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David Lee weaves tales about Nature & Spirit during talk here

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EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

David Lee explains how he fell in love with words as a kind of accident. His junior year at Post High School (as part of the largest graduating class of 36 students the next year), Lee became an assistant to Miss Lilly McCree, the elderly school librarian.

After his lecture to the Institute for the Humanities at Salado March 4, Lee described Miss McCree as having held down her first job "as a waitress at the Last Supper."

While the memories of his High School days in Post, Texas are fond, his memories of Miss McCree are not so fond. "She was mean," he told me. "She told me that I was a miscreant and would end up spending my twenty-first birthday in Huntsville. I sure tried to do just that, but I failed at it."

Yet, Miss McCree gave Lee a gift that has lasted throughout his lifetime.

Miss McCree asked him to be her assistant in the library, he told the audience gathered for his March 4 lecture. Part of his duties would be to "monitor the group of young students coming to visit the library."

Throughout his storytelling, Lee was sure to use the correct Post, Texas enunciation of library: Li-berry.

Miss McCree pointed out a group of old books, set off from the others. "There are certain books that are

required by the American Li-berry Association to be kept on our shelves," she explained to the young man, adding that "These books are not suitable for young readers."

Lee's job was to be sure that those books did not fall into the wrong hands.

"Seven point two seconds after she left, I had those books down," he said, adding that the first he read was D.H. Lawrence's *Lady Chatterly's Lover*, followed by works by Chaucer, Henry Miller, Shakespeare and Milton.

The young librarian assistant really thought he was getting it over on the aging librarian. "I never caught on to the fact until several years later that those books were changing," Lee said. "She never told me once that it was going to be good for me."

Lee, who in his journey as a poet, has been a cotton mill worker, a pig farmer, and a pitcher for a Negro League baseball team.

He pitched for the Post, Texas Blue Stars from 1959 to 1962. As the team's only white player, Lee mostly pitched home games.

Except one Juneteenth, in which he traveled with the team to Tehoka. "I was warming up while my coach was filling out the roster," he said. "The other coach came up to him, pointed at me and asked, 'What in the world is that?' 'Oh, that,' my coach said without ever looking up from his roster, 'That's an albiner.'"

Lee's experience is Texan, like his accent. His poems are conversations, recollections of grave diggers, young lovers and old people.

E.U. Washburn finds himself throughout much of Lee's works. A grave digger by trade, E.U. -- that's for Ethiopian Eunuch because his folks named their kids the old-fashioned way by flipping to a page of the Good Book and pointing... whatever name was closest, it was good enough for them -- was in tune with the spirits of the graveyard. E.U. heard the voices of Tommy Malouf, the star high school football player who died of cancer -- "first one finger, then the others, then a leg, and then he was gone" -- and Jane Grace Gossett "Who got killed in the car wreck in high school singing." And Reverend Brother Strayhan who "found out it ain't at all like what he been told to think now it's too late."

And Baucis and Philemon Rojas who loved each other so much that they were buried under the same headstone and in the "one red box."

To close, Lee read *Rhapsody in Slick Rock*, which he completed about five minutes before the lecture.

A desert storm brings a "flash flood river of fire," before the clouds "move on, muttering in the distance."

Rhapsody closes, "the world is ripe with rain song tonight."

Lee's world, like his words, is ripe and full.



B. Herd's painting of the gazebo at the Salado Civic Center is the artwork for the Wildflower Art Show March 31-April 1 here.

Wildflower Art Show will bloom on Civic Center grounds this spring

Salado's Wildflower Art Show will be held Saturday and Sunday, March 31 and April 1 on the historic Salado Civic Center grounds on Main Street.

Featuring approximately 75 artists and craftsmen in a wide range of media, the Art Show will be open 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday, March 31 and 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Sunday, April 1. There is no admission fee.

Concession stands manned by volunteers

from Salado's civic, church and youth organizations and some commercial vendors will offer food and drink. Free parking is available throughout the village.

The Salado Chamber of Commerce sponsors this event as its 2nd largest fund raiser. Proceeds from the Wildflower Art Show benefit the maintenance and operation of Pace Park and the Salado Civic Center, as well as scholarships and other commu-

nity activities which the Salado Chamber of Commerce supports.

Salado is located midway between Waco and Austin on Interstate 35. Take exit 285 or 284 off I-35 and discover one of Texas best kept secrets.

For more information about this event or the historic village of Salado, call the Salado Chamber of Commerce at (254)947-5040 or visit the Salado website at www.salado.com.

Village aldermen meet March 7

Village of Salado Board of Aldermen will meet 6:30 p.m. March 7 at the Salado Civic Center with a full agenda. The board will meet again this month on March 22.

Following are items on the agenda posted March 5 for the meeting:

Old Business:

1. Suggestion from Salado Volunteer Fire Department on Burn Ban within Village Limits (Fire Chief Rutherford)

2. Consideration of Request for Variance by Mr. Mac Gani for Large Sign for the Salado Texaco

3. Review of any Building Requests Received by the Interim Building Com-

mittee (Alderman Means)

4. Consideration of Ordinance setting Inspection and Permit System for Buildings (Alderman Means and Carver)

5. Recommendation for Action from HotellMotel Tax Study Committee (Aldermen Mills and Carver)

6. Update on Sbiloh Sign Contention and any Input from TIVIL on Subject (Alderman Cooper)

7. Update on Monies Spent Thus Far and any Additions to Interim Budget (Mayor Douglass)

8. Information on Potential Police Department (Marshall Rogers)

9. Consideration of Possible Building for Vil-

lage Offices and Police Department (Marshall Rogers)

10. Update on Status of Sales Tax Implementation (Mayor Douglass)

New Business:

1. Report on Texas Municipal League Sessions on March 1 & 2 (Alderman Carver)

2. Consideration of "Village of Salado Board of Aldermen Rules of Procedure and Protocol (Alderman Carver)

Please contact the Village Office, 947-5060, if you would like to address the Board during the citizen's input portion of the meeting.

3 file for school board

With two weeks remaining until the deadline, three Saladoans have filed as candidates for the Salado Independent School District Board of Trustees: Jackie Burson, Lisa McQueen and Carse Williams. Two positions on the school board will be elected May 5.

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. 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 aldermen come up for election.

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

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.

What's happening around here?

MARCH 13

ABWA Chisholm Trail Chapter 6 p.m. social, 6:30 p.m. meeting Danabeth Tinsley presents Once a Month Cooking at the Texas Roadhouse B&B on Van Bibber Lane Dinner Reservation \$10 Call 947-0561

MARCH 24-25

Wildfire Ranch Roping. 4 for \$60/man. Progressive after 1. Books open at 8 a.m. Sat. Roping begins at 9 a.m. Spectators welcome. For info, call 254/947-9988

MARCH 31

Mill Creek Community Association Spring Fling 6 p.m. at Creekside Banquet and Meeting Hall

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

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 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 in 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

Auxiliary meets Judy Greene gives dramatic monologue

The Salado Chamber of Commerce Auxiliary invites meets for a light brunch and informal style show 10 a.m. March 8 at the Salado Civic Center.

The style show will feature fashions presented by CIO a unique ladies boutique.

Theme for the day will be "Step into Spring". There is no charge. Pres. Melba Kattner invites ladies to join the Auxiliary.

Sons of Veterans hold ceremony

The Temple Camp of Sons of the Confederate Veterans will have a work day at the South Belton Cemetery 9 a.m. March 10. The work will involve a general clean up and preparation for placement of grave markers for five Confederate States of America veterans.

The veterans are all local people. The markers will be dedicated in a ceremony to be conducted by the Maj. Robert M. White Camp of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, the Belton County Chapter 101 of the United Daughters of the Confederacy and the Order of the Confederate Rose, Wildflower Chapter.

The dedication ceremony will be held on April 21 to coincide with Confederate History Month in Texas. The public is invited to attend the Ceremony and see uniformed Sons of Confederate Veterans doing that which needs to be done to remember and honor their fathers.

The Sons of Confederate Veterans is an hereditary based organization composed of descendants of soldiers who fought honorably in the War Between the States 1861-1865. The United Daughters of the Confederacy is also based on being a descendant of a Confederate Veteran.

Veteran Markers:
CPT Henry E. Bradford, CO H, 6th Texas Infantry Regiment, "Granbury's" Brigade.
PVT Benjamin S. Deschard, CO F, 17th Texas Infantry Regiment, Army of TransMississippi.

PVT William P. Cox, CO D, 18th Texas Infantry Regiment, Waul's Brigade.
PVT Thomas Hannon, CO I, 17th Infantry Regiment, Army of Tarns-Mississippi.

PVT James P. Holcomb, CO D, 21st Cavalry Regiment, Army of Trans-Mississippi.

For additional information contact David N. Weber, (512) 352-6216 or noel@totalaccess.net.

Judy Greene will give a dramatic monologue on the life of Dorothea Dix 5 p.m. March 25 in the sanctuary of the Salado United Methodist Church.

The name Dorothea Dix is hardly known in our world today, but in the 19th Century, she was one of the most famous and admired women in America. She championed the mentally ill, the retarded and prisoners in a day when few people cared about the lives of any of those people.

She didn't do this work as part of a group or organization. Instead, she worked completely alone. She did her work by going directly to the sources of power: the Governors, the Legislators, the rich and influential. She proved herself effective in a man's world, a world where women were nearly always excluded.

She brought the problems of mental illness and mental retardation to the awareness of the public in both the United States and Europe. With her strong will and her quiet, persuasive manner, she changed the attitudes of millions of people.

The public is invited to this performance.

Where do old glasses need to go?

The Salado Lions collects used eye glasses to be renewed and redistributed to those in need.

Collection boxes can be found at Compass Bank, First State Bank, Village Pharmacy, Brookshire Brothers and Salado Chiropractic.

So don't throw your old glasses away, let someone put them to good use.

Chisholm Trail ABWA Style Show set for April 7

The Chisholm Trail ABWA annual style show is set for April 7 at the Salado Civic Center.

Styles from Christy's of Salado and The Store in Old Town Salado will be featured. The luncheon will be catered and music provided by pianist Marge Kirkman.

Tickets can be purchased from The Store, Christy's or ABWA members. Tickets are \$15 each. For more information call 947-9000.

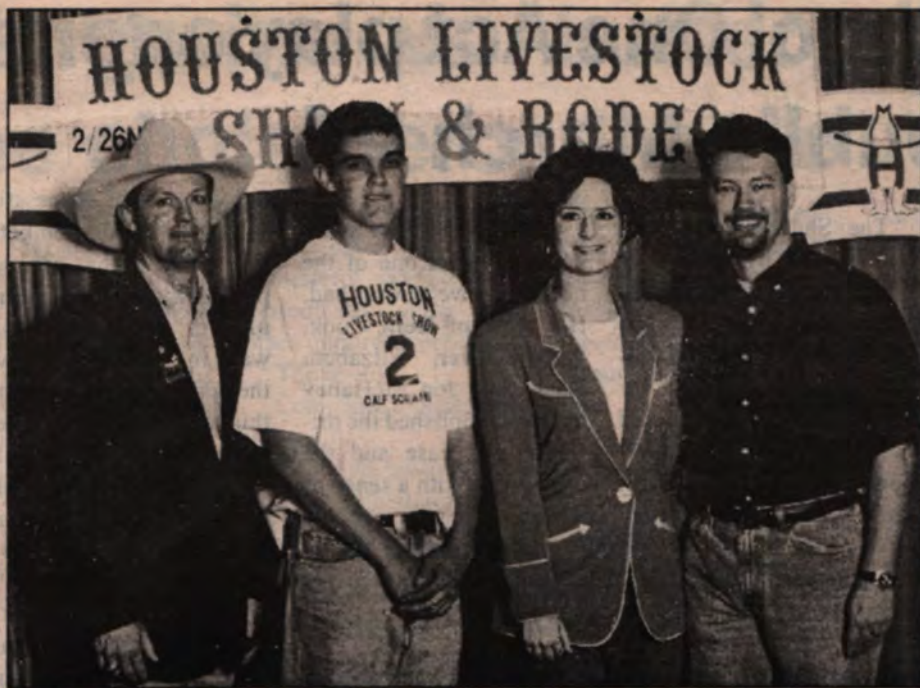
To list your Salado event, meeting, or happening call 254/947-5321 or drop by the office to fill out a form. Faxes can be sent to 254-947-9479

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David P.H. Wong is one of the many artists to show in the Wildflower Art Show March 31 - April 1 at the Salado Civic Center. See story, page 1B.



2001 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Calf Scramble. February 26, 2001. Pictured left to right: Gary Neslon, Calf Scramble Chairman; Ryon Clifton Winner, Jennifer Nabors - Donor, Rodney Nabors - Donor.

Clifton wins Calf Scramble

In one of the most chaotic, heartwarming and exciting events Feb. 26, Ryon Clifton, of Salado, took the Reliant Astrodome spotlight as one of 14 winners in the popular calf scramble.

Ryon, a Bell County 4-H student at Salado High School, was one of 28 determined contestants who attempted to catch one of only 14 elusive calves, halter it and bring it into the winners' square in the middle of the 1.86-acre arena.

In exchange for successfully capturing one of the calves, Ryon will receive a \$1,000 calf purchase certificate donated by Independence Bank. The certificate will be used for the purchase of a registered beef heifer which he will raise under the supervision of Kyle Eckert, his county extension agent.

"Each calf scramble participant has worked hard to earn his or her place on the arena floor and each is a winner before the scramble even starts," said Tom Baker, chairman of the Calf Scramble Committee and

one of nearly 13,000 volunteers who make the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo™ a success.

"Those like Ryon who are successful in the scramble have a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. For him, this is the just beginning of a year full of challenges, hard work and excitement," added Baker. "Many times the scrambler and his or her donor become lifelong friends because of the bond they have formed during the scramble year."

Although the scramble itself is entertaining, a serious side of the event begins once the Show is over. The heifer becomes the basis of a yearlong project in which the scrambler must personally raise the heifer, groom, fit, feed and care for her. Next year, the scrambler will bring the heifer back to the Houston Livestock Show™ to participate in a special competition.

Throughout the year, the student must keep accurate and detailed records of the animal's progress, submitting records to both the Show and the donor chroni-

cling the heifer's development. The winner's agricultural science teacher or county extension agent must supervise the entire project.

Once Ryon has fulfilled his year of commitment to the scramble program, he will be awarded a \$250 cash prize toward covering expenses.

Each year, approximately 360 calf purchase certificates are donated. Since the calf scramble was added to the Show in 1942, 15,350 youth have been awarded \$6,147,000 worth of purchase certificates for heifers.

Each year the Show benefits Texas youth through individual scholarships and endowments to Texas colleges and universities. During the 2000 fall semester, 1,486 students were attending 84 Texas colleges and universities on Show-sponsored scholarships. Since the inception of its scholarship program in 1957, the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo has committed more than \$77 million in educational support to the youth of Texas.

Bay speaks at Stag Party

The long tradition of the Bartlett Stag Party will once again continue 6:15 p.m. March 13 at the Bartlett School cafeteria. Dale Hand, Toastmaster, will call the group to gather for the 74th time in history.

The beginning of this event goes back to 1920 and has continued as an annual event with the exception of several years during World War II. Speakers for the event have been from all walks of life, including governors of the State of Texas.

This year's speaker will be Richard Bay who is currently serving as Associate Commissioner for Health Care Quality and Standards at the Texas Department of Health.

Prior to his appointment as Associate

Commissioner, Richard was Bureau Chief of Vital Statistics and State Registrar for twelve years.

Bays is serving on the Executive Board of the National Association for Public Health Statistics and Information Systems (NAPHSIS) and is its immediate Past President. He also has served on the Department's Data Management Steering Committee, the County and District Clerk's work group for paternity in coordination with the Office of Attorney General, the state wide Child Death Review Steering Committee, and was recently an advisor to the National Committee for Uniform State Law, helping to rewrite law for parentage.

Richard Bays and Brenda live in Austin and have three grown sons.

"Ten Minute" speakers for this year's event will be Mickey Liles, Warden of the Bartlett State Jail, managed by Correction Corporation of America and Dr. Billie Hanks, Jr., President of International Evangelism Association of Salado.

Tickets to this year's event are \$8 per person and are available from Bob Bunker at First Bank and Trust of Bartlett; Butch Lyon at B-line Sales of Bartlett and Dale Hand at Schwertner Bank. Tickets will also be available at the door.

There will be five \$50 saving bonds given away as door prizes. Fathers bring your sons and grandsons.

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High School One Act play opens to the public March 24

The Salado One Act Play "The Shadow Box" participated in the Killeen Drama Festival March 3. The festival was a workshop presentation of five One Act Plays by the participating schools.

The two judges cited the Salado presentation as "superior" and gave several constructive criticisms for the improvement of their presentation. Salado was the smallest school at the festival and faculty director Gary Askins said, "I was so pleased with the efforts of both the cast and the crew and I feel it is important that we continue to improve by competing against larger school programs. We are attempting to build a tradition of excellence in our theatre arts programs and this group of students represented our school and community with prideful competence. I look forward to the day when all of central Texas will come to recognize, in addition to our incredible academic achievements, our artistic accomplishments as well."

MARCH 6 AT MABEE CENTER

UMHB holds teachers job fair

The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor's Career Services Department hosted a spring teacher's job fair March 6, at Shelton Theatre in the Mabee Center on campus. The job fair is open to the public.

Nearly 40 school districts registered for this event and 60 prospective

"The Shadow Box" was performed by a cast of nine players and assisted by a crew of four. The performers were all acknowledged by the judges for their characterizations and acting skills in their interpretation of this difficult piece. Josh Aplaca, Dustin Correa, Joe Dobson, Angela Hogwood, Erin Lummus, Cody Melton, Adria Raley, Matt Stowell, Caleb Thompson and Mandy Tsosie received individual critiques to assist in their personal development as performers. Special acknowledgements were given to Dustin Correa who left the comfort of the sound booth to appear on stage as a brief stand-in for Melton. Angela Hogwood gave a strong performance as "Beverly" the part usually played by Hope Buchanan who could not attend the festival. Angela was singled out as a "fine actress with unlimited potential". "The greatest thing about Saturday's experience is that I watched my group meet the challenge with class and creative group

new teachers are scheduled to attend. UMHB ranks 13th in the state by the Texas Education Agency, ranks 6th among 34 private Texas schools and is rated number 1 among Texas Baptist Universities based on the pass rate of the ExCET level test. Schools districts reg-

effort. Greg Dachs once again has assembled one of the best crews we've ever had. His crew of Kelli Cook, Sara Culver, Elizabeth Dachs and Jon McHaney have accomplished the difficult with ease and the impossible with a sense of humor. I can't possibly express how much he and his group has meant to this effort," said Askins.

The play, which won the Pulitzer Prize for drama in the 1970's, is an adult look at our attitudes toward death and the dying. The story takes place in a hospice center in California as three very different individuals and their families attempt to come to terms with their eventual deaths. The playwright Michael Cristofer attempts to shed light on the stages of grief through the characterizations he created for this drama. "This play is rarely performed by High Schools because of it's adult subject matter and the maturity required to portray the characters in a convincing manner. I feel my actors and crew are up to the challenge and expect

our group to be successful at any level of competition. I know that one act play really isn't about winning or losing but I just want my students to have the opportunity to perform this work as many times as possible. It really would be satisfying to be able to represent our school in Austin at the state UIL One Act Play Finals. We'll take our best shot at it," stated the director. Salado's Drama Department had a regional finalist production of "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" last year that was one step away from the state finals.

Salado High School's first competition will be at the Temple Cultural Activities Center 5 p.m. March 19.

There will also be a special public performance 7:30 p.m. March 24 at the Salado Intermediate School stage. The public is invited to attend. Admission is free and Askins states that donations for this performance will help defray the costs of his continuing effort to acquire theatrical lights and equipment for the High School performing arts room.

istered include Temple, Marble Falls, Leander, Marlin, Fort Worth, Castleberry, Rockdale, Madisonville, Mexia, Denton, Austin, Northeast in San Antonio, Killeen, Weatherford, Midway, Duncanville, Belton, Garland, Mesquite, Arlington, Frisco, Waxahachie, Elgin, Pflugerville, Bastrop,

Llano, Copperas Cove, Hitchcock, Giddings, Corsicana, Florence, Keller, Taylor, San Antonio, Cameron, Grand Prairie, Rogers, Desoto, North Texas Region X and Round Rock Christian Academy. For more information contact Don Owens, director of Career Services at UMHB at (254) 295-4691.

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Denver Mills tourney March 19

The Denver Mills 2001 Golf Tournament to benefit Tablerock Festival of Salado will be held at the world class, Robert Trent Jones II Golf Course at Mill Creek Country Club in Salado.

* 1 p.m., start March 19 at Mill Creek Club; \$60 entry fee; covers green fees, cart, refreshments and prizes; Refreshments served at the 19th hole; Four person scramble; Choose your own four-some if desired or you

will be placed; Golfer's home course handicaps will be used; Awards ceremony will follow immediately after tournament.

Prizes include:
*Grand prize - \$5,000 cash prize for a Hole In One at Hole #16.

*Plus - \$5,000 to Tablerock Endowment Fund in winner's name.

* Round Trip Airline Tickets for two - Hole In One #12.

* Callaway Irons- Hole In One at Hole #2.

*Sony View Camcorder-Hole In One at Hole #6.

*Mill Creek Gold Package- winning four-some.

*\$100 - second place team.

* Golf Balls - Third Place.

* Prizes for longest drive and fewest putts.

To enter the Denver Mills Golf Tournament write to: Tablerock, P.O.Box 312, Salado, TX. 76571 or call 947-9205.

Spring Fling

set March 31

The Mill Creek Community Association is planning a fabulous "Spring Fling" 6 p.m. March 31 at Creekside. The menu will be as follows: salad/fresh fruit platter; vegetables/asparagus, yellow squash, new potatoes, rice pilaf. The Entree choices are carved Baron of beef or chicken Marsala. There will be freshly baked bread, tea and coffee. The dessert choices will be Gaby's fabulous chocolate pie or cheese cake. There will be a cash bar.

The new Mill Creek Community Association Board is trying to make this a special event. Entertainment for the evening will be announced at a later date.

"Our greatest hope is that we, as neighbors and residents of Mill Creek can come together and know each other better. Do make an effort to join in the fun. It will be memorable," said social chair Rita Rice.

Please send your check to Mill Creek Community Association, P.O. Box 562, Salado, Tx. 76571-\$20 per person. Checks must be received before March 23. Your check is your reservation.

Deadline nears for logo contest

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. an 1-4 p.m.

Delisi supports Bush plan

Representative Dianne White Delisi, recently announced her support for the tax cut and debt reduction plan that President George W. Bush has submitted to Congress.

President Bush's budget funds America's spending priorities, pays down the maximum amount of debt possible by providing the largest and fastest debt reduction in history, and refunds a portion of the

surplus, giving the typical American family \$1,600 in tax relief.

"I am confident that the President's tax cut will benefit Central Texas families and Central Texas small businesses, Rep. Delisi said. "Refunding a portion of the surplus to the people who pay the bills is fiscally responsible, and economically sound. I will do my part to support the President's budget, including his

proposal for tax relief."

Bush's plan refunds roughly one-fourth of the budget surplus to provide the typical family of four with \$1,600 in tax relief and pays off the maximum amount of debt possible by providing the fastest, largest debt reduction in history.

"Some politicians will tell you that we can't reduce the debt and pass a meaningful

tax cut - they are wrong," Rep Delisi added "As a member of the state's budget-writing committee, I worked with President Bush when he was Governor. I am confident his tax plan will give a softening economy a second chance."

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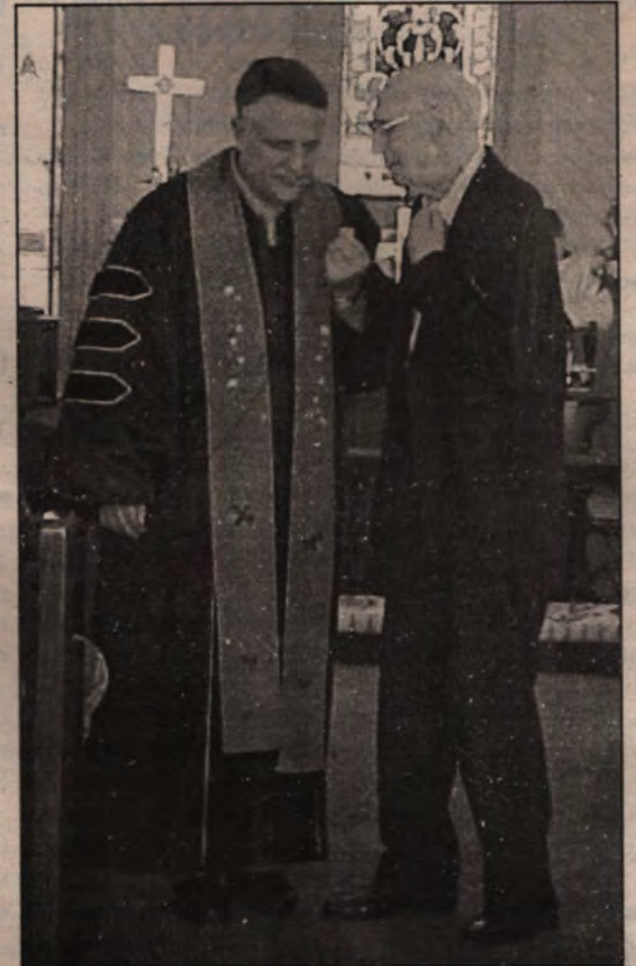
CHURCH NEWS

McNeil bids farewell

At 94 years old Jack McNeil climbed the steps to attend the 11 a.m. worship service in the Salado

United Methodist Church. His step and walk were often unsteady but not his mind or faith. Hearing aids in both ears, Jack would sit on the third row from the back with his hands cupped over his ears in order to hear. He always had a smile and a kind word for those around him. When asked, "How are you doing?" he would say, "Pretty good for a 94 year old youngster. Never would he complain about the pain in his knees or the loneliness of living alone.

At 91 years old, Jack was baptized in the Salado Creek. Though he had grown up in a strong Christian home and attended Church most of his life, Jack felt that he wanted to renew his faith. It was his desire to be baptized in the creek. With many Methodist and Village visitors watching, Jack renewed his beliefs and was immersed in the clear water that runs under the Main Street Bridge.



Jack McNeil says goodbye to the Methodist Church. He was given a silver cross by his church family.

On Feb. 25 Jack walked slowly to the front of the Church to say good bye to the people he called friends and neighbors.

"I love you very much. I love this church and I will miss you. But there comes a time in life when you have to move on for the sake of your health and your family. I am about to begin a new chapter in my life as I move into assisted living in Beaumont. I will never forget you. And if I don't like it there, I'll get in my car and come back."

As Jack slowly made his way back to his seat, there were tears and smiles across the congregation. He took his seat, cupped his hands over his ears, and listened. At the end of the service he made his way for the last time down the steps to his car.

Jack McNeil will be missed not only by the Methodist but by the Village. There will be an empty spot at Cathy's Cafe, The Truck Stop, and the Stagecoach Inn Cafe where he ate his meals. He was indeed the "salt" of the earth. In the words Jack would say to visitors leaving his home, "Adios Amigo."



At 30, Chris Reed professes his faith in Christ and is baptized in the Salado Creek. Chris is the newest member of Salado United Methodist Church.

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SPORTS



Stacey Blodgett eases up the line, ready for a bunt, as Stephanie Krueger lets her pitch go in the fourth inning of Salado's 1-0 win over Jarrell March 5. (PHOTO BY TIM FLEISCHER)

Lady Eagles 2-0 after close win over Jarrell

Randi Rader's line drive in the bottom of the seventh gave Salado Lady Eagles their second district win March 5.

Rader drove in Tiffany Blair who was on third base to give Salado a 1-0 win over the Jarrell Lady Cougars.

After six innings, Salado and Jarrell

remained tied at 0-0 in a tough pitchers' contest.

In both the fourth and fifth innings, Salado dodged bullets as Jarrell put runners on third base.

Winning pitcher Stephanie Krueger forced a pop-up to outfielder Lindsay Quirk to end the Cougar threat in the fourth inning.

In the fifth, Krueger stopped a hit-back and threw the runner out at first to leave the runner stranded on third.

Salado Lady Eagles thrashed Thorndale 11-0 in a quick game before the rains came Feb. 27.

Winning pitcher Krueger (4-2) had seven strikeouts while giving up only two walks. She held Thorndale to just two hits in the game.

Krueger also went 2 for 4 at the plate, hitting one double and scoring two runs.

Tiffany Blair went 3 for 3 at the plate and scored a run. Randi Rader went 2-3 with a double.

Robyn Womac was 1-1 at the plate with a double. She scored two runs and earned two walks.

Stacey Blodgett was 1-1 at the plate, earning two walks and scoring a run.

"It was good to get the first district win under our belt," said coach Travis Ling. "It was a good team win. We had solid defense, good pitching, some timely hitting and were aggressive on the bases."

"Krueger and Womac seemed to be getting more comfortable working together," he added. "Robyn has made a lot of progress behind the plate in just the few games we have played."

Salado is now 4-2 on the year and 2-0 in district with a game scheduled for March 6 against Rogers.

Salado travels to Lexington March 9 for a district game.

SHS boys golf team tees off in Leander

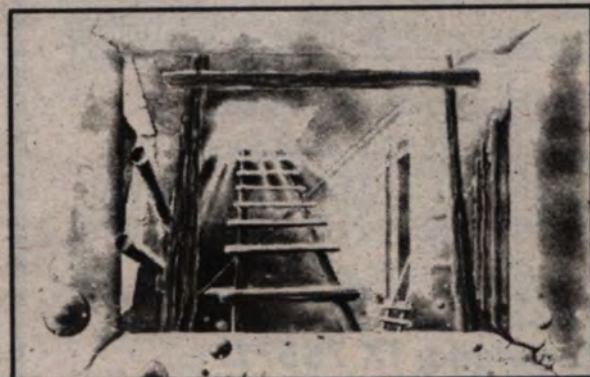
The Salado Boys Team competed with 17 other school golf teams at the Leander Invitational golf tournament held Feb. 28 at Christal Falls Golf Course.

Caleb Thompson led the team with a score of 81. The Eagles finished in 5th place.

Other team members and their scores are: Kyle Salisbury, 93; Kyle Turbo, 95; David Mathews, 96; Mike Harvel, 106. The team total was 365.

The next scheduled tournaments are March 5 at San Saba and March 9-10 at Killeen.

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March 8: Sausage Rolls, Cereal, Toast, Fresh Fruit, Fruit Juice, Milk

March 9: Banana Bread Squares, Baked Ham, Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk

March 12: No School - Spring Break

March 13: No School - Spring Break

Lunch Menu

March 7: Cheese Pizza, Corn, Tossed Salad, Hoagie, Baked Potatoe, Fruit, Milk

March 8: Enchiladas w/Chili, Spanish Rice, Refried Beans, Fruit, Hoagie, Chef Salad, Baked Potatoe, Milk

March 9: Cheeseburger, French Fries, Burger Salad, Hoagie, Chef Salad, Baked Potatoe, Fruity Freeze, Milk

March 12: No School - Spring Break

March 13: No School Spring Break

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4 Lady Eagles on all-district

Four Salado High Lady Eagles were named to the All-District Basketball Team, while three others received honorable mention to the squad.

Robyn Womac is on the First Team All-District. The junior post is also on the First Team All-Region Team, named by the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches.

Womac led the Lady Eagles, who were 22-12 and 12-2 in district, in scoring and rebounding. She scored 391 points and grabbed 273 rebounds, including 104 offensive boards.

Womac shot 55 percent from the field and 49 percent from the free throw line. She had 21 assists. Defensively, she blocked 35 shots and stole the ball 70 times.

Lindsay Quirk is also a First Team All-District post player. She totaled 275 points, 136 rebounds and 51

assists. She had 36 steals and nine blocked shots.

Senior guard Tessa Schreiner was named to the Second Team. Schreiner scored 172 points and had 136 rebounds. She had 85 assists and made 68 steals.

Junior guard Whitney Taylor was also named to the Second Team. In her first year at Salado, she had 261 points, 98 rebounds and 87 assists. She also stole the ball 54 times.

Three other Lady Eagles received Honorable Mention: junior guard Julie Couchman, 181 total points; sophomore guard Lauren Mewhinney, 115 points and sophomore post Meagan Joiner, 192.

The Lady Eagles were co-Champions with Rogers in district play, qualifying for the play-offs where they lost in the third round to Schulenburg.

Six of the seven girls are expected to return next year.



Robyn Womac
1st Team All-District and 1st Team All-Region Junior Post



Tessa Schreiner
2nd Team Senior Guard



Whitney Taylor
2nd Team Junior Guard



Lindsay Quirk
1st Team Junior Post

High School band sells pizza kits to raise money

Salado High School band is holding a Little Caesar's Pizza Kit fundraiser for its annual contest trip in April.

The Little Caesar kits contain all the ingredients to make and bake delicious Little Caesars pizzas and specialty breads at home in less than 10 minutes. The kits range in price from \$13.50 to \$18.00 and contain all the ingredients to make three 12" medium pizzas. The band will earn

\$5 for each kits sold.

There are several kits to choose: Pepperoni Pizza, Thin Crust Pepperoni, Italian Sausage, Cheese, Personal Pizza (has nine 6" pizzas), Italian Cheese Bread, Crazy Bread and Cinnamon Crazy Bread.

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3 Eagles named to All-District

Three Salado Eagles were named to the All-District 25-AA Basketball Team and another received honorable mention.

Sophomore Stephen Fewell is on the first team.

Fewell scored 461 points on the season, shooting 68 percent on two-pointers and 41 percent on three-pointers. Fewell also shot 75 percent at the free throw line.

He also grabbed 117 rebounds, blocked nine shots and made 51 steals and 64 assists.

Juniors Jeremy Grimm and Jacob Mirabal were named to the second team.

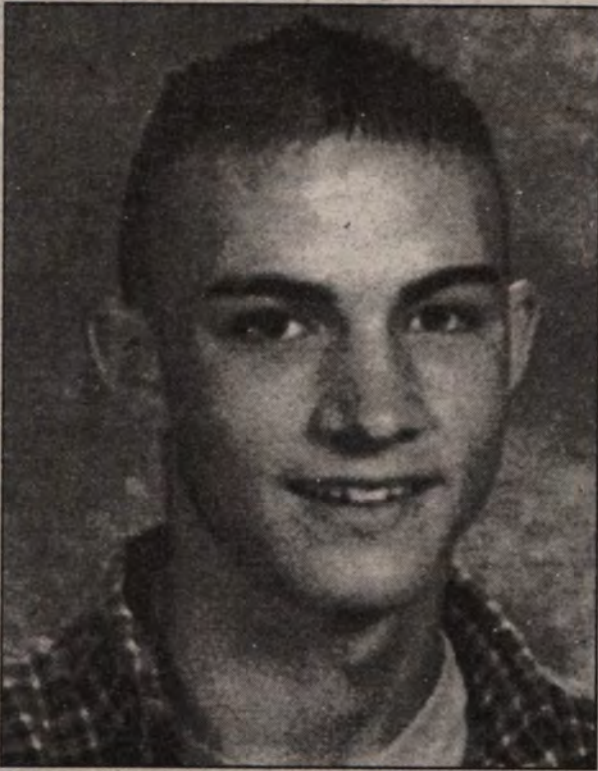
Grimm scored 332 points, shooting 51 percent of his two-point attempts and 33 percent of his three-pointers. Grimm also shot 80 percent from the free throw line.

Grimm stole the ball 51 times and grabbed 71 rebounds. He had 49 assists and blocked four shots.

Mirabal shot 49 percent on two pointers and 30 on three-pointers. He totaled 232 points for Salado. Mirabal shot 47 percent at the free throw line. Mirabal had 38 assists.

He also had 90 rebounds, six blocked shots and 38 steals on defense.

Sophomore Jarrod Whitfield received honorable mention.



Stephen Fewell, First Team All-District.



Jeremy Grimm
Second Team All-District



Jacob Mirabal
Second Team All-District

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If there is a balance in the Education IRA at the time the beneficiary reaches 30 years old, it must be distributed within 30 days. A portion representing earnings on the account will be taxable and subject to a 10% penalty.

For more information, check out IRS Publication 970, "Tax Benefits for Higher Education." It's available at the IRS Web site at www.irs.gov under the "Forms & Pubs" section.

Save money by reading the fine print

By ILENE C. MILLER
Co. Ext. Agent

The most important four words for a consumer to remember are: "Read the Fine Print!" "Fine print" usually explains warranties, return policies, liability waivers, service fees, charges and other obligations for both the buyer and the seller.

It may be at the bottom of a contract or on the back of an invoice, but it's there. And it's important because it outlines the limitations and conditions that affect your rights and responsibilities.

But fine print isn't

always considered when making a purchase. Unfortunately, we tend to read the advertising and the big print and we often miss the legal disclosures. Because of the size of the print and the way it's written, it may also be very confusing for many people to understand. As a result, you may not get the 'deal' you thought you were getting. Consumers should be especially cautious about the following:

Memberships in mail-order clubs or health clubs. The incentives may sound good — and so are the intentions — but cancelling may be impossible.

"Free" computer offers that include fee-based Internet services. The cost of the service may be much greater than the value of the computer, and charges may be associated with disconnecting the service.

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consumers do not respond and cancel the order.

These are just a few of the situations we can get into if we fail to read things carefully before we sign. We may be able to go to court and recover our money, but that can be expensive and timeconsuming. It's much better if we prevent the problem before it starts.

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Professional women address seminar

The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor School of Business will host women in a business seminar on March 30, entitled "Women Leading in the 21st Century."

The seminar will be held 9 a.m. -noon in Shelton Theater of Mabee Student Center. The cost for attendance is \$10 at the door.

The speakers set for the seminar are Madge Meyer, vice president of Enterprise Computing Services Group of Merrill Lynch in New York; Jacquelyn B. Beeler, an operations management analyst for the State of Mississippi in the Bureau of Field Services; and Catherine Barton, an executive at Intel Corporation.

Topics to be discussed include Career Choices, Importance of Mentoring to Women Leaders, and Women in Business Overcoming Obstacles, Leadership Styles, and Breaking Through the Glass Ceiling. The audience will have opportunities to meet

and interact with each speaker.

Madge Mao Meyer, Class of 1961, joined IBM in 1962 as a scientific programmer and performed mathematical calculations on the space flights with Gemini 10, 11 and 12. She became a manager for stockholder relations in 1974. From 1974-1998, she has been in management over various information technology functions, including systems and applications development, voice and data telecommunications network, data center consolidation and migration, information technology outsourcing services and global service delivery strategies and implementations. In 1998, Madge joined Merrill Lynch as the first vice president of Enterprise Computing Services, which processes all Merrill Lynch business transactions. Her responsibilities include all mainframe and distributed data centers.

Jacqueline B. Beeler became operations man-

agement analyst in 1994 for the State of Mississippi in the Bureau of Field Services' central office. She works as one component of a multidisciplinary staff, which serves as the liaison among all state-funded health programs and 110 district and county operations within 9 Mississippi districts. From 1984 to 1992, she worked in Texas, beginning in public health for the State Mental Health/Mental Retardation Center in San Angelo, moving to Austin to work directly with the primary health care program at the Texas Department of Health. She monitored primary health care contractors for quality assurance/compliance with grant expectations in the areas of eligibility, reporting and specific program objectives set by the programs. Her job also included reviewing new and continued grant applications on an annual basis, making recommendations for continued funding and the selection and imple-

mentation of new contractors.

Cathleen Barton is employed by Intel Corporation and is an executive on loan to the Semiconductor Industry Association, the leading trade organization representing the U.S. semiconductor industry. In her current role as director of workforce strategy, Cathleen is responsible for the development and execution of a plan that will ensure an adequate supply of relevantly educated and trained employees needed to fuel the growth of the semiconductor industry. The plan elements include public policy, K-16 plus partnerships, and industry awareness. She has been with Intel for 17 years in such positions as domestic and international human resource development and program management.

For reservations and information on the seminar, e-mail Ann Eubanks, at aeubanks@umhb.edu or call (254) 295-4644.

Changes in tax laws reflected in 2000 returns

Want to learn about the principal tax law changes that could affect your 2000 tax return?

IRS Publication 553 highlights the tax changes in these areas:

- * Interest on student loans.
- * Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs) - including traditional IRA income limits, and

returned contributions and recharacterizations.

- * Capital gain distributions.
- * Foreign earned income exclusion.
- * Standard mileage rate.
- * Meal expenses when subject to "hours of service limits."
- * Lump-sum distributions.

* Revocation of exemption from Social Security coverage.

- * Paid preparer authorization.
- * Eligible foster child.
- * Limit on personal credits.
- * Estimated tax safe harbor for higher income individuals.
- * Definition of noncapital assets expanded.

To obtain a copy of Publication 553, call the IRS toll-free at 1-800-829-3676.

The important tax changes are also summarized in IRS Publication 17, "Your Federal Income Tax." Visit the IRS web site at www.irs.gov under the "Forms & Pubs" section, or call 1-800-829-3676 for a copy.

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Sooner or later it happens to everyone over 40. You start to realize that your eyes aren't what they used to be, and find yourself holding newspapers and books farther and farther away to read the fine print. Then you wake up one day and discover, much to your chagrin, that your arms aren't long enough anymore.

It's time for reading glasses.

The realization is striking in record numbers as more and more of the nation's 76 million baby boomers turn 40 every day. Still, many remain uncertain about guidelines to follow when choosing a good pair of reading glasses. Is a doctor's prescription required, or will a pair of over-the-counter reading glasses do the job?

Most eye-care special-

ists agree that over-the-counter reading glasses are generally as effective as those purchased with a prescription. One caveat: individuals who have one eye that is weaker than the other probably do need to see a doctor.

Essentially, the function of reading glasses is to magnify printed material. They cannot correct common vision problems like astigmatism, nearsightedness or far sightedness.

With that in mind, here are some tips for choosing a good pair of over-the-counter reading glasses:

Go the fashionable route. Let's face it, having to wear reading glasses can't help but make us all feel older, but that doesn't mean we can't look good while we're doing it. Brighton Accessories, for example, has just come out with a

new line of reading glasses in eight different styles. All of the readers in the new line were designed with fashion-conscious baby boomers in mind, and feature Brighton's signature silver ornamentation. Don't forget to take along some reading material to the store. That way you'll be able determine exactly how much magnification is right for you. Almost all reading glasses come in different powers to meet specific needs.

Why not get two pair? This is usually a good idea because a second pair of reading glasses—generally a pair with weaker magnification—are better suited for viewing a computer screen. And as an added bonus, you'll look spiffy while you work.

Make sure you get glasses that fit comfort-

ably. Nobody wants glasses that are uncomfortable or hurt. Adjustable temple and nose pads are a must.

Insist on optical-ready frames. You can determine if frames are optical-ready by checking for the lens size stamped on the bridge or nose pad of the glasses. This enables you to put properly fitting prescription lenses if you need to later on.

Eye exams are right up there with trips to the dentist on most people's list of things they don't like to do. Still, you should schedule eye exams on a regular basis. This is true even after you have found a pair of reading glasses that you like. One checkup per year should do the trick.

Visit Virginia and Jenny at Cio a unique ladies boutique to choose from this fashionable new line of glasses offered by Brighton.

Colorectal cancer is a preventable disease that can be detected through screening

Colorectal cancer, unlike other cancers, is a highly preventable disease and one that can be detected early through screening. In support of National Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month, the American Cancer Society (ACS) is encouraging people to learn more about colorectal cancer and talk to their doctors to understand risk factors and colorectal screening options.

"The ACS is committed to saving lives from colorectal cancer by providing information about the disease through their toll-free information line (1-800-ACS-2345) and Web site (www.cancer.org) providing accurate, unbiased colorectal cancer information and support," said Andre Avots-Avotins, MD, PhD, chairperson for the American Cancer Society's Colorectal Cancer Committee, Texas.

Colorectal cancer is the second leading cancer killer in the United States, affecting men and women almost equally yet only 25-30% of average risk patients

nationally are screened each year. In 2001, it is estimated 135,400 Americans will be diagnosed with colorectal cancer and 56,700 will die from the disease. Texas could have as many as 8,700 new cases of colorectal cancer diagnosed with 3,600 estimated deaths this year.

The American Cancer Society's toll free information line is one of the resources offered to help people make informed decisions about their health. It is the only national cancer help line offering comprehensive information about cancer and local resources to callers 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The American Cancer Society's Web site also offers information on a variety of cancer-related subjects written by medical professionals.

The diagnosis of colorectal cancer in high-profile individuals, such as Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg and baseball players Darryl Strawberry and Eric Davis, helped generate awareness of the disease. Yet, despite

the recent national attention on colorectal cancer, people often are reluctant or embarrassed to talk about the disease.

American Cancer Society recommends men and women start colorectal screenings at 50 years of age and follow one of the five screening options: (*The ACS preferred options.)

- Yearly fecal occult blood test plus flexible sigmoidoscopy every 5 years*
- Yearly fecal occult blood test (FOBT)
- Flexible sigmoidoscopy every 5 years
- Double contrast barium enema every 5 years*
- Colonoscopy every 10 years*

People should begin colorectal cancer screening earlier and/or undergo screening more often if they have symptoms or a family history of the disease.

"Even though the exact cause of most colorectal cancer is not known, it is possible to prevent many colon cancers through reg-

ular screening and a healthy lifestyle," said Dr. Avots-Avotins. "We hope that as more people speak publicly about this disease, it will encourage others to address the issue of colorectal cancer—leading to recommended screenings, early diagnosis and ultimately more lives saved."

The American Cancer Society is the largest private, not-for-profit source for cancer research funds in the United States. Currently, the Society is funding 92 multi-year grants pertaining to colorectal cancer totaling \$27.2 million.

The American Cancer Society is the nationwide, community-based, voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives and diminishing suffering from cancer through research, education, advocacy and service. For more information, call the American Cancer Society at 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit www.cancer.org.

Wearing a weight lifting belt does provide against back injury when lifting weights

Q: Does wearing a weight lifting belt provide protection against back injury when lifting weights?

A: You must be talking about wide, usually leather belts that encircle the abdomen and the back. Those belts increase abdominal pressure, and that provides back support when lifting

weights.

If the belts are worn at all times, they become counter productive. They prevent full development of abdominal and back muscles.

Take the belt off when doing exercises that don't involve the back. Take it off when exercising with relatively light weights.

Margarine vs. butter wins in the cholesterol debate

For consumers who have agonized over whether to select margarine or butter, the debate is finally over. A revolutionary study published recently in the prestigious *Journal of the American Medical Association* proves that switching to margarine from butter can lower your entire family's cholesterol.

The study's 46 families (including 92 parents and 134 children, some as young as six years old) followed either a butter-based or margarine based diet for

five weeks—then switched to the other diet. Blood cholesterol was checked periodically along with other important criteria.

The result? Compared to butter, the margarine diet significantly lowered LDL ("bad") cholesterol by 11 percent in adults and 9 percent in children. In some cases, the margarine diets lowered cholesterol levels as much as medication.

It's a well-established fact that reductions in blood cholesterol result in a reduced risk of heart

disease. Studies also confirm that risk factors for heart disease begin developing in childhood. So, diet and exercise do matter throughout all stages of life.

"These findings support the advice from leading health professional organizations to substitute softer margarines for butter as part of a hearthealthy diet," says Beth Hubrich, a dietitian with the National Association of Margarine Manufacturers. "It's especially important for adults with

young children to set a healthful example for good eating in the future." She adds, "When the children grow up, they will then use this more healthful selection in place of butter."

Whether used as a vegetable topping, a bread spread, or an ingredient for a favorite pasta dish, everyone in the family can feel good about eating margarine. Just make sure there is enough to go around.

To learn more visit www.margarine.org.

Golf tournament funds go to Red Cross

The Mid-Tex American Red Cross 5th Annual Golf Tournament will be held March 12 at the Wildflower Country Club in Temple. Shotgun will start at 1 p.m.

Cost is \$100 per person/ four person scramble. It includes 18 holes of golf, cart, refreshments, tournament gifts, prizes and

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Prices of spring steers, fall heifers all affected by weather

By JAMES M. DAVIS
Co. EXT. AGENT

The year 2001 is starting out much wetter than 2000. Soil moisture is at or near 100 percent saturation. As soon as nighttime temperatures remain above 60 we will see pasture grasses make tremendous growth provided the fertility level is adequate. This should make 2001 a good year for cattlemen. If grazing is good we should see a good, heavy calf crop weaned off this year. All predictions are that cattle prices will hold up very good this year.

Good prices along with heavy calves are what all cattle producers need to offset the losses incurred due to the drought of 1996 and 2002.

Dr. Stephen P. Ham-

mack, Extension Beef Cattle Specialist at Stephenville, sends us the following notes of interest to cattle producers.

Fecal Exam to Detect Pregnancy? Some work has shown promise in using infrared diagnosis of feces to detect pregnancy. Texas and Mississippi workers recently reported collaborative studies designed to assess this idea. Their technique correctly identified some groups, grazing various forages, in various stages of estrous and pregnancy. However, 35 of 36 estrous-cycling heifers grazing cool season grass were classified as pregnant, as were eight bulls. The authors concluded that more research is needed.

Effect of Temperature on Birth Weight: Nebraska researchers studied records

from a 3-year period in the mid-90's on over 400 2-year-old first-calving heifers. Over the three years, average December-February temperatures increased 11 degrees, average birth weights decreased 11 lbs. (81 vs. 70), and calving difficulty went down by 22 percentage points. Oklahoma workers compared calves born in early fall or late winter/early spring out of similar crossbred cows AI'd to the same sires. Fall-born calves averaged 4.5 lbs. (77.7 vs 82.2) lighter birth weight. While we might think our climate is not so great at times, say in July, it does have one side benefit, generally less calving difficulty than they have up north.

Premiums for Angus: The American Angus Association has monitored spring

and fall prices at 10 markets from Kentucky to California for the past two years. Compared to non-Angus, premiums were: fall-sale steers, 3.27/cwt; spring steers, \$1.99; fall heifers, \$2.24; spring heifers, \$1.43. That amounts to about \$11 a head more for 500 lb. calves, or about the same difference that an additional 10 lb. of sale weight would have returned last week. Remember, profit equals number of head X average weight X average price/lb minus total cost of production. Price is only one factor.

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Senior health preserved by simple changes

Safe at home? For many senior citizens, home can be an accident waiting to happen. Every year older Americans are injured in their homes, with most accidents occurring in the bathroom or bedroom. Ten percent of all falls cause significant injury for older individuals and are a contributing factor in 40 percent of nursing home admissions.

Fortunately, many of these accidents are preventable. "Research suggests that one third to

one-half of home accidents can be prevented by modification and repair," says Peter J. Plantes, M.D. "It only takes minutes to prevent an injury that could persist for a lifetime."

Instead of focusing on dirty windows and dingy walls, seniors and their families should consider incorporating these simple safety steps into their spring cleaning routine, say the experts at LaurusHealth.com, a consumer health information Web site:

- Remove rugs and runners that tend to slide, or secure them carefully to the floor.
- Install sturdy handrails on both sides of every stairway.
- Remove electrical cords and wires from the floor and from pathways.
- Keep areas free of clutter.
- Arrange furniture so it does not obstruct walking.
- Install light switches at both the top and bottom of the stairs

and near the doorway of every room.

- Install grab bars in the tub/shower and by the toilet.
 - Line the bathtub and the floor beside it with nonskid mats or abrasive strips.
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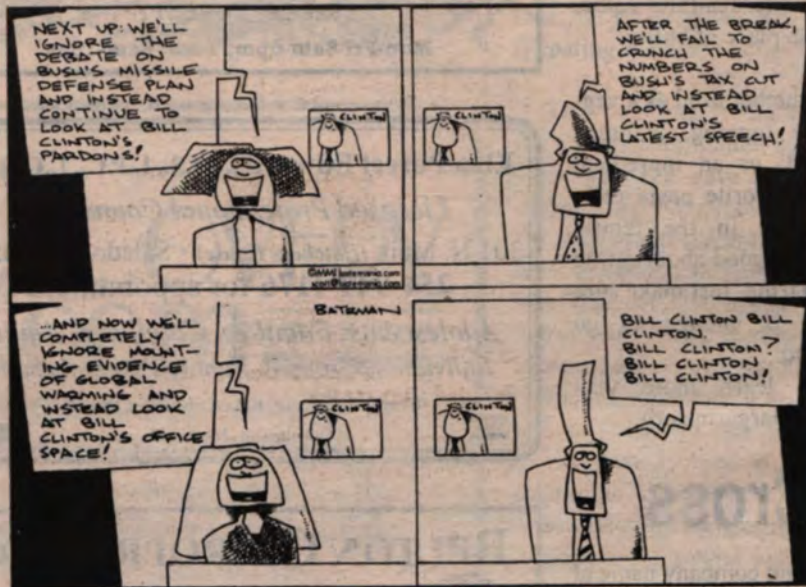


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Careers to Classrooms

As Texas continues to debate a course of action for finding alternative ways to certify teachers, I have been working to pass legislation that would assist states to develop new teacher training programs that are flexible enough to meet changing state and local needs.

It goes without saying that first-rate teachers are a key element in providing our children with a good education. Texas, like many other states, is facing a critical shortage of qualified teachers. Some rural school district superintendents in Texas have told me that they have had teacher vacancies remain unfilled for a year or more, particularly in hard-to-fill subject areas. The National Council on Education Statistics estimates that an additional two million teachers will be needed in America's public schools over the next decade.

Some school districts are coping with this growing crisis of teacher shortages by relying on substitute and temporary teachers; others have raised salaries, but with only limited success at improving recruitment. At the same time, I repeatedly hear stories of mid-career or retired professionals eager to go into the public schools and share their knowledge and skills with young people, but who are discouraged by the many hurdles they must clear to achieve traditional teacher certification.

A true story: there is a small school district in East Texas that is unable to offer a French language class because there are no certified teachers of that language in town. Yet living in that same community is

Capitol Comment

Kay Bailey Hutchison
U.S. Senator



a retiree who majored in French in college, taught French in private school and would love to teach the language to young people and share with them her love of French literature. But... she can't unless she gets a teaching certificate, which would take her two years commuting to the nearest college to obtain.

It just makes sense to smooth the way for skilled professionals with college degrees who want to become teachers, rather than to put obstacles across their path to the classroom.

So I have introduced legislation, the Careers-to-Classrooms Act, to provide additional federal funding for states such as Texas that have been in the forefront of the promotion of alternative certification programs. This bill will help states and local school districts to target mid-career professionals and outstanding recent college graduates, and to encourage them to become teachers under state-approved alternative certification programs. My bill's program will offer stipends of up to \$5,000 to help qualified individuals obtain their teaching certificates under a streamlined program if they will agree to teach in rural and other school districts in dire need of teachers. Matching grants would go to schools facing the most severe teacher shortages.

SEE CAREERS, PAGE 15A

60% of 'surplus' to be 'borrowed' from Social Security, Medicare trust funds to help pay for Bush tax cut

The number one topic of conversation and debate across America, wherever folks gather to talk over the nation's business, is President Bush's \$1.6 trillion tax cutting plan that was the linchpin of his presidential campaign and is now first on his congressional agenda.

Part of the plan, HR 3 (to amend the IRS code by reducing tax rates) hit the House Ways and Means Committee last Thursday; passed on a purely partisan vote (23-15) and headed for what is presumed will be rapid approval on the floor of the House - that is if Speaker Dennis Hastert and his "in-line" storm troopers, led by our very own Tom DeLay and Dick Armey, have their way.

This "Fast Tracking" includes speedy hearings, little debate and few amendments with an early vote before the special interest boys get their lobbying hooks into the "tax cutting pie" in hopes of carving out additional tax loopholes for their principals.

This fast movement of HR-3 is also designed to keep the Democratic opponents from putting together enough momentum and votes to stall the bill.

Prediction is that the plan will pass the House along party lines and cool-off in the Senate until the total budget is unloaded which may be several weeks away.

HOW ABOUT SOME FACTS?

It would appear this is the proper time to put some facts on the table, starting with questions that need answers: "Where is this projected surplus coming from?" and "How accurate are projected surpluses ten years down the road?"

The answer to the first question should be key to what Congress does insofar as a tax cut is concerned.

Numbers from the Congressional Budget Office and Congressman Chet Edward's office have provided pertinent information that sheds some light on the so called "surplus", although most Bush followers will quickly brand any numbers other than theirs as false and Democratic demagoguery.

FACT ONE - SURPLUS NUMBERS INCORRECT

First and foremost, there is no real surplus of the magnitude being talked about by the Republicans, from President Bush on to those faithful GOPers who are whipping the tax cut through the legislative process.

The story line is that there will be a total of \$5.6 trillion surplus available over the next ten years that can be used to reduce taxes; pay down the national debt; increase spending for defense, education and prescription drug benefits for seniors.

Casting aside partisanship for a moment - take a look at that \$5.6 trillion. It is not a surplus coming from individual and corporate income taxes alone. In fact, \$3.4 trillion are individual social security and medicare payroll deductions which are dedicated by law to their appropriate trust funds and incidentally, pledged by Congress to be kept there!

Taking these trust fund dollars out now to pay for tax cuts or other programs only means having to pay them back with huge tax increases in a few short years.

Bad business and the Republicans know it!

OK - so that leaves \$2.2 trillion, provided the social security payments go to the appropriate trust funds and remain there as promised. The Bush tax refund plan would take at least \$1.6 trillion over the ten year surplus time period and more if it is made retroactive. Then, from

Off the Record

by Ken Clapp



Once again we are on the verge of looting the trust funds. This move will eventually require new taxes. As Yogi Berra noted, "It's like deja-vu all over again!"

the remaining \$600 billion - prescription drugs (\$158 billion); defense budget increases (\$45 billion); the President's education initiatives (\$47 billion) and the balance - \$350 billion for debt repayment and whatever emergencies that always pop up when least expected.

These projections and spending numbers are far from accurate and no one - not even the White House is challenging the fact that if Social Security and Medicare taxes are kept in their respective trust funds, the other uneasy numbers the CBO is using will produce a surplus but not of the scope being bandied about by GOPers on Capitol Hill and with little "wiggle" room if the projections prove faulty.

THE CBO PROJECTIONS

Oh yes. About those Congressional Budget Office projections. How accurate? Officials of the CBO are admittedly uneasy with long term projections. They do better with five year estimates and are closer to being correct only with 18 month numbers.

This may be the very reason that Americans are a little skittish about the Bush "hell bent for leather" tax plan, at least according to recent polls including the prestigious and very conservative ones taken recently by the *Wall Street Journal*.

FLIM-FLAMMERY

Robbing the Social Security trust fund and calling those stolen dollars "surplus" is flim-flammetry of the worst sort. It will lead to massive tax hikes in a few short years when these funds are needed to pay retiring "boomer" generation benefits.

Business types who fill the ranks of the Grand Old Party are generally prudent when handling their corporate projections, profits (surplus) and reserves (trust funds). If they do not follow this same line in government matters, there must be a reason. Some might say it appears to come under the heading of self interest with a pinch of greed tossed in for flavor.

No matter how we lean politically, citizens should warn lawmakers in Congress not to touch the dedicated Social Security and Medicare trust funds as we once did with disastrous deficit results.

Common sense would dictate using only the true surplus to fund the Bush initiatives and some debt reduction - with the balance sent home as a tax cut - reduced and/or temporary as it might eventually become.

All this will take fiscal and personal discipline - something not usually found in the makeup of most lawmakers.

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Protecting Spanish-speaking residents from fraud in Texas

Instead of my usual question-and-answer column, I would like to present information on efforts my office is making to protect our Spanish-speaking residents.

In October 1999, my Consumer Protection Division filed suit against several companies that had violated state laws in a scheme to sell costly residential air conditioning units to Spanish-speaking consumers. The company specifically targeted Hispanic clients throughout Texas and sold thousands of units in only a year and a half of operation. My office took legal action when it discovered that the companies did not honor warranties, failed to tell consumers that they had three days to cancel their contracts, and installed units using unlicensed workers.

Six months later, in April 2000, we sued a fraudulent "immigration specialist." The company deceived Spanish speakers by selling worthless "letters of representation" that would supposedly legalize undocumented immigrants. The company charged more than \$600 per letter.

These are among the more recent examples of widespread illegal activity against Spanish-speaking Texans. More dramatic examples, however, are seen in communities known as colonias along the Texas-Mexico border. Built by unscrupulous developers, colonias often lack water, wastewater, garbage service, and electricity. This has led to high occurrences of disease like cholera and

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tuberculosis among the residents. To add insult to injury, faulty deeds, predatory lending, and other scams are all too familiar to Colonia residents, most of whom are Spanish speaking.

The population of colonias is estimated at more than 400,000. In recent years, attention by public officials has stemmed the growth of these communities. My office has sued many Colonia developers. But there is still much more to do.

To prevent other situations like colonias, and to stop other scams aimed at Spanish-speakers, we must cross the language barrier.

Of the six million Hispanic Texans, three million communicate primarily or exclusively in Spanish. This total is more than the population of some states. Even more significant, more than a million Texans have virtually no contact with English-speaking society. Linguistic isolation makes Spanish-speakers easy targets. This is why my office has developed one of the most innovative Spanish-language communications initiatives in government today.

Since 1999, we have produced an array of products to facilitate communication between this office and Spanish-speakers. We

offer more than 40 publications and brochures in Spanish about issues such as consumer protection, child abuse, rights of the elderly, child support, services for victims of violent crimes, and other important topics. In addition, our applications for services and correspondence are readily available in Spanish. Of course, we have a number of bilingual staff members who are ready to assist.

Our Web page further illustrates our work for Spanish-speakers. It is arguably the largest Internet source for information in Spanish produced by a government agency, not just in Texas, but in the United States. The Spanish version of our Web site contains almost 400 pages of content and can be accessed by private citizens, service providers, other government agencies, public service groups, and members of the Spanish-language press. It offers downloadable versions of all of our Spanish publications, applications, and information regarding other responsibilities of our office.

For further information on our Spanish outreach efforts, contact Paco Felici, director of Spanish Communications at (512) 463-4501 or espanol@oag.state.tx.us. To obtain assistance from one of our bilingual staff members, call our Public Information and Assistance Division at (800) 252-8011.

To access the Spanish section of our Web site, go to www.oag.state.tx.us and click on the "Español" button.

the well-to-do, the world of work is often a hidden and mysterious realm. But for girls whose mothers are among the majority of women laboring in low-paid service and manufacturing sectors, going to work with mom is more likely an everyday experience—one that will probably lower self-confidence, reduce expectations, and damage self-esteem.

Some mothers have a long history of taking their daughters to work-sponsored not by the Ms. Foundation, but by low wages and a lack of after-school care. Throughout rural America, young girls still accompany their working mothers into the fields, and assist in stoop labor. In cities, they wait at the end of the counter until their moms finish their shifts at the cleaners, the restaurant, or the beauty salon.

In immigrant and refugee neighborhoods, girls too young for working papers still help with piecework, or wait in sweatshops and garment factories. In the suburbs, they work with their moms after hours—vacuuming and emptying wastebaskets in office buildings, changing sheets, and cleaning toilets in private households. Consider Olivia, the daughter of a Mexican domestic worker cleaning private homes in Los Angeles.

"I started to realize that every day I went to somebody else's house. Everybody's house had different rules. ... mother says that she constantly had to watch me, because she tried to get me to sit

FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas

Say one thing, do another is motto in Washington, DC

The official motto of Washington, DC is: "Say one thing, do another."

Take the new regime of Bush the Second, for example. The two top officials appointed to oversee our environment have loudly said that they'll protect our air, water, and other natural resources. But if you look at their records, you'll see that putting them in charge is like hiring Bonnie and Clyde to be bank guards.

As interior secretary, Gale Norton is supposed to be the steward of our national lands, forests, and waterways, shooing off the spoilers and speculators that constantly scheme to pollute these invaluable resources. But Norton comes to the job not as some tireless conservationist, but as a tenacious "corporatist," including having been a Washington lobbyist for the likes of NL Industries Inc., a notorious polluter responsible for 75 super-



Jim Hightower

fund and other toxic waste sites. Norton also was national chairwoman for Republican Environmental Advocates, a front group funded and controlled by oil, chemical, mining, and timber companies. She even gave a speech asserting that a corporation's property rights include the "right to pollute."

How about Christie Whitman, the New Jersey governor appointed by Bush to lead the Environmental Protection Agency? Some protector. As governor, she slashed her state's environmental enforcement budget by 30 percent, eliminated the position of environmental prosecutor, abolished the office of

public advocate in the state environmental agency, weakened state oversight of pesticide use, eliminated the state's hazardous waste program, tried to eliminate the clean water enforcement act, failed to implement farm-worker health protections, and allowed polluters to monitor their own air and water emissions, letting them comply with regulations on a voluntary basis.

While Gale Norton and Christie Whitman mouth soothing words about good stewardship, their hands will be holding open the doors for polluters. With the Bush Administration, watch their hands -- not their lips.

Radio talk-show host and author, Jim Hightower is a former Agricultural Commissioner of Texas. His latest book is "If The Gods Had Meant Us To Vote, They Would Have Given Us Candidates" (Harper-Collins).

Careers

My Careers-to-Classrooms program actually is modeled after a highly successful Defense Department program, called "Troops to Teachers," that encourages career military service men and women with specialized knowledge and skills to enter the classroom and teach. This program already has placed

more than 500 new teachers in Texas, and more than 3,000 nationwide.

Similarly, my proposal would help states to tap into the burgeoning high tech and related fields to encourage those individuals to share their cutting edge knowledge with our public school students.

I am a product of the

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public schools, first in my hometown of La Marque and then at the University of Texas in Austin. You will find no greater fan of strong public schools, and good teachers are what make them strong. The better they are, the better chance all children in America will have to reach their full potential.

Take Our Daughters to Work... but, where?

By MARY ROMERO

The Ms. Foundation developed "Take Our Daughters to Work Day" in an effort to boost girls' self-confidence by exposing them to career women in the workforce. In April 2000, the day included special events that introduced girls to high technology occupations, NASA's Women in Space program, Congressional staffers on Capitol Hill, and other high-paying, non-traditional female professional jobs.

This is all well and good for girls in the middle and upper classes. That fourth Thursday in April may encourage them to enter highly-paid and prestigious fields currently dominated by men. For sheltered children of

dominated, low-paid occupational categories like maids, laundresses, waitresses, and so on.

Using a model of social change in place of individual achievement and class status empowers our daughters by challenging the way work is organized in U.S. society. For this April, let's send our daughters to work with:

- women and men who are developing legislation to promote social and economic justice;
- union members bargaining for flexible work options;
- activists who are organizing communities to support living-wage campaigns;
- and, working people from diverse class backgrounds and job descriptions, so that all our

daughters can get a first-hand glimpse of how work is organized, how workers are differently empowered and fulfilled by their work, and how work is often segregated by race, class, gender, and ability.

Rather than highlighting individual pioneers in prestigious positions, these initiatives will shift the focus to political action, collective organizing, and other efforts by working women which will really help our daughters remain strong, confident, and bold.

Mary Romero teaches at Arizona State University and is author of "Maid in the U.S." This article appeared in "Dollars and Sense," a publication by the Economic Affairs Bureau, Inc., Somerville, MA.

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Vibrant colors typify David Wong's paintings, which will be shown during the Wildflower Art Show here March 31-April 1.

California artist to show vibrant paintings here March 31-April 1

California artist David P.H. Wong will travel to Salado to show in the Wildflower Art Show March 31-April 1 on the grounds of the Salado Civic Center.

Featuring approximately 75 artists and craftsmen in a wide range of media, the Art Show will be open 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday, March 31 and 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Sunday, April 1. There is no admission fee.

About the artist

David P. H. Wong was born in Canton, China in 1949, where he first began to paint at the age of eight. His teachers soon recognized his talent and within a year he was sent to Shiu Nin Geka, which was a special school for gifted kids.

At the age of 15 David was sent to the Canton School of Art, where he became one of the first Chinese artist to paint oils



in the traditional Western manner. By the time he was twenty years old, David was one of the major forces in this "new" style of painting. But because the Chinese government controlled all the media, including all artistic endeavors, David could not paint the subjects he chose nor in the style he wanted. So, in the name of artistic freedom,

David was forced to flee his beloved country. In 1969 he walked away from his life in China and went to Hong Kong where he soon became a well established artist with his own studio. In August of 1977, David left Hong Kong to come to the United States to begin a new chapter of his life.

In dealing with his art-

work, David has said that he attempts to give each one of his paintings a life of its own. He achieves this through the bold use of his palette knife and with his choice of vibrant colors. If there is a message to be found in his art, David says that it is in the life and vitality he attempts to express in his paintings.

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The exhibition on tour encompasses works created by two decades of former students enrolled in the graduate printmaking program at Indiana University, Bloomington.

Roy Sieber, Associate Director of the National Museum of African Art at the Smithsonian Institution, attributes the current art of printmaking since World War II to three major printmakers, including Rudy Pozzatti. A specialist in woodcut, intaglio, and lithography, Pozzatti initiated the current program of printmaking at Indiana University. His influence on the program can be witnessed in this exhibition, through the formal and conceptual adventurousness, technical expertise and aesthetic impact of the works on view.

Artists represented are practicing artists and artists who also teach at universities including Southwestern University Associate Professor of Art, Victoria Star Varner. Other artists include Yugi Hiratsuka, Donald Depuydt, Gerry Wubben, Jerald Krepps, Ed Bernstein and Jane Abrams. This exhibition is open to the public, and is held in conjunction with the 29th annual meeting of the Southern Graphics Council in Austin.

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The Outlander mixes romance, history and danger to create a magical reading

By PATTY CAMPBELL

The Outlander by Diana Gabaldon is a rousing, good read of romance and adventure. It is a time-travel story that includes history, love, danger, torture, witchcraft and redemption.

The story begins in Scotland in 1945. Claire Randall, a former British combat nurse, and her husband Frank are vacationing in Inverness and getting reacquainted since most of their married life, they have been apart due to the war. An ancient stone circle near their lodgings seems to draw Claire, and when she touches a corner of one of the giant boulders, she is hurtled back in time to the year 1743.

Scotland at that time is very different with rumors of Bonnie Prince Charlie, ignorance and superstition everywhere, not to mention pestilence and disease. Claire's usual resourcefulness is tested to the limit. She meets up with Black Jack Randall, an English garrison captain feared by many who bears a striking physical resemblance to her husband. Claire's own appearance and odd behavior expose her to accu-

sations of witchcraft. She is caught up in political intrigues she does not understand.

However, the most disturbing peril she faces is the person of Jamie Fraser, a young Scottish soldier who rescues her and whom she is forced to marry for her own protection. The emotion between them are stronger and far more real than anything she has ever known.

Determined to make the best of things, Claire uses her nurse's training to help heal the sick, her wits to foil those who would brand her a spy, and her courage to elude her would-be captors. As she and Jamie grow closer in feelings for one another, Claire is tested again and again as she must

rescue him from Black Jack Randall, who has tortured Jamie unmercifully. Then Claire must use all her resources to bring Jamie back to himself and away from the horrors he has endured.

During all this time, Claire has been plotting how she can return to the standing stone and through them, return to her own time and her husband, Frank. However, as she struggles with the memories of that other life, Claire comes to realize that the life she chooses is the one in the past with Jamie.

If I have made this book sound like an ordinary, run-of-the-mill romance novel, I am sorry to have misled you. Diane Gabaldon's writing and charac-

terizations are far above the norm. Her plot twists and turns keep the reader deeply involved. Her characters, whether good or evil, are full, fleshed out and very real. Her historical research is accurate.

Gabaldon wrote *The Outlander* in 1991. Since then, she has written three sequels, *Dragonfly in Amber*, *The Voyager* and *The Drums of Autumn*. All are as good as *The Outlander*.

I have read all four novels and am eagerly awaiting the fifth, which Gabaldon promised and which the ending of *The Drums of Autumn* demands.

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The Kimbell Art Museum in Ft. Worth will present 88 of the finest paintings from this collection in their first major loan exhibition outside Australia. The exhibit, "European Masterpieces: Six Centuries of Paintings from the National Gallery of Victoria, Australia," opens to the public March 18 and continues through May 27.

The Gallery in Australia is undergoing a multi-million dollar extension, which has necessitated a



Camille Pissarro's "Boulevard Montmartre, Morning, Cloudy Weather," painted in 1897, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne, Felton Bequest, 1905.

temporary closing, allowing this historic exhibit to take place.

This may be the only time that a wide American audience will have the opportunity to enjoy first-hand one of the great painting collections of the world.

Included are works by

major artists from the 14th to the 20th century, including Hans Memling, Jacopo Tintoretto, Claude Lorrain, Anthony van Dyck, Rembrandt, Canaletto, Joshua Reynolds, J.M.W. Turner, Edouard Manet, Claude Monet, Camille Pissarro and Pablo Picasso.

The National Gallery was founded in the then self-governing colony of Victoria in 1861, a decade earlier than the major public art museums of Boston, New York and Philadelphia.

After a decade of cut-backs in the 1890s, the Gallery became the beneficiary of Melbourne businessman Alfred Felton (1831-1904), who has emerged as one of the great art philanthropists of the 20th century.

In 1905, the Gallery's young director, Bernard Hall, visited Europe, armed with the first year's income from the Felton Bequest, and made what was for Melbourne and astonishing and radical choice: Pissarro's *Boulevard Montmartre* of 1897, one of the artist's most significant works.

French Impressionist and post-Impressionist paintings were acquired in the decades to come, including two Monets.

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Texas State History Museum opens April 21

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The State Preservation Board and construction management firm Thos. S. Byrne, Inc., are overseeing the construction of the Museum by Constructors & Associates, Inc. The Museum was designed by B. Vemer Johnson and Associates of Boston with associate architect HKS, Inc. of Dallas. The exterior of the Museum is clad in Sunset Red granite (from the same quarry as the granite of the Texas Capitol) and is topped by a

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Exhibit will feature

- The Bible that save the life of Sam Houston, Jr. during the Civil War battle of Shiloh when a bullet lodged in its pages, stopping at the 70th Psalm: "O god, Thou art my help and deliverer."
- Pride features an ornate, eight-foot-tall secretary with 137 different kinds of Texas wood and inlaid symbols of Texas heritage made in 1904 by a 13-year-old boy for the St. Louis World's Fair.

majestic copper dome. Six sculpture panels on the front of the building evoke different chapters of the exciting story of Texas, including Native American knowledge of the land, the aftermath of the Alamo, westward expansion of railroads and cattle drives, immigration and the growth of commerce, the oil boom and the challenge of space frontiers. Visitors can walk under a monumental 35-foot tall bronze star, the highlight of the Museum's Lone Star Plaza. The six flags of Texas, flying on 50-foot tall flagpoles, frame this spectacular entry to the Museum.

The Museum's expansive lobby features a dramatic, four-story rotunda with a stunning granite staircase. A unique 40-foot diameter terrazzo design is centered in the floor of the rotunda. The intricate design by Robert T. Ritter incorporates 47 colors to depict a campfire scene with enduring themes from Texas' past. Circling the perimeter of the design are the words: Born Around the Campfires of Our Past -- The Story of Texas. As visitors pass through the rotunda, they enter the Grand Lobby and stand on a polished granite map of Texas, which is approximately 50 feet in diameter.

The Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum has three floors of engaging, state-of-the-art exhibits and 17 different media and interactive experiences that trace Texas history from before European exploration to recent times. A temporary exhibit gallery on the first floor also features short-term exhibits on topics and themes related to Texas and its history. The Museum boasts Austin's only IMAX Theatre with 2-D and 3-D capabilities, as well as a multimedia special effects Texas Spirit Theatre -- the only one of its kind in Texas. Other Museum amenities include a 200-seat indoor/outdoor Cafe, a Texas Fair-themed Store, classrooms and an underground parking garage that can accommodate 476 vehicles.

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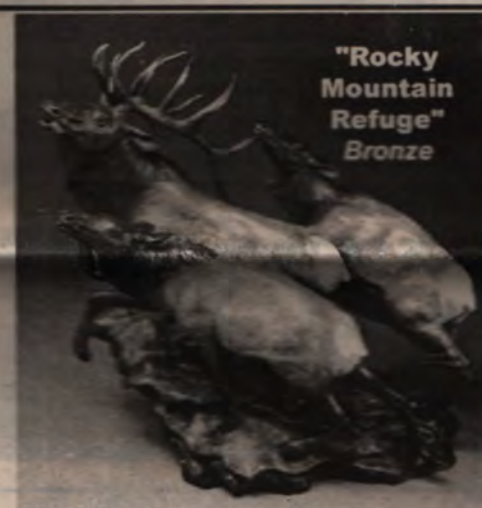
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Top professional Western Swing musicians for this 5th annual event will be playing for both musical events. Headlining the show will be Randy Elmore with the Boys in

the Band, Tommy Morrell, Curly Hollingsworth, Greg Hardy, Mark Abbott, Dave Alexander, Buck Reams, Ricky Turpin, Wes Westmoreland, The Quebe Sisters, Joey McKenzie, Sherrie Hill-McKenzie and Damion Green.

Ricky Turpin, one of the outstanding featured musicians, began his musical career at the age of 12 years. In 1981, he won the World Series of Fiddling and in 1984, he won the 1st runner up at the Grand Nationals. At the age of

19, he began playing western swing. Later, he toured and played with Johnny Bush, toured and recorded with Asleep at the Wheel and Rick Trevino. Ricky has had the honor of winning two Grammy Awards. He has also recorded with Merle Haggard, George Strait, Chet Atkins, Suzy Bogguss, Brooks and Dunn, Vince Gill, Huey Lewis, Lyle Lovett, Willie Nelson, Dolly Parton and Marty Stuart. Currently, Ricky is doing session work and playing with several bands.

He also give private fiddle instruction.

Admission to the afternoon performance is \$8 and dance admission is \$10. Dinner tickets are \$7.50 and must be purchased prior to March 24. No dinner tickets will be sold at the door.

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Not many married couples on television shows

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We spend way too much time with television. Our speaking schedule takes us away a lot, but when we're home we spend a few evening hours watching the tube.

My wife keeps up with the schedules. I couldn't tell you what shows come on which nights. She mentioned to me the other night that not many of the shows we watch have married couples on them.

I got out the TV schedule and made a list of the shows we try to catch. We regularly watch SEINFELD re-runs. Nobody on that show is married.

It reminds me of an adult OUR GANG COMEDY. It's a bunch of thirty-year-olds who hang around together and discuss everything.

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Think back to the 18th century and imagine the smells that must have existed in a society with little plumbing, no refrigeration for food and a tradition of infrequent bathing and laundering. To mask the odors, homemade pomanders, powders, scented waters and potpourri were used. Concoctions of lavender, rosemary, sage, mint, garlic, wormwood, rue, cinnamon, clover and nutmeg were mixed with vinegar to create a fresh smell.

The pungent liquids were kept in small enameled boxes, glass or ceramic urns, and bottles. Tiny silver or gold boxes held sponges soaked in these liquids. Large containers of the mixtures were kept open in a room, and small ones were carried to be sniffed when needed.

By the 19th century, small porcelain bottles that looked like figurines, perhaps a shepherdess or a gentleman, were popular as scent holders. The figure's head was the stopper. Many of the major potteries, including Chelsea,

show about defense attorneys. The main couple has just got married. One of the attorneys is single and pregnant. Another attorney has a child but is divorced. The rest are unmarried.

BOSTON PUBLIC is about a high school. The principal might be married, but I've never heard him mention his wife. The teachers are all single or act that way. One is in love with a student.

ALLY MCBEAL is a show about single attorneys who are mostly interested in sex.

FRAZIER has been married, but is not now. His brother has had two failed marriages and is now in love with his father's physical therapist. The father is a widower.

JUDGING AMY is about a judge who lives with her mother. Both the

judge and her mother are not married. Judge Amy's brother has a female roommate who has a baby.

ED is about a lawyer who has a bowling alley. He is divorced.

WEST WING is about the goings-on at the White House. The President is married, but everybody else on the show is too busy with politics and the press corps to think about love and marriage.

DIAGNOSIS MURDER features a physician with a hobby of crime fighting. He is not married. Neither is his detective son.

PROVIDENCE is about a single female doctor who has a single brother and sister and a widowed father.

CSI is about crime scene investigators. The main character is such an expert at his work and spends so much time with it he couldn't possibly have a home life. If he does, he certainly doesn't talk about it.

NASH BRIDGES is a San Francisco detective who is divorced. His father is single. Nash's partner Joe is married.

Most TV shows, situation comedies especially, are about young people who are finding their way. Come to think of it, I guess it's always been that way. Look at MASH and THE BEVERLY HILLBILLIES. Very few married folks. Maybe TV reflects life more than we think it does.



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Garlic Dill Shrimp Spread

- 1 lb. fresh boiled shrimp
- 1 T. mayonnaise
- 1 (8 oz.) pkg. cream cheese
- 1/2 garlic powder
- 2 T. grated onion
- 1-1/2 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
- 1 T. ketchup
- 1 T. lemon juice
- 1 T. dill seed

Chop shrimp, reserving some whole ones for garnish. Combine all other ingredients, except dill seed, and blend well. Add chopped shrimp. Shape as desired and chill several hours. Garnish with whole shrimp and dill seed.

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By Samantha Mazzotta

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My neighbor told me that I should drain my water heater a couple of times a year. Is this all right?
 -Doris A., Selma, Ala.

Yes-in fact, it's recommended for most water heaters. Partially draining the water heater every six months will remove accumulated sediment, rust or mineral deposits from the bottom of the unit. And this, in turn, improves efficiency and can prolong its service life. Draining the water heater isn't too difficult, either. Just follow these few steps exactly, and this task will be painless.

• Turn off the water

supply to the heater. Newer heaters should have their own shutoff valves, but if yours doesn't, then you'll have to shut off the water main.

• If your heater is electric, turn it off.

• Open all the hot-water faucets in the house. This way, air won't get trapped in the pipes.

• Place a bucket underneath the drain tap at the bottom of the heater. If necessary, attach a short piece of flexible hose (an old garden hose with the screw attachment at one end is perfect) to the spigot and run it to the bucket.

• Open the tap and let 3-4 quarts of water drain out. You should see some sediment in the bucket.

• Close the drain and turn on the water supply; then, turn all the hot water faucets in the house off.

• Turn the heater back on. After 30 minutes, check to make sure hot water is flowing.

This is a simple way to keep your water heater healthy. I also recommend that you inspect the heater's components on the same day you perform the partial drain. Look for corrosion, cracks or leaks on the outer shell of the tank, as well as the water and overflow lines running into the top of the unit.

HOT TIP: Since I regularly recommend that homeowners keep a yearly maintenance schedule, I'm very

happy to alert you to the following. The fourth edition of "The Home Owner's Journal: What I Did & When I Did It" by Colleen Jenkins is on shelves now. This handy record keeper not only provides a room-by-room maintenance checklist, but also gives tax and record-keeping advice, and has plenty of extra, tick-marked pages for taking notes or making quick sketches. So, do-it-yourselfers, head to the nearest bookstore or home-improvement center and pick up a copy. (And don't ask for mine - I ain't lettin' it go!)

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Don't open Book of Shadows, a lousy sequel to Blair Witch

Video Review

by Tim Fleischer

What begins as a promising premise for a scary sequel to the Blair Witch Project, *Book of Shadows: Blair Witch 2* quickly descends into banality and stupidity.

While *Book of Shadows* had a production budget many times that of its predecessor, it is not enough to save this movie.

Everything that gave Blair Witch Project a fresh, innovative approach to film-making is absent from the sequel.

First, the viewer has no sense that the characters are really scared. (Blame that on the poor acting of the D-list actors). In the first movie, the actors were also unheard-of, but were able to portray fear

convincingly. According to interviews and articles at the time of its space-rocket rise to popularity, the actors really were scared because much of the film was ad-libbed.

Not so with *Book of Shadows*, which tries to build on the mythical nature of the Blair Witch and Burkittsville.

The underlying story of *Book of Shadows* is what happens to a group of five Blair Witch fans during the missing hours of the night spent at the ruins of the old house where seven chil-

dren were slain.

Weaving in snippets of mysticism, witchcraft, ritual, murder and madness, *Book of Shadows* goes everywhere.

And nowhere. All at the same time.

Jeffrey Donovan is a former mental patient who leads the group into the woods. He is continually hounded by the Sheriff of Burkittsville, portrayed by veteran character actor Lanny Flaherty. In fact, Flaherty's bit part in the film is one of the only bright spots of it, espe-

cially the point in which he calls Jeff to tell him to turn on the news of the ritualistic murders of five campers found in the woods.

Little, if anything, catches the viewer off-guard as *Book of Shadows* falls into the typical rhythm of the horror genre. *The Blair Witch Project*, on the other hand, could have gone anywhere. While its conclusion was forgone, *The Blair Witch Project* was like a carnival ride. *Book of Shadows* is more like a ride in Grandma's car, sharing the back-seat with your aunt with the cloying perfume.

It's just not fun. But it is available on video wherever you choose to rent yours.

Chorus Austin slates performances

Chorus Austin will offer several concerts during March, including the following events:

March 19: Organ concert by the Austin Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. Jean Fuller, Erin Mullenbruch and Elaine Dykstra will perform "Bach and the High German Masters." The concert is co-sponsored by Chorus Austin and the Austin Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. Concert will be 8 p.m. March 19 at the St. Louis Catholic Church, 7601 Burnet Rd. Tickets are \$18 for preferred seating, \$12 general seating and \$10 students/seniors.

March 22: Chamber vocal and instrumental ensemble La Follia will present music of the Bach Family. "Bach Family Values" highlights J.S. Bach's illustrious sons Wilhelm Friedemann, Johann Christian and Carl Phillip Emmanuel, as well as compositions by the old master himself. La Follia specializes in presenting musical pieces on historically accurate instruments, using authentic baroque performing practices. Special Guest William Cory will perform on forte piano, and Barrett Sills will perform on viola de gamba and baroque cello. Performance

is 8 p.m. March 22 at First English Lutheran Church, 3001 Whitis Avenue. Tickets are \$18 for preferred seating, \$12 general seating, \$10 students/seniors.

March 23-24: "Fire of the American Spirit" by the Austin Civic Chorus and the Austin Vocal arts Ensemble, plus brass. Performance will feature a brass ensemble and two of the vocal performance groups under Chorus Austin's umbrella: the 100-voice Austin Civic Chorus and the 35-voice Austin Vocal Arts Ensemble.

They will perform works of American com-

posers such as Dello Joio (*To St. Cecilia*), Gershwin (*Medley from Porgy and Bess*), Parker-Shaw (*Seeing Nellie Home*), Copland (*Long Time Ago and At the River*), Martin (*Great Day*), Webster (*Lorena*) and more.

March 23 at 8 p.m. at St. Matthews Episcopal Church, 8134 Mesa Dr.

March 24 at 8 p.m. at Bethany Lutheran Church, 3701 W. Slaughter Lane.

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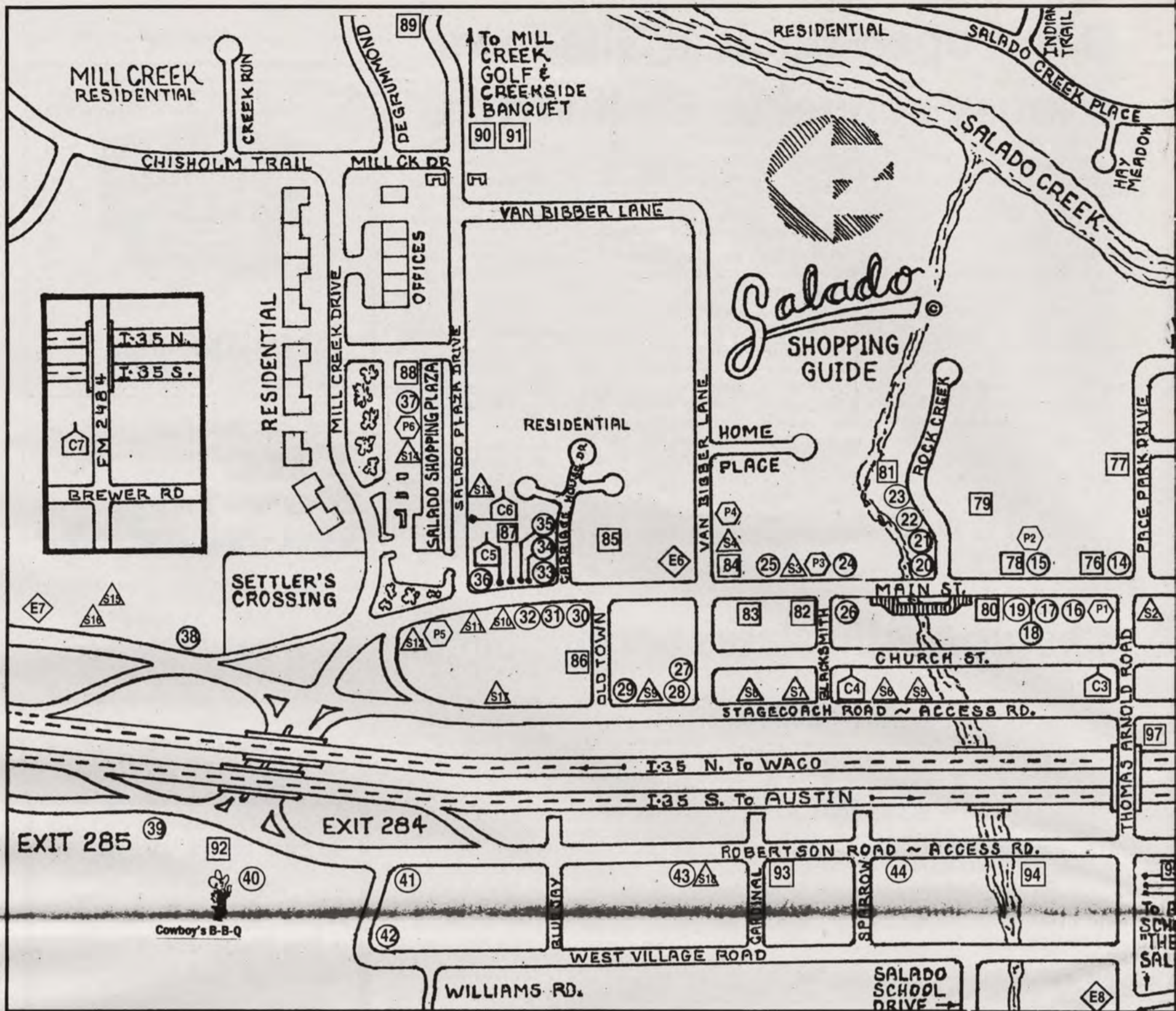
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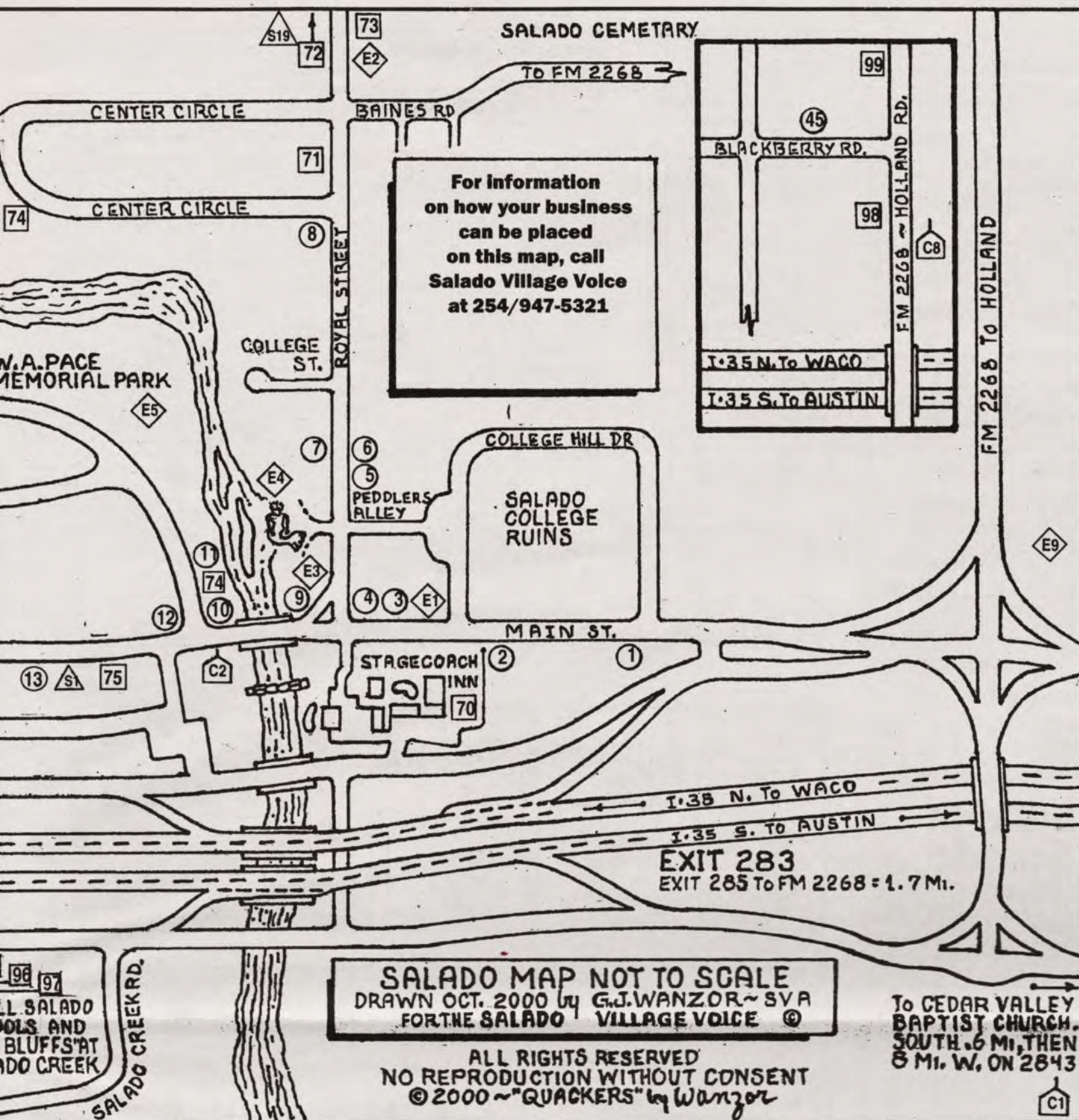
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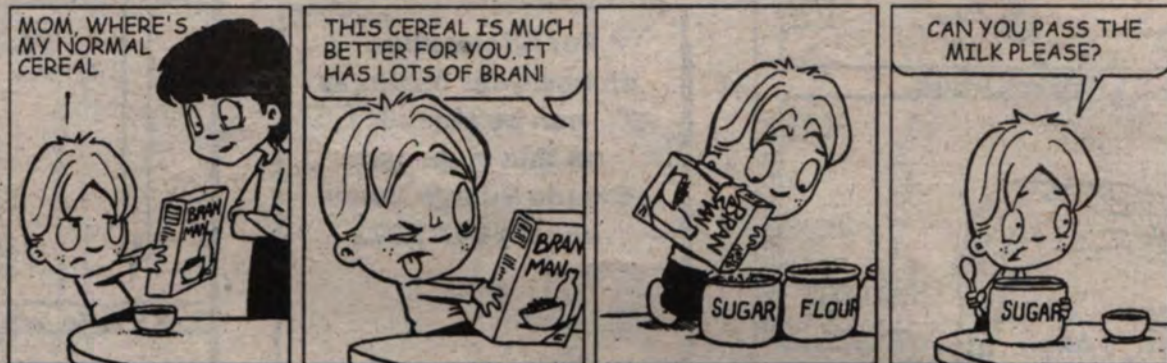
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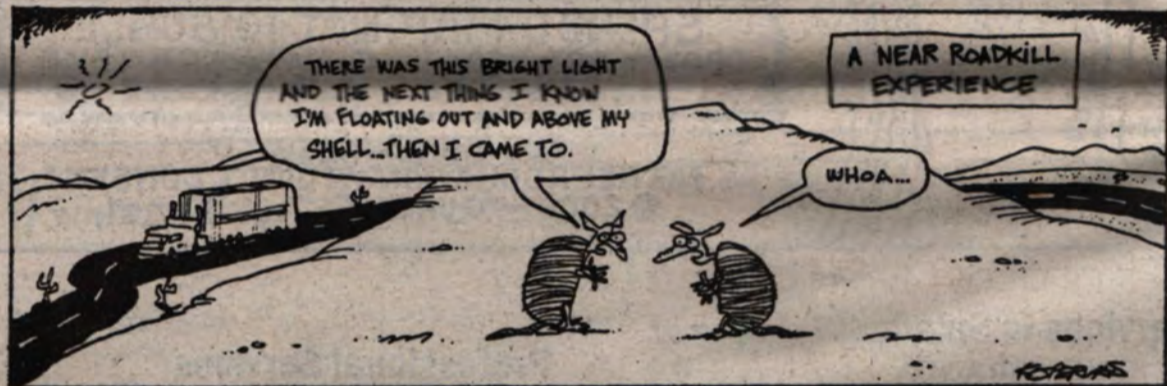
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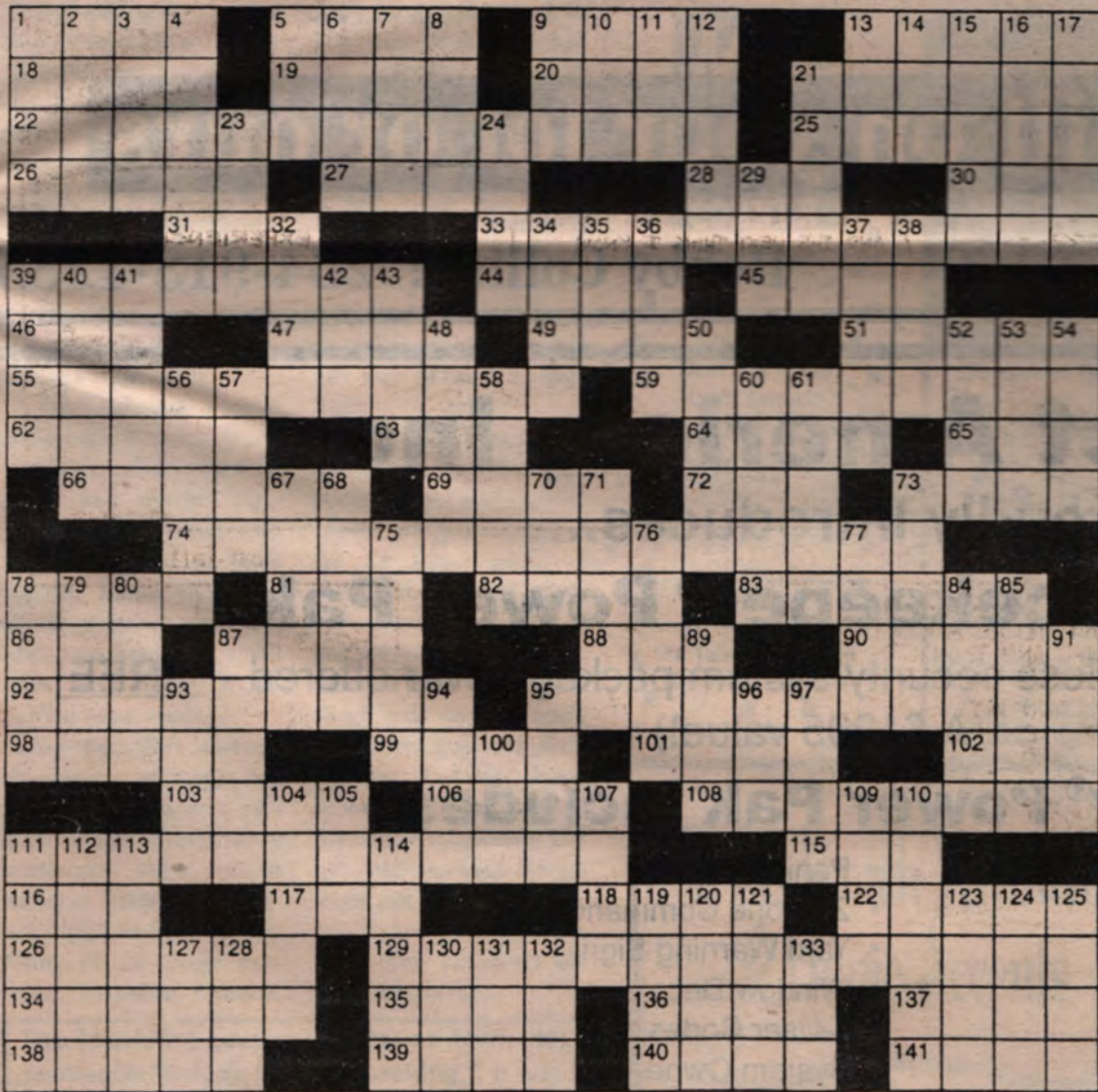
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Hirt hit
 - 5 Kudrow or Hartman
 - 9 Lucas character
 - 13 Gullible one
 - 18 Rueful cry
 - 19 Certain Semite
 - 20 Imported cheese
 - 21 Extragalactic object
 - 22 DIRECTOR PICKS KAPLAN TO PLAY LINCOLN!
 - 25 Author Le Guin
 - 26 Prepare to propose
 - 27 Valueless
 - 28 Hum bug?
 - 30 ABA member
 - 31 Fix a fight
 - 33 "WHEEL" RATINGS PLUNGE!
 - 39 More meager
 - 44 "Graf —"
 - 45 Navigation hazard
 - 46 Film, for short
 - 47 Castilian custard
 - 49 Commoner
 - 51 Arm bones
 - 55 CARNEY IN NEW FILM!
 - 59 Vaudeville staple
 - 62 Disdain
 - 63 Unduly
 - 64 "— -Ca-Dabra" ('74 song)
 - 65 JFK Library architect
 - 66 Beethoven symphony
 - 69 Velvety plant
 - 72 Pro-gun grp.
 - 73 Little helper?
 - 74 SANDLER GOES ON TOUR!
 - 78 Ever's partner
 - 81 Slugger's stat
 - 82 Attempt
 - 83 Sulky
 - 86 Moon crawler
 - 87 "— a Song Go . . ."
 - 88 TV s "The — Patrol"
 - 90 Prelim
 - 92 Plumbing tool
 - 95 AFFLECK WINS SECOND OSCAR!
 - 98 Ho hi
 - 99 — Kong
 - 101 Roof part
 - 102 "Holy cow!"
 - 103 "Casablanca" character
 - 106 Crucifix
 - 108 Agitated
 - 111 HAGMAN PLANS NUPTIALS!
 - 115 Piggy
 - 116 Khan opener?
 - 117 Castilian cry
 - 118 Head set?
 - 122 Croc's kin
 - 126 Mideastern mall?
 - 129 PAQUIN GETS STARRING ROLE!
 - 134 In public
 - 135 Row
 - 136 General Bradley
 - 137 Final
 - 138 Alarm button
 - 139 Raucous noise
 - 140 — Hari
 - 141 Actress Merrill
 - DOWN**
 - 1 Item in a trunk
 - 2 Economist Greenspan
 - 3 Ming thing
 - 4 Behind a windjammer
 - 5 Fall behind
 - 6 OPEC member
 - 7 "Elephant Boy" star
 - 8 Cain's victim
 - 9 "Of course!"
 - 10 Harem room
 - 11 Apply gently
 - 12 Petite parasite
 - 13 Mongrel
 - 14 Owns
 - 15 Nothing special
 - 16 Mediter-ranean island
 - 17 Brooklyn school
 - 21 Suppress
 - 23 Skirt feature
 - 24 Skiers' mecca
 - 29 Wee one
 - 32 Present
 - 34 Datebook abbr.
 - 35 — Aviv
 - 36 Charges
 - 37 "The March King"
 - 38 Fedora fabric
 - 39 Mineral springs
 - 40 She brought out the beast in men
 - 41 Part owner?
 - 42 Urban transport
 - 43 Absorbed
 - 48 Ruth's mother-in-law
 - 50 Mont —
 - 52 Puppy bites
 - 53 Fighter pilots
 - 54 "SNL" bit
 - 56 Haunted-house sound
 - 57 Oklahoma city
 - 58 Alex Haley book
 - 60 Pianist Chasins
 - 61 Bandleader Perez
 - 67 Bergonzi or Ponti
 - 68 "Waves of grain" color
 - 70 Fast flier
 - 71 Bright
 - 73 Between three
 - 75 Bum a ride
 - 76 Humble
 - 77 Soprano's showcase
 - 78 Jessica of "Dark Angel"
 - 79 Comic Carter
 - 80 Melville novel
 - 84 Play ground?
 - 85 Great Lake natives
 - 87 Po land
 - 89 It'll give you a lift
 - 91 Change for a five
 - 93 Helicopter sound
 - 94 Circle dance
 - 95 Sikorsky or Stravinsky
 - 96 First offender
 - 97 Jay's house
 - 100 Negative correlative
 - 104 It may be tall
 - 105 Internet acronym
 - 107 Colors
 - 109 Demetrius' duds
 - 110 Inclined
 - 111 Sweat and slave
 - 112 Dumbstruck
 - 113 Brings down the house
 - 114 Thought-provoking
 - 119 Particle
 - 120 Mafia or Downey
 - 121 Petty clash?
 - 123 Prepare to fly
 - 124 — even keel
 - 125 Sita's husband
 - 127 Chemical suffix
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 - 131 Unused
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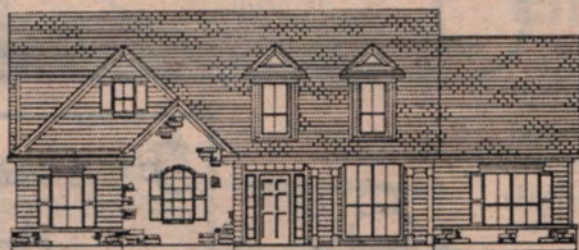
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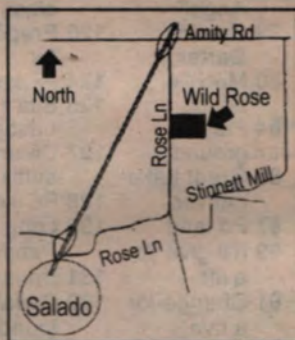
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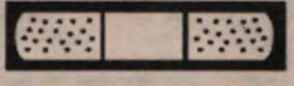
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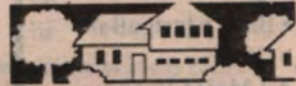
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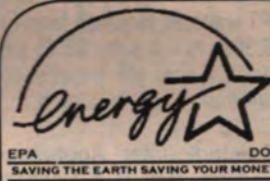
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
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A: Taking the shims out from around or beneath the door's frame won't straighten everything out. Those small wooden wedges were prob-

ably put there to square the door frame when the house first began to settle. However, all homes slowly succumb to the pull of gravity, and yours has definitely settled further. This means that, even if the door frame seems to settle a bit straighter when you pull the shims out, it still won't be aligned properly.

If you're serious about straightening out that frame, then you will have to re-hang the bathroom door.

You can remove the door and replace the hinge jamb — the vertical

wood piece that the door's hinges are screwed into using a mortise tool to square up the frame and hang the door straight.

Or, you can replace the door and frame with a complete, pre-hung interior door assembly. The benefit here is that you get a perfectly plumb frame for the wallpaper job, and your bathroom door will close. A hollow core interior door assembly can cost as little as \$100.

Both these fixes take a bit more time to explain than I have space for in this column, so talk to a home

improvement professional about performing them. In fact, if you've never done this sort of repair work, enlist the help of an experienced friend or a licensed contractor.

Now, the other option is cheaper and less time-consuming, but your home's aesthetics may take a hit. Hang the wallpaper according to the plumb line (not the angle of the door frame), and fill in the ensuing gap between the door's molding and the edge of the wallpaper with a neatly cut patch.

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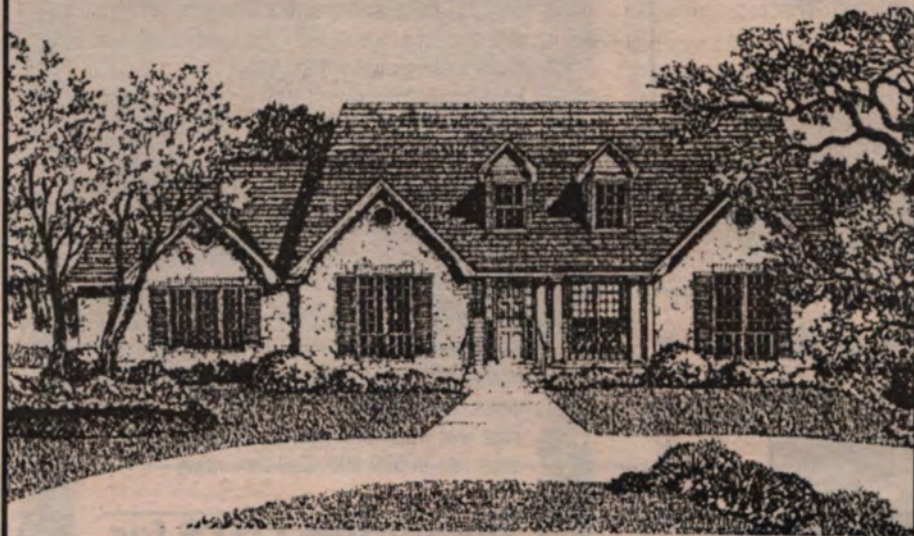


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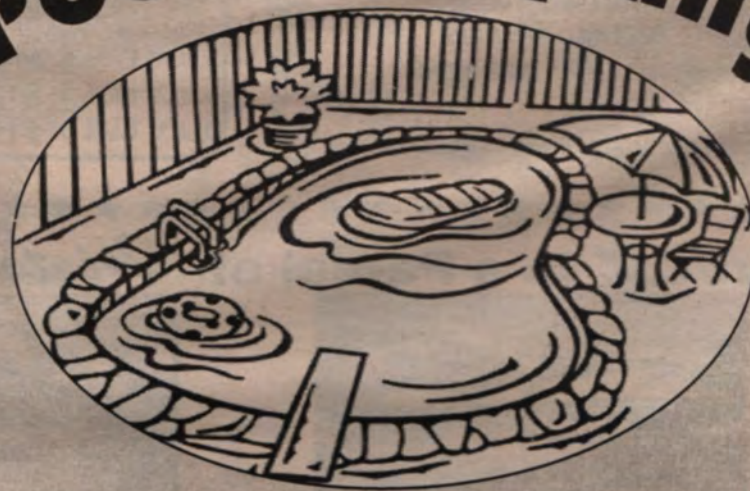


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Residential

- **\$68,000** - 3 BR, 2 BA manufactured home in the country. Under Contract.
- **\$99,900** - Old farm house, barn fences on 61.53 acres. Under Contract.
- **\$127,900** - 3 BR, 2 BA home on 2 acres in quiet neighborhood. Storage bldg.
- **\$130,000** - 3 BR, 2 BA new home on wooded lot. Split bedroom plan.
- **\$132,800** - Walk to Mill Creek Country Club. Under Contract.
- **\$135,900** - Close to Mill Creek Pro Shop. Under Contract.
- **\$136,500** - 4 BR Mill Creek home on cul-de-sac. Deluxe master, large den.
- **\$137,900** - 4.1 acres. Fenced backyard, fireplace, raised ceilings.
- **\$149,900** - Patio home on the golf course. 3 BR, 2 BA, studio above garage.
- **\$169,900** - Walking distance to Pro Shop. Granite counter tops.
- **\$175,000** - Cliffs on Canyon Creek. 4 BR, 2 BA, great master suite.
- **\$179,000** - Quiet cul-de-sac in Mill Creek. 3 BR, office, 2 dining.
- **\$187,000** - 4 BR, 2-1/2 BA, formal dining, breakfast nook.
- **\$192,000** - 4/2/2 on large lot. Heated pool & jacuzzi. 2" wood blinds throughout.
- **\$199,321** - 4 BR, 2 BA located in Mill Creek Springs.
- **\$199,800** - 4 BR, 3 BA on 2 wooded acres. Hot tub! Under Contract.
- **\$210,000** - 10' ceilings, fireplace, breakfast nook, 4 BR, 3 BA.
- **\$215,000** - 10 acres of trees surround custom built stone home.
- **\$219,900** - 7-1/2 acres, fenced, wood burning stove, oversized kitchen.
- **\$237,021** - Overlook 14th Fairway. Immaculate home. Gameroom.
- **\$239,500** - Rock home with barn & roping arena on 10 acres.
- **\$242,800** - A showcase home with tons of extras. Separate 2 story building.
- **\$245,000** - 3 BR, 3 BA Mill Creek home with indoor pool and hot tub.
- **\$259,000** - Cornerstone home with upgraded energy saving package.
- **\$289,000** - Country home with 7 wooded acres and wrap around porch.
- **\$299,021** - Elegant home within walking distance of downtown Salado.
- **\$438,000** - Texas style ranchette. In-door pool, hot tub & waterfall. Wooded.
- **\$475,000** - Native stone home on 15 acres on Lampasas River.
- **\$548,900** - 5 BR, 2-1/2 BA overlooking Creek and 8th Fairway on golf course.

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Commercial Property

- **\$69,900** - Duplex with excellent income potential. Belton location. Under Contract.
- **\$110,800** - Commercial or investment opportunity. Approximately 1401 S.F.
- **\$129,000** - Commercial building on I-35 in Belton. Office & warehouse. Under Contract.
- **\$150,000** - Prime location on Main Street. 2 BR, 1 BA. Lots of potential.
- **\$400,000** - Commercial building on I-35 frontage road & 2 mobile homes on 1.86 acres.

Acreage Available

- **163 acres** near Davilla in Milam Co. Under Contract.
- **150 acres** on Hwy 36 at Temple Airport.
- **15 acres** on I-35 at Exit 277. Road on 3 sides.
- **8.77 acres** on I-35 at crossover with road on 3 sides, Exit 286 at Salado.
- **3 acres**, all woods, good frontage, water available. Near Stillhouse Lake.
- **23.4 acres** 14 miles S. of Killeen, All woods, good hunting. \$75,000.

Lots

Mill Creek Lots

- Chisholm Trail - \$26,900
- #12 Lane - \$39,900 Under Contract.
- Old Mill Rd & S. Ridge - \$39,900

- Mill Creek Springs - \$30-\$75,000
- 700 Indian Trail - \$36,000

Other Lots

- Amanda Circle (2 lots) - \$9,500 each
- Hodge Canyon Dr. - \$22,000
- #8 Oak Park - \$8,000
- Lot #8, Great Oaks - \$42,000 Under Contract.

- Betty Place - \$22,000
- Royal Oaks - \$30,000
- Royal Oaks - \$45,000



\$187,000 - Large rooms with windows that focus on a beautiful wooded lot. Bright and open floor plan. Formal DR and breakfast nook. Master bedroom is split from other bedrooms with spacious master bath. Oversized utility room. 4 BR, 2-1/2 BA.



\$548,900 - Overlooking Salado Creek and the 8th Fairway on Mill Creek Golf Course, this 2-story antique brick with traditional charm is in pristine condition. 5 BR, 2-1/2 BA, formals, office & file room, 2 sun rooms, cabana and pool.



\$237,021 - Immaculate home in Mill Creek overlooking the 14th Fairway. This home has all the bells & whistles of a first class home. The Master BR with an oversized closet is downstairs. A large gameroom & 2 BRs are upstairs.



\$289,000 - Watch the deer from the deck & warm your feet by the outdoor fireplace. 7 acres with trees that shade this country home with wrap around porch. Sauna in the Master BR. Slate floors throughout the first floor. Over 500 SF office behind home & 30x30 shop.



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