointers.

Three other Eagles had double figures, as well. Jacob Mirabal had 14 points while Jeremy Grimm and John Kirk both had 12 points. Grimm shot three three-pointers for the night.

All the Eagles scored in the night: Matt Ward, 2 points; Roland Buckley, Jarrod Whitfield, Garlen Hennig and Caleb Thompson, 2 points each and Aaron Gonzales, 1 point.

**Eagles 47
Moody 65**

Salado fell to Moody Bearcats 65-47 Feb. 6, trailing by 10 points at the half, 19-29.

Salado scored as many points in the fourth quarter as it did in the first half, but Moody extended its lead to 18 points at the end of the game.

Fewell led the scoring with 13 points including three pointers in the first and fourth quarters of the game.

Mirabal followed with 12 points, including a three in the fourth period.

Also scoring for Salado were Grimm and Kirk, 6 points each; Thompson, 3 points; Gonzales and Ward, 2 points each and Whitfield, 1 point.

**Eagles JV 36
Thorndale 46**

Salado JV could not come back from a miserable first quarter during

which it scored just 4 points.

The Eagles trailed by 10 at the half, 15-25 and by 13 at the end of three, 22-35.

Evan Durham was the single Eagles to score double figures with 10 points.

Also scoring for Salado were Omar Torres and Kyle Salisbury, 8 points each; Heath Hale, 5 points; Josh Wright and David Faber, 2 points each and Cody Quirk, 1 point.

**Eagles JVA 34
Moody 51**

Salado fell behind 14-21 in the first half and stayed behind in their 34-51 loss to Moody Bearcats.

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Salado 7th A 17
Academy 7th A 52
 The Eagles were stomped by Academy 17-52.

Elizabeth Dunlap scored 13 points and Kelsey Smith scored 4 points.

Salado 7th B 27
Academy 7th B 1
 The lady Eagles were claimed victory after defeated Academy 27-1.

Traci Sundberd led the Eagles with 10 points. Lindsey Wright followed with 9 points.

Also scoring for Salado were Brittany Dixon, 4 points; Leah Griffin and Tiffany Easley, 2 points each.

Following are the results of the Feb. 10 tournament:

Salado 7th Girls 34
Florence 7th Girls 28
 Salado 7th Lady Eagles defeated Florence 34-28.

Kelsey Smith lead the team with 10 points. Also scoring for the Eagles were

Eagles

Quirk led the scoring for Salado with 9 points, followed by Durham, who had 8 points.

Torres added 6 points while Hale had 5 points.

Also scoring for Salado were these: Hayes, 3 points; Salisbury, 2 points

Elizabeth Dunlap, 8 points; Joshanna Washburn and Kate Marshall, 6 points each; Heather Winters and Nicole Weatherly, 2 points each.

Salado 7th Girls 47
Lamar 7th Girls 25
 Salado 7th grade girls creamed Lamar 47-25.

Dunlap led the team with 12 points. Also scoring for Salado were Washburn, 8 points; Marshall, Brittany Harvell, and Brandi Warren, 7 points each; Smith, 6 points.

Salado 7th Boys 22
Liberty Hill 7th Boys 44
 Salado lost to Liberty Hill 22-44.

Garrett Askins and Chris Marak struggled to make 6 points each. Ryan Eckstrum and Ramon Soto managed to score 4 points each. Craig Sniggs and Mark Wilson scored 1 point each.

Salado 7th Boys 17
Rockdale 7th Boys 22
 Salado was defeated by Liberty Hill 17-44.

and Shane Pipes, 1 point.

Salado JVB 26
Moody JVB 21

In a low-scoring game, Salado scored enough to win against the Moody JVB Bearcats Feb. 6.

Chase Simpson led the

Marak led the team with 10 points. Askins, Seth Hale, and Kris Califano scored 2 points each.

Salado 8th Girls 60
Lamar 8th Girls 8
 Salado stomped Lamar 60-8.

Brennan Joiner led the team with 16 points. Also scoring for the Eagles were Laramie Wilson, 12 points; Kristen Womac and Jenny Goode 10 points each; Brittany Boydston, 6 points; Rebekah Quirk, 2 points; Brittani Goodnight and Lauren Hogwood, 1 point each.

Salado 8th Girls 61
Florence 8th Girls 2
 The Eagles easily defeated Florence 61-2.

Wilson and Goode led the team with 13 points each. Also scoring for the team were Lauren Hogwood, 9 points; Joiner, 8 points; Jenny Ewton, 6 points; Boydston, 5 points; Goodnight, 4 points; Womac, 3 points.

scoring for Salado with 13 points.

Also scoring for the JVB Eagles were: Nathan Grigsby, 4 points each, Ben Marsh 3 points, Gray, Rogers and Turk, 2 points each.

Salado 8th Boys 29
Liberty Hill 8th Boys 37
 The Salado 8th grade boys were defeated by Liberty Hill 29-37.

Devon Dunn led the team with 7 points. Also scoring for the team were Garrison Hennig and Matt Caskey, 6 points each; Matt Jennings, 4 points; Joseph Shumate, Scott Williams and Nick Everett, 2 points each.

Salado 8th Boys 40
Rockdale 8th Boys 27
 Salado Eagles stomped Rockdale 40-27. The Eagles were already ahead by the first quarter 12-6.

Everett had 15 points to lead the scoring for Salado.

Also scoring for the Eagles were Dunn, 13 points; Hennig, 6 points; Jennings, Caskey, and Shumate, 2 points each.

Golfers tee off in Moody

The Salado Eagle Golf team finished with a team score of 389 at the Moody Invitational played Feb. 5 at Greenbrier Golf Course.

Individual scores are as follow:

Kyle Turnbo, 82; Cody Quirk, 90; David Mathews, 94; Donny Pipes, 99; Adam Coffman, 106; Josh Wright, 109; Michael Harvel, 114.

Next tournament will be held Feb. 23 in Temple.

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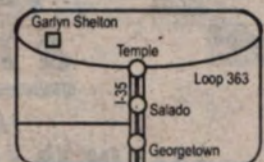
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Salado students on A&M honor roll

Texas A&M University has named its honor students for the 2000 fall semester, recognizing several thousand students for outstanding academic performance. The Dean's Honor Roll recognizes students taking at least 15 semester hours who have maintained at least a 3.75 grade point ratio (GPR) out of a possible 4.0 during the most recent grading period.

Among those recognized is Saladoan Elizabeth Boyd.

A second recognition, "Distinguished Student," recognizes students who earned a 3.25 to 3.75 GPR while taking at least 15 hours.

Among those recognized as distinguished students are Cedric Day, Michael Gamble, and Jennifer Tsosie all from Salado.

Salado students named to Dean's Academic List at Baylor

For the 2000 fall session at Baylor University, 2,011 students were named to the Dean's Academic Honor List.

These Salado students were among those listed Julie Michelle Gamble, Marissa Rose Michalewicz, and Elizabeth Ashley Norman.

To be named to the Dean's List, a student must be an undergraduate with

a minimum grade point average of 3.7 while enrolled in a minimum of 12 semester hours.

Alcozer and Cabaniss among Texas A&M fall graduates

Diplomas were awarded to approximately 3,400 Texas A&M University graduates during fall commencement ceremonies.

Graduates from Salado included Jacqueline Alcozer and Brent Cabaniss.

Jacqueline Alcozer received a Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting degree.

Brent Cabaniss received a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering degree.

Baylor alumni annual banquet planned for Feb. 20

Central Texas Chapter of the Baylor Alumni Association will hold its Annual Winter Banquet 6:30 p.m. Feb. 20 at the Inn at Scott and White.

President Grover Jones will present the Alumnus of the Year Award, which is a secret until that night.

Guest Speaker will be Drayton McLane, Chairman of the McLane Group, L.P. Temple, TX and Chairman of the Houston Astros Baseball Club, Houston, Texas. Mr. McLane graduated from Yoe High School in Cameron, holds a B.B.A. from Baylor University and a M. A. from Michigan State University.

He has received honors from the Boy Scouts of America Silver Beaver, Arthur Young/VENTURE Magazine Entrepreneur of

the Year in 1987, Distinguished Alumni Award from Baylor in 1990, W.R. White Meritorious Service award from Baylor in 1990. He is a Trustee at Baylor University, on the Executive Board for the Heart O' Texas Council, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Scott and White Hospital, a member of the Board of Governors of the Children's Miracle Network, and is a Director of Texas Capital Bancshares.

He and his wife, Elizabeth, have two sons, Drayton McLane, III and Denton McLane. He is a deacon and member of First Baptist Church of Temple.

Tickets are \$15 per person. For more information call Grover Jones or Tom and Jean Brunson in Salado.

School Board candidate workshop slated Feb. 22 at Education Center in Waco

Area school board candidates and interested citizens can learn more about the demands and rewards of school board service at a candidate workshop, 7-9 p.m. Feb. 22 at the Region 12 Education Service Center (2101 W. Loop 340, Waco).

The workshop will provide interested community members and individuals thinking about running for the board with a better understanding of what is involved in being elected

and serving as a trustee. Experienced school board members will explain board member's key responsibilities and outline the qualities necessary for effective service.

Topics to be covered include the school board's duties and responsibilities, important ethical practices during board service, how board members are accountable for the education of students, and keys to responsible campaigns. Participants will also view

"A Call to Service", a Texas Association of School Boards' video highlighting many aspects of board service and featuring several experienced school trustees.

The workshop is open to anyone. Admission is free. For more information about the workshop call Brenda Canul at TASB, 512-467-0222 or 800-580-8272, extension 6104, or check the TASB Web site at www.tasb.org for other dates and locations.

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Run-off leaches soil of nutrients

By JAMES M. DAVIS
Co., EXT. AGENT

It would be nice to have a simple formula for assessing the degree of fertilizer nutrient losses resulting from the heavy rains which have drenched Central Texas.

There is no easy way to estimate these losses because of a number of factors involved. We do know that nitrogen is by far the nutrient of major concern. If only a small amount of nitrogen was applied before the rains, along with phosphorus and other nutrients, total nutrient losses may be relatively small unless significant surface erosion occurred.

However, if all, or most of the annual nitrogen was already applied, losses

could be significant enough to require additional nitrogen fertilization at planting, or at least side dressed within 30 days following emergence of the crop.

The amount of nitrogen lost is influenced by the soil texture, the degree of soil saturation and how long soils were subjected to flooding. Losses from leaching are generally minimal in heavy textured soils (clays, loamy clays, etc.) but can be significant on sandy and sandy loam soils. Losses resulting from denitrification can be a major avenue of nitrogen loss in heavy textured soils and will vary with duration and degree of saturation.

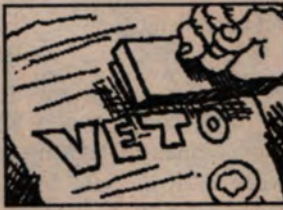
If all or most of the nitrogen was applied prior

to the rains, Texas A&M specialists are suggesting that you submit a soil sample to their laboratories to assess the residual nitrate-nitrogen in the soil just prior to planting or preferably 10 days to two weeks before the optimum time to side dress. Test results and crop condition will be very useful in determining the amount of side dress nitrogen to apply. In most cases, additional side dress nitrogen suggested will equal 20 to 50% of the normal annual rate for a given crop yield goal. More may be needed on sandy soils. Only under extreme conditions will losses approach 100%.

Soil test bags and sample information sheets can be obtained by calling the county Extension

office. Be sure to take a sample of soil in the 2-6" depth range. Soil samples taken off the top will not tell you true readings.

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Take small steps to weight loss

The holidays are a memory and the bills are due. Perhaps you gained a few pounds or made a resolution that this was the year you'd get in shape. Is your resolution already a memory, too? It's not too late to begin again but you'll need to plan.

Many people fail in their fitness efforts because they set unrealistic goals.

"It is not reasonable to assume that you can go from couch potato to professional athlete in a week or two," said Mary Guzman, with the Community and Worksite Wellness Program at the Texas Department of Health (THD). "If you try to do too much, too fast, you face possible injury and burn-out." A smarter approach, she said, is to start slowly and gradually build more exercise into your schedule.

First, eliminate excuses. "The number one excuse for not exercising is, 'I don't have time,'" Guzman said. "Anyone can add fitness into their schedule if they look at the small things they can do rather than the bigger things they can't. A good example is taking the stairs rather than the elevator."

Just 30 minutes of physical activity on most days can achieve improvements in overall fitness if you are sedentary. You can even break the 30 minutes up into smaller segments throughout the day. Simple changes such as parking the car further away or taking a brisk walk after dinner, even housework and gardening, can improve your fitness level. According to the American Heart Association, a 180-pound person can lose three pounds a year by washing the car once a week for 30 minutes. The same person can lose five pounds in a year by walking up stairs for six minutes, five times a week.

Small changes in your diet can make a big difference, too. "Think about the long term when looking at what you eat," Guzman said. "Stringent denial, fad diets, or fasting can lead to bingeing and weight gain later. A slower weight loss of one to one and-a-half pounds a week is much more likely to last." Cutting 500-750 calories a week by eating less or exercising more, will help you reach that goal. For example, drinking water rather than soda will save

about 150 calories. A pat of butter or margarine has 50 calories as does a teaspoon of sugar. Over a week those extra calories really add up.

Another strategy for losing weight is to add more fruits and vegetables to your diet. The National Cancer Institute and the Department of Agriculture recommend eating five servings of fruits and vegetables daily.

The consequences of not taking action can be serious. "About 58 percent of Texans are overweight. If these people take positive action now to change their eating and exercise habits, they will reduce their risk

of health problems such as heart disease, mobility problems, some forms of diabetes and colon cancer," says Dr. Philip Huang, Chief of the TDH Bureau of Disease, Injury and Tobacco Prevention.

Type two diabetes used to be a problem primarily of overweight adults, but now it is a growing concern among children as well. More children are also showing early signs of heart disease. Set an example for children by incorporating exercise into your daily routine and making better dietary choices—foods low in fat, and eating more fruits, vegetables and whole grains.

Citizen input needed Rural health care still focus of Legislature

Rural health care decision- and policy-makers, providers and citizens are coming together to further address rural health care issues in Texas. The Third Annual Rural Health Summit, to be held in Austin on March 1 will provide a forum for all those interested in rural health care to determine top issues and concerns regarding health care throughout rural Texas, and discuss actions needed to address those concerns.

The previous Rural Health Summits initiated a valuable dialog between a broad spectrum of rural health players, including key state leaders, state health regulators, policy experts and rural health

professionals. As in the past, the Center for Rural Health Initiatives of the Texas State Office of Rural Health is sponsoring the event.

The Rural Caucus of the Texas State Legislature is again co-sponsoring the Summit. Organized in the 76th Legislative Session, the Caucus comprises both House and Senate members. It focuses on the rural perspective in Texas, facilitating the identification of legislation impacting rural areas. Chaired by Judy Hawley (D-Portland) and co-Vice Chairs, Representatives Suzanna Hupp (R-Lampasas) and Robbie Cook (D-Eagle Lake), the Caucus provides a non-partisan forum for assessing and formulating policy on issues affecting rural areas.

Rural Texans are invited to offer their ideas, concerns and suggestions for consideration at the Summit. Citizens are encouraged to send their comments directly to the Center before Feb. 16.

The Center, located in Austin, provides leadership to encourage innovative responses to rural health care needs. The Center advocates and administers a number of programs and services designed to help rural health providers and communities proactively address the health care needs of rural Texans. The Center can be reached at: P.O. Drawer 1708, Austin, TX 78767-1708; Phone toll free: 877-TEX-CRHI (877839-2744) E-Mail: crhi@crhi.state.tx.us.

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Ryan Clifton will scramble for calf at Houston Livestock

Ryan Clifton, a 15-year-old Bell County 4-H member from Salado, will scramble 7 p.m. Feb. 26, in the 2001 Rodeo-Houston.

The son of Cindy and Will Clifton, Ryan will scramble during a star-studded rodeo performance that includes seven PRCA and WPRA rodeo events and entertainment by Clay Walker and Brooks and Dunn.

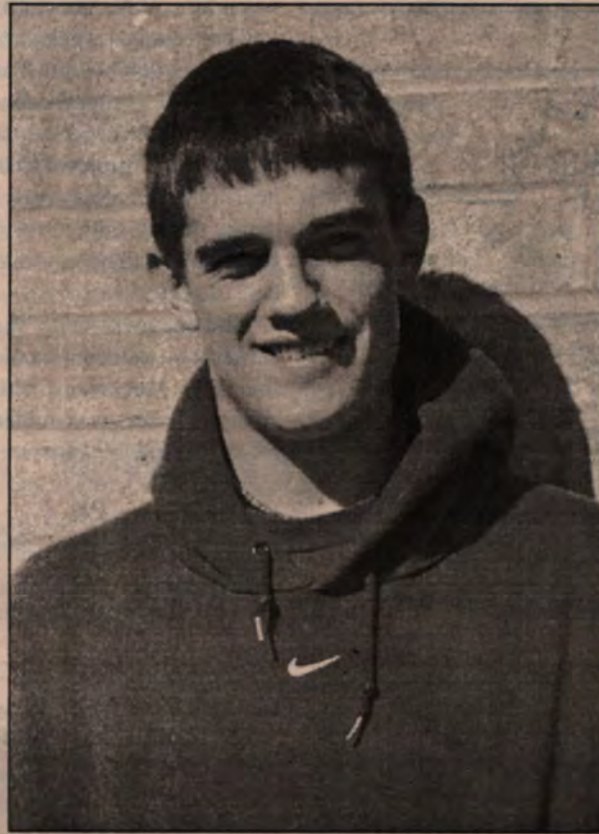
During the calf scramble, 28 4-H or FFA members will attempt to catch and halter one of 14 calves that are released into the 1.86-acre Reliant Astrodome arena. With the drop of a hat, the calves will dart into the arena and the challenge will begin. With youngsters and calves scattered about and moving in every direction across the arena floor, the calf scramble is often one of the most chaotic and heartwarming events of the Show.

For those that successfully catch a calf, the hard work is just beginning. Each winning individual is

awarded a \$1,000 certificate toward the purchase of a registered beef heifer. Additional "hard luck" certificates are presented to individuals who don't catch a calf but are recognized for their efforts.

The purchased heifer then becomes a year-long project for the scrambler-feeding, grooming and providing all the care necessary to raise and show a beef animal. Supervised by an agricultural science teacher or county extension agent, winners must keep accurate and detailed records of the animal's progress, submitting records to both the Show and the donor to chronicle the heifer's development. To reward exhibitors that come back to the Show with their heifer projects, donors will provide a \$250 bonus to each youth returning for the Beef Scramble Heifer Show.

More than 360 calf scramble certificates are awarded each year. Since the calf scramble program began in 1942, a total of \$6,147,000 has been



awarded to 15,350 young people.

The calf scramble program is just one of the Show's educational opportunities for the youth of Texas. Since awarding its first scholarship in 1957,

the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo has committed more than \$77 million to scholarships, endowments, research programs and educational programs.

Yoga classes set at CAC

Yoga Classes: Yoga expert and instructor, Paul Coates, will be hosting a second six week session of Yoga classes this year at the Cultural Activities Center beginning Feb. 19. Classes will be held 5:45-7 p.m. every Monday through March 26.

Yoga instruction will include basic deep breathing and control, localized muscle and tendon stretches, skeletal placement and mind control techniques.

Cost for the six week session is \$35 per person. For more information on Yoga, please contact Coates in Salado at 947-9992.

44 to go to Houston Livestock show

Salado will send 44 FFA to join other FFA and 4-H members from all over Texas for intense competition in the show ring at the 2001 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, Feb. 13-March 4, at Reliant Park in Houston.

The junior show, which also showcases the animal projects of these FFA and 4-H exhibitors, begins livestock competition on Feb. 23. Professional breeders and ranchers will compete for top prize money and global recognition in the livestock industry during the first 10 days of the Show, which kicks off Feb. 13.

Entries from both the open and junior shows, along with the horse show, combine to make the Houston Livestock Show the largest event of its kind in the world.

Junior Breeding Beef Heifers: Craig Camp, Ryan Clifton, Kayla Griffin, Courtney Kelley, Leah Lankford.

Junior Market Lambs: Kayla Griffin.

Junior Market Barrows: Ashlee Arnold, Haley Arnold, Jamie Burson, Megan Burson, Ryan Clifton, Seth Craw-

ford, Tiffany Easley, Weldon Easley, Brittany Finger, Heath Hale, Seth Hale, Justin Hosch, Michelle Houston, Nathan Houston, Heather McLaughlin, Marty McLaughlin, Derik Mitchell, Josh Mitchell, Jami Mohler, Jessi Mohler, Kari Mohler, Kasey Pruett, Keri Pruett, Cole Wolff, Lane Wolff.

Junior Market Broilers: Heather McLaughlin, Marty McLaughlin, Michelle Houston.

Junior Market Goats: Christina Tichenor.

More than 16,000 entries, representing 1,100 Texas 4-H clubs and FFA chapters, will compete in this year's junior show. A wide variety of animals will be shown in both the junior and open divisions of the livestock competition, including market steers, market barrows, market lambs, market poultry, beef and dairy heifers, breeding gilts, breeding sheep, goats, llamas, commercial steers and breeding rabbits.

The four market animal categories (steer, lamb, barrow, poultry) represent animals raised by exhibitors for food sources. The

finest animal in each of these categories are eligible for their individual market auctions. In 2001, the Houston Livestock Show's junior market auction sales totaled \$6,147,398, including a record \$560,000 paid for the Grand Champion Market Steer.

In addition to livestock competition, the Show plays host to one of the premier horse shows in the country.

Cutting horse events begin the 20 consecutive days of horse show competition on Feb. 13. The National Cutting Horse Association championship finals follow Feb. 15-18, as well as competition in six different breeds of horses: Appaloosa, Arabian, Half Arabian, Paint, Palomina, and Quarter Horse, plus donkeys and mules.

The 2001 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo kicks off on Feb. 8, with the World's Championship Bar-B-Que Contest, slated for Feb. 8-10, in the southwest Reliant Park parking lot. Go Texan weekend id Feb. 10-11, including contest, the downtown rodeo parade and the Conoco Rodeo Run.

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What's wrong with welfare-to-work

By Randy Albelda

Welfare-to-work is a match made in hell. It puts together poor mothers who need the most job flexibility in raising their families, with jobs that are the most inflexible, have few family-necessary benefits (vacation time, health care, sick days) and provide levels of pay that often are insufficient to support a family. This mismatch must be addressed in our policies but also in our national psyche.

There is little recognition that raising children is vital work for our individual and collective well-being. So while women leaving welfare need access to the financial independence and self-esteem of paid work, they also need time and energy to take care of families and enjoy life outside of work. Currently, welfare-to-work strategies offer neither.

BARRIERS TO EMPLOYMENT:

Many welfare mothers lack sufficient education and recent job experience, making it hard for them to find jobs with decent pay and benefits. Welfare-to-work ideology allows only short-term training, and disqualifies most education programs. In addition, many welfare mothers struggle with learning disabilities, severe depression, and domestic violence. Recent studies show that over 41 percent of current recipients have less than a high-school diploma. And between 10 and 31 percent are currently victims of domestic violence. Overcoming barriers to employment takes time, quality counseling, and long-term training, something welfare

reform discourages or prohibits.

Because two-thirds of those relying on welfare are children, mothers leaving welfare need adequate health insurance, transportation, and childcare to get and keep a job. States are struggling with these issues, but many times they come up short. States allow women to stay on Medicaid, but typically only for one year after leaving welfare. Some states offer loaner cars, work vans, and public transportation vouchers, but in rural and suburban areas, adequate transportation is just not there. Policymakers recognize the need for childcare, but very few states monitor the quality, and there are shortages in daycare.

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Even in this expanding economy, a job does not necessarily provide a living wage. Women have a hard time supporting themselves, let alone families, by waiting tables, sales clerking, cleaning hotel rooms, or even assisting administrators. Yet these are the kinds of jobs most welfare-to-work mothers are getting.

Employers worry about the "job readiness" of welfare mothers, but most jobs are not "mother ready." They do not accommodate children getting sick, school and medical appointments, school vacations, or early-release school days. Low-wage jobs held by current and former welfare recipients are least likely to grant sick leave and vacation time. According

SEE WELFARE, PAGE 16A

Bush following GOP dogma: "cut taxes & government"

President Bush kept alive the Second and Third Republican Commandments when he sent his tax cut proposal to Congress last week accompanied with word that his minions were going through each federal agency to see what could be cut (hopefully including some of the "pork" projects so dear to the heart of all congressional lawmakers).

For the record, GOP Commandment One is "Speak no evil about a fellow conservative".

The budget savings, should agencies actually be reduced, would have a two-fold effect, according to Bush, including first and foremost a reduction of government per se, plus allowing the savings to go into even higher tax cuts, (GOP dictums two and three).

A number of exuberant Republicans got so carried away they vowed to increase the levy-cut from \$1.6 trillion to two trillion!

Democrats, not surprisingly, took a variety of stances all the way from a liberal hooting down of all planned tax cuts, to the more moderate approach that embraced all of the elements of the Bush plan while disagreeing only on the total amount to be sent back home.

The real movers and shakers - the business lobby - has yet to be heard from and no doubt will force inclusion of so many self serving changes that even the Prez will have a hard time recognizing his tax slashing "campaign promise" when it gets back to the White House for signature.

Centrist observers of government are a little alarmed at the direction the new president is taking, for a number of non-partisan reasons, with perhaps the biggest fear being the size of the tax reduction.

Problem revolves around the signs of a true slowdown in the economy. This murmuring has been heard from within the Bush administration as well as from a number of business economists who feel that the huge tax cuts cannot be sustained if revenues decline which they will do in a recessive period.

Should this shortfall of revenue take place in the years ahead - the immediate effect would be deficit spending, inflation and eventually the installation of new and higher tax rates than are currently being proposed for reduction.

Does any of this remind anyone about Reagan's massive tax cuts back in the '80s? Results that included immense budget deficits and a national debt that soared into the trillions.

Deep financial holes we are just now digging our way out of, thanks to the recent economic boom.

We don't have to repeat the past if we use a little judgement and moderation in returning tax dollars which in turn will allow for the proper reduction of unneeded government programs as well as lowering the nation's debt, while at the same time helping us to ride out the economic storm headed our way - all without too great a dislocation of our political-economic-social systems.

TEXAS TAX GIVEAWAY COMES HOME TO ROOST

Three weeks ago this column presented an opinion - complete with headlines - that the surplus dollar giveaway during Governor Bush's term in Austin not only failed to help school property taxpayers but could easily force the current legislature to raise taxes.

A number of local readers regaled this writer with polite boos and catcalls

Off the Record

by Ken Clapp



County Repubs capture another Democrat, leaving but three. Just enough now to hold meetings in that old GOP phone booth.

for even thinking (much less printing) such heresy about Bush the Younger, who used his tax refund as a stepping stone to the White House.

This past week in Austin, legislators were openly muttering about what sort of taxes they might have to raise as well as tapping the "rainy day" fund that was set up for major financial emergencies, all because of insufficient funds now necessary to meet the upcoming biennial budget requirements.

This is not a "told you so" column or one designed to vindicate an opinion - but a simple warning about reckless stewardship of the people's money for political gain.

In the case at hand, money sent to schools to reduce citizen's property tax load never materialized but was eaten up by increased operational costs forced on school districts.

Bush has gone on to Washington, leaving behind a shortfall of dollars that is causing Texas lawmakers to scurry about seeking ways to avoid a tax hike that appears unavoidable.

AND NOW THERE ARE BUT THREE

On November 29, last year, we headlined an article entitled "And Then There Were Four", which was a take-off on Agatha Christie's story of the little indian boys who started out ten-strong and ended up with "none"

Our story dealt with the declining number of elected Democrats in Bell County from total control down to four office holders.

And then, just last week, County Treasurer Charles Jones revealed his plans to join the Grand Old Party thus leaving only three County Democratic office holders to the GOP's 26!

The remaining Democratic Party faithful include popular veteran County Clerk Vada Sutton; First County Court-at-law Judge Ed Johnson and Precinct three Justice of the Peace G. W. Ivey.

Jones noted in Thursday's Temple Telegram that he had decided to run for reelection next year as a Republican. He reported that: "after reviewing the philosophies of the Republican Party, I feel they are more in alignment with my views as a Christian, tax-paying citizen".

Several veteran courthouse observers commented that all this party jumping might be put into better perspective by noting that in recent Bell County party primaries over four times as many Republicans went to the polls as did Democrats.

Won't be long before lonely county Demos will be able to hold their meetings in that same old telephone booth they derisively assigned to their conservative brethren not so many years ago.

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Charitable giving without tears

Capitol Comment


Kay Bailey Hutchison
U.S. Senator

Thomas Jefferson never imagined in his wildest dreams that the federal government which he helped to found would exact tribute from Americans' philanthropic efforts. But that is the case in our country today.

Right now, Americans who wish to donate assets held in an IRA to a charity of their choice have to pay federal taxes on those assets first.

Under current law, Uncle Sam takes as much as 39 percent of such gifts out in taxes. So I have sponsored legislation, the Charitable IRA Rollover Act, to allow these generous-hearted individuals to roll over assets from an IRA to a charity without incurring a tax liability. Gifts to charity shouldn't be taxable events. This measure is written to encourage America's best charitable instincts, and to strengthen our charitable organizations as well as our colleges, universities and other educational institutions.

Here's how it would work: Many people have done such a good job of saving for their retirement that, when the day comes, they find they do not need any or part of

the assets they hold in IRAs for living expenses. They would like to donate those funds to a charity or educational institution whose work they support.

Under current law, they must remove the funds from their IRA, pay any federal taxes owed and make their diminished contribution to charity.

My bill would change that burdensome and costly process by allowing a person who has reached age 59 to move assets from an IRA directly to a charity or into a qualifying deferred charitable gift plan without having to pay federal tax on the transfer funds.

This could provide a valuable new stream of philanthropy for our

"I deem it the duty of every man to devote a certain portion of his income for charitable purposes, and ... his further duty to see it so applied as to do the most good of which it is capable."

-- Thomas Jefferson, 1806

nation's charities. Recent studies show that retirement plan assets comprise a substantial part of the net worth of many individuals. So these IRA assets represent the main source of funds from which they can make charitable gifts.

The additional giving encouraged by my Charitable IRA Rollover Act would support increased public services through the nonprofit sector. I believe voluntary charity changes hearts and lives much more effectively than government programs -- the hearts and lives of those who voluntarily help as well as those in need of a hand.

Americans are among the most generous people in the world -- 70 percent of all U.S. households contribute to charity -- but we have the potential to

"I would rather be exposed to the inconveniences attending too much liberty than to those attending too small a degree of it."

Thomas Jefferson

give even more. To those who argue we can't afford to forego this particular stream of tax revenue, I would counter with Thomas Jefferson's words once more: "I would rather be exposed to the inconveniences attending too much liberty than to those attending too small a degree of it."

I first introduced the Charitable IRA Rollover Act in 1998. Unfortunately, it was part of the tax relief bill that President Clinton vetoed in 1999. With a President who has expressed support for tax relief and for encouraging private charities to step in where government cannot,

I'm hopeful the time is right to make the Charitable IRA Rollover Act the law of the land.

FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas

Readers respond to letters

Dear editor:

I responded to Peggy Lambert's letter in the *Salado Village Voice* with the following letter:

Although not asked to respond, I feel it imperative to clarify some of the information you read in the *Salado Village Voice*.

Carmen Soto and Juan De La Hoya are trusted and valued employees of the Salado school district. They are not only committed to their job as custodians at the high school, but are also committed to serving children in this community.

When Juan referred to "putting in extra volunteer time," he truly meant volunteering to help students, such as working with Hispanic students in learning English, working with some of the student organizations when they do service projects, etc. These are activities that Juan has chosen to do because of his commitment to children.

Never, has Juan or Carmen not been paid for overtime incurred because of custodial work. They either receive time-and-a-half or comp time. I double checked with Juan after receiving your letter to make sure that I was not missing something and he said no, that the volunteer time was truly just what I mentioned above.

Juan and Carmen have been with us for a long time and we have increased their salaries over time, with Juan receiving a deserved promotion recently to head custodian.

Although I am the superintendent of Salado, I built a home before I got this job in a nearby community. I never expected to fall in love with the people of this community, but I have. I have found lifelong friendships in this lovely village. I have lived and worked in many places, including the Houston area and have never found a finer place to be.

Robin Wuebker-Battershell, Ed.D.
SISD Superintendent

Dear editor:

I am writing this letter in response to what I feel has been biased journalistic reporting in Central Texas media of several incidences in the past few weeks involving the Belton Police Department. I am not so naive as to believe racism doesn't exist in the hearts of some policemen. As a nation we certainly

Your Voice

Letters to the Editor

have been privy to incidences of police racism caught on video and broadcast on television over and over. We have become more aware of the darkness that continues to lie in the hearts of some people. But I believe we need to be careful that we don't quickly judge all acts of self-defense by our police force as "racism." To do so undermines the integrity of our police and ultimately, our society.

We have also seen footage of police officers being killed or wounded in the line of duty - some simply approaching a car they stopped for speeding. I ask you to carefully consider the many issues that face the men and women who have chosen to become law enforcement officers in today's society. The old adage, "Unless you've walked a mile in their shoes," certainly applies here. The number of officers killed in our State rose 40% in the year 2000. Five police officers were killed in the line of duty in Texas in the month of December alone.

In a letter to the editor of an area newspaper from Carol Wallace she states that she had observed three officers holding guns on a youth with a knife. She went on to state that she "felt" the officers "could have" shot the youth. How do you think you would respond if someone, regardless of age or ethnicity, had a knife and was acting irrational? Our officers are trained to diffuse dangerous situations but not to be so fool hardy as to completely disregard a person with a dangerous and potentially deadly weapon. If this youth had knocked at Ms. Wallace's door waving his knife, would she have felt the need to defend herself. Would she have called the police?

A majority of the stories reporting the recent shooting of a young man by a Belton officer have focused on the tragic incident without regard to the information that officer had to process as he was approaching the vehicle. What do you think you would have done if you saw several individuals with knives as you approached the vehicle, not even knowing that one of them had a warrant for attempted

murder stemming from cutting a man's throat in an attempted carjacking? You have no backup - it's just you . . . and one of those individuals jumps from the car and confronts you. Do you think you would really be focusing on the color of that person's skin or do you think that maybe you might be thinking that you were going to get yourself stabbed by a person who has belligerently refused to comply. Mr. Anzaldúa could have made a different choice and been alive today or that police officer could have made a different choice and been dead today. How could that incident have been just about racism?

Law enforcement is complex with our burgeoning laws and our overburdened judicial system. Police Officers are called upon to put themselves into the middle of domestic disputes, drunken brawls, drug busts and robberies. They are called to the scenes of suicides and homicides. They pull people from car wrecks, tell people that their loved ones have died, perform CPR, and deal with unruly and hostile youth. They tell you you're speeding, you're drunk, you're not buckled up, or your child's not in a car seat. They are expected to make snap decisions daily while we have the luxury of critiquing those decisions in hindsight with hours to reflect. They have to confront their fear day after day. They have to relive the horrors of their day, the what 'ifs', the consequences of their decisions night after night. They are doing the best they can with the best training they can get in an ever-changing society. They have husbands and wives, mothers and fathers, sons and daughters and brothers and sisters who are keenly aware that "their" police officer is putting his or her life on the line every day they walk out the door to do their job. We need to be careful that we don't misread the heart of every police officer. It's much too easy to shout "racism" than it is to look long and hard at the actions of the perpetrator and know that ultimately he or she should have made different choices.

Sincerely,
Vickie Moose

Inauguration Hogs ...



Jim Hightower

Please acknowledge the generosity of Lockheed Martin, America Online, MGM Grand Casino, Philip Morris, Archer Daniels Midland, Microsoft, and so many others. These are among the major corporations that eagerly plopped down \$100,000 each to fund George W. Bush's inaugural festivities.

They're eager to shove so much money at the new president, not because they love a good party, but because each of them has special governmental favors they need from him, and they know that money has always been a good way to grease George W's skids.

However, the Bush team had to be sensitive to the fact that such flagrant money exchanges are despised by We the People, so the Bush-ites made a big show of limiting corporations and individuals to maximum donations of "only" \$100,000.

This is Bush's idea of egalitarianism -- anyone can give \$100,000 to his party fund, but no one can give more.


As always, however, Bush integrity had a loophole, and several outfits leapt nimbly through it, grossly exceeding his so-called maximum donation.

For example, Carl Lindner, CEO of American Financial Group, donated \$200,000 in his own name. The Bush team publicly repudiated his excess and sent half of Lindner's money back. No problem. Carl simply wrote another \$100,000 check, this time in the name of his company.

So he gets credit for \$200,000 without technically exceeding the advertised limit.

Likewise, Pepsico sent in \$200,000, but said that half of it was from its subsidiary, Frito Lay. Marriott played this subsidiary shell-game, too, donating \$100,000 in the corporate name, then another \$650,000 in the name of its subsidiaries.

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Welfare

to a recent report, 46 percent of women who had never been on welfare got sick leave and vacation pay at work, compared to 24 percent of women who had been on welfare less than two years, and 19 percent of women who had been on welfare more than two years.

Our society sees taking care of children as a cost

of welfare-to-work, not an important and valuable economic activity, or as a benefit when receiving public assistance. This is most clearly seen in poverty scholarship. Typically researchers assign no monetary value to women's work at home. Therefore, it is not surprising when they find that employed women have far more

income than those receiving public assistance (or even those combining work and welfare.) If women's time at home with children has some value, this calculation changes.

A PROGRESSIVE AGENDA:

Earnings from paid work can buy economic security for women and some independence from men, especially from abusive relationships. Since our society values paid work, doing it can build self-esteem. But the jobs poor mothers get provide neither dignity nor sufficient wages to support their families. This can be demoralizing and economically debilitating.

Instead of trying to

reform poor mothers, we need to reform job structures. Mothers should be able to both work, and support and take care of their families. Changes might include a shorter work week, income supplements for part-time jobs, paid family and medical leave, and better unemployment insurance.

Raising children is a benefit to society, not merely a cost of going to work. For some families at some times, putting the sole household adult in the labor force is not possible or desirable. Public income supports for poor single mothers will always need to exist, precisely because we value the work of taking care of children.

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Stardust for everyone's eyes

By VICTORIA-WRIGHT FOWLER

Put on your Sunday best or your sparkling evening wear and swing to big-band music at the Temple Stardust Ballroom Dance Club.

This dance club enjoys dancing to traditional ballroom music, including some of the better tunes from the "big band" era.

"Stardust" dances look elegant, because of a dress code. "Generally there's not a place where people can get dressed up and dance. We think that dressing well brings out the more civilized side of people," Dr. Harold Whittington, president of the Temple Stardust Ballroom Dance Club, said. Members come from all over the central Texas area. Past president (and current member) Dean Ekhooff is from Salado.

Some of the ladies are dripping in museum-quality jewels while others are wearing their Sunday best. The men might wear a designer tuxedo or their tailored suit.

Decked-out dancers begin to trickle in the door at 7:30 p.m. The decorated hall has tables to congregate for the evening. There is a special table for the single members to gather.

For 18 years dancers have gathered as "Stardust" members in Temple. There are all levels of dancers; from teenagers wanting to learn the art of ballroom dancing, to the serious performers. "We limit the number of members we accept. Not out of snobbery, but to keep

our dance floor okay," said Whittington. "The purpose of the whole thing is to enjoy yourself. Some people have golf or their recreational vehicles, we dance instead," said Whittington.

The members pay their dues of \$180 at the beginning of the year (or prorated based on the number of dances left in the fiscal year) so that the finest bands in the state are reserved. Some of the bands that perform for the "Stardust", are:

- The Gary Lee orchestra from Dallas. Honored four straight years as the "Outstanding Orchestra of the Year" by the prestigious Entertainment Operators of America association.

- Dr. Charlie Stewart with The Echoes, well known for many years in Central Texas.

- Moonlight Express
- Bill Haskett
- Blue Notes

Guests are invited to dance at the "Stardust." Despite limited space, there is a special table for up to 12 teenagers to attend, free, by simply calling for a reservation. Teenagers can learn ballroom steps, dance etiquette and social skills associated with the elegant ballroom.

This is not a club of snobs. There are 57 member couples and eight single members. The fellowship and warmth of the



PHOTO BY VICTORIA-WRIGHT FOWLER

members is immediate.

There are all levels of dancers at the "Stardust." You might hear the classic tango performed or a sophisticated waltz, a Latin samba, a jumpin' line dance or a sensual bolero.

"Dancing is a true team sport, something men and women can do together. It requires communication," Whittington said. "It is a non-threatening way for the sexes to meet in a non-threatening way."

Most bands are there to entertain you or showboat. Not the ballroom band, they are there to help you do the one thing you have come to do. Dance. "It's about like any Army band when soldiers march to the band, that's their purpose. The same thing goes for a good dance band," Whittington said. The "Stardust" looks for a particular type of band, the one that is playing to the dancers on the dance floor.

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Tickets for the Eighth Annual "Premier" Auction hosted by the Salado Civic Center Foundation went on sale two weeks ago and as of today, over 125 tickets had been snapped up for the great meal and auction slated for Saturday, March 3, at the intermediate school cafeteria, according to Lloyd Parks,

ticket sales director.

The meal, featuring Lucy's famous barbecued brisket and sausage, complete with all the trimmings and topped off with homemade brownies, costs \$7.50.

The food is served at 6 p.m., followed by the exciting auction, led by Texas' Number One auctioneer - Bill Hall, who will start the bidding at 7 p.m. sharp.

Funds for the annual auction go immediately into the maintenance and operation funds of the Salado Civic Center. This year all of the offices, auditorium, restrooms, hallways and stairways are being painted as part of the master maintenance plan, with the remaining funds devoted to the increased operational expenses for the building that is in use nearly every day of the week.

Operating costs have been heavily impacted this year due to recent hikes in utility rates, insurance and supplies, according to building manager Hulda Horton.

Tickets are on sale at Compass Bank, First State Bank and at the civic center business office.

Civic Center directors are also selling tickets including Ken Clapp,

Lloyd Parks, Jim Patterson, Mary Catherine Ervin, Patsy Sanford and Dick Westlake and Garlyn Shelton.

DONATIONS ROLLING IN

Donations of outstanding items to be auctioned have begun rolling in thanks to the generosity of local businesses and private citizens who have traditionally supported the civic center's annual fund raiser.

First three day's list, of great items that are sure to catch the eye of prospective bidders, includes the handcrafted treasurers presented by Wilbur and Jessie Foster. The stagecoach and buggy are two of a number of these highly collectable replicas being donated that always bring top dollars at the annual auction.

Other outstanding gifts that will go on the auction block include: a copper and brass golfer's weather vane, a set of Roman sculptured bookends, a sculpture of a female figure and a metal candle lamp all donated by Sherry Petty's popular business establishment - Magnolias on The Square.

From George and Becky McAulay, owners of "The Store - Old Town Salado", came a life sized

baby giraffe! This delightful stuffed toy will be featured in a photo next week and parents with youngsters are sure to be urged to bid on this one-of-a-kind attraction just perfect for a child's room.

Also donated was a Jelly Server Set and Oster Coffee Mill from Alayne Fuller-Ramsden; a cash donation from Mr. and Mrs. Egon Friedrich; a complete facial from "My Hiding Place" - owner Mary Bellaire and two delicious pecan pies to be baked by Jo Griffitt.

Another special gift for the auction came from auction chairman Patsy Sanford who donated a hand-sewn quilt created by a number of ladies working together at the Belton Senior Citizen Center. Hand quilted work is unusual since most quilts are machine stitched so this gift will, according to Sanford be drawing a lot of attention before and during the bidding on March 3.

Also delivered to the civic center office was a collection of five Michael Wolverton lithographs donated by Jim Pringle and from Mayor Charlotte Douglas a gift from her store - "Charlotte's of Salado" - a lovely upholstered chair.

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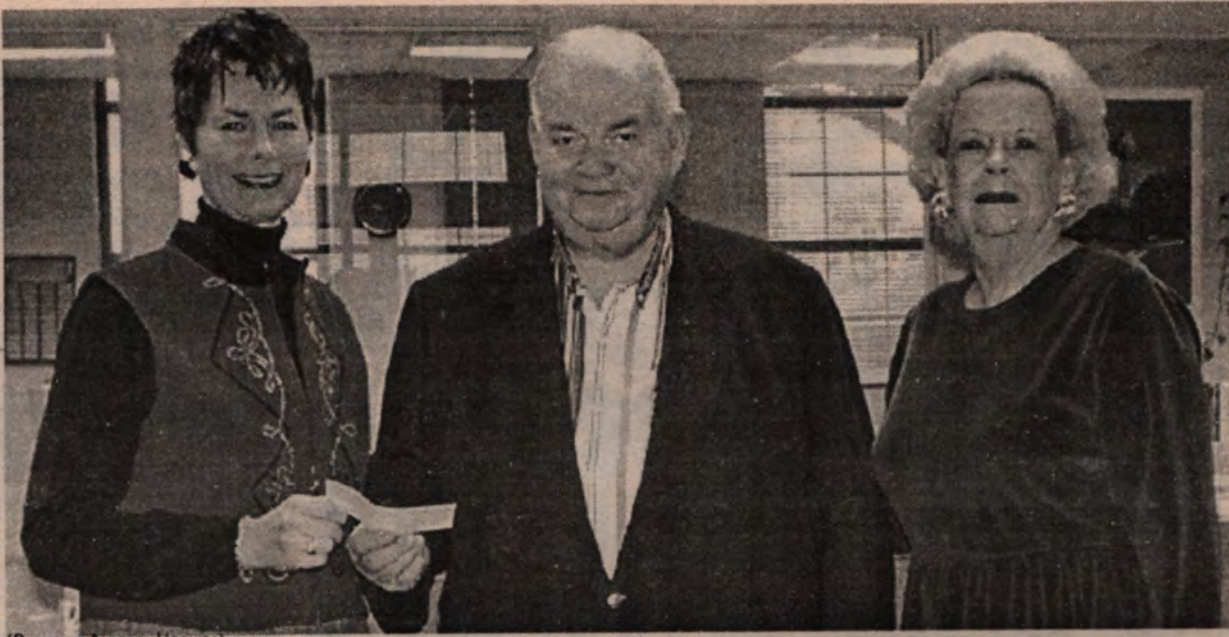
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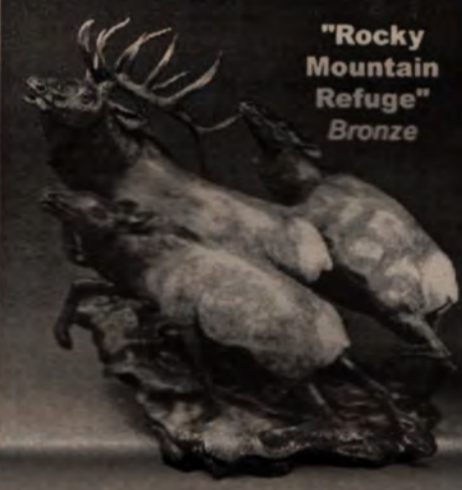
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Gary Lamm, financial aid officer from UMHB, will be available to assist with the electronic application and to answer questions that might arise. Remember, when you file electronically, results are

received in about half the time, and when filing for college financial aid, the key is to file early.

You will need to bring your completed 2000 income tax form in order to have on hand the required

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If you would like to attend or if you have questions, please call Katy Whitis at 947-5429 and leave a message, or you may e-mail kwhtis@saladoisd.org.

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Thomas Baird is President of the firm Baird, Crews, Schiller & Whitaker, P.C., located in Temple on North 3 Street. He is Board Certified in Estate Planning and Probate Law, by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization. A few of his memberships are: American College of Trust and Estate Council Life

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Big Springs woman of the year

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In my town of Big Spring, about the highest honor a person can have is to be recognized as the man or woman of the year at the annual chamber of commerce banquet. In January, my wife Susan was named woman of the year.

In typical woman of the year fashion, she said she didn't deserve it, that she knows several women who should have received the honor. But everybody I've heard from says she was a good choice. I certainly concur.

Sometime last Fall a friend of ours called me and said she was going to nominate Susan for the award. She asked me to list some of Susan's accomplishments. I did so, thinking to myself that she certainly should win it. She's been involved with our two museums, our symphony, the relay for life, numerous civic

and social organizations, on and on. I really could give you a long list of her volunteer endeavors. But all the time I was getting the list together, I was thinking to myself "It'll never happen."

A committee meets once a year to go over the nominees, consider the good they've done and name the recipients. I got a call one day telling me Susan was the winner. I shed tears of joy.

Here in Big Spring, the winner is supposed to not know about getting the award until about 20 seconds before it's presented. That means keeping it a secret.

I was in the Army Security Agency during the cold war and had a top secret clearance, but I never had to keep a secret like this one. I became a human shield. I was constantly at her side. I would hardly let my wife talk to anybody, for fear someone would tell her. I did tell our

two sons, who both live out of town. When they called, I ended the conversations quickly, afraid any pause would bring on some tiny hint that would spoil everything.

Susan goes by to visit her parents every afternoon. I started going with her to make sure her parents didn't spill the beans. In all, prior to the banquet I only told about eleven people. The afternoon of the banquet I started calling people to invite them to a celebration party.

Even then, I had reservations about letting go of the secret.

Keep in mind that I was told about her being chosen nearly three weeks before the banquet. That's a lot of pressure. About two weeks before the event, I started making plans to get family mem-

bers in. I had to figure out how they were going to be picked up at airports and taken to a place where Susan would not see them.

Well, we got everybody in and situated and when the President of the Chamber announced her name, she just about went into shock.

At home, we had a fun weekend with everybody here. I put several bouquets of flowers and cards she received on the dining room table along with her plaque and a frame containing the words which were read about her at the banquet. I went into the dining room early Sunday morning and saw nothing on the table. "I couldn't take the shrine," she said. Spoken like a true woman of the year.



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Q: My son gave me a plain, solid, wooden side

chair that he claims is an antique. The Pennsylvania dealer who sold it to him said he bought it in Florida. There is a label on the bottom that reads, "No. 332-1, Heywood Brothers & Wakefield Co., Chicago, Ill., USA."

A: Heywood Brothers & Co. merged with the Wakefield Co. in 1897. The merged company's name became Heywood Brothers & Wakefield Co. In 1921, the company's name changed again, to Heywood-Wakefield Co. Your chair was made between 1897 and about 1921-probably after 1906. Heywood Brothers & Wakefield Co., based in Gardner, Mass., operated a factory in Chicago where rattan furniture was made. The Chicago factory also made baby carriages and wooden chairs after 1906.

The following recipe was taken from the cookbook "Salado Country Cooking." It was sponsored by the members and friends of the Monday Club from the Salado United Methodist Church.

Orange-Slice Cookies

Lois Shepperd

- 2 1/2 c. brown sugar
- 2 c. flour
- 4 eggs
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1 c. chopped pecans
- 1 pkg. (18) orange slices, cut up finely (about 1 lb.)

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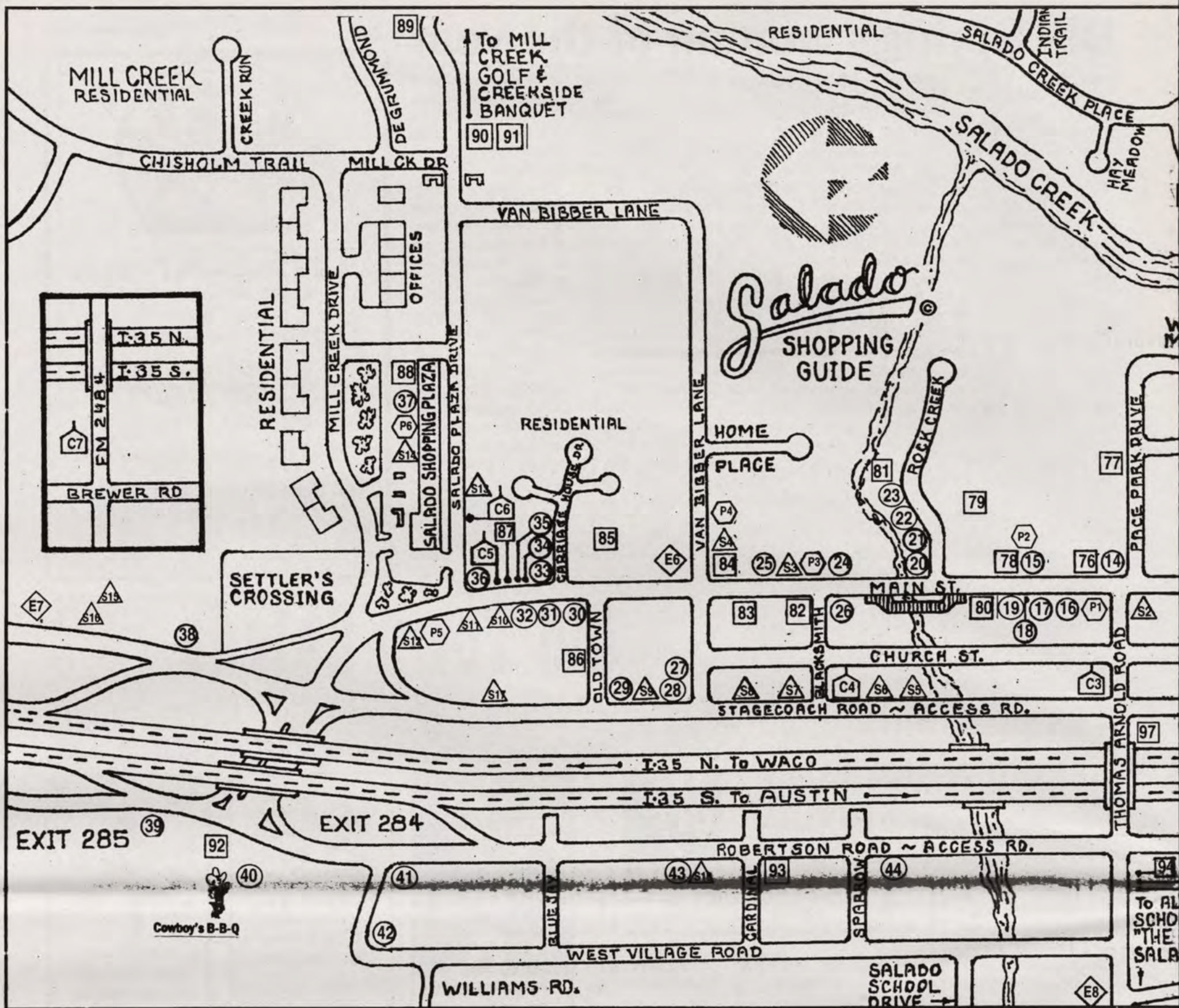
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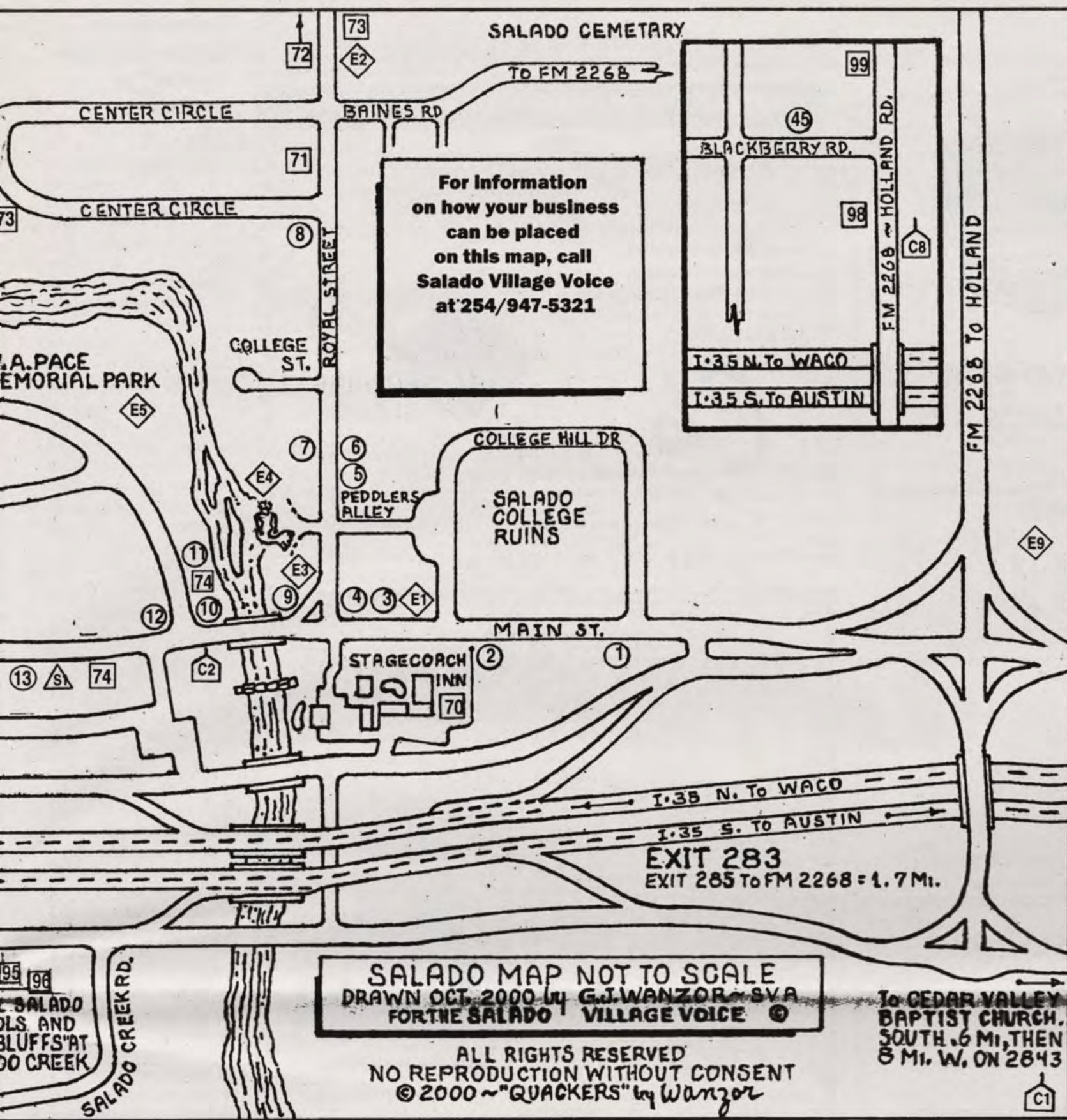
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The Texas Wesleyan Jazz Ensemble is coordinated by and under the direction of saxophonist Tim Ishii. Tim Ishii currently holds an Assistant Professorship at Texas Wesleyan University where his duties involve: studio saxophone, freshman aural skills, jazz improvisation, chamber music, and conducting the Wesleyan Jazz Ensemble.

Mr. Ishii has recorded with the University of North Texas One O'Clock Lab Band, Dallas Jazz Orchestra, and Pete Peterson's Collection Jazz Orchestra, as well as working with such names as Doc Severinsen, Clark Terry, Mel Torme, Bobby Shew, Phil Woods, Ray Charles, and Maureen McGovern.

Also featured in the ensemble is Lou Carfa, an adjunct instructor of bass and guitar at Texas Wesleyan where he directs the student jazz combos. On the drums is world-class artist, Mike Drake, the newest addition to the Texas Wesleyan faculty.

Lee earned his Masters degree in music at the University of North Texas where he was a member of the internationally acclaimed One O'Clock Lab Band. Playing the trombone is Wesleyan faculty member Dave Butler. Dave is co-founder of Emerald City, one of the most popular commercial bands in Dallas for the past 15 years. He was also a member of the One O'Clock Lab Band.

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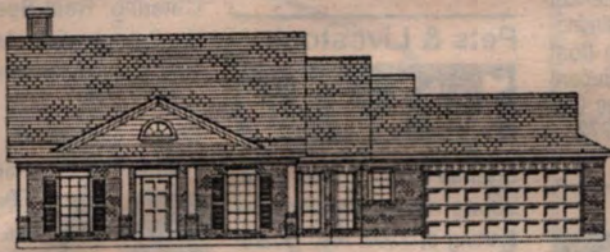
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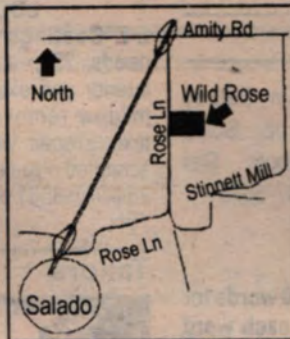
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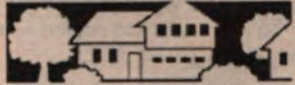


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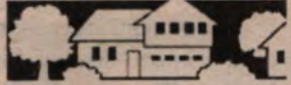
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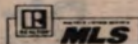
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- \$139,900 - 4 BR Mill Creek home on cul-de-sac. Deluxe master, large den.
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- \$169,900 - Lots of open space. 4 BR, 2 BA, great master suite. Under Contract.
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\$135,900 - Features hardwood floors & tile throughout the living, dining & kitchen. Living room windows overlooking deck. Master bedroom is located on the first floor, 2 bedrooms & bath are on second floor. Close to Mill Creek Pro Shop.



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